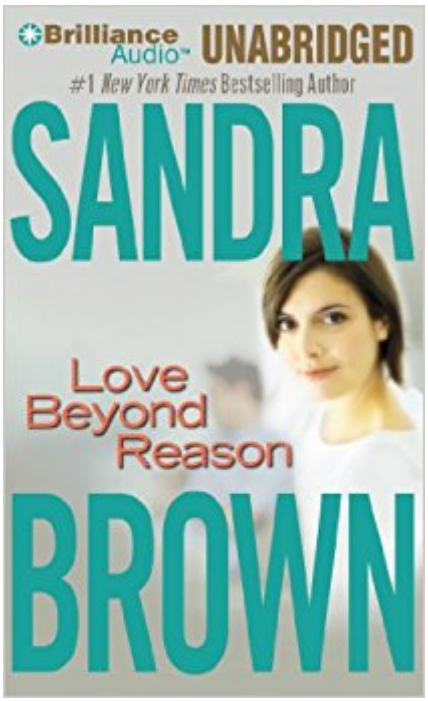
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Synopsis

Katherine Adams said sheÃ¢â ¬â„¢d never make her sister MaryÃ¢â ¬â„¢s mistakes. MaryÃ¢â ¬â„¢s fairy-tale marriage into the wealthy, powerful Manning dynasty had turned into a nightmare of abuse. Then, on the night her playboy husband was killed in a car accident, Mary died in childbirth. Now savvy, smart, and very angry Katherine vowed to never let a Manning, any Manning, near MaryÃ¢â ¬â„¢s childÃ¢â ¬â •not even the dashing, charismatic oil man who showed up at her door. Katherine wanted to believe that Jason Manning wasnÃ¢â ¬â„¢t like his ruthless family. But secrets and lies were part of his heritage. And Katherine could be destroyed by a truth she was afraid to faceÃ¢â ¬Â|and a man she could not resist.

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When her sister’s abusive husband dies, and then her sister dies in childbirth, Kathryn Adams takes her newborn niece and hides her from the child’s wealthy and overbearing grandparents. Jason Manning, her brother-in-law, finds Kathryn, determined to take his brother’s daughter into his own custody. But they each discover the other is not what they imagined, and between the unwanted attraction that rises between them, and their love for the baby, they work out a compromise to provide the child with a permanent and loving home. RenÃƒÂ©e Raudman is adept at creating voices, and the characters are vividly and accurately portrayed. Her own voice in the narration is strong and mature, and in dialogue she slides from the youthful heroine to the older grandmotherly neighbor convincingly. Her performance does the male characters justice as needed, with the big and powerful hero sounding just that, and the old curmudgeon sidekick appropriately portrayed.

First released 30 years ago (under Brown’s pseudonym, Rachel Ryan) the slightly dated book is a classically fulfilling romance and an enjoyable listen. A Grand Central paperback. (Dec.) (c) Copyright PWxyz, LLC. All rights reserved. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

"AUTHOR SANDRA BROWN PROVES HERSELF TOP-NOTCH".-- Associated Press --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

I truly like Sandra Brown but this book was just plain unbelievable. Glad it was a quick read. And what kind of woman is this Katherine if she lets this Jace fella come on to her and kiss her right at the first meeting when she has so much hatred for the Manning family. Come on. This story could of had a little more suspense and tension had there been some additional storyline that included interaction with the Manning family once Katherine and Jace became man and wife. You never get the backup story of Mary and the miserable life she lead with her womanizing husband Peter just a few tidbits. And what was with the detailed explaining of the color of Katherine’s hair with its sun infused highlights - how much of that needed to be said throughout the book.

Ms Sandra Brown, I had forgotten about your art of writing. It’s been a while since I’ve read your writing and it’s as good as I remember. Jase and Katherine are great characters. One minute the story took me up and I felt so happy for them, the next I was upset almost angry. Not knowing from one chapter to the next what was real and what was not. I enjoyed the ups and downs.

This story has to be one of SB’s first because it is dated by the gift of a new electric typewriter instead of a computer and the lack of cell phones. The catalyst to cause the story is unimaginative and depressing. It’s questionable whether this is a romance novel or porn, that said, if you skip the explicit sex the short story is sweet, not unique nor exciting but leaves the reader feeling good at the end. Katherine is a mixed bag character, one scene she is an independent, self-sufficient woman and the next she is being led against her will or taken by surprise because she isn’t capable of anticipating others moves or allowing her sister to stay in an abusive marriage with no protection. On the other hand, Jace is the epitome of all things which make a hero appealing. Sweet story and great hero character.

This book’s main character almost gets raped by her boss. The police are not contacted and it is

later implied that she should have seen it coming. She's also able to get over her sister's death in a few weeks and starts dating her sister's abusive husband's brother. I recommend a newer novel. I am amazed that this was written in the 1990's and not the 1890's.

This is a warm and feel good work. The idea of a sister taking over the care of a newborn baby is so supportive. Then when the brother-in-law is included in rearing the baby, the good feelings just multiply. Of course, in a most predictable way, the two of them wind up together in the true sense of the word. But, getting there is a nice little roundabout trip. Everything about this work is great. I have been a fan of Sandra Brown for many years and this is just another one of her GREAT works. She is able to put the emotions of her characters into words in a most unique way. The reader feels that the character is a friend and can understand the emotions and the reactions. I love reading her works.

LOVE BEYOND REASON by Sandra Brown is the 19th Brown novel that I've read. I should have checked a little closer before purchasing the book. Turns out this is a reprint of one of her earlier books back when she was doing only romance novels. I have been reading her mystery novels and enjoying them. Love Beyond Reason was a disappointment--the writing was clumsy and the theme was on the level of a first-year college English class writing assignment. The love scenes were a little over the top, repetitive, and predictable. The book read like a cheap romance novel. I am glad Sandra has switched to writing mysteries. I struggle to give this book a 2-star rating.

I really despise books that are not clearly advertised as Reprints! This book was originally published in 1981!!! Shame on Sandra Brown, the publisher and for not making this clear. It's not even all that great a story to begin with and SB did not update it at all. Terrible. Don't waste your time or money.

There isn't a book of Sandra Browns that hasn't had a bad rating. Her books are must read.

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