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*Live hard, f\*ck harder and follow only their own rules. Those are the cornerstones the six men of the Haven Brotherhood live and bleed by, refusing to conform to society's expectations, taking what they want and always watching each other's backs.*

Trevor Raines lives on the edge of legal. A good guy doing bad things to save lives, the only rules he follows are the Brotherhood's, and there's nothing in the world that will change that. Until Natalie Jordan walks into his life...

Natalie's only interest is in making a fresh start. She's a woman with a plan, and the plan doesn't include a man with secrets, no matter how kind—or intoxicating—he is. But this cowboy is determined to break down her walls, keep her safe and make her his.

Trevor had no interest in settling down, but there's something entirely too appealing about the woman he can't stay away from. There's only one thing to do—change his plans...and hers. When Natalie's ex resurfaces to threaten her new life, Trevor will move heaven and earth to make sure the bastard can't hurt her again. Except saving Natalie means outing his own secrets—and it could mean losing her forever...

## Claim & Protect Details

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# **From Reader Review Claim & Protect for online ebook**

## **Audrey Carlan says**

"Save a horse, ride a cowboy! When a book can make a city girl want to cowboy up...you've got one hot read!" ~Audrey Carlan, #1 NYT Bestselling Author

My favorite of the Haven brothers to date! Trevor owned my heart. I wanted nothing more than to have this alpha badass claim and protect ME!

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## **Mindy Lou's Book Review says**

I'm starting to feel like a broken record with my reviews on this series. It's consistently good with consistently hot alpha males who are bossy and take charge, but also very protective and good to their women and their mommas.

I like that the author threw in a kid in this one. It's a thing of beauty to see a man step up and take care of a child like he's his own. However, because of that child, I felt Trevor was a bit too resistant in the beginning to claim them permanently. Now I know in the real world, that is a good thing, but in my fantasy fictional world, I want the opposite. It's the only thing that was slightly disappointing for me.

I'm still loving the brotherhood connection with all the guys and how much they rib each other about their women. On to book 4...

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## **Jennifer says**

ARC received for review

These books are not disappointing at all. Each guy's past or hang up is different. All of the dangers in their ladies past are different. Trevor and Natalie are great, plus you throw in cute little Levi. I loved it. Can't wait to see what Knox is going to be up against.

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## **Beth says**

By far this is my favorite book in this series and I've really enjoyed the rest. I flat out loved Trevor's and Natalie's story. Trevor is a swoon worthy with Natalie, her son and the rest of the Haven crew making it the perfect icing to an already delicious cake. I couldn't help myself, I just gobbled it up.

There are only a few brothers left and I can't wait for each and every one of their stories, My hope, Morgan adds those prospective brothers that are in the works so we get more of this Haven Brotherhood family.

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My Rating: 5 stars

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## **Carol [Goodreads Addict] says**

Claim and Protect is book three in the Haven Brotherhood series by Rhenna Morgan. It's a well known fact that I have a gigantic love for any book involving a sexy cowboy, the sexier the better. And, if they call their woman "darlin'" then I'm completely lost. In this book, you will meet Trevor Raines. He owns a ranch and has punched every one of my cowboy buttons. But at the same time, he is a pub owner, a brother, and every bit dominant alpha male that you can handle. Hands off ladies, he's mine!

Trevor owns The Den, a bar in Dallas's Deep Ellum district. Trevor has a past, one he's not proud of, but when the brother's found him, he grew up and made himself into a man he could be proud of. The place Trevor calls home is his ranch. He has people to run it for him when he can't be there but it's the place that he most loves to be, with his horses and his border collie. Trevor has strict rules for the employees at his bar, one of which is no cell phones while working. So, when he sees his new hire keep sneaking in texts, he knows he needs to deal with it. He hasn't had her on long and he feels an odd protectiveness towards her. When he learns of the reason she is on her phone, he decides to follow her home to make sure she got home safely. The next move he made is what changed everything.

Natalie Jordan had never been a cocktail waitress before but her new boss took a chance on her and she is determined not to let him down. But on this night, she has to deal with this situation. Natalie's ex-husband has made it his life's work to make her existence intolerable. And he's doing a fine job of it, especially on this night. Natalie has a seven year old son at home, Levi, with her mother and Natalie is their sole supporter.

Unfortunately, Levi is caught in the middle between his parents. Natalie's ex is using him as a pawn to get what he wants, and what he wants isn't Levi at all, but Natalie.

Natalie has been smitten with Trevor from day one but was determined to remain professional. She needed this job too much. But when Trevor decided to help her out with her situation, their relationship quickly changed. It didn't take long for the chemistry to get the best of them.

***“He'd been wrong. Natalie Jordan wasn't born for sex. She was born for him.”***

Natalie is determined to stay on track with her plan for her future and that future doesn't include a new relationship. And Trevor doesn't feel like he could ever be good enough for someone like Natalie. They both are in complete denial of their feelings.

Let me tell you about little seven year old Levi. I fell in love with this boy. He has been through so much, seen so much. And the way he has to endure his father broke my heart. But this little boy was strong and resilient. He has a heart as big as Texas. And he has some huge hero worship for Trevor.

Trevor wasn't only falling for Natalie but for Levi as well. He never thought of himself as father material. But that little boy had worked himself into Trevor's heart and soul and there wasn't a thing he could do about it.

Trevor and Natalie's chemistry was off the charts hot. What started out as being 'light and easy' quickly escalated into more. But as their relationship progressed, so did the efforts of her ex-husband. If I have ever hated a character, it would be him. This man was awful. Trevor with the help of his brothers, vows to find a way to get him out of Natalie's life so she can finally be free of him.

I think I fall in love with this series more with every book. I loved Trevor with all my heart. And the epilogue, there are no words. My eyes watered. Rhenna has again hit the ball out of the park with this book. I couldn't put it down. It was steamy and sweet and everything in between. The next book will be Knox and Darya's story, Tempted & Taken, and it can't get here fast enough. I am loving watching these brothers who think of themselves as eternal bachelors, fall in love, one at a time. You know what they say, the bigger they are, the harder they fall.

***“This was the stuff of legend. The kind of passion few women ever found but every one of them craved. And it was hers.***

***His.***

***Theirs.”***

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## **Sheryl says**

**\*4.5 stars\***

**More... give me MORE of these MEN!!!**

**Absolutely loving this series!!!**

*\*ARC courtesy of Netgalley and Carina Press\**

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## **Erin Kelly says**

The main reason I am not the biggest fan of contemporaries is because real life creeps in, and I read for escape. Well, somehow Morgan has won me over to her style of contemporary romance by making the men so amazing, you wish you met them in real life. Book 3 of The Haven Brotherhood not only holds up the crazy high bar set by the first two in the series, but even surpasses the previous ones. The reason? This hero, y'all.

### **The Story-**

Trevor runs a bar, and when his new employee, Natalie, runs into some trouble with her ex, his protective instinct kicks in.

### **My Thoughts-**

Normally, I'm not a huge fan of divorce politics in my romance, but this ex is so yuck, and Trevor is so yum that I thoroughly enjoyed the story. And all the stuff with her little boy and Trevor...swoon. Trevor is just the perfect southern gentleman cowboy with all kinds of sexiness and Alpha simmering under the surface. Natalie is extremely sympathetic and likable, and it is so nice to see her get her happy ending. Can we talk about the sex? OMG. I honestly don't know how Ms. Morgan does it. Actually, Rhenna, I feel like we should be on a first name basis after reading your sexy scenes. Rhenna, how do you come up with new ways to raise the heat level without ever crossing the line into uncomfortable territory?

### **The Bottom Line-**

Read this book. Read the whole series. These are IMO the best contemporary romance books out there right now, and I believe they will be winning some awards. 5 stars

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## **Bambi Unbridled says**

Rhenna Morgan is killing me.

**KILLING. ME!!!**

Starting with Rough & Tumble, I fell in love with Jace. I figured he would be my favorite of the series, second only to Axel (who has a sexy smutty Scot thing going on). But then there was Zeke in Wild & Sweet,

who was AWESOME. And now... NOW... Rhenna gives us freaking Trevor, who blows both of the previous heroes out of the water. Seriously - each hero has been better than the last! By the time we get around to Axel, my head is just going to explode. Or my ovaries. Or something. And let it be known RIGHT NOW, that I am claiming Axel and his proclivities for all things kink. He. Is. Mine. Period. Exclamation Point!

If you haven't read Rough & Tumble or Wild & Sweet, then you are totally missing out. But if you want to start with Claim & Protect and read out of order, you should be fine. Basically what you need to know is that the Haven Brotherhood is a group of unconventional alpha males that have become family. These men are totally hot, totally possessive alpha male, and totally successful. From club owners to pilots to doctors... you are sure to find a hero to suit your tastes. (Just stay away from Axel!)

Trevor Raines is our laid back cowboy, who is also a pilot and bar owner. He has a big ranch, a big airplane collection, and an even bigger heart. Trevor also has some adequacy issues, making him think that he is not relationship material. When Trevor discovers that his cute new waitress is having family issues, he inserts himself into her life to make sure that she and her son are safe. He was such a freaking good guy. Seriously, you couldn't not like Trevor. He was funny and sexy and caring and just oh-so lovable. I loved that his protective instincts kicked into overdrive, and that those feelings encompassed everyone in our heroine's life. His efforts to bring some light into their life just gave me the warm fuzzies. Likewise, Trevor's thoughts on family (whether related by blood or not) were heartwarming.

Natalie Jordan is a bit of a tortured heroine. She has done her best to escape her narcissistic and abusive ex-husband, but he just won't let go. I felt sorry for Natalie's situation, but I admired her determination to get away and protect her son. I was happy that she allowed Trevor into their life so easily, because I know her first inclination was probably to put her hand up and keep all men out of their life. Luckily both Natalie and her meddling mama were able to see that Trevor was a good guy and could be trusted to keep everyone safe and make them happy. And Natalie's son! I just loved him. I am not a kid person at all... but Levi was just so cute that you couldn't help but love him.

The relationship between Trevor and Natalie was both sweet and sexy. Trevor did such a good job at helping Natalie get her self-confidence back and, in turn, Natalie made Trevor see that he was worthy of a relationship. While they had some good chemistry and were no slouches in the sheets, most of their time together had me feeling sweet and sappy. Despite the tortured past of both our hero and heroine, this story felt like a feel-good romance from start to finish.

The Haven Brotherhood and its growing family is such a great group. Each member of the brotherhood is dynamic and engaging, but they come together for a common purpose, and the most important thing to each one is the family they have created. I wish I could find a group such as this to adopt me! I encourage all romance fans to pick up the Haven Brotherhood series - you won't regret it.

I voluntarily reviewed an advanced copy of this book that I received from the publisher, Carina Press.

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### **Juliette Cross says**

Oh, Trevor, Trevor, Trevor. The perfect dirty southern gentleman. Trevor is everything I love--protective to the core, gentle or rough when he needs to be, and hot as hell in bed.

Newly divorced single mom Natalie needed a knight in shining armor. And her new boss fits the bill

perfectly. This one tugged on ALL my heartstrings, even the way he devoted time to Natalie's son Levi.

Rhenna Morgan once more blew me away with this new addition to the Men of Haven series. With skillful storytelling and sizzling-off-the-page romance that keeps getting better, Morgan proves herself to be a shooting star in the romance genre. She is an auto one-click for me. Dying to meet the next Haven man up close and personal.

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## Sabrina says

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## Dianne says

Theirs is a relationship built on honor, trust and protecting those who need it, no matter how hard they ride that fine line between legal and illegal. They are the Haven Brotherhood and they will go to the mats for each other, the ones they love and those who were one like them, defenseless.

Secrets. Trevor knows all about them and he holds them close to the vest until he meets the woman who will shred his walls into tiny ribbons and makes him want to settle down and belong to someone who wants all he has to offer, good or bad.

Natalie is a woman on the run from an abusive ex. She will do anything to keep her child safe and Trevor is determined that he will prove she is not alone and will never be alone again. To do so may cost him his innermost secrets, but not to do anything is something he can never live with. Will his heart of gold be bright enough to outshine his tarnished life in the eyes of Natalie? Will Trevor save her from her past only to lose her to his?

Bar owner and ranching cowboy, Trevor has rules, strict rules that apply to his bar and new employee, feisty little Natalie is breaking them faster than a stack of bar glasses dropped from a two-story building. So why is he willing to bend those rules for Natalie? What are these protective instincts he has for her? Can he sense the danger she is in or the brave front she keeps to protect something more precious than platinum?

Whatever it is, prepare for your ultimate weak-kneed moment as Rhenna Morgan sets the pages on fire with **CLAIM & PROTECT** and Trevor struts off the pages and into “every woman’s” dreams. Three cheers for feisty and tough Natalie, no shrinking violet, but in over her head when it comes to out running her past. Feel the tension, the humor and the subtle bond that forms between a man who will stop at nothing to do the right thing and a woman who thought she could never stop running.

Once again, Rhenna Morgan brings romance to life as the Haven Brotherhood goes where no one else dares to tread. Forget the Knights in Shining Armor, the Haven Brotherhood proves a little tarnish is HOT!

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## Lisa says

### 4.5 Stars!

*Claim & Protect* is the third book in Rhenna Morgan's series entitled Haven Brotherhood. I loved the first two books in the series; therefore, I was really looking forward to this third installment. This book did not disappoint. I was whole-heartedly invested wanting to see what would happen between our badass alpha-male and the woman who gets his attention to claim her as his.

This series revolves around six men (more have been added in the series thus far), the Haven Brotherhood. Each man has a past but they have found a sense of family and loyalty within their small group. They may not necessarily live within the strict confines of the law but they are there for one another, no matter what the cost. This third book features Trevor Raines, a man who uses unorthodox methods (not always legal) for the greater good.

Trevor can't help but take notice of the beautiful new waitress, Natalie Jordan, at his bar. She's a go-getter and a hard worker but when she keeps looking at her phone and taking calls while at work, Trevor decides to step in. He discovers that Natalie is a woman with a past that she just can't get rid of. Despite knowing the complicated mess that this can get him in, Trevor wants Natalie all to himself. The lust-filled attraction goes both ways; however, Natalie simply does not see how a man like Trevor could be interested in her. After all, she has so much on her plate and how will Trevor even fit into her life. Trevor is a persistent bastard who gets what he wants and he sets his sights on Natalie. As the pair begin to spend time with one another, Natalie begins to see that there is more to the sexy bad-boy and his band of brothers than meets the eye. Trevor's and Natalie's fragile and tentative relationship starts off slow but is amplified as their connection grows deeper and more profound. But what happens when obstacles and challenges are thrown their way? Will Trevor keep Natalie safe? Will she see Trevor for who he truly is?

I absolutely loved our two protagonists. They were real. They had issues. They were fighters. I loved how Trevor was protective of Natalie and her son. He sure did not see her coming; however, there was no denying that she sparked something inside of him that he did not realize even existed. The idea of a happy forever with someone was not something Trevor thought was for him, at least not until Natalie walked into his bar and his life. Trevor was there for Natalie and slowly begins to show her what it is like to live life and wants to also show her the true meaning of family. This author did an amazing job drawing me into our two protagonists' story. This is a story about how two people discover that love can be found in the most unexpected times and that together they are stronger and make each other whole. And, that is something worth fighting for no matter how hard it is. In the end our journey through life is always easier when you

have someone to hang on to along the way.

All in all, *Claim & Protect* was a great installment to this wonderful series. I loved it and I can't wait for more!

\*\*\*\*An advance reading copy of *Claim & Protect* by Rhenna Morgan was generously provided to me via NetGalley in exchange for an honest review.

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### **Jen says**

\*\*\*\*4.5 Stars!\*\*\*\*

This is book #3 of the "Haven brothers " series and it features Trevor... the sexy cowboy!!! I adored Trevor and also his woman and her son!!! This whole book made me weak in the knees, and also had my heart melting more than once!

I have to say that this series just keeps getting better and better for me! I'm so glad I took a chance on it! I have to mention that the sex in this one was H.O.T! My goodness Trevor has the moves!!! There is one scene in this instalment that had me riveted to the pages! This is a book I would gladly reread again and again!

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### **Denisa says**

3.5 Cute!

If you're expecting a hot, badass MC book, this isn't it. Even though Trevor belongs to an MC, the focus isn't on that, but rather on their love story and all.

It's really cute and fun, like a good, cold ice-cream on a hot day. Really worth the read, the characters are entertaining and lovable, they're good for each other. They even have that chemistry more romance books lack.

Still, it's one of those pretty forgettable reads, nothing really stands out.

Worth reading though!

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### **Astrid - The Bookish Sweet Tooth says**

☆☆☆ 3.5 STARS ☆☆☆

Trevor is a fair employer. He has a small number of rules at his bar he expects his staff to follow. One of them is a no-cellphone rule during work. Unfortunately his newest addition doesn't seem to have gotten the memo - she uses her phone while working her shift at The Den. Before canning her he needs to find out what it is that has her risking her job.

Natalie's ex-husband is terrorizing her family which consists of her son and her mother watching him. When her boss finds her on the phone while she is trying to calm down her mom she has no choice but to tell Trevor about the troubles Nat is in. Trevor being the amazing guy that he is sends her home to take care of her family. Unbeknownst to her he follows her and gets there in time witnessing the jerk ex threatening Natalie.

Trevor has a history with domestic violence. His mother died from being beat to death by her dad so it takes everything in him to reign in his volatile temperament. He poses as Nat's boyfriend and accomplishes that the ex leaves for the night. But he will be back, Trevor is sure of it, so a long-term plan needs to be set in motion...

***Hell no, he wasn't okay. He wanted to physically punish Wyatt Jordan in a way he'd never forget. Wanted to fuck his entire world up the way he'd upended Natalie and Levi's.***

Trevor was a super possessive guy with a troubled past. It's a known and successful formula by Rhenna Morgan. I love this kind of hero but would have liked to get a different feel about him than I had with Jace and Zeke. If you compare them they are all very similar and I wanted to see a bit of a different personality. Nevertheless, Trevor was a likable, sensual typically charming southern guy with a dirty mouth and impeccable manners.

***"Anything. Everything. Always."***

Natalie was a tad too bland for my taste. While she put up a fight when her ex bullied her she just was a bit too tame. And I definitely wasn't a fan of how she treated Trevor in the end. She was determined to give her son a better life and to overcome the repercussion of her bad choices in the past. I did love the way she and Trevor were with Levi. I just couldn't muster the enthusiasm I had for Vivienne.

I found to be the first 70% of this story to be much slower than the first two books in this series. The plot didn't take off the way the others did for me. It was lacking the drive I'm used to. The last 30% were perfect in terms of pace and we got the suspense and action I love when it comes to this author. I really loved that part of the book.

*"You ready for more than just light and easy between us?"*

As always the dynamics of the brothers are my favorite thing in this series. Their easy banter, the loyalty, their obvious love for one another and how they have each other's back.

While this installment might not have been my favorite in this series it was still a solid book. Also, as always, please take my review with a grain of salt. It IS highly subjective and you might totally fall in love with Trevor and Natalie. I am definitely going to read Knox' story - I love a nerdy hero and can't wait to see what Rhenna Morgan comes up with for him.

*Claim & Protect* is part of a series but can be read as a standalone.

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