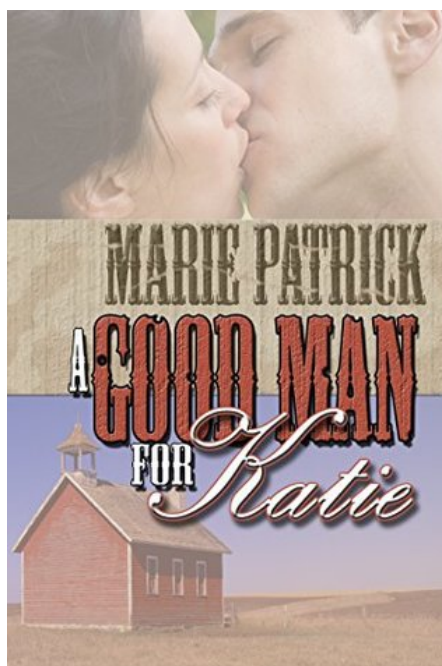




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When Chase Hunter rode into Crystal Springs, Arizona Territory, with his pistols tied around his thigh, he was labeled an outlaw--a title he allows to remain while he tries to discover who stole the army's rifles and killed his brother...if he can keep the new schoolteacher, Kathryne "Katie" O'Rourke from stumbling into the middle of it all. Accused of being a thief's accomplice, Kathryne journeys to Crystal Springs and her sister, hoping to escape the scandal she left behind. She has a history of falling for the wrong men and vows to stay away from them, but that promise is hard to keep, especially when Chase comes to her rescue time after time. Katie can't help falling in love with Chase, but will she risk another scandal to stand up for him? Can the wrong man be the right one?

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Taylor Michaels says

Katie O'Rourke has been embroiled in a scandal in Washington DC where she is implicated in a theft. Upon investigation it is determined that Katie is innocent of theft and just had the misfortune of falling for a scoundrel. Her father, an army general decides she needs to distance herself from the DC social circle and sends her west to reside with an aunt. However, Katie has other plans and heads to her sisters in Arizona Territory.

Chase Hunter is a man of reputation, the wrong kind. The town of Crystal Creek has declared him a gunslinger and a murderer for hire, although no one can produce a wanted poster or find even so much as a story of a gunfight that can be pinned to him. This suits Chase just fine because as an undercover investigator for the army he is looking for stolen army guns and the murderers to his brother and friend.

They first meet when he rescues her from a stagecoach accident. The attraction between the pair is instant and strong but Katie who is hired as a school teacher has a contract that strictly prohibits her from keeping company with men and Chase's reputation puts him completely off limits. Reading how this relation develops was sweet and fun.

One of the more interesting aspects of this book is the mystery of who actually carried off the robbery and murders. I was partially correct about who was involved but the reveal provided a nice surprise. If you enjoy a sweet (and slightly sensual) love story with a little mystery you should consider this book.

Lisa C. says

This is the first time I've read anything from this author and it was a terrific book.

Chase was the strong, secretive hero with lots of heart and handsome to boot. Katie was bright and intelligent, with a mind of her own who couldn't help she had poor judgment in men. Sarge was just an overall lovable character and a pleasant surprise. Everyone should have a Sarge sometime in their life.

The story had a murder mystery entwined with a robbery, rough characters, clandestine meetings, and a tastefully done romance. The historical aspect was accurate and the descriptions were such that you felt as though you were there, which is one of my markers that indicates a good book.

When I was three fourths of the way through I realized I hadn't skimmed through it or wanted to jump ahead to finish because it was a genuinely good book. I didn't want this one to end. Well done, Ms. Patrick.

Pamela(AllHoney) says

The story begins when Kathryn "Katie" O'Rourke is in the stage headed to Crystal Springs, Arizona Territory. The stage is out of control and Chase Hunter rides to the rescue in the nick of time. Chase Hunter has a bad reputation with the people of Crystal Springs and there are several people who would prefer him dead. Chase's reputation is exaggerated for he is really undercover and determined to discover who murdered

his brother and the other members of the group transporting rifles for the army.

I was pleasantly surprised at how much I really enjoyed this book. The main characters were likable as well as some wonderful secondary characters. The mystery wasn't really that mysterious but it was interesting to see how they got caught. The style and pace were just right for me. I think Historical Romance Lovers of the American West period will love it.

donna sharp says

Good title for the book

Liked the characters and the suspense. Kept me wanting to continue reading to get to the answers. Good reading for sure.

Celestine says

Also a Good Dog for Katie

This is a typical Western love story with the misunderstood gunslinger romancing the pretty school teacher. The murders and mystery behind the plot are strung along the entire book, with just enough misleading clues that the suspense is maintained. The town felt a little too modern for post-Civil War Arizona, and the romantic leads were remarkably unrestrained. Historical details were minimal. However, if you love dogs in books, you will ADORE this story. I want a dog just like Sarge. 3.5 rounded to 4 stars.

Book source: Kindle Unlimited subscription.

Alexis Walker says

When it comes to heartwarming westerns that include exciting adventure and romance to spare, Marie Patrick delivers. Her latest release A GOOD MAN FOR KATIE is no exception.

Katherine O'Rourke has been sent away by her General father after a scandal with the wrong kind of man in Washington D.C. which almost got her arrested. Having had it with his daughter's poor judgment, the general sends her to her aunt, but Katie has other plans and travels to see her sister in Arizona Territory instead.

Chase Hunter, an army Captain, is on a secret mission to find his brother's murderer and the guns that were stolen from the army. When the townspeople of Crystal Creek assume his low strapped gun means he's a gunslinger, he allows the impression to stand, convinced the mistake will help him in his quest. What he does not expect is that he will have to save the new school teacher numerous times.

Katie no longer trusts her own judgment, so her resistance to Chase is strong. Chase, on the other hand, is set on his mission and doesn't want to involve Katie for fear she could get hurt. Unfortunately, Katie attracts trouble like honey attracts bears, and the two are soon thrown into close proximity time and time again. Chase decides she needs round the clock surveillance and gifts her with Sarge, the most loveable, bravest, and funniest dog to hit the pages of a romance novel in years.

The plot thickens as secrets are revealed both from the murders' side and the Army's side, but when Chase betrays Katie, she is convinced she has once again exercised poor judgment. Add to this tension a runaway coach, a secret tunnel, and an attempted abduction, and the reader can't help but be riveted to the story. When the townspeople turn against Katie, the reader can't help but cheer when she stands up to them, no matter what the outcome might be.

This story is filled with beautiful descriptions of the Arizona Territory, strong emotion that pulls the reader along, and full blown characters that appear as average people thrown into extraordinary circumstances. Add to this, historical accuracy from clothes to books, good pacing that allows one to catch a breath, and a strong journey towards love, and it makes A GOOD MAN FOR KATIE a western romance that should not be missed.
