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Barbarian's Taming: A SciFi Alien Romance (Ice Planet Barbarians Book 9)



Synopsis

As a newcomer to the alien tribe, I've struggled to find my place. It might be because I'm a tad headstrong at times. And yes, I might have thrown a few things at people's heads. But I had a good reason to pitch a fit - my shy sister was stolen away right under my nose. Of course, now she's back and mated. Everyone's happy...except me. I need...affection. Attention. Okay, I'm lonely. Really lonely. Strangely enough, the only person that I think understands what I'm going through is the same blue-skinned brute that stole my sister. It's wrong to hook up with him, even as a mindless fling. Except...I'm not so good with the whole 'rules' thing. And he's not so great with the 'fling' thing. Check out the entire Ice Planet Barbarians series! Book 1 -- Ice Planet Barbarians (Georgie's story) Book 2 -- Barbarian Alien (Liz's story) Book 3 -- Barbarian Lover (Kira's story) Book 4 -- Barbarian Mine (Harlow's story) Book 5 -- Ice Planet Holiday (Claire's story) Book 6 -- Barbarian's Prize (Tiffany's story) Book 7 -- Barbarian's Mate (Josie's story) Book 8 -- Barbarian's Touch (Lila's story) Book 9 -- Barbarian's Taming (this book!) Book 10 -- Barbarian's Heart (coming soon!)

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Customer Reviews

After finishing the Barbarian's Touch, I knew this book would be about Maddie and Hassen, and to be honest I couldn't fathom how Dixon was going to make that feel realistic after he had kidnapped Lila. I shouldn't have doubted Dixon, once again she's able to bring together this pair and create a story that keeps the series fresh and exciting. Maddie and Hassen are the outcasts, and in search of finding a connection they find each other. You come to understand Hassen's actions in the past, and see how much he regrets acting so brashly. Maddie, whose been fairly unlikable herself, comes to find her place in this new world, and things really get shaken up. Beyond the romance though, Dixon continues to delve into the mystery of this new world and the history of the Sa-khui people. It just makes for a really well rounded tale that only makes me want more. And by more I mean I better be hearing about some Asha and Hemalo next. However, what did knock this down from a 5 STAR review was how Hassen kept thinking of Lila as the weak crying sister, and even sneering in disgust at the thought of her. While a lot of this story was aimed to gain sympathy for him, that made it hard at times to feel for him when he has no sympathy for the woman he kidnapped and held against her will. Even though he never meant her harm, it was a little messed up how he looked down on her in that way, though in the end I think he grew enough to think differently, but it still kept feeling like a knee jerk reaction to hate him all over again every time that thought came up, which was a lot.

This series keeps getting better and better. Two lost souls, a blue barbarian and a yellow maned human, reach out to each other. They have many adventures before resonating. We follow tribe members through both good and hard times. Our world is enlarging by the end of book nine leaving me anticipating book ten.

Loved it, not thrilled how it ended but loved it... Not a bad ending but was hoping for things not to end til they saw this "new" cave... Wasn't sure about Maddie at first to be honest even though I could identify w/her plight all the things to adjust to, how much harder life is for her now and soo many adjustments to make, not sure what skills to offer (I'm an Artist not big on there of things they "Need") and I understood being insecure and not really being much of a "joiner" when it comes to things, though No offense to her I couldn't have showed my ass like she did w/others when her sister

was missing, while I under her fear and panic, I'd be more afraid of pissing off the ppl who were soo essential to my survival.... Plus she came off rather whiney and selfish but as the story wore on I really can't like her as she lost some of her some of her hurt and came to heal w/Hassan... I know from her sisters book he was who she'd be paired w/and I'm soo immeasurably grateful their story was a 100% better than Josie and Haeden's, I like Josie ok til her story and then she turned mega beyotch and treated poor Haeden like crap and not I can't stand her and wanna look away when she seems to cling to him now... Still feel he deserved better.. But thankfully Hassan and Maddie were wonderful together, and while I can see how hard being chief can be for poor Vektal, I get kinda peeved that not matter how much Hassen could tell them he regrets his actions and sees the error of his ways they still didn't wanna be lenient ... Punishment should always fit the crime w/ppl seeing the error of their ways and changing being the goal... Never one size fits all..But I loved it and I can't wait for more â•…•

I continue to enjoy & look forward to each installment in this light-hearted alien romance. I like its mix of sex scenes, true rhetoric without relentless angst, action scenes, fantasy settings & situations. I enjoy the drama of some of the circumstances. (Cave-in / earthquake). This is one of the few series I've read that narrates in the First Person well. I was happy to see some of the 'issues' I had with earlier books explained - ex: why the tribe didn't stay at the ocean side caves during the brutal season (altho still don't understand the hunters not 'fishing' as a means of adding missing minerals etc to the tribe's diet). The turn in circumstances this book is leading us is an intriguing one. I'm worried about Asha & found myself thinking about her character & the construct of a social structure that wouldn't have assigned tasks for each member (she's allowed to stay in her furs day in & out depressed over loss of her baby). This is what I mean - those past couple sentences are why I love these books! I love this writer's ability to create a world that gets me thinking about the situation / circumstances / interactions etc. She may have 'holes' that need to be addressed IMO but in general its so well constructed that you find yourself thinking about this alternate universe outside of the time you're actually reading! I liked the Hero & Heroine - he was a little more good-natured & bordered on being too eager-to-please than I prefer - she was a little snarky & demanding - which I enjoy. I like strong characters that are more realistic (flawed) in deeds & actions than what's considered ideal. Finally - I was disappointed by the book's cover - I can't see his horns! I like the blue suede skin & horned descriptions but need a little help from the covers! They're alien - lets not hide that!

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