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Playing Dirty is a full length sexy standalone with an HEA.

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Clau says

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Playing Dirty by Mickey Miller was a fantastic read. I thoroughly enjoyed the premise of bad boy baseball pitcher Jake Napleton pursuing the goody two-shoes, PR consultant, Andrea Diggers. While trying to overhaul his image, sparks flew, tensions escalated and their chemistry combusted!

While the basics of the plot weren't original (bad boy athlete/good girl out to fix his image), there was a small town wholesome quality to the heroine that I loved. She was genuine and honest and so different from a lot of heroines out there. I loved her sass and that she gave as good as she got. She might've been from a small town, but she wasn't letting this city-slicker playboy get the best of her!

I also loved that the author was able to showcase the hero's alpha, aggressive personality on the field and in the bedroom (HOT!!), but was also able to make his vulnerable side stand out. He was an immensely private guy with a tough upbringing, but he saw something in Andrea that made him put his guard down. I thoroughly enjoyed this story and will mark it as one of my favorites! ~ Ratula, 4 "Dirty" Stars

Lisa says

Review to come.

Kate Hastings says

Firstly, congrats to Mickey Miller with the debut of his novel.

I can see from the other reviews, I'm going against the tide a little here, but I'm going to be honest with my thoughts.

The premise was great, the title had me intrigued and the teasers for the book had my interest piqued. I enjoy sports romances, alpha bad-boys, and dual POV writing - so for all intents and purposes, I was all set.

However at the end of the read, I liked this book, I didn't love it. I actually found it easy to put aside for a few hrs and read something else.

Where I think I struggled most was with the amount of inner dialogue from both characters... sometimes for pages at a time with out any conversation / interaction with others. I also found some of the inner-dialogue

repetitive, and I found myself feeling frustrated, thinking 'enough, lets move on'.

The other thing that I think prevented me from loving it, was that there were just so many topics/issues covered, that laying out the foundation of those reveals, made it a slow-going read. The first 2/3rds or more of the book felt like the set-up and then bam, in the last few chapters, things got moving so fast and all at once, it felt somewhat rushed.

I loved the girl-talk with Andrea & Amy, it was engaging, funny, honest and reminded me of how I talked with my girlfriends. I enjoyed the interactions with Jake, Tate and Andrea, they were heartfelt and touching.

So it's a 3-Star like from me. I am happy for Mickey Miller though that there are many other reviewers on here that did 5-Star love this book.

I will definitely read another book from this new author, maybe it was just that this story wasn't for me.

Sam (AMNReader) says

well, that experiment failed. It failed quickly.

I was wondering at all these positive reviews. I don't think my favorite books have this level of adoration. I thought one of two things: 1) it's great. 2) no one remotely mean had read it.

A PR agent walks into a crowded post game locker room. Why? I'm still not clear. Maybe this is the job. For the social media? Idk. But fine.

Then, nude-ish baseball player makes all kinds of innuendos using this very *nuanced* style. Putting everything that can be interpreted sexually in italics. In case we can't read between the lines.

Player did this in front of his team, at the best it's offensive. At the worst, it's humiliating. At least if you're anything like me. Both are on the job. Basically it is all of the above to me. Andrea got Jake back with her quick wit, so that's good...I guess...until he leans into her, talks about her legs and also asks her on a date essentially saying he doesn't have the time now so it'll have to be that..the men scoff knowingly, and she... Can't believe her former crush would actual hit on her.

Here's what I love about romance: authors get to play with the power dynamic. They get to do the unexpected. They get to balance the scales. But this was expected. This is shit we have in our everyday. but It's not cute it's not flattering. It's threatening. Hot former crushes can still be huge dangerous pricks. Should I left hope for the rest of the book? Perhaps. But ob-la-di and all that.

Also not if you're going to go into Chicago demographics, your back history and all in a skimmy cheap way.

Then Andrea proceeds to tell us how she got chewed out and wasn't tough enough and all her boss was saying... And then showed us for like 2 lines.

So...tell tell tell. And maybe tell again. Horrible power dynamic/working relationship angle.

But kudos for a heroine that is 6' and athletic.

(Oh, the hero told us how smart she was too. And how competent)

Gypsy Soul Korina says

5 "Effin" Stars!!!

Baseball and a love story with a shot of reality!

This book was just as good as this year's final game of the World Series!

Jake is the baseball player that no one truly knows. Andrea is the intern who piques his interest even though he is her job. As she tries to redeem his public image, the two learn there is more than meets the eye.

Mickey Miller penned a grad slam novel and I am looking forward to his next novel as much as I am looking forward to baseball season.

While I normally share the highlighted pieces that I fall in love with...the highlights in this novel are a tad personal but when I read them, it was like the novel was talking to me so the only one I'll share is simple:

"Inhale. Exhale."

PS-I did receive an ARC of this novel, but, I still would have given it 5 stars once I read it. ;)

SueBee★bring me an alpha!★ says

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Kindle-freebies (currently over 700 books)
<https://www.goodreads.com/review/list...>

Melanie (mells_view) says

Pretty darn good...

As far as sports romances go this one was a pretty standard storyline. It did have its different assets to me. Jake was kind of a closed book, that was constantly only judged by his cover. What lesson have we all learned? Don't judge a book by its cover, and Jake definitely deserves a deeper look.

Andrea is a small town girl working in the big city for her big break. She's got a PR internship and she is ready and willing to take on her first client. Bad boy Jake! Unfortunately for her, he's less than enthused about needing a PR makeover. He's super resistant even though he's very flirty and friendly with Andrea, he doesn't want her help professionally.

I felt like Jake's backstory was pretty unique. I'm not sure if the author has any connection to Chicago, but if he does I wouldn't be surprised because it felt as though he was very invested in the area and it's people through his character! I don't want to ruin it, but finding out the little details as you read is nice. I also liked Andrea's backstory and how it affected her relationship with Jake and even with her friends/co-workers.

This story was funny, without trying too hard. The funny moments felt very natural and were even snuck in there at times. The banter between characters also felt very natural! It was angsty, it had some naughty bits, and it was sweet at times. It honestly had a little bit of everything. Very well written and I can't wait to see what else comes from this author! Great work!

Janna ♥ I'm A Sweet And Sassy Book Whore ♥ says

***This and other reviews can be found at www.imasweetandsassybookwhore.com ***

ARC

So I am not one of those book snobs who turn their nose down at male romance writers. To me it doesn't matter what is between the author's legs as long as the book is good. Playing Dirty was a book that I really enjoyed reading and it was written by a man.

Jake will surprise you in a good way, that bad boy had secrets and those secrets will have you not only loving him but wishing it was you that he wanted. Andrea is bound and determined to prove her worth to her boss, and fixing Jake's image is how she needs to do that. She also has some secrets, ones that have had her, in a sense, wounded, I don't want to say broken because I think she is still very strong especially when it comes to Jake.

Playing Dirty is hot, it is sexy, it reminds us that what we see on social media is not all that we are, and that sometimes doing something for others is the best reward of all. I am impressed by Mickey Miller's writing

and am curious to see what he writes next.

Angela *Whiskey Angel Life Blog* says

I was lucky enough to receive an ARC of Mickey Millers debut novel Playing Dirty and I was not disappointed.

Written from a dual POV, we live through the thoughts of both Andrea and Jake Napleton. Andrea has been hired to clean up Jakes bad boy image, while Jake tries everything to resist the change.

"He needs to learn the difference between a private and a public life"

Andrea and Jake are drawn to each other right from the beginning with a lot of push and pull between them. Sexual tension high, while their connection is growing.

"He entered my room and looked at me, determined. I couldn't speak, even if I wanted to. My resistance was gone, so I just waited, wanting him, wanting this, however it ended."

We learn about Andrea and Jakes pasts. Both filled with darker times that shape the core of who they are today, helping them to form a bond that will allow them to grow together. And once they get together, well lets just say that you will not be disappointed!!!

*"This was heaven.
This was release.
This is what Jake did to me"*

I loved how it all came together in the end. It was the perfect HEA!!!

Mickey Miller writes a really strong male POV. I would love to see a future book done totally from the male POV, but that may be for selfish reasons only since they are my preference!!!

I rate his debut novel as 4*. I felt that the first 1/2 of the book was a little slow, taking a little too long to build up to the good stuff!! I also felt that his female POV was weak. Overall you will not be left unsatisfied.....

Mr. Miller's Playing Dirty will have you "playing dirty!"

Renee Mcleary says

WOW!!! Amazing book!!

This was my first book by Mickey and I loved it!! I was pulled in from the beginning and I fell in love with Jake and Andrea. The writing was beautiful and the story flowed perfectly. Oh my lord the sex scenes were so hot!! I loved the chemistry between them. I can not wait to read more books by him! If you are looking for a good sports romance I highly recommend this one!!

Marybeth says

Mickey Miller pitched a no-hitter with his debut novel, *Playing Dirty*. This story was so good that it sucked me in from the very beginning. Andrea and Jake have oodles of chemistry and I was behind them all the way. I really liked these two together!! Not to mention they were super hot and sexy together!!!

At first glance, Jake who is the star pitcher for the Chicago Jaguars, appears to be little more than a cocky playboy athlete. Andrea, who is a former softball player from a small town in Tennessee, is interning at a PR firm and is assigned to help him clean up his image.

They definitely didn't see the other one coming and certainly weren't counting on falling in love. We find out very early on that Jake is so much more than his social media image. It was awesome throughout how they both looked out for each other and were so protective of each other. I also adored him for volunteering his time and resources to coach the young boys on the south side and really loved everything he did for them, especially Tate. I really liked how bad-ass she was to set things right again for Jake.

Can't wait for Mickey's next one!

Tre Talbot says

What a debut novel coming from Mickey Miller. From the very beginning I love how we were learning the background of both Andrea and Jake. It goes to show you that you should never judge a book by its cover, just because it's all over social media doesn't mean it's true. Getting to know what Jake was truly about deep down touched my heart and finding out what Andrea went through and how she came out stronger shows a lot about the woman she is. These two together were absolutely amazing together and loved their story. This is my unbiased and voluntary review.

sl.reads says

I love sport romances and Mickey hit this one spot on! I was drawn to Jake and Andrea's story since reading the blurb. There was just the right amount of sport talk and a perfect amount of swooning romance! I loved that we got to see both perspectives from Jake and Andrea - their emotions and thoughts were so realistic.

The growth in their relationship was beautiful and the secondary characters made it even more so. What a well written debut novel! I can't wait to see more from Mickey Miller!

Ash.loveofbooks says

Sexy, sweet and dirty. This book was so good! I thoroughly enjoyed reading this debut.

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The plot and the story's progression was perfectly executed. I love how this book is told from dual perspectives and you really understood each characters point of view.

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Jake is such a lovable alpha male with a huge heart. Andrea is such a sweet gal from Tennessee. Together these two are fantastic! Their chemistry is very much present from the first time these two characters meet to the very last page. I love Jake and Andrea's chemistry.

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I can't wait to read more from this author! Fantastic debut!

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Are you ready to get dirty and meet the Big Unit?
