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Finally ready to dip his toe into a lifestyle he's only been a bystander to, Callum Jardine convinces himself long-distance is the safest bet, and he activates an online dating profile. Almost immediately, he receives a message from DaddyJM, a handsome, older man who lives across the country and offers Callum far more than he ever expected.

Jack Martin has no intention of getting involved with anyone seriously, let alone with someone who lives so far away. It's been so long since he had someone worth taking care of though, and Callum triggers all of his Daddy inclinations. Jack is smitten from the start, eager and willing to give Callum everything he wants and more...except proximity.

After an unplanned hospitalization, Jack is forced to confront his fears about commitment and finds himself three-thousand miles from home with a shocked and stunned Callum finally in his arms. With Callum's overwhelming eagerness and Jack's fears unwilling to abate, navigating togetherness proves to be more work than they bargained for.

Finally figuring each other out, Callum and Jack settle into a comfortable routine juggling home, work, and each other until an unexpected encounter shatters their world. Faced with making another new start, they need to find the strength to rediscover what was lost and rebuild what's been broken. Time may heal all wounds, and the road to recovery is a hard one, but as long as they're together, Callum and Jack will learn that love is worth the wait.

Worth the Wait is the second book in the Giving Consent Series. It can stand alone and is 66,000 words of dirty Daddy kink that starts online and becomes very real. For other content warnings please look inside and review the preface.

## **Worth the Wait Details**

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## From Reader Review Worth the Wait for online ebook

### Chris says

3.5 for Callum and Daddy Jacks story. There was a lot of sweetness to this book, an online romance that turned into a full on romance that included moving across the country, dealing with trauma and suddenly getting married. It felt somewhat rushed but I guess some love can't wait ! For me, I couldn't quite buy Jacks varying dominance and Callums insecurities that were at times annoying. The supporting characters were great.

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### Jess A Jaye says

Daddy and his kitten are so adorable. If you like daddy-kink books you HAVE to read this one.

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### Amanda Viecegli says

Daddy Jack and Kitten (aka Callum) were SO WORTH THE WAIT. Oh my god. This is one of the books I have been most anticipating since meeting these characters in book 1, and I could not have loved this book any more. The relationship between Jack and Callum begins in a somewhat unusual way, and how it develops ends up taking both of them by surprise. This book is sexy and sweet, with some deeply emotional moments and one scene that had me holding my breath and my heart stuttering. I absolutely adore the connection between Daddy Jack and Callum and the way that, together, they learn how to navigate this deeper relationship neither of them expected. I love this group of friends and really want to get to know Verity, Aaron, Justin, Micah, and Keith more. If daddy kink is your thing, you definitely want to read this. And if you don't think it is? I dare you to try this book - it just might change your mind.

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### Kelly says

#### Daddy Jack

I'm biased here, I love daddy kink, especially good daddy kink. This is a softer touch than the first book in the series, but there is still spanking, caging, light pain play, very negotiation. There is assault and off scene rape of a future mc, the assault is not by an mc, nor is it graphically described.

Many books tie daddy kink with age play, this book is an exception that primarily focuses on Jack's need to take care of his partner. Their relationship starts long distance. Callum needs to protect himself from the consequences of a previous abusive relationship. Jack is a workaholic who prefers casual. Long distance is casual, right? I really enjoyed the dynamic, and Kate Hawthorne's writing style and pacing.

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### namericanwordcat says

3.5 Stars

For a romance with this much kink, the love story is really sweet. Well. Really the sweetness makes since in Daddy Kink book where care taking is at the heart of the dynamic.

Callum is achingly lonely and it turns out so it Jack. They meet online and have a pretty intense connection until long distance just isn't enough for either hero.

We get some nice pansexual rep and delightful look at LA.

I like both heroes and the circle of friends. I wish we had much more back story on both of them to make this a really amazing book but it is a good read.

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### **Abrianna says**

Kate Hawthorne is mean to my heart. *Worth The Wait* is a rollercoaster of emotion. I fell in love right from the beginning. Callum is so sweet and Jack is exactly what he needs. Neither one of them wants an in-person relationship so they figure that online is easy. And it is until feelings get in the way.

The Evil Word Magician amps up her evilness in this book. Even though I knew what was going to come because of book one, It was different reading the first-hand account. Callum's feelings brought tears to my eyes. I was upset and angry right along with him because Jack was being a little ridiculous. I understood where he was coming from, but he wasn't being far and I was mad he made me cry so early on.

Jack is caring, kind, and the perfect Daddy for Callum. He introduces him to what a sweet and loving Daddy/boy relationship. I love how patient he is with Callum, how gentle, even when things turn rough. He gives Callum what he wants and what he needs--even when Callum doesn't know what that is. He also has a dirty mouth that is hot. I highlighted almost every other word that came out of his mouth.

Callum is sweet and one of my favorite characters. He's been hurt before, but he learns to listen to his Daddy. Even if there are times where his insecurities make things difficult.

When they meet in real life things are perfect. Though Jack is afraid of moving too fast they make it work.

It's impossible to think that Kate Hawthorne could top herself, but she does. Even though the last book made me huffy, it was really good. *Worth The Wait* is, not better, but it's something more than *Worth The Risk*. Though maybe it's because one of the characters didn't drive me insane the way Landon did.

I was not happy with the Word Magician at one point. She is so mean to her characters. I was happy, they were happy, we all felt good. And then she went and broke them and I cried. My heart was broken in so many ways, and it's still not better. It won't be better until book three, and that's only after I cry all the tears again. She lived up to her name of Evil Word Magician when she wrote this book.

Daddy Jack and his Kitten are close to being my favorite Kate Hawthorne characters. Their love story starts long distance and it meant for just some fun and for Callum to learn what he likes and wants in that type of relationship. Even though figuring out how to work together in person wasn't easy they made it seem so. They loved each other, they knew that they knew that the other loved them. Despite the insecurities, the doubts, and what the Word Magician put them through, they were strong for and with each other. It was as close to a perfect love story as you can get.

## **Katrina Passick Lumsden says**

### **Too much and not enough**

I don't understand the propensity of some authors to go completely over the top in regards to sex scenes. Don't get me wrong, I love a good sex scene as much as the next person, but when you're reading one every chapter and never get to know the actual characters...well, I just begin sighing, rolling my eyes, and wishing for the ending.

Hawthorne definitely sacrificed character development to make room for all that sex, too. I read the entire thing, and do you know what I learned about Jack and Callum? Jack lives in New York, went to college with Landon and Verity, works as a physical therapist, and volunteers at an animal shelter. Callum lives in Los Angeles, works at a bar, had an abusive relationship with an ex...and that's about it. Other than their kinks, this is all we learn about these two. There's no talk of their other interests, their childhoods, their families, or their hopes and dreams for the future (other than "let's get married and have ALL the sex!" )

On top of not knowing the characters, there's no way to anticipate them. Their motives lack any definition, and their actions leave you scratching your head because even THEY don't know what they're doing or why.

The one good thing about this book is that it's free to read if you have KU. Even then, I wouldn't recommend it.

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## **Steph ?? says**

### **It's okay....**

It's most likely just me, but this story was just okay for me. Nothing wow or exciting. In the end, I got board of all the steamy scenes. What I really wanted was more concrete story that what I read.

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## **Joyfully Jay says**

*A Joyfully Jay review.*

### **4.25 stars**

Worth the Wait is the second book in Kate Hawthorne's Giving Consent series, a set of books revolving around a group of friends and the BDSM club, Rapture. This is an interestingly structured series in that the relationships are developing along a similar timeline, so while this is Callum and Jack's story, we also see pieces of the growing relationships among the characters featured in books 3 and 4. In the same way, we learned about some elements of Callum and Jack's relationship in the first book, Worth the Risk. So from a story perspective, you can read this as a standalone as everything we see in book 1 is covered here as well. But at the same time, I really liked how we had a peek at Jack and Callum in Worth the Risk, and even that we learned some big things about their relationship in that story (such as Jack's hospitalization and move to LA). Learning about them there just got me all the more invested in this story, and I am finding myself

anxiously awaiting reading the next two books to see those characters get their stories. Though we do get some repeated information, the book never felt repetitive with the exception of one scene in the hospital that we already saw. But that scene is the point where the two books connect, so I can understand why it was pivotal enough to show twice.

**Read Jay's review in its entirety here.**

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## **Claudia Lezár says**

PLEASE READ FIRST MY RATING SYSTEM!!!

To my ratings (thanks to amazon I had to change it again and 'upgrade' it a little bit.):

5\* - very very good and rare (it would be a Blow-Away-book like 'Liberty' from Seth Kann ing, 'Save that he kids' series from EM Leya or 'Jesse's Smile' from Angelique Jurd), it's like an A+

4\* - very good and will be often reread and is a WOW-book with interesting plot and surprises (like most of Andrew Grey books) it's like an A

3,5\* - a really good book, which will be reread a few times (most romances where you can enjoy for relaxing and during waiting times in hospitals). I can recommend them definitively! It's like an B+

3\* - it could be more then a one-time-reader, but not really an often reread book

2\* - it was ok to read, but it's more a one-time-reader (i wouldn't recommend it heartily, but it was ok) It's like a C-, D

1\* - sorry, but that isn't really a book for me (too many mistakes, not nice plot, illogical, so an absolut NO-GO). It's like failure in the whole line, dismissed, repeat the class

A great second book in the series and I hope, Keith and his guys will get a third one!!

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## **Xanthe says**

A story that was hinted at at the end of Worth the Risk and damn, it fulfilled all expectations.

Kate is fantastic at building these worlds that contain several characters that all have their own thing going on but overlapping with each others lives. This time we follow Jack, based in New York but his best friends are Landon and Verity (book one) who are over in California. Then there's Callum, bartender at Landon and Verity's club, Rapture. Looking for someone to care for him, he turns his search online after a disastrous night. His first connection is with Daddy Jack and their connection is instant. Even just with online chat, calls and video chat, their relationship quickly develops to more than what they both thought possible. With several obstacles coming their way, they need to decide what it is they want and fight for it.

Wow! This book packs a punch and delivers on everything that it promises. After reading Worth the Risk you have a vague idea of Jack and Callum as characters but we dive so much deeper here and they are such wonderful men, you can't help but want them to have all the love and happiness. There's a great exploration between the two men whilst they carry on their relationship online. Being a Daddy but online online brings certain logistical problems but I think they overcame that very well! Some hot stuff to read as the two come together (lol!) We already know of Jack's friends but we also get to meet Callum's. Both sets being an important support system through everything that goes on in this book and their pasts. There's a lot of emotion that is experienced throughout the whole book. There are quite a few hot scenes between the two, several heartbreaking moments for both men and luckily a lot of happy moments to balance us out.

From the first chapter, you're drawn straight into the story of Callum and Jack. Needing to know their next conversation, how things will play out online and how they'll work things out to make it together.....

Cannot recommend this book and series enough. So looking forward to book 3!!

I received an ARC and am happily giving a review.

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## **Sue bowdley says**

Oh boy....I've been waiting for Daddy Jack since we got part of him in the first book....I love Daddy/Boy books and this one is just perfect....Firstly Jack and Callum meet online but soon that isn't enough and when they both meet for the first time well damn, we've already had that first meeting but these two are beyond hot together...I just can't get over how well they are suited....Callum has his insecurities but Jack tries his best to be there for his Kitten..(I love that nickname for him).....An amazing addition to the series.....But...It also broke me too.....There's hard times for Daddy and Kitten but I don't want to spoil anything...This is an absolute must read and I can't wait for the next one x

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## **Chris Kottner-Kirschner says**

Callum Jardine wünscht sich eine Beziehung, aber so eng und physisch soll sie dann doch nicht sein. Der junge Barkeeper versucht sein Glück online und wird tatsächlich fündig. Im fernen New York gibt es einen Mann, der Interesse bekundet eine Online-Beziehung zu führen und auch noch Callums unerforschten Sehnsüchte befriedigen könnte.

Dieser Mann ist Jack Martin. Er ist etwas älter als Callum und hat sich sein Leben behaglich eingerichtet. Jedoch wird es langsam einsam um ihn herum, da seine Freunde aus New York fort ziehen und er sich nicht so leicht tut neue Freundschaften zu knüpfen. Diese Online-Beziehung zu Callum erscheint sehr reizvoll, da auch Jack sich nur ungern aus seiner Komfort-Zone bewegt. Doch Jack hat nicht gedacht, dass dieser junge

Mann ihn so faszinieren könnte und dass Callum für ihn immer begehrenswerter wird. So sehr, dass Jack vielleicht doch den Sprung aus der virtuellen Welt wagen möchte.....

Teil zwei der Serie hat zum Glück nicht lange auf sich warten lassen und schließt mehr oder weniger nahtlos an den ersten Teil an. Im ersten Teil der Geschichte erfährt man jedoch noch genauer wie Jack und Callum sich kennenlernen. Wie ihre Beziehung über eine App beginnt, sich vertieft und Jack ganz in seiner Daddy-Rolle aufgeht.

Callum hat ein Vertrauensproblem und wählt diesen Weg um nicht alleine zu sein. Mit der Zeit wird die Sehnsucht nach Jack fast zu groß, doch dieser will nichts überstürzen und kommt nur langsam aus seiner bequemen Welt heraus. Aber dann erkrankt Jack schwer und der Kontakt reißt plötzlich zu Callum ab. Dieser versteht die Welt nicht mehr und wird neuerlich von seinen Selbstzweifel und Unsicherheiten geplagt.

Sehnsüchtig habe ich auf diese Geschichte gewartet und wurde nicht enttäuscht. Während die Protagonisten des ersten Teils noch ein wenig anstrengend waren, konnten Callum und Jack absolut überzeugen. Ich war schon von der ersten Seite an überzeugt und fast ein wenig verliebt in diese zwei Helden. Ihre Beziehung wächst langsam und ruhig; vor allem Callum lernt sehr viel und Jack geht ganz in seiner Rolle auf. Doch auch als sie dann auch physisch zusammen kommen, wird die Geschichte sehr harmonisch und glaubwürdig erzählt - auch wenn ich persönlich jetzt nichts mit dem Daddy-Kink anfangen kann.

Absolute Leseempfehlung!

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## **JD Crittendon says**

### **Started Online, Ending in Cross Country Love!**

What started as an online relationship in kink became the Callum & Jack love story. I've read other Kate Hawthorne books and I always feel ambivalent about my like or dislike of her stories. I liked and disliked Callum's character, he was sweet but he was also too needy. I also thought the Jack angst seem manufactured and not authentic.

All in all, the book was readable and interesting. And I plan to continue my like/dislike with another Hawthorne Novel!

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## **Heather says**

### **Daddy & Kitten**

Daddy Jack was everything I had been hoping for! Jack and Callum began their relationship online, with the intent for it to remain online. Callum knew he wanted a Daddy, someone to care for him and make him feel special. Jack knows he needs to be a Daddy to fulfill his needs - caring for others.

Jack and Callum each start to develop strong feelings for each other, which neither expected with their situation. Callum started pressing Jack for more and to meet in person, but with each being based on separate coasts and their work it would be months before they could make that happen. After days go by without hearing from Jack, Callum finds out he's been sick and hospitalized. After begging Jack to let him come out and take care of him, a furious Callum realizes it's been his boss Landon that has been in NYC caring for Jack.

After talking with Verity and Landon, Jack makes the decision to leave NYC for LA and come and get his kitten. While the sparks and emotions fly when Daddy and his kitten get together, Jack worries it's not enough to keep them together. Callum worries he can never be enough for Jack and that his Daddy will abandon him like his last boyfriend. After Callum is brutally attacked, Callum fears his Daddy will never be able to treat him the same again.

Kate Hawthorne knows how to emotionally drain you and put you back together again. So get your Kleenex ready for this amazing read!

This is the second book in Kate's Giving Consent series and can be read as a stand-alone, but I highly recommend the first, Worth the Risk. If you haven't read her first series, The Lonely Hearts, you should check those out as well!

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