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Architect Mark Bartel returns home from a business trip to an unexpected surprise. His lover of six months' duration surprises him with a piece of land and a proposition. Joe wants them to build their own house and move in together.

After a tour of the property, Mark's enthusiastic acceptance of Joe's plan has the sexy carpenter wanting to officially christen the place as theirs and Mark unexpectedly finds himself the prey in an erotic chase. What was supposed to end with mind blowing sex instead becomes a comedy of errors. Mark lands face down in a puddle of mud and it's Joe's laughter and his own bruised ego that may cause an indefinite postponement of their plans.

Not about to be shut out, it's up to Joe to make Mark realize that shit happens and a little misplaced anger isn't nearly enough to keep a determined man at bay. Mark's about to be shown it's going to take a lot more than some mud and a temper tantrum to keep Joe from getting exactly what he wants. The heart, soul and body of his darling brat.

## **Darling Brat Details**

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## From Reader Review Darling Brat for online ebook

### Candice says

I'm so happy that we got a follow up for these two guys, but it makes me want to read more about them.

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### Vio says

Pleasantly surprised a great follow up to aThaw in Winter! I still love these guys so much and I am very happy we got a bit more of their dreamy romance its a worthy sequel that resolves a big issue that was left hanging in the previous book Joe to the rescue!

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### Donna says

Cute follow up to Thaw in Winter! I enjoyed seeing Mark come into his own. Letting the world see who you are instead of who they think you are isn't always easy and it did my heart good to read a story where love and acceptance are the outcomes of showing the world your true self! And, can I just say... Mark's parents are idiots! Unfortunately, there are many parents out there who should have just passed over the possibility of having children... I will never understand how someone can have a child and feel no parental warmth, love, and compassion toward that child! :(

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### Mandy\*reads obsessively\* says

It's a sweet story, but I was a bit reluctant to read it because of the title.

Unfortunately I was right, it is a major pet peeve of mine to call and keep calling your PARTNER a brat!

I find it condescending and rude and just unacceptable.

I might have been ok with it once, but it just got to be too much for me, and I don't think Mark was a brat or behaved like one, Joe was just a dominating and overbearing , so it might have felt like that to him.

I gave it 3 \*, because that's what it would have gotten if the word brat hadn't appeared in the book.

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### Ami says

#### 3.5 stars

This short story continues six months after Mark and Joe's start of relationship (book Thaw in Winter). Joe has a surprise for his lover -- and what a wonderful surprise it is. I like the scene where Mark finally takes Joe to his office and how Joe handles the problem with that d\*ck nemesis of Mark.

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### OkayKim says

3.5

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## **vLadimiR says**

I nice quick read about two people wanting to move in together. The romantic gesture turned sour after a bit of rough housing brought about some minor tantrums from one of the main characters, hence the title.

Not much conflict here bet enough romance to satisfy my craving for some man love.

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## **Elisa Rolle says**

Sequel of Thaw in Winter, it follows Mark and Joe's relationship after their return from the mountain cottage of Mark.

Mark is slowly coming out with all his friend and also with his family. Unfortunately Mark's parents seems to not accept their son: not cause he is gay, but as a son point. They are aloof and cold and Mark resents a lot this situation. And also it causes him to be a bit restrained in express his feelings to whom he loves.

But Joe has a surprise and also a proposition: he has an empty lot in a beautiful zone of the city and he wants for Mark to design their future home together. At first Mark is happy and readily accept the proposition, but then an unremarkable accident brings up the bratty behaviour in Mark and Joe need to teach to his man to be a little less brat; not too much thought, cause Joe loves his darling brat.

The story is not very long, less than 60 pages, but it's very sweet. There is a lot of funny interaction between Mark and Joe, and also a classical scene in Knight in Shining Armour style, that I love so much, being the romantic I'm.

The relationship between Joe and Mark is the classic alpha and omega one, with a pushy bottom omega plays by Mark, who tries to prove that he is not a cute and pretty thing, but that he has a big personality inside his tiny body... it's like seeing that pet dogs when they bark to a big dog.

Nice reading, to rest and relax.

<http://elisa-rolle.livejournal.com/28...>

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## **Emma says**

This one's a bit of a funny one. I came so close to giving it a 4. It has really solid characterisation, tge writing is surprisingly good, you get a sense of the wider world outside the porn. There's a lot of great character development and stuff and I did enjoy a lot of it.

The problem is that the sex was hit and miss.

It was scorching at first. There was a palpable sense of tension. But the author sure love adverbs and adjectives and it made the entire thing a little more purple than I prefer. There was one stray line where the

guy sucking cock is described as "worse than a baby with a pacifier" which is in the race for least sexy line in a sex scene. It end with a woman asking to watch which uncomfortably draws attention to the way male/male erotica is a form of objectification that comodifies gay sex for female pleasure. Also, there was no bratting. Being upset when your covered in mud and your lover is laughing at you isn't bratting, so my expectation as a reader wasn't met.

So promising things but uncomfortable at times.

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### **Chris says**

See my comments for Thaw in Winter...

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### **Beck says**

Mark was a prat rather than a brat. Despite the fact that he patently needed a spanking, this novel failed to deliver anything but petulance & pouting. This was an okay read but I think there is much better out there. I won't bother reading this one again.

I did bother ... wish I hadn't ... it spoils the glow left by book 1 IMO.

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