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It ain't easy being a rodeo reality star—especially when you're expected to marry your ex.

After a TV network approaches the six Calhoun family members about doing a rodeo reality show, they jump on the opportunity for even more income needed to keep their ranch in the family. But now that Buck's knee-deep in film crews, he wishes like hell he could un-sign his name from that contract. Having his personal business aired is no damn fun, and America doesn't know his fiancée broke things off with him.

Channing loved Buck the moment she spotted him on top of his powerful horse. But she's had enough of his cool, emotionless personality and she wants out. Only she signed up for this reality series, and she needs that cold hard cash to keep her brother out of the hands of the thugs he owes for gambling debts.

For Buck and Channing, pretending all is well is difficult. Keeping their hands off each other is impossible, and throwing the film crews off their horny scent is a challenge that's becoming fun. Channing is starting to view Buck in a brand new light. And he sees her true colors when she finds a way to help the whole Calhoun family. Maybe she really will get that wedding ring and his last name.

## **Buck Details**

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# **From Reader Review Buck for online ebook**

## **Linda Beauchamp says**

### **Great book!**

I loved the fact that love triumphs over all the challenges. It took Buck a while to get his act together but only after Channing breaks it off with him. The trick Channing uses to make sure they get their ranch was brilliant. This was just an enjoyable read.

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## **Cheryl Graham-Petit says**

I was lucky enough to receive an ARC of this book in exchange for an honest review, and quite honestly... Holy Hotness!!! From the very first page to the very last, Em Petrova has written a story that you will not want to put down. She turns up the heat and will have you panting for more. Well-written with a story-line that is intriguing and keeps you interested, Buck is about love, second chances, relationships, communication, family, and finding yourself.

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## **Jennifer Oloughlin says**

I felt for Buck and Channing in different ways.

It was easy to relate to Channing about not feeling like a priority to Buck. Buck kept everything in, we got to know how he felt but, Channing didn't. It was hard to see her heart get broken, when there was no reason for it to be broken. I loved the way the show played into everything too. We get the good and the bad exaggerated, and that was awesome.

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## **Viper Spaulding says**

I love cowboy stories, but this one was far and above one of the best I've read in any genre. We get the usual fake-fiance trope completely turned on its head - our couple starts off madly in love with each other but unable to adequately express that love. The real engagement is broken off but the timing requires that they continue to fake it, which of course gives them time to work out all the communication issues that separated them in the first place. Add to this an introduction to a wonderfully quirky and warm family (each of the siblings are featured in their own stories in this series) and a bit of drama about keeping the ranch in the family, and you have a beautiful story that draws you in to experience life on the ranch with the Calhouns. The solution at the end, and how it was handled, was expertly written - unexpected drama, lots of steam in the love story's resolution, and a satisfying outcome for all.

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## **Jennifer says**

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This story begins by giving a glimpse into the life of the Calhoun's, a rodeo family of six from Oklahoma. We find out, like many rodeo families, the pay isn't consistent and they are always looking for ways to make a living. The Calhoun's have the added pressure of coming up with enough money to "buy" back their ranch from their greedy cousin, Ennis. Their father didn't plan well and hadn't updated his will since his first child was born. At the time, Buck, Sr. willed his ranch to his brother--his now deceased brother. So, the ranch was now owned by their cousin Ennis. Ennis was greedy and had no intentions of keeping the land as is. He thought he could make easy money by drilling, so he set the sale price high knowing his cousins couldn't come up with the money.

As luck would have it, they were offered a reality tv show that followed them around trying to get a glimpse of rodeo/cowboy life. The deal had a "catch", though. Buck, Jr had to talk his ex into "pretending" to be his fiancé and have a wedding for the season finale. If she agrees, Channing knows she's going to have her heart broken more than it already was. Channing needs the money to help her brother, Luke, out of his gambling debts. So she agrees to be a part of the show, when all she wants is for Buck to "make" her a part of the Calhoun's.

I really enjoyed the story, but did get aggravated with Channing. She was indecisive in her feelings and Buck didn't help out by not telling her his true feelings either. They had TONS of time to have sex, but not enough to TALK. I loved how she came through in the end for her family--the Calhoun's. This story ends with a HEA and is not a cliffhanger. I really enjoyed the twist of combining a reality show with Cowboys--very unique!

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## **Lisa Tetting says**

Ok, so I've been on a cowboy kick lately and I must say I was totally into Buck! I would give this book a 4.5, but rounded it up to a 5 for good measure.

Buck is a rodeo star in a major way. Along with the rest of his brothers and little sister, they rule the circuit. The Calhoun clan is full of prime talent and they aren't shy about it. When the patriarch of the family dies, the family finds they are in danger of losing their beloved ranch because their father never updated his will. Unfortunately, a greedy cousin is set to inherit the land. In order to keep their ranch, they must come up with some quick cash; way more than they all can earn on the rodeo circuit.

In the meantime, Buck and his fiancée Channing are on the outs. She is a sweet girl who loves him more than life, but feels neglected. He ignores her and pretty much withholds his feeling unless they are between the sheets. They've got 99 problems, but an organs ain't one! These two heat it up!!!

The Calhouns are in need of money and so is Channing. When they are offered an opportunity to star in a reality tv show focusing on the first family of rodeos, they can't pass up the fast money. Channing and Buck have to pretend to still be engaged, as the producers of the show are planning their wedding as the season finale.

The book follows the ups and downs of Buck and Channing as they film a reality show, while struggling with their feelings for each other. Buck realizes his mistakes and does his best to make it up to Channing, but she is unsure if he is sincere or just playing it up for the cameras. Once she trusts her heart, she finds her way back to her man.

The book was well written and kept me wanting more. I look forward to the other books in the 'Rope n Ride Series'.

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### **Charlene says**

I usually like Petrova's work, but I had some trouble with this one. A little too heavy on the sex...these two seemed to be unable to control themselves even a little. That, combined with the heroine's inexplicable vacillations on her upcoming marriage made this a little hard to swallow.

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### **Joann says**

#### **Yum cowboys**

Thoroughly engaging! This is one well written cowboy story, I love the tight knit family and can't wait to read more about them. Course it doesn't hurt that they're hotter than anything and so is the sex.

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### **Winfield says**

3.5 stars Not my normal read but would recommend to Western Romance readers. The plot was realistic and the characters were very personable and daring.

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### **Joan says**

#### **A start to another great series!**

Em Petrova really knows how to write cowboys and their women! She gives you enough flavor of the western life but adds her own dash of spice with the hot romance. If you liked Boot Knockers, get this one and get ready for a wild ride.

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### **Sammie Shorter says**

**Okay story...**

Buck was portrayed as the quiet and stoic cowboy. The story was average and most of the narrative describing the excessive number of sex scenes. They were a bit much. Will give the next book in series a chance. Hopefully it is more than just sex scenes.

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### **Karen J Shields says**

#### **My first Em Petrova book.**

It may be my first, but it won't be my last. Loving family characters, good plot, and great love scenes made for a book to happily while away the hours. Very well edited. My sharp eye didn't catch a thing.

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### **Debra McEathron says**

#### **What a ride**

Buck and Channing have a lot to deal with trying to save the ranch and their relationship. They have to deal with cameras her brother and Buck's family. There is a lot of sex in each chapter.

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### **Debra says**

#### **Buck**

This read like a TV reality show. With Buck and his love intrest, Channing, having pre-marital problems. With the evil cousin out to destroy the family ranch and the reality show in everyone's business what can go right? Will there be a wedding? Will Buck and Changing confess their love for each other? Or will Ennis steal everything from under the Calhouns?

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### **Mary Stockwell says**

#### **Too bad. This could have been a great book.**

It's such a shame that the author didn't focus on the characters or the story. Instead she turned it into a sex fest between Buck and Channing. Too bad. This could have been a great book. The idea of a rodeo family having their own reality show is sensational. I wish the author had focused on more on the characters and plot and less on one sex scene after another.

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