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Another Kellington brother finds love in the fourth book of Maureen Driscoll's critically-acclaimed Regency romance series.

When Hal Kellington sees a respectable reform worker with the stockings of a courtesan, he's intrigued. When his friend wagers he cannot kiss the chit, he's challenged. And when he gets to know the spirited American, he realizes the stakes are higher than he could possibly imagine. Since arriving in England to live with her uncle and aunt, Melanie Sutton has been working to help London prostitutes start new lives in America. When they begin disappearing, she accepts the help of a notorious rake to track them down. But she soon discovers that resisting temptation is much easier preached than practiced.

NEVER RUN FROM LOVE contains explicit language and adult situations. The earlier books in the series were NEVER WAGER AGAINST LOVE (Book 3), NEVER MISS A CHANCE (Book 2) and NEVER A MISTRESS, NO LONGER A MAID (Book 1), which USA TODAY'S HAPPY EVER AFTER blog called "enjoyable, suspenseful and satisfying."

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Edwina " I LoveBooks" "Deb" says

Never Run From Love grips you from beginning to end. The H/H Hal and Mel are a wonderful couple. The story is exciting and fast paced. This is the story of American Heiress Mel and the Youngest Brother of the Duke of Lynwood Hal. Mel is involved with helping prostitutes get to American to start a new life. When the prostitutes start to disappear Mel and Hal try to discover the villains. There is also a blackmail plot going on in the story. You will easily figure out who the villains probably are but it doesn't deter from an exciting read of really finding out the who and what of the story. Hal and Mel have a very Hot Sexy and Sensually well written romance and relationship. There are other exciting sexy, sensual romances going on in the story. A Must read in the Kellington series. Now I am off to read Never Deny Your Heart the Duke Lynwood "Liam's" and Rosalind's story!! I have been itching to read this one. I hope the story is as good as the build up of for these two!!

Mary E says

OOh. This book will take your breath away! Must read now!

The Window Seat says

Sometimes a character just speaks to you. For 3 books, Lord Henry, Hal to family and friends, sat in the background, debauching and joking his way through life. I quietly ignored him, thinking to quickly read his book to get to the next... the one I really wanted to read. Then I started Hal's book and found myself in love with a fictional character within one short chapter.

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Michelle says

Too much about Hal's history of being with prostitutes. Too much written about the house of prostitution. There were multiple story lines going on in this book and it was confusing for me. There was a chapter about Hal's brother Liam that seemed to be put in the book by mistake. It was an okay read, but not my favorite of the Kellington stories.

Avid says

Clichéd and predictable. I read this novel because the characters sounded intriguing, though previous books in this series have been predictable and unbelievably clichéd. The women, knowing full well that murderers and/or kidnappers are hunting them, do the exact opposite of what they should. Ridiculous. No person could be that stupid. The sex scenes are grossly disproportionate to the length of the novel and do nothing to further the plot.

This novel was exactly the same as the previous ones in that respect. Ultimately, I read (and often skimmed) only to get the basic outline of the plot twists and "whodunnit" revelations. So glad this book was available through KU and that I didn't pay for it individually.

Lindsey says

There are series out there that involve a family and some are just ok, but the Kellington's are fabulous. Once again Maureen Driscoll takes us into the wonderful, loving, charismatic family of Kellington's. Lord Henry's story is a must! Hal and Mel are wonderful! Great plot/mystery!

AND Liam's story can't come out fast enough!!

Anne says

As with all of Maureen's books, I loved this one.

Debra says

A wonderful story

Sit back you are in for a treat. No I will not tell you about the book. I will read your review. Now for Liam's story I hope Maureen has written it since this is my first book by her. So sit back and enjoy. Me. D From New York City.

Melanie says

A while back I was approached by Maureen Driscoll to read her first self-published Historical regency novel, and as most of you know by now, I have great admiration for self-published authors [which is not to say that any of the other authors are lacking in my admiration], so I jumped at a chance to do it.

Her first book, 'Never a Mistress, No Longer a Maid' was the one that totally hooked me on the Kellington family and after reading the subsequent 'Never Miss a Chance' [the second Kellington book], and 'Never Wager against Love' [the third one], I wondered what she had in store for Hal, the youngest brother. Well, I

wonder no more!

Hal is one of those rake's that's more a scoundrel who hides his pain and heartbreak behind a façade of the charmers smile, a healthy sexual appetite and a copious amount of drink, not necessarily in that order. His family loves him and every one of them would do anything to help him, yet they do realize that Hal himself would have to want their help in order for his life to take another turn.

None of them, including Hal himself, would even dream about that `the turn' would walk into his life by way of a very smart, witty and most forward thinking young woman by the name of Melanie Sutton.

Mel was orphaned at ten and went to live with her maternal aunt, but when that aunt passed away nine years later, her uncle, the Earl of Heffner and his wife were happy to take her in and introduce her to English Society. Mel, a free thinking American and Quaker educated, wasn't so much impressed with the ton and she was restless until she met a reformer by the name of Mrs. Seton. This woman, albeit a bit harsh and at times full of herself, gave our heroine some purpose in life and made her life worthwhile. She never dreamt that she would meet someone like Hal and against all odds, help him find his.

Ms. Driscoll starts off this tale with a scene of Hal and his friend Francis in a brothel...and multiple partners! Holy cow! Get yourself a fan!

As all her other books, Ms. Driscoll gives her all in giving us another tale of happily-ever-after. I truly admired the character of Mel, but I just couldn't help but fall in love with Hal. I am such a sucker for the fallen angels!

If you haven't yet read Ms. Driscoll's books, you are missing on a wonderful family dynamic she created with Kellingtons, and I am waiting with abated breath for Liam's story as it promises to be one of those heartbreaking love stories I adore.

ARC provided by the author

Chessela Helm says

I enjoyed this entry into the Kellington series. It has a different tone than many of the other books because the shallowest Kellington gets involved with the heaviest subject matter. Full of twists and turns and a kinky heroine, this one was quite unpredictable. When the baddie was revealed it seemed a little questionable, but it was an enjoyable enough read that I didn't feel cheated or fooled. This was my least favorite of the Kellington and Emerson stories, though it was still good and I would still recommend it.

Theresa says

Weak, borderline trashy...

I'm not a fan of ambling story lines or voyeuristic sex. While the story showed glimmers of promise from time to time, they were frequently overwhelmed by the plodding, often wandering story line. This was just not my cup of tea.

Jo Ann says

My favorite of the series so far. Great story arc. Love, love, love Hal and Melanie - their chemistry was off the charts. But, as always, the best part is the witty banter which Ms Driscoll writes with perfection. Onto Liam's story!

Sara says

I love this series!

LOU71 says

Never Run From Love is the fourth book in the Kellington series. Set in London 1822.

We meet the Kellington family whose parents named them after four kings and one queen of England. William Kellington, the Duke of Lynwood, is every inch the powerful aristocrat. Dedicated to his three brothers and only sister - Edward, Arthur, Henry, and Elizabeth - Lynwood has been the head of the family since the death of their parents from sudden fever more than a decade earlier in 1809. At nineteen, William took on ducal responsibilities and the care of his younger siblings.

Never a Mistress, No Longer a Maid: 4- stars (Edward known as Ned)

Never Miss a Chance: 3- stars (Elizabeth known as Lizzie)

Never Wager Against Love: 3 stars (Arthur)

Never Run From Love: 4 stars (Henry known as Hal)

Hal Kellington is the sibling in this family's series that I really liked in all previous stories - he's charmingly naughty. An irredeemable Rake. I was glad to finally read his book.

Lord Henry Kellington is the youngest brother in the family, and the one with the most debauched reputation. He is one of those rakes who hides his pain behind the facade of a charming demeanour, a healthy sexual appetite, and a copious amount of drink. Hal is lost in a frivolous world of pleasure, showing few signs that he is ready to grow into adulthood and marry, until the day he spies an embroidered stocking on the leg of a young lady adjusting her boot, who is part of a protesting reformers group outside of a gaming hell.

Miss Melanie Sutton, the American niece of an earl, has recently arrived in London from Philadelphia to live with her aunt, uncle, and cousin Mary. Orphaned at the age of ten, Mel finds fulfilment in her reform work, continuing to partner with the American Quakers in relocating women of ill-repute back to Philadelphia for the chance to start a new life away from prostitution.

Venturing into the brothels and the seedier side of Regency London, this story earned the erotica label more convincingly than the previous Kellington stories. The attraction between Hal and Mel was believable, and their sexy times were intense.

This historical romance is my favourite of the series so far, however I am hoping for a strong Kellington finish where Liam's story will better Hal's.

This book had at least ten typos in it which seems to be a persisting problem with each book in this series.

I highly recommend this book.

Terree says

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Melanie Sutton is every debauchers nightmare! Well, unless she accidently shows her well turned ankle, then, she is a certain debauchers dream!

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