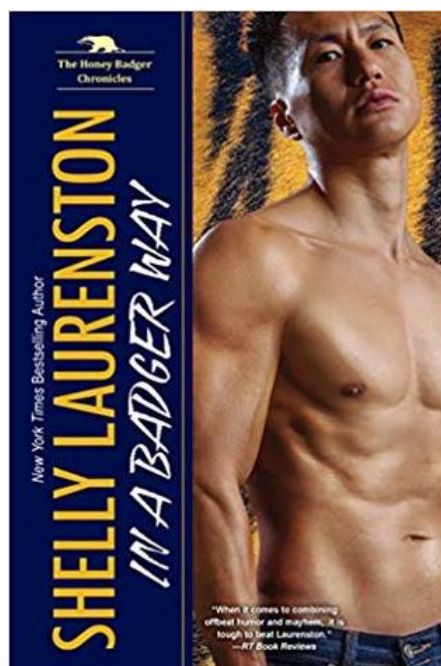




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Petite, kind, brilliant, and young, Stevie is nothing like the usual women bodyguard Shen Li is interested in. Even more surprising, the youngest of the lethal, ball-busting, and beautiful MacKilligan sisters is terrified of bears. But she's not terrified of pandas. She loves pandas.

Which means that whether Shen wants her to or not, she simply won't stop cuddling him. He isn't some stuffed Giant Panda, ya know! He is a Giant Panda shifter. He deserves respect and personal space. Something that little hybrid is completely ignoring.

But Stevie has a way of finding trouble. Like going undercover to take down a scientist experimenting on other shifters. For what, Shen doesn't want to know, but they'd better find out. And fast. Stevie might be the least violent of the honey badger sisters, but she's the most dangerous to Shen's peace of mind. Because she has absolutely no idea how much trouble they're in . . . or just how damn adorable she is.

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Ivy Deluca says

I loved this screwball crew of shifters and I'd love to be a MacKilligan sister. But I digress.

In a Badger Way, this latest addition to the spinoff, The Honey Badger Chronicles, features middle MacKilligan sister Stevie and Shen, a Panda shifter that works as a bodyguard, and before he realizes it, he's swept off his feet by this unusual hybrid and the chaos left in her wake. And yes, romance happens.

In a world of hybrids, Stevie is part tiger, part badger and a lot of mental issues. I like that Ms. Laurenston made Stevie self-aware as well as actively working on those issues throughout the book. It's part and parcel of her, but it's not the entire sum of her parts. Shen plays the slightly befuddled beta type hero well and I liked their chemistry. Their Firsts are done well and the edge of screwball comedy that colors this entire story is right up my alley.

If I had to quibble, this isn't a story that would be easy to just jump into if you haven't read the first book. If you're not a person who enjoys a story with a full plate of diverse characters that you may or may not recognize and following multiple storyline threads, this may not be your cuppa. Also, while the romance is present, it is not romance-centric. There's simply way too much going on around Stevie and Shen.

The relationships between the sisters is truly the heart of these books, and I'm fascinated by the 'verse that Ms. Laurenston has built, beginning with her Pride and Pack Challenge series. This motley group of shifters keeps growing and expanding with each book in a way I never quite expect, which I think is fantastic. I don't hesitate to recommend it, and as long as she keeps writing it, I'll keep reading it.

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Shelly Laurenston returns with a new installment in the Honey Badgers Chronicles. Whenever one of these

books come out, I'm always very eager to read them because I know that they will be a breath of fresh air from the normal books that I read. Although still technically a Paranormal Romance, it's clear that Laurenston has her own distinct way of doing things.

What was interesting about this book was that she used a lot of different POVs to tell her story and while you may think this is a typical and perhaps normal thing for authors to do, what's unique about this book is that she tells the story through the eyes of a lot of secondary characters or perhaps characters that you wouldn't normally expect to hear from.

This was something kind of unique to me because it offers the book something entirely different than what's out there and also showcases the ruthless aspect of these honey badgers. If you think they are over the top now, wait 'til you see them through the eyes of a "normal" person. Shelly really made her character look like freaks.

There's a ton of action and mature content in this book, which makes me wonder if Laurenston reads many other books in her genre because I honestly couldn't see any similarities. She really makes this book wholly her own and it's more special because of it.

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Corina👉BookTwinsReviews says

This book belongs to one of the most craziest and funniest shifter series ever. A roller coaster ride of epic and hilarious proportions. Unfortunately I would not recommend reading In a Badger Way as a standalone. In fact this series includes so many cast members from the (Pride Series) that prior knowledge of this series is needed for an enjoyable experience. So please, just jump onto the Shelly Laurenston bandwagon and enjoy the ride from the beginning.

As always, it took me a little to get into a new Shelly Laurenston book. The rather large amount of cast members always overwhelms me a bit until I'm comfortably settled into the Pride world and remembering all my favorite couples, and their quintessential quirkinesses. Also, just to put it out there - the author writes the most diverse cast you could imagine. Furthermore, I would love for an artist to put them all on paper. I'm a huge fan of bookish fanart and seeing these characters brought to paper would be amazing.

Of course as soon as I got over the first 20% hump I was hooked, and didn't want to put the book down again.

For one thing the author has a very engaging way of pulling the reader into her shifter world. Everything from OTT characters, outrages situations, hilarious and laugh out loud moments - it all made this book an excellent and entertaining read.

Moreover nothing in this book can be described as predictable.

The women in these Honey Badger Chronicles are fearless, bold and punky. The situations they get into are especially entertaining. In fact they are beyond anything you could imagine - because nothing has ever been written quite like this series. It's quite the adventure and pretty addicting.

So, if you are in the market for something outrageously funny, different and unique - you better grab the first

book, The Mane Event and prepare to be dazzled. I've had the pleasure of enjoying this author's work for years now, and although it seems her books become more bold and daring with each release - I can't imagine a life without her stories.

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Kiki says

I didn't like Stevie in the first book and there wasn't a reason to like her in this book either.

For a smart woman she was insanely dense. I also feel Max and her just took advantage of Charlie and her strength and support and went behind her back when it didn't suit them.

Stevie's protecting her dad and all the worthless POS got really old really quick.

On top of that I felt there was ZERO chemistry between Shen and Stevie. He was trying to set a date with a human and almost flirted with another woman after we were told he reacts sexually to Stevie's touches. There was no wooing or no courting or no bonding, unlike Berg and Charlie. Basically Stevie decides they're in a relationship, after a while throws her naked self to him, that's finally how they end up having sex. No mate vibes, no protective instinct, no possessiveness from hero. Nothing.

If max, who's annoying as shit begin with, ends up with her whore of a friend Dutch, i might have to throw in my towel with this book.

Aisling Zena says

17/2/19

Got rejected by Netgalley for this, though I don't know why since I was approved and reviewed some of her other books...

Mindy Lou's Book Review says

I've been patiently waiting for this book ever since I read the first in the series. Charlie, Max and Stevie are some of the craziest and badass heroines I've read. I get such a kick out of women who grown men fear.

I would suggest reading Hot and Badgered first. There are many side characters in this series with the main focus on the three sisters. This one features more of Stevie but where Stevie goes, so does Charlie and Max.

This was very entertaining with some pretty outrageous scenarios. I can't tell you how much I laughed out loud reading this.

There is also a lot of violence. I feel that's to be expected with as many shifter breeds that are featured, but this is a step above. These women will do anything to keep each other safe and they are more than capable.

The romance aspect is on the slower side but it just as entertaining. Stevie has decided that she and Shen are dating and he doesn't really have a say in it. They are a perfect match. Stevie is neurotic and Shen is as calm as can be.

I loved the glimpse we got of Charlie, Max and Stevie as they were young girls. It explains so much as to why they have grown up to be the way they are. I'm really looking forward to Max's story next.

Marta Cox says

Four and a half

Having read the snippet that was previously made available I'm very happy to have finally received the full length version of this book. I have to start this review by saying the joy of reading about these slightly mad honey bangers cannot be overstated. I absolutely loved the first book when Charlie the eldest sister ended up living in a neighbourhood full of bears . Now the author is allowing Max and Stevie to come forward and she's starting with little, quirky, high functioning Stevie and Shen the adorable panda is about to have his hands full !

Stevie has issues and no mistake but the ever calm Shen whilst being more than a little perplexed by her antics just keeps falling down the rabbit hole that these three crazy sisters live in .

This set the tone for all the mayhem to follow and if you want laugh out loud moments coupled with shocks galore then this book definitely delivers. However I will state that if it's a really strong romance led plot that you enjoy then you might be a tad disappointed because whilst this couple do become heavily invested in each other the majority of this story is really about the absolutely bonkers world that these shifters live in . It's fast, crazy and addictive with something peculiar always around the corner and I'm left waiting for Max because surely her story will be a humdinger. So if slithering snakes, death or anal glands terrify you then you have been warned !

This voluntary take is of a copy I requested from Netgalley and my thoughts and comments are honest and I believe fair

♥ WishfulMiss ♥ says

I've been dying to read this book since I finished Hot and Badgered and then was mercilessly teased with a sneak peek of In a Badger Way. So when it downloaded on my Kindle I was beyond excited to start. Because honey badgers, badass sisters and now a cute panda?!?! Yeah, irresistible combination right there :)

If you liked the teaser sneak peek to Stevie's book, the rest won't disappoint. You still get crazy protective Charlie, more of crazy and wild Max and of course crazy with a side of quirky adorableness that is Stevie.

There's plenty of action, plenty of humor and did I mention plenty of crazy? Yup, a whole ton of crazy as only the MacKilligan sisters can deliver.

Shen was Stevie's perfect match and I loved the dynamic he brought to the story and especially to Stevie. Do I wish we'd gotten more one on one time with Shen and Stevie? Yes. Did I wish for more romance? Hell yes. But that being said, I still really really enjoyed the story and loved every minute of this crazy shifter world Shelly Laurenston has created.

The story has a lot of secondary characters, secondary plots and at times I did feel a little lost as we have a lot of recurring characters (from other books) popping up and it felt like you were expected to know them without any proper introduction. That was a bit awkward but I honestly was so into Shen, Stevie and her sisters that I forged through the complicated/confusing bits just so I could get to the good stuff so I didn't wig out too much.

The author did an amazing job with Stevie and she has hooked me, line and sinker for Max's story next. I know Dutch is only her friend but come on, am I the only one shipping these two nut jobs???

Memorable Moments: Every Shen moment with Stevie. They were few but they packed a punch. I loved how he was with her, a friend first and foremost. Their slow burn love was unconventional but it's Stevie so of course it wasn't normal, lol!

Would I recommend? If you like OTT everything - action, drama, humor, general craziness? This is the series for you. This was a little short in the lovey dovey romance department but you do get a sweet HFN ending and ILU's.

****** ARC provided for an honest review ******

I voluntarily read and reviewed an advanced copy of this book. All thoughts and opinions are my own.

SAFETY INFO: (view spoiler)

Beth says

Laurenston didn't disappoint in this amazingly imaginative and outlandishly funny edition to the Honey Badger series. Oh, how her mind works! A twisty tale of shifters, with such amazing and distinct personalities, colliding on the pages to make a fantasy filled plot that will have you laughing out loud, rooting for the underdog or maybe even a wild dog and falling away into the world of make believe.

But in the end, you had me at Honey Badger!

I received only an excerpt of **IN A BADGER WAY** back in Jan. 2019 and of course, as with all Shelly Laurenston books, I . WANT . MORE . Laurenston has the ability to write Laugh Out Loud humor combined with serious, strange and the completely outrageous...and I loved it all...

I received a full copy of **IN A BADGER WAY** from Kensington Books. This is my honest and voluntary review. **IN A BADGER WAY** is set for publication March 26, 2019.

My Excerpt Rating: 5 stars

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Lady Heather says

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Nobody writes strong, sassy, sarcastic characters like Shelly Laurenston.

I don't know where she gets her ideas for her stories or how she writes her dialogues, but I know I like it.

This book had me laughing out loud more than once.

The situations these characters find themselves in and the shenanigans they pull are a little over the top, but they work.

This was a fun read.

Stevie and Shen were a great couple to read.

They were perfectly matched even though he didn't know that he and Stevie were a couple for a better part of the book.

Great story!
Great writing!
Amazing characters!

Shen

Stevie

"I voluntarily read an ARC of this book which was provided by the publisher via Netgalley in exchange for an honest review."

***The Angry Reader* says**

I adored this when I originally read the first few chapters. 5 stars. But reading the entire thing now I just could not immerse myself in the story. Whether it's because I'm in the midst of a Veronica Speedwell thing. Or because I continue to struggle with contemporary romance. Or because I've read too much Laurenston I just keep thinking about other things during this read.

I like the MacKilligan sisters. I loved Charlie and Berg's story. Here it felt like too much focus on other characters. We had at least 3 story lines going on. We had visits from a bunch of our favorite couples.

Nothing felt fresh. Everything felt frantic. And I just couldn't get off the page and into the story.

******Review of first few chapters******

I got a little sneak preview of this from Netgalley bc the first book in this series is one of my #Bestof2018. I cannot wait to read about Stevie and Shen - and all of their friends. Laurenston is amazing and funny - telling sweet, charming stories that brighten my mood. I'm stoked for the rest of this.

Sophia says

A volatile honey badger- tiger mixed breed shifter with an off the charts IQ and a zen giant panda shifting security expert tangle (aka get tangled up) on an assignment to find a shifter scientist who seems to be experimenting on his own kind for some secret purpose. This second of the honey badger sisters to get her story introduced a new to me author and series and told by a long familiar narrator.

In a Badger Way is the second book in the series. I didn't read/listen to the first book or the original Pride series, but I had no trouble jumping in with this book. I could tell that much had gone before it and a great many characters seemed to already have gotten their stories, but the new main characters and plot allowed

me to do fine.

I admit that I had expectations going in after reading several book pal's reviews of the earlier book and the earlier series. I knew it was going to employ a lot of humor and also many shifter types who bore strong resemblance to the animals they shift into. And, this was there from the beginning. I enjoyed the sisters' camaraderie and the craziness that comes with their honeybadger nature and the antics they get up to. It was fun seeing relatively calm Shen Li start to lose his cool around vivacious Stevie.

There is a crowd of characters and the story is told from several perspectives. I kept up just fine with all the changes, but I also felt like this story slogged in places because there was so many extra plot threads going on around Shen and Stevie. Early on, the mission is clear and yet it took some time to get going on the mission. Part of this is because Stevie is unstable with her shifting issues and she has anxiety attacks (she's terrified of bears even though she shifts into a two ton hybrid that could shred them). But, part of it is because there are some side stories going on that I found distracting rather than helpful though I never actually disliked those minor story threads. Sometimes maybe something was supposed to be funny, but, no funny bone was tickled for me.

I can't say that I liked several of the characters, but it was obvious that they were meant to be annoying or unlikable like the snooty jackal family or the human doctor.

I do want to go back for the first story though because I enjoyed Stevie's sister and her mate together along with the bears.

I found the romance pair were an adorable couple. Shen resisted longer than Stevie. He'd started out concerned about mental health issues and protecting her so he ignored any whiffs of attraction. But, Stevie had a honey badger's stubbornness and kept at him.

Charlotte Kane is a narrator I've enjoyed under a different alias. I like her voice and her narration style. She had a bunch of characters of all ages and genders which she sorted out well. I did wish that Chen Li had an Asian accent because of his heritage, but it wasn't a deal breaker or interfered with my enjoyment of the story.

All in all, I had a good time and want to get the other two Honey Badger Chronicles and their zany adventures. Those who enjoy exciting shifter stories with a strong humor element and a variety of shifters should give this book/series a try.

My thanks to Tantor Audio for the opportunity to listen to this book in exchange for an honest review.

Annie (Under the Covers Book Blog) says

Read my review at Fresh Fiction

Ang -PNR Book Lover Reviews says

Honey Badger Chronicles, takes place in the same world that the Pride series, and from what the author has recently came out and said this series, is continuation of the Pride series, but with new blood and characters and new direction. Honestly when I read the first book last year I could see that for myself, this world is one if not my favourite world that's been created.

This has to be hands down, one of the funniest and craziest stories I have read in so long, probably since I read the last book in the series. Unfortunately I would not recommend reading In a Badger Way as a standalone. This book has so many cast members from the pride series, even some of my favourites like Blayne and Bo.

I have the prior understanding and highly enjoyable experience from reading all of Shelly's books for me to love and adore this book for what it is. I HIGHLY suggest you to jump into the Pride series.

I don't know how the author does, it but she nailed this book and it really does have everyone it it, I couldn't keep the excitement down when they brought in Miki who is from the story Go Fetch another series called the magnus pack.

As I jumped back into this world, I was a little overwhelmed because so much is happening, but with Stevie and Shen are the main focus, we also get Max and Charlie, Kyle and his family and more. Literally a plethora of amazing characters. The Wild Dog nights are back * Insert Confetti*

I loved how engaging, and the way Shelly can pull you into her shiftier world. The MacKilligan sisters Charlie, Max and Stevie are three bold, fearless, kick ass women you will ever read about. they get into some strange and entertaining situations, and have the oddest family.

Stevie is a hybrid shifter, and in the previous books, you know that some shifters are not welcoming on that fact. Stevie is a Honey Badger/ Tiger. And is humongous. What I adored was that the relationship between Stevie and Shen, just happened. Its really funny to watch it all unfold. Shen is a PANDA shifter, and he loves bamboo, Shen is the cutest, and hes damn sexy and strong the perfect mate for Stevie.

In this one, they are trying to track down the scientist who are experimenting on hybrids. But also we have the girls family of honey badgers here for a funeral. the plot and twist are fun and I am here for the next one.

I love that this shows us the bond that the sisters have,they all care for each other and worry for one another. I can not pick who max will be involved with in the next book.

I know that this book or the series might not be for everyone but for the fans I think everyone will love it.

Action, Shifters, Fighting, Wild Dog Nights, Hybrids, Romance, Humour and more!

5 Fantastic Stars!

Kate's Corner says

4 Physics Stars

I got a snippet/sneak peek and just needed more so it only got 3 stars. But getting the whole Stevie & Shen experience was a whole lot of fun.

Stevie Mackilligan is slightly unhinged, scared of bears has bouts of depression but she is a prodigy of science and of music. And with her sisters she is unstoppable. But hybrids are going missing and being experimented on and it is time for her to step up.

Shen got into the madness of the MacKilligan sisters while protecting another prodigy. He is the most laid

back person ever but then again he is a panda, so cute but once you get them wild you better watch out.

I love that the author goes out of the realm of possibilities when it comes to shifters very few branch out when it comes to involving more than cats and wolves. And here it is no different. A panda, I mean how frigging cute is that and a tiger badger.

This is one crazy ass book with a lot of banter and all in all bloody hilarious. I got to say though that sometimes it was just a tad too much with the mayhem going on just gotta roll with it though.

If you want a pick me up book then this is for you, you got to read a book one though to get the full experience.

Max the crazy knife wheeling Asian MacKilligan sister is next.