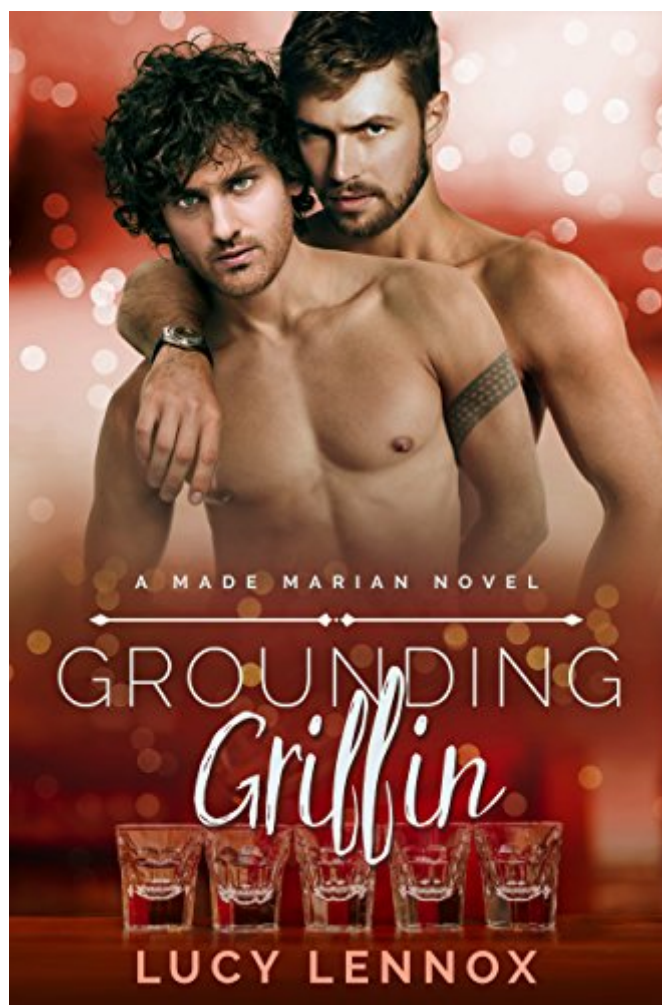


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Grounding Griffin: Made Marian Series Book 4



Synopsis

Griff: I learned early on that the easiest way to avoid a broken heart is to always be the first out the door. Caring about anyone or anything is asking to be disappointed, which is why I avoid relationships and chase freelance gigs • ghost writing restaurant reviews and penning articles about the efficacy of cheesy pick up lines • instead of chasing my dreams. Besides, dreams don't come true for people like me. And no one, not even the sexy-as-hell bartender at the club can convince me otherwise. Because I'm never risking my heart again.

Sam: As a bartender I've watched a million pick-up artists work their magic, but none as talented as Griffin Marian. He's a flirt, a good time. Hooking up with him was supposed to be just a fling. I wasn't supposed to care about his fractured past or his buried dreams. I have my own future to worry about, especially after that stupid food critic scuttled my hopes of finally opening my own restaurant. But, the more time I spend with Griff, the more I'm beginning to realize that my plans mean nothing without him. If only I can convince him to give us a chance to follow our dreams together.

Fair warning: this book includes flirty sweetness, detailed descriptions of man parts touching, and the dirtiest thing to come out of Aunt Tilly's mouth yet.

Grounding Griffin is the fourth book in the best-selling Made Marian series. It can be read on its own but is much more fun read as part of the series. The series begins with Borrowing Blue and each book follows a Marian brother's search for his HEA.

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Customer Reviews

I cannot express just how much I love this series!! There is something about the Marian family, about their lives and relationships and love for each other, that is just so warm and comforting and welcoming. I loved them after Borrowing Blue but now, after 4 books, I feel like a part of the family. The first three books in the Made Marian series are amazing so I had high expectations for this installment, and Grounding Griffin does. Not. Disappoint! Griff and Sam are absolutely perfect for each other. God, I loved them both so freaking much. They complement each other in every way and encourage the other to chase their dreams. Their chemistry is off-the-charts intense and their sweet and tender moments melted my heart. Of course, there were some bumps and angsty times along the way, but the road to their HEA was satisfying and compelling. It was also so, so funny! I was laughing out loud constantly while reading. I love Lucy Lennox's ability to write a story that is sexy, sweet, funny, real, a bit angsty, and heartwarming all at once. It makes her books memorable and impossible to put down! The secondary characters, as always, are fantastic in this book. AUNT TILLY! She is my idol! We also get to see how things are going with the couples from the previous books, as well as deeper glimpses into the Marians whose stories we have not yet gotten. I need more Marians! I cannot wait for Mav's story, and then Dante's. This book can be read as a standalone but I encourage you to go back and read the series from the beginning if you haven't already. You will not regret it! *I voluntarily reviewed an advanced copy of this book.*

This review is for those of you who have not yet read a Made Marian Novel. If you had then I know you already have this book and you're currently devouring it, and you're not in need of reading reviews because you know how good they are. So for those of you on the fence about spending your money let me just tell you, I had two problems with this book. 1. I started reading a little before bedtime and kept on reading right into the morning. Thankfully my schedule was not thrown by the lack of sleep. But buyer beware! Once you start reading you're going to want to keep reading. (But it's totally worth it.) 2. My preferred place to read is in bed but I have an SO who goes to sleep before me. I laughed out loud and giggle-snorted so many times (and that's honestly an accomplishment

with me) I'm not allowed to read Lucy Lennox books in bed anymore, or at least not at night when others are sleeping. Actually come to think of it I have a third problem...I'm done reading Grounding Griffon. I wanted to read it so bad. I wanted to hurry and find out about Griff and Sam and their backstories and how they got to know each other and overcome baggage. And I read, and I laughed, and I fell in love, and I felt all the feels and then the book ended. I mean it didn't come to an abrupt end, and it wasn't a cliffhanger, and it had an HEA and an epilogue and it wrapped up quite nicely thank you, but....it ended. And I'm sad. I want more. These guys are so awesome and I loved how perfect Sam was for Griff. He knew just what Griff needed because there is no one formula for loving someone through hurt and ultimately having a healthy relationship. But Sam was just who Griff needed. (Oh, and something else, which may sound a little funny if you're from the states but it gave me a huge happy and if you're like me you'll love it too, Sam was intact! (not cut) I love seeing more of this in sex scenes. Foreskin is so awesome :) Anyway I've just been noting that in reviews lately because I'm seeing it more often and I know most people love that but it's hard to find in American books.) And apparently come to find out, I'm a book boyfriend whore! I love these two. But my first loves are Blue and Tristan in the first book. And I loved Jaime and Teddy in the second. Jude and Derek were amazing in the third. And now Griff and Sam have my heart too. And I can't tell you who I love more. They're all amazing. Oh! and they're all in this book!! In every subsequent book since Borrowing Blue we get to catch up a little with at least the majority of the Marian family, but in this one! This one! We get all kinds of catching up wonderfulness with everyone. But back to my point...(I did have one). The books are all so funny. The men are all so amazing and sweet and lovable. I mean really to some extent I can copy and paste a review for one and apply it to them all when talking about how great the characters and the writing are. The writing has remained so consistently great, and yet I can't pick a favorite (

Do not skip the Prologue! There are no extraneous words, sentences or paragraphs to be found. The sexual tension in this story starts early and does not stop. The laughs begin shortly thereafter. The author creates her characters so well that I can see them in my mind. Griffin is a curly haired Charlie Puth, perhaps a bit taller but just as freaking sweet. Every night he is at the bar at Harry Dick's, doing undercover research for an a freelance article, using the cheesiest pickup lines on whoever sits next to him. Chef turned bartender Sam, is extremely worried about Griffin, who appears to be "throwing himself at strangers", different strangers on a nightly basis. Sam is extremely attracted to 'Foxy' and wants to protect him from himself...and perhaps strengthen his own connection. Little does Sam know that his 'Foxy' named Griffin feels even more strongly

describing him. "I'd have his babies ... even if I had to shove them out of my d*** with no anesthesia. That's how hot he is". Griffin is a member of the Marion family, adopted as a gay, homeless teen. He has learned to avoid relationships because better to leave than to be left and he has been left and left again. His childhood was a maze of repetitive loss and he learned how to find his way out and he wasn't going to get lost in those emotions again. Yes, this is the setup but do not be fooled. These characters, their friends and families are complex, loving yet sometimes misguided and always crazy in a good way. I want to spend the holidays with the Marian family created by author Lucy Lennox. Holy ish! The Marions and Aunt Tilly's friends Mike Hunt, Mr. Cox-Swell and Harry Dick's Bar are a bundle of fun and I don't know if I'll survive until the next story in this provocative yet wild series.

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