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If one barbarian is lethal, two are even more dangerous...in bed.

Earther Skye Jones arrives to rescue her friend from a barbarian kidnapping knowing she'll be throwing away her chances of a dream job on planet Ussed. With her skills, she doesn't anticipate being captured by a group of sexy soldiers. Or that she'll fall for their charismatic squad leader. Then, as if that's not bad enough, Skye is brought to their encampment to meet their clan leader—a hulking warrior who sets her blood afire.

When the mating instinct takes over, Skye finds herself with not one, but two bed partners. Perhaps her life isn't meant to be lived among the uncivilized. Before Skye can decide who and what she wants, the choice is taken out of her hands by an enemy clan. And if she's not careful, she'll lose a lot more than a stubborn heart.

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From Reader Review A Civilized Mating for online ebook

L M says

A short fun read.

Very little back story to start with but aside from that a good read.

Loved that Skye was kicking alien butt and taking no names. A true Alpha female warrior.

Talzec the Vytore Alpha and Xaveht the Beta, were interesting and it was funny how Talzec fought the mating due to misplaced guilt.

Cannot wait to read more from these interesting warrior aliens.

Lynn says

Great story! I loved it!

E_bookpushers says

Felt like this was half a story, rushed, incomplete characters, insta-lust overshadowing everything. Lots of telling but I had zero emotional resonance. And don't get me started on the best friend the heroine was rising her livelihood to rescue...

Clare says

This isn't a really long book so great for when you need a quick read, I really enjoyed this, I love Sci Fi and this was so good. I going into the next book right away. I couldn't put this down and finished this with in 2 hours.

Deborah says

Skye Jones literally throws her career away by travelling to the planet Ussed to rescue her friend Lisa from the barbarian who's kidnapped her, Syke is well prepared, she speaks fifteen of their dialects, her hair is natural and her clothing western style and she has the requisite number of piercings to pass as a resort attendant.

When Skye finds Lisa she's not exactly being held against her will but before she has time to dwell on it they're attacked and then Skye meets Xav and wow.

This may be set on another planet and there may be talk of treaty and a risk of war between East and West but ultimately it's just an outline for sex and there's a lot of sex this book both m/m, m/f and m/f/m now I

don't have a problem with the sex, some of the scenes are hot but I would have liked more story and more depth, it seemed silly her speaking fifteen dialects when she never even uses one I just wanted more.

JodyL says

Talzec, Xav and Skye menage

Lisa gets an urgent message from her best friend Lisa. She is on another planet working at a place that caters to space travelers. She told Skye via message that she was involved with one of the barbarian guards but now he forced her to go with him, and she needed help.

When Lisa got there she talked to one of Lisa's friends Mandy. Mandy told her that she only had nine days to find Lisa before her boss found out she was gone and fired her.

Talzec is the alpha of one of the clans in the Cloud Tribe. Xav is his beta. They are a mated pair searching for their female. Because there are few females, the clan took up male/male pairings to fight off the sexual energy that builds up in them and makes them violent.

When Skye finds Lisa having sex with her "mate", two barbarians from the enemy clan try to take the two females. Skye is a warrior who uses her strength but also her psychic powers to see into them to find out their next move. She also uses the power to push the warriors about ten feet into a tree to disable them.

When Xav first sees her he knows she theirs. The psychic connection between them matches and strengthens.

Talzec loved before and she was killed by her own brother, the leader of the enemy clan. So there are struggles that happen, along with trouble from the enemy.

Will Lisa and Skye stay with the clan or go back home where they belong?

Will Talzec get revenge for his former love? What happens when a mate leaves or is killed?

Read this book to find out these answers and more. I read a few of Ms. Harte's books a few years ago. I believe I will go back and read the ones I missed. She is an incredible writer.

Dusti Dasilva says

This book was a little confusing at first. There isn't much of a backstory that lead us to this new alternate universe. Sure we are in Earth year 2437, and the world Ussed is so beautiful described, but at times I was left shaking my head trying to figure certain parts out. Which lead me to looking to see if maybe I missed a book in the series that explained things and these "abilities" that certain people have, but nope this is the first one.

Now other than me being completely confused at times, this book was pretty good. Skye is different than everyone really. She is a female and females now on Earth are 10xs smarter than men and always end up geniuses, but Skye is more into fighting skills. So she is viewed an outsider. So when he friend Lisa is kidnapped by a barbarian, Skye gives up her whole life, a life she worked so hard for, and goes to rescue Lisa. This journey turns into something that Skye never asked for, matings? 2 lovers? babies? All these and more are in her near future and yet Skye has no idea.

Skye I loved at first. Her spirit and spunk was astounding. I also loved how she is a badass. A REAL badass. On Earth she didn't have any abilities like most other Earth people, but for some reason on Ussed she does? That was never explained really and left me scratching my head. Now the whole mating thing was a little

confusing too, because Skye was smart and wasn't one to just do something because her body told her too. So when she mates with Xav and Talzec, the way it happened was out of character for her. The pull of energy mates have is strong, I get that, but Skye wasn't really Skye during it all.

Now Talzec,... I hated and loved. I loved the alpha male part of him, but the way he treats Skye I hated. Talzec fancied himself in love with Nalla, but she wasn't his mate and she is dead, so when he pushes Skye away I understood, but also wanted to hit it.

Xav. Oh Xav, I would stay with you forever, even if you are submissive to Talzec, I could get over that. He is everything Skye needed and he made sure that she left welcomed in his arms and bed. Xav mated her first, which led to Talzec mating her as well, but the bond Xav formed with her at first held a higher meaning to Talzec's claim.

And the sex scenes in this one? Yeah,.. HOT.

All in all I would rate this one a 3.5, but since we can't do half stars I'll round it up to a 4. I felt like some parts of the book should be explained more or in a different way.

Tina says

I did not want this addition to the ALPHAS series ever to end. Marie Harte brings a great story with lots of heat in A Civilized Mating. Skye is one lucky lady in this book. She not only gets one mate she gets two hotter than sin warriors who love and adore her.

Ms. Harte really made me love her characters and I hope to read many more stories in this world.

Skye Jones gets a frantic message from her best friend Lisa. She has been taken prisoner by a barbarian and needs Skye's help to get free. Sky is a loyal friend. She risks everything she has ever worked for and goes to rescue Lisa.

Skye once we get to know her, she is a kickass friend. She can take down men three times her size, and is one hell of a fighter. If I were ever in trouble I would want Skye to come help she would win the fight. Only once Skye gets to the planet and finds Lisa things are not quite as black and white as Skye first thought. She ends up with two hot barbarians of her very own.

Talzec is the Alpha. He is still mourning the loss of his mate Nalla. He has a lover in his beta Xav. Xav is the perfect foil for the tough alpha. Xav is the light to Talz. Talz is a dominate in the bedroom. Xav has always been his sub.

I liked how these two are really made for each other. They have what the other needs. Something is missing for them both till they find Skye. She brings all their energies together. She is strong enough to bind two fierce warriors together.

Talz learns what love really means through Xav and Skye. I couldn't stop reading their story. I never wanted it to end. I truly hope that Mandy gets her own story one day I would want to read it.

This is an unforgettable story with a great plot and hot men who are unforgettable.

Five Shooting Stars and a Reviewer's Choice award

✿kawehi.reviews says

? I received an ARC via Bewitching Book Tours in exchange for an honest review. Thank you! ! ?

Jody says

A Civilized Mating is anything but civilized as two barbarians fight their way through personal doubts and threats from others to make a woman not of their world their own. Along the way are numerous sexual encounters that left me parched.

Skye has always felt separate from her family as her psychic powers aren't as strong as theirs. She's also felt out of place amongst other females as she has the build and spirit of a warrior. That's why she'll sacrifice all for the one friend she does have as she throws away the career she's fought for for years to rush headlong into danger to save her friend from a lusty barbarian. What she doesn't count on is meeting her own lusty barbarian whose connection to her is instantaneous and crackling with sensuality. Throw in an even sexier and dominating alpha, with a steamy connection to the warrior set on claiming her, and it all makes for an energetic and sex-fueled tale. Skye is a strong-willed female who's more than capable of taking care of herself. She's desperate to find her place in the world though and doesn't want to be defined by the two warriors who would sacrifice all for her which leaves her conflicted until the very end.

Talzec has tried to keep his emotions at bay since the death of his mate. With each passing day his urges consume him but as leader he can't show weakness. Thankfully his beta, and lover, Xav is there to keep him in control. But they both know that more women are needed to keep their clan thriving and their warriors strong. When it becomes obvious that off-worlders are compatible with their kind it leads to the end of a treaty in place for hundreds of years and a dangerous threat from a rival clan. Talzec and Xav are a formidable pair and it's clear from the start that only Skye could be their match both physically and mentally as she's equally strong-willed. Xav is more in-touch with his emotions and not afraid to say what he feels. Talzec is a quiet and commanding presence but is letting his past dictate his future. Once he can finally admit to himself what he truly feels for Skye though it might be too late as a vicious rival clan leader seeks to destroy Talzec by kidnapping Skye.

This is an intensely erotic story with lots of sexual interludes, both m/m, m/f, and ménage pairings. These scenes are almost too numerous and became a bit blasé as the story progressed. Skye is a likable heroine who unfortunately quickly gets lost in a sexual haze the moment she meets Xav. I enjoyed her more when she was verbally and physically overpowering the barbarians as there was an inner joy to her actions. Xav and Talzec are both sexy and I enjoyed their playful yet dominating encounters with one another as they were both brotherly and loving. This was ultimately a quick read with vividly detailed worldbuilding. Though there's a definitive HEA it's clear there's more stories to tell as other barbarians are set to wage a sexual war on other female off-worlders.

Denise H says

First in a series filled with barbarian clans on another world, earth women trying to find their place, rival clan wars and soul mates. It has a bit of everything; action, humor, suspense and romance. It was a good read that delves into a colorful new world. It contains several intimate scenes involving MM and MMF as well as

blunt words, strong, confident, sexy barbarian males and head-strong, fierce and determined females.

Skye Jones is from earth and has always felt out of place among her kind because of her gift of telekinesis. She has worked low-level security and body guard jobs and dreams of becoming a fashion buyer for the Welcome Resort on the alien planet Ussed. This dream is soon shattered when she receives an urgent message from her friend, Lisa, who works at the resort, to come rescue her from a Vytore Clan barbarian of the Cloud Tribe. Armed with her psychic talent and a strong determination she sets off from earth to rescue her. Arriving at the resort on Ussed, she meets a contact who provides her with some basic intel on where Lisa may be and sets off on her mission.

In trying to rescue her friend she runs into warriors from the Nasuhl and Vytore Clans and things get complicated fast. Being captured and taken back to the Vytore village to meet their leader and get some answers, she feels she may be in for more than she bargained for and there may be more at stake than just rescuing her friend. She has an instant connection with two of the hulking warriors and she is both wary and curious as to why. What does this mean for her?

Talzec, leader of the Vytore Clan, lost his mate a year prior at the hands of the leader of the Nasuhl Clan; his mate's brother, Daveen, starting a war between the two clans. Yet to recover from the loss, he is shocked when his second in command brings an offworlder, Skye, into their village and is confused and angry at himself by his immediate, intense reaction to her. He can tell by the energy swirling around her and his friend/lover, Xav that she is meant to be their true mate. Can he set aside the guilt he feels at betraying his first mate's memory and take a chance with this Skye?

Xaveht, beta of the Vytore Clan and second in command, is fascinated and amused by the fiery, stubborn female he captures in search of their missing clansman. Knowing what she may mean to himself and Talzec, he takes her back to the village. Can he help Talzec see past his guilt and guarded heart so they can explore the possibilities of a true match with Skye?

Choices are taken out of their hands when Skye is captured by the Nasuhl clan. Emotions take over, bonding them together on a deeper level and helping strengthen them all as Talzec and Xav race to save their mate.

This is a fast-paced, fun read with a HEA. I received this Advanced Readers Copy in exchange for my honest opinion. I cannot wait to see what happens next with the Vytore Clan.

CoffeeTimeRomance andMore says

The outstanding writing of Marie Harte made this futuristic world come alive. Skye was a woman among women, and proves to be worthy of a warrior leader. The alpha characters are hot and make one want to run off and find their own warrior. I highly recommend *A Civilized Mating* as it will take the reader to a place out of this world.

Delane

Reviewer for Coffee Time Romance & More

Official Review @ Coffee Time Romance & More

Titania says

Skye knows that what she is doing is dangerous and will cost her the job of her dreams. But what's a girl to do when a friend is in need? Well finding two barbarians of her own was definitely not on the agenda. I really enjoyed Skye. She was a woman who took no prisoners. She was what you expected and was way more than just a pretty face. Even though her body was leading her astray, I loved that she still stood her ground when it came to Talzec and Xav. She wasn't going to allow her body to force her into accepting less than a partnership with the men fated to be hers. I loved that Xav and Talzec were willing to fight to be with Skye. Talzec may not have been ready for what Skye would mean to him but that didn't stop him from protecting her. And I adored Xav. He was ready, willing and able to be what Skye needed but convincing two stubborn people was going to take some maneuvering. I enjoyed this world Ms. Harte is building and can't wait to see where she will take us next.

Diane says

Interesting take on aliens

Lots of sex in this book and an interesting take on aliens in a futuristic world. Short and sexy read.

Judye says

Great Great Great

What a wonderful story it was such an enjoyable easy read it left me feeling happy and anxious to read the next book I know I will be reading this book again♥?♥?♥?♥?♥?
