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Author's Note: This novella is no longer available. I combined all of the Dumont Diaries novellas into a standalone novel, which was rewritten, expanded, and retitled as Trophy Wife.

I have discovered the witch who started this disaster, and her name is Cecile. She is the lock around my husband's heart; she is the barrier between me and everything I ever wanted.

I have decided to fight. For his heart, for my father, for the Jimmy Choos that rest on my perfectly manicured feet. The problem with a fight is that there is ultimately a loser. And in a situation like this, she has the advantage and a clear head start.

But I am here, and she is not. And I have not shared everything. I have some secrets and some advantages of my own. I will fight to the death, if not of my body, than of my heart. And if my heart is destroyed in this battle, I will find a way to survive. Poor planning may not be the final chapter in my story.

**Do Us Part is a novella, 16,000 words in length, and was the final volume of The Dumont Diaries, a 4-part series.*

Do Us Part Details

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SueBee★bring me an alpha!★ says

★★★★★! The Dumont Diaries, Part 4 of 4. TRUTH – DESIRE – SEDUCTION – WANT – PAIN & CONCLUSION!

My visible review is written to contain less details than book blurb. Please click on spoilers for more details.

“Lust is a dangerous thing. It can make you believe things that are not real. It can seduce your mind and lead it blindfolded to the cliff that will be its demise.”

The Dumont Diaries consists of 4 novellas, which must be read in order:

Part 1: To Have

Part 2: To Hold

Part 3: Till Death

Part 4: Do Us Part

Her salvation from a life as an in-debt stripper has come in the form of a mysterious stranger. As Candy settled into her new lifestyle, she was quickly hit by **boredom and loneliness** causing her to seek solace... (view spoiler) But with the **crushing truth**, Candy is left **desperately wanting the one thing she can never have!**

Do Us Part (part 4) has Candy at an impasse. How much more of herself is she willing to risk when only heartache awaits?

Six words to describe **Candy: Despondent, desperate, reflective, endearing, lost and flawed.**

The hero is a to-die-for enigmatic, rich, jaded playboy, but also cold, distant and rude! And yes I want him too! If you must know more, please click on spoiler:

(view spoiler)

Part four also ends abruptly, but no worries and we are provided a **link and password to a bonus epilogue**. For me it was a **satisfactory HEA, but I can't help feeling a bit rushed**. As much as I have been crushing on the hero, I very much wanted to read about some... (view spoiler) I also might a wished that the truth about... (view spoiler)

Excellent storytelling! Interesting and captivating plot! Memorable, fascinating and addictive hero! I

am highly recommending this 4-part serial! And yes **this series is going on my 6-star shelf! Thanks Ms. Torre!**

“She was in a situation that was desperate enough to allow her life to be manipulated.”

Hero rating: 5+ stars

Heroine rating: 5 stars

Sex scenes rating: 5 stars

Sex scenes frequency: 5 stars

Storyline concept rating: 5 stars

Storytelling skills rating: 5 stars

Story ending rating: 4 stars

Book editing rating (5 = no edits spotted): 5 stars

Overall rating: 5+ stars

Would I recommend this series: Yes.

Would I re-read this series: Yes.

Would I read future books by this author: Yes.

e sure to **join Shh... [Smut, Heroes & HEAs...]** with Alessandra here on GR for the latest news:

<https://www.goodreads.com/group/show/...>

(Public group for members 18 years and older)

Jenny••Steamy Reads Blog•• says

I've spent a few hours trying to decide how I'm going to write this review and rating, it's not that I didn't love this particular story that I just read , but you could rather say I wasn't in love with this story. A love/hate relationship with it. There was plenty in this story that didn't sit well with me, made me mad, made me think "wtf" just happened here. But I proceeded, with caution, with hope that it would end good. It did. I still want to punch Nathan, maybe a few other things too, maybe lick, maybe kiss, maybe just stare at him, but dang him.....

I'm happy I read this series and I'm glad I went in blind because I wouldn't have had the opportunity to experience how compelling and addictive this writing was if I never gave it a go. Sure I had my moments with nearly all of book, I disliked the hero's actions a lot but good god I couldn't stop reading this, it was like a drug to me - definitely amazing writing by this author. It certainly brought out all my emotions and anxiety to the point of pulling my hair.

You want angst, this is the series for you..

Shurrrn says

The final installment in the Dumont Diaries leaves me speechless...

My time at the Crystal Palace changed me - hardened me into a survivor, shooting steel into parts of me that were previously weak and bendable.

So, even when my heart was falling, free and unrestrained, diving downward into a pool of ridiculousness, my brain knew better. My brain planned for the inevitable, for the disappointment, and the disaster that lay ahead. My brain made sure that there would be a parachute to catch me, to ensure that my weak heart wouldn't doom the rest of me.

What an amazing, emotional ride that was! Alessandra Torre has outdone herself once again! Please take the time to read my review of the full series on GoodReads by clicking [HERE!](#)

Some of My Favorite Moments:

(view spoiler)

See my other reviews in the series:

To Have - My Review

To Hold - My Review

Till Death - My Review

Do Us Part - *you're reading it*

Monika says

FIVE STARS

“And if my heart is destroyed in this battle, I will find a way to survive. Poor planning may not be the final chapter in my story.”

This is me after reading this book.

This series is officially **the best mini series** I've ever read.

I loved **the plot**.

I loved **the characters**.

I loved **the angst**.

And....

I have to say it out loud... **I LOVED CANDY MORE THAN ANY OTHER CHARACTERS IN THIS SERIES.**

Those 60 pages of closure is really worth the wait!

I couldn't say more without revealing all the story.

So I just want to say that now I can have my peaceful sleep at night because **finally** I've read this last installment of the series.

Thank you for writing these books Alessandra Torre.

I've read the extra scenes too and I wish this book was longer...

“So, even when my heart was falling, free and unrestrained, diving downward into a pool of ridiculousness, my brain knew better.”

Buddy reads with my lovely friend **Dhini Hapsari**

Jen says

So my question prior to starting this book was

My feelings toward Nathan went from...

to...

I don't want to give anything away so you will have to read this for yourself if you want to know what happens. This mini series was a fun and entertaining read that kept me interested throughout all four books. The author has also put out all four books as one book titled "The Dumont Diaries."

Mirjana **DTR - Down to Read says**

Wow....what a ride!

I literally began each installment like a panting maniac...

The writing....fantastic! The flow, the dialogue, the images you are skillfully painted....being inside of Candy/Jennifer's head. This book had you wondering about everything. What's going on? Who to trust? Who to like? Who's the real Nathan? What's the deal with Drew?

The sex....well, I mean if I ever run into Nathan...

He did and said some things that I will have a hard time looking past and feel like they weren't *fully* explained, but the guy knew what to do with his equipment and definitely wasn't boring. No basic cable there....he worked you into the premium package with all the good movie channels.

It's so hard to review this series without spoiling anything. You really do need to go in completely blind and enjoy the rollercoaster for what it is.

The one downfall, and it is now the third I have gone through this month alone, is that the ending was too rushed for me. It could have really used an extra chapter or two to get us from point A to point B, to leave you feeling a little bit more satisfied. It's like finishing a great meal and you're taking your first bite of dessert, ready to round out a great experience.....and the next thing you know, you're in the car buckling up your seat belt. Table cleared. Check paid. And you just look around thinking....wait, what?? How did I get here already? I just want to enjoy my dessert!!

Also, there were some loose ends not tied up and some questions I have about the endpoint, so I'm hoping there's still more to this somewhere down the line. (view spoiler)

What a great series....and I do believe I would have gone on a rampage if I had to wait for each installment to come out.....I have learned my lesson when it comes to these situations.....Do not buy a ticket for the amusement park until you can go on all the rides.

Candace says

This fourth book brings everything full-circle and I spent the better half of the book cringing. When Cecile returns, as planned, Nathan literally drops Candy like a bad habit and kicks her to the curb. This guy is such a douche! How she can still be in love with this guy after he jumps naked from the bed where he left her to go chase down his ex without giving Candy a second thought, is beyond me.

I thought she'd wised up and was kind of proud of her for putting the screws to him when we find out that she'd taken some of the money from the account. Just when I was thinking she had grown a spine and would send him packing, she caves again! Seriously! If he treated Cecile half as bad as he treated Candy, it's no wonder she took him to the cleaners. Maybe, one lady to another, she was just paying it forward.

Pam says

4 stars

Lust is a dangerous thing. It can make you believe things that are not real. It can seduce your mind and lead it blindfolded to the cliff that will be its demise.

Oh man, how to review this without giving anything away... it's just something you are gonna have to experience for yourself and hopefully I haven't ruined it for anyone as I went on this crazy ride but I had to share what I felt while I was reading the other novellas. This was truly a journey, all the feelings this book got out of me was draining but in the end rewarding. I may not have liked how they got to the end BUT at least it was a story that never dragged, kept me on my toes, and pissed off and turned on all at the same time. (view spoiler)

The Dumont Diaries series to be read in order:

The Dumont Diaries #1: To Have Review
The Dumont Diaries #2: To Hold Review
The Dumont Diaries #3: Till Death Review
The Dumont Diaries #4: Do Us Part Review

Elizabeth says

"Lust is a dangerous thing. It can make you believe things that are not real. It can seduce your mind and lead it blindfolded to the cliff that will be its demise."

Do us Part is the fourth and final book in the Dumont Diaries. From the first page of the first book this story has had me on high alert. As per Alessandra Torre style, I have felt every emotion that the main characters have felt. Every piece of joy, pain, laughter, and passion is clearly expressed through the pages.

"Literally. I can feel my heart expanding, cracking along ridges and junctures, its shell not made to be manipulated, twisted, and toyed with in this manner. It bends, it yields, it cracks. I must do a better job of protecting it. I must push away from this man and focus on what is important."-Candy

At the conclusion of the third book (Till Death), Candy and Nathan are going to try to make their twisted marriage arrangement work. Although Nathan's goal is to win the attention of his ex-fiance Cecile, Candy secretly hopes that she will be able to win him over. If she can sleep with him at night then eventually he will feel her love and in turn love her back.

"He is my husband; maybe it is time to take off the gloves and pull some hair. I am here with him, she is a memory wrapped in abandonment. I have a fighting chance. I just need to time and place my blows." -Candy

When Cecile returns, everything changes. Candy is out and Cecile is in.

"There is no one else in his world, no room for anyone else in his heart. I should have known, should have stopped my heart from skipping down fairytale lane, planting expectations, and hopes, and dreams that will never receive any nourishment."

I was truly heartbroken for this heroine. Although she is confident in her sexuality, she lacks security and love. She only has her father to take care of. When even his security is put in jeopardy, Candy does what she can to survive. Despite the heartbreak, she realizes just how much she loves Nathan. He is everywhere and she cannot escape his hold on her.

The ending for Do Us Part was full steam ahead. The main characters had to move mountains in order to find their way. As the story was coming to a close, I was truly saddened that I didn't have more left to discover about the "journey to healing" that was in store for the main characters. Therefore, I am especially thankful for the extra scene that Ms. Torre offers her readers. (Make sure you check the Note from the Author at the end of the read). I certainly could have used just a few more pages of these two in the future. Nathan and Candy shared a different kind of love. It was a love that I am so glad I had the opportunity to explore.

In conclusion, I highly recommend this entire series to anyone who enjoys a dark and sexy read. The pacing is steady and the suspense is great. The character development is truly remarkable in the case of the heroine. Candy is such a complex character and so different from the typical female lead. I thoroughly enjoyed being in her head. Nathan is a character that had to earn my respect and adoration. In the end, I believe he did that. If you haven't read an Alessandra Torre book, don't wait another second. Go download your kindle now.. you will be so glad that you did!

This book was read in conjunction with-

(F) BUDDY-READ ONE OF ALESSANDRA TORRE'S BOOK, READING WITH MY GIRLS @ SHHHHH and the lovely LOYDA!

<https://www.goodreads.com/topic/show/...>

Thanks ladies! As always, it has been a pleasure!

Karéz says

I'm gonna miss this quickie series terribly.

And Mr.Dumont..

[Read it..](#)

Pearl Angeli says

"I was always his, and I finally believe that he is fully mine. To have. To hold. Till death. Do us part."

4 Till-Death-Do-Us-Part Stars!

I feel like I'm kind of twisted for loving **Nathan Dumont** but what can I do? He's simply one of those characters that will hook me no matter how dark and strange they are. In this final novella of *The Dumont Diaries*, Alessandra Torre gave a gripping and satisfying finale that had me on the edge of my seat.

What I enjoyed most about this part was how Candy stood up for herself and found a way to up her game and secure her future. I also loved the conclusion when it comes to the romance and the whole story itself. It was the ending that I was hoping for. All in all, it was a fantastic, twisted, sexy book. The series was well-written and quickly engaging. A classic Alessandra Torre masterpiece!

Elaine says

6 Exciting, Sexy as hell, twist and turns, darker read

It was a fantastic idea to bring together 4 short stories

To Have

To Hold

Till Death

And finally **Do Us Part**

I had so many different feelings when I started the last of these short stories **Do Us Part**

I felt nervous, apprehensive, excited and sad because it was going to be the last one.

And along with the first 3 this story did not disappoint.

We finally see Nathan's plan come into action.

Just when you think you know where this story is going to go...**Wham** your hit with another twist..

Its hard to write too much without giving anything away so I will leave you with my feelings and thoughts....

Both!!

Nathan, Nathan, Nathan please be the good guy

OMG NO!!!

Candy you knew it was going to happen

You have got to be joking

You go girl

Oh Yes

Alessandra this has been one hell of a ride and I've loved every minute of it

Allison ♥?Will Never Conquer Her TBR♥? says

4.5 Fantastic stars!

The dramatic conclusion of the story of Nathan Dumont and Candy "Jennifer" Dumont. The series consists of four tiny nouvelles that capture you from literally chapter one and NEVER let you go until it's complete. Why the four tiny books? Strange and unnecessary. I honestly think one book, adding a bit more details making it 400 pages or so would've been ideal. Each book 60 or so pages move along at a fast clip. Not a lot of fluff, or day to day getting to know the characters. I missed that. But the pace is what keeps the reader attached to the story, one book to the next.

So, I started the series with their first encounter in his home a bit like this.....

I was so excited to get one of those clipped alpha controlling men you can't help but to love. Then I see the real Nathan, get the real scoop of who he is..... in which I started to feel....

Seriously, Nathan? You disappoint me.....

And Candy, WHY? Why stay? Oh yah, you're father needs care. Another reason I hated Nathan.....

When we get moving into this book, I'm hopeful we'll get some "Come to Jesus" moment with Nathan and he will see what he's got in Candy.....NOPE. That Cecile moment? Are you kidding me?

So, my final thoughts. I'm hiding most under a spoiler and recommend NOT reading the spoiler unless you've also read the book or have zero plans to. (view spoiler)

Lucinda - I JUST LOVE TO READ says

I lovvvvved this series. If you haven't read it, go and buy the books on amazon so worth the money.

The only thing wrong with this series / books it was WAY to short. About 60pages per book.

The first two books I hated Nathan, like HATED him. But he stepped up and now I like him LOL.

I will def read some more books of this author! <3 it!

Author just commented on my facebook and said: **Just published it. it should be live in the next 5-6 hours on amazon and Barnes and noble.**

THIS IS FREAKING AWEEEEEEEEEEEEEESOME!!!!!!! Cannot wait :)

Jamie ?? submits to books ?? says

******* 5 The Heart Knows What It Wants Stars *******

That was me while reading this. Now I know this may look bad but really it isn't. I wanted so many things to happen!

This book was awesome!! This series is awesome!! I loved it but my feelings were all over the place. Honestly, this series is plain and simple AMAZING!!

**"I see man.
I need man."**

Candy needs Nathan, but she knows and has known from the beginning, Nathan is not hers to have. His heart and soul belong to Cecile. Candy knows she should not feel what she does for Nathan but she does and there is not stopping her feelings.

When things finally fall into place and Nathan agrees to what she wants to finish out their plan, her worst nightmare enters.....Cecile....is back.

Candy leaves...what more can she do...the man she needs is loving someone else.

"He knows that while he was acting, I was sincere. He knows that I am weak and vulnerable, and that he has hurt me. He knows the truth. And I look the fool."

Candy's heart is trying to move on from Nathan. Not really knowing how, she goes thru the motions of life. Until, she sees *HIM* waiting for her.

Alessandra Torre writes a damn good story. She makes you fall in love in with all the characters, even the ones we shouldn't.

But that ending.....WHAT? You leave us with a great Epilogue but then....

Candy is going to reveal the secrets she had to Nathan and **THE END**

You got me good Miss Torre....real good!!

