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I've been sold. That's what he tells me. Sold as a rich man's plaything to the highest bidder. I'm to be shipped to the other side of the world, where I'll disappear without a trace. I've nobody coming after me, nobody who'll even know I've gone.

But I'm no plaything.

I've already been rejected for sale once. Not fit for purpose. Too fiery, too uncouth.

Two choices remain. Submit or perish.

They've sent in the big guns, him. The dark sheep of the family, and the only man left who stands a chance of taming me.

We've both got everything on the line – his business empire, and my very existence.

And time's ticking...

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**Lynsey Goddard ♥ 2 Girls & Their Kindles ♥ says**

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Plaything Volume 1 by Jason Luke and Jade West

3 Stars ★★★ ~ Lynsey

From the masters of BDSM Jason Luke and Jade West comes a new series of novella's. Plaything is the first part of I'm not sure how many.

To be honest I felt a little underwhelmed with this book, I struggled to gel with any of the characters, personally I think it's because Part 1 is so short it didn't allow for much of a storyline to develop, no background or history apart from the knowledge that Amy was sold as a sex slave and returned due to her lack of submission, and Robert who has been screwed over by his family, has been brought back for 1 week to teach her how to become submissive, as part of a deal to save his company. I felt it lacked any real depth, I'm hoping further parts of this series will delve deeper into Amy's past and Robert's hate for his father and brother...

This is book 1 in the series and it will be interesting to see how the story unfolds in future parts.

An ARC was provided in exchange for an honest review. My review is based on the story as written in Part 1.

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### Michelle says

The first installment of Plaything introduces quite a bit of a screwed up story. Robert is returning home at the request of his father, a man he's kept his distance from – both in his profession and in his heart. But with one threat, Robert is left having to make a choice – leave and lose what he's been building or stay and possibly lose himself.

Amy didn't ask to be taken. And she isn't willing to submit. But when she realizes that her future is not within her control, that there is no way she's going to save herself she has her own choice to make. Give in and submit, learn to cope with the life she's been forced into or fight and lose herself completely.

Plaything is the start of a three part serial and I have to say the blurb sold me and after reading the first installment I am hooked. I love the concept of this book. It's not just an erotic BDSM read, but a darker

romance that incorporates the sexual slave trade.

I was left completely intrigued by the dynamic of both characters. Amy in her story – how she ended up there – how she's going to be shaped by her situation. And then there is Robert. He doesn't appear on the surface as a man capable of evil, yet this life is one he used to live – one he left, but still one that he knows. I am excited to see where this co-author project goes with this story.

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### **Janey says**

A great short and sweaty start, exhibiting the collaboration of these two erotic authors very nicely.

Amy finds herself kidnapped, and being subsequently tortured into submission, following an evening with a seemingly rich, dominant, who had inclinations along the BDSM lines that Amy also had a fondness for.

Battered into submission and then sold, she found herself returned to her captors for being a disobedient submissive.

Robert receives a summons to return home, somewhere he was glad to walk away from and never return. They must have good reason, his father and brother, so with great irritation, he sets back off to hell.

What he is confronted with, is a one sided deal from his father, and an opportunity to rekindle his dominant tendencies.

What I found, for such a short story, was an immediate fascination in not only Robert's background, given his appealing nature, but also Amy's launch into her addiction. We were seduced by this story, and once again captured into the short, serial trap.

I'm going straight onto the next one, knowing not when #3 is to be released. Ridiculous move, I know.

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### **Olga therebelreader says**

Jade West and Jason Luke collaborate in a splendidly erotic and suspenseful D/S tale. I won't say much about the plot because the blurb is awesome and enough detailed. Here are my thoughts about Robert and Amy's D/S relationship:

#### **What I liked...**

\*\* It was not your usual BDSM book. It had a lot of build up and took its time with the story

\*\* Robert was so thoughtful, caring, considerate and strong

\*\* I loved the dual POV. It was nice to get inside their head and understand their fears and internal conflict. This made the story even more interesting

\*\* Amy's fears were understandable and reasonable. It really is scary to surrender your life, and fully submit to someone

\*\* It was deeply arousing

\*\* For such a short story, the character depth was amazing

\*\* The book really was dom/sub and it was quite explicit. Don't expect extreme bondage situations and intense pain, at least not yet. Along with Amy, we learn what it means to be a true submissive in the full sense of the word.

### **Negative...**

\*\* The ending seemed sudden. I wanted more. I'm so looking forward to reading the next installment!!!

Robert was such a caring dom. He showed Amy what it's like to be a submissive (HIS submissive) and how the master takes care of her. The story was richly written and very HOT. The authors did a great job of drawing you into this story.

I tremendously enjoyed it and I highly recommend it to those who like feeling a book and not just reading it.

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### **Kat Chadwick says**

This is a novella, so it is short, but put two amazing authors together and you want MORE! They compliment each other in their writing, It was seamless and smooth. Each main character working off of the other.

The villians are perfectly hated and the reader cheers for the two main characters to find a way out of this mess they find themselves in. You can tell this is going to be one of those where they try not to let their hearts get in the way, but the hearts will soon fall into step and cause some problems, but not before another problem may rise....right at the end, leaving you ready for the next book!

I am so ready for that next book, because it left me with a question, "Why would the past matter in her training?" But I am sure that will all be answered in the next book.

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## CC says

Amy has gotten herself into a sticky situation being sold as a sex slave to an international bidder. During her training with Alistair, a beastly man and Robert's brother, Amy has proven to be defiant and not pliable as a submissive. Since her obstinance poses a problem for her sellers, reinforcement has been beckoned by the ultimate ringleader.

“This is sex slavery. Pure and simple. I’ve been kidnapped. I’ve been sold. I will be used for sex. That’s not submission.”

Robert is a successful entrepreneur who is estranged from his sadistic father and brother. However, Robert’s father summons him to return to his childhood estate under the guise of his impending demise. Instead of getting the warm and fuzzies, Robert’s father offers him a deal (a.k.a. blackmail) to train Amy into submission or lose everything he’s worked so hard to achieve.

“I had come back to hell, and made a deal with the Devil.”

In this first installment, Amy and Robert come to terms with their predicament and begin to their training sessions. Let me just say that Robert exudes sex appeal and dominance in spades. He’s broody but given his situation and past, it only adds to his mystery and allure. Amy definitely has some issues of her own to overcome as her demons are slowly revealed. However, when Robert issues a command, the result is hot and the only sentiment uttered is, “Yes, Sir.” [Assume the standard submissive position now]

“I am going to fuck you, Amy. I am going to teach you to worship my cock so that each moment you go without its press against your lips, or the thrust of it deep inside your pussy, will feel like an emptiness that leaves you utterly bereft.”

For me, I enjoyed the dark element surrounding Robert’s family and his past, as well as, Amy’s feisty spirit to fight back. Being a huge fan of Jade West, the collaboration between Ms. West and Jason Luke seems to be a successful merger with each writer’s voice resulting in a fluid and complimentary style. This one ends on a bit of a cliffy and I’m immediately continuing with reading Volume Two!

Plaything Series:

*I love the covers!!*

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## **littleKitten says**

4 "Trust Me" Stars

What a great collaboration between West and Luke. Their short novella left me panting and wanting more right meow. Fingers crossed, I'm hope they're all this good and they end up writing a bunch more.

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## **Lina's Reviews ♡?????????♡??Book Blog?? ♡?????????♡ says**

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Eeks. I wanted to get my hands on this book so bad and I wasn't disappointed!

Amy is a young woman, suffering in the hands of slave traders. She is strong and she has no intention of submitting to her masters. She wishes to be free. She wants her life back.

Everything changes when they hand her over to Robert. He is to train her and bend her to his will so she can be sold off.

Robert is calm and nothing like his family. He thought he had escape his father's clutches but when he is forced to return home he realizes that his life is in his despised father's hands.

Amy and Robert must both submit; each one to different masters. Can they find a solution to save themselves?

I loved how well these two authors worked and created this addictive novella. The writing is strong and seductive and the story fast paced. Robert is so different than your usual dominant hero. He has an enthralling calmness about him that is simply charming. Amy is strong and trying to find light in the darkest of places. I loved it and I cannot wait for the next part!!!

\*\*\*\*\*5 Submissive Stars from me \*\*\*\*\*

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## **~ Stéphanie ~ Tied up in Romance ~ says**

The announce of a book between Jason Luke and Jade Est was a promise to enter a world of real pleasure. Who's better than the king of masterhip and the princess of submission joigning forces to bring us a sensual, arousing story?

After finishing this first part, i have to admit I'm a little confused. If I have to simply rate the steam level, I'll give it easily 4 but here I am giving 2 because it was all pretty confusing.

We have Robert who seems to be a sucessful business man but threaten by his dying father to destroy all he have if if doesn't agree to a deal.

He has to train a girl to submit to him within a week to prove he CAN'T be better than his brother, Alastair.

Amy has been kidnapped several weeks ago and while she has been sold, her owner doesn't want her because she is not enough compliant.

Even if Robert promise her he won't force on her, the first thing they do when they are alone the next morning is to fuck. Ok technically he didn't force her or anything but still to me he promised her to not have sex together.... There's a first contradiction.

My next confusion is about the all story in general. Alastair is supposed to train and be a master at what he does, so why can't he do it with Amy?

My biggest problem might be that I didn't understand where this story came from. It's like the story is thrown on my face and I understand **nothing**

The good is, both authors know what they are talking about! You'll learn more about submission than in any other books I've read. It's very much detailed.

I don't know when book 2 is supposed to go out but it's safe to say I'll probably wait until all books are out to continue reading. Because Amy is far from being submissive and I'm far from being interested to know how Robert will succeed his mission.

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### **Sophia Triad says**

I normally love Jade West's books. This is a collaboration with Jason Luke. I still haven't read any of his own books, but they are recommended. So, I may give a try soon. Thus, I was looking forward to starting this series.

That being said, I was a bit disappointed of this first book. It is a fairly short book and a short series. I can understand that the two main characters cannot be developed fully, but after a while I realised that I don't really like them. Neither of them.

Amy got herself into trouble when she believed and trusted the wrong man. When she is taken, trained and sold to a kinky Saudi; she resists. Nobody looks for her and she has to fight alone her abductors. She does not believe that she is a natural submissive, but she craves pain.

Robert is a more interesting character. He was ordered and blackmailed by his father to train disobedient Amy and he uses the most obvious trick: If you cannot break someone with violence, then break her with kindness.

The book finishes with a cliffhanger. I am not sure that it will be very important, because I have the feeling that it will be a predictable series. But I have the next book, so I will know very soon :)

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### **Sabrina says**

**Reviewed as one HERE.**

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## **Louise Seraphim Reviews says**

Well this promises to be an incredibly hot and addictive series from Jade West and Jason Luke.

Plaything Vol 1 is a novella, and the first part to this new collaboration between two of the hottest writers in the erotica/BDSM/dark romance genres.

I was so excited when I heard about Plaything, it had the potential to be an incredible story, and written by 2 amazing authors just made it even more tempting.

Volume One kicks off this story and although short, it's action from the very first page, through to the crazy addictive cliffhanger at the end.

Amy has been abducted by slave traders. She is taken by a cruel man, posing to be interested in her. Taken because she ticked the boxes, making her perfect for training and sold off to the highest bidder. She is taken to his mansion, and kept by him and his father, a family business of sorts. Yet he didn't expect Amy to have such a strong will and determination, and if there is one thing she can still hold onto, when everything else has been taken from her, it's the fact that she will not let him break her.

Cue Amy being rejected by her buyer for being too wild and willful, and him wanting her sorted out or no deal.

This is where her captives get desperate, and decide to call in someone who is somewhat of an expert, although he refuses to have anything to do with the business. The illusive other son of the manor. There is reasons why he has returned, and reasons why he can't refuse, but that can all be discovered upon reading. Robert has one week to train Amy, and make her want to be a submissive, or he loses everything.

Great plot, and interesting characters. I love the mystery surrounding it all, even more so when you get to the shock ending. It has started off a story, that I'm desperate to know more.

The intense heat and chemistry is on fire, and the knowledge gone into the little details in this story is really gripping. You actually find yourself gripped, and learning things at the same time. lol

A little more tamer than I'm used to with Jade's books, but this is a collaboration so it's completely different, and there is a lot more fact and thought to the sort of relationship that is involved in this story, not so much shock factor. Both authors have their own specialities in writing, which you can tell, and they completely compliment each other perfectly, such a great idea for these two to write together. I absolutely loved it, and absolutely can't wait for the next part. Definitely recommended for erotica fans, and darker romance lovers.

4.5 stars.

\*\*A copy was provided in exchange for a fair and honest review\*\*

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## **Paige says**

4.5 "Still Fighting" Stars!

Jade and Jason. Together?! Yes, please.

The first volume of the cowritten dark, BDSM, captive serial left one heck of a punch. With Jason's intellectual twist to BDSM and Jade's pushing the limits sex scenes, these two created a storyline filled with suspense and intrigue with massive amounts sexual tension. While the theme had me cringing at times because of the dark depravity Amy was suffering, the addition of Robert left me a panting, hopeful mess.

Amy finds herself held captive by a sadistic man intent on breaking her spirit so that he can sell her into sexual slavery. But with her background, she won't break easily. When Robert finds himself back home because his evil father is dying, he comes face to face with his disgusting brother Alister and the woman they are trying to train. Forced to break Amy or lose his livelihood, he has a choice to make. Amy realizes that if she wants to survive she has to find a way to understand her role as a submissive and she's hoping that with Robert's help, maybe her life will turn out differently.

This was a really quick read that was heavy on the idea of submission. In this volume, we're introduced to these two characters and their situations and the start of Amy's training. With heaps of intense role play, I'm pretty sure my panties spontaneously combusted. Jade has this way of making even the most taboo situations seems plausible and gratifying while Jason's BDSM point of view drew me into a lifestyle I have no practical knowledge of and made it relatable. What I'm hoping in the next addition is a more emotional connection between the two and, for Amy's sake, that that connection will lead to a way out of the this mess for both her and Robert. And with that ending, I'm antsy to know what direction the story will take next.

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### **Ellen Gail says**

I have LOVED Jade West's books in the past. I know I've said it before but I'll say it again - her Dirty Bad series is top shelf erotica. So when I saw she had a new collab out with Jason Luke, who I had not read, I jumped on it!

I was grossly disappointed by *Plaything*. Where was the fabulous chemistry? The sense of consent and respect between the characters? The charming humor and character development?

This is a story about a sex slave, and mixing slavery and erotica makes me very very nervous. Most of the time, that's just a bad fucking idea. Slavery is not sexy. But I thought that surely there was some fabulous twist, some subversion of the usual tropes that would make *Plaything* shine. Nope. Nada.

I'm gonna go reread something amazing, cause I'm not about to let 2016 start off on this sour note.

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### **\*\*\*Cheryl\*\*\* says**

This was a great start to what I think will be a great little series.

I enjoy both Jason and Jade's books so I was excited to see what they would do together.

It was a fairly short quick read and really just felt like the beginning and more set the scene for the rest of the series. It's about Amy who has been kidnapped and sold in the BDSM underworld but however is proving difficult to train therefore has been returned. This is where Robert enters, he's the black sheep of the family and want's nothing to do with his dad's business, however when his Dad threatens his own business he agree to try and train Amy. Will he manage to train Amy or will something get in the way?

It's told from duel POV which was great to get into their heads. I liked the both characters. I wish it was a little longer I felt it was only getting finished when it ended suddenly. I can't wait for the next one.

\* I received an ARC in exchange for an honest review

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