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Twin Princes of Mirraccino duet:

Book 1 - A Princess by Christmas (Prince Alexandro & Reese)

Book 2 - The Prince's Christmas Vow (Prince Demetrius & Zoe)

A royal kiss under the mistletoe

Prince Alexandro Castanovo arrives in snowy New York intent on protecting his royal family from scandal. And when Reese Harding—down-to-earth and heart-stoppingly beautiful—finds room for him at her inn, it seems like the perfect twist of fate.

Not long ago Reese's world came crumbling down, shaking her foundations. But this enigmatic stranger intrigues her! She's learned to be wary of secrets...but when she discovers Alex's true identity, might there be enough magic in the air to make this regular American girl a princess by Christmas...?

A Princess by Christmas Details

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Mlpmom (Book Reviewer) says

I can always count on Faye to deliver a sweet, heart warming romance. She has a knack for creating wonderful down to earth characters that you immediately can't help but fall in love with, her latest novella, falls right into that same category.

I couldn't help but love every single minute of this read as it warmed my heart and put me in the mood for the magic of the holidays.

If you are looking for a light fun holiday romance this is the story for you.

Alexa Nichole Demers says

If you are in the mood for a sweet and quick read you should definitely pick this book up. I read it in a few hours. The book itself was enjoyable. The characters were well thought-out and the story line had a good flow. I wasn't bored or praying to reach the end. Jennifer Faye create sweet characters that learned sometimes love and the things you want most need to come first.

Reese Harding had to leave school and her dreams behind to take care of her depressed mother when her father unexpectedly died. After all of his secrets come out Reese has sworn off men. None of them can be trusted and now she is doing all she can to keep the inn hers. She is trying to keep all of the bills paid and keep her mom happy now that she has finally come out of the dark place she was in. There hasn't been a man that has tempted her until one shows up insisting he made a reservation when she doesn't have room.

Prince Alexandro dropped everything to fly to America so that he can start some rumors about his non-existent love life. He finds his nation in jeopardy when his brother gets involved with a scandal that no one wants to come out. His duty has always come first. There is no room and no good reason to go looking for love. Especially when it can leave you with a broken heart. When he shows up at The Willow the owner might be the first person to put that to the test.

Alex and Reese have to figure out what is most important to them. Can Reese leave her safe world and give her heart to another man and trust that he wants to leave like the others? Can Alex see that their love affair could be everything he ever needed if he can put Reese before his duty?

A Princess by Christmas will leave it's readers swooning over Alex and rooting for Reese. This book will show you all of the magic that the holidays can bring and so much more. I highly recommend this book for any and every romance lover.

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Pauline Destinugrainy says

Awalnya sempat bingung masalahnya Alex ini apa sih, sampai harus lari ke New York? Informasinya hanya sepotong-sepotong. Sampai akhir Alex masih menyimpan beberapa misteri sih menurutku. Btw, novel yang ini lumayan "bersih" tapi suka dengan penyelesaian masalahnya.

Aditi says

Tell me which girl doesn't dream about a fairytale ending in her life- that impossibly handsome prince sweeping you off on your feet! Even after growing up, you still cherish that dream, but keep it aside because we become so wise. Well I also did keep the thought aside and moved on, but I never stopped myself from reading one and losing into it.

Firstly, a huge thanks to the author, Jennifer Faye, for sending me a review copy of her to-be released book, *A Princess by Christmas*, in return for an honest review.

Well, to be honest, I know many people do not like this kind of cheesy love-stories, but since I read Jennifer Faye's previous book, titled, *The Return of the Rebel*, I turned into a complete fan of her, and started rooting for reading more of her books. Maybe because I love way too cheesy and emotional love-stories, which takes me into an unreal world filled with promises and trust and LOVE-unlimited! Who doesn't need a break and for me- a good romantic book is a total getaway! No matter whomever the publisher is! I have never learnt to judge a book by its publisher or author!

Sorry for drifting away! Jennifer Faye is a lovely author and has the ability and talent to create a surreal world which she makes it so believable with her use of simple words and vividness. I really respect her and her books and her beautiful and compelling romantic stories, which are really a retreat for me after a long day. *A Princess by Christmas* is a charming and mushy love-story about a prince and an ordinary, simple yet beautiful young girl. Yeah sounds like fairytale! I know, but this is strictly for grown-up girls and ladies who loves to fancy themselves on the shoes of that simple yet beautiful girl and wants to be swept away by a dreamy and a charming prince of an exotic land.

No play and only hard work seems to be the mantra of the no-nonsense young business woman named Resse, who happens to be the owner of a small inn left in a debt by her father. Alex happened to fatefully stand on the doorstep of her very inn when Alex had to come up to New York to save his kingdom from false rumors of his brother's deeds. What happens next is really quite easy to guess! Sparks fly instantly and both try to hide their feelings till the very end and feelings and emotions become an endangered species for them, when Resse is thrown into the hot tub of jealousy and trust.

Anybody who enjoys a little bit of corny and mushy-mushy romance stories would love to cherish this book. And yes this is not that type of book which will you grease your brain cells instead it will be bound to bring a smile at the corner of your mouth. As per the pace and flow of narration, the author has done a great job to make it more interesting and quite fascinating. I also loved how the author kept her characters quite realistic and thoughtful for her readers, thus giving an edge to the plot. The chemistry between them is not something bed-burning or passion-firing kind, but it was sweet with a passion and quite blissful. Both the protagonists had some sort of trust issues, Resse especially, Alex was more focused on saving his kingdom from bad mouth. And the whole air of exoticness around Prince Alejandro was quite well developed by the author.

All-in-all, a pretty much enjoyable book with a engrossing storyline that any girl would love. So don't miss to be swept away by the enchant-ness of this beautiful love-story!

Susan says

Very sweet fairy tale type of romance. Reese is struggling to make ends meet at her inn. Several years earlier she'd had to leave school, giving up her dreams of becoming an artist, when her father died. His death brought secrets to light that devastated her mother and made it difficult for Reese to trust another man.

Alex shows up at the inn one night, expecting to be able to stay in the room he had reserved. Unfortunately, there had been a mix-up and there were no rooms available. In order not to lose his deposit, Reese put him up in her room until one became available for him. Alex is in New York to try to head off a scandal involving his older brother and an ill-advised marriage. He is attracted to Reese and finds her infinitely fascinating, but knows there is no chance of a relationship between them. Alex has spent most of his adult life paying very close attention to his duty to his family and country and ignoring anything that would be strictly for himself. He also refuses to allow himself to fall in love, having seen his father's devastation after his mother's death. Alex comes up with the idea of asking Reese to pretend to be his girlfriend in order to draw the paparazzis' attention. He doesn't expect to start to have feelings for her.

Reese liked Alex before she found out who he was. He was attractive, nice and fun to be with. She wasn't so happy when she found out his secret, as she'd had enough experience with deception thanks to her father. When Alex begged for her help in order to protect his brother and his home, she couldn't say no. She knew that there was no chance that their deception could become real, but her heart was harder to convince. When he took her home to his Mediterranean island she was entranced by it. The things they did together as part of the deception were a lot of fun, and she found herself falling deeper for him. Just when she thought there might be a chance for them, things fell apart and she fled for home.

I loved the way that the author used How the Grinch Stole Christmas to show Alex the price of devoting himself solely to duty. He had to learn about the importance of love, and when he did, he did it very well. I loved his "go big" moment, and the epilogue was very sweet.

Rob.C. Rob.C. says

Who hasn't dreamt as a child to meet a charming prince and become a princess? If you're raising your hand and saying, "me" than maybe this book isn't for you.

If, on the other hand, you're like me and have grown up watching Disney movies and dreaming of being swept away by a handsome prince just like all the female characters in those movies, you should grab a copy of this book.

A Princess By Christmas is a modern fairytale, featuring Reese, an independent American woman struggling to make ends meet and save her family inn from the debts her father left behind when he died, and Alejandro, a handsome Mediterranean prince in disguise who's travelling to New York to take away the attention of the paparazzi from a scandal looming over his royal family back home. If he becomes the target for the paparazzi, they'll be too busy to go dig into his twin brother's (and crown prince) life, so all he needs to do is spread rumours about him having fallen in love with an American girl and they'll follow him to New York. There's only one problem: he hasn't found a fake girlfriend yet – but when he meets Reese, the owner

of the inn he's booked a stay in, his immediate attraction to her throw him a little off kilter. As a member of the royal family, he has duties and expectations – falling in love is not on his agenda. Neither is on Reese's. As they start to get closer, the attraction gets harder to ignore and when Alex is forced to tell Reese the truth, things become even more complicated. It's all supposed to be a charade, and Reese doesn't want to give her heart to Alex, no matter how charming he is but when the line between reality and pretense blurs, can they keep to their initial plan and part ways as soon as the situation has been fixed?

This book is a very quick read that I managed to start and finish over a weekend. The Christmas atmosphere gives it that little bit of magic, but it's okay to read it throughout the year because it's not your typical Christmas story – especially since Reese ends up spending Christmas day on a Mediterranean isle with palm trees and blue skies.

I enjoyed the book, even though I felt there could have been a little more character development, as it seems that both characters changed their beliefs and attitudes almost too quickly. Apart from this, which is only my personal view, I liked the story and I would recommend it to all those readers who enjoy a clean, modern fairytale with no angst or tension. If you like sweet romance, you will like this book.

I received a complimentary copy in exchange for an honest review

Megan says

My Christmas romance reading this season is off to a lackluster start. This was competently written and I found the first half interesting, but the second half was tedious and perfunctory. The royal drama was never consistent or believable (even for royal romance drama), and after they left New York, the protagonists didn't get to do anything interesting or anything rooted in their personalities.

Nas Dean says

A PRINCESS BY CHRISTMAS by author Jennifer Faye is a Harlequin Romance release for October 2014.

Reese Harding struggled to keep her family Inn operating. She had creditors at her back and workers she couldn't let go as they depended on her. And her mother depended on her after the betrayal and subsequent death of her father.

Prince Alejandro Castanovo arrived incognito at Reese's Inn. But she had no reservation or room available for him due to an admin error. She had to give up her own room for him. Alex is entranced by this sweet but feisty dynamo of a woman who kept everything operating smoothly. Could he forget duty to his family and live a normal life for once with Reese? What would happen when she finds out his secret?

A PRINCESS BY CHRISTMAS is a lovely romance between a prince and an ordinary girl. Author Jennifer Faye's latest offering would touch every girl's heart and make her swoon at Alex. And readers would be glued to the pages to read what ultimately happens to Reese's love affair with her prince.

Highly recommended to all lovers of romance.

Jane Hunt says

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'A Princess by Christmas' is a lovely romantic fairytale, perfect for curling up by a crackling log fire on a winter's afternoon.

Reese is an independent but emotionally vulnerable heroine. Alex is a dashing prince who turns up at Reese's family inn, incognito. A teenage mistake that led to family tragedy rules Alex's adult life, making him live by a duty first maxim.

I loved the traditional qualities of this gentle story, the importance of family, loyalty and helping others. All of these were conveyed within the modern setting of a city based inn and a dreamy Mediterranean kingdom.

The chemistry between Alex and Reese is the smouldering kind. Circumstances and proximity combine and result in steamy passion delivered in a sweetly romantic way, in keeping with the story's fairytale world.

Reese is an easy character to like as she struggles with inherited debt and her mother's emotional collapse. Alex is touched by her plight but also by her tenacity and willingness to put others, including him before her own comfort. She is no sugary, sweet heroine, which makes her refreshingly realistic. She can be controlling and impetuous but given the obstacles she faces, this isn't surprising.

Do Alex and Reese have a fairytale 'happy ever after'? Read this delightful story to find out. It has the perfect 'will she', 'won't she' magical ending guaranteed to keep you reading. You won't be disappointed.

I received a copy of this book from the author.

Jennifer Faye

Yaritzá says

I am so happy I was picked to be a reviewer for this amazing book. After I finished this book I got all teary eyed because I was so happy that Alejandro and Reese found true love. I was so happy that Jennifer used How The Grinch Stole Christmas in order to show Alejandro that there is more to life than just worrying about his royal duties. That is my favorite Christmas book. The whole entire plot of this book was just perfect. I loved all the plot twist coming from both different families. It shows that no one is perfect even if you have everything you are looking for. The cover of the book is beautiful and depicts both characters. I

loved that I was able to picture being at Marraccino, with that beautiful beach, garden and castle. I love holiday books because it brings family together. You definitely need to pick this book up, you won't be disappointed. Thanks for giving me a chance to be part of your royal romance.

Jo-Anne says

I loved this book. It was a wonderful fairy tale type romance with Prince Alexandro Castanovo from Marraccino arriving in New York in disguise hoping that nobody would recognize him. He had reservations at The Willows Inn which was run by Reese Harding. Reese had been struggling to keep the inn going and not let any of her employees go when Alex arrived for his reservation. Reese's mother had taken the reservation but not properly so Reese had no record of it even though a huge deposit had been taken. Since they didn't have a room available for him, Reese gave up her bedroom for Alex until a guest room became available. Even though Alex was attracted to Reese he fought it because he had a duty to his family and country which didn't include a romance with a commoner.

I was captivated with this story right from the beginning. I couldn't read it fast enough to find out what happened but I didn't want it to end either. What a problem. It takes place a couple of weeks before Christmas making it a great holiday read but even with that it could be read and enjoyed at any time of the year. Alex's secret was difficult for him to keep but he felt he had no choice but to hide his identity and location, even though he knew he would never be able to explain it to Reese if she found out.

The character development was very well done. I loved that Alex was an all around nice guy and was even a bit unsure of himself at times. I swear Alex is my new book boyfriend. Reese was not as easy to like at first because she was so controlling but once she loosened up and let go of some of her need for control, she was much better to appreciate.

I must say that this did bring tears to my eyes at times - especially the ending. I am so glad I won this book or I might have missed it. If you like romance you will love A Princess By Christmas and I highly recommended it.

Beth (YA Books Central) says

Tiffany's Review:

Looking for a heart-warming fairy tale love story?! This book is for you! I absolutely loved this book! Reese had to drop out of college to return home after her father dies. Reese and her mother are left in debt and are trying to keep their New York family mansion in business. Their luck begins to change when they over book their rooms and let a very intriguing guest stay in their private quarter of the house. Alex does not let anyone know that he is the Princess of Mirraccino!!! Neither Alex or Reese are looking for love but they both realize that there is something between them! I would definitely recommend adding this book to your list! It is a great love story with just the right amount of Christmas spirit! I give it 5 stars!

<http://curling-up-with-a-good-book.bl...>

Megan says

Not really that good. I just didn't feel they were in love.

Carla says

A charming and heart-warming romance!

Desere says

Prince Alexandro Castanovo arrives in a snowy New York, intent on protecting his royal family from scandal. Down to earth and heart - stoppingly beautiful Reese Harding finds room for him at her inn and the pieces for a perfect twist of fate start to fall into place.

Not so long ago Reese's world crumbled to the ground and shook her foundations, pushed her to her limits and ever since she has been a little of kilter, but she is more than just a little intrigued by this handsome stranger. And when she discovers his true identity , the magic of Christmas might just have enough charm to turn this ordinary American girl into a princess by Christmas.

I have been a huge fan of Jennifer's books for a long time , especially because she manages to take any story and give it such an overpowering life of it's own , it leaves me breathless and in that very happy romantic bubble each and every time.

This time was no different, the author delivered a stunning story of romance and happiness found in the most unexpected places, with a unique twist of it's own.

This was the absolute perfection of romance at Christmas time, Alex the perfect hero that would make any girls knees go weak and Reese the very life and soul of dreams come true.

I loved the idea of an ordinary girl finding her real life prince, and of course I mean a real prince ! It is a dream that many woman all over the world share and for a very lucky few it becomes a reality , but not all of us are destined to be real princesses. And I must tell you had the author made Alexandro an ordinary man and not a prince the read would still have been perfect for this hero knows how to let any woman feel like a princess.

The characters were both written really well, and had loads of wonderful emotion that more than once got the better of me, tissue alert!

I loved the back and worth range of emotion from both main characters, it put them in a very realistic light, showing that there is always something to think about before acting on anything life presents to us.

I am taking away a message of love comes in all forms, and yes it will change us, even to the point where we no longer know who we really are. But the trick is to stop and take a look and see if what you have become is

maybe not better than what you were before. If you try to look the other way you might lose the one person who has filled your heart with that extra special little something that was needed to bring out the real you.

I recommend this read for all fans of romance reads. It had the perfect set up for a stunning little magic of Christmas ! A passionate, sensual and compelling read filled with the miracle of love.

5 star review

" She fills his heart with love, but will she let him have her's ?"
