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Princess Rozala of Denbourg enjoys her reputation as a wild child, especially when it annoys her father, the King. When Rosa's latest girlfriend brings scandal to the palace doors, her father sends her to Britain, in the hopes that time with her cousin Queen George and the new Queen Consort will finally make her face her responsibilities.

After overcoming personal demons and quitting the high-stakes world of finance, Lennox King is content to keep her life simple. As the new director of a hospice charity, she uses a strict business approach to help the charity grow and prosper.

When Rosa comes to work at the charity under orders from the Queen Consort, babysitting a spoiled princess is definitely not on Lennox's agenda. But when passion flares between them, will Lennox's past stop their relationship in its tracks, or will a twist of fate bring a new future that neither was expecting?

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Danni Mladenovic says

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It's a nice, imaginative read. This is a book you practically read for one afternoon, with a cup of tea or coffee, tucked away in your cozy, comfortable couch... It has its complex moments, like dealing with addiction and insecurities, but overall, this is a very pleasant book.

Joanna (joreadsalot) says

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Alright Book Peeps

Another one for the meh pile from Netgalley. After the whole Breakwater debacle I thought "okay a fantasy read was maybe not in the cards for today so let me switch it up and read a contemporary". This is how I came to read Royal Rebel. It was contemporary with royalty that had a plot similar to The Prince and Me but with a f/f relationship. I was sold but in the end it just didn't live up to my self imposed hype.

Firstly I will give the book kudos for the world building. It wasn't exceptional but it was better than I was anticipating after reading the first few chapters. One of the stars is definitely for how well the political landscape is laid out and the position of all the pieces and their titles so you know their strengths and weaknesses. I also really appreciated how sussed out the family dynamics were because it added to the story as well even though sometimes I felt like it was thrown in your face too often. For example, Rozala lost her mother and the author just kept throwing this in your face throughout the book that she was lonely, reckless and an attention seeker because of it. In the beginning I was sympathetic but not even a 1/4 into this I was over it.

This brings me to character development. It's very hard for me to rate a book high when the main character is crap. This book is primarily about Princess Rozala and so I have to believe in her in order to like her. I really felt that all of the "development" that Rozala went through was just to achieve some recognition from Lennox. Near the end she was starting to think of her people as well but it was too big of a jump for me at that point. I didn't think she would have the fortitude to really handle everything that was happening. The only reason I believe she succeeded in anything was because of Lennox. Now Lennox, who is Rozala's love interest, was a different story. This character was really well done. She had depth and complexities that read as very genuine to me. You really saw her combat her feelings for Rozala and really struggle with her responsibilities of managing a non-profit organization and while handling her relationship with the monarchy. All of Lennox's chapters were really great to read because I felt they moved the story along because they weren't all just focused on herself and they were all in a constant melancholic internal monologue * side eyeing Rozala *. Based off of the tenacity and growth of this character alone was why this book came up from a 1 star to a 2.

This wasn't my fave book but I am a bit curious to read the first book in the series to see if it was done any

better. I am in no rush at all though so it may never happen. I don't think I would recommend this as I am hoping there is better f/f royal contemporary books out there that are much stronger. If you know any please comment down below so I can give them a go.

Happy Reading you guys

Jo

Penelope says

An honest review thanks to NetGalley. I like Jenny Frame and have loved the last two novels that I read from her. This was a good book, but it took me a while to get into it. If you have read the first book in the royal romance series, you will love seeing George and Bea again. This is a nice romance to read on a rainy day. Enjoy.

Nolly Sepulveda says

Good story and characters, was nice to know more about Bea and Georgie. Lex and Roza made for a nice couple despite the ghost in the closet as both women had demons to overcome. Roza was a party girl looking to be loved and Lex's demon from her old addictions made her feel she was not worthy of love. Together they worked it out.

Luce says

3.5 stars I did enjoy the book but I just could not justify rounding up to 4. This was an audio book with a very good narrator.

This is the second in Jenny Frame's Royal Romance series. Frame definitely has a favorite MC trope - a very Butch and a femme. Usually the Butch character is the Boss or Queen or Duchess and the femme is the commoner although she mixed it up this time. The femme is a Princess however the Butch commoner is also her boss. Do you sense a theme here? Don't get me wrong, I enjoy this trope and I've enjoyed Frame's previous books (published and online), it just that this book wasn't unique enough and the MC's not that engaging especially the Princess Roza.

In one way I could identify with Roza. My Mother also died in childbirth when I was born. I was lucky to have a Grandmother who raised me when I was young and later my older sister. However, I couldn't identify with her immaturity and selfishness.

Georgie & Bea from book one are in this book also. I think George and Bea are my favorite Frame couple, so it was good to see them again (they have more than just a cameo).

Sally Trotter says

A right royal read

I have loved both of the "royal" books by Jenny Frame. Both a wonderful love story with great characters ,
bravo

CLo says

A nice continuation in the series

I really enjoyed the first book between George and Bea and have been eagerly waiting for the next book in the series. I can honestly say I was not disappointed. I will say however, that enjoyed parts with George and Bea the most and their intimate scenes were better than Roza and Lex. Despite that, the story was nice. I did feel that obstacles were downplayed a bit (the Thea situation and even Lex's issue). I felt both played a role in the story but I feel the Thea issue was on the path to be big and then happened and then was solved. And honestly if I was Roza I would have been pissed at Lex for not once but multiple times doing what she did. But that's just me. Regardless, fans of the first book should like this one. The writing is well done and the dialogue and characters are enjoyable.

Hopefully we get more of Lali and Cammy in the next book and maybe even Story will make an appearance.

Jeimy says

Exactly what I expect from this genre, but a little repetitive.

Jane Shambler says

I think what I liked the most about this book is the thought that Great Britain could have a gay monarch. I'm not sure why but that thought made me very happy. Apparently this is a second book in a series. I never read the first book and had no problem reading this one as a stand alone. Yes there were a few references but nothing that affected this book directly.

The two main characters Princess Rosala who the book is primarily about and Lennox King who is a director of an international charity. Lex is asked to teach Rosala the business in order to bring some structure to the Princess's life. The book really concentrates on a rebel calming down and connecting with her family . But also she is looking for someone to see her and love her. The relationship of Rosala and her father is not good. She adores her brother.

It is a nice read. The last third of the book is the best. That is when it really takes off and moves a bit faster. I do also like the idea of out with the old stuffy people and bring in more modern thinking people.

Yes I would recommend this book. I am going to have to read the first book just because I enjoyed this one. Enjoy!

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Pin says

Royal Rebel is a quite typical story by Frame -- a lesfic version of royalty/aristocracy fairytale romance with distinctive butch-femme relationship dynamics. I have read all of her books and a better part of her free online stuff, which means that I know what to expect from her vivid imagination, and so far I had not been disappointed. In short, this is another light and enjoyable read that reads easily and quickly. I recommend reading A Royal Romance prior to this book, because the protagonists from that book, George and Bea, are also quite important here, but it is not mandatory to enjoy the main romantic pairing, Lex and Roza. If you want to spent a few hours in the company of fictional royals with an obligatory happy ending, reading this book is a good way to do it.

3 stars

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MJS says

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This is an ok read, and it's an improvement on the first book in the series. However, I still had issues with it. First of all, the underlying premise is ridiculous. Are the readers really supposed to believe that royal families don't vet the romantic partners of the royals? Doubtful that any prince or princess in this day and age could date an arms dealer.

Also had issues with the characters, Roza's brother and father were both wooden, and Rosa herself was a whiny pain In the ass for a great part of the book. The chip on her shoulder was so big I'm surprised she could walk upright.

George and Bea (and other minor characters from their story) also make appearances and the romance between Lennox and Rosa is better towards the end of the book.

I didn't hate this, but I'd didn't love it either, not Frame's best, but it's still an ok read.

Diane Wallace says

2.5 stars...An imaginative and entertaining read...Frame's savvy knowledge of history,language,clothing and customs,paired with her graceful writing,witty and questionable dialogue raise the bar for period romance...honestly i went into this book thinking that i was gonna love it but came out not liking it,wasn't for me as much as i thought...

Jade says

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I have read a few of Frame's online and published works so I'm quite familiar with her writing style and unfortunately this book was a bit too similar to some of her online publications. I really enjoyed the first book with George and Bea and I enjoyed getting to see how their life together was progressing in this book but this book just solidified the similarities between the authors Dalton Family series and this series, it was just a 21st century re-imagining of the same story.

I only really started to enjoy this book towards the end, when Roza and Lex left the city, because that was the only time that I felt like the story finally had something that made it stand out and the characters seemed to become their own and not copies of characters in the Dalton series.

Besides my issue with the similarities, I do think that if you are a first time reader of Frame's work you will definitely enjoy this book, especially if you like the handsome butch's and really steamy sex scenes. I really hope Jenny Frame add something new to her future books for those of us who have read almost all of her work and are getting tired of the same story line just in a new package (maybe it's just me).

Andrea says

This was a quick read but an enjoyable one. I liked how the characters have their problems and work through them but overall it is a typical royal romance novel where a princess falls in love with a commoner and they want to be together but think they can't and then finally come together. The only thing I did not like is the butch/femme aspect of it but I like femme/femme romances more but that is a personal preference that doesn't influence the rating.

Tara says

Royal Rebel by Jenny Frame is the second book in her A Royal Romance Story series. You don't have to read A Royal Romance to enjoy Royal Rebel, but fans of the first will be happy to hear that George and Bea are back and stronger than ever.

Full joint review with Sheena here: <http://www.thelesbianreview.com/royal...>
