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Sometimes it's good to be bad. *Real* good...

After Eli Wright came out, his parents threw him out. In the five years since, he's made his own way, lived by his own rules, determined to never change himself—not for anyone. He's not against finding Mr. Right, but Mr. Right Now will do just fine.

Quinn Maloney's reward for ten years of faithfully keeping his closeted boyfriend's secrets? A hell of a wake-up call to go with his morning coffee. Not only did Peter have affairs, he went straight to marry his pregnant girlfriend—and Quinn was to never reveal their history.

With the baby's baptism looming and Quinn expected to put on a polite front, he decides he's had enough of playing the peacekeeper. One wink from a much younger, eyeliner-wearing guy in a bar, and Quinn's found a perfectly outrageous date for the occasion.

The date goes better than he ever imagined. And so much worse, as Eli convinces everyone they're madly in love. That wasn't part of the plan, but the more Quinn learns about the man behind the makeup, the more he wishes it was true.

Warning: Contains an absolute bastard of an ex-boyfriend. Not responsible for sudden uncontrollable urges to punch him in the teeth. Also not responsible for any overheating or sudden urges brought about by explicit sex with a little BDSM thrown in.

Bad Boyfriend Details

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From Reader Review Bad Boyfriend for online ebook

??? Michaelle ♡?? says

Audio Review 21Jan2019: No change

I love looking back at reviews to see how my interests have changed. When I first read this I wasn't all that keen on Daddy Kink...and now this feels like Daddy Kink-lite considering some of my more recent AB/DL reads!!

Original Rating 16Feb2016: 4.0 Stars

At first I thought Eli was a little annoying - he irked me. But, slowly, I grew to appreciate his eccentricities. He was unapologetically *Eli* and that's a brave thing to be.

Again, with the fucking ridiculously hot sex and sweet romantic story arc. I don't get the whole "impact" kink, but more power to him and his "Daddy" (which is another limit I've pushed this year since I'm usually not fond of that kind of age difference or role-play) (Go me) and I'm happy he got the home he always wanted, to be loved and treasured as he deserved.

As usual for a series, some of the other characters seem more intriguing and I believe a good author does that to entice a reader into the next book...sometimes they do it well and you don't lose sight of the characters you're *supposed* to be focusing on. K.A. Mitchell does it really well; I'm not skimming the current book, waiting for the resolution, just to get to the newly introduced characters. Believe it or not, that's a rarity. Especially for me.

Also, I think I need to add a BDSM shelf...why the hell don't I already have one of those?

Elsa Bravante says

Es un libro entretenido, simpático, Eli es un personaje divertido, inteligente y tierno y es él quien sostiene la historia porque además de él, hay poco más. Lástima que no se encuentren más de su estilo.

Heidi Cullinan says

ETA: Buddy read this book (and the others in the series with me & KA Mitchell, and win stuff:
<http://heidicullinan.wordpress.com/20...>

I had waited for this book FOREVER it seems like.

This book was fun, fast, and made me feel good. I spent the day in a chair with this book, and it was my best damn day the week I read it. I'd had a lot of good days that week too, so that's no light praise.

The emotional journey of both characters was just delicious. Their kinks fit so well, but their out-of-bed lives were what they had to work on meshing, and that's why this book was so wonderful. It was also a delightful tangle of roles and expectations: in some cases they fit the twink/bear stereotype, but in others they switched. And eventually it all snarled in a perfect blend that catches the reader into the story's heart.

Fun. Kinky but not weird. Sexy but not gratuitous. My only complaint was that I wish it were longer because I wasn't done with them yet.

Read it.

Heather K (dentist in my spare time) says

[I happen to LOVE daddy kinks. (hide spo

Mandapanda says

4.5 stars K.A. Mitchell is at the top of her game with this ultra sexy romance between two opposites. Quinn is a 34 year old, ex-Navy man whose boyfriend has left him after ten years to get married to a woman. Unable to totally let go Quinn has agreed to be godfather to their child but he has decided to take a fake boyfriend with him to the christening for some moral support. The night before he meets Eli (from Bad Company), an out and proud 23 year old gay man who is totally what Quinn needs.

Eli is absolutely gorgeous. His snarky, *in-your-face*, independent and flamboyant attitude is just what Quinn needs. The sex scenes and dirty talkin' between Quinn and Eli are off the charts HOT! Quinn has got this whole *toppy, Daddy*, thing going on that is irresistible.

The plot is well written. The ex, Peter, is suitably pathetic as the bad guy. His family are a bit weird in their ongoing affection for Quinn but other than that I can't find anything to criticise.

I love the *Opposites attract* theme. I think this is one of KAM's best books and highly recommend it.

MsMiz (Tina) says

I might be the only person on the planet that did not have problems with the first book in this series, so take my judgement for what it is worth. With that said, I liked this book a whole heaping lot more. I really really enjoyed Eli with all of his issues, sarcastic humor and his neediness while trying to remain independent. I think the only person who could fit him is someone like Quinn. Quinn has enough issues as we see in the beginning of this book, his boyfriend Peter, of which they have been together for 10 years is a lying sack of horse shit cheater. So needless to say, both Quinn and Eli have hurdles to deal with through this book.

As always, I could have had more. The sex between Quinn and Eli is smokin hot, there is even spanking and

the use of the term 'Daddy'. Quinn has been saying yes to everything that is Peter's family since that asshole left him, even standing up in his wedding and being godfather to his baby. Peter's family has been lounging along the Denile river for 10 years and things start to heat up as Quinn brings Eli into the family fold. Good times - could have used more of those!

Heather C says

HOT! HOT! HOT! I loved this story and enjoyed it immensely without *even* reading Bad Company (I was told by some very trusted friends that I wouldn't like it). Anyway, I loved Eli and Quinn; *hated* Peter and Nate and only *kinda liked* Kellan. I've only read a few books by KA Mitchell, but this is definitely my favorite so far.

I really loved Eli and Quinn. Eli was adorable and dramatic. Quinn was, to quote Eli, "*completely unavailable, hung-up-on-his-asshole-ex, wrapped-up-in-family-drama, gorgeous, sexy, not-at-all-an-arrogant-dick man.*" They both had way too much baggage! The *smex* was emotionally hot and I love how this author always comes up with different, creative positions. I don't really find daddy/boy games hot but these two only did it for fun, not as a lifestyle, so it didn't really bother me. The story was great with just the right amount of angst, drama, and comedy.

I wasn't sure I was going to like this in the beginning because it physically made me nauseous (I only skimmed the blurb and had very little preparation for what happens in chapter 1). It was like the nightmare of the bad ex-boyfriend that wouldn't end! But "you-know-who" finally gets his in the end.

I have no desire to read Bad Company, but **I highly recommend Bad Boyfriend!**

4.5 stars

Lauraadriana says

This book is what I expect from KA Mitchell. **This** is the kind of story that reminds me of why when I discovered her, I sucked down all her books in three days like a four year old with a bag of M&Ms...**This was FRIGGIN' AWESOME.**

Opposites Attract?...Well yeah!!! And sometimes the chemistry is so ridiculously hot it could light up the Vegas strip!! Eli and Quinn...Whooooo Mercy.

At 35 years old, Quinn Maloney just got the life that he thought he had for the last ten years handed back to him by the bastard he trusted with his heart. Not only that, he is now putting on a brave front for that tool's family. So he needs a date to go to this 'family affair'. Well he gets lucky, and on a night out he runs into Eli Wright, a 'young hot piece of ass', that might just work to make his statement to the ex's family.

What Quinn didn't know was that he would get a **A WHOLE LOT MORE** than he bargained for when he got mixed up with Eli. Eli is like a storm that just came to wash through Quinn's life. Everything he didn't think

he needed, and much less wanted came all wrapped up in a prickly little package of feisty twink. Both Eli and Quinn were amazing to get to know. Eli was snarky and defensive, but so vulnerable. Quinn was a little adrift, but certain that he needed to make some changes. He just needed a reason to make him strong enough to do it. With their story KA Mitchell did what she does best, gave us characters with a great sense of humor, strength, big flaws but also with enough sense to know that they have been handed something worth caring for. And all of this of course, with a healthy dose of seriously HOT EROTICA.

This was a great romance, funny, smart, and WICKEDLY sexy. There was hot sex, naughty play, touching intimacy, but most of all there was these two men getting what they needed, FINALLY. This story was so touching, these men both had their sad stories, and they walked around possible hurt with a lot of caution, but they let what worked for them build what they eventually could have, and let that grow. Aren't we lucky that what happened to work like a charm was the SEX?? :O)

This story was just lovely. It might be my favorite KA Mitchell book to date. This I am grateful for, because I really didn't like the first book in this series. But, she more than made up for it with this one.

Highly Recommend.

Kaje Harper says

This is the second book in a series, but it would stand alone well enough. The MCs from the first are only secondary characters. (And Nate is still a jerk.) Also, since this is a Samhain book, it ends with about 30 pages left for other excerpts (something which I try to remember will happen, but often don't, and find frustrating, so I thought I'd put this note up front here for other readers.)

I liked this book a lot more than the first one, mainly because the characters are much more appealing. Eli was my favorite guy from book 1. Here he is sweet, a bit prickly, trying to be independent while his job is downsizing and his money is running out. He had a rough period in his teens, has few options, and a lot of pride. He meets Quinn in a club, and enjoys going home with him. But despite the neediness he tries to keep hidden, he's not sure he wants what Quinn is offering. Especially when part of what Quinn seems to need him for is proof-of-gayness to throw into the face of his ex-boyfriend and relatives.

Quinn has been sucker-punched. He was with Peter for ten years, and even though some of the time he was away in the service, and even though they weren't really out or into displays and words of affection, Quinn had thought this was the guy he'd grow old with. But Peter's self-loathing led him to cheat on Quinn with a woman, and she got pregnant, and Peter decided the pretty heterosexual life was more valuable than ten years of faithful companionship.

Quinn has tried to move on, but he's in a bind, because Peter's family has really become his own. They were there for him, through all the tough times, for ten years. He has no family of his own, and they still want him around, even though they're dancing to Peter's tune of not admitting *why* Quinn is part of their inner circle. Quinn can't just cut lose of the Peter part of his life, because he'd lose everyone he cares about. So he's trapped, going to Peter's wedding, spending holidays, pretending like it's not eating at him to see Peter play the straight husband, when Quinn was still fucking him right until the night he left.

Quinn needs to do something to break out of this unfair silence. But all he allows himself is a gesture, something to rub everyone's faces in the fact that *he's* really, truly gay, and by extension that Peter wasn't some one-off. When he sees Eli dancing, with his eyeliner and his body jewelery and his sinuous moves, Quinn is struck by how perfect he is. Perfect for a night in bed, and perfect for a completely unmistakable gay date to Peter's son's baptism.

It won't take long for him to realize that the guy behind the eyeliner is perfect for much more than that. But a relationship that started as slightly kinky sex, and moved on to using Eli as a signboard and a weapon, is hard to turn into a forever thing without getting messy.

I enjoyed the story, with its mix of secondary characters, and two MCs who begin with something simple, move on to using each other in different ways, and then have to battle to get past that. Peter is a slimeball, and it's hard to see how he kept Quinn so long. I'd actually have preferred that he wasn't such an unredeemable loser, because it would have reflected better on Quinn, and on the actions of the relatives, and added poignancy. Quinn felt a bit wimpy and passive-aggressive in the way he approached this, given how Peter behaved. If Peter had been more honorable and simply torn between competing needs, then Quinn's and his whole family's restraint would have felt more appropriate too.

The way the story played out was fun to watch, though, and I fell for both the MCs.

There is a fair amount of hot sex with a bit of kink; some mild restraint/spanking BDSM and the tendency to have Eli call Quinn "Daddy" in bed. That's one of my squicks - I'm fine with age gap, and can even put up with real adult incest if both adults are fully mature and consenting parties without a power balance, but "Daddy" is childish-sounding and age-play where a sex participant pretends to be a child isn't sexy at all to me. In this case, it's just the word and a feeling of Quinn as older/mature/protective, so it was all right, but I skipped the word when it came up. Purely a personal preference of mine - Eli is 23 and more than old enough for the relationship.

So while not my favorite K.A. Mitchell (that would be Collision Course) I did enjoy this a lot, and may reread it someday.

Karen says

It's been a while since I read this one and apparently I still love Eli and Quinn grew on me and Quinn's ex Pete is still a big ole bag a dicks...full review to follow soonish!

While the story was awesome...the boyfriend...not so much...

It's been about 4 years since I read this book so listening to the audio book was almost like listening to the story for the first time with the exception of the fact that I easily remembered how much I liked Eli and how much I disliked Quinn's sorry excuse for a boyfriend Pete'

Eli's been taking care of himself since he was 17 when he came out to his parents and they threw him out...he's managed just fine for the past 5 years thank you very much and he's not going to change who and what he is for anybody.

While Quinn's been keeping his boyfriends secrets for the past 10 years...not only has he been in the closet

but the door is locked and barred all that changes the day that his about to be ex announces that not only has he cheated on Quinn but the girl's pregnant and he's going to marry her and by the way 'he's not gay'...seriously...if that's what helps you sleep at night you just keep clinging to that fairy tale.

When Quinn's ex not only invites him to the baby's christening Quinn decides that it's time for him to step out of that closet so after spending one very hot and steamy night with Eli, he knows what he wants to do. So with Eli as his plus one it's off to the christening they go. It's just one date, one f*ck you to Quinn's ex...right? Wrong because maybe Eli and Quinn have been a bit too convincing and everyone there decides that Quinn and Eli make a wonderful couple and suddenly Eli is very in demand with the family of Quinn's ex since Quinn's been around for the past 10 years, he's become a part of that family as well...what can I say...it's family...it's complicated.

I have to admit I'd forgotten that this book has both an age gap and a bit of daddy kink to it and I found it interesting that 4 years ago I probably would have blushed when I read it but here we are 4 years and literally a few hundred stories later and I have to admit this time around it barely blipped on my radar...well, except that I have to admit the daddy kink did add a definite spark to the sexy times.

It may have taken me a little longer to warm up to Quinn than it did Eli but in the end. I liked him and I have to admit I couldn't help but feel bad for him 10 years of being someone's dirty little secret and he basically gets put out like last week's trash when his ex discovers that he's gotten a woman pregnant and now he can be all respectable with his wife and kid...because he's not gay...maybe yes, maybe no but what is a big fat hell yeah! is the fact that he's a grade 'A' jerk, who needs to discover why so many people think Karma's a big ole biotch! If there was anyone one person in this story deserving of contempt it was Pete. Quinn's ex and supposed best friend...the man is a waste of oxygen.

Awesome story, smokin' hot sex, MC's who fit together like a pair of gloves, some likable secondary characters and a narrator who gives life to it with each character that he brings to life and every scene that he adds color, emotion and passion too. 'Bad Boyfriend' may not have been my first K.A. Mitchell story but it was my first Chet Daniel's audio book and I thoroughly enjoyed it and I'm looking forward to hearing more from this narrator.

An audio book of 'Bad Boyfriend' was graciously provided by the publisher in exchange for an honest review

Kat says

A typical run-off-the-mill romance with a ton of smut and drama. Stars a somewhat bland but sympathetic MC who's pursuing a bratty twink, while coming to terms with his 100% evil ex-bf's nasty pranks. It's all very unremarkable and forgettable, but makes for a few entertaining hours of reading anyway.

PS It's getting annoying fast to read these constant references to 'old dude looks like granddad, has gray hair, can't get it up so soon' yada yada.. Get the fuck out of here: the guy's only 35!

PPS Oh, and the bratty Twink is 23. Stop trying to make a huge deal of their age difference, because it's not.

PPS And can I say that the doormattish MC suddenly turning into a rough daddy was a bit bizarre?

Chris says

Reread. Excellent kinky m/m romance about a teacher who's dumped by his closeted boyfriend of ten years, then picks up a hot younger guy at a bar to take along to the baptism of his ex's baby. Things just sort of spiral from there. :)

Susan says

3.5 strong stars.

I SO ADORE Quinn and Eli!!!! (<-although, reading a book about a (misspelled) “Quinn” this close to LaL release was distracting...but I got over it... :))

“Bad Boyfriend” has the exact same story of 80% of the M/M books out there: an over-the-top villainization of a jerk ex-beau, a cutie-pie sassy twink w/ lips to die for, and a big muscled hunk who lives not entirely out of the closet. Throw in some opinionated best friends, a dysfunctional family, and some past my-family-kicked-me-out-because-I’m-gay and the menu is complete. I love these plug-and-play books! As long as the characters are written in an endearing way that makes you want to cheer for them, then it totally works for me...unoriginal as it may be!

Quinn (big hunk) and Eli (sassy twink) were SO GREAT! I felt giddy wanting them to get together and find their way! I wanted both of them to be happy...with each other! And goooooood lawwwwddddd...the SEX. WHOOOOO! As some may know, I cringe when reading dirty/porn talk in books! But for some reason, I was DIGGING it in this one. “Daddy” this, “Daddy” that...“yeah baby”s and “feels so good”s, and “you like it”s...had me giggling and blushing.

Though it’s book 2 in the series, I think it worked ok as a stand-alone. I did find some references to be confusing and I was slightly lost at parts. But overall, it didn’t take away from the book itself.

Fully enjoyed it and reco it for an easy read!

Thanks to Kate & Lenore for the rec!

Lenore says

I loved this! It's funny (come closer, Eli, so I can give you a bear hug), it's sweet, and it's hot hot hot.

You'll probably need to suspend disbelief about the Laurent family and their unparalleled ability to ignore huge pink elephants in the room and in their lives for years and years but hey, it's not our fault if they're

determined to win the prize for "best cookie cutter-please don't burst our bubble" family in the state of Maryland.

Plus, it was probably that mentality that produced that jerk, Peter. No wonder he's part of the Laurent family. He made it to the top ten of my "hand me a gun please" characters. This time I wanted it to be a large calibre, too.

But, like I said, I didn't give a damn about the Laurents, and I didn't give a damn about Peter. All I cared about was Quinn and Eli and how good and right and HOT they felt together. And I absolutely adored Eli.

Ilhem says

wipes fog off glasses

It's not a brand new story, but there was great chemistry between Quinn, Eli and...well, me. HOT!
