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Synopsis

Book One of the Sinclair Brothers Trilogy
He was out for revenge. Laird Robert Sinclair will stop at nothing to exact revenge on Lord Raef Warren, the English scoundrel who brought war to his doorstep and razed his lands and people. Leaving his clan in the Highlands to conduct covert attacks in the Borderlands, Robert lives to be a thorn in Warren's side. So when he finds a beautiful English lass on her way to marry Warren, he whisks her away to the Highlands with a plan to ransom her back to her dastardly fiance. She would not be controlled. Lady Alwin Hewett had no idea when she left her father's manor to marry a man she'd never met that she would instead be kidnapped by a Highland rogue out for vengeance. But she refuses to be a pawn in any man's game. So when she learns that Robert has had them secretly wed, she will stop at nothing to regain her freedom. But her heart may have other plans. This full-length Scottish historical romance is part of the Sinclair Brothers Trilogy, but also can be enjoyed as a standalone novel. Pick up your copy today!

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Customer Reviews

I purchased this book after looking around for a new Highlands romance series. I barely finished it.

This was one of the most repetitive books I've ever read. The author spends a fair amount of time on her characters' internal musings. This doesn't typically bother me. I understand the point of character building. But good grief, one should not devote so much time to these musings if the characters NEVER have any new thoughts. By the middle of the book, I started skipping large sections in favor of reading dialogue (with a hope that it would at least move the story forward). By the end I began quizzing myself to see if could I predict the exact content of the next paragraph devoted to soliloquy. For example: Oh, here we go again. The heroine claims that she and the hero have passion. But that's not all! I bet she...respects him! CHECK. And he...respects her! CHECK! (Seriously, this exact paragraph occurred at least three times in the latter half of the novel). If the author removed the repetitive paragraphs (and a good editor definitely would have), the novel would shrink by 25 to 30%. And, as a petty aside, can we talk for a second about the hero's obsession with the smell of the heroine's hair? Let's be real. If you spent a week riding on a horse, sleeping next to campfires, surrounded by grown men who hadn't bathed for nearly two weeks, and not bathing yourself (beyond your face and hands) the entire time, YOUR HAIR WOULD NOT SMELL LIKE ROSES. But the hero tells us that hers does. Repeatedly. I was immensely disappointed with this novel and frustrated by the author's insistence on pushing me out of the story with her unnecessary, repetitive, and wordy filler. Needless to say, I will not be reading anymore of her work, and I wouldn't recommend her to others either.

Very good start to this series. Laird Robert Sinclair and English Lady Alwin Hewitt have great chemistry. She is just a pawn so her father can form an alliance with another English Lord, who happens to be Laird Sinclair's enemy. On one of Robert's patrol they engage in a confrontation with the English. They defeat them and go to see what they have obtained from the covered wagon that was left in the squirmish. To his surprise the prize is a beautiful woman who happens to be his enemy's betrothed. Alwin is not going down without a fight!

Robert, laird and oldest brother of his clan was out with his troupe checking the borderlands and plundering for supplies for his people when he met the love of his life under unusual circumstances. Only time and tribulations would tell just how much Alwin would come to mean to him. It seems the road to love is never a smooth one in the highlands but the journey is very exciting!

>Book Review *Highlander's Ransom*> I am an independent reviewer. This book is the first in the Sinclair Brothers Trilogy and ends in an HEA. Robert is a laird

bent on revenge. He spends the next few years causing havoc at the borderlands for a particular English enemy. Attacking what Robert thinks is a supply wagon; he comes across the Englishman Alwin who is betrothed and kidnaps her for ransom. Alwin has been promised to a man she has never met. Her father is very abusive towards her, so she is actually looking forward to leaving her home. When she is kidnapped, I love how she never really gives in. She keeps fighting as I would think a real kidnap victim would. Robert is attracted to her moxie and decides to marry her for her dowry and fake ransom. Alwin realizes that her marriage to Robert is much safer than her arranged marriage to the Englishman, who is as cruel as her father. The scenes where Alwin forgets herself and helps those around her were as eye opening for the reader as they were for Robert, who comes to love her. This book is appropriate for an adult audience. I am giving the story 5 stars. The book has a lot of action, romance and humor. The humor as Alwin is wed and oblivious to the fact is so funny. Highlander fans will not be disappointed with this book.

This book is the first in the trilogy (plus another story) about the brothers and a cousin of Clan Sinclair. I have to admit over the years, and through all my reading, I have come to admire the Scots people more and more for what they lived through at the hands of the English. Just as any other people, the Scots only crime was wanting to be free of England, and sadly that never happened. Robert Sinclair, Laird of Clan Sinclair was a tough, battle-hardened man that tried to do what he thought was the best for all his people. He made some serious blunders after kidnapping Lady Alwin Hewitt, and she is determined not to live her life based on men's attempts to run her life. She had that from a stern, cruel father, betrothed to Lord Raef Warren, an instigator between the English and Scots so he can line his pockets and climb the social ladder. He is a treacherous coward as well, and very much hated by Laird Robert Sinclair. For me there are some ups and downs in the story line that I felt could have been explained more, or told differently, but all in all it is a great beginning to this series! Look forward to reading the rest!

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