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Lynx shifter Marci Lennox has worked at the shifter-friendly Ursa Fishing Lodge and Resort all her adult life. It's more a home to her than a job. When her boss goes on vacation, putting her in charge, Marci is thrilled. Finally a chance to prove she has the mettle to run a resort.

Her confidence is shaken when new employee Anton Gaspar appears. One look at the mysterious tiger shifter spells trouble for Marci and for her sex-crazed lynx. Anton is judgmental, condescending, and a little misogynistic. Unfortunately, Marci's lynx thinks his tiger is more delicious than an oversized bag of Maltesers.

It becomes difficult for Marci to remain neutral near Anton, especially when she learns of his troubling past and unusual family circumstances. However, when dangerous incidents occur on the resort, the lynx woman and tiger man join forces to combat the threat to the lodge and its guests.

Harder still is the quest to combat their explosive feelings for one another. As they explore their mutual passion, they realize the danger at the resort is more insidious than they ever envisioned. Their dreams, their love, and their very lives are at stake.

## **Predator's Refuge Details**

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# **From Reader Review Predator's Refuge for online ebook**

## **Daisy Sloan says**

Gemini Island....A safe haven for shifters. They're free to be themselves and find their way. Have a little fun.

Anton has come to Gemini Island to start over. He's royalty but has no plans to claim the throne. In fact, he would rather it all went away.

Marci has worked at Ursa Lodge for years. She's always been awkward and she's a late bloomer. She's finally come into her lynx and she's been trusted to run the lodge.

The problem? Marci's lynx is in heat and wants Anton. Anton however won't give in to Marci. He's afraid to. He wants her, oh how he wants her, but he won't do it!

New problem? Someone is attacking the shifters on the island, including Marci.

I love Marci's lynx! That is one wild cat. She knows what she wants and will do anything to get it. Now she just has to get Anton to agree.

The chemistry between Anton and Marci leapt off the pages. They were so hot together. I found myself wanting to take a 2x4 to Anton! He was so stubborn! What is up with these stubborn men! But, once he gave in, it was HOT HOT HOT!

The mystery of the attacks on the shifters added a layer to the story and gave us some tension. The tension added to the story. It gave Anton the push he needed. The tension of the attacks didn't overpower the story of Marci and Anton, it enhanced it.

I'm loving this series. I'm looking forward to another story from Rosanna Leo. She just needs to write faster!

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## **LBAS Book Blogs says**

A beautifully written paranormal romance, matching an aristocratic tiger-shifter with a feisty lynx in an exotic location. I love big cat shifters and this story delivered what I enjoy in shifter stories, smexiness loaded with suspense.

This author uses words to great effect, painting pictures that are almost cinematic and transporting you to locations, making you a front row audience as the scenes unfold. The characters are immensely likeable and well developed. There were moments that made me laugh out loud and moments where I wanted to smack a character in the head. There were moments that were sexy hot and moments that were heart-warming.

All in all, a great story and I recommend this book easily. If you love paranormal romance or romantic

suspense, then you will love this book.

#### 4.5 Lovebites

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### **Carrie (Book Fairy) Fort says**

Favorite Lines **"I think God made you for me."**

**"Yes, lynx," he said, laughing. "I said I love you. Would you like to debate it?"**

**"I love you too, Mr. Gaspar. Or is it Prince Anton? My liege? Your Highness? I never did ask the correct method for addressing you." "You can just call me your tiger." "My tiger." She nodded. "I like that."**

**"Just one of my faults," she said, pulling him closer and wrapping her arms around his waist. "I have many, you know." "I'll take them all."**

**"I know everything has changed for you. I'll never forget that you left your home for me, kitten. I owe you everything." She placed a hand on his left pec, right over his heart. "You are my home. I'd follow you to the ends of the earth." "And I'd follow you, too."**

When I saw what this book was about I was so excited! I have loved Marci since #1 in The Gemini Island series. She's grown it to quite the sexy, smart, funny lynx! We have watched her grow from a shy young woman to a OMG woman! I loved it!

In this story Marci meets a OMG tiger who has her lynx shaking her booty! Anton is a PRINCE Tiger!! He's from such a messed up family! So messed up he let them to go to a monastery! Then he takes a job on Gemini Island working with the young shifters and when he sees Marci everything STOPS!! It does also for Marci but, she's in charge while Ryland is on vacation with his mate but, no matter how much she tries to fight it she just can't get the oh so sexy tiger out of her head!

In this book shifters are being attacked! Who's doing it? Why? You MUST READ to find out why!

As with all of Leo's books this one is funny, oh so sexy, and warms your heart! This book is for all who love the paranormal romance with YUMMINESS!

I was given this book in exchange for an honest review

### **FIVE ROYAL FAIRIES**

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### **SN the Viking says**

I am sooooo looking forward to reading this book!

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## **Tracey says**

Book 3 in the Gemini Island Shifter Series and this time we get Marci's Story, a Lynx Shifter currently on heat!

The resort is getting a new employee, enter Anton a Prince trying to escape his family and title. His a Tiger shifter, but in human form his just the total Alpha Male package!

We all know they'll get together eventually but before that there's some severe sexual tension, especially for poor Marci who's on heat. To make things worse she's in charge of the resort, while trying to control her inner feline and deal with how she feels for Anton. It's a good job she's a strong character!

If that wasn't enough of course there's some more drama thrown in, we can't have an easy flowing romance, we need some angst and tension, which we all love.

Quote from book -

He wanted to grab her to him, strip her of her businesswoman suit, and fuck every hole in her body until she came in a hurricane of pleasure. There was no denying it. He wanted to bury himself in those uptight curves and watch her unravel on a series of gut-wrenching sighs. He wanted to know what kinds of moans she made, and what it would take to hear her cry his name.

I have to mention sex, yes it's hot and lots of it, just the right amount for a shifter romance book, shifters are passionate creatures!

I enjoyed this book and stayed up until 2 am to finish it!

Another great read from Rosanna Leo, I'm awarding this book 4.5 strong vampy and racey stars.

I was gifted this book for an honest review.

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## **Mnix says**

Marci Lennox is a Lynx shifter with a serious problem. Her Lynx is in the mood to mate and is getting pretty fiesty about it, while Marci just wants to do her job at Ursa Fishing Lodge and Resort the best she can. That does not mean thinking any new unattached male is a possible mate and that she should try them out. When Marci is given the chance to become the assistant manager at the lodge if she runs it successfully while her boss is on vacation, Marci is more than up for the job. That is until she meets the sexy new hire.

Anton Gaspar, a tiger shifter, is hoping to start a new life far away from his homeland and family

responsibilities. The new job doesn't start off well when Anton mistakes Marci for just a worker and not his temporary boss when he arrives at the Ursa. To top that off Anton can't ignore the wonderfully seductive scent coming from Marci. She is in heat and only Anton's strong control is keeping him from answering that call.

Marci and Anton are able to work together and ignore the unspoken subcurrents that are traveling back and forth between them until strange attacks on the women at the lodge start happening. Now Marci is pulling in all the help she can to find out what is going on and to protect both the workers and the resort guests and Anton is a huge help. Suspicions are running rampant as the attacks continue and a serious case of jealousy are all dividing Marci's attention just when she needs to be on her game. Just when Anton and Marci finally give into their passions, a piece of Anton's past shows up at the lodge. Tensions are really high as Marci and Anton finally put all the clues together and discover just what a twisted mind is behind the attacks. But have they discovered the answer fast enough to keep everyone safe?

Love found at a hunting lodge is not the only thing that keeps Marci and Anton sparking in Predator's Refuge. I knew that Marci was in a difficult position in her life after the last book in this series. I really liked how hard Marci fought her inner Lynx to try and keep her heat from affecting those around her. To me it showed just how strong and principled a woman she was, but I also loved that she knew when to accept what she felt between her and Anton. Anton's past horrified me as I learned all he had gone through during his life to try and protect people weaker than him. Watching as Marci and Anton battled to keep those at the lodge safe and discover just who was behind the attacks showed me that this is one powerful couple. Now that I know what their future is going to be, this combined strength will be a help as they go forward. Marci and Anton's lives were totally changed just as they discovered each other and their love. Predator's Refuge is fully of suspense and smoldering passions that explode in more than one way by the time the final page is turned. A great continuation of a series I am coming to love.

This book was reviewed by Jo for Joyfully Reviewed (JR), and was provided by the publisher/author at no cost to JR for the purpose of being reviewed.

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### **Monette Michaels says**

I love shifter books. Well-written shifter books, and Rosanna Leo's Gemini Island Shifters series is one of my go-to reads.

Predator's Ridge hits all my buzzers and bells. Spunky heroine in lynx shifter Marci. Hunky hero in tiger shifter Anton. And an evil shifter villain wanting to hurt them both. The romance and sex between Marci and Anton is HAWT and their happy ever after is well deserved and satisfying.

I can't wait for the next book in this series!

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### **Donna Sweeney says**

Another absolutley brilliant book from Rosanna !!.

If you have not read any of Rosanna's series then DO SO NOW !!! Hot guys, strong heroines, actual good story line !!!!

I have enjoyed EVERY single book in this particular series and secretly, I have been waiting Marci's book in particular.

I always had a soft spot for her and Anton as our leading male in her story was a REAL WOW for me. Huba, huba girlies - gorgeous alpha hunk!!

I can't wait for book 4.

Seriously people try this series and her others - the Greek God series and the Orkney Selkies well done again Rosanna xx ;0)

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## **Nina says**

Rosanna has done it again! I was excited to revisit Gemini Island again with Marci and Anton. This story had nice buildup and development with the characters. Also loved the suspense surrounding the plot. I was on the edge of my seat guessing the entire time and it was not what I expected so kudos to the author for that.

Overall, this was a very enjoyable PNR!

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## **Aixa says**

I received this ARC in exchange for an honest review.

From Bears to Felines, what has Rosanna done now?

This is it the final installment of our favorite storyline Gemini Island and Shifters Predator's Refuse by Rosanna Leo (for now). Now before you get your hopes up there is no Ryland or Soren to drool over, this one is about our lovely Marci.

Remember her?

Marci was the lovely girl in Predator's kiss that worked at the front counter who had braces and was going through her awkward teenage years being a half-breed. Half shifter half human.

Nothing?

Ok how about the hot girl, a shifter Lynx that Soren couldn't even recognize and wanted to bed as soon as he arrived at Ursa Fishing Lodge in Northern Ontario before he meet his lovely mate in Predator's Serenade.

Marci has grown up to be a lovely woman but unfortunately her shifter side rules her hormones and wants her to jump any available male within rage, but Marci doesn't want to be that girl. Deep down she wants love and romance and everything most girl wants. But what happens when Anton Gaspar appears?

She is immediately attracted to him and her lynx drives her mad every time he is close to her. If you've read Rosanna Leo's other two-shifter books you know that the attraction is not something that the shifters can fight no matter how hard they try, especially if they meet their mate.

Throughout the story we see Marci's personality, her thoughts and feelings and we really get to know her

better than the girl that made a pass at Soren only to crash and burn. We see the interaction between them and her lust for his physical appearance grown into something more and less fleeting.

But Rosanna never just give us fluff and flowers, she makes it interesting by adding a past to the mysterious Anton, a past that can come and bite him and anyone close to him in the ass.

Who wants to cause him and Marci harm?

Why?

To find out go get the book and get to reading.

Full of love, passion, lust and plenty of action and mystery, I would recommend for anyone over 18 to read.

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### **Fran Lucero says**

Loved Marci in the previous book. Felt so bad for her when she tried to seduce Rileys brother and got a bit mad at her till I understood what was happening to her. Anton I felt so bad for the miserable childhood he had. What a family he had. I was really in suspense who was doing the attacks until three fourth of the book then I figured it had to be Gabi ,Anton's brother. Great series keep them coming.

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### **t'irla ~The Bookslayer~ t'irla's Talk Book Blog says**

What can I say? I love Gemini Island Shifters! I fell in love with Rosanna Leo's BearShifters in her first two books in this series (if you haven't read them you really MUST) and now she presents me with a damaged TigerShifter with an accent who is royalty..how can a girl resist!!!

In the first two books of the series we met Marci, a young LynxShifter who was sweet, fun and a bit daring. Her play for Soren in book 2 didn't work out and she found herself in an embarrassing situation but she put that behind her and focused on doing her best to succeed at the Ursa Lodge. I loved Marci she was the definite ingenue of the Island. In this story Marci became a fully dimensional character, we learned more about her feelings and why she worked so hard. I connected with her character and was completely there when she was feeling frustrated, angry and humiliated. It was wonderful to watch her attraction grow from physical lust to deeper and more meaningful love as she interacted with Anton.

Anton our TigerShifter was damaged as a child and I just adore damaged heroes. He chose to escape his past and the feelings it brought out in him by removing himself from his past behaviours and now geographically to Gemini Island. It was truly refreshing to find a big dominate alpha hero with insecurities and who over thought everything. We often see this in our heroines but not our heroes. The great thing is that these thoughts and feelings did not take away from his masculinity and "alphaness". Connecting with Anton and getting to understand him throughout the novel was a journey and when we reached the conclusion the reader just could do nothing but feel overjoyed that he found what he needed to be at peace with himself and happy with his life.

The plot moved along at a rapid rate and that made this a fast and enjoyable read. The intrigue, twists and turns of the plot brought a new dimension to this series. I loved that there was more suspense and that the whodunit aspect became more mysterious.

I love Rosanna Leo's writing style it is fun and easy to read but it is even more fun as I follow this series seeing her grow and become more adventurous. Kudo's my friend for another wonderful story and I can't wait until the next Gemini Island Shifter novel!

4.5 stars for this fun, refreshing, immersing read! If you haven't met the Shifters of Gemini Island I recommend you run out and get them now. One of the best shifter series to step into the market in a long time. Predator's Refuge could be read as a standalone but the Snow brothers are well worth the investment. Don't miss out!

\*note this novel was given to me by the author for an honest review\*

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### **Trescina Bell says**

#### **Another great read!**

I have enjoyed this series. This book was equally exciting. I'm looking forward to the next book in the series.

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### **Michelle ♣ Ndayeni says**

Rosanna Leo's books rarely disappoint, and such is very true of this third addition to her Gemini Island Shifters series. This time we get Marci's story, a woman that we've met in the previous books, though she had yet to come into her own then. In this one she's all grown up though and finally starting to realize her potential. The choices she ends up making, however, are a bit surprising, not only to the reader but to Marci herself.

In the previous books we saw Marci as an awkward young shifter woman who was desperate for approval and desperate to prove herself capable not only of doing her job but of doing more besides. She had yet to truly find the self-confidence she needed to succeed. Much of that has changed by the beginning of this book, for while she still has plenty of insecurities, she's finally begun to truly find herself and is far more confident and self-assured than she has been in the previous books. She has started to assert her independence and to pursue her ambitions with even more determination than ever. It hasn't come without a price, however, and that price has been the over-repression of her Lynx, particularly as regards her sexuality and need to get down and dirty with someone. Thus, though she's on the verge of achieving the position she's been coveting for some time, that of Assistant Manager at the Ursa Lodge, she's also on the verge of a complete breakdown caused by her self-denial. Anton's appearance at the lodge quickly proves to be the one thing that tips the balance and threatens to send her whole life spiraling out of control.

Anton is the heir to a "throne" in Hungary, though it's a position he wants no part of, primarily because of his depraved family and their history of violent despotism. He has spent the last two years at a monastery hoping to find peace and to distance himself from his family, and it's worked to a certain degree. He accepts a mentor position at the Ursa Lodge to try to make a fresh start with his life, and to try to do some good in the

world to hopefully counteract the evil his family has perpetrated for far too long. Little goes as planned for him, however, as his resolve is first challenged by the intense attraction he feels for Marci upon first meeting her, and later by his past catching up to him. It isn't long before he has some several choices he must make, and while some are relatively easy, others aren't, and his choices in the end aren't really what you'd expect.

The story moved along fairly quickly in this one, though certainly not at the expense of characterization. Even with the characters that we already knew from previous books, Ms. Leo gave them further life and depth, showing us new facets to their personalities, as well as demonstrating some of the ways they too have changed in the last...however long it's been since we first met them (the timeline here is a tad vague, though it's entirely possible I just missed some of the references to how much time has elapsed over the series). Though there's certainly plenty going on plot-wise with events on the island and elsewhere, the focus remains on the characters and how they deal with their internal problems, interpersonal conflicts, and the events going on around them. This attention to detail when it comes to her characters' thoughts, mannerisms, actions, and words as she constructs their personalities for us is one of the things I most admire in Ms. Leo's writing.

Overall I thought this book a very fitting addition to the series as it definitely preserves the atmosphere and tone of the previous books. It helps to bring Gemini Island and the people who live and work there into more vibrant focus as we see yet again that even though they do a lot of good for the shifter community, it's still no utopia and the problems of the outside world are never very far away. It's easy to see how the series is maturing along with its characters in the way that we get to see more of the grit and imperfections of life on Gemini than we have before. We're also taken to some much darker places in this book, darker perhaps than I've seen in any of Ms. Leo's previous works (those I've read anyway...I am admittedly not fully up to date with all her works) and though I cherish her normal lighthearted, sassy style of writing I'm also pleased to see how she's continuing to mature as an author and take on darker topics and integrate them into her stories in a way that is still uniquely her style.

For all that I thoroughly enjoyed Marci and Anton and the rest of the cast here, it still wasn't fully a five star read for me. While I felt that the conflict resolution here seemed much more appropriate and satisfying than has been the case at times, still I felt that certain aspects got slightly simplified. There was no last minute twist to lift this from the realm of "this is really good" into "wow!" like there was with the previous book, and it wasn't all that difficult to figure out whodunit well before the final reveal and showdown. Still, the excellent characterization and storytelling deserves a solid 4½ stars and a definite recommendation.

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## **The BookChick says**

### **My Rating: ★★★★★**

VERY GOOD: The characteristics of a 4 star book include: a great story; I loved the characters; and there was an interesting plot and unique story elements; there may have been a few odd things kept the story from being amazing. I would read it again and I would recommend it to a friend.

I am such a fan of Rosanna Leo's Gemini Island Shifters series. Both of the stories before Predator's Refuge were engaging, fun, and very sexy. And happily, Predator's Refuge fits right in with the series. I love that we get to see Marci's evolution over three books. She goes from a geeky and shy mouse to a gorgeous and confident bombshell. And she needs all that new found confidence when she meets Anton Gaspar. Anton is from a very long line of royal Hungarian tigers. He's a prince and his misogyny is quite apparent when he

meets Marci. But, as fate would have it, the two are inexplicably drawn to one another. As Marci and Anton get to know one another, they come to respect each other in ways they would have never expected. Circumstances throw them together when a sinister force comes to the island. In spite of the circumstances, their desire grows and their passion combusts in a night of ultimate pleasure. When Marci becomes the next victim in an evil plot, Anton must decide where his loyalty lies...in his present with her or his past.

What can I say about this story other than I love it...a lot. The passion and the intrigue kept me on the edge of my seat. The characters were multidimensional and exceptionally well done. You didn't know whether to smack or kiss Anton at times. And Marci was just so loveable that you just wanted to hug her. I enjoyed how the story was an easy read but was full of unexpected twists and turns. Ms. Leo definitely has another winner with Predator's Refuge!

**Ratings Detail:**

Rating for male protagonist: 4★

Rating for female protagonist: 4★

Rating for secondary characters: 4★

Plot Viability: 4★

General Storyline: 4★

Story Ending: 4★

Ease of Reading: 4★

**Overall rating: 4★**

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