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*A steamy, heart-stopping thrill ride through the jungle as a woman living a lie is forced to trust the one man who can expose her secrets. . . .*

Posing as the spoiled girlfriend of an international crimelord, Delanie Eastman braves a remote mountain in South America to find her missing sister. The last person she expects to see is Kyle Wright, the man she had a torrid affair with four years ago. What is he doing so far from home? Though frightened and suspicious of this man who is not what he seems, Delanie cannot resist the dangerous attraction that draws her ever closer to him like a moth to flame.

Kyle is in the middle of his own secret mission and he's not about to let the gorgeous, unpredictable Delanie ruin his carefully laid plans. He will guide Delanie out of the jungle by any means necessary—including seduction. But just one touch is all it takes to rekindle the intoxicating flame that still burns between them, igniting an arsenal of desire that could cost them their lives. For soon both are on the run, playing a lethal game of . . .

## HIDE AND SEEK

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# From Reader Review Hide and Seek for online ebook

## Priscilla Robinson says

I'm not quite sure how the book works. But it works perfectly for me. In the mist of blood shed, getting drugged, fighting, murder and kidnapping there is a love story to melt your heart. I loved Kyle. I everything about him and the many layers that he had.

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## Bianca says

So definitely ridiculously unbelievable! But still a lot of fun to read.

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## Anita says

Cherry Adair has some very sexy and suspenseful moments in this book. Sad that the suspend reality button must be pushed before you read it. There is no way that most of what happens in this book could possibly take place, especially the parts that have Kyle not knowing anything about Lauren or Delanie's involvement with Montero. One really good thing about this series - they don't build on each other, you can read the books out of order. Characters may overlap, but not to the detriment of the book.

Delanie's beautiful sister, Lauren, has gone missing and the caretaker, Delanie, must find her and bring her home. Delanie, a kindergarten teacher, is the caretaker of a dysfunctional family, her mother, sister, grandfather, aunt, various cousins. It is a lot for one person. Delanie is predisposed to hate men. Her father used her mother for a 10 year affair and grandfather was someone Delanie also needed to take care of. Trust is not a word she associates with men. She gets herself on top of a mountain in South America with a known wealthy nasty, Montero, and has no idea how deep in do-do she really is. She is so separated from reality to think she can find her sister, save her sister and get them both out of there it is incomprehensible as a plot devise. She comes face to face with Kyle, a man she met, and had a wild sexual weekend with, 4 years ago.

Dr. Kyle Warren is a T-FLAC agent and a super brain. He just has very little common sense. He finds himself on an op that is supposed to shut down Montero's operation permanently when he comes face to face with Delanie, his weekend fling from years ago, whom he couldn't quite seem to get over. The reason why she's there on Montero's mountain and in a lot of danger is not important. He needs to get her gone and quick. T-FLAC is going to blow the place to kingdom come in 5 days. You just know how well that is going to go.

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## Beanbag Love says

Oh my. I liked Adair's "Kiss and Tell" even though it was an absurd premise. But this follow-up is so outlandish it almost seems as if the author was picking plot points out of a hat full of suggestions.

Mostly, I hated the heroine. TSTL and selfish as the day is long. A lot is made of her taking care of her

family and being the one everyone depends on. It's absolutely clear though (and the hero brings this up at one point) that taking care of everyone and making them dependent on you is NOT a virtue. Infantilizing people is a power trip, nothing better. And this chick is all about control. Not that she has any qualifications, experience or ability. She stomps around like a spoiled child, willfully misreading things and demanding it all be her way. Meanwhile she's getting in the way of some pretty serious business the grown-ups are trying to pull together.

The hero, Kyle Wright, is a genius who winds up undercover for four years in order to set up an elaborate sting. The operation was so badly explained that I'm beginning to suspect it was actually just an excuse for him to grow his hair into a waist length fall of dark and dangerous sexiness.

I won't go into more details. Suffice to say the heroine is a monkey wrench throughout. I have no idea why a man who only has half a brain, much less a man who's considered a genius, would fall in love with this troublesome ditz.

Still, I have to passively recommend reading it for the unintentional laughs. It helps to have a reading buddy, as I had with Dina, so you can giggle and point at the nonsense together.

I'm not sure if I have the stomach for another Cherry Adair book. I'm grooving on the suspense romance genre, but I do know a lot more of it falls in the "Hide and Seek" category, rather than "Kiss and Tell". If anyone has any suggestions within this genre, I'd love to know them. :D

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## **Holly says**

After having read Cherry Adair's Kiss and Tell, I was eager to read another one of her T-FLAC books. I admit the synopsis gave me pause, but I thought, nah, I'm sure it will be a good book. Always trust your first impression! This wasn't as bad as I thought it would be, it was worse!

Hide and Seek was completely far fetched, ridiculous and full of over the top shenanigans all crammed into one book. Our heroine Delanie was the type of heroine that makes you want to scream! Her determination to save her sister was overdone and her devotion to her family was eye rolling. She's the only one who can save the day and so she must hang around the dangerous piranha infested, anaconda laden estate of a psychopath drug dealer hellbent on world domination who plans to release a dangerous bio-weapon. Does any of this deter our fearless heroine? No. She doesn't care, because she's only here to save her sister. Never mind the fact she doesn't know where to look or if her sister is still on the estate, never mind the fact that if the world dies, her precious sister dies too, never mind the fact her sister is a big girl who made her bed, never mind the fact she's in way over her head. Nope, she's not budging. Besides, it's not so scary. The guards on the estate know she's the pretend sex toy of the super scary psychopath so they leave her alone to wander about the estate poking into all the nooks and crannies. Also, she's under disguise as an easy tart complete with pink flamingo earrings so no one will put two and two together and think she's up to something nefarious. Until Dr. Kyle Wright shows up and is stunned to see her. Apparently these two had a wild and crazy sex fest four years ago and neither one has forgotten it. Kyle has been working undercover since he left Delanie and when he sees the innocent blonde calmly sitting next to one of the most dangerous men in the world, he's adamant she leave immediately. Not without my sister, she says!

Dr. Kyle Wright has been working undercover for so long that he has nearly forgotten who he is. Delanie represents all the goodness that he is fighting for so he's understandably frantic to protect her without

arousing the suspicions of anyone. Luckily for Delanie, Kyle is a super spy, super doctor, all around expert in all types of weaponry and transportation plus he's a hunk with a perfect physique and perfect hair. With his amazing CV her safety should be assured but of course our intrepid heroine knows better and blithely blazes her own trail. When he tells her to stay put, she wanders, when he tells her to meet him somewhere, she pops up at a different location, when he tells her to hide, she of course bumps into the bad guys and ruins four years of undercover work.

He loves this girl?! I would have shot her and buried her out back. Or fed her useless corpse to the piranhas.

There was just entirely too much going on in this book. I could have forgiven a few of Delanie's TSTL moments. A few of them. But she has so many that this book descends into a farcical mess. Kyle is also too much. His patience and understanding knows no bounds until the last part of the book. When Delanie and Kyle find her sister I was finally okay with her worry and protectiveness. Her sister was in pretty bad shape and of course I would choose to be with her, but Kyle suddenly draws a line in the sand and it's either now or never. Her sister or him. Huh? What happened to that endless understanding? This is the woman who busted up a four year long undercover sting operation and now your getting pissy because she wants to leave you a day early and meet up with you later on?

Grrrrr.

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### **LibraryLass says**

Am slowly backtracking and reading this T-Flac series. I've picked this one up a couple of times, but didn't like the beginning as I don't usually like the h/h to have had one (or 3!) night stand with each other before the storyline starts. However, I am so pleased I persevered (I have to read series in order so I had to read this sometime!).

The action was great, ongoing with no real flat spots. I always love a book that has the women in danger scenario, but in this I loved the fact that the hero went from protective to impatient and back again.

I enjoyed both characters, which is a real bonus for me. Delanie didn't whinge or whine... the only negative here for me was I think Delanie was too she-man when they are in the forest fighting off the baddies. I mean, she is a kindergarten teacher after all. But it didn't annoy me enough to stop me reading.

I loved Kyle...right down to his impatience with Delanie and the choice he sometimes has to make between his duty and her was worked into the story well without making an OTT production of it. He sometimes came off as rather abrasive, but don't all men!!

Anyway, I can't say this is a standout or a favourite but it certainly kept me turning the pages. Read it in one sitting. Recommended to all who like romantic-suspense more on the romance side than 'suspense' like me.

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### **Ana T. says**

Adair's first book I read failed to convince me but I had this one in the tbr pile and so decided on reading it just the same.

It's more or less the same kind of plot, terrorists and drug dealers as villains, a special operations hero and an innocent heroine caught in the middle. Well this heroine got herself in the middle by going in search of her sister who was on more than friendly terms with the villain. There she finds the hero pretending to be a

terrorist but actually preparing to close down the villain's operation. And, big coincidence, she had a one night stand with hero a few years ago and never forgot him (what are the odds of picking a man for a one night stand and being remembered 5 years later?).

Well although it didn't seem as cartoonish as the previous book terrorists and special operation agents are still not my favourites. I guess I just feel that there's violence instead of character development.

The heroine was a (big) bit TSTL and kept getting herself in more trouble but as a whole the story wasn't that bad (meaning it was entertaining despite being bad). Oh and I really hated the last scenes, if you had to choose between staying with a wounded sister or leave her with strangers to go after your healthy lover which would you choose? The sister right? So how come we have a scene of the heroine having to grovel to the hero because of that? It was going ok but that ruined it for me. And now I'm left wondering about Dare and Lauren...after 2 C grades to Cherry Adair I should have learned my lesson shouldn't I? But if she ever writes a book about them I might be tempted to read it. Talk about an addiction!

Also this review didn't come out the easy way, you might find that it's not at all well structured. I blame it on the contradictory feelings I had while reading this book...

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## **Ladiibbug says**

#3 T-FLAC - Romantic Suspense

Kyle Wright and Delanie Eastman

Wow, this one rang a whole bunch of my reading pleasure bells:

- \* Exotic location (jungles of South America, complete with the sounds of tropical birds and screaming monkeys);
- \* International Crime Lord villain living in a secluded luxury compound;
- \* Bio-Terror sub-plot - because it's unusual;
- \* Meticulously laid plans of deep undercover good guy agent posing as a bad guy;
- \* Multiple sexy, hunky good guy agents.

Ms. Adair's descriptions of the oppressive heat, humidity, bugs, snakes, ants, foliage and flowers of the jungle drew me right in, as far as place.

Lots of tense suspense with the high stakes drama, i.e., Kyle's four years of undercover work, as well as the numerous police agencies in on the operation. Adair did a great job showing the reader just what a ruthless criminal Montoya is, and I was on the edge of my chair several times wondering if Kyle's cover hold up until the final raid.

Montoya's mother, a criminal in her own right, and that whole sub-plot was just OK, but it could have been left out imo.

Delanie was OK. Her insistence on being the strong one for an extended family back home of aunts, grandparents, etc. got a little old, her "I don't need anyone" claim, and Kyle's chipping away at it.

Kyle was very likeable (sexy too!). I'm hoping to see more of his T-FLAC brothers and buddies in upcoming books :-)

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## Glamdring says

Another "rolls eye" festival.

**Hide and Seek** wasn't as good as Kiss and Tell but fortunately it wasn't as bad as The Mercenary.

For me the major minus in the story was the TSTL heroine and if I kind of liked Kyle something was off with him, I just can't put my finger on it. Also, if the chemistry between the MC was really hot, I couldn't feel the love.

Another thing that didn't work for me in this book were the too many OTT scenes.

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## Dina says

Based on some reviews and comments I read before I started this book, I had very low expectations about it and I knew I had to suspend disbelief *completely* in order to appreciate it. Well, this turned out to be a good thing, because it really helped me to "enjoy" the story better. The plot was farfetched and unbelievable, and the heroine was TSTL, but I couldn't stop turning the pages to see what new shenanigans she was going to come up with next, LOL.

Delanie Eastman, our TSTL heroine, is a ballet dancer wannabe and kindergarten teacher(!) who's been acting as the bimbo girlfriend of a South American drug lord(!) in order to find her missing sister. See, her sister was last seen in the company of Romero, the aforementioned drug lord, so Delanie *knows* he's kidnapped her sister and is holding her captive *somewhere* - she doesn't know where, but she's going to find out! Because she's Super Delanie, the family's caretaker, the sole responsible person in a family that would fall apart without her. Delanie's plan to find her sister is quite simple: she somehow catches Romero's interest, even though he's gay, moves into his compound and goes jogging around the area searching for her sister every night. *\*rolls eyeballs\**

Things get a little sticky when Kyle Wright enters the picture, because Kyle and Delanie had a one night stand - or should I say, a three night sex marathon - four years ago and they don't know what to think of each other's presence at Romero's compound. Kyle's actually a T-FLAC agent who's about to close the secret mission he's worked for the last four years, and he's less than thrilled to find Delanie involved with Romero. He fears she might jeopardize his mission so he tries to get her away from Romero, but she refuses to listen to him. Because, you know, she has to find and save her sister, no matter what. Do I have to say she *does* jeopardize Kyle's mission and four years of hard work goes down the drain because of her? Argh!

Despite all that, this wasn't a "hard" book to read. It was fast paced and funny, although I'm not sure the LOL moments had been designed to be taken that way. But then, what reaction Ms. Adair had in mind when she made Delanie defeat one of Romero's *well-trained* soldiers using the deadly power of her ballet moves? If that wasn't comedy, I don't know what it was.

As for the romance, I didn't feel any *love* between Kyle and Delanie. They definitely had the hots for each other and their sex scenes were steamy, but they basically spent the whole book bickering and arguing. To be honest, I was kind of surprised when Kyle said the three little words. I mean, he was expected to say them - after all, this is a romance novel - but it felt kind of weird and out of context.

This was my third book by Ms. Adair and I'm still not sure I like her writing. But I already have the next two books in the series on my TBR and, because I'm OCD and *have* to read everything I buy, I'm going to read them... eventually. Hopefully, the books will get better - or my tolerance level will get higher - as the series progresses. One can only hope. :)

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### **Cindi says**

This book brought back the reasons I used to enjoy Cherry's books so much! A simple, straight-forward spec ops story, somewhat implausible, but easy to buy into. No unreal mind-powers; I have felt that her latest series has gotten carried away so really enjoyed this one. And of course I always love a sensitive but strong hero with LONG HAIR!

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### **Kathrynn says**

Book #3 in the T-FLAC series and I thoroughly enjoyed it. Lively! Nice characters. Delanie's character took awhile to develop, but she had a lot on her plate. I liked Kyle's character. What a nice guy. Lots of action, romance and great writing made this book a 5 star read for This Reader.

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### **Anna's Herding Cats says**

Sometimes the opening line just snags me. And damn. Cherry Adair totally got me with the start to Hide and Seek..."Well, well, if it isn't Miss Eastman. I'd recognize those tits anywhere." LOL I don't know why but that totally made me bust out and I just knew I was gonna have a good time with Delanie and Kyle. And it was a good time. Action packed, a little over the top (not in a bad way) and just an exciting adventure as these two deal with their own secret missions deep in the dangerous jungles of South America and with the fact they spent some hot and sweaty nekkid time with each other years ago. Bwaha. Love it!

I really liked both Delanie and Kyle even though they drove me a little crazy. She could be a little stubborn and Kyle had me yelling some choice words at him. I wasn't sure if I wanted to kiss him or smack him for most of the book but still I had such a good time with these two as crazy as that sounds.



The story was action packed and full of tension for the entire book and you never get a chance to really slow down or feel bored for a single second as they try to survive and do what they set out to do. And then heat wise? Yeah these two are combustible together. They may drive each other mad but the attraction is undeniable and they go at it fast and hard and it's just excellent.

All in all, a great romantic suspense romp. Adair has some serious talent when it comes to putting together a fun romantic suspense that'll keep your blood pumping and you glued to the book until the very last page.

Reviewed for herding cats & burning soup.

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### **Karen Peavler says**

Enjoy this series. This book was a little more hard to believe but that's why it's called fiction! Still a fun read.

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### **Jessica `~Blahyze~` says**

Delanie sacrifices her own safety in order to find her missing sister Lauren, but when an ex-lover Kyle shows up unexpectedly into the mix, it makes things very complicated. Kyle is undercover on assignment to discover Montero's secrets involving manufacturing the smallpox virus and he isn't all too pleased when he realises who's living with the crime lord;

“What in God's name was Delanie, with her soft, pouty, lying mouth and those deceptively innocent baby browns- which did a piss poor job of hiding secrets- doing here? Her presence complicated everything.”

The attraction between Delanie and Kyle is undeniable and it soon gets them into trouble and things heat up when Montero offers Delanie to Kyle as a “gift”. The moment when Delanie was in a drugged haze was hilarious, “Don't bite!”, “That's not a rubber hose”. There's plenty of action in this book, of the hot and steamy variety as well as the ass-kicking, and some sad moments added to the mix. The moment when Delanie tells Kyle about the baby and how she aches to hold her was so heartbreaking. The ending was perfect and I like how they both don't immediately go and run off into the sun-set together instead parting ways and meeting up again four months on.

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