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A two-month sabbatical from her high-powered career is just what the doctor ordered...especially when Reese St. James eyes the hunk of her secret fantasies on the menu. From the moment she walks into Michael Wolf's world-famous restaurant, she's given the VIP treatment. And the sexy celebrity chef's mouth-watering kisses have her eating right out of his hand...and hungry for more.

Furious at discovering Reese isn't the food critic he expected, Michael vows to teach the delectable deceiver a lesson. Seduction is the first course as he turns the tables on the sensual doctor. But once he tastes her passion, he goes straight from the frying pan into the fire. He wants to trust her, but what if he gets burned? As their sizzling affair flames into a culinary feast for all the senses, will love be the final course?

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Angelia says

LOVED IT....From the very beginning Resse and Michael had great chemistry...SIZZLING HOT to say the least...Great Story....Wishing it was a little longer finished this in oneday....Couldn't put it down.....WOW...What a MAN, What a MAN....

Byron Washington says

AGAIN....WOW!!!

Shawnette says

Ladies...If you CAN'T stand the heat don't read Recipe for Temptation...the passion between Michael and Reese is SIZZLING...the pages were so HOT they singed my fingers...LOL...Reese is DEFINITELY a sexy spitfire...while Michael had it going on...the brother was cooking it up ALL over the place...and all I can say is where can I get the recipe for the Triple Chocolate Cheesecake...'cause I want a chocolate orgasm, too...and Papa Wolf was getting his swerve on too...a SPICY, FUN, & QUICK read...highly recommended...do you think we'll get a story for Quentin in the near future?!!! ;-)

Avid Reader says

The book was just okay and, if this book is any indication, it is time for the Wolf Pack series to end. There were no interesting characters, no plot, and the characters never developed beyond the superficial.

This couple met and fell in love in a week, he proposed in 4 weeks, and then there was a HEA ending. The only thing that looked like suspense in the book came from two very contrived misunderstandings; one was about Reese's identity in the beginning of the book, the other was Reese overhearing a conversation that led her to think that Michael Wolf was using her to boost his TV show's rating. It seems Reese's appearances on the show as his assistant were popular. The show was popular before her though.

There were tons of missed opportunities to create a better book like using Victor (Reese's boyfriend back in her hometown of Houston) to build conflict with Michael Wolf (her love interest in Atlanta), building on the jealousy between Asha and Celeste, and developing the relationship more between Sterling (Papa Wolf to Michael and Marcus Wolf) and Asha.

This book is too sweet and too long to be so boring and pointless.

Lorice says

I love it!

There's nothing to dislike about Reese and Michael. They are the perfect match. His ying to her yang. And on top of that they're very comical.

Darcia Scates says

I didn't like the book from page one. Sure doctor Reese loses a patient, I'm sure it has happened before. I guess death only happens frequently in the emergency room or with the geriatric patients, not with OB/GYN's. So I did not feel any empathy for the character's need to take a two month leave from her job just because one of her patients died. The patient had a serious condition that led to death, it was not a medical accident. Another thing I didn't like about this was the unbelievable and stilted dialogue between Wolf and his dad. No one talks the way Maureen wrote. It just doesn't seem like a dad would talk that way. Marueeen used energetic and brilliant words for each sentence, but they were not enticing enough for me. I didn't see the need for the chef Wolf to be a buff bodybuilder. After a certain age, eating all that unhealthy food catches up with you, fitness center/basketball in your complex or not. He can work out but if that restaurant serves huge dessert which he has to sample, it is unbelievable Chef Wolf looks like Fabio versus Bobby Flay. In addition, it was obvious Reese did not like Victor, her boyfriend from home- break up with him already. Reese unnecessarily drags out the relationship with Victor while secretly having the hots for Chef Wolf. I do not recommend this book.

Kim says

Funny, whitty, sexy, you can't get much better than that! The banter back and forth between Reese and Michael was so hilarious!! and they had so much chemistry and passion as well. I was reading this in public and laughing my pants off. Luv luv this book...stop reading this review and buy it NOW!!!

LillaLovesBooks says

4 stars!!!

Recipe for Temptation exceeded my expectations immensely. I was apprehensive because I thought it was going to be super cheesy and predictable. So glad I gave it a chance because I was proven wrong! I loved this story, so let's just jump in shall we?

1. It showed African-Americans in a different/positive light. Unlike most "urban/black" books where the main characters are in some crime filled, oversexed, profane "hood" lifestyle. This time we get professionals (OBGYN and Chef/Author).
2. The hero and Heroine were very likable (especially the hero! Do men that romantic and sexy really exist?). I like that everything wasn't instant. They took their time without the story being slow.

3.The secondary characters were so likable too! I wanted to jump in the pages and marry into the Wolf family! They were funny and loving!

I don't know what else to say except that this short-and-sweet, funny, and sexy book rocked and I look forward to more by Maureen Smith.

Ese says

As the first book I am reading from this author I really like this book, it was fun and sweet, full of romance and just the right amount of ero and I would recommend it.

Cora says

I really don't understand how this book is so well liked. Reese spends basically the entire book cheating on her boyfriend, who is sending her flowers and telling her he misses her the whole time! I get that they weren't right for each other, but she didn't have the decency to officially break up with him before jumping Michael's bones repeatedly?!

I'm sorry, but unexplainable disloyalty is one of my buttons and this book pressed HARD.

Joyce-Anne Anthony says

One of the best romantic books I've ever written. If I could give it 10 stars, I would. Maureen Smith, you now have a forever fan.

Ariana says

Awww is all I can say. This book was so touching.

Shonnie says

Finally! I wasn't sure I'd I would make the ending. Let's just say this isn't a Touch of Heaven. For some reason I loved that book. Although this wasn't bad, it was just tough reading a boring book.

Delaney Diamond says

The scrumptious looking hottie on the cover was a bonus to another great read from Maureen Smith. This novel is about Reese St. James, a doctor from Houston and Michael Wolf, a celebrity chef living in Atlanta,

GA. Michael is the brother of Marcus Wolf, who heated things up with Samara in *Taming the Wolf*. I highly recommend *Taming the Wolf*, by the way.

The book started off slowly, which was fine by me because it gave me a chance to get to know the main and minor characters. Another reason for the slow progression of the romance was the fact that Reese had a boyfriend she didn't want to cheat on. Michael, still somewhat scarred from the affair his mother had when he was younger, had a code of conduct which didn't allow him to pursue women already in relationships.

What I liked about this book:

1. Descriptions of the food and restaurant life were a treat for a foodie like me.
2. The fact that the hero and heroine didn't jump into bed right away with each other, despite the chemistry between them. Quick sex happens so often in romance novels, it was a refreshing change. I was able to see them through each other's eyes, what they liked, how they interacted with the people in each other's world, and so it made sense that the instantaneous attraction lead to love.
3. Plenty of double entendres between the two played well, escalating the sexual tension.
4. Moments where Michael showed his romantic, tender side. He's hot, can cook, and he's romantic. (sigh)
5. Steamy, unique love scenes, which is typical of Ms. Smith.

I really like the way she writes the intense feelings her heroes feel for the heroines. It's an all-consuming love that leaves these manly men helpless and vulnerable in the heat of the moment. Words spill from their lips with such earnest intensity, the power of their feelings practically jump off the page.

What I didn't like:

1. I was disappointed that Reese ended up cheating on her boyfriend. I realize these things happen, and she felt guilty about it, but when there's cheating in a book, I need something to justify it. It wasn't justified.

The fact that Victor worked hard and she felt their relationship was already over wasn't enough—it wasn't over, so she should have ended it before she slept with Michael. In addition, Michael's aversion to pursuing women already in a relationship didn't stop him from pursuing Reese. I suppose I could simply say that their love for each other was the catalyst for their behavior, but it still bothered me. However, I know better than to let my personal opinion affect the rating of a book that is well-written, which this one is.

2. The so-called "black moment" at the end bothered me too. Every romance novel has one, where it looks as if the couple won't get to their HEA.

After overhearing a conversation between Michael and his producer, Reese's quick jump to the conclusion that everything they'd shared had been fake and a joke didn't ring true for me, and so I was very disappointed in the abrupt way she left town without a word and planned to break off their relationship. After sharing such intimacies and such closeness, how could she leave town so abruptly without speaking to him? How could she plan to break things off without talking to him first?

My disappointments were minor when compared with the totality of the work. I think *Recipe for Temptation* is a great book and can't wait to read *Whatever You Like*.

M.J. Friday says

Michael Wolfe is a world famous celebrity chef and owner of one of the hottest restaurants in Atlanta. When Dr. Reese St James is on sabbatical from her job in Houston and ends up in Atlanta for the next two months, she can't help but want to taste, the cuisine of her T.V. crush. Michael mistakenly thinks she is a food critic. Believing she mislead him, he makes plans to teach the sexy doctor a lesson. By the time he realizes his error, the damage is done. As fate would have it Reese wins a contest to appear with the sexy chef on his T.V. show and even though she is angry at how her treated her she agrees to be on the show, how else will she get her revenge, but her plans got to pot when the attraction between them starts to simmer and soon boil over.

What can I say, I love the Wolfe pack, great series, and Reese and Michael were fire with a capital F. I love everything about this book, it had just the right balance of hot and steam mixed with romance. The plot was great and the secondary characters had me laughing out loud. I can't wait to read more of this series. I loved the flow of the story. When you read a book written by Ms. Smith, it feels like you are watching a movie. Kudos! And keep them coming.
