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Just as her life finally seems to be on the road to happiness, an unimaginable twist of fate rocks Sophie Ryan's world yet again.

Torn between two paths that promise her unconditional love and unbearable heartbreak, Sophie faces the hardest choice of her life.

New truths will be revealed, old demons will resurface, but when future and past collide, who will she trust to keep her secrets?

The Secret Details

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From Reader Review The Secret for online ebook

Michelle Nageldinger says

Received as an ARC in exchange for an honest review from addicted to books and authors! This book was incredible I loved the relationship between Chase and Sophia and then wham ex fiancé Jack comes back from the dead. Sophia was devastated when she thought Jack had died it took her years to be able to open herself up for love and when she meets Chase she knows he is her one and only. When Jack returns she finds herself torn and confused she still loves Jack and the secret they share is one she never wants anyone else to know.

This book was amazing and full of emotion I found myself feeling it all. Kate Benson did not disappoint.

Amanda says

I've not been able to put this series down and am blown away right now, I cannot wait until December, I need answers now argh!!

Absolutely brilliant writing, a must read series, highly recommended

Amazeballs Book Addicts says

The Secret is book three in The Promise series. It is not a standalone, you must read The Promise and The Choice first. Each one of the books ends with a cliffhanger and the next one picks up where the one before left off.

I debated how to write this review. I try never to write spoilers in my reviews. There is a big jaw dropping cliffhanger at the end of book 2 (The Choice), which plays a big part in The Secret. My review is going to be a little vague because if you haven't read the first books, I don't want my review to spoiler them for you.

The Secret picks up where The Choice left off, with that bomb of a revaluation. After reading The Choice was definitely wondering how Kate Benson was going to pull off a believable explanation of what had happened. Oh yes she did a great job pulling you into the story and making it flow perfectly.

Sophie has a lot thrown at her in this story. She proves again how much a strong character she is. I loved Chase even more in this story. He is so strong and supported through everything they are going through. Some stuff from Sophie's past comes up, which I was surprised at.

I loved reading more from Chase, Sophia, Drake and Ana and can't wait to read to next one. Of course, there's a great cliffhanger at the end.

Jessica Leonard says

WARNING: Please do not read if you haven't read previous books in the Promise Series as there may be

spoilers to previous events.

YOU ARE KILLING ME KATE BENSON!~ but I love you *wink*

Seriously if you haven't read the Promise Series you need to start. They are addictive, suspenseful, emotional and certainly secretive!

We have followed the story of Sophie and her healing journey to love again after losing her once fiancé, Jack. But what happens when you find love, healed your heart, and moved on only to have your past come back to haunt you?

You freaking have a mental breakdown is what you do! I can not believe the struggles this girl has gone through and the turmoil she has endured is heart breaking. I was literally crying 5% into the book!

Not only do you go through Sophie's struggles you will also feel for Chase and Jack. Their inner demons come out and their insecurities are exposed! You can't help but want to take a shot yourself to deal with the drama that comes about!

AND DON'T GET ME STARTED ON SOPHIE'S MOM!! One word...BITCH!

Having been through some recent heart ache similar to Sophie and Jack's I was a mess reading this and just love Kate's style of incorporating all these points of views and keeping them straight. It's amazing! But be warned...There is an ending that will leave you hanging and wanting more!

5 *WINK* READ

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Christine says

What a journey Kate takes you on with these five great characters.

Sophie's life really sucks at the start of this book. She has a lot of feelings to deal with and her past comes back to haunt her.

Chase and Sophie happily engaged and Drake and Ana all gets blown to pieces when Jack returns, what a shock for Sophie and Ana.

Sophie still loves Jack and Chase but finally the truth comes out and why he went back to the army when she asked him not to.

Meeting Sophie's mum, boy was she an evil woman belittling Sophie at every opportunity. Thank goodness Chase and Jack stood up to her and sent her packing.

Loved the ending and can't wait to find out who it is!!!!

Another cliffy :-(

Christie72 says

The Secret is another rip-roaring, emotional ride of a story from the amazing Kate Benson. Like all the other books in the series, it takes you on so many twists and turns that you are an emotional mess by the time you finish the last page. I don't know about other readers, but this is my favorite kind of book!

The third book in the series opens up right where the last one left off. I am writing this review a bit differently in that I will not be writing a lengthy synopsis. I don't want to spoil it for anyone else who hasn't had the opportunity to read this fantastic series. The only thing I will mention is Sophie and Chase will have to fight like they have never had to fight before if their relationship is going to survive.

One of the aspects of this story that struck me and affected me were the characters. With the emotional upheaval that occurs at the end of the last book and the beginning of this one, all the main characters are forever altered by it. Therefore, they all go through difficulty and ultimately are change. Some characters, like Ana, I got annoyed with at times. Yet, I could also understand exactly where she was coming from. Benson has always done a fantastic job of exploring each character on deeper levels with each book she writes in the series. However, with this one, she goes into overdrive. There are secrets about Sophie that are revealed that make the other characters, and myself, see her in a different light. It makes me love her even more. While I love Chase, who wouldn't after reading these books, Sophie is the driving force behind them. She is a young girl that has been knocked down by life it seems at every turn, yet she pulls herself back up and becomes even stronger. She appears fragile at first glance, but she is the ultimate survivor and heroine. She is a character that will ALWAYS remain with me.

After every book I read by Kate Benson, I have to wait sometimes days, sometimes weeks before I can write a review that will do her any kind of justice. She writes such emotional books that have left me crying my eyes out, but she keeps bringing me back for more. Not only that, I think she has no more surprises to bring out, then BANG, she has done it again. Then, I am waiting on pins and needles for the next journey she is going to take me on. The emotions she brings out in her readers along with the yearning to see what she is going to do next make her an incredibly talented author and one to watch and add to your reading list. By the way, Kate, I loved the reference to your other series, The Escort, as the book Chase reads to Sophie. Nice, little hidden gem!

Tracey says

The Secret is another great read in The Promise Series. I wasn't sure what to expect after being left with another cliffhanger in The Choice. But can I just say Wow! We know that there has to be more to Sophie's past than she reveals because it is like pulling teeth from her when trying to get her to open up about herself. We know she is afraid that if people know about her past that they will leave her too like has happened to her before.

Chase has been nothing but supportive of Sophie from the beginning. He lets her take things slow and

divulge information at her own pace. Even he knows there is more to Sophie's past history than she is coming clean with. What will happen when those closest to her and love her find out what she has been hiding. Will they turn and leave like she is afraid of or do they stay and help her through what she struggles with?

This series has been leading us on an emotional roller coaster ride. There is great chemistry amongst the characters. They make us laugh and cry with what they go through because in real life we experience similar circumstances and can empathize with them.

I recommend you read The Secret after reading the first two books. Find out what happens to Sophie and Chase when her past collides with her present and future. Awesome series!

Romance Readers Retreat says

Amazing!!! How the hell Kate keeps writing these books that make my world stop, i do not know. I never ever want her to stop. She has a talent and half that's for sure.

Ok so my last review of book two the choice made me wanna go to the local airport, jump on a plane and pay Miss Benson a visit. Well again this is how i feel. I just didn't want this book to stop.

In the secret there are so many emotions it made me happy, sad, angry the list could go on... i really didn't know which way it was going to go and i can see and understand the way it went.

Kate has a talent for grabbing you from the very start of each book. I have grown attached to all the characters from the promise series. It was hard reading Sophie in that situation no one should ever have to go through with the shock she had to go through from an unexpected person but Kate wrote it beautifully and the emotion was raw and heartbreaking and made a big lump in my throat and grab the tissues.

I don't want to spoil with spoilers and ruin for people. It's hard to write this review as some people haven't read The Promise and The Choice.

I will say i'm major happy we get another book. If u haven't read the promise series please do it's a beautiful set and your missing out..

Five amazing stars

Ruthie Taylor says

"I received a free copy of this book to read and review for Wicked Reads."

This is the third in the Promises Series, and I foolishly thought it was the last, so when it just ended on a cliffhanger, I may have screamed quietly inside! You definitely need to read the first two to fully appreciate the story - and what a great story it is. If you haven't, stop reading and go and get them, because inevitably I will mention stuff you do not yet want to know...

I read the first two a number of months ago, but slotted right back into the storyline, as it was strong enough to have remained on my mind all that time. I have to say that not many books can do that, I would normally have to reread them to remind myself of the main characters etc. The suspense that is maintained throughout the book, had me stopping for breathers. And the ending ... Well clearly there is a lot more to come. Chase remains my total hero, and Sophie finally seems to get that too. The interactions between Drake and Ana continue to entertain, as well as grow as a couple. All in all a good book, but now I need Ms Benson to hurry along with the next instalment - please!

Karrie Mellott Puskas says

So Jack is back in my much anticipated book The Secret! Am I happy? No! Did I end up liking Jack? Yes!

Chase, Sophia, Drake and Ana are back! Thank god! The queen of cliffhangers has the gang back in The Secret and Jack is back from the dead!

The Secret is really a FANTASTIC read! Kate has grown so much in her writing and I have to say this is her best book yet! At least I think so!

You get sucked in from the first page and you don't want to put this book down. Chase, Sophia, and Jack have so much going on and to work thru. Chase is still amazingly hot! Yep I'm total #TeamChase! Jack grew on me! He really is a sweetie. I did find myself feeling bad for him!

Drake and Ana never disappoint! They are as hot as ever! And they sure have a relationship like no other!

I have to say one of my favorite parts in the book is when Chase and Sophia hop in his truck and asks what song Sophia wants to listen too! She doesn't care and he plays a song that totally made her blush and left me giggling!

Overall this is a great book! I highly recommend this book! Can't wait for more!!!

Melissa says

The Secret (The Promise, #3) by author Kate Benson is a Delish novel just brimming with a strategically woven web of secrets! What an amazingly detailed and well written storyline that grabbed my attention and even upon conclusion was not ready to let my body and mind go. I fell hard for this sweet love tryst, after Sophie thought Jack was dead, surprise! Now will her feelings for Chase escape her as her love reappears after an m.i.a. or will she oh hell yes, succumb to both, feelings old and new come alive and are rekindled. And just when I thought there were enough secrets going on in this amazing third installment, incoming jaw dropper! Another secret is revealed that will make or break Sophie, who Oh pray tell who will she choose?! EEEEEEP I found myself enjoying immensely, all but drooling on my Kindle Fire during those sultry and naughty moments. Oh God, just when I believed I would die from ecstasy, I was hit with yet another

bombshell, and holy crap did I really read the ending right?! I mean, now I'm not even sure can you say cliffhanger?!?! I need more, Sophie is a kind of gal I'd love to hang out with and be besties just sayin' one cool chick! I really was delighted at how fantastic The Secret was, and I'd shout on the highest mountain tops its the bees knees! I'm so slap happy I snagged an ARC and I would recommend in a heart beat. Get ready to fall hard this summer! Kudos Kate Benson!

Kay Richards says

One word: GOBSMACKED!!

Yep, Kate has done it again.

Like with all the other books in this series

(The Promise and The Choice), Kate has managed to produce such a moving, sweet, sexy and undeniably heartbreaking story.

Kate has such a way with words. She has proven time and time again that she is ahead of the game with her stories.

The heartbreak, the anguish, the pain is all there, I felt every single stab of it.

The laughter, the love, the happy times, I felt every single one of them.

And well..let's not even get started on the sex *fans self* Mmmm..yeah she got that spot on too ;)

The secret is exactly that a secret!

What is it? I hear you scream at me...

Well I suggest you go one click this bad boy..NOW!! I won't give any spoilers except to say.... I'm going to need therapy!!!

Well done Kate for your truly amazing, heart wrenchingly beautiful novel. If I could give you unlimited amount of stars, I would. But this site won't let me so here's 5 stars sweet cheeks but you deserve so many more!!

Kayla says

OMG! I don't even know what to say! This was such an AMAZING story. It catches you on the first page, and you just have to know what happens! I was not expecting the wide variety of feelings throughout the book, and was definitely not expecting to throw my Nook! However, it was simply wonderful, and I can't wait to see what Kate comes up with next!

Diana Wojdacz says

Once again Kate does not disappoint. Could not put it down until I was finished.

Joy Whiteside says

This was an awesome incredible story that I could not put down no matter what. It is an incredible story that will keep you interested and entertained from beginning to end. It has amazing characters that you cannot help but fall in love with and will need more of. It moves along at a great pace from beginning to end, never leaving you hanging. This has to be read, there is no doubt about it. Loved it.
