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ALL SHE WANTS IS JUSTICE

Disguised as a man, Josephine O'Malley strolls into a Dodge City mercantile with one thing on her mind: to even the score with the man who murdered her husband. What she doesn't count on is Fletcher Collins—the handsome and irresistible new marshal in town—bursting through the doors of the mercantile with guns blazing...and a plan to stop her from pulling the trigger.

HE ONLY WANTS TO PROTECT HER

There's a new marshal in town, but he's fighting inner demons of his own. Fletcher Collins is a man who has known his share of heartache, and when he finds himself apprehending a gorgeous widow for murder, he begins to re-evaluate what it means to be a lawman. But if Fletcher is going to keep the widow out of prison—and figure out what's really going on in Dodge—he's going to have to learn how to follow his gut. Unfortunately his gut is telling him that Josephine O'Malley is exactly the kind of woman who could make him break all the rules...

Tempting the Marshal Details

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Virginia Louis says

This is a cute, sweet action packed western historical romance. I enjoyed the unique setting where the main characters meet. Both hero and heroine, Fletcher and Jo, remain strong and independent even as their relationship grows in a fairly brief period. This story is well written quick read and the action and mystery flow naturally. Although this is part of a series, I read this book as a stand alone without issues. I would have only liked somewhat more information on the minor characters, the villain's background, the relationship between Zeb and Elizabeth, and even a little on the John and the cowhands.

Micky says

Another great book in Julianne MacLean's Western Historical series. Jo (Josephine) O'Malley is seeking vengeance after witnessing the brutal murder of her husband. Disguised as a man she sets out to take matter into her own hands. She did not expect to encounter Marshall Fletcher Collins who upholds the law to the letter. Shots are fired and both Jo and Fletcher are injured, but now Jo is wanted for attempted murder -under the guise she donned.

While attraction grows between the two, how can Jo confess to Fletcher her crime and still bring to justice the person behind her husband's murder? To further complicate matters, Fletcher and the murderer are connected in a way no one expected.

Is love and Justice meant to be? Can vengeance destroy love? You'll have to read the book to find out. I enjoyed this book, and I love the way Julianne makes the women strong enough to be independent, but yet vulnerable enough to want love.

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

Claire says

Enjoyed the setting and both the romantic and mystery/investigation plotlines/ Might go back and read the first one, but the third in the series involves time-travel, which isn't really my thing.

Bonnie says

The Marshal And Mrs. O'Malley by Julianne MacLean. Jo O'Malley knows who killed her husband. She dresses like a man and goes to his work of business. She wants to kill him before her ten year old son grows up and kills the man and goes to jail. New Marshal in town Fletcher Collins looks in the window and sees a man holding a gun on the storekeeper. Fletcher didn't know it was a woman dressed as a man. The Marshal got shot in the leg and fell and hit his head and passed out. The "man" got away but the storekeeper shot her in the arm. She changed from her "man" outfit into a dress and passed out on the sidewalk. Jo and the new marshal Fletcher were both taken to the doctor. The story tells about the Marshal catching his man. Also about Jo and wanting to kill the storekeeper. A very good read. Find out how they get the bad guy.

Debi says

Another Julianne MacLean page turner novel! I absolutely love her books and this series does not disappoint! Josephine and Fletcher are wonderful, their chemistry is sweet and beautiful! As usual Julianne does an outstanding job at character development. This book is about love, families, and second chances. This book is fast paced, suspenseful, funny, sad, emotionally charged and just an awesome read! If you are looking for a novel that grabs you from the beginning and doesn't let go until the last sentence then you need to Tempting the Marshal!

An ARC copy of the book was provided in exchange for an honest review.

Anna says

This is the 2nd in the Dodge City Brides Series. It is a charming story with twists and turns that keep you guessing. Josephine O'Malley is a widow, whose husband was hanged and she wants to avenge his murder. Fletcher Collins is the new Marshal in Dodge-- he became a lawman because he wants to make up for his Judge father's error in judgment in not upholding the law as precisely as he should have. Jo and Fletcher are attracted to each other and their escapades are humorous--I often had to LOL.

The mystery in this book is--Who killed Mr. O'Malley? The author does a great job in revealing the clues and advancing the collaboration of the protagonists. (Both on a professional & personal level!) Jo's young son Leo adds charm and humor to the story and stumbles on clues which lead to solving the mystery.

If you enjoy a good story which includes romance and mystery in a Western setting you will enjoy this book. It is a fast, satisfying read. Consider it for your summer reading.

I received an ARC copy in exchange for a review.

Ridley says

While I enjoyed the main couple and their romance immensely - there are real obstacles to their getting together and the yearning was palpable - the suspense plot lacked, well, *suspense* and the heroine's son was the most convenient plot moppet of all time. Highly entertaining, but uneven and unmemorable.

Libby says

Enjoyable western romance. Heroine witnesses her husband's murder and, fearful for her son's life, decides to shoot the killer. Instead, she shoots the new sheriff who happens to be the brother-in-law of the bad guy. I liked both protagonists and enjoyed the storyline. Plus, who can resist a good, solid western romance?????

Bonnie Seavey says

Great read. I couldn't put it down and read it all in one night. I loved "Dodge City Brides" series.

Nicole Laverdure says

A real page turner!

Julianne MacLean never disappoints me! Tempting the Marshall, is well written, fast paced and a fun country romance! Her characters, Fletcher and Josephine are fun to follow! This is the 2nd story in the Dodge City Brides trilogy.

Josephine enters Dodge City in hoping with take her revenge for her husband's death! Enters in her quest, Fletcher, the gorgeous town marshal, who will turn her life upside down! Their story kept my interest until the very end! Josephine wants to takes matters into her own arms but will she instead fall into the arms of this dangerous Marshal?

Lots of action, a real delight to read! I received a copy of this book in exchange for honest review.

Toula says

This is my second cowboy read by Julianne McLean . Have read all her regency. This one is a great read that I'm not Surprised at . It's a rework for an original that the author wrote with a publisher . Josephine is in town dressed as a man going after a man she knows killed her husband . Josphaine has her son Leo to think out . Josephine is dressed as a man going to gun down Zeb . She goes into his store ready but the Marshall Fletcher interrupts her . Fletcher sees everything through a window . Thing with Fletcher is even though he is a Marshall he has never shot at anyone . In the skirmish Josephine accentually shots at Fletcher and when he is out cold Zeb shots her .

Fletcher is out trying to find out who was the shooter in Zeb store . He questions Josephine but she avoids the questions . Josephine is wondering how she will convince Fletcher that Zeb is her husbands killer and Zeb is after her and her son Leo .

This is a story with many levels and surprises. Grab it and fall in love with the marshals story

Kathleen says

Julianne MacLean has written another page turner! Tempting the Marshal has action, suspense, romance and humour expertly woven together to tell a spectacular story about Josephine (the widow) and Fletcher (the

new marshal).

Was Jeb the man who murdered Josephine's husband? Or was she mistaken? Can Fletcher keep his mind on doing his duty as Marshal of Dodge City? Or is he preoccupied with thoughts of the beautiful widow? What about Josephine's young son, Leo?

Tempting The Marshal by Julianne MacLean is the perfect book to take to your special reading place, be it the beach or sun deck, and escape to Dodge City of the past.

Julianne MacLean is becoming one of my favourite authors and I enjoyed this book very much. 4??

Thank you, Julianne MacLean, for writing this story and for giving me the privilege of reading this ARC in exchange for an honest review.

Susan says

This is a reworked and re-edited version of one of the books Julianne MacLean wrote early in her career. I have read other books from the author and was looking forward to reading this book. While the book is part of the Dodge City Brides series, it is a standalone book and does not end in a cliffhanger.

Fletcher is the new Marshal in Dodge City. Josephine is a widow out for revenge after her husband is murdered. They unexpectedly meet his first night on the job. Can she trust him to find out the truth of what happened and bring about justice?

The author did a good job in reworking this book and updating it with more believable and real emotions, though events move very quickly. I enjoyed reading this updated version even though historic romance is not my usual reading genre.

There are additional books in the original Dodge City Brides series and the author is updating them as well. I look forward to reading more about these couples on the Kansas prairie.

Elizabeth Wright says

This was another wonderful installment of this series. I was full of drama and romance and even a bit of comedy. MacLean's characters feel so real and true. You immediately are sucked back to the Old West and into Dodge City. This book features a mystery. Jo is desperate to protect her son and for her that means killing the man who murdered her husband. Her attempt is foiled by the new Marshal in town and this begins an action packed adventure. I absolutely loved every moment of this book. This series has been such a pleasure to read.

*I received an ARC in exchange for an HONEST review.

Zena says

Take two people, one planning to commit a crime and the other sworn to prevent crime or bring those that commit it to justice, shake very well and you have an amazing story from Julianne MacLean.

This book is so well written that it kept me glued to the pages until the wee hours. In fact, I couldn't see to read anymore and had to go to sleep. But I was up early and finished my book.

And I loved every minute of it. The story just flows out, grabs you and holds you in its grip.

I am so looking forward to the 3rd one on this series and I hope that Julianne decides to continue writing more in this series. Really most enjoyable!

An ARC copy of the book was provided by the author at no cost in exchange for my unbiased review.
