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Brotherhood. Club. Family.

They live and ride by their own rules.

These are the Raven Riders...

Maverick Rylan won't apologize for who he is—the Raven Riders Motorcycle Club Vice-President, a sought-after custom bike builder, and a man dedicated to protecting those he loves. So when he learns that the only woman who has ever held his heart is in trouble, he'll move heaven and earth to save her.

Alexa Harmon thought she had it all—the security of a good job, a beautiful home, and a powerful, charming fiancé who offered the life she never had growing up. But when her dream quickly turns into a nightmare, Alexa realizes she's fallen for a façade she can't escape—until sexy, dangerous Maverick offers her a way out.

Forced together to keep Alexa safe, their powerful attraction reignites and Maverick determines to do whatever it takes to earn a second chance—one Alexa is tempted to give. But her ex-fiancé isn't going to let her go without a fight, one that will threaten everything they both hold dear.

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Sarah says

Laura Kaye always writes such irresistible male leads and Maverick is no exception to that rule. He's a badass biker who is willing to bend the rules when he needs to along with the rest of his MC, the Raven Riders, but they put any profits they make towards helping women escape from dangerous situations so it's very hard to fault them for it. There is one woman in particular that Maverick is worried about right now though and that's his ex-girlfriend (and the only woman he has ever loved) Alexa. He knows Alexa is in a damaging relationship but she has to be willing to accept his help before he has any chance of rescuing her.

Alexa broke up with Maverick after her brother died, she was struggling with her own grief as well as trying to look after her emotionally unstable mother and she needed security that Maverick just couldn't provide. When she met Grant she thought he was everything she ever wanted but gradually over the years they've spent together he has slowly eroded her confidence and cut her off from her friends. Grant's controlling behaviour started so gradually that Alexa didn't even realise what was happening until it was too late and it's only when he starts becoming increasingly erratic and prone to violence that she realises that she's in deep trouble. She automatically turns to Maverick for help but Grant isn't going to let her go easily and they're going to need the help of all of the Raven Riders to keep Alexa safe.

I absolutely adore Maverick, he's that perfect alpha that's a little bossy and very protective but who doesn't push it too far. He is obviously head over heels for Alexa and he would do anything to keep her safe from harm. I loved that he puts Alexa's needs before his own, he goes out of his way to make sure she has everything she needs to feel comfortable and secure and he works with her to make sure her mother is taken care of too. We get some lovely bonding moments with him and the other Raven Riders and I really can't wait to get to know all of these characters better in future books. Alexa has been through a lot and it shows, she's been so beaten down by Grant that she has very little confidence but that quickly starts to change as Maverick helps build her back up again.

The chemistry between these two was off the charts and I think this was actually the hottest book in the Hard Ink / Raven Riders series so far. If I had one complaint it was that I felt things moved forward between Alexa and Maverick far too quickly, yes the sexy times were unbelievably hot but I would have found them more realistic if they'd waited a bit longer to give into temptation. Alexa has just come out of a 5 year relationship with a master manipulator who turned her into a shell of her old self, she was bound to be seriously messed up and I really would have loved to see her take a little time out to process her emotions and deal with things before she jumped into bed with Maverick. We do see her make a lot of progress by the end of the book but it felt a little like she was using Maverick as a crutch to help her cope rather than learning to stand on her own two feet, something that could have easily been avoided by holding off on their sexual relationship for a few weeks.

That didn't stop me enjoying the book though, Maverick is definitely my favourite Raven Rider so far (although I have high hopes for several of the others!) and I enjoyed seeing Alexa turn her life around. I also loved Alexa's pet cat Lucy who was utterly adorable. It was great to catch up with some of the characters we met in the previous books and I'm definitely excited about continuing the series. **Laura Kaye** never lets me down and is definitely an auto buy author for me.

Michelle says

ARC provided by author in exchange for an honest review

Obsessed! Laura Kaye has me once again addicted to the men of The Raven Riders. How could I not when Laura Kaye continues to give readers like myself swoonworthy protective alpha heroes with heart. Yes, the Raven Riders are your completely different MC bikers. First, their personalities are a riot and secondly, they have this hard exterior but have this compassionate and protective nature that pulls you in. And let me just say, Maverick Rylan won me over big time.

If she needed him, he'd be ready. That was all he knew. And for now, that would be enough."

Ride Rough was sexy, raw, beautiful and emotional. This book hits you hard as Laura Kaye provided layers and layers of depth of vulnerability, second chances, love, passion, and new beginnings. She allowed readers to feel for her characters as they navigated through their feelings for one another.

Maverick Rylan is the VP of Raven Riders. His life revolves around his brothers, his family, the MC and most importantly Alexa Harmon. Alexa will and will always be the one woman who has owned his heart. Five years of separation could not extinguish the torch he has for her. And so when Maverick learns that Alexa is in trouble and is in an unhealthy emotional abusive relationship, Maverick will stop at nothing in protecting her.

Alexa Harmon walked away from Maverick when her brother died. Feeling lost, she wanted to start anew. A new life. Fast forward to the present, Alexa should be happy with the life that she has built. She is finishing up with school, has a job and a very wealthy fiance. But soon Alexa will realize that means nothing when you are not happy. When Alexa decided to end her engagement, she turned to the one man who has stood by the shadows patiently waiting for her. Maverick Rylan.

And even though they lay there perfectly still, perfectly peaceful—at least for that one moment—Maverick realized that Alexa Harmon was the best fucking ride of his life. And he never wanted it to end."

Maverick and Alexa's relationship can be summed up as magnetic. Their chemistry and love for each other was something that couldn't be erased after several years of separation. The love Maverick has for Alexa runs so deep. He would do anything to make her happy and that could be said for Alexa as well. Seriously, their love was explosive. It was burning bright fueled by passion, love, truth, honesty, and vulnerability. But what happens when Alexa's ex-fiance tries to destroy and controls Alexa's life? Will Maverick be able to protect Alexa in time?

Because underneath it all, Maverick had still been there. At the heart and soul of her. Waiting for her to see the truth. Waiting for her to feel it. Her truth."

There is just something so organic in which Laura Kaye tells a story. She paces everything in a fluid manner and in such allows the readers to see and feel for her characters. Their flaws, strengths, and hopes. For Alexa

Harmon, she is not your wallflower kind of heroine as she discovers that happiness is one call or in this case one ride away. As for Maverick Rylan, hearts will swoon for this hero. He was rough around the edges but a total sweetheart. So if you are looking for an MC story that beautifully blends raw emotions as the backbone of this book then **Ride Rough** is the book for you.

Laura Kaye

Gretchen (About That Story) says

Ride Rough was AWESOME! **It was a riveting story that was emotional and intense with fantastic characters.** I loved it and was completely captivated. I was seriously on the edge of my seat. Such a fantastic series!

Right from the beginning I was all in! Maverick and Alexa have a heck of a story. I loved them reconnecting and could feel their pull, they had great chemistry. There was so much past pain and hurt but still so much underlying love and them coming back together had me cheering. I thought they were extremely well developed characters and I loved learning all their details. I felt so bad for Alexa because of her current situation and was rooting for her. I loved watching her figure things out, get stronger and really stand up for herself. I loved watching Maverick be there for her and the conflict he felt over everything, he was so protective and loyal. As well as the drama Maverick and Alexa were dealing with, there were a lot of sweet moments as well and I adored their playfulness and teasing.

The Ravens! Hello hot bikers that do good things! I love this club. I love that The Ravens protect others and this brotherhood they have. More club details were learned, there's some drama and it made for some action packed scenes. I thought the updates on other characters were great and I really liked getting to see more of the men's personalities. I loved seeing more Dare and Haven and more of Cora too. She's up next with Slider - I am beyond excited for that story!

It's just a well thought out, elaborate world I got completely lost in. Excellent writing, great build. It's a full story with fantastic details with a nice element of suspense mixed in. I was excited while reading and my emotions were everywhere. I was holding my breath from all the tension, swooning from Mavericks sweetness, cheering for Alexa when she stood up for herself, and wanted to throw my Kindle because the bad guy stressed me out so much. It was all just fantastic!

Get ready for a hot and intense ride with *Ride Rough*!

Complimentary copy received for honest review.

♥?elody says

1.75 star

So I generally don't like 2nd chance love stories. And this unfortunately was another example of why. All sense of wonder, new discovery and milestones a couple hit when they get to know each other and fall in

love the first time are completely taken out of the story so you are only given sporadic second hand information of the couple's past history which already happened *off the page*. Where is the fun in that?

Nowhere.

Only reason I made myself read this was because I want to read Book 3 and I was worried I would miss something important if I skipped this one. I liked Maverick just fine, he's sweet and funny and went great lengths to take care of Alexa. Alexa was fine too, she had her stupid moments but she didn't irritate me through the *entire* story like I thought she would. But the whole plot and pacing of this was insanely convoluted and hard to even suspend belief for 5 minutes to enjoy given the heavy subject matter it deals with. The heroine is engaged to a wealthy prominent millionaire(?) Grant Slater who has the personality of American Psycho behind closed doors. I will say Laura Kaye was very good at painting a realistic portrait of an abusive manipulative relationship. A little *too* good. Jesus. Which is why the first 11 chapters of this book are straight up miserable hell fire and makes you want to break out in hives at how accurate an abusive controlling relationship was portrayed. If you are easily triggered then don't read this. I felt like I was reading excerpts from *Sleeping with the Enemy*. ?

My issue starts off with what went down in Chapter 10, when her loving fiance (view spoiler)

Now you're probably thinking that incident in the bathroom was my final 'oh hell no' moment. Well, no. It's actually what happens after she leaves him that just screeched the tires to an abrupt halt into **WTFville**.

A **day** after Alexa leaves Grant and (view spoiler) she sleeps with the hero Maverick.

And no, not one of those 'this can only happen for one night, make me feel good' moments of emotional upheaval. No. I'm talking 'Heeeey boo. I've always wanted you, I was wrong to break it off 5 years ago, please baby fuck me good with your glorious dick. Give it to me good' spread eagle moments.

Jesus.

Waaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaay too fast.

I don't care how well the hero and heroine have known each other, that's a bullshit excuse to pull this. When you are dealing with a traumatized character who has been physically abused they need time and space to heal. I was hoping this book would cover a few months like the first book did but for some bizarre reason Kaye chose to rush the most important part of the plot along. Which makes no sense. If that was the case, these 2 should have gotten a novella instead. Cause she certainly didn't use the extra pages to her advantage IMO.

So after that wham-bam moment, it's pretty much fluffy dialogue tossed between the hero and heroine to the point it's repetitively boring. So boring I felt like this took me 2 months to finish. Cause boy did it draaaaaaag. You rely your whole plot around an abusive ex as the villain and yet 70% of the story nothing major happens except the hero and heroine rehashing and thinking the same things over and over again. And the hero doing sweet things for her cause he already knows what she likes. (See? Not exciting) And I felt Maverick was written a little *too* perfect for my tastes that it bordered on cheesy fanfic. That and the

nonstop swearing. It was starting to make me twitch and remind me of those awful trilogies where the macho alpha hero is cursing up a storm while he's drilling into his heroine or reassuring her how "fucking perfect" she is all the time. I get it. I don't need to see it on every page.

Oh and if you are going to take it there? Take it all the way. Label it. The fact that Maverick never found out that Alexa's crazy ex raped her I found surprising & a missed opportunity. He deserved to go after him just for that. Or the fact that Alexa never verbally or mentally acknowledged what he did. She never labeled it, just admitted "it was wrong". And when I came across this bit of dialogue near the end I found it interesting? to say the least:

Never in a million years would she have thought Grant would get that violent . . . or twisted.
And who knew what more he would've done if Maverick and the guys hadn't shown up?

Uuuuh...*seriously*? He's hit you. Threw things at you. Kicked you. He physically threw you out of the house just because he didn't like seeing you with another man. And oh yeah! **HE RAPED YOU**. And obviously tried to do it again here if the calvary hadn't showed up when they did. Come on. A man tackles you to the ground, forces his body on top of yours, forcibly kisses you and grinds against you, wtf do you think it was leading to Alexa? It's not cute to be this dense and shocked when you clearly *already know* what this person is capable of.

Guilty Pleasures Book Reviews says

Ride Rough the second book in Laura Kaye's Raven Riders series deals with the heavy subject of partner abuse both mentally and physically and while it was handled extremely well, I didn't enjoy this book as much as I did the first book in this series. Don't misunderstand, it was well written and the characters were compelling, but I struggled with part of the story and there was so much going on in this book that I felt the couple got a bit lost in the rest of the story instead of being the focus of it.

Years ago Maverick and Alexa were a couple, but with her brother's grief and her mother's emotional state Alexa needed more from Maverick and when he balked for just a moment in time she broke up with him and walked out of his life never looking back. Now engaged to a powerful man, working in his company, living in his home and planning a wedding just weeks ago Alexa thinks she has it all, but the closer they get to the wedding the more she realizes that something is "off" with her fiancé, Grant, and when Maverick inserts himself in her life again she begins to see that security and safety are two very different things.

Maverick really impressed me with his handling of Alexa especially when he began to suspect exactly what was happening in her life. He could have gone in all guns blazing, but instead he settled for being there for her as a friend, for making sure she was okay, and to help when she needed it. I liked that he understood what was happening and was determined to let her figure it out, but be close by when she did and needed him.

As difficult as it is to see women get caught up in an abusive relationship, I can also understand it because I've seen it happen to someone close to me. Alexa was smart, but an abuser is good at picking their victims and figuring out what they need to feel safe, make them feel that way and then pull the rug out from underneath them. Most women are not as lucky as Alexa to have someone willing to jump in and help and

she not only had Maverick, but the whole Raven Riders crew.

As these two had history it wasn't a surprise that they moved pretty quickly into a physical relationship, but to be honest it kind of bothered me. Alexa was coming out of a long term relationship that turned abusive over time, but she easily moved on to another man without any counseling or even really thinking about the fact she moved from one man's bed to another man's bed in the blink of an eye. It was evident the Alexa and Maverick shared a closeness that couldn't be denied and I love the passion and tenderness they shared especially given what she had endured.

I am really enjoying getting to know all the members of the Raven Riders and with each book their personalities come out a bit more. While there is no doubt their activities sometimes skirt the law, these are men who are passionate about helping women and children out of bad situations and giving back to their community.

Despite my few issues with Ride Rough, I did enjoy the story and Ms. Kaye writes with such passion that it is insanely easy to get wrapped up in her stories and be excited about what is coming next.

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Katie Reus says

Laura Kaye is a master at writing sexual tension! Ride Rough grabs you and won't let go until the final page!

Lover of Romance says

This review was originally posted on Addicted To Romance *Summary*

Maverick Rylan, the Vice President of the Raven Riders, is worried about his girl, a woman he has loved for years who is in trouble. Alexa Harmon, once was in love with Maverick when she was young but when her brother died, she pushed him away. Alexa has rebuilt her life, she now has a career in interior design, a handsome fiancée and a beautiful home, what more could she ask for. But when her fiancée Grant, starts to become even more controlling, and being abusive. And when she starts to realize how he has treated her since meeting him and how he has changed her, she decides to take control of her life again. Maverick is her rock, and she realizes she never stopped loving him but her ex fiancée is becoming unhinged and could destroy what she has become with Maverick...

Plot and Story Line

Ride Rough is the second book in this series, and I had a blast with this story and just like the first book I fell in love and it didn't take very long to do either. This author never ceases to amaze me with her stories, and Ride Rough kept me immersed. This story is wonderful, and not exactly what I was expecting to be honest, but I really enjoyed how it wasn't quite as dark as I was expecting it to be. Our heroine is suffering in a relationship, where she is being emotionally and slightly physically abused. From the beginning you see how manipulative and controlling her fiancée is, even if Alexa doesn't quite want to admit it to herself yet. Then our hero steps in. Maverick is simply delicious and one of my favorite heroes. I love how protect and loyal he is, true to his roots and his brothers but also to Alexa. I love how even though she pushed him away, he doesn't hold it against her, he has such a strong sense of empathy.

You're a good man, Maverick Rylan. Better than I gave you credit for. But I see you now. I know it

may be too late. But, God, I see you

In book one, we see a scene between these two, and it continues in this book. Its been a couple weeks following book one. Maverick has been hurt badly by Alexa, but hasn't stopped caring about her. I did enjoy seeing these two come back to each other again, although it is slow going. We get some great times with the Raven Riders Club again and we get to see some of our favorite character from book one. We see how close knit they are with each other, and the way they come together when something is wrong or when a woman is in trouble and needs their help. Their laughter and commadarie, is addicting and just brings a smile to the reader. And of course I need to mention the cat. Alexa's cat is hilarious. So funny.

"Was just thinking that Lucy could totally be the club's mascot. You need a biker name, though, " he said, hugging Lucy a little tighter to his chest as she tense at the clipping "Lucy" is cute and all but it doesn't really fit our vibe. Or the sweater I bought you. Maybe Lucky or Bones or...Slugger. Right?"
The cat purred and stared at him "You like that idea, don't you? Yes, you do, kittykitty."

"You are totally cooing at my cat right now."

"Am not."

"It's turning me on."

"I'm totally cooing at your cat."

I love how all the sweet feels you get from seeing this club. My only complaint is the ending, we kinda get a bit of a teaser cliffhanger dealing with supporting characters and I am hoping that book three will pick up right after this one.

The Cover

Sexy and hot and I LOVE it....it has such a pretty cover that I want to pet.

Overall View

Ride Rough is a sensational and emotionally in tuned romance, a slow burn second chance tale that wrapps around you like a warm blanket. A RIVETING ROMANCE LEAVES YOU SMILING!

Say you'll be mine.

That we'll ride through this life together, you and me against the world.

Just like we said.

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Angela (Angel's Guilty Pleasures) says

Ride Rough is book two in the *Raven Riders* series by Laura Kaye. I loved this one.

Maverick and Alexa have a past, but they or I should say she broke it off. She just wasn't ready and of course she's moved own. Now she's engaged to a man she thinks will give her everything she ever wanted. Maverick made a vow to watch over Alexa whether she is in his life or not. These two might just find a second chance.

WOW, it's hard to read about abuse, of any kind, on anyone. The author vividly portrayed what was going on with Alexa, what she was thinking, and feeling. You can see and feel the abuse, but Alexa is not yet ready to see the signs, but when she does things get complicated; because her fiancé, Grant, has made it so her life

is all wrapped up in his and there is no easy way out.

Maverick is such a sweet guy. I loved him. When he gets his chance to be with Alexa again he doesn't push. He is just there to help and maybe, become something more, if they can discuss the past and keep her safe.

There was just so much tenderness, passion, and warmth in this novel. I love the Raven Riders. They are a protective bunch and will do what they can to help Alexa out. The feelings Maverick and Alexa have for each other are deep and intense. The past was never resolved and they both have carried a torch for each other, even now, when they both tried to move on in their lives.

Two things that really stood out and made this one fun, sexy, and entertaining were the carnival and the sex scene on Maverick's bike. Who can resist a splendidly well written sex scene on a motorcycle. Oh boy, it was hot and so sexy. The carnival was adorable and delightful. It was so great that the Raven Riders had this idea to put together a carnival to bring back business after the events in Ride Hard. The carnival brought back many memories from when I was a kid and all the fun times me and my friends had at the fair. It was well done and everyone had such fun.

The more I dive into the Raven Riders series the more I fall in love with the world, the club, and their ladies. I'm excited for Ride Wild, because it's finally Cora's turn. I've wanted her story since the moment she popped up in Ride Hard as Haven's best friend.

Rated: 4 Stars

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Shayna says

I've fallen pretty HARD for this series, and even HARDER for Maverick Rylan, VP of the Seven Riders MC. His dedication and loyalty to the people he loves it just so DAMN sexy! Laura Kaye brings her A-game in her latest installment of the highly addictive MC Romance series. Explosive sexual tension, and enough emotion that will bring you to your knees, RIDE ROUGH was an all out sexy and suspenseful read. I couldn't look away once I began and I wanted to savor it, yet devour it in one fell swoop.

"I don't want to hurt you. I never wanted to hurt you. But I want you. I want you inside me right now more than I want my next breath."

Maverick and Alexa have a deep connection that spans many years. When tragedy struck, one walked away, and the other did not chase after. Fast forward five years, and tragedy has struck again, and this time Maverick will not let Alexa go without a fight. This tragedy comes in the form of an abusive fiancé who will stop at nothing to get Alexa back. He has powerful connections, and will make it damn hard for Alexa to ignore him. To keep Alexa safe, Maverick will be by her side every moment of every day. The close proximity brings their powerful connection to the forefront and pretty soon, the bond that they shared so long ago, comes rushing back with a vengeance. No longer able to deny what they feel, the closer they become, the closer the enemy draws near. This enemy has the power to destroy them both, but what's that old saying?

Oh yeah, LOVE CONQUERS ALL, and all that jazz.

I loved this installment so much. I loved Maverick's bossy side, and I loved his tender side. His loyalty to his MC and his family was so beautiful. Alexa's strength shined through in this romance, and I cheered her on, every step of the way. With emotion bleeding through each and every page, Laura Kaye has created something robust and special with Maverick and Alexa's second chance love story. The Raven Riders have become like family to me and I can't wait to revisit them in the highly anticipated third book in the series, RIDE WILD. This will be Slider and Cora's story, and I'm just as giddy for their story as I was for this one!

Jo - ***★Reading Is My Bliss★.*** says

When you fall in love for the first time it is often said that you never forget your first love and in a lot of instances you may very well stay together forever. However, as wonderful as that sounds, it doesn't always work out that way.

Alexa and Maverick were in love as teenagers and he thought that nothing would ever break them apart, until Alexa did just that when she walked away from him, leaving him stunned and broken hearted.

Five years later and Alexa is now engaged to another man. Grant Slater. He is handsome and a very successful business man. He has given her a life that she had only dreamed of. She never wants for anything and lives in a beautiful home. However there is another side to Grant, a side that no one else sees. He is an abusive, manipulating control freak.

Maverick has been keeping his eye on Alexa over the years, he knows that Grant is not the man for her and he also knows that this man has a dark side, therefore he keeps tabs on Alexa so he knows she is okay. This is how he comes across her one night distressed outside her home. His protective instincts kick in and on the back of his harley she goes.

Alexa thought that being with a man like Grant was a good choice for her, a safe choice. Maverick is part of the local Raven Riders MC and there is danger on a daily basis in his world. However, she has come to realise that danger comes in many forms and she has never feared for her life as much as she recently has being with Grant. Within minutes of being in Maverick's company she feels safe.

“You’re a good man, Maverick Rylan. Better than I gave you credit for. But I see you now.” She paused, and he hung on her words like they were the oxygen he needed to breathe. “I know it may be too late. But, God, I see you.”

Maverick has never stopped loving this girl and the thought of anyone causing her harm eats him up inside. She should never have been with him in the first place, she belongs to him and there is no way he is letting her go ever again. Now he just has to deal with her psycho ex.

That is just a quick skim of what happens in this second chance love story. I loved Maverick, he will do anything for the people he loves and that includes his brothers. There is a lot more happening in this story

that I haven't touched on and plenty of glimpses of Dare & Haven from book one.

XxTainaxX says

[She goes from an intimate relationship with someone she is engaged to rekindling her flame with Mav in no time. Let me elaborate. I am fully aware that Alexa's ex is the antagonist. He is bad in every sense. I'm glad she leaves him. I am even glad she moves on. Where I find issue is that she is not allowed any time to really deal with what she's going through before she's already sleeping with Mav. The barrier

Heroesinbooks says

4.5 Maverick and Alexa Stars

This great series continues with the Vice President-Maverick's story. He is such a likeable hero- loyal, alpha, funny and solid. He gets a second chance with the girl who broke his heart five years ago. Alexa left Mav after her brother, his best friend, died. She's about to marry a guy who has it all on the outside but inside is a monster.

Triggers include domestic violence.

HEA? Yes

Cheating? No

?Jualicious Book Paradise? says

Original review on Julalicious Book Paradise

The second book in the *Raven Riders series* is about Maverick and Alexa. They used to date until she left him hoping for a better and more stable life for her and her mother after the death of her brother. We get our first glimpse of Alexa in the first book when five years later, she's knocking back on the Raven's door with bruises. Maverick only wants to help her, but she refuses to admit she needs help and apologize for coming.

The second book continues to where things were left off between them; Maverick watching over her discreetly and her being in denial of what her life has become. He can't seem to put her in the past though he knows he ought to do it knowing something is not right.

Maverick is dedicated to the people he cared about. From the first book of the series, you can see that. He's loyal and he would do anything to protect the ones he loves. He feels a lot of guilt over what happened between his mom and father and that reflects a lot into the person he has become.

Alexa's character was frustrating at times, but at the same time, you understand where her thoughts are coming from. Unlike us the readers, Alexa isn't aware of the bad relationship she is in; she always finds excuses to explain why Slater did one thing and why he didn't do the other. But Alexa is a lot like Maverick; she takes care of her loved ones. She is dedicated to her mother and even if it's hard sometimes, she doesn't let that stop her.

Alexa and Maverick together were like two pieces of puzzle put back together; they just fit. I liked how he helped her realize little by little that the relationship she thought she needs/wanted was far from perfect without pushing too far. He was there when she needed him and that's it. It was slow building because Alexa had to work a lot on herself to understand who she was and who she has become and realize who she really was.

Though the main story is about them, there's also a lot of going on in the background with the Ravens as they try to save the image of the club after the events of the previous books and so many obstacles are put on their path too.

I will admit that I got frustrated with the book from time to time because a lot of injustices happened in it and I wanted to punch someone and since I can't punch my phone, I decided to just turn it off and wait to cool off.

Overall, it was a quick read that will probably make you want to hit something from time to time, but I think you'll fall in love with Alexa and Maverick's story.

I'm really looking forward to the next books of the series and see where Laura will take us next.

I was giving an advanced copy of this book in exchange of an honest review.

Sabrina says

I made the mistake of getting behind with Laura Kaye's Hard Ink series and fully regret it, so I am fully determined to not make that same mistake with this series. Especially not since it's going so well for me already. *Ride Rough* was amazing and these characters were crazy sexy so I just couldn't get enough of them. This was also my second second-chance romance that I read over the weekend so maybe I've been converted to a lover of this trope.

Maverick and Alexa had a sizzling chemistry that was undeniable when you saw them together. I'm not even kidding, their sexual tension almost made my Kindle explode. I really loved seeing them together and seeing how close they became even after not being together for years.

Maverick was the true hero of this book for me though and I will definitely be re-reading it just for him. He was this big bad biker dude but then we got to see the sweet and tender side to him and it had me swooning all over the place.

Bottom line, you need to start this series right away. I love these men that Laura Kaye creates and I think everyone else will too.

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Heather andrews says

I loved Maverick he was not bashful, "I want to pin you against my truck and kiss the eff out of you. I want

to put my hands on you. Everywhere. I want to push those sexy little pants off your even sexier *** and make you wet with my fingers until you're crying out my name. While all those eyes behind that dark glass are watching. While Slater's watching." I loved this book, Maverick was protective and sweet.
