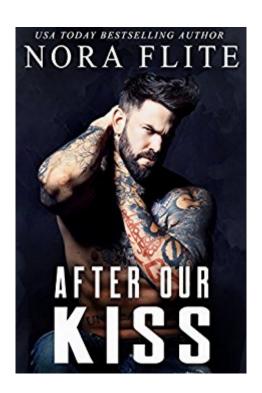


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# **After Our Kiss**





## **Synopsis**

I was thirteen when I was kidnapped. Fourteen when he helped me escape. Twenty-three before I ever saw him again. His face is all over the news: he's a wanted man, now. Maybe my memory played tricks on meâ | but he looks so different. The boy who saved me years ago had a shy smile and dark, soulful eyes full of secrets. This man has a hard jaw and a harder mouth. Lips that could never whisper sweet promises. I knew him as a heroâ "my savior. I refuse to believe he could become a villain. Not him. Then he abducts me, proving me wrong. He tells me he's going to take me apart and put me back together again. Make me what he needs me to be: a plaything for a monster. It's the fate I escaped when I was fourteen. And that's when I finally understand. He was never my hero. He's the man who's going to break me. Author's Note: This is a Dark Romance. Approach with that in mind. This full-length novel has a happily ever after, but the trip there might make some uneasy... and I do care about your feelings. I honestly do. So if dark is new to you, read some reviews first to gauge your comfort level.

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### **Customer Reviews**

WELL.\* takes a deep breath, looks around, whispers to self "didn't see that coming "\*I just read an unexpected beautifully haunting dark tale that not only captured my attention but my heart as well. This thought provoking, hotter than Hades, full on frustrating read had me wanting one thing, but changing my mind on the next page!Once I started I. COULD. NOT. PUT IT. DOWN. Much like the characters in this story, it quickly became an obsession. Having read other books by the magnificent Nora Flite in the past, couple times I had to remind my self who's book I was reading, but honestly, it just shows her diverse writing abilities in this fantastic novel!IMO, this is a 5++ STAR readShe blew me away with the sexy dark layers, deep twists, and love in the midst of it all!I highly recommend this to anyone who can do dark themes!!

So, this story was wow! Dark, and gritty, I loved it.Iâ Â<sup>TM</sup>m not sure how much to give away in order to write a worthy review but here goes. Georgia is kidnapped when sheâ Â™s just 13 years old by Facile Adams, Conwayâ Â™s father. When she wakes up, Conway is there. Conway takes care of her, he reads to her and protects her as best as he can. In spite of their horrible circumstances, they begin to develop feelings for each other, even as teenagers. That first kiss was so sweet. Conway is someone who seems to have some decency in him and wants to protect Georgia against his father. Conway chooses to help Georgia helps her escape. That act of kindness is the beginning of events that lead to Georgiaâ Â™s nightmares coming back to life. Nine years later and she is kidnapped againâ Â|but this time by Conway who seems to have transformed from a shy, sweet teenage boy to a heartless, ruthless man ready to break her. My heart cried for Conway because he was stuck in this awful situation and struggling between doing the right thing and obeying his father. There is a reason why he $\tilde{A}$ ¢ $\hat{A}$  $\tilde{A}$ <sup>TM</sup>s doing all of these awful things on behalf of his father, but you will have to read it to find out. Georgia was such a strong female. She endured so much but she never gave up hope and she never gave up on the teenage Conway and his kindness. In spite of what she's been through or maybe because of it, she remains optimistic about love and life. Another interesting character was Lonnie, Conwayâ Â™s brother. He added a sense of dread and doom to the story. Georgiaâ Â™s fear of him was well grounded because he was very much like his father. I would dare to say more evil than Facile. This is definitely a dark romance, raw and gritty, full of angst, drama and some unexpected twists toward the end. I really enjoyed the plot of the story and where the path the author took with it. The ending was excellent. Well worth the ride. I voluntarily reviewed an ARC of this book.

None spoilers here, but a message to readers who dislike difficult or dark romances. After Our Kiss is dark to a point, and even though it  $\tilde{A}\phi \hat{A}$   $\hat{A}^{TM}$ s a beautiful testament to love in the face of adversity, I have to admit to struggling with the concept of its' content for parts of the book. I had one big question as I read through the book â Â" WHY? W H Y ?Until that â Â^ahaâ Â™ moment where the plot is pulled together, questions are answered, and, the roles of the characters in this book are bought into focus. If you hang in there, and appreciate the story for what it is  $\tilde{A} \not c \hat{A} \hat{A}$  a dark romance, your questions will pretty much be answered, and the end of the book will be your reward. For me, itâ Â™s also on the edge of my tolerance, if not for the similarities to Criminal Minds (I love that show) with a romantic twist, where love can thrive in most treacherous of conditions between the unlikeliest of partners. Where some people have it in them to be brave and resilient, and find the best in any situation they find themselves in. Where the line between the kidnapper and the taken victim blur, and defined roles break down into the relationship that mirrored their past. All is not as it seems and the roles of the characters definitely change. I honestly couldnâ Â<sup>TM</sup>t see how Nora Flite could pull an HEA out of the hat with this book, but she most certainly did. Even the though the writing and plot were immaculate, it was that uncomfortable feeling that I was voveuristic enabler who couldnâ Â™t rescue Georgia from her situation, and instead watched from the side-lines, that has me giving After Our Kiss a less than perfect score. And that is on me, not on the writing talent of Ms Flite, an author I absolutely admire, and whose books I have enjoyed. 4.5 stars.

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