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When Ruth finds herself abducted and thrown into a cell with a big scary alien, naturally she's terrified. At first. But when she's forced to get along with her furry, tailed cellmate (and her clothes get stolen) things slowly start to change between them. After they escape onto an unknown alien planet, they're finally free to explore their feelings and each other, but can they survive with only each other to rely on and no way of communicating?

Gron is from a matriarchal society where the males obey their Queens, so when a beautiful but strange female is dropped into his cell, he doesn't know what to think. Is she a victim like him, or is she being used by his captors to control him? Either way, he knows he must control his instincts or he will end up inescapably Bonded to her. The delicate Queen needs his help to survive, and it is his duty to serve her, but can he do it without losing his heart?

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From Reader Review Ruth's Bonded for online ebook

Tink Magoo is bad at reviews says

4.5 stars

This is only the second book I've read by this author but both stories have had unique characters and worlds. Gron isn't the usual domineering alpha type that I enjoy, but he was growly, possessive and really endearing. I'm looking forward to more with these two on Gron's planet.

Honey~psychopaths&stalkers says

what the hell is this book....how did I get in here? Did I seriously rooting for the unusual relationship of an alien and a human? Nevermind that, THERE'S ACTUALLY OTHER BOOKS IN THIS SERIES AND I NEED TO READ IT ASAP??

I'm confused, you're confused, Ruth's confused, T'lax.....fucking Alien, Gron.....nevermind him he can stay sweet and innocent as he like.

I don't normally read books like this, hell, I stay away from them. But when people rated it almost similar to Transcendence I can't help myself, bruh. **That book got me hard!**
Well, now I can safely say, *I popped my cherry, btches!*

Bonus : Rare picture of T'lax

B.E.Love says

4 1/2 stars, I really liked this book it was so different and the differences just made this book that much more awesome and made me unable to put this book down. I have tried to read books where the heroine is the "dominant" and they just don't work for me I want a possessive growly "mine" hero so I was a little worried that this would be the case in the ebook but it definitely isn't. Yes Gron comes from a world with Alpha woman but Gron is possessive, and I loved him. The way this author wrote the world that Gron is from just worked and was very fascinating.

Ruth was thrown into a metal box even though the last thing she remembers is walking to work with her breakfast in hand. If that isn't enough Ruth quickly realizes that she isn't the only one in the box. Gron doesn't know how he got in the metal box but he has made his captors scared enough to leave him alone until a new creature is dropped in the box. Gron isn't sure what or why this creature is in the box and is on edge. Then Gron realizes that the creature is actually a queen. On Gron's planet queens are prized and revered and above all else obeyed and protected. Now Gron fears her men will come an attack.

Even though the queen is very different from his people he can't help but feel a pull, and though Gron worries about what will happen the more time they spend together the more he wants Ruth to be his queen. Ruth's world has been turned upside down first being kidnapped then finding out that there are aliens and that she is in the cell with one. At first he seems scared then interested and even thought they are different they soon draw on each other for strength, and Ruth stops thinking of Gron as an alien. When the chance comes Gron and Ruth try to escape but even if they make it they still will have to find safety and learn to survive.

I really liked this one. I have read a lot of books and I always love new ideas but the thing with trying something so new and different is that it doesn't always pay off or work and that was not the case with this book. I was so drawn to this book and the concept of it. V.C. Lancaster really pulled this off and then some. In fact the second I was done with Ruth's Bonded I stayed book two Gron's Bonded, and actually stopped before I was done to get book two.

Erika says

3.75 stars

i have written comments about this book together with review for the next, Grons Fated.

This book by itself felt very incomplete and does not work well as a standalone in my opinion.

Celestine says

A very good alien-human pairing book, which is made infinitely more complicated and interesting by having a hero from a matriarchal society and virtually no way for the H/h to communicate. It should be noted that the book doesn't really feel complete unless paired with Gron's Fated. I believe this should have been noted in the book blurb by the author even though both are available on Kindle Unlimited.

There are already a lot of reviews available for this book, so I thought I would just add some thoughts and observations.

- * Physical description of Gron is very interesting and detailed, so the cover art is unjust (even misleading) to his physique.
 - * Book suffers from overwhelming internal monologue that is repetitive and makes some scenes drag, particularly near the beginning.
 - * The cuddliness of Gron cannot be over-emphasized. Loved it.
 - * As a couple, these two worked really well together. There weren't TSTL moments or angst-filled plot devices. Their shared captivity brought them together emotionally as well.
 - * Definitely one of the better alien-human SFR books available.
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Talltree says

4.25 stars!!

Well written sexy SFR about a human h kidnapped by alien slavers and a furry betailed alien H. For all that they don't understand a word of each others language they were very sweet together. Most of the time its only the h/H together in the book, except for parts where the little green aliens come in. For a large part of book H/h are stuck in a cell in a spaceship, later they are in the jungles of a distant planet - I enjoyed the simple world-building. There is a HFN at the end where the mated h/H are returned to H's planet.

I think there will also be a sequel which I am looking forward to.

Readers who enjoyed Louise Wise's Eden or Ruby Dixon's Ice Planet Barbarian will love this book!! The h is cute and brave and H is growly, adorably sweet and protective (and a virgin!!)

Note: (view spoiler)

Kriss says

This is a bit of an odd romance, not something I've seen a lot or or that I would normally be drawn to, though it clearly was interesting enough to get me to read it. I actually like this book a lot because the author focuses so heavily on the characters and their interaction. It's not really a plot driven book, but an in-depth character study of two very different creatures who find themselves in strange circumstances and slowly but surely come together to survive and create a deep connection that, while odd, is nonetheless endearing and sweet and has some worthwhile erotic scenes.

Ruth is your average 28 year old human woman from Earth and Gron is an alien that's a mix of ape and humanoid features, a species we learn are called the gandry--both are abducted from their homes and throw into a cell together, which is a situation that forces them to slowly find a way to coexist as they try to overcome a clear language barrier, each finding a great deal of comfort in the other's company. It's akin to Transcendence in that regard and has an equally appealing connection based on mutual affection and a need for survival between the leads, though here we are also privvy to Ruth's POV, so the book is a bit more dimensional since it's very apparent what each character thinks/feels despite the fact that Gron and Ruth cannot verbally communicate and therefore lots of the nuances of their connection go unvoiced--like Gron can't explain the rules and customs of his people to Ruth nor can she tell him hers, so there are moments when they misinterpret each other severely and stumble around trying to make sense of everything. I like the world-building we're offered with Gron's society--how he's from a matriarchal world. It's a lot different from most alien books that really push the patriarchal, dominant male archetype.

It's a short read at only around 130 pages, but since this book isn't trying to fit in a complex plot or anything, it works well at that length--it feels like a nice read because it's just purely watching two intelligent creatures come together physically and emotionally. If you're not opposed to non-human aliens or books where the couple can't speak to each other, I definitely recommend! Plus, it has some good sequels that are a lot of fun too (I mean, I'm not a big fan of book #3, Moira kind of gets on my nerves, but it's worth reading once I

think) and the whole series is available via Kindle Unlimited if you're not sure you want to commit to buying!

Ashi- A hopeless romantic girl :D says

4 "love needs no language" stars

First of all, i would like to thank my sweet friend Zoey ellis for recommending me this amazing book!

Thnks sweetie ? :)

So, this review is going to be a little short not my usual unnecessarily long ones:/ as i've just reached home after my 3 days long vacation?

NOW on the book! - Can i just say i loved that author used Matriarchal as a BG in this book!

I mean it was so unusual and cool. Infact this book was my first one where i read something like this♥

And because i am so much in my feminist mode right now that i noticed something and decided to change it instantly!!

So, as we all know **feminism is all about equality**

I noticed that i and many GR users use H for hero and h for heroine? i know its a little thing but still from now on i will be using hero-heroine or Hero-Heroine!!

So, yeah! back on the book now-

I really loved Hero and Heroine both! I loved how Gron was more sweet and thoughtful than aggressive "just want sex"kinda alien.

Infact he was avoiding ruth because he thought ruth wanted to bond with him!

Ruth was both sweet and feisty in my opinion. She didn't wait around and sobbed over the whole situation.

The introduction scene was so cute♥

The way their relation progressed and how Gron was presented was really amazing!

As we all know there was a communication problem and both hero and heroine could'nt understand each other most of the time so, i would just say if you loved then you would love this too♥?

Tbh don't waste your time by judging this book by my homesick brain's review and go for it if you love some early man love!?

Under the Covers Book Blog says

I wish I could remember where I picked up the recommendation for this series, because I loved it. So,

whoever/wherever this was recommended to me clearly knows exactly what I love; really alien aliens. I lap it up! If my hero is coming has a different planet of origin than mine, then I want him to be undeniably alien. I know not everyone feels the same way, but apparently V.C. Lancaster does!

But, because Gron and our alien hero and his fellow alien friends have a pelt, tail and really really big sharp fangs, I know not everyone is going to appreciate this series like I do. Gron lives in a matriarchal and primitive society where the females are larger and more aggressive. The female, the Queen, rules over an all male tribe and she has a select few of those males as her mates. It's good to be Queen! But, Gron has been abducted from his tribe and locked in a metal box. Ruth, a human woman is thrown in with him...and this where the fun begins.

Not only do Ruth and Gron have massive cultural and societal difficulties to overcome, they also have to do this without being able to speak to one another. For reasons explained in the series they are unable to speak one another's language so they have to find other ways to communicate. I admit, this aspect of the story was strange at first they never have a typical verbal conversation through the whole series. But I found the way they came together with only basic communication and demonstrating their feelings through actions and body language...kind of sweet. It was all show and no tell. It is also easier to come to terms with this lack of verbal communication as the book switches between Ruth and Gron's POV. So, even though they might not be able to know what the other is thinking as the reader, we do.

But, Ruth and Gron aren't the only couple in this series the third book Unbonded gives a menage story between another human woman. Moira is abducted and ends up being saved by some familiar aliens from the previous books who help her try and adapt to this new world and bring her back to Ruth and Gron's tribe. I admit, I missed Ruth and Gron, our original couple, in this book and I didn't enjoy it as much as the first two in the series, however, it was still a good read with plenty of alien hotness.

I loved this series, beneath the strange looking aliens it was an adorable love story with plenty of heat. Who knew tails could be so sexy? As soon as the next book comes out I will be all over it! So, if you like a sweet alien love story I highly recommend giving this one a go.

Reviewed by Suzanne♥ ? Don't want to miss any of our posts? Subscribe to our blog by email! ? ♥

Rachel says

Sweet alien/human romp with an MC reminiscent of a large cat. Gron, the alien MC, is covered with fur, has a tail, and vocalizes with growls. Gron is sweet, submissive (with his mate), and eager to please Ruth, the human MC. I love big, strong MCs who are cinnamon rolls around their mates, and Gron fits that description perfectly.

Unfortunately, as charming as I found Gron, I wasn't as enchanted by the overall story. "Ruth's Bonded" is part one of a series, and can be read as a standalone, but ends on a HFN. At the conclusion of book one, Gron and Ruth have just begun a new adventure and are still exploring their new relationship. I think that each book in this series should be considered more of a serialization rather than a standalone; right now, I probably won't be following their escapades any further.

Varied Books says

4.25 stars

This was an awesome read. Gron makes me remember that alpha does not equal asshole. Gron is a sweetie who is protective & caring towards Ruth. Her happiness means so much to him.

Ruth is an awesome h. She does the best she can to survive in the alien environment. I cared for her. She was a good match for Gron.

This is an interesting story b/c H/h do not speak the same language but are learning to slowly communicate w/ each other.

There were some twists in the story I didn't see coming which was nice.

There was some hot sexy times.

Book 2 starts immediately where book 1 ends. I do think the author could of combined the books. Combined would of been around 300 pages.

Simply Sam ? says

This was nothing wildly new nor was it particularly creative. It's pretty typical sci-fi romance fare for the most part. A human female (Ruth aka "Gruth") gets kidnapped from her planet to be bred with alien male (Gron). And guess what happens? This will shock you. You ready for it? They fall in *lurve*....

Of course I actually really dig the alien abduction trope, it's the whole reason why I picked this book up in the first place. That, and the fact that Gron was supposed to be a non-human alien. He was--ish. He's a rock solid (think power lifter build), furry, tailed sapient. His tail may have been the best part of his beefcake physique. It ain't just for grabbing tree branches, I'll tell you that ;)

That being said, though, this was not an over the top smutty read. Apparently Gron's people can't just do it whenever they want with whomever they want. They have to be Bonded for that to happen and once they Bond, they Bond for life. So basically what we have here is a big ole alien virgin.

It's not until they spend enough time together, like touching and stuff, that a Bond forms. It's kind of funny because he wakes up freaked out the first time he gets a boner. Gruth? Ruth? Whatever. She was like, "It's about dang time!" and then proceeds to skill him on how to use his massive penile protrusion. Gron, though he is not as advanced as some species, has NO problem catching on when it comes to the fine art of banging. He's basically a natural.

Actually, you know what this book really reminded me of? Transcendence. The primitive man (in this case primitive alien man), the inability to communicate beyond a single word, Gron's innate desire to keep Ruth safe and his naive sweetness. Gron just really reminded me of Ehd. Now, unlike Ehd, Gron does have a language, it just sounds like a series of grunts that are unable to be interpreted, even with fancy schmancy translators.

There's some humor, some survivalist action, some smexy times (minus the lakes of gooey body fluids), there's even a little twist at the end of the story. Overall not too bad. I may actually read the next one when I have some free time. Let's see how Ruth manages on a planet full of Gron's people with zero communication skills. Could be interesting.

Susani says

3.5 stars

Renégade ♥ says

4 to 4 1/2 stars

A sweet, sometimes funny and interesting tale about a woman who finds herself abducted by aliens and imprisoned for reasons unknown.

She's not alone.

There's another prisoner trapped with her inside the odd, cold, metal box.

And he isn't human.

His name is Gron.

(He's huge, muscular and furry in places... plus he's got a tail. A very *talented* tail...)

And he's one of the sweetest heroes I've encountered in a while.

Gron stared at her with hungry eyes, then reached out to brush his knuckles against her cheekbone.

He was murmuring something that she was sure was very sweet and complimentary. They seemed to be on the same page, and she smiled.

Not that that means anyone should underestimate him.

He's strong, intelligent, fiercely protective and more than willing to fight to the death for the heroine, Ruth.

He'd saved her life today. [...] He'd put himself between her and danger twice already. He'd gotten her through. Without him, she wouldn't have survived. She would have broken and suffered much worse than she had. And he didn't have a reason for doing any of it. They didn't even speak the same language.

This book includes both POV's which allowed me to understand where Gron and Ruth were coming from as they tried to make sense of their circumstances and each other. The dynamics between them were cute, funny and even intriguing at times because everything had to be conveyed through body language, touch and sounds. The fact that they couldn't communicate via speech was a definite barrier for this human woman and Gandry male, and led to some realistic (and sometimes humorous and/or somewhat heartbreaking) misunderstandings along the way. Still, when it came to the language of love (and sexy times) these two eventually figured out how to communicate just fine...

Gron remembered how she had pressed her lips to his face, and he copied her, pressing his lips to her shoulder. She looked at him then, and shifted her hips slightly so that her flank brushed into his lap, but then she moved away again, laying her head down and closing her eyes.

"Please be patient," he whispered to her as he brushed the hair from her face. "Please wait."

He stroked his fingers over her arm and face, and said something quietly that was probably romantic, given the circumstances. She considered the benefits of sleeping with a guy who couldn't say anything stupid about it afterwards. At least he was a cuddler.

This book could (arguably) be read as a standalone *but* there's definitely more to the story. I'm of the mind that the second book needs to be read to flesh out everything a reader would want to know about these two beyond the HFN (Happy For Now).

So, I'm planning to read Gron's Fated in the near future to see how things pan out for Ruth and Gron. For now, I'm glad I read this alien romance which made me smile!

L. Jacobs says

5 stars

This book was recommended to me with the promise of it feeling like Transcendence by Shay Savage and I wasn't disappointed. Thanks Zoey ;)

Ruth is abducted by aliens and thrown into a strange metal hold with Gron (our alien hero) she tries to make friends with him but they don't speak the same language and have to communicate by acting things out for

each other. Gron is adorable, he's like a mix between caveman and gorilla with all the protective instincts that you would expect BUT in his tribe they worship their women (their Queens) rule and can have as many men as she chooses. They must obey their queen at all times-she eats first, she is always the one to initiate sex, she chooses who can father her children, basically it's a reverse of what we normally get with our harem books. I really loved it.
