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**I'd do anything for her . . . even give up my crown.**

As the son of mob boss Don Carlo Bertoli, I'm considered the crown prince of the Bertoli Family, but it's a title I'd rather earn than have it handed to me.

When Luisa Mendosa, the beautiful daughter of a rival mob boss shows up on my father's doorstep, I know I shouldn't be getting involved with her. But with long, honey blonde hair, a voluptuous body, and an ass that would make Sir Mix-A-Lot jealous, I can't help myself.

Her father doesn't approve of us, and when he learns she's carrying my baby, all hell's going to break loose — maybe even a war. But she's worth it, and I'll do whatever it takes to keep Luisa and my baby safe.

**\*\*Book 2 of the Bertoli Family Trilogy. Each book is a stand alone and features a different couple. Reckless is a full-length novel with an HEA, no cheating, and no cliffhanger! Includes bonus novel Addicted and a preview of Over The Middle, the second book in my sports romance series.**

## Reckless Details

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## From Reader Review Reckless for online ebook

### Lisa says

I'm loving this new Bertoli Series! In this book Don Bertoli's son Tomasso has come back into the fold after being away in the deep south for college. He left the family to try and find what he really wanted, but then realized what he really wanted was his family. Not wanting to be a spoiled mafia prince, Tomasso tells his father he wants to work his way up from the bottom so he can learn about the family business the right way, thus also gaining respect from others in the organization. He knows it won't be easy, but what he doesn't anticipate is the fiery Luisa Mendosa.

Luisa Mendosa is a mafia princess from Brazil. While her family's organization is much smaller, they are trying to expand. Expansion means heading to America to try and establish new friendships with families such as the Bertolis. Luisa is mostly kept on the legal side of the business, but due to her American education, she is acting as a liaison between her family and the Bertolis. When she is introduced to Tomasso, there is an instant chemistry, but there is also competition that leads to both of them being, for lack of a better word, bratty. But when Luisa's life is suddenly in danger, Tomasso is tasked as her protector, and what once was a mild hatred turns into something more.

So much going on in this book that you won't want to miss it! Attempted murder, attempts at romance, angry sex, passionate sex, fights.....lots of the things that we love reading about that Lauren never fails to deliver. Luisa and Tomasso's interactions with each other are great. You've got a strong Italian male trying to deal with an equally passionate and very stubborn Latina. To say things are heated between these two is an understatement! But when push comes to shove, will that stubbornness be enough to save them? Read and find out!

\*\*I was given an ARC in exchange for an honest review\*\*

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### Steffi De Ceuster ♥ says

It was hard to get into, but that's personal so it won't happen to you. I didn't want to start this one but it was included in another one and I wanted to finish the whole book. So I put on my big girl panties and start and finished it.

The blurb sounded like what I would pick out so that was easy! That's why I found it weird that it was hard to get into. I think I'm becoming a book mess..

Tomasso wants nothing to do with the legacy that is for him so he goes away for four years to get his mind around it. Then he decides to come back and so he meets Luisa who is the daughter of a rival mob boss from Brazil. And so their dangerous journey begins.

Overall it was a fun and exciting read, but not what I expected.

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### Sian Bulpin says

### **Families**

When your Father sends you to try and do business with another mob boss , things can get tricky. Especially when you add in a cocky mob son that you can't seem to resist. Let the games begin.

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### **Michele Rosa says**

For a Brazilian girl, who is from the Southern state in Brasil and lived pretty close to Porto Alegre, it gets frustrating the mixes up between Portuguese and Spanish names and words and also some weather description that applies better to Rio de Janeiro (where I currently live), but it's also exciting getting this part of Brasil portrayed, which is rare.

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### **Athena Stephenson says**

Great story! Had a little bit of everything and I loved how it ended!

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### **Sandra says**

As this story was one of 3 under the "Mr. Fiance" title, my review of "Reckless" is included in the review of "Mr. Fiance". In a nutshell, it won't make my Must Read list.

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### **Kimberley says**

This was an extra book at the end of Mr Fiance. It was a wonderful read and surprize and has made me want to go back over the other two stories.

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### **Davielle Danielle France-Edwards says**

I will be back to ramble/review!!

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### **Mary says**

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### **Andrea says**

Luisa and Tomasso's story is breathtaking and thrilling at times, making my heart beat up and me gasp for

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air.

And on other times it is panty-melting hot and sexy and at some points very emotional, too.

The characters feel very plastic and I loved the way they connected with each other through their similar pasts and backgrounds. And I also loved their banter and animosities...

The plot has a slowly building tension that made me read and turn the pages as fast as possible just to see how things would go on.

This is a very entertaining novel in a very entertaining series and I loved every moment I spent with this book!

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### **K.M. Lowe says**

#### **Good**

After reading book 1 of this series, I had to go right onto book 2. This series has got much better as it goes on. I enjoyed book 1, but I enjoyed this one more. I love Luisa and Thomas. Another mafia story with plenty of twists and turns. Definitely worth a read.

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### **Suzy Baba says**

Who said a Mafia's life couldn't be romantic? There is plenty of romance, guns and hot headedness in this book!

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### **Susan Burgess-Ryan says**

#### **DOES THE MAFIA PRINCE GET HIS PRINCESS?**

This isn't my first book to read by Lauren Landish and it won't be the last. I really like her books. Lauren Landish has a really good series going with the Bertoli family. Then again there is nothing better than a BAD BOY and his amazing, God like body!!! This book has everything you could possibly want in a BAD BOY book. It has a Mob Boss or two, it has a BAD BOY wanting the enemy's daughter (forbidden romance), a mob princess and an Alpha male, sexy cars, oh yea, I can't forget the SEX!!! Yawza Yawza, Yawza!!!! This book is recommended by mature readers 18 years of age or older and who love Bad Boys and their equally bad mouths....

Tomasso Bertoli is returning from Alabama where he attended college for 4 years to get away from the family business. He changed his name to Tom Bertoli and drove a Chevy. Nothing like what he has at his disposal at his dad's house. Now he is coming home to earn his right to take over the family business when his father Don Carlo Bertoli gets ready to step down. He is considered by most the "Crown Prince" of the Bertoli family. This is a title he wants to earn the right to have. He doesn't want it handed to him on a silver platter. After arriving home, he is getting to business for his dad when his dad's man Pietro tells him that there is a change of plans, and that he is have dinner with his dad and a guest that had just arrived from Brazil. He found her very beautiful and after a bad start they make amends and plan to meet at the convention center for coffee.

Lusia Mendoza is the beautiful daughter of Don Carlo's rival crime family and she is in town paying her respects to the Bertoli family. She is very self-assertive and she lets Tomasso know that she can take care of herself really good. But agreeing with Tomasso that they had a bad start, she agrees to meet for coffee at the north side of the convention center during her break.

Tomasso and Luisa are caught in a blast from a bomb that exploded and though Tomasso wasn't hurt that bad Luisa was knocked unconscious. After Tomasso get her to his father's house and she is seen by the doctor and has to have stitches in her head, but otherwise she is okay. Don Carlo lets her know that as long as there is a remote chance she was targeted by a group claiming responsibility for the bomb she will be staying at his house. What Tomasso and Luisa wasn't expecting was that Don Carlo put Tomasso in charge of Luisa's protection.

Now that things got touchy feely between Tomasso and Luisa and her father doesn't like him.... Luisa discovers that she is pregnant. Oh my, will there be a war between the two families? Will Tomasso be able to keep Luisa and is baby safe? Will Tomasso and Lusia have a happily ever after?

No Spoilers. ARC free book given in exchange for an honest review.

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## April Symes says

What a fantastic follow up in the Bertoli Crime Series with book #2 and Tomasso and Luisa's story. Tomasso is Don Carlo's son and he has taken time to leave the family for school and has only now come home, ready to take part in the family business. When he comes home, he comes face to face with Luisa Mendosa, the daughter of a rival mob boss. Luisa is in the US taking care of some family mob business for her father. What Luisa was doing was legal and above board since she never had been in trouble with the law before and her family didn't want to get her in trouble now so she was given the legal problems to work on. When Luisa and Tomasso meet, its passion and hate rolled into one. She is a strong, independent woman yet whenever she is around Tomasso, she feels fragile and cossetted whenever he is around. Tomasso has been told to keep an eye on her because since she has been in town several attempts are made to harm her. Luisa decides she is going to find out who is harming her and Tomasso refuses to let her do that, let alone by herself. Tomasso takes charge on who is after her and soon the feelings they were repressing are out in full force. During all this they succumb to passion and express how they feel for each other. Knowing they can never really be together and there is a day coming soon when she will have to leave, they give all for their love. Soon there is a secret that Luisa is hiding from Tomasso.

They figure out the person after her is Jake, the son of Peitro; Don Carlo's second in command. Jake was blackmailed and instead of siding with the family he chooses to save himself. As she is getting on the plane to leave, Luisa finally admits to Tomasso that she loves him and he tells her the same. That is when Tomasso, as her plane is leaving decides to fight for their love. But before he could get going, Luisa father is accusing him of ruining his daughter. Oh no..now the fur is about to fly. Tomasso and his father are on their way to Brazil to figure out what is going on. The secret is about to come out. What will Tomasso say? Will Luisa and Tomasso have a happy ending?' There are so many twists and turns in this story but I loved it. This story was beautiful and full of adventure. I loved the action, adventure, passion, and romance in this story. I cannot wait to read more in the Bertoli family series.

My rating: 4.8 stars \*\*\*\*\*

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## Racy says

I received this for a honest review. What a great story. This is the second book in the series but don't worry this book works fine as a standalone.

Tomasso was now back home. He was the son of the mob boss Carlo Bertoli. His job was pretty simple really. Tomasso went around picking up money for his father. Carlo was surprised when his son had returned and was probably wondering if Tomasso would ever get in the family business.

Luisa Mendosa was this pretty Latina who was also the daughter of a rival mob boss. Now here Luisa finds herself in the US taking care of some family business for her father. Luisa record was pretty clean so she worked on more of the legitimate side of the business.

It will not be long before Luisa will find herself in some danger. The one thing about the Bertoli family is they will pull together and protect their guest. I was total surprised at the difference between Tomasso's father and Luisa's father. One was more caring father where the other was more a hot head.

Tomasso will be put over keeping Luisa safe and if you think Luisa is going to make this task easy you have another thing coming. There are some pretty strong feelings between Luisa and Tomasso. Both know that their relationship cannot go anywhere. Though Tomasso father would be okay with Tomasso having a relationship with Luisa, Luisa's father will not. Luisa's father hates US men. Her father wants to keep the bloodline pure.

They might have been able to keep things from Luisa's father but things happen. They will have a hard time when her father finds out that he daughter is pregnant by this American/Italian boy. Things will not set well and lines will be crossed.

This was a great story and it was nice to see another story come out of the Bertoli family. I have a feeling that the next story will even be more interesting.

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