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*Mills & Boon Romantic Suspense collection brings you dangerous liaisons... 'Why the hell are you here?'*

Captain Ty Hamilton knows the woman hates him, especially since he'd tried to sabotage her military career. All those years ago, the formidable Rachel Trayhern had fought back and won. Ty paid a high price for his arrogance. Now they're stationed at the same base in Afghanistan. Worse, she's been assigned to his unit.

In five years, he's changed enough to feel ashamed of how he'd behaved. He wishes he could apologise, but Rachel's steely demeanour holds him at bay. Suddenly, a mission gone awry leaves Ty and Rachel stranded in enemy territory. And with their lives at stake, old hatreds become trivial and new - and unexpected feelings awaken.

## His Duty to Protect Details

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### **Maureen Wilson says**

beware the bjs is coming!

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### **Susan says**

Good book. I have always liked Lindsay McKenna's Morgan's Mercenaries/Trayhern books, and this one did not disappoint me at all. Ty was assigned to the same base, and Rachel had to work with him. She was still furious with him, and refused to give him more than the barest civility necessary for her job. She kept waiting for him to be the same anti-woman jerk he had been before. As she worked with him, she realized he had changed. She also found herself attracted to him. Ty had had five years to learn from his mistakes, and he had learned his lesson about the capabilities of women in the military. Now, all he wanted was the chance to apologize to Rachel and prove to her he had changed. When their chopper was shot down and they found themselves stranded in enemy territory, they had to depend on each other. And with the end of their hatred, their new feelings became more apparent. I loved the way they were able to talk to each other about the past, and put the old feelings to rest. I liked seeing Khalid and Emma again, too.

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### **Lorrie says**

I have read a bunch of Lindsay McKenna books in the past and remembered enjoying them, and that was one of the main reasons why I chose this book to read next. I don't know if it's just a matter of knowing better or knowing more now, or whether it's just me not analyzing books as closely back then as I do now, but this one stunk to high heaven.

First off, I'm all for the wounded hero shit, but Ty was a complete ass. I disliked him from his back story, and I disliked him from the part of him we see in the book. He didn't come across as a man who was trying to come to terms with what a jerk he was in the past, but as someone who was trying hard to get into her pants and saying all the things Rachel wanted/needed to hear for that to happen. And his whole back story just left a rock in my stomach as being just to completely stereotypical of someone who doesn't give a shit about anything other than themselves and trying to shift the blame for his own behaviour. His father didn't make him treat people the way he did, Ty did that all on his own. Playing the blame game just doesn't fly with me.

And Rachel wasn't much better. For such a strong, independent woman, she certainly was a limp dishrag when it came to Ty. There is no way in hell she should have folded the way she did based on how Ty had treated her in the past.

Further to these two sentiments about the characters, maybe I'm just blind (or I could just be a little jaded), but I was never able to make the leap from those two being adversaries to them professing their undying love of each other, shared near-death experience or no shared near-death experience. It just didn't work for me.

And finally, there is nothing I hate more than books where the little details are just not thought completely

through, or just plain wrong, or completely forgotten (the last is inexcusable, because it means the author is just trying to churn out books and not taking the time to edit/rewrite properly).

Up until about the 75% mark, when they've crashed their helicopter and are trying to make it back to base, there wasn't much to complain about except for Rachel's bi-polar swings between feeling sorry for Ty and being a complete heartless bitch. It was like she was PMSing the whole time.

As for the plot holes, there were an absolute shit ton in the last part of the book. First, 90% of the medical shit was just plain wrong. A little research on blood loss would be in order. I questioned a bunch of the helicopter stuff, but since I don't know for sure (and considering the background of the author, I'll let it slide, as she is more of an expert than I will ever be), but there was a LOT that doesn't jive with what I would consider commonly held beliefs of helicopters.

And finally the stuff that the author completely forgot. First, we have Rachel and Ty being outfitted by the village before they started back to base. They were dressed in local clothing, given rifles, an all that shit. Let's also not forget the warnings to only walk their horses in the mountains... Then when they were being chased by the Taliban, they are galloping, they are suddenly wearing their flight suits again, and, shocker, the rifles are nowhere to be seen. And I also question the whole shoot out shit, because as trained military personnel, wouldn't they have taken the time to stop, hide themselves, then pick their pursuers off one by one? This whole frantic flight through the mountains and caves just doesn't make even an iota of sense to me (most especially the cave shit through the mountain...). Then we have them stopping for water at the first well, and being shore as shit because they don't ride horses (yup, that's a given), yet when they make it to camp, the soreness from riding is gone and blamed on the helicopter crash... Um, really?

Now let's talk about something I rarely talk about... the title. What the actual fuck? HIS Duty to Protect? Um, did you even read the book you wrote before assigning the title? HE didn't do a whole lot of protecting in this book. It was all Rachel...

All in all, the book COULD have been so much better. But in reality, I skimmed the last couple chapters because it just got so far fetched that it wasn't even worth the bother anymore.

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## **Harlequin Books says**

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## **cathy says**

### **A great book!**

This book will keep you interested. I just had surgery so I started reading out of pain but you get so involved with the story you forget everything.

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**Linda says**

I liked this book ok, but I was a little disappointed because some of her other books are so great that this one just left me feeling a little "meh". If I didn't know how good her other books were I might have liked it a little better.

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