

Pagan The Henchmen Mc Book 8

An underground fight club. A woman who shouldn't have been there. And the man who owns it. **-* Ross Ward is bound by the chains of his past he never could seem to shake, leaving him living in darkness, detached from the world around him, and an obsessive workaholic with really only one rule: mind your own business. Until one night, there was Adalind Hollis - scared, confused, in need of help. And for the first time, he couldn't convince himself to walk away, to mind his own business. Even after she was getting the care she needed, he couldn't seem to make himself stay away. But keeping her close meant he would eventually have to let her in, would have to offer over the horrors of his past, and hope she could accept it. But even if she would embrace his past, could she accept his plan to exact brutal, bloody vengeance against the man who hurt her?

Presidents of rival MCs, Fallon and Danny were destined to hate each other. And hate they did. Until an unknown enemy forces them together, and makes them realize that under all that hate was an undeniable passion. One that could threaten not only the trust and respect of their clubs... but their very lives...

1 war 2 people trying to find love among the wreckage 5 big surprises The fate of entire beloved organization in the balance = one big, sexy, bloody, hell of a ride.

Pagan- Fighting. F@cking. F@cking things up. That was my life. That was how I got out of the world I had been raised in. And it was how I intended to keep living my life. That was, of course, until I came across her. The game changer. Kennedy- Hard work. That was pretty much all you could say my life consisted of. It was what got me out of a rough childhood. It was what made me get my first taste of success. Before things went to hell, that is. But it was what was going to get me back on my feet too. So I didn't need any distractions. Certainly not one that came covered in scars, blood, leather, and in a cloud of cigarette smoke. Yet, there he was. And I was thinking maybe a distraction wouldn't be that bad, right?

He decided it was time to retire, settle down, become something nice and tame. Like an arms-dealing biker in some town called Navesink Bank. He could get behind that lifestyle. He'd anticipated a lot of things. Drinking. Brotherhood. A little action peppered in here and there to keep things from getting too dull. But there was one thing he hadn't planned on. A woman moving in across the hall from him. The way something within him recognized something inside her. A past. Secrets. Darkness. Hidden behind thick walls, impenetrable shields, and a biting sort of confidence. He damn sure couldn't have prepared himself for the sudden and uncharacteristic urge to force his way into her life, get her to open up to him, feel comfortable enough to give her all the dark and ugly parts of his past. And - dare he even think it - plan a future with her. You know... if she would stop disappearing for weeks at a time without a clue as to where she was going...

MAZE: In concept, the plan was simple: prospect at The Henchmen MC. In practice, however, it was anything but. One, because I was a woman. Two, because it was a brotherhood. And three, because Repo, the man who was in charge of making my life a living hell until I quit or screwed up enough to get thrown out, also happened to be the hottest guy I had come across in ages. The problem was, if I didn't get in and stay in despite the hazing from the members and the undeniable attraction building between me and Repo, there was a very good chance I would be found by them. And if I was found by them, well, I was dead. REPO: How the hell was I supposed to get her out of the MC when, one, I didn't agree with the fact that because she was a woman, she had no place in The Henchmen. Two, because she was strong, smart, capable, and determined to get a patch. And three, because, well, I wanted her. The problem was, if I didn't get her kicked out, I would be screwing up a job that was important to the prez. But the problem was also that if I kicked her out, there was no way I was going to get a shot with her. I didn't know, however, that the real problem was a lot more complicated and a lot more dangerous than disappointing my boss or not getting laid... the problem was Maze had demons and they were hot on her trail...

Americans have experienced a love-hate relationship with Wall Street for two hundred years. Long an object of suspicion, fear, and even revulsion, the Street eventually came to be seen as an alluring pathway to wealth and freedom. Steve Fraser tells the story of this remarkable transformation in a brilliant, masterfully written narrative filled with colorful tales of confidence men and aristocrats, Napoleonic financiers and reckless adventurers, master builders and roguish destroyers. Penetrating and engrossing, this is an extraordinary work of history that illuminates the values and the character of our nation.

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"Ranks with Vonnegut's best and goes one step beyond . . . joyous, soaring fiction."—The Atlanta Journal and Constitution Broad humor and bitter irony collide in this fictional autobiography of Rabo Karabekian, who, at age seventy-one, wants to be left alone on his Long Island estate with the secret he has locked inside his potato barn. But then a voluptuous young widow badgers Rabo into telling his life story—and Vonnegut in turn tells us the plain, heart-hammering truth about man's careless fancy to create or destroy what he loves. Praise for Bluebeard "Vonnegut is at his edifying best."—The Philadelphia Inquirer "The quicksilver mind of Vonnegut is at it again. . . . He displays all his talents—satire, irony, ridicule, slapstick, and even a shaggy dog story of epic proportions."—The Cincinnati Post "[Kurt Vonnegut is] a voice you can trust to keep poking holes in the social fabric."—San Francisco Chronicle "It has the qualities of classic Bosch and Slaughterhouse Vonnegut. . . . Bluebeard is uncommonly feisty."—USA Today "Is Bluebeard good? Yes! . . . This is vintage Vonnegut—good wine from his best grapes."—The Detroit News "A joyride . . . Vonnegut is more fascinated and puzzled than angered by the human stupidities and contradictions he discerns so keenly. So hop in his rumble seat. As you whiz along, what you observe may provide some new perspectives."—Kansas City Star

The collection of the elder Seneca assembles quotations from scores of declaimers over a period spanning sixty years, from the Augustan Age through the early decades of the empire. A view is offered onto a literary scene, for this critical period of Roman letters, that is numerous populated, highly interactive, and less dominated by just a few canonical authors. Despite this potential, modern readings have often lumped declaimers together en masse and organizational principles basic to Seneca's collection remain overlooked. This volume attempts to 'hear' the individual speech of declaimers by focusing on two speakers—Arellius Fuscus, rhetor to Ovid, and Papius Fabianus, teacher of the younger Seneca. A key organizing principle, informing both the collection and the practice of declamation, was the 'shared locus'—a short passage, defined by verbal and argumentative ingredients, that gained currency among declaimers. Study of the operation of the shared locus carries several advantages: (1) we appreciate distinctions between declaimers; (2) we recognize shared passages as a medium of communication; and (3) the shared locus emerges as a community resource, explaining deep-seated connections between declamation and literary works.

1 notorious 1%er 1 innocent trapped in an impossible situation 1 viscous crime lord 3 people who aren't who they appear to be = one big (bloody) mess. Reign is no stranger to the criminal underbelly and hard life, but when a random woman comes (literally) crashing into his life-learning things she has no business knowing, and bringing with her the weight of the city's biggest skin trader, the "hard life" starts to take on a whole new meaning.

Sugar had known a lot of women in his life. But he'd never met anyone quite like this mermaid-haired, tattooed, pierced, smartass woman named Peyton who made it clear she didn't want anything from him except as many orgasms as he could give her. So what was he supposed to do when he realized he did want more? How was he supposed to get this woman who was so committed to non-commitment to take a chance on him? Or convince the loansharks and ex-armed robbers that loved her that he was worthy? All the while trying to figure out how a dead man from his past had somehow come back to life... and why he was coming for him...

Joining the MC had never been a question. Raised by an ex-cage-fighting member, Niro hadn't seen any future for himself that didn't involve bikes, guns, violence, and the brotherhood he'd learned to revere above all else. But joining the Henchmen meant he couldn't have the only other thing in life he wanted. Andi. The daughter of one of the OG members of the club. His childhood best friend. The only chink in his otherwise impenetrable armor. For years she was gone. And he did everything he could to forget her, to become the kind of monster she would never look twice at again. The problem was, she was back in town. And new enemies were around every corner. Ones who might set their sights on the only woman who could ever mean anything to him...

Cyrus - Family. Brotherhood. Music. Women. That was pretty much my life. And it was one I was happy with too. Until I came across her - the one woman I knew I had no right to put my hands on, the woman who I still felt such a connection with that, even though I knew I had to keep my hands - and other body parts - to myself, I wanted to be in her life. So I became her friend. Except, this sweet, shy, bookworm was making being honorable a hell of a lot harder than I expected. Reese Family. Books. To be perfectly honest, that was pretty much all my life was about. And I was happy with that. I lived a thousand lives. I saw and felt things in stories I never could have otherwise. Besides, real life was never as good as books. Until I came across him. He was leading man material if I ever saw it. You know, just not for me. He made that perfectly clear. We were going to be friends. Friends. That was it. Except, maybe that simply wasn't enough...

Roderick He joined the MC for many reasons. To be able to financially take care of his mother and sisters, to have fun, to let loose, to meet women. But only casually. Only for a night or two. He wasn't ready to settle down. Until one day, when the president gives him a job. Just drop the guns, get the money, come home. Don't f- it up. Except everything goes to hell. And he has just six weeks to find the woman who stole the guns, work with her to track down replacements, and try not to get too distracted. The problem being, Livianna - the gun-running leader of a rag-tag group of arms dealers turns out to be one hell of a distraction...

A kid raised by his father's fists on the wrong side of a blue-collar town, Lorne Campbell grew up watching the local bikers ride past, making him wonder what that kind of freedom and power would feel like. He soon found out. At the age of 17, he became the youngest-ever member of the Satan's Choice Motorcycle Club and spent the next five decades living a life for which he does not ask forgiveness, only that his story finally be told, and that his family finally understand what drove him to live the way he did.

Camden I had spent so much of my life alone, disconnected, unable to form any kind of lasting bonds. After so long, I had begun to believe that was all there would ever be for me, had come to accept it as my reality. Then there she was. Everything I wasn't, everything I convinced myself I could never have. But, God, I wanted. Annie had been on my own for so long. Hopping states, changing towns, never able to put down roots, make friends, form connections. It was how it had to be. There was no other option for me. I had long since learned to come to peace with that. Until Cam. Until there was a reason to want to stay, to want to build with someone, to finally get all the things I had been denied. Even as I started to let myself believe any of that was possible, my past found me once again, ripped everything away from me. Ripped him away from me. And everything we had just begun to explore.

In August 1964, a disheveled band of motorcyclists mysteriously appeared in Milwaukee. Over the course of the next decade, the Outlaws Motorcycle Club (OMC) became synonymous with acts of intimidation and violence. In the ruthless world of renegade bikers, the OMC's Milwaukee chapter became known as the "Wrecking Crew." You Gotta Be Dirty: The Outlaws Motorcycle Club in & Around Wisconsin, examines the evolution of outlaw motorcycle clubs in the United States. From 1947 - the early 1960s, the influence of rogue riders - the one-percent of motorcyclists living outside the law - spread from the west coast and in to America's heartland. In Wisconsin, investigators linked members of the Outlaws to at least eleven murders. Four of the innocent persons killed were women and two were elderly. Three children also lost their lives: A fifteen-year-old boy was killed by an explosive device; an infant perished in an arson fire; and a ten-year-old boy was executed vis-a-vis a gunshot to the head. During the tumultuous 1990s, the Outlaws orchestrated a guerrilla-style offensive in a quest to beat back the expansion of the world's largest one-percent motorcycle club - the Hells Angels (HAMC). During this period, the HAMC began courting the Hell's Henchmen Motorcycle Club, a group with chapters in Chicago, Rockford, and South Bend, Indiana. The Hells Angels' bold move into northern Illinois touched-off a seven-year conflict that was exacerbated by beatings, bombings, and shootings. "As a former outlaw biker investigator," wrote author and retired Milwaukee Police Department Detective Larry Powalisz, "I participated in the investigations of several of the incidents documented in this well-researched book. This history of the Outlaws Motorcycle Club shines a bright light on the one-percent motorcycle subculture."

Of all the plants men have ever grown, none has been praised and denounced as often as marihuana (*Cannabis sativa*). Throughout the ages, marihuana has been extolled as one of man's greatest benefactors and cursed as one of his greatest scourges. Marihuana is undoubtedly a herb that has been many things to many people. Armies and navies have used it to make war, men and women to make love. Hunters and fishermen have snared the most ferocious creatures, from the tiger to the shark, in its herculean weave. Fashion designers have dressed the most elegant women in its supple knit. Hangmen have snapped the necks of thieves and murderers with its fiber. Obstetricians have eased the pain of childbirth with its leaves. Farmers have crushed its seeds and used the oil within to light their lamps. Mourners have thrown its seeds into blazing fires and have had their sorrow transformed into blissful ecstasy by the fumes that filled the air. Marihuana has been known by many names: hemp, hashish, dagga, bhang, loco weed, grass - the list is endless. Formally christened *Cannabis sativa* in 1753 by Carl Linnaeus, marihuana is one of nature's hardiest specimens. It needs little care to thrive. One need not talk to it, sing to it, or play soothing tranquil Brahms lullabies to coax it to grow. It is as vigorous as a weed. It is ubiquitous. It flourishes under nearly every possible climatic condition.

The war was over. The dust had settled. The numbers were increasing. Everything had finally started to calm down. Until one night on a walk, I came across her...

In 1977, Wayne "Big Chuck" Bradshaw was Jersey tough. He was a member of the outlaw Pagans bike gang, a One Percenter, and had earned his colors in a world of boozing, bloody bar fights, and high-stakes crime. But after getting too close to extreme violence, Bradshaw made the life-threatening decision to change his path. The toughness Bradshaw used to survive the biker life led him to a distinguished and heroic career as an undercover narcotics officer for the same New Jersey police department that had once arrested him. Bradshaw tells his story with the truth of the streets, from his time in the U.S. Army to his decision to join the Pagans, to the wild adventures of working narcotic stings. He rode with truly dangerous criminals and then returned to those same places as a cop. He tracks down fugitives in Jersey's toughest neighborhoods, risks his life rescuing dozens from a fire in a seniors' residence, and volunteers in the aftermath of 9/11. Jersey Tough is an unflinching memoir of personal struggle, of battling with darkness, and ultimately of redemption.

'Ulysses' is a novel by Irish writer James Joyce. It was first serialised in parts in the American journal 'The Little Review' from March 1918 to December 1920, and then published in its entirety by Sylvia Beach in February 1922, in Paris. 'Ulysses' has survived bowdlerization, legal action and bitter controversy. Capturing a single day in the life of Dubliner Leopold Bloom, his friends Buck Mulligan and Stephen Dedalus, his wife Molly, and a scintillating cast of supporting characters, Joyce pushes Celtic lyricism and vulgarity to splendid extremes. An undisputed modernist classic, its ceaseless verbal inventiveness and astonishingly wide-ranging allusions confirm its standing as an imperishable monument to the human condition. It takes readers into the inner realms of human consciousness using the interior monologue style that came to be called stream of consciousness. In addition to this psychological characteristic, it gives a realistic portrait of the life of ordinary people living in Dublin, Ireland, on June 16, 1904. The novel was the subject of a famous obscenity trial in 1933, but was found by a U.S. district court in New York to be a work of art. The furor over the novel made Joyce a celebrity. In the long run, the work placed him at the

forefront of the modern period of the early 1900s when literary works, primarily in the first two decades, explored interior lives and subjective reality in a new idiom, attempting to probe the human psyche in order to understand the human condition. This richly-allusive novel, revolutionary in its modernistic experimentalism, was hailed as a work of genius by W.B. Yeats, T.S. Eliot and Ernest Hemingway. Scandalously frank, wittily erudite, mercurially eloquent, resourcefully comic and generously humane, 'Ulysses' offers the reader a life-changing experience. Publisher : General Press

"Princess Marie Adelheid of Lippe-Biesterfeld was a rebellious young writer who became a fervent Nazi. Heinrich Vogeler was a well-regarded artist who was to join the German Communist Party. Ludwig Roselius was a successful businessman who had made a fortune from his invention of decaffeinated coffee. What was it about the revolutionary climate following World War I that induced three such different personalities to collaborate in the production of a slim volume of poetry -- entitled *Gott in mir* -- about the indwelling of the divine within the human? Lionel Gossman's study situates this poem in the ideological context that made the collaboration possible. The study also outlines the subsequent life of the Princess who, until her death in 1993, continued to support and celebrate the ideals and heroes of National Socialism"--Publisher's description.

The club had known peace for so long. Too long, it seemed. And now the president was missing, the supply chain was drying up, and there were threats from within and out. Colson should have had nothing else on his mind. But then there she was. The new neighbor. A woman with her hands full of her own problems should have sent him running, but he just couldn't seem to stay away. As pressure mounted for the club, Colson found himself facing choices he hoped to never make and a woman he hoped to never let go of.

CASH My life has been about three things- brotherhood, good times, and women. Easy. Nothing complicated. That was until Willow Swift came barging back into my life, face bloodied, banging at the gates of The Henchmen compound calling in a favor owed. Now a marker is a marker and I had to make good, but if there was one woman in the world I didn't need in my life, it was the hard-as-stone, hot-as-sin Willow Swift and whatever mysterious ghosts from her past that were haunting her present. WILLOW My life has been nothing but two things: hard and complicated. The last person I wanted in my business was the notorious love-em and leave-em Cash, but I needed help and he was the only one I could lean on without worrying about him finding out about my past. But I was starting to wonder if maybe he was his own kind of dangerous bent on making me believe in some things I had long since learned were not possible for me- like falling for a guy I could not, ever, let see the real me.

He's been waiting for a storm for years. Well... she has finally blown into town. -He'd always been good at starting over. That had been his job for a long time. New country, new identity, new scumbag to track down, and bring to justice. It was just the job. Until, suddenly, someone made it more. But life had plans that didn't involve white picket fences and happily-ever-afters. And there was no choice but to move on. That didn't mean ghosts of the past didn't plague him, follow him no matter how many times he changed his name, how many places he ran to. Eventually, he traded one world for another. The past seemed as far behind him as it was possible. Until one day, it was there. She was there. Life didn't offer many second chances. And he was hellbent on making things right. Even if she didn't want anything to do with him ever again.

Lenny I have one mission in life. Revenge. I didn't have time for anything else. Let alone the mysterious, unfairly good-looking member of a local outlaw biker gang. But Edison is not the kind of man to be easily ignored, and the closer he gets, the more I seem to sway from my mission. Until the unthinkable happens. Edison She's special. That has always been my type, women with that 'something' that you can't quite put your finger on. And Lenny with her knife-sharp tongue, stubbornness, and guards thicker than almost any I had ever seen, yeah, she had that thing. And I wanted to put my finger on it. Finger. Mouth. Tongue... everything on her. But Lenny is hiding things. And it wasn't until her world shatters around her that I finally get to see what was beneath them all along. And it is more than I could have ever hoped for. It's something I want to hold onto. I guess the only thing left is to get that through her stubborn head as well...

HUCK Who would have thought that setting up a chapter would be such a hassle? I was no stranger to the life of crime, But chopping cars and running guns were leagues apart. Especially when there were other bad guys in the area that didn't take too kindly to our arrival on the scene. So my hands were already full when she showed up, the spunky blue-haired neighbor who just wanted a little peace and quiet. How was I supposed to know that one nice gesture on my part would threaten to bring the whole thing toppling down around us? HARMON Who would have thought that moving next to a biker clubhouse would be such a hassle? All I really wanted was to be left alone. I had work to do, and between the bikes and babes, I wasn't getting anything done. But when one little drive-by pushes me out of my comfort zone and into a world where trouble can hide around every corner, How can I suddenly be a target in a game I didn't even know I was playing?

In this book, economist and evolutionary game theorist Daniel Friedman demonstrates that our moral codes and our market systems, while often in conflict, are really devices evolved to achieve similar ends, and that society functions best when morals and markets are in balance with each other.

They knew she was going to strike back for taking down her empire, for imprisoning her for years. All those years stuck in a cell gave her a lot of time to think, to plot, to plan her revenge. But they couldn't have anticipated this. * This can not be read as a standalone. ** This is also not a romance. This is a dramatic suspense story told from many POVs including old favorites and some new faces, all dealing with the events before, during, and after V's eventual demise.

He was just supposed to be saving her from herself... and the half dozen criminal enterprises that would want her blood when they realized what she had done. What he hadn't planned on was her invading every aspect of his life with her fiery temper and inability to take no for an answer. And when he finally got beneath her walls and found out why she had gotten herself into trouble in the first place, he knew what he needed to do. He sure as hell didn't think he would end up being the one who would need saving... It meant war. DUKE The relative peace we have known for years was gone in one violent act. Then, among the ever-present and increasingly bloody unknown threat, I met her. But when passions ignite, complicating an already impossible situation, I am left to wonder if there is a way to overcome the dark and twisted secrets of my past that would allow me to have any kind of future with her. PENNY I was just a normal girl. I swear. One moment, I was just living my usual boring life. The next, I found myself in the middle of some kind of underground war between an outlaw biker gang and some faceless enemy. Trapped in a whole new world and in ever-increasing close proximity to the tall, strong, long blond-haired, deep blue-eyed biker named Duke, yeah, let's just say things got even more interesting. But Duke had secrets. And when they came into the light, I realized they were the kind that I wasn't sure I could live with...

Life is counted in tiny breaths, ones that measure the length of your existence. Life stole the ability to make those breaths easy when Lily was nine years old. Turned her quiet. Made her curl into herself, and shut out a world that threatened to bury her under its weight. The end of her world is what brings him back-her biker. His chocolate eyes pierce her soul while his club tempts her

with a life that she didn't know she could ever have. Especially not when she was clutching the tattered remains of her existence, and with a weight bearing down on her which makes her unfit for the role of Old Lady. Asher changes that. He wants to set about repairing it, repairing her and her broken world. The problem is, even his strong shoulders can't carry the burden of her sorrow. Asher doesn't take no for an answer. She may have given him her heart three years ago, but never in her wildest dreams would she imagine she had possessed his for the same amount of time. Just when it seems like she may be able to ride off into the horizon, the world isn't quite finished trying to rob her of breath. Of life.

'Angela's Ashes' is the memoir of retired schoolteacher Frank McCourt. He grew up in New York in the 1930s and in Ireland in the 1940s, in a large family, with an alcoholic father. It is a story of courage and survival against apparently overwhelming odds. Reevel had long since given up hope of the pursuit of genuine happiness. It wasn't possible after all the sh*t I had been through. I had my siblings, my club, a purpose in life. It was enough. Until I came across her. She represented everything that I knew I couldn't have - stability, a future, a way out of my past. And, it seemed, the harder I tried to keep her at a distance, to protect her from my reality, she only got in deeper, only pulled me closer. Then, one night, an old face popped up in Navesink Bank. And everything changed forever. Reyl liked my life. I liked the freedom and simplicity of it, even if it was, perhaps, a little lonely. Then one night, there he was. With the saddest eyes I had ever seen. He represented everything my life didn't need - chaos, violence, uncertainty. But, at the same time, everything it was lacking - companionship, connection. He tried to fight it, to keep up his guards, to keep me at arm's length. But, well, fate had other plans. That was the night everything changed. Down an alley, facing down a new, yet familiar, big bad in Navesink Bank, forcing us together, making us confront the reality of what was happening between us. Trapped together, waiting for the winds to blow over, he finally trusted me enough to let me in, to give us a shot, to invite me into his family. That is, if all of us survived the upcoming storm...

In this provocative book, Marvin Perry and Frederick M. Schweitzer analyze the lies, misperceptions, and myths about Jews and Judaism that anti-semites have propagated throughout the centuries. Beginning with antiquity, and continuing into the present day, the authors explore the irrational fabrications that have led to numerous acts of violence and hatred against Jews. The book examines ancient and medieval myths central to the history of anti-semitism: Jews as 'Christ-killers', instruments of Satan, and ritual murderers of Christian children. It also explores the scapegoating of Jews in the modern world as conspirators bent on world domination; extortionists who manufactured the Holocaust as a hoax designed to gain reparation payments from Germany; and the leaders of the slave trade that put Africa in chains. No other book has focused its attention exclusively on a thematic discussion of historic and contemporary anti-semitic myths, covering such an expansive scope of time, and allowing for such a painstaking level of exemplification. Anti-semitism is an essential book that will serve as a corrective to bigotry, stereotype, and historical distortion.

Policing is crucial to how Africans experience the freedoms of democracy and determines to a large degree the levels of economic investment they will enjoy. Yet it is a neglected area of study. Based on field research, this book reveals the surprising variety of people involved in policing besides the state police. Indeed many Africans are faced with a wide choice of public and private, legal and illegal, effective and ineffective policing. Policing in Africa is very much more than what the police do. It concerns the activities of business interests, residential communities, cultural groups, criminal organizations, local political figures and governments. How people negotiate this multi-choice of policing options, and the implications of this for government and donor security policy, is the subject of this book. It covers policing in all its forms in Sub-Saharan Africa, including two case studies of Uganda and Sierra Leone.

Virgin - Growing up in MCs, he was used to the status quo. Brotherhood. Parties. Women in passing. And he was sure that was all he would ever want - or need. Until one night, he came across her. Freddie - She had ten years to make up for. Old bonds to reinforce. Revenge to plot and execute. The last thing she expected was an arms-dealing biker to come into her life, making her second-guess all her plans for her future...

Princess. Captive. Gladiator. Always a Warrior. Fallon is the daughter of a proud Celtic king and the younger sister of the legendary fighter Sorcha. When Fallon was just a child, Sorcha was killed by the armies of Julius Caesar. On the eve of her seventeenth birthday, Fallon is excited to follow in her sister's footsteps and earn her place in her father's war band. She never gets the chance. Fallon is captured and sold to an elite training school for female gladiators—owned by none other than Julius Caesar himself. In a cruel twist of fate, the man who destroyed Fallon's family might be her only hope of survival. Now, Fallon must overcome vicious rivalries, deadly fights in and out of the arena, and perhaps the most dangerous threat of all: her irresistible feelings for Cai, a young Roman soldier and her sworn enemy. A richly imagined fantasy for fans of Sarah J. Maas and Cinda Williams Chima, *The Valiant* recounts Fallon's gripping journey from fierce Celtic princess to legendary gladiator and darling of the Roman empire.

He thought it would be a fun vacation. Head down the coast. Get some sun. Chase some skirts. Get to know the guys from the new chapter. Nothing more serious than that. Until he met her. Then, well, things got a hell of a lot more serious.

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