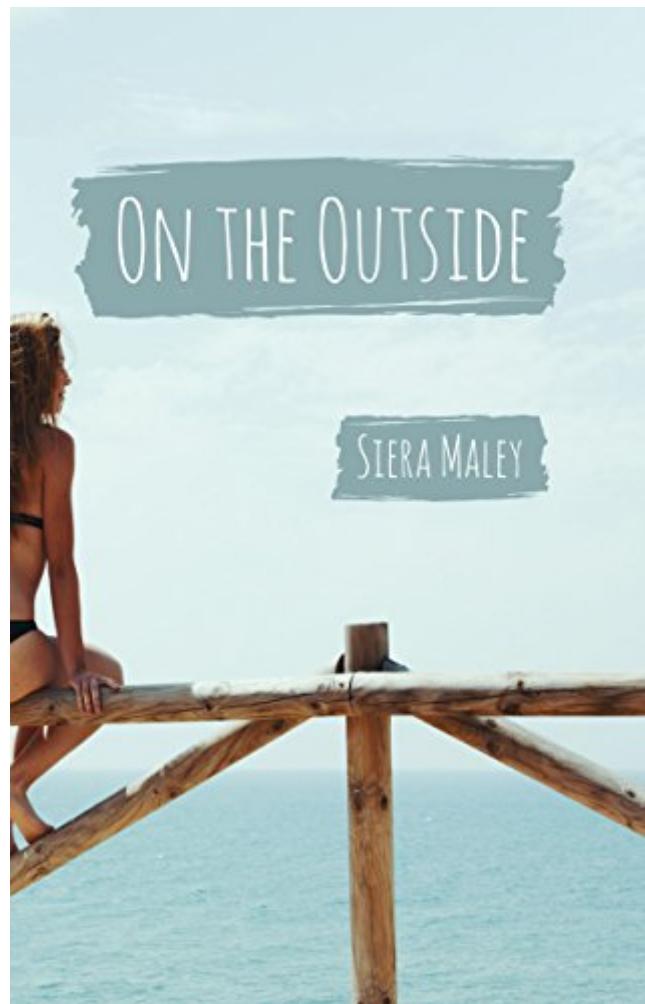


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# On The Outside



## **Synopsis**

High school junior Kayla and her two best friends have always been close. Even after Kayla becomes a cheerleader with a basketball star boyfriend, Riley falls in with the skaters, and Evan loses himself in school, the three remain dedicated to their promise to each other: to remain friends no matter what. But when a disastrous prom ends with Kayla single and her best friends dating, the strength of their bond will be tested. Because, as Kayla soon realizes, her feelings for Riley are more than just friendly. Dating a girl is something that's never crossed her mind before, but more than that, she can't bring herself to hurt Evan. As tension between the two girls grows, Kayla is forced to grapple with the fact that she might be bisexual, in love with Riley, and about to break their friendship apart.

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## **Customer Reviews**

I've read every book by this author and she has yet to disappoint. This book is lighthearted and an easy read, but at the same time is able to touch base with the feels effortlessly. It's the type of book that you can read straight through, leaving you with a content warmth in your stomach and a smile

on your face.

This is a good book. There are numerous grammatical errors which detracted from the overall enjoyment, but otherwise a solid story with believable characters.

I liked everything about this book, the love, the romance and I'm a fool for happy endings so that's a given! Although I would've liked a bit more of an ending, it just, well, ended if there were to be a sequel I would definitely read it! I would love to follow on more of Kayla and Riley's love story!

Another fabulous book by Siera Maley. I absolutely love it. Most of the reviews say it ends abruptly. I thought it ended perfectly. It would have been nice to have a epilogue. But even so, I thought it was Great

It was a great coming of age story that tells the story of blurred friendship lines that progress to something more. The story line flowed very well.

Read it in about two days. Good easy book

I thought this was a good book, but at the same time disappointing in a way. I thought the idea of the two girls thinking they might be bisexual was a little odd. It was fairly obvious that instead of proving that they were bisexual, their behavior was rather odd. It was quite obvious to me that while they were dating boys, when the time came to prove their bisexuality with sexual intimacy with the opposite sex, they just couldn't do it. A true bisexual would probably have no problem being intimate with the opposite sex; given the opportunity.

On the Outside is all about a trio of friends: Kayla, Riley, and Evan. They've been friends since first grade, and before starting high school promised to stay best friends no matter what. It's been hard, but they've managed to stay friends, although not quite as close. Most of this is because Kayla has a boyfriend, but as soon as they break up, Riley and Evan start dating making things even more awkward. More awkward still would be Kayla realizing that she's jealous because she likes Riley too! I loved the On the Outside had a very strong focus on friendship. It's all from Kayla's POV, so we get to see how awkward things feel to her as she watches her two best friends snuggle up together, then go out without her. Of course, we also get her struggling with her sexuality. Realizing

that she likes girls (or at least just Riley) really throws Kayla off. She doesn't know if she's really gay, but she does still like boys, so is she bi? Is she allowed to label herself as bi if she isn't sure, or if Riley is the only girl that she likes? I really liked seeing this, because those are exactly the kind of thoughts that lead to bi-erasure. There is not quota of same-sex people you need to like to be bisexual. If you feel like you are, then you are. It was nice seeing Kayla come to terms with that at the end. The one thing (or maybe two) that kept me from enjoying *On the Outside* more was that it ends pretty suddenly. I've noticed with other books by this author, that she rushes the endings. Normally it's just skimming over some final details, but in this case, I felt like everything was building, building, building and then just ended. Even just an epilogue could have taken care of that. I wanted to see how Riley and Kayla being together affected their friendship dynamic, because we got to see that with Riley and Evan. I also just wanted to see Riley and Kayla together, period. There isn't much of that at all, once the truth is out. I definitely still really liked *On the Outside*. It's a very quick read, which I finished in one sitting. I love stories of friendship as well as friends-to-lover Romances, so this was certainly going to be a hit for me anyway. I was just disappointed with how everything was resolved.

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