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Description

Football, friends, and film are the most important parts of Simon Murray's life, likely in that order. Despite being lonely, Simon is cautious about looking for more, and his best friends despair of him ever finding that special someone to share his life. Against his will, they drag him to a party, where Simon barges into a football conversation and ends up defending the honour of star forward Declan Tyler—unaware that the athlete is present and listening.

Like his entire family, Simon revels in living in Melbourne, Victoria, the home of Australian Rules football and mecca for serious fans. There, players are deemed gods and treated as such—until they do something to cause them to fall out of public favour. Declan is suffering a horrendous year of injuries, and the public is taking him to task for it, so Simon's support is a bright spot in his struggles. In that first awkward meeting, neither man has any idea they will change each other's lives forever.

As Simon and Declan fumble toward building a relationship together, there is yet another obstacle in their way: keeping Declan's homosexuality a secret amidst the intrusion of well-meaning friends and an increasingly suspicious media. They realise that nothing remains hidden forever... and they know the situation will only become more complicated when Declan's private life is revealed. Declan will be forced to make some tough choices that may result in losing either the career he loves or the man he wants. And Simon has never been known to make things easy—for himself or for others.

Insightful reviews

Nancy: Posted at [Outlaw Reviews](#)

Declan Tyler is a famous, but closeted, football player. Simon Murray is a film festival director. These two very different men meet at a party that Simon is forced to attend by his best friend, Roger, and his wife, Fran. Declan and Simon hit it off instantly, but they are in for many difficult times ahead.

Because of Declan's fame, both men have to deal with lots of media attention, which eventually casts a spotlight on Declan's sexuality and creates problems for Declan and Simon, both within their relationship, and among their friends, families and colleagues. As if this is not difficult enough, Declan and Simon are typical of many men who have a problem with communication. Misunderstandings and hurt feelings are rife, but Declan and Simon really love each other and are determined to make their relationship work. They are very fortunate to have loyal, understanding and supportive friends who stand by them.

Tigers and Devils is a sweet, angst-filled, emotional, humorous and heartwarming romance. While the guys do have sex, it is subtle and non-explicit. The emphasis here is on the relationship. The main and secondary characters are well-developed, interesting, and complex. It is refreshing to read a gay romance with likable female characters. Football is a significant part of the story and helps move it along, but if you're not a fan, don't worry. There is just

enough detail to give the reader a picture of the sport without bogging down the plot.

Oh, did I mention the story takes place in Australia? And thankfully there are no Americanisms! Sure, I had to look up a few terms, but that certainly didn't hamper my enjoyment of the story. I loved the glimpse into Australian life and culture.

I loved spending time with Simon and Declan and enjoyed the full-length of this story. My only complaint is that it ended.

Heather C: This is one of those goofy-grin books. You know, one of those where you're glad no one else is in the room to see the silly smile on your face. Well, that's how this book was for me. I found myself giggling and the silliest moments. Simon and Declan were so sweet and cute together.

I loved the characters and the dialogue. And the relationships and interactions felt so real to me. I did get frustrated with the main characters a few times because they were so stubborn. But I think that's also what makes them so endearing. Nobody is perfect in real life and we all rely in our friends and loved ones to help us recover from our mistakes.

Very enjoyable read for me. Thanks, Marisa, for the recommendation.

Karen K: I haven't read a paperback in ages but I read all 376 pages of this last night in one sitting and it was fabulous. I'll admit my eyes glazed over a little at the beginning - the "footy" talk, but I get that why Sean had to include it. After that, the book just flew for me - I just couldn't put it down.

Simon is such a beautiful character - all just geeky, arsty, wankery goodness. He has the best heart, the best lines and the best personality. Declan is wonderful, too, I fell for him right away. Together they are such a special couple, even with all their ups and downs, moods and dooms, break-ups and make-ups. The background characters were great - all having their own interesting lives and personalities that added and enhanced the story.

I thought the plot was realistic and unique, and I enjoyed not having the whole thing revolved around wanting sex, having sex, wanting more sex, etc. Of course, I don't mind some graphic scenes but this book didn't even need them. It was an emotional roller-coaster of love and feelings and insecurities and I loved it. I'll be recommending it to my friends.

Anna: this can be the second one time I learn this ebook in just a couple of months, and it's certainly not likely to be the last. Tigers and Devils certainly ranks up in my best 2 favorite MM books. There are 376 pages during this book, and never one moment you'll be bored whereas interpreting them. Let's start with the characters. If I'll describe Simon, the most character, with just one observe I'd most likely say likable. there are such a lot of books the place you simply can't hook up with the most personality simply because he's a category 1 asshole, etc., yet with Simon... simply can't in contrast to him, in my opinion. definite he makes errors and

convinced occasionally you won't believe his activities yet you'll by no means dislike him in this book. I'm simply particularly happy that this booklet was once written in his POV since it was once a pleasure examining his thoughts. not just that, yet like i discussed earlier, you could connect to him. He's only a basic man residing his reasonable all people else, going out together with his friends, discovering love, going to work, feeding his cat, etc. He's witty and sarcastic and that i love, love, looove his feel of humour. Next, there has been Declan Tyler, the affection interest. Ahhh, Declan... I enjoyed him! He's a soccer participant and within the closet. Him being within the closet used to be one of many major subject matters during this book. Going out with a closeted man used to be demanding for Simon, yet whilst he understood why Declan couldn't simply pop out of the closet. And as a reader, you'll comprehend as well. it's a fight Declan has to deal with, yet no longer on moment you'll doubt that he loves Simon. Him and Simon are so assorted one such a lot of degrees yet they simply work, you know? To be honest, i want the have a Declan in my lifestyles as well... :)I need to point out the secondary characters now, and extra particularly Fran and Roger, Simon's top friends. They're a pair and they're great. Honestly, I wouldn't even brain having a spin-off e-book approximately them. They're humorous and they're lovely jointly and that i comprehend why Simon loves them so much. Yes, Simon and Roger have a number of arguments during this ebook (mainly brought on by a few issues Roger says before everything of Simon and Declan's relationship), yet i'll by no means even get indignant at Roger simply because I understood why he stated these things; he used to be simply searching for Simon. Now, occasionally I did get a bit frustrated simply because like Simon said, it used to be his existence and never Roger's, yet on the finish of the day I nonetheless beloved him an entire entire lot. The humour used to be nice within the ebook and infrequently i discovered myself giggling out loud at a number of the issues the characters did or said. Tigers and Devils is simply an outstanding humorous (but nonetheless severe at times), candy book. It's my most sensible comfort-read since you simply can't aid feeling satisfied whereas analyzing it. Even the second one time round I had this silly sappy smile on my face primarily the entire time and that i couldn't shake it off. So don't waste anymore time and move learn it once possible!

Lily: i am so completely satisfied i ultimately learn Simon and Declan's story. i have had this booklet for it slow now yet for a few cause stored passing it over to learn different books. What an immense mistake. This used to be a wonderful tale that from web page one to the very finish had me absolutely hooked. informed in first individual POV from Simon's point of view Tigers and Devils is an entertaining, humorous and romantic tale that includes very attractive and likable men. Simon, who's a movie competition organizer and Declan, an Australian ideas soccer participant meet at a celebration the place Simon's associates Roger and Fran have dragged him to. From that first assembly to the tip of the tale approximately years later i used to be swept away correct besides the protagonists during the ups and downs in their relationship. From the candy moments while humans quite begin to get to understand one another to the intimacy of a longtime couple, Sean Kennedy brings the characters to lifestyles at the pages of his book. wealthy in personality description and with love scenes which are an excellent swap from the standard erotic intercourse scenes present in such a lot M/M romance books it is a splendidly compelling story. The plot is definitely suggestion out and has a true and brilliant feeling to it. At factor is facing a dating the place one of many companions is not only within the closet yet is additionally a hugely noticeable and intensely well known activities personality. The many aiding characters present in the e-book are exceptional additions to the story. The

couple's most sensible friends, Roger and Fran, in addition to Abe and Lisa, are good built and fascinating characters and in addition to Simon's coworker Nyssa support to outline the protagonists as greater than simply romantic leads. The complexities of mixing jointly firmly demonstrated friendships while humans fall in love and develop into a pair was once additionally rather well written. one other factor that was once realistically dealt with was once their dating with their families. Simon is out to his kin and that has prompted his dating with them to develop into a section strained and Declan's kin has no concept that he is gay. The interactions among the most characters, their pals and households plus a couple of others are sensible and convey further intensity to this story. Another factor that truly made this a truly exciting tale was once the setting. i actually loved the author's descriptions of existence in Melbourne, the affection for the game of Australian ideas soccer the folks have and the expressions they use. it is often great while I learn a narrative set in a foreign country and while the writer is ready to rather convey it to existence for me it truly is even better. All in all this can be a really good story. I enjoyed Simon and Declan they usually have taken a spot on my favourite list. it is a e-book that i do know i will take pleasure in analyzing again. a distinct five big name keeper.

Samantha: yet that's the item in the event you develop up feeling diversified to everybody else. and that i recognize while you're every body feels diversified and alien to the opposite humans round them, yet there appears to be like an further size whilst you're queer. It's simply because for that time period you're extra remoted than anyone else, and also you really imagine you're the just one of your sort so that you create very good limitations and defence ideas for your self to survive. And if you grow old and understand that you should take them down, it's an inner and everlasting fight to do so. worry is the easiest de-motivator within the world. Simon Murray is a soccer junkie. with his top friend, Roger, they dwell and breathe the sport. in addition to his friends, operating in film, and football, lifestyles is beautiful routine. until eventually he meets Declan Tyler, that is. Declan Tyler is a star, identified for his play at the field. it is Simon's exact attraction that attracts him on and retains him latched on regardless of the aptitude catastrophic occasions that include being an in-the-closet big name with an out boyfriend. Together they have to navigate the bumps as they arrive and give you the option to stick on each one others team. We kissed, and it used to be a kind of moments the place I felt completely guaranteed that although now and then it looked to be us opposed to the world—the staff of us—we may prevail. This was once an extended book, so there is a lot for me to digest, yet i would say total that I fairly loved it. i feel a few of my favourite elements the place surrounding the aspect characters who had one of these existence and presence within the tale that they truly captivated me. I additionally rather loved Decan and Simon's relationship, regardless of their matters with communication. i discovered Decan's calm external and basic candy demeanor paired with Simon's sour facet to be a stunning combination. It made it in order that they were not ever too soft, which I appreciate. It's funny, though, simply because i used to be considering i'd be getting a lot angst in this, yet i do not recognize that i actually suppose I did. The final 5 to 10 percent, maybe, yet sooner than that I wasn't quite moved to consider like my center used to be being tugged. which could only a signal that i am completely heartless, yet hey, I nonetheless loved it, whether it did not provide me the angst I craved (or the sex, for that matter, yet i will live.) Despite this booklet being lengthy and me taking ceaselessly to get via it, i am not yes that it felt so long as it truly is whilst i used to be analyzing it. whilst I checked out the web page numbers, yes, yet in a different way it particularly flowed good together, despite a few sizeable time jumps. An enjoyable, secure learn that i believe many M/M readers will enjoy, yet really first-

timers.

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