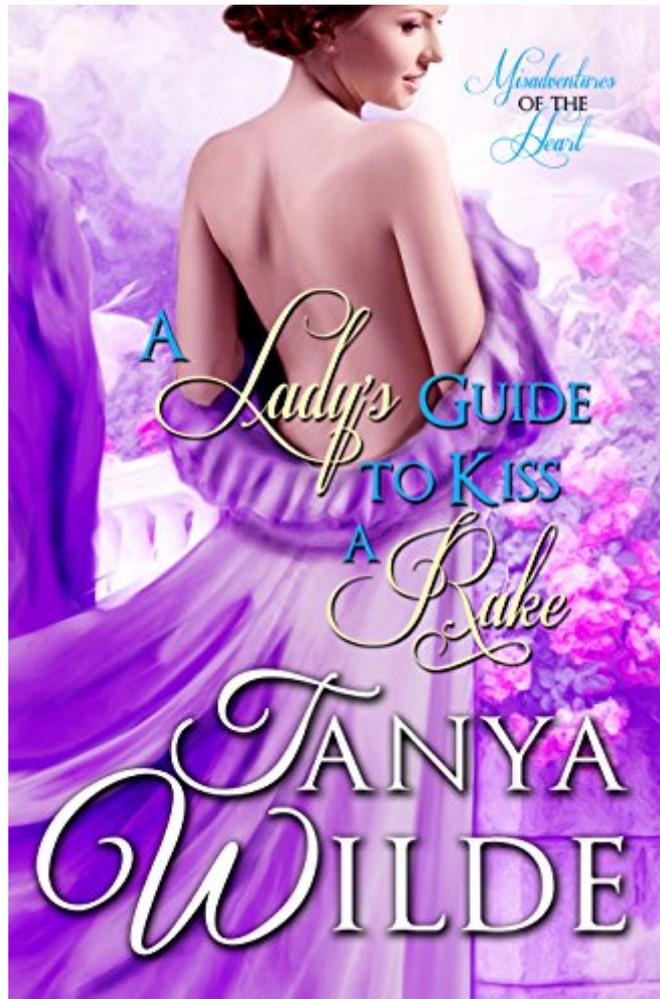


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A Lady's Guide To Kiss A Rake: Misadventures Of The Heart



Synopsis

SHE IS PLAYING A DANGEROUS GAME |When Lady Josephine accepts a wager to lure a kiss from the most scandalous and depraved rake in England, she thought it an easy enough task. But one glimpse at the man in question and she foresees her reputation going up in glorious flames. It will not stop her from winning the wager, however, not even the vexing Marquis of St. Aldwyn, who is determined to stay firmly planted in her path to victory. **HE IS NOT PLAYING ANY MORE GAMES** |The Fifth Marquis of St. Aldwyn, Damien Grenville, has come to the conclusion that he has lost his mind. Why else would he be drawn to the reckless Lady Josephine? And when he begins to realize she is up to no good, will he do everything in his power to ensure her reputation remains intact or will he decide to seduce her himself? But danger lurks in the shadows and when Lady Josephine is taken, Damien will stop at nothing to get her back.

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Customer Reviews

A Lady's Guide to Kiss a Rake is the 2nd book in the Misadventures of the heart series... which means that it includes a ton of references to events in the first book and assumes that you already know everything about those characters. The first 3 chapters are terribly confusing if you have not read An Earl's Guide to Catch a Lady; I did not read the first book, but I have enough details to

squash any desire to do so. Jo accepts a wage to kiss a particular rake and proceeds to enact a plan towards that goal. Concerned for her reputation, her brother and other male friends watch her continually while her friends try to run interference with some amusing results. Jo also engages in charity "projects" with her friends which involve rescuing women from their abusers. All of her male acquaintances are quite concerned about the danger in which this places Jo. When their project naturally has some unexpected bumps, Jo's life is endangered in a very predictable fashion. The bulk of the book involves conversations at balls, in gardens, libraries or drawing rooms. While that's rather usual for a Regency era novel, I found the conversations particularly annoying and insipid. There is some quickly narrated action that leaves a great number of details unknown. Some characters simply "know" things... via magic, I suppose. The book desperately needs an editor to clean up the grammar and choose the correct homophone (passed-past, to-too, accept-except, etc). A really good editor might liven up the dialog or dramatize the action because a rescue should really take up at least as much time as a love scene. I almost feel like I must've read an entirely different story than other reviewers who gave me high hopes for this tale.

I loved this book! I was chuckling out loud almost the whole way through. The story is at times light-hearted and other times a bit suspenseful. The main characters are well developed and the dialogue witty. I hated the villain, so that character was also well written. I took a star off just because the editing is not that great. I think if the author just had a friend read her work, they would catch the mistakes. There is so much garbage out there in Kindle land. You know, 20 pages of bad writing, and then another 50 stories of "Bonus Content". aargh. This Is Not That! This was a really fun read. No, it's not Jane Austen, but it was quite a delightful few hours for me. For mature audiences (1 or 2 pretty tame premarital sex scenes and a brief torture scene) I think this is book 2 in a series, not sure because I haven't read the other book yet. No Cliffhanger! More please.

Funny, exciting, thrilling romance story, with headstrong women and their overprotective men. I love the story between Lady Josephine and St. Aldwyn (Damien). Both of them did not believe in marriage, but neither of them could resist one another. Lady Jo liked her projects and she was not about to let any man, waiting to leg shackle her, destroy her projects of helping the helpless. Damien decided he would be her protector by dogging her every step, so that she would not be harmed while getting involved in these dangerous projects of hers and her friends. I love the way two of them spar with each other with words, it was laughable at times and flirty at other times. The chemistry between the two was good as well. I love the side characters, Lady Belle and her cousins

the Middleton girls, which I believe are triplets. I love the other characters too, but those girls stood out the most! It was a good read!

I do so love historical romances. I just don't understand why so many writers feel so compelled to turn what could be a marvellous historical romance, into just another Scooby Doo Mystery. This one, as many of the others, was going along fine and dandy, romance was beginning to bloom. Then came the sabotage, and the kidnapping(s), the torture session, the wild and wacky rescue, then the now rushed, ending. I could have done quite nicely with the romance. Had the author not had to include a snippet from every murder mystery ever conceived, perhaps she wouldn't have apparently tired of the whole thing, and rushed the ending so. But, it did finally end, just before I threw the thing down in frustration at the fact that it apparently was not going to end. If you can look past all the suspense nonsense, or if that's what you like in historical romances, then this is great!

What an adventure! I could hardly put this story down, and I had finals to study for. Lol other than a few typos, this was an excellent story. Strong characters, even the secondary ones. Looking forward to read about the Middletons. Make sure you have a comfy place to sit and you are prepared for a gripping story.

I was in the mood for something light and funny and this fit the bill. Is it the best a Regency Romance, no, but it put a smile on my face and I enjoyed the character's a lot. I didn't read book 1 and really didn't feel lost in reading this one first. Not only are our H/h entertaining with their banter, but I also laughed at the secondary character's - well maybe not the brother of the h. If you are used to the decorum of rules of society in this time period, they don't exist in this story. But, I wasn't interested in that when I went searching in my library for a humorous book. Maybe if I wanted a true regency romance, I would have scored it lower. So be warned if you are a stickler because you may not like it. We get HEA which I enjoyed, no cliffhanger, lovemaking that I found passionate and mildly descriptive. We get a very bumpy road to romance. Yes, I do recommend this story, if you want to laugh and just get lost for a few hours in make believe. (ljb)

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