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As she struggles to gain some perspective on their relationship, she learns that he’s never needed her more. She must put the past aside for the sake of the future.

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Patti Shaughnessy says

Whoa. Whoa. Whoa. My heart stopped, broke, sped and broke again. I can't say more without giving info away but for a shorter book (198pgs) I was never left wanting more information or rushed in the story line. Amazing. Can't wait for Nicks story!

Feisty Girls says

Joni's Review

Wow, just wow. I'm not sure where to begin....

Chelsea has loved Asher since she was sixteen and no matter how hard she tried to hate him or forget him she was never able too. After five years Asher walks back into her life. She does her best to keep him at a distance, but when he gets a job at Tapestries she can't avoid him any longer.

After some advice from a co-worker she decides to try to be friends with Asher, hoping that she can control her feelings and keep the stone fortress around her heart in place.

When tragedy strikes Asher is there for her and that one night they spent together will change her life forever. Asher is once again gone from her life and shredded her heart. She had no idea why he cut all ties with her when their friendship was going so well

When she meets the new bar manager she is floored by the good looking Viking and the instant attraction she feels toward him. Placing Asher on the back burner she pursues a relationship with Tage. When everything was going so perfect in her life she was hit with a bomb that risked ripping it all from her.

Many months later she runs into Asher and his reason for running from her was like being punched in the chest. I didn't see it coming and my heart broke.

I can't ruin this read for you and tell you what happens between her and Tage or Asher. You will have to read. I will tell you that I couldn't put this book down, nor could I read it fast enough. It was great.

5 HUGE Stars!!

Christine says

[Asher is a known cheater. He cheated on her several times. That is why the

Jay Parker says

This is not a story I usually get behind with four stars. The majority of it is pretty basic, a cheesy and

lackluster cliché. However, the snark is entertaining, the hidden "something-I-can't-pinpoint" keeps the pages turning. And then, as if to reward you for hanging in there, something I never saw coming happens and...let the waterworks begin. So, is it great writing? No. Is it award winning? No. But it is a fun and easy read that will pull on the heart strings. Plus, it's free on Amazon right now. But I wouldn't have felt robbed if I'd paid for it. In fact, I'll be paying for the next one in the series. Happy reading. ;-)

Nadine Hook Me Up Book Blog says

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4.5 Heartbreaking and Unforgettable Stars

It took me quite a while to compose my review because I knew if I'd have written it earlier I would have ended as a crying mess –again! Every book that makes me feel, in every possible way, alone deserves 4 stars; but **Rock'n Tapestries** did more than just make me feel. It pushed all my sensitive buttons and broke my heart bit by bit towards the end. The author wasn't joking when she wrote her disclaimer:

... However, if you like your books to have a neat and tidy happy ending, you probably won't enjoy this one. Life is messy sometimes. This story reflects that.

How right she was; life is messy and not everything ends with a HEA, but with a happy ending for at least one person. Thus, this was the case in this book. It has an ending which the author chose; an ending that felt right for her. And in the end, even though it wasn't fair, I still loved this book because she made me feel all the way through. ***It reflects the reality that not everything is picture perfect, that people make mistakes, and moreover, that people regret making, sometimes, the wrong choices.***

To get a better idea about my emotional state when I finished the book, here my Facebook status again: **Cried ugly tears...just finished Rock'n Tapestries. Oh my, this book hit all my sensitive buttons. Until 65% I was happy & amused, then at 72% I was like wth, no no no, doesn't make sense, etc., then at 82% I was a lost cause. I was a sobbing mess until the bitter end...**

This is the story of Chelsea and Asher; two people that used to be together; two people who can't be with or without another. After 5 yrs it still stings Chelsea to think back about the time she had with Asher. Both were utterly in love but Asher couldn't somehow keep his 'lil friend' in his pants and when Chelsea thought she's his true love he pushed her away. Finally she had enough and both went separate ways, until, one day Asher's band has a gig in the bar Chelsea works.

After a stupid mistake at work, which almost killed Chelsea, she finds herself in Asher's car on the way to the hospital. That's when both their story begins...again.

Asher's starts working in Chelsea's bar to be near her which doesn't sit well with her. She finds ways and excuses to be not around him, but it wasn't that easy because after all Asher **"had a carnal vibe about him, an inherent maleness that was so compelling, even older women stopped by to stare when he passed them by."**

To stay strong, Chelsea kept reminding herself how much he hurt her, plucking **"her innocent heart from her chest, shredded it with one woman after another, then shoved it back into my ribcage."** But it didn't work; she knows she needs to find a way to get a long, and which better way to do that than starting off with a friendship –JUST friendship.

Of course the pull was their but both tried their best to just stay friends. Both established over the time a great friendship and valued another lot... until one night changed everything... after that, Asher disappeared and Chelsea was again left behind, feeling betrayed and hurt.

Oh my, this story was something totally different. I can't even describe how this book touched my heart...quotes from Asher like these made me a sobbing mess (you'll understand why when you read the whole context):

"Y'know, I've been thinking about the two of us for the past couple of days. I've come to the conclusion that you and I were lovers in a past life. And we just couldn't get it right. We're doomed to repeat the past until we do. We'll have to try and fix it in the next one. I'll wait for you, Chelsea."

Reading this broke my heart and my tears did start and didn't plan on stopping anytime soon....

And I will love you forever right down to the very bottom of my soul. I promise we'll get it right next time, Chelsea.

More tears... now I was feeling their pain too... deep down, I felt every heartache they felt...every regret...every mistake they made

I'd have loved you unconditionally, you nutwit ~Chelsea

This book, I can only highly recommend it...yes it'll hurt you... yes it'll make you feel and cry...and yes it might upset you because it ends differently as you wish, but nevertheless it a great book and I'm glad I did read it!! If you're not afraid to read a book that has no typically HEA, reflects that real life is messy and unfair, then I can only recommend this book.

Oh and btw, I did cry again while writing my review, rereading the quotes I marked –after 4days, this book still makes me cry!!

ARC provided in exchange for honest review

Keri says

Wow, I didn't realize how caught up in the characters I was until the last 15-20% when it just broke my heart for all the stupid, stupid choices & actions. But as they say hindsight is 20/20.

Blue says

DNF @ 80%, SPOILERS!

The writing was actually pretty good, it was 3 things in the story line that made me stop reading. 1 was an unnecessary suicide scene, 2 was unplanned pregnancy, 3 was deathly illness, WAY too much unnecessary drama for me.

Debbie Saraceni says

I was lucky enough to be chosen to read this story before it's release. I can honestly say that it was one of the most emotionally moving stories I have ever read. Its about a strong young woman Chelsea who is working and trying to find her way in life who was deeply hurt by a past love. This past love Asher happens to come back into her life. Many things happen to her in this beautifully written story. I will never give away spoilers but just know that it will rock your world. I laughed and cried and was just blown away in a really good way. So many things happen with the story and not just with her and Asher. It keeps you on your toes and just when you think you have things figured out bam....you are caught totally off guard. You will want to purchase this book as soon as you can. You will not be disappointed!!! I read a lot of books and this one managed to move me in ways I can't say has happened in a very long time. Great story and well written. I will be looking to read any other books by this author.

Zita Martin says

As I type this, I have tears streaming down my face due to the ending of this book. I did not see it coming and I now do not know what to say about it.

I can not do this book justice with this review. No words that I could put down could describe what I am feeling.

I am so messed up with the tears down my face, the heartbreak happening inside, and the pain that I did not think could over power my heart and mind.

I want to scream, cry, and just curl up all at the same time. The emotional roller coaster of this book just makes me lose grip on myself. I am up one minute and then down the next.

Asher just pulls at your heart strings. You want to shoot him one minute and the next you want to grab him and tell the fates they can't torture him this way. They need to pick on someone else.

Chelsea will pull your heart right out of your body. You will want to wrap her up like a mother and never let her go. You want to protect her from herself and the out side world. This character will shock you and then make you want to love her all at the same time.

I want to give this book a full five star review but something is missing. I'm thinking it might be that Chelsea had a lot to go through in this book and not much time to deal with the trouble that happened. Some major stuff went down in this book in a short amount of time. I feel it was not in real time and it lacked a realistic feel to the characters and what they went through.

4 Stars

I got an ARC for a Real Honest review.

Elizabeth says

[His choices made absolute no sence to me. I just didn't understand why he hadn't fight to live.]

I did not feel sorry for what happened to him,he chose to live that way so there is no compacion in my heart for Asher Pratt.But I'm so happy that Chelsea had her HEA (hide spoiler)]

Geri Reads says

Full review to follow...

A copy was kindly provided by the author in exchange for an honest review.

Jecca says

I suppose I should qualify my low rating with a reason. I liked the book, I really did until towards the end. I am okay with having my heart ripped out and I know that life sometimes is not all sunshine and roses, but if there is going to be a HEA too I needed more.

This is a book is about Asher, small band rocker and Chelsea his ex-girlfriend. It was a book where I was waiting for the lead man, Asher, to figure things out and Chelsea to forgive him. I enjoyed how Asher and Chelsea reunited and the way their relationship developed. The events that bring them closer were too far fetched for my liking and one in particular was totally ridiculous to me.(I am going to state here that I work in the criminal justice field and I know that sometimes reality is stranger than fiction but I wasn't buying it.) I was okay with the fact the Asher goes away again especially when you find out why. I was also okay with Chelsea's new beau, that she was moving on, but then it again became too ridiculous to me. The new beau was all-in super fast and as a I reader I had no feelings for him at all. I wanted to like him but there was just not enough there for me and I was still loving someone else.

So there you have it...

Lisa says

5 'Paco Rabanne' "hair of the dog" Kisses

OMG...I can't. When I opened up *Rock'n Tapestries* I was all geared up for a kick ass rock star book. It has been quite a while since I've read a rock star book that *really* blew my socks off. This one blew them into another solar system. It had everything for me...**awesome** heroine, sarcasm, whit and humor, the sex appeal done just right, emotions *OH* the emotions!, enough angst to drive me crazy but not completely over the edge...and to top it all off the super sexy rock star that was the icing on my cake. I **loved** this book.

Chelsea Ellen Whitaker...I loved her from the prologue. That's all it took. 4 paragraphs...9 sentences...and trust me, all you need to do is re-read it once you've finished reading the book for it to mean a million percent more then it does the first time around. Where's my laundry list of things I loved about Chelsea...she's an only child, sarcastic, stubborn, funny, strong willed, brave...another reason I loved Chelsea? She reminded me a lot of myself! I'm not trying to sound conceited but she's one of the few

characters that I've read that I truly related with...and call me crazy, but I think that's awesome. Chelsea has been put through the ringer and lived to tell the tale...her past history with Asher Pratt is long, sordid and ugly...but she lived through it once and she will **not** let history repeat itself.

**'I won't bore you with the details. Suffice to say, I was swept up in Typhoon Asher, taken high into the sky in a delirious whirlwind of emotion and sexual bliss, a slammed hard to the ground after a ridiculously brief amount of time....
It didn't feel much like luck. In hindsight, it seemed as though I'd made the choice to commit slow suicide by falling in love with Asher Pratt.'**

Asher Pratt...oh wow...what can I say about Asher. From his long-ish brown hair that I want to run my fingers through to his chocolaty-caramel eyes that I could get lost all day in...Asher is a *fine* specimen. But that is not all that makes up Asher Pratt. He's more than just sex on a stick...he's such a huge personality, he's talented, he's just as stubborn as Chelsea, he's funny and sweet and kind...but he's also holding back. He's got secrets and that was a good part of the angst for me. I was cautious of him at first...I had to be, especially given Chelsea's history with him, but it was **so** easy to forget the past and just swoon over him as we got to see all the ways he had changed – I mean, come on...it's been 5 years. Of course we hear all of the bad stuff and all the reasons why Chelsea *shouldn't* give him another chance, but it is clear from the beginning, things are different...he is different.

**"God, you almost died. The planet almost had to spin without Chelsea Whitaker on it. That is just wrong on so many levels." I could hear the catch in his voice, but I knew what a liar he was. I didn't believe his concern was genuine.
"Asher." I nodded. "I really appreciate what you did for me. Now get the hell out."
"What ? Why?" He backed up a bit and stared at me.
My Asher-radar oned in on his mouth, then those sinfully gorgeous eyes. *Goddamn it. I suddenly didn't need the electric blankets anymore. I was pretty sure my core temp was near meltdown. Everything about this man pulled me to him. My moon, his pant. Fuckfuckfuck...***

I'm always careful about spoilers...and there are so many ways this book can be spoiled, so I'm going to be vague, but I could probably babble on and on about a million different things and never even touch on the spoilers – so here I go! This biggest thing about this book for me is how much I did **not** see the plot coming. At all. Maybe I was blinded by Asher or so in love with Chelsea...or blame it on the fact that I was so wrapped up in the two of them that I couldn't have cared less where the plot was going. I **loved** Chelsea and Asher...loved seeing the two of them build this friendship that they could have and should have had five years ago, seeing the relationship take on this different chapter that never would have happened...honestly, never should have happened. I loved seeing Asher open up to her and I loved seeing Chelsea give him another chance, while still being smart and protecting her heart. Plain and simple...I loved them. Which is why I was so completely blindsided when everything flipped...and then flipped again and by that point I'm so sucked into the emotions I'm not sure what was going on...pain, love, anger, frustration, confusion...I had it all. And then some.

“Maybe so, but I’m young yet. I want the dream. I want a guy who thinks I hung the moon. I want someone to love me so hard he thinks he’ll die without me. I want a guy who thinks I’m the sexiest thing he’s ever seen and has eyes for only me.”

The secondary characters in this book were amazing too...Chelsea’s parents, her best friend Willow and the head bartender, Marybeth...they all played crucial roles in the flow of the story. They weren’t necessarily life shattering or major, but the key parts they played added to the story and made it that much more realistic for me. I can’t help but feel like Tapestries was almost like a character in the book...this bar where Chelsea has worked for years in a job she loves, that is basically the cause for the reason why she reunites with the only boy she’s ever loved...so many essential things that happen with Chelsea and Asher are partly due to the bar...and of course...Asher’s band playing in that bar, well that’s the best part of it all. And this might be spoiler-ish but I don’t care because it makes me love the title so, so, so much...it comes straight from Asher himself. **sigh**

“God, why can’t we...why can’t we just be? Why can’t you just love me?”
His voice had a catch in it. “I do love you, Chelsea. So much more than I ever thought possible.”

I haven’t even touched on the writing...holy banana’s! The words literally flew into my brain...I can’t even explain it, I just connected with it **so** much. It was easy to read (and I mean that as a compliment and in the best way possible), it was descriptive without being over the top and it flowed so well. I think the main reason why I connected to Chelsea so much was because of her personality...she’s hilarious. I was cracking up so much - a lot more than I expected to! I’m not a tough critic when it comes to humor, but it takes a little bit to make me laugh out loud at a book. Oh...I was totally laughing out loud – possibly because (like I said)...I could hear half of this stuff coming out mine or my friends mouth’s. My favorite...

‘Jesus Fucking Christ on toast!’ or ‘Jesus Fucking Christ on a pogo stick!’

Yes...I will be stealing those and incorporating them into my daily language. I’m sorry if that’s not your brand of humor but it is **totally** mine and I loved it. I loved Chelsea’s inner thoughts and those little pieces of humor were what kept this book from being pushed into the ‘too angsty’ zone. I love my angsty books, don’t get me wrong, but having that little bit of something else that cuts the drama and gives you a little reprieve...something other than sex (**gasp** yes...I know, blasphemy, how can I say such a thing – just go with me on this)...it just makes a character that much more real in my mind. Of course I love the sex and the passion and the chemistry, but adding in that sarcasm and extra layers...that’s just awesome to me.

‘Disastrous choices sometimes feels like a career to me. I am totally a “here-and-now, instant gratification” type of person. I want what I want when I want it. My mother always said, “Act in haste, repent in leisure”, and I swear to God I’m going to have that engraved on my tombstone.’

One of the key things for me as a reader is that I *must* have that emotional attachment. Ummmm....mission accomplished. Big. Time. I was completely immersed in this book emotionally and it wasn’t until 80%+ when I was bawling my eyes out that I finally realized how emotionally invested I was. This is not a spoiler, this is me trying to prepare you for something I **never** expected. I did **not** see this coming. If you would have

told me at the beginning of this book that I was going to cry, I would have laughed at you and said yeah right. But I did. I ugly cried. Bad. Hard. I've cried while writing this review. There is your warning. But it was more than worth it. Every single tear.

'He let his breath out in a quivering sigh. "I forgot how damned beautiful you were. I feel like...this sounds so fucking stupid...but I feel like I'm in the presence of God or something. I shouldn't be touching you like this." He looked at me. "You should be in a museum."

I laughed and reached up to touch his cheek. "Asher, that's silly. I'm flattered that you feel that way, but I'm still just plain old Chelsea, same I was before..."

He shook his head and looked hurt. "You have never been plain old Chelsea...not to me. Damn you, I could never forget about you..."

So after all that...why *wouldn't* I rate it a 5+++++ book – by all accounts, it really is – there were two things that stopped me from taking it to that level...it wasn't enough to completely ruin my feelings about the characters or the story, but...there is one character...Tage – I haven't talked about him, for a lot of reasons....mainly because I don't want to spoil things...but I needed more from him. I can't go into too much detail...and I **did** loved Tage and his involvement and what he did...I loved him as a character, the role he played...everything he said, all his actions – he is a great guy...but I was missing just a little bit to make me as over the moon for him as I wanted to be. The other thing...and this is just one of my tiny pet peeves – little bit repetitive with some of the words. Obviously it wasn't to the point that it took me out of the moment but it did catch my eye a few times.

"I forgive you, you son-of-a-bitch." Smiling slightly, I put two fingers under his chin and tipped his head up until his eyes met mine. "And I will love you forever right down to the very bottom of my soul."

He gave me a crooked smile. "I promise we'll get it right next time, Chelsea."

See? Told you I could babble and not even really talk about the plot...and I'm even leaving out some key characters that I **loved** so much...but to divulge them would be spoiling IMO! So...there's another Rock'n Tapestries book...*Wild Angel*. I am excited beyond words! *Rock'n Tapestries* does end HEA...it does leave you with a positive vibe and I was happy, even with the tears...but the possibilities that now exist with this second book are *SQUEEEEE* inducing. Cannot wait!

Heidi R. says

How do you write a review about a story that is so tragically beautifully sad? All I can say is Shari Copell knows how to wrap up a story in the most poignant way. You WILL cry when you read this story, so be prepared.

Here is a portion of the Goodreads Synopsis:

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Lelyana says

*****4 surprising sad and surprised stars!*****

"Review contain spoilers"

*She's my fire, the air that I breathe.
When I wanna give up, she makes me believe.
I am ten feet tall with her by my side.
Lovin' this girl is a wild ride.
Chelseeeaaa...come back to me.*

Asher Pratt was a struggled guitarist of a rock band, when he met again with his long lost sweetheart, Chelsea at the bar where she work.
They're separated for his infidelity to her, women after women.

He chased after her again and tried to win her love. Chelsea told him that she's off limit. They can be friend, of course. Right after Asher saved her life.

Chelsea never knew why he cheated on her few years ago, when she knew that they're loved each other. Chelsea had been hurt, and Asher never explain.

This is an up and down emotional read for me. Once I hate Asher for his infidelity, but after I know his reason **why he did it**, I became less hate him. But still disliked him for his lacking of strong will. I mean, c'mon Diabetes Type 1 can be cured or at least he can live with a proper medication and good diabetes diet.
He's not a hero I expected to have a HEA with Chelsea.

But when I thought I begin to like him a bit, then **BAM!**, Shari Copell hit me with a surprise ! And I begin to questioned, what would happen next?

Will they have their HEA, or.... "**the surprise**" will cure everything?

I felt sorry for Asher, I even cried for him, for what he's been through. But somehow, I was thinking, **WHY? Why didn't he just "TALK"**?

And when I thought the ending would be like everyone thinking about, again....I was wrong! Damn!
But surprisingly, I like the ending, even my heart still ache for Asher and the little one...*sob*.

Recommended.
