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He should have left her and never looked back.....

That's not how things played out for Caine, a nearly one thousand year old Pyte, who should have known better. Instead of walking away years ago, he has been watching over the only human who has touched his heart. He stays to protect her, at least that is what he tells himself. When trouble finds her, he knows that he should just cut his losses and walk away, but there is no fighting the hold the child, who has become a woman, has on him. Now they are both paying the price.

Danni knows that she isn't technically a Sentinel and is putting her life in danger every time she goes out on patrol. She isn't worried, she has a job to do. It is the only thing that matters to her anymore and she isn't going to let it go without a fight. Unfortunately for her, she didn't foresee her ex-boyfriend selling her out to a Master, being captured, getting locked up and stuck in a room with the cranky Pyte. The same Pyte that broke her heart years ago and won't stop glaring at her as if their little predicament is all her fault.

## Tall, Dark & Heartless Details

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## From Reader Review Tall, Dark & Heartless for online ebook

### Booklover says

Enjoyed it so much, it had so many twists and turns which had me gripped till the end. Caine-Danni loved them both, their friendship was so beautiful but then Caine pushed her away. Caine-Danni were two lonely people who filled the emptiness in each other's life. Caine was in denial about his feelings for Danni and hurt her but then he came to his senses and their love blossomed beautifully and they get their much deserved happiness and a family to belong to.

Enjoyed & Loved the banters between Chris-Izzy-Kale & Chris-Kale fighting over Jessica must say Jessica is one lucky kid to have so many people to love and spoil her. Jill felt so sorry for her \*sob sob\* Logan you jerk better you come to your senses or else..... Missed Eric and Joshua so much, was so looking forward to see what happens to Joshua and have few answers but more questions have now arisen as the story progressed.

The epilogue was beautiful but by the time it came to end what I feared came true..... CLIFF-HANGER???"\*sad sigh\* really hope the next book releases soon cause I will go psychotic in this waiting time \*pulls hair\*

Overall enjoyed it  
Recommend it.

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### Natalie The Biblioholic says

[Although he turns her into a Pyte after loser Greg electrocuted and drowned her, and she still has cancer, there

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### Rough Draft Book Blog says

I SOOOO WANTED TO LOVE THIS....

So, ok... when I finished Without Regret, (Chris & Izzy's story Pyte/Sentinel book #2) at the end of it there was a blurb that said "read on for a sneak peek at the next Pyte series book" Sooooooo, I did and that little blurb was about some one named Cloe and a dude named Christophr or whatever... at some drug store... well, that's not what Tall, Dark, & Heartless is about at all... Hmmmmmm, not sure what that one was about... or if it will become a story... but just those first few pages made me interested... then I get to this story and I'm not getting as excited... DAMN IT!!!

I LOVE (with my whole heart) R.L. Matthewson... that's why this review is gonna kill me... I've never given her anything other than a 5 star review, EVER!!!! I always feel honesty is the best policy.. sooooo... here it goes...

I loved the characters, but not the storyline... I felt it was dragging on and on at times and found myself

skipping huge parts that I felt could have been edited out... The flashbacks and the storyline from past characters was getting on my last nerve!! I love Madison, Ephraim, Chris, Izzy, Josh, and the rest of them... but I really wanted to focus on Caine and Danni... and it just wouldn't let me... hence the skipping!!!

I really struggled to get through this one... I usually get a book done in two days or less... this one took me 5 days... I admit, I set it down a lot to do other stuff... but when a book's good... my housework goes to crap... that's how you know a book is good... needless to say... my house was spotless during the reading of this book... Sorry RL... I do love you!! The Neighbor From Hell Series is one of my all time favorites... so, I'll just wait for that next book to come out...

All in all... it was ok.. I gave it 3 stars...

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### **Gitte [TotallyBookedBlog](#) says**

R.L Mathewson is just AMAZING...this has to be the best in the series so far! I've loved them all but Tall, Dark & Heartless had \*sigh\* Caine!! (Am not going to spoil what made him so... uhmmmm...special...LOL..!!)

The story was great, so much passion, emotions and action that it was at times impossible to put down! The relationship between Caine and Danni was beautiful and it was fab to have all the characters back from the previous books! Hate the fact that there was a cliffhanger though...I really don't like those ;0)

Oh and I would recommend reading this series in order....

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### **Jenn says**

#### **Loved:**

1. Kale- makes me laugh & is protective. Love when he goads Chris.
2. Caine & Danni
3. Jax and his pack
4. **The "Junk Food Wars" between Kale & Izzy**
5. Marc & his shinning moment
6. Ephraim- always a sweetheart <3
7. Lucan- **\*fingers crossed\*** he turns out to be a good vampire as he's in a gray area for me... I have high hopes
8. Danni & the tree bet
9. The humor in this book

#### **Favorite line by Caine:**

"This is a really weird family."

#### **Hated/Disliked:**

1. Greg- gets what he deserves in more than one way
2. Joshua's new personality

### 3. Logan - wanted to love him but now... Not so sure

Danni is a human child born to two Sentinel parents who neglect her as a child. Caine is a Pyte who was obtained by the Sentinel Council for some things he did. Eventually Danni and Caine become good friends while she's growing up and he takes care of her until she hits the age of 17 then he just drops out of her life, well... that's what she thinks at least. It's 11 years later and Danni's jerkface ex-boyfriend Greg sells his soul to a master vampire so he can take out his rage on Danni and Caine in his evil little plan. This puts this pair back together in a not so nice situation and eventually it boils down to a life and death situation for the couple. Caine will do anything to keep Danni safe no matter the price.

It was nice to see all the old cast back from books 1 and 2 and some new faces as well. Danni and Caine do all they can to survive while others do all they can to find them.

#### **book made me:**

1. mad
2. laugh
3. sad

It was a good read. I feel the books get better as the series goes on. (I really love Kale and Caine.)

Note: This book involves-*language & adult situations*.

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#### **Mei says**

Well, I'm sad to say that the quality of the books in this series went lower... :(

Here we have the story of Danni and Caine. You all have read the blurb, so you know how the story goes, but let me tell you that the characters are abysmal!!!

I couldn't stand them and not only the main characters, but all the others too... It's really sad to say that it took me almost 3 days to read this book because I couldn't suffer to read all the juvenile and stupid things they did!

All, and I mean **all** of them are like 4 years old arguing about who can do better something! It doesn't matter that something is a life altering decision or stolen piece of cake!

A lot of pages has been spent about Caine and Danni's past when she was a little girl and it was like that over and over and over and over... after the tenth time a moment like that happened I just skipped until it ended... and, let me say it, I was bored to tears! I couldn't stand anymore how Danni's big violet eyes were sad, laughing, disappointed, how she was a sweet kid, how she was brave, how she was wonderful... gag!

And that was Caine... don't let me start with Danni!!!

She was *supposed* to be a tough human girl who wanted to best her Sentinel companions, but refused to

admit that she was **human!!!** She put herself in such awful situations because of that denial! She just couldn't accept it, so it was OK to be suicidal! Right, no? Nooooooo!!!!

She was just plain stupid every single time she did something or said something. I couldn't stand her!

The other characters... let me say that my opinion about Izzy changed drastically. Here she's a completely useless female good for nothing else, but being (view spoiler) and made pregnant. Ah, let's not forget her idiotic bickering with Kale about some idiotic rules about stealing junky food from each other... even if the situation is serious and dangerous, what they do? They argue who took whose piece of cake!!!! Was it supposed to be a way to ease a stressful situation? If it was it failed miserably...

Shall we talk about Chris? You'll think that he matured since now he's a father... well... NO, he didn't! He's worse than ever! He treats (and here I must say I don't agree with him... sad but true...) Izzy like an mentally deficient woman and keeps calling her his Munchkin (or something stupid like that...)... Ah, don't let me forget mentioning about his stupid, caveman *this woman is MINE* acts of jealousy... \*roll eyes\*

The books so full of Danni's TSTL actions, Caine's reminiscences, Izzi's and Kale faked arguments, Chris's growling jealousy... that I seriously considered DNF-ing the book several times. Now that I finished it I'm sorry I didn't saved my time and stopped reading it...

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### **PepsiGirl says**

This book does not pick up where the last story ends. It introduces new characters to the sentinel family. A pyte and a sentinel offspring that has no supernatural abilities( basically just a human). Immediately I wonder why we have gone off course. As the two starcrossed lovers, Caine and Dani, fight and claw their way I begin to lose interest. Not only is there the strange past between these two(he use to be her baby sitter/caregiver/father figure) weird huh? But then Caine ingest a drug that is an aphrodisiac and know he cannot keep his hands to himself. I found this part amusing especially with his stoic behavior to be a sudden turn around. Then after he finally breaks her down after he says some stupid things they agree to do the deed, she immediately thinks she's going to up and leave him. Here he thinks of her as a reluctant mate that he needs to protect and she doesn't even give him the benefit of the doubt. I stopped reading at this point. I realize what I can't stand about the way it is written, the author waits for an important part of the story to regress and waste two pages on this characters past. Her characters are constantly daydreaming when something important happens. I've found myself saying I don't care about this why bring up her unhappy childhood and two pages worth to explain why she is crying now. Don't get it, it's like filler, to get more words down that are not needed. Okay all the women in this story are bitches. Or their hormonal, why is that the way they are portrayed? I seriously can't stand Madison, her character had been in hormonal limbo for a book and a half, Izzy is too flirtatious with these other males and Chris keeps threatening to kicks someone's ass but never does, Danni, Is so wishy washy and just stupid, Jill whose character had supposedly developed even though she still acts like she did when she was fifteen. Screw ups all of them. I finished the story finally. Not sure if I can review it tactfully. Don't like to leave mean reviews. I see that the author has pretty much the same characters I in all her books saying the same things such as "I gonna beat your a\$\$," that threat was old in the first book I read it and that was a different series. The eating of chocolate and fighting over it was just as ridiculous as in her Neighbor from hell story. It was funny the first time but it is very old now. The male characters all seem to be plan on using and misusing the women and then the women always seem to have to walk away and not look back and the men are broken and will do anything for their baby. Yeah I think I need to take a break from this author.

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### **Sheryl says**

Once i have time to process my thoughts, i will write a proper review, because seriously all that is going through my mind right now is Blood, Sugar, Sex, Magik... yes, it is the name of an album by Red Hot Chilli Peppers, but seriously that was this story...

plenty of blood; the Pytes are vampires after all, and lots of killing (nothing gratuitous though)

sugar; well i attribute that part to Izzy and her cravings (yes we get to see lots of Izzy and Chris from Without Regret the previous book in this series)

sex; well now.. this part was FREAKIN' AWESOME and attribute it ALL to Caine, that sexy ALPHA, tattooed and pierced hero of this story... and can i come back to the pierced part please... ermm... i believe it was a "Prince Edward"... holy mother of all things HOT...gimme, gimme...

and finally magik; well lots of living, dying, healing, etc. going on, so that's the magik bit (yeah i know, a bit lame, but i really couldn't come up with anything else!!)

Till i can come up with better words for this review, for now, just know that this is a 5 star read; if you ask me, it surpasses the first 2 books in this series and for me that's saying a lot because i absolutely LOVED Chris and Izzy from Without Regret, BUT Caine \*swoon\* and Danni and all their HOT, SWEATY, SMEXIN just puts this book in another stratosphere!! Job well done, Ms. Mathewson!!!

Now, i can go back and think about Caine... and that piercing...

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### **Michele ~ la Smoocherina says**

I was really disappointed in this book. I liked the first two, but this one I found myself pushing to finish. I felt like I missed book 2.5, except there isn't one! Why is Kale so chummy with Izzy and crazy about her baby. What do they think is wrong with Joshua? Why was he chained up. I felt out of the loop. The grammar and spelling errors were much improved in this book. There were only a couple.

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### **Hazel \*Craves the Angst Reviews\* says**

Definitely a **4.5**. This was the best of the series so far. I loved book one, (book two not so much), but this one surpassed both. The story was amazingly well done and I loved the revisit to all the characters we've grown to love as well as the introduction to new characters that have become a part of the overall story arc. The only drawbacks are the amount of grammatical and editing errors. This seems to be a constant throughout this series, in each book, and I think with a little more editing, the books would be a much smoother read. Also, I wish there wasn't so much character internalizing. Book two was filled with internalization and it completely distracted from the story but thankfully a lot of that was culled out for this book. I was really impressed with this read. It was exciting, adventurous, steamy and sexy, and fun! I can't wait for the next book in this awesome series. Bring on the ever growing Pyte family!

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### **B.E.Love says**

\*\*re-read\*\*

So let me start with my complaint. UGH I have to wait for another book are you serious I feel hurt that after finishing this book I don't have book four to start oh I am so hurt. Ok moving past my sad drama, this book was insane I don't know how R.L.Mathewson packed everything in this book and the book didn't end up being a jumbled mess. This book is filled with so much I got scared at first thinking we would miss Caine and Danni's story. Boy was I wrong I don't know how she did it but she not only did it but she did it well. Yes we get Danni and Caine(and I like me some Caine) but we also get Ephraim and Madison, Izzy and Chris, and everyone else. I am anticipating so many stories to come from this series I can't wait. Caine is a Pyte who took care of little Danni when it became very obvious that her parents were to busy being Sentinels to care for their daughter and he loved her. In his long lonely life he loved her like no one else and then Danni grew up and he could not longer be by her and keep her safe so he lift her. Danni was all alone till Caine came and then he broke her heart and left and Danni was all alone again. Till one day Danni is captured and used to capture Caine and Caine is told to change her or watch her suffer. Caine will not change anyone and he and Danni both know that, and Caine knows that they won't really hurt Danni but then they do and Caine takes action before he can think. Danni is still the little girl who used to boss him around and he finds that he can't live in a world were Danni doesn't exist. But Caine also knows that they can't be together. Danni has never gotten over the heart break of loosing her best friend the only person who ever loved her, and now she has to deal with new and growing feeling for Caine that she is sure he doesn't share but Caine is finding quickly that he does. I don't even know what else to say about this book it's filled with so much I am speahless. I want another book like yesterday. I want everyone to be able to experience this amazing series and I want book four yesterday.

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### **Susan says**

I think this was the author's best. I loved the interaction between Caine and Danni. It was sexy and laugh out loud funny. Plus there was the added enjoyment of meeting up with old friends. What's not to love? The only thing that bothers me is that cliffhanger ending. When is the next book coming out??!!

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### **Danni Potter says**

Wow!

Can not express how fantastic Tall, Dark & Heartless is.

R. L. Mathewson has done without a doubt an amazing job.

Even though Caine starts heartless, you can't help fall in love with him.

It was also nice to have the previous characters included.

A perfect cliff hanger ending.

You have to give this book a try if you've read the previous two books in the Pyte/Sentinel series.

Looking forward to the rest of the series.

Highly recommend.

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### **Lindsay says**

Loved it!

Review to come.

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### **Beatriz says**

#### **WOW! R.L. MATHEWSON DID IT FOR ME AGAIN!**

The woman is an absolute genius in writing. I'm so addicted with the series already! If I didn't have any day job I would have finished the whole series in just two days.

I absolutely pitied Danni while she was being tortured. I wanted to kill Greg then and there. I absolutely love Ephraim with Madison, Chris with Izzy and even Kale, Joshua, Jill and Logan.

Can I just say the sex marathons from the characters were amazing. R.L. Mathewson really is creative with juicy details when it comes to love scenes.

Finishing this 3rd installment with a cliffhanger was such a pain but it just makes the longing somehow better. I can't wait for the next one. I want more Pyte/Sentinel Novels. I'm in love with all the characters actually. I wanna learn more on each one. I hope that the whole series will include a story on each character. I'm actually also praying that Ms. R.L. Mathewson gets on a speedy recovery so that she'll be able to write for her fans once more. Don't get me wrong, health is still priority but I'm just voicing out that I love her work.

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#### **YOU ROCK MS.MATHEWSON!**

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