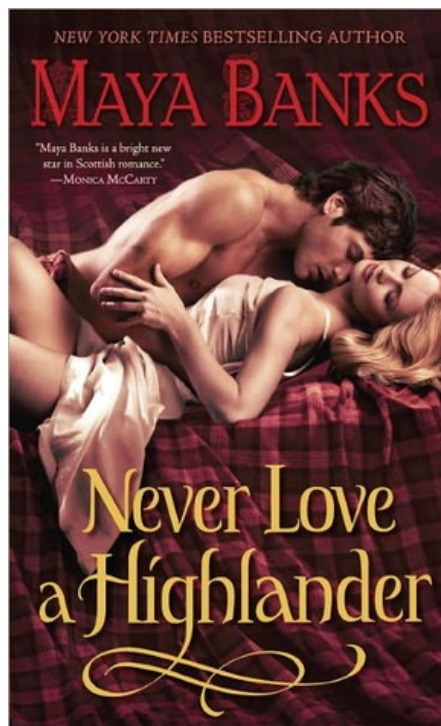




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Maya Banks, the *New York Times* bestselling author of erotic romance, romantic suspense, and contemporary romance, has captivated readers with her steamy Scottish historical novels, perfect for fans of Julie Garwood. In *Never Love a Highlander*, the youngest McCabe brother uses sword and seduction to save his clan—and seal his heart.

Caelen McCabe's young, reckless heart nearly destroyed his clan. Now, putting family loyalty above all else, he steps up to marry his older brother's jilted bride and salvage the uneasy alliance between two clans. While beautiful Rionna McDonald is a fit wife for any man, Caelen trusts no woman, especially not this sweet temptress who torments him with white-hot longing.

As the sacrificial lamb in her father's power game, Rionna will do her duty but vows to protect her heart and her pride from humiliation. Despite everything, though, the heat in Caelen's touch melts her defenses, and she craves the sensual delights of a husband who guards his emotions as fiercely as his clan. But when the ultimate battle for the McCabe legacy is upon them, Rionna's true warrior spirit emerges. She will risk the wrath of her father, the fury of her enemies, and her life to prove to Caelen that his wife's love is too precious to lose.

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Anna says

Reread of an amazing series ♥?

Kathleen says

Story Rating 5 stars
Character Rating 5 stars
Romance Rating 5 stars
Heat Level 4 stars
Overall Rating 5 stars

This was the conclusion of a 3 book series. You must read all of them in order and I highly recommend you read this series if you are indeed interested.

Once again I loved all the characters in this book. I also loved that Maya included all the characters from the previous 2 books.

This story was absolutely FANTASTIC for me.

I loved that the heroine Rionna was a warrior and extremely fierce for the ones she loved and did all she could to keep them safe.

The hero Caelen was a very honorable man but he had to learn to love and trust Rionna and it was truly amazing watching that take place.

The love scenes were very sensual and well done. I could not have ask for better.

In the end, the bad guy is finally dealt with and the action in this area was really good.

The ending, OH MY! I have not read an ending such as this since reading Return Of The King by J.R.R. Tolkien. The part I'm talking about is when Aragorn gives his tribute to the Hobbits. I don't want to give anything away here but I had tears streaming down my face, it was THAT touching.

I've been to Maya's web site and have learned that yes, she will be writing more Scottish historical's. When I read that, I was jumping for joy because she writes them so well. She writes them, I will be buying.

CC says

4.5 stars!

What a rollercoaster this series was. I loved the first book , then I was severely depressed by , so I was

nervous about this one. Luckily it was pretty awesome!

I will say right off that my half star deduction is for Caeden. He was a jerk more than I would like and took too long to show Rionna how much he loved her. But he did love her and did show her in small ways how caring he could be even when he was being a jerk. He would also say the wrong thing often (but luckily we got his POV and saw that he knew he was putting his foot in his mouth). Caeden was my least favorite brother going into the story but he worked his way up to number two (cannot surpass Ewan).

Rionna totally kicked ass! I want to be her in my next life! I am not a fan of alpha heroines, which Rionna was not. But she was a tough, ass kicking sweet heroine. I thought she tried too hard for Caeden, but I admired her for trying to make peace with him and her clan. Of course, her concessions were rarely the best way to go and eventually Caeden figured that out. I am not going to take up pages and pages fan-girling for Rionna, but I will say she is crazy brave and courageous, sweet, loyal, smart.....I loved her!

This story moved fast, had lots of intrigue and action. The sex was hot. (Caeden was a sweetheart about her virginity - Ewan take note). The ending was superb and made me cry. The scene at the Loch...ripped my heart out. Also got a sweet epilogue. Great way to end the series!

Lynsey (A Bookish Life) says

And finally it's Rionna's book! I was intrigued by Rionna's character right from book one when she stomped up to a group of warriors, in trousers and helm, and showed them just who was bitch with the pointy end of her sword. Oh, how that doth ticketh all my boxes. When she took her helmet off and they realized it was a lass? Hee hee! I love it!

And who has she been paired with but the surliest of the brothers, Caelen McCabe. And man who's convinced all women are treacherous wenches just waiting to strike after a betrayal when he was but a young lad. It's fair to say Caelen has a few issues to work through, and only someone as strong as Rionna could have possibly tamed this particular Highlander's heart.

“Tis a universal truth that when a lass says she's been thinking, a man ought to be wary.”

It was another emotional book but I didn't cry quite as much as I did over book two (probably since that's impossible). And there was a lot more action than in the previous book too, which I like. I wouldn't have expected anything less from Rionna's book, really.

The overall story arc has been wrapped up nicely and I have to say this has been a really wonderful trilogy. Maya Banks will be an auto-buy author from here on out.

Highly recommended to all fans of Scottish romance.

4 Stars! ★★★★★

Wendy says

This was by far my absolute favorite of the series. I loved watching the love between Rionna and Caelan grow and bloom, it was magic. I've said it before, but the romance in this series is old fashioned and I loved

every minute of it!

Sammy Loves Books says

Caelen McCabe

"I love you," he said fiercely. " 'Tis not true that I kept a part of my heart locked away from you. You own all of it, lass. You've always owned it. I didn't give it to you. You took it from the very start."

Rionna McDonald

Full review to come

Dawn says

Wow. I loved this book. Although the second one is still my favorite, this is very close. I would recommend reading these in order so you get the full impact of the story. I suppose it can be a stand alone, but I think the reader would lose a lot.

Poor Rionna has been played a pawn two times over. She was to marry Ewan McCabe in a political alliance, but that didn't work out. Next she was to marry Alaric McCabe, and was jilted at the alter. Finally Caelan McCabe steps ups and becomes her husband. I mean who would want to marry a woman who dresses as a man, and fights like a warrior? OMG who wouldn't?!

Rionna has been through so much. She is loyal to her clan, and underneath her rough exterior, she is so in need of being loved..of becomming the warrior princess she's always dreamed of. Caelan eventually makes this happen.

Their marriage starts off rocky. Caelan has be wronged before, betrayed by a woman who eventually destroyed his clan. But he wont let that happen again. So he guards his heart, until Rioanna breaks through.

The chemistry between Rionna and Caelan is wonderful. They are truly the perfect couple.

Again, Banks doesn't disappoint. Her writing is outstanding. I love all the characters. The pace is steady, and I couldn't put the book down. There is beautiful romance and the loving is just incredible! My heart was racing at the end. And I was near tears as well.

If you love strong, intelligent female leads, then you will love this. Yes there are times she backs down, but it's not because of weakness as you will see.

I love Maya Banks. She never writes anything to make me upset or irritated. (meaning she doesn't tap into my pet peeves). She writes as if she knows my heart. Just keeping enough angst in me but not too much where I start hating the hero or heroine. She is just brilliant.

This series is a must read. I wish she would continue it. But I think this is the last. :(

Ari Reavis says

SPOILER-Y AS HELL

I was so freaking excited to start this book.

Although I didn't bother with book 2, I definitely wanted to hear Caelen's story and find out about how his 'foolishness' got his clan killed. Was I a little confused at times because I skipped a book? Yup, but it didn't take away from the story at all.

Caelen was a freaking dreamboat.

He was gruff and protective and I just loved him. Rionna was all that and a bag of chips. She was a warrior through and through, even if Caelen didn't want that for her at first.

Even though they got married for an alliance at first, I just knew they would grow to love each other fiercely. But until that happened, I got really, really hot sex scenes. Lol

It was even better because along with them discovering each others' bodies and pleasures, Rionna was discovering that being a woman had a few joys she didn't know existed.

But then comes the dramaaaaa. Of course douchebag Cameron is still lurking around and sends some goons to rough Rionna up while Caelen is on a hunt. And Cameron renewed my hatred for him from book 1. Evil bastard. He was trying to lure Caelen out, but since Caelen and his brothers were already planning to attack him, that plan didn't quite work. But it woke Caelen up to letting Rionna continue training again, so I was happy about that.

Then Rionna gets knocked up and all is well for a little while, well after Caelen beat the crap out of almost every McDonald clansmen to make them respect him as their laird.

But the food is low and Caelen and the men have to go hunting and who sneaks up on Caelen and shoots him with an arrow but Rionna's father (the ousted rapist former laird).

He brings Caelen back to Cameron and Rionna finds out and rallies her men.

Part of her plan to get inside Cameron's keep is to convince him she wants Caelen dead. So she gets her pregnant self down to the psycho's keep and gives an Emmy worthy performance that was painful to read, because Caelen is heartbroken thinking he's been betrayed again.

So Caelen is strung up to be burnt at the stake and Rionna is supposed to light the fire, but instead sticks the torch in Cameron's stinky, ugly face. A battle that gave me goosebumps started and fierce as they were, the McDonald clan were vastly outnumbered and growing tired, but lo and behold, Ewan and Alaric come

charging in with their men and things take a turn for the better. The best part is that Rionna is the one that ends up killing Cameron. Knife through the chest baby. I was just so satisfied. He needed to die like yesterday.

Caelen and Rionna go back home and Caelen does the sweetest thing by taking the McDonald name as thanks for what Rionna did and risked for him. I was tearing up by the end of this book. Their love for one another was so fierce and loyal and sexy. They were perfect for each other in every way.

And the epilogue was the sweetest. Great conclusion to the series.

?Karlyn P? says

Sigh. I devoured this series. It was the best kind of romance candy. The kind with hot highlanders, steamy sex, fierce battle scenes, feisty women, impossible odds, high stakes, and teary moments. While each book had a different hero/heroine, the trilogy had an underlying story as the McCabes prepared for war against their fierce enemy Duncan Cameron. I loved how the brothers were always main characters in each story, and how the heroines became important to the clans survival. While you could read the books out of order, I recommend that you don't.

In the first book *In Bed with a Highlander*, the romance was of enemies-to-lovers, and in the second book, *Seduction of a Highland Lass*, it burned hot and fast. In *Never Love a Highlander*, the romance was slow and snuck-up on them as it built over time. Two strangers find themselves wed in a marriage of necessity, not of love, to unite two clans and build an alliance strong enough to defeat a looming war. Love was never important to either of them, their marriage was simply just an arrangement of necessity.

Betrayed by the woman he loved eight years earlier, Caelen did not trust himself to love again. He was the hardest and coldest of the three brothers, devoted only to duty and family. Rionna McDonald is the daughter of a neighboring laird, and has been betrothed (or nearly betrothed) to all three of the McCabe brothers. If Caelen doesn't marry her, the humiliation would be too much. She is not a typical well mannered and dainty lass, but one who enjoys wearing trews and wielding a sword. Caelen doesn't know what to make of her ways, and tries to get her to be more feminine in both behavior and appearance. And now that Caelen is Laird of McDonald's clan, he has much to prove to gain the trust and loyalty of his people.

The war with Duncan Cameron gets closer, and the brothers come together for the ultimate and final battle scene. I couldn't guess how the final battle was going to unfold, but I enjoyed it immensely. A fitting ending! I'm sad the trilogy is over, but I look forward to more books by this author. I do hope she writes more highlander historicals some day.

Gi's Spot Reviews says

4.25 Stars

Jilly says

This was my favorite of the series because of the heroine. Rionna is a kick-ass girl who wears pants instead of a dress and trains with the warriors with a sword. She marries Caelen - who is kind of a jerk at first - in order to align their clans. He wants to turn her into a proper lady. She isn't real agreeable to this idea. I'm on her side.

Their marriage has a few rocky moments as they each try to get the other to bend to their will. And, really, isn't that what marriage is all about? Trying to get your way? No? Hmm, I guess I've been doing it wrong, but don't tell my husband. I finally have him trained. Only took 23 years. I swear, I trained my dog faster. Dogs are great, aren't they? But, I digress...

I liked this couple as they grew into each other, but the very best part of this story was when our warrior princess was doing what she does best - killing their enemies.

Anne says

The first two books of this trilogy were a bit *meh*, but **this** one?!

Ha! Kidding!

This one ended up being *meh*, as well.

In fact, at times it teetered on **awful**.

Here's the thing: I was less than impressed with the 1st book, but decided to check out the 2nd book, because I thought it was supposed to be about Rionna . <--badass warrior chick!

It **was not** about Rionna. The author did a switcheroo, and the hero fell in love with Rionna's BFF instead.

Anyway. *Finally*, now we get to Rionna.

The ass-kicker who beat one of the laird's best soldiers in the first book! Whooo!

So, yeah, I was expecting a bit of this:

But that's not what I got. Rionna turned out to be a little girl playing dress up. She was easily cowed, easily beaten in combat, and easily led around by her husband.

Plus, her new hubby was a douchebag because of the cliché **PAINFUL EMOTIONS FROM THE PAST!**

Yeah, yeah, yeah. You've been hurt, I've been hurt, *everyone* who has ever lived EVER has been hurt.

Fuck that noise, it's annoying.

Plus, and this really made me cringe, he kept screwing her while she was asleep.

What the *what*?!

Is that something that guys *do* now? Am I just old and out of touch? Is that *really* acceptable dick etiquette in this day and age?

Perhaps I'm just an unadventurous piece of white bread for thinking that being conscious was one of those things that made sex...sexy?

Regardless, that better *not* be what wakes **me** up in the morning, motherfucker.

I mean, Jesus Christ! Let me pee & get a cup of coffee first!

Anyway. The writing itself isn't bad, but the storyline just wasn't my cuppa.

If anyone has any suggestions for a good men-in-kilts trashy romance novel, I'd love to hear it!

Carmen says

Nope. Nope, nope nope nope.

This is just not my thing. I knew by page 39 when her brand-new husband kisses her harshly and against her will at a public dinner to shut her up (because women shouldn't have opinions or express themselves, apparently) and then she bites his lip and then he uses his tongue to smear the blood all in her mouth.

Yeah. That happened.

And she's a tomboy-warrior type woman and he wants her to wear dresses and cook all day, or something.

In the middle of the book, she seems to get the hang of PRETENDING to be submissive in the bedroom and turning (sexual) submission into a sex game - which I was very on board with. "Finally," I said to myself. "She will just cutely play like she's a sex-slave in the bedroom, and he will be satisfied with that and they both will be happy." I find sexual games to be cute and adorable - only when both parties know it's a game, though. Nope! Nope, nope, nope! He doesn't seem to have gotten the memo that she's only "playing." He still just cannot accept who she is as a person and fun, fake, sexual submission is not enough. She must be submissive to him in real life! Her only duty is running the keep (read: chores) and bearing him children!

Blergh.

Also he has a horrible habit of fucking her while she's sleeping so she always wakes up surprised to find a penis inside her. Every day, he does this EVERY DAY. I know women who have gotten divorced because of this shit.

AND this is yet another book, about the billionth book that is a romance - written by a woman - which is trying to convince me that blowjobs are the MOST ENJOYABLE AND "FEMININE" thing EVER, and that giving a blowjob to a man is THE most, THE best thing you will ever do in your life, and the "height of your feminine power" and the biggest turn-on (for you, the female) ever in the history of ever. o.O Who the fuck are you trying to kid? Now. I'm not saying, "Never give blowjobs" or anything - far from it. But it always highly amuses me when a heterosexual female is trying to convince me that being on my knees and servicing

a man orally is THE HEIGHT OF SEXINESS AND FULFILLMENT, OMG. Really? When did you get brainwashed? This really makes me laugh. You're honestly trying to convince me that giving a blowjob is more enjoyable than (names 50 other sexual activities)? LOL You're too funny. I don't mind blowjobs in romance books, but I DO mind when they start spouting this shit about blowjobs being the pinnacle of women's pleasure. o.O That's just stupid.

Again, I think Banks has been consuming too much porn rhetoric. Her sex scenes (in this whole trilogy) are ripped from porn films. I guess it makes sense because she also writes erotica. What I THINK is happening is that she's so used to writing erotica it's bleeding into her romance and she's unable to turn off her rougher erotica aesthetic in order to create more enjoyable, gentler romance novels. *shrug* She DOES do better - again, I really enjoyed Highlander Most Wanted and Never Seduce a Scot. Give those books a chance - and skip this trilogy.

ONE REAL STAR, ONE ROMANCE STAR

Heather says

This is the third and final installment in the McCabe Trilogy. Caelan has wed Rionna and they return to the McDonald keep. Caelan is not as readily accepted as he had hoped. Thing pick up and this book takes on a fast paced conclusion to this amazing series.

Rionna McDonald has long suffered her fathers lecherous nature and his unfair hand. She knows of his treachery, but as a daughter, she is unable to do much about it. Rionna is not a conventional daughter to the brutal Laird. She wears trousers and tunics and she dons a sword. She is a fierce warrior woman and defies any man to best her. She knows her duty is to marry a McCabe to form an alliance. She is feeling the sting of being set aside by two of the brothers only to be married off to Caelen.

Caelan McCabe is the youngest brother. He gave his heart and his hand in marriage before. He was betrayed by his love and his heart has not healed. He has vowed that he will never love again. He agreed to wed Rionna so that his older brother, Alaric, could be with his true love Keeley. Caelan is emotionally cold and doesn't trust easily but he is determined that this marriage will be a political success.

When Caelen takes over and orders Rionna to wear a dress... she is less than impressed. He is determined to make her into a proper Mistress of the house.

Caelen is charged with getting the McDonald clan into shape for war. They are allied with the McCabe's for the sole purpose of overthrowing Duncan Cameron. When Caelen tries to train the men, he has no idea what he is in for.

Rionna and Caelen spend time learning to please each other in the marriage bed. Caelan is very patient and eager lover. He is a naturally dominating man in the bedroom. Rionna is eager to oblige and she explores her control through surrender.

"Methinks marriage has made my brother soft," Alaric replied. " 'Tis a shame when a puny lass has to save his arse."

With their sexual awakening, they find it hard to keep feelings from developing. Rionna has little trouble tumbling over the edge. She vows to wait for her warrior and please him until he is able to fully surrender his heart to her.

"I love you," he said fiercely. " 'Tis not true that I kept a part of my heart locked away from you. You own all of it, lass. You've always owned it. I didn't give it to you. You took it from the very start."- Caelen

War is brewing and there are alliances being made outside the McCabe family. Cameron could bring about the family's downfall if they are not careful.

This book build to a frenzied climax and years worth of history is revealed. Betrayals abound and all must be brave. The story must come to an end, and so could the lives of some of our great warriors.

"You'll fight, damn it. You'll not give over this easily. God is not ready for you yet because I am not through with you. You're going to wake up and you're going to give me the words I've waited on for so long. Telling me you love me on the battlefield as we both lay dying doesn't count. You'll give them to me and mean them or so help me I'll bury you in unconsecrated ground so that you never rest and you'll be forced to dwell in this keep with me for eternity."- Rionna

I am having serious book hangover. I can't start another book after reading this trilogy back to back. *They were that good.* I am spoiled now! This series was exceptionally well crafted. There are well developed main characters and very interesting side characters. I loved how the story wove through the full series and built to this amazing climax.

The sexual chemistry in this one was **HOT!** I loved how Caelan taught Rionna how to please him. *swoon* Caelan has a wicked tongue and he knows how to use it! He is a dirty talker and a hot dominant highland warrior. The love, oh the love was so sweet. All three books had amazing depth. I absolutely adored that the women in this series were ALL strong in their own way. They all had significant attributes that they brought to the relationship. They were so much more than just women to bear children. They were all warriors in their own way.

5 Stars (Of course!!)

Mirjana **DTR - Down to Read says**

*****5 Stars*****

Just because it had begun one way didn't mean it couldn't change to something else entirely.

What did I think about this book, you ask??

I'm not going to lie...I wasn't sure historical romance was for me, but I wanted to step out of my comfort zone and check it out...MAN, OH MAN did this series prove me

I LOVED this series! The first book was great, the second fantastic and this third one...

I've been intrigued by Caelen from the very beginning, and I had full faith that when I finally got to his book, it would deliver. Maya Banks has not let me down yet!

Come on....a broody warrior scarred by a past love, vowing never to open his heart to another woman, only to succumb to the awesomeness that is Rionna.

Ummm hello....that's my kryptonite!

Rionna and Caeleb are two individuals bound by loyalty and love for their clan. Their marriage is a strategic move, rather than one rooted in love and affection. Neither is really sure what to make of the other, but underneath that uncertainty is undeniable attraction and combustible chemistry. Little by little they slowly lower their guards and realize that their first impression may have missed the mark.

I loved seeing both of them realize that there was so much more to the other.

Caelen was a warrior through and through, and though he could utter sweet endearments in their chamber late at night, he was a man with a singular motive. Protect what is his. Defeat Duncan Cameron and ensure the safety and future of his brothers, his clan and his king. He didn't know what to do with a stubborn wife who could please him in the bedroom, but wanted to fight alongside him in battle.

Rionna was not your typical lass. She was not knowledgeable in manners of being a lady. Nay, she much rather be out wielding a sword and fighting with the men. In her eyes, she was as much a warrior as any man in her clan...if not more. She was skilled, she was fast, she was determined. But her husband wants a wife, a lady of the keep....someone to organize feasts, take care of their home, know her place.

Could these two stubborn individuals find middle ground when they're so set in their ways? Can a scarred and betrayed warrior open his heart to a warrior princess?

The angst was delicious in its delivery. Getting dual POV's just made it that much more tasty. You really get to see these two evolve, compromise and grow into quite the dynamic duo. Watching them slowly let go of their misconceptions and fall in love is everything I love about reading romance books.

Simply put, this book was

And the series was

***~*~*~reading~*~*till~*~*~forever*~*~*~* says**

"Then she made her move. She turned abruptly and thrust the torch into Cameron's face. His howl of pain was instantaneous. At the exact moment of his cry, Rionna let out a war cry that rivaled any Caelen had ever heard. She drew her sword, tore off her cloak, and ran for the stake. Caelen stared in disbelief as McDonald soldiers swarmed over the walls, dropping down, swords in hands."

**battle cry*

STRAIGHT INTO THE BATTLE BITCHES, AND ANYONE WHO COMES NEAR ME IS GOING TO GET IT IN THE STOMACH, OR END UP WITH MY SWORD UP HIS ASS!

Or, uhmm, that would have been exactly what I would have said if I was, you know, in Riona's place... Okay, stop looking at me like that, I'm still locked in the world of the book!

Okaaaaaaay, I really thought that the series couldn't get any better, but evidently, I have just been proven wrong. This was

This book had it all: bravey beyond imagining, love with no boundaries, loyalty till the death, consipacy, betray, hurt, pain, anger, agony, passion, desperation... I've run out of nouns, but I think you get my point.

First of all we have Caelen...

Ummmm, hake that a SUPER HOT GUY ALERT....

Caelen is simply amazing: he would do anything for his brother and he is trying very hard to repay the "debt" he thinks he owes them. It's bull if you ask me, but still, the lad, um yeah actually man with every possible meaning of the word, is fiercly (think I misspelled it :D) loyal and determined to set things right. But the things he did sometimes...

He might be a brave and fierce warrior, but when it comes to love, trust of feelings of any sort, you just want to punch him in the face. And then kiss him senseless...

And then we have Riona. I've never respected more a book heroine. I can't even describe her, the words just don't cut it! Loyal to her clan and husband, brave, fierce, unstoppable, loving, caring and simply wonderful. All those things she did... Wow, you simply must read the book in order to understand what I'm saying. There's just no accurate way of describing it! But I have to warn you, when she engages in a battle of wills", as Caelen would say, with her husband, it is simply hilarious. At first I was like

but then, as the arguments escalated and she started fighting him and "disobey" him and even shout at him and then torture him in bed, I laughed until I turned blue :D

But their love and what they had to go through in order to finally be together, safe and create a family just broke my heart...

"I offer you the words now, wife. I love you. I love my warrior princess. I say it in front of my king, my clan. Our clan. So that you'll know how very loved and cherished you are."

And then of course the villains of the series make their presence known again: Riona's father, the son of a bitch who made an alliance with Cameron, for God's sake! And then of course we have the utter coward/ bastard/ the guy that if he really existed would be dead by now. When he first made his move against Riona, I was like

but then, I just lost my patience.

I really wish I could say more, but I can't. SO READ IT AND TELL ME HOW IT WAS!!!

"I should do this slower so that I can savor the sight of you, but I'm an impatient man, and I can't bear the excitement a moment longer. I simply have to see you, lass. I want to touch you so much, I'm shaking with it."

- Caelen

"I love you," he said fiercely. " 'Tis not true that I kept a part of my heart locked away from you. You own all of it, lass. You've always owned it. I didn't give it to you. You took it from the very start."

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"You'll fight, damn it. You'll not give over this easily. God is not ready for you yet because I am not through with you. You're going to wake up and you're going to give me the words I've waited on for so long. Telling me you love me on the battlefield as we both lay dying doesn't count. You'll give them to me and mean them or so help me I'll bury you in unconsecrated ground so that you never rest and you'll be forced to dwell in this keep with me for eternity."

- Riona

"I'll love you well, lass. 'Tis one promise I can make and vow to keep. I'll love you until I draw my last breath and beyond. You were made for me. I cannot imagine a more perfect mate."

- Caelen

willaful says

'Tis the truth, I thought this 'twas a wee bit of a dud. Aye, Laird McGrumpypants gave me a pain in my backside and 'tis the truth, I could not see why a lass would want to change everything about herself to curry favor with the lout. And 'tis the truth, the language got more than a wee bit repetitious, 'tis the truth. Perhaps 'twould have been better read than listened to. The ending 'twas pretty good, so two stars 'twill be.

Kristen says

5...HUGE...Stars!!!

I LOVED EVERYTHING ABOUT THIS BOOK! EVERYTHING! Not only is it my favorite of the series, it has also landed on **my all-time favorite bookshelf**. And that's saying something, since that rarely happens.

I felt so many emotions while reading this book and not one of those emotion was manipulated through cliched or manufactured plot devices. They were simply achieved through outstanding storytelling and writing.

This is the story about an honorable but bitter and cold man plagued with guilt, remorse, and self-loathing due to the vulnerability and naïveté of his youth that almost destroyed his family and clan. It's about an awe-inspiring women who is a force to be reckoned with and whose character embodied the courage, compassion, strength, loyalty, and determination to not only help guide her clan but to restore a broken man.

For me, *Never Love a Highlander* was an epic love story. It touched my heart, brought tears to my eyes, and made me a believer in true-love and all that it encompasses. It's a book with multifaceted characters that have embedded themselves in my heart and soul. **I will treasure this story forever.**

Mei says

LOVED IT!!! LOVED IT!!! LOVED IT!!!

I loved everything about this book!

Gruff Caelen... mmm.. he's as much gruff as sweet and passionate! He didn't want to fall in love with Rionna, but when he did... oh, boy, it was spectacular!

I liked Rionna since the first time I *met* her. She's just **perfect** for Caelen! I love a sword-wielding girl! And one that doesn't dress in fancy dresses, but leggings! WOW!!!

I loved that, for once, it was a woman to save man's life! *wink*

I'm really, really sorry to have finished reading this series!

Rachel says

[no (hide spoiler)]
