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WILD CHILD

Lady Gwendolyn is playing with fire. She has a habit of wandering into illicit places with gentlemen just to see how well they kiss. It's dangerous, but she can't seem to stop herself and no one in her family is up to the task either.

THE QUIET ONE

Sir Edward Murray is the man who can tame her. He may be just a country baronet, in town for a spell then gone, but the vivacious Lady Gwen draws him as no other. So he devises a carefully plotted campaign to capture the lady as his own. But he never guesses the depth of the lady's spirit or the power of her passion.

SECRETS!

Why is Lady Gwen risking herself and her reputation with her scandalous forays? When Edward uncovers the truth, he is caught in his own stratagems. She figures out his deceit and may never forgive him. Can Edward convince her that some things aren't as wicked as they seem? And that love is the wildest ride of all?

Engaged in Wickedness Details

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From Reader Review Engaged in Wickedness for online ebook

Marlene says

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From the description of Engaged in Wickedness, it looked like Jade Lee's introductory novella for her new Bridal Favors series would merely be a purely engaging frothy romance. But the desperate purpose behind Lady Gwen's wickedness gives this historical romance a surprising depth.

The story does have what seems like a typical start. It could have been whipped out of the Regency, and with a few updates, taken place anywhere and anywhen.

A young woman tests, in fact over-reaches the rules of her station, seemingly out of a spirit of adventure. She seems adventurous to her tamer and more conventional peers, who listen avidly to the tales of her adventures, safely after the fact.

But Lady Gwen is the daughter of an Earl, and the rules she is flouting are the staid and unbreakable conventions of the haut ton. What rules are those? She likes to sneak off into darkened corners and shadowy gardens with men, and let them kiss her.

This is dangerous behavior. If she is caught, she will be ruined in the eyes of the ton. Her father's station will not save her. And Lady Gwen simply does not care anymore. Flirting, and being caught, just a little, is the only thing that fills the emptiness of her life.

But one man is watching her. Sir Edward Murray has come to London to find a wife. And Lady Gwen is just the wife he wants. This slightly reformed bad boy has found his responsible side since the death of his father six years ago. Before he assumed his baronetcy, all of his plots and schemes were focused on getting into trouble. Since then, he's been too busy successfully managing his estate.

Now, now he's spent all his time in London crafting one plan after another to ensnare Lady Gwen. Little knowing that she is all too ready to be caught.

All he has to do is quit plotting and really, really see her. But by the time Edward finds Gwen's true depths, she discovers all of his plots and schemes.

Can recklessness and deception lead to lasting love?

Escape Rating B: At the beginning of the story, Gwen seems to be a very shallow person, and the reader wonders why one would sympathize with her. She's not just a flirt, she's actively self-destructive, and for no particularly good reason. Gwen seems to be running around a ton ball looking for someone to compromise her reputation, and her family is nowhere in sight.

Lucky for Gwen, this part doesn't last long. As we meet her family, it starts to be clear. Gwen's family is clinically dysfunctional, and things are being concealed from the world. Gwen is acting out of stress, because she can't cope anymore.

She needs to be rescued, but that risks exposure. So instead, she's looking for ruin, because adventure makes her feel alive for a few minutes. She's searching for danger. And it makes sense. Finding Edward is the best thing that could happen to her. Gwen needs a bad boy with a respectable facade. It just takes her a while to

realize it.

Figuring out just how bad he can be is what makes the story fun.

Ewa says

Very stupid, very horny heroine.

Stalker Hero.

Nothing special, move along.

Lura says

The only way this could have been better is if it were longer! ^_^

Desere says

A start to a wonderfully sinful bridal favours series ! I loved this book by fabulous author Jade Lee. She made me wish I was engaged in wickedness !

Daniela says

I enjoyed this book, went on to the next in series and cannot wait for the third! Jade Lee is a new aurhor and now is a favorite. Ms. Lee wrote a unique story about a young man who had a secret to gettje flower of the ton tonotice him.

Diane K. Peterson says

I really enjoyed this novella. There was enough story to have conflict and some character development. It is a nice setup for the subsequent books.

Gail says

Nice novella. The heroine is wild and willful, and the hero is determined to get to know her. Also, to marry her if she is the girl he thinks she is. It takes a lot of determination to get there, mostly because she wants to move faster than he realizes is possible.

Krissys says

I enjoyed this book because it was something I was in the mood for. Not to be taken seriously because of the silliness of the character personalities and the plot the sex is hot but as a whole the story is only so/so. Keep in mind its a short story so there isn't much of a plot to be had but its a quickie with a quickie so no complaints. :)

Rhonda says

I loved this book! Gwen is exactly how I think I would be if I were to have lived in that time. I would've have been so bored with all the propriety and tried to push the envelope at all times.

Cynthiaj says

A very quick example of the genre, but I enjoyed it. Ebook from LL carried me through end of my previous read to end of my trip.

Mary says

This was a pretty good read. A little short, but good.

Doreen says

This author or her editor does not know the difference between a baron and a baronet, or between whisky and whiskey. Neither of which would have been drunk by a gentleman in that era.

Jackie says

The wonderfully wicked and totally tantalizing romance story of Gwen and Edward is a romp that will cause the reader to feel every emotion these two characters feel, enjoying their journey from start to finish.

Gwen is just the sort of high spirited, somewhat reckless heroine I thoroughly relish finding in a historical romance.

Edward is her more serious counterpart, more than a match for her passionate nature and able to bring her a peace she has never found with anyone else.

Together they are a dynamic pair and it was a real pleasure to share their story in this novella that starts a new series that promises to be even more bold in the full length book that features Gwen's brother Robert. I truly look forward to reading Wedded in Scandal soon!

Sarah S says

While I think I would've enjoyed a full length novel with this couple, this was a nice balance of pacing and story. Definitely steamier than I expected.

Jade aka MrsTosh says

I really enjoyed this book, much better than I thought it was going to be as it was a free read.
