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A wounded bear is more than he seems... even during an Everland Christmas!

Shy Rose dreams of wild adventures-- gunfights and moonlit chase scenes--and the day when she can sell her novels to make enough to support her family. But her writing reflects her lack of experience, and she's determined to find a way to learn about the grittier side of life. So when a wounded outlaw shows up in her barn two weeks before Christmas, the opportunity is too good to pass up. While she nurses him, Rose can learn from his escapades... but how long will she remain unaffected by his dangerous good looks?

US Marshall Barrett "Bear" Faulker might look like a dangerous bandit, but he can't give away his real identity until he knows that the gang who attacked him is behind bars. He needs to keep his distance from his beautiful young savior, but her winning smile and her probing questions about his life and missions makes him defenseless against her charms. And when the gang decides that Everland's Christmas celebrations are an easy target, Bear realizes that he'll do just about anything to save the woman he's come to love.

Heat Level: 0/5 (suitable for all audiences)

The Brides of Everland, Ever After

Step into Everland, Wyoming, where the people on the street are more than what they appear, and there's just a hint of magic in the air. From evil villains to mysterious godmothers, handsome cowboys to hidden princesses... welcome to Everland, Ever After.

Little Red (Rojita + Hank)

Ella (Ella + Ian)

Beauty (Arabella + Vincenzo)

The Stepmother (Meri + Jack)

Rapunzelle (Zelle + Dmitri)

Briar Rose (Briar + Gordon)

Rose Red, a Christmas Tale (Rose + Bear)

Rose Red Details

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Elodie (Readable Mélange) says

Enjoyable story but too much focus on the physical attraction. I prefer relationships that are based on getting to know the other person as a person, not an object.

Kim Paulus says

Fast read, fun read, very enjoyable! Fairy tale with a western theme!

Dystopian Mayhem says

I really wanted to read this one but couldn't finish it. Didn't like the writing style, it felt so immature. There was too much thinking in the middle of a conversation which is really annoying and distracting. The plot has potential but the author didn't deliver.

Marie Piper says

This series is so adorable, and this is a wonderfully sweet Christmas read.

Rachel says

This was a great book!

Casey says

Another delight

What a sweet read! Caroline Lee's Everland tales always leave me smiling. A touch of innocence, a touch of magic and more than a touch of entertainment.

Anouska says

I've read all of the Everland ever after books and this didn't disappoint! Perfect if you love fairytales and romance

Kathy says

More magic

This is A sweet retelling of Rose Red and "Bear". These two are some of my favorite characters in this series.

Sharon Rudolph says

Another fun book in the Everland series! How fun it is to see the characters from a different angle. The storyline is great and the characters are fun to read. It is great to read each book and catch up with characters from the previous books.

Rachel Antzak says

This is a retelling of the story of Snow-White and Rose-Red. The original plot:

Snow-White and Rose-Red are two little girls living with their mother, a poor widow, in a small cottage by the woods. Fair-haired Snow-White is quiet and shy and prefers to spend her time indoors, doing housework and reading. Dark-haired Rose-Red is outspoken, lively and cheerful, and prefers to be outside. They are both very good little girls who love each other and their mother dearly, and their mother is very fond of them as well.

One winter night, there is a knock at the door. Rose Red opens the door to find a bear. At first, she is terrified, but the bear tells her not to be afraid. "I'm half frozen and I merely want to warm up a little at your place," he says. They let the bear in, and he lies down in front of the fire. Snow-White and Rose-Red beat the snow off the bear, and they quickly become quite friendly with him. They play with the bear and roll him around playfully. They let the bear spend the night in front of the fire. In the morning, he leaves trotting out into the woods. The bear comes back every night for the rest of that winter and the family grows used to him.

When summer comes, the bear tells them that he must go away for a while to guard his treasure from a wicked dwarf. During the summer, when the girls are walking through the forest, they find a dwarf whose beard is stuck in a tree. The girls rescue him by cutting his beard free, but the dwarf is ungrateful and yells at them for cutting his beautiful beard. The girls encounter the dwarf several times that summer, rescue him from some peril each time and the dwarf is ungrateful each time.

Then one day, they meet the dwarf once again. This time, he is terrified because the bear is about to kill him. The dwarf pleads with the bear and begs it to eat the girls. Instead, the bear pays no heed and kills the dwarf with one swipe of his paw. Instantly, the bear turns into a prince. The dwarf had previously put a spell on the prince by stealing his precious stones and turning him into a bear. The curse is broken with the death of the dwarf. Snow-White marries the prince and Rose-Red marries the prince's brother.

Beth says

I received this Christmas novella entry in the Everland series for free after signing up for the author's newsletter. I greatly enjoyed this retelling of Snow White and Rose Red, though it focused on Rose Red and not her sister. I actually had to look up what that particular fairy tale was about, as Disney hasn't imprinted the story line on my brain. The author very cleverly adapted the fairy tale to her Everland world, and it was quite charming. I found that I wanted more back story on Snow, but I assume that is for a later story in the series. I should mention that this story has very little to do with Christmas, but many don't.

Debra says

It is a light-hearted and quick read for anyone looking for a fairy tale type book of familiar characters set in Everland in Wyoming in the 1800s. The text on my kindle was very light grey instead of black which was very hard to read.

Vikki Vaught says

What a delightful story. I found myself laughing out loud through much of the book. This is a great little read for anyone who is looking for a light-hearted quick read. Happy reading!

Nicole says

This story was so freaking cute! Every Everland story that I read makes me fall in love with the town a little more. This one is about Rose Red and Bear. When Bear is shot by a gang of outlaws, he stumbles into Rose's barn to hide. She finds him and helps with his wounds. She is convinced that he's an outlaw himself, and is both planning on turning him in once he's better and simultaneously using him to learn about adventures for her writing. She didn't plan to fall for the guy. She's been pressured by her mother to get married to a "perfect" blonde man (who doesn't exist). Her step-sister, Snow White, tells her that she needs to get married and leave. The story is just as enchanting as all the others, and the whimsy of seeing other characters from childhood reappearing will make you feel connected (Mr. B.G. Foote had me laughing for his name alone). I do wish there had been more to the story, especially seeing the couple with their interactions, instead of glossing over it all with a generic statement. But I may be just wanting to spend so much time in Everland that no amount of action-filled pages will ever be enough.

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

Trish R. says

OK, this novella was obviously written for little girls and not grown women. I mean, good grief, some of the

words were just silly: so many “Oh shoot” and “dang” and “Dangit.” And let’s not talk about the hero’s big bushy beard or him going two weeks without a bath or washing up, and Rose sitting cuddled up beside him! Ewww.

I did like Rose and I thought Barrett was a really nice name for the hero but that name was used only a few times, maybe 6 or 8, and the rest of the time he was called Bear, about 160+ times. I just hate when an author gives someone a name then refuses to use it.

I’m glad this wasn’t any longer than it was, that’s all I can say.

When Bear was wounded and found his way to Rose’s barn she took care of him and kept his presence secret, all the while thinking he was an outlaw when he was really a U.S. Marshall.

This had so many possibilities but it turned out to be a kid’s book and I don’t read books written for kids.
