

Her Proper Scoundrel

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Proper Scoundrel - Annette Blair 2012
PROPER SCOUNDREL
(Formerly: Scoundrel in Disguise) Knave of Hearts, Three of FourLust muddies a high-stakes battle only one can win. Marcus adores Jade the minute he sees her; she despises him as fast. Jade Smithfield's late grandmother unwittingly sold a land option to the railroad before she died. Nevertheless, to keep a family secret and save the downtrodden women in her

care, Jade is determined to stop the South Downs Railroad from laying track on her property. To save his disabled brother's railroad, and the families who will lose their living without it, Marcus Fitzalan applies for a job with Jade to conceal his investigation into the railroad accidents halting construction. While Jade wreaks havoc on the railroad, and leads Marcus a merry chase, her new man of affairs teaches her a lesson contrary to everything she has

learned since birth: Not all men are created equal04some of them are good.Review Quotes for PROPER SCOUNDREL:"What begins as a typical bodice ripper turns out to be an enjoyable romp as Blair's characters grow beyond first impressions." Booklist Maria Hatton Copyright © American Library Association. All rights reserved"Author Annette Blair combines action and romance with strong characters and a bit of comedy to give her readers a story they will never forget! I could not help but fall in love with little Emmy and her puppy's antics. Nor could I stop myself from feeling as though I knew all the main and secondary characters for real. The story is written so smoothly that I felt as if I was a part of their circle. Such writing talent is rare and I am grateful to have come across this novel. It is heading straight for my Keeper Shelf, never to be loaned out, and hoarded for my future reading pleasure alone. Annette Blair is a master (or is it mistress?) of the Historical Romance genre.

I cannot recommend this tale highly enough and I plan to tell everyone I know about it." Detra Fitch, Vine Voice Reviewer"A complex romance with a social message starring an eccentric female obsessed with protecting women and children... Marcus originally arrived to stop Jade from sabotaging his sibling's railroad, but soon finds he loves his employer and needs to help her with her charges. Fans will appreciate this Dickensian spin as "progress" vs. the downtrodden competes with the hero knowing that he will probably lose his love once she learns of his deception." Harriet Klausner, #1 Hall of Fame Amazon ReviewerPROPER SCOUNDREL AWARDS (As Scoundrel in Disguise)2007 A Readers & Booksellers Best Laurie Winner, Smokey Mountain RWA2006 A Five Star Editor's Choice: "The Best of the Best"2001 A PASIC Book of Your Heart Award Winner as A PERFECT SCANDAL2000 A Great Beginnings Winner as SEDUCED BY A ROGUE, Utah

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[A Loving Scoundrel](#) - Johanna Lindsey 2004-04-27

This “delightfully engaging” (RT Book Reviews) entry in the beloved Malory-Anderson Family series from the New York Times bestselling author of the Reid Family series follows the son of a gentleman pirate as he falls in love with the streetwise young woman he hires as his maid. When Danny, a young woman from the streets of London with no memory of her real family, helps handsome rakehell Jeremy Malory steal back the jewels his friend lost in a card game, she is kicked out of her gang. She demands Jeremy give her a legitimate job so she can become respectable. Intrigued by her beauty and spunk, Jeremy hires Danny as his upstairs maid, although he wants her as his mistress. Under the tutelage of Jeremy and his cousin Regina, Danny blossoms into a lady. Although she is drawn to Jeremy by passionate feelings she has never experienced before, she refuses to be anything more

than a servant to him. But when she undergoes a Cinderella-like transformation and poses as Jeremy’s new love in an attempt to help him avert a scandal, his aristocratic peers can’t help but notice how familiar Danny looks. Now tongues are wagging, raising the question of her true identity, which threatens not only Danny’s chances of capturing Jeremy’s heart but her very life.

Scoundrel of My Heart -

Lorraine Heath 2021-03-30

Amazon April 2021 Best of the

Month Pick Lorraine Heath

begins an exciting new series

with a breathtaking romance

about a young woman who

must marry a titled gentleman

to obtain her inheritance and

the suitable man she begins

to fall madly in love with She is

desperate to wed a duke...

Lady Kathryn Lambert must

marry a titled gentleman to

claim her inheritance and has

finally gained the attention of a

duke. Yet she is unable to

forget the scandalous second

son who aided in her

achievement—or his betrayal.

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He wants what he can never possess... Lord Griffith Stanwick is tormented by the bitter truth that as a "spare," he will never be able to give Kathryn what she yearns to possess. But when his father is found guilty of treason, Griff detours into the dark and dangerous corners of London, haunted by memories of the woman lost to him forever. Love not to be denied... As the duke's courtship intensifies, Kathryn discovers Griff has become a man to be reckoned with. When old passions flare and new desires ignite, she must decide if sacrificing her legacy is worth a lifetime shared with the scoundrel of her heart.

The Earl and the Reluctant Lady - Robyn DeHart

2018-11-12

From the very moment Agnes Watkins walked into his life, Fletcher Banks, Earl of Wakefield, has wanted her. Agnes is not just beautiful, she's clever and determined. She's also the sister of the man who holds Fletcher's career as a spy in his hands. And that

makes her completely off-limits. Tall, impossibly broad, and handsome as a sin, Fletcher Banks is a brazen scoundrel. Known for his reputation as the greatest lover in London, he's the only man who's ever proved a temptation for Agnes. Her duties with the Ladies of Virtue mean she can't overlook his lustful ways. The time has come to reform this rake. With Agnes setting her virtuous sights on him, Fletcher can't avoid her any longer. Perhaps spending more time together will release him from his infatuation with Agnes without falling further from her brother's good graces. But they soon find it impossible to deny that this may be more than lust... Each book in the Lords of Vice series is STANDALONE:
* The Scoundrel and the Lady *
The Marquess and the Maiden
* The Earl and the Reluctant Lady
The First Rule - Robert Crais
2010-01-12
Joe Pike and his partner Elvis Cole must solve the murder of an old friend and his entire family in this gripping thriller

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from #1 New York Times bestselling author Robert Crais. When Frank Meyer and his family are executed during a home invasion, the police begin investigating the secret life they're sure Meyer had. Joe Pike's on a hunt of his own: to clear his friend's name, and to punish the people who murdered him. What starts out as a simple trail gets twisted fast by old grudges, double crosses, blood vengeance, and a crime so terrible even Pike and his partner Elvis Cole have no way to measure it.

The Scoundrel and the Lady

- Robyn DeHart 2017-09-25

Iris Bennington is furious when she discovers her younger brother is following the instructions found in the acclaimed advice columns on How to be a Gentleman. The so-called "advice" is more likely to turn her brother into a scoundrel than a true gentleman. Iris decides to locate the author of the columns and confront him. Merritt Steel, the Earl of Ashby, cannot help but be amused by the slip of a woman

who comes calling. Unwilling to let such a delightful potential conquest go, he proposes a wager: bring him anyone off the street and he can pass them off as a gentleman. It's a bargain she readily accepts—but with a twist. Their bargain proves to be a greater challenge than either anticipated. Merritt finds it near impossible to keep his hands off Iris, and she begins to see the undeniable appeal of ungentlemanly behavior... Each book in the Lords of Vice series is STANDALONE: * The Scoundrel and the Lady * The Marquess and the Maiden * The Earl and the Reluctant Lady

The Scoundrel and the Debutante - Julia London
2019-11-11

Sparks fly in this irresistible final installment of the fan-favorite Cabot Sisters trilogy in New York Times bestselling author Julia London's classic, The Scoundrel and the Debutante. The dust of the Cabot sisters' shocking plans to rescue their family from

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certain ruin may have settled, but Prudence Cabot is left standing in the rubble of scandal. Now regarded as an unsuitable bride, she's tainted among the ton. Yet this unwilling wallflower is ripe for her own adventure. And when an irresistibly sexy American stranger on a desperate mission enlists her help, she simply can't deny the temptation. The fate of Roan Matheson's family depends on how quickly he can find his runaway sister and persuade her to return to her betrothed. Scouring the rustic English countryside with the sensually wicked Prudence at his side—and in his bed—he's out of his element. But once Roan has a taste of the sizzling passion that can lead to forever, he must choose between his heart's obligations and its forbidden desires. Originally published in 2015

In Bed With the Devil - Lorraine Heath 2009-10-06

They call him the Devil Earl—a scoundrel and accused murderer who grew up on the violent London streets. A

proper young lady risks more than her reputation when consorting with the roguishly handsome Lucian Langdon, but Lady Catherine Mabry believes she has no choice. To protect those she loves, she would do anything—even strike a bargain with the devil himself. Lucian desires respectability and a wife above all else, but the woman of his choosing lacks the social graces to be accepted by the aristocracy. Catherine can help Lucian gain everything he wants. But what she asks for in exchange will put their very lives in jeopardy. When danger closes in, Catherine discovers a man of immense passion and he discovers a woman of immeasurable courage. As secrets from his dark past are revealed, Lucian begins to question everything he knows to be true, including the yearnings of his own heart.

Proper Scoundrel - Annette Blair 2015-11-19

At first breathtaking sight, Marcus Fitzalan is willing to wager his membership in the Society of Scoundrels that the

Lady Jade Smithfield is proud to be a scandal. Jade Smithfield's grandmother unwittingly sold a land option to the railroad before she died. Nevertheless, to keep the family secret and to save the downtrodden women in her care, Jade is determined to stop the South Downs Railroad from laying track on her property. To save his disabled brother's railroad, and the families who will lose their living without it, Marcus Fitzalan applies for the job as Jade's man of affairs to conceal his investigation into the railroad accidents halting construction. While Jade wreaks havoc on the railroad, and leads Marcus a merry chase, her new man of affairs teaches her a lesson contrary to everything she has learned since birth: Not all men are created equal-some of them are good. Lust muddies a high-stakes battle only one of them can win.

The Roses of Feldstone - Esther Hatch 2018

"Standing before Feldstone Manor, site of so many happy

memories, Rose Davenport feels nothing but dread. Her family's annual visit to the stately home was once brightened by her friendship with the earl's youngest son, William, but everything changed the day his elder brother was disinherited and William became heir to his father's earldom. From that moment, William made it clear he has no interest in continuing an acquaintance with Rose. Heartbroken, she sets out to prove that she will simply not be ignored--or outdone--by the arrogant future lord of the manor. When his elder brother marries for love, William's entire life changes in an instant. He does not have the same option to marry whom he chooses, and he must let go of the feelings he has harbored for his dear friend Rose. He steels himself against her annual visits, determined to keep his feelings for her a secret. But when he makes the hasty promise to marry within six months, he never dreams that his actions will lead Rose to impulsively undertake the

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same challenge."--

A Proper Scoundrel - Esther Hatch 2021

As the successful owner of multiple railroad lines, Diana Barton is all too accustomed to fending off suitors seeking to stake their claim on her wealth. In order to keep the wolves at bay, Diana has contrived the perfect plan: appeal to the most notorious rake in London, the Baron Lord Bryant, to ruin her reputation and scare off the worst of the time wasters. The ruse will be no hardship--she's secretly been fascinated by the man for years. Lord Bryant is well aware of his questionable reputation. Indeed, he has cultivated the image carefully, and the last thing he wants is a wife. But when he's approached by the younger sister of a business associate, he tells her in no uncertain terms that he cannot help. However, when he sees for himself what she is up against, Bryant grudgingly offers his assistance. Faced with his most complicated entanglement yet, Bryant is firm in his conditions--and

Diana knows that to get romantically involved with Bryant would spell certain heartbreak. But as the counterfeit couple grow ever closer, the line between truth and lies becomes blurred, threatening both Lord Bryant's well-laid plans and the future of Diana's railroad business.

Seduced By A Scoundrel - Barbara Dawson Smith 1999-12-15

When her brother gambles away what little family money their father had failed to squander, Lady Alicia Pemberton agrees upon a marriage of convenience with her brother's main creditor to clear the debt, but gambling club owner Drake Wilder has other plans for his new wife

Heroes and Scoundrels - Matthew C. Ehrlich 2015-03-15

Whether it's the rule-defying lifer, the sharp-witted female newshound, or the irascible editor in chief, journalists in popular culture have shaped our views of the press and its role in a free society since mass culture arose over a century ago. Drawing on

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portrayals of journalists in television, film, radio, novels, comics, plays, and other media, Matthew C. Ehrlich and Joe Saltzman survey how popular media has depicted the profession across time. Their creative use of media artifacts provides thought-provoking forays into such fundamental issues as how pop culture mythologizes and demythologizes key events in journalism history and how it confronts issues of race, gender, and sexual orientation on the job. From *Network* to *The Wire*, from *Lois Lane* to *Mikael Blomkvist*, *Heroes* and *Scoundrels* reveals how portrayals of journalism's relationship to history, professionalism, power, image, and war influence our thinking and the very practice of democracy.

The Undercover Scoundrel -
Jessica Peterson 2015-06-02

The author of *The Millionaire Rogue* returns to her dazzling series about a bygone era filled with romance, espionage, and one dangerously seductive diamond... Mr. Henry Lake

spent the past twelve years uncovering the most scandalous secrets of Europe's wealthy and powerful, serving as one of His Majesty's most decorated spies. But when a mission to find the legendary French Blue diamond brings him back to London, and face to face with a beautiful noblewoman he once loved, it's his own hidden passions that are uncovered... Lady Caroline, Countess of Berry, knows better than to lose her head over a man. After an embarrassing romantic entanglement forced her into a loveless marriage and early widowhood, she learned to never trust in desire, especially when it comes to the man who once broke her heart. Only, despite her good sense, she finds Henry impossible to resist—even when he once again places her in deathly danger...

To Tempt a Scoundrel -

Christi Caldwell 2017-11-15

This light-hearted, witty, Regency romance is sure to tug at your heart this winter season! Don't miss the latest

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Heart of a Duke installment!
Never trust a gentleman...
Once before, Lady Alice
Winterbourne trusted her heart
to an honorable, respectable
man... only to be jilted in the
scandal of the Season. Longing
for an escape from all the
whispers and humiliation, Alice
eagerly accepts an invitation to
her friend's house party. In the
country, she hopes to find some
peace from the embarrassment
left in London... Unfortunately,
she finds her former betrothed
and his new bride in
attendance. Never love a lady...
Lord Rhys Brookfield has no
interest in marriage. Ever. He's
worked quite hard at building
both his fortune and his
reputation as a rogue—and
intends to enjoy all that they
can offer him. That is if his
match-making mother will stop
pairing him with prospective
brides. When Rhys and Alice
meet, sparks flare. But with
every new encounter, their first
impressions of one another are
challenged and an unlikely
friendship is forged. Desperate,
Rhys proposes a pretend
courtship, one meant to spite

Alice's former betrothed and
prevent any matchmaking
attempts toward Rhys. What
neither expects is that a
pretense can become so much
more. Or that a burning
passion can heal... and hurt.
When the Scoundrel Sins -
Anna Harrington 2017-08-29
A MOST INDECENT
PROPOSAL Annabelle Green
needs a husband-and quickly.
To inherit the only home she's
ever known, she must be
married by her twenty-fifth
birthday. But finding a suitor
has been next to impossible
after a reckless rogue named
Quinton Carlisle seduced her
into a scandalous midnight
tryst. Her reputation in ruins,
Belle now needs a rather large
favor. And she knows just who
to turn to . . . Quinn can hardly
believe that the shy bookish
girl he teased as a child has
grown into such a brazen
beauty. The very idea of
marrying Belle to right the
wrongs of his past is downright
shocking . . . and deliciously
tempting. Too bad marriage,
convenient or otherwise, is the
last thing Quinn wants. He'll

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help Belle find a husband and be on his way. But if he can't control his attraction to the bride-to-be, this marriage could go up in flames-of wicked desire.

Scoundrel - Sarah Weinman
2022-02-22

A Recommended Read from:
The Los Angeles Times * Town
and Country * The Seattle
Times * Publishers Weekly * Lit
Hub * Crime Reads * Alma
From the author of *The Real
Lolita* and editor of
Unspeakable Acts, the
astonishing story of a murderer
who conned the people around
him—including conservative
thinker William F.

Buckley—into helping set him
free In the 1960s, Edgar Smith,
in prison and sentenced to
death for the murder of
teenager Victoria Zielinski,
struck up a correspondence
with William F. Buckley, the
founder of *National Review*.
Buckley, who refused to believe
that a man who supported the
neoconservative movement
could have committed such a
heinous crime, began to
advocate not only for Smith's

life to be spared but also for his
sentence to be overturned. So
begins a bizarre and tragic tale
of mid-century America. Sarah
Weinman's *Scoundrel* leads us
through the twists of fate and
fortune that brought Smith to
freedom, book deals, fame, and
eventually to attempting
murder again. In *Smith*,
Weinman has uncovered a
psychopath who slipped his
way into public acclaim and
acceptance before crashing
down to earth once again.
From the people Smith
deceived—Buckley, the book
editor who published his work,
friends from back home, and
the women who loved him—to
Americans who were willing to
buy into his lies, Weinman
explores who in our world is
accorded innocence, and how
the public becomes complicit in
the stories we tell one another.
Scoundrel shows, with clear
eyes and sympathy for all those
who entered Smith's orbit, how
and why he was able to
manipulate, obfuscate, and
make a mockery of both well-
meaning people and the
American criminal justice

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system. It tells a forgotten part of American history at the nexus of justice, prison reform, and civil rights, and exposes how one man's ill-conceived plan to set another man free came at the great expense of Edgar Smith's victims.

Never Seduce a Scoundrel -

Sabrina Jeffries 2006-03-14

From the New York Times

bestselling author of the sizzling Sinful Suitors series, this first book in the sexy, sparkling School for Heiresses series follows unconventional heiresses who are so much more than just matches for society's most irresistible rogues. Lady Amelia Plume has many admirers—it's too bad they're all fortune hunters and fops who can't provide the exotic adventures she seeks. But the ballrooms of Mayfair have become much more appealing since the arrival of Major Lucas Winter, an American with a dark past and a dangerous air. Lucas is brash, arrogant—and scandalously tempting. Every thrilling kiss sparks hotter desire, yet Amelia suspects

that Lucas has a hidden motive in wooing her. And she intends to discover it, by any means necessary.

Never Judge a Lady by Her Cover - Sarah MacLean

2014-11-25

RITA® Award-winning author

Sarah MacLean reveals the identity of The Fallen Angel's

final scoundrel in the

spectacular conclusion to her New York Times bestselling

Rules of Scoundrels series . . .

By day, she is Lady Georgiana, sister to a duke, ruined before

her first season in the worst

kind of scandal. But the truth is far more shocking—in London's

darkest corners, she is Chase,

the mysterious, unknown

founder of the city's most

legendary gaming hell. For

years, her double identity has

gone undiscovered . . . until

now. Brilliant, driven,

handsome-as-sin Duncan West

is intrigued by the beautiful,

ruined woman who is somehow

connected to a world of

darkness and sin. He knows

she is more than she seems,

and he vows to uncover all of

Georgiana's secrets, laying

bare her past, threatening her present, and risking all she holds dear . . . including her heart.

Night of the Scoundrel - Kelly Bowen 2019-11-26

From award-winning author Kelly Bowen comes an enchanting historical short story perfect for fans of Grace Burrowes, Sarah MacLean, and Tessa Dare. Can he trust her with his darkest secret? Ruthless. Dangerous. Known simply as King. No one knows his true name or where he came from. And when he learns that the man who betrayed him has returned to London, King has only one goal: vengeance. But first, he must seek out an unlikely ally to aide him in his pursuit... Adeline Archambault is as mysterious as she is beautiful. Exiled after the French Revolution, she's determined to reclaim her birthright and deliver the justice that is owed her. King's offer to help her, in exchange for her assistance, is a bargain she can't refuse. But will this deal with a devil lead to a future she never dared hope

for? 40,000 words

Three Nights with a Scoundrel

- Tessa Dare 2010-07-27

In Tessa Dare's dazzling new trilogy, the men of the Stud Club live and play by their own rules—until passion changes the game. The bastard son of a nobleman, Julian Bellamy is now polished to perfection, enthralling the ton with wit and charm while clandestinely plotting to ruin the lords, ravish the ladies, and have the last laugh on a society that once spurned him. But after meeting Leo Chatwick, a decent man and founder of an elite gentlemen's club, and Lily, Leo's enchanting sister, Julian reconsiders his wild ways. And when Leo's tragic murder demands that Julian hunt for justice, he vows to see the woman he secretly loves married to a man of her own class. Lily, however, has a very different husband in mind. She's loved Julian forever, adores the man beneath the rakish façade, and wants to savor the delicious attraction they share—as his wife. His insistence on marrying her off

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only reinforces her intent to prove that he is the only man for her. Obsessed with catching a killer, Julian sinks back to the gutters of his youth, forcing Lily to reach out with a sweet, reckless passion Julian can't resist. Can her desire for a scoundrel save them both—or will dangerous secrets threaten more than their tender love?

After Dark with a Scoundrel

- Alexandra Hawkins

2011-02-01

Young, tender, and highly impressionable, Lady Regan can't help but be intrigued by her brother's wayward friends—the wickedly charming Lords of Vice. One man in particular, the dashing Lord Hugh Mordare (known simply as "Dare" among the ton), utterly captivates her—in spite of his reputation as a notorious womanizer. But when she steals an innocent kiss from Dare, Regan is swiftly packed off to boarding school, safely away from danger...and desire. Five years later, Regan returns—a proper lady and ravishing beauty. Miss Swann's Academy for Young Ladies has

taught her how to behave in polite society. But all the training in the world cannot extinguish her love for Dare. Now, she hopes to beat the master of seduction at his own game—by daring Dare to love her in return. This time, both of their hearts are on the line...and winner takes all.

A Scoundrel of Her Own -

Stacy Reid 2021-12-28

Lady Ophelia Darby exists in two worlds. In one, she is the impudent, willful daughter of a powerful marquess and darling of the ton. In the other, she moves through the underworld's shadows as songstress Lady Starlight, protected only by the notoriously wealthy scoundrel Devlin Byrne. But when she stumbles upon her beloved father's darkest secrets, the line between her two worlds quickly blurs. Now she needs the help of the one man a lady should never trust. Devlin Byrne stands on the edge of London society, knowing he will never be accepted. No one else knows that his obscene wealth and ruthlessness aren't

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without purpose. Or that his purpose has golden-brown eyes that shimmer with mischief, the palest of skin, and a lush mouth that beckons to be kissed, and deeply. But having Ophelia is only the beginning of Devlin's plans. It's undeniable that Devlin Byrne is a dangerous temptation—but just as Ophelia begins to trust him, maybe even fall for him, she discovers she's not the only one with secrets. And his would lead her down more than just the path of scandal... Each book in the Sinful Wallflowers series is **STANDALONE**: * My Darling Duke * Her Wicked Marquess * A Scoundrel of Her Own

No Good Duke Goes

Unpunished - Sarah MacLean
2013-11-26

A rogue ruined . . . He is the Killer Duke, accused of murdering Mara Lowe on the eve of her wedding. With no memory of that fateful night, Temple has reigned over the darkest of London's corners for twelve years, wealthy and powerful, but beyond redemption. Until one night,

Mara resurfaces, offering the one thing he's dreamed of . . . absolution. A lady returned . . . Mara planned never to return to the world from which she'd run, but when her brother falls deep into debt at Temple's exclusive casino, she has no choice but to offer Temple a trade that ends in her returning to society and proving to the world what only she knows...that he is no killer. A scandal revealed . . . It's a fine trade, until Temple realizes that the lady—and her past—are more than they seem. It will take every bit of his strength to resist the pull of this mysterious, maddening woman who seems willing to risk everything for honor . . . and to keep from putting himself on the line for love.

The Scoundrel's Honor -

Christi Caldwell 2017-02-14
London, 1822. Thanks to her older siblings, Lady Penelope Tidmore is no stranger to scandal. In order for her to make a good match, her secret longings for intrigue and romance must be quelled. Yet it is through terrible mischance

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that Penelope is caught in a compromising position-- however innocent--with the darkly enigmatic viscount Ryker Black. Mr. Black is no gentleman. Raised from the streets and proprietor of the most notorious gaming hell in London, Black lives in a world filled with debauchery and danger. Taking a Society wife from the very ton he despises is not part of his plan, even if the innocent Penelope turns his blood hot with desire. But Penelope isn't afraid of Mr. Black, and she soon discovers that his reputation as a scoundrel may be designed to hide a surprising vulnerability. As this unlikely husband and wife grow closer, they learn that what started as chance could end up sealing their fates.

A Study in Scoundrels -

Christy Carlyle 2017-04-11

Sophia Ruthven is the epitome of proper behavior. On paper at least, as long as that paper isn't from one of the lady detective stories she secretly pens. She certainly isn't interested in associating with

the dashing Jasper Grey, the wayward heir to the Earl of Stanhope, and one of the stage's leading men. But when she learns Grey's younger sister Liddy has gone missing, she can't deny her desire to solve the mystery...or her attraction to the incorrigible scoundrel. Responsibility isn't something Grey is very familiar with. On the boards and in the bedroom, he lives exactly how he wants to, shunning all the trappings of respectability and society. Grey knows he should avoid the bewitching Sophia, but he's never been able to say no to what he wants. And having Sophia in his arms and his bed is quickly becoming the thing he wants the most. As Sophia and Grey's search for Liddy continues across the English countryside, can this scoundrel convince a proper lady that he's actually perfect for her or will their adventure leave them both heartbroken? [Manor for Sale, Baron Included](#) - Esther Hatch 2021-02-23 She has everything Lord Farnsworth wants, including his manor. Lord Farnsworth

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would rather rot in debtor's prison than sell the one place that feels like home to him-his mother's manor. That is, until he meets the woman who wants to buy it. Sally Duncan is beautiful, intelligent, and as rich as a baron-a rich baron, not a cash-strapped one like Lord Farnsworth. She's the solution to every one of his financial problems and is bewitching to boot. All he needs to do is sell her his beloved manor and then charm her to the altar, and the manor will be his again. Simple, right? But nothing is simple when Sally starts tearing apart his ancestral home and renovating it in a way no one would consider tasteful. She is wreaking havoc on everything, but he cannot give up on owning his mother's estate again, nor can he imagine anyone but Sally as his wife. And so he sticks with his plan. What a horrible mistake. Her Proper Scoundrel - A. M. Westerling 2000
Threatened with an unwanted marriage, Lady Josceline Woodsby escapes London to

take a position as a country governess. When she discovers the job is no longer available, Josceline vows she will do anything to avoid returning to her previously dismal life - even if it means coercing the ruthless Captain Sharrington into providing her with employment. Spurned by a father he never knew and sent off to sea at a very young age, Christopher Sharrington leaves a promising naval career determined to make his own mark on society as owner of a shipping enterprise. The only problem is, hiring the alluring Lady Woodsby as governess for children he doesn't even have, is definitely not part of his future plans. Josceline soon realizes Christopher is under the mistaken impression her social connections will help him attain his dream. Will he cast her out when he determines she is more a hindrance than a help? And what of the devastating secret he harbors? Will it destroy any chance they have of building a future together?

Scoundrel's Honor - Rosemary

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Rogers 2010-11-01

When her younger sister is abducted, strong-willed Emma Linley-Kirov will make a deal with the devil himself to rescue her. Devastatingly handsome, Dimitri Tipova is a scoundrel, seducer...and the only man who can help her, though his motive is cold, hard vengeance. Emma dares to trust him, but at what price? As prince of Saint Petersburg's underworld, Dimitri has wealth, power, women—everything but revenge against his nefarious father. Emma is an enchanting means to an end. But as their dangerous pursuit sweeps them from the ballrooms of Russia to the steamy streets of Cairo, his savage desire for her grows. And leads him to a crossroads between his dark obsession...and the promise of love.

[A Scot in the Dark](#) - Sarah

MacLean 2016-08-30

Lonesome Lily turned Scandalous Siren Miss Lillian Hargrove has lived much of her life alone in a gilded cage, longing for love and companionship. When an artist

offers her pretty promises and begs her to pose for a scandalous portrait, Lily doesn't hesitate . . . until the lying libertine leaves her in disgrace. With the painting now public, Lily has no choice but to turn to the one man who might save her from ruin. Highland Devil turned Halfhearted Duke The Duke of Warnick loathes all things English, none more so than the aristocracy. It does not matter that the imposing Scotsman has inherited one of the most venerable dukedoms in Britain—he wants nothing to do with it, especially when he discovers that the unwanted title comes with a troublesome ward, one who is far too old and far too beautiful to be his problem. Tartan Comes to Town Warnick arrives in London with a single goal: get the chit married and see her become someone else's problem, then return to a normal, quiet life in Scotland. It's the perfect plan, until Lily declares she'll only marry for love . . . and the Scot finds that there is one thing in England

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he likes far too much . . .
A Rogue by Any Other Name -
Sarah MacLean 2012-02-28
What a scoundrel wants, a
scoundrel gets. . . A decade
ago, the Marquess of Bourne
was cast from society with
nothing but his title. Now a
partner in London's most
exclusive gaming hell, the cold,
ruthless Bourne will do
whatever it takes to regain his
inheritance—including
marrying perfect, proper Lady
Penelope Marbury. A broken
engagement and years of
disappointing courtships have
left Penelope with little interest
in a quiet, comfortable
marriage, and a longing for
something more. How lucky
that her new husband has
access to an unexplored world
of pleasures. Bourne may be a
prince of London's illicit
underworld, but he vows to
keep Penelope untouched by its
wickedness—a challenge
indeed as the lady discovers
her own desires, and her
willingness to wager anything
for them . . . even her heart.

**The Wisteria Society of Lady
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Sweetest Scoundrel -

Elizabeth Hoyt 2015-11-24
SHE'S TAKING CHARGE Prim, proper, and thrifty, Eve Dinwoody is all business when it comes to protecting her brother's investment. But when she agrees to control the purse strings of London's premier pleasure garden, Harte's Folly, she finds herself butting heads with an infuriating scoundrel who can't be controlled. HE'S RUNNING THE SHOW Bawdy and bold, Asa Makepeace doesn't have time for a penny-pinching prude like Eve. As the garden's larger-than-life owner,

he's already dealing with self-centered sopranos and temperamental tenors. He's not about to let an aristocratic woman boss him around . . . no matter how enticing she is. BUT LOVE CONQUERS ALL In spite of her lack of theatrical experience-and her fiery clashes with Asa-Eve is determined to turn Harte's Folly into a smashing success. But the harder she tries to manage the stubborn rake, the harder it is to ignore his seductive charm and raw magnetism. There's no denying the smoldering fire between them-and trying to put it out would be the greatest folly of all . . .

A Proper Scandal - Esther Hatch 2019

Grace Sinclair has been callously cast out of her home. Despite the vicar and his wife taking her in years ago, her unsurpassed beauty makes it impossible for her to remain in the vicar's household--with two daughters of their own about to enter Society, the vicar and his wife see Grace as nothing but competition. Thankfully,

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Grace's estranged Aunt Bell from London has agreed to care for her. But Grace soon learns her situation has just gotten much worse. It takes only a moment's acquaintance for Grace to ascertain that her aunt has married a detestable rake. And Aunt Bell, recognizing the danger of having her lovely niece too near her husband, gives Grace an ultimatum: the young woman has two weeks to find a man to marry, after which she will be turned out. With no experience in the art of attracting a husband, Grace quickly realizes that a worthy suitor might not be so easy to ensnare.--

Magic in Manhattan

Collection - Allie Therin

2021-05-10

All three novels in the dazzling Magic in Manhattan paranormal historical romance series, available now in one box set. "Allie Therin built a world that came alive and flew off the pages." —Gay Book Reviews Spellbound Arthur Kenzie's life's work is protecting the world from the supernatural

relics that could destroy it. When an amulet with the power to control the tides is shipped to New York, he must intercept it before it can be used to devastating effects. This time, in order to succeed, he needs a powerful psychometric...and the only one available has sworn off his abilities altogether. Rory Brodigan's gift comes with great risk. To protect himself, he's become a recluse, redirecting his magic to find counterfeit antiques. But with the city's fate hanging in the balance, he can't force himself to say no. As Arthur coaxes him out of seclusion, a magical and emotional bond begins to form. One that proves impossible to break—even when Arthur sacrifices himself to keep Rory safe and Rory must risk everything to save him. Starcrossed Arthur's continued quest to contain supernatural relics that pose a threat to the world captured Rory's imagination—and his heart. But when a group of ruthless paranormals throw the city into chaos, the two men's strained

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relationship leaves Rory vulnerable to a monster from Arthur's past. With dark forces determined to tear them apart, Rory and Arthur will have to draw on every last bit of magic up their sleeves. And in the end, it's the connection they've formed without magic that will be tested like never before. Wonderstruck Arthur's search to to destroy the powerful supernatural relic that threatens Manhattan has been fruitless . All it has done is keep him from the man he loves. But he'll do anything to keep Rory safe and free, even if that means leaving him behind. Rory is determined to gain power over his own magic. He can take care of himself—and maybe even Arthur, too, if Arthur will let him. An auction at the Paris world's fair offers the perfect opportunity to destroy the relic, if a group of power-hungry supernaturals don't destroy Rory and Arthur first. As the magical world converges on Paris, Arthur and Rory have to decide who they can trust. Guessing wrong could spell destruction for their

bond—and for the world as they know it Magic in Manhattan Book 1: Spellbound Book 2: Starcrossed Book 3: Wonderstruck Roaring Twenties Magic Book 1: Proper Scoundrels Book 2: Once a Rogue Liar City Book 1: Liar City

Midnight Pleasures With a Scoundrel - Lorraine Heath 2009-10-27

The wildest passion comes under the cover of night in Midnight Pleasures with a Scoundrel, the fourth installment in New York Times bestselling author Lorraine Heath's thrilling Scoundrels of St. James romance series. Eleanor Watkins is on a quest to avenge her sister's death, and no one can stop her—no one but the strong, compassionate, and utterly irresistible inspector James Swidler . . .

Proper Scoundrels - Allie Therin 2021-12-28

Don't miss this spin-off from Allie Therin's acclaimed Magic in Manhattan universe! Their scandalous pasts have left them wounded and

unworthy—and hopelessly perfect together. London, 1925 Sebastian de Leon is adjusting to life after three years spent enthralled by blood magic. The atrocities he committed under its control still weigh heavily on his conscience, but when he's asked to investigate a series of mysterious murders, it feels like an opportunity to make amends. Until he realizes the killer's next likely target is a man who witnessed Sebastian at his worst—the Viscount Fine. Lord Fine—known as Wesley to his friends, if he had any—is haunted by ghosts of his own after serving as a British army captain during the Great War. Jaded and untrusting, he's tempted to turn Sebastian in, but there's something undeniably captivating about the reformed paranormal, and after Sebastian risks his own life to save Wesley's, they find common ground. Seeking sanctuary together at Wesley's country estate in Yorkshire, the unlikely pair begins to unravel a mystery steeped in legend and folklore, the close quarters

emboldening them to see past the other's trauma to the person worth loving beneath. But with growing targets on their backs, they'll have to move quickly if they want to catch a killer—and discover whether two wounded souls can help each other heal. Magic in Manhattan Book 1: Spellbound Book 2: Starcrossed Book 3: Wonderstruck

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London's Perfect Scoundrel -
Suzanne Enoch 2009-10-13

A determined young lady vows

to give one of London's infamous rakes his comeuppance -- but when the rogue turns the tables, who truly learns a lesson in love? Beloved Sinner The ton gossips call him "Saint" -- but the Marquis of St. Aubyn has well earned his reputation as London's perfect scoundrel. Evelyn Ruddick knows she should avoid him at all costs -- but the strikingly beautiful lady wants to aid the children of the Heart of Hope Orphanage, and he heads the board of trustees. Evie is determined to teach the charming, arrogant man a lesson in compassion, but it won't be so easy -- especially since his touch is setting her desire aflame, making Evie yearn to submit to his passionate instruction ... The idea of joining in her "project" is unthinkable, but this enchantress refuses to give up! So what else is there for a self-respecting rake to do but seduce the lady? Yet soon it is he who is being seduced by Evie's tender heart and fiery blushes. Could the temptation of long, passionate nights in

her arms bring about the impossible? Could the disreputable Saint at long last be reformed?

The Rogue Not Taken - Sarah MacLean 2015-12-29

Lady Sophie's Society Splash
When Sophie, the least interesting of the Talbot sisters, lands her philandering brother-in-law backside-first in a goldfish pond in front of all society, she becomes the target of very public aristocratic scorn. Her only choice is to flee London, vowing to start a new life far from the aristocracy. Unfortunately, the carriage in which she stows away isn't saving her from ruin . . . it's filled with it. Rogue's Reign of

Ravishment! Kingscote, "King," the Marquess of Eversley, has never met a woman he couldn't charm, resulting in a reputation far worse than the truth, a general sense that he's more pretty face than proper gentleman, and an irate summons home to the Scottish border. When King discovers stowaway Sophie, however, the journey becomes anything but boring. War? Or More? He thinks she's trying to trick him into marriage. She wouldn't have him if he were the last man on earth. But carriages bring close quarters, dark secrets, and unbearable temptation, making opposites altogether too attractive . . .