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Lyla Summers hates men. Okay, maybe hate is a strong word ... Lyla intensely dislikes men.

Her father has let her down her whole life. Her brother betrayed her in the worst way possible. And her past relationship experiences with men have been less than great.

Lyla is focussing all her energy into her band, Vintage, so when they receive an offer to sign with TMS Records, it seems that things are finally turning around for her. The last thing she wants is a man getting in the way.

Tom Carter loves women. Okay, love might be pushing it ... Tom enjoys screwing lots of women.

When tragedy befalls his best friend, Tom finds himself making a promise to the big man upstairs – he'll change his ways, if he saves the woman his best friend loves.

Tom's prayer is answered. Now he has to change. Which means no sleeping around.

After Vintage's manager breaks her leg skiing, Tom steps in as tour manager, and Lyla finds herself on tour with the man whore of rock.

Put one perpetually horny Tom and one sex resistant Lyla together, equals a recipe for disaster. Or so you'd think...

But an unexpected friendship is formed. A closeness neither of them expected. Putting one chastity belt and one lamp that is in desperate need of rubbing, to the test.

Will the sex storm that is Tom Carter, finally find himself tamed by the rock chick with a hardened heart, or will he go back to his womanizing ways...?

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From Reader Review Taming the Storm for online ebook

Samantha Towle says

Taming the Storm teaser...!

Wearing only a shirt of Tom's, which I retrieved from his bedroom closet, I tread down the stairs, my toes sinking into the soft carpet.

Looking around as I walk, I take his house in. Not something I got the chance to do last night. I had other things on my mind then ... mainly, Tom.

In the light of day, this house is surprising me. It's all soft furnishings, beautiful paintings hanging on walls, plush carpets and hardwood floors, kind of surprising.

Not what I would expect a rock stars house to look like ... well, not Tom's house anyway.

I had his place imagined as a fuck pad, pictures of naked women hanging on the walls, empty pizza boxes and beer bottles lying everywhere. And a few actual naked groupies littered around the place for extra decoration and personal usage.

But some serious thought and care has gone into making this house look beautiful and warm. Actually, I wouldn't even call it a house, because it's more than that... it's a home.

Tom's home.

A warm, gooey feeling fills my chest.

Pushing the feeling aside, I keep moving.

Reaching the hall, my feet move over warm, hardwood flooring, heading toward the sound and smell of food being fried.

I push open the kitchen door and the sight awaiting me is ... well, it's outstanding.

Tom Carter standing at the stove, barefoot, shirtless, wearing nothing but a pair of running shorts.

And he's frying bacon.

It's like all my Christmases have come at once.

"Isn't that a little risky?" I lean against the door frame.

Tom turns, spatula in hand, questioning eyebrow raised.

"Hot fat. Very little clothing." I point to his bare chest.

He grins that sexy grin of his. “I’m hardcore, Firecracker. You know that.” Then he winks.

And I puddle to the floor.

He’s so dreamy.

And I’m such a fucking girl.

Plamena says

4 Fun & Sexy Stars!

Fun, light and seriously entertaining! I just love this series and this book did not disappoint. I really enjoyed the story and had so much fun reading it. Taming the Storm is about Lyla Summers and Tom Carter- two people who are talented, quite different and stubborn but also right for each other.

“...I would rather have a moment of everything with you than a lifetime of nothing.”

Tom is a total player (some may say a total asshole as well). He is confident, funny, cocky, charming and seriously stubborn. He is totally against any kind of relationship and doesn’t sleep with the same girl twice...ever! But when his best friend (Jake) and his wife are going through a crisis...Tom makes ‘a deal’ with God. Basically he promises to become a better person and to stop sleeping around.

Lyla has made a decision- she hates men. Okay...maybe she just really dislikes them and doesn’t want to deal with them anymore. She is still struggling with the pain from how her last relationship has ended. She doesn’t want to ever feel that again. Lyla is coping pretty well with her decision until...Tom Carter. She knows all about him and his bad rep. When he becomes her band’s new tour manager, Lyla is definitely not happy. The last thing she needs is to be in on bus with the hot and charming Tom Carter.

They sexual attraction unbelievable and will become too much for them to stand so they come to an understanding- friends with benefits until the tour finishes. But will it be enough?

It was seriously fun reading Tom and Lyla’s story. They are both stubborn and very interesting characters. Their banter is hilarious:

“Psycho!”

“Drama queen.”

“Argh!” I scream again. “I hate you!”

“Yeah, so I keep hearing. Now, shut the hell up because you’re making a scene.”

Lyla is trying to convince herself she hates him and soon sees there is much more to Tom than just his good looks and the endless number of women he had slept with. He listens, understands and supports her.

“You’re my heaven, Firecracker.”

I definitely recommend this story!!! :)

Mallory says

3 stars

This wasn't a bad read, but it wasn't great either.

Samantha Towle's writing has greatly improved with this installment of the Storm series. I'll give her that. I was weary about reading this story because Tom was such a manwhore in previous books. And in this one we get to read recollections of the numerous things he's done with the ladies. But I was really warming up to him. Lyla was a kickass heroine. She was feisty and didn't give in easily (well up until the end, and that disappointed me).

However, something happens about 80% in that I found stupid and unnecessary. And because of that and the way things were so easily resolved in the last 5% of the book I just didn't care anymore. It was a pretty good book, but my connection with the characters was broken and didn't get repaired with their HEA.

♥ Jx PinkLady Reviews ♥ says

Super hot, tasty, romantic and **HOT!!** Did I mention it was hot?!

I LOVE this story and I ADORE Tom!

Samantha Towle cleverly seduced me back into the 'Mighty Storm' world with the prologue. She took me right back to the story of Jake and Tru, made me shed a tear, warmed me towards Lyla, and reminded me about the gorgeous Tom.

Tom is the wild man, whore bassist from The Mighty Storm. "**He's pure primal male,**" a good time boy who's always willing, able and ready for anything with his "**rub the lamp**" tattoo. *That makes me smile every time!* His persona is jovial, adventurous, masterful and charismatic in a cheeky chappy way. He's a lot of fun and thinks how I imagine a guy like him would think. There's also another side to Tom, a vulnerable,

I've-been-badly-hurt Tom. A darker, deeper side. A side he hides from most people. There's a reason for his womanizing ways and it's this side of Tom that touched my heart. He made a promise to change but that doesn't mean he wants a relationship?

Lyla Summers doesn't have a great track record with the male population, including friends, family and lovers. For her own protection she's anti relationships; she's in protection mode and only interested in the success of her band, Vintage.

Tom and Lyla are thrown together on a tour bus. He's tried his luck with her before, and failed..... She's certainly no intention of hooking up with Tom..... *ever?*

They both struggle with their feelings, what exactly are they to each other? She has her pride and he has his lifestyle.... *He can't afford to care about anyone.* Perhaps they can get each other out of their system?

I love their banter and adored watching their relationship grow and develop; fighting their attraction and inner feelings, giving us, the reader, some delicious sexual tension and heart flutter moments. The will they won't they, the almost and then....

FIREWORKS

Samantha Towle writes **epic sexy love scenes.** *So wonderfully hot!*

Lyla experiences Tom full on, all of him.

“...my body will always want him.”

But can she tame him?

Taming the Storm gave me the **best undressing scene** I've ever experienced. It's just.... **LOVELY!** The way this author writes intimate scenes is just divine.... Samantha Towle paints that heady feeling of sex and eroticism so perfectly.... the out of body, intense feeling that sex can give you. **“...hot and perfect.”**

I simply LOVE everything about the **Storm** series by Samantha Towle... *The story the characters, the emotion and the feeling.* Samantha Towle writes with wit, ease and irony which gives an enormous amount of personality to the characters and the story. For me, **Taming the Storm** completely lives up to the previous two books. This author writes people falling in love with magic perfection. It made me see rainbows and stars and everything beautiful and then placed them in the center of my heart. If you love a beautifully written, SMOKING hot romance than grab this book and enjoy the experience!

Note **Taming The Storm** is told from the dual perspective of Tom and Lyla. **It can be read as a standalone** but, if you're yet to experience this series, I'd highly recommend the first two books.

Kelli C ~ Jack Sawyer's Heart says

5 Tame Me Tom Carter Stars!

I have had a bit of girl crush on Samantha Towle since she brought Jake Wethers into my literary world. Then she went and dropped Tom Carter and his magic lamp into the mix and I was full time loving her!

Lyla Summers is a little "firecracker."

She is full of passion for her band and her music, but she has sworn off any kind of man relationship after being crushed by those closest to her. Now, she is at the peak of her career as her band Vintage is about to embark on its first tour. There is nothing better than the lights, the crowd, the energy!

well, that is unless you are suddenly managed by the one and only Tom Carter from TMS. Remember...big hot guy with sexy biceps and tattoos?

Known to all for his man-whoring ways, Lyla is less than thrilled to have him anywhere near her. Who is she kidding?...she can't stand the fact that his very presence makes her need a panty change! Good thing for her Tom is a professional, especially when it comes to the female species!

Samantha Towle does some amazing sexual chemistry with the cat and mouse games Tom and Lyla play. I love a good "i hate you" moment that ends with two people crashing into a sexy frenzy!

Tom Carter is sex on stick with an ego to match...as much as Lyla protests that he is a "mut," her libido disagrees! Its a long tour so why not? No emotions...No relationship...Just Sex...really good sex! We all know how that always turns out...

As much as I loved the sexy banter and the sexual activity to back that shit up...I loved the inner conflict of Tom Carter even more. What a great job at making a world re-known slut go through the conflict of falling in love and the emotions of losing it!

“I would rather have a moment of everything with you than a lifetime of nothing”

Lyla was definitely not my fave heroine with her immature insecurity but honestly, I let it go...nothing could ruin the high I was on with Mr. "rub the lamp!"

Mysza says

5 Firecracker stars

I really loved this book. If you liked previous two books in this series then you'll probably love this one too. It was as good as the first one, if not better, still not sure about it.....

What can I say? Sexual chemistry, funny banter, nervous anticipation, hot sex, dirty talking, friendship, romance, tenderness, heartbreak and finally happy ending. It's all there.

When you add great main characters and interesting second ones to it, you have a wonderful book, for me

anyway. And besides, those rockers! how can you not love them? You simply can't.

The main female character, Lyla, is talented, smart, sexy, very very funny, friendly and generally a good girl. She has hard time trusting men and opening her heart, but when she finally does, she's 100% in.

"My virginia is closed for business. Virginia is my nickname for my vajayjay."

"Tom might have temporarily broken the straps on my chastity belt, but I padlocked that fucker buck up, and I'm not ready to take it off for anyone else."

"So, I guess, bang goes my sex ban...with an actual bang."

"Then he smiles his polite smile at me. He doesn't even look at my boobs. Well, he might as well have just kicked me in my virginia."

"And I say session because sex with Tom is not a wham-bam-thank-you-ma'am affair. No, siree. He's the kind of guy who believes in oral and more oral and sex and more sex, until I think I might die from orgasmic too much."

When it comes to Tom...well, I might just have a new crush. Musician, well build, tattooed, handsome, with overblown ego, cocky bastard and very confident. But except being totally awesome on the outside, he is just as good on the inside. He is warm, caring, supportive, protective and possessive. Ok, he might have done one dick move, but told Lyla the truth, apologized, she forgave him, I did too. And the things that come out of him mouth.....oh my

"And just so you know, I might have gone through a lot of women in my time, but when I fuck - I fuck long and slow...real fucking slow."

" - Dick.

- Dick? Yes, I have one. And it's fucking huge."

" - I know you want me, so there's no way I'm backing off.

- I really don't want you.

- Don't fucking lie. I can smell your arousal from here. And it's making me hard, Ly. Rock. Fucking. Hard."

"You're mine, no one gets to touch you but me, you got that?"

"I would give up everything, including myself, for you...because I would rather have a moment of everything with you than a lifetime of nothing."

So, to cut a long story short, very good read, 5 well deserved stars from me.

Beatrice ~ Confessions of a Pinay Bookaholic says

The Mighty Storm's bassist FINALLY meets his match! I didn't read the blurb for this book and I'm glad it's about **Tom Carter**. He's sexy, hot, crass, wild and hilarious. In the band, he's the joker and the chick magnet. He's a freaking hot mess and he's not interested in settling down. After one incident, he vows to God he'll be a better man and diminish his wild side. That doesn't mean he's going to settle down but he was attracted to **Lyla Summers**, the Vintage's lead vocalist.

Lyla has an awful experience in relationships. Especially when the person she trusted the most betrayed her. Since then, she despise men and just like Tom, she's not ready to have a relationship. When she found out Tom filled in the position as their band manager temporarily, she thought it's a bad idea. They'll be together for weeks for the band tour. Tom sees Lyla as his challenge because she's the only woman who isn't swayed by his charms. Later on, they hooked up and as Lyla starts falling for him, he begins to hold back due to his secrets.

These two have an amazing chemistry. I love their witty exchange of banters, the push-and-pull and blazing sexual tension between them. It's amusing, funny and romantic. Behind Tom's smiles and laughs, he has a lot of personal issues which is related to his past. I love his backstory and I didn't expect it to be brutal and dark. I only wished it's revealed a little earlier. Also, there are moments Lyla is whiny and petty. It annoyed me but she's tolerable.

Despite of my issues, it's great to see the other side of Tom. Like Jake, he's a sweet, thoughtful and protective guy. His simple gestures are so endearing. Tom is swoon-worthy in his own way. Such an intense guy. Overall, I enjoyed Tom and Lyla's story and I'm satisfied by its ending.

Full review posted.

S.M. West says

5 'RUB THE LAMP' STARS

OMG, this book was **an awesome surprise** for me! I loved The Mighty Storm and Wethering the Storm -- **Jake fucking Wethers was IT for me** -- and I had no clue that Ms. Towle was going to bestow on us one final story in the TMS series.

I'm ashamed to admit that I vaguely recall Tom Carter from those books, I remember his banter and bickering with Tru but apart from that not much else. I was glued to Jake. **Shame on Me!!!**

Tom Carter ROCKS!! He's the bass player for the Mighty Storm with major commitment issues. He's emotionally detached and a self-professed man-whore. But that's not all, he's a hot, tattooed, domineering dirty talker, sexy as fuck rock star.

Tom,...

Lyla Summers was so easy to like and connect with; an up and coming singer with a sad past filled with famous parents, love, loss and betrayal.

I really, really enjoyed this book and could not put it down. Ms. Towle is a great writer and she does the relationship build so well. There was an obvious path that she could have taken with this but she didn't and I was thrilled for that!!

Lyla and Tom are wonderful characters who have this intense attraction, which they both fight for their own reasons. Their chemistry was evident and the sex was scorching!! My dear Tom is a commanding, dirty talker in the bedroom...'nuff said!!

Overall, this story was HOT, steamy, romantic and at times, sweet. **A truly wonderful read and an awesome way to end the series.**

Smitten's Book Blog says

5 STARS!

Review written back in summer 2014

I love this woman. Samantha Towle, I bow at your feet. I want to be you when I grow up. This is one of my favouritest series! I can't believe it's over! *sob*

When I was in mourning for Jake and Tru, I was consoled by the fact I still had Tom and Lyla to come... And now it's over. And I'm sad.

But I'm so happy, because TMS guys totally rock my world!!

“I would rather have a moment of everything with you than a lifetime of nothing”

Having had a little look at some of the other reviews, I'm quite surprised that this book hasn't been getting the love I expected it to get. I don't know whether I was just clinging onto any little TMS bone Samantha was willing to throw me, or what, but I really enjoyed this. I was totally in the mood for a bit of rock-star romance and this really hit the spot.

It was full to the brim of delicious sexual tension, diva tantrums, insecurities, emotional whiplash and

rockstar drama. I love it when two characters are put in a situation where they just can't avoid/ignore one another and the building tension and explosion is inevitable. Perfect!

I roll my eyes. “You’re such a guy.”

“I fucking hope so, Firecracker. With the size of my junk, I’d worry if I wasn’t.”

I loved Tom!! I wasn't sure I would. I thought he was a bit of a douche in Jake and Tru's books. But I did. His back story was great and totally reeled me in.

I really liked Lyla, too. She was a ball-busting, strong, independent woman with a dream and a past. And she resisted Tom for the longest time, which, personally, I thought was pretty admirable.

“I wouldn’t stick your tongue out at me unless you intend to use it in the right way.”

Pausing, I turn back to him. “You’re disgusting.”

“Just the way you like me.”

I have to admit, Tom and Lyla didn't have a cat in hell's chance of knocking my Jake and Tru off their pedestal, because they are one of my all-time top book couples, but credit where it's due, they did a damn good job! And I couldn't put their book down. So, check it out, if you're brave enough to bring the TMS series to an end!!

Christy says

5 Firecracker stars!

Tom ‘Rub the Lamp’ Carter. I’ve been waiting for his book for a while now. And I’m so happy to say that it didn’t disappoint! I love a good man whore and Tom is just that. A rockstar, a slut, an easy going and lovable guy. He’s a man who would do anything for the few people in this world he cares for. And that includes Jake and Tru. So he makes a deal to turn over a new leaf...

Lyla ‘Firecracker’ Summers is the lead singer of the band Vintage and her band just signed with TMS records. After some hard times, she’s done with men. She’s focusing on herself and the music. That’s what’s important. When Lyla finds out Tom Carter is going to be the tour manager, she’s not excited. That’s the last thing she needs. A mut (Lyla’s term for Man Slut) hanging around her band, trying to hit on her and not taking anything seriously. She thinks she has Tom all pegged, but she doesn’t realize he’s made some changes in his life. That doesn’t stop him from hitting on Lyla... And his reaction to her rejection is

hilarious!

“Jesus, you think I’m a lesbian because I wouldn’t sleep with you?”

?“Well, yeah. What other reason could there be?”

?“God you’re an egotistical asshole. You ever consider that I wouldn’t sleep with you because you’re not my type?”

?“Not possible, darlin’. I’m everyone’s type.”

Even if Lyla hadn’t sworn off guys, she still wouldn’t go for Tom. She doesn’t do casual and he’s not the type to commit.

As the tour goes on, Lyla and Tom do something so unexpected... they form a friendship. There is a ton of sexual tension in the mix, but they become friends. Lyla needs someone to talk to and she shares things with Tom she never speaks of. Tom opens up to her as well. The more time passes, the harder it gets to keep things platonic. Their attraction is intense and their chemistry is explosive.

I’m attracted to him and turned on pretty much twenty-four/ seven because I have to live on the same tour bus as him. For a woman who is on a sex ban, that’s like sticking a dieter in the middle of a chocolate factory.

Lyla comes to the conclusion that she does want Tom. She’s just afraid to be with him. She knows the type of damage a man like him could do. But he is persistent.

“You’re running because you’re scared.”

“I’m not scared of anything- least of all you.”

?“Yeah, you are. But there’s nothing to be scared of. I’m gonna show you that. You can keep running, but I will catch you soon. I’m not giving up, Lyla.”

Does sex between friends ever work out? Lyla and Tom might just put that to the test. Tom is about to find out if he can be tamed, or will forever be the manwhore he’s known best as.

I adored Tom. He was such a character. A majority of the book, he kept a huge grin plastered to my face. Was he an asshole once or twice. Yes. But he made up for it in the end. I loved how possessive he was with Lyla. You wouldn’t think the goofball Tom would be a dominate passionate man, but Lyla brought that out in him.

Lyla was a lovable character. I liked her a lot. She went through a lot, and I admired her strength. Tom and Lyla were such opposites, but when you looked deeper- they had much more in common than anyone would expect.

Taming the Storm has dual pov so we get lots from Lyla and Tom's perspective. I needed that. Samantha Towle is a fantastic author. I'm always captivated by her writing. I loved that this story not only had romance, but also focused on friendship. We meet some wonderful secondary characters. I'm dying for a Cale book here!

Love, family, friendship, rock and roll, steam, and lots of humor. That's what you have in store for you when you pick up *Taming the Storm*. It was easy to read, and once I started I didn't want to stop. Would I recommend this? Hell yes. I love rockstar books and this one gets a full 5 stars from me!!!

“You’re my heaven, Firecracker.”

Pearl Angeli says

4 Stars!

Taming the Storm was such a sexy, smokin' hot, mischievous *friends with benefits* book. I enjoyed the delicious banters and the light angst and drama that accompanied this story.

We've met the panty-dropping, sexy as sin **Tom Carter** in the previous books of this series. The bassist of the famous rock band *The Mighty Storm*, he is definitely trouble. He's a manwhore at its finest and he doesn't believe in relationships. Then there's this lovely and talented vocalist **Lyla Summers** of the *Vintage* band who has been on numerous heartbreaks which led her to become a man-hater. Little does she know that she's about to break her rules when Tom becomes her band's tour manager. Since the sexual tension is palpable between them, their hook-up turned into sex. Lots and lots of pure, unadulterated lusty raw sex everywhere. Lol.

Now how can she continue to play her never-trust-a-man card when Tom is so irresistible and their connection is just too strong?

I can say that this book is lighter compared to *The Mighty Storm* and *Wethering the Storm*. The characters were fun and there was a rich cast of secondary characters. Despite Tom and Lyla's family dramas, the story didn't surprisingly go all that deep in terms of angst, and I loved it. What I just didn't quite like was Lyla's inconsistent attitude and decisions. She reminds me of Tru in so many ways. However, I loved Tom's character and how he developed all throughout the book. He's one of those characters that really make me swoon from cover to cover! Although this book can be read as standalone, I suggest you read the previous books of the series first. That is if you do not want to be spoiled with Jake and Tru's story of *The Mighty Storm*.

MELISSA *Mel Reader* says

5 My Body Loves Tom Carter Stars!
(BR with Sharon, Patty & Denisse)

Lyla Summers aka Firecracker is a 22 yr. old singer for the band Vintage. She lives in an apartment in LA with her band. She loves her job. After years of struggling to make it big, she is finally living her dream.

Her band wins a radio contest to open for the band The Mighty Storm. Shortly after they sign on with TMS Records that is owned by The Mighty Storms lead singer Jake Wethers.

They are about to head out on tour when they lose their tour manager. They are in need of a new one fast, and Jake has Tom Carter his bass player for The Mighty Storm take over as their new tour manager.

Lyla isn't happy about Tom filling in as their new manager. In the past he has always hit on her, and she just wants this tour to go well. She hopes he can be professional, and that she can hide how attracted she is to him. Even though she has always turned down his advances in the past, she can't deny the way her body reacts in his presence. He is gorgeous, and she is extremely nervous & uncomfortable around him.

Tom Carter is a 29 yr. old rock star trying to make changes in his life. When his best friend Jakes girlfriend is touch and go in the hospital, Tom makes a deal with God that if he saves Tru's life, he will change his own life completely. He will stop living the fast life, and stop having meaningless sex. He is working toward being a better person, and changing his party boy/man whore image.

Tom is excited to tour for 6 weeks with Vintage, and is immediately drawn to the beautiful Lyla. He can tell right away she is different from the women he is usually with. Lyla has never had much success with men. She has always been the relationship type, but they never last. She has recently been cheated on, and taken a vow of celibacy.

The only problem is Lyla didn't count on having the temptation that is Tom Carter so close. They begin to

visit a lot. They confide in each other, and become real friends. Lyla starts to see a whole new side to Tom.

I really loved this book & just couldn't get enough of my sexy Tomcat! ;)) I liked getting to know his past, and seeing a different side of Tom. He was just delicious!!! :D

-I'm not a good guy- well, I wasn't, but I'm working toward becoming one."

-Something tells me Tom is very thorough in all he does.

-"You're guy is out there. One who won't be a mut. There's a guy who deserves an awesome girl like you."

-My body flushes from the top of my head down to my toes. Every part of me is turned on by his dirty words.

-No matter what's happening between Tom and me, my body will always want him.

-What do you want, baby? Tell me, and I'll give it to you.

- "I want this...I want you. More than I've ever wanted any man before.

-I've never felt like this about a woman before.

- "You're seriously fucking hot, Firecracker."

-I feel alive. I haven't felt alive in a really long time. And now, I do...because of him.

Catarina says

5 Rocking Stars!!

If you've read the previous books you know that Tom (Mighty Storm's bassist and Jake's best-friend) does not do relationships. He whores around trough life never wanting to attach to anyone. Yeah, there's a reason and a past that determines why he does that, but he doesn't let anyone get close enough to find out.

Until Lyla happens. Lead singer of a growing band they have the opportunity of touring with TMS and having a break from men after being betrayed not only by her boyfriend but also for her brother the last thing she needs is being close to Tom, the sexiest and biggest rocker-whore in the planet. Even if he's in some kind of promise and is trying to be a better man not screwing around. Somehow along the way feelings both of them don't want to have start to appear.

And how two broken souls that don't want to feel, deal with feelings that can be so dangerous and yet so irresistible?

Rating: 5 Stars.

Storyline: After loving the previous books on the series I thought that this book would never top them. Well, I was wrong. I loved Jake and his story... but this? This was so much better!! If you're into sexy rock stars that do a lot of growing up during the story, this is the book for you.

Writing Style: First person, dual POV. Sexy, raw and completely addictive.

Character Development: I loved Tom. Completely and utterly loved him. Yeah, he was a jerk in some moments, but he had reasons for that and luckily he ends up completely redeeming himself. Lyla was also pretty great. Strong, loyal and sweet she was everything Tru wasn't. (And that was the reason I liked this book better. I loved Jake but Tru was hard for me to swallow!)

As always, as nice to see more of the rest of the cast. Especially Stuart. I love Stuart!

Steam: HOT.

HEA: (view spoiler)

Sharon ☺ is an emotional book junkie ☺ says

This story is about Tom, the bass player in *The Mighty Storm*, Jake's best friend and well known manwhore or "mut" as Lyla calls them. Lyla is the lead singer of a new group called *Vintage* that signs with Jake's record company. Lyla's been screwed over in more ways than one and she is not at all interested in Tom.

I can't believe I'm saying this but I only read this book because I love Jake and I read it just to get more of him and Tru. From the prior books, Tom was a bit sleazy and didn't interest me at all. Well, this book blew that out of the water!! Tom is HOT and not only that, he seriously gives Jake a run for the money...maybe not in the romance department but Tom is the one with the tough shell and it's all that softness underneath that I really loved!! I especially loved his nickname for Lyla, Firecracker.

I really liked Lyla too and my heart really went out to her especially after what happened at the beginning...how could it not? That was awful...ugh!! But she's stronger than she gives herself credit for and I liked that she was honest with her feelings.

The sexual tension is intense and it really helps getting both their POVs but...the emotional drama is a bit too much at times. They both want each other but there's all kinds of baggage so they play games with each other and I hated that. But I did love how they were able to confide in each other and I loved how they both associated certain songs with people.

Thankfully, they get past that and **WOW**, they are HOT HOT HOT!! Tom wore me out just reading about it...LOL!

Unfortunately, they have an agreement and all good things must come to an end. Lyla steps up to the plate

though...too bad I can't say the same for Tom. And that's the one thing I didn't like about him...he can be sooo cruel! Granted, we get to find out why but I thought he was too much.

Both Cale and Shannon were really great secondary characters and I would love a Cale book, heck, even a Dex book would be interesting!

I did love the ending and how things come together with *Wethering the Storm*. I'm sad that this is the last book but hey, what a way to go!

Favorite quotes

- ♥ “What the hell?” Sonny whines. “I thought that room was going to be our pussy palace.”
- ♥ “Firecracker, I meant to tell you that I fucking love the T-shirt.”
- ♥ You’ve been a happy man for a long time now. What will you do if you run out of women? You might have to turn to men.”
- ♥ “You promised this wouldn’t happen again! After the last time, when I caught crabs from you, I had to go to the doctor and have all that smelly medicine spread all over my vagina! I trusted you when you said it wouldn’t happen again! But here we are—*again*—with another groupie!”
- ♥ “*I can still taste you.*”
- ♥ “You scare the motherfucking shit out of me, Lyla Summers.”
- ♥ “Tom ‘Cat’ ‘Rub the Lamp’ Carter.”
- ♥ “I would give up everything, including myself, for you...because I would rather have a moment of everything with you than a lifetime of nothing.”
- ♥ “That this is it...you and me...we’re forever. You’re my heaven, Firecracker.”

BR w/Melissa, Patty & Denisse!

Aestas Book Blog says

SQUEEE!!! I can't wait for this book!!!! This is the next book in The Storm series and tells Tom & Lyla's story!

Lyla Summers hates men. Okay, maybe hate is a strong word ... Lyla intensely dislikes men.

Her father has let her down her whole life. Her brother betrayed her in the worst way possible. And her past relationship experiences with men have been less than great.

Lyla is focussing all her energy into her band, Vintage, so when they receive an offer to sign with TMS Records, it seems that things are finally turning around for her. The last thing she wants is a man getting in the way.

Tom Carter loves women. Okay, love might be pushing it ... Tom enjoys screwing lots of women.

When tragedy befalls his best friend, Tom finds himself making a promise to the big man upstairs – he'll change his ways, if he saves the woman his best friend loves.

Tom's prayer is answered. Now he has to change. Which means no sleeping around.

After Vintage's manager breaks her leg skiing, Tom steps in as tour manager, and Lyla finds herself on tour with the man whore of rock.

Put one perpetually horny Tom and one sex resistant Lyla together, equals a recipe for disaster. Or so you'd think...

But an unexpected friendship is formed. A closeness neither of them expected. Putting one chastity belt and one lamp that is in desperate need of rubbing, to the test.

Will the sex storm that is Tom Carter, finally find himself tamed by the rock chick with a hardened heart, or will he go back to his womanizing ways...?

NO RELEASE DATE YET.
