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Editorial Review

From Publishers Weekly

In this engaging love story, Austen enthusiast Reynolds (*The Pemberley Variations*) brings echoes of Elizabeth and Darcy to present-day New England. Marine biologist Cassie Boulton spends summers at an insular Cape Cod academic community, studying salt marshes. Sparks fly when Calder Westing, the heir of a famous political dynasty, enters her life, but Cassie knows better than to fall for a man who can have any woman he wants. Certain her low-profile career and inner-city Chicago background disqualify her from long-term consideration, she cuts ties with Calder after just one steamy night. Cassie doesn't know that Calder harbors genuine feelings for her. With some literary maneuvering, Calder finally wins Cassie's heart, but his powerful, ruthless father is determined to split them up. Beyond a surplus of cliché and throwaway characters, lush descriptions of Cape Cod are appropriately aphrodisiacal, the couple's wit and chemistry make them worth rooting for, and Cassie's well-rendered intellectual life not only gives her depth and independence, it gives readers a welcome break from that standard of modern heroine-ism, the plucky fashion and/or media lackey. (*Oct.*)

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Reynolds offers a modern variation on Jane Austen's *Pride and Prejudice*, as she did in *Impulse & Initiative*, also reviewed in this issue, by focusing on Cassie Boulton, a successful marine biologist trying to outrun her past, and Calder Westing, the haughty, handsome son of a politician who wants nothing to do with the family profession. Cassie, who is in Cape Cod for a summer research project, finds Calder off-putting and entirely unappealing. Thrust together because of the romance between her friend Erin and his friend Scott, Cassie and Calder find themselves drawn to each other, resulting in a steamy encounter on the ocean. Certain Calder's interest in her isn't genuine, and haunted by her past, Cassie puts Calder off and flees back to the college where she teaches. Although some elements are a bit cheesy—Calder writes a modern *Pride and Prejudice* novel casting himself and Cassie as the star-crossed lovers—Reynolds convincingly updates Austen's classic, and romance fans will be carried along by the smoldering heat between Cassie and Calder. --Kristine Huntley

Review

"This was a fun, light read that is a fitting tribute to P&P while making for a fast, compelling read." - ***The Lit Chick***

"Jane Austen fan or not you can not help but love Abigail Reynolds' *Pemberley by the Sea*. I devoured this four hundred plus page book within days, it was so good." - ***Love Romance Passion***

"Reynolds has created a wonderfully fresh retelling of a perennial classic, starring two great characters who suffer through a series of misunderstandings, disappointments, secrets and interfering family members." - ***Bookloons***

"Overall, the book was fun. Smart characters, misunderstood male leads (one of my favourite sorts of fictional men), settings that I could vividly see in my head while reading, and talk of Jane Austen!" - ***Once Upon a Bookshelf***

"The writing was really the highlight of this novel, the words have a wonderful flow, and the mixture of

narrative and dialogue work perfectly." - *Book Zombie*

"I highly recommend this book. You will be glad to have read it. I guarantee it. " - *The Romance Studio*

"In terms of Jane Austen spin offs and redos, this is one of the best... a clear testament to Reynolds' talent as a writer." - *Savvy Verse & Wit*

"*Pemberley by the Sea* is the type of novel you will want to keep at the top of your 'to be re-read' book stack as there is just enough delicious romantic tension to keep you turning the pages. " - *AustenProse*

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