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Brandee (un)Conventional Bookworms says

Hmm, what to say about The Color Pink. Well, I really wanted to like this book but it did not work for me. That's not to say it's not written well or that you or your friend won't like it. It simply wasn't my thing. The novel incorporates many elements of New Age practices, such as magic colors, magic rocks, and many New Age-style self-help books. While this was interesting, it's a topic I don't have much experience with or real knowledge of. So I had a hard time connecting with this part of the story, which, in turn, made it hard to connect with the main character. The entire story revolves around love - finding it, keeping it, and the role of new age ideas in the search.

Summer Jones is a 35 year old writer. She's been single for quite awhile now after having her heart broken by an emotionally unavailable man. But she has decided that it's time she move on. Her friend, Sarah Jane, sets her up with an attorney, Morgan Moran, from the law office where she works. Before Summer can begin things with Morgan, she runs into her ex, John. And here, trouble ensues.

Summer's search for love is a story that should have resonated with me. However, Summer annoyed me. A lot. Her inability to make a decision and her vacillation between Morgan and John became infuriating. She couldn't seem to make up her mind and kept looking for answers in all the wrong places, in my opinion. She was implementing the use of items to attract what she wanted, only to question what she received. Honestly, I think I may have been more forgiving of Summer's behavior had it not been for her age. She's 35. She seemed to have it together in every other aspect of her life. But she treated Morgan so poorly and I wanted to shake her.

There were several other characters in the book. Sarah Jane, Summer's best friend, was a fairly one-dimensional character. I really wished she'd have told Summer what she truly thought of her actions. John, the ex-boyfriend, was a complete ass. And then there's Morgan. Morgan was a saint. Truly. Or an idiot, depending on your perspective, I suppose. He's my favorite character in this book, though. His capacity for love and forgiveness was inspiring. He'd experienced a tragedy in his life and yet he was open to loving again.

The story is told in first person narrative. I think the style prevented the characters from developing much depth. Also, the dialog was stilted. The writing was okay and the pacing was fine - I just spent most of the story irritated with Summer.

Okay, this really isn't a bad story - it simply wasn't for me. Someone familiar with New Age thinking might completely connect with Summer. And my not connecting with this story doesn't mean I wouldn't read Ms. Paige again.

**I received an ecopy of this book, as part of a blog tour, in exchange for an honest review.

books are love says

Summer is a doof. She totally had the most awesome guy and then went back to Mr. I am a douche. So Summer has a birthday and thinks its kismet that she sees her douchebag ex. He cheated on her and left her

alot. Last time over a year ago. Douche pursues her even after she says no and she gets weak. Meanwhile the perfect gentleman comes in and he is the sweetest kindest and sexiest guy imaginable. What does summer do? Bonehead move of going to the douche ex. She thinks the ex is the one the only one. But the perfect man is so amazing about it and accepts it even stays her friend.

I have to say summer's doofiness was so sightastic, it actually made me see something that we all do over the first love: wish for another chance no matter how bad it was. Unfortunately reality does have a way of crashing the fantasy of what it will be like.

question remains will summer realize this and go to the one that is meant to be or stay with her ex. a book that will bring back memories of first loves, finding closure with that love and seeing it as a learning experience to build upon. A nice read that will have you rooting for the good guy and wanting the douche to go hide in the sand.

Monique Machuca-Austin says

****JUST BOOKED** received an ARC for an honest review**

The Color Pink is about Summer Jones, a thirty-five single woman, embarking on a mission to find LOVE. With LOVE as her mission, she seeks to uncover the secret of the color pink. Summer may believe the color pink could help her find her true LOVE. The only thing is Summer still wants John David who has broken her heart in the past, when he left Summer for his ex-girlfriend. Summer is introduced to Morgan Moran through her best friend, Sarah Jane. Morgan is an attorney who she finds very attractive and has a night with him after seeing him at a club. Summer finds herself confused with her feelings for both men, because she truly thinks her first love could be her true love. Summer will find herself in a love triangle, where she is going to have to make a decision. Will wearing the color pink truly help her uncover her true love?

UGH! I found myself wanting to book slap Summer, because Summer may just let True Happiness walk out of her life while believing her First Love is truly her True Love. Author Parker Paige's romance novel, The Color Pink, and has done a WONDERFUL job writing a pinkalicious love story of one's journey to find the love of her life, while experiencing laughter, heartache, and passion. The Color Pink will capture your attention immediately and you find yourself unable to put the book down.

I rate Parker Paige's novel, The Color Pink - 5 PINK STARS!

Danielle says

This story of Summer Jones' search for love is something most women can relate to, especially if you've chosen to read a romance novel; however, The Color Pink just didn't resonate with me as a reader or a woman and I had a difficult time supporting Summer after all of the terrible choices she chose to make throughout the book.

Initially I thought this book was British because the dialogue is so stuffy; once I was introduced to the fact

that it takes place in Chicago I was thoroughly confused. There is no fluidity to the way the characters speak making everything they say unrealistic and trite in addition to being repetitive. This made it difficult for me to connect with the characters, especially given that none of them have much to offer to begin with. Summer is so shallow and self-absorbed that I found it impossible to root for her happy ending. I think she may be believable if she were in her early twenties learning about relationships, but being in her mid-thirties I have no doubt why she's still single because she simply chooses to never be happy. In short, Summer is every stereotype that give women a bad name and I just couldn't get behind her.

The supporting characters were equally disappointing: I never liked John, who is as equally bipolar emotionally as Summer that they truly belong together. I wished the author would have made me understand as a reader why Summer found him so enchanting. The only thing I could find that she loved about him is that he's attractive and good in bed; those observations only support my feelings of Summer being shallow and vapid. On the other hand, Morgan is so nice that he's absolutely creepy. I would be more afraid to date him than John if I were Summer! And finally, Sarah Jane, Summer's best friend, is probably the worst fictional best friend I have ever met. Although, who can blame her? If I had to listen to Summer wax on and on about her poor choices in love I would probably respond with nothing but negative energy myself.

This was a really easy read and I wanted to like it, especially because the color feng shui theme was intriguing, but I just couldn't connect with it at all. Perhaps if this were written as a short story I might have appreciated it more, but there are just too many disjointed scenes about an unhappy single girl who refuses to learn from her mistakes to satisfy me. This might be a great read for many, but it just didn't click for me.

Bottom Line: If you're a die-hard romance lover, you might like this more than I did, but I can't get behind a protagonist as weak as Summer Jones. 2/2 stars.

Jan says

Summer is a woman who has conflicting feelings.

Should she try to rekindle a romance with a former boyfriend or should she starts fresh with a new man who seems to be a wonderful human being. She wavers between the two men.

It's hard for me to separate my feelings about the pathetic character Summer is and the author's writing. The story is well told and the author makes it easy to picture the characters through her use of words. I didn't especially like the book because it sends a message that a woman can't be complete and happy unless she has a man. But just because I don't agree with the message the book sends to young women, it doesn't mean the writing isn't good.

I received this book for free in exchange for this honest review.

Silvana says

Summer Jones at age thirty five is ready for true love. Is she really ready?! She have a perfect man, but she suddenly decide that she have feelings for her first love, but this is not the only thing of Summer Jones. She heard that wearing the color pink can attract a man and she intends to prove it.

Does first love never forgets; is this true or myth?

Can wearing the color pink attract true love?

This romantic drama serves up something fun and sexy, proving that the road to love can be paved with

many painful lessons and memorable moments. It's a story about paying attention to your past so that you don't always have to repeat it.

Reading this book I was transfer in the past in my teenage years, it's not about the book, but about the color pink. This book is so enjoyable and makes you constantly turning the pages till the end, it's easy and funny.

Anna says

Summer has just turned 35 and is struggling with her desire to be in a relationship. Her ex-boyfriend keeps going back to his first girlfriend, yet Summer can't stop herself from still wanting to be with him. She meets a very nice man who she likes, but she still can't seem to let her desire for her ex-boyfriend go.

I struggled with most of Summer's decisions most of the way through this book. Despite our being close in age, I didn't really feel any connection to her character. This is likely because aside from our sharing a love of books and tea, I know that Summer and I would not be friends in real life. We could be pleasant co-workers, but she is not someone I could see connecting with on many levels. I had John's number from the beginning, and one thing I could relate to was having a friend make bad relationship decisions, but knowing that you need to let her see it through anyway. I thought Sarah Jane was a great friend because she was honest with Summer, but supported her without judging her. We should all have friends like that. Morgan was a very nice person, but I didn't really connect with him either. This may also be because in real-life we would probably not have enough in common to be friends.

For me, there was a little too much new-age/self-help love going on, but I think there are other readers who may really enjoy that aspect of the story. The dialogue was a little choppy at times, but the story flowed pretty easily and I was engaged enough to have opinions about what I wanted to happen and the choices I thought the characters should make. I believe there will be a lot of readers whose personal tastes will not conflict with aspects of this story the way mine did, and who will really enjoy this story, so I'll round it up to 3 stars.

Michael David says

The ongoing story of Summer Jones and John David's relationship and all of its complexities will hold you spellbound until the last sentence and then, will leave you yearning for the next book.

Sherri Lewis says

This is a novel about a woman who thinks she knows what she wants, but is easily swayed. Should she choose the "one who got away" or the new guy... who seems to adore her and she can start fresh with? I would have enjoyed seeing more depth to the characters... getting to know each of them better instead of just on the surface. Nice quick read!
