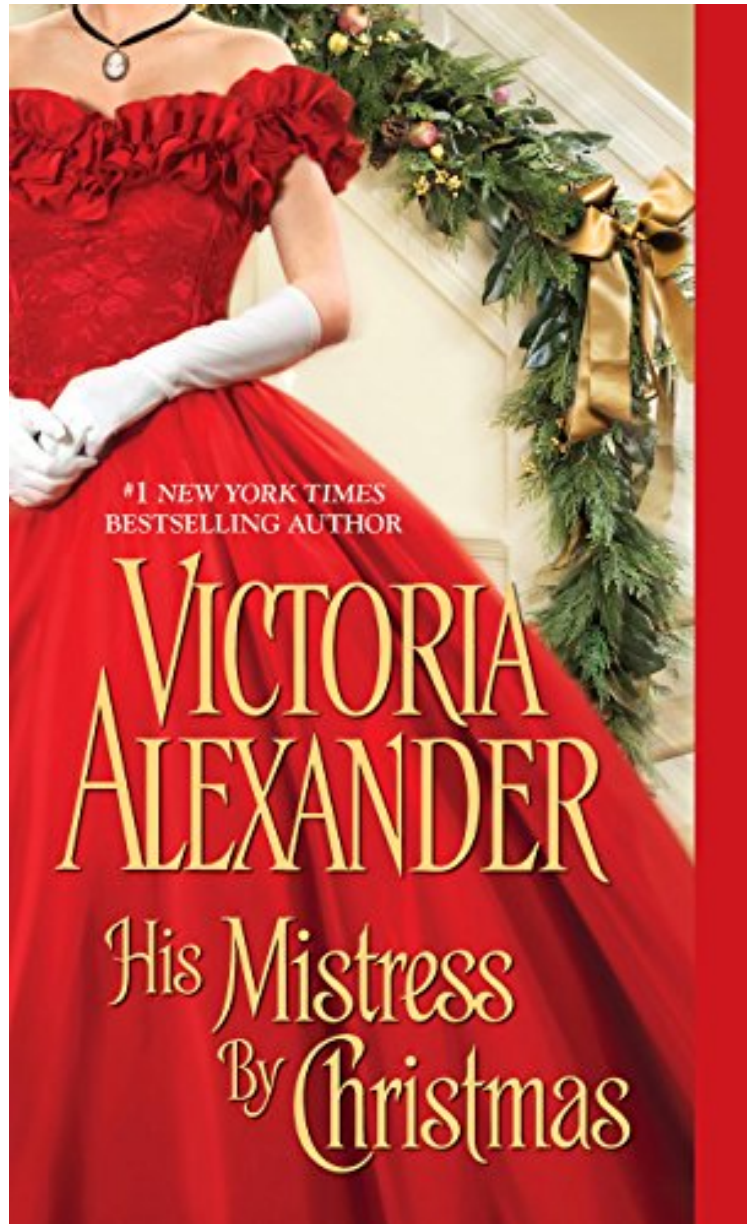


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**Von Victoria Alexander : His Mistress by Christmas (Sinful Family Secrets)** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised His Mistress by Christmas (Sinful Family Secrets):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A romantic Christmas story. No danger. Just pure fun.Von Detra FitchThe story begins on November 30, 1885. Lady

Veronica Smithson has been a widow for three years and cherishes her freedom. The last thing Veronica wants is to lose her independence, but she has begun to miss having a man in her life. She does not want a short fling. She wants a monogamous relationship without the restrictions of marriage. Not any man will do either. While attending a lecture in the Explorers Club, Veronica sets her mind on Sir Sebastian Hadley-Attwater. The man is a renowned explorer and rogue. He is charming, intelligent, humorous...and the favorite cousin of her close friend, Portia. If all goes well, Veronica could be his mistress by Christmas. After a dozen or so years, Sebastian no longer feels the need to be constantly traveling and exploring the globe. He has money and fame. What he did not have was the respect of his family. However, Sebastian expects that to soon change. He is ready to settle down, find a wife, and start a family. He will turn thirty-three only two days after Christmas, at which time he would come into the inheritance his father had left him. Sebastian recently purchased a country home, Greyville Hall, and has plans to restore it to its former glory. It is his first step to acquiring a veneer of responsibility and perhaps the acceptance of his family. Upon the conclusion of his lecture, Sebastian meets Veronica. It does not take him long to realize that she is exactly what he wants. Sebastian even tells his younger sisters, Bianca and Miranda, that Veronica would be his wife by Christmas. Sebastian's plans did not take into account Veronica's unwillingness to remarry. After turning down Sebastian's marriage proposal, Veronica gives him the counteroffer of becoming his mistress. Undeterred, Sebastian plans to let her think she had won. He agrees to have her as his mistress, at least through Christmas. She agrees to spend Christmas with him in the country and stay through Twelfth Night. During their time together, Sebastian fully intends to use his charms as a weapon and persuade her into becoming his bride. But before Sebastian or Veronica even manage to get settled in at Greyville Hall, Bianca and Miranda show up uninvited. Because Sebastian had boasted to his sisters that he and Veronica would be spending their first Christmas together as a married couple, they had spread the news to the family. Before the day is over, Greyville Hall is invaded by his huge family and then by her family. Understanding how much it means to Sebastian to have his family believe he has matured into a respectable and responsible man, Veronica is willing to go along with the deception of being wed until after Christmas. \*\*\*\*\* FIVE STARS! If you are looking for a romantic Christmas story to brighten the upcoming holiday season, then this Regency Romance is for you! This story has no life threatening dangers or dozens of hot bedroom scenes. (In fact, I only recall one, short bedroom scene and it is far into the story.) Instead, this story overflows with humorous scenarios, romance, and a cast of characters with quirky attitudes that I could not help but enjoy. However, do not expect this to be a mellow or serene (a.k.a. boring) read. Sebastian may be determined to claim Veronica as his wife, but, as a widow, this lady is allowed to make up her own mind and she is just as determined to claim Sebastian without the shackle of a ring being wrapped around her finger. Watching the pair go toe-to-toe, clash, retreat to form new strategies, and then clash again was utterly delightful. But it was when Greyville Hall began to fill with the most unprecedented cast of characters that the story actually doubled my interest. A few times as I read, I was surprised to realize that I had a huge grin on my face or that I had giggled aloud in amusement. Highly recommended reading for the holiday season. \*\*\*\*\*Reviewed by Detra Fitch of Huntress Reviews.

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an art form, and it's never too soon to panic.