

Wicked Games (Dark Obsession Trilogy #1) By Zoe Blake I will say it is an interesting concept but just not for me however if anyone has read it and tells me that it is worth sticking with it I would be interested in hearing your thoughts on it. I have noticed many readers shelved it as BDSM No ow/om drama Drama sexy times no virgins Recommend- yes if you like dark romance Cover- Older/younger couple Psychological games 22h/36HBdsmish Anal play/sex Water play torture Therapy torture (no shocks) Humiliation (not in front of ppls) Punishments Toxic relationship No condom Safe-ish Dub-con HFN English Whew. This was a mindfck and a half!! Richard - damn dude are you even capable of love you sexy psycho?! And Lizzie - I vacillated between "Run for your life!" and "Damn girl just accept that you're Lady Elizabeth and enjoy your life of leisure. Taking into account I rarely read the Historical genre my feelings for this book shocked the hell outta me! Quite simply what I loved most about this particular read was the plot. How can one book be both Contemporary and Historical; also Dark but not overly so humorous AF without being a RomCom laced with HOT BDSM scenes & absolutely captivating??? Do yourself a favor and find out!! Bravo Ms. (In fact given the overwhelming number of harsh non-consensual books Stormy Night Publications has published lately I don't see why they bother putting romance in the titles at all; clearly that's not what's selling here. I will say that between this story At His Will and Vendetta (which Amazon no longer appears to list) Stormy Night Publications seems to be trying to outdo themselves with each new book; I suppose this makes them stand out in a crowded market? I don't know. SNP has also painted themselves into a corner where the only way to top some of their most recent books is one that would really put a damper on all the sex since it was unbelievable that none of the treatment here killed Lizzie (including the H's getting her hooked on drugs). I realize that pointing this out is a losing battle but please stop misrepresenting a known and codified lifestyle practice; find different terms to use that are not already clearly defined. While I personally think that the ending definitively settles whether or not the events that transpire are true or not we can't be sure what their relationship will be going forward. Personally I think that given the enormous stress that pregnancy puts on the body mind and emotions it will probably be the last straw and kill her (see above about what I said about treatment). ETA: To the usual clueless reviewer who took all of us who didn't like this book to task because we didn't heed the trigger warnings please explain to me where exactly the blurb advised us that the H would use water-boarding drugs and gaslighting on the h? Ward includes spankings rough sexual scenes intense and humiliating punishments and strong D/s themes DOES NOT at all prepare anyone for what happens in this book. 2nd ETA: To all the clueless reviewers taking the rest of us to task for reviewing this incorrectly (as romance instead of erotica) please develop your very poor reading skills: note that the subtitle on Amazon is Dark Romance and that it's categorized under gothic romance. A psychopathic man decides to kidnap a woman into an elaborate Victorian era scheme (and I'm talking E-lab-o-rate with a capital E) take her as his ward and torture her into submitting to him and her new world, English Been awhile since I read a zoe blake book and it's a long dark-ish romance book guys!! Like really dark romance: Now this is a dark romance and I placed below the triggers. The fantasy of living in the Victorian era with all its beautiful clothes and elegant manners, Lizzy is a young girl enjoying acting and school but she caught the eye of Billionaire Duke Richard who is obsessed over her: waking up in a bed that's not hers in a world and time shes not from. Learning that shes a ward of Richard and she has these fantasies of the another world: Now Richard boy for rich guy he went above and crazy to have simple life and his girl: he paying ppls to be in character 24/7 to make sure his Elishbeth thinks shes in this time: but he always twisted the words and scenes to make her doubt herself, Lizzie starts to doubt herself thinking everything is real until some maids crack and boy she tries many times to run: is kinda left it as a HFN or guesses what happens near the end. Low angst.

DNF @ 59% I am not going to rate this one as I do not intend to finish it: I think this pushed the line of dark romance more than I am comfortable with. English Wicked Games tells the story of Roman's brother from Cruel Games: It follows the same taboo trope and it's definitely not a romance, Well one thing I will say is that there is a whole lotta "dark" and very little "romance" in this dark

romance. "This book will have me thinking for a long time that's for sure, [] English Disclaimer: I knowingly suck at writing reviews; but do so bc of the importance to Authors. Please seek the many phenomenal bloggers & others for real reviews: Easily a 5 Star 'One-of-a-Kind Read For Me! I will be the first to admit that I have liked or loved everything I've read by this Author: Zoe Blake is able to cross Erotic sub-genres with the best of them while always producing a quality book, she does it all and well! Oh how I loved Ward A Dark Romance Blake's latest release! As I expected the story telling and penmanship within WARD was great. As of late I've been going into most reads completely blind and have rather enjoyed doing so: Obviously I am familiar with her work and the title and cover hinted at what lied within, Even so I wasn't prepared for the story that unfolded as I read: The word unique simply doesn't adequately convey my feelings nor does it truly highlight the creativity of the plot line, There is a "fusion" of many of the above mentioned sub-genres all wrapped in a neat little realistic ribbon: Blake on a truly extraordinary book! English She's caught in my game... she just doesn't know it: Now it's time to start playing with my beautiful little pawn: From the moment I first saw her from afar I knew she would become my prized possession. I will gaslight her into thinking she is my obedient ward trapped in the Victorian era, She is my unwilling captive forced to play my sadistic game for her own survival. She will have no choice but to bow to my rules and discipline, Her pretty mind is so caught up in my nightmare she will never escape me, The most wicked deception of all? This isn't the first time we're playing this game: Wicked Games (Dark Obsession Trilogy #1)



Alright here's the deal with this one: What occurred between these two was not love it was rape, On multiple occasions Richard is abusive rapes the heroine gaslights her and tortures her for his own sick fascination. Basically Lizzie is just trapped in this sick fantasy with no reprieve. Some times she likes it and sometimes she doesn't but I'm over romances that glorify this type of behavior: There needed to be something redeeming in this ridiculousness but there wasn't: English Trigger Warning: the blurb spankings rough sexual scenes intense and humiliating punishments and strong D/s themes doesn't mention that this includes actual torture. This disclaimer really isn't strong enough for what transpires in this book,) Since my kinks don't include waterboarding -- you know a torture practiced by the CIA and banned by human rights organizations -- this book wasn't for me: For me I find all this emphasis on violence non-consent objectification degradation psychological torment and emotional abuse desensitizing rather than erotic or even compelling. It comes across as more cruelty for cruelty's sake (I know that these storylines elicit frissons from some readers) or a game of one-upmanship. It's almost as though the authors and publisher have said to themselves Now how I can top what I just did? Oh I know: I assume however that since there is an audience for these books that their publishing strategy is working: Oh and here's the definition of torture porn in case anyone doesn't know: a genre of horror. in which sadistic violence or torture is a central aspect of the plot, Also this isn't D/s a term used by the BDSM community which prides itself on consensual activity. Finally this book has an open ending which may or may not be frustrating to readers: I believe we're supposed to think that Richard will indeed impregnate Lizzie and that will be that, It always amazes me when authors write books about forced pregnancy/birth without taking into consideration the very real mental emotional and physical consequences -- including death: I know I know: this is fantasy and just like an Avengers movie or Warner Bros, Do I think this is a romance? No but Stormy Night Publications is selling it as such and that right there is the problem: With all the face f*cking

this guy does I can't help but be drawn to him, Like a ripple in the water the effects of the slip become vast. It also doesn't help that I used to have a crush on a boy named Richard: He was dark he was brooding he always looked like he could snap at any moment, These kinds of males are my weakness and Miss Zoe Blake has created one of my dream men via books. DNF 75% While it was a captivity book this one did lack the girl having Stockholm syndrome, The H tried his best to shatter her mind and even while she actually deep down liked what he did to her she still didn't like him: I'm not usually a fan of dubcon/noncon he was just really good at not taking no for an answer: English There is a line between a dark romance and torture porn and I don't think it's all that fine: This is gonna be a hard one both to write about and to rate: Its actually a really interesting premise and the beginning got me all caught up in the realities vs, It takes a while to really figure out what is going on and by the time you do you're kind of along for the ride, There is really never a point save for maybe the first 5% of the book when you get the idea that this could be a dark but romantic story. That said it takes a turn into oblivion once Duke Richard gets going on his lessons: The sadism is clear but I like fucked up stories and violence and horror so I can't say it wasn't an interesting read. Lizzie our heroine victim battles incredible Stockholm Syndrome throughout the book and her bouts of clarity become thrilling as you read, I feel like I should say that I didn't but I'm about to dive into the second book without pause. Just know that my enjoyment comes from my love of the horror genre not because of any sort of dark sexy love affair. My Kindle shows the full title of this book to be Ward: A Dark Romance, [] THIS IS NOT A ROMANCE [] This is a story of torture both physically and mentally at the hands of a raging psychopath, Be sure that if this series becomes a romance that it may actually make me sick to my stomach, I'm at a loss as to how this could even be considered romantic, I'd kinda want to write a scathing letter to the publisher or Amazon about it if I had any Karen in me, English USAT Bestselling author Zoe Blake delights in writing Dark Romance books filled with overly possessive Billionaires Taboo scenes and Unexpected twists. She usually spends her ill gotten gains on martinis travel and red lipstick, Since she can barely boil water she's lucky enough to be married to a sexy Chef. To keep in touch and score a few free books check out her website at {site_link} www. comFacebook {site_link} {site_link} {site_link} Zoe's Facebook Reader Group for weekly signed paperback giveaways, {site_link} USAT Bestselling author Zoe Blake delights in writing Dark Romance books filled with overly possessive Billionaires Taboo scenes and Unexpected twists. She usually spends her ill gotten gains on martinis travel and red lipstick. Since she can barely boil water she's lucky enough to be married to a sexy Chef: To keep in touch and score a few free books check out her website at {site_link} www: comFacebook {site_link} {site_link} {site_link} Zoe's Facebook Reader Group for weekly signed paperback giveaways[1]

But it's not. There is non-consent and I believe the MC cannot be redeemed. Very obscene and entertaining for the likes of me. and it's a delicious at times. be careful what you wish for lizzy. After the last casting party things go crazy. shes going a little crazy wondering WTF happened. And boy he had some close calls. but once she tries more punishment happen. Only thing I'm sad about. Disturbing twisted outrageous and bad wrong. A truly mindfuck read. My "reviews" are simply my feelings. Contemporary Dark Historical BDSM Horror Sci-fi/PnR etc. Especially with this selection. For weeks I've been watching her. Stalking her. In time her memories of a modern life will fade. If not she will pay a painful price. Previously published as Ward. It needs a trigger warning. Under no circumstances is this love. Also this was not D/s. D/s is built upon consent none of which existed here. Please stop hiding your torture/horror erotica behind BDSM. I'd also like to add that I don't see any romance. If you like very very dark reads it may be for you. cartoon none of these women really actually suffer. English I'm going to be honest here. In dreams we find sanctuary. In dreams we find ourselves lost. Like a hint. The light of a screen. It draws the curtains up. But the show must go on you see. Richard Richard Richard. *4.5/4.75 stars. I rank this book grey on my darkness scale.* English Idk know what I was thinking reading this. Probably why I made it so far. Plus I'm always a sucker for BDSM. Yes I'll admit it was hot. Now really captivity wasn't the reason I didn't finish. It just became the same droll ride over and over again. And I didn't really like the h. What I

know for sure? This book definitely crossed it. So, the premise, illusions thing. Then, well then it starts getting rough. These are straight up torture sessions and I'm not lying. They're really rough. REALLY. But also pretty immersive and well-written. I did enjoy this book I can't lie. There's no way I'm not seeing this through. Here's where I have to pull the record scratch. Because something is seriously bothering me. But let me make this as clear as I can. And I hate that these things are even intertwined. Read the book if you're interested it's pretty good. Just be aware of what you're getting into. [zblakebooks](#). [zblakebooks](#). {site_link} {site_link}.