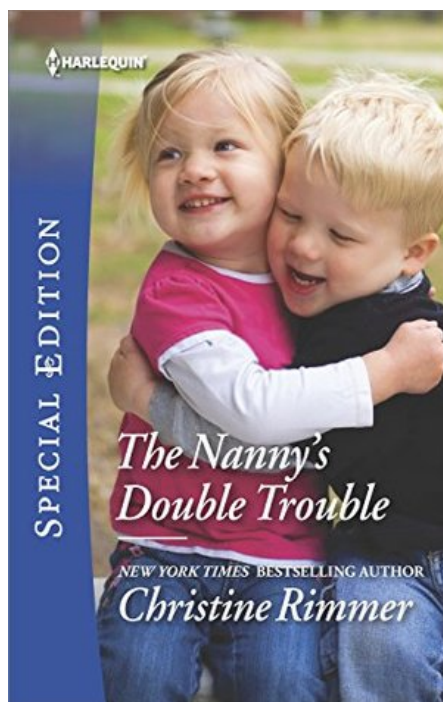




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Meet The Bravos of Valentine Bay...

And the single father of twin toddlers in desperate need of a nanny!

All his life Daniel Bravo has been the responsible one. So when he's left widowed with adorable twins to raise, he knows he needs help, fast. Enter family friend Keely Ostergard—a woman with love in her heart for his children, and a gigantic chip on her shoulder for him. She's the last person he'd ever fall for—the aversion is mutual. Until it isn't...

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Julie says

The Nanny's Double Trouble by Christine Rimmer is a 2018 Harlequin Special Edition publication.

Daniel has already raised his siblings, single handedly, with only one sister living at home part time. His desperate need for freedom, at long last, is left unrequited when his wife dies after giving birth to twins. His mother-in-law has been helping him with the babies, but when she has an accident, her niece Keely steps up and volunteers to pitch in.

Keely is still grieving the loss of her cousin, and although she and Daniel were not each other's favorite person, Keely is happy to help him with the twins. She also ends up running interference between Daniel and his sister, Grace, who are always locked in a battle of wills.

While there is a family connection between Keely and Daniel they have an uneasy truce going on until an embarrassing encounter has them seeing each other in a whole new light. As they grapple with their growing attraction to each other, they worry about the reaction their families will have once they find out they are involved with one another.

Who doesn't love adorable babies, and a 'friends to lovers' romance? What a sweet book cover for such a cute and adorable story!! While the twins are featured prominently, this story is really about Daniel and Keely unexpectedly falling in love with each other. Daniel has been carrying the weight of the world on his shoulders, looking for a time when he would have the last of his siblings out of the house and mentally ticking off the years until the twins are older, so he can finally live a little.

Keely certainly wasn't looking for love, especially not with Daniel. She fights the attraction, until she realizes Daniels feels the same way about her. She is loyal to the memory of her cousin, is great with the twins, and Grace, and gives Daniel a new lease on life, which greatly improves his disposition – most of the time, anyway. I really liked her character and the way she stood up to Daniel, and for Grace and herself.

But, at the end of the day, this story is about appreciating what you have right in front of you, counting your many blessings and realizing all you ever needed to be happy has been right there in front of you all along.

This is fantastic, heartwarming love story and another awesome addition to the Bravo family saga!!
4.5 stars

Lynn Brooks says

A heartwarmingly sweet story of love, family and brighter tomorrows! With the first book in her new "The Bravos of Valentine Bay" series, Christine Rimmer introduces us to the man playing the patriarch role of a large family when tragedy left him no other option. Daniel is a serious guy who even though he partially resents the responsibility thrust on him, loves his family very much. I loved watching Keely be a saving

grace that changed his outlook on life ... and those kids ... OH, they stole my heart! I adored this story and am very much looking forward to more in the series!

Daniel Bravo never expected to find himself widowed with twin toddlers to raise alone at this point in his life, but here he is ... trying to make it work. He finds himself in desperate need of a nanny who will be an added foundation in stability for his kids but one after another keeps falling through. Thankfully someone his children already adore steps up to help ... too bad she's not a big fan of his!

Keely Ostergard might hold details from the past against Daniel, but she loves his kids with a passion, so if her grinning and bearing it will keep those kids happy and healthy, she'll happily do it. After spending some time in the house, she's surprised to realize that Daniel is more laid back than she expected, and that beneath that gloomy exterior, he's actually a kind and funny guy. When sparks start to fly, neither know how to handle it ... especially with the past that they share!

Tricia Verschage says

The Nanny's Double Trouble by Christine Rimmer is a 2018 Harlequin Special Edition publication.

Daniel has been shouldering responsibility for a long time and grew up too fast and then suddenly, he was alone with two small children. Then he is blessed with the help of his deceased wife's cousin. The tension and animosity is palpable with these two characters. Add in the various family members of both him and her, two adorable toddlers, and a quirky basset hound and you have a book that you don't want to put down.

I loved this book and I fell in love with the characters and cannot wait to read the rest of the family's stories. I personally love the friends become lovers story line and while they weren't friends at the beginning, they quickly became friends and more. I am never disappointed with a Christine Rimmer story and this new series promises to deliver the same great story.

I received a complimentary digital ARC of this anthology to read. This in no way influenced my opinion of the stories that I read and reviewed voluntarily

Lydia E Winters says

Okay, this was really cute. I'm a total sucker for books with babies and especially ones that are as cute as the twins were. They were well written (that doesn't always happen) and with age appropriate speech and behavior. I liked Keely and Daniel right from the beginning, as well as the rest of the family.

This was the first Harlequin book I've read in several years and I might just have to read a few more. (I did guess what the "twist" would be at the end though)

However, I did have a couple issues with the book:

First, the parenting stuff seemed outdated. I don't know anyone who uses play pens anymore. And a rectal

thermometer??? My vet doesn't even use those anymore.

Second, I wasn't convinced by both characters just magically deciding they liked each other when he saw her naked. I mean, I could see Daniel realizing it, but Keely having the exact same realization at that moment didn't make sense to me.

And last, I felt like the stuff relating to Daniel's late wife was a little "off", for lack of a better word. The risks of a pregnancy with Lupus was exaggerated. Doctors don't discourage women from having babies anymore, although there are some risks. Also, Keely hates Daniel because of things that her cousin said and the ones they discussed didn't really seem that big to me? Honestly, when all was said and done her cousin was the one in the wrong.

But those things weren't huge issues and mostly me being nit picky. I am surprised an editor didn't catch the first though?

All in all, cute story that I wouldn't mind re-reading one of these days when I'm in the mood for something light.

Full Disclosure: I received this ebook from Netgalley for the purposes of review.

Marie Campbell says

I just love The Nanny's Double Trouble by Christine Rimmer!!! Daniel Bravo is a strong honorable man trying to recover from the loss of his wife while raising his wonderful 18 month old twins. The cavalry arrives to help him with his adorable twins in the form of Keely Ostergard, his wife's cousin. Keely finds herself drawn to Daniel's strength, kindness, and sex appeal while wondering if this is the right thing for their two families.

I just loved the rugged sexiness of Daniel Bravo and his strong sense of family and honor. Nothing is more irresistible than a big hot man that runs a lumber mill and is also sweet and loving to his two adorable, naughty twins. Keely is an intelligent loving heroine that is strong enough to know her own heart and to help heal Daniel's.

You will love everyone in Christine Rimmer's heartwarming new romance The Nanny's Double Trouble!!! Rimmer is brilliant at creating amusing, emotionally rich, complex characters. Rimmer's romances never disappoint. I can't wait to read the next Bravos of Valentine Bay romance!!!

Diane Sallans says

I received this book thru a Goodreads Giveaway. I really liked it - it's the first book in a Small Town Contemporary romance series that I think will be linked thru siblings - I'll look forward to reading more in the series. This book is the story of Daniel Bravo who is a widower raising toddler twins while also trying to run the family lumber company. His mother-in-law has been taking care of the kids during the day, but has broken her foot. So his wife's cousin Keely has stepped in to help out. Tho they've known each other a long time, their attraction to each other surprises them both. That growing relationship, plus two very cute kiddies, a basset hound and a variety of supporting characters makes this a very enjoyable read. If you enjoy Robin Carr's Virgin River/Thunder Point series or Susan Mallery's small town series you'll probably like this one.

Perrin Larton says

What fun! We're now going to learn about another Bravo clan. The Bravo's of Valentines Bay!

Widower, Daniel Bravo, has his hands full. A construction company that he's the head of, the siblings that he's raised, and his twins at home. He needs someone more reliable than the nanny's he's been hiring from a local service.

Keely Ostergard, has a full life. A job she loves, a love for her cousin's children, and her own little house. She sees Daniel's need, and wants to help him out. Being Daniel's deceased wife Lillie's cousin, she knows there were some issues between Daniel and Lillie but wants the best for the children.

Daniel can't imagine falling for Keely, until he does. Keely can't imagine falling for Daniel, until she does. Family being family, there are some issues. Can there be a happily ever after for this couple, even when family issues crop up?

Christine Rimmer just keeps the Bravo's being fruitful and multiplying. I love them.

Dee says

I am a bit partial with my Authors; I read who I love and not disappointed!! I can say without a doubt anytime I reach for a Christine Rimmer book she doesn't disappoint... my puppy either... I had to get TWO copies of this book because my puppy found and shares my reading addiction!! We went to dinner and I left my book sitting on my bedside table and my puppy decided to make confetti out of it!!

This book is wonderful!! I love the characters and how they overcome their obstacles; namely the Aunt... we all have that ONE family member who behaves not the greatest and then comes back and makes it right. In this story you have the guy who has young kids and is in need of a nanny per say because the baby sitter is elderly and broke her foot... in comes the heroin... a sweet divorcee who has an Art Gallery and a quirky mom who refuses to act her age while telling it like it is... add to the mix the sexual tension of a widower and a hot woman and you have the plot to a wonderful story line!!

This book will not let you down and the only complaint I have in regards to it is; I didn't want it to be over... par for the course with ANY of Ms. Rimmer's books!!

Jessica Figueroa says

Daniel was left widowed with a set of twins and needs help raising them. Things were good until his mother in law got into an accident and isn't able to watch them and is getting help from her niece Keely in her place until things get better. Little did they expect to fall for the cousin of his late wife.

If you are a fan of quick, fluffy, contemporary romances like I am then this book is for you. I enjoyed seeing how the attraction between the two formed. Things were rushed in this book but then again with the limited

amount of pages you can't expect much when it comes to that. There was little drama in the book but enough to keep things interesting. Overall thought that this was a pretty good book.

Kim Woodcock says

Daniel is a widower, with twins that he wasn't 100% sure he was prepared to parent. When his wife passes away, he is hip deep in parenthood. He has been utilizing the assistance of his mother-in-law, but when she isn't able to assist--his wife's cousin comes to the rescue. Keely isn't his late wife, but she was as close as a sister to her. Keely has some issues with Daniel--thinks he could have been a better partner to her cousin.

Throughout the process of parenting/nannying twins, they realize that they have more in common than they thought. A sweet and wonderful relationship develops behind the scenes from the twins and the rest of the family. Secrets have a way of not staying that way for long. Pretty soon the mother-in-law is up in everyone's face about how awful the relationship is. Keely's mother is hilarious and more helpful to her daughter than she really expects her to be.

All is well that ends well, as the couple and the extended family learn to live with the new love.

Great characters and story line.

Nalria says

Christine Rimmer is an author that I always read!! I was excited to start the new Bravos of Valentine Bay series! in this story we meet Daniel Bravo whose wife died after the birth of their twins. He is still angry with his wife (won't spoil with why). The twins are quite the handful and he is really needs a reliable nanny since his MIL cannot take care of them now. Enter his wife's friend Keely who wants to take care of the twins until the MIL is healed enough to return to caring for the twins. The two of them have had issues of getting along in the past due to her close friendship with Lillie. The twins adore her so he reluctantly agrees to Keely's proposal of temporary help. Of course things don't work out as either of them expect. Lots of interesting twists and turns as they navigate care of the twins as well as family drama. As always, Christine provides us with a strong heroine who stands up for herself. Looking forward to the next saga in Valentine Bay!

Susan says

Terrific start to the new Bravo series. Daniel is the oldest of the family, head of the family business, and the one who stepped up when their parents were killed. He was only eighteen but determined to keep the family together. He married his high school sweetheart and together they raised his siblings. There is only one left at home. He is also now the widowed single father of twin toddlers after his wife died giving birth. He's had a succession of nannies, with his mother-in-law filling in when necessary. He's in a quandary now, because Gretchen broke her foot and can't take care of them. He's surprised when his late wife's cousin offers to step in.

Keely loved her cousin Lillie and was there during the last months of Lillie's life. There are things that Lillie told her that have affected the way that Keely looks at Daniel. But she adores Jake and Frannie and will do anything for them, including putting up with Daniel.

I loved Keely. She has a really busy life, with her successful art gallery and her own textile art. She has good friends, and a good relationship with her aunt, who is like a second mother to her. She has a good, though unusual relationship with her rather bohemian, rock star mother. I loved the way that she was ready to put Jake and Frannie at the top of her priority list when it became obvious that Daniel needed help, even though she has issues with his relationship with her cousin.

I ended up loving Daniel, too, though there were times that I didn't like him very much. I loved the way he had put his own life on hold to raise his siblings after their parents' deaths. But that much responsibility turned him into something of a grouch and a hard ass, as shown by his attitude toward his youngest sister, Grace. He had also been looking forward to when all his siblings were grown and on their own, looking at that as him regaining his freedom. He and his wife hadn't planned on having children of their own, but Lillie changed her mind and tricked him into getting her pregnant. He loves his kids, that's obvious, but he still has moments of resenting the delay of his "freedom."

I enjoyed the development of the relationship between Daniel and Keely. First, there was a cessation of hostilities between them as they got used to working together to care for the twins. This was accelerated when first one twin, then the other became ill and they had to deal with multiple crises because of it. I loved seeing them realize how much they had in common and begin to grow a real friendship. I especially liked seeing Daniel discover the quiet happiness of having someone to talk to about his day and anything else that crossed his mind. Both of them got quite a shock when they discovered that the friendship had moved into attraction. I loved their attitude that they were adults and entitled to behave as such. As they grew closer, Daniel especially did not want to tell the family that he and Keely were a couple - he wanted to enjoy what they had without commentary or interference. It was pretty clear that the feelings between them were deepening and both knew it, but they also had some reservations about how the family would handle it. There was another complication that cropped up and Keely was really worried about how that was going to go over.

I cried ugly tears during the last part of the book, which was full of family drama. From a confrontation with Gretchen to some learning points for Grace, that was hard enough. But Keely is devastated by Daniel's reaction to her news. I loved the support that she received from her mother, which played out in a very surprising way. I loved Daniel's big moment at the end. He had the perfect mix of groveling and explanation.

The secondary characters were great. First and foremost were the twins, who were absolutely adorable. I loved how different Daniel was around them - happier, more inclined to laugh, and with his love for them plain to see. His younger sister Grace showcased an entirely different side of him. She is twenty-one, yet Daniel still treats her like a child, and they have major blowups because of it. He does it because he knows just how easily things can go wrong and he wants to protect her, but learning how to let go is hard for him. I loved the two sisters, Gretchen and Ingrid. They are so different, and I loved seeing them push each other's buttons. Ingrid, who is Keely's mother, is a trip and a half. I loved her outspoken comments at Sunday dinner because she could see what was obvious between Daniel and Keely, even though they were in denial. I am looking forward to reading about the rest of the family.

Lois Bates says

Okay, Goodreads, you want to know what I liked the most about this book? I loved the interaction between the twins and the hero/ heroine. Oh, wait, maybe it was the chemistry between the hero and heroine. Or.....maybe it was simply that this book is another keeper from my favorite author.

Ms. Rimmer has, indeed, written another winner with this introduction to The Bravos of Valentine Bay. We

meet Daniel Bravo, a widower with 18-month-old twins and Keely, cousin of Daniel's deceased wife. Daniel and Keely have known each for years, but it's only after Keely becomes nanny to the twins that the relationship changes, revealing hidden feelings.

First, though, there's the tension to work through. Keely believes Daniel is to blame for her cousin's death. Daniel has reason not to trust women.

As you know, it'll end well, but buy this book and meet the Bravos of Valentine Bay. You'll love the journey!

Janis says

I thought this was a sweet and cute romantic story of Daniel a father of twins who falls for his dead wife's cousin Keely who is also his temporary nanny. I can't wait to read aislinn book

Phylis Carpenter says

I started this book last night and it was so hard to put down. So I decided not to, I finished it at 4 am. I don't know why I was surprised because all her books I have read are just like this one. You are captivated from the beginning to the end and when the book is finished you just kinda sit there and go wow I need to know what else happens to them. I can't believe the book is over. And she doesn't do cliffhangers, they are just that good.

If you are interested in a great romance that will hold your attention and leave you wanting more, than you should read this book. You won't be sorry you picked it up, or I know I wasn't.
