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This is a novella of approximately 28,000 words.

## **A Perfect Holiday Fling Details**

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## **From Reader Review A Perfect Holiday Fling for online ebook**

### **Becky says**

Good light holiday read, few sexy moments, good story, just too short. I know, I know it's a novella! But bloody hell when a story is good you want a full story not just a snippet of one. I really liked the interaction between Stefan and his nephew Jacob. I loved how a big tough navy pilot has a soft side for those that matter in his life. I liked the small town feel and just wanted more. To me novellas are a waste of time and talent, if you can write a good story then by gosh write a full length one. I don't normally buy novellas but this one and the next were a free in set so I went for it. Good read It just frustrates me with the length. My hang up though. So recommend read if your not like me, it truly was a good little story.

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### **Xan West says**

[ kill off a dog that is really important to the heroine. I do not go into a cute holiday story expecting a beloved animal to die. And the book is too short to hold this and bounce back from it. (hide spoi

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### **Janani says**

This was a fun small-town holiday-fling-turned-beginnings-of-romance, including cute animals and an adorable nephew.

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### **Celeste says**

#### **Callie and Stefan**

Home is where the heart is. Sweet romance with a second chance at love for the town vet, Callie. The added bounce was Stefan, Navy man who took care of his nephew. The cat Sandy was a sweet addition, and added bounce as Jacob got over his loss.

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### **Lynda says**

An excellent quick holiday novella. Low angst, but very sweet. Injured Navy pilot out on medical leave agrees to watch his nephew while his twin sister is deployed. Meets the pretty veterinarian when he and his nephew rescue an injured kitten.

I think this one will end up in my collection of yearly rereads. Very sweet.

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## **Jennifer says**

Also posted to Jen in Bookland

2.5 stars

A Perfect Holiday Fling started off alright. Stefan is taking care of his nephew when his mom is deployed. He is also waiting for the test results to see if he can fly anymore, if his navy career will be over. His nephew finds a stray cat who is injured and they take her to the vet. Enter Callie, the vet, who thinks the town pities her since her husband left her for another woman.

Callie is a little down on herself and doesn't really trust people to not leave her. Her parents died when she was younger, her husband left, her dog, everyone leaves her. So when Stefan starts flirting with her, even though she is very attracted to him she tries to refuse. Eventually she does give in after some serious making out in her office and they go on a hot date. They move very quickly and I didn't really mind all of that so much.

Both Callie and Stefan might be leaving town soon so they know this might not last forever. They also both start having more feelings for each other and don't want to leave. The ending was very sudden. It was just Callie thinking about how everyone leaves and suddenly Stefan is all don't go! And so then everything is fine and perfect. If it would have been longer I would have enjoyed it more. It just felt too rushed.

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## **Katie says**

Another cute one I picked up for free that doesn't leave me with much to say. It made good use of the novella space. The male main character was a little too mean about the cat at first.

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## **sraxe says**

I really liked this book. It was a cute little contemporary romance that was so light and fun and just oh so drama-free. The synopsis pretty much covers what the novella is about and there are no real surprises, tbh. I found that to be rather nice than being surprised by random, irritating things.

Callie, a 34 y/o small-town veterinarian, was dumped by her husband of five years, Adrian, a year ago after he publicly left her to be with the girlfriend he'd been cheating on her with (he even took their dog!). And because it's a super small town, everyone was all up in her business. In that time, she's had a few dates here and there because of the nosy and pushy people of her little town, but other than a couple of kisses, nothing's really panned out. And then Stefan rolls into town.

While it's said that Callie hasn't been with anyone in the year since her divorce, there's no information about Stefan's history. The only real mention of his sex life is this: "He'd had casual relationships, but he tended to keep things light." Other than that, there's absolutely nothing else, which I absolutely loved! The other thing I loved was Stefan's characterization. Stefan is a super flirty character, which I really liked because he was so fun about it. He wasn't stalkerish (which is pointed out at one point in the book because (view spoiler)) or overbearing. What also added to that enjoyment was that Callie actually flirted back instead of blushing and feeling scandalized. I also loved that Callie was able to admit to herself and others that she found him

attractive rather than going into instant denial, which I see happen in a lot of books.

Stefan is also totally cocky, but he made that fun, as well. I generally don't like cocky characters because a lot of authors tend to write them as being really insecure. They feel the need to go on about a character's sexploits or their hotness factor (because I guess they can't write cockiness otherwise?), which is what makes them seem SO DAMN INSECURE. Stefan, on the other hand, was confident and not insecure about it, so the reader wasn't beaten over the head with his supposed qualities. tbh, Stefan didn't even have to work to win me over after the beginning when he was taking care of a hurt, little kitten while also giving into his 5 year old nephew's whims. (Oh, and the nephew is his twin sister Stefanie's kid, but he's taking care of him for a couple of months while she's deployed. The kid is in parts of the book but I didn't think he was annoying. His adorableness just amped up Stefan's attractiveness for me, honestly.)

If there's one complaint I have it's that (view spoiler) So, I actually liked that the author did that.

I felt that there was a lot of depth and development here, especially for a novella. It felt as though every word was utilized to further the story and build the characters rather than be wasted. I have a number of Rochon's full-length novels on my to-read list, so I'm definitely looking forward to them after this novella.

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### **MK says**

A short and sweet story about a woman who went through a devastating divorce and a man who is about to lose the thing he loves most. The story, like the leads, is sweet and flows beautifully.

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### **Sandy says**

#### **3 out of 5**

The author sold this book as a hallmark Christmas movie buy with kitchen sex and I can't say that's not accurate. There was the small quaint town where everyone knows you and is friendly a handsome Navy officer looking after his nephew and a rescued cat, a veterinary doctor weary of getting involved with anyone because of past hurts. It was short, had some funny moments and a happy ending. The characters themselves didn't grab my interest too much so I didn't love it but it wasn't bad.

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### **Norah Una Sumner says**

#### **3.5 stars**

This was super fun and super sweet! I loved both Stefan and Callie and the chemistry between them was... incredible! They both went through some difficult things in life and it made them even stronger. I know how hard it is to lose a parent so I immediately connected with Callie and handed her my heart on a plate. The story itself was really interesting and, I mean, there's a cute cat and a cute kid so I was already bought 10 pages in. A great holiday read for romance lovers!

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**Becca says**

Cute quick holiday read.

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**Mirjana \*\*DTR - Down to Read\*\* says**

**\*\*\*3.75 Stars\*\*\***

This was a sweet, small town "holiday fling turns to so much more" novella. Just what I wanted. Low angst, holiday feels, some humor, a good dose of steam....and some adorable animals.

"Tell me what else I have waiting for me, Callie."

"You have me. If you want me, you have me."

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**Barb says**

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A Really good small town USA story. Living in a small town myself, i could relate to the factual tidbits that Farrah incorporated into the story. Loved the plot, loved the main characters. 5 stars.

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**Bea Charmed says**

Cute and sweet. As with many short stories it lacked depth. Also, I kept getting pulled out of the story by copy editing issues.

