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Love is selfish...

My name is Blaire.

I'm the bad girl.

The other woman.

The one who never gets the guy in the end.

I'm the gold digger.

The bitch.

The one no one roots for.

The one you love to hate.

I hate myself too...

Everyone has a story. Are you ready for mine?

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From Reader Review Easy Virtue for online ebook

Vrsha (PeekAtMyBookReview) says

Rating : 4 Blaire 'Who Shined in the Dark' Stars

“Many say that love will set you free, but I disagree ... love is a cage, a very painful one; its gilded bars made with yearning, heartache, and unfulfilled dreams.”

My Views : First I added this book because of the **kick ass blurb** ...I had a feeling of déjà vu here (Black lies) by thank God it wasn't the same. The prologue itself indicated that this was going to be an emotional read. I was thoroughly captivated by this book and I loved how Mia Asher build up the character if Blaire. The arrival of Ronan allows us to have a different façade of Blaire which I really liked but she changed into a completely different character with Lawrence...

Style of writing : Brilliant...I just could stop highlighting, the thoughts were so emotive and poignant. There were certain quotes that left me thinking because they were so **deep and philosophic** and helped me to understand Blaire. The ending was **NOT a cliffy** ...but I loved how she leaves the reader in great suspense because we all want to know what's going to happen next!!!

Characters : Blaire was w0w..I was enthralled, she is the kind of girl who had so many stones thrown at her that she's forgotten the pain now and relish in the fact that they cannot hurt her anymore as she doesn't allow herself to feel... **She is strong on the outside but on the inside she's still that lonely fat girl** . The decisions that she makes are shocking. I felt like she's been portrayed as such a Kick Ass character but on the inside she is empty, I could feel her vulnerability and despite her bitchiness I sympathize with her.

“One day, you're going to fall in love with a man and I hope he breaks your heart, Blaire. When that happens, you'll know what kind of pain you're capable of inflicting, and maybe then you'll grow a heart and hopefully find your humanity.”

As for Ronan...First meeting with him 'I like that Dude' and second meeting 'I think I'm falling for that dude' and the third meeting '**Oh yes I will have his babies**'. Ronan was a sweetheart and every girl's dreams.

“You're in me. In everything I see. In everything I touch. You're in the air I breathe, in the water I drink, and in every dream I dream. I want to tell you so much more, but I know that you're not ready to hear it.”

Now Lawrence was another thing altogether, his broken heart made him a powerful man. He is the complete opposite of Ronan but yes I do love him. **Both male characters are to die for...**

Favorite Part : None..

What did not work? There were certain decisions that Blaire took that I did not agree with and I could not really understand why...Her character is complicated for me.

“Love fades ... or it’s selfish ... or unkind ... but a diamond? A diamond will last forever”

Similar books? None so far...

Recommended : Oh yes, not everyone can create a character as Blaire.

PRE REVIEW

Did she just...OMG it’s **most CRUEL** to end a book this way!!!

OMG OMG When is the next one!!!!

Geri Reads says

[There's some love triangle in it, which I feel will eventually become a full-blown, bang-your-head-against-the wall LT

Patty Belongs To Kellan~Jesse~Lautner~Miller~Jack~Racer~Rafe~Liam~Prince Nicholas~Hayes~Simon~Gianluca & Archer says

*****4 STARS*****

{BR with Mel, Dee, Sharon, and Tiff}

This was a very fast paced and addictive read for me.

Mia Asher surely can write a steamy hot story with some gut wrenching angst thrown in for good measure. I seriously couldn't put it down and let me just say, I was not falling asleep on this one.... **AT ALL.**

Blaire White is a young woman who has been deeply affected by her past. She did not grow up in a loving & nurturing household. She saw the love between her parents die right before her eyes and she vows to never fall in love or expect to be loved.

Many say that love will set you free, but I disagree...love is a cage, a very painful one; its gilded bars made with yearning, heartache, and unfulfilled dreams. ~ Blaire

Blaire learns as a young teenage girl that her beauty can be a powerful tool. She can attract wealthy men and they will shower her with expensive gifts and money in order to get her in bed with them. Yes, this girl is the epitome of a "**gold digger**", and she's proud of it.

She moves to New York City at the age of 18 and hooks up with men whose money pays for her expensive apartment and fancy designer clothes and accessories. One night she will meet two men who will have the power to turn her world upside down.

Ronan is the beautiful man she literally crashes into, who will have her questioning the life she has led. She actually starts to feel hope for a life filled with love and happiness that she never thought could be possible. He seems to be so enamored of her. I really fell for this guy. Not only was he sweet, but he was incredibly alpha and sexy!

*"I want to feel myself buried inside of you, moving in you, robbing me of all logical thought. I want to feel you tremble, hear you gasp and moan as I pull you tighter against me. I'll go deeper and deeper until both of us burn with desire and passion. I want to mark you. I want to f*** every other guy out of your body until I'm all you feel, all you remember. Tonight I'm not going to make love to you, Blaire. I'm going to own you. Do you hear me?" ~ Ronan*

Holy hell, my ovaries exploded after I read that!!

Well wouldn't this be a simple story if she only had one terrific guy to deal with? Oh yes it would, but lucky Blair has two men. The other, Lawrence Rothschild, is the wealthiest man she has ever been acquainted with. Not only is he filthy rich, but he is devastatingly handsome and single. Damn this chick has some kind of amazing luck because he is very into her and wants an arrangement with her. I was actually swooning over him too. Something is up with him though. Someone from his past hurt him and I'm dying to know more about this man! He acts all cool and uncaring, but I think he has genuine feelings for Blaire.

I found myself despising Blaire from the beginning, but there was one tender moment between her and Ronan, that had me feeling sympathy for her and I was just starting to like her when she goes and pulls an utterly bitchtastic move. So I am back to disliking her again.

The sexy times are panty melting inducing, and I was expecting them to be that way since I've read **Arsen** and remember how incredibly hot that book was. This book ends on a cliffy, and it's definitely one I didn't ever see coming. All I want to know is....**WHEN IS BOOK TWO COMING OUT?!!!** There is no title and no release date. This is going to be pure torture for me!

Candace says

Wow! 4.5 Stars for me. This was a fabulous book! After reading a lot of books that left me feeling less than thrilled, 'Easy Virtue' was exactly what I needed to pull me out of a rut.

There is nothing that I love more than a book that leaves me feeling conflicted and emotionally wrung out. I love the push and pull, the angst and the emotional pain that a character like Blaire delivers. I'm kind of a masochist like that!

Blaire White is the kind of character that everyone loves to hate. She's an unrepentant, self-proclaimed gold-digger. Since she discovered how to use her looks to get what she wanted as a teenager, she has capitalized on them. She knows what she wants from the men she targets, just as she knows that they only value her for her looks and skills in the bedroom. She makes no qualms about it, which will earn her the loathing of a great many people, but makes me absolutely love her.

There is a softer side to Blaire though. No matter how good of a front she puts up, she is really just a vulnerable woman, getting by the only way that has ever brought her any affection. The product of two frigid, emotionally absent parents, Blaire was ignored and forgotten.

As she grew into a young woman, she found that she was able to draw the attention of men twice her age...and to make it profitable. She's not nice, but she doesn't pretend to be. She embraces her identity as the woman that other women love to hate, but inside she's a lonely little girl.

After her latest cash cow moves on to a newer model of arm candy, Blaire is once again on the hunt. She's got enough reserve funds to hold her over for a while, but she'll have to find a new sugar daddy soon if she plans to continue living the lifestyle to which she's become accustomed. Lawrence Rothschild, a billionaire business mogul, is the perfect man for the job. When a chance encounter lands her on his radar, it is game on.

What Blaire doesn't plan for is meeting a man that speaks to her on a different level. Ronan is everything that Lawrence is not. He's an average guy, with an average income. She knows that she shouldn't get involved with him, but she can't seem to help herself. He's sweet and truly cares for her, even introducing her to his family.

Blaire knows that she's headed down a dangerous road and that she'll break his heart. However, she couldn't predict exactly how much she would come to care for Ronan...or Lawrence for that matter. Nothing could have prepared her for the eventual fallout. This book ends with the drop of a bomb.

Holy hell! This book ripped my heart out! I could not quit listening, even as I knew that it would be my destruction. This is the best kind of pain. Mia Asher blew me away! I immediately dived into the second book to see how things played out for Blaire and the two men that managed to capture her heart. Like Blaire, I loved them both and wasn't sure which way I wanted things to go. I was so conflicted!

♥ Jx PinkLady Reviews ♥ says

RE-READ February 2016 * Book Two is releasing APRIL 3RD 2016!!!

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Mia Asher came into my book life in 2013 with her epic, heart wrenching story *Arsen: A Broken Love Story* and since then I've been waiting for her next offering... Waiting to once again be captivated by her characters and I most certainly was... *Captivated and addicted*... and I'm again longing for more.

Easy Virtue is about fear, longing, hope, love and *being unable to love... yearning heartache and unfulfilled dreams* **Most of all it's about a girl called Blaire White.**

What makes someone decide not to love? What brings them to such a low point that they decide to lock away that emotion in favour of something cold and empty? Blaire grew up, and matured, lacking the nurture experience. She was lonely. *she felt ugly, awkward and unlovable*. It hardened her heart.... Shaped her life, her thoughts, her desires.... Love became a skewed feeling.... *It made her Blaire*.... Made her yearn for more whilst believing that her dreams would, more than likely, never be fulfilled... *So what's the point? I felt her apathy and her disinterest towards life.... Her laissez-faire attitude. She guards her heart in an iron case, no risks allowed*... Blaire is always in protection mode and her weapon of choice is her body and she makes no apology for excising this choice.

She made me catch my breath with her self-destructive tendencies, her loathsome behaviour, her uncaring attitude and the blatant misuse of her own heart. Despite all this Mia Asher made me love Blaire with the light and shade she shows in her and, as much as I felt the wreck of her actions... her cruelty... Blaire touched my heart with her inner thoughts, her vulnerabilities.... **She seduced me with her story, a story that's on the verge of plummeting into angsville territory at full force.** *Blaire White captivated me with the possibilities of her future....*

Ronan is a photographer. He brings out the inner Blaire, the Blaire who hopes for more. She experiences so many beautiful things with him, things that she'd previously been deprived of. He makes her smile, he makes her happy.

Lawrence Rothschild, "...is mystery and darkness." He's super rich, commanding and charismatic. I felt I shouldn't like him but I did, I couldn't help myself, I felt power and sensuality dripping off him during the glimpses we're given. With Lawrence there's no pretense. He takes her to oblivion. He makes her forget.

Who is *my heart's desire*? The simple answer is... I like them both, so I found myself thinking about, not just who I like best, but who could be the love of Blaire's life? Who could make her complete and heal all her vulnerabilities? *Make her less skewed...?*

Can Blaire allow one man to consume her and be her hope? Can one man own her heart? **Happiness is within her grasp. It's there for the taking....**

For those concerned about the love triangle aspect yes there are three people involved in the story but Blaire is always honest. Honestly speaking there'll be readers who will not always like Blaire or her actions.... but they'll feel her pain and her sadness. Those readers who so much appreciate a unique, well written story will love Easy Virtue!

Mia Asher sets the scene for pain so well. There were times the story made me well up... Her emptiness is heart breaking. I felt the possibilities of her life shattering before my reading eyes. *So sad.. Why???* My heart hurt for Blaire and the self imposed situation she felt she deserved.

I feel there's so much we're yet to discover... *that's my hope.....* but with that hope comes confusion, what is the ultimate right path for Blaire to take? Who's the man that holds the key to her future happiness? And the ending!?! Oh. My. Goodness. What happened....? My mind's been working overtime on fitting it all together... I NEED book two now!

I loved everything about this read, the feeling, the characters, the way the author uniquely moved time forward, giving depth without needless detail. I adored the hotness! Boy was it steamy! Scorching eroticism laced right through the layers of emotion....

Most of all I loved the dose of angst Easy Virtue gave me and yes there will be more... I predict my heart will break before it's happy again, but doesn't that make for the very best stories? The stories that stay with you... feed your mind and attack your heart... and ultimately make you swell with emotional contentment? If you love a story that gives you a whole spectrum of feels in all it's glory, then I highly recommend Easy Virtue and whatever Blaire has to offer us next.

****Note EASY VIRTUE is the first part in a two book series. The second part will be released APRIL 3rd 2016!**

Take a peak at the prologue for Easy Virtue: (view spoiler)

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Angie - Angie's Dreamy Reads says

One thing's for certain, Mia Asher can write and she does it in such a way that it literally depletes your lungs of oxygen. Her words become the bursts of air your body requires. She takes you and grips you. She's got a way with making you feel. It doesn't matter if those feelings are despair, anger or frustration. It doesn't matter if they're happy, euphoric or scorching... No, Mia has such a way with description and storytelling that you want the hurt, you crave the agonizing pull from deep within, the one that makes you feel as though you can fly, as though you're alive and kicking, as though you're the very character who's story's being told.

Once again, Mia has given us a heroine we love to hate. She's given us a tale that fills you with the perfect blend of utter frustration, of crazy love and hate, of searing steaminess. It was, in two word, utterly addicting.

Easy Virtue is the first in a two part duet. It follows the story of Blaire White. Blaire grew up in a household that was cold and dysfunctional. A product of a mother and father who are in a loveless marriage, she dreamt of being cherished, of being held and feeling special. She didn't know warmth, love, and that created a huge chasm in her life. Not only that, Blaire was bullied in school, poked fun at because of her weight and her awkward childhood looks. She was made to feel completely insignificant.

Fast forward several years and that ugly duckling, that chubby girl, is no more. The one beaten down disappears and in its place is a vixen. A transformed beauty who is the very thing men fantasize about. Her exquisiteness is like a bullet to the chest. It's staggering and in that she finds power. The kind of power that changes a person, the kind that's a balm to the craterous hole that's taken up residence in her soul.

A master manipulator, she takes monetary gain in exchange for sex. Now... I know what you're thinking. That she's a slut. But she really isn't. Blaire's very careful of who she chooses to bed. She goes for wealthy men, prominent standing men, who can give her what she wants. She's not sleeping with everyone. Is it morally wrong? Yes, but it's part of how she gets by. It's the way she numbs her heart. Almost like a drug, she finds warmth in the showering of gifts, in the money she receives. What she has with these men is a superficial relationship and the main stipulation is that they take care of her. Right or wrong it's how she copes with the blow life handed her.

The plot, set in NY, is where we meet Ronin the complete opposite of what Blaire usually goes for. A devilish, somewhat ordinary man, who somehow finds his way into her life. He's everything that's good, that's healthy for her. Everything Blaire should want, does want, but is too scared to take. She's afraid of feeling, long since numbed, an impenetrable wall of brokenness surrounding her heart.

In the same place, we meet Lawrence Rothschild who is the **EXACT** type of man that Blaire is drawn to. Filthy rich. Uncharacteristically sexy, dirty in bed, and able to let Blaire be what she thinks is her true self. He requires no emotional contact. It's sex. Hard f*cking sex.

The story takes on a life of its own. And Blaire's dysfunctional state plays out masterfully on the pages. It's intense. It's steamy. A rainbow of conflicted sensations that will set you on fire. And let's be honest, there's nothing better than the tumultuous ache of frustration, the burning sting of pain or the blazing heat of steam

when you open a book. Easy Virtue encompasses all those things and more. I loved this book. I loved the dark yet erotic feel. I most certainly loved Mia's writing. I love how she goes against the mold, unafraid of crossing lines, hitting you right in the chest with uncomfortable subjects that are sure to create a stir.

Easy Virtue is a **BRILLIANT** start to the duet and I can't wait to get my hands on the conclusion. I have **NO IDEA** where the author will take this but the dark and devilish side of me is salivating and craving so much more. This book is a knock out!

♥♥♥♥ FAVORITE QUOTES ♥♥♥♥

→ *"I'm Blaire White... I don't wallow. I don't cry. I move on. I forget. I discard... or get discarded. I'm a survivor. I'm resilient."*

→ *"The assault of his tongue debilitates me but doesn't incapacitate me."* (**That is such a STRONG line. Those words... POWERFUL!**)

→ *"Many say that love will set you free, but I disagree... love is a cage, a very painful one; it's gilded bars made with yearning, heartache, and unfilled dreams."*

→ *"He's gravity and I'm the falling apple doomed to hit the ground."* (**FREAKING LOVED THIS LINE!**)

→ *"All good things in life never last. Like a good high, at some point you must come down and crash and burn. Things end. People break hearts. People move on and forget."* (**TRUTH**)

→ *"Fear is a prison. A feeling of crippling power that spreads darkness within. It blinds. It questions. It takes over every decision we make, coloring it with doubt. Fear, for most of us, rules our lives, and it's only when you conquer it that you can truly love your life to the fullest."*

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Lana ❄️Dirty Girl Romance❄️ says

3.5 Stars

This is me taking control of my life. This is me becoming whatever I need to be in order to achieve my goals. And, most importantly, I don't care because when this is over; all my sins will be paid for...and very well.

Allow me to preface my review by saying that I absolutely fell in love with Mia Asher's writing style. The woman truly has an incredible gift with words. I was captivated by the story with just the first few sentences and I knew it would be unlike anything I've read before...and boy was it.

I am selling my soul.

*And the sad part is...
I don't care.*

See here's the thing, my dislike for a heroine is a guaranteed way to ruin the book for me. I have yet to read a book where that didn't hold true...until this one. The blurb painted an anti-heroine of sorts and that was the main reason I picked this up. Did it deliver on that promise? Well, pretty much.

*I'm a gold digger, but I'm also smart. Love fades...or it's selfish...or unkind...but a diamond,
a diamond will last forever.*

The blurb is incredibly vague, and that's a good thing...and also a bad one. Because had I known this was not a standalone and would have a love triangle (of sorts), I would never have picked this one up. The mere thought of a love triangle sends me into a cold sweat, and it's **always** hard limit for me. Even an implied love triangle makes me stabby

Luckily, the reader isn't really introduced to a love triangle here, but I have a feeling that come next book it will definitely be there and be a hell of a whammy. Let me clear up what I mean by love triangle, though. There are **NO** 'dual' love interests. It is very clear who Blaire truly has feelings for. There is also no intermingling of relationships and no cheating. One happens right after the other. However, for me, when a heroine has more than one sexual interest in a man, meaning there's 2 men vying for her "attention", I view it as a LT. Though not in a traditional sense. So if you're like me and hate LT, I highly recommend you give this one a try because it's not all it appears to be.

*Love is selfish.
Love is unkind.
Love hurts.*

Blaire is a gold digger. She's gorgeous, shallow, and almost soulless but at the same time intelligent and highly intriguing. She is a product of her childhood and has learned the tough lesson early on that love isn't for everyone nor is it forever. And who needs love anyway when money can give you so much more?

To say that Blaire is unlikable wouldn't be true. Don't get me wrong, she's not exactly going to give you the warm and fuzzies but there's also a redeemable factor to her...it's just buried very deep. Used to sending men to their knees with her beauty and opening her legs to the right wallet amount, she never sees it coming when a man that is the polar opposite of what she looks for manages to capture her attention...

I **adored** Ronan. He's sexy and sweet and one of the most endearing heroes I have ever had the pleasure of reading about. But this is also where the book took a negative turn for me; the introduction of someone else.

But that is all I can tell you about the plot. You'll have to read it yourself to learn the rest.

So why not 5 stars?

The ending

This is a short, read it in one sitting, type of read. Personally, I didn't feel that a cliffhanger was essential to the story at all. It could have easily all been resolved in one *longer* book. There are some stories you read and you can clearly see why it needed the cliffy and the extended story, but this just wasn't the case for me here.

That ending sent me into a rage. I'm talking a stabby, wanting to throw shit at my walls type of rage. Suffice it to say I was NOT a fan of it. At all. Yes, I understand that the way Blaire constantly describes herself and justifies her decisions that it was all leading to that. And I suppose that's also part of what didn't quite work for me? The predictability of it. I saw it coming a mile away, and yet like a train wreck I just couldn't seem to look away.

At this point however, I have no idea where the story may head. And that equal parts intrigues and enrages me. And I'm hoping for the sake of my sanity that the wait for book 2 isn't too long.

But my quibbles aside, this was still a great read. Mia Asher is definitely an incredibly talented author and it's clear with every word that the woman can write a book that will grab you by the throat and make you **feel**. Whatever that feeling is, is objective to the reader, but any book that manages to bring out such a range of emotion is definitely one to take note of.

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Christy says

5+ stars!

Mia Asher has a way with words. Her writing and ideas are brilliant. After reading *Arsen*, I became a huge fan. When I heard she had a new book coming out, I jumped at the chance to read it. Though it is nothing like her debut novel, it was still completely mesmerizing and compelling.

Blaire. What can I even say about our little gold digger Blaire. Personally, I think Blaire is misunderstood. There is more to her than meets the eye. I just know it. She grew up in an unideal way. Blaire has never known love.

Many say that love will set you free, but I disagree...
love is a cage, a very painful one;
it's gilded bars made with yearning, heartache, and unfulfilled dreams.
And the moment I realized that love wasn't necessary to one's survival I became free.
No one would have the power to hurt me again. That realization set me free.

?All she knows is how to get the things she wants. It's not risky to her heart or her feelings because she is too smart to develop feelings for any of these men.

It is sheer talent to create these heroines that do terrible things and that on the surface anyone would dislike and make me love them. Blaire did some questionable things. She is nowhere near perfect. She knows it. But I loved her regardless. There was something about her that I just 'got'.

Now the men. There are two men in this story, but I don't consider it much of a love triangle. Blaire is a lot

of things, but she doesn't cheat and when she's with a guy she's only with him. Honestly, I can't even tell you which guy I liked more. They are both so intriguing and different! Usually when reading a story with two guys I can fairly easily choose, but this isn't clean cut. The situation isn't normal. Nothing about Blaire and her relationships are normal.

First there is Ronan. Ronan is unlike any man she's ever been with. He's not rich. He doesn't live the lifestyle Blaire usually requires. But there is something about Ronan that Blaire is drawn to. As hard as she tries, she can't help but to fall for him. There is one huge problem with that. It's not even that the money is the biggest issue. The biggest issue is that Ronan makes her feel. And that is not something Blaire is equipped to handle.

I don't want to feel anything. I can't. Feeling is bad. It leaves you vulnerable. And I don't have time for emotions like guilt or shame. I like money. I like power. I like adoration. I like sex. And I'm good at it.

?She needs someone who is rich. Someone who is easy. Someone who doesn't make her feel. Someone like Lawrence.

I loved how upfront Lawrence was with Blaire. He wants her. Enough to pay whatever price she has. And like he says, everyone has a price. He's rich enough to pay whatever Blaire requires. Seeing how alike Blaire and Lawrence are, he gets her. It's easy with him. Easy is what she needs.

"We speak the same language. You and me... we're both cut from the same cloth. We see something we want and we take it. We don't let emotions get the best of us."

?It's been a while since I've read a book that kept me on edge like this. The way she ended this book left it open for so much. I have no clue what is going to happen next. No clue at all. And I love that. I have some questions I'm sure will be answered in part 2, but I loved the unpredictability of how it ended.

Easy Virtue is seductive, mesmerizing and addictive. I read this book in one sitting because once I started, there was no way I was going to be able to put it down. To me, that is the biggest sign of an amazing story. Not being able to put it down. This story is well written, bold, risqué, and refreshing. It's an unforgettable unconventional love story about imperfect characters. It's a story that made me think, made me feel, and made me crave more. I truly loved this one and I can't wait to dive into the next one to see what happens with these three!

Eliza says

[(hide spoiler)]

Brandi says

Blaire White didn't have the childhood she dreamed of. The love and affection she yearned for was always out of reach at home and in school she was an outcast, the chubby girl with the dysfunctional family. At 16, Blaire has blossomed into a beautiful young woman, and learns quickly how to use her attributes to her advantage, using them to fulfill her desires. She hardened her heart, hidden it and her hopes for love away, determined to always protect herself. She doesn't want love, she wants money, power, and to be adored.

Now, self-proclaimed gold digger, Blaire moves from bachelor to bachelor, using her beauty to maintain the lavish lifestyle she desires. But she is thrown off her game when she meets the charming and lovable, Ronan. Ronan gives Blaire a taste of things she has tried to deny herself, and quickly finds herself falling for him.

I smile. He smiles. And the world disappears.

But Ronan doesn't have the money Blaire yearns for, and the mysterious millionaire Lawrence has made her an offer she isn't sure she can refuse.

"I'm a survivor with my own set of rules. And not even your kindness will make me break them."

Who will Blaire choose? Will she finally feel worthy of love and trust her heart to Ronan or will she be seduced by Lawrence and his millions?

Easy Virtue is a wonderfully written, fast paced, steamy read. While Blaire's motivations were hard for me at times to understand, I am really looking forward to seeing where the story goes and what choices Blaire will make.

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Pavlina Read more sleep less blog♥♥ says

5 BRILLIANT STARS

"I like money.

I like power.

I like adoration.

I like sex."

Wow I can't even express how much I loved it!!!It was brilliant and amazing! I freaking loved it!Mia is so talented!She managed to captivate me with her story and her characters!!!In this book I had the same problem like in "Arsen".At the beginning I couldn't choose who I prefer more...and I loved her for this!I'm loving be in dilemma!!!This book was fast paced,intense,passionate,and so hot!!!There were moments I was

pissed, happy, aroused, sad....so many feelings.. What I also enjoyed is the fact that while I was reading the book I chat with Mia , telling her how I felt about the story..And this made me feel more and more connected with the story!! This is isn't a perfect love story...so be prepared..

Blaire is not your typical heroine...She isn't the good girl you meet in most books..She is broken because she didn't have the best childhood.She didn't have love from her family and friends.She vowed when she was young that she will never love someone.She doesn't want to feel anything because she doesn't want to get hurt .She loves the attention, the power,the money that comes with it and the sex!! At the age of eighteen she is out of her hometown and went to New York City....

There she will meet two men...

One will saw her love..
And the other will make her think the money...

Who will she choose???

I was so tormented between Ronan and Lawrence....While Ronan is cute and sweet,Lawrence is dark,rich and powerful...I usually go with the cute guys but this time I choose Lawrence!!!The truth is that both characters where strong and captivated me!!Ronan is the guy who your mother will be happy to see you with him!He cares for Blaire a lot,he makes her laugh and feel happy!!They have their hot moments and their chemistry is amazing!!

But when you see Lawrece and Blaire together in bedroom...wow they are so passionate...And while I thought Lawrence would be the bad guy...He wasn't!The sex is so steamy!!!This is seriously the hottest sex I have ever read!!!

Mia told me that the NEXT book is coming at Spring and believe me guys, I can't wait to see what will happen!!Definitely the most anticipating book for Spring!!!

Lady Vigilante (Feifei) says

3-3.5 stars!

I think it's a true testament to this author's writing when her stories feature highly unlikeable characters and boundary-pushing plotlines, yet I still crave more of her words and dive right in to her books. Either that or

I'm a masochist. Probably both LOL! Anyways, after almost having a heart attack from reading the angsty Arsen, I was both nervous and excited to start this one as I knew Mia would bring her A-game. And boy, did she ever! Her books are not stories you just read. Nope. Doesn't matter if you're hating or loving the book, you feel, you experience, you rage or cry, and that my friends is not something any author can do. So in terms of engaging her readers, I say Mia Asher is an expert in this field. And while reading this particular book made me fall in love with her writing all over again, I still did have a couple of issues with the story that hindered me from completely loving it.

All her life, Blaire White has lacked for nothing except love. Her parents are distant and only care about their individual problems and with Blaire being chubby at a young age and bullied by others, having a beautiful, flawless body and savoring the attention that comes with it become her number one priority. As such, she locks away her emotions, hardens her heart, and in just a few years time lives a grand lifestyle while being a gold-digging bimbo catering to wealthy men's sexual needs. But when she meets the kindhearted photographer Ronan she's smitten and he with her, and for the first time in her life, Blaire feels loved and treasured, desired for her, not just for her body.

But at the same time, she can't let go of her old routine that makes her feel secure and so she struggles between her feelings for Ronan and returning to her gold-digging ways.

I have to say that Blaire is one of the most unlikable characters I've ever read. Kudos to the author for tackling a story that centers around her but part of the reason why I can't give this book a higher rating is because there's a huge disconnect between me as the reader and her character. I honestly didn't care what happened to her because she made several bad choices – fully knowing that the end result would be destructive – plus her character was inconsistent throughout the story. I was led to believe that this is a girl who's the bitch (which she is by the way), the one no one roots for but enjoying every moment of it. However, that's not really the case. She secretly desires to be loved and treasured not just for her looks but for her true self and when that does happen, she runs away from the guy. But then when she's with a guy who just wants her for sex, these are her thoughts:

“They all want me; my body, my face, my mouth, but none of them want me.

“But what about love? ... Don't you want my love too?”

Get yourself together woman. But do you see? This kind of inconsistency scattered throughout the book really gave me whiplash. I did, however, love Ronan's character and he definitely had a positive impact in Blaire's life.

The overall story was compelling though, and the book itself is a fast-paced, quick read that's a guaranteed page turner. I was a bit disappointed with the short book length so I wasn't too surprised that the story ended on a cliffhanger. Just another reason why I couldn't give a higher rating because I truly felt like this book wasn't a complete story. With some books I can tell that a cliffhanger/abrupt ending is necessary as it's part of the natural book flow but sadly in this story, it felt more like it was strategically inserted.

Easy Virtue is the first book in a 2-book series and isn't a standalone. The story will be continued and concluded in the second book. Compared to Arsen the angst level is much lower but the steam level much

higher and while there is no love triangle for most of the story, there is a hint at a possible one towards the end and perhaps in the second book.

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SueBee★bring me an alpha!★ says

★★★★★! Easy Virtue, book 1 of 2. Gold digger Blaire finds herself torn between the man who can give her all she desires & the man who wants to be all she needs!

“I want to mark you. I want to fuck every other guy out of your body until I’m all you feel, all you remember.”

Books in The Virtue duet should be read in order:

Book 1: Easy Virtue

Book 2: Sweetest Venom

Easy Virtue (book 1) is gold digger **Blaire White’s** story. An only child, neglected by parents caught in a loveless marriage the slightly overweight Blaire **grew up bullied and alone**. Story opens up to her having blossomed into a stunning beauty and **taking her revenge** out on one of her bullies.

Story then picks up 5 years later with her having made a life for herself in New York. Working as a hostess at a posh establishment, she has **perfected her gold digging skills**. But in flashbacks we see a broken girl with fears of rejection who tries hard not to fall in love.

With her current boyfriend and trust fund baby on his way out, **two new suitors** are aligning themselves. The larger-than-life, jaded, richer-than-Croesus, too-handsome-for-his-own-good heir to a media empire, **Lawrence Rothschild, Laurie** who sees her at an event and offers her carte blanche and then the young, handsome, seemingly sweet and sincere regular guy, **Ronan** who wants to shower her with love.

In and out of the bedroom, **caught between two men** both Gods in bed, it’s the beginning of a **journey** for Blaire. As she gets to know them she will be forced **face her fears, grow up, dig deeper** into unresolved issues while trying to **decipher who** she really wants and questioning what **she thinks she needs...**

Twelve words to describe **Blaire White: Conflicted, captivating, broken, flawed, observant, determined, single-minded, guarded, deflecting, blunt, self-absorbed and self-sabotaging.**

“I’m a survivor with my own set of rules. And not even your kindness will make me break them.”

What works in **Lawrence Rothschild, Laurie's** favor is his **directness**, their **similar** wants and needs and the fact that he will give her anything she asks for aside from his heart. His combination of **uncanny good looks, kinky, devious lover and with his larger-than life, enigmatic, elusive; intense, in-control; ruthless and unyielding personality** makes him unforgettable.

“I have an inkling that many a woman before me has fallen for the illusion that she could be the one to tame him, only to be disappointed when she fails miserably.”

What works in **Ronan's** favor is his that he **does not hold back** on his feelings and he is **set on loving her**. Ten words to describe Ronan: **Nobel, sweet, focused, attentive, loving, vulnerable, secretive, possessive, accommodating and thoughtful**.

“Ronan makes me want to let my hair down and dance naked in the rain.”

Easy Virtue grabbed me from page one and by the time I got a glimpse of Lawrence I was a gonner. Story is a **butterflies-in-your-belly** roller-coaster of **sex, romance, greed, hope, temptation and indecision** with hints of much more... Though I had my favorite I can honestly say both heroes currently have something to offer Blaire. Story ends with a **shoking cliffy** and I look forward to book 2, **Sweetest Venom** for the **conclusion** of their story.

Addictive plot! Spectacular story-telling! Captivating heroine! Unforgettable and to-die-for Lawrence Rothschild! He-will-fix-your-broken spirit and heart Ronan! 6 star shelf!

“I plan to fuck you until you don't know whether you're begging me to stop or begging me to fuck you harder.”

Lawrence's rating: 5+ stars

Ronan's rating: 5 stars

Blaire's rating: 4.5 stars

Sexual tension rating: 5+ stars

Sex scenes rating: 5 stars

Sex scenes frequency: 5 stars

Plot rating: 5+ stars

Dialogue rating: 5+ stars

Storytelling rating: 5+ stars

Story ending rating: N/A

Book editing rating (5 = no edits spotted): 4.5 stars

Overall rating: 6 stars

Would I recommend this series: Yes.

Would I re-read this series: Yes.

Would I read future books by this author: Yes.

Beverly says

5 Complicated Stars

"What is love? I don't know. I've never had it. Is it even real?"

Blair White grew up never knowing love, it started at a young age when she was neglected by her parents and continued through school when she was shunned by her peers. I can't really imagine what that does to a person, but I can see how it would either destroy them or turn them a survivor. Blair White is a survivor.

It didn't take her long to realize what people wanted from her, and when that happened she began to use this. Blair is a beautiful girl and men fall at her feet, she decides to take this gift and get what she needs. Blair wants security and an easy life. She doesn't want to have to worry about relying on other people to take care of her in the future, she wants independence.

In order to accomplish this she relies on people today, in particular wealthy men. She isn't an escort, no she dates these men and becomes their every fantasy, in return they buy her nice things. Blair is a gold digger and she makes no apologies. That may turn off a lot of readers, but I actually liked that fact that she owned who she is - no excuses.

Blair meets Lawrence Rothschild one night at the Met. He is drawn to Blair, he sees her for the gold digger she is and gives her his card, he is interested. Lawrence is extremely wealthy and only wants one thing from Blair - sex, how it wants it, when he wants it.

Like I said before Blair knows who she is and is interested Lawrence until she meets Ronan. The guy who could be a game changer for her. Ronan is a regular working class guy, but he sees something in Blair and wants her to take a chance on him.

Ronan shows her something she has never had before, affection. Yes, he is attracted to her, but he also wants to know her and show her she is worthy of a real relationship and love.

With two men in her life Blair has to choose what type of life she wants more, because she can't have both. We get to see Blair experience the possibilities of two different lives. One with a guy who could buy her anything she could ever want and one who buys her things that matter...both choices were sexy as sin and burned the pages. Blair is quite the seductress and these men are hot as fuck!

This story is a crazy fast read, yes it is short, but it also pulls you in and keeps you turning the page. I was

completely intrigued by Blair. She is not like most the heroines I read about and this story doesn't take the path of least resistance. I loved that it was unpredictable and I am dying to see what happens next.

This is my first Mia Asher book, but it won't be my last. The writing is beautiful and flows so easily. I am very impressed with this one and cannot wait to read more by Ms. Asher.

"Yeah, but that's part of the package. Love wouldn't be half as sweet if we didn't know pain, if we didn't know what it is to live without it. "

Jennifer Kyle says

3.75 ~4 Stars

"I like money. I like power. I like adoration. I like sex."

Mia Asher delivers the first book of a two book series with main character, Blaire White. Blaire was once an ugly duckling and with time has turned into a beautiful gold digger. Blaire was let down in the love department by her parents and so she uses her amazing good looks to support a lavish lifestyle off whatever current boyfriend she is dating.

"My body is my only tool, and spreading my legs open is my superpower. So if they want it, they better work for it - pay for it."

Blaire's modus operandi is thrown off kilter when handsome and wonderful Ronan sweeps her off her feet and shows her what being loved could be like. Blaire is torn between an offer from a zillionaire, Laurence and her strong feelings for Ronan.

Will Blaire trust love?

Will she take a deal of a million a month and a condo to be with sexy Laurence?

Can Blaire have both of these men?

"Just be Blaire, the one you try so hard to hide."

Overall, this was a fast paced, well written story that does indeed end with a cliffhanger. Once Blaire makes her decision she finds that the aftermath isn't left behind her but right front and center and so a reader will anxiously be awaiting the final book.

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