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**He runs alone...**

Ryker Grey is used to being on the outside looking in. For more than fifty years, he has worked as Pack Enforcer for the Black Hills Wolves, rising to his rank swiftly. Compelled by duty and devotion to his people, he fought to keep them protected from within and without—earning a few enemies and fewer friends. Drew's return has sparked healing in the fraying pack, but Ryker remains vigilant.

**She needs a place to call her own...**

Saja Lyons has spent her life studying cultures, but never really being a part of them. Completing a double specialty in psychology and sociology, she decides to take the three months after her graduation to find herself on a cross-country drive. She embraces the nomadic road trip until her car breaks down on a deserted stretch of road in the middle of nowhere South Dakota.

**Two lonely lives collide in the cold...**

Ryker catches Saja's scent from a mile away, loneliness edged in fear, frustration, and utter femininity. He approaches her in order to lend her a hand and get her out of the pack's way...the sooner she's gone from Los Lobos, the safer the pack will be. When their gazes meet, her playful hostility arouses the hunter in him, and for the first time in fifty years, the enforcer tastes what it's like to not be alone...

But what if the best thing that ever happened to him is a danger to the Black Hills Wolves?

## What a Wolf Wants Details

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# From Reader Review What a Wolf Wants for online ebook

**iliana G says**

Another great addition to this series!!!!

Very well written and funny!!!

loved it!!!!

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**Donna says**

If you like the strong silent type Ryker is the wolf for you. Ryker lives away from the pack to keep them safe. His best bud is a bear. When in the course of his duties he hears a human stranded by the roadside right before a storm he has to try to get her moving along when that doesn't work he takes her to his place. Saja is a free spirit who has traveled the world meeting new people and discovering new things but she has never met anyone like Ryker.

This is a short book with a lot packed into it. I fell for Ryker in the first book - Wolf's Return (Black Hills Wolves #1) by Rebecca Royce. You could read this standalone but you would better understand Ryker and pack dynamics if you've read Wolf's Return.

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**Sue "DavinciKittie" Brown-Moore says**

**\*\* This review contains minor plot spoilers \*\***

What a wolf wants is a short-ish story (right at 25000 words) so I'll make this a short-ish review. :)

This second book in the joint-effort Black Hills Wolves series will require some suspension of disbelief even for paranormal lovers. I didn't love how quickly Saja just accepted various story elements:

- The existence of people who change into giant wolves
- Seeing Ryker in a violent situation with little to no emotional repercussions or fear of him
- Accepting a permanent, intimate bond with Ryker after only hours of knowing him

Now, all that said, paranormal novellas often come across like this. With such a limited word count, an author can only fit in so much into a story, and some elements just have to be sacrificed.

If you go into this book knowing and understanding that, you'll probably enjoy it. The characters are distinct and likable, the world building is well crafted, and the story fits nicely into the existing series universe without requiring the reader to have read the previous book. What a Wolf Wants didn't have the emotional punch that I've come to expect from Ms. Long's stories, but it was a quick, fun, enjoyable read.

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## **Nancy says**

3.5 stars

Wonderful, sweet short story.

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## **Tiblu says**

**Was a good decent read but 4 stars feels to much but 3 stars too few.**

It was a nice Story I enjoyed my time with both Ryker and Saja but the story just felt too short ,I was left feeling like I'd barely started to get to know them both when the story started slow done and and drawing to its conclusion.... Part of this stories problem for me is also what makes it soo good,you have an rather interesting back story that almost everything in the story is built on and to very interesting Lead characters,Ryker a really good guy forced to separate and isolate himself from others for the good of others and himself resigned to spending his long life alone,and Saja a bubbly sweet kind and intelligent woman that we barely get to learn anything about other than her personality and some education and a little bit about how she's spent her life... But Nothing about her family or friends really,how or why she's even out in the middle of nowhere ... Nothing or even who this Denny character whose jacket she tried to give to Ryker ( which I'm sure he either burned or destroyed some other way) it was more like a brief encounter while on a bus somewhere local or a few minutes of conversation on a treadmill at the gym,and a treadmill felt right coz where it was pleasant I didn't feel like I got anywhere with it....

Yes ,I'd recommend it but more so at a cheaper price and a more developed story...

3 to few,4 to many..

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## **Cc says**

Loved Ryker. Truly a man of few words, and Sasha, truly a lady of many words = perfect pair. But honestly this is a great novella worth your reading time, and that's valuable time.

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## **Mae Hanley says**

I enjoyed Ryker's story, an excellent follow-up to book Wolf's Return (Black Hills Wolves 1). I enjoyed the complexity of Ryker's struggle on learning of his mate and what to do about it and Drew's acceptance of Ryker's decision.

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## **Haley Whitehall says**

After meeting the pack enforcer Ryker in other Black Hills Wolves books I really wanted to read his story. Heather Long did a good job of bringing the dominant recluse to life. Sonja's car breaks down in a snowstorm and Ryker rescues her and lets her stay in his cabin during the storm. He never expected the human to be his mate.

I would have liked to get to know Saja better. There was little backstory given. She has multiple degrees and goes on this journey after college to study cultures firsthand. Of course, a wolf shifter pack was more than she bargained for.

Her reaction to Ryker being a wolf was believable and I did like the ending with Drew and the rest of the pack. It would have been nice if the story had been longer. It felt a bit rushed and not quite complete. Maybe we'll learn more about Saja and Ryker in other books in this series.

I received a free copy of this book in exchange for an honest review.

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### **Gina says**

totally adorable!!! Several one liners that made me laugh out loud....now that I think about it Ryker was mostly one liners or one worders as the case may be LOL.

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### **Laura says**

I was given What a Wolf Wants for an honest review by Manic Readers

Saja's car broke down in the middle of nowhere in the Black Hills just a storm is about to hit. She could freeze to death before she gets help, but she gets lucky when someone walks up but then she has to go a point a gun at him.

Ryker lives apart from his pack, he felt it was needed to save his pack from the punishment of his old dead Alpha. The new Alpha had untied his hands and thankfully wasn't a sadistic ass hat like his father. His new Alpha was fighting to rebuild the pack. When Ryker here's hears a car break down he goes to investigate only to have his mate pull a gun on him and mating with humans is against the law.

So far almost every book I have read in this series has started out slow and boring and then picks up near the middle and this book was no different. I liked that more characters were introduced and that the Alpha had his part but I wish there was more to the story. I wish I could find something that stood out but to be honest the book was just ok with nothing standing out to recommend it except that it had very few edits and the cover which rocks.

Also posted on Manic Readers and Laura Lu's Book Reviews

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### **Cassandra\_Cassie\_ckpjs says**

We briefly met Ryker in Wolf's Return by Rebecca Royce. I was excited to get his book. I was wondering what kind of woman could put up with Ryker. With him being the strong silent type.

I loved Saja!! First thing she talks... and talks. lol. She also isn't scared of him. She stands up to him and speaks her mind. But she isn't dumb to completely trust him... woman has a gun! haha.

It was fun reading about Ryker taking care of Saja. He reminded me of a caveman. Not speaking at lot but just being bossy. Once it clicked that she was his mate. The man & wolf was not going to live without her.

I can't wait for more of this series!!

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### **Theresa Needham fehse says**

Free book for honest review. [juliesbookreview.blogspot.com](http://juliesbookreview.blogspot.com)

Ryker is the packs protector and enforcer. He's out making sure the pack is safe when he catches the scent of Saja! He's a loner nut Saja gives him a taste of what it feels like to not be so lonely.

Ms. Long has a great sense of humor, this book made me laugh out loud at times. She took a short story and made it seem longer than it was. I love Ryker and Sajas personalities. This has action, emotion, and true love!! This is written splendidly

Bridgette G

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### **D Thomas says**

I am really loving the Black Hills Wolves.

Ryker was a favorite of mine from the first book and I am glad he got his story so soon.

Times and things are changing with this wolf pack. It is going to be interesting to watch it rebuild.

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### **Angel says**

Loved this one. Ryker was such a loner then Saja came along and changed everything. Short and fast paced.

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