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A recipe to fall in love in Paris

To boost the activity of her Parisian boutique cooking school, Ariane has organized an intensive weekend workshop for American clients.

The seminar brings together:

George, an author doing research for his next book

Jena and Thomas, a couple on their honeymoon

Charles, a cute upcoming actor featured in a French television show

Mary, a single midwife celebrating her 40th birthday in Paris

Peter, Mary's younger brother

While the newlywed are oblivious to the rest of the world, the mix simmers.

The attraction between George and Mary becomes irresistible.

Charles falls under the charm of one of the school's suppliers, and Peter realizes that Ariane's curves could be just what he needs to shake the ghost of his first love.

Caution: it's hot and a little spicy.

French Cooking 101 Details

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MountainKat says

Interesting story, each chapter was from a different person's perspective. The problem is there were several people and the story wasn't that long, so there wasn't much depth. Still enjoyable enough to continue with Advanced French Kissing to see if we get some completion.

Clare O'Beara says

Short and fun romance combining cookery classes in Paris with hot stuff out of the kitchen.

There are a few nice recipes at the back. Cheese souffle and more. The romances are definitely more lust than love with everyone's mind on the bedroom. What was in those soufflés? Adult readers only.

Alice-Elizabeth (marriedtobooks) says

This was from a free Instafreebie deal a while ago, French Cooking 101 is a quick read set in Paris which I love stories that are set in France. For me, there were a lot of couples in the story and with alternating chapters between the characters, I did get confused about who was in love with who. I liked the plot idea but there was a lot to take in for a short amount of time. There were moments that the romance got extremely steamy which I had to step away from reading for a while. The pace was quite fast. As of right now, I won't be continuing with the series.

Mike Smith says

Reviewed on behalf of Fictional BookHos:

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This review covers the first two books in the Learning Curves series, French Cooking 101 and Advanced French Kissing

These two short novellas were very interesting. Together they form a full length novel. The first part, French Cooking 101, focuses on Ariane as she teaches a class on French cooking. Each chapter tends to focus on different students as they meet and form beautiful erotic memories.

I enjoyed the format, but I could see where some people might want a story more focused on a specific couple. The hook of the cooking class was interesting, and I found myself getting into the individual stories, hoping for the pairings to work out. There were even a few actual recipes included.

The second part, Advanced French Kissing, tended to focus on the one couple I probably liked least from the first part, that being Peter and Ariane's story. I personally would have loved to read more of Mary and George's story. George is a quiet, somewhat grumpy man, who falls hard for the beautiful middle aged sister

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Romance Readers Retreat says

4 Stars

French Cooking 101 & Advanced French Kissing

by Olivia Rigal

Books One & Two of the Learning Curves Series

Book Six of Red Hot Obsessions

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Meleka Taylor says

Really enjoyed this

This was an easy read. I truly enjoyed it. It's a cute story of a group of people taking a cooking class in Paris. Everyone seems to find a match in the class they are attracted to. This book tells of those attractions, how each person reacts to it, and the adventure and risk each person is willing to take to be with that person. I wish it was this easy to find someone I mesh with this easy. I might need to take a French cooking class. I usually don't care for the happy go lucky, everything fits in place stories. But I like how this was written. Very entertaining and I look forward to reading the next book

Mary Sanchez Cortez says

I liked Olivia Rigal. I read it as part of a box set. I didn't like that there were so many story lines. Didn't really give you much in each chapter to get to know each chauature. I liked what I learned from Ariane, Peter, Charles, George, Mary and the married couple. I just wish there was more to the book and the story lines. I cant say much on the review there wasn't much to the book. I did like that she include all the recipes at the end for all the meals they talked about.

Colleen says

I received a free copy in exchange for an honest review.

I loved this story. I loved the different personalities of each member of the class and how they all got along. Looking forward to reading Part 2 of the series.

Ariane is a French cook who is holding cooking classes over the weekend in her Parisian kitchen. The 6 students are Peter, Mary, George, Charles, Jena, and Thomas. By the end of the weekend, everyone has found their someone, apart from married couple Jena and Thomas.

Lisa says

There isn't much to this story. Each chapter is from the point of view of a different main character such as the teacher of a Parisian cooking school a man and his sister who attend the class and a writer attending the class as research for a book. The plot simply revolves around which characters become a couple and the steaminess that follows.

Lisa Lawson says

Learning Curves 1 Review

In this witty novel, Ariane is the owner of a cooking school in Paris. Over a weekend workshop, a newlywed couple, a brother and sister team, a cranky writer, and a single guy looking for companionship lives intertwine. Not only are there some delicious food being made but love is in the air in ole Pari.

Nicole says

Short and fun romance combines with matchmaking in a cookery class. Multiple POV made the story enjoyable and since it is a quick read you want to know more about the characters. Since this was mainly about setting the stage for the main character development-aside from any development from the other characters- not much happens.

Christy says

I read this as part of a boxed set, where I got parts 1 & 2 of the series together. I will limit my comments to this particular book, but my thoughts were developed after reading both. French Cooking 101 was a decent intro to the story line but should not be a separate story. As a stand-alone, it has too many perspectives and the love stories don't really develop a meaningful plot. It would be more successful as the opening chapters of a longer book.

Michelle says

Not a HEA but an introduction to the series so be sure to have the other books available so you can jump right in.

Ariane is a French cook looking to expand her cooking school and opens up her kitchen for six Americans for an intense weekend of cooking instruction. I really enjoyed that within this novella, each chapter was told in a different perspective, the chef and the students. I enjoyed the start and was eager to continue the series.

Joanna Brocklehurst smith says

A really good start to this collection. Cant wait to start the next.

Pat aka Tygyr says

This was in a book bundle Red Hot Obsessions.

Arianne lives in Paris. She owns her own cooking school and she lives above the school in a small apartment. She is a curvy woman who has an on and off again affair with a local baker. She teaches intense weekend classes. Her students for the one she is starting; an author, a newlywed couple, an actor, a middle aged woman and her younger brother. Slowly the reader learns a little about each character as they interact with each other and their instructor Arianne. We also learn what brought them to Paris and to this class. The book is about cooking, eating, and hot relationships as they start pairing up.
