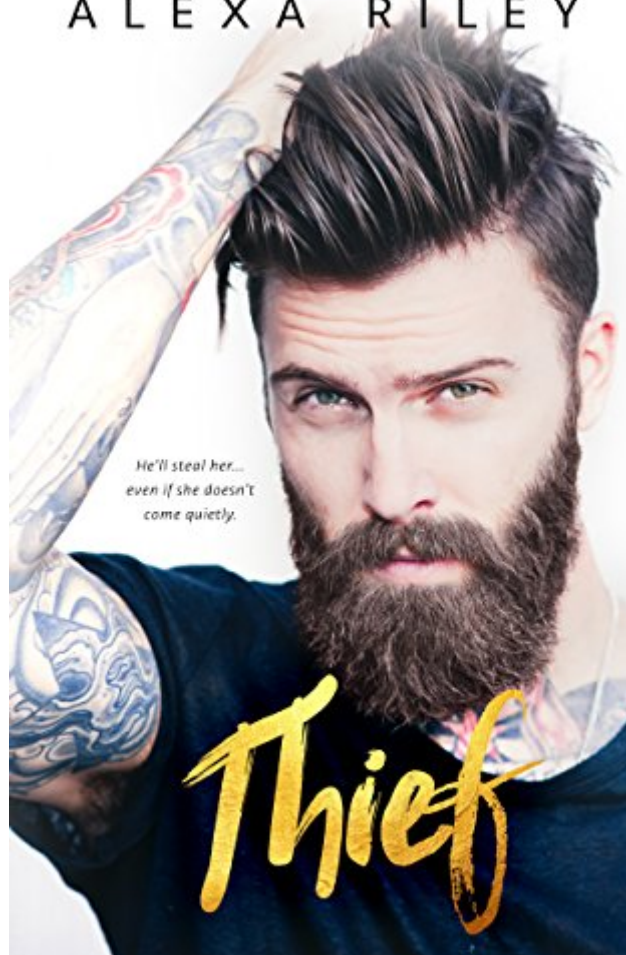


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# Thief

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## Synopsis

Sean Sparrow has one more job to pull: break into the bank, steal what he was hired to take, and get out. He plans everything to the very last detail, sure of success... until he sees Tessa. Tessa Martin lives a humdrum life. With a boring job and a crappy roommate, she's sure there must be more to life than this. She's not prepared for the muscle-bound bearded man who walks into her life, offering her everything she's ever wanted. When Sean breaks down all of Tessa's walls, she has no choice but to fall hard and fast. But when the truth comes out, and Sean is fully revealed to her, will their instalove be enough to hold them together? Warning: This book hero is over-the-top obsessed, totally head over heels in love, and desperate to make babies with the heroine ASAP. If you want a fun read with SUPER hot steam, Kindle-melting love, and a beard to rub between thighs, then this book is for you.

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## Customer Reviews

I am still shaking my head at the fact that I actually read this whole book. This was just not for me (I will get to that in a minute.). I believe that every book has something good in it, so I will start with that. The Good: the writing is actually quite good. The story flows easily. The Bad: this in my opinion and my opinion only - I could not take the hero. Maybe it's my women's lib mentally or the fact that

the man was just ridiculous, but this book was just too much. Sean stalks this chick (not because he is a total creeper, there was an actual reason. I promise). He basically loves her before they ever interact. Then BAM they're in love after like 12 hours. That pushes beyond even insta-love. Tessa has absolutely no self confidence, which drives me nuts. He literally tries to impregnate her hours after her sleeps with her. (can you guess what she was before they slept together that first time?). Truthfully, I only kept reading to see if he did get her pregnant. Then the whole storyline mystery thing is resolved and I think, "oh good. It's over." Nope. Not over. There was a flash forward and four epilogues! I'm not kidding. Why? Just write more chapters then one epilogue to wrap this book up. Speaking of wrapping it up...this man bragged about his previous conquests but never once used a condom...and there were multiple scenes with bags...BAGS...of pregnancy tests. \*sigh\* Clearly other people liked this based on the 5 star reviews. It just wasn't for me and my "I am woman hear me roar because I make decisions for myself not the man I'm sleeping with" mentality.

Warning: spoilers all up in this review. I don't even know where to start with this one, but I suppose we'll begin with how stunningly unsexy the hero is. He stalks the heroine, lies to her, drugs and kidnaps her, attempts to impregnate her to trap her into never leaving him, is overbearably possessive and jealous, murders someone, is a career criminal, confuses dirty talk with creepy declarations of love, and has a problem with premature ejaculation. Also, no one, and I do mean no one, can keep it up for three rounds in a row. Like, I'm pretty sure it's physically impossible for it not to go down after at least round two. Then let's move on to the heroine, who has no self esteem and is a total doormat. There is absolutely nothing to indicate why he falls in love with her, other than her generic sweetness and the fact that she has banging curves. Then let's move on to the lazy plot, which involves the world's most implausible bank heist, a convenient private island, and a hundred million dollars paid for the hero to steal... wait for it... an engagement ring. I have absolutely no idea how this book has so many five star reviews. I blame Twilight for women thinking a creepy stalker is a legit romantic hero. Actually, this book is so bad, it makes Twilight look like Jane Austen.

Don't you just hate it when there's a hype surrounding a book and it's getting 5 stars from everywhere and then suddenly a miserable 'Scrooge/Grinch-like' person comes in with a low rating and claims that he doesn't understand the hype? Sadly, that's me right now. Let me start off by saying that it was NOT a bad book. Not at all. I have read many of Alexa Riley's books and I am familiar with her over-the-top obsessive alpha males and the inclusion of insta-love and rated some of them 5 stars because I loved them so what happened here? Aside from the cover which I was

drooling over since she revealed it and the story line of the book, nothing else clicked to me. I've looked for 'thief/robber'-story lined books before and came to nothing so imagine my delight when I read the synopsis for this. I HAD to read it. The beginning started off good because I was invested in the story but that gradually went down. I was aware of how Sean and Tessa felt towards each other because I read the way they obsessed over each other but other than that, there was nothing. I didn't feel their connection nor was I invested in their relationship or raising my ever-present pom poms rooting for them. However, I did like the aspect of the heroine being curvy. A heroine with stretch marks gives the book a more realistic effect and I admire Riley for providing a less than perfect female in there. It made me like her more. I was almost getting tired of reading perfect heroines getting all the good looking guys. Overall, the story line of the book was good and the book had a lot of potential to be great but again, this is just by personal opinion.

Goodness me, I don't mind a bit of instant attraction ("instalove"- what a ridiculous word) or a bit of soft porn, but holy crapoly- I couldn't stand it anymore. I stopped at chapter 11... I didn't like any of the characters, I hated that they called the 'curvy' girl fat, and it was just a load of drivel. Wish I could get my money back. I only gave it 1 star coz I had to rate it to write this review...

Terrible. Don't waste your time. Totally implausible plot and no romance at all-only over the top sex. I have read other books by this author and the others were better. I am certainly no prude but this book was awful!!!!

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