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Mary-Ann Lukin has never had it easy. Having survived the torments of abuse for far too long, it's a miracle that life somehow managed to leave her with a little bit of hope—hope of a future filled with happiness.

Max "MadDog" Duhart has lived more than one lifetime, earning the respect he's due as the president of the Original Charter of Notorious Devils. Nevertheless, with life still yet to live, he wants more than the regret that's tarnished his past.

Their connection is instant, though they know they shouldn't act on it—not with more than thirty years between them. Not with their families tied together by the club's brotherhood.

Yet, there's something about the sweet, broken woman that whispers of a fresh start for an old man. And while he may be rough and ruthless, she cannot deny the way she feels when she looks into his haunted blue eyes.

One phone call. One cry for help. One motorcycle ride, and life as they know it is never the same.

\*\* Recommended for readers 18+ due to language, violence, and sexual content

## Rough & Ruthless Details

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## **From Reader Review Rough & Ruthless for online ebook**

### **K.S. Rochell says**

Raw, gritty, intense, sexy Maddog will have your hearts pounding and your panties soaking wet just wow I could not get enough of him this story was well written all the characters and their developments just flowed!! Haley, writing style is just amazing it sucks you I cannot wait to see what she comes up with next..

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### **AG Reads says**

When the story depends in part on the large age gap, the characters should at least act their assigned ages. Instead, the h seems like an OTT teen with her first crush and the H comes across as a young 20-something waving his dick around because he thinks that makes him a man.

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### **Heike says**

Dnf 12% only about sex..... annoying

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### **Sue says**

I absolutely loved this book in the series, it's about Max (Mad Dog) President of the Notorious MC head chapter and Mary-Anne, who is Bates' (book 2) younger sister. When Mary finds herself in an abusive relationship, she wants out, instead of ringing her brother to come and get her (she's afraid Bates will do something stupid and end up in jail), she rings MadDog instead, to come and save her.

MadDog is Fury's (book 1) father, so he's about 60 and Mary is 27 so there is a huge age difference. But MadDog's made all his mistakes in life, knows where he went wrong with his wife many years ago and now knows exactly what he wants out of life and Mary-Anne is it!

This book saved the series for me, I adored Max, he is everything the previous book leads are not. There's no cheating in this book, which is a refreshing change for this series! Loved this story!

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### **Teresa Lara says**

love this series and Max and Mary's amazing story.More plz

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### **Chantal ❤? says**

**CAN'T READ THIS ONE!**

## **OVER 30 YEARS AGO DIFFERENCE IS TOO MUCH FOR ME PERSONALLY!**

**It just makes me think of this...**

**Creepy old guys are NOT HAPPENING FOR ME!**

**But others enjoy.**

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### **Amy says**

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4 stars

So I really like this series but I have to say I had a bit of enough already with this release. I am obviously not saying it was bad because I gave it 4 stars but I do think it was lengthy in the sense that the story could have been cut a littler shorter due to some redundant scenes between our two main characters Mary Anne and MadDog.

Mary Ann is the sister of Sniper. He was older than her and didn't see the abuse she suffered at the hands of her father and the mother that stood by and allowed it to happen to her. Thinking she had met the perfect man .. Kyle becomes someone else after having met her brother. The brother who was nothing but trash in his eyes belonging to an MC. The one person she knows can pull her out is MadDog -- Max Duhart. He is ruthless and a killer but he will come for her if she calls. Bates told her so.

Max "MadDog" Duhart has lived and lost. His first wife passed away and looking back he didn't give her the love or respect she deserved. He never raised a hand to her but he wasn't there. There were young and dumb -- she got pregnant and he wouldn't change anything except for maybe being a better man for his late wife. Being the President of the original charter of ND has given him a spot of respect from his brothers. His son now leads too and he is proud. So tainting a young woman like Mary Ann isn't something he should be doing. But he can't seem to keep his hands away from the one thing he should be not even considering.

The story line was good and the age difference was not an issue for me. However I did find the constant bantering of I should I shouldn't a little annoying at times. I wanted less of that and more of the true depth of what was going on. It was there you just had to get past the constant should we shouldn't we between the two characters.

I loved the fact that we see all the crew in this one and then some. I also believe this story is about to explode as the MC is still sitting back staying vigilant waiting for the Cartel to strike. They are getting their hands deeper and deeper into things that could for sure back fire.

I'm looking forward to the next release and to for sure keep up with these two. Just a hint for you though -- don't cross Max or MadDog ... holy jeezus ... just don't. There is somewhat of a graphic scene with another character in the story that might make you turn away but it's quick and you won't feel sorry for him ... just queasy. LOL! --

Thank you for the ARC! Review to post to Ramblings From Beneath The Sheets.

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### **Eve Recinella (Between The Bookends) says**

Needing to escape her abusive boyfriend quickly Mary-Anne Lukin calls Max "MadDog" Duhart the president of the Original Charter of Notorious Devils. Within hours of placing that call, Mary-Anne finds herself on the back of Max's bike and shortly thereafter his bed...

Max "MadDog" Duhart has lived a lot of life. At 60 years old he has pretty much seen and done it all. One look at Mary-Anne and he knows their connection is something special. But with more than 30 years separating them, and outside forces trying to pull them apart, these two will have to fight if they want a HEA.

The first 30% or so of this book was rough going for me. I wasn't really sure if this was going to work for me or not. The hero is a 60-year-old man. The heroine 27. Now I adore way older men to younger woman stories, but this was pushing it for me. Not to mention these two got off more than a teenager discovering their body parts can do wonderful things. That said, both these characters come off younger than their years. Especially the heroine. So I decided to just file the age difference away in the back of my mind.

Around the 30% mark, a miraculous thing started to happen. I really started to enjoy the hell out of this one. The writing drew me in. I fell in love with Max. Oh, he was bat shit crazy, and sort of an ass at times, but he was ALL in with Mary-Anne from the moment she hopped on the back of his bike. He was sexy as hell. An alpha, but also really sweet. Other than his habit of killing people that wronged Mary-Anne in excessively gruesome ways, he was pretty much perfect.

Mary-Anne frustrated me for a good portion of the book. She was very insecure and I wanted her to grow a backbone. That said, I understood why she was like that because of the abuse she suffered as a child and then with her ex, so I tried to cut her some slack. She did come into her own near the end of the book and I was cheering her on. Even if I do think she forgave Max WAY to easily. Dude needed to grovel WAY more than he did.

I also want to add that I haven't read any of the other books in this series and wasn't lost in the least. So I can firmly say that you are fine with reading this as a standalone. Characters from the previous books do make appearances. Nothing much left to say really. I'm glad I kept going because I would have been bummed had I missed out on this little gem. Two thumbs up from yours truly.

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## **Heather says**

I really liked this story. But holy cow the sex. These two do more grinding than a sausage factory. Wow.

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## **Nerdy Dirty & Flirty says**

Mary Anne is in trouble. When her abusive boyfriend has sinister plans for her, Mary Anne knows she needs help getting out before it's too late. Not wanting her brother a member of the Notorious Devils to possibly go to jail to save her, Mary Anne calls his friend the much older national president Max "MadDog" Duhart. Their connection is instant but will age, family and enemies keep them apart?

Rough and Ruthless is the crown jewel in the Notorious Devils series! Hayley Faiman is a master storyteller and nobody writes gritty, raw, emotional characters better than this author.

I don't think there could be anyone more perfect for Mary Anne than Max. They have two main obstacles the age difference and her brother. Other business was not a blimp on the radar because you knew Max had everything taken care of. When you have 30 years age difference there is going to be problems with maturity and communication. But I think with the abuse Mary Anne suffered growing up and in her relationship, she needed the comfort and reliability of the protective older man. And just because Max is older and the leader of the Notorious Devils doesn't mean he is exempt from making bonehead decisions because he does.

But the heat factor was off the charts between Max and Mary Anne. There are some major benefits having an older more experienced man in your bed, and Mary Anne was reaping those benefits!

I love this series but Hayley Faiman drives me crazy with the build up to the next installment. She leaves you happy that this couple has their HEA but tosses you details knowing the next is going to be just as good if not better!

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## **Tiffany Readz says**

4.5 Stars-Can you say age gap??

Wowza, Hayley Faiman took a chance on MadDog and Mary-Anne and won. With the age gap between these two, things could have gone all kinds of creepy, yet they didn't. She created the sexiest sixty year old I have ever read about. The book cover helps as well. ;)

"No woman has ever made me want to protect her, f#ck her, and fight for her like she does."

Oh MadDog, you big ol' softie. We have met the matriarch of the Notorious Devil's in past books seeing how he's Fury's father. This time around we really see what makes MadDog tick and of course what makes the ol' guy stand at attention. A. Lot. Lots of times. Lots of stamina. Whew!

"We're something, the two of us-something short of a f#cking disaster, but I'm drawn to her like to other

woman I have had in my f#ucking life."

Two days. Two days after picking up Mary-Anne MadDog is a goner. She's everything he never realized he wanted or needed in all these years. Mary-Anne makes him feel complete, too bad she comes with tons of emotional baggage and oh yeah, she's Bates Luken's little sister.

"I don't think we're wrong. I think we're two lost people who have finally found what we've been looking for."

While the sex (which there was a LOT of) was instant, the rest was not. Like previous books, there is all kinds of nonsense going on around our new couple. The brothers, the Old Ladies and of course those annoying Club Whores. Not to mention there are loose ends left from the book three that are still untied here in book four. Not only does MadDog have to watch his heart, he's still also watching his back.

I enjoyed the push and pull between MadDog and Mary-Anne. He might be my new favorite biker with the gruff on the outside, yet a big teddy bear on the inside personality. My only complaint would be his dirty talking. Ick. It was too much at times and one point I wanted him to just shut up get on with things.

The book is well written from dual points of view and complements the series nicely. These books can be read as standalones, however are much more fun when read in order. All former couples are present and accounted for and once again, the next book is set up nicely. Such a great series!!

Reviewed for Renee Entress's Blog

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### **Brianna at Renee Entress's Blog says**

5 Stars!

Hayley Faiman blasted into my world this last year and made her mark on my impressionable heart with her twisted stories. While I normal like my books a bit easier and safer, there is something about this chick that pulls me in and keeps me coming back. Whether it's her gripping storylines or the boundaries she pushes, Hayley is a mastermind with words and I always look forward to what she is gonna give me next.

Rough & Ruthless was just that.... an intense, sexy, taboo, rough and ruthless read that had me tied in knots and on the edge of my seat the entire time. I was captivated by this book, from cover to cover, racing through the pages, desperate for answers and that happy ending these two totally deserved.

Gritty. Powerful. Raw. Beautiful. Heartbreaking. Suspenseful.

MadDox and Mary-Anne are next on the chopping block in this series and dare I say the best in the Notorious Devils series. These two were magnetic, drawn to each other in an undeniable way. And that holy mother of an age gap? Delicious!

Reeling from book three, we are thrust back into the Notorious Devils MC and as always.... are in for a journey of drama, angst, twists, turns, secrets, suspense, and everything in between. The emotional roller

coaster these two took me on will leave me with a wicked hangover and desperately wanting more.

If you like your books dirty, intense, steamy, and crazy angst, then this author and series is totally for you.

I highly recommend this book.

Review Post >> <http://reneeentress.blogspot.com/2017...>

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### **Michelle [Helen Geek] says**

May 2017 -- Not my cuppa .. insta-love that gave me the uggy willies. So not sexy at all. More creepy.

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### **Fre06 Begum says**

I'm sorry but I truly can't handle the explicit sex scenes between a 27 year old woman and 60 year old man. Made me barf!

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### **Crystal says**

We first met Max "Mad Dog" Duhart in the first Notorious Devil's novel. He was the sexy silver fox father of Fury. He has made several appearances in the series since then. His character has always intrigued me, and I know when he finally got his own story it was going to be amazing. Well, let me tell you, Hayley did not disappoint at all with his story.

Mad Dog is rough, he is ruthless and he is fiercely loyal. He will protect those he cares about without hesitation. When the much younger Mary Ann calls on him for help getting away from an abusive situation, he will do anything in his power to make sure the man she is running from will never hurt her again.

This story crosses the taboo of the a man in his sixties falling for a woman in her twenties, with the danger of an MC novel. She presented the May/December relationship of Mad Dog and Mary Ann in such a manner that you often forgot about the age difference.

I know I say it with every volume in this series, but I just have to repeat it... this series just keeps getting better. I cannot wait for the next volume to come out!

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