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I'll do whatever it takes to get her back.

She was mine and it was everything.

That month with her was as near to perfect as I've ever had in my whole f'ed up life.

But then I lost it all and I still don't know why.

Though I suspect it had something to do with that rat b@stard, Bryce Gentry.

One thing I do know: I'm not letting go of Callie Cruise without a fight.

And it's time for Gentry to finally pay for his many sins.

This book is a dark romance. It is book 2 of a 2-part Duet (the first book, CUT SO DEEP, is Available Now). This is an edited and expanded version of a novel that was formerly titled Please Me.

## Break So Soft Details

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# From Reader Review Break So Soft for online ebook

## Janee says

### Dark dramatic

I started the second book right after the first. I didn't want to miss a thing. With the first book being so Dark and dramatic. This book it starts off slow, but I didn't want to put it down. Just seeing how Callie life turns around was worth the first half of the book.

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## Kaye says

### ONE DARK AND THRILLING ADVENTURE!!!

Wow! Talk about needing to call 911. Smokin'. I can say one thing with the up most sincerity. Stasia nailed this little jewel from the very first sentence. She weaves a world around us until everything else ceases to exist. No hesitation, no pulling punches, no holds barred. She barrels right through your defenses and pulls us into her imagination that's as vast and varied as it endless. Throw in all the twists and turns, unexpected circumstances and unpredictable surprises that make for one unforgettable experience. The characters and scenes are written with such realism it really pulls this bad boy together beautifully. She steadily increases the drama, heartache, heartbreak, pulse racing, adrenaline pumping, it just makes it that much more realistic. The depths and lengths with each detailed description of the overview makes it easy to picture each scenario as they play off one another perfectly. A strong storyline and such a satisfying plot really it makes this page turning dynamo rock. Stasia did an excellent job bringing this read to life flawlessly. Remarkable job Stasia, thanks for sharing this awesome read with us.

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## CS says

My heart broke for Callie and the way she was dealing with her abuse and losing her son through a bitter and crooked custody battle. When her ex, Jackson comes into the picture, this story turned from good to excellent.

I loved that he was looking out for her even after she left him. I loved that he allowed her to act out, but still wanted her safe. And I absolutely loved that he champions for her, and supports her in getting justice done with Charlie, all the while accepting and loving Callie for who she is.

Jackson knows that something horrible happened with the evil Gentry, noting the drastic changes in Callie. He didn't give up until he got to the bottom of it all, and was the reason Callie could start healing from the assault that she kept hidden from everyone.

When Jackson took her to the BDSM club to help her get back her emotional control, things get a little kinky and intense. The calm way Jackson explains and describes the alternate lifestyle he enjoys makes it seem almost normal, the emphasis is almost.

Callie eats it up though, as it helps her deal with the way Gentry abused her and had her abused by others. There's a backstory to Jackson and Gentry, and the way Gentry blackmails Callie to do some corporate espionage.

Loved this story that had so much going on at the same time with Callie, her relationship with her sister, parents, and her heartbreaking secrets. It takes Jackson and his final complete vulnerability with Callie that

helps her to finally face her demons.  
Super sexy and romantic read!

I received a free copy of this book via Booksprout and am voluntarily leaving a review.

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### **Tanya says**

He is going to get her back no matter what. They had a great month together and he wants more so much more. He has a feeling it is due to them. Well they will pay and he will take her back. Will he succeed? See if he will

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### **Katherine says**

I didn't make it through the 1st book in this duet: Cut So Deep because of pages & pages of non-stop filler (IMO). I gave this one a try to see if it improved but again, pages of internal thoughts, musings & panic by the main character Callie.

Many people may enjoy this writing format, nothing wrong with it per se: the writing itself was articulate & while I certainly don't mind & even enjoy a character's internal POV, for me at least the most mundane tasks were drawn out (so it seemed to me) for unnecessary pages. I was completely bored & frustrated & I found myself skipping entire sections of a chapter in an attempt to net out was going to happen.

Sooo, I didn't get very far in this book either.

Again, to be fair: I don't think this was the author's fault, it was a case of my not liking the particular style of writing. I think the overall plot idea was sound & interesting, I genuinely liked Jackson, loathed Bryce & found Callie grating & irritating. Other than her focus on her son, I really did not like her character at all. BUT, don't let my opinion sway you against this duet: what I find boring & irritating may just be your cup of tea.

I truly hope you enjoy the book more than I did.

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### **Melanie Kulpa-Effnert says**

Release Me is the second book in this duet.

Callie has lost her son, struggles with the aftermath of the events in Gentry's office, has started her new job and is bringing herself in danger again.

She thinks she can avoid Jackson but he's determined to get her back.

To reach his goal and keep Callie safe he shows her a way to get control over her life again.

Together they dive into the world of BDSM. But Callie has to make sure to not get lost in this new scene. So Jackson is willing to do everything to help her.

And there's the past that haunts Callie, always lurking in the dark ready to destroy her once more.

The second book was so much better. I got the feeling that the heroin was growing up, even if her choices were sometimes driving me crazy.

The author did an awesome job at research of the contents and the story was every so often so damn twisted, fantastic.

You got me there for a minute, in Gentry's office. Well played! I loved that part the most.

The end of the story is so satisfying. Callie matured throughout the book so much and Jackson ..... yeah he is definitely book boyfriend material.

If you're not afraid of dark, brutal contents this story is worth your time.

Thanks to Stasia Black for this captivating, intense story.

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### ♥?Melanie says

Super excited for this continuation of Crush Me!!

This is a good read but I wanted so much more. The first book is the best and this one gave me answers to all my unanswered questions from book 1. I really didn't expect the whole BDSM aspect but it worked. Really enjoyed the epilogue.

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### LMR says

Break So Soft (Break So Soft Duet Book 2)

By: Stasia Black

"Break So Soft" Is A Solid 5 Star Reading Treat!!

All her life she's been Cut...

Raw, Emotional, Betraying, & Deep...

Over, & Over, & Over Again... The Cuts keep coming, until it feels like it's never gonna END...

She's Backed into a Corner, like a Caged Animal waiting to Strike...

Her Enemies better Beware, her Bark's definitely NOT Worse than her BITE!!

The first Story left you Hangin'... Right on the Cliff, waiting for the Next Installment!!

But Now you can Dig Right into "Break So Soft!"

This is Part 2 of her Story, & it's a Doozy...

Don't buy it if you're faint of HEART, because this Lady's gonna "Break So Soft" after she gets "Cut So Deep;" it'll make you Scream, Rage, & Cry...

That's Right... The writing is Solid! Stasia Black draws you into this Tale & keeps you on the Edge of your Seat turning Pages until the last one's gone! Don't Believe Me...Just Go Ahead & One-Click, "Break So Soft," & finish the Story!

I rarely give Coveted 5 STAR ratings; they're saved for Books/Items that Outshine, Outclass, & Outperform their competition... They've gotta give me something MORE! Stasia Black's won that Distinction Once

Again for "Break So Soft;" Kudos Ms. Black for your Stellar work!!!

I was granted an ARC of Stasia Black's "Break So Soft (Break So Soft Duet Book 2)" via Booksprout; I recommend this book to others based upon its own merits. All opinions expressed within this review are uniquely my own & freely given!

Until next time... Happy Reading!

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### **Ashley says**

The best parts were seeing Gentry and David get what they deserve. I felt it dragged on for too long though.

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### **Ceeri Jay says**

#### **So. All's well that ends well?**

Stasia Black has done it again but the frustration had me nearly taking my eyes out with a very blunt plastic spoon for most of this book.

That whole 'Imma hide my big secret' thing for Callie? Didn't like that.

At all.

It just made her a rapid backhand slap candidate for most of this book.

Everyone was mostly a total sh!t for the best part of this book (even baby Chatlie joined in towards the end, sheesh!) and Callie seemed to go off the rails using sex to assuage the very real pains caused by the continued betrayal of trust in her life.

You would think that by now she would have learned to trust no-one without at least doing a serious bit of due diligence, but Noooooo. Here she is again, even worse off at the start of this book, her unit family shattered and her spirit out for dominance if not able to get vengeance.

My kindle is dented from the number of times I flung it at the wall, only to crawl back over to where it lay, blinking up at me, urging me to continue my teeth clenching swipe /scroll on through with this story,p. Something pushed me to continue,

And. I.Am.So. Glad. I. Did

Yay, this roller coaster comes to a great brutal but satisfying little conclusion following Callie's idiot solo attempt to get herself out of the mess she walked herself in to.

The sexual exploration she and her constant hero, Jackson, enjoyed is definately a bit off the charts, but, in light of what she was subjected to in the first book I'm just relieved that there were SOME hard limits in this book.

Yaaaaaaas! to happy endings

Callie is definately a different woman by the end of this book and she does her transformation without the safety of a chrysalis, poor thing.

A heart wrenching, well written story Stasia McStirrer.  
Imma 1-click this author but I warn you now, Stasia Black  
You owe me a kindle.  
Again

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## **Lillian ? Cloud 9 Books ? says**

\*\*\*\*\* **3.75 Stars** \*\*\*\*\*

*Cannot be read as a standalone.*

I really liked this erotic story. The steamy scenes captured my attention and Jackson stole my heart.

The only thing that bothered me was that Callie just seemed selfish throughout the entire book. As she was exploring the BDSM world and learning the ropes to be a mistress, she continuously made bad decisions. Decisions she shouldn't be making if she was hoping to win back custody of her son.

Although **Please Me** felt a little disconnected to **Crush Me**, I really liked the plot and erotic moments. My favorite parts all involved Jackson. Seriously... I couldn't get enough of him. Phew!

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## **Sabrina says**

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I'm really glad the problems I had with the first book didn't stop me from reading this one. In the conclusion to Callie's story we got to see her take control of her fate and I liked that a lot. It made me connect to her character more than I did in the previous story and I ended up enjoying it a lot.

Everything was brought to an end really well and at a good pace. Nothing felt too rushed for me and I was happy we got to see an HEA for this character.

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## **Stephanie says**

**Almost bad as the first but with a couple redeeming qualities**

First of all, I only read this one because I read the first and wanted to know the ending.

Warnings about the book - There is outside the relationship sex, lust, and recalling past details about multiple ex-partners. I have no issue with the darker themes in the book, but if you do, steer clear.

What I didn't like - I hate outside the relationship sex, lust, flirting heavily, and flashbacks or details of past sexual encounters. I have no problem with BDSM, but it really feels out of place in this book. It's like it just popped out of nowhere. Callie and Jackson don't even seem like the same characters that they were in the first. So much is different from the previous book to this one without a smooth transition and the time period between the two is too small for so much change. There were a few errors that should have been fixed before publication. Before the epilogue, Callie and Jackson said they loved each other, and Jackson called Charlie "our son", so why did it take 3 more years for them to get married? It just seems weird. I think some apologies or explanations from Regina needed to happen because she was pretty awful to Callie and set up lies in order to damage Callie's custody case.

What I did like - I liked how they treated Regina. I think she should have explained and apologized or there should have at least been a mention of how they got past her doing those things. It seems like they allowed it too easily, but I like how understanding Callie was about Regina loving Charlie. It was really unselfish, sweet, and mature. The ending was great. I love such endings with marriage and babies and happiness, though I wish it didn't take them so long to get married.

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**Rosebud says**



**Cautionary warning:** *Please Me* cannot be read as a standalone. This summation/review will therefore include spoiler information **IF** you haven't already read *Crush Me* (*Crush Me* #1). For those who HAVE read *Crush Me*, no spoiler content is included in my review.

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Calliope Cruise is a survivor. A living testament that life does indeed go on despite having one's heart and soul ripped out of their body by outside forces beyond one's control.

Hanging on by a thread, Callie needs to get control of her personal and professional life or risk losing that which she loves and holds near and dear to her heart. Accepting a job at Cubelink is the first positive step, the second being getting Charlie back where he belongs.

Hiring the best legal firm may not be enough though when Bryce returns to threaten and expose incriminating details of her past if she fails to agree to his terms.

Callie has learned a thing or two about playing dirty though in her case the dirty play is limited to being in control as a Femdom. BDSM has further shown her that true power is a two edged sword equally dependent on trust and honoring boundaries.

Still, Callie is not in control of her destiny until/unless she finds a way of erasing the damaging blackmail being held against her or agree to terms betraying Jackson to get her son back.

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**Warning:** *This is an emotional dark themed erotic romance read that includes aggressive BDSM and uncomfortable play scenes. Not for the easily offended crowd. Consider yourself warned.*

Bears repeating ..... this cannot be read as a standalone. It is remotely possible to read it (without having read *Crush Me*) if a reader's goal is to read a contemporary BDSM Femdom story with a side of mystery-suspense-intrigue but with the understanding back story information will not be readily apparent.

I totally inhaled this story as I needed to know how things would play out after the cliffy ending of *Crush Me*. I'm happy to share that this book lived up to all expectations and then some. The author did her research to (in my opinion) accurately reflect the demeanor, psychological profiles, exhibited symptoms, and recovery of various characters in this story. Though fictional, readers can get a true glimpse into real life practical people who are experiencing similar situations.

Callie & Jefferson. Early on readers will realize these two had skeletons in their closets. It's easy being on the outside feeling things and issues should have resolved earlier than later but in real life that's not always the case. Time heals but healing cannot be forced or hurried. Taking that into consideration the bridge of BDSM was totally on point. Further, Callie embracing the Domme mentality is also on point. Sexual abuse survivors do need to have control in their sexuality so this made perfect sense. Jeffereson on the other hand, not sure if I agree with the author's spin on his side of things but true love does make a person do crazy things. Bottom line though is that I bonded and became emotionally vested in this couple so mission accomplished (by author) I'd say.

For those looking to know how graphic the adult content scenes are. The majority are BDSM scenes that take place both at a traditional club and in private homes as Callie becomes Mistress Lee though it's clear she's

new to the lifestyle and therefore makes mistakes. Luckily Jefferson, an experienced Dom, is there to mentor her along. I do want to include a scene that could be considered mmf. I personally didn't use that tag because the core was mf with voyeuristic third. Some scenes may stretch comfort levels but overall I appreciated that the author stressed SSC (safe, sane, consensual) play.

Secondary characters. Bryce makes a return and it's left to the author to convince me karma has been fitting. Charlie also steals my heart with one especially emotional scene that tore out my heart wanting to fix all that was broken. David & Regina make a return appearance with a surprise twist. Lastly, Shannon. I so wanted more from this character as I felt she needed more in terms of exposure, happiness, and love. Maybe a series for her could be something for the future. hint hint wink wink author. All other secondary characters are ass wipes who shall forever remain nameless.

Can't conclude without gushing, and I do mean gushing, about the epilogue. Not often that I feel a story has achieved a forever HEA ending that I'm happy about. Mission totally accomplished.

I loved this book though it does tend to stray on the dark side of erotic romance. Thank you to the author for a wonderful reading experience that brought me full circle from the depths of despair to the knowledge that love does indeed conquer all.

ps.... I can't remember how many times I repeated this phrase in the course of reading this book: tell him, just TELL HIM.

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### **Nate says**

Loved this conclusion of Jackson & Callie's story. Wow. Such an intriguing book. I'm voluntarily leaving an honest review for a copy of the book.

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