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Three hurting hearts. Too many secrets. One chance to conquer their fears.

Six Pack Ranch, Book 6

Over the past year, Travis Coleman lost the two people he allowed closest to his heart. Both gave him ultimatums—then left. Hell if he needs that kind of pain again. Time to move forward without the friends he thought might save him from his dangerous cravings.

When Ashley Sims returns to Rocky Mountain House, her rambling lifestyle isn't all she's hoping to change. Travis snagged a piece of her, and while getting tangled in his issues again might be crazy, she hasn't given up on him.

Nine months ago, Cassidy Jones walked away to stop his best friend from making a huge mistake. Temptation lingers, though, and when Travis shows up on his turf accompanied by a sensually uninhibited woman, the combination tosses fuel on the banked fire. Passion flares among the three of them, as hot as the summer days. But are they willing to push the limits, and fight for love?

Warning: Dirty fighting, dirty talk, dirtier sex—secrets are coming out. Get ready for ménage a trois and cowboy-on-cowboy action, with ropes and crops and the kind of relentless love strong enough to set a man free.

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Charlene says

Vivian Arend's Six Pack Ranch is one of my favourite western series, and I especially appreciate the uniquely Canadian view she adds to the stories. I think this is probably my favourite so far of the series. Travis' is a unique story, and the family's reaction to his revelations is pretty typically Canadian - we're a very tolerant and understanding nation for the most part, and proud of it! I'm a fan of menages, and the m/m/f is one of my favourite formations...of course that's not the only formation in this book, and that's one of the things I really enjoyed about it. Ms. Arend really knows how to do steamy scenes right, and this book definitely does not disappoint in this area!

My one issue was the length. It was considerably longer than the rest of the books in the series, and just a little longer than I prefer...seemed to drag in spots. All in all, though, only a 1/2 star deduction for this.

4.5 stars

Tabatha says

I've been such a big fan of this series and I feel like I've been waiting to get Travis's story forever. I definitely wasn't disappointed with the menage storyline in the least. I thoroughly loved the m/m aspects of the story, and throwing in Ashley just made the dynamics so much better. Ashley seemed to be the glue of the relationship, and she had such a fun personality. I do, however, wish we got to know Cassidy a bit more. He seemed a bit flat until almost the very end, and drove me a bit batty with how much of a fight he was putting up. Now I knew I was going to love Travis, so that came no surprise at all. :) He is so swoon worthy! Overall, I think this was definitely an enjoyable read.

Guilty Pleasures Book Reviews says

KcLu's review posted on Guilty Pleasures Book Reviews

Review copy provided for an honest review

4.5 STARS

If you are like me, you have been soaking up every word to come out of Vivian Arend's brain and into the Six Pack Ranch series. And have probably been scared and excited about this one!! Finally we get to see what the heck has been going on in the head of Travis Coleman!! I have wanted inside his head since book one. All along I thought we would end up with a MM, and get to see the trials of coming out in that part of the world. Never did I think we would get this complex MMF story. These three grab you by your emotions, and have you walking this complicated path with them. It is one of those great stories that you just can't put down.

Travis Coleman has loved two people, and they have both walked out on him neither being able to come to terms with what Travis needs. Travis has a dark need for pain, and up till now he has gotten that through fighting. But Ashley being back in town, has him looking for other outlets for those needs. Ashley loves

Travis, but refused to watch him get himself killed, so she left. Now she is back, and wants him to let her photograph him and his family for her art. When Travis gets asked to help out his cousin Karen, he takes Ashley along with him. She can still get her pictures while he gets the camp set up. Last thing Travis expected was to run into the man that has had him tied up in knots for the last nine months.

Cassidy ran from the sizzling heat that burned in-between him and Travis, but now he is forced to work with him in close quarters. There is a part of him that hurts to see him with Ashley even though he is trying his best to hide it, and another part of him that confuses the heck out of him that also would like to get his hands on Ashley. Can he be around them long without giving into the explosive chemistry between them? Can any of them get away without a broken heart, or is there a possibility of a HEA??

I absolutely loved this book!! To be honest I was expecting it to make me into an emotional basket case, but that wasn't the case. Although it did get me by the heart quite a few times. This is one of those series where each book is just truly amazing, and I so can't wait for the next one!! I can't recommend this book and series enough!!

Kathy Davie says

Sixth in the Six Pack Ranch western romance series and definitely an erotic romance as well, as it involves a ménage à trois that isn't exactly acceptable in this small town in Alberta, Canada.

It explores the fears of one bisexual man who knows what's coming for the three of them...and after the example his father set, he's not anxious to push that envelope. Yet the Six Pack family is a supportive one, and you can't help but love them all.

Kelly says

Travis, Ashley, and Cassidy are SMOKIN' hot together. I honestly adored their dynamic as they slid into a relationship and I LOVED how the Colemans took Travis's sexuality in stride when he brought his two special someones home. I dunno, it totally worked for me.

But it took a while for the trio to reach the point where they were heading home to meet the folks. To start with, Travis had some issues to work out. Heck, Cassidy had some issues to work out. Ashley was the most accepting of the group, but even she had to work her head around them being a collective THEM. Because a menage relationship in a small town comes with its own set of problems. Like gossipy townsfolk and prejudices.

Watching each of them come to terms with their feelings was everything. Throwing in the insanely supportive Coleman clan--who aren't ones to back down when they believe their doing the right thing-- and you have a sweet, sexy, SMOKIN' hot romance between two cowboys and a free-spirited artist.

Man, I like these Colemans!

-Kelly @ Reading the Paranormal

Alicia says

I really enjoyed Rocky Mountain Freedom! I have read previous menages, but Rocky Mountain Freedom was the first one that dealt with discrimination and hate. I would highly recommend the rest of the Six Pack Ranch series!

Libby says

My own bias but I never really believe in the more than two people in a relationship HEA. I know. All things are possible but, jiminy, trying to navigate a relationship with one other person is a full time job. When you throw in a third I can't imagine it makes it any easier. This is the story of Travis and Ashley and Cassidy. Travis has always been my least favorite of the clan. He's violent and pretty much a manwhore. He and Ashley were involved, he and Cassidy had been involved and now all three are involved. Truthfully, I skimmed through this one because I couldn't get past Travis's need to experience pain and Ashley's hurt at knowing that she alone would never be enough for Travis. It seems to me that when three people are in a relationship, the physical aspects of that relationship should be between three people, not sometimes three and sometimes two. Every time two of this threesome paired up, I felt like there was cheating going on. I particularly didn't like the riding crop Travis and Cassidy interlude. Sharing this type of experience only made the bond between the two men stronger and I wondered, where does this leave Ashley? This aspect of their relationship is always something that will exclude Ashley and I'm not confident that it will not ultimately overwhelm whatever feelings are between Travis and Ashley. I had assumed in previous books that Travis's need to periodically get the crap beaten out of himself and be a manwhore was because he was repressing his sexuality. That was a story I would have enjoyed reading instead of this one.

Donna Porter says

This one was a little spicier than the others. It centers on Travis Coleman, Ashley, and Cassidy. Travis secret is about to come out. He has been hiding it for years and his lover Ashley knows, but his large family doesn't. He has been attracted to his best friend Cassidy for quite a long time and he feels sure he cares for him, also. Travis has to face the fact he is bi-sexual. He likes both. This is a good story of their journey

Helyce says

Previously reviewed here: <http://smexybooks.com/2013/11/review-...>

Let us first take a moment to drool over this fantastic cover! This is truly cowboy perfection.

I began my stalking campaign for an ARC of this book almost as soon as I heard that book 6 of the Six Pack Ranch series was to be Travis' book. You see, this author, over the course of the previous 5 books has hinted at things only to suddenly throw in a wrench and change what I thought I knew about Travis. She has kept us readers on a short leash and we hungered for any little tidbit that she would deign to give us where Travis was concerned. From book one, I speculated on what was Travis' kink until every time I thought I had him figured out, I'd learn something new that would only confound me again. In Rocky Mountain Freedom, we get Travis, all of him, and it was a delicious ride.

What I had not expected, and I say this in all honesty, was a menage. I am not a fan of menage in my romance reading. Very few stories have convinced me that the relationship between two men and one woman could work, and stand the test of time; not to mention being accepted by others including family members who are supposed to love you unconditionally. Though I like to say, "I don't care what others think", it's easier said than done. So, when the cover and blurb for this book was released I had my reservations. I was already in love with Travis. I knew he had issues, but not exactly what they were and I speculated with each book to try and understand why he was so tortured within when from the outside he appeared to others so very confident and sexy.

Trust. I should have had more trust that Ms. Arend would not let us down.

Travis, Ashley and Cassidy are tossed together when Travis' cousin Karen gets hurt and is unable to run her new business venture where city folk can experience the ranch life in a controlled environment. She asks Travis to run it and Ashley, an artist and "friend" of Travis, tags along to work on her art projects and work on snagging Travis. When they arrive, Travis is surprised to find Cassidy is there. Cassidy and Travis have some unfinished business that gets tempers flaring from the get go. What is also immediately apparent to the reader is the attraction between everyone. Ashley, is most obvious in her very blatant inspection of Cassidy as a possible art subject:

She hummed happily and held out a hand. "Well, well. You feel the urge to round anything up, give me a shout. I'd love to see you in action with a rope."

Cassidy jerked to a stop, her fingers already in his, not quite sure how to respond to that comment as he accepted her firm handshake.

Travis rolled his eyes. "You want him to strip so you can look him over a little closer?" Instead of blushing or getting embarrassed, Ashley's eyes lit brighter. "You're a genius Travis."

While Ashley and Travis arrive at the camp as a "couple" the issues that broke them up previously have not been dealt with and when one of Travis's kinks shows itself, Ashley finds herself in a precarious position and leans on Cassidy to help. What follows is one of the most intensely erotic scenes in a form of sexual pleasure I don't think I will ever understand. But I would be lying through my teeth if I didn't admit that it was single-your-panties-off HOT! It also becomes the catalyst to this threesome forming an intimate bond that cements them together. It will force all three of them to share their vulnerabilities as well as their strengths and that bond will only get stronger as they fully explore what they could be together.

This road, however, is not without obstacles. Ashley is a free spirit who was brought up in a very open style commune-like family. She is open to anything though she does struggle with one of Travis' 'needs'. Travis as well has been open to exploring his sexual needs with both men and women. Cassidy, though, has not. While he had at one time tried to be open about his feelings, it was not received well and he lost people he loved because of it, so he's tried to close off that side of himself. While he cannot deny how he feels about both Travis and Ashley he does fight them until he realizes that he can make the choice for himself and not worry about judgment.

What truly sold me on this relationship being able to work was the fact that the men were very attracted to each other. The author does an excellent job of showing us that by allowing intimate scenes between just Travis and Cassidy as well as Cassidy and Ashley without Travis. I liked this a lot; that each person could build ties to each other individually. Additionally, we are given Travis's family who welcome their relationship with total acceptance.

In Rocky Mountain Freedom, we not only get the answers to our questions, but we are given a beautiful story filled with the ups and downs of a romance between two men and a woman who each have something to

overcome and are able to do so with the love that builds between the three of them. I'm totally satisfied with the path the author chose for Travis after leading us on for 5 books. While it can be read alone, you would miss the exquisite build up that the author gives us throughout the series, so I recommend reading from book 1; you will not be disappointed as each books has something unique about its couples.

Zoe says

This might be my favourite Six Pack Ranch book yet. It didn't go quite as I expected, but I loved every minute anyway. Maybe even more, because Ms. Arend kept me guessing and turning pages like a mad woman.

It's long...too long to read in one night, like I did the other books. All day yesterday I was thinking about Travis, Ashley and Cassidy, and how they were going to make it work. Now that I know, I'm sure I'll re-read this again in the future, because it's such a great love story for three people who never thought they'd get one.

Plus, on top of all of that, it's Canadian and rural. Happy sigh.

Slick says

A 4.5 star read for me, so I rounded up!

Sometimes it's so hard to write a review for a book that touched you so deeply and this is one of those times. I have loved Vivian Arend's Six Pack Ranch series from the start and with each book she's proven time and time again what a talented author she is, but this book just really hit me hard. Yes, this is a book about a menage or triad relationship, but it's about so much more. It's about grief, letting go of past hurts, acceptance, understanding, trust, and realizing love comes in many forms.

I won't go into a lot of detail because honestly, this is a book you need to read for yourself so you can experience the wide range of emotions it brings forth as you pour through the words. Suffice it to say Vivian Arend is a great storyteller and she weaves her words beautifully and without apology. From the start of this series it was obvious that Travis Coleman was hiding something and while many of us guessed at least part of it, I'm not sure everyone really understood everything he needed in his life. Thankfully he found it in both Ashley and Cassidy and with the support of his family, they will work through the many challenges and difficulties that they face.

I stayed up all night reading this story and I wasn't one bit sorry for the lack of sleep and while I broke my normal routine of re-reading the entire series before I read this one, I know now that I will go back and re-read this series from start to finish because there are some things I need to look for to see if I missed them or they were just buried and I didn't see them. No matter what, I'd stay up again to read this or any of the books in this series they are just that good.

Thank you Vivian for giving us another wonderful installment in the Six Pack Ranch series and for creating this family for us all to cherish for years to come.

Jessie Potts says

This is the sixth book in Vivian's hot cowboy Six Pack Ranch series and revolves around a ménage a trois (woooooo!) between Ashley and two ridiculously good-looking cowboys. This is a coming-together story. Travis lost both of the people he loved, and a year later has decided enough is enough and brings Ashley along to show Cassidy the life they want is the life they deserve. For Travis fans, this is what you've been waiting for. The tight-lipped Vivian has finally let it be known that he's in love with both Cassidy and Ashley, and when the three of them get together, chemistry sparks and, dang, if it ain't hot.

To see what Vivian has to say about Rocky Mountain Freedom check out the HEA Blog!

<http://www.usatoday.com/story/happyev...>

Cali Jewel says

Ashley Sims, Travis Coleman and Cassidy Jones what a group of amazing people. The warning given with the book is no joke.

"Warning: Dirty fighting, dirty talk, dirtier sex--secrets are coming out. Get ready for ménage a trois and cowboy-on-cowboy action, with ropes and crops and the kind of relentless love strong enough to set a man free."

Believe every word because this story delivers this and so much more. They make you see that love comes in so many forms there really should be no reason to run from any of them. I love that they all started out as close friends and find that they really have no reason to find a way to live without each other. This series just keeps getting better and better.

Nicole says

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MinnChica: I have been chomping at the bit for Travis' story since the first Six Pack Ranch book. I couldn't wait to find out what the deal was with this sexy and mysterious cowboy. Arend has been so secretive about his kink, his sexual preferences, that we've all been left to wonder what exactly Travis' deal is! I have to say, I loved it!!! I loved him with both Cassidy and Ashley, I loved getting to see what really drives him, and the sex scenes were OMG HOT!

E: I have to say that Arend really kept me waiting for Travis' story. I have wondered and suspected so many different things about him throughout this series. Some things he enjoyed Arend shared but it was only bits and pieces not the complete picture. I am very glad to say that his story made up for the excruciatingly long wait. Watching him deal with both his demons and desires as he struggled to find a balance that satisfied his needs yet did not continually alarm those who cared about him was such an emotional ride. I also agree with MinnChica about the sex scenes. Very intense and smoking hot!

MinnChica: I just want to say that I am usually not a fan of menage stories, especially m/f/m ones. But, since Travis and Cassidy were just as interested in each other as they were in Ashley, I found that I was able to believe in their happily ever after more than with other stories. One of my favorite aspects of their

relationship was watching Cassidy and Travis fight themselves and their desires to be together, especially Cassidy. He was so scared of losing Travis as a friend, that he feared acting on any of his desires, even after he knew they were returned. Both Travis and Ashley had to almost coax Cassidy into a relationship with them, but once the three were together, they were so perfect for one another. I adored their relationship, and just how willing they were to fight for their triad once they left the seclusion of their camp.

E: Reluctant Cassidy was so much fun. The way he kept himself separate despite their urging and his own desires. I also liked how he agreed to help Travis because he cared so deeply about him and Ashley. He would have preferred to deal with emotional pain than to see Ashley hurt. Even though he seemed self-sacrificing at times he also knew what he wanted and was willing to fight for it once he knew it was welcomed. In some ways I think Ashley had a harder time believing that what she wanted was possible and that she did not have to be ashamed of it. I liked how she relaxed during their time out at the camp but she also had some unfortunately valid fears for their return to town.

MinnChica: Yes, poor Ashley seemed to be the one who was most hurt by their unconventional relationship, especially once they returned to town. I was so glad to see her strong spirit come out though, because she was such a good fit for both Travis and Cassidy. I always love when unconventional romance books deal with the aftermath of their relationship, not just the getting there and the sex scenes. Watching Travis, Cassidy and Ashley ALL deal with the fall out of their friends and the town was so great. I loved getting to see not just the good aspects of their menage, but the bad as well. Plus, seeing the Coleman crew surround Cassidy and Ashley with their awesomeness was a total bonus!!

E: Oh I loved seeing the Coleman's pull together around Travis, Cassidy and Ashley. It really showed how they grew as a family from the first installment through Rocky Mountain Freedom. While I felt horrible for what happened I think it also cemented their commitment to their relationship and made me buy into the HEA since it wasn't all flowers and rainbows. Once again Arend had demonstrated why I eagerly await each new release. She just keeps getting better.
I give Rocky Mountain Freedom an A.

MinnChica: All in all I adored finally getting to read all about Travis! I loved that he had not only a secret regarding his bisexuality, but also a big secret regarding the way he deals with stress, pain, and the day-to-day bull shit. It was wonderful to see the way Cassidy and Ashley and Travis were all able to close ranks around each other, and provide for one another in ways they never expected. Again, I am super anxious to read more and more of the Coleman family books!
I give Rocky Mountain Freedom an A

Kaetrin says

Why I read it: I bought it because I couldn't wait for the audiobook (which I think will be available soon, just not soon enough for me!).

What worked for me (and what didn't): I was in the mood for hot and sexy and reliably good so I checked where I was up to in the Six Pack Ranch series and downloaded Rocky Mountain Freedom. My favourite kind of menage book is where all three are romantically and sexually involved. Here, I thought there was perhaps a bit of a fairytale acceptance of the polyamorous relationship but the problems weren't entirely glossed over either and I was able to buy into the fantasy of the romance without any trouble.

Read the rest: <http://www.kaetrinmusings.com/2015/0...>

