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Tempting Texas is the third book in Kimberly Raye's Rebel Moonshine series.

Tempting Texas Details

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Cathy Geha says

Tempting Texas by Kimberly Raye

Rebel Moonshine #3

What fun! Two wild child types all grown up who are ready to put their impulsive behavior behind them and be responsible adults meet and find that their chemistry is off the charts. Do they dare give in to their needs or do they bury them deep and ignore them to continue on with being what they think is expected of them?

Jenna Tucker is a veterinarian with a new dream. She wants to build something equine related and finally has the money to do so. When Sheriff Hunter DeMassi suddenly and unexpectedly shows up one night her plans, and his, have the potential to be derailed. This story tells a bit about the past of Jenna and Hunter, brings in some letters written in the early 1940's that are relevant to both of them, deals with the moonshiners, throws in a secondary romance, ties up a few loose ends from the previous two books, and has a HEA ending. I am eager to read the next book in the series, if there is one, because I would love to know what will happen to Gator and Ryder.

Thank you to NetGalley and St. Martin's Press for the ARC. This is my honest review.

4 Stars

Tracie R says

I enjoyed reading Tempting Texas. I found the interaction between Jenna, Hunter and the other characters quite enjoyable and look forward to reading more by this author.

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Regan says

I've been enjoying Kimberly Raye's Rebel Moonshine series starting with Texas Thunder followed by Red Hot Texas Nights. While the first two books were entertaining with some totally fun characters, in book three, TEMPTING TEXAS Raye outdoes herself. She tells a good story, but in this one the author's innate sense of humor and flair for comedy while giving readers a toe curling romance comes through. The transition from humor to romance is smooth and adds so much to the story.

Raye also does a fabulous job taking the reader into the parallels between Jenna and Hunter's lives and how they each, in their own way and at the same time, together come to terms with their pasts.

Vânia Nunes says

I really enjoyed the previous book but somehow I didn't feel connection with this one.

Hunter is the hotness sheriff, and although his last name was DeMassi, he was 100% Sawyer. This meant that his family was enemy of Tucker for years, because of Elijah Sawyer and Archibald Tucker, who were partners in the manufacture of moonshine Texas Thunder, but after quarreling, they shared the recipe and neither of them could have been the same success.

Jenna Evelyn Tucker is a veterinarian and didn't want to know about this old family feud. Especially because her two sisters, Callie and Brandy, married Sawyers.

With the farm she inherited from their grandfather, and her sisters gave up their parts, she could build a new clinic and get on with her career.

From there, the plot didn't hold my attention. But in the end, the couple seeks their happily ever after.

3,5 stars

Deb Diem says

Tempting Texas is my first book by Kimberly Raye. I thought this book was an entertaining read. Ms Raye has provided a cast of characters that are fun to read. Jenna and Hunter's story is loaded with drama, a bit of action, sizzle and a little humor. You'll also get a mini story of Hunter's grandmother woven into the story as a tiny bonus. I enjoyed reading Tempting Texas and would happily read more from Kimberly Raye in the future. Tempting Texas is book 1 of the Rebel Moonshine Series but can be read as a standalone. This is a complete book, not a cliff-hanger.

I voluntarily reviewed an Advance Reader Copy of this book that I received from NetGalley.

Kim Vanravenswaay says

The story between Jenna and Hunter was weird. For almost the whole book they're not together, then bam, near the end all of the sudden Hunter knows enough about Jenna to tell her he's in love with her and wants to marry her. The book focused more on them separately or interacting with other people. And if that's not weird enough. We're given a secondary romance between a Kim and Carter. I'm not sure where they fit into the story at. One minute the two meet and decide to go on a date. The next thing you know they're in bed together, then nothing else about them. Not sure what happened, but this book was a failure to me.

Carolyn says

I received this ARC in a Goodread's Contest in return for my honest opinion.

Tempting Texas is the 3rd book in the Rebel Moonshine Series. This book is very humorous with it's witty dialogue, Raye did a bang up job on the plot and the characters are amazing. I actually enjoyed the secondary characters of Kim and Carter and their start up romance. I loved this book from it's hot cover to the last words.

Jenna Tucker is a vet in a small town and her family name doesn't have much of a reputation and she sets out to change that, a complete makeover if you will. She wants to renovate the land and house she inherited from her grandfather into a fully run equine breeding facility and then maybe people will respect her but first she has to change her wild and willful ways.

Jenna finds an old trunk in the attic and finds letters that reveals a big secret about the long standing feud between the Tucker's and Sawyers. Jenna realizes after meeting the part Sawyer sheriff that shedding a new leaf and reinventing the family name won't be such an easy chore.

Sheriff Hunter DeMassi is part Sawyer and is also on a mission to change his wild ways. To put it in the past and get respect from the citizens that he serves. He is the grandson of the patriarch Elijah Sawyer and his grandmother Clara Bell Sawyer is the big secret that Jenna uncovers, and that secret just might change the history of this feud.

Hunter is drawn to Jenna they share a fiery attraction for each other but know they are not good for each other either. They dance around each other and take a small taste from time to time but that just leads to wanting more. They finally take the leap and jump in with both feet only to realize that an ill-fated romance is just what each other needed.

Leia Jex says

I got this as a giveaway from St. Martin's Press in exchange for my honest review. I love giveaways, and I like fluffy romance novels, so I really wanted to like this one. Unfortunately, it just isn't well written. The premise itself is weak, but we don't read fluffy romance novels for their undying commitment to realism, so I'll give that a pass. The writing itself was just not very good, and it was filled with every single cliché I can recall. I'm sure that it was edited, because everything was spelled properly, but that seems to be the only review it had. No one seemed to point out you shouldn't use the same tired phrase multiple times in one sentence. No one worked to make the characters have depth or real emotion. The dialog was trite and the descriptive language was lacking. I actually couldn't finish this book.

Paula says

Tempting Texas (A Rebel Moonshine Novel) by Kimberly Raye is a two for one kind of romance book. Besides the main couple, Jenna and Hunter there is a second subplot romance with another couple, Kim and Carter. Jenna Tucker has a wild reputation of her own to live down not to mention her grandfather's. I could almost see why she has behaved as she did when she was younger. However, these things follow her into adulthood when she now wants to be taken seriously. Hunter is not much different but his directness needs to be toned down some. At times, it is very graphic with Hunter's remarks sounding crude instead of sexy, which is how they were meant.

I enjoyed the revelations after the finds in the attic, the second chance at love and the clever dialogue. I do

think this could be read as a stand-alone but I have enjoyed seeing what each sister has learned about the family and the past from the previous books. I think in that way each book builds on the last. The romance aspect of each book is contained within the one story with an HEA for the couple.

My last thought is that while the overarching theme of the Sawyer and Tucker moonshine feud has some major revelations in this book I would like to see one more book.

3.5 Stars

An ARC was provided by the publisher through Net Galley.

Cheryl says

I won this book on goodreads. It was an advance reader's copy and just oddly written. It sounds like a good story, Jenna wants to distance herself from her moonshine family and finds a secret along the way, but when you read it is very sexually graphic and vulgar without enough of anything else to make a good story.

Samantha says

When I read the blurb for this book. I was all on board. A modern day Hatfields and McCoys, Tucker vs Sawyer, moonshine, prohibition, enemies to lovers, sheriff/rodeo dude, strong-tempered heroine with hopes and dreams? Oh, I am in all the way. This is my favorite trope. Well, one of them. Marriage of convenience is my first. It's been awhile since I've read a Kimberly Raye book and I was eager to turn the pages. This is the third book in the series, and it can standalone without the reader being lost.

Jenna Tucker hasn't had an easy life. She and her sisters lost their parents at a young age, and their grandfather took over their care. Jenna, Callie, and Brandy pretty much took care of each other. Their grandfather wasn't warm or loving. He wasn't the same after his wife passed away and he was closed off with his feelings. Her two siblings held some pretty big resentments toward him, but Jenna didn't quite see things their way. When their grandfather dies by mysterious circumstances, the sisters find a recipe for moonshine and they sell it to a distillery. Each sister got a cut of the profits. Callie and Brandy married Sawyers and they are getting settled into married life. Jenna is working for the local vet, but since half of Rebel, Texas can't stand the Tuckers, she can't go out and treat the farm animals. There is no room for advancement for her in a town where her family is highly hated. The sisters sign over their share of their grandfather's ranch. and with her share of the profits, Jenna is set to fix up the place so she can raise horses and see her dreams come to fruition.

Hunter DeMassi is a complicated man. He is the oldest son of the DeMassi family. His grandmother is the matriarch of the Sawyers and also one of Hunter's biggest cheerleaders. Back when Hunter was running wild and living dangerously, his younger brother went off to war and never made it home alive. Hunter's parents have always been disappointed in Hunter's choices. To be honest, no matter what Hunter did or didn't do, he has never lived up to their standards. He feels unloved and unworthy, even though he's straightened his life out and is now sheriff and walking the line.

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Heather andrews says

Leave it to Hunter to just be blunt when his woman gets all flustered, “so you’re horny? That’s what this is all about?” I really couldn’t get over how blunt Hunter was, but damn if I didn’t love it, “he shook his head. “If I do that, you’re going to be flat on your back in the next five seconds.” I enjoyed this book, I really liked Hunter.

Judy says

This is my first Kimberly Raye book and I really enjoyed it! I'm sure it won't be the last one I read by her!

It was a very different scenario, don't think I've ever read a book about moonshine! Loved the characters and the author did an amazing job with the whole story! I was captivated from the beginning and was happy that it was a stand alone! I look forward to reading more by Kimberly Raye!

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Gigi staub says

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Review:

This new-to-me Author created a engaging and interesting story. The story of Jenna and Hunter is a twist on Romeo and Juliette, but these feuding families have been fighting over a moonshine business or so they think. Jenna and Hunter are very alike in many ways, the biggest is they have stifled themselves into being someone everyone else wants. It takes a long held secret and some moonshine shenanigans to bring these two together and prove they can let loose and still be respectable.

I have never read this author before, but I really enjoyed her writing. This is book three in the series, which has focused on Jenna and her sisters all marrying into the "enemy" family. I have not read the other books in the series, but I was never lost and this can be read as a stand alone title. It is told from alternating points of views, Jenna and Hunter. It was spicy about not super spicy. The one thing I do have to say that was a little odd for me is Jenna and Hunter scratching an itch to love in zero to sixty. Not that is done in other stories, it was just a little off to me.

I would totally read more by this Author and especially the other books in this series. I do have to wonder where, or who the series will go to next.

3.5Stars

I voluntarily read an advance reader copy of this book provided by the publisher.

Isha Coleman says

ARC Review: Tempting Texas (Rebel Moonshine) by Kimberly Raye

The Sawyers and Tuckers are known for making their own rules. With a colorful history that spurred a feuding legacy and spirits as fiery as the contraband moonshine that feeds the flame, Ms. Raye serves up some serious trouble with this brood. What continues to draw me back to the Rebel Moonshine series is that connection both families struggle to break but have yet to succeed in doing. No matter how hard they fight the bond is stronger than ever. Through all the secrets, hidden agendas and volatile feelings their greatest legacies were the next generation. Maybe this time they will get it right. With each story Ms. Raye chips away at the anger, misconceptions and betrayals, revealing more about the history of these families and how love has a hand in healing the rift. Tempting Texas is Jenna and Hunter's chance to make an impact on a serious that has already left it's mark. Jenna, I enjoyed getting to know. She dared to be different and follow her own plan to making her dreams come true.

