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Barnaby Lassiter has had a thing for attorney Nathan Llewellyn since he began working at the law firm of Anderson, Llewellyn, and Stevens as an administrative assistant. Too bad conservative Nathan doesn't seem to know the flamboyant Barnaby is alive.

But a chance to take care of Nathan when he is ill leads to a date, and then so much more. Nathan continues to have doubts. Barnaby is the hottest man he's ever known, but their differences worry him. He's seen too many relationships that didn't make it.

All of Nathan's fears are realized when he witnesses the popular, too-appealing Barnaby in action at a club. When Nathan thinks their differences are too much to overcome after all and breaks off their relationship, Barnaby is left with a broken heart and an uncertain future.

And Nathan's left wondering if he's just made the biggest mistake of his life by letting Barnaby go...

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Janna says

This is Barnaby and Nathan's story, who both work at the same law firm as Travis and Darrell from book one, Only in His Dreams. They make a very cute couple. I loved the bouncy Barnaby, who knows what he wants. I had the urge to smack Nathan a few times, but his insecurities made for good heart-wrenching moments and these were actually quite adorable as was he in all his geekiness. They seem an odd couple at first sight but in the end I believed that they were a perfect match all together.

ElaineY says

I enjoyed this, to my surprise as I did not like the previous two Shawn Lanes I read before I decided to try the Only Forever series. OFH is a light, easy read and I found myself fully invested the MC's romance. I had read Only In His Dreams (Forever #1) first and liked that, too, but Barnaby's character hadn't quite gotten under my skin yet. In Only For Him, Barnaby comes into his own very nicely and I adored him.

I'm looking forward to the next book, Only His Heart (Only Forever #3)

Natsroshan says

Another great story by Shawn! Nathan is so adorable with all his insecurities and Barnaby is really a beautiful character: flamboyant on the outside but so true!!!

Since reading this book i had hard time getting into other stories. Some scenes keep popping in my head like in the beginning when I really thought that Nathan has been poisoned... I laughed at myself because for a moment, I forgot that for men having flu is like dying (don't shoot me please, but I'm talking from experience,lol)

I wanted more of them.

Highly recommended.

Deeze says

Another sweet simple story but in places a bit repetative to the first book. I loved Barnaby and Nathan, but the quick resolve after there first night together was a liittle to fast. But overall an easy read.

Gabbi says

I hope this series ends up in paperback. Only for him and Only in his dreams are both well rounded stories with just the right amount of light angst, chemistry between the heroes and hot sex! So far I've fallen in love with all of the heroes, but Barnaby is my favorite. I can't wait until his brother's book!

Maggie says

OMG! This series is going to be one of my favorite series I've read in like forever. Barnaby was the sexiest thing on two legs. He makes me wish he wasn't just a fictional character. He was totally sexy and I thought he and Mr. Straight Laced, Nathan were dreamy together. I thought this book was a fun and very sexy read with enough angst to keep it going! I can't wait to about Barnaby's brother next!

Serena Yates says

I loved this second book of the series. Barnaby the flamboyant secretary and Nathan the shy lawyer make such an unlikely couple that I was curious how they could ever get together, never mind stay together.

Both characters were fun to watch, with lots of humorous situations at the beginning of the story. As they progressed in their relationship, it became obvious that there was an underlying emotional depth to both of them as well. The tension when obstacles started appearing held my attention. Both men had their pasts to deal with as well as their own preconceived ideas about what works for a couple.

Overall this was a great feel-good read!

Nikyta *Miss Forgetful* says

3.5 stars

I love the premise of this story because I absolutely love it when two people who work together also end up in a relationship. I found it funny that a guy like Barnaby, who's fun, sexy, outgoing and flirty, would be willing to change his appearance and personality for a guy like Nathan, who's bookish, shy and boring (as Nathan likes to think). I really liked that while Barnaby tried his hardest to relate to Nathan on Nathan's level, Nathan liked Barnaby for who he is and had no problems with admitting that. It was interesting to see them both lay their insecurities out there and work past their differences. In this case, though, they really are completely different people so they struggled to make a relationship work around them not having anything in common. Or I should say Nathan struggled with that, Barnaby was just ecstatic the man he's been lusting after for months had finally noticed him.

I truly did like the story. However, I felt like for such a short story there was way too much sex and that made it a bit dull in my eyes. About half way through, I felt like it was dragging because it seemed like one sex scene after the other after the other and that made it a bit hard to keep going. Once I got past that part, though, the story became interesting again and ended up having a sweet ending.

Overall, it was a nice story even with my little hiccup in the middle. I like this series because they all have cute storylines and since I've been unknowingly reading this series backwards, I'll be moving on to the first in the series soon. Recommended.

Ami says

I have read a few of Shawn Lane's stories but have yet felt fully satisfied ... until this one. This is a classic opposite attract formula that really works so well. I think it helps that Barnaby, as a character, is so adorable. Nathan, on the other hand, will need a smack at least once, for making Barnaby's heart broken. However, the ending is very sweet. I love the idea of the two of them together.

Nik says

OK, I think this is my fourth SL book. The premise of this book is good, which is what hooked me into buying it but, inevitably (like the past 3 books) I'm let down once I start reading. There is so much potential there but the characters aren't developed enough. They all seem very one dimensional. If just a little more time was spent on fleshing out the characters I think it would make a big difference in my enjoyment of the books. That being said, this was a sweet book with very little angst.

Shayne says

There is nothing I can really say that our friends Ivan, Eyre and Sandy haven't already said about this book. Only for him is an addictive and quick paced read that Jack and I read straight (no pun intended...lol) through from the first word until the very last.

We loved Barnaby. His utter sweetness, intelligence, humor, sex appeal and just all around deliciousness made him a fresh and interesting hero that our Shawn writes so well. I don't know anyone who wouldn't continuously cheer him and Nathan on, even when Nathan had a dumb ass moment, and adore both of them. They were simply FABULOUS!

namericanwordcat says

I really wanted to read this book even though I thought the first one in the series was just okay because I really liked Baranaby.

I still like him and I like Nathan. However, the writing is just flat. The character lack depth and the plot is dull. I don't need drama but I want deep character exploration and I just don't get that here.

M'rella says

[If I go to a bar with my relatively new boyfriend/girlfriend I will be extremely upset if some friends of his/hers decide to grope him/her on the dance floor. It is simply not acceptable if you are into monogamous relationship. To me it was a huge turn off in this story. Yet Barnaby pulls the "innocen

Mandy*reads obsessively* says

Like the others in the series, cute and sexy!

Nathan was a bit hot/cold for my taste and Barnaby a bit too needy , but all in all a fun little read.

Elisa Rolle says

Like in the previous book, Only in His Dreams, Only for Him is a classic office affairs romance. And as in the best office affairs, the two men involved apparently are not good for each other, but then they are perfect, like missing pieces of a puzzle. Barnaby is a flamboyant gay man who, I think, hides his insecurities behind makeup and flashy garments; he was orphaned by mother even before he was able to remember her, and he has an estranged father. He was raised by a loving grandmother, but as often happens in these cases, he was sheltered when he was young, and maybe the first experiences with the big bad world were not good. Nothing tragic, but for sure Barnaby tends to search reassurance, and to build a safe haven like the one he left. Barnaby is like a wonderful paradise bird, showing off all his beautiful plumage to attire the perfect mate to build the perfect nest where to live happily ever after. And like a paradise bird, Barnaby is high maintenance, non in the monetary meaning of the word, but in showing affection and attention.

Nathan is one of the partners of the lawyers firm where Barnaby works as PA. He is also the man Barnaby pointed out as a different type of partner, a private life partner. When he thinks that his colourful plumage is not drawing in the “prey”, Barnaby tries to change his exterior look, to be more similar to conservative Nathan, but he hasn’t realized that it’s not his look that worries Nathan, but everything in Barnaby. Barnaby is too shiny, too friendly, too much for someone “boring” like Nathan.

Without even realizing it, Barnaby does exactly the right thing to catch Nathan, instead of waiting for him to do the first move, Barnaby almost forces Nathan out for a date and then for a hot weekend of sex. In the privacy of his house, and probably playing on an home field, Nathan reveals a domineering side that is exactly what Barnaby needs; all right, it’s cheap psychology, but I think that Barnaby needs a fatherly figure in his life, and even if Nathan has not the age (he is not so much older than Barnaby), he has the look, and even the cool attitude. Even when he is maybe a bit too harsh with Barnaby, I think that he is exactly what Barnaby needs, if he was too easy a conquest, Barnaby would loose soon the interest.

Again Shawn Lane wrote a nice and sweet novella, very romantic, something that I think could appeal to a female target, but even to that young gay men that can easily identify in Barnaby, and even in Nathan, how many geeky guys out there are dreaming of finding a Barnaby for their own?

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