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Wealthy family...

Childhood tragedy...

A love defying all odds...

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Flying is in Rhett O'Neil's blood. And nothing makes this pilot fly higher than wrapping himself in his husband Kaden's arms. He's thrilled when his grandfather entrusts him with O'Neil Airways, the family's charter airplane business. With a mix of humanitarian and corporate clients, Rhett plans a bright future where his success improves the world.

Elise, Rhett's mother, begins offering advice to "help" her son through the transition into increased responsibility. As evidence surfaces that her words are escalating into devastating actions, the truth comes out about the death of Rhett's sister Annabelle. Kaden has to race to protect his husband and himself from the consequences of the Secrets in the Air before it's too late.

Secrets in the Air Details

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Sarina says

I haven't wanted to watch someone die so badly in a book in *ages*...and I only half got what I wanted in the end.

What I liked best about this book wasn't the mystery but the relationship between Rhett and Kay; I found their interactions believable and you could see just how much they cared for each other. I enjoyed Pop's character too...especially when he pulled out a rifle and threatened someone who shall remain nameless...I only wish he'd actually *fired* it. -- The mystery portion was well done and even if it was fairly obvious who was all involved, the twist at the end was unexpected. The entire thing wrapped up well though and we're left with a happy ending...(view spoiler) 3.5*

Michelle says

3.5 stars

This was a unique read as the main couple was already established, married and in love. It's a nice change of pace when the central story doesn't revolve around falling in love or getting together.

I was concerned at the point when the "drama" began and Rhett was assaulted. He was threatened not to tell his husband what happened or it might happen to him too. At that point, I almost DNF'd the book. The one thing I despise is keeping secrets between partners that you know will destroy the relationship. Luckily, Rhett told his husband everything and I was very glad I continued on with the book.

I really enjoyed the story until close to the ending. I thought everything resolved itself and came together much too quickly. I could have easily seen this storyline drawn out and continue on for maybe even a second book. It had a lot of potential. I don't like when an author wraps everything up in a pretty little bow. Life is harsh. Do get me wrong, I love a happy ending and always want some kind of happiness for the couple but this was a little too perfect.

I have read several of the author's books and must say the editing errors in this book were way fewer in comparison to previous books.

I like the author's style of writing and will continue to read her books.

Debra says

Free on Amazon 4/22/15 (thanks Justin!)
<http://www.amazon.com/Secrets-Air-Ser...>

Nic says

The strength of this story lies in an established couple who are still very much in love. Rhett and Kaden have been married for two and a half years but together for thirteen years. They live for each other and very demonstrative with their affections. I love to see a book that shows a long-term couple who are still passionate.

Rhett is a pilot and works for his grandfather's company. Pop (the grandfather) is also a star of this book– I loved his character and found his support of Rhett wonderful. Although he has money, Rhett's life hasn't always been a bed of roses, with a strange mom and a father he wants nothing to do with. This estrangement forms a large part of the story. Kaden is a nurse. He is a caring and supportive partner. He provides the family that Rhett has missed out on.

This is a story with romance but is largely a mystery. It has twists and turns, involving cross-country flights, the FBI, attempted murder, bribes, and family secrets. There's enough action to keep you page turning to find out what's going to happen next. Sometimes the scenes were a little brief and the transitions a little abrupt. I found myself wanting to read a little more before moving on. For me, I also found the number of coincidences in the story a bit far-fetched. But parking reality for a moment, it was still an enjoyable story.

I was reading from an ARC which I think had some formatting issues, meaning the dialogue transition between characters was a little blurred and I had to stop to work out who was talking in some instances. But it wasn't enough to detract too badly from the reading experience and I am sure will be corrected in the final version of the book.

This is a story for someone who likes a loving couple who are thrown into a situation that puts their lives at risk, where they have to race to solve a mystery and overcome obstacles in order to move on with their lives– sex, love, action, mystery and drama.

3.5 stars

This book was provided by the author for the purpose of providing an honest review for Because Two Men Are Better Than One!

Susan65 says

The Blogger Girls

This story was so good. I especially loved the relationship between Rhett and Kaden, because they were both similar guys who were very comfortable together; they just seemed to be made for one another. I was drawn into their life like a moth is drawn to light. I didn't see one guy being more alpha than the other, which sometimes really works for me, but I really enjoyed these two mainly because they were so comfortable with each other, they were friends and lovers, and that was very sexy to me.

Rhett is a pilot and Kaden is a nurse. They are both professionals and have been together since high school. They are married only two years, but have been together for thirteen. I personally love established couples, because the mating ritual is already out of the way and we get to see another aspect of the relationship unfold. It is quite endearing to see that both Rhett and Kaden were so at ease with their relationship that miscommunication was not an issue. That was quite attractive to me as a reader.

Rhett flies for his grandfather, and is the recipient of half the business when his pops decides to slow down and look ahead to his retirement years. That was expected. What wasn't expected was that grandpa was actually working with the FBI and allowing them the use of his planes as a way to stop a human sex trafficking ring. Rhett is now taking over as that pilot and yep, you guessed it, the first flight out doesn't end so well; poor Rhett.

Rhett is the grandson of a billionaire, and the heir to his empire since his mother is cut off from her father. The drama behind that is quite severe, considering she chose Rhett's father over Rhett AFTER he was released from prison for not doing anything to prevent Rhett's twin sister from dying. That was harsh and sad, but what a bitch...who chooses a man over their kids anyway? Well, if you want to know, start reading because this lady is awful, just absolutely the pits. Trust me; you won't blame pops or Rhett for kicking her to the curb.

The drama and action with the FBI and the human trafficking is really good. Puts a nice spin on the story, and the twists and surprises at the end are really awesome. I loved how it ended, and I loved that an established couple was featured as the protagonists. And I appreciated that the drama was in the story but not in their relationship. Rhett and Kaden start out rock solid and end rock solid. I can't ask for more than that.

Baba says

[*Bellie* (hide spoiler)]

Crystal Marie says

I've read other books by this author in the past, but I have to say that this one is by far my favorite from her so far! Overall, the story was one of the best that I have read this year, I couldn't put it down and even after I finished it, I just wished it kept going on longer!

I thought that the characters in this book, even the secondary characters, were all extremely well written. They were very detailed and well thought out. You could tell very easily the relationship between each of them just by the way that they were with each other. Even the characters that you could tell there was hatred towards, it was very easy to understand why that was.

The storyline is one that while it has been used quite a bit, the twists that Ms. Borino used in the story were some that just caught me completely off guard. I was shocked beyond belief about the ending of the story because I really did not see that coming! Some of the topics that are touched on in this book are very sensitive, but I think that Ms. Borino used the right amount of kid and adult gloves to pull them off. While there were some parts that could have been taken to a completely different level, she left them at a point where you didn't become uncomfortable when reading.

This book is one that is about love, relationships, friendship, betrayal, murder, suspense, and just overall goodness. If you enjoy these types of books, I would completely recommend it to you!

copy provided for Review

Reviewed by Crystal for Crystal's Many Reviewers

Angie says

~I received a free copy of this book to read and review for Wicked Reads Review Team~

Rhett and his husband Kaden have a great life that life gets even better when Rhett's grandpa turns over half of the family business, O'Neil Airways, to Rhett whose passion is flying. With jobs they both love and a loving relationship, Kaden and Rhett are about to be thrown for a loop. Rhett's mother who hasn't been in his life for years tries to wiggle her way back in because she doesn't think he can handle the family business. While taking on humanitarian work Rhett finds out that not everyone is who they say they are, especially his mother and her husband. This was a good book, I actually didn't see the story going where it did but it was really good. I only wished the bedroom scenes were a little steamier because I could feel the love between Rhett and Kaden but I couldn't feel the passion when they were in the bedroom.

Characters: The characters were well written and believable.

Sex: yes but not very detailed or graphic

Religious: no

Would I recommend to others: yes

More than one book in the series: no

Genre: Romance

Would I read more by this author: yes

~Wicked Reads Review Team~

Sheri says

Okay, so.....this was a freebie that was completely OTT and pretty cheesy but still entertaining. I enjoyed the established couple but they threw around 'my husband' a bit too much. After the hundredth time, I was like, I get it already!!
The drama was like a bad reality show but I found myself extremely curious.
I *think* I will continue but probably not anytime soon.
I'm not dismissing the sequel but I'm not dying to jump into either.

Gay Media Review says

This M/M suspense novel, Secrets In The Air by Liz Borino!

Rhett's passion is flying and he loves his husband Kaden more than anything even flying. He has been

entrusted with the family airline, O'Neil Airways. His flights include both corporate and humanitarian. Rhett's mom, Elise tries to help her son with his new responsibilities but her words of advice are leading to devastating actions. Soon the truth about the death of his sister will be revealed. Now Kaden must protect his husband and himself from the family secret or the consequences might put them in serious danger.

I love all the twists that are in this story and ones that you don't see coming and what an amazing explosive ending. Rhett has been with his loving husband for 13 years and they have an amazing relationship. Rhett has a very strained relationship with his mother and basically calls his father a sperm donor. When his father enters the story it gets more twisted than you can believe and his mother is another disaster story in itself. I adored the cute relationship Rhett had with his grandfather.

The author takes you on a journey of intrigue, suspense and major drama and this was such an interesting and fun read. She kept everything flowing so well and smooth and I enjoyed her characters very much and everything that Rhett and Kaden had to endure. I recommend this novel to anyone who loves a good M/M suspense novel!

"Complimentary copy provided by author/publisher for an honest review."

Reviewed by Paul at Gay Media Reviews!

Purpleberry says

I was pleasantly surprised by this book. I got it for free on Amazon and I enjoyed it. The writing and editing was good and the story moved well without too much fuss and angst.

The best part of this book was Rhett and Kaden's relationship. Kaden is so sweet and understanding and always has his husband's back. They are still cute and hot together and I really liked that dynamic.

However, I found the plot was a bit lacking. If there had been more of a connection between Rhett's grandfather and the work he chose to do for the FBI, then the ringleaders of the operation would not have felt completely dropped in there. The incident with Rhett's sister was also needlessly complicated. It seemed that Rhett's memory changed to fit the plot. I also would have liked to see some of the action, maybe from the POV of another character, as a few pivotal scenes happened when Rhett and Kaden were waiting in a hotel room and were only told what happened after the fact.

I think the two main characters and their honest, fun and sexy interaction saved the book. The series continues, but I don't think I'll read any more, especially since it features a character that was introduced at the very end who creeps me out and seems cold and evil but who is portrayed as sympathetic.

Karen Wellsbury says

After a couple of days of deliberation, this was better than OK but not amazing, good plot but a couple of

things that bothered me. Anyway full review over at www.scuttlebuttreviews.com

T.M. Smith says

3.5/5 stars... review based off an ARC copy

Rhett O'Neil is an accomplished pilot, loving partner to his husband Kaden and the devoted grandson of his grandfather, Don. His life has not gone without complications though. When he was just a child his twin sister died in their father's care, and Rhett went to live with his grandfather soon after. To add weight to the strain on his relationship with his mother, she allowed his father to come back home when he was released from prison. The parent/child relationship was irrevocably broken. Now with Don heading toward retirement, he hands over the reigns of his Airline business to Rhett, much to Elise's... Rhett's mother, Don's daughter... dismay.

Kaden loves his job as a nurse which is no surprise, he is a born nurturer and it shows in his work and in his marriage. The only thing he loves more than his job is Rhett. So when Elise's meddling and manipulations threaten the two things Kaden holds most dear, he will support his husband in his efforts to ensure she doesn't get her way. But it seems that with every hurdle they cross, another road block is put into their path. Lies, secrets and betrayal run deep and blood is not thicker than water, at least not in this case. There is a reason that Greed is one of the seven deadly sins, and that isn't more evident than in this story.

I'm completely taken with Borino's work, I loved her Angel series. There is a raw reality to her stories that make them a little bit different than others in the genre. And while there were a couple of things with this book that didn't quite work for me, overall I enjoyed the story. This was definitely a dialogue driven story, too much at times for me. As well certain parts seemed rushed. I would like to see this book a few dozen or so pages longer, and a certain aspects explored more fully.

That being said, I loved the way the relationship between Rhett and Kaden was written and conveyed. Even when certain things are called into question, they support each other regardless. There is never any doubt, and that's something you don't see often in books, hell, in life. Rhett is the strength of the duo while Kaden is the nurturer, but there comes a point where Kaden has to be the strength for Rhett and it added a depth to the story that wouldn't have shown otherwise. There were a few twists here and there, I found myself crying at one point, and justice and happiness prevailed in the end. So that gives Borino bonus points in my books.

As I said, overall I enjoyed the story to spite a few speed bumps. If you like a story that has equal parts mystery, suspense, drama and romance then you are sure to like Secrets in the Air.

Leandra says

4.5 stars...A great start to a series. I actually enjoyed reading about an established couple. Rhett and Kaden were so sweet together. There's a mystery in the book that I'm not saying anything about you have to read it.

Kati says

Not my cuppa. I did like the relationship between Rhetty and Kaden and their relationship with Pop, but the

rest of it was so convoluted that even I couldn't suspend my disbelief to this extent. And the last twist was utterly ridiculous. Not gonna buy book #2, sorry.
