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The first book in a steamy new series from bestselling author Scarlett Scott.

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He's Clayton Ludlow, the bastard son of a duke and the first man she ever loved. Eight years after he took her innocence and ruthlessly abandoned her, he's back in her drawing room and her life.

This time, she's older, wiser, and stronger. She will resist him at any cost and make him pay for the past.

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He wants nothing more than to finish his assignment so that he can remove all traces of her from his life forever. But walking away from her for good won't be as easy as he thinks.

As secrets are revealed and danger threatens Ara, Clay discovers that the truth is far more complicated than deceit. Once she's back in his arms where she belongs, he'll wage the biggest fight of all to keep her there.

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Siobhan says

Nobody's Duke is the first book in Scarlett Scott's League of Dukes series, and I was eager for this one after enjoying the lead as a side character in Her Deceptive Duke. Note, however, that you do not need to read Her Deceptive Duke to understand Nobody's Duke. It's nice to have extra information on him, to see certain things, but it is not a necessary.

Although I did enjoy Nobody's Duke, I didn't enjoy it quite as much as I enjoyed Her Deceptive Duke. Her Deceptive Duke had a bit more action in it than Nobody's Duke, leaving me to feel as though things came together a bit too easily in this one. Despite this, as a whole, I really enjoyed Nobody's Duke.

With plenty of drama between the two characters, Nobody's Duke will have you hooked from the very start. You're sucked into the chemistry between the two characters, you're left desperate to see how everything comes together, and you cannot put the book down until you see how everything plays out. You become truly invested in their story, there are plenty of things you are desperate to see, and it leaves you more than willing to devour the book.

Without a doubt, this was a great first book in the League of Duke series, and I'm eager for book two!

Sangria says

Great romance, mystery and a surprising second chance, enemies to lovers.....again storyline.

Were introduced to Ara, the Duchess of Burghly in a sneak peek at the end of the last series and we all know Clayton Ludlow if you're following that series. Good news, if you haven't this is a stand alone, but I highly recommend that series.

Low and behold, we find out many things we were dying to know & im loathe to reveal them because I don't want to spoil it. This is one of those books where reading the review could, so I'll be brief.

Eight years ago, these two were young lovers. Something tore them apart, Clayton, who although a bastard, was raised alongside his brother Leo, the Duke of Carlisyle, goes on to work for him, in a fight against the Fenians. A Irish terror group, who has now targeted Aras husband (a husband who was in name only safety gang) and murdered him.

Clay is sent in to protect her.

Immediately they clash. Old feelings, misunderstandings and abandonment issues keep the first part of the book tense. There are a lot of feelings still there and a lot of hate.

They both believe the other betrayed them. Fireworks ensue.

Ara is hiding a huge secret that gets revealed later on, that's in fact where the story really starts to change.

Along the way, truths are revealed and the feelings they had for each other start to reignite. That's all I'm willing to say on the plot. I'm not a spoiler, lol!

I will say, I'm a Leo fan FOR LIFE.

The Duke of Carlyle has been my personal favorite character for many, many, many books now, and I adored every second Clay and Leo got together in scenes as brothers. I love how Scarlett Scott has evolved this very crucial character and leader who literally holds everyone's life in his hands.

I loved Clays mother! I'm so hoping to see more of her & I'm absolutely fascinated with who on earth our Leo is going to get, because he deserves only the best. This man works so hard, I want to see him truly loved by someone, lol.

Well written second chance love story. This series continues to impress.

I received an arc. Thank you so much for the pleasure.

Brenda says

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This was my introduction to this new to me author. This book is an excellent second chances story filled with intrigue, misconceptions and interfering relatives in the past.

Both parties think the other betrayed them because someone else made it seem so.

I loved this pair and knew from the start that they belonged together.

The characterization of all involved was excellently spun into a somewhat typical second chances scenario with just enough differences to make this a very engaging story..

I gave this book 4.8 of 5.0 stars for storyline and characterization. The young son of our couple is very engaging and a real heartrending addition to this story.

I received a complimentary digital ARC of this book via Netgalley to read. This in no way affected my opinion of this title which I read and reviewed voluntarily.

Lana Birky says

I really loved this book and it is at the top of the list for books I have read in the past year. Our hero, Mr. Clay Ludlow, was first introduced to us in Her Deceptive Duke and he worked for the Crown protecting a Duchess who rescues animals. When his assignment was over she gifted him the cat he had helped her with named Sherman.

Our heroine, Araminta "Ara", the Duchess of Burghly, is assigned a man from the Crown to protect her and her son from a group threatening her after they murdered her husband.

The worst possible man was sent - Mr. Clay Ludlow, her first and only man she had ever loved, Both her and Clay thought the other one betrayed them on the day they were supposed to run away and marry,

Old memories, old desires, danger, fireworks, love, surprises are just a few things that happen - Ara and Clay were the best couple and you fell in love with both of them and the secondary characters were great too. I highly recommend this book and can't wait for Leo's story next!

Tracy Emro says

4.5 stars

Araminta "Ara", Duchess of Burghly is a widow, her husband was brutally murdered by Fenian assassins and now the Duke of Carlisle, head of a government agency known as the "League" is in her drawing room telling her the same men are after her. But that is not what is upsetting her the most. No, what is most upsetting is the man he brought with him - Clayton Ludlow, his half-brother, colleague and the man that Ara loved with all her heart and who betrayed her.

Clay wants nothing to do with Ara, he refuses to take the mission and insists that Leo find someone else. Ara is just as lovely as she was eight years ago and probably just as deceitful - she ruined his life, made him believe she loved him and then turned on him, leaving him with a scarred face and a broken heart.

But when Leo refuses to let him be reassigned, Clay decides to make the best of the situation, but this time he won't fall victim to her wiles. He makes his position clear, he is not her servant and does not answer to her. She makes hers clear as well, she hates him and wants him gone. But for the sake of her son, she will cooperate - for now.

This is a very well written, emotional story with lots of secrets, heartache and a second chance at the love of a lifetime. But before these two can have a HEA, they will need to revisit the past, with all it's highs and lows, lies and betrayals, as well as their lack of faith in each other and of course, they will also have to stop the people who are trying to kill Ara. For a good portion of the book, they are angry and bitter, but thankfully the author inserts several flashbacks to when they were in love, which saves the reader from being overwhelmed by their current hatefulness to each other. The book has a little of everything, assassins, lies, heartbreak, secrets, moments of joy, true love, red-hot love scenes and wonderful secondary characters. I thoroughly enjoyed this book and am looking forward to Leo's story.

I am voluntarily leaving a review for an eARC that was provided to me by NetGalley and the publisher.

Lori D says

A captivating, breathtaking, passionate story that will twist your heart while filling it with a wonderful second chance romance! Scarlett Scott has fast become one of my favorite authors, who fulfills everything I want out of a romance novel and beyond. This highly charged story presents Ara and Clayton, two intriguing, passionate and guarded people, who had know each other years ago and now come back together

unexpectedly.

Ara, the Duchess of Burghly, is assigned a bodyguard by the Crown since she was being threatened by a group of dangerous men who killed her husband. But no, it could not be! They sent Clayton, the first man she had ever loved. Each thinking the other betrayed them, the old emotions come forward with fireworks! I loved the dialogue and interaction between these two! Once I started reading I literally could not put it down! Stayed up into the early morning and could only sigh as I turned the last page. Suspense, humor and an amazing array of characters you cannot help but adore makes this tale a keeper, leaving me anxiously awaiting the next book in the League of Dukes! Trust me, this is a must read!!

Janet says

When the dangerous men who killed her husband Freddie in a political assassination threaten Ara, Duchess of Burghly, the Crown assigns her a bodyguard. But the man charged with protecting her is no stranger. He's Clayton Ludlow, the bastard son of a duke and the first man she ever loved. Eight years after he took her innocence and ruthlessly abandoned her, he's back in her drawing room and her life. She's the only woman Clay ever loved and the one he hates above all others. When Ara brutally betrayed and deceived him, leaving him with a scarred face and a bitter heart, he devoted himself to earning his reputation as one of the Crown's most feared agents.

We met Clay in Her Deceptive Duke & I loved him in that book so I'm really glad he's the hero of this one, also the start of a new series. This is my favourite trop of enemies (or are they?) to lovers, throw in second chances & I'm a very happy bunny. I lost myself in the book & found it very hard to put down, the pace is very good & towards the end couldn't read fast enough, the characters have plenty of depth. The dialogue between Clay & Ara is delightful & very entertaining. I particularly loved how Clay & Edward bonded from their first meeting & how their relationship developed. The story flows effortlessly, I was hooked from the first page to the last. I'm not usually fond of flashbacks however in this case they worked & formed an integral part of the story. Bloodthirsty me would have liked for a certain Earl to have had his comeuppance. I look forward to the rest of the series especially Leo's story
My honest review is for a special copy I voluntarily read

Maggie Whitworth says

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Oh Clay, This Guy Is Hot !!

This is the sort of book , where you wish you were both the love interest and the hero's shirt .

I've never wanted to be an item of clothing more . Lol

Scarlett is becoming a massive favourite of mine .

Her hero's are sexy , debonair, adventurous, loving , romantic and you need them in your life .

Her Ladies are real angels with an edge , they are perfect accompaniment and partners in crime and in passion .

This book has a great storyline, and a strong backstory running through the series of characters all from the same world and related by family or friendships.

You couldn't do better than to curl up with this one and lose yourself for a few hours in total bliss .

Highly recommend!

I received an advance copy of this book and chose to submit a review

Tonia says

My favorite book so far!

Nobody's Duke is my favorite book!! I love the way you feel the characters of Ara and Clay and all that they are going through. It was fantastic from beginning to end!

Deb Diem says

Nobody's Duke by Scarlett Scott is an outstanding historical second chance romance. Ms. Scott has given readers a well-written book and furnished it with a cast of characters that is stellar. Clayton (you may remember him from Her Deceptive Duke) is ordered to protect Araminta from assassins that have already murdered her husband. Ara and Clay's story is packed with drama, humor, sizzle, action and suspense. I enjoyed every page of this book and look forward to reading more from Scarlett Scott in the future. Nobody's Duke is book 1 of the League of Dukes Series but can be read as a standalone. This is a complete book, not a cliff-hanger.

I voluntarily read and reviewed an advanced copy of this book that I received from a third party. All thoughts and opinions are my own.

Cheryl says

This was an enthralling read. The story has flashbacks to eight years ago but this is smoothly done. I loved the initial connection between Ara (Araminta) and Clay and even though they deny it, and eight years have passed, the connection is still there. I also enjoyed how their story slowly unfolded and it was revealed how Clay got his scar. Alongside this, is the real threat of the Fenians. This underlying threat is a constant thread throughout the story and provides the reconnection of Ara and Clay. Leo, Duke of Carlisle, also makes an appearance and I'm looking forward to his story.

Dianne says

Eight years before, they were young and in love, planning to go away to start their lives together, but assumed betrayals and brutal prejudice tore them apart. Now Clayton Ludlow bastard son of a duke is back to protect Duchess Araminta and her young son after the political murder of her husband. Will their broken hearts make his task impossible or will it re-open old wounds and further betray the love they still secretly harbor?

Scarlett Scott's **NOBODY'S DUKE** is historical romance at its most frustrating, heartbreaking and heartwarming as we witness two lovers tentatively break down the walls they built to hide their pain and discover that true love can never die.

Fabulous characters, all damaged in their own way, some with secrets that they have long kept hidden and lots of action between the sheets. I loved the characters, the tension and all of their interactions. What I had a

problem with? The sensual scenes became cut and paste to me. GAH! I know, I know... I can't help it, but every scene included the same phrases, the same actions and dare I say, I got bored with the dancing in the sheets?

BUT, the rest of the story had me, lock, stock and heart strings as Scarlett Scott presented a second chance romance against the odds, as well as times.

I received a complimentary ARC edition from Scarlett Scott!

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Barbara Rogers says

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This is an absolutely lovely second chance romance. Two wonderful young people who were very much in love and were torn apart by a nasty fiend. Eight years later, they get their chance to find love with each other again. The story is well written and excellently delivered. I loved both of the main characters and could absolutely feel the love they had for each other even after all that was done to them. Great read.

The story jumps back and forth in time – part of it telling the events of eight years earlier and part of it telling their current story. The main setting is London in 1882 – during the time the Irish Finians are using terrorism to gain home rule for Ireland. Many of their tactics are the same as terrorists use today.

Clayton Ludlow is the illegitimate son of the Duke of Carlisle. The duke raised Clay alongside his legitimate son. The Duke loved Clay's mother and they all lived together as a family – leaving the Duke's cold and unfeeling wife on her own. I didn't understand the little I saw of Clay's brother, Leo. He was raised in a very loving home with a woman who loved him and treated him as if he were her own. However, he appears to be very aloof and unfeeling in this book. I guess we'll learn more about him in the next book.

Lady Araminta (Ara) Winters is the youngest child of the Earl of Wickham. She's bright, funny, loving, and unspoiled. It is kind of hard to imagine her being so sweet given the parents she has. She had two seasons but just hasn't found anyone who curled her toes.

When she's out riding one day Araminta sees the most gorgeous young man running down the path. She conceals herself so she can admire him without being seen. She returns the next day and the next and the next before he finally confronts her. They spend more and more time together and fall in love with each other. They finally make plans to marry without her father's consent and agreed to meet at dawn to leave. Dastardly deeds intervene and each thinks the other has betrayed them.

Eight years later, Clay works for an elite organization in the Home Office and Ara has just become the widow of a duke who was killed by the Finians. The Finians are now threatening Ara's life as well and the Home Office assigns Clay to her protection. He fights the assignment, but in the end, he has no choice but to accept.

It was a wonderful time watching these two very lovely people find that their love had never died. They slowly come to realize what happened to them all those years ago and they realize that they can now have all they lost.

I definitely recommend this book!

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"I requested and received this e-book at no cost to me and volunteered to read it; my review is my honest opinion and given without any influence by the author or publisher."

Zubee says

An interesting premise; a H who is the illegitimate eldest son of a duke and a h who is the daughter of an Earl; the H is never the duke; his younger, illegitimate brother is

The H and h fall in love and want to marry; they are already sleeping together. They make plans to meet to marry but h's father has goons capture and torture the H while h waits for him. Eventually she is preggers and is kicked out. She stays with some family and marries a friend (who is secretly in love with another man).

They reconnect when her husband is killed and he is the investigating agent. They have a seekrit baby too ... The premise is good and h is sufficiently strong; she stands up to the H admirably. I found H to be somewhat tiresome in his accusations. He had justifications but surely if he was so madly in love with her and she was happy to leave her cushy life for him, why did he decide she betrayed him? But then, if we solved this, we wouldn't have a story ... but TBH given the way their love and connection before marriage was highlighted, I feel the reason used to separate them was a bit flimsy.

Also, the story had shades of modernism peppered throughout which jarred me; I like my historicals to be historicals. This came through very strongly in the way they told her son he was the H's illegitimate child and also in the way selfish H was so very upset that h's son was his too. He wanted to know why she hadn't told him but maybe someone should have asked him what end result he was expecting when he was happily playing musical beds with her?

All in all, a good plot and a strong h but a tiresome and irritating H ...

Maxine Wilson says

Ms Scott has delivered an outstanding heart warming story of lost love being reunited, so many twists and turn, from present time to reliving the past of 8 long years.

Very sensual, like romance use to be like, she has delivered a very well written story that you will not want to put done.

Clay and Ara story captivates your head and heart.
Stand alone
