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New York Times bestselling author Susan Mallery creates the small-town destination for romance in charming Fool's Gold, California—where a loner cowboy finds the one woman who can capture his heart

After Phoebe Kitzke's kind heart gets her suspended from her job in LA, she swears off doing favors—until her best friend begs for help on the family ranch in Fool's Gold. Unfortunately, sexy cowboy Zane Nicholson isn't exactly thrilled by the city girl's arrival.

Thanks to his brother's latest scheme, Zane has been roped into taking tourists on a cattle drive. What Phoebe knows about ranching wouldn't fill his hat, but her laughter is so captivating that even his animals fall for her. One slip of his legendary control leads to a passionate kiss that convinces him she's exactly the kind of woman a single-minded loner needs to avoid.

In his arms, Phoebe discovers she's a country girl at heart. Yet no matter how much the small town feels like home, she can't stay unless Zane loves her, too...but is this cowboy interested in forever?

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Leone (She Reads too Much Romance) says

As I selected this book as part of the books that I would review this year I originally thought that I would find a bittersweet romance hidden within the pages of the story. I'm not sure that I did. The author did deliver the romance but the struggle for the characters to achieve their romance was a bit of an unpaved road that I am not sure that I enjoyed the ride as much as I should have.

One of the biggest faults with this book is Zane. He came off way too stern for someone who had more than an interest in Phoebe. He was too rough around the edges and appeared to have this stubborn gruff about him that soured the romance and the plot within the book.

I did however like Phoebe's character. She was content on thinking that she had learned from her mistakes when in reality what happened was merely an error. I think in a lot of ways Phoebe learned not to take her life too seriously and she was able to bring Zane out of his uncompromising nature.

The writing flow of the author was very good. The plot came together easy enough and I didn't have any trouble following along with the characters as their romance and their lives began to unfold.

I do however think this will be last time reading a novel from this series. I have enjoyed it. The stories have made me laugh and perhaps even cry a time or two but I think it is time to move on as a reader. It's hard to say goodbye to a series that has been as great as Fool's Gold has been but I'm ready for something new and with this book being number seventeen I think it is time to part ways with the series. I'll wait for the author to release a new series as Mallory is an author I enjoy and will continue to do so.

-This review was submitted to all rightful parties PRIOR to posting the actual review to GoodReads.

Stacee says

This was a fun, fluffy read.

I really liked Phoebe. She's sort of flighty, but not in a dumb way. I loved that she talked to the animals and apologized to trees and I especially loved everything about the raccoons. Zane is the typical gruff, stoic cowboy. He's got a lot going on and the responsibility is a lot for one person. It was amusing to see each MC react to the other.

There are a lot of characters and multiple POVs. Normally, that's not something I care for, but in this instance, I was interested in everyone's outcome.

For me, the only complaint was that the ending was really abrupt. There's a slow build up while on the cattle drive, but then the last 10 pages are the conflict, 2 pages of a quick resolution, the HEA and the book is over. I would have liked that structured a bit differently so it didn't feel so rushed.

All in all, it was a quick and cute read.

Huge thanks to HQN Books and Edelweiss for providing the arc in exchange for an honest review

Danielle says

KISS ME is the 17th book in the Fools Gold series by Susan Mallery, and I continue to be amazed that Mallery can come up with such different stories for one series. I am so glad they are still entertaining, new characters are introduced, and the happily ever afters never stop.

The characters make this book different and special. Phoebe is smart, funny and snarky. At first glance you can tell she has a heart of gold and because of that people tend to take advantage of her good nature. She grew up in the foster system and has desperately wanted a family for years. I found her to be one of my favorite characters in this series, especially when she speaks and asks advice from the animals. All Phoebe wants is someone to love her.

“Would Manny bite me?”

“No.”

“Then I’ll only talk to him.”

“That’s probably best.”

She glanced at him. Zane looked as if he’d just swallowed lemons.

“Don’t you want me talking to Manny?” she asked.

“I don’t care one way or the other.”

“You think I’m crazy.”

His dark blue eyes crinkled as he grinned. “Crazy’s a bit strong.”

Zane is a cowboy and a man of few words, but there is more to him. He has been not only running the ranch but also acting as a duel role of older brother and father to his younger brother, Chase. Although Zane tends to shy away from emotional entanglement and ending up like his late father he is the one who is always in charge. Zane might have rough edges and be good looking, but as he starts to open up more of him comes into light.

When they first meet of course Phoebe finds him attractive and she tries to engage in conversation but Zane barely says anything. Gradually they both start to open up and start to talk about pasts, fears, and before you know it the conversations become more natural and less awkward. Although they have their share of problems the best part of this book was that their love story as believable. As much as I love first kisses in stories, their kiss isn’t perfect. There is the bumping of noses and awkward positions. It takes a few kisses before things start to heat up between them and things start to become passionate.

I enjoyed that this storyline for the fact it was different than previous ones in the series and it has new characters added into the mix along with some characters from previous books in the series. The cattle drive

was really a nice touch and it had some cute and funny parts that just added to the story. One thing I know for sure that you will not be disappointed in reading this book. It was really one of my favorites and the Mallery's writing keeps getting better and better with every story.

This book could be read as a standalone but the fun of reading the Fools Gold series is knowing and loving the characters from the very beginning to the very end. Kiss Me is one of the best books in the series and I know you will not be disappointed.

Becky says

All the fun we have come to expect from Fool's Gold including some of our favorite cameos. This installment is a refreshing twist with most of the story happening in the wilderness while on the cattle drive. Old hurts are healed and new relationships are forged.

Oh Phoebe, maybe it's the name. She is nice to everyone, and gets taken advantage of at every opportunity. Phoebe is a Realtor in trouble. At work she helps people find affordable housing. When dating she solves problems only to be left behind. Maybe she should just give up men and find a new town and a new career.

Zane inherited a failing ranch that now turns a profit. He is raising an ex-step-brother (complicated) who is almost a man himself. Ruggedly handsome but not interested in love or dating. A cattle drive to clean up a mess brother Chase created might just shake things up. Is it possible to teach a lesson and forgive or will history repeat?

Darcy says

I'm always happy to read a new book in this series because I love the town of Fool's Gold and all of their endless festivals. However this one was lacking that for me. I think it was because while the story was set in Fool's Gold, most of it took place out of town with little of the previous characters butting in.

I did like the cattle drive, loved how everyone changed on the trip, how so many old hurts were healed, but I wanted the crazy of the town. I do think that Phoebe will be a great addition to the town, just her talks with Manny prove that she has the crazy gene to fit right in. I would love it if Thad and CJ moved to town, bringing their new ones along with them.

Noelia says

Cazadoras del Romance: Un beso inesperado

Un libro distinto a la tónica de la serie sin fiestas de margaritas, sin cotilleos entre las mujeres de Fool's Gold y con la alcaldesa Marsha metiéndose lo mínimo por medio. Ha sido algo nuevo y como una atracción del oeste bastante amena.

Lisa says

Susan Mallery always seems to find new ways to keep her Fools Gold series fresh and this new book is definitely fresh. Phoebe Kitzke has a big heart and that unfortunately gets her in trouble from time to time. After helping her boss she finds herself in court but luckily not in jail. While she waits to see if the fall out from her problems lead to more permanent issues she heads to Fools Gold to help her friend and get away. Rancher Zane is trying to teach his younger brother how to be a adult but he constantly seems to get into trouble anyway. His latest scheme is a doozy but instead of bailing him out he's making him follow through. When Phoebe arrives though he finds himself distracted. To teach his brother a lesson he's going to take 50 head of cattle and a bunch of greenhorns including Phoebe and his ex-step sister Maya on a cattle drive. Things are not as clear cut on the whole giving baby brother a lesson though. Zane might have bit off more than he should but with Phoebe there to lighten things up, some luck and some friends it just might be OK. I loved how different this book was from the rest of the series. There are still several cameos from previous books in the series to make sure you understand this is still a Fools Gold book. Zane is such a uptight guy trying to be a father figure to his brother but also not wanting him to go through what he did when he was younger with his dad. Phoebe makes him see in her own way what he's been missing. She's quirky and cute and he's tough and serious. Add in the secondary story with the couple and the two orphans and everything else and it's a entertaining and fun read. I think if you haven't ever read a Fools Gold book before you could safely start right here with *Kiss Me* and feel right at home.

Susan says

Very good book, mainly about Phoebe and Zane, but also with some terrific secondary characters. It begins with Zane, owner of Nicholson Ranch, and older brother/guardian to seventeen year old Chase, discovering that Chase has advertised a cattle drive vacation for tourists and accepted reservations and payments. The circumstances of how this came about, and Chase's attempts to deal with it are pretty amusing to the reader, but definitely not to Zane. Zane is furious and determined that Chase will face the consequences.

Phoebe is an LA real estate agent who, while helping out another agent and friend, ended up blamed for some messed up paperwork. That wouldn't be so bad, but it ended up in a lawsuit. Fortunately it didn't end up in jail time for Phoebe, but she was suspended from her job for a month without pay, and threatened with losing her real estate license. Unhappy that helping someone once again got her in trouble, she swears off doing any more favors for friends. Until her best friend, Maya, asks Phoebe to go along with her as she helps her stepbrothers on their cattle drive. Phoebe is all city girl and pretty sure that it won't go well, but she goes.

When Zane and Phoebe meet, there is definitely attraction between them. But Phoebe has had a couple bad relationships and isn't too eager to start another one. Zane is attracted to Phoebe too, but he's never had much luck trying to talk to women. So he's not very talkative, leading Phoebe to believe he doesn't like her at all. As the cattle drive begins, Zane is mostly focused on making sure everything goes smoothly, but Phoebe turns out to be quite a distraction. I loved seeing Phoebe's enthusiasm once she got going on the cattle drive. I especially loved the conversations she had with the head steer, Manny.

I liked Zane a lot. He's pretty uptight at the beginning, weighed down with the responsibility of the ranch and his brother. Zane has some issues in his past that haunt him, and make him determined that Chase will have it better. Unfortunately, he tends to be hard on Chase because of it, putting their relationship under a lot of strain. He loves his brother, but actually communicating with him doesn't go so well. I understood his anger at what Chase had done and his determination to make Chase deal with the consequences. Hanging out with Phoebe on the cattle drive opens him up to a new way of looking at his troubles with Chase. It also starts to break down the walls he'd built up around his heart, to protect himself from the extreme emotions he saw in his father. It was fun to see him fighting the feelings that were growing for Phoebe, and failing so completely. I also enjoyed the way that he started to look forward to whatever Phoebe had to say next. I loved seeing the changes she helps bring about in his relationship with Chase.

I liked Phoebe too. Though she works as a realtor in LA, she prefers to help the little guy find the right house rather than dealing with the stars. She lost her parents when she was young and looks forward to the day when she finally has her own family, but that search isn't going so well. She has quite the crush on Zane soon after she meets him. One of the things I liked best about her is the way that she sees past the uptight surface to the guy underneath who is struggling to do the right thing for his brother.

I loved seeing the romance develop between them, as the city girl discovers a love of the country that she didn't expect, and the rancher discovers that love doesn't have to be an emotional mess. Things weren't perfect between them. Their first kiss was pretty awkward, with bumping noses and being interrupted by a goat, but it gave them both a taste of what could be. As the week went on they began to bring out the best in each other. A storm brings danger to the cattle drivers, but also a new sense of teamwork, and Zane comes to realize just how much Phoebe has come to mean to him. A crisis regarding her real estate license has a new and improved Phoebe returning to LA to deal with it, with support from an amazing variety of people. Even better is a really sweet and romantic moment with Zane.

There is a secondary story dealing with an orphaned brother and sister who are brought on the cattle drive by a pair of temporary foster parents. The children have had it rough and have lost most hope of ever being adopted. The couple are dealing with the discovery that they can never have children, and she is very bitter over the knowledge. She starts out with a pretty bad attitude toward the kids, but things start to change over the week. I thought her feelings were quite realistic and loved the conversations she had with herself as she tried to figure out what her problem was. It was really sweet to see how things worked out for them at the end.

I also loved Chase. He's a really smart kid whose intentions are always good, but things don't work out the way he plans. He loves his brother and hates the feeling that he's constantly a disappointment. I really enjoyed seeing some of the maturing that he did over the week of the cattle drive. It was especially satisfying to see him start to understand Zane's point of view. The scene with the two of them after the storm was really pretty sweet.

There were also a few appearances by regular Fool's Gold residents. Eddie and Gladys are two of the people who signed up for the cattle drive and their antics are pretty funny. They have their typical fascination and commentary about the good-looking cowboys, but they are also wonderful with the two children. There are a few other brief appearances, such as the Strykers, and even Mayor Marsha shows up. There's a subtle lead in to the next book, and I can't wait to read it.

Mi vida en hojas de papel says

Un beso inesperado es una historia de amor que además nos habla y nos hace reflexionar sobre la soledad, la edad o las líneas familiares. Es una historia que podría haberme gustado más si la relación de los protagonistas no hubiese sido tan precipitada y tuviese algo más de lógica y argumento para conectar con su historia.

Reseña completa: <http://mividaenhojadepapel.blogspot.com>

Jonel Boyko says

What a story! Mallory engages readers on multiple fronts, allowing them to experience real life for these residents of Fool's Gold. Self-discovery & familial responsibility vie with budding relationships and some real adventure. Everything was so vivid. I could just as easily picture being on the cattle drive as I could sitting on the ranch house. Those of us following the series have been IN Fool's Gold many times before, but coming into the town, seeing the approach from fresh eyes with Phoebe was breathtaking. It gives a new and much larger perspective to the town, while also putting it all in context. Not to mention the absolutely fantastic storyline. The intensity of this story was brewing throughout, only to reach a crescendo at the end. I was held wrapt.

SQUEE Fool's Gold's resident brooding cowboy revealed! He's that hero that grabs your heart from every direction. The rough and tumble cowboy with more responsibilities than he can count, with a soft, hidden side. Sure I felt for Phoebe & Chase, but Zane absolutely broke my heart. Phoebe's wide open heart was a fantastic counterpoint. Readers fall in love with her for a completely different reason. Her bubbly, accepting nature & her need to talk to everyone & everything had me giggling more than once. Oh, and Zane and Phoebe's 1st kiss was perfectly priceless. As usual, Eddie and Gladys had me rolling on the floor laughing. I love these septuagenarians. They're comic relief at its finest, and some genuinely loveable people underneath it all. The foster child aspect was eye opening. I love how Mallory worked it in and how it all turned out. And I can't finish here without mentioning Manny, the unsung hero of the story. I can't say too much without ruining it for readers, but just watch out for him & ask him advice should you have any personal problems at hand.

Mallory has a way with words, that's for sure. She's one of those rare authors who rarely misses the mark, creating a world for readers to escape into for a while, telling a story about real people, living real lives, in a way that makes you want to be there alongside them.

Please note that I received a complimentary copy of this work in exchange for an honest review.

Janeiowa says

This is one of the very best contemporary romances that I've read this year. I LOVED it. I loved the new and different Fools' Gold people as well as some old friends I've read about in earlier books in the series. Phoebe, the main female character was a delight. She had me laughing out loud on several occasions, and Zane made me ache for the burdens he carried.

There were minor characters who had issues....some funny to me, and some heart-rending.

I haven't found many 5 Stars book this year, but this is one! Susan Mallery really did a fantastic job with this one in the Fools' Gold series.

mirada says

Empezó muy bien, conforme iba leyendo la novela me iba encantando cada vez más, le estaba dando las cuatro estrellas sin problemas. Los protagonistas (Zane y Phoebe), son dos personas que desde el principio se sienten atraídas la una por la otra; son honestos consigo mismos, saben que sienten una gran lujuria por el otro, pero también están de acuerdo en que durante un viaje de una semana conduciendo el ganado (bueno, son sólo unas cincuenta reses, pero lo hacen a caballo, al estilo antiguo), no es el momento más adecuado para resolver la situación. Y eso me encantaba.

Pero llegó la primera escena de sexo y fue como un puf porque en ningún momento la entendí. Sí, se habían magreado un par de veces durante el viaje, me dije que, bueno, había que hacer estallar la tensión entre ellos, vale, me la trago. Pero la segunda escena era innecesaria. Y en este punto es donde empezó la cuesta abajo de la novela y donde la autora volvió al patrón de la serie.

Otro «pero» que le pongo a la novela es que los protagonistas apenas hablan entre ellos sobre lo que sienten. Sí, conversan. Pero las conversaciones más interesantes y donde de verdad se ven los sentimientos de la protagonista son las que tiene Phoebe con su caballo y el cabestro que dirige la manada :\\ Que aunque es un recurso cómico genial (las conversaciones que tienen Manny y Phoebe o Rocky y Phoebe son buenísimas), no deja de ser extraño que los protagonistas ni siquiera hagan un amago de hablar entre ellos sobre lo que sienten el uno por el otro. Todo lo que piensan, sienten, creen sobre el otro es porque el narrador nos da a conocer los pensamientos de Zane y Phoebe, no porque lo digan en voz alta.

Dee says

Two-haiku review:

She might lose her job
Friend invites on cattle drive
Meets friend's ex step bro

Loved both her and him
Liked subplot with children, too
Very nice romance

Fanny says

Un Beso Inesperado (Kiss Me) de Susan Mallery es el libro numero 17 de la saga Fool's Gold y tiene como

protagonistas a Zane y Phoebe.

Esta lectura es ligera, divertida y muy sencilla, es la tipica novela rosa que no te aporta nada ni te sorprende pero que te deja con un buen sabor de boca y te mantiene entretenida durante varias horas, aun asi me faltaron mas escenas romanticas, en parte porque el protagonista masculino no es demasiado *cercano*, pero si es cierto que es un personaje entrañable al igual que lo es Phoebe, una protagonista graciosa y muy dulce. Kiss Me es una novela que recomiendo a las romanticas empedernidas y tambien a las fan de esta serie, si quieres leer algun libro romantico y simple es una muy buena opcion.

2.75 Estrellas!

☆ Bianca ☆ BJ's Book Blog ☆ says

Book #17

Finally a new set of FG residents for us to enjoy ?

Phoebe has just been 'let go' at her real estate job in LA. Just because she wanted to help a colleague... that seems to be a thing with her...helping people. No more, she decides and takes her friend Maya up on her invitation to visit her step-brother's ranch in Fool's Gold...

Zane has been raising his now 17 year old brother Chase for what seems like forever. And that boy is intent on giving him prematurely gray hair. He's too smart for his own good...his latest gray-hair-thing: he and a friend had to create a website for school and it all got a teeny little bit out of control. Resulting in a handful of tourists booking a non-existant cattle-drive holiday at Zane's ranch. ?

...and this cattle-drive - horrible as it already is, with all those untrained tourist-wannabe-cowboys...it's even worse for Zane, because his sister's beautiful and very distracting friend is constantly near him. And he's so not the right guy for her. He doesn't believe in HEA and 2.345 kids et cetera. But the adorable Phoebe is extremely hard to resist...

What will happen to Phoebe & Zane?

How long will Zane be able to resist the gorgeous city girl?

Will there be a HEA?

Nope - I'm not telling you ?

Ugh - I just LOVE Fool's Gold and it's people - I would be happy to have a new Fool's Gold book every month for the rest of my life! ?

Finally a bunch of new people to fall in love with!

Zane and Phoebe were soooo adorable.

Zane is trying so hard to stay away from her. And poor Phoebe is totally crushing on this sexy cowboy - who doesn't seem to like her all that much ? Too funny the way those two dance around each other!

And even though this book focuses on their love story, we have a whole bunch of other characters in this book too: the charming little brother Chase... I'm sure he'll get his own FG book in a few years ?

Then there are the two orphan siblings who just want to find a family to adopt them.

And of course the town's geriatric darlings Eddie and Gladys will be joining the cattle-drive too ?

I loved every second of the book - I finished it in one afternoon :(((

GO AND BUY KISS ME - it's another amazing Mallory Romance that has it all: The town of Fool's Gold with all its amazing inhabitants - a sexy Cowboy - goats - funny, moving & adorable moments & romantic sexiness ♥ like all of SUSAN'S books = JUST PERFECT ?