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From the darkest parts of the underworld, to aliens hunting on Earth, to planets far away, each of these capture-themed novellas by six bestselling authors takes you on a wild ride that will heat up your fantasies and keep you up all night long...reading.

**From Holly S. Roberts** - Sergeant Kelly Myers fights a war that humans are losing but there may be a way out. Can she sacrifice her blood and body to a vampire to save her country or is Talon worse than the evil trying to kill them all?

**From Angela Castle** - For alien King K'marr, time is running short, he captures and claims the human Ashlyn Sawyer as his. Yet Ash objects to his methods of persuasion. Can K'marr convince Ash they are Soul Bonds or will she let him succumb to the abyss of madness?

**From Cari Silverwood's new Preyfinder series** - A Preyfinder is trained to withstand hardship and pain, but Jadd would rather kneel before a firestorm than leave his captive, Brittany, to be stalked and killed. The choice between love and loyalty to his soldier brothers may tear him in two.

**From Sorcha Black** - Lying tangled in her sheets each night, dreaming of sex, virginal Shiloh never means to tempt the spying succubus. Even so, the accident of their mutual infatuation won't save Shiloh or Moth from the Council's wrath.

**From C.L. Scholey** - Lost in a forest, poison ivy for an unwanted companion. Two hot aliens take the form of friends and spirit her away aboard their alien vessel. Can life get any stranger for Cali? It can. Add some mind blowing sex and hang on!

**From Leia Shaw** - After accidentally turning off a device that could destroy earth, Maggie finds herself abducted by Baen, a man with an accent as sexy as his rugged looks. As he drags her to Scotland to fix it, chemistry between the two explodes, but is it enough for a happily ever after?

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## From Reader Review Kept for online ebook

### Dar says

Loved these stories, and I normally don't read this genre so that says a lot! The stories, and not the genre, grabbed and held me for each story and I now have 4 new authours to read and catch up on

I got the book for Cari Silverwood's story, because she is an automatic go-to for books, and she didn't disappoint here. I am currently impatiently waiting for the second story in the series to appear on kobo for purchase....

Tried Sorchia Black's next, but I'm not a fan of FF only stories, so while I tried, I had to skip it

The book got set aside for a bit, then I picked it up again, and boy am I glad I did - Holly Roberts was a authour who seemed to show up on all my recommended lists, and after reading this story, quickly added those recommendations to my wish list

Angela Castle's story was also a hot read, and she got added as a favourite as well

C.L. Scholey gave a sweet and interesting premise and I hope there is more coming because I would definitely follow that storyline

Leia Shaw's story was the perfect wrap up to the collection and most defintely my favourite behind Cari's story. Her books were also quickly added to my wish list

Overall, give this a shot if you like any of the authours works because there is definitely something here for you, and, like me, you will probably discover new reads because you so thoroughly enjoyed the stories you were presented with here!

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### zoegr1 says

Precious Sacrifice: Wow what a different story. Not what i'm used to & i almost went on to the next one, i'm glad i didn't. Jadd & Brittney's story is an erotic sci-fi. He's supposed to set her up, using a drug that makes her want Him, & He turns her into His pet. Tho as a punishment He cannot keep her. It progresses from there to a great short story. i just came to Ms. Silverwood's page to see if she's written more about them.

i don't see anything so i would love to ask her to continue & make a Series of it. Please?!?!?! i am going to check out some of her other books. Always love finding a new author to read.

So far all the stories are good. :-)

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## **Kay Pratt says**

This review can be found in Romance Readers Bookshelf reviews:

I can't say enough about this collection of erotic tales. It was one hot read after another. There are six sci fi stories of domination, light bondage, spanking and anything you can imagine in between the sheets and dangling from them. There are MF, FF, MFM scenes enough to keep you reading non-stop. My imagination was in overdrive. Each story was different and I absolutely loved being able to experience so many new hot authors in one book. I have discovered new authors to follow. (As if I could ever have enough?)

With great writers like Sorcha Black, Holly Roberts and Cari Silverwood you know there is some good hot stuff in this collection. Whether you are into Sci Fi or not, this was a great read. Not too kinky but still has some fun in it!!

Thanks to the author/ publisher for an advanced review copy in exchange for an honest review!

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## **Rosebud says**

This 6 story collection of short stories features sci-fi/paranormal themed reads that include Sergeant Kelly Myers who can save the planet if she agrees to be a vampire's blood donor, an alien king whose queen is an Earth BBW who doesn't believe in HEA forever kind of relationships, an alien scout whose duty is to test Brittany's acceptance to be a pet then release her to meet her fate, a succubus who has an illegal relationship with a female in direct violation of the Council's mandates, two alien hunters who abduct Cali only to receive a crash course in sex ed, and a girl who accidentally breaks an alien device requiring her to speed travel to Scotland with a Scottish Dom who plans to let her see what's under his kilt.

This anthology gives the reader a taste of the writing style of each author. The adult content in each have different slants from the D/s to the outright kinky with the common denominator of being just plain HAWT. I'm sure each reader will gravitate towards one favorite of the bunch but in my case I'm gonna plead the fifth. :D

The downside of anthology works is that each author is limited in word count/page count which doesn't allow for the depth or world building that a full sized novel would. I would have appreciated more story line development and expanded relationship dynamics to have been there for many reasons. One, to have had more to enjoy. Two, to have provided opportunity for depth and world building. Three, to have more erotica scenes to savor. But. These teasers do motivate me to search out for more reads written by these authors. So. Mission accomplished.

This is a book readers of fantasy/sci-fi erotic romances will enjoy if you're looking to get a taste for each of these author's writing styles.

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## **Poison says**

Preyfinders:

I really enjoyed this story by Cari Silverwood. She's one of my favorite authors, and this is a light capture fantasy sci-fi series that's moved on to book 2, with this as a prequel of sorts. Intimidator

The world building is light, but there is a lot of show and not a lot of tell, which is how I prefer it, and stuff is sort of shown and explained as we get to it, as opposed to giant info dumps.

The characters were interesting and hot, which is what I want, right?!

The sex and D/s scenes were really fun for me, and as far as a short story goes, I didn't find myself wishing it was longer, I thought it was a perfect length. 5/5 stars

Sorcha Black:

Wow, I really enjoyed the vast majority of this story. I'm a sucker for Succubi tales, and this one was no different. I loved the relationship with Moth and Shiloh, though I wish "natural slaves" spent less time arguing and fighting and being bratty and spent more time being "Natural slave-ish", but still, I enjoyed Shiloh and Moth together. The world building was again not dense, but almost entirely show, without info dumps, and I was intrigued.

I liked the way we get to see Fox and Moth, I liked the characters, but if I had to pick any downsides, the sex wasn't the best, and the D/s didn't totally feel authentic, which is to say, I didn't feel like Shiloh was really submissive, or submitting, and Moth just seemed to issue commands without any real idea of what she was doing.

Unfortunately, I didn't love the ending. 3.5/5 stars.

C.L. Scholey:

Beings made of light who take on human form and fall for a girl from Earth. Everyone seems to fall for a girl from Earth. Why aren't there any robots/cyborgs/aliens/demonesses that fall for men from Earth? (We just had a female Succubus, I know, I know) but still!

This story was probably more fun than it should have been, as I had no intention of reading it, but I just couldn't stop, so obviously, I liked it. The characters were pretty fun, the sex was bright, and hot (oh double entendre) and this story was a bit of light hearted fun.

3/5 Stars.

Angela Castle:

DNF. Sorry, the King/Billionaire/Sultan that falls for the BBW is one of the kinks I don't enjoy. 0/0 Not rated, YKIOKBINMK.

Holly S. Roberts:

Werewolves are overrunning the US military, and time for humans on Earth is running out. Our hero, Command Sergeant Kelly Myers must have sex with a Vampire to gain valuable intelligence to potentially save Earth.

I loved this story!

The characters were fun, and strong, the story was intriguing, and made me wish for a full length novel, the whole "Earth is being overrun" angle was well done, and I really liked the whole plot and execution of this narrative. Holly S. Roberts is a new author to me, and she has a new fan!

The sex was slightly kinky, if you are into mild bondage, but it was basically just bloodplay (Vampire sex) and mild bondage, not much else.

Still, I really liked it. 5/5 stars.

Leia Shaw:

I will update when I read this one, I didnt get to it yet, and I have other stuff to read first! But, it didn't grab me in the first few pages.

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### **Stephanie Christine says**

An anthology of sci-fi/fantasy capture stories?! Sign me up!

I blame my love of these kinds of stories on movies from my childhood

The 80's has a lot to answer for in regards to my sexuality. Anyway, first up,Holly Roberts Crimson Warriors and her vampire hero is so yummy!

Oh and Talon's just a little kinky :)

"As far as chaining you to the bed, this is what I want...I let you have your fun last night but this is how i like mine."

There's also one of the most refreshing takes on the making of a vampire I've ever read!

Angela Castle's alien hero finds his Soul Bond and whisks her away to claim her. If that entails drugging her and her waking up in cuffs? That just means he's committed, right?

This story made me remember how much I loved reading Dara Joy and Angela Knight! I love the whole "you are my destined mate, there can be no one else." tropes!  
Next up is Cari Silverwood's Precious Sacrifice.

I knew I was going to get an awesome capture fantasy from Cari! and even though it's sweeter than her Pierced Hearts series it's the darkest of all the stories.

Though she trembled, she let him caress her jaw then run his fingers over her full lips. She even opened her mouth and licked his knuckle when he inserted it.

I want to lick Jadd's knuckle! The epilogue is amazing and I can't wait for the sequel!  
Then there's Sorcha Black's Succumb. Her first solo published story and it was amazeballs! Moth is a hot succubus who falls in love with a human woman.

Some will think this isn't for them. Don't be that guy.

Then there's C.L. Scholey's Universe Hunters which was the most unique and funny in the bunch. The aliens are actually beings of light who only take humanoid form after accidentally burning the heroine while trying to kill the bad aliens. Of course they have to take her with them while they complete their mission whether she likes it or not, right? If I say anymore it will spoil the best part of the story.  
Last we have Leia Shaw's My Scottish Keeper. Baen is a hero to die for!

“I can force you,” he rumbled. What? In my mind, he held a handful of my hair again, pushed me down on my knees, popped open my mouth with his finger on my chin...”  
“I can force you to come to Scotland,” he said. Scotland? Oh god! And here I’d been thinking...

Baen thinks Maggie is beautiful even though she doesn't think this of herself. Uhh love this! The fact that she wears his collar doesn't hurt either

So if you want to read about hot aliens and fantasy critters getting their kink on you can't go wrong with Kept!

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## Dee says

This book was chock full of all sorts of delicious delights. Some stories appealed to me more than others but they were all extremely well written, they were well balanced with a good mix of steamy sex scenes and captivating plot.

I was treated to some MF loving, MFM loving, and my inner lesbian was purring when she was treated to some FF loving. To top it all off I got my captive fix; although no females were really held captive, they were simply **‘KEPT’**.

I highly recommend this anthology to lovers of Sci-fi Erotica.



*Thank you to the authors for allowing me to read an ARC in exchange for an honest review.*

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## **Guilty Pleasures Book Reviews says**

Kitty's review posted on Guilty Pleasures Book Reviews

5 STARS

Review copy provided for an honest review

Anthologies are hard to review ... do I review each book separately or should I review the book as a whole? My decision is to review the "book" itself, not break down each story but comment on certain things that caught my attention.

Honestly, I smiled throughout this anthology. I enjoy capture fantasies because they take me away from the normal grind of life, they don't make me wish it was me and I know that none of them would be my book boyfriend. Well, I can't say that ... Leia Shaw's Baen definitely had me wishing for a Scottish Brogue ... Talon could take my vein anytime and if a Preyfinder wants to find me, I will personally put my coordinates into his GPS. I have to give Sorcha props – even though I don't usually like straight f/f (I do enjoy f/m/f or m/f/m) she caught my attention with Shiloh and Moth and held it throughout the story. Then we have our Aliens ... both stories were hot, steamy and outrageous. I honestly loved all the books in the anthology even though they were all so different from each other.

With that being said, Capture Fantasies can be a hard read. You have to open your mind to the possibilities, look the other way at what could be illegal or immoral in the real world, and hold on for what could be a wild ride through space and time. It's a touch of paranormal mixed with some BDSM and then topped with the HEA – sometimes in a weird, round-about way. Each author had their own style of writing, of telling a story. I was familiar with 3 of the authors and the other 3 were new to me so I was looking forward to this sampling of new and old. I am always a little hesitant in reading a new author and am usually pleasantly surprised, and I was not disappointed in any way. Each story was well written, fun, exciting, sexy and a story unto it's own. They didn't overlap and no two stories were alike – it was like reading 6 different books in one shot. So, enjoy Kept and keep an open mind ... you never know when an alien, Scottish lord or vampire may come to you at night and sweep you away to an alternate universe.

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## **Daria says**

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Review is posted go check it out.. <http://booklovinjunkie.blogspot.com/2...>

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## **Kent says**

I thoroughly enjoyed the first story Crimson Warriors by Holly Roberts. Soul Bonds by Angela Castle was a fun story, but it had many typographical errors. Precious Sacrifice by Cari Silverwood was a good story. A little too SciFi for me, but still good. Succumb by Sorch Black was interesting. Universe Hunters by C.L. Scholey was a very fun story. My Scottish Keeper by Leia Shaw was my favorite story in this set.

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## **Lady Entropy says**

(ARC given by NetGalley)

I have to admit, I requested this book more out of sense of boredom and "I haven't read erotica in a while, let's see what the kids are doing these days". And boy, was I surprised.

I must state in advance that erotica is something I read every now and then, usually when some concept intrigues me (like T-rex porn!). I'm not an expert, or even someone who can appreciate the finer points of the descriptions or collapse into a mass of wiggly desire.

But I was amazed by how huge the RANGE of stories (from sci-fi, to time travelling, to fantasy) was. And what amazed me even more was how complex the settings were. The authors seemed to be challenged to find all sorts of strange and unusual combinations (military and vampires! BBW and aliens! Time travelling, Domming and Scotsmen! Virgins, lesbians and succubus!) then came up with the most elaborate possible settings and worldbuild. Sure there was sex, and lots of it, but I found myself caring more the people and their world than their jolies.

This is what a well-written book (which is also erotica) looks like. I am actually quite glad I read it, even if erotica still isn't my thing. Brainier readers who want more than just the quick fix of porn will love it.

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## **R \*is for Relentless\* says**

Awesome anthology! 6 authors collaborated to bring a collection of great capture themed novellas that are hot enough to melt your panties. The stories are Scifi themed with seriously dominant alpha males (or in one case female). You'll find vampires, aliens, succubi, even a Scottish highlander. Most stories are MF, one FF and one MFM. Capture themed so definitely some D/s, light bondage, spanking, piercings etc. There's something for everyone in this collection. If you've never had the pleasure of reading some of these authors this book is a great opportunity to sample what they have to offer. Some of them were new to me and now I've just added more authors to my buy list. If you enjoy scifi capture romance with seriously dominant alphas and your lovin' with some bite this book is a must buy.

I was provided an ARC of this book by one of the authors in exchange for an honest review.

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## **Marianne says**

From the darkest parts of the underworld, to aliens hunting on Earth, to planets far away, each of these capture-themed novellas by six bestselling authors takes you on a wild ride that will heat up your fantasies and keep you up all night long...reading.

Kept is one of those anthologies I bought on a whim, later regretted buying and were left unread on my Kindle, forgotten and unloved. Thank goodness I found it while I did my spring cleaning, because it was actually quite good - much better than expected. I've even bought the sequels & intend to read them later this spring.

Below, I've rated the stories individually:

### **CRIMSON WARRIORS**

Sergeant Kelly Myers fights a war that humans are losing but there may be a way out. Can she sacrifice her blood and body to a vampire to save her country or is Talon worse than the evil trying to kill them all?

- Liked this one for the most part. The time jump at the end was a downer, though. My least favorite of the bunch 3.5 stars.

### **SOUL BONDS**

For alien King K'marr, time is running short, he captures and claims the human Ashlyn Sawyer as his. Yet, Ash objects over his methods of persuasion. Can K'marr convince Ash they are Soul Bonds or will she let him succumb to the abyss of madness?

- K'marr belongs to a race where the men on his world need to claim their intended soul mate by their 35th year or be driven to madness. Not always easy to persuade an alien human female, though. 3.5 stars.

### **PRECIOUS SACRIFICE**

A Preyfinder is trained to withstand hardship and pain, but Jadd would rather kneel before a firestorm than leave his captive, Brittany, to be stalked and killed. The choice between love and loyalty to his soldier brothers may tear him in two.

- Originally intended to be his punishment, Brittany becomes his obsession and he'll do anything to save her and claim her as his pet. A hot, sexy story with a dominant alpha male. I've bought the sequel, how could I not? 4 stars.

### **SUCCUMB**

Now this one was an interesting story. I've never read lesbian romance before, and biased as I am, I nearly decided to skip it. What a shame that would have been, this story turned out to be my favorite of the six: Lying tangled in her sheets each night, dreaming of sex, virginal Shiloh never meant to tempt the spying succubus. Even so, the accident of their mutual infatuation wouldn't save Shiloh or Moth from the Council's wrath. Succubi are not supposed to take female captives, only males for breeding purposes. But Moth's attraction is too strong to be denied...

- Consider me chastised, Moth's obsession and dedication to Brittany surpassed that of the most possessive, but loving male Dom. I ended up loving this couple. 4.5 stars.

### **UNIVERSE HUNTERS**

Lost in a forest, poison ivy for an unwanted companion. Two hot aliens take the form of friends spirit her away aboard their alien vessel. Can life get any stranger for Cali? It can. Add some mind blowing sex and hang on!

- If Succumb was my favorite, this was definitely the cutest story. Two aliens experience the pleasures of the human flesh for the first time, but their cuddling in their original light forms was adorable. 4.25 stars.

#### MY SCOTTISH KEEPER

After accidentally turning off a device that could destroy earth, Maggie finds herself abducted by Baen, a man with an accent as sexy as his rugged looks. As he drags her to Scotland to fix it, chemistry between the two explodes, but is it enough for a happily ever after?

- Wow, I really fell for the rugged Scotsman. Dominant to the core, but with an unsurpassed tenderness and protective instinct toward Maggie. Also 4.5 stars. Loved this couple.

Overall I rate this anthology 4 stars.

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#### Marta Cox says

I really enjoyed the variety in this boxed set of sci fi romance books. There is such a mixture of story lines: Kinky vampires , royal aliens, strong warriors , hot highlanders and succubi just to name a few. There is definitely something for everyone. Each author offers a fresh voice on the world of sci fi erotica and spins a tale of romance and mystery that will keep you turning the pages. There is also a mixture of book lengths, which is nice.

Whether you've read these authors before and just can't get enough of them, or you are looking for a new author that you will love, this is a great collection of stories that introduce you to the different styles of writing. Some are authors I have already read such as Angela Castle and CL Scholey but other names are new to me and well worth searching out. There is such a wealth of imagination at play in this collection that it would be a crime to miss it if you enjoy reading about hot alpha males but I must caution that this is intended for an adult audience. As well as the usual male female romance there is also ménage and even a little lesbian loving . Also if light bondage is not your thing then you have been warned but honestly it's all consensual and yes it's very sensual too!

Of course I have my favourites from amongst these six stories . To be honest I will say that as for me part of the fun is always the world building and I did feel that some of these stories felt a little rushed but nevertheless I did enjoy reading them . If the object was to fire up my imagination and leave me wanting to read more then well mission accomplished! I have discovered new names to search out and read. I'm hoping that one or two will lead on to be part of a series but hasten to erasure that all these stories felt complete. I would recommend for anyone that enjoys reading sexy stories and if sci fi or fantasy is your thing then this is for you. Great value and such fun!

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#### Katie says

#### ARC recieved via NetGalley

This was a collection of short stories all with a paranormal/sci-fi theme. I thoroughly enjoyed reading this. It has allowed me a glimpse at authors I would otherwise not have heard of. Being short stories, there was only a limited amount on the worlds that these authors have created... most of which I would like to read more about. I will definitely be looking into reading more stories by these authors. I liked that none of the stories in

this anthology were the same...you were reading something fresh with each new story.

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