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We all have that someone we can't forget, the summer it all began, and the sleepless nights wondering what went wrong.

For Gage Montgomery, that someone is Layla Baxter. When he was 18, he took one look at the chocolate-haired bookworm with porcelain skin and knew his life would never be the same. But it all came crashing down when Layla suddenly and mysteriously disappeared from St. Simons Island -- leaving him with nothing but her angel wing pendent around his neck. For 12 long years, Gage couldn't shake what happened, if he's the one to blame, wondering where Layla might be. When their paths finally cross, he's determined to get the answers he's spent his life searching for -- and to get the girl, too. *Quiet Angel* is a story of hope, survival, and lost love made new again.

"I missed you, too, but you were never far." Gage touched his shirt with the wings inside. "You were always there."

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3.5 stars!!

Quiet Angel was a cute, compelling romance that was right up my alley. It was a really sweet read of two individuals traveling at a crossroads and who meet up after a mere decade time-lapse to settle unfinished business. Or should I say feelings? Answers? And or love?

Gage and Layla were one of my more favorite bittersweet couples as I got to see their romance bloom from childhood, and how despite lost time, how it transpired 12 years into adulthood.

I really enjoyed Prescott Lane's writing style as I got to journey with these two protagonists on their tumultuous expedition that we call life and witness Gage's awesomeness and devotedness; as well as, to discover the mystery that is Layla.

I LOVED this standalone and I really recommend it to all you hopeless romantics!

Autumn says

Gage Montgomery had his life all planned out. He was going to the Naval Academy in the fall and until then, he was going to enjoy his time on the beaches of St. Simons Island. Until one day when he sees a young girl sitting in the sand reading a book. Her angelic beauty immediately captures his attention and soon she also has his heart.

But Layla is hiding a painful secret and when she disappears without a trace, Gage moves on with his young life but he never forgets his angel.

Layla Baxter ran for her life. She knew that she should never tell Gage about the horrors of her real life. He deserved to chase his dreams. So she rebuilt herself starting with a new name and a new home. She never thought that she would ever see her Gage again. But sometimes, an angel leads you down a path to find your soul again.

It's as if nothing has ever changed and their feelings for each other are even stronger than before. But will they ever be able to get over the hurt of the past and finally have a future together?

Quiet Angel is both inspiring and poignant at the same time. It's a story about first love and first heartbreak. It's about being victimized and then fighting back. And it's also about never wasting a single moment.

Prescott's sweetly passionate story will have you swooning until the very end and you might even have to smile through some tears...

Restless Book Obsession says

I was given a copy from the author in exchange for an honest review. After reading the blurb, I was intrigued because as I've mentioned previously I love second chance stories.

In the blurb we learn that Layla and Gage were in love when they were teenagers until she disappeared in the middle of the night. Twelve years later they reconnect after a chance encounter. Layla had a rough life but was able to overcome many obstacles and accomplish her dreams. Gage is sexy, successful, caring and determined to make Layla his.

“Marry me? Marry me so I can hold you every day?”

“Not today.”

“Tomorrow?”

“Not tomorrow, either,” she said and pulled him into a kiss.

“One day you’ll tell me ‘yes.’”

I will admit that I never read any of the author's other works and this was the first time hearing of her. So being as I've never heard of her, I thought I'd take a chance and hope that I liked the book. Boy am I glad that I did.

Prescott wove a beautiful story of hope, survival and love while touching on some difficult issues. The book flowed wonderfully and the characters were well rounded and believable. Not only did Prescott write 2 wonderful main characters but the secondary characters were as well. I hope to read Poppy and Drew's story someday. I adore Poppy's spunk and couldn't help but LOL at some of the things that came out her mouth.

I give this book 4 stars and would recommend it to anyone who loves second chance romance.

Sofia T. (♥ Dimitri Belikov) says

Quite angel is the first book I read by Prescott Lane and it was amazing!

One summer, two people, one love!

Gage Montgomery was 18 when he first saw the one that would haunt him forever. Layla, a brown haired bookworm was just 16 when she met Gage, the boy next door. It was supposed to be a regular summer just before college for Gage but one girl changed everything for him. Gage and Layla fell for each other. The next thing Gage knows is that Layla is gone. No matter how hard Gage tried to find her, he never managed to locate her. Until fate brought them back together.

Now, 12 years later Gage and Layla can finally have what they dreamed of having when they were teens. Can they really though?

Time changes people. Gage has been blaming himself for Layla's disappearance for a very long time. His feelings for her may have changed but he still holds on to the only thing he has from her, a wing pendent. He's confused but above everything he wants to know why Layla left.

When Layla decided to leave, things weren't hard only for Gage. She was having a harder time. The only thing that kept her going was the thought that her angel was protecting her. She has so many secrets that she kept hidden.

I really liked the book. It was a tough subject the author chose to work with but it came out nicely. In quite angel nothing was rushed. It had a nice flow and great characters. Layla was a strong person who tried to improve her life after a tragic past. Gage's life changed the moment he met Layla. Her disappearance affected her deeply. He was mad at himself, at her and that made things complicated when they came across each other again.

One thing I didn't like was Gage's immature way of handling things. You can't buy everything with money and you also can't "imprison" someone just to keep them safe. What I did like though was how things turned out.

Moreover, I liked Poppy, Layla's bff was so much fun to have around.

A story of a second chance in love. Gage and Layla's journey will definitely touch you. There is a bit drama, some misunderstandings and trust issues but ultimately their story was captivating.

Totally recommended!

Copy was provided by the author in exchange for an honest review

Bj says

4 "Angels Soar Above it All" Stars! Lovers of sweet, second chance romances will not want to miss Quiet Angel. Interestingly, while the romance is pure and beautiful, it is worth noting that this book, while not overly descriptive, does touch upon some pretty sordid, domestic abuse issues. Consequently, if this is a trigger for you, please be forewarned. The ultimate message though is one of inspiration and hope, tinged with a drop of mysticism surrounding the protective powers of angels, and therefore entirely uplifting and heartwarming in the end.

The summer before starting college, Gage Montgomery's life changed forever. Although it started quite innocently enough, with his family spending the summer on St. Simons Island, a tiny island just off the coast of Atlanta Georgia, an event that he had repeated for nearly every summer in memory, it all changed when Layla appeared. Different from the typical preppy, rich crowd, who frequently made the island there summer get-away, Gage noticed Layla immediately. Gage, in turn, gained Layla's attention when he came to her rescue, a protective instinct he would be bound to repeat numerous times in the future.

Gage and Layla spent most of that lazy summer together. They were inseparable in their friendship as they carried on their days enjoying each other's mutual company. And though they tried to resist their mutual chemistry, they eventually capitulated to their mutual desires.

As Gage awakened from that perfect night, however, to his vast shock and never ending regret, Layla was gone. Having vanished without a trace, Gage went through the steps of moving on. No matter how many countless women warmed his bed in the many lonely years that came and went thereafter, however, he never could forget his "angel". So he committed himself to his work, became a pilot, like he had always dreamed, and eventually took over his father's airline, Southern Wings.

Then twelve years later, Southern Wings reunited them. Though they were all grown up now, and each had their separate established lives, their mutual attraction remained. But can there be a hope for a second chance with such an auspicious start? Moreover, what dark, deep secrets could possibly have been the impetus for such a drastic, and abrupt departure?

Beautifully written, Layla's story is sure to cause a tear or two or, at the very least, an overt visceral reaction at how unfair life can be at times. Perhaps my favorite character though is Gage. A true southern gentleman, with a protective nature, and hard work ethic, he is exactly the type of hero that you would anticipate crowds of women swooning over. Moreover, the way Prescott Lane ties it all together, both the second chance romance and the unraveling of the life-changing, dark past was angelically done. In the end, this is a romance that will leave you with copious amounts of hope that even the worst circumstances can be overcome underneath the protective shroud of love.

Source: Review copy provided in exchange for an honest review.

Jennifer says

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~ 5 Angel Wing Stars ~

What an inspiring story of, survival, hope and love!!!! This book knocked me off my feet. I absolutely loved the message the author was trying to give while reading this book.

Quiet Angel is the second book I have read by Prescott Lane and she is becoming a go to author for me. I truly enjoyed the first book I read by her called Perfectly Broken, but this book was even better!! Her writing and story telling has improved so much just between the two books. This story flowed effortlessly and was such an intriguing story that I didn't want to put it down. I will say that the subject matter of this book was a tough one. She covers child molestation, but the way that author wrote this story was extremely well. Nothing was too graphic and everything was written with tactfulness. The author is able to create the characters and tell the story so that the reader can feel everything the characters were feeling. Now don't get me wrong this wasn't all heavy, she even had me laughing at times with some of the secondary characters (Poppy). This was also an amazing love story about two young teenagers who fall in love and are separated by circumstances out of their control, but then are reunited years later. So if you are a fan of a second chance romance, this is the book to read.

I loved how the author wrote this book. The first 4 chapters are from when Gage and Layla are teenagers and when they first meet. Then she flash forwards 12 years and plays out their reunion and what happens from

there. I thought the time lapse would bug me but it was very well written. In the present time, she fills in the blanks of what happened to both Gage and Layla over their 12 year separation .

I absolutely loved Gage and Layla's characters. Layla was such a strong heroine. Everything she was forced to endure as a child was horrific, but she came out of it a survivor and a stronger individual for it. I loved that as the story went on the author didn't portray Layla as the weak victim, which she had every right to be, but she showed that she was strong and could get through anything. Gage was such an amazing man. All he wanted to do was love and be with Layla. He knew from when he was a teenager that she was the one. I loved how protective he was over her, even if some of his tactics were the wrong ones. He always had Layla's best interest at heart. It was great watching these two grow together and building a lasting love.

The secondary characters were great!!! I LOVED Poppy (Layla's bff), Dash (Gage's bff), Helen (Gage's mom), Emerson (Gage's sister) and Ava, Jacob, and Connor (Gage's niece and nephews) They were great support for Layla and Gage, but also provided the comic relief when the story was getting too heavy. I think the only thing I wish we would've seen was what came of Emerson's story. I can't explain without ruining things, but I felt her part of the story just wasn't completed. I actually wouldn't mind a book about her and the kids.

I would 100% recommend this book. If you are looking for that great story about survival, hope and love, then this is the book for you. It will definitely pull at your heartstrings but you will end this book with a HUGE smile on your face. I look forward to more books from this author.

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Michelle Rodriguez says

Review to post on March 6,2015 www.afterdarkbooklovers.com

Before I begin my review, I finished reading this book on February 27, 2015 and on February 28, 2015, I read a post from Prescott that someone has pirated this book on IBooks. To the idiot who did this, shame on you! Ms. Lane has worked hard to bring us a beautiful story and then some moron who obviously cannot write their own story had to steal hers. Lately, this has been becoming a theme with regards to pirating and that is not cool. Ok enough of my rant on to my review.

The last time I read any of Prescott's work was when I was still freshly new to After Dark wherein I read Perfectly Broken. Having read that book (and if you haven't read it, I suggest you put it in your TBR), I knew I had to get ready for some crying and some good wine.

This Contemporary Romance novel is about second chance love. Layla and Gage meet 12 years ago while she was 16 and he 18 and on his way to the Naval Academy. Layla is visiting her grandmother over the Summer when a bunch of teenage boys were trying to put the moves on her, Gage intercedes and becomes her knight in shining armor. Gage and Layla fall in love that Summer, but circumstances has Layla leaving Gage after their first night of passion.

Moving 12 years later, who knew Layla would be running into none other than Gage at an airport in Houston. Get this, he's the owner of the airline that Layla needs to get on and out of Houston. Their brief conversation on the plane makes you know that there is still love between these two. After a series of events,

Gage and Layla end up trying to give their relationship another go, of course, Gage finally finds out why Layla left him all those years ago. Reading what happened to Layla was so sad. OMG how I hated her mother. Oh Gage, I adored him, yet I wanted to throat punch him at times. I understood his reasons in trying to protect Layla, but how he went about it, always ended him getting a kick in the pants. His heart was in the right place, I get it, but if you're trying to rekindle your relationship, communication is key.

The story did not lag, it had a lot of heartwarming moments and well as some sad moments. I adored Layla's friend Poppy. Poppy is a lot to take on, but I loved her no filter and said what was on her mind. Some people may not like that in a friend, I don't mind that at all.

Overall, I really enjoyed this book and will continue to read Ms. Lane's books. I will leave you with some of my favorite quotes.

This is not necessarily a quote, but Layla explaining her extent in the dating pool: In the last year alone, she's gone from the guy who couldn't make her orgasm, to another who needed some serious manscaping, to another who had a Call of Duty obsession.

Layla explaining to Gage her last night with him 12 years ago: 'I knew I had to leave, but I wanted, I needed, to take those memories-your memories-with me. I needed to know that was possible, something to keep me alive, hoping for.'

*An ARC was provided for an honest review.

Sorcha O'Dowd says

What to say about 'Quiet Angel'? Well, I'll start by saying that I adored 'Perfectly Broken' by Prescott Lane, and so had high hopes for this one of hers as well. I felt so connected with her writing style that I just had to read more. But 'Quiet Angel' was so much more than I imagined, and just so beautifully created that I find myself at loss to describe just how much it touched me as a reader.

The characters were so relatable, and because of this, their shared heartbreak over their separation and their continued love and desire for each other, even after their time apart, felt so natural to read. I loved seeing how they had to fight for their relationship to start again, and I felt my heart ache as I saw just how broken Gage was, and how he felt the need to push Layla away to save himself from the pain of possibly losing her again. Having witnessed their Summer meeting and beautiful childhood sweetheart stage, I felt more clued in to them as a couple and couldn't wait to see how the dynamic may have changed as they became adults.

This story raises some real issues that I felt were dealt with with real tenderness and understanding. Prescott Lane did a fantastic job at describing Layla's emotional state as she tries to overcome her past abuse, and her mixed feelings when confronted with the information that her abuser is close to death. I really felt Layla's strength as an individual as well as her important role in her and Gage's relationship.

The inclusion of the 'angel' storyline was really beautifully portrayed. In something that could have easily been mistakenly portrayed in a cliché way, Prescott Lane instead made the storyline with Layla's angels something that felt natural to read. I never once felt that Layla was just being fanciful, and instead began to

believe in her angels the way she did. It shows the strengths of the author that she was able to make the story realistic, believable, and not overly spiritual or at all fantastical.

A beautiful novel by Prescott Lane and I can't wait to see where she takes us next!

5 Stars!

Lustful Literature says

****JOSIE'S 4.5 STAR REVIEW****

This is the first time I have read a book by this author and it won't be the last. This book far surpassed my expectations. I appreciate when a new to me author grabs my attention with her story. It had me falling for the innocence of a first time love and how despite the years and space that love remained the same. When I started to read the first chapter I fell in love with Layla and Gage, their awkwardness, innocence and connection, but I knew that there was something that would change. The story is told in two parts and two POV's. It starts out where we get to see the early years when they are both very innocent. It then progresses to where it was years later when they are more mature, needy, intense and devoted.

Layla and Gage meet over one summer on St. Simons Island off the Georgia coast. Gage is a recent graduate away with his family before going off to the Naval Academy. What started out for him as an unwanted summer beach vacation changes when he sees a girl that completely captivates him. At that point nothing was the same for him.

Layla is staying with her grandmother for summer at her cottage. After meeting Gage on the beach there was something about him that drew her in. She knew Gage was different from the preppy guys. The two of them have this strong pull for one another and they decide to spend the summer together doing things. Even though they were attracted to one another there was a slow build up to their relationship. It was not an instant love and that made it all the more believable for me. They really spent time together and got to really know each other. Over the course of the summer you can really see how they started to fall in love but one tragic night changed everything for the pair. They do not see each other again for 12 years.

When their paths cross years later both are shocked to see one another again. The years have changed them both but the love and attraction they have is still evident. Tragedy tore them apart and tragedy will bring them together. I enjoyed reading how much the mature version of each character felt towards the other one. Gage had so many questions about what happened that summer night and Layla does not know how to explain what happened. When Gage finally learns the truth, his love and need to protect intensifies. Gage has been groomed to become the Governor of Georgia, but Layla (Angel's) past might be a problem.

There is outside influences that will try to tear them apart. As well as cruel rumors, but the best thing about this couple is they stand by each other. Gage and Layla have to find out who is trying to destroy them and find a way to make their dreams for forever come true. Can Layla and Gage find their Happily Ever After? Can true love survive life's ups and downs? I was not prepared for Layla's secret but the author did an amazing job in showing readers her journey and how much each character has changed. Get ready to meet Gage and Angel, and find out just how far true love can stand the test of time and space.

Christine says

This was a contemporary romance. Second chance romance where the main characters met when they were 16 and 18 years old and then ran into each other 12 years later.

The summer Layla was 16 years old, she stayed at her grandmother's. Gage vacationed with his parents at the cottage next door to Layla's grandmother. Layla and Gage fell in love that summer, but one night Layla just disappeared and Gage never was able to locate her until he saw her at the airport twelve years later.

This book did not drag. The author did a great job moving everything along. There was no doubt about how these two felt for each other even though one had a lot of insecurities. The reason Layla had to leave and how she survived that period was hard, but she took solace in a belief that an angel was protecting her. There was a lot surrounding Layla and her "angel". In the beginning, I loved reading how she survived all she went through because of the angel protecting her, but towards the end, I felt like it was turning into a paranormal, which it is NOT. It is a contemporary romance and I understand that the title of the book is QUIET ANGEL, but it became a bit much about the angel towards the end of the book.

Gage loves Layla. She is his world and the reader never doubts his love and that is what I loved about him and this book. When a man is in love sometimes he makes stupid choices which Gage did. There are evil people in this book; people that Layla had to deal with.

Some information I could have done without like Layla's best friend, Poppy's, sexual activities. Poppy was a good friend to Layla, but I am never a fan of the skanky BFF. This again is a personal preference in my stories. Sometimes I rather the heroine not have a friend at all because usually the friend's life revolves around their sex life and drama. I like my stories to focus on the main characters.

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Falling In Fall Book Blog says

I rated Quiet Angel by Prescott Lane FIVE LEAVES!!

This was my first book to read by Prescott Lane and without a doubt will not be my last book. Prescott Lane gained a new reader!!

Gage Montgomery and Layla Baxter meet one summer that will change their lives forever. They shared many beautiful moments together and believed their love would last forever. However, an event happened that left the two from seeing each other for twelve years. After twelve year gap, they share the same teenage love and so much more passion. Layla has had a really rough life and has had to make some very difficult decisions to help her along the way. When Layla met Gage that summer she knew things would be finally looking better and she could finally have a new beginning. Layla had to make a very a huge decision to leave in the middle of the night and not let Gage know where she went. Since then Gage has always wanted to know what happened to his "Angel".

Gage and Layla burned up the pages together and their love story felt like it was truly meant to be. I love them because through tough times they're still standing tall together. They lost each other before and they couldn't imagine losing each other again; it would wreck the both of them. No matter what gets thrown at them or what dark holes they happen to fall into, they know they'll pull through. They now have each other to lean on and can help the other one through what is going on.

Gage is the ultimate book boyfriend. Every time he would speak I would just swoon over him. Since he was not able to protect Layla from the difficult times in her life he wants to be her protector now and not let anything happen to her. Gage is a knight in shining armor. To Gage, Layla is the sun and the moon. Gage is determined to never be part again. The love he has for Layla just made my heart cry; I mean I fell hard for him from the first page!

Prescott Lane's writing style is simple and beautiful. She was able to create a perfect story that you can't stop reading, with strong characters you can easily relate to. You will go on a journey in this book from pain, love, forgiveness, heartbreak and then finding a happily ever after. This book is how Gage and Layla overcome everything and learn to love despite the past and everything bad that has happened.

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Coco.V says

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Hazel *Craves the Angst Reviews* says

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4.5 "Angel" Stars!

A Delightfully Brilliant Read that Totally Brought the "Feels".

The Review:

Absolutely amazing! Quiet Angel is a sweet, beautifully told story of about young love, broken hearts, second chances, entwined destinies... and life in all its unpredictable entanglements. Add in a wonderful romance with two amazing main characters and a cast of incredible sub-characters and you have a "stay up all night" read that you just can't put down. Told in third person narrative with a two part segment stemming over the main characters first meeting as teenagers and then reconnecting twelve years later, this fantastic story brought the angsts and the romance.

The Story...

Sixteen year old Layla, running from pain and betrayal, escapes to her estranged grandmother's house for a summer of uncertainty in the hopes of healing. She never thought she'd meet the one person who could stand the test of time... literally. After the best summer of her life, she finds herself running once again and it would be twelve long years before her destiny would come full circle.

Gage's life had been mapped out for him since birth. He'd never seen the uncertainty of it all until he meets the one person who suddenly completed him in every way. After the most amazing summer he's never had, he finds himself left with a broken heart and a tangible reminder that it wasn't all just a dream. Twelve years later, he comes face to face with his past and the one girl who could fill the lonely void he's been dealing with since he was eighteen.

Thoughts...

Layla was a complicated character. She had so much betrayal surrounding her that she didn't trust blindly and she erected walls that kept her from living free. I enjoyed her character and all her layers and I understood her reluctance for the good things in her life. However, there were times when I thought she was *too* resistant and not understanding enough. Gage goes out of his way to show her how much he loves her at every possible turn and there were times when she threw that love aside and dangled her righteousness around to shield herself from the happiness he was trying to give her.

But after thinking about her character, I understood her and her motives. She was very independent, which stemmed from years of being alone in the world. I think she failed to see just how true and heartbreakingly open Gage was because it wasn't something she could recognize. She'd never truly had it before. And sometimes she unknowingly pushed and tested him in order to protect herself. But I loved that we saw her growth at the end of the book. The author does a phenomenal job giving us that complexity and making us really think and feel for her character. All in all, Layla was a lovely, likable character with a light inside her that shined.

I absolutely loved Gage. He was so sweet, loving and adorable. The things he did to give Layla peace of mind were swoon-worthy. He romanced her, was patient with her (for the most part) and he was completely wrapped up in her. The only complaint I had about his character were the frequent complaints about waiting for sex. It seemed to be a running theme for him and his throwaway comments about how he wasn't getting any did start to get repetitive but the man was amazing. Even after all the heartbreak and uncertainty Layla put him through, he powered through it and gave her what she needed. He was VERY well written.

The Wrap Up:

I really enjoyed this read and I loved the epilogue at the end that wrapped everything up nicely. This author gives us a creative, enticing story and I loved the minor slant towards "spiritual beings". The cast of characters were fun and delightful, throwing in laugh out loud moments beside the angsts. I stayed up all night reading it for a reason. It was just that good.

Jo - *★Reading Is My Bliss★.*** says**

Gage and Layla met one summer when Layla arrived on St Simons Island to holiday with her grandmother. Gage had never seen her there before and he had been coming to stay on the island for years. He is intrigued with Layla, she is a bit shy, loves to read and is really cute. They strike up a friendship which leads into a sweet summer romance between them. Until one day Layla is just gone.

Layla has had a pretty harrowing past, terrible things happened to her in her childhood home that no child should ever have to go through and there were no adults in her life that she felt she could trust or turn to for help. The summer she spent with her grandmother was the best of her life and changed her for the better.

Twelve years later she is about to board a flight and right in front of her is Gage. The years have been kind to

him and he is even more handsome than she remembers. He is a successful businessman and looks amazing. Gage cannot believe it, he was devastated that Layla had left with no explanation and has always wondered what happened to the sweet girl he called 'Angel.' Gage is determined to get answers from her.

Layla just wants to get on with her life, she has her own business and is finally in a place where she has found peace with her past. Seeing Gage again rattles her a bit and brings back all the feelings they shared so many summers ago.

Can these two open their hearts to each other once again and get the happy ever after that they both so deserve? This was a really sweet story of second chance love.

I give this 3.5 stars

"The story of my life begins and ends with you."

1-Click Addict Support Group says

This book sort of snuck up on me. I had a little bit of a hard time connecting to the story at first; I wasn't sure what to make of Layla – she was very hot and cold. She came off as completely innocent, almost prudish and frankly, kind of a tease. But somewhere around the halfway point, I found myself smiling cheesily at my Kindle while cheering for Gage and Layla.

Quiet Angel is heartwarming second chance romance. Layla disappeared on Gage without an explanation after a whirlwind teenage love affair. Twelve years later they re-connect during a chance encounter at an airport. Their flame instantly re-ignites and Gage makes it his mission to keep Layla around forever.

There are demons to conquer along the way – the reason Layla disappeared wasn't a pretty one and she lived through some pretty gritty events. And for a book that overall felt like a light read, some pretty intense issues are dealt with along the way. In the end, I sort of loved Layla and was proud of the growth and strength she gained over the course of the book.

Gage is perfection. Wealthy and powerful, he's the guy calling the shots and he was relentless in his pursuit of Layla. The steaminess kept ratcheting up as the book went along. In the beginning I thought the sex scenes would be tame, but there were one or two as the book went along that left me a little squirmy in my seat. Prescott Lane was full of surprises! I felt like Gage could have used a little more bite, but let's be real – I still wouldn't kick that guy out of bed.

One of my favorite things about this story was the relationships Layla formed with Gage's family. There's some lighthearted humor thrown into those relationships, and Layla's best friend Poppy is a trip. While this story isn't necessarily breaking any new ground, it was definitely a sweet, romantic read. ~ Shelly, 4 stars
