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Von Heather Killough-Walden : The Big Bad Wolf Romance Compilation (Bundle: Books 1-4) (English Edition) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Big Bad Wolf Romance Compilation (Bundle: Books 1-4) (English Edition):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. a howling good books 1and 2Von CustomerAfter reading the two readers opinions, I was torn between getting it or

not...GET IT!!! Even though I so far only read the first two books, and I will post what I think of the last two, when I am done, I feel like it is unreasonable to wait that long, and maybe let the pleasure of these books go by someone else. It is very intense. It is well written, and very difficult to put down. The tension always building. Awesome. Let me explain something, I am a paranormal lover and hooked on the non-human side of fantasy. I enjoy a naughty but nice vampire as much as a big bad wolf, warlocks and then some. But, as with all paranormal romances, the reader must remember that we do not talk human reactions or rules, but half animal, in this case. And in the animal world it is the survival of the fittest. Do not expect a wolf to bring little daisies and a box of chocolate to the door of his chosen, and then go drink a beer with the rival. It is about pure bruteness. And the women, Dormants, they are anyway born with that little extra, that causes them to be not quite human anyway. If you don't like a bit of badass action, and look at it from a purely human angle, stay away... If you are not into the "Shades of Grey", stay away... But if you like big bad wolves, dreams of a little action, and like the paranormal, stay away, and stay short of a wild and hot experience. So boys and girls, what is it gonna be? join the joyride, or stay ... "dry" I read book nr. 3 in the mean time. Struggled to finish it. It became like chewing gum. Finally gave up on book 4 altogether. Sorry, but just same old....

3 von 4 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Enttäuschend langweilig gefühllos! Von Silvie Die Leseprobe hat mich neugierig gemacht, und der gute Preis war ebenfalls verlockend- also dachte ich: "Warum nicht?" Welch eine Zeitverschwendung!!! Die Handlung von der 1 2 Story sind quasi identisch, nur mit anderen Namen... bin gerade am Anfang der dritten, und kann mich einfach nicht dazu zwingen sie fertig zu lesen. Was mich am meisten irritiert hat, war die geschmacklose sexuelle Gewalt gegenüber Frauen (es wird stranguliert, geschlagen etc.)- ich bin wirklich alles andere als prde, aber selbst die vermeintlich "Guten" gehen mit den Frauen um als seien sie ihre Sex-Sklavinnen. Die Weiblichen Charaktere haben überhaupt keine Wahl. Sie werden von den Alpha's ausgesucht, und markiert- ob sie wollen oder nicht (zu ihrem Schutz BLAH). Eine Romanze zwischen den Hauptcharakteren entsteht gar nicht erst. Kein knistern, keine Spannung- NICHTS! Würde dieses Buch auch keinen Fall weiter empfehlen- ausser man steht auf geschmacklose SM-Szenen ohne originelle Handlung.

2 von 3 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. All the Wolf, None of the Wait! Von Mary Moritz This compilation contains the types of novels where, when the phone rings, or the conductor announces your stop (or you miss your stop), or you suddenly remember that the kids need to eat and the dog has to go out, and you just can't ignore that anymore, setting a story down brings a sort of culture shock. It's like stepping back into the real world from this seemingly intense visit to another one, seductive, thrilling, and filled with beautiful, stunning scenery - and sexy, stunning werewolves, witches and warlocks. The author, Heather Killough-Walden, accomplishes this over and over, story after story, which is why I have read everything she has written. She creates worlds and fills them with her own forms of magic, her own vocabulary and the rules and intricacies to keep a reader at ease in them. One thing her novels never are is predictable. She is a storyteller in the grandest tradition, and above all that is what you will always get with one of her books - a great story.

The BBW series begins in Baton Rouge, Louisiana with "The Heat." Lily St. Claire has just returned to town with a degree in social work and while she has been away her school girl crush, the upper classman, black-haired, blue eyed, all around heartthrob Daniel Kane, has worked his way up the police force to become police chief of Baton Rouge. Kane is a werewolf, who rides a Harley Night Train, has the body you would expect of the alpha wolf he is, and the southern charm, "eh cher?" to leave this reader breathless. Lily has been dreaming about him since high school, dreams in which he turns into a wolf, the signal that she is his dormant, his intended, once-in-a-lifetime mate. Lily doesn't know that's what this means, and it isn't until her return that Daniel finds out, just as he and his Baton Rouge police force, mainly composed of the wolves of his pack, are faced with a series of horrible, high profile crimes. Daniel senses another wolf is after Lily, one who might even be the murderer striking the city and he feels forced as the alpha he is to mark and make her his own - he just never gets around to asking Lily. But life gets even more complicated in Baton Rouge, and the bond between Daniel and Lily is severely tested.

Onto Vegas. In the second book in the series, "The Strip," we meet many of characters from "The Heat" again in lesser roles, except one character takes on a starring role - the best-selling author, Malcolm Cole. Cole is a very strong alpha wolf who has been struggling under a terrible gypsy's curse and is so horribly lonely that he is almost solely focused on finding his dormant. There is a real poignancy to Cole, even as he engages in some barely forgivable behavior. That is something else about Killough-Walden's writing: her characters have emotional lives that in the best moments hit you hard. "The Strip" is the story of Malcolm Cole and his dormant, Claire (Charlie) St. James, a drummer in a rock band. Cole recognizes her as his dormant fairly quickly, and Charlie has her dreams of a green-eyed man who changes into a wolf. But given the scarcity of dormants, it is not a surprise that there is another wolf set on Charlie, and where Cole can be ruthless, this wolf tends towards the sadistic. I don't want to reveal his name as that might be a spoiler, but I find nothing redeemable about him. He is just nasty and he loves his nastiness and he calls in magic users to make him even nastier. Of course, this makes him a great villain. Cole can't save Charlie alone, but fortunately the rest of the wolf community is there to help.

The third book, The Spell, takes place mostly in Trinidad, California and has left me with a huge desire to visit the area and see the redwood forests amidst the fog, and the ocean. The author brings the lesser elements of magic from the earlier novels to the forefront here. Dannai, a witch with rare healing abilities, has been dreaming of two wolves, one of whom is Lucas Caige, an alpha who has been traveling on his own for many years trying to find

the killer of his older brother. He finally decides to settle down for awhile in this beautiful ocean town. But his older brother was killed by black magic, and therefore he is known to hate magic. Dannai knows him well from her dreams and immediately recognizes him when she comes across him. Upon seeing him she desperately attempts to keep her magic shielded so he will give her a chance. But w-a-a-ay too much goes on with her coven and the werewolf community for a witch of her gifts to remain shielded for long. Once again, the characters from the earlier books are part of the story, even more so in this one. But this is mainly the story of Dannai and Lucas. Finally, the fourth book is "The Hunt" and it tells the story of Byron and Kat, an alpha wolf held captive by magic and chains for fifty years by a spoiled vampire princess. He is unwittingly rescued by the very Hunter who has spent her life trying to find him and seek revenge for the killing of her father. At the same time she has been having a dormant's dreams of a handsome man who turns into a handsome black wolf, but she has to ultimately be convinced of her destiny. Katherine Dare is the most emotionally realized of all Killough-Walden's dormants, in my opinion. Her motivations, her memories, her unresolved sense of loss, are revealed so effectively, as is her mindset in general. Byron also has his own demons to deal with, as well as learning about the world in the 21st Century. Much of the story involves the relationship between these two as they wind up on the run together. Byron has black hair, stormy gray eyes, and the physique of an alpha. Kat is a natural beauty with white-blonde hair, indigo eyes and with the athletic build of a Hunter. But as all of the BBW stories are, this story is heavy on action as the characters we now know so well from the other stories join in to fight their biggest battle yet. One their entire race ultimately depends upon. If this seems like a lot, I have barely scratched the surface. Remember, these are four separate novels, with four very different stories and with a cast of characters that comes together as it grows. One caveat, these are ultimately wolves. Mating habits can get rough, and anything less wouldn't make much sense. Both male and female characters have an otherworldly sexual drive at times. Watch a documentary on wolves and you will see the combination of tenderness and rough play. This is a great compilation as so many reviewers have attested to. Just clear as much of your calendar as you can to read it because you won't want to stop once you've started.

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