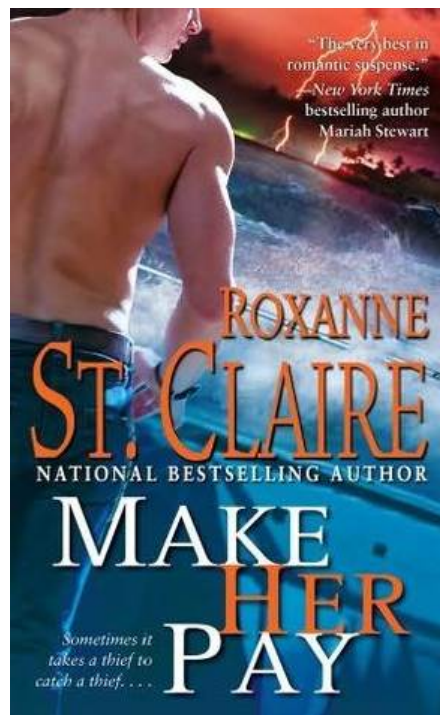




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KKat says

Spannend bis zur letzten Seite!! Perfekt!

Samantha says

This was not the best book in the series. It was an interesting read but there was something lacking. I was waiting for the story to pick up but it remained flat. I did loved the H/H but the surrounding story was dull.

Kathrynn says

Enjoyed the uniqueness in this 10th installment to the Bullet Catcher series. The hero, Constantine Xanakis, was first introduced in book #9 as a former Bullet Catcher who wanted another chance with the team. He's had his fair share of bumps and bruises in life and did what he needed to do to survive. The author never finished revealing his "secrets" as she left off how his brother died and why he quit the SEALs.

Elizabeth (Lizzie) Dare is on a mission to restore her family name...from the 1700's. O-kay. She doesn't want her great-great-great-how many more-grandfather to be thought of as a pirate and she's out to prove that her relative was PAID to do a job.

I had a hard time with the plot plausibility, but like forcing puzzle pieces together because they "just have to fit" I went with it. I was glad when the H/h finally got off the boat! There were all kinds of turns and twists--and potential suspects. A lot of running around, going here and there to find this and that.

This was not this author's best work, but a super series overall and *Make Her Pay* is a necessary read because **at the very end the entire Bullet Catcher organization changes**. Frankly, I'm glad because Lucy Sharpe is just too over-the-top. She's everywhere and knows everything; always answers her phone on the first ring; too much! She's too young to have the unbelievable contacts that she has--everywhere. She went from threatening to fire Con to promoting him in a blip.

The title, "Make Her Pay" well...I don't know how that title fit in with the story, so still scratching my head on that one.

Make Her Pay had a few places where scenes were confusing and hard to follow--particularly the intimate scenes. Jumped around here and there. A character's name was changed toward the end, page 341 "Dare Hawn" should have been "Dave Hawn." Stuff like that.

The ending--before the Epilogue--was silly. Unrealistic and it appeared to me that the author needed to wrap up the book, so did it quickly. Talk about a fly in the coke bottle...

3 1/2 Stars only because I'm a fan of the series and the author.

Ann says

Loved this series. Have already read the Novella and first book of the Guardian Angelinos series which follows this one. Looking forward to more by Roxanne St. Claire. Of all the books in this series Con and Lizzie's relationship seemed to take the longest to get started and turned around almost too quickly to be beleived. I ranked the other books in this series rated a definite 4.5 stars. Ranked this one a 4.0 Although I liked Con/Lizze as a couple and they started out strong but the chemistry didn't happen until much later in the story than the other books. Still a great series and a favorite.

Kayla says

3 1/2 Stars

It took me a while to finish this book. I have to say I'm glad to be finished with this series. It seemed to me like the plot was pretty predictable and cookie cutter-ish. Lucy's character annoyed me in this book. I didn't feel any character connection. The plot could have been summed up much faster. There was to much fluff and constant distrust between the hero and heroine. The repetitive "Can I trust you?" stuff got old. Fast.

Definitely ready to move on to bigger and better things.

Robin says

Trying to get back his old job with Bullet Catchers, former thief Constantine Xenakis has been sent to a dive ship to find out who is stealing some of the priceless treasures that are being brought up from a sunken ship. Only three hours into his job, Con catches diver Lizzie Dare in the room where the treasure is stored. Lizzie doesn't want to steal the treasure; she wants to ensure that the person paying for the expedition gives the treasures to a reputable museum and doesn't sell them to private collectors. Lizzie decides to take Con into her confidence in hopes he will help her prove that her ancestor, the Captain of the submerged ship, did not steal the treasures but actually owned them. In turn, she will help Con find out who has been stealing from the expedition.

This is the last full-sized novel in the Bullet Catchers series and, in my opinion, the best. I loved the hero, I loved the heroine, and I loved the story. There was a limited amount of people on board the ship, so it shouldn't have been hard for me to pick out who was bad and who wasn't. I still got it wrong. The romance was hot and the suspense/mystery was exciting. A great end to the series. My rating: 5 Stars.

Jonetta says

Former Bullet Catcher Constantine (Con) Xenakis has one shot at getting his old job back and he's determined to not blow it. However, when he gets to his next assignment on a secret marine salvage, one of the divers, Lizzie Dare, may just put a wrench in his plans. She might just be the thief he's tasked with identifying but maybe she's the one who's entitled to the spoils.

I wasn't certain that I'd warm to Con after the last story as he was a mercenary and expert thief. But he

endeared himself to me with his unique sense of justice and fair play. I loved his relationship with Lizzie, even when his actions were duplicitous because you knew his heart was in the right place. The mystery surrounding the marine salvage dig was extremely interesting and educational. The locales were exotic (loved the Portugal Settings) and the characters colorful. It took me a bit to sift through the major and minor players along with their motives. The ending was exciting, as were most of the action scenes throughout the story.

Everything was almost perfect, the one downside being Lucy's role. From the beginning, she's been portrayed as a savvy businesswoman with particular insight into people. But, she's made some major misses in the last few books and totally misjudged Con from the start. I'm just not a fan any longer. However, she wasn't enough to detract from my overall enjoyment of the story.

Alison says

for the surprise factor 3.5 stars

So the last in my marathon run of Bullet Catchers novels. It concerns Con (with the unpronounceable surname) and Lizzy. Con is a former high-end thief given a second chance by the Bullet Catchers. His mission? To join a secret dive mission and identify a thief. Lizzy is the daughter of a world-famous diver, part of the secretive dive mission with secrets of their own.

Not that anyone has been following my reviews, but if hypothetically you had, you will know that I have an issue with Ms St Claire's novels in that she has a penchant for having two separate criminals with different agendas both plotting at the same time (sometimes ostensibly together and other times oblivious to each other). Well, you'll be pleased to know that she hasn't changed, but ... I completely got one of them wrong! Yep, didn't see it coming at all, totally gobsmacked. So 10 out of 10 for that one.

As to the romance, meh. Con only got introduced yesterday (and I do mean yesterday because that's when I read book 7 where he was first mentioned), so we had no real for him and I don't think we got much more in this book. Thief with a heart of gold, misunderstood and falsely accused seeking a way back to the good guys is a bit hackneyed and heaven save me from one more Alpha male who says he can't be trusted or isn't who she thinks he is – puhlease! Similarly, I really didn't understand Lizzy's mission – I mean really does anyone really give a rat's arse about what their ancestors did or didn't do over a 100 years ago? Why would you make it a family mission to clear the man's name when what he was being accused of would be something that most people would brag about: *"oh, my great, great, great grandfather was a famous pirate!"*

As always, I have a number of logistical questions about some of the plot – some may be because I don't read carefully enough. Others because they seem to get glossed over.
(view spoiler)

Anita says

I just love a treasure hunt and this is a really good one. Great plot, wonderful H/h and lots of action and romance. This is one of my favorites in the series.

Constantine Xenakis is a former SEAL and a former Bullet Catcher. Lucy has decided that since he helped save Dan and his son that she would give him another chance. She has a job that is tailor made for his very specific skill set and since Con badly wants to be back with the Bullet Catchers, he agrees. His job is to infiltrated a dive ship to discover who's stealing the treasure recovered from a legendary sunken Spanish galleon, *El Falcone*. His first night aboard he catches Lizzie Dare red-handed in the locked treasure room, She tells him she just wanted to take pictures and that the treasure of *El Falcone* is actually her ancestral legacy. Lizzie would do anything to stop the private sale of the collection and convinces Con to work with her instead of turning her in. Together they work to find the real thief and recover her family's treasure and restore her family's name. Along the way this becomes something more for Con than his make or break assignment for the Bullet Catchers.

Manda Collins says

What a fabulous read! Con Xenakis is a dead sexy hero and Lizzie is determined without being annoying. Loved the treasure hunting setting and the romance and suspense were blended beautifully. Fun, sexy read.

Shawna says

4 stars – Romantic Suspense

Make Her Pay is the tenth installment of the *Bullet Catcher* series and features hot-as-sin ex-Navy SEAL and mysterious, reformed professional thief Constantine “Con Man” Xenakis.

Former Navy SEAL Con was a Bullet Catcher until his shady past as a thief caught up with him, and he was discharged under suspicion of foul play when some South African diamonds went missing on one of his ops. Now, he’s finally convinced Lucy to give him one more chance and to earn back his job as a Bullet Catcher. Good thing his SEAL diving skills and thief expertise are needed for the Bullet Catchers’ latest assignment involving undercover infiltration of a top secret treasure salvaging operation.

Con’s job is to pose as the ship crew’s newest diver, recover stolen treasure, and catch the thief red-handed. He’s got just one shot to prove himself, and if he fails, not only is his future as a Bullet Catcher in jeopardy, but his freedom is at stake as well. No problem, the assignment should be a cakewalk for a pro with his talents because after all, who better to trap a thief than another thief? Of course, he didn’t anticipate a hot, 5’4, blonde, spitfire, diver babe attempting to sabotage the treasure hunting efforts for altruistic and personal reasons twisting him up in knots and making him question his motives, the mission, and his future.

Lizzie Dare has an important agenda of her own, which is to prove her family’s ancestral legacy and protect the Bombay Blue Diamonds from being sold illegally by greedy treasure hunters. And just when she’s getting close to finally achieving her goal, she has a run-in with a hot, strong, solid wall of muscle who

threatens to turn her in. Lizzie's not about to concede defeat or let the ship's newest diver Con distract or dissuade her, no matter how damn sexy, tan, and Greek-god built he is. But when it becomes clear that somebody wants to stop Lizzie, as in sleep with the sharks permanently, Bullet Catcher Con finds himself risking the mission to play protector and savior.

It's an exciting addition to the *Bullet Catcher* saga with a hunkalicious hero, a lovable, spunky heroine, lots of fun, treasure seeking adventure, and smokin' hot romance. 4 stars.

Terry Moskowitz says

Con want to go straight so he gets a trial at the Bullet Catchers to go on a dive, he wasn't expecting Lizzie Dare and all her spunk. They decide to work together. He knows this isn't going to turn out good for her, however they do it anyway. She is looking for the treasure as she has the history behind it and he is working for the person paying for the dive. The situation gets sticky and there is way more to the story. You will be on the edge of your seat from start to finish.

Darcy says

I loved this book, a large part due to the barely reformed bad boy Con. The little we saw him last book made him intriguing, but this time around we really got to know him good. It seems like when Con was bad he was only doing it because that is what people expected of him, his heart really wasn't in it.

I really loved the whole deep sea treasure hunt aspect of this book, it made for really interesting background. Lizze was fun, her wariness and complete faith in Con was great. I also loved when Con stood up to Lucy and laid out what he was and wasn't going to do. The changes that Lucy is making in the Bullet Catchers should make for interesting things to come.

Mancho283 says

3.5

Lauren says

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4 Stars

Former Navy SEAL, Constantine Xenakis, has spent years on the questionable side of the law. Now, after rejoining the Bullet Catchers, Con must prove himself by investigating a series of thefts on board a salvage ship. Thus, no one is more surprised that Con when he catches diver Lizzie Dare red-handed in the treasure room and decides to help her recover a stolen ancestral legacy. But someone else is also on the trail and will stop at nothing to satiate their greed. Can Con and Lizzie beat them to the treasure?

Con was an intriguing character in the last book and he more than lives up to expectations in this one. There are one or two moments when the secret keeping trope raises its ugly head and Con's actions are rather questionable. Thankfully, this is very short lived and does not undermine either the suspense or the romance.

Lizzie is a charming heroine and her initial encounter with Con is one of the best (and steamiest in the series). The romance is sweet and the conflicts realistic.

The treasure hunt aspects of the story are exciting and the backstory on Lizzie's ancestor is very compelling. The mystery has some good twists and the identity of one of the villains comes as a complete surprise. St. Claire has some excellent misdirection here.

On a side note, Lucy Sharpe is an exceedingly unlikable woman and she does not redeem herself in her own book or in this one. Her tendency toward making snap judgments about people and twisting her view of professional ethics to suit her purposes is annoying in the extreme. Can you tell I don't like Lucy? :)

All in all, an excellent conclusion to the series and I'm glad I didn't give up on it with Lucy's book.
