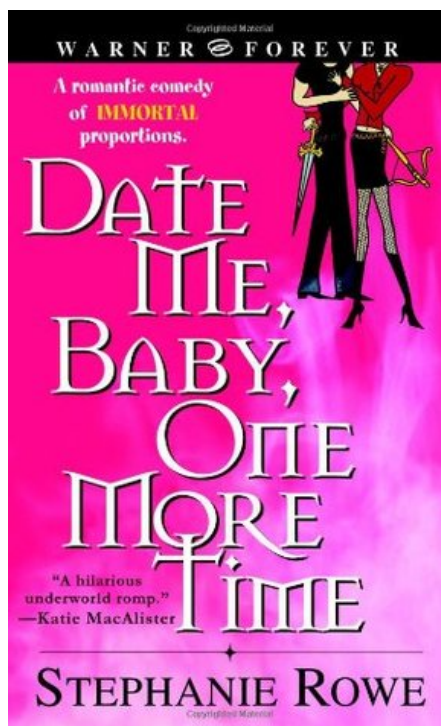




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Darcy says

I never made it past page 15 in this one, it was bland and boring and Derek the main character irritated me. This one just wasn't for me.

Hope says

As I loaded this book into my Goodreads.com account, setting it to “currently reading”, I couldn't help but notice a few of the reviews. They were slamming it as being a ridiculous book! With a title like “Date Me Baby, One More Time” I'm not sure what they were expecting? Perhaps they should be reading math books if they are looking for something more “serious” and not something from the paranormal/fantasy genre! LOL! ;-)

I *thoroughly* enjoyed this book! It made me giggle left and right! Quite a few times I literally had to slap my hand over my mouth to keep the laughter inside, since it was 2am!

Were the characters shallow? Well, a bit, but really, it's a romance... with dragons.... curses... naked men and a goblet of eternal youth masquerading as an espresso machine! I thought it was AWESOME! :-D Seriously, who thinks of these things??? Stephanie Rowe is a maniacally hysterical genius! :-D

If you are looking for some light-hearted reading after wading through two loooong, but good, epic fantasies – this is the book for you! :-D It requires very little thought and is just laugh out loud funny! Be careful though, your eyeballs might get stuck up in the top of your head from all the eye-rolling but that just makes things all the more fun!

Katie MacAllister, another of my favorite authors, is quoted as saying Date Me Baby, One More Time is “A hilarious underworld romp.” and that is exactly what it is! Fun, light-hearted, reading that will make you groan, and giggle, roll your eyes and snicker!

It's 100% fun!

Go... read it... I'm telling the truth! :-)

XXOO

~Hope

What Goodreads.com says:

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Elizabeth says

This was an amusing read, with lots of funny dialogue, so it perfectly suited my mood. My complaint is that the logic was off about half way through, so the supposed tension the main couple was feeling fell completely flat for me. But I still wanted to know how it would end, so that says something for the story.

Laura the Highland Hussy says

I think that it's hysterical that my favorite character in this book was Satan. He was a blond, Brad Pitt lookalike who was so in love with Justine's mom that he courted her for almost 200 years! His Pepe le Pew act was charming and awesome, and I've think he stole the show. Justine and Derek had a great I love you but I'll have to kill you love affair. Mona the goblet of eternal youth/espresso machine was funny when she turned into the massage oil (ha ha) and the book was definitely a tongue-in-cheek story about an immortal guardian with a dragon roomie and a cursed boyfriend/man she must kill. And of course the cybersex dragon and Zeke are the set-up for Must Love Dragons, which I'll read next. A cute and fast read.

Paranormal Romance says

The hero is on a deadline. Somehow he must find a way to break the curse on his family in under 2 weeks or he and his brother will die like the rest of his family. Too bad the hero is the only one who believes in the curse enough surrounding the bizarre and routine deaths of his family. He's on the hunt for the mythical goblet of eternal youth and after years of searching, he's finally getting close. The heroine is bogged down by the pressuring and time consuming job of guarding the goblet-which has decided to take the form of a coffee machine. Her mother risks damnation because she died after failing to protect the Goblet when it was her job and now the heroine is responsible for killing anyone who threatens the Goblet or even anyone who KNOWS of the goblet. With her trusty best friend turned dragon, the heroine knows that one wrong move and the council will damn her like they did her mother. So when a billionaire comes sniffing around she is horrified by the prospect of killing this man but she knows she will do her duty if pushed. The man-sexy, arrogant and strangely compelling with his honesty, commands the heroine break the curse on his family else he kill her to steal the Goblet. The heroine, bound by duty, tells him that, no, in fact, it's she who will kill him....Too bad that sexual tension and the sense of comradery between them make the threats of immediate murder less and less serious. The heroine may be sex deprived but she knows that something about this man is far more dangerous than a risk to her chastity vow. He sparks something within her that goes far beyond sex and into soul mate territory. Still, when push comes to shove she does shoot him in the gut. However, immediately after, she breaks the rules and revives him by letting him drink from the chalice. Therefore this starts their partnership into seeking out a way to break the curse put on his family by Satan Jr. Else, if the curse is not voided in 2 weeks time, the hero with have to chose between the life of his brother or the life of his love and the heroine will be forced to destroy the only man who she's ever loved.

This book was charming in it's absolute buffoonery and ridiculousness. On one hand, I kept reading and thinking, hw stupid is this? But on the other hand, I had a smile on my face. I will start by saying how much I loved the interactions between the heroine and hero. They were full of banter and sass and this playfulness even when talking about how they were going to kill each other. It was so amusing because you could tell that no matter the boasts they made of killing the other, there was a connection between them that meant

more than sex. And neither party was particularly happy or comfortable with the thought of killing anyone let alone a person who they made that connection with. The fact that the villains were dramatic fools who were better suited to the looney bin than the title of Satan and Satan Jr was comical and completely over the top. They were evil but stupid evil at the same time and how can you not love Satan-ignoring the fact that he tortures souls and is generally a horrible man. This series is shaping up to be an odd but amusing one and I'm actually quite interested in what is to come. Guaranteed it will be full humor and shenanigans.

Melissa ownsbey says

i thought this book was a fun read i liked the dragonshe was funny
i did not win this from good reads i got it as a gift

Jennifer says

This is the first book in the Immortally Sexy series by Stephanie Rowe. The main character is Justine Bennett who is the current Guardian of the Goblet of Eternal Youth, which is a magical object named Mona that can shape shift. She is sworn to protect Mona which means she is board out of her brains hiding in her secure pent house all the time. Then enter Derek LaValle - He's hot and he's cursed. (Talk about your Bad Boy!) It's a family curse (not his fault - just bad gene's) and the only way to end the curse it to behead the Guardian of the Goblet of Eternal Youth. You see where this is going right? Yeah. It's a fun one!

Dawn (Kat N Hat) says

Very funny and a HEA Good stuff.

Sandra says

This was a funny almost in a watching a train wreck way. The plot was silly the characters caricatured and yet I enjoyed it.

Our h is Justine, an immortal Guardian of the Goblet of Eternal Youth, her friend Theresa is named her successor, so gets to drink from said Goblet which turns her into a dragon who can't shift back, and they live in NY.

Our H is Derek La Valle, a Pretzel King (he invented no carb pretzels) and member of a Cursed family. At the age of 31 all male La Valle's die in horrible and mysterious circumstances.

Justine's mother was the previous Guardian and died protecting the Goblet, whose name is Mona, from Satan. Satan is a fabulous character and really made this book.

I'll be reading the next one in the series when I need a laugh.

Katrin says

Whoever follows me on here knows that for a nice story with supernatural beings I can deal with many things. But this was too much. It was so ridiculous and just simply terrible. There was not even that much sex scenes but the word sex was everywhere and it was just annoying. The idea to have Satan in the book was exciting, until I saw how ridiculed he was. Blasphemy haha. Also the horde of sexy hunk army.. Wtf. And thousand plot twists, I nearly got sick with all the twists and turns. The idea with the dragon was good and only this deserves the one star. The rest.. Zero.

John says

Wildly funny, with the humor of outlandishness that was pioneered by Monty Python and is applied here to the world of sweet paranormal romance, only to lose some of its oomph as outlandish slides into ridiculous toward the end. Still, it made me laugh all the way through.

This is the story of Derek and Justine, whose Happily Ever After depends on overcoming a Romantic Impediment: Derek's entire male line is cursed to die at the age of 31 years, 46 weeks, 4 days, 3 minutes, and five seconds, which gives Derek and his 10 minute younger twin brother a week to live unless Derek can steal the Goblet of Eternal Youth from Justine, its Guardian, a 232 year old celibate who of course enjoys eternal youth and is under Oath to kill anyone who even knows about the Goblet or die defending it, and she can only die by beheading. So Derek must kill Justine to save himself and his brother, and if Justine fails to kill Derek the Council will put her in the Chamber of Unspeakable Horrors for eternity. The Goblet, named Mona, is now an espresso machine that makes the best coffee around, but (view spoiler).

This simple tale is complicated by several other actors: Justine's 232 year old eternally young roommate Theresa, next in line to be Guardian, who was changed 200 years ago into a dragon and now has cybersex several times a day because of course she can't be seen in public; Justine's mother Iris, the former Guardian, who died 200 years ago defending the Goblet and is now an interfering ghost who will go to heaven or hell depending on what Justine does; Satan, ruler of hell, who has the hots for Iris and pursues her for the novel's secondary romance; Xavier, the mind-controlling doorman in Justine & Theresa's apartment building; Derek's twin Quincy who doesn't believe this crap; and many more.

The action never lets up, and the situations just get more and more bizarre, more so as tender feelings creep slowly into the picture between Derek and Justine and they try to figure a way out of certain death and eternal punishment (respectively). Satan is perhaps the funniest of all the characters, and then there's (view spoiler). I had a blast. You may too.

Janet says

I know, I know. Why is the Queen of Romance Bashing subjecting herself to another helping? Chick lit is palatable sometimes. The sex scenes were pretty inventive. The beginning of this book just made me cringe. Poorly written with too many references to adventures past, it had me double-checking to make sure I hadn't wandered into the middle of a series. Nope. It all works itself out, but readers need to be patient. The only thing that kept me turning the pages was the hope Quincy would find his love. Even that didn't work out quite as planned.

Dhfan4life says

Spoilers

Ok the long and short of the story is that main character Justine Bennett is an immortal Guardian that has to protect a sacred Goblet with Fountain of Youth properties. She must protect it at all costs and even at the expense of her own personal life. Because if she doesn't she will be thrown into the hall of unspeakable horrors for not doing her job. Which she thinks she can handle with no problem at all as she never leaves the Goblet's side or her apartment whom she shares with her Goblet protecting successor and best friend Theresa. Whom just happens to be a dragon. But low and behold enter Derek LaValle, pretzel mogul/next cursed LaValle man to die, in the picture that is if he can behead the Guardian and save his brother and Justine now has to confront a real threat to not only the Goblet, but her heart, and very well her head if Derek doesn't cut it off.

Things I liked about the Book:

-Some of the milder humor. Like the scene when Derek was first trying to catch a glimpse of Justine at her apartment building. And her door man Xavier kept suggesting he go do things with his powers and it was funny how Derek kept coming back knowing those suggestions weren't true. And even the scene where Theresa put a pretzel on Derek's chest as a sort of memorial wreath for him after Justine shot him after Xavier had been tricked in suggesting Derek kill her with a sword meant to kill the Guardian.

Things I didn't like about the Book:

- Some of the over doing of humor, trying to be hip. I don't mind when there is humor in a book and a few hey girls and stuff like that. But this author over did the girlfriend this and that. And even some scenes that there really didn't need that much humor in it at all. But the author put it in there and it was a total buzz kill for the scene.

-The fact there was no real explanation as to what kind of immortal Justine really was. I mean yes the story said she was the Guardian of the Goblet. But it was never really established if she was a good or bad guardian at first. And if she was working for heaven or hell. I mean I'm sure the general accepted idea is that a Guardian is a source of good. But at times there can be Guardians for bad too.

-The weird fact that Theresa was transformed into a Dragon after drinking from the Goblet as she was Justine's successor. But what gets me is why Justine didn't transform into a Dragon as well when she was her mother's successor? That just didn't make sense to me.

-Again the weirdness of the fact that it was said that her mom wrote the rules for guarding the Goblet. And yet there was another part of the book it said something about the rules or the hand book hadn't been changed in umpteen years as if her mom hadn't even wrote up the rules.

-And most importantly the over doing of the "let me kill him, oh he/she is so my match as we are destined to kill each other." To me that was just over done too. I mean I get the book is supposed to be about Justine and Derek having to fight each other over the Goblet. But all the excessive kill each other puns and stuff was just not my cup of tea.

So as for recommending this book. I would say it would be good for those that might be into a much lighter

side of the paranormal romance. But it may not come up to par with other paranormal/fantasy romance stories out there.

Jess says

The author tried too hard to be funny, and it ended up resulting in characters that bordered obnoxious. The character of Satan was just ridiculous and every time he was around I felt myself cringing.

There are some authors who do funny very well, ex) Kimberley Raye, Mary Janice Davidson, Sandra Hill etc.. If you are looking for a funny PNR or funny trad. romance, there are far better choices out there than this one. I wouldn't waste my time with any of the other books in this series.

Wendy says

Loved this book. It is exactly what it says it is on the front cover-- 'a hilarious underworld romp'. I enjoyed it so much that I actually went to Amazon and ordered the second book as well as preordered the third.

We have Satan, Satan Jr, an 11 foot dragon, a guy with a curse on him, and the guardian of the goblet all thrown together in a great adventure!
