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HUNTER (The Corbin Brothers Book 1)



Synopsis

Hunter People weren't supposed to live through what I lived through, and most of the time, I wish I hadn't. I came away from military service fucked up beyond all recognition, slinking back to my family's cattle ranch in Texas to heal, my tail between my legs. Well, leg. Singular. My brothers hire Hadley Parsons to put me back together again, and she's supposed to be the best of the best, tough and beautiful to boot. I'd kick her to the curb right away and get back to guzzling beer and letting my muscles atrophy, but dammit the woman sure knows how to get a guy's attention. Maybe it's her flashing green eyes, or the toss of her auburn hair, or her earnest determination â " whatever it is, I'm suddenly a lot more interested in PT than I was a minute ago. Hadley When I walk into my newest client's living room, I can see I have my work cut out for me. Oh, it doesn't bother me â " I'm made of tougher stuff than it seems, and I don't mind getting down and dirty if I need to. I don't even mind the insults he lashes out with, or his surly attitude. Besides, something tells me this guy is worth my trouble. Beneath the grime, I see a strong man, a handsome man â " a man who's capable of anything, who can take back his power. I'll do whatever it takes to get Hunter back on his feet which is probably a good thing, because I'm about to seriously push some boundaries. *** Hunter can be read as a standalone book. For a limited time only, my first series: RUNAWAY is included as a bonus.

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Customer Reviews

This is the start of the Corbin Brother's series. The story is short about 60-70 pages it stops at about the 18% mark the rest of the book is other stories by the author. The story is about a group of brothers that run a ranch in Texas. Hunter the youngest brother returns from Afghanistan a broken man physically and mentally. The oldest brother Chance hires Hadley a physical therapist to help Hunter through rehab. The things I liked were the story is written well with minimal errors The author created different arcs within the story line for future stories. Heat level good. The author depicted Hunter's actions of physical disability couple with PTSD as pretty spot on. HOWEVER this is what I didn't like was some of Hadley's actions were so not appropriate for a physical therapist. ****Semi spoiler***** Within hours of meeting him she makes him take a shower and helps him get clean. That's fine it's how she did it by taking off her clothes and in her underwear got in the shower with him. NOT... Also I don't know of any PT's that have admitting privileges to a hospital it has to be under the direction of a doctor. Plus what she did during his detox could have gotten her seriously hurt. Some of Hadley's actions as being the sexual aggressor would almost be classed as a Dom. ****end of spoiler***** Last the book ends with a Happy for Now. There is a lot of things that are left unresolved. There is an epilogue however it's an introduction to the next brother not saying anything about Hunter and Hadley, was disappointed in that. It's not a cliff hanger but the ending kind of left me unfulfilled.

I usually don't read books with less than 4 stars but the reviews puzzled me so I decided to give "Hunter" a shot. I'm glad that I did. While I appreciate that some readers took exception to Hadley's physical therapy methods, I've learned that sometimes it's best to let the story evolve, and evolve it did. Lexie Ray has a true gift for storytelling with an impressive sensitivity when writing her characters. She's also marvelously funny. Hunter's story is, sadly, realistic for anyone who knows anything about our returning veterans. Hadley's PT methods may be unorthodox but I'd challenge anyone who can truthfully say they were not effective. Hunter's spiral into depression and drug dependence from his amputation and PTSD were so severe that his life was in danger. Hadley's no nonsense, drill sergeant approach was exactly what this youngest in his family of 5 brothers needed. The visit to Hadley's hometown provided depth and insight to her background and methodology as well as her heartbreak. It makes me laugh that some reviewers found their sexual exploits over the top. Folks, what do you expect when you read contemporary romance books? I'm all about silver linings and HEAs. I'll be watching the Lexie Ray's author page for the next installments (Tucker's and Chance's stories) of what will be a 5-part series. (And, yes, someone

needs to dig deep to edit some of her listings. In spots, it claims that it's a 2-part series, which, obviously, it is not. (Errors can be found here:

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https://www..com/gp/product/B01LP4OK9Q/ref=series_rw_dp_sw) Do yourself a favor and give Ray's Corbin Brothers series a shot; also currently available "Avery" and "Emmett". Series accessed through my Kindle Unlimited subscription.

I thought this was a really good book, up to a point. The first part of the book was excellent. I think it did a fine job of portraying the hero's mind set, both before and during his rehab. Then when the hero and heroine get together, it dissolves into a stereotypical formulaic romance, complete with break up caused by a jealous ex and lack of communication. Even the heroine changes from a strong woman to one who compromises her professional ethics by having sex with per patient, not once, but repeatedly, and also is totally willing to throw the hero over because "she loved him but she shouldn't" because he reminds her too much of her fiance that died. And then suddenly its all resolved, the end. I was really disappointed in a story that started with so much promise.

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