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The Devil's Dust MC has a list of new threats to the club's lifestyle. Dani, to prove her loyalty, is trying to embrace a part of herself that she never knew existed until now. A sinful beast lurking beneath her surface has been awakened and is ready to eliminate anyone that stands in its way. Looking at her stained hands, she rinses the blood from them. She resigns herself to innocence lost and welcomes her thirst for more blood.

After a breathtaking turn of events, Shadow is looking at life in a different perspective. Not knowing who he can trust or who he can forgive has left him feeling desolate and alone. As Shadow is laying behind his rifle, he wonders if he can pull the trigger to eliminate the threat. He takes a deep breath and squeezes the trigger, the rifle recoil ignites the fuel that drives him.

Retaliations will be required.

Boundaries will be shattered.

Redemption will be lost.

Betrayal so deep, yet they still yearn for one another. Can Shadow overlook Dani's transgressions? Can Dani overlook the mistrust that Shadow has placed upon her?

### **\*\*\*WARNING\*\*\***

This novel contains explicit language, sex, drugs, violence, and sexual situations that some might find offensive. This book is intended for adults 18+ years of age.

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(Recommended you read What Doesn't Destroy Us first)

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### **Elfina Renee says**

To some degree I was very disappointed thinking the storyline was gonna go a certain way. With how it ended in the first book, you'd have thought there would have been some vindictiveness, plots of revenge, and acts of violence from Dani against her mother and Stevin. Not to mention the FBI ramping up there efforts in trying to take down the club. But nope there was none of that!

Instead there was a rebuild in the love story, overcoming mistrust and acts of betrayal, even that was rushed. Some of the events that happened along with the ending was cliché, your like yep I pegged that. But as I stated during my reading status, its very good read, I'd recommend it to anyone.

Makes me wonder how Bobby and Docs Story will play out in the next book. Or if there will be any retaliation against Augustus and his men. Call me blood thirsty but I just don't feel Shadow and Dani story is really done.

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## **KAT ? Kitty Kats Crazy About Books ? says**

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**~ THANK YOU ~**

### **MY RATING ????? *The Scars That Define Us (The Devil's Dust, #2)*by M.N. Forgy**

The story starts off with Dani making a re-appearance after all that went down at the end of book 1..She's standing nervously outside the compound of the clubhouse scared of what awaits her once she enters those doors, worst case scenario is a bullet to the head from none other than Shadow..

### **REDEMPTION**

*I chose the club over Dani ~ Shadow*

*I had nothing to do with my mother and her plans to take down the club..*

### **I'M IN LOVE WITH THE DEVIL**

Boundaries will be shattered

*I never un-laid claim to her as my ol'lady, law is, an ol' lady is yours unless you un-lay claim to her ~ Shadow*

Retaliations will be required.

Reading the interaction between Dani and Shadow you are yet again drawn into their love for one another, you will feel the betrayal, their pain, their loss and most of all the road to recovery..

*Our love was never meant to happen but awoke by chance. Only time will tell if hope gets us anywhere or if it's just a word they teach people who are giving up ~ Dani*

I loved book one "**What Doesn't Destroy Us**" (**The Devil's Dust, #1**) and thought whoa it's going to be a tall order making me fall in love with book 2!! But guess what **I LOVED IT** just as much if not more!! The angst, the moment of sitting on the edge of my seat waiting to see where the story line was going to go towards the end and that releasing of breath I did not know I was holding!!

Redemption will be lost.

All teasers used above I made myself

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### **Jamie ?? submits to books ?? says**

\*\*\*\*\* 5 "No Fear In Love" Stars" \*\*\*\*\*

*"Looking at the reflection in the mirror, all I see is a monster staring at me, an ugly regret looking back."*

After being betrayed by the only love of his life, Shadow is trying to come to terms with having his heart ripped apart. Shadow's life within the Devil's Dust MC is hanging in the balance after trusting Dani, and outsider that he should have never gotten involved in. Shadow will be tested deep within. He must find a way to trust his brothers and the woman he loves.

Dani's life has been turned upside down and she has no where to turn. Her only option at this point is to go back the MC that all the members think she ratted on to the FBI. Her only option leads her down a dirt road that could lead to her death.

As Dani pushes her way back inside, the entire MC member are on opposite sides of hating and loving her. Dani now needs to prove to everyone she is not the inside rat most think she is. She also needs to find a way to repair her heart that was also shattered when Shadow was the first to not trust her.

Things are never simple in a motorcycle club and Devil's Dust is no exception.

Book 2 in the **Devil's Dust Series** was AMAZING!! This was by far better than book 1 and I thank the reading Gods for pushing me to keep going in this series.

MN Forgy.....DAMN GOOD!!

These books need to be read in order!

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## **Candace says**

In this second book in the series, Dani finds herself having to fight against allegations of being a traitor to the club. Thrown under the bus by her own mother, she's fighting an uphill battle to prove to Shadow and other club members that she wouldn't betray their trust.

Despite his romantic feelings for Dani, Shadow is quick to assume the worst of Dani. He dives headfirst into a sea of booze and women, without ever hearing Dani out. Overnight, he turns into a complete jackass!

Even after Dani has proved herself, Shadow continues to behave like a jerk. It seems that once he started down this destructive pathway, he was determined to stay the course. Ultimately, it just made him look like a complete douche.

However, like most women, Dani can't seem to resist his standoffish appeal. Just as they start to work things out, past actions come back to haunt the couple. Several big twists in this story will have you riding an emotional roller coaster.

Overall, I really liked this continuation of Dani and Shadow's story. It provided plenty of angst and action to keep my attention. It also provided a nice, satisfying ending. I listened to the Audible version and the narration was great as well. All in all, a good choice for me.

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## **Bj says**

4.5 "No Regrets in Life, No Fear in Love" Stars! Wow, why did I wait so long to read The Scars That Define Us! M.N. Forgy's MC Romance style parallels all of the elements that I enjoy in a good MC Romance. A little darkness, grit, and suspense combined with hot, passionate chemistry! There is just something deeply satisfying about a love relationship being the salve that cleanses us of our sins and allows us to experience the true joys in life. In the Scars That Define Us we get to see the climax of Dani's and Shadow's love story and learn that sometimes the setting free of a little well-deserved evil is the perfect bridge to experiencing one's life and love potential. After all, in the end, we must all decide what is the most important part of our lives. In this case, it is seemingly Club/Society versus Family/Love. If the choice were yours, which would you pick?

The Scars That Defines Us starts off where What Doesn't Destroy Us leaves off. Danielle "Dani" Lexington has been betrayed by her mother. Although Dani was previously unaware, her mother is an FBI agent, and she has used her to try to infiltrate and incriminate the Devil's Dust MC. Having previously led a very sheltered life, Dani was just getting to explore her darker more natural side, when she moved in with her father, Leo "Bull" Goodman, the Devil's Dust MC President. During this short stint, Dani met, and began to fall in love with, "Shadow", the sexy, dark and brooding, MC's Sergeant at Arms and designated hit-man (when the MC's business calls for it).

Dani's determined to resume the only life that she has ever felt was worth living--back with the MC. If that means further exploring her darker side, then so be it. She is determined to do whatever it takes to win back the only family/love she has ever truly felt a part of.

Loyalty being the number 1 most important trait to a MC Club, however, Dani is in serious trouble. Will the

MC ever consider allowing her back into its fold? Will they even ask questions or just bury their little problem? Could her father and "old man", her family, possibly be so cold? Moreover, even if the MC forgives her, could she ever gain Shadow's trust again, particularly given his specific trust issues as a result of his terrible childhood?

What a fantastic look into the MC outlaw world! In particular, I enjoyed that though this read delved into some pretty, deep dark topics, it never was graphic enough to be truly considered a "dark romance". Accordingly, this is a MC Romance that should appeal to a wider audience.

Deeply emotional, and erotically sexy, *The Scars that Define Us* was fantastic. In particular, my heart went out to Dani. What a cruel twist of fate. Just as she was beginning to truly experience life, she was betrayed by the one person who claimed to want to protect her from evil. In the end, however, I really enjoyed the message that true family/love always prevail.

Next up in this series is Doc's and Bobby's love story, which was released earlier this month. I can't wait to read *The Broken Pieces of Us*, Book 3 in the Devil's Dust MC Series!

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### **Wanderlust says**

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### **✿kawehi.reviews says**

? I received an ARC from the author in exchange for an honest review. Thank you SO MUCH!! ?

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***“Dani, you’re mine. That hasn’t changed and it never will.”***

***Scars That Define Us*** was a great, great follow up that quite frankly DID NOT let me down!! Lately, I've just about given up on 90% of all MC reads (with the exception of: this author, Chantal Fernando, Kristen Ashley, Joanna Wylde, and Jamie Begley) and their sequels because they never match the hype or quality of what I expect.

Thankfully, in this sequel, it does live up to what I wanted, while diving into the disastrous aftermath of Dani's mother's poisonous lies and what it could mean for Dani, Shadow, and the entire Devil's Dust MC.

-Will Dani be able to convince Shadow and the club of her loyalty? Is she going to be next on the Devil's Dust hit list? Will Shadow recede back into his former self and ever trust Dani again? And what will the

future lead for them?-

***“Mine and Dani’s relationship is no love story with some happily ever after. What we have is real. It’s dark and it hurts...This is the life of hell we’ve redeemed for ourselves.”***

Gosh, M.N. Forgy I have no idea how you did it! I just did not know how you were going to pull this story off with everything in tatters from book 1 while still keeping readers engaged and putting an original spin on the plot and story with some added definitive flair!

**Two of the BIGGEST ISSUES** that I have with MC reads are the 1) surplus amount of drama, violence, sex, womanizing, and useless ploys AND 2) the short, quipped vulgar language of the men in the club. It's just a turn off with the excess amount of crap that are added into MC books and to come across grown men who sound like ill educated teenagers and swear every other word. It just does not float my boat and is severely obnoxious.

*SO NO GUYS*, in case you're wondering, the author did not hit these pet peeves of mine, but somehow, managed to keep the essence of this story tasteful, well balanced, and "spellbindingly addicting"!

Great job Ms. Forgy!! And I look forward to more from this series!

**Can't wait for X & X's (\*sorry, I'm not allowed to tell!) story!! Woohoo!!♥ ♥**

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Teaser credit to: Nisha Always Reading

**Denisa says**

2.5 Still annoying chick!

Ok, so it was better than the last one. This time I didn't want to throw my kindle out the window every 4 pages, so I'll count that a a win!

The first part was damn annoying though, the characters were idiots and, again, pretty bipolar. I wanted to DNF it a few times. It did get better later on, it even became a bit interesting and managed to surprised me.

So let's toast for giving books a second chance (whether they deserve it or not!)

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**Jazmin says**

I need this book like yesterday. Can anyone throw me a bone here please?

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**Toni says**

I really want this book NOW!

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**Candi- says**

OMGee I have been stalking MN Forgy like crazy ever since I finished up What Doesn't Destroy Us!! After the way WDDU ended I was yelling and screaming at my kindle needing more asap!! How could Dani's mother do that to her? Why did she hate her as much as she does? Will Shadow ever learn the truth or will he always continue to push Dani away? Will she be next on the Devils Dust hit list?

When I got this ARC on my kindle I was so freaking excited!! Once I started reading it, I was hooked and devoured it as fast as I could!! I absolutely love Shadow and Dani so I was hoping the two would fight and find their way back to each other!! There was a few times I just wanted to jump thru my kindle and shake the crap out of Shadow but eventually he had me falling in love with him all over again!!

TSTDU starts right where WDDU leaves off....she has just finally been released from custody and has no where left to go. She stands outside of the club for hours wondering what to do...If she goes inside will they kill her for betryaying them? As expected, she has been outcasted by the whole club, including her father until she can prove herself. All she wants to do is run into Shadow's arms but once she finds him her heart will only shatter more. Why?!?!

Shadow knew he shouldn't have let Dani into his heart but now that he has he can't get her out!! No matter how hard he tries to forget her all he can see is her green eyes staring back at him causing him to question everything!! With the help of her father and Bobby will Shadow wake up before its to late? Will he push Dani to far?

My heart broke for Dani from the start!! After the way her own mother has done her and treated her I was ready to beat Lady myself!! I loved Dani in WDDU but watching her character grow in TSTDU...HOLLLYY COW she is such a total badazz!! She was tired of being pushed around and being put down so I loved seeing the Devil's Dust blood inside her come out!!

That ending.....LOVE, LOVE, LOVE!!!!!! I don't want to give anything away so just go now....go one click!!! You seriously won't regret it!!!!

Gahhhh my emotions were all over the place with this book but OMG I am still on a HUGE book hangover!! I don't know what in the world I am going to read next but it's going to have to be something big to help take my mind off Shadow and Dani!! MN Forgy....Abso..freaking...lutely amazing!! I can't wait for more of your books especially The Devil's Dust #3!!!!!!

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## **Rosa Sharon (iScream Books Blog) says**

You grow stronger with pain. You just have to survive it...

Damn, M.N. Forgy, really? Are you trying to kill me? My heart can only take so much. You left me hanging at the end of What Doesn't Destroy Us and then you destroyed me in The Scars That Define Us. Thanks for that...

We all need a great book that will touch our hearts, drag us through an emotional storm, piss us off causing us to shout at our kindles, and melt us into a puddle of goo. Yup, we need it but rarely get it, thanks for that... Please keep them coming, there can never be too much Devil's Dust MC.

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## **R says**

noooooooooooooo,,, just finished the first thought the 2nd was out..... I can't I feel the betrayal Where is this book

Chapter 1 on her website

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## **Monica \*\*can't read fast enough\*\* says**

This is everything that I want in an edgy biker romance. Shadow can be a real S.O.B and he owns it. Knowing that he is a volatile, overly aggressive, chauvinistic, domineering, and over all difficult man he still grabs hold of what he wants and keeps it for himself. Even believing that Dani has betrayed the club, Shadow can't turn off his feelings for her and that just pisses him off even more. Dani is his Achilles heel, the only person who ever tempted him to put something before his beloved club and for Shadow that is unacceptable and he sets out to punish not only Dani but himself as well.

Hoping that her father will show her more understanding and support than she ever received from her mother Dani has returned to the club. Dani feels that her only hope of surviving is to convince the club that she had nothing to do with the damage done to the club. That her mother set her up along with the club. Dani knew that it wasn't going to be easy but she wasn't prepared for the rejection and abandonment dished out by the one man that she loved, trusted, and came to depend on.

Shadow's love for Dani is scary and beautiful all at the same time. Shadow isn't a man who doesn't know his own strength and power therefore accidentally crushing or punishing the ones he loves. Shadow's power to hurt others is fully recognized by him and his struggle is to keep it leased so that he inflicts the least amount of pain and suffering on those he loves. Shadow loves frighteningly deeply, he simply doesn't know how to love safely. Shadow is so broken and tormented by his own demons that he the ones he loves, his club brothers and Dani, are often thrown on the jagged pieces of it instead of being protected by him.

Forge has brought us back to the gritty and disturbing world surrounding the Devil's Dust Motorcycle Club with a bang. The books starts with the fall out from the conclusion of book one and sweeps the reader along a fast paced, crazy, naughty, violent story that doesn't let you go until the very end. Dani's dark side continues to peek through surprising her with how powerful and satisfying acting out makes her feel. Shadow does things for the love of Dani that would be sweet if they weren't so dang disturbing. Shadow is

not the kind of man to show his love with flowers, candy, and romantic dates. No, Shadow's proof of love can be found at the business end of a sniper rifle. Forge has managed to make a man so badly damaged almost endearing. I know it sounds crazy but it's true. I've decided not to examine my love of Shadow too closely. I don't really want to know what that may mean for me!

The Scars That Define Us was a wonderful follow up to What Doesn't Destroy Us and is another addition to my favorites list. I am just going to embrace my greedy reader ways and say that I need the next book, The Fear That Divides Us as soon as possible!

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