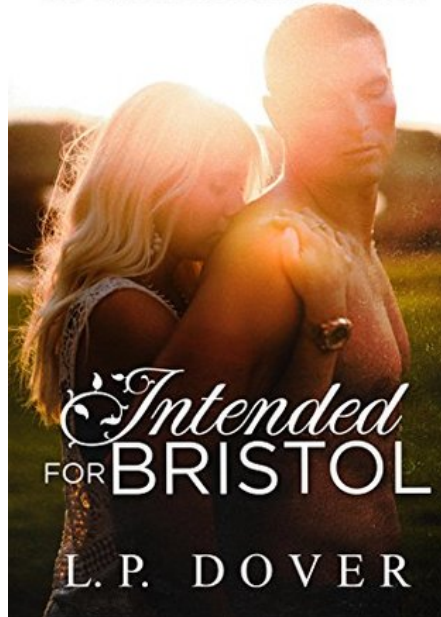


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**L. P. Dover's tantalizing Second Chances series gets a change of scenery as the Carolina Cougars' infamous bad boy heads to the West Coast. His best laid plans call for seduction—but a driven career woman has him begging for more.**

Trying to live down his very public indiscretions, Carolina Cougars kicker Jaxon Reed feels like the most hated man in the NFL. When he's traded away, his new teammates in California don't waste any time making his life miserable. Unfortunately for them, Jaxon's no easy target. As payback, he sets his sights on the quarterback's sister: a sultry brunette who's curvy, confident, and sexy as hell. But what begins as a revenge fling turns into so much more.

Bristol Thomas doesn't have time for games, especially those played by her brother's Neanderthal teammates. A talented interior designer with lofty goals, she doesn't know the first thing about football, or Jaxon—except that he's exactly the type of man she usually avoids. But when his deep laugh and deeper kisses break through her walls, she becomes the target of a fan who's obsessed with Jaxon. Now she needs to know that Jaxon has her back . . . because he already has her heart.

**Advance praise for L. P. Dover's *Catching Summer***

"L. P. Dover knows how to create the men who make us swoon, the book boyfriends we all want."—*New York Times* bestselling author **Heidi McLaughlin**

**Includes a special message from the editor, as well as an excerpt from another Loveswept title.**

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**Karen Mc says**

**Love is not something you go out and look for. Sometimes what you're looking for is already there. Love finds you, and when it does, ready or not, it'll be the best thing to ever happen to you.**

Love found me in the sweet, sexy, and suspenseful sports romance, *Intended for Bristol*, by L.P. Dover. I lost myself in this spellbinding story, one that hit my heart like a fast-thrown pass and sunk itself into my soul.

***Intended for Bristol caught me like a football and claimed me like a touchdown.***

The tender and touching tale grabbed me from the start, wrapping itself around my heart, where I did not want to surface for air until the very end. Pulse pounding. Eyes tearing. Heart breaking. Feels flowing. Heart healing. I WAS ALL IN.

Jaxon 'Jax' Reed is the hazel-eyed, dark-haired, tall, and muscular Carolina Cougars kicker—the most hated player in the NFL and a player off the field too. This playboy has no desire to settle down. Hit-it-and-quit-it is his mantra...until his hit was Bristol Thomas. What began as revenge to land the new and hated Carolina Cougars quarterback's sister, Bristol, ended up as more.

***"At first, I thought I wanted her out of revenge, but now I knew that wasn't it at all. I wanted her to myself."***

Beautiful, dark-haired, green-eyed, curvy, and confident Bristol Thomas is an interior design extraordinaire. She is not looking for any relationship, especially with a Neanderthal football player, but Jax is different and feels like destiny.

***"He had awakened something inside of me I didn't know I'd be able to control."***

Jax doesn't pursue women. They come quite willingly to him, but Bristol is different. She is strong, witty, natural, beautiful and speaks her mind...and Jax wants a taste of her.

***"I want you, Bristol. I don't think I can go for long without being near you."***

Oh did Jax charm and claim every part of me! He is the perfect catch. ALL ALPHA. PURE PERFECTION! I LOVED Jax, and his dirty words and big heart so much.

Jax and Bristol's chemistry was electric like the buzz in the air during a sold-out football game. A slow burn sizzled through the story as the build-up brought on butterflies that fluttered with feels, my heart fluttering too. Jax and Bristol's passion pounded from the pages straight to me. The angst from that pent-up passion was an adrenaline-induced high...and oh did I FEEL THAT RUSH!

***"She was the only woman to look at me like I wasn't just a famous football player, that there was actually more to me than that."***

Bristol is the Jax needs to breathe...no longer a game but the woman who is slowly seeping into his heart, and oh did Jax bury himself into my heart.

*"I can see the passion in your eyes. Not many people have that look."*

*"It's all because of you, Bristol. What you see is because of you."*

Oh. My. SWOON! Jax made my heart beat to the max and my soul soar high in the sky. I was floating on Cloud Nine as I FELL IN LOVE WITH JAX!

While I was not a fan of Jax Reed in previous stories in this series as he stirred up trouble with the team, I was his biggest fan in *Intended for Bristol*. This story SOLD ME ON THIS AMAZING MAN! L.P. Dover wove her magic where I fell in insta-love with all things Jax, a player who revealed a hidden heart of gold.

*"This guy was going to break my heart; I could feel it."*

Has this player, Jax, finally stopped playing off the field? Will Jax convince Bristol, who has had her heart broken by football players that he wants to pick up those shattered pieces and make her heart his?

I SWOONED HARD over this sports romance sprinkled with sugar and spice. *Intended for Bristol* bled passion and promise. I swam in a sea of suspense as this fairy tale had a villain, making it explosive and even more emotional. My soul soared high and my heart was hit like a football over this sweet and smoldering story. **L.P. Dover dropped a thrilling and tender touchdown of a romance with *Intended for Bristol*, a blissful book you need to tackle hard like a football.**

#### 4.5 'touchdown' stars

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### Natalie The Biblioholic says

**Release Date:** December 8, 2016

**Blog Tour Date:** December 16, 2016

**Genre:** Contemporary Sports Romance

**POV:** Dual - 1st person

**Steam:** 3

**Series or Standalone:** Book 9 of the Second Chances series but can be read as a standalone

A few things I've come to expect so far from the stories created by L.P. Dover are that they're romantic and sexy with a touch of danger. This book was no exception. This was a contemporary sports romance with a bit of suspense thrown in to keep things interesting.

Jaxon was the star kicker for the Carolina Cougars. Successful in the NFL? Yes. Elsewhere in his life? Not so much. He had committed some bad deeds against a teammate that he's steadily working for forgiveness for. He's trying to change, but old habits die hard. Especially when the team has to welcome a new quarterback (Ryan). Jaxon instantly hates the guy and they have a pretty hostile "friendship". Typical of Jax's old behaviour, he decides to do something against Ryan. What better way than to go after the guy's sister. However, after one real meeting with Bristol, the last things Jax is thinking about is Ryan or payback.

There was plenty of instalust and instalove. Throw in a psycho who couldn't take no for an answer and went from being a one-night stand to a crazy stalker and this book was highly entertaining. There were some good swoon-worthy moments and plenty of drama was had within the plot. Many of the side characters have had

their own stories within the series and I for one am plenty interested in reading them.

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### **Brenda says**

This book start really good. Jaxon is an asshole and knows that he is a competitive guy. He made a lot of mistakes yet he is taking one by day. Jaxon is the guy that you love and hate he does not apologise. When a new soccer is on the team he has to give the guy some lesson.

And its that when the plot increase for me. All the players seems more enemies than a time. And Jax intentions towards Bristol was very clear from the begining. He likes her. Bristol is an architect/design not sure what her profession. So Jax wants her to re-model his house and the guy give no information of he does?!! Bristol also wants to make her job and yet she falls for him.

Their relationship starts very quickly there is no build up. Bristol is very confusing for me, she wants things slow and still wants the guy to profess his love for her. When the secret is revelead Bristol changes 360, now she goes to the plays-she NEVER went for her brother's and goes to her boyfriend now- and is dating a player. When she remember us all the time that she wants not to get her hurt.

And everything is normal and ok between even when Bristol does not believe that Jax changed. So why she is with him. The plot twist I did see coming but I did not liked it. This was some kind what your actions can get back at you? the author did not a good build up for their relationship and the end everyone is friend and this white rich people are the nicest.

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### **Amy says**

Actual Rating: 3.5 Stars

Told from dual points of view, Intended for Bristol follows the story of Jaxson and Bristol. Jaxson has made a lot of mistakes in his life. He's made enemies out of his teammates and has the title of the NFL's most hated player. However, there is more to Jaxson than meets the eye and it's just going to take the right woman for everyone to see just how amazing and different Jaxson really is....Bristol doesn't play games and doesn't like football players. Burned from the past, Bristol avoids football at all costs. She had no idea that meeting Jaxson was about to turn her entire world upside down.

Overall, I thought this was an enjoyable read. It was a super quick read. One that you can easily finish in just a few hours. I liked Jaxson and Bristol right away. Jaxson was so cocky, I couldn't wait for the right woman to walk into his life and make him fall. I thought that Bristol was a great match for him. She was a no nonsense type of girl, who wasn't about to waste her time on a player. She was smart and when she loved, she loved with everything that she had. She made Jaxson open his eyes and see that there is more to life than silly rivals and that love can bring out sides of you that you don't even know exists.

There were a few bumps along the way, but honestly, this was an en enjoyable read for me. Bristol and Jaxson's story captured my interest and had me turning the pages quickly, to see how things were going to

turn out. I loved that this wasn't just a sports romance, but it was also a story of redemption.

*Intended for Bristol* was a quick and easy read for me. It was a nice second chance/sports romance. I think it had a nice balance of drama and romance. I loved that there was also some suspense and a really great, unexpected twist.

\*I was provided an ARC copy of this book, via NetGalley, in exchange for an honest review\*

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## **Ralou by Collector Of Book Boyfriends says**

LINK: <https://collectorofbookboyfriends.com...>

Who can resist when the bad-boy man gets his second chance at love and his well-deserved HEA? Well, no one. And Dover knows damn well how to take these second chances in whole new levels, making them from the best in the literature world. And by default, once again, she delivers a novel which will have any reader reeling for days.

*Intended for Bristol* is the 9th novel in the **Second Chances** series and, for those who know, is the incredible story of Jaxon Reed – the guy that made Evan and Summer's relationship go through a rough path?. But, now, that Jax couldn't be more of an ancient instant of the brand new Jaxon Reed who tries to make amends with his mistakes and quited behaving like an arse to everybody. And just on the moment that he had "give up" on having his own HEA, he sets eyes on Bristol Thomas. Although, the things are bound to become extremely complicated, dangerous and walking-on-edge.

Jaxon had started in the series prortraiting himself as the super asshole and that guy who loves making the others miserable. But everyone's time to grow up and face the reality is coming some day. And he has maybe changed a lot from the start, but he has one last game to play. Which, actually, ends the moment it starts when Jax has a whiplash of the powerful emotions he feels flowing through his body for Bristol. Since then, it's a delicious, intense and passionate downhill for the both of them. Each one gets its own reality check and in a blink of an eye, their life start making sense.

The connection these two develop is deep and undeniable. Neither can stop stay away from each other, nor stop needing each other by their side. And just like every other couple, they have too go through the customed rough path which will only strengthen their love and their foundation as a couple that is fated to last forever. Both have to fight themselves at the same time with fighting the outside obstacles life throws at them. Especially one specific which, not only had all my hair rise up high, also proved to be one very challenging and lethal one if not handled with the utter care.

Dover never stops surprising me with the stories she comes up every time. Each one of her books are a small treasure and a world where you don't want to get out from. Especially this series, whose's characters second-chance tales warms my heart every time. I surely can't deny her ability to create magic with her stories and neither should you. Book after book, Dover has become an author that I never let pass me by. I really can't wait what she will do next with **Second Chance** because I feel like I can't get enough of any of its heroes; I simply need more and more. And Jaxon definitely needs more unfolding.

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## **Lea ★ says**

**I received an ARC copy of *Intended for Bristol* from Random House Publishing Group - Loveswept in exchange for a honest review.**

This is my first L.P. Dover book, and although it is a book number 8 in the series, it is a standalone, so don't worry, you won't be confused at all.

This is an insta-love sports romance with very likable characters - Jaxon and Bristol.

Jaxon is a professional football player, and player in every sense of the word. Ladies man, bad boy and a bit of a jerk. If you are into those kind of characters, as I am, you will probably like him.

From the outside, he seems like an a\*\*hole, but in the end he is genuinely a nice guy.

Bristol is good girl in every sense of the word. She has been burned before, and she knows what it means to date a football player. She keeps telling herself not to date one, but there is just something about Jaxon...

Can Jaxon finally settle down with one girl? Can he win her over? You have to find out...

This was a fun read and I enjoyed it.

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## **Tami says**

This review is based on an ARC provided by the author and/or the publisher via NetGalley in exchange for an honest opinion.

I LOVE this author. I loved this whole series. I'm not holding this book against her. It was still a good book, just not one that is going on my favorites list. Every other book of hers that I have read is there though, so I highly recommend anything that this author puts out there. Seriously, I promise that this is a good book.

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## **Debbie I Heart YA Books says**

If you've been reading L.P. Dover's *Second Chances* series, then like me you've probably been waiting and wanting bad boy Jaxon Reed's story. And like me, you've been anxious to finally meet the girl who would tame the NFL Carolina Cougar womanizer, Jaxon. Bristol Thomas moved to Charlotte, North Carolina a year ago and works for M&M Architectural Design, where she's an interior designer. Bristol left Texas and her past with her cheating boyfriend, a NFL wide receiver for Dallas, behind her, and she's learned her lesson about dating an athlete: according to her, you just don't.

Jaxon seems to never learn his lesson when it comes to being the NFL bad boy. But when Jaxon goes after the new Carolina Cougar quarterback's sister, it's Jaxon who's going to learn that love doesn't play games when it comes to the heart—a heart he never knew he had until Bristol. The only thing now that Jaxon wants is his second chance, but his bad boy past is coming after him and the woman he loves.

*Intended for Bristol* is a heart-touching, sexy story where even the bad boy deserves to be loved and get his

second chance. Definitely a must read.

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## **Jan says**

**A good read**

**Predictable with good characters told in dual pov's.**

**A star player with a reputation who falls for his team mates sister.**

**I struggled with Jackson and wasn't sure if I liked him, the fact that the football team seemed to hate on another rather than work as a team I found irritating as I couldn't figure out how they won games with no team spirit.**

**I haven't read previous books so I have nothing to go on with the extended characters or what had happened in their lives prior to this book or had the chance to fall in love with the series so I was basically reading this book for what it is.**

**Jackson seems to redeem himself as the plot goes on and Bristol apart from being an easily forgiving person she was a good character.**

**As the book reached around 80% there was a bit of drama which I saw coming but it did add a twist to the plot and make it more interesting.**

**A good sports star romance with a bit of steam.**

**Arc gratefully received from netgalley.**

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## **Laura says**

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I struggled with this one. First, as I don't think the blurb is accurate. Unless I missed it, he was still a part of the team where he was less than popular due to things he has done in the past and was not transferred to California but stayed with the original team? Other than being a little confused by this, it didn't impact the story.

Jaxon and Bristol were both realistic characters, for the most part. That said, I never really grew to like Bristol all that much. She never really seemed 3 dimensional to me and I was not ever really sure what Jaxon saw in her. Nor did I ever really believe his interest in her was in any way to get back at her brother.

But it is a pet-peeve of mine when one of the people in the relationship keep a major secret from the other. It makes it difficult for me to really invest in the story as it never feels like the relationship is totally authentic, which was the issue I had with this book. I was also never fully convinced they, with a brother on the same team as Jaxon, that Bristol wouldn't have at least had an idea as to who he actually was. This not only got in the way of the story for me, but also had me questioning if Jaxon really was a different person than the one he had been in the previous books.

I am not able to really recommend this book, as I had issues with the overall plot. However the writing and the pacing were both strong.

\*\*\*This and other reviews also featured on “I’m A Sweet and Sassy Book Whore”  
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### **Mindy Lou's Book Review says**

Jaxon Reed has a lot to atone for. He's the jerk on the team that has pulled some pretty awful stunts on his team mates because of jealousy. Just when you think he has finally learned his lesson, he decides to mess with the new quarterback on the team by getting involved with the QB's sister. What he wasn't expecting was to fall in love with her.

Jaxon was a pretty hard character to fall in love with. He has done some pretty mean things. While he seemed to try to be better, his jerkiness would still come out to play. It took until the last quarter of the book before I felt like I could even like his character. Bristol was a sweetheart and ultimately the reason Jaxon became a better man.

While this is book 8 in the series, it can be read on its own. ARC provided by NetGalley.

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### **Beth says**

Jaxon is what everyone has come to expect as the “typical” professional football player bad boy. He has a bad rep, known as a bad boy and lady’s man. Going to get traded because his rep has fallen so hard, he plans and playing it safe...until Bristol.

Bristol is known as the untouchable good girl sister of one of Jaxon’s team mates and there is nothing Jaxon wants more than to get to “know” Bristol in every sense of the word.

*Intended for Bristol* is an insta-love contemporary sports romance. Predictable with really likeable characters that have heart. Easy and fun read with the HEA that we all love, *Intended for Bristol* provides a steamy romance that can warm up those cold winter nights.

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## **Nadine Bookaholic says**

Jaxon is the bad boy that rivals all others, this sexy Kicker for the Carolina Cougars just doesn't know when enough is enough. We have seen him try to steal his teammates girlfriend in *Catching Summer* by arranging for the ex-girlfriend of the player to be found in his bed by the current girlfriend (that Jax wanted for himself) and had a used condom on the floor to look like they had sex...seriously who does stuff like that?? Jaxon that's who! So he's moved on and is trying to curb his outrageous behavior...like that's even possible...anyway, we saw that he can be a true friend to those he cares about like Hayden Hunter who we met in *Defending Hayden* along with her boyfriend and his teammate Derek. Now this is Jax's story and I had no clue what to expect.

When Jaxon met Bristol he knew there was something about her he wanted, so he sets out to hook-up with her because that's his MO, just hooking up and moving on, then when he finds out that she's the sister of the new quarterback on the team that he doesn't like he thinks that this would be a perfect way to get back at him. Typical Jax, is he ever going to change?

There is a lot of angst in this story because hey, its Jax did you expect anything less? But besides all of the craziness going on with Jax and his crazy ass one night stand turned stalker, I really liked Jax and Bristol together, they were good for one another.

Each of the books in this series (*Second Chances*) can be read as standalone's but there is character

overlapping so if you want the full immersion of the series so you know all the background of each of them start with the first book, otherwise feel free to jump on in with Jax and Bristol.

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## **Melyssa Winchester says**

**Title:**Intended for Bristol

**Author:** L.P. Dover

**Genre:** Contemporary Romance, Sports – Football, Suspense

**Series or Standalone:** Standalone Series (Second Chances #8)

**Rating:** ★★★★★

### **Review**

\*whistles\*

I'm pretty sure the police department in this town needs to just spend their days following this team and their friends around, because clearly all the crazy people are already doing it. Wow.

Much like the previous books in this series, we've got a footballer gobsmailed in the face by love, one who is more than what he appears to be on the surface, but with Jaxon, what we've got, is much like we had with Derek and is something even more.

I have to admit I was quite taken aback by just how much I loved Jaxon. I expected to go into this based on his history with the people here, and the team and need to be warmed up to him, but that wasn't the case at all. He was nothing at all like I thought he would be and I loved that.

What hit me, the same way Bristol gobsmailed him was his relationship with his family. Just how treasured and beautiful it was. It gave this supposed man whore/playboy a whole other layer to him and it was a beautiful thing to witness for this reader. He definitely wasn't what I thought he would be and much like Derek before him, I fell in love, even in the midst of the crazy that ensued and it didn't let up, even when I closed the final page.

Enter Bristol. Also not a conventional character. A driven individual with a great deal of love and respect for those around her, but none more so than her own brother/family. I enjoy the way this author writes her heroines because even before the story really takes off and we get into the heart of the matter, I'm already hooked onto them. Their strengths, their ability to not take what some others might laying down and to never give up, even in the most insane situations and keep fighting until the bitter end. It makes it so much easier to

connect to the romance that unfolds and that's exactly what happened here.

I enjoyed these together even with the whole forbidden type feel of it considering who she is and who exactly Jaxon is to her family in the long run. They were sexy, they were stormy, they were at times, very raw and real and I found myself easily becoming invested in just how their story would turn out.

I got everything I wanted, especially with the way things wrapped up in the suspense department, something I'm coming to learn the more I read by this author seems to be her bread and butter with the appearances it's made in every book I've devoured by her thus far. I loved the characters, I enjoyed the flow of the story and I even enjoyed the crazy a little more this time around.

The additions of all the previous couples and insight into their own happily ever after's and how their lives are all changed and adapting was a sweet little bonus. It was nice getting to connect with previous characters again even if it was in a lesser way than what took place in their own.

The story I wanted for Jaxon after meeting him in previous books, I got here and anyone that's a fan of this author or this series, should definitely snag this one up and give it a shot because I think you'll feel the same way.

My thanks to the author and all others involved in letting me read this before official release. Bristol and Jaxon's journey to happily ever after is one that I'm glad I got to be a part of.

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## Strider28 says

4 1/2 stars

I really enjoyed Intended for Bristol! It's well written, character driven and has several great storylines. The only reason I didn't give it 5 stars is because of some of the elements related to pro-football were too unrealistic for me. (I used to cover the games as a TV photojournalist) I understand creative license but this was too much for me...but I'm probably being picky.

Jaxon is a manwhore and an asshole. In a previous book he did something really shitty to one of his teammates and he paid the price by earning the ire of his team. He's finally redeeming himself with the team although he's still a one night stand kind of guy. That is until he meets Bristol. He doesn't really understand why she's different or why he's attracted to her in ways other than to have sex but he wants to get to know her.

Bristol has been around the block with pro-athletes before and she wants nothing to do with any of them. She's happy in her job as an interior decorator with the top firm in the business. She's been in their Charlotte office for a year now. She's been working so much that she hasn't really made any friends and hasn't dated after being humiliated and heartbroken by her last relationship with a jock.

When Bristol and Jaxon meet Bristol doesn't know that Jaxon is a football player and when she tells him she hates jocks he doesn't want to tell her until she gets to know him.

Besides hiding the secret of who he is Jax has other skeletons in his closet.

Eventually Jax's lies come back to bite him in the ass. He loses Bristol once and was able to get her back with lots of pleading. But then something totally unexpected happens that has Bristol running for good this time. What she doesn't know is that her life is now in danger as well as Jax's life.

The way that Bristol and Jack loved each other was beautiful. There are sex scenes but they are love scenes

not down and dirty sex scenes if that's what you're looking for. I enjoyed the closeness the love scenes brought between the two.

The secondary characters are all interesting. Some fun to love...others fun to hate! Although this book is part of a series it can be read as a standalone.

I was given a copy of this book in return for an honest review.

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