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It's been a year since Kayla Sutton walked away from Gage Channing. Now he's back, and so is Ian Kaplan, Kayla's one-time lover from her college days. Gage's jealousy is his worst enemy, and when he thinks Kayla has chosen Ian, he sets in motion a drastic plan to claim what's his. Only Kayla never expects him to infiltrate her heart so effortlessly, and she never dreamed there would come a day when he wouldn't want her.

Gage believes she's committed the ultimate sin, but will she use his mistake to finally escape the cage of his obsession? Or will she do whatever it takes to make him see he can entrust his heart to her...just as she's already lost the core of her being to him?

**NOTE TO READERS: THE DEVIL'S CLAIM is a dark romance with a BDSM edge that does NOT conform to safe, sane, and consensual practices. Includes explicit content and subject matter that may offend some readers. Intended for mature audiences. Book 2 of the Devil's Kiss Series. Previously titled The Devil's Kiss: Epilogue**

## **The Devil's Claim Details**

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## Mandy (2 Girls & their Kindles) says

The Devil's Kiss Series Bundle by Gemma James

The Boxset included:

The Devil's Kiss

The Devil's Claim

The Devil's Wife

The Devil's Spawn

Kayla will do anything to save her daughter Eve. Kayla is desperate to get her hands on the money for Eve's treatment no matter what the cost, When she steals the money from her boss, Gage Channing, she never saw the deal he would offer to keep her out of jail. He would keep paying Eve's medical bills and she was to become his slave. Agreeing, Kayla never expected just what she was getting herself into.

This was a great read in my opinion, it is a very dark read with heavy and harrowing BDSM scenes. But be warned it deals with consensual and sometimes non consensual acts so this is not for the faint hearted. Gage Channing makes Christian Grey look like a pussy-cat.

I'm a big fan of Dark Erotica, and this didn't disappoint, it was my first Gemma James read but it won't be my last. There are tender moments, but it is very gritty, raw and emotional and harrowing. The perfect read for Dark lovers but don't say I didn't warn you.

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## Julie Read Our Lips! Book Review Blog says

I usually take a week or so after I read a book to write a review. This gives me time to calm down from either the high or low the end of a book just left me in. This is really important for me to do because sometimes a book ending affects me so much, I forget to look at the entire book reflectively and relate its good points even though some elements I loved/hated might not necessarily mean all readers will react the same way. So, I try to be as diplomatic as possible.

Well, throw this out the window because let me tell you that I just literally finished reading the last page of The Devil's Salvation by Gemma James (GJ). At this point I'm not going in soft and warn you about this book's dark BDSM themes and how it might not appeal to you yada yada \*record scratch\* Instead I'm going to order you to drop whatever you're reading and pick up The Devil's Kiss Series by Gemma James! LOL

If you've followed my reviews for the past books in the series: Ultimatum, Enslaved, and Retribution you've known I absolutely loved every page of this book series. As you know, Fellow Readers, there isn't anything I enjoy more than a love triangle! And mix it with erotica and BDSM? \*faints\* I gave 5 Kisses to almost all of GJ's books except for the last one, Retribution which I gave 4.5 Kisses.

The reason for this was because the ending of Retribution was written in a way where you couldn't tell who the female lead ended up with. At first, I honestly felt deprived by GJ, but as time went on I really saw what a genius move this was! I mean what a great way not to disappoint one team vs. another of your fans. Every

reader can fill in his/her fave character to be the HEA couple at the end.

And yet, I still wanted MORE!!! I just love this series and wanted to know what came next. I had the pleasure of speaking with the author via email and I was over the moon when she hinted it was possible she might continue with the series.

So, you can imagine the cartwheels I did when I got word GJ wrote another installment to this series (which I'm not labeling the end because I never want this series to end!!! LOL)

The Devil's Salvation literally picks up right where the previous book, Retribution, ended. Kayla has left both men and has chosen to be alone, relocating as far as her car took her. It's a year later and she's settled and working as a waitress. Then her world gets turned upside down as a mystery man comes back into her life. Finally, the new book reveals who is the mystery man Kayla meets up with at the end of Retribution. Hold on to your seats . . . it's Gage! \*faints\*

I must admit I was vying for him all the way as I'm totally drawn to dark, tormented heroes \*fans self\* In my mind, I squeed with delight imagining how we were going to get a last mind blowing sex scene from GJ that was going to permanently leave my toes up in a curled position as only GJ can write them LOL

But The Devil's Salvation is so much more than that. Just when you think we're going to see Kayla and Gage's ride off into the sunset, wouldn't you know it – Ian isn't out of the running yet \*flails\*

But hold on, Fellow Readers. You know me, right? Remember my take on Butch from the Black Dagger Brotherhood Series? Yea, I'm a material girl living in the material world just like Madonna. So when I read Gage was fresh out of serving time in prison, I immediately thought he'd lost everything and he wouldn't have the same allure as before. But wouldn't you know it? Gage didn't let a little prison time get him down. He's still managed to keep a few clients and he's got his plane, the cars, and the money to throw down with the best of them. You just can't keep him down LOL

But that doesn't stop his half-brother, Ian, from trying, though. Ian, right on Gage's heels, shows up at Kayla's new home as well. He and Gage argue, and an overwhelmed Kayla kicks Gage out.

Now alone with Kayla, Ian makes a last attempt to convince her to choose him over Gage and let him show her how things would be different. Ian promises to take her out on a date and be "normal," but can Kayla do normal? For a whole year, she's thought about no one but Gage and how he touched her, both in body and soul. After all she's experienced with Gage, can she ever go back to being normal with Ian?

Sure Ian is a doctor and at first I thought Kayla would end up with him because he'd somehow cure the illness her daughter, Eve, suffered from, but Ian turned out to be useless in this aspect. Due to Gage's money, Kayla was able to get the best experts on her daughter's case and Eve was cured. So does Ian even have a leg to stand on with Kayla?

Just when you think Kayla's going to dismiss him, she surprises us. Kayla thinks about Ian's proposal and feels she owes it to herself to see to see if she can live out of Gage's shadow and give Ian's "good" love a chance. But not everything is as it seems. Ian is hiding something. Will the truth make her accept Ian, or will it lead her back to Gage?

In The Devil's Salvation, new secrets will be revealed, roles will be reversed, and earth shattering, mind-blowing sex will take you on a journey that will change your perspective on love and submission. Trust me

and get this book today, or if you haven't yet, please pick up this series. You won't be sorry!

[You can purchase Books 1 – 3 in one convenient bundle titled, The Devil's Kiss Trilogy.]

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### Natalie The Biblioholic says

Somehow I'm still enjoying this series, wondering what the heck I'm really reading!!

As much as I truly am enjoying this series, it was hard to understand Kayla. I spent the entire time reading this installment **PISSED!!** There were way too many times that I had to question her decision-making. Too many times that I had to remind myself that she really was a grown ass woman. Too many times I wondered where her people are because I've been wondering **WHERE THE FCK IS THIS GIRL'S FAMILY???**

See, in reality I know that there are women in similar situations to Kayla. I know that not every woman is going to be like me. Gage's ass would be in jail. No question. Whip me boy? Give me permission to talk to people? After you done whipped me??? Got 911 on speed dial homie. Kidnap me, beat me, pushed me into a hospital, rant and rage, hurt me, and then have the nerve to say you *love* me? Do these characters know what love is???

Let's state the facts shall we. Kayla left and subsequently divorced Rick because he was exceptionally evil and abusive. There have been parallels drawn between Rick's behaviour and that of Gage. Now I'm not saying that Gage is as bad, but abuse is abuse. I call it like I see it. Yes, Rick actually attempted to kill her while Gage hasn't, however, for her to say he's not abusive...

Did Gage not abuse his power? Did he not manipulate everything for his benefit? Can someone give this woman a damn definition? She's lost her damn mind!!

I kept thinking about Kayla's daughter, Eve, and what she's been exposed to. Not knocking BDSM AT ALL, but I can't categorize Gage and Kayla's relationship as a true representation of the lifestyle. It has no rhyme or reason and lacks structure, stability and security. I know I didn't feel safe. Is that normal? Also, Gage gets to pull all types of stunts and NEVER has to answer for it. His attempts at grovelling were pathetic and yet, typical of Kayla, he's back in and whipping that ass again in no time. And she acts like she did something wrong. Isn't that one of the signs of abuse???

There were a lot of times that I had to warp what I knew to be reality in order for this story to work for me. In no time, I failed to view Kayla as someone of strength. I'm finding her severely lacking a backbone.

I DID love getting to know more about Gage and what made him tick. Nothing excuses his behaviour, but I better understand his warped view of the world. His POV was still sorely lacking. I can't wait to see what other fuckery this couple will be up to next.

*\*Copy generously given in exchange for an honest review\**

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## **Kathy says**

### **4.5 stars**

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The cruel s.o.b. that I love to hate and hate to love, Gage Channing, is back a changed man. Oh, he's not so changed that he's no longer cruel...he's just different. He's still the Master, but the Master with a less black heart. The setting is a year later, but *The Devil's Salvation: Final Epilogue* picks right up at the exact spot that *Retribution* (*The Devil's Kiss* #3) ended. Before reading this book, it is important that you read *The Devil's Kiss* Trilogy, as these books must be read in order.

I was pleading for Gage and Kayla's story to continue after the open ending in *Retribution*. I was so invested in this dark series and left with unanswered questions. Those questions and so many more about Gage's history are answered in this final installment of the series.

Gemma James takes us farther into Gage and Ian's past with surprising revelations as to when and where Kayla actually came to be the focus of attention. I like that Kayla is even stronger in this installment; she stands her own with the controlling and demanding Gage Channing. I understood Kayla's choices and really loved the growth of her character throughout the series, but most evident in this final installment. Knowing that Gage is capable of inflicting harsh and incomprehensible punishments -- many times being unwarranted -- Kayla still pushes him to the breaking point by asking questions of his past and challenging his confessions of love.

The relationship between Gage and Kayla is tumultuous, dysfunctional, and the control has shifted from the previous installments. Gage is still just as controlling, but Kayla seems to have the upper hand and exerts her own demands throughout the book. As hard as she tries to deny her feelings, knowing that Ian is perfect for

her and Gage borders on the same treatment of her that her ex-husband exhibited, she craves the malfunction and depravity she has with Gage.

There is nothing "normal" about Gage and Kayla in my definition of normal, but their abnormal and deviant behavior is their normal, and it works for them. There are a few surprises in this book, one in particular toward the ending that brings Gage to an all time cruelty and made me want to go all Exlax on his tail with the toe of my boot. I think I wanted to kick Kayla even more for sticking around, but then I understood her position and feelings and would have acted the same way...maybe...probably. How sick and depraved does that make me?

There is a sliver of humanity in Gage that comes out in this book, and I welcomed it. After the dark and inhumane treatment he gave Kayla in past installments, this fragment was a piece of Gage I wanted...something I knew, like Kayla, was just beneath the surface.

Gemma James has delivered the perfect ending to the series that captivated me with this sadistic and masochistic couple. As always with this author's writing, The Devil's Salvation: Final Epilogue is flawlessly written and reaches into the depths of the reader's psyche, eliciting acceptance of the bizarre and preternatural conduct of the dark and cruel world of the Master, Gage Channing. If you haven't visited the Devil's den, I recommend you follow the journey of this woman who lost so much to gain everything she never knew she needed and wanted.

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## **Michelle says**

### **It's so wrong, but God does it feel so right!**

This short series needed this epilogue, a huge thank you to Gemma James for giving us just what we needed.

It's been a year since Kayla left, since Gage was arrested and since she learned the truth of the connection between Ian and Gage. She's trying to start over but failing. The man that held her body hostage with an impossible Ultimatum has now consumed her thoughts.

When Gage appears at before her, Kayla can't seem to control her body's reaction to him. But things get a bit sticky when Ian returns to try to claim her heart. But some things just can't be controlled. Just when Kayla is ready to make her choice, the choice is made for her.

*This is not a romantic BDSM love story. A complete Dub-con type arrangement that morphs into something a bit more. But we don't get a fairy tale, Gage is who he is. He has rules and he will not be denied his desires. Make no mistake, the hero in this does not get a full redemption. As much as your mind might tell you that you are crazy, your heart is going to be beating out of your chest.*

*Every part of the logical part of me screams - RUN! But I just can't. My feet are completely stuck to the floor beneath me, and God help me, but I love Gage Channing.*

*Gemma James gives us a brutal romance that is pure dark erotica that was a twisted storm of emotions.*

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## Judy Lewis says

DELICIOUSLY DARK AND SINFULLY WICKED !!!

Title: The Devils's Claim (formerly titled The Devil's Kiss: Epilogue)

Series: The Devil's Kiss

Designation: Book Two of Serial, Not A Standalone, Contains HFN

Author: Gemma James

My Rating: FIVE SINFULLY WICKED STARS \*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*Content Warning: I would like to preface my review by saying, if you have sexual triggers and object to explicit adult content and disturbing subject matter including bondage, domination, sadism, masochism, extreme acts of punishment, nonconsensual sex and rape, this is probably NOT the book for you. However, although the author does give the reader a very realistic accounting of the subject matter, it's written tactfully and skillfully. Make no mistake, this is a deliciously dark and sinfully wicked erotic romance with elements of suspense and multiple plot twists that will both shock and surprise you. And I loved every single minute. Also, please be aware, this is a one hundred seventy page story that is the second book of a serial. It is not a standalone read and does end in an almost happy for now cliffhanger.

Okay, I admit, I was somewhat undecided about the rating for this book. No, I was actually conflicted over the entire series which to date, consists of three books, The Devil's Kiss(Book One), The Devil's Claim(Book Two) and The Devil's Wife(Book Three). Having never read anything written by Gemma James, I had no idea what to expect but I'm a real sucker for a freebie. I'm a voracious reader and there's nothing I enjoy more than discovering a great new author so after reading the blurb and the free sample, I was intrigued and decided since the book was offered as a free download by Amazon, I would give it a whirl. And I'm really glad I did. James is a skilled wordsmith and a gifted storyteller as evidenced by the fact I not only read the first free book, but ran back to Amazon and purchased the second and third. I found some of the content rather disturbing but I will concede, it's very realistically portrayed. I was immediately drawn into this story by the two protagonists, Kayla Sutton and Gage Channing. These two characters were absolutely fascinating, completely mesmerizing and played off each other brilliantly. Wealthy businessman, Gage Channing is a sadist in the truest sense of the word, deriving sexual pleasure from the pain and punishment of others and more specifically Kayla Sutton, his personal assistant. The cast includes several other very intriguing characters, all of whom are pivotal to the story. These characters are dark, complex and engaging but the author does an exceptional job of building and developing each player perfectly. And just when you think you have an understanding of both them and their nature - WHAM - the author blows your mind with another revelation. I was glued to my seat, gasping for my next breath with my heart hammering in my chest, and turning the pages so fast, my Kindle couldn't keep up! I hated it...I loved it...I abhorred it...I was enthralled by it...I was sickened by it...I was fascinated by it. I wanted to throw my Kindle against the wall....but couldn't stop reading it! Please allow me to make something perfectly clear, this is not just erotica but so much more. It is an erotic romance with a hypnotic underlying story of heartache and pain featuring a very complex and psychologically damaged cast of players. They are quite simply magnificent. The story is enthralling, spellbinding, addictive, suspenseful and erotic. The dialogue is shocking, seductive, exceptionally well executed and flowed effortlessly. The entire narrative is beautifully written in the first person from the perspective of Kayla Sutton, a beautiful twenty eight year old divorcee and single mother with a very painful and troubled past who has a three old daughter named Eve suffering from a life threatening illness. All the traditional treatments have failed and Eve is in desperate need of a costly experimental treatment not covered by insurance which forces Kayla to resort to the theft of company funds in order to pay for her daughter's treatment expenses. Her crime is discovered by her boss, Gage Channing,



owner of Channing Enterprises. Gage confronts Kayla with evidence of her crime but rather than report her to the police, he offers her a deal...sign a six week contract to become his sexual slave or go to jail. In Gage Channings's eyes, he's offering Kayla a deal, a choice, but in reality he's a master manipulator who has been searching for a way to blackmail Kayla into becoming his willing submissive and sex slave. Unfortunately, neither Kayla nor Gage expected to be completely drawn in by their explosive yet undeniable attraction to each other and neither planned to ever fall in love. Is it possible to fall in love with someone you hate? And is it possible to truly love someone yet desire to punish and hurt them? Nothing in this story is as it seems. There is so much more at play that is carefully, masterfully and skillfully revealed over the course of the three books. And OMG! I could not stop reading it! I cried! I sobbed! I screamed profanities and shook my fists in anger! And several times, I wanted to throttle the characters and throw my Kindle at the wall but isn't that what entertainment actually is? Engaging with the characters, empathizing with them and becoming so caught up in the story itself that you lose track of time? That's exactly what happened to me when I read this story. So in reviewing this book, I ask myself, what did I love about this story? Pretty much everything, even the parts that were hard to read! What didn't I like? Again, some of the scenes were almost too painful to read but I couldn't stop, I had to continue. I had to know what happened! Would I recommend this book? You bet and I am but only to adult readers! Will I read this author again? Absolutely! As I said, I've already purchased the second and third book. And I'm sure I'll be reading many more books from this author in the future! Fabulous entertainment and an awesome read!

\*\*\*I'm not a professional reviewer but I do know what I like, what love and what I don't and I loved this story. And if I truly love a story, I give it five stars. This is only my opinion with my review being based on not only on my enjoyment of this book but also on its exceptional presentation and craftsmanship.

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## **Nishat Sarker says**

wow...that was very intense and of course, SEXY!!! this is final epilogue of the devil's kiss series. kayla has left her life a year ago from all the chaos. from the man that had no intention of letting her go and consumed her soul and body and from the man that was absolutely perfect. she is trying to move on with her daughter eve. she is well and Kayla wants to give her the best of everything. it all was going well until the very man, Gage, that broke her, left her bleeding, stirred feelings she never felt and the man who protected her shows up at her door. she is at a complete loss. not only that, her former lover, the perfect man, Ian also shows up. now she is in between these two complete opposite brothers who can't even stand the sight of each other and they both want her. but one has the power to knock down all her defenses.

Gage Channing is back and he is NOT letting Kayla go this time, no matter what. he won't NO for an answer. he will do the unthinkable, play with the one thing that's makes kayla most vulnerable if it means he can have her. But HE WILL HAVE HER. nothing can stop him. and he is more than willing to go head to head with his brother to claim what's his...what's always been his.

Gage(HAVE ME!!! really, i'm a willing participant. lol)

yeah...Gage in this book made me feel too many emotions altogether. i didn't what or how i felt about him. he was still a selfish, cruel and controlling bastard but he also showed a side that was completely unexpected. he realized that it's not about revenge anymore, that he truly wants Kayla and he fell in love with her. he was overwhelming. like Kayla said, he was one man rolled into so many personalities. it was like trying to catch a wild animal. you catch him, it will stay for a while and be tamed as long as HE wants to but eventually he will get out in the wild, even if it means hurting anything or anyone who stands on his way. that's exactly

how he was. one minute i wanted to punch and kick him and the next i wanted to kiss him like there's no tomorrow and the next i wanted to do both. he really doesn't know the meaning of the word no. he definitely doesn't like being told no. he went above and beyond to possess Kayla. he even went to touch the most precious thing to Kayla, her daughter. he pulled out the Eve card because he knew it would have an instant effect. it pissed me off but at the same time i was like "you go get your woman. use whatever method necessary." lol. he was very unapologetic. he knew the things he did to Kayla were wrong but he also knew that's his way of showing his feelings. we also get a glimpse into his past. you learn why he is the way he is. not that it's not his choice but his childhood has a major influence on the Gage now. he loved(loves) Kayla. it's a bit unconventional. it's without flowers or rainbows. but it's no less romantic or genuine. his feelings were raw, honest and very intense but that's just who he is. there's no middle ground with this man. either you go all the way or you don't. simple as that. i'm not making excuses for the horrible things he did but i came to an understanding. he will always fuck up, he will always be controlling, cruel and a selfish man but when he falls, he falls hard and he will bring the moon to the woman's feet he loves. that's what and how Gage is. his flaws are what makes him this powerful man and his controlling and cruel nature is what makes him vulnerable. his jealousy is quite scary. it's not just a simple talk like "oh i don't like you talking to this man." no, when his jealousy struck, you better be prepared to face the consequences. that's unfair, sure. however, this is Gage's possessiveness and love. although i do not agree what his jealousy did at the end of the book. he almost lost everything. one woman who was willing to accept his flaws and habits. he did change. he opened up to Kayla...on some level. the biggest surprise was how he was with Eve. the man took 180 turn when it came to that little girl. he was the perfect role model and an idealistic father figure. i had hard time keeping up with his change of personalities. he gave Eve everything a 4 year old can have. he charmed his way through her heart even with her mother disapproving. yet, this dark and fucked up man made a beautiful bond with a beautiful little girl.

i LOVE her. she is a strong woman. her sole focus was her daughter. she went back and forth about both men. she wanted to do what was right for Eve. she knew which man would be the perfect father for Eve; yet, her traitorous heart chose the one she was desperately avoiding. she was utterly confused about how she felt about Gage. she tried not to fall in love with Gage, tried not to see the softer side of that cruel man. but she involuntarily did. she turned down her fairy tale ending for the devil himself. but midst of everything, she wanted her daughter to have the best. she was shocked to see the bond between them since she thought Gage wasn't capable of that kind of affection. but boy, was she wrong? Gage poured her with affection. sure, he did his kinky shit but the approach was different and he just wouldn't leave her this time. this time he would stay and hold her after the pain he would inflict. she invited the pain knowing the affection that comes later. she knew what Gage was capable of and she saw the consequences of being with a man so intense and overwhelming but she accepted. she saw that there was a sensual and sweet man beneath the cold and harsh exterior. she wanted to know the truth. what made him this way? how does he do this? these questions were dead ends but she kept pushing. because it was necessary. she had given that man everything. he DEMANDED everything, so in return, she did the same. his conditions and terms were absurd but Kayla knew it would be nothing less. he would always demand more and Kayla would give it to him. a deep part of her wanted to be his possession and that his love would be exactly this. she gathered her courage and stood up to him and i loved her for it.

i am honestly really happy about the ending. it was quite journey. i'm glad that Gage decided to take up Kayla's suggestion. but Ian was a disappointment. he was the supposed hero in this story but the man was anything but. sure, he wanted to give Kayla flowers everyday and "be normal" but the man has never once tried to understand his brother. all he did was put him down every step of the way. he could have tried. yeah, we know you aren't a saint. but what he did was also horrible. he constantly tried to make his brother the bad guy. yeah, Gage also could have tried to fix things but he had the right to be pissed off at his brother. Ian on

the other hand, was just a jackass. he couldn't be happy for his brother and kayla. it was just all about gage not deserving her. \*shaking my head\* until the end, he tried to throw his brother under the bus. to me i felt like it was Ian who was hell bent on revenge and not gage.

but i'm more than happy for gage and kayla. they went through ups and downs, push and pull, thick and thin but they got on the right track. their start wasn't exactly on the right foot but can i say i'm glad the way it started? they still have issues to solve and secrets to reveal but now they each other to rely on. they became each others rock and the devil finally found his salvation.

i hope she writes another book. I want more Gage and Kayla. i wanna know more. lol. yeah, i am greedy. THANK YOU, Gemma James for writing such an amazing series. Gage, Kayla and eve deserves all the happiness in the world :)

absolutely 5 STARS

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### **Renee says**

I received a copy of this book in exchange for an honest review.

The Devils Claim is the second book in Gemma James The Devil's Kiss Series. It kicks up right Devil's Kiss left off so you will want to read it first.

It's been exactly a year since Kayla Sutton walked away from Gage Channing. She's moved on to a different state and a totally different life. A knock on the door late one night and Gage is at Kayla's door. Ian is also there and Gage is set off because of his jealousy. He will do anything to keep Kayla and make Ian pay for his pet sin. However when Gage thinks Kayla has betrayed him in the worst way possible it's Kayla's chance to take her daughter and go.

I think I devoured this book. I'm here to tell you I have hated Gage though most of this book. He crosses so many lines and my heart would break for Kayla. But at the same time I was rooting for them to make it. I don't think I closed this book totally hating him but if it had ended three chapters earlier I sure would have. He has a lot of redemption to seek. Kayla is still her strong spunky self but I felt like she lost some of that to Gage's dominance. I did however love the book and will be diving head first right into the next one.

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### **Caro Richard says**

Diving straight in to book 2!

Fresh from prison, Gage seeks Kayla out....considering she didnt tell him where she was, it seems Gage is still master of everything.

'I accept that I'm a twisted bastard, but I don't think you realize who you are.  
Who am I?  
Mine.'

Their twisted up saga continues in their normal on the outside life.

Gage is not redeemed in my eyes still, not in any shape or form. But I hear there is more....

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### **Amber Rose says**

4.5 Stars!!!

First off you will need to read The Devil's Kiss Trilogy first before reading The Devil's Salvation.

We are a year after The Devil's Kiss, it starts right up where the last one left off.

There were some moments when I wanted to kick the shit out of Gage, in the first books. I still felt that way in this book also. **BUT** I wanted drop to my knees for this man at the sametime. He frustrates me sometimes. He has changed quite a bit in this book. He made some changes. But, he also did not change. He knows what he wants and will not take no for an answer. He will just do it. Taking away Kayla's choices once again. Kayla wants that though, I feel. She wants someone who will make the choices for her. Her mind says no, but her wetness tells different.

There were some damn bomb droppers in this one. From the last book how it started to end it left my mouth hanging open at some parts. But now I am finally getting whole story, the whole plot, it took it to that much bigger level. I am so glad I got all the answers I've been waiting to find out. I got more and beyond that.

Overall I truly fucking loved this book. Gage is over controlling, overbearing, over all everything, but I love that man to death. Gage and Kayla together make this book work. They make me want to keep asking for more. I will say this is not as dark as the last book. The last book was just plain dark erotica that I love, this one still has some moments that is dark, but it has the romance that it needed in this book. I loved that I got the finished product on these two characters.

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### **~Mindy Lynn~ says**

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### **Didi says**

\*\*\*\* 2 STARS \*\*\*\*

I finished this yesterday and although I had an urge to write a review right away, I decided to wait. I have waited and I still feel the same. I didn't like this very much. I appreciate the authors efforts, and acknowledge she writes some pretty dark erotica, but she lost me here.

I really liked the 'Devil's Kiss' trilogy. I loved the set-up: Desperate woman embezzles money to save dying daughter but gets caught and pays her dues with sex. It was interesting to watch Kayla blossom under the brutal hands of Gage Channing. She gravitated towards a kinky lifestyle and found herself horrified she actually enjoyed it. Too much.

Gage was just as crazy obsessive and demanding as in The Devil's Kiss, but he went a little too far for my liking. This is not a spoiler, but he locks her purse and cell phone till she needs to go out....what?! He demands to control things, everyday things I might add, that are ridiculous. Maybe it's just me, because this book has been getting rave reviews, but I need to see some redemption or redeeming behavior. And there was some for sure. Gage showed Kayla many sides to his puzzle: He was kind to her and her daughter, concerned, caring and dedicated. But EVERYTHING else he did erased those redeeming qualities. I would never even understand how a woman could tolerate that level of possessive control. I've read many dark reads where the hero or anti-hero does crazy things, but there are always certain qualities he possesses that lighten the load. Gage didn't seem to understand the concept of trust. I know he had issues, but still.

And Kayla. God, she got on my nerves. Decide what you want already. Decide what you need already. Be honest with yourself! Hiding from your true inclinations won't make them go away. And when she finally accepts who she is and what she wants--towards the bitter end, of course--I was already sporting a headache. I am glad that she and Gage found each other and saw in one another what was missing in themselves. I get that. That part was beautiful. But Gage was over the top and Kayla was too wishy washy.

Then there's Ian. I still think he was the better choice. But maybe for someone NOT LIKE KAYLA. He was the better man for so many reasons. People might not agree but...

I understood Gage's past and it's affect on his present and future. I also understood Kayla fighting her nature at first, but in the end, I didn't relate to either of them and didn't agree with their choices. I'm probably in the minority here, but there it is. So, yes, it ended well, was dark and gritty and very erotic. I hope Ian gets what he deserves, and I mean that sincerely, in the best of ways.

I do wish the author the best of luck in the future and appreciate the opportunity to review.

\*\*\* Arc kindly provided by the author for an honest review \*\*\*

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**~ Cariad ~ says**

**5 Stars for (at the very least) making me want to castrate an Alpha with a blunt knife!**

I have nothing but love for this series it's so un-apologetically dark, it's amazing.

**For my full review please visit me at:**

The Devil's Kiss 4 - My Sizzling Review

## **Natalie says**

This is a series review for The Devil's Kiss Trilogy and The Devil's Salvation

*"How could someone so dark and rotten to the soul be so beautiful?"*

Do you ever hate a book or character so much that you can't help but fall in love? That is what I call book crack. It is when you know that the book you are reading is all kinds of wrong but you are addicted and can't stop no matter how much you want to. The Devil's Kiss Trilogy and The Devil's Salvation were my book crack. For 95% of this series I absolutely despised the main character Gage. I found absolutely nothing redeeming about his character. He was cold, selfish, unyielding and I drank up every last drop as if I was dying of thirst. He made me furious and disgusted, I was tense and irritable, I almost stopped reading for goodness sakes! But I didn't stop, I kept on reading because just like the Grinch with his heart that is two sizes too small, Gage had a heart. It was tiny and we didn't see it often but when we did, that small little glimpse made me want to keep going, I wanted him to find salvation and redemption. I was desperate for a happily ever after.

So here is the basic premise of the story - Kayla is desperately trying to save her young daughter so she does the only thing that she can, she embezzled 10k from her boss to pay for her daughters medical care. When she is caught her boss Gage gives her two choices, jail or total submission as his sex slave for six weeks. With a sick child in the hospital Kayla has no choice but to agree to submit to Gage even though it is completely out of her comfort zone or so she thinks. That however is just the beginning of the story. There are twists and turns, jealousy, kidnapping, rape, abuse, sex (lots of yummy sex), rage (mostly on my part) and even a WTF?!?! moment that I did not see coming.

Kayla's character had her moments as well and while I didn't despise her like I did Gage there were still times when I want to scream out in frustration. I wanted her to be strong and fierce. I wanted her to put her foot down and kick some Gage ass but then I had to remind myself about the situation she was in. She really had no choices. Desperate to get her daughter healthy, angry at her traitorous bodies reaction to Gage and torn over love she was basically trapped.

The series was fast paced and captivating. Broken into 4 novellas each one was like a small slice decadent chocolate cake. Bad for you but oh so good (like I said complete book crack). I loved hating every minute of Gage and highly recommend this series. Any books that can bring these types of emotions out in me has to be good and this was really good. The end was like winning an emotional jackpot. Completely satisfying.

*"Leaving would be the sane thing to do, but your under my skin, Gage Channing."*

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## **EpicRomanceReviews says**

“Our love never ends, and neither does my possession of you.”

Enraptured....spellbound...shattered .....utterly and completely transfixed! These are a mere sampling of the array of hyper intense emotions I experienced when I embarked on the UNPUTDOWNABLE second installment in the Devil's Kiss series by Gemma James!

THE DEVIL'S CLAIM is a perfectly fitting title because holy moly is there a lot of claiming that transpired in this scorching hot book! After a year in prison to pay for his nefarious past transgressions, the Devil himself, Gage Channing, is back to claim what's his and to hell with the consequences! While at first Kayla Sutton is not willing to uproot her and her daughter from their new life in Texas and jet back to the Devil's lair for another round of torturous pleasure, the pull between them is stronger than ever. So she fights it every step of the way. At least at first. Because Gage was not the type of man to give up on what he wanted and had his methods for tempting his defiant paramour to do his bidding.

"Each day we spent together, each small change I saw in him, slowly erased what he'd put me through last year. Something about him was different. The sadism was still there, the need for power and controls still an innate part of him, but I'd also witnessed slivers of compassion and humanity.”

My love and fascination for Gage and Kayla was magnified to the umpteenth degree in this novel! Their soul-burning, ALL-CONSUMING, toxic love affair reaches a fever pitch in this riveting second installment, and as the plot unravels, we are privy to deeper layers of their complex relationship.

Once again, Gage Channing is utterly intoxicating in all his depraved, diabolical ALPHA male glory! Loved his uber-dominance, that predatory glint in his indigo blue eyes, his wicked sensual torment!! I was so swept up in this story that my pulse would flutter with excitement and I would shiver with dread throughout because Gage is like a hungry, uncaged tiger. You never really know when he will strike next or what will unleash his fiery passion and PRIMAL rage and bottled up fury! And there was one savage moment in particular in this book that was so agonizing I almost could not get past it. But sighhh this man certainly had his softer moments, his way of weaving that spell around you, so you can forgive just about anything. And sometimes it was hard to wrap your head around the fact that he could be so infuriatingly unrepentant one moment, and the next make pancakes and be so heartmeltingly sweet and doting with Princess Eve !

I was hoping in this book that the author would delve deeper into Gage's diabolical psyche and his secret torment to shed light on what shaped him into the half-crazed, ultra controlling , irrationally jealous sadist, and let me say Gemma James did not disappoint!!! While I might still revile his heartless cruelty when he is pushed to the brink, I understand him so much better, and even though I may never fully comprehend what keeps Kayla coming back for more, why she is willing to freely submit to his every whim and desire after suffering such stern wrath at his hands, now I truly believe that there's a good man hiding lurking inside his "rotten" soul.

Oh...and let's get something straight. Kayla is far from spineless. She is FIERCE and BRAVE and RESILIENT. While in book one she was his unwilling salve, blackmailed to be his slave under extreme duress, in this book after a bit of strong-arming on Gage's part, she is ALL IN and as obsessively addicted to his brand of tortuous love as he is to owning every single part of her.

"He would push me beyond my limits, always demand more than I wanted to give, but damn if he didn't make me feel alive. I needed him to breathe, and my humiliation and submission were small prices to pay."

There are many tumultuous twists and turns throughout, and shocking revelations both deepen their bond and thrusts a wedge between them. The push-pull between this volatile couple is as intense as ever but the brutal power exchanges are beautifully interlaced with moments of aching tenderness and breathtaking poignancy, and it was that IRRESISTIBLE blend of rough and carnal and soft and sweet that elevated this relationship to the next level for me.

"He kissed me until I was breathless, until I couldn't remember what we'd been talking about, and I kissed him back just as greedily. I was lucky I still remembered my own name."

This journey these two embark on together is beyond intense. There is fiery discord and dangerous peril and so much heartache and angst I broke down in tears at times. But this book is hardly all doom and gloom. The sex is HOT, HOT, HOT!!! And I don't want to spoil anything, but there is one delectably wanton master/sub role reversal that takes place book that had me writhing in giddy delight! And through all the ups and downs, euphoria and despair, my heart was fully engaged and I prayed that this deeply flawed yet hopelessly in love duo could find a way to make it work.

"His love was selfish and obsessive but also unconditional in a most conditional way. I couldn't even explain what that meant, but my heart understood. His love was sick and tainted and all wrong, but it was mine. He stood at the epicenter of my world, cast it in crimson, and I was ashamed to admit I rather liked living in red. I was addicted to him. "

And even when in their darkest hour when you fear that there is no way they could ever heal the broken parts of each other's souls, or that Kayla can soothe the beast that raged inside of her formidable master, their love would miraculously penetrate the darkness. Despite everything, Kayla makes Gage want to be a better person but is that even attainable for an unapologetic sadist who lives by his own warped code of honor? Two books into this dark and thrilling journey I am beginning to see the this couple will never fit into a traditional mold but hope rings eternal that they will find her own version of twisted happiness someday. And in the end it comes down to this:

"I'm beyond salvation, so don't think you can fix me."

"You don't need to be fixed. You just need to be loved."

In closing I am beyond pumped that that I am only midway through this sinfully delicious series because I have officially been POSSESSED by the Devil!! And there is so much MORE story to be told. So bring it on, Gemma James...your brilliantly wicked sorceress! I cannot wait for you to continue to cast your deliciously entrancing spell on my captive heart!!

5+++ Feverishly transfixed stars!

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