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An ambitious heiress disguised as Cinderella meets her match—a bad boy who pursues her in the ballroom and the boardroom—in this charming short novel from bestselling author Kay Hooper, part of her Once Upon a Time series.

There's fantasy in the air, and more than a touch of irony, as Amanda Wilderman taps her dainty glass slipper impatiently and watches the clock. Would this costume party ever *end*? But when an anonymous Prince Charming sweeps her off her feet and onto the dance floor, Amanda tries to have some innocent fun before returning to the real world. Her obligations to the family business keep her too busy for love—and, besides, she's never known anyone like this mystery man.

Despite his elegant attire, Ryder Foxx is a butcher when it comes to the competition. No one's ever brought the ruthless mogul to his knees, until his dance partner leaves him holding her glass shoe . . . literally. But when fate—or perhaps a matchmaking fairy godmother or two—finds him snowbound at a Wyoming dude ranch with a gorgeous redhead who seems strangely familiar, Ryder realizes that Cinderella's also his biggest competitor. And if the shoe fits, maybe he'll have to start believing in magic—or at least in the power of love.

Includes an excerpt from another Loveswept title.

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Jennifer says

I read both Golden Threads and the Glass Shoe back to back. They are cute, modern adaptations of the fairy tale classics of Rapunzel and Cinderella. If you are looking for a fun, quick read, I would recommend these books.

Mary at USAT's HEA says

The Glass Shoe is a quick, cute story. It leans a little too far into the cutesy zone for me, but it is a spoof on a fairy tale and to be expected. I think I would have been bored if it had been any longer.

ARC provided by publisher via Netgalley, but no one made me write this review and my opinions are honest and my own.

Sheila Melo says

FINAL DECISION: Sweet, funny and with just a touch of angst. This story is short and thus not fully developed but I enjoyed the characters and their journey.

THE STORY: Amanda Wilderman doesn't believe in princes so she ruefully allows her cousins to convince her to attend a masquerade ball as Cinderella. There she meet Ryder Foxx, who is conveniently dressed as the prince. The two have a magical evening together and, of course, Amanda runs off before midnight, leaving a glass shoe behind. The two end up meeting again in Wyoming where Amanda is helping her uncle redecorate a hotel. Amanda doesn't want Ryder to know that she is an heiress because she has been burnt before and she certainly doesn't want him to know that she was Cinderella. Despite this, the sparks fly between these two. A wary woman and the man who wants her love and trust.

OPINION: This is a short novel but has a freshness that belies is being over 25 years old. I enjoyed the spirit of the book with has a humor mixed with some mild angst involving Amanda's wariness. I liked how Amanda and Ryder challenge one another and enjoy each others company. There are such normal activities as board game playing and a fainting dog. The central conflict in the story is Amanda's wariness, the secrets she is keeping, and Ryder's own expectations.

Although there is a plot involving a potential technology that both their companies are competing for which might derail their romance, the plot mostly stays in the background in this book. This is a book about the heart of these two characters and overcoming a sad past.

I enjoyed this book when I read it years ago and it has aged very well.

WORTH MENTIONING: THE GLASS SHOE was originally published as a Loveswept category romance in 1989.

CONNECTED BOOKS: THE GLASS SHOE is the second book in the Once Upon a Time series. It can be read as a standalone because the books in the series are only loosely connected.

STAR RATING: I give this book 4 stars. This review was originally posted on Top10RomanceBooks.com

Gloria Brignola says

I loved this story...I believe in fairy tales so it was easy for me to follow. A real life Cinderella story with a happy ever after. It was so pure and romantic and I am going to read it again...

Margareta says

Lagana.

Dawn says

This is part of the Author's fairy tale stories with this Tale a take on Cinderella. Enjoyed Amanda and Ryder's story with the humor, characters and ending. Have this book in Print from original first publishing from Loveswept on a keeper shelf and loved revisiting it.

Ebook from Netgalley and publishers with thanks. Opinions are entirely my own.

Carolyn says

I would have called this new adult, but it was written almost 30 years ago. I didn't care for it, but I think most romance readers would.

Adi Molvin says

Cute book.

Very easy read, I read it in an afternoon. Sweet, fluffy story with likable characters. Nice modern(ish) fairytale, not too serious.

Linda Rea says

Amanda has closed herself off from relationships with men because they will just hurt her but her cousins Samantha and Leslie won't let her do that. They have set her up to go to a masked ball dressed like

Cinderella to give her a chance to be someone else when she meets Ryder a self made billionaire that doesn't have time for a life outside of work. When Amanda and Ryder meet it's like fireworks go off but Amanda being the scaredy cat she is leaves the ball leaving one of her glass slippers and poor Ryder searching for her. I loved the modern day twist on this story and how you can relate to what the characters are feeling

Kathleen Strayer says

Fairy Tale Romance

Romantic. For those of us who given up on finding our fairy tale prince, a tale of love at first sight.

Michelle Quintana says

For what it was, this wasn't a bad book to read. It was enjoyable to read and made me laugh at certain times. I do wish the book was longer because I felt like Amanda and Ryder's story felt rushed at certain parts of the book. The chemistry was there but it just felt rushed. I wish the ending had been better because it didn't seem like it tied up the story. I wouldn't mind having a dog like Nemo, I think he made me laugh the most.

Samantha says

A sweet and easy novella to read. Amanda Wilderman is both filthy rich and drop dead gorgeous. She has issues finding men that are interested in HER though so she's seemingly sworn them all off. Her cousins set up an evening for her to dress as Cinderella (right now to her glass slippers) where of course she runs off before the stroke of midnight and loses one of those glass shoes. During the course of that ball, her and someone dressed as Prince Charming all but fall in love and by the end of the evening, he's left holding the glass shoe.

This is the second book I've read in the the Once Upon a Time series and while a fun read, the plots are SO contrived that it's hard for me to relate or get attached to the characters. They don't develop well and I'm unused to everything neatly following into place and for everything to be so sunshiny and rainbows.

Thank you netgalley for a free copy of this book in exchange for an honest review.

Srivalli Rekha says

A semi Cinderella story with a Santa type man thrown in twice. For a novella this a simple and fun book to read.

Bette Hansen says

This modern day version of the classic Cinderella was a fun, sweet read. Owing her cousins a favor is never a good thing and this time it has her dressing up as Cinderella, glass slippers and all, and attending a local ball. Never did she imagine meeting her very own Prince Charming in Ryder Foxx. After having a great time Amanda is reluctant for Ryder to find out who she really is and at midnight runs from the ball. And yes you guessed it....leaves her slipper behind. When they eventually meet up again it looks like they have a chance at a happily ever after until business comes between them.

A quick fun read that I would recommend.

Jin says

Thanks to Netgalley and Random House Loveswept for my ARC

Amanda was Cinderella for a night and she meets prince Ryder Duncan Foxx but Amanda is richer than prince charming.

Amanda owed favors to her cousins and they wanted her to attend a gala dressed as Cinderella with glass shoes and all. Being a good sport, she did dressed up and went to a ball. Not expecting to have a great time with Ryder. By midnight, Amanda was afraid to reveal herself, she leaves in a hurry and drops her glass shoe.

Her cousins leave enough crumbs for prince charming to find Amanda. However, Ryder gives up looking for his Cinderella and head to Wyoming where Amanda is going to oversee renovation of the ranch.

Amanda knew who was coming and she wanted to avoid at all cost but she couldn't keep running away.

From the moment he arrived in Wyoming, sparks were flying between them. But Amanda couldn't open up to Ryder and she was afraid if she reveals who she is he will be like her ex-fiance.

Slowly but surely, they become more comfortable with each other but business gets in the way and her uncle's company (technically her's as well) and Ryder's company is pursuing for same thing.

Will both risk their love for business or will they give each other another chance.

I did enjoy reading this and it was fun twist to Cinderella story.
