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ROMANCE WITH A TWIST

March News & Musings

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"The barman placed two tall glasses in front of them, both filled with beer dark as black velvet, topped with thick foam, like whipped cream floating on the surface of coffee. And her first cautious sip revealed there was even a slight hint of coffee overlaying the bitterness. She took a larger sip and savoured the texture that filled her mouth. And it smelled like chocolate. She'd never tasted beer like it. Perfect for a cold winter's night."

Tangled Threads

Alex has taken Kate to The Tappit Hen, a pub in his home town of Ballenaig. He's ordered her a dark beer, supposedly a local Scottish brew. But I confess I was thinking of Irish Guinness when I wrote it. I adore dark beers. Mr C does not! Often in a bar he'll order a lager and a Guinness. The bar staff always shuffle the lager towards me and then look surprised when I claim the Guinness. Maybe not a ladies drink? Perhaps this delicious Black Velvet cocktail might suit?

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Hoping to escape the losses that have plagued her life so far, Kate Moreton heads for the bright lights of London in search of the perfect man and the perfect family life she craves.

But her journey takes her in directions she never expected.

Within time's tangled threads lies the promise of two men, two loves, and two lives - but also the risk of losing them both forever.

[Read the first 3 chapters of Tangled Threads](#)

[Let's Have Some Fun](#)

My Picks For The Cast of Tangled Threads - The Series

When writing, I find pictures and use them along with locations from the story to create a Pinterest board as a brief for my cover designer. So if my book was to become a tv series all the ground work is done. Well, it's nice to dream!

Click on the heading above for a link to my board for Tangled Threads. The fun thing with this virtual casting is you can play with time, choosing actors from earlier in their careers if needed.

Kate: *A young Cameron Diaz.* She has the most incredibly big blue eyes, just as I imagined Kate, and is able to project the sweetness with a bit of grit behind it that this character needs. Mr C would be very pleased with this selection as he's a little bit in love with her.

James: *Tom Ellis.* As the pictures show, he's got James's attractive bod and can pull off the suave styling required. And his *Lucifer* role shows he can play the likeable rogue.

Alex: *Sam Heughan.* Yes, he's the real deal Scot for a start. As Jamie Fraser, he's the 'King of Men'. In a more contemporary role, I think his upcoming movie *Text For You* will prove him the perfect Alex.

Ellie: *Karen Gillan.* I adored her as Amy Pond in *Doctor Who*. She has such a presence that would translate well to this role. Her naturally beautiful red hair is a bonus for the role.

And let's have a little game with the supporting characters folder. In there are my picks for Henry, Lydia, Julien, Nicky, Ange, Tracey, Mary, and Keith. See if you can match them up. Answers in next month's newsletter!

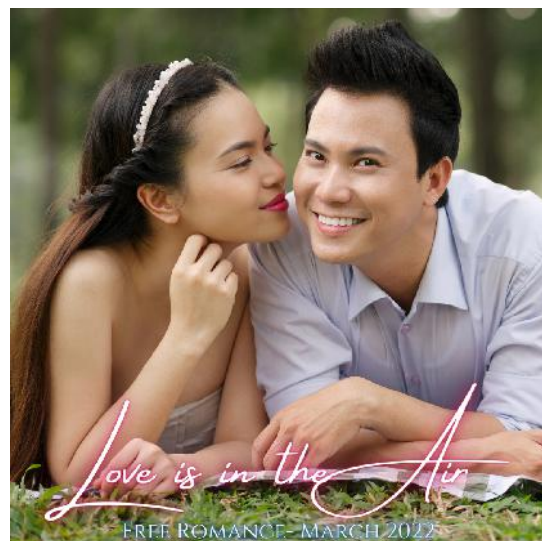
March Free Romance Reads

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Contemporary Romance

Grow your TBR pile! Here is a collection of books, including my novella *Tangled In Time*, to fill your March reading list for free.



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Caroline's Bookshelf



The Invisible Life of Addie La Rue by V.E. Schwab

I'm blown away by the story and the beautiful language in this book. In early 1700's rural France, Addie, attempting to avoid a forced marriage, unwittingly makes a deal with The Darkness. And then must live with the unexpected consequences of their arrangement for centuries. I've been listening to this as an audiobook in my car and I'm tempted to arrange a long road trip just so I can finish it.

One Day in December by Josie Silver

My editor told me to read *The Two Lives Of Lydia Bird* as she saw some similarities to my own work, and also thought I'd enjoy it. It was my first 5-star read of 2022. My next Josie Silver book is this beautiful love story. It's Christmas and Laurie's on a bus, when her eyes meet those of a young man on the side of the road, and in that instant something special happens. She desperately begins a search, hoping to find "bus boy" but when she does, it's not how she expected. Not only is this the story of two people and their journey to find each other, it's also the story of an amazing friendship between Laurie and her flatmate Sarah. Another 5-star read. My only regret is that I've finished it. It's one of those books that I'll read again.

Go Tell The Bees That I Am Gone by Diana Gabaldon

Well if you've read my work you must have guessed that I love a bit of time travel! And I love Diana Gabaldon. I first started reading her books thirty years ago. More recently, she inspired me to start writing. This is the 9th book in the Outlander series and I'm still only a third of the way through but intend to finish it this month (in between watching season 6 of the tv series). We are back on Frasers' Ridge and this book has a lovely comfortable feel about it, like visiting old friends. There are some new characters and of course the American War of Independence is still simmering away in the background. At just on 900 pages, like all of Diana's books it's not for the fainthearted, but persevering with them is time well spent.

Caroline's Corner



It's March madness at my place

March has been super busy as I juggle the launch of Tangled Threads with writing the last chapters of the next book in the series. Tangled Loves can also be read as a related standalone. In this book the time-crossed lovers are Sarah, a twenty-something history nerd; Richard, a successful and wealthy businessman in his forties who is jaded with the corporate world; and Calum, a young Scottish man about to embark on a new career and escape the disapproval of his parents. Once again the action takes place in New Zealand, London and the country of my heart, Scotland. I love spending time with these characters. I know that just like the first book, I'm going to be sad when their story is told.

On a personal note, the outside of our new home is finished. It's looking amazing and seeing it helps to balance out our disappointment as delays on materials will prevent the inside being completed for a few more months. However, we have moved from the dreaded cabin. I have learned I will never be a tiny house person! I'm sitting in a quaint little farm cottage, in a peaceful valley with sheep and an over-friendly goat outside. Very conducive to writing.

For those of you in other countries who plan to visit New Zealand at some time, I recommend March and April as the perfect time. We have stunning autumns with warm clear days, and nights with just that delicious kiss of a chill in the air. My favourite season! Although I imagine those of you in the North who are welcoming spring are pleased about that too.

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