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He owns her—Every. Single. Breath. She just doesn't want to admit it. To him, or herself. . .

You get hurt once; you assume that's the norm. You see others suffer; you assume that's the norm, too.

At least, that's what Livana once did. One rough go-around was enough for her. After that, she kept it simple, no strings attached. It was just easier that way. Even necessary.

Until she went out one night and met Calum Alexander, a man whose intensity broke through each of her defenses, leaving her vulnerable.

Afraid to fall in love, she tries to keep some of her walls up around herself, even though Calum is determined not to let her.

Faced with a man that seems intent on possessing her, Liv knows it's a mere matter of time before she no longer has a choice.

That is...until Calum's own insecurities come to the fore, throwing their new, fragile relationship into a tailspin.

Will the feelings between them be strong enough to keep them together, or will their issues get in the way of what they had just started to build?

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Philomena Callan Cheekypee says

Make sure you read Addictive Lunacy before you read this. Although a short read I thought the author did a wonderful job with this story.

After her heart was broken Liv finds it hard to trust. Due to a lack of trust her relationship with Calum struggles. Calum is deliciously hot. Can these two overcome their issues?

This is a brilliant read but I so wanted to throw my kindle after reading that ending. What a cliffhanger!! Need next book now!!

Terry says

I received a copy of this book in exchange for an honest review

-MAY CONTAIN SPOILERS-

Holy sh*t!!!!!!!

I ABSOLUTELY adored this book. Within reading the first paragraph of this story, my heart started galloping and I was so excited. Calum not only had great looks and good brains, but his name was even amazing. I'm tired of reading books where the male characters' names are basic, like Paul, Eddie, Jon, Joey, etc. Calum is a name I've only seen in one other book. Calum was sexy right from the beginning. I loved the pushy attitude and the no-nonsense thing he had going on. Although there wasn't much personal bonding in the story between the two main characters. Lots of steamy great sex, but I would have liked to see a bit more bonding and affection shared between the two. Livana (another unique name!!!) was a very different character. I enjoyed her, but a lot of the things she did were cliché and I found myself wishing she would grow a backbone. I loved the plot, although at times I was wondering what the point of the story even was. I know the story was about how they were struggling with their relationship, and the battles Liv faced with her issues of commitment, but it seemed like their work/social lives were just randomly thrown in. There wasn't much talk about childhoods, favourite foods, animals, colours, or anything that would help the reader form any sort of bond with the characters. The story focused more on sex, sex, sex, Calum and his architecture, sex, sex, sex, Livana and her commitment issues, sex, fighting, sex, sex, Ang and Demi, sex, Calum getting jealous, sex, random ex-boyfriend/fiancé/lovers, sex, Liv getting jealous, sex, Mikael, sex, sex, running from problems, sex, sex, random work things thrown in, sex, sex, discussion of fathers who we never learned much about, sex, etc. With that said, I still really liked the book. There's something about domineering, pushy, strong men who know what they want that makes me happy. I just wished Liv wouldn't talk about how strong she's become since she left Corey, but then she's putty in Calum's hands the minute he so much as breathes in her direction. I felt like pulling her aside myself and telling her to grow a pair and stop laying herself down at Calum's feet so he could do as he pleased. I would have liked to see Liv outside of her Calum-bubble more, maybe hanging out with her friends and maybe her father that we never learn anything about. Calum's brother Lucas would have been nice to learn more about, too, seeing as he seemed to influence Calum strongly at times. But all in all, I still am very fond of this book and I'd read it again. If I get the chance to read the next instalment, I'll be very happy, as I'm left wondering what happened.

Julie says

3.75 stars

JC82 says

Ahhhhh this series is killing me!! In a good way that is.

In this installment of the Compulsions series we delve a bit deeper and progress further into Liv and Calum's newly formed relationship. One that they are both realizing and figuring out as they go along. The emotions in this book are guttural and raw. The feelings between these two go from beautiful to destructive to downright volcanic. The sexual attraction again is off the charts but so is the emotional need that these two share with each other. The lust, the obsession, the jealousy and the deepest love all come into play with these two. It is quite a rollercoaster. You will get frustrated with Liv and want to punch Calum, and then in one swift turn you will be compelled to feel nothing but sympathy for both of them and a strong desire to see them happy with each other. My heart was utterly broken at the end of this book. The angst in this story will make you want to hug a tub of ice cream and cry into your pillow.

On a more happy note we still get doses of Blanco's humor in the form of the new love of my life Mikael, Liv's homosexual best friend who I absolutely adore. He is the friend that will let you cry on his shoulder and the one who will lighten your heart with his hysterical banter and wit.

The ending of this book will have you reeling and I cannot wait to see what will happen in book 3!

Amanda says

Received copy for author for honest review

Even better than book 1!

In this second installment of the Compulsions series we delve more into the relationship between Liv and Calum. Even though Liv is falling hard and fast and is pretty much obsessed with her need for Calum, her insecurity due to a past relationship trauma rears its ugly head and because of it, she tries to put up walls that stand no chance against Calum. Calum's possessive, dominating, alpha side comes roaring to the forefront of his personality in this book. His obsession and need to be with and *in* Liv comes to a whole new level.

We're talking some major sexy alpha-ness here!

But of course, nothing can be easy for these two. Calum's married ex-fiancé decides she wants to re-start their involvement and all, and I do mean ALL, of Liv's ex's and one night stands cross her path again. Even though Calum asks Liv to stay and talk things out with him if something goes wrong, instead of jumping to conclusions and shutting him out, he doesn't seem to be able to extend that courtesy.

A great, quick read *with some seriously hot sexy scenes*, that grabs you from word one, introduces angst from

some of the other characters relationships and leaves you itching to find out what happens. Needless to say I can't wait for the next book!

Menthebasilic says

First, I need to say that I usually don't write reviews but these two books have got me so frustrated that arghh I need some outlet. Furthermore, there a lot of positive reviews that made me read these two books and I feel cheated.

The story is empty : I mean a part from a lot of hot sex, nothing happens.

There is no actions, no dialogues.

There is a lot of internal thinking, where the h expresses her doubts, insecurities, and rehash her poor love experience and how distraught she is.

Can you imagine, she is 21 years old and she is still traumatized from her first and only boyfriend of four years ago : that means she met him at 17 years ago and from that moment, she decided that it is better to go on with one nightstands and be a bitch than risk her heart.....Duh

The H is not really better : his is supposed to be a brilliant 32 years old Ceo but acts like a teenager caveman : he touches you I am jealous let's have sex and ...done. No communication, nothing.

And last but not least, the second book ends on. Cliffhanger and the book has been written since 3 years. It was announced for end of 2017. So at least, my advice will be wait for the third and final installment.

Lady Raven RAVE! says

Length: 186 pages

Style: Erotica Romance

Story: GOOD

Intimacy level: D.R.I.P (Don't Read In Public)

Enjoyment: GOOD

Series: (Compulsions Book 2)

Price: \$2.99 Amazon

The Good

Excellent series and excellent chemistry. Book 2 Compulsive Fascination lives up to the name and if I didn't know any better I would think the author is trying to get me addicted to this series. I can only say that this is my personal preference and how I like my books from time to time. Calum oozes sex, sex, sex, and more f***ing sex, he is that hot. His demeanor, the way he handled Livana, it was a turn on for me. Livana was not your typical weak female character but she does get weak around Calum. The author build a kind of hyped/ chemistry in book 1 Addictive Lunacy, that I had such a release in book 2. If you are a fan of this author I wouldn't only suggest reading this book but her other books because I have yet to be disappointed.

The Bad

I really have nothing bad to say about this book apart from the end.

Overall

Overall, I and you will get lost in this book, story and Calum and Liv's story. I promise you will be entertained and tickled in all the right places can't wait to read more.

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Nancy says

ARC received from author

Compulsive Fascinations is book 2 in the series and continues the relationship between Calum and Liz. This book is sexy HOT!!! Both are fighting their feelings for one another even though they are in a relationship with each other. Calum claims Liv is his, but Liv is very hesitant to let her feelings be known. While Liz knows most of Calum prior love life, she has not told him any of her story. This book has it all coming back at her and sometimes him. Can they both survive the jealousy they feel? Will they realize how much they mean to each other? Calum and Liv's chemistry is off the charts, but has some obstacles for them to deal with. N. Isabelle Blanco also lets us in on Liv's friends and their new relationships.

If it wasn't the holidays I would not have put this book down. I did not want to see it end and what an ending. Not sure if I can make it waiting for book 3.

Nicole says

ARC provided in exchange for honest review.

If you've read Addictive Lunacy, you know a bit about the early stories of Calum and Liv. Well, more so Calum's story, but enough about that.

This installment of the series picks up with Liv and Calum in a relationship, one that's still somewhat new with both of them learning how to navigate the emotional side, because trust, they have no issues with the physical side of their relationship. The biggest obstacle to Liv and Calum is trust; or more explicitly, a lack of trust. We learn early on what happened with Liv that has made her so distrustful when it comes to

relationships and why she prefers the one-night stand lifestyle.

That's not to say that Calum is perfect, because goodness knows there will be times in this story where you just get the urge to high five him. In the face. As hard as you can. But geez, turn the page and before you know it you're all sucked back in feeling sympathy for these two.

As if Liv's and Calum's story isn't snowballing its way toward a giant clusterfuck, you get the side story of Dorian and Demi (and that is equally jacked up, but for different reasons).

I will leave you with this: this ends a cliffhanger. A big one. A giant, epic, colossal cliffhanger where you might feel inclined to toss whatever medium you read this story on across the room. Don't. Unless it's under warranty, but you still might find it awkward having to explain why your ereader (if that's what you're using) is in eleventeen-two pieces.

Mandie (Naughty Book Snitch) says

Heat Level: 3 out of 4 flames

Overall: 3 out of 5 stars

Reviewed by Naughty Book Snitch: Mindy

See Mindy's Blog Review [Here](#)

This book picks up about four months after Addictive Lunacy left off and is told from Liv's POV. I was hoping this book was going to be about one of the side characters that we met in the first book, but it wasn't. It's about Calum and Liv's blossoming relationship and the personal **struggles** they have to work through to be together. On this struggling path there is a lot of sex! A lot of **really, REALLY** good sex! I mean... WOW! Mega orgasmic fucking that will not disappoint.

Im going to start with Calum because I **LOVE** him! He is a beast in the bed and loves his woman. He's patient and caring and did I mention a sex god?

"I want you Livana. More than I think I've ever wanted anyone."

He is so patient with Livana and her immature craziness. But the only issue I had with Calum was his jealousy. Dude! Get a grip! ***batting eyelashes*** But that's totally hot how he gets territorial.

"Promise me you won't do what you did last night again, Livana. The next time you're angry, or even a little upset about anything, you will stick around and talk to me about it."

Well, with that being said... he really needs to practice what he preaches.

Moving onto Liv. Prepare yourself for a rant. I don't think I've ever hated a character so much while reading a book. I cannot stand Livana and she actually ruined this story for me. She is the sole reason for the low rating. I hate her so much that I don't even know where to start.

There WILL be some spoilers in this part so approach with caution. Alright, here it comes. A little history first... Liv had a boyfriend four years ago who she caught cheating on her with her BFF. I totally agree with Liv, that is some fucked up shit and it will fuck with your head for a very long time. I totally get it and those feelings are completely valid. Liv then went on a one night stand spree because she can't trust men and doesn't want to get attached or fall in love with anyone. So Liv will soon experience the ghosts of one-night stands past. Do I think she's a total whore? Fuck no! I applaud her for that. But if you're unable to embrace it and own your mistakes, then that's when I have a problem.

Another thing about Liv is her inability to think rationally. She is an immature psychotic nut job. I've heard all the crazy ones are really good in bed. That probably explains why the sex scenes are so juicy because Liv is a little on the crazy side. Okay, okay... let me explain myself a little better. Liv has an epiphany and then completely ignores it? ***Epiphany! Epiphanies everywhere!*** For example she understands she is being irrational. She talks about it and agrees with it, takes note of it and then ignores it and goes back to being an irrational twat.

Another thing that dry humped my last nerve with Liv was that she would get jealous of the air Calum breathed or the water that got to touch his body OR AN OLD PICTURE FROM HIS PAST!! *Hello Face, nice to meet you. I'd like to introduce you to my friend Palm!*

Liv is getting jealous for no damn reason. She is getting "*hurt*" because Calum has an old photo (*not on the wall but out of sight and put away*) of him and his ex-fiancé? Bull shit! First of all, that is part of his history and it's completely normal to hold onto things like that. Second, they were put away and not even out in the open. Third! And this is a big one... don't just freak out and not tell him why you're getting the fuck outta Dodge or ask him about them! Really? Okay, listen. Our past helps mold us into the people we are today. Our past can make us stronger and smarter. You don't have to like your past, but you need to recognize it and try to understand it. At least TALK ABOUT IT and not run out of the room every time someone looks at your man sideways and assume he's fucking someone else.

"Liv, can you please tell me what the hell you're talking about, because you're acting crazy."

Liv's heart is broken only because of her own immaturity.

Im almost done beating up Liv, so one more... Her and Calum talking to Liv's father. When in the fuck did

this become a concern? Liv only started thinking about it because her friend mentioned that she couldn't tell her dad. Because the guy she is fucking is her dad's friend. We do not live in the 1700's. You do not have to have your father's permission to be courted by a gentleman. Welcome to the 21st Century Liv. You are also an adult and don't need daddy's permission to have a boyfriend. If your dad loves you, as I suspect he does, then I'm sure he will support your decision to date anyone you like.

Alrighty, I'm done kicking Liv's ass for now.

Then finally, I feel that I must mention an issue I have with both Calum and Liv. Neither one of them talk to each other. Sure, words are exchanged but not on an intellectual level. It's more of a Neanderthal type of communication. I'm paraphrasing here, but: ***Calum - "Girl, you look upset. Me fuck you now, make happy".*** Then there is Liv who doesn't say anything and just has this type of reaction...

Liv - "I wouldn't be able to think clearly again until I'd had him inside me, his dick throbbing and coming against the sensitive tissue of my pussy.."

See what I mean? Now, I will say that I thoroughly enjoyed every single one of these scenes. I just needed some adult rationalization behind it.

Overall, it was just ok for me. The writing was great, the story was better this time around, all the characters were fantastic except for Liv and the sex was nuclear HAWT. It did end with a pretty bad cliffy though and it does make me want to read the next one. But I'll say that Liv has some major growing up to do and Calum and Liv together need to talk more. If not... I'm not sure I'll be able to read it. Will I read this author again? Absofuckinglutly!

I received a copy of this book via the author in exchange for an honest review.

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S.N. Williams says

This book is a sequel to Addictive Lunacy by N. Isabelle Blanco. I was so excited for her to ask me to review this book. I couldn't wait for it. I need more from the last one.

Calum is back in all his hotness. He is sweet but yet has just enough jealous and controlling tendencies to make my panties hot. OMG the sex he has with Livana is hot.

We get more of the relationship these two are trying to have. It is still nerve racking for Livana. I think she needs to chill out and take everything this man can give her. I know I would.

This book is leaving me wanting more. I can't wait till the third book comes out. Again this is a short read just like the first one but full of pure greatness.

I am giving this book 5 hearts. LOVED EVERY MINUTE OF IT.

Pauline (Passionate About Books) says

I was given this ARC for an honest review...here goes...

In "Compulsive Fascinations" Calum & Livana take their relationship to a whole new different level. Both start fighting for sexual control, desperate for each other, needing to be claimed but letting their prides get in the way. Livana was dysfunctional due to an ugly past experience turning her into "Ms. Player Extraordinaire"...but then she falls for Calum and the lines are blurred. Her trust meter is broken and collides head on with the only man who has managed to break down her walls and fears. He consumed all of her rationality and she gave him complete ownership of her body. She believed that Calum had the power to heal her & let herself become raw and vulnerable in the process. But matters did not turn out as she had hoped. Secrets, lies and pride got in the way. Will they discover a way to mend their fences? This is a delicious erotic novella which will keep you turning from page to page! Hot, sizzling, inferno are only a few words that describe Calum and Livana's story!!! Can't wait for book 3!!!

Janett The Pleasure of Reading Today says

Liv and Calum are back and hotter than ever.

Their love story have progressed and feelings are getting involved, lines are blurring, and people from the past are threatening their relationship.

These two are both strong will and set in their own ways so the power struggle between them is a strong one. Calum wants to dominate and Livana doesn't want to submit and be vulnerable.

The first installment of this story was told from Calum's POV, this one is from Livana's. I have to say that while I enjoy Liv's I prefer Calum's. We got to see that while Livana is a beautiful woman with a bright future ahead of her, she's incredibly insecure on the inside. I understood clearly where some of her insecurities come from, but at some point you have to stop thinking and analyze the situation in front of you before you act like a spoiled five year old.

Calum is hot alpha male through and through, and while I wasn't in agreement with some of his decisions (specially at the end, bad boy Calum!) I have to say this man is pure hotness. I loved his dirty mouth and his commanding attitude.

If you've read other books by Isabel you know this lady knows how to write a scorching sex scene, she's a master at this and she does not disappoint in this installment.

We see some of the characters from other books and we also get to know a bit more of Mikel (love him) who adds a little flair and a lot of flavor to this book.

I recommend you read the first book (which is currently free on Amazon) so you can fully understand the story but I guarantee you'll enjoy it as much as I did.

Keep Calm Novel On says

I received a copy of the ARC from the author in exchange for an honest review.

A simply delicious read. Compulsive Fascinations continues where the novella Addictive Lunacy leaves the reader begging for more of Livana and Calum's story.

The novel is fast paced and character driven. The story is told from Livana's point of view. She is open with the reader but her trust issues block her ability to be open with Calum. She needs to let go of her past heartache in order to move forward in a healthy way. Will she? Can Livana learn to trust again? The chemistry between Livana and Calum is unbelievable. Sparks fly when they are together. The author has taken their relationship to new and exciting heights.

The supporting characters are equally as entertaining. In particular, Livana's friend and secretary Mikael is delightful. He adds comic relief and sage advice when needed.

And the cliffhanger...the reader will want to turn the page and read on...their journey is not over...can't wait for the sequel.

Sarah says

STOP!! If you haven't read Addictive Lunacy, do it now! You have to before you read this review or read Compulsive Fascinations. This is book 2 of the series. N. Isabelle Blanco, you have done it again! Another amazing 5 star read that is smoking hot! Be prepared, this is a cliffy, but I promise only great things! I'm not going to lie; I wanted to hit N. Isabelle Blanco when I finished this book. Calum had my heart from book 1, but OMG! Why wouldn't any woman in their right mind want this man?

So who hasn't had their heart shattered? Why would you want to trust anyone after that? I can totally relate. After your heart has been broken, it takes a lot to try and build that trust all over again. This is what Livana faces in this book.

Calum Alexander, in a suit, in jeans, it doesn't matter. He exudes sex, masculinity, dominance and intensity. But does Livana want to be dominated? It's usually a wink, or a smile that just makes you want to drop your panties for the royal hotness, with Calum, it's those Hazel eyes that give you that intense stare. You will melt into that stare...

Will Liv be able to keep her heart guarded from being broken and shattered again? Will Calum's own insecurities make Liv realize what she truly wants? What is it that she wants? Will she allow herself to love

again or is this really something she's only never felt before? Will the attraction be enough for them to realize their true feelings? Thank god for friends that are always there to listen and be a good shoulder to lean on.

I want a piece of Calum Alexander. Like I said before, who doesn't or wouldn't? This book had my emotions and hormones all over the place. I love how I can go from zero to sixty in one scene. N. Isabelle Blanco always does a fantastic job with her sex scenes. She has to lead a very kinky life. She fulfills my erotic fantasies in her reads. You will want to have time to finish this book as soon as possible, because you have to know what's going to happen. This is a cliffy which broke my heart the way it ended, but I know that Nyddi will deliver only wonderful things as always, so I cannot wait for book 3 to come. Until then, Enjoy Calum & Livana's continuation of their story... I know I did...

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