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From award-winning author Candice Dow comes a raw, sizzling, and emotional novel about a woman who must fight for what she wants-before she loses everything . . . THE EX-WIFE She's the hottest relationship expert around. Her get-real advice and tough-world experience have earned Ayana Blue money, fame, and a successful life she never imagined. And handsome Realtor Cameron Small is the sexy, steady Mr. Right she wasn't looking for yet always hoped she'd find. But Cam's unstable, in-denial ex-wife, Yasmin, isn't about to let him go-or allow anyone else take "her place." And if that means wrecking everything Ayana has worked so hard to build, then so be it. Now with her peace of mind shattered, her private business in the hole, and her reputation on the line, Ayana needs to figure out fast which dreams she can save, and what she'll have to let go. When it comes down to the ex-wife v. the next-wife, the only thing guaranteed is a scorched-earth battle-and it's winner takes all . . .

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Kimyatta Walker says

Some stuff you just don't see coming! Here I was all set to hate someone and then they go and redeem themselves! Actually, the character I wanted to hate the most was Ayana! I liked her alright until she started tossing around her "professional opinion"! It was a quick read and I had trouble putting it down. The story unfolded with many twists and turns and though I figured out a key plot point early on, it was still fun to watch it unfold. I never expected things to turn out the way that it did. This is one you'll definitely need to add to your shelves!

Mary (BookHounds) says

MY THOUGHTS
LOVED IT

Ayana has worked hard and it has all paid off. She currently has a booming psychology practice, two bestsellers, a call in radio show and is about to buy her first home. When a mutual friend introduces her to Cameron, a hot shot real estate agent, she is completely taken with him, so much so, that she sleeps with him that night. OK, now, everything happens really organically and the author builds the immediate attraction between them, that there is no other way they can not get together. It is really love at first sight for the both of them. And, yes, I was yelling at Ayala, NO! don't do that., you are an extremely educated women who deals in relationships, you should know better. Well, she didn't listen to me.

The next day at work Ayala gets a foul online call that calls her a homewrecker and accuses her of sleeping with a married man. She immediately breaks it off with Cameron and he pleads with her that the divorce is almost final. This ex seems the stuff Fatal Attraction was made from and everything starts to happen except the bunny on the stove. Ayala's new home is vandalized, her car is stolen, she gets threatening messages every where she turns. Of course, this might cause the weakest of women to give up, but Ayala sees something in Cameron. He stayed married to the crazy woman, Yasmin, because they had a son together until she threw an affair right in his face and he could no longer ignore her baiting him.

I really liked all of the characters, even Yasmin, crazy as she could be, just seemed a little off and needed to grow up. The story is told in alternating view points between these characters and was a good way to show that Yasmin wasn't quite as crazy as she appeared. OH! And there is a magnificent plot twist towards the end that had me yelling YES! This was really a fun and quick read, just perfect for an afternoon when you need to get lost in something crazy.

Tamara says

Great read!

Romancing the Book says

Reviewed by Tiffany

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The Ex-Wife by Candice Dow is one of those rare books that will fully keep your attention from the first page to the very last sentence. Ayana is a best-selling author who has her own successful radio show and she is currently looking for a new home. And, her producer knows the perfect man to be her real estate agent.

Enter Cam. He is handsome, successful, and Ayana's new real estate agent. Cam is the "it" agent at the moment and he is known for being kind and compassionate towards his clients. He's truly one of the good guys. Cam and Ayana have a mutual attraction, but there's one major flaw: his ex-wife!

Enter Vanessa. She is the wife that refuses to face the reality that her marriage is over. She exhausts all avenues to stay married which includes having her friends commit perjury so the judge believes there is still a physical relationship between Cam and Vanessa. Vanessa's antics go as far as posting malicious things about Ayana on twitter and calling into her radio show to call her a home wrecker. Cam tries his best to soften the blows to Ayana but at times he seems very weak.

Candice Dow writes a true gem in The Ex-Wife. It has unexpected twists, tons of drama, and most of all, a beautiful love story. As stated previously, there were times when I was not a fan of Cam's because he seemed weak in how he dealt with Vanessa's antics but I understand he was trying to do what was best for everyone. The Ex-Wife is a book that I easily recommend to others because all of the characters are believable, the storyline is not over the top, and it is simply a well-written book.

Kim says

Not a page turner for me.

Rochelle Mitchell says

This was a good book. I don't think I could have been as calm as Ayana was with all the stuff that she was going through.

Shakir Rashaan says

When opening this book for the first time and being introduced to Ms. Ayana Blue, I took a seat and got to know this woman and some of the things she had to encounter while dealing with a man who had a (difficult woman) for a soon-to-be ex-wife.

Ayana Blue is a psychologist and best-selling author with a hit radio show on relationships on the side, and while moving to Atlanta, she encounters a Realtor who was referred to by her radio producer when she was

in the market for purchasing a condo. The producer had her best interests at heart, pulling off a pseudo match-making opportunity to which she wasn't aware. So, imagine her surprise when the handsome Realtor, Cameron Small, was the one selling her condo to her and enjoying the sparks that came with the showings.

The courtship was fast and furious, but you'll read up on that later ;).

The only flaw in Cam's profile - he was an up-and-coming multi-million dollar seller, handsome, refined, everything a woman could ask for - was a soon-to-be ex-wife who would not let go of her marriage, even though she was the one who set things in motion to get to the point where they were. But that was NOT going to stop her from doing the things she did - and other things that she wasn't sure she did, either.

The Ex-Wife is a unique whirlwind romance with twists and turns you never see coming, including a secret from the past that threatened to cause irreparable harm near the end of the story. I can't wait to get back into Ms. Dow's back catalog and read some of her other books, this one was a must read!

Shakir Rashaan, author of the *Chronicles of the Nubian Underworld* and *Deviant Intent* series.

(***An advance copy was provided by the publisher for review purposes***)

Ashley says

I really enjoyed this book it was a page turner I kind of figured it out mid ways through but I had to keep reading to make sure I was right. Yasmin was crazy that much is true but in all reality I think she did what a lot of hurt women do. Ayana was stronger than I could ever be I would have walked away in the beginning.

Natasha says

The whole time I just had a nagging feeling that this wasn't just the ex-wife wreaking havoc...but you gotta keep reading and then of course it's all revealed in the last chapter lol. So while I'm reading and waiting I'm constantly questioning myself, is Cam really a jerk, is Ayanna crazy and imagining things, is Yasmin a psycho who seems lucky....or is there someone lurking in the background with a vendetta... All those questions kept me reading and I enjoyed the ending because I wasn't expecting it to unfold quite that way. I love when a book isn't predictable (to me anyway, but maybe I'm slow lol). Overall good story, I'd recommend it.

Barbara says

The Ex-Wife was a page turner from beginning to end. The attraction between handsome Real Estate Broker, Cameron Small and Psychologist Dr. Ayana Blue, was instantaneous. They decided not pursue their relationship until his divorce was final.

The whirlwind romance began after his divorce and they were married in three months. The ex-wife, Yasmin, was not ready to give up on her man even though she had an affair with the delivery guy and through it in Cameron's face. Yasmin realized she had made a mistake and wanted her husband back.

The craziness begins. It was one stalking incident after another against Ayana but as they became more life-threatening, it was obvious the ex-wife was not the only crazy stalker.

The ending was unexpected. I really enjoyed this book. The characters were well developed.

I highly recommend this book.

Ms.Toni says

Is Your Wife Married?

It's time for relationship expert, talk radio host, author and psychologist Ayana Blue to take her own advice. While looking for a new home, Ayana found more than she bargained for – a new home AND a new man. Cameron Small is a real estate broker and all around good guy. He's Mr. Right. But when things are too good to be true, they generally are. Cameron has excess baggage in the form of a not so ex-wife. The marriage is over but Cameron's ex, Yasmin, seems to have missed that memo. With someone determined to do whatever it takes to destroy Ayana's happily ever after, will she heed the advice that she dishes out to other women on the regular?

I know that when I pick up a Candice Dow book, I'm in for a good read. "The Ex-Wife" is no exception. Dow is consistent with her ability to capture and intrigue readers. With a solid storyline that doesn't go over the top, realistic and relatable characters, drama and a pinch of suspense, it's a book I can easily recommend to others.

Six and a half books in (half for WE TAKE THIS MAN), I can't say I've been disappointed by a Candice Dow read yet.

Erica Stinson says

I thought it was pretty good. Some suspense element and a tiny bit of a twist at the end. I kinda figured out what was going on about half-way but I usually think way outside of the box. I would read more by Candice Dow and plan to look for more books by her!

Judy & Marianne from Long and Short Reviews says

When you get into a new relationship, the one you really have to watch out for is the ex wife; they can be on the crazy side at times...

Ayana Blue is a successful career woman. People come to her, as a relationship expert, for advice all the time. But what happens when the expert needs a little advice of her own? Ayana is whip smart, doesn't take crap from anyone, and is one sassy lady. She's fallen for Cam, but his ex-wife threatens to take everything away in slow, unstable moves...

I'll be honest, I don't always like Cam. I think he could have found better ways of handling things, especially with Yasmin, his ex. But to give him credit, he does try. It's not easy having an unstable ex that doesn't know how to let go.

The story is told in two points-of-view, Ayana's and Yasmin's. Yasmin certainly does not give me the best impression. She can be selfish, rude, and hurtful. She uses her child to get back at Cam, and she's plenty on the spiteful side. She acts like she has a claim to everything, including Cam. She's not a character that grows on me at all, other than maybe a little bit at the end.

The Ex Wife is emotional, suspenseful, and engaging. I could relate to Ayana easily, and I've got to hand it to her, she dealt with this situation better than most people I know. Her life is starting to spiral out of control, but she holds on tight to what she wants, what she believes in, and isn't going to let some woman get in the way of her future, even if it's the ex of the man Ayana loves.

The book is full of suspense, and the ending completely caught me off guard! Let's just say I wasn't expecting what happened, at all. If you're looking for a great contemporary fiction novel to read, I suggest checking out The Ex Wife. Pull up a seat and stay for awhile, because this book had the power to hold me down for awhile.

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Tamala says

I love a surprising twist at the end. Although there were little hints at the doubt of the accused culprit, there was always that wonder at the back of your mind if this person had split personalities they were unaware of. Reading from the two women's point of view was very helpful in understanding their emotions, but it would have been helpful getting Cameron's point of view as well. All in all, it was very clear from both Ayana's and Yasmin's views how Cameron felt throughout the entire process.

I think Candice did a great job bringing such a realistic type situation into a story where someone in that type of situation would actually stop and think about how their behavior affects the children involved.

At the risk of spoiling the story, I'll stop there.

Great read :)

OOSA says

Background Noise

Ayana Blue is the radio host of Girlfriend Confidential as well as an author and psychologist. Her philosophy is to make women recognize the value of friendship. Successful in business, Ayana is a happily single woman. When she's ready to purchase a home, she meets Cameron Small, a realtor. It's evident early on that Ayana and Cameron click. When business and pleasure mix will it be drowned by regrets and doubt?

Cameron Small is a realtor with dreams of bigger and better. An excellent father, Cameron is already looking forward to building a new life. Unfortunately, Vanessa, his ex-wife, is refusing to bow out gracefully. Is Cameron capable of putting her in her place for the sake of love?

Vanessa may not host a radio show or authored any books, but she has a major sisterhood of her own. When Cameron decides that he's ready to move on without her, she's able to intimidate, harass and extinguish any and all competition. Now that Ms. Blue is in the picture, she just may have to step her game up. But will it be enough for her to reclaim Cam's heart?

THE EX-WIFE by Candice Dow is literary gold. Right away readers are held captive as love makes a new discovery, declares itself, and desperately fights to grow. While rooting for love, you're intrigued by its nemesis, hate, and wonder if love will be able to make it to the finish line. As always, Candice's characters are absolutely ones you would love for her to revisit. I cannot wait until her next release.

Reviewed by: Crystal
