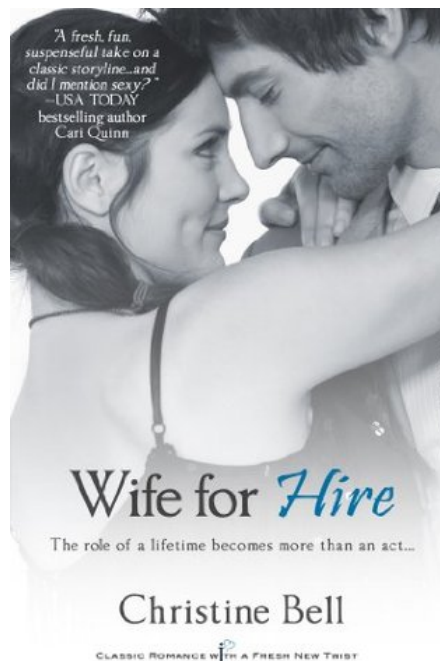




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## **Wife for Hire Details**

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## From Reader Review Wife for Hire for online ebook

~ Cariad ~ says

Fuck it! Everything I knew about this one screamed a 4, not much sex, quite short, bit of a silly storyline (initially).

BUT honestly, it's a little gem and it made me smile!! LOL

Loads of perfectly written sexual tention.

Owen, an Irish Alpha to melt over

A strong heroine in Lindy (with a few quirks!)

And lines that gave me book butterflies

So, if I can't put a book down, if I devour every page, it's seriously well written, makes me laugh and tingle (even if it made me wait until 75% for some hot action!)...then it's a 5 for me!

It had genuinely touching, heart melting moments and a shit load of fantastic lines that I read and reread. I loved it! It was well worth loosing hours of sleep for lol!

<http://cariads-sizzling-pages.blogspot...> - come visit me!

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**Anita says**

**\*\*For more thoughts on each book, see my full two-book review of the *For Hire* series at Ani's Book Abyss | Series Review: For Hire.**

**Book #1: Wife for Hire | Goodreads | Rating: 4.0 Stars**

**Book #2: Guardian for Hire | Goodreads | Rating: 3.5 Stars**

## Average Rating: 3.75 Stars

I'm going to be totally honest here: The two of these *For Hire* books were so small and bite-sized that they were done and over before I knew. But I enjoyed the heck out of them!

I definitely went into both books in this series expecting a standard fluff piece with the standard romance, the standard story line, and the standard characters. And they pretty much delivered in that sense. But at the same time, they were so much more! I don't know if it has to do with the characters, the writing style, or that subtle bit of humor.

Or maybe it happened to be that, despite the standard story, standard romance, and standard characters, our two leading ladies were also a bit different than the standard depiction of the standard romance novel heroine. And maybe *that* was what made all the differences.

### Overall Thoughts

As I'd already stated, there was something pretty standard and clichéd about both books, but at the same time, the characters might have made me enjoy things much more. Also there was a lot of humor along for the ride.

Story-wise, neither of the two *For Hire* books are really much to write home about. Pretty typical stuff and the romances did lean towards the sap as the ending rolled around. But the couples were cute and sweet with each other, and their interactions were lots of fun.

It seemed this was a duo of books that is perfect to wind down with after a long few days of busy workload. Fun, sexy, cute, and comical.

There are a plethora of other characters in both books that I'm quite interested in. So I'm hoping that Christine Bell decides to continue this series. There are just too many potentially fun character who definitely need their time at center stage.

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### 2016 Reading Challenges:

- Goodreads Reading Challenge
- BookLikes Reading Challenge
- Reading Assignment Challenge
- Bookish Resolutions Challenge
- Mount TBR Challenge
  
- COYER Summer Vacation 2016
- **Wife For Hire -- Bingo Board One | Square C21 -- Contemp**
- **Guardian For Hire -- Bingo Board One | Square Y13 -- Rom Com**

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**Alison says**

OMG, I struggled through this thinking it was an ARC from NetGalley only to discover that I paid good money for this pile of crap.

Lindy Knight is a total Mary Sue, she sets up a business delivering bad news to strangers with her brothers and then ends up giving a home to an elderly woman after she announces that her husband wants a divorce. Broke and trying to look after an elderly woman with Alzheimers AND seven puppies she has resorted to looking for jobs on Craigs List.

Owen Phipps' little sister was conned out of her inheritance by a smooth operator and left devastated, he is determined to exact revenge and has discovered that the ex has set up a retreat for married couples. In order to uncover the latest scam he needs a fake wife to accompany him to the retreat.

Lindy is a sap who falls in love at the drop of a hat, Owen looks at the example of his parents and vows never to fall in love. Together they are the worst amateur sleuths on record, probably because they spend most of their time lusting after each other.

We spend the entire book watching Lindy and Owen enter into various couples' activities more suited to a low-brow holiday camp than a retreat for the wealthy and discerning. Then at about 85% of the book my Kindle informed me that I only had four minutes reading time left AND NOTHING HAD BEEN RESOLVED. Then bish-bash-bosh the crucial evidence is produced by a PI, Lindy behaves like a moron TSTL heroine and all is resolved.

Very unsatisfactory all round.

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### **Diana's says**

Cute, Funny and Sweet!!

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### **Gamze says**

3-3.5 Insanin kafas?n? da??tan, bir günde rahatlıkla bitirebileceğiniz tarzda bir kitapti. Beyaz Dizi türü gibi bir ?eymi? diyorlar gerçi o türden daha önce hiç okumadım ama :) Yazar konuyu hiç gereksiz yere uzatmadan güzeldene noktalamis. Bu aralar okuduğum kad?n karakterlerin ya? ortalamalari ne kadar da yüksek böyle :D Onlar? okudukça 'birkaç sene sonra sende o kategoriye gireceksin Gamze' diye akl?mdan gecirmiyor de?ilim hani :) Yazarla ilk tanışmamizi sevdim. Kalemı keyifli. Süpriz Balay? diye bir kitab? daha ç?kt?. Art?k onu da bir ara al?p okumak laz?m bu durumda ^\_^ Be?endi?im kitaba neden böyle puan verme gere?i duyduğuma gelince de kitapta öyle aman aman bir ?ey yoktu hani klasik bir hikayeydi. Be?enmi? olmama ra?men 4 veya 5 vermek, çok çok begenip bu puanlar? verdi?im kitaplara haks?zl?k olur diye dü?ündü?üm için bu puanla yetindim. Tavsiye ederim ;)

*Kendi hikayenizden s?k?ld???n?zda, romantik bir kitap okumak iyi gelir.*

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### **Karla(Book Addict) says**

deleting reviews if you want to take a look at them you can do so on my blog, link on my profile

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## Dalia says

Wife for Hire is a funny, sexy, charming and highly enjoyable read. It's cute and well-crafted with lots of humor, witty banter, sizzling attraction, a fast moving plot, a delightful heroine & a gorgeous hero.

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## Jamie says

### Description

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### My Thoughts

Wow. I am...wow. I have no words, and I'm eating, and I'm overwhelmed, and it makes for a lame review starter. That's such a run-on.

Let me just start with, the temptation is definitely more than *I* can handle, that's for sure. Lindy must have a will of steel because if I had to live in close quarters with a man like that who has an amazing accent, better believe I would not last as long as she did. Lindy was a great character. Determined, strong, caring, passionate...I just loved her. Also, she loved animals! She had such a big heart, and she reminded me of one of my friends, which is probably why I like her so much. Owen...ah, Owen. The guy is damn fine, and he has a sexy accent. He's powerful, calm, and sinfully seductive. He's also very protective of his sister, and I love a man who cares about his family. He cares about Lindy so much, and I love that too.

**"Mostly. We've got Sleepy, Sneezzy, Doc, Bashful, Grumpy, Happy, and Steve." At his questioning gaze she shrugged, again dropping her voice low. "We didn't want to call him Dopey. Might hurt his self-esteem."**

Obviously, there was humor in this book as well, and I enjoyed it a lot. The different things they said and their teasing banter made me grin like an idiot. I would never be able to pull off an acting job like this. ..Okay. Maybe I would, but I wouldn't be able to abide by the 'no sex' rule if I had to stay with a sexy guy like Owen.

I teared up at rejection like I always do, and I rarely cry while reading, which added the fifth star. I know, forty-something books is a lot to cry to, but out of the four hundred I've read, it seems like a little. Or, is that

just me? ...ANYWAYS...

Amazing read, and I highly recommend it! (:

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### **Nefise says**

I loved it!!!

I was not expecting much but it was surprised me. As if I was watching an old, sweet romance movie. If I like heroine, I like story also. It was very well written, very sweet story its own theme.

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### **K~Terror says**

What a quick, fun read! This was the perfect book to improve my mood after a stressful day. One minute I was seconds away from road rage and the next, I'm almost choking on my gum laughing so hard at some of this lines in this story as I listened to the audio on my travels. The MC was adorable - picture Audrey Hepburn from Breakfast at Tiffany's. She was fun-loving and quirky. I would recommend this to anyone needing a quick pick me up!

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### **Tracy T. says**

Good Story. Terrible narration of the hero' voice. (audible whispersync review)

This was a fun story, but the narration of the hero was horrible!

The story line and plot were fun. The heroine, LIndy was just awesome, loved her. She was funny, smart, witty and a strong character. The hero Owen, was very sexy and likable. The chemistry between the two was great. There is a couple of great sex scenes.

There is lots of dialogue throughout the book. A very enjoyable read for sure. It wasn't a really long book so it wasn't full of filler nonsense. I enjoyed the couples retreat lessons. They were fun.

As for the narration. Well, the hero sounds like a high pitched old crone woman with a scottish accent. Absolutely horrendous. At 8% I stopped listening and just read the story.

The rest of her characters sounded fine. How can you think making the hero sound like this will make for a good listen? How anybody gave this narration more than 1 star is amazing to me. You ruin a book when the Hero or Heroine sound so bad.

Yeah I will be steering clear of Carly Robbins for sure! Sorry but I can't take a chance on wasting my money on an audible book if this is how she does her male voices.

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### **Jamie says**

Well.. this one was kinda cute and a pretty easy read. Then ending was wrapped up a little quick and pretty unrealistic.. but it is fiction so --- I'd give it a 2.5

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### ♥Book♥YouVeryMuch says

I was pleasantly surprised by this book. Not only is the writing great, but it had many laugh out loud moments. Loved it.

This is first time i read a book from this great Author, but definitely not the last one, can not wait to read her other books.

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### CC says

4 stars. What a fun, laugh out loud book! Owen was hot, but clueless, or at least in denial. Lindy was funny, caring and sweet. Really enjoyed this quick read!

Re-read via audible. Still really enjoyed this story. There were some hilarious moments. This books is pretty tame (not a lot of sexy times). But it was a fun, easy and sweet romance with a little intrigue on the side. Totally safe.

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### Gone Readin' says

STOLE MY HEART!!

This is the story of Owen and Lindy – and it’s story with a lot of HEART! Owen Phipps is out for revenge. A man running a phony “Marital Retreat” stole Owen sister’s money and dignity. Placing an ad on Craigslist, Owen interviews numerous candidates to “play” the role of his wife in order to infiltrate the organization. Lindy, desperate for money to save her home accepts the job and travels with Owen to the resort. The only problem is she falls hard for Owen. THIS IS A GREAT STORY!! The plot moves fast, and there a little more than a romance here – a little mystery and suspense! The writing is witty and clever, and the characters are easy to care about. Their interactions are endearing and amusing! I chuckled all the way through this one.

I haven’t written this in a long time ..... I’m in love with these fictional characters Owen and Lindy!!

BOYS are just BETTER in BOOKS!!

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