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Isobel Dounreay Lochlannach is a fierce and independent Scots lass. She has no intention to marry—to submit to a man—especially not an *Englishman*.

But when she meets a devilish stable lad on the way to London, she can't help but sneak a kiss with the handsome stranger, sure to never see him again.

Nick Wyeth is not a stable lad. He's Viscount Stirling, and heir to one of the most powerful dukes in the realm. If their indiscretion is discovered, Isobel will be forced to marry him, to succumb to a fate she has always spurned. Nick wants nothing but to call this wild Scottish lass his own, and is determined to show her how an English Viscount can make her swoon, and be his forever.

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Donna says

I have been waiting for Isobel Dounreay Lochlannach to grow up and have her own HEA. She stole many scenes in her mother and aunts' books. I'm not sure her grandfather appreciated her arrows in his library books. Now grown, her mother has decided she needs a London season. Isobel disagrees, but at least her best friend, Catriona, is going to London also.

Isobel is staying with a family friend, Lady Willouby, in Newcastle until her family arrives. She can't stay cooped up in the house while Lady Willouby has neighbors for tea, so she convinces the stable boy to tack up a stallion. As she's galloping along, a man chases and pulls her off her horse. She is furious, but he shows her she was headed to the river with no bridge due to extensive flooding. The man was dressed as if he worked in a stable not a highwayman, and he wants a kiss as a reward. As she leaves, she says I might be here tomorrow. They meet for several days, but then she leaves for London without being able to say good-bye.

Nick, Viscount Stirling, returns to London for the season never expecting to see her again, but his sister tells him about her new Scottish friend Isobel and he is thrilled. Isobel does not want an English lord, even if he is half Scot and she's angry with him for not telling her. The ups and downs to their HEA are such fun to read. I love this book and can highly recommend it.

Dawn ♥ romance says

An enjoyable historical romance with plenty of exciting action and a few humorous moments. I always like a male in pursuit and even though the heroine's stubbornness sometimes got annoying this was an overall good book. Independent Isobel is out for a wild horse ride when she encounters Nick who she believes is a stable boy.

A Klue says

Well, I don't get to say this very often, my fellow Scottish romance book loving friends. This time around the heroine was the one slow to come to her senses and reluctant to recognize love when it is right in front of her. So caught up in her empty headed mantra "I'll never marry an Englishman" she seems ready to walk away from a perfect for her half Scottish gent, even after he's jumped through hoops and is willing to do anything to keep her. At 70%, it was a punch to the gut and Nick's heart, as well as my own, to hear Isobel profess she still wasn't in this for love, only to continue their brief fling before she goes back to Scotland alone. With those words, I was pretty much done with her and this storyline.

Prejudice doesn't look good on anyone, folks, and that is exactly what Isobel was when it came to English men. Self absorbed and only focusing on what she wanted with little to no regard to how her actions and empty promises affected others had me disliking her. Poor Nick became so love sick he was willing to change his world completely and become whoever she wanted him to be (even if it meant changing how he

dressed and spoke). Basically do the exact opposite what the heroine was willing to do for love. She refused to change anything about herself. He was willing to change everything.

At 80%, her stupidity put her and Nick in a deadly situation. Sure, now she's finally seen the light, but, honestly, I feel Nick deserved better than what she put him through. Having enjoyed all four previous books, this one is definitely my least favorite of the series.

Title: What a Highlander's Got to Do, Series: Untamed Highlanders (Book 5), Author: Sabrina York, Pages: 243, stand-alone but part of a series, some very steamy scenes, OW wants him, no OM drama, no cheating, no love triangle.

Book 1 - Hannah and the Highlander

Book 2 - Susana and the Scot

Book 3 - Lana and the Laird

Book 4 - The Highland is All That

Book 5 - What a Highlander's Got to Do

(I voluntarily read and reviewed an advanced reader copy of this book via NetGalley. All thoughts and opinions are my own. I was not given any payment or compensation for this review, nor is there any affiliation or relationship between this reviewer and the author/publisher/NetGalley.)

Heather K (dentist in my spare time) says

I really, really needed a light fun read, and that's exactly what I got with What a Highlander's Got to Do by Sabrina York.

I have a weakness for Scottish men and women, especially in historical romance, and so when my brain needed an escape, I reached for this one. I jumped into the series at book #5 (**this can be read completely as a stand-alone, by the way**), and now I have to go back and read all of the previous books in the series because I'm in love with this feisty family!

The story is certainly an example of a **strong woman/beta male** historical romance, which is something I'm liking more and more. The main couple had intense chemistry, and I could not get enough of them together.

I even fell for all of the side characters, something that doesn't happen very often. I actually started reading this book at about 11:00 pm and stayed up all night to finish until about 3:00 am. The story was fun and made me smile, something I've been sorely needing.

My only quibble was that the female MC bothered me a bit with her reluctance to see what was right in front of her face towards the end, and I sort of wanted to shake her to wake her up to what a perfect guy the male MC was (in and out of a kilt!). However, I do love a woman who can defend herself, so I let my issues go a bit.

If you are in the mood for a low-angst, fun, light historical romance with some kilts, some brogues, and a highlander lass who knows how to use a bow and arrow, then pick up What a Highlander's Got to Do. It was just what I needed.

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Gaele says

Isobel has long stated she'll not marry nor entertain the idea of a British suitor, preferring her freedom and self-determination as she hunts, rides and wields her bow and arrows in the Scottish Highlands. But, with her now coming of age to make her debut, she's been coaxed and cajoled along with her best friend Catriona to head to London for the season, her entire family in tow. With ten children under ten (siblings, nephews and nieces) she'd been allowed to stay with a family friend for a few days as the family spent time with the ailing aunt. Not finding the briskness and freedom in Newcastle that she enjoys at home, she decided on a ride – and took off with the Lord's stallion – racing down the roads. Stopped before disaster by a man who snatched her off the horse and received an elbow to the ribs for his trouble, Isobel finds this man, Nick, amusing and intriguing – and when a kiss between them elicits a promise to meet the next day –she hies off toward home. Meeting him again, the two share kisses and more, vowing to meet each day. She's convinced Nick, by his casual dress and manner is a simple stable boy, and he believes she a maid, a maid that he cannot ignore, and is seriously disappointed when she fails to return.

Heading to London with her family, to face an unpleasant and surely useless season, she's unable to think of little but Nick, believing that she'll not see him again. When the family is visited by Kaitlin (now a Duchess and friend of Lana, Hannah and Isobel's mother Susana) and the fun begins. From the multiple Andrews, Lachlans, Edwards and a drooling toddler that is 'handy with a sword', the fun begins. Or mostly. For poor Isobel is often treated with a sort of curious censure.....

"She Blew. Up. His. Castle." Lady Frey repeated herself in a tone that inferred this was the worst thing a person could possibly do.

"She was five." Mama shrugged dismissively. "Children will be children."

"I've hardly blown up anything since," Isobel said, agreeably.

For the English were subtle but consistent in their snubbing of the Scots – from denying Lana her due deference as a Duchess to pointedly remarking on Scottish customs, food, men and even manners. But, none of this is that bothersome to Isobel. Until she realizes that Nick, her Nick, is in fact Viscount Stirling – and his 'Britishness' shines through. The two are on a merry dance – him denying that he wants more from Isobel than what isn't proper, her refusing to allow him to discuss matters of import that are beyond the here and now, as she is fully intending to return to Scotland, without a husband. But when a particularly loathesome debutante has set her sights on Nick, and will stop at nothing to force his hand to marriage, Isobel steps up, claims knowledge of Nick that she shouldn't have – and shames the petty thing away.

The twists, turns and outright laughs (some from Isobel and Nick, others from the 'Mongol hoard' of children that are part of the family and their particularly wild behavior, the uniqueness and solidity of this family, their friends and their determination to see that BOTH Nick and Isobel are happy just shines through. It's wonderful to see Isobel these years later: more confident (if that was possible) than as a child, her mother

and aunts all well married and happy, and her fierce determination to be just who she feels she needs to be to survive every situation is marvelous. To find that she's also learned, if a bit late, that true love doesn't expect, want or need her to subjugate herself to a man, and she can still be in her beloved Scotland – the story is a wonderful addition to the series giving a sense of full-circle, and making it a favorite historical series for the heart, humor and heat.

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Review first appeared at I am, Indeed

eyes.2c says

Highlander sufferance?

I just did not identify with Isobel Dounreay Lochlannac. And the idea that she'd give her virginity to a handsome stable lad is just not realistic for the times, although it could be argued that it's realistic for this particular headstrong, wild, young Scots woman.

Of course the stable lad is really Nick Wyeth, Viscount Stirling. Unfortunately, despite the swoon worthy description of Nick, and his devotion to Isobel who is determined not to marry an Englishman, I found him somewhat flat.

I was so over Isobel by third of the way through the novel. Sadly my sympathies for the story as a whole just didn't engage.

A NetGalley ARC

Lori Quick says

What a Highlander's Got To Do is the first book by Sabrina York that I have read. The book had me from the start. I had to force myself to stop so I could get some sleep. I absolutely loved it, and would recommend it.

Isobel is staying with a family friend while her family is visiting a sick auntie. She decides to forgo the tea for a horse ride across the country side.

Nick is visiting a friend and is out riding himself when he sees a rider about to run into a washed out bridge and saves her. Sparks fly, they spend several days together before they have to go to London.

I don't want to give more away. As I said before, it's a great read. There are previous books in the series but you don't have to read them to get this book. I am looking forward to reading them though.

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Esther says

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Stacee says

This was 100% an impulse request and it was fairly delightful.

I really liked Isobel and Nick. She's sassy and headstrong. He's charming and stubborn. Together they have a bit of chemistry and banter. My absolute favorite was that Nick was so determined to woo Isobel. There are loads and loads of characters in this story and I couldn't keep track of who was related to who.

Plot wise, it was what I expected: an instant connection between strangers, a few lies by omission, some sexah times, and then the story begins. There is a bit of push and pull and maybe a few repetitive scenes, but the last few chapters were amusing and I really liked the epilogue.

Overall, it was a quick read with characters I really liked. I would have liked more of the future from the epi, but it was happy. I may look into other books.

Huge thanks to SMP Swerve for providing the arc free of charge

Melanie says

What a Highlander's Got to Do was a delightful historical romance about a heroine determined to never settle down and the charming hero who has her rethinking her plans.

Isobel Dounreay Lochlannach has no intention of settling down, least of all to an Englishman. She values her freedom too much and has no desire to surrender to any man. When she meets a charming stable lad on her journey to London, she can't help but give in to her attraction to him thinking she'll never see him again. However Nick Wyeth is no stable lad, he's Viscount Stirling and heir to a dukedom. After his passionate encounter with Isobel, Nick is completely enamored with the Scottish lass and sets out to win the heart of a woman determined to avoid love.

What a Highlander's Got to Do is the fifth book in the *Untamed Highlanders* series and follows the daughter of the couple from book two in the series, *Susana and the Scot*. I have previously only read the first book in the series, *Hannah and the Highlander*, but that in no way lessened my enjoyment of this book. While I was a bit confused about who everyone was in Isobel's large family, eventually I managed to sort them out.

Isobel resents being in England and longs for the freedom she has in Scotland. She doesn't fit in very well with English women her age and would much rather be practicing archery instead of dancing. Isobel has a hard time holding her tongue when the English disparage her family and is a very headstrong and spirited young lady. She's very close with her family and adores them despite their tendency to meddle.

Nick has spent most of his life being seen for his title and the wealth he is set to inherit rather than as a person. As a result, Nick has always avoided marriage-minded ladies and the events they would attend. Nick is very close with his family and adores them immensely. He's a very charming man and can be incredibly sweet when he wants to be.

Nick felt an instant connection with Isobel and admired her fierce and independent nature. Isobel was immediately attracted to Nick but never believed anything would come from it. There are several misunderstandings on both sides as both Nick and Isobel make assumptions about who they think the other person is. After finding out the truth about each other, Isobel definitely holds a grudge more than Nick does. Nick and Isobel's relationship is very physical right from the start and gets sexier as time goes on. Nick is much more willing to admit his feelings than Isobel is and her reluctance does go on for quite a while which was the only thing I disliked about their relationship.

Overall, *What a Highlander's Got to Do* ended up being a very enjoyable read and I plan to read the books I missed in the series sometime soon. I definitely recommend this book to anyone looking for a historical romance with a fierce, independent heroine.

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Carvanz says

Isobel will soon be in London to partake in the marriage mart and she couldn't be less thrilled. As a Scottish lass the last thing she wants is to marry an Englishman. However, the handsome stable lad, Nick, which she's come to know intimately could make a girl think twice.

Nick is driven by passion and desire when he rescues a wild and brazen Scottish lady. Everything about her amuses or arouses him and he yearns for more moments with her. When she disappears he's afraid he'll never see her again. Good fortune is on his side when he finds her again in London. Unfortunately, he's not what she's looking for in a husband but she'll keep him as a lover.

This was an entertaining read with plenty of humor, lots of steam and a tad of angst. The banter between this couple was so cute and charming. I loved that Nick went into automatic alpha mode whenever another man even so much as looked at Isobel.

There is a bit of push from Isobel as she is determined to remain an independent woman and return to her homeland. My heart hurt for Nick as he longed for everything from her but was brusquely informed he could expect no more than what they already had.

The ending had a bit of drama and then a small epilogue that didn't give us too much look into their future. Overall, this was a very enjoyable read.

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Dual POV

Safe – some ow drama but the H is constantly running from her and the h is helping him
No apparent triggers

Sissy's Romance Book Review says

What a Highlander's Got To Do by Sabrina York is book Five in the "Untamed Highlanders" series. This is the story of Isobel Dounreay Lochlannach and Nick Wyeth, Viscount Stirling. I have read (and Loved!) the other books in this series but feel this can easily be a standalone book.

Isobel is a Scottish Lass with great family connections but is known as a hoyden, savage among other things by the English. Isobel prefers Scotland but is staying with Lady Willouby in Newcastle until her family returns. Once they do they are headed to attend the English Season which Isobel isn't looking forward to. Isobel family thinks to find husband's for to find a husband for Isobel and Catriona. While at Lady Willouby she happens to meet Nick while out riding. Isobel assumes he is a stable hand by the way he is dress and they banner back and forth. Nick thinks too she is just a maid but soon learns when he returns to the house who she is and where Isobel is staying. Nick is attracted to her and is somewhat disappointed the Isobel isn't a maid that he can play with...but it doesn't stop him from wanting to see her.

Isobel family shows up to get her before she can make contact with Nick to let him know that she won't be seeing him. When Nick learns she is gone he heads after her not yet wanting to give her up even though he

has only met her once.

This was such a great story! I am never ever disappointed in Ms. York's writing. Just loved this book !

Jessica's Totally Over The Top Book Obsession says

4 Half Scottish Stars

What a Highlander's Got to Do, was my first book by Sabrina York and I loved it! I am so glad I got this book from Netgalley, (on a whim because the cover was sexy) because I fell in love with the Untamed Highlanders world. This was the 5th book in the series, but can be read as a stand alone. I fell so in love with all of Isobel and Nick's family that I will be going back and reading all their books as well. Sabrina York's writing style was amazing. She really brought the characters to life. Nick was absolutely scrumptious. He was sexy, sweet, playful, and protective. He loved Isobel just as she was. He fell hard for her and he pursued her like the 1/2 Scottish beast he was. Isobel was very likable. Headstrong, stubborn, wild and independent to the point of reckless at times, Isobel made laugh, smile and want to shake some sense into her in equal measures.

Nick and Isobel had combustible passion. They made a really cute couple, and I was totally invested in their relationship. This book was a 5 star read for me, until Isobel did something stupid and made me want to rip my hair out. I could overlook it for the most part because she was so likable, but it dimmed my enjoyment of this book a tad. Still this was a good 4 star read for me. There was so much Scottish fun in this book. Cute wild Scottish children, sexy Scottish men and Sweet loving couples. I laughed and smiled a lot while reading. I fell in love with not only the main couple but the secondary characters as well. Sabrina York has a new fangirl. Now I have to go buy the secondary character's books so I can enjoy all their stories too!

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Megan says

What a Highlander's Got To Do

(Untamed Highlanders Book 5)

By: Sabrina York

Rating: ?????Platinum!!!

"Witty, scandalous, bubbling humor brimming off from every page! "

What a thrill to enjoy delving into another brilliant installment from the Lochlannach crew! I vividly recall first meeting a fearless young Isobel Dounreay Lochlannach in the midst of her childhood as Susana her mother rediscovers a lost love from the past in Susana and the Scot. How delighted I was to marvel at the same characteristics that made Isobel appealing as a child effortlessly transferred to her adulthood in a gracious and witty manner.

"An afternoons read, sure to pull at your heart strings and leave you laughing out loud. What a complete joy to read!"

From the onset of this novel I was quite simply enthralled with the carefree fast paced atmosphere that Sabrina effortlessly creates. Who does not simply enjoy a case of mistaken identity, a fleeting infatuation, or a secret tryst. The initial pages cast Isobel and Nick Wyeth (Viscount Stirling) into each others arms abound with passion, both completely unawares of each other's identities and the destinies they were unknowingly laying a foundation for. The combination of angst and immediate action are enough to hold any readers attention....

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