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From her free-spirited mother, Sunny Goodwin learned the value of peace, love, and Jerry Garcia. The inheritance from the father she never knew? That's a little more complicated...

Sunny never expected to find herself owning a centuries old silk mill in the shadow of Virginia's Blue Ridge Mountains . . . or becoming a half-sister to a ten-year-old named Bailey. Once the shock subsides, she plans to cash in and head back home. But the overgrown greenhouse she finds on the property calls out to the gardener in her, and she senses Bailey's need for nurturing too...

And someone else is making it hard for Sunny to leave: Sawyer Hartwell, an Iraq War hero who wants to make the old mill a creative hub for the artisans of Blue Hollow Falls . . . and wants Sunny to share his vision, and his life. But sexy as this ex-soldier may be, she's not sure she's ready to give love a chance...

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Blue Hollow Falls Details

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From Reader Review Blue Hollow Falls for online ebook

Dawn ♥ romance says

I couldn't get into this story. It started with mostly thoughts, very little dialogue or action and lots of details. I skipped ahead a few chapters and found more of the same. It didn't interest me enough to continue so I didn't finish. Sunny inherits part of a silk mill and one of her partners Sawyer has been working on renovating it.

Carla Johnson-Hicks says

This quote from USA Today, sums up the way I felt about this book.

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When Sonny's mother dies, she believes she is now alone, that is until she finds out that her biological father has died and she has been left a part of an old silk mill and relatives. Sonny heads off to Blue Hollow Falls to meet family she never knew about. Bailey is her 10 year old half sister, Sawyer, her half brother, and Addie, her father's ex-wife. Along with them comes a small town full of artisans who are working on restoring the old mill that she is a part owner of. As the story unfolds, I loved seeing how these relationships grew and were fleshed out. Of course finding out that Sawyer is adopted and not blood opens up a whole new direction in that relationship. The way Sunny feels about Bailey is so sweet and to see Bailey open up was another endearing quality to this book. I enjoyed the story line and the plot was entertaining throughout the book. All the characters were likable, relatable and everyone, even the secondary characters, added to my overall enjoyment of this story. Many reviewers commented on the details and thought some could have been cut out, but with this being a first in a new series, I enjoyed finding out about the place and the characters. I am definitely looking forward to reading the next one in this series.

Janeiowa says

2.5 ????

This book is well-written and the characters are fine. It's just so very painfully slow moving. There are more details about tin roofs and sagging timbers than I ever cared to read. I think a good editor could have red-lined about 1/3 of the manuscript and had a book that moved along. As it was, I put it down numerous times because I was so bored by the endless minutiae. This seems unusual to me, compared to other Ms Kauffman's books that I've bought and enjoyed.

Brooke Showalter (Brooke Blogs) says

If you're looking for a sweet, sexy, small-town romance with quirky characters and an awesome setting, look no further than Blue Hollow Falls. This first book in a series gives us every delicious bit of Sunny and Sawyer's road to happily ever after. Lots of fun and light reading that I recommend to anyone looking for a fun escape.

I checked this book out of the library to read. I am voluntarily sharing my honest thoughts.

Dena Tyndall says

I am in Love! This story was beautifully woven with love, both family and intimate. Sunny and Sawyer had experienced different walks of life but together have found a perfect love. Brought together by circumstances neither knew existed it made for a perfect love story.

Donna Kauffman did an amazing job creating and delivering vivid images of the characters and scenery. I fell into Blue Hollow Falls and did not want to leave! This is not a story filled with excessive sex or anything other than a really good story about love and life on many levels.

I am so looking forward to the next book! I can not wait to see how entertaining Seth's story will be! Thank you Donna for bringing the magic again and putting a smile on my face! :)

(I received an advance copy for an honest review)

Ginette says

Loved this one.....

Irene says

3.5 stars

Blue Hollow Falls by Donna Kauffman was a beautiful and heartwarming read.

I enjoyed the storyline, it was well written and the plot was entertaining all through out the book. All the characters were likable, relatable and everyone added to my overall enjoyment.

I loved watching the relationships unfold within all the characters, especially between Sunny and Sawyer. Then add Sunny's stepsister Bailey, who was such a smart and endearing little girl, I was very happy to have read Blue Hollow Falls and can't wait for the next book in the series.

(view spoiler)

Overall, Blue Hollow Falls is a heartwarming read and a lovely start to the Blue Hollow Falls series.

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Thank you to the publisher via Netgalley for the advance copy

Taryn says

What an excellent beginning to a brand new series. When Sunny comes into an unexpected inheritance not to mention a 10 year old half-sister she isn't quite sure what to do. The old mill that she inherited also comes with other share holders who are already on the road to turning it into something great. Her father's ex-wife and his adopted son Sawyer complicate things for Sunny in an a way she never bargained for. She has to decide does she want to be a part of it all or does she want to just let it go. I loved the fast moving story line and how well it all flowed together. The characters were well developed and the emotional connections they had felt real. It was such a charming read and I can't wait to see what comes next.

I received an ARC of this book, all views and opinions posted are my own.

Quinn Fforde says

Such a great start to this series! It is a slow-burn romance, and that makes a lot of sense because the characters have a lot to work out. Plus, we have to get to know them all. This is the kind of story that depends on a good number of secondary characters, and they came through beautifully. In fact, Seth tries to steal the book! Bailey was amazing, too, as well as Stevie and Wilson and... Yeah, I am ready for all of their stories!

But this story is about Sawyer and Sunny. I thought that they were very realistic in their feelings, and I respected that they were so honest with one another. (None of this silly misunderstanding stuff!) So when they finally get together, it is explosive. I loved their dialogue, too. It was very funny and reminded me of conversations my husband and I have had over the years.

I loved the setting, too. I live a few hours south of the story's location, and I love the mountains. The area is beautifully portrayed.

I voluntarily received an ARC of this book in exchange for an honest review.

Tink Magoo is bad at reviews says

I love a good story set in a small town where everyone knows everybody else and it's a tight knit community. So I was looking forward to this one, especially with the idyllic setting around it. Sadly the romance was bogged down in details. The history of the mill, the processes, even seemingly mundane things were over described and it detracted from the characters and slow building romance so much that I got bored pretty early on and struggled to make it through. Because of this, it's 1.5 stars from me.

Maria says

"Received an Advance Reader Copy in exchange for a fair review"

I liked this romantic story set in the beautiful imaginary town of Blue Hollow Falls, in Virginia's Blue Ridge Mountains.

The main characters (Sawyer and Sunny) are nice, well balanced people who experienced hardship in their lives and overcame it. Sawyer is a former military and he's not a tortured hero (!) and Sunny is a horticulturist. There's a cast of well-rounded secondary characters too.

The descriptions of both the historical and natural elements create a vivid setting and I've enjoyed getting to

know this part of America. And the cover is beautiful.

I like well adjusted characters and tender and heartwarming moments in fiction, but in this story I missed some conflict and I thought there were too much conversations about their feelings (usually I criticize the lack of communication, but here it's the opposite) or about uninteresting things.

I was curious about some characters (specially Will, but also his son, Jake, and Bailey) and hope they'll have stories in this series.

I'm grateful to the publisher, Zebra/Kensington Publishing, and NetGalley for providing a free copy

Beth says

You had me at the green house but the character in Blue Hollow Falls stole my heart.

This is one of those books that you just don't want to put down and you read the excerpt for the next book in this series because you can't imagine walking away now...YOU NEED MORE.

Fantastic, Fun and Family, BLUE HOLLOW FALLS has me hooked.

I received this ARC copy of *Blue Hollow Falls* from Kensington Books - Zebra. This is my honest and voluntary review. *Blue Hollow Falls* is set for publication June 27, 2017.

Claire Robinson says

4.5 - "I wasn't expecting you..." Stars!

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Donna Kauffman begins her new *Blue Hollow Falls* series with some serious style.

Sunny and Sawyer's story, grabbed me from the start, but a large part of my enjoyment also came from the introduction of so many likeable secondary characters as well. The author does it so smoothly that it's like being acquainted with and getting to know people that you grasp pretty quickly are likely to become lifelong friends, with each new book that is released. And all of this story is told around the rebuilding of a derelict Silk Mill, which in itself added even more unique qualities to the locale. But it's not just the silk mill that gets rebuilt, it's also the gradual building of a family.

It was comforting to know she wasn't alone and, at the same time, made it that much harder...

Sunny, discovering that she has a ten year old step-sister she didn't even know about is pretty much the catalyst that keeps the plot moving alongside the Silk Mill's renovation in *Blue Hollow Falls*. A town that is hours away from her home, but one that becomes a second home to her when she finds out that along with her new sister Bailey, she has been bequeathed part ownership in the mill and surrounding land.

Maybe even the biggest sacrifices were worth it...

Initially she's looking to off-load, cut and run back to her life in D.C. But town stalwart Addie Pearl and ex-wife of her now deceased absentee father, takes Bailey under her wing, dragging Sunny initially unwillingly along with her. But with the mill and the people of *Blue Hollow Falls* she finds a peace and stability that has been missing from her life, and it doesn't take long for her to start looking for excuses to spend more time there. It doesn't hurt that Sawyer Hartwell, who has been like the son Addie never had since early age, is giving good vibes, rocks a tool-belt and is a general all-round (hot and sexy) nice-guy.

"You're complicated... Doing anything about you, much less with you, would be beyond complicated."

The development of Bailey from the quiet, introverted ten year old little girl who has spent her formative years in the foster care system, into the quirky, happy child as the story progressed was also something that kept the feels on the emotional level, her and Sawyer together at points literally brought tears to my eyes.

"I can make you one promise that I know I can keep"

"What is that?"

"That I will always be honest with you."

This is really the beginning of the building of a non-blood family, it seems that most of the residents that we are introduced to in the telling of the story are transplants from elsewhere as well, and all of them definitely have their own stories just begging to be told too. Seth Brogan is up next in the Christmas novella; *The Inn at Blue Hollow Falls* I loved his cheeky persona in this book, and as seems to be all the rage right now he is conveniently bearded and man-bunned up as well so will appeal to the masses that's for sure!

ARC generously provided via Netgalley, in exchange for the above honest review.

Peggy R says

It's been awhile since I have read anything from this author, but the blurb on Netgalley caught my attention so I thought I would give it a try. This is a heart warming story about people coming together to become a family. Set in the charming, picturesque town of Blue Hollow Falls, this author does an amazing job of describing the setting so well that the reader can picture it perfectly. Sunny and Sawyer's characters are developed and balanced. They are both individuals who have overcome some hardship and loss in their life. How they deal with it charts the course of their relationship. It is a sweet romance that unfolds over the course of the book with a little assistance from some secondary players. The secondary characters are well written and help complete the story. Addie, Bailey, Seth and Will are all interesting in their own right. I can definitely see a future book about at least two characters based upon this one.

This book is expected to be published June 27, 2017. I voluntarily read an advanced reader copy provided to me by the publisher through Netgalley.

Cardyn Brooks says

Although set in an entirely different geographical region and rung on the social ladder, Blue Hollow

Falls contains all of the elements that hooked me into being a D.K. fan after reading *The Big Bad Wolf Tells All*. (There's a minor recurring thread in BHF that seems to be a nod to that much earlier D.K. title.)

Anyway, Sunny and Sawyer's love story tells an engaging tale about risking their good circumstances in their status quo as singles to reach for the possibilities of better circumstances as a couple. As always, the cast of supporting characters is filled with nuanced humor, gravitas, and heart.

Very much looking forward to Seth's and Stevie's stories later this year.
