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Two wandering souls discover that true love needs no words in this explosive, fantastical novel from Vonnie Davis.

Somehow able to telepathically communicate with animals, Paisley Munro has found meaning in her so-called gifts by working as a veterinary assistant. But while traveling to Scotland for a relative's funeral, Paisley fears that she really has lost her mind. Out in the highlands, she hears distinctly human thoughts coming from a wild bear. Terrified and desperate, she returns to the lodge and collapses in the powerful arms of its owner, a mysterious man with whom she shares a simmering attraction.

Creighton Matheson and his fellow shape-shifters have been roaming this land freely for centuries. Now Paisley may inherit his home, putting his kind in grave danger. His mistrust only deepens when he realizes she can read his mind. Yet he cannot deny that this tantalizing woman makes him burn with desire—and hunger for the prospect of a tender love. Now Creighton must decide which would hurt more: revealing the truth or losing Paisley forever.

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Michelle the Romance Witch says

3.75 stars... wow really loved this story and think i found a new go to author! hilarious and sweet, passionate and with just the hottest alpha bear you could wish for... though some dialogue got a tiny bit repetitive, it was still a great read.

Gaele says

I can't actually believe just how much FUN this title was to read: combining kilted Scotsmen and shifters in the Highlands of Scotland, wrapping it all around a tale of destined romance and adding an all-bark-no-bite bluster to the hero and Vonnie Davis has brought a lovely story.

Paisley and her Gran, Effie are heading to Scotland for a relative's funeral. What neither know is that this is a destined journey for Paisley: her ability to communicate with animals make her a perfect veterinary assistant, but have her socially withdrawn and a bit insecure. In fact, her fiancé when she heads off is overbearing and overwhelming, and the break from that train wreck of a relationship is exactly what Paisley needs.

Arriving in Scotland, Davis manages to set the scene to give readers a real feel of the sights and country, and when Paisley first encounters Creighton, by fainting dead away, this starts the series of twists and turns that will intrigue and entertain. For Creighton is most worried about his clan: Paisley's inheritance of the old castle and lands will impact his people as they are used to the freedom to wander and shift at will in the remote area.

Effie is clever and funny, with a touch of the mystical behind her, all buried in a caring, sweet package that simply wants to see Paisley happy. Paisley has moments where everything becomes too much, and it almost appears as if it will break her, but she soon finds her own strength and confidence, and learns to become more confident because of her gift, not in spite of it. And Creighton, how could you not adore Creighton? Laird of his clan, and a bear-shifter, he has some very blustery moments that are based in his frustration and insecurities where his feelings for Paisley are concerned. Protective, loyal and oh so sexy, his determination to get and win her, and possibly reverse the centuries-old curse on his clan all combine together to make him a formidable hero.

A fun and unique read with bear (not wolf) shifters, kilted heroes, magic and fantasy all in the Highlands of Scotland. Throw in the happy ending and it is a not to be missed story!

I received an eBook copy of the title from the publisher via NetGalley for purpose of honest review. I was not compensated for this review: all conclusions are my own responsibility.

Claire Robinson says

4.5 - *Beloved* Stars!

I absolutely loved this book. I didn't have massive expectations going in, I was just looking to be entertained for a few hours. I love a man in a kilt and a gravelly Scottish burr, hits me right in the knicker elastic, and it was pinging all over the place with this Highland treat.

Add into the mix Shape-shifting bears, a few friendly ghosts, a lot of giggling and a little snuffle, and I fell in love with Laird Creighton Masterson, and his brothers Ronan and Bryce. Paisley Munro arriving from the US with her Grandmother, Effie is just the woman to tame the ornery, demanding and swooningly sweet Laird.

"I was scared of you before, but I'm not now."

A Highlander's Obsession delivered a whole lot more than I was expecting, and although the first book in the *Highlanders Beloved* series it offered a lot of openings and introductions whilst still keeping Creigh and Paisley at its focal point.

I love Scotland, although the Scotland in this book is the Scotland I wish I had visited previously, I'd kinda like my own kilt wearing Laird to curl up with on cold nights the next time I travel to the Highlands!

"We'll make a Scot of ye yet."

Ally says

Apparently, I'm hard to please

This was a little too predictable. A little too hard to care about the characters. A little too boring. Quit at 30%.

Maida»-(^v^)-» says

RATING: 1 I can't even with this... Hearts! :/

***?az?? - th? ?ock C?ick ?airy* says**

This book is certainly a surprise. I knew that it had magic and romance. I didn't know that it would also have humor. I like it! :)

THE PLOT

The plot is supposed to be quite simple really, an animal communicator meets a Scottish shapeshifter... It's predictable that they should fall for each other and bam! Happily ever after. However, it's not that simple.

There are other factors... like a fiance back home waiting for the heroine, a curse that'll doom the hero's fate and a greedy man who's actions got out of hand. This is a story of how their lives change in just a short time.

I enjoyed every twist and turn in the story. It made me very interested in their history. Ahem, I even researched on bear legends! I almost always enjoy shifter stories... there are so many things that can happen and it's unpredictable.. this one just like that. It surely is magical. :)

THE CHARACTERS

Paisley, the animal communicator has a good heart, but she has been shunned away by everyone except her grandma and (ugh!) her fiance because of her gift. She finds peace with her grandma and goes to the highlands and meets the hero. I like how she handles herself around Creighton. He's very intimidating, but she stood up for herself... Not at first, but she got the hang of it! I will be honest as to say that I didn't like her crying jag. She was always crying... even in scenes that I didn't think were dramatic enough. Anyway, I still like her because she's not a pushover when it comes to Creighton.

Creighton, the laird of the land has a lot of responsibilities. He has to do what needs to be done. With the curse hanging over his head, he's now more on edge. When he meets Paisley, he couldn't trust how he feels right away. He has to think of the clan, but all he thinks of is Paisley... an obsession of some sort. :) I like how he is with Paisley too. He's considerate and he's always very sweet. It might be a tad bit too cheesy, but it's okay. He's like a romance poet in some scenes. A shifter poet! Nice! ;p

THE COMPLICATION in this book teaches us that there are just some things that a person shouldn't lie about. It also tells us that the truth will come out eventually and it will bite you in the ass if you're not careful.

THEIR BANTER is what YOU SHOULD LOOK FORWARD TO!! It's entertaining! They fight with words and then make up later! I love it! It's a part of this couple's charm.

The other characters are great! They made the story more colorful. The brothers surely are something to look forward to as well. They are hilarious when they're together!! ^__^ Paisley's grandmother is also so nice and um... rare. haha! I can imagine her outfits. I love her because she's so good to her grand daughter. One of the best grandmas in fiction land!

THE ENDING is a bit abrupt. I wanted to know more. I wanted to see them get married. I wasn't looking at the page, so I was shocked to find out that I was on the last page. MORE PLEASE!!

All in all, if you like highlanders, magic and humor... this one's for you! I give this a 4!

I was given an ARC in exchange for an honest review.

This review can also be seen on our blog:

Musings of the Book-a-holic Fairies, inc.

Laurie says

I started this one as part of the Low Angst groups TBR challenge. I made it to almost half way before giving up. The h was unbelievably dense and things were just getting worse as I got more into it. A huge issue I had with Paisley was she was engaged to a man she didn't like, her beloved grandmother hated, and who she

knew was using her for a cash gain. He also talked down to her and didn't respect her. WTF? As her feelings for the H grew, she continued to fight it over loyalty to a man who deserved none. Breaking things off with him never crossed her mind. 46% in and she's still at it. No thanks. I'm done.

April ♥ "LOS" ♥ says

I thought this book was such a sweet story. There's nothing I enjoy more than Highlanders and shifters so when they come in the same book I am already hooked.

Amy says

Highlander's Obsession by Vonnie Davis was a 2 1/2 star read for me. This is the first book I've read by this author and the book description had me so excited to read - Highlander, bear shifter and compared to Shelly Laurenston = one click. While I loved the concept of this book and all the characters but one, that one was major. The heroine Paisley Munro is a mousy doormat who needs a faucet to turn off her constant tears. I tried to see how many times Paisley cried in this book but either my kindle is acting up or it's just so many that processing the search for tears is taking way to long. In my opinion this book is nothing like Shelly Laurenston's work.

Kathie (katmom) says

HAPPY RELEASE DAY!!!

This was my first Vonnie Davis book. It won't be my last. I'm fond of shifter stories, and these bears are a handful. I quite liked how Ms. Davis created her world and kept to the rules she created.

Paisley can hear animals. I've always thought that would be a really cool "super power" but I can see how it could be a hard thing, too. She's quite shocked when she hears a human mind for the first time. She figures that's it, she's finally gone totally nuts.

Creighton, on the other hand, is NOT going to like this pretty woman. Not at all, well, maybe just a little. Well, maybe just a lot.

At one point I was really annoyed. The bears can use their magic to erase human memories. Creighton does so, and I was ready to put the book down and walk away. Fortunately, it came back to bite his furry buns...hard. Good!

Effie, Paisley's grandmother, is something else. Her hair is pink and she wears colors to compliment it. And pelican baffies...slippers. She's a riot, for sure. I think she needs her own HEA at some point. She's going to enliven the Scottish Highlands.

There's a mystery here, too, and it was enjoyable seeing everything fall into place. A bit scary when the climax came, wondering who was going to survive.

A great start to a new series. I look forward to reading more. On a side note, Ms. Davis' agent is someone I

went to high school with. Dawn Dowdle...small world!

Thank you, NetGalley and Random House Publishing Group - Loveswept, for the opportunity to read A Highlander's Obsession

Linda says

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Ms Davis has penned a witty, magical, funny highland romance with a paranormal edge that putting down was a complete challenge.

Paisley Munro and her Gram come to the Scottish highlands to attend a family member funeral , much to the chagrin of her Fiancé And boss Alex; Paisley is a veterinary technician with a special gift, she can communicate with animals , though Paisley prefers to keep her talent private . Paisley's experience with the acceptance of her gift has been mostly negative her whole life including her parents who thought she was loosing her mind, but not her Gram; gram has always been there for her; so it is no wonders he faints dead away into Laird Creighton Mathesons arms when she believes she can hear his thoughts.

Creighton was already drawn to Paisley the minute he set eyes on her getting out of the land rover , but having her in his arms brings out the Alpha protective male in him and his bear. Yes his bear, Creighton is not only the laird of his clan, but he is the head of his bear sleuth also, yes he is a shifter along with th majority of the clan.Paisley did not know he was past bear so hearing his thoughts was a stresser .creighton though tries to fight his instant attraction by remembering wht his clan member said about gram and paisley coming to Scotland to sell off Iverson manor father they inherit , and for his sleuth the land is important , they need it and the privacy it affords .

To spite the two being at odds and off the attraction is undeniable , Paisley tries to resist but Creighton slowly wins her over till it all become too much after all how can a girl handle cheating on her fiancé , see your lover change into a bear , then having his great grandparents ghosts show up and prattle on about a curse....

Paisley's character has a strong stubborn side, she is incredibly caring and wonderful with animals thanks to her talent and a loving person . Creighton is your deliscously big highland sexy alpha male , the secondary characters rs equally as enthralling and add further dimension to the story line. Great read for Fans of highland romance or the paranormal romance!,,,

Angela (Angel's Guilty Pleasures) says

~ 4.5 Beloved Stars ~

ARC A Highlander's Obsession

A Highlander's Obsession is book one in a *Highlander's Beloved* series by Vonnie Davis. I can't believe how much fun this read was for me. Ms. Davis has created a *delightful magical tale full of humor and sweet romance*. We get kilted Scotsmen and shifters in the Highlands. Who can resist a sexy Scottish shifter in a kilt?

Paisley Munro, human with a gift for talking to animals, but when she goes to Scotland for a funeral she

hears a distinct humans thoughts. **Crighton Matheson**, Laird of the clan and bear shape-shifter. He cares about his clan and family, very protective of what is his, and loyal. All alpha sexy shifter.

A Highlander's Obsession is filled with humor, emotion, magic and sweet romance, the plot is simple, but interesting. I was captivated by the very first sentence and could not put the book down till the end. What caught my attention was the humor in this book. I was pleasantly surprised that there was so much humor built into this lovely sweet romance. The author does a marvelous job setting the scene and giving the readers a real feel of the sights and country of Scotland. The twists and turns keep the reader engaged and entertained.

The characters are just delightful in this story. Even the secondary characters were enjoyable and I can't forget about the brothers, they are something. Effie, my god she was a hoot. I could picture her so clearly and the things she says had me ROFL. She does have a touch of the mystical in her, buried in a caring sweet package that wants to see her only grand-daughter happy. I loved Effie! Paisley was amusing. I did go back and forth in liking her or not. It all had to do with her back and forth in being the strong feisty woman or the wilting lily who faints at too much information overload. How can she have such a hard time accepting these things when she herself has a gift? Crighton was attractive. I enjoyed his protective instincts towards his clan and Paisley. I loved how his romantic passionate side came out. The romance between Crighton and Paisley was sweet and I enjoyed the banter between them. Once these two get together their love making is hot and steamy.

A Highlander's Obsession is a fun read with sexy bear shifters, kilted heroes, and magic all set in the Highlands of Scotland. This is one read not to miss especially if you love bear shifters. I am looking forward to more Highland magic!

Disclaimer: I received a complimentary copy free of charge from Random House Publishing - Loveswept with the sole purpose of an honest review. All thoughts, comments and ratings are my own.

Nicola says

When you're a sucker for a Scottish man in a kilt and the odd shape-shifter, discovering a series that features both is no bad thing. And never has a title been more apt, because *A Highlander's Obsession* is exactly what we get; Crighton Matheson is an intense, protective man, who wears his heart on his sleeve and is nothing but honest...most of the time.

"Ye'd do well to be afraid of me, for I want ye naked, beneath me like I've never desired another woman before."

When American, Paisley Munro and her Gran, Effie, arrive at Matheson Lodge for a family funeral, the last thing Paisley expects is to be attracted to the Laird. But she is and it's not long before they discover each other has secrets. And with a superb chemistry, their story is filled with fight, lust, emotion and some laugh-out-loud humour

"Are you shy? What's wrong, big guy? Afraid to show me your Scottish bagpipe?"

There were elements of this book I loved and those I loved less so. The storyline is great, it has momentum and introduces us to a plethora of characters with their own stories to be told. But as much as I was cheering

Creighton and Paisley on, equally they frustrated with her flitting from feisty and stubborn to a bit of a cry-baby and he being overly possessive; granted he's alpha in both human and shifter form, but his possessive nature was a touch off-putting at times.

Vonnie Davis is a new author to me and, once I had gotten my head around the written Scottish dialect which at first read a little more Irish to me, I liked her style and found it a well-paced, enjoyable read. And with Bryce's story set up nicely, I look forward to seeing what lies in store.

3.5 Stars.

Kelly Moran says

NetGalley Review:

Paisley Munro has found meaning in her life by working as a veterinary assistant. Her gift of being able to communicate with animals has felt more like a curse. While traveling to Scotland for a relative's funeral, Paisley fears that she really has lost her mind. Creighton Matheson is the clan leader of shape-shifting bears who have been roaming the land freely for centuries. Now Paisley may inherit his home, putting his kind in grave danger. His mistrust only deepens when he realizes she can read his mind. Yet the attraction and pull between them cannot be denied and they must choose what's in their hearts to let go of what's in their heads.

Where to begin? Where. To. Begin... From start to finish, conflict to resolution, this was sheer brilliance. There's the paranormal edge with shape-shifting bears (bears, not wolves--so refreshing) and a heroine who can speak to animals, plus a family castle with ghosts. Then there's the contemporary end with quirky humor and real problems. This wasn't a typical book to lump into one category. The hero and heroine were both relatable and the chemistry was electric. Solid, nail-biting conflict. Scottish Highlands, hot guy in a kilt. Oh yeah. The setting was detailed and put the reader right there. Most impressive was the way the lingo and dialog were delivered. Davis did her research and never pulled me out of the story for a minute. Highly recommended!

Lover of Romance says

I had just discovered this title a few days ago, and when I saw a recommendation for this one, I knew I needed to try it out, especially since it was at a discounted price...and it was well worth the price and more!! I was actually surprised by how much I enjoyed this story...and if you like sexy highland shifter were bears...than this is a story you HAVE to check out.

A Highlander's Obsession is the first book the series, and it starts out with Paisley Munro, who is accompanying her grandmother, to Scotland, to be a witness to a will for her grandmother's uncle. When they arrive, they have been escorted by some handsome Scots with kilts and on their way to the Lodge, where the Matheson's have invited them to stay, she starts to hear thoughts from a bear that is human in nature. Paisley has certain gifts, where she can communicate with animals, but she has never before been able to hear human thoughts before. When she meets Creighton, those thoughts become more pronounced, and she comes face to face with a man who acts like he commands the world, but can't resist his sensual nature or the way he brings feelings for him out in her.

This story was quite a sensational read. This is a shifter romance, which involves shifter bears (sexy hunkiness), who in their human forms, they are Scots...what is more sexy right? Creighton is pure alpha male, leader of his clan, and when he meets Paisley, he is captivated. She isn't his normal type of woman, but finds her stunning, and desires to claim her as his mate, despite the fact that she is just here for a visit or that she is engaged. Paisley is a woman of courage and most of her life she has been mocked for her gift, but here in Scotland, she learns that she can truly be accepted for who she really is. Even though she is engaged to another man, she starts to fall in love with Creighton, who makes her feel things she has never experienced.

I loved the connected that Creighton and Paisley have for each other. Creighton well...one sexy beast!! I adored this hero, he is commanding, has quite a attitude when it comes to have Paisley as his own, he is the type to carry a woman over his shoulder if she is being stubborn. Paisley is a strong heroine, and I felt her so easy to relate with...I could see us being best friends in another life. What I also liked was seeing some conflict that plays a vital role in the plot and really keeps your senses alive. There was quite a bit of depth to this story and the romance was just so sweet yet passionate. I loved the family, and I can't wait till the next book comes out...yay for sexy shifter bear brothers who wear kilts and have irresistible brogues. Overall this story was exciting, playful, and highly romantic....truly a keeper!! A Must read for your shelves!!
