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Malcolm “Colm” MacRobert is ordered by his chief to travel through time and return with a woman. Not just any woman, the daughter of Laird and Lady Grant. There’s one problem, though. Everyone knows the Grants never had a daughter. Who is he bringing back? And why is she so important that his laird using the village witch to send Colm over 200 years into the future?

When Piper Grant agreed to take her friend’s place on a trip to Scotland, she didn’t know it was a singles tour. Desperately trying to avoid her fellow tourists, she wanders around the Highland Games being held at Blair Castle, however she can’t shake the feeling that someone’s watching her.

After one glance, Colm knows Piper is meant for him. The hard part is convincing her that he’s not crazy, and that he really needs her. Colm takes Piper with him back to 1793 Scotland hoping that she’ll eventually forgive him. With a witch aligning their fates as if pieces on a chessboard, Colm and Piper have more than their own relationship to worry about.

Can Colm win Piper’s heart, save his clan, and come out unscathed?

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From Reader Review Highland Games for online ebook

Ashley the Magnificent™ says

This story was just fun. It was a girly good time. Perky heroine, smokin' hot Highlander, magic, whimsy - it was all wrapped up in a tiny lil package. Or, a rather substantial package, I should say. ::wink wink nudge nudge::

I enjoy the dichotomy of LH's characters. Her stories always seem to pair an iPod-owning, cheeseburger-eating, sitcom-watching heroine with a curmudgeonly, muscular, kilted hero. He's all "Do as I say!" and she's all "Oh, no you didn't!" etc etc. A literary odd couple who entertain without being ridiculous or annoying.

The only drawback here was the same drawback with any short story - it was too short! Some of the goings on felt a bit more rushed than I would have liked. Traveling through time? Falling completely in love with foreign dude you just met? No problem! Shit, I call that Tuesday. But, if it saves me pages and pages of internal monologue or chapter after chapter of "will they won't they" (when you know they *always* WILL) then short and rushed is preferable to long and drawn out, I guess. 6 of 1...

A fun read for a free moment, when you just need a smidgen more hunky Highlander in your day. I have never been disappointed by a story from this author and I recommend them all.

Annie (Under the Covers Book Blog) says

4.5 stars

Piper is badass.

Jenn says

2.5 Stars

Malcolm "Colm" MacRobert goes in to the future, with the help of the witch, Grissal, to find and bring back Piper Grant. The minute he sees Piper, he knows he's destined to be with her. Now if he can convince her to go back in time with him and that he's not crazy.

Piper is stuck on a trip to Scotland with a singles tour group courtesy of her best friend, Katie. So long Hawaii trip and hello Scotland. This is where Piper and Colm meet.

Piper is smitten with Colm's looks and even more so with his hot kisses as he tries to woo her to go back in time. She eventually wonders if she's going insane with all of this time travel talk.

Apparently Piper is needed for the greater good of the MacRobert clan and just may be the long lost unknown daughter of the Grant clan. She may even have a brother. Grissal has some added interest in all of this as well, however, no one is sure what her motives in match making these two destined lovers truly is and

she's not one to be trusted.

I thought this had a lot of potential and it started off with a great flirty highlander man. However, everything fell in the instant category making certain things unfold too fast for me and making them not believable. This could have been an awesome full story with a great story line.

I really liked the cast of characters and I even had a few laughs. It was an enjoyable read but the story needed to be fleshed out better for a short story or made in to a longer story.

I'm also questioning the F word being used by someone from the time of 1793.... Hmmmmmm

Looking forward to more stories in this series.

Yati says

Worth reading

Quite interesting...time travel...wonderful couple and love the ending...cannot wait for more stories and worth buying!!!

L Bongiorno says

Interesting, I guess it is setting up the next book?!? I found it hard to believe she just accepted that she traveled back in time over 200 years without any proof, she didn't even get out of bed and look out a window, nothing.... hum.

The_Book_Queen says

3 Stars-- Review to Come

Laura the Highland Hussy says

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Kelly says

Not going to lie, Highlanders fascinate me. It's the kilts. And the swords. And the muscles. Time-traveling Highlanders happen to hold a special place in my ~~loins~~ heart. Time-traveling Highlanders who find their lady loves through the machinations of a devious witch ... bliss!

Now, normally men who make life-altering decisions for the ladies in their lives don't get high marks in my book. But... I get where Colm was coming from in this case. I mean, how many girls do you know who would just believe a guy when he says he from the past? Not many. So he took matters into his own hands (so to speak) and proved it beyond a shadow of a doubt.

I liked the twist about Piper and her connection to the past. I liked Colm's rather Alpha attitude toward her. I liked the ominous setup with the witch. Some people just can't be trusted, can they?

All in all, this was a fun, deliciously sexy read with a hunky Highlander. *dreamy thumbs up*

-Kelly @ Reading the Paranormal

Purple Osprey says

Generic story, in equal parts annoying and dumb, about rude and obnoxious american girl.

Alyssa :::Riverina Romantics::: says

Posted At: Riverina Romantics

My Rating: 4 out of 4 *

Romance Rating: 3 out of 5 <3

As mainly a paranormal fan, I'm starting to delve into the world of highlanders and discovering how amazing they are. This sexy little number gives me the best of both worlds, adding time-travel and highlanders together in a quick and easy read.

Now if I had a guy like Malcolm stalking out of the woods dressed in a kilt carrying a sword looking all tanned and beefed and hot like he was, I probably would have creamed myself. But not only was he making me a drooling mess, but his possessiveness over Piper upon just glimpsing her was fantastic. He wasn't like a caveman about it, like a "me-see-woman-woman-mine" type thing. It was more like "she's-meant-to-be-mine-but-i-must-convince-her-not-drag-her" deal. Add that to his confusion over the ways and styles of the 21st century, and his incredible politeness, and I was left smiling the whole time. I think he handled the situation he was pushed into in a very attractive manner. And of course the way he handled Piper was just

fine too. -wink-

Piper reminded me so much of myself. The way she handled the sleazeballs with her all the way to the crazy things Malcolm was spilling to her was pretty much the way I would have reacted and handled the same situation. Because I had that connection with her, it made the story all the more believable to me. Of course, like most warm-blooded females, it was futile trying to resist a sexy highlander. She ended up going on the journey of a lifetime. After she swallowed the really big reality pill, she gave up trying to rationalize everything and followed her heart. In so doing, she gained the love of one hell of a man.

The heat in this book was more of a mild flame. Nothing too panty-melting occurs, but it's steamy enough to give that little spark inside. It's more of a sweet seduction than an all out mating ritual. It wasn't rushed. But it wasn't neglected. It happened in a timely manner and was just enjoyable.

The plot was fairly simple, being a novella. It consisted merely of a highlander going through time to get the woman destined to be his. This is a tiny, almost non-existent rad bump along the way. But all in all, it's an easy story to dip your toes into.

Marie Andersson says

I really liked Malcolm!???Where can I find my own Highlander?Sigh!I hope there will be more books in this series!??

Angela Carr (Under the Covers Book Blog) says

Oh Geeze! Not enough.
Who ever this author is a major tease.

Full Review later.

Lady Allison says

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I love this author and she knows that even though I don't read a lot of Highlander stories, I'm always up for one of hers! This one is no different.

Piper Grant is a good friend. Instead of taking her long awaited surf vacation in Hawaii, she's hopping on a plane to Ireland in her friend's place as a favor to her. Little does she know - it's a singles tour! Talk about awkward. But, even faced with immature frat guys, she convinces herself to enjoy the tour and find some fun. As they deboard the bus to revel in the Highland Games at Blair Castle, she feels hope for the first time. But once she's off, she can't shake the feeling of someone watching her.

As Colm MacRobert surveys Piper while she strolls the grounds, he can't believe two things: that he finally

found his soul mate - and that he had to go 219 years into the future to find her. Now that he's found her, he only has a small window of time to convince her not only that they're meant to be together, but that she needs to leave her entire life behind and come back to 1793 with him to get married and save his entire village. Piece of cake, right?

My favorite part of this novella was definitely Colm. He's the epitome of the Alpha male without getting into Neanderthal territory. He knows how to kiss a woman and who could be that upset to leave the single life behind for a guy that swoon-worthy? Even if it's 200+ years earlier. The only thing that drove me crazy was the timeline. I personally have a really hard time buying the whole love at first sight/ let's get married within 48 hours thing. However, that being said, I really did love Piper and Colm together. They balanced each other out really well. He opened her eyes while she kept him grounded - because, well, Highlanders are notoriously bossy! Plus, did I mention he was a great kisser?

While short, it was a sweet story and I will definitely keep reading Ms. Hunsaker's Magic of the Highlands series!

Rating: B+

**Book provided by author for review*

Melinda says

Even though I thought this book was cute, I didn't finish it. I don't know what made me stop reading it. I just know that it wasn't my cup of tea. The first book was okay but this one just got on my nerves. I think it was the fact that the main characters started making out in public shortly after they met and the leading male character comes from the past into the modern world and is not freaked out about it at all. It was just too unbelievable to me.

Laura the Highland Hussy says

Shiny new cover!!
