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When lightning strikes Lesley's car, she passes out and wakes up on the Lyrical, a twenty-four gun frigate, in 1711, where the captain looks like her fiancé—except for one fine asset, the cannon in his britches. Though disguised as a cabin boy, danger awaits her at every turn.

Captain Harlan Sterford turned pirate to restore his fortunes, but his ship leaks and the crew is mutinous. When Lesley appears on the deck of his ship resembling his dead wife and carrying the toy horse he carved for his son, he believes she is a ghost or a demon wraith.

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Chris Mead says

4.5 Blue Ribbons

THE PIRATE'S WRAITH will take you on a magical voyage back into the year 1711. Penelope Marzec has penned a highly entertaining and gripping time-travel romance that will capture your heart and leave you spellbound.

Atlantic Highlands, New Jersey on Oct 8, 2011

Leslie isn't having a good day. She recently called off her wedding to her abusive fiancé and she is anxious to get away for a while. With her bags packed and the wooden toy horse, that gives her so much comfort, in hand, she sets off in the pouring rain.

As Leslie approaches a bridge, the storm seems to worsen. Lightning strikes the upper portion of the structure, which causes it to collapse right in front of Leslie's car. In a state of panic, Leslie accidentally steps on the accelerator. Attempting to get the car under control, Leslie slams on the brakes sending the vehicle spinning. As lightning hits the car again, Leslie is rendered unconscious.

The Forks, New Jersey Oct 8, 1711

Harlan is standing aboard the Lyrical in a fierce rain storm when he spots an unclothed female on deck. He is unsure how she got there. Women are not allowed on the ship because they are thought to bring bad luck. The ship's doctor comes up with a plan to disguise Leslie as a cabin boy in order for her to remain onboard.

When Leslie and Harlan become bunk mates, things begin to heat up quickly between the two. But Harlan is still recovering from the death of his wife and his son, and Leslie isn't prepared to live life far away from the comforts of home. Is it possible for these two to find love amidst the dangerous backdrop of the pirate's life?

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Linda says

I recently received a Goodreads first-reads copy of the Pirate's Wraith by Penelope Marzec. I had not read any books by this author, but the synopsis sounded interesting. I'm a big fan of time travel books, so I was excited to read this novel. Lesley has just ended her engagement to an abusive man. Her car gets struck by lightning when she drives during a storm. She travels from 2011 back to 1711, where she lands on pirate ship. The captain, Harlan, bears a strong resemblance to Lesley's former fiancé. Women on ships were a bad omen, so she disguises herself as a cabin boy. The book follows the painful and emotional journey Lesley and Harlan have to undertake. Lesley wants to get home to her life in 2011, and Harlan wants to move on with his life. He had lost his wife, son and his fortune. A wooden horse that Harlan carved for his son had come into Lesley's possession in 2011 - it plays a huge part in the book. I found this aspect of the story quite unique. The primitive aspects of 1711 are well presented by the author. The hard life of women in 1711 was also painfully told. If I had one criticism of this book, it would be the need for a bit more editing. I did not let

that lack mar my enjoyment of his book, however. I thoroughly enjoyed The Pirate's Wraith. Time travel books always require a bit of imagination for the what-ifs. I liked Lesley and Harlan, and the secondary characters were essential to the story. I would recommend this book - it was a quick and interesting read.

Karla Brandenburg says

Lesley has had enough of her abusive boyfriend. She throws him over and is on her way to the airport when a freak storm hits along the way. Blinded by a migraine and struck by lightning, when she opens her eyes, she's on a pirate ship two hundred years earlier.

Harlan is a superstitious pirate, troubled by the sudden appearance of a naked woman on his ship. Not only is it bad luck, this mystery woman looks startlingly like his dead wife. The ship's doctor convinces him to take the woman on, disguising her as a boy.

Storms continue to plague the damaged ship, and the mutinous crew tries to leave it's captain to sink with the ship. Lesley and Harlan struggle through the trials and dangers of life in 1711, including releasing the spirit of Harlan's wife from a prison he has created with words spoken in ignorance. As they travel along the journey together, saving each other from the ravages and dangers, the electrical attraction that pulls them together creates a bigger problem for them. Thrown into the wrong time, how will they be able to survive - together?

This book was fast-paced, with obstacle after obstacle, including prejudices and overcoming ignorance. It was a fun ride that I read voraciously from beginning to end. The paranormal elements were intricately woven. I'd recommend this book.

Reading the paperback version, the line height was too small to accommodate letters with "tails" (making Dr. Gilroy appear to be Dr. Gilrov, etc.) There were also a couple of instances where quotation marks were replaced with "2013" in odd places. Typesetting issues with the publisher. Once I adapted to those oddities, I had no other "editorial" problems.
