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Book two in the stand alone series. Intended for the mature reader.

SIX

Men By Numbers Series

I grew up in the foster system and bounced around from place to place. I know what you're thinking. Bad things happened to me and fucked me up? Don't feel bad for me. I didn't know a privileged life, therefore I didn't miss one. I was what I was and I made it work. I actually had a few good homes in my lifetime, met some good people, but that's not what my story's about. It's not a Romeo and Juliet saga either, even if our stories do revolve around a similar basis. I knew a real love, a rare love, a love between two people that were never supposed to fall in love. Rival gang members are never allowed to fall in love and it cost us everything. The things I learned growing up the way I did is this: Love is deadly and often not real. People come and go and only the rare few stick around when shit gets tough. I learned the hard way what lurks behind false smiles, and that deceitful truths get whispered in sexual moans. I was taught that dark souls are not born but created, and you can avoid them, hide from them or learn and become them. Revenge sculpted and molded me into the darkest of souls, and with my wrath comes agony and torment more severe than hell itself. I took out six of the men who hurt my woman and I will be coming for the rest. Get in my way and I'll come for you too.

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CC says

Taylor Jake grew up in a variety of foster homes that enabled him to create a protective wall around his emotions. Upon meeting Haley as a teen, she became his family and part of his heart; however, Taylor's weakness was preyed upon by a rival gang and Haley paid the price of evil. Vowing to avenge Haley's pain, Taylor became Six, a killer succumbed by rage, guilt and inner turmoil.

"I was hollow, lost to what it felt like not to be lonely, and I was okay with that."

Fast forward fifteen years, Taylor "aka Six" is released from prison for his crimes but seeking revenge for the remaining gang members still lingers in his soul, as a day doesn't pass where he can forget that horrific night and the ensuing pain. Now a respectable bar owner, Six chooses to keep few close to him until a certain woman enters his bar that tests his restraint.

"She's too delicate for me. She's like a flower and I'm a weed growing strong around her. I'd strangle her and then everything that makes her bloom will be gone."

Misty is a woman down on her luck but is working her way through her own loss and is ready to start a fresh beginning. Upon being hired by Six, Misty is immediately attracted to him and once she starts getting mixed signals from Six, she isn't about to be ignored or overruled by him. What ensues are sexually charged exchanges and when they finally get together it is hot!

"All I want you to do is strip me bare, bite my neck, yank my hair, and fuck me until I'm a quivering mess. She draws out her words and I almost come without even touching her."

Based on his past, Six is resistant to give all he has to Misty in order to protect her and also his own heart. Just when Six is ready to move forward, his past comes back to haunt him and he must act to end it all.

"Carnage lays everywhere, blood and insides litter the walls and floor, and the whining of death is like a balm to my soul."

Six is a character that I liked immediately and felt the weight of his burden. Knowing his hurtful past and how it formed his present, I understood his resistance to pursue Misty but I loved how Misty fought to pierce his shield. With Six carrying such a need for revenge, I welcomed his violent path to give Haley reverence and peace.

While I am usually drawn to Ker Dukey's darker books, the plot in Six was mostly steady with a few lags in between. There were some areas where I would have enjoyed more development to further the impact and character dimension for Six, Misty, Haley, Lucky and Max. But, I did feel like I was immersed in Six's world. (view spoiler) Overall, I enjoyed Six and recommend!

**This was a (F)BR with Anna (aka Sweets) and Elfina (aka Dirty Birdy)!!! Thanks ladies!! :D xo*

Anna says

Wow i had, so many emotions, while reading, this book to start with, i just love secondary characters here, which is fab, cause i tend to get attached and love secondary characters wanting to know more about them and their life. I'm really curious to find out more about Lucky, because he seemed a bit weak in this book and you don't get to really know, why and when he realised, that to be loyal to Six is more important and worth risking his life and getting Vipers against him, yet he seemed an interesting character and i want to learn more about him, same about another secondary character Parker, she was very well developed in this book and seems a great mother, who just wants the best for her daughter and not to be treated by assholes as unworthy, cause she is a single mother, i also loved her sense of humour and what a great friend she was to Misty and of course her daughter Emma is just so sweet, i had mixed feelings about Jude he is a loyal friend to Six, but seems to be treating woman with no respect. And of course Hayley what i saw of her was, so heart breaking and how she suffered and continued to suffer, i was completely rooting for Six to avenge her and give the Vipers the most horrible death ever, just like they deserved. I hated all of those Gang Members and especially two faced Jordon, who pretended to be a friend being the rapist all along. About the romance for me it wasn't the main point of the book and, that well developed, though i loved the sexual tension between Six and Misty and just wanted to smack him for being such a jerk and pushing her away, especially at one certain part, where he sleeps with another girl in front of her to prove to her, he isn't worth it, i got why he thought she deserved better, but it was so frustrating to read, when they were together and he didn't think about revenge and how unworthy and messed up he is, their relationship was hot, how they felt connected on a soul level. Overall it was an intense read and i cried at one part.

Mojo_Mama says

Six has been ruined for me. I loved him in the first in this series. Like LOVED. HIM. He was a BBF in the making. Like, TDF BBF in the making. Maybe I'll just cut and paste my favorite parts of this book together so he can still be my BBF.

He was the only saving grace in the first of this series, Ten...which reminded me of another book's plot. The entire time I read Ten I had to keep telling myself published authors don't steal plotting from other published

authors.

I anticipated this book like I did Gadziala's Cash and Shooter. I guess I should have learned there that potential BBFs in a series never pan out in their own novels. I'm 0 for 3 now on my expected additions to my 2016 BBF list. That list is short...I need it to grow ;)

I should have learned from Ten that this author can write. Tight prose, engaging POVs, interesting plots, shitty fucking male leads. Yup, it's all here in Six.

Mind you, OW are an ok for me in certain books (even sexually) and triangles can be my catnip. But this trope didn't work for me when Aurora Rose Reynolds did it in "Until Trevor" and it sucks more here. I hate H's that fuck anything that moves to either avoid giving into sexual temptation with the h or to push the h away. And then if the h tries to find another man or one shows interest, the H loses his fucking mind. The only way this plot can go is...doormat. You know, cuz the h's be weak and the H's NEVER have to grovel.

Seriously, are 20 something women willing to put up with this shit? Because they seem to permeate this genre doing just that.

The h is so fucked up over seeing the H fuck a nasty, blonde bimbo in his tat studio (which he does knowing the h can and will see it) she vows to ignore him, but later the same day she catches him at the end of a m/m/f threesome and is all cool with it..all but turned on by it. Huh??? So if it's kinky sex he gets a pass?!?!? WTF. Just...yeah.

But after 40% of pushing her away, and after a particularly brutal rebuff, the h shows up at the H's house at 3am and finally breaks him down with her golden pussy...I mean, heart of gold. Sorry, not feeling her strength as a woman here in trying to be enough to carry them through 'til she can finally get them into bed. If he'd kept it in his pants...maybe. But knowing he fucked around IN FRONT OF HER to hurt her intentionally...doormat is the only thing that comes to mind.

She says to H at moment of truth:

"I don't want to think about the consequences or what will come after, I just want you to use me tonight—make me yours for tonight."

So...because she wants to be "used" for "tonight" he's finally on board and thinks to himself...

"I've had her so fucking wrong this whole time. I thought she would want lovemaking, but there's a siren inside her screaming to rip free and I want to let her loose."

Is this reverse slut-shaming, cuz I'm confused. Or seriously insulted that a girl can't want both...Loving and Fucking.

I wanted to DNF right there. But I've been waiting for Six's story for six fucking months.

Did I mention she fucks him bareback the first time without any obligatory discussion. Seriously? I just can't wrap my head around that logic. He fucked a tat client, on his bench, in his studio, in clear view of another tattoo artist and his client, AND the h. Again, I say, seriously???

And honestly, the first H/h sex scene, it was almost fade to fucking black. So much for being so into dirty

sex the H doesn't think the h can handle him. (*eye-m'fing-roll*) The scene with the OW in the tat shop was longer and dirtier. Even the h's RECALL of their first sex scene was longer.

By 60%, the h is trying to set up a m/m/f with the OM of the possible ménage to save her relationship with the H because he's pulling away. Yup. My thoughts too. The H has already told her he doesn't want this.

"Maybe showing Six I can be open and share that side of him will take his mind off worrying about Haley and doing something rash."

Though later....

"I feel pathetic for resorting to having Max join us. Using sex to manipulate Six into giving us his attention and taking his mind off everything with Haley makes me feel like a bad person. I'm not jealous of his and Haley's relationship. I didn't want them not to be close, it's just the affect she has on him mentally is unhealthy."

By 74% the Drama-Llama is dancing so hard over this plot my eyes are rolling from the flash off his sequins. I think mainly because I'm no longer diggin' the h. The H is bat-shit crazy, but I get his reasoning for heading off the deep end. And him, I'm still liking ;)

By the end, I'm just happy it's over. I love this author's plots, don't care for the extra douchey H's, but her writing keeps me engaged until the last page.

Every. Single. Time.

And that gives this a 3 star.

And finally, don't get me started on how TSTL this h is when she continually acts all surprised that a shit-ton of major US cities have "gangs" and other criminal activity. Much less that kids are also in gangs. Just shoot her now.

I'll leave you with the best bit of dialogue ever about potential threesomes ;)

"You know, I'm not opposed to Max. We could have some fun." She shrugs, biting that lip.

"We? You better be speaking in French."

Tricia Bartley (iScream Books) says

SIX!!!!

"Sometimes you only had to see someone once to know you wanted to fuck them."

Yeahhhh You are going to fall HARD for Six!!!

Holy Smokes...this book!!!! I hate to say it, but I think I loved SIX more than TEN and I Loved Ten..lol

This boy made me laugh out loud with his mouth and need to take a cold shower after reading the HAWT romance in this book!!! lol Six was full on Alpha Male with a wonderful dirty mouth!!!

Soo this is Six's story, he grew up in the foster system. He had a hard life bouncing around from home to home. He joins a gang...falls in love....

"The only problem is we're rival gang members." "I knew a real love, a rare love, a love between two people that were never supposed to fall in love. Rival gang members are never allowed to fall in love and it cost us everything."

Years later Six is moving on with life, one day at a time and sleeping with whoever he can to get the pain of his past out of his mind. And then runs in Misty from the pouring rain, she needs a job and Six needs a bar manager...and guess what, Misty is actually a bar manager!! Match made in heaven..right? The only thing is Six feels: **"She's a saint and I'm a sinner."**

Soo the chase begins. And oohhh what a lovely, hawt little chase it is!! lol Of course in full Ker Dukey style, there is the crazy twists and turns in the story, you can not get enough. You are dying to know what happens every time you turn a page!! You will devour this book sooo quick!!!

I gave this book 5 iScream "SIX" Book Stars!!! I want more Ker!!! lol I would love to read more of this story. I don't want to give away anything. I just want you to know that I loved this story and would definitely snatch up another book if you put it out there..lol Ohhhh and I will also say that at the end of this book, Ker is writing Lucky number Sevens book!! woohooo I cant wait for his story!!

xxoo

Di Covey says

I devoured this book in a few hours! You know that feeling when you close a book and realise you've been immersed so fully that you have no clue what was going on around you. I was glued to this book, nothing outside these pages was going to matter until I read every last word.

So many emotions were brought to the surface. It wouldn't be a Dukey book without a twist sucker punching me into submission. I loved every single thing about this story. From laughs to tears, I enjoyed it all. You better carve out your day, if you're going to read this one, you will not want to stop.

Vaso says

Six and Misty...

Six is complicated because he's been through a lot and has daemons he wants to deal with. Misty comes to his shop and gets hired the same day. The attraction between them is inevitable, but Six tries his best not to give in. When they finally can't avoid it any longer, a person from his past, pays him a visit. The anger he once felt comes back and when a terrible incident happens, for which he only blames himself, then revenge needs to be taken...

It was difficult and strange for him to believe that someone could love him for who he is and when Misty does so, then he feels hard.

warhawke says

Genre: Erotic Thriller

Type: Standalone Book 2 from Men By Numbers series

POV: First Person - Dual

Rating:

Taylor Jake didn't have a childhood worth remembering. He moved from one foster home to another, never felt like he belonged until he joined a gang during his teen and found love. But that love took everything he got and he avenged it by killing six of the people involved which landed him a 15 years prison sentence. Now a free man, he became Six and vowed to finish his revenge.

Misty was desperate when she walked into Six's bar. He gave her the job she needed but didn't want anything to do with her. Deep down, attraction burn from both sides but as he already learned, love could be a dangerous game they can't afford to lose.

Six touched my heart in book 1 with his past and I have been looking forward to his story. I am so glad this book met my expectations.

I was hollow, lost to what it felt like not to be lonely, and I was okay with that

I love tortured hero and Six's history was violent and sad. Guilt followed him around even years after and it scared him from opening up his heart because once he cared, he did so deeply and it could potentially hurt as much.

She's too delicate for me. She's like a flower and I'm a weed growing strong around her. I'd strangle her and then everything that makes her bloom will be gone.

Misty was not afraid to take chances. She didn't let Six's abrasive nature scared her away and she stood by her beliefs.

I found the pace to be a little slow in the first 70%. There were a lot of hot scenes to make it up though lol!

Life has a way of always dragging you back to the past and keeping you hostage there.

But once it hit that mark, things started to happen and that's when the story got really engaging. And I have to say, the person who is going to be in the next book already caught my attention :D

Six is a story of a man on a personal vendetta while battling the demons from his past. This sexy, thrilling story is worth spending your time with.

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Betul says

****Received ARC in exchange for an honest review****

"She's a saint and I'm a sinner."

I have been obsessed with Six since the moment I met him in the previous book Ten. I have a thing for "tortured" heroes because they think they don't deserve to be happy or find love. They are wrestling with their inner demons on a daily basis. It was the same for Six, we get to see what his demons are early on in the story. Those scenes were heartbreaking!

"I see the prince inside the beast. He has demons, but they aren't who he is- just hosts along for the ride of his messed up life."

Six isn't really living. He lives with guilt and it withholds him from moving on with his life and find the love he doesn't think he deserves. Misty is on her last leg and needs a job ASAP. She gets hired as the new bar manager at Six's bar. There is definitely attraction between the two, but Six is keeping his distance. He goes out of his way to let her know on multiple occasions that she isn't his type. However he gets really jealous when someone else pays her attention. I have to give props to Misty for trying to change Six's mind.

Someone from Six's past makes an appearance and things get chaotic. There are still unfinished business he has to take care of. Six was definitely a dark character. He is very dangerous and goes for the kill. If you mess with his family then you need to be ready to be taken down. There are people who have betrayed Six and he is going to finish what he started years ago. Like I mentioned before there were very heartbreaking

scenes and it had me crying.

"You're the sun, and I need sunscreen because I'm burning up."

Overall this book was a great addition to the Men of Numbers series. The writing had me engaged with the story. I also loved the couple of twists in the book, because it added an extra layer to the story. All the characters were really interesting and the pace of the story was great. At the end we see whose book we'll get next and I am really excited about it. I can't wait to read more about his background and who he will end up with. I also hope Ten and Alex will make an appearance in the next book, because I want to know what they are up to.

Sunny says

SIX!!!! ♥

Doris says

Another great one by Ker Dukey. This story is based on a character we meet in the book 'Ten' Taylor(Six) is released from prison and ends up where Ten is living. He eventually takes over the bar and opens up a tattoo parlor. That's where Misty come into the story. She is finding a place to land and ends up being the bar manager. Her and Six have an attraction and it take a while before they act on it. When a person from his past comes back, all hell breaks loose. This story has many twists and turns and things happen that I didn't see coming.

KAT ? Kitty Kats Crazy About Books ? says

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"Ker Dukey" in exchange for an honest review..Thank you!!

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AUTHOR: Ker Dukey

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MY RATING: 5 STARS

Even though this states that it's part of a series it can be read solely as a standalone.

SIX: Spoken in 'Dual Perspectives' Six & Misty

PAST: Straight away your dragged into the nitty gritty storyline as soon as you read the '*Prologue*' and you're introduced to '*Taylor Jake aka SIX*' who was meeting Jordan who was a no show. Arriving back at Hayley's apartment where he'd promised to spend that night he was greeted with the unexpected. He'd met Hayley when she was fifteen, and now at eighteen her fate had been sealed due to loving a man who loved another.

*Make them pay for what they did to me
I want you to destroy them
take them apart
and leave them broken
bleeding, and dying
I need them to pay
I need you to make them suffer like I have.*

This moves from past to present effortlessly and flawlessly which gives you a broader insight into what makes SIX tick and what moulded him into the man he is now.

To say he's had a checkered past is an understatement, from foster home to foster home, from gang life, to prison life to trying to live the straight and narrow life, a man with many layers.

After his stint in prison he tries to live his life on the straight and narrow but shit always sticks and finds it's way back into his life again, will he be seeing the four walls of a prison cell again??

*He has chaos inside him
and nightmares plague him
haunting is waking hours.*

As soon as Misty walked into his bar looking like a drowned rat he knew he was a goner. He wanted her but knew deep down that he wasn't good enough for her, but a man like SIX takes what he wants and suffers the consequences. She was the perfect mix for him..

You reach about the 70% mark and shit starts to get real!!

Betrayal
Vengeance
Atonement

*Just when I finally thought I had a chance
at redemption, old demons came knocking
and obliterated my world once more.*

GAH where to start with the feels, so many feels zapped me in the arse big time when reading this, the rawness of it, the emotional rollercoaster as I breathed all that was SIX, the hand he was dealt at such a young age shredded my heart to pieces, his need for vengeance, what that put him through GAH!! Loved this

book so much, this author is so freaking talented..

*Shit can be ripped away from you in a heartbeat
and misery and pain are part of life, but that's not all it is
Love can crash into you and knock the wind from your lungs
and that's what she did to me.*

Sarah says

After reading Ten, I was quite excited to get into Six' story. He was a very intriguing character, from the time he had spent in prison to the parade of people leaving his house each morning. He seemed like such a good guy in the way that he had treated Alex; I was dying to learn more about him and the road that had led him to be the person he had become.

Several days after finishing this book I am still unsure what exactly to say about it. There were parts of it that were excellent; where everything seemed to be flirting with perfection. Then there were parts that felt completely opposite. Things were rushed, characters seemed to go against their established traits. None of the bad points were enough to outweigh the great moments, but they still left me unsatisfied. Made me question if sections of the book had been edited out for length.

I loved the darkness of the story. The gritty details that were embedded through Six' history. The descriptions of the events that made up his past were stellar. I could feel those moments; Ker made those things visceral for me. I wanted more of that type of detail throughout the book. I wanted to feel all of the things that were happening to the characters, but it sometimes fell short, for me.

I really did like the broad strokes of Six and Misty's story. I loved almost everything that had to do with Haley and the pain that surrounded her. I just wanted more. More of the darkness, more of what could have made this book one of the best books of the year. But in the end, it just seemed to gloss over a lot of the resolutions that needed to happen in the end. I wanted more after the climax of the book; I needed to know more about what happened to everyone, and everything after all hell broke loose.

I've read a few Ker Dukey books and will likely read more in the future. She isn't afraid to go to the dark corners most other authors avoid. I only hope, in the future, the journey from the darkness will be more detailed and varied than the one that was taken in this book.

Candace says

The second book in the 'Men by Numbers' series, 'Six' had many of the characteristics of a terrific, dark story. There was plenty of danger and Ker Dukey certainly doesn't shy away from graphic, disturbing content like many authors do. I applaud her for that. If you're going to write a dark story, I think you need to take that

dive and not toe the line.

This is the story of Taylor Jake, aka "Six". As a teenager, Six was bounced between foster homes before eventually ending up on the streets. His only family consisted of the gang he belonged to and Hayley, another kid on the streets that Six took under his wing.

Hayley was the "good" in Six's life. They lived together and had a non-exclusive sexual relationship. However, more than anything, they were the closest of friends.

When Six falls in love with the member of a rival gang, it is Hayley that ends up paying the price for Six's actions. She is brutally gang-raped and tortured. No longer is she the bright-eyed girl that Six strived to shelter. Her life is forever changed.

Six makes it his mission to seek vengeance for Hayley. Out of prison after killing some of the men involved in Hayley's attack, he has set up a life for himself in a new town. He owns a bar and tattoo shop, biding his time until he can finish what he started.

When Misty first sets foot inside of Six's bar, he wants to have sex with her as much as he wants to rescue her. She is clearly down on her luck and in need of some help. He gives her a job and the sexual tension is thick between the two.

Despite Six's initial resistance, the two eventually end up getting romantically involved. Things only get more complicated when Hayley makes a reappearance in Six's life, with a suspicious new friend in-tow. Shortly thereafter, things hit the fan.

There were many things that I really loved about this book. I love the fact that the author is not afraid to tell a dark story and embrace the shocking elements that many others dance around. I also thought that the story itself was entertaining and emotional. I enjoyed the story and felt connected to the characters.

The reason that this story got a 3-star rating, instead of a 4-star rating, is because there were some pretty big editing oversights. Maybe I'm being snobby, but I kind of feel like the author should know how they want to spell the names of their main characters and then stick to it. One of the major players in this book had two different spellings of their name. On one page it was spelled "Jordon", only to be spelled "Jordan" further in. It was distracting and I found myself flipping back to be sure that this wasn't a different "Jordon/Jordan" and to double-check the spelling. I'm OCD that way.

Another thing that irked me was that there were several instances of incorrect word usage. It wasn't the worst I've encountered, but it was noticeable and distracting. The example that stands out with me is the usage of the word "mount" when the author clearly was referring to a woman's "mound". I don't even want to think of what must be going on in her undies if her mound can be quantified as a "mount", but I'd get a plastic surgeon on that problem. Not sexy!

Lastly, M/M isn't really my thing. I don't absolutely hate it and I did enjoy this story. However, Six flipping back and forth between male and female partners didn't really appeal to me. This is just a reflection of my personal preferences, so this may not be an issue at all for others.

Overall, I give this one 3 stars. If the editing oversights were corrected, it'd be a 4-star read for me. If you can overlook those types of mistakes, I'd say that this is a great choice if you're looking for a dark read. If not, it might drive you crazy.

Sabrina says

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This was an okay book for me, and a solid three stars, but I had some issues with it. It kept me intrigued and I liked the roughness of Six's character. But the overall story moved kind of slow for me and it got a little too boring for me. Yet by the end I felt like a few details were skimmed over and even through all of the story told it was like they weren't explained as much as I would have liked. And to me a few of these things were pretty big parts of the characters lives so without the details I couldn't connect to either character.

Bottom line, I would still recommend this book for anyone that likes a darker Hero. Even with the issues I had I did enjoy the majority of the story and it has me waiting for the next book in the series.

Charlie ☆ WLTB Blog ☆ says

Hot I Loved Six

Six *Swoon* another great read from Ker,

We may have waited a bit longer than expect for Six but trust me he is worth the wait.
I couldn't put this book down once I started.

It is Very HOT in places and I really Loved the Characters, Not going say much as I don't want to spoil it for others but if you Love Ker's books you really don't want to miss reading this one.
Few Twists I really didn't see coming.

I can't wait to see what Ker has in store for us next.
