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Since she was cruelly left at the altar at the age of twenty-two, Lady Julianna Sterling has resolved to have nothing to do with men. So she is shocked to discover she has unwelcome feelings for the very worst of the breed - a dangerous, unbearably handsome highwayman who has set upon her coach in the countryside and taken her captive. Worse still, her righteous ire turns quickly to disappointment when the irresistible outlaw sets her free.

**Viscount Dane Graville** knows he should not have revealed his face to the enchanting Lady Julianna - for he has compromised the secret mission he has undertaken for the Crown in the guise of the notorious Magpie. Now their paths are crossing once more, and Dane aches to taste again the sweetness of her kiss. But he must resist what his heart demands, for their passion can only lead to perils beyond imagining.

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### Ana Maria says

Me pareció un libro muy romántico. Tenemos un héroe enmascarado montando un negro corcel que se hace pasar por ladrón de caminos para descubrir a los verdaderos malos. Caballero, atento, galante, no sabemos, ni sabremos, nada de su vida sentimental anterior pero a Julianna "se lo hace" muy bien. Con una infancia feliz, un pequeño trauma llamado Waterloo lo lleva a transitar caminos menos sangrientos aunque quizá más peligrosos para proteger a la corona.

Julianna, una protagonista no tan joven, independiente económicamente y decidida a no casarse nunca, queda seducida por este "granuja" enmascarado e insistirá con todas su armas de mujer para develar sus secretos.

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### Kristal says

If goodreads gave the option I would really rate this 3.5. I absolutely adored Julianna and Dane and their chemistry and the progression in their relationship was very believable. Plus the lack of unnecessary misunderstandings that seems to be in most HR books was refreshing. This was definitely the highlight of this series.

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### Jubel says

OH MY GOD! I finished reading this last night and I'm like.... this is the very best! I've read Justin's story, the perfect groom and I fell in love with him but daaammmnnn.. I fell more deeply in love with DANE! Julianna is one of the best heroines I know and I also adore her to the bones! I haven't yet read the first book because I've jump with Justin's story first and I wish there's more! I wish there's a fourth book with an all out epilogue! I love the Sterling siblings! and I cannot fathom to compare it with Ms. Lisa Kleypas "The Hathaway Series" because I also loved all the stories in that series. But this! My gaaawwdd I slept happy last night! fantasizing Dane and Me (as Julianna) oh my my!!!

Owkay to list what I loved about this book:

1. Julianna didn't beg with Thomas. She accepted the fact that he is a dumbass. Why? BECAUSE IF HE DID THAT FUCKING GENTLEMANLY DEED WITH THE GIRL HE GOT KNOCKED-UP HE SHOULD AT LEAST WARN JULIANNA BEFORE HE ELOPE WITH THE GIRL! He made Julianna feel like a fool! Yes A FOOL! And I feel Julianna's dilemma in the whole story and I honestly imagine myself as her.. and my conclusion is, if I we're her I absolutely done the same thing. I'll travel the continent!! (I want tp do that but right now I'm still a student and penniless, sigh).

2. In my Gender Relation class, my prof (bless her!) discuss that if a guy liked a girl so much and when the girl is talking to him, she thinks he doesn't listen because the he's not looking through her BUT IN REALITY HE IS LISTENING IN EVERY SINGLE DETAIL. And in this story I'm sooooo fucking love Dane because he remembers EVERYTHING! EVERY SINGLE THING that Julianna said to him. e.g the names of the kittens Julianna named when she was a child. Right that moment I want Dane!!

3. This is not only a story of a boy meets girl but this is a story of love. Love not only in a boy/girl relationship but also love for a family. From the beginning the Sterlings have each other through thick and thin, scandals or happy times they always have each other. I tear up near the end when Justin said something to his brother and sister. I almost hug my own sisters! This is not only focusing on what a romance love can bring but also the happiness and true love of a family.

I salute Miss James! She express in every way the differentiation of her characters, the differentiation of their own identity and stories in every aspect of emotions! This is a must read and I'm sooo effin happy that Goodreads leads me to find this! Kudos! :)

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### **M says**

Best of the series. Julianna's story. Rescued from a carriage accident by a Highwayman--the Magpie-- Julianna's life becomes more interesting than she bargained for. SJ is a good story teller, I enjoyed the twist of the plot, intrigue, spies, murder, reunions and the resolution of the Sterling family. I'm glad I gave Samantha James' books a try.

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### **\*MariaA\* says**

I was so wanting to read a book about a caring, adorable hero and am glad I came across this one. This was one of those stories where although predictable and simply lovey dovey romantic but I adored both H & h ..'Dane' was a darling!!!  
Thoroughly enjoyed it :)

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### **June says**

Indeed Dane is a perfect hero ( # ^.^ # )

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### **Zoe says**

To begin, I want to say I liked this book and would have rated 3.5 if I could.

Dane (the hero) whose age I could not figure out, unwillingly abducted Julianna (27). Dane was the infamous highwayman Magpie but he was actually doing it for the Crown, apparently some kind of a civil service. Dane and Julianna spent some time together in a cabin where apparently they developed feelings for each other. Then they had to part for obvious reasons. He was a highwayman and she was lady. First half ended

Then they met again. It turned out Dane was actually a viscount and all of a sudden they took their relationship to the next level just a few hours after their reunion. This is where I asked: why? why not in the comfort of a cabin but in a carriage? nothing has changed so why is it ok now? but maybe distance makes the heart grow fonder. They realized how much they missed each other and boom first time in the carriage. Dane proposed the next day.

Julliana was jilted before. She was afraid of marriage and trusting again, understandably. So while she did care for Dane she was unwilling to accept his suit because she felt he only proposed because it was the honorable thing to do, not because he loved her. So the second half is basically about how Dane tried to convince Julliana to marry him and how Julliana was reasoning with herself. Throw in the Magpie mystery bit and a bomb of Julliana's mother's return to wrap up the series, the end.

It was a ok read. Not much angst. But Dane and Julliana are pleasant characters with a less-than-emotional conflict between them. I enjoyed it because I liked Dane and Julliana. The writing is not bad. Plots are bland but at least tolerable. Overall, not good enough to be 4 stars but a strong 3 stars read.

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### **Niki says**

Dane was a great hero and Julianna was interesting as a heroine, especially after Dane proved himself to be genuine and she finally let him in. What bothered me about this one was the writing style I think. The superfluous exclamation marks and overuse of the nickname "Kitten" just about killed me. This lessened up a bit and we got some decent intrigue going towards the latter half of the book and I was finally able to get into it and finish it up, but it took me several months to finally finish this one. Don't get me wrong, it's a good story, but it's definitely a slow burn.

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### **lily waheed says**

This author writes strong and independent heroines , enjoyed it and loved it .

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### **Monique Takens says**

Ik heb de Nederlands talige uitgave gelezen : In de ban van een schurk - Candlelight Historische roman 623 .  
Ik moet bekennen dat ik hele stukken tekst overgeslagen heb - teveel gezemel en allerlei opvul blablabla om aan de gewenste pagina's te komen . En tja .. ik kan maar niet geloven dat de 27 jarige dochter / zuster van een markies die al bijna 10 jaar naar bals enz. gaat , de zoon van - en nu zelf een burggraaf niet kent .

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### **Jenny says**

I finished the Sterling trilogy and I loved it. SJ is my new favorite author. Her stories are romantic, passionate and her epilogues melt my heart! Great read.

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### **Mary23nm says**

[ Most of the book takes place indoors after the hero, Dane, disguised as a highwayman, kidnaps the heroine, Julianna. They spend much of the book lustng after one another. And, he calls her "Kitten". (hide spoiler)]

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### **Shannon says**

The final book in the Sterling sibling trilogy, James writes Julianna's story. With high hopes for the author to wrap up the stories of characters the reader has become familiar with, the book does just that, but not nearly as well as the first 2 books. After 200 pages of the main characters, Julianna and Dane stuck in a cabin together recuperating from injuries, I was bored and wanted the story to progress. I finally skimmed the remainder of the book and read the epilogue just to read how it ended. And even then I just didn't care enough about either character. I'm glad the series is over.

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### **puppitypup says**

[ to leave Dane at the stagecoach station, knowing I... oops, *I mean Julianna...* would never see him again. (hide spoiler)]

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### **Molly says**

He gave her kittens at the end of the book, so how could I not love it?

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