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This book is #2 in the 'Bama Boys series. While it can be read as a standalone, it is a continuation of book #1 and is meant to be read after Forever Red.

Putting others needs before his own was all Mike Carson had ever done.

First, it was the friends he loved more than family. Then it was his country. By nineteen, he was a father, a husband and fighting in a war not many people believed in. After an accident ended his career and his life fell apart, he filled his days keeping screaming fans from reaching the most famous country rock star in the world. And, pining after a woman who would never love him. Then, everything changed.

He thought he could handle anything that was thrown his way. He thought running my security detail would be the easiest job he'd ever had. He thought he'd be able to keep me safe without getting attached.

He was wrong.

They call me reckless, selfish, and slutty. In reality, I've just stopped caring what everyone else thinks. I'm determined to have some fun, to live life my way, and to make Mike realize that being a little selfish isn't the worst thing in the world.

I think we both have our work cut out for us.

****Book contains graphic language and adult content.****

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Lustful Literature says

****BETH'S REVIEW****

I first fell in love with this series when a friend told me that Forever Red was a must read. I was new to Carina Adams so I wasn't sure what to expect in the writing but being a second chance romance, I knew I couldn't go wrong. I fell in love with Nate and Lia's story but I also fell in love with the author's writing. So when I saw we were going to get Mike's book, Nate's hot as hell best friend and body guard, I couldn't wait.

Mike has been friends with Lia since they were very young. He's been in love with her just as long, but he has one issue, she is in love with his best friend Nate and they are now happily married. Not being able to be around them and their love right now he has left the tour and working as a bouncer in a bar and spending time with his son Jake. That is until Lia convinces him to come back to the tour to be Molly's body guard. Molly is in a bad place, the press is crucifying her with false stories about her and Nate cheating behind Lia's back, making her out to be the bad guy in all of this. She has also just fired her manager and hired Lia to do the job. But there is more to Molly and her past than most know. Mike and Molly have always been good friends with them both being part of the tour and both being best friends to Nate and Lia but now that they will be spending every moment together for the next few months, that friendship will grow into more, something neither of them do when it comes to relationships

I will be honest, it has been six months since I read Forever Red and since that time there have been many other books read during that time, so it took me the few chapters to get back into the story but once I did, it quickly all came back. Out of the Blue could definitely be read as a standalone but for me personally, to completely enjoy this book, you really should read it as a series. We get to meet both Mike and Molly in Forever Red. Mike is Nate's body guard and best friend while Molly is Nate's opening act and best friend. And I must say, I loved Nate and Lia and really enjoyed both Molly and Mike enough that I was looking forward to their book but I never would have thought I would love their story more than Nate and Lia's. Carina Adams pulled me in right from the very first chapter and didn't let go until the very last page. I loved her writing in Forever Red, but her writing in Out of Blue was truly outstanding, never once falling flat nor feeling like too much detail and filler.

I absolutely loved Mike's character. Mike has always been in love with Lia but Lia was in love with Nate, his best friend and Nate has been in love with Lia. Mike was such a selfless person, he put Lia and Nate's love for each other before himself and he did the same with Molly, putting her wellbeing and safety before himself. He was strong, built big and was rough and gruff but when you got to see the real Mike he was nothing more than a big hot and sexy teddy bear. I truly couldn't imagine a more perfect BBF, he was just amazing in every way possible.

I loved Molly, she was funny and sassy, and a don't mess with kind of girl. But behind that front she showed everyone was a sweet girl who hurt, and had been hurt. She had the wild and no care attitude but deep down and behind her walls was a girl that was just looking to have someone love her.

After reading Forever Red and loving it, I knew Out of the Blue would be no different. I was completely wrong, it was so much better. Mike and Molly's story was so beautifully written, it had its sweet and funny parts and it had its hot and sexy parts too, but this one left me sitting on the edge of my seat with its heartbreaking moments and the suspenseful ones too. It was an absolute perfect mix that told an amazing story between two people who were no more than friends but put together in a much closer situation, you couldn't help but see the attraction but also the connection between these two. This book as well as the series

is a definite must read and although Carina Adam is a new author on my radar, she is going to be one I will be watching as well as reading for some time.

Jenny says

2.5 stars

I think I missed something...

I mean, the book has incredible ratings.
The summary pulls you in.

I didn't even bother reading the first book of the series because I assumed I would get the gist of it all.

Well.

This story confused the living heck out of me. Definitely not what I was expecting. The H (Mike) seemed to be more obsessed with the "one who got away" (Red/Lia/Lee – the h in the first book). He was in love with her – past and present. There was way too much focus on that, too little focus on his feelings developing for the h (Molly Ray). I have NO CLUE when these two actually fell in love with each other because it was either missing or brushed by.

This book missed so many marks that I can't even begin to count.

Boo.

Love N. Books says

Out of the Blue is the second book in the Bama Boys series and in all honesty the series name was the one thing that had me hesitating to read it. I'm not a country kind of girl... at all. But, I also thought the story sounded interesting so I wanted to give it a try. Now, maybe something you don't know about me is that I cannot EVER jump into a series mid way through. I have to read every other book in the series. It just won't happen unless it was totally by accident. So, I picked up Forever Red first, liked what I read and was very excited to jump into the second book.

I'm so glad I gave this series a chance. It is country like you've never seen it before and we get more of Mike which turns out to be a very good thing! I wasn't sure I was okay with Mike after the first book. That man was harboring some majorly inappropriate feelings for his best friend's wife. But we find out a ton more about Mike, Lia and Nate's relationship in this book and how and why they all remain close regardless of hidden feelings.

What I did not see coming was Mike's interest in Molly. I really expected this to be a second chance book and that Mike would repair his relationship with Julie. I should have known better. Julie is a fucking loon and after thinking about it, if Mike and Julie had reconciled, I probably would have dropped the series. Molly is such a better match for Mike and I loved the way they played off each other's sense of humor, their shared

past friendship and their attempts to move on from their past mistakes.

The added element of suspense Adams adds to this book was well done and the story moved along quickly with surprisingly little angst for a country rocker type series. It was set up in a way that you're never sure where the threat was going to come from. I only had a few questions that continued to nag at me throughout. Why did Molly only have one security guard? I understand that there were other security staff there, but only Mike was assigned to Molly. There was also a small gap in regards to a family from Molly's past. I never did understand why the family was such a threat. Other than those two small questions, which ultimately had no impact on how the story played out, I thought the book was structured well and the characters were fun and made me want to know more. I can't wait to get Noah's book next and Adams may make a country lover out of me yet.

Pet's \$0.02

Three Chicks says

5 stars by Jen Skewes

When I read Forever Red I completely fell in love with Nate Kelly. But there was also the man behind the scenes that I could not over look or forget about. He is the man that everyone loved, the man that everyone wanted to see happy, and the man that we all wanted a story for. He is Mike Carson, and my God did I fall in love with him.

I think anyone who read Forever Red wanted Mike's story just as badly as I did. When I first read the blurb for Out of the Blue I wondered who his love interest could possibly be. And then Carina sent me the first few chapters to beta read and when I found out who it was all I could say was "No Freakin Way!" And by the end of the book I can sit here and tell you that Carina Adams is pure genius. I was completely shocked by who his interest was but my God was she the perfect choice. If you fell in love with Nate and Lia then just wait until you read Mike Carson and his girl's story because they will knock your socks off. These two are just made for each other.

There is a part of me that wants to keep it a secret so you can be pleasantly surprised just as I was. But I know with all the reviews out there it won't be possible. But I may just keep you guessing a bit longer. Lol.

At the end of Forever Red, Ms. Adams gave us an epilogue that was powerful and at the same time shocking. It broke my heart to see how much pain Mike was in. I knew he loved Lia and that they had a special relationship. But I never thought he felt that way about her. As much as she belongs with Nate a part of me wishes he got his girl. So seeing how much he loves her I could not imagine how he could ever get past that and find happiness himself. But Ms. Adams gave him an amazing and beautiful woman who he loves in ways that he never loved Lia. And over time he sees that maybe everything isn't always as it seems.

Mike left his job as Nate Kelly's security guard because seeing the woman he loved married and in love with someone else was just too painful for him. But when Lia comes knocking on his door begging him to return back to work because they need him he can't say no. But this time around it's not Nate that he will be working for. He will be guarding and protecting Molly Ray. He's known Molly for a few years since working for Nate. They're friends and Molly is a really awesome girl. But never in a million years did he think that he would fall for her. Yes!!!! Molly Ray and Mike Carson!! See total shock!! Ok back to the story. Mike's job is to protect Molly but along the way they become so much more. But Molly has a past and so does Mike. With their past coming back to haunt the both of them, the rumors flying around, and the paparazzi everywhere,

can these two even make it together. Or when the tour ends will their relationship as well? Hmmm...you will have to read for yourself.

I cannot begin to tell you how much I loved Mikey and Mols. These two have a connection that is amazing and honestly I really have no words for it. They are sexy and adorably cute together. Mike is in a word perfect. He is sexy, controlling in a way that makes him even sexier but he also has one of the biggest hearts EVER!!!! He will do anything to protect his family and those he loves. Protecting Molly was a job but to be honest it was so much more for him. He protected her because he cared. I thought I loved Nate Kelly but man I think may love Mikey more. He is that special!

And Molly...well I have one big girl crush on her. She has been through a lot in her life. And while she is spunky and feisty there is also a part of her that doesn't always stick up for herself. But with a man like Mike by her side and two best friends such as Nate and Lia she will get through what life has decided to throw her way.

I loved watching these two fall for each other. They both felt it, the connection that they had but I think they were also both scared and it took a little longer to admit what was really going on. But I felt it. I felt them falling for each other. I felt the love, the connection, and the emotions that they felt. I was on this journey with them and experience all of the emotions with them.

I don't think anyone would ever expect Mikey and Mols to end up together but Ms. Adams gave us such an amazingly beautiful story that when it was all over you just knew that there is no other perfect match for Mike Carson than Molly Ray. When he called her kid I just melted. When she called him Mikey, a huge smile stretched across my face (sigh). Words cannot express how much I loved these two. They are right up there with Lia and Nate.

Once again Carina Adams has blown me away. It is her words that made me feel everything with these characters. I was hooked from the very beginning until the very last page. And to be honest I did not want to let go of these characters. I was so sad to see this story end. It stayed with me for days. This is one of those books that I can go back and read over and over again. As I write this review I have a smile on my face just thinking of Mike and Molly.

I have been a fan of Carina's since the very beginning. I fell in love with her writing and her characters since reading her debut novel (Always Been Mine). I think she has grown so much as a writer and each book just gets better and better. I look forward to anything that this woman writes. I am so excited for Noah's story and looking forward to more time with this family that I feel like I am a part of. Another amazing job Ms. Adams!!

Chrissy says

★★★★ 1/2

Once I read Forever Red, I knew I needed Mike's story and was thrilled we were getting it. In Out of the Blue we get Mike and Molly's story, and find out so much more about the protective best friend, and the wild country singer.

After Lia and Nate's wedding, Mike took some time off, not able to see them together in wedded bliss all the

time, but when Lia calls stating she needs Mike back on tour protecting Molly, he jumps at the chance to help his friends. Molly is the wild child, and getting herself in more trouble than before. She thinks the things she does is ok, but the press has a different idea and make her life hell. Mike is the only one she seems to listen to when he gets back on tour, and you can instantly see that this is going to be an interesting time for both of them.

Molly and Mike were great friends, but when forced to be with one another twenty four hours a day, they start to learn more things about one another, and feelings that weren't there before are strong. Mike tries hard to stay away and do his job, but there's something about Molly that he can't get enough of and when he crosses that professional boundary, its definitely worth it for him. Neither one of them knew what was going to happen with them, but they enjoyed every single minute they had together.

Learning more about Molly's back story in this book was awesome. We met both her and Mike in Forever Red, but didn't get to truly know them until this story. Molly has been through some really rough times in her life, and no one, except Nate, really know what she's been through. When Mike finds out, his reaction was nothing that Molly expected, and I loved him a little more for it. She's been through hell and back, but she is a much stronger woman than what you thought she was while getting to know her. Mike has had a rough go of it to, but being with Molly has shown him that he never really has been in love with someone. He's lost a lot in his life, and has also had a rough go of it, but he doesn't let it bring him down.

Both of these characters are quite stubborn, and at times I wanted to strangle them. They never really talked about where their relationship was going, and came to conclusions at times that were incorrect and caused more problems than not. I did enjoy seeing how protective Mike was of Molly, and how once everyone saw that Mike and Molly didn't, accepted them together. It only took their friends a few times seeing them together to see that they loved one another, but it took these two a LONG time to figure it out.

I really loved getting to see how Nate and Lia were doing in this book, as well as catching up with the rest of the Bama boys. This story was beautifully written and one that gripped me from the beginning of the book all the way to the amazing epilogue. If you loved Nate and Lia together, you will LOVE Molly and Mike, they are perfect for one another!

Charlotte says

For adult readers.

Molly have up her tough girl look to chase her dream of singing country music. When Molly ends up in the tabloids again, her manager cancels many of her your stops, so she fired him. Molly then hire her best friend's wife as her new manager and her first idea is to hire Molly some security.

Mike has been in love with Lia forever. He left his security job because he couldn't watch her be all lovey dovey with her new hubby Nate. While Mike is drinking his troubles set at his favorite bar, Lia walk in and tells him it's time to come home. Lia needs him to protect their old friend, Molly.

I'd have to has this book has it all. There lies, cheating spouses, regret, love, true love, and even a racing lunatic. This all wrap up in a compelling story of the lives of Mike and Molly mostly, but the characters from book one come in quite a bit. These two characters both have pretty rough pasts, but their stories do fully come, which I like.

I think this book is well written and has an interesting story line.

Nancy The book junkie says

Review coming soon!

Ada Frost says

I absolutely loved Forever Red and absolutely LOVED Mike in that. So as always with a follow up I was a little nervous it wouldn't live up to expectation. And obviously I needed a perfect heroine for him.

Did it live up to expectation - no. It exceeded what I could have hoped for. I was hooked from page one. Molly is definitely one of my all time favourite heroines. She is a mixture of sassy and insecure. She is absolutely amazing. Total girl crush.

And all I need to say about Mike is AMAZING!

I love this series.

Sybil aka Lala says

This book can be read as a standalone but it is a continuation of characters we meet in Forever Red.

Mike has had feelings for Lia almost all his life and after she marries his best friend and employer, he decides to move and take a job as security at a country bar. It's here that Lia finds him again after months of absence and asks him to take on the security for her new client, Molly.

Molly is a rising country singer and deemed the bad girl of country. Labelled a slut by false rumours spread in gossip rags that she's been having an affair with Nate, she is going through a difficult time. She's trying to find a balance between staying true to herself while conforming to what fans of country want her to be.

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Now, I hate slut shaming in romance novels. It sends me into blind rages, so I was absolutely thrilled with Molly's character. She's not a glorified virginal princess, instead she's a tatted up woman who is proud of her sexuality. The author takes on issues of sexism, double standards and slut-shaming and I absolutely loved that!

While Mike and Molly were friends before, neither really felt any attraction towards each other. Molly comes from a sketchy past and Mike is still harbouring feelings for Lia. Through being in charge of Molly's security detail, he starts feeling protective of her and by being forced to spend so much time together, he starts to notice the vulnerable girl beneath the hard-ass and the many layers that make up this complicated woman.

Mike was wonderful. The strong silent type, he never batted an eye at anything thrown his way. As Mike starts to see her in a different light, his protectiveness over her can longer be written off as him simply doing his job.

There's a lot happening in this book, stalkers and death threats, secrets from the past unveiled, manipulative ex-wives and some sizzling chemistry between Molly and Mike – and yet this book is excellently paced. Nothing felt rushed or overly dramatic. I lapped this book up word for word like a starving person!

Definitely recommend this book!

(ARC provided by author in exchange for an honest review)

Jacqueline says

Loved this one.

This is Molly and Mike's story. All of the action took place in the now so this was a much less angsty read than *Forever Red*. He's her bodyguard and someone's been sending her threats so there was some delish chemistry simmering between them as they both tried not to cross the line, then they were trying to keep things secret. Loved that.

Complete story, recommended.

Rosa Sharon (iScream Books Blog) says

Simple is boring...

Hello, my name is Rosa, and I'm a 'Bama Boys addict. It all started when I saw this sexy tattooed bad boy on the cover of a book. I couldn't resist the temptation. They pulled me under, convincing me that they were more important than my house work or my sleep. Once I started, I couldn't stop. Don't worry though, I don't need intervention or a 12 step program, I just need another fix. Carina Adams is my dealer and I'll be stalking her, waiting.

Can I just say that the cover of *Out Of The Blue* is **amazing**? I'm still suffering from #CoverLust. With that image in my head as I read the book, it was totally swoonworthy. Mike is Lia's best friend. They grew up together and are very close. He would take a bullet for her. She loves him, but is not in love with him. But how does he feel about her? He walked away from his security job, protecting the 'Bama Boys, to get his head and his heart straight. He was so used to taking care of everyone else, but now when left on his own, his behavior became destructive. When a blast from his past found him, sobered him up, and asked him to take on a protection detail for a country singer he was reluctant. Was he ready to go back?

I was very impressed with this second book in the series. It got my attention from the beginning and kept it. While there were a few memories, when we flashed to the past, it was well balanced and easy to follow. I totally had a girl crush on the female main character. Since the author didn't mention her name in the synopsis, I'm not going to either. I had my hopes about who it would be, and I'm very happy with the

outcome. Another thing that was very exciting about this installment was the suspense. There were secrets and surprises. Both characters have a painful past and baggage they are carrying around, extra weight that is on their shoulders instead of the cargo hold of the tour bus.

My emotions were given a workout as I **felt** the beautiful song lyrics and suffered loss as I shared the character's experiences through the pages of my kindle. I fell even harder for Mike. He had me already before I even started reading, but now that I've been inside his head and his heart, **THUD**. I'm a goner...sigh.

Now, lets talk about Noah. He's the **other** Kelly. He's Nate's little brother and he plays steel guitar with the band. He's been a full-fledged 'Bama Boy for a while now. He captured my heart when he accepted Lia and took her side when his family was against her relationship with Nate. He was young and cocky and sexy as hell too. He's a big flirt and he's hilarious. He needs a good woman to reel in his manwhore habits and make him realize what he's missing. I can't wait!

Carina Adams says

Out of The Blue is live!!

I can't wait for you to meet Mike and Molly!!

Laura says

4.5 Stars

I enjoyed the first book in this series 'Forever Red'. However, that book had a few plot holes but I'm glad to see the author has written a much better story for Mike and Molly.

In the epilogue of Forever Red we realised Mike has been in love with Lia for years...even though she is now happy and married to his best friend. This book starts with Mike having taken a different job (he's in Security) so he doesn't have to spend too much time around the Newleyweds. But Lia tracks Mike down and asks him to come and be the Security Guard for Country Singer Molly (who also feated in Forever Red and is also good friends with Nate and Lia and knows Mike). I would say you can read this as a standalone as most things from the first book are mentioned in this book, so it's not too confusing.

Mike has known Molly a few years but has never looked at her in a romantic sense but within a few days of working closely together, they both sense the chemistry between them and soon they are lovers. I loved Mike. He's very alpha male. I liked Molly as well but I would have liked a bit more background on her own story as at times, it seemed like we didn't know enough or it wasn't really explained enough and even at the end, we never heard what happened with her other sister (who is a complete cow!).

At first what with Mike calling Molly 'kid' and 'kiddo', I was picturing her as early 20's but she's actually 28 and I worked out Mike is around 31, so there's not much of an age difference but Mike seemed older but I think it's the way he spoke. He's protective of Molly from the get go and although Mike thinks he's in love with Lia, it's obvious really that he's not and when Lia explains what she thinks of the situation to Molly, it makes sense. You never feel like Mike is pining for Lia once he gets together with Molly. There is a minor mystery plot involving Molly's past. I like the writing style of this author and this one was much better written than the first book. The author commented on my GR review of the first book, so I know she listens

to her readers and I can see she made a concentrated effort to 'show don't tell' in this book.

My only criticism is that I wanted more of Mike and Molly together in a romantic way. Yes there are sex scenes early on but later in the story, they just seem to cuddle and fall asleep together and the sexual side of their relationship rarely made an appearance. Also, things with Mike's ex were 'told' in the Epilogue. I think the ending seemed a bit rushed. However, I'm looking forward to Noah and Emily's story which is next.

1-Click Addict Support Group says

Ahhh!! YEEESSSS!!! Mike's story! I was so excited to read this book. I loved *Forever Red*, Nate and Lia's story, and so wanted for Mike to get his own. And Ms. Adams has answered those prayers!

We met both Mike and Molly in the first book. Mike is Lia and Nate's best friend, and head of Nate's security. Molly was a young country star, just starting out when Nate took her under his wing.

After Nate and Lia got married, Mike had a hard time so he left the tour. He couldn't be around them every day, watching their love. However, Lee was still his best friend and when she called, he answered.

“At the end of the day, one thing we can agree on. Less is more than my best friend; she's my constant, the light in my dark, and the one person I can always count on.”

So, when she asked him to come back to the tour and be Molly's security, he said yes.

I adore Molly. She is sassy and feisty!

“Hell, when you lived with a gaggle of men or as I like to call them, my flock of cock, in a rolling house the size of a dorm room, you tend to see more than you want.”

Though, in this book, we got to learn a lot of her secrets that I was quite surprised by. It just made me love her and her strength even more!

Mike and Molly knew each other and were friends before he started working for her, but neither one expected the attraction between them.

“I craved her. I had to have her. I was so unbelievable fucked.”

The two of them together were sizzling! I really loved watching both Mike and Molly figure out who they are, what they want, and how to get it. They both had tragic pasts and were able to get past them together! This book was the perfect blend of sweet, sexy, funny, and action! And that epilogue—perfection!!

I LOVE, LOVE, LOVED how much of Nate and Lia and the rest of the *'Bama Boys* that we got in this story! I cannot wait for Noah and Emily's story!! ~ Tiffany, 5 stars

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Michael Carson had his heart broken when his best friend, Lia married his other best friend, Nate Kelly. So, he does what he needs to and checks out for a while, needing time to think and decide what to do now.

Molly has been called every name in the book due to the media always overanalyzing and taking things out

of context, thinking she's trying to ruin Nate and Lia's marriage. But that is just so far from what the truth really is. One thing is for sure, Molly needs better security detail and Lia knows it, so she goes out to get back the best...Mike Carson!

I liked Mike and Molly's chemistry, yet at times I didn't feel they were really connected—especially when he would call her little one, kid and so on, even after they had been intimate. Other than that, and that annoying ex, whom I really wanted to reach out and smack, I loved how Mike and Molly found love with one another. Though, I was thrown off when Molly's past came barreling at her, and my goodness, Ms. Adams, you had me in tears!

There is plenty of hotness, drama and mystery but, most of all, hope... Hope that there is light at the end of the dark tunnel. Thank you for sharing Mike and Molly's story with us! ~ Kara, 4.5 stars

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## **Robyn says**

4.5 True Love Stars

This was my favorite story in this series. Loved me some Mike Carson!

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