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Set in the exclusive Swiss ski resort of Verbier, the winter playground of the rich and famous, Confessions of a Chalet Girl is a fun and flirty contemporary romance novella from the fabulous Lorraine Wilson.

The slopes seriously start to heat up when chalet girl Holly is propositioned by her sexy new boss!

## Confessions of a Chalet Girl Details

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## From Reader Review Confessions of a Chalet Girl for online ebook

### Confessions of a Book Whore says

I received this book free from NetGalley in exchange for an honest review. All thoughts and comments are my own.

I really enjoyed this read. It was quick and fun. Holly Buchanan leaves London for the Swiss Alps. She's extremely guarded when she first meets her boss Scott Hamilton. Their first encounter is rather odd at a local bar where the chalet girls give up their bras as part of an initiation....later the story ends with a twist on this event which I thought was very appropriate!

When Holly meets Scott she's instantly attracted to him...apparently he feels the same but as her boss he reminds himself not to fraternize with the staff. His rules/logic quickly go out the window as he can't seem to control himself around Holly.

On New Years Eve Holly escapes a chalet party to hide out from the drunk guests. Scott comes upon her wondering what or who she is hiding from. She simply replies, "I didn't want to be kissed." Implying that one of the guests may act inappropriately given their state. He suggests they move their discussion to his office and grabs hold of her hand. This makes Holly melt and as much as she wants to pull away something about Scott also makes her want to stay. He finally makes his move in the confines of his office. Sealing their attraction with a kiss that certainly covers more than her mouth.

And so their story begins...their pasts haunting them but will trusting one another be the key to their relationship surviving?

This was such an amazingly intriguing novella. I found myself wanting to know what would happen next and how long before they would come clean with one another. It was sexy and fun. All the things I look for in a good read.

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### Millie says

I'm going to be perfectly honest here and say I was only interested in this book because it was free. I downloaded it after featuring it on my Kindle Freebies #7 post and it spent a total of 2 hours on my Kindle until I dived in to begin it!

This novel wouldn't necessarily be classed as a short story or novella but it is a small book with only about 100 pages. It is set in the Swiss mountains and features the new chalet girl Holly and her connection with boss Scott. I would like to state at this point that this book is more mature than I expected. There are very intimate scenes which I did skip in parts which I feel are not vital to the novel and made me feel uncomfortable.

However, for a 'short story', there was a lot of depth and detail added to it. I am often put off by short stories as I think that they are not detailed enough for me to become connected to them but with this I found the opposite. The characters are likable and you can really understand their motives throughout the plot. The background provided for them was just enough to encourage empathy but not too much to overpower the story. I also very much fancied Scott!

Overall, a quick and fun read which exceeded my expectations for a novel of this size! Not so keen on the saucy bits though (personal preference).

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### **Erin says**

An engaging, playful read with just the right balance between romance and erotica. Despite the novella length the characters have great depth; I also loved the switching POVs.

I can't believe this is a freebie at the moment! Amazing! I definitely have to check out the rest of the Chalet Girls series. My friend is going on a mini ski-break weekend with her new husband tonight and I immediately sent her the Amazon link to this upon finishing it - it will be perfect to read on the plane and get her in the mood - for the skiing and for her husband!! Haha!

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### **Teresa says**

This is a lovely, sexy and gentle humoured read.

Scott and Holly spark straight away! Unfortunately, Scott doesn't date the staff... but luckily for Holly he decides to make an exception.

You can't help but like Holly. She proves she's clever from the start. And, well, Scott... you're going to have to read for yourself!

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### **Katey Lovell says**

Confessions of a Chalet Girl is a steamy, romantic chicklit novella. I had heard positive things about it from the chicklit communities online and was keen to give it a try. I loved the idea of a book set in the ski resort of Verbier, the chalet girls juxtaposed against the rich playboys, days on the slopes and nights in the hot tubs.

The chalet girl in question is Holly, reserved and slightly reluctant by nature. Holly is challenged immediately when her initiation ceremony involves removing her bra so it can hang from the rafters of the local bar. She is approached by attractive, flirtatious Scott and is immediately intrigued. However, it soon transpires that Scott is her boss-can Holly resist his charm and attention? Does she even want to? And why has fellow chalet girl Magda got it in for her?

Confessions of a Chalet Girl is a fun read that chicklit fans will enjoy. There are also some quite steamy scenes in there for those hooked by erotic novels. I enjoyed Confessions of a Chalet Girl, reading it in two sittings. Holly was a character that many readers will be able to relate to-she seems 'normal', with a balance of neuroses and a sense of fun. Scott is the troubled yet attractive boss, powerful and confident but with hidden depths. Magda-well, she is instantly dislikeable, which must prove that she is a well constructed character. Catty and spiteful, I wanted to reach into my kindle and slap her! And I'm not a violent woman...

The main downside for me was that the book flew by. I would have loved to hear more about the relationships between the chalet girls, perhaps learning a bit more about some of the minor characters and their exploits on the slopes. However, author Lorraine Wilson has said that there will be more Chalet Girl

books, which is bound to please the chicklit readers giving Confessions of a Chalet Girl positive reviews on Amazon and Goodreads.

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## Deniz says

### 3.5 Stars

I got to confess, the only reason I requested this ARC was pure nostalgia. Yep, how very old lady of me! So I had this idea that it's going to have loads of snowboarding scenes set in Verbier with some fun banter- basically a cute story set in my "backyard, well the backyard is spent my teens in. Why? You might ask. Well check out the cover?! Notice the snowboard?! The blurb sounds fun and cute right? And for some reason I assumed a chalet girl was like I was one of them girls who lived in a chalet for the winter.... uhm well. That's not quite what this is about, actually. Oh let me reassure you it IS cute. But no fun banter or snowboarding to be found anywhere.

So the storyline is not about snowboarders or skiers- though there is a skiing scene, a single one. It's about Holly, a girl from England who works in a chalet in Verbier over the winter. And a chalet girl is apparently not a local like me but someone like Holly.

My first reaction to the book was: What? They ALL English?!

Frowning I wondered what had happened to the cute Swiss guys that used to live there....

But I got rather quickly over the fact that the entire cast were from England, because the story is cute and engaging. It really a classic romance set in the snow. With that come the usual angst and dramas, big misunderstanding and makeups and yes, the HAE. It is a light and cute read with some nice smut thrown in to boot.

The book is written alternating between Scott and Holly. I liked the way they were written, and I could relate to them. But I have to say that their problems were just touched on, their insecurity while firstly being quite cliché and on top of that kinda rushed through, so I didn't really feel it. I kinda rolled my eyes at it and though gosh just get over it. Especially Scott. Terrible isn't? Especially when you know what tragedy I am talking about.

The support cast was your usual as well. The villain so typical, not a single surprise there. The bestie funny and while often written one of my favorite things about the book. I loved Holly's relationship with her big mouthed bestie. I guess because of us girls have someone like Piper in our life's but also Wilson really wrote their relationship well.

The chemistry between Scott and Holly was great! I liked them as a couple and totally rooted for them. There were some great scenes between them.

I think the whole thing did feel a bit rushed, the emotions felt short cut and there wasn't enough character-building- to be honest I blame the short format of it. I think this would make a great full length novel actually. The novella thing- something between a novel and short story doesn't kinda do the idea justice.

The world-building was good, I love Verbier, and Wilson has definitely spent time during winter in the Alps. Her descriptions were beautiful and accurate, and she in a few of the scenes she got it just right. But again, I would have liked her to go more into depths. I think that most people won't mind this, but I know the place, I know the beauty and romance winters in Verbier and I would have loved it if Wilson would have brought that aspect through more. Because without it it's just a cute but typical romance story.

I love Wilsons witty and descriptive writing style, so much that I am definitely looking forward to what else she comes up with.

All in all a fun and cute romance with some steamy scenes. Definitely a read lovers of the genre will enjoy. But I wish it would have been given a little more depth.

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### **Sienna Logan (Lost to Books) says**

**For more of my reviews visit <http://losttobooks.blogspot.com>**

This was a quick, entertaining and enjoyable read that I got through in just under an hour. It has also renewed my faith in novellas once more as I was thinking about stopping reading anything that isn't a full length novel due to previous experiences.

Confessions of a Chalet Girl was a sweet and funny story that kept me hooked and reading with a smile on my face. There were emotional moments which were nice as most of the time when these occurred it gave me an insight into the both Holly and Scott's past. This was one of the things that has renewed my faith in novellas, the characters had a past and although not described in piles of detail it enabled me to connect and engage with the characters which is normally something I struggle with.

Written with a quick pace, Confessions of a Chalet Girl keeps you turning pages at a rapid speed. I loved the relationship between Holly and Scott, especially the playful teasing. It kept me smiling and laughing as it stepped up a notch every time they encountered. Their emotions were believable and the passion was described nicely.

I think my favourite thing about this novella is the writing. The author crafted the story really well and rather than try and fit load of detail into and go off on tangents she focused on the main characters and plot. There was plenty of detail surrounding Holly and Scott and it hinted at other things with other characters but I really liked how she didn't try to cram every idea into the book. I have found with so many novellas that they jump around and are disjointed due to so many undeveloped ideas - Confessions of a Chalet Girl didn't do this, it flowed seamlessly and is crafted beautifully.

Overall I loved this novella. It was quick, fun, sexy and written well. Although I am reading this in the summer I can imagine it being a great winter or Christmas fire side read. I would highly recommend it!

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### **Teresa says**

Short and sweet freebie. But also corny and predictable. Everything happened too fast and was too corny to deserve a 3 star.

## **Crazy for Books (Stephanie) says**

NetGalley free read

Holly has just arrived in Switzerland to work as a chalet girl because her best friend and flatmate, who originally suggested they both do this for the winter to catch a rich guy (her joke), had gotten pregnant and moved in her boyfriend... a mechanic's apprentice. Holly figures she'll do this job over the holidays, not have to back to her mother's home, and figure out the rest of her life when the season's over. Holly immediately attracts the attention of the owner of Chalet Repos and her boss, Scott Hamilton, although she doesn't know it at the time. Scott doesn't date employees, but he's immediately attracted to Holly.

Although she becomes a favorite of the chalet guest, due to her sweet personality, Holly quickly becomes a target by her fellow female employees due to Scott's seeming interest in her.

Scott has a thing about lying. His father is a serial adulterer, his sister passed away a year ago because she never told anyone she wasn't feeling well and ended up having cancer too advanced to do anything about it. So when he suggests Holly go with him and some of the guests on a ski run, she's not sure where that's come from until she realizes her facebook and twitter account has been hacked. Realizing it was one of the other chalet girls, she tries to tell Scott that she doesn't ski well, but he takes it for her being modest. She soon hurt herself and he's angry because he feels she lied.

Scott ultimately realizes that Holly was set up and apologizes. They start to get very close, realizing they could be much more than a hook up to each other, when Scott tries to explain why he doesn't drink, because he used it as a crutch after his sister's death. But before Holly can hear the reason, she balks and walks away from him. She's been traumatized by a lifetime of taking care of and begging her alcoholic mother to get sober. But Holly quickly realizes she didn't let Scott fully explain why he doesn't drink and she never told him why it bothers her so much.

They both realize the only way things will work is if they are completely honest with each other and don't jump to conclusions when the other doesn't quickly understand something, like the text from her friend asking if she's bagged the millionaire yet, which Scott reads. She laughs it off as her friend trying to get her in a relationship and he understands that it's not Holly's goal and wasn't why she was there in the first place.

It wasn't terrible, it just was a little clinical in the writing. I didn't really feel any real connection or angst from the characters. Since it was a novella, all of their conflicts were resolved so quickly and without much discussion. Things were explained and accepted at face value. I guess that's good, but it doesn't make for a great reading experience. We need misunderstandings, stubbornness and sometimes, the thought that things may not work out. Everything just fell into place. Too pat.

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## **Natalie TBGWP says**

The best thing about a great novella is knowing you can read it over and over again quickly whenever you want. That is what I'll be doing with Confessions of a chalet girl. I was lucky enough to be sent a preview ecopy by HarperCollins/HarperImpulse through request from author. For this I'm very thankful, this will be my quick travel read of choice on my next few journeys.

Story follows Holly Buchanan as she arrives in an exclusive skiing resort in Verbier, Switzerland. Holly is a quiet, shy and reserved character due to family circumstances that have affected her when growing up. This truly affects her and pulls drastically on your heart strings. Her new boss Scott Hamilton knows only too well what past family circumstances can do to damage you too. You fall in love with Scott from the very start and want him for yourself.

The book is well paced and with enough grit in to push it towards being saucy, which in my personal opinion is fine. It brings you deep into thought and offers you a world of delight as you imagine yourself immersed in a gorgeous moonlight natural thermal pool relaxing.

Well it makes you jealous more than that I should say.

Seriously though, it's extremely thorough for a novella and has just as much in as a full novel including an evil bitch, and we all love a bitch don't we ay?

I'd recommend this to anyone wanting a quick, in-depth and delicious read.

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### **Romy Sommer says**

I've been lucky enough to read this book pre-publication. It's a fun, easy read that'll move you to both tears and laughter. I loved it!

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### **Ella Zegarra says**

I've received an ARC of this in exchange of a honest review

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Una vez leí a otro lector decir: "No me gustan las historias cortas porque cuando empiezan a tomar ritmo/interés, se acaban". Y tiene una gran parte de razón, porque al menos en este caso, las primeras páginas (que serían todas), no hay mucha buena cosa rescatable.

Para empezar está lleno de clichés: diálogos, situaciones, personajes, no da nada nuevo como libro. ¿Punto positivos? Se lee rápido, te entretiene un par de horas. No es la gran cosa, pero tampoco es tan malo. Sirve para practicar tu inglés británico, un montón de "Bloody Hell" :P

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### **Kitty French says**

Gorgeous! A sexy hero, a cute heroine and a magical back drop - the perfect escapist read for a couple of hours. I really enjoyed reading this, nice to have an unusual setting and the steamy bits were delicious. :O)

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## Desere says

Planning an adventure just to get away from the dullness that is her everyday life Holly signs up with her friend to go work at a ski resort as a chalet girl. Meet new people, learn to ski and try to forget her troubles at home.

At the last minute Holly needs to go alone and brave the cold so to speak. At the chalet girl initiation she however also needs to brave her attraction towards no one other than let-me-kiss-you-all-over Scott.

She is instantly attracted to the him, but soon discovers he is her boss and backs off. But Scott has other ideas, he knows he should not get involved with his employees but there is something about Holly he simply cannot resist and soon he temps her into his world of passion and sinful lust.

Holly succumbs, but as soon as she starts to really have fun and enjoy the passion Scott reveals his secret as to why she is to never lie to him as long as they are together. It is a secret Holly simply cannot accept and she takes off running, but her heart tells her to turn back only will it be too late or will Scott take her back in his arms?

The character of Holly was at first a bit irritating as she is so dull and plain, not quite the ice queen but more or less close. But as the read progressed she does become a lot more daring and her true personality shines through. I liked that the author lets her crawl out from her shell of insecurities and hold up's to become a little more care free and spirited.

But I will be honest her holding the secret against Scott made me want to slap her, as it just did not seem valid enough, it was as if she takes her past and slams it into Scott's face even after their deep connection.

I would have liked the author to let her have a deeper understanding of Scott's fears simply because they had already at the stage of the secret being revealed shared a very deep emotional connection and thus she should have not made the leap into running away, but instead stuck around and tried to listen to her heart and not her head. So yes not a very likeable character but she does come around and the author showed that she is able to evolve when given the push.

The character of Scott, was one that my heart went to, his secret of not wanting any lies was completely understandable. I loved that he picks up on the connection of Holly being different from the other girls and that he protects her against harm.

It showed that he is in touch with his feelings as man even though he is able to have any woman he wants, he still chooses the deeper connection as oppose to the only sex with any woman seeing the \$\$ signs. I adored that he does not jump to conclusions but instead he tries to think before yelling.

The backdrop settings for the scenes were very romantic, from the sexy fireplace scene to the very interesting and fresh out door pool scene. The author created the perfect romance with snow all around to give the feeling of heat and passion blossoming in the cold.

The dialogue was sweet, sensual and emotional but also at one stage did a swear word or two pop up that I was not expecting in this read, and I had to take a moment to make sure I was reading the right book. It sort of ruined the emotional level of the read and I think the author could have done without it.

All in all a very nice little afternoon read, coming it at seven chapters. Quick and easy to read. I am taking away a message of holding the past against your future standing right in front of you, is one of the biggest mistakes you might ever make. Listen to your heart, it is beating the out the route to happiness.

I know that the author is planning another read in the Chalet girl series, and am looking forward to see what she comes up with after receiving feedback on this read.

4 star review

"The flames of passion burn to melt the ice"

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### **Mandy Baggot says**

Any novel that starts in a bar with a boob flashing challenge for the heroine gets my vote!

Holly is alone as a newbie chalet girl learning the ropes and trying to blend in while she saves up some money. What she doesn't count on is her sexy boss, Scott. He doesn't date staff and she's not looking for a relationship but somehow all this is set aside as passion takes over.

A great holiday read that will make you want to try apres ski if not the full on slalom!

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