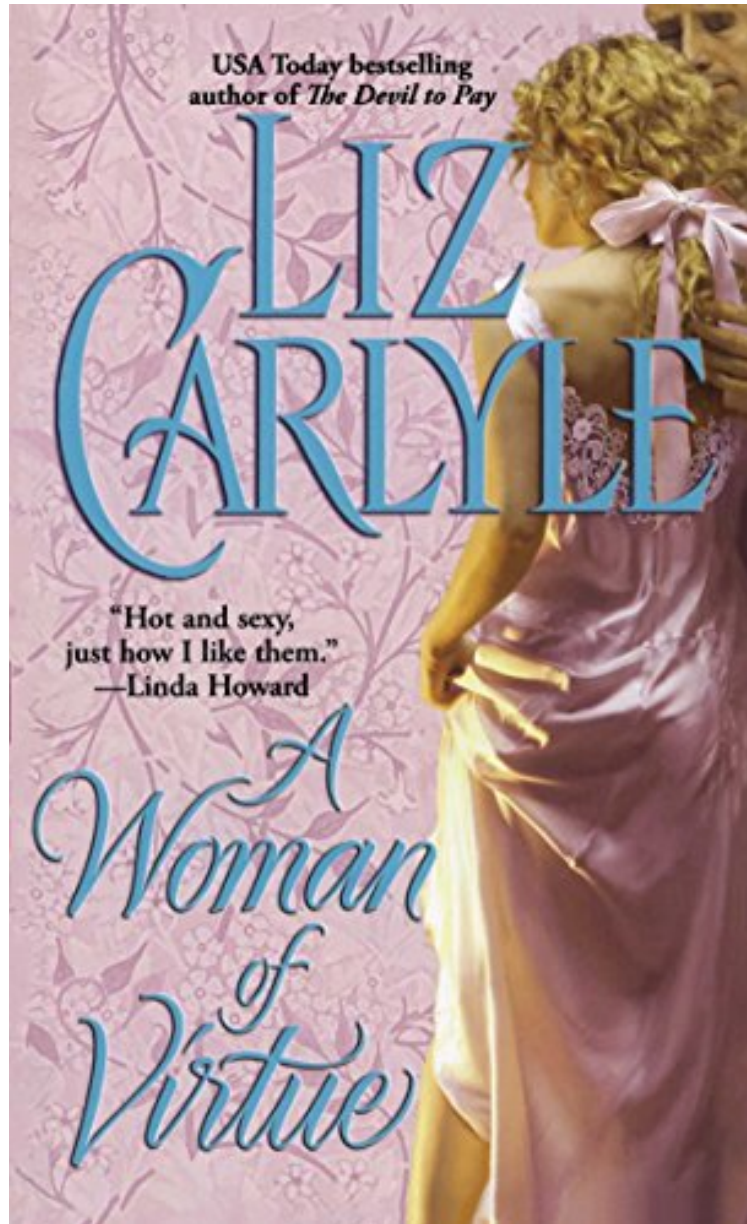


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Von Liz Carlyle : A Woman of Virtue (Lorimer Family Clan Cameron series) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised A Woman of Virtue (Lorimer Family Clan Cameron series):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen11 von 11 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich.

Wonderful accomplishment! Von Ein Kunde The hero of this story is David, Lord Delacourt, already known to the readers from "A Woman Scorned", And Cecilia Markham-Sands. At the beginning, David meets Cecilia in the stables after a horse race, mistakes her for a prostitute and almost rapes her. Once the misunderstanding is cleared, he is ready to marry her, but, not surprisingly, Cecilia declines. Fast forward some years: Cecilia is a widow, and she works for a benevolent society for the rehabilitation of prostitutes. Enter David (thanks to some maneuvering by Cole Amherst, also from A Woman Scorned), and the old feelings start again. I read all the books from Ms Carlyle, and this one is by far the best. The characters are absolutely likeable: David the perfect rake with a hidden tortured soul, Cecilia his perfect match - a woman with a backbone, but still behaving plausibly for her time. The plot is well done, with Cecilia and David investigating a series of murders, and it is not only a backdrop for some love scenes. The historical background is real, and the characters are not, as too often happens, XXIst century people transferred in the Regency time. The love scenes are luscious - actually hot - and well described - no purple prose here. Also, you do have a story, descriptions, monologues, well-drawn secondary characters: in short, you have the feeling of reading a real, engaging book. I, for myself, fell completely in love with David. Anyone liking more complex books - Laura Kinsale comes to my mind, but also Georgette Heyer for the descriptions and the witty dialogues - run out and get yourself this gem.

Kurzbeschreibung From the grandeur of regency Mayfair to the dark danger of London's East End, Liz Carlyle sweeps you away with a powerful story of a love born against all odds, as an honorable young widow stands fast against the cynical rogue who seems determined to consume her, heart and soul. A Woman of Virtue In the lonely months since her husband's death, Cecilia Lorimer has hidden her emptiness by devoting herself to a charity mission for the unfortunate women of London's slums. But when the dashing Lord Delacourt takes control, she feels an uncharacteristic urge to flee. Just six years earlier, Delacourt had proven himself to be the immoral rake society called him, nearly ruining her reputation in the bargain. It's whispered that the womanizing Delacourt is vain, vindictive, and merciless. But he's a man who honors his wagers -- and one result lands him in his brother-in-law's godforsaken mission, face-to-face with the woman who has long haunted his dreams. When treachery closes in, only he knows how to guard Cecilia from the consequences of her own principles. Can a profligate knave persuade a virtuous woman that he is worthy of her trust -- and her love? .de Setting: London, 1824 Sensuality Rating: 8 Another romp of a tale from rising star Liz Carlyle! David, the dissolute Lord Delacourt, happens upon the mistress of his dreams, complete with flame gold hair and a couple of, ahem, other attributes that lead Delacourt to nickname this vision of female pulchritude "Peaches." But he quickly discovers that his perfect woman is no fille de joie; no, she's Lady Cecilia Markham-Sands, a genteel if impoverished young woman very much on the marriage mart. Caught in a compromising position with the virtuous virago, the reportedly disreputable Delacourt does the honorable thing and offers to marry Cecilia. But Cecilia wants nothing to do with the womanizing lord and refuses his troth, much to Delacourt's surprise and even dismay. Years later when fate intervenes in the form of Delacourt's interfering brother-in-law, Cole Amherst, from Carlyle's earlier novel A Woman Scorned, Cecilia, now the widowed countess of Walrafen, once again encounters her nemesis Delacourt in the most unlikely of places, running a shelter for rehabilitated prostitutes in London's slums. But when the unfortunate women in their care begin to turn up dead, Cecilia and Delacourt put aside their animosity to discover who is preying on their defenseless charges. Thrown together by the investigation, passion quickly replaces antipathy, and the fires that have been simmering for six years flame out of control. Readers will love Carlyle's flowing prose, heated love scenes, and titillating portrayal of the macabre. Let Liz Carlyle make a fan out of you!--Alison Trinkle.com Setting: London, 1824 Sensuality Rating: 8 Another romp of a tale from rising star Liz Carlyle! David, the dissolute Lord Delacourt, happens upon the mistress of his dreams, complete with flame gold hair and a couple of, ahem, other attributes that lead Delacourt to nickname this vision of female pulchritude "Peaches." But he quickly discovers that his perfect woman is no fille de joie; no, she's Lady Cecilia Markham-Sands, a genteel if impoverished young woman very much on the marriage mart. Caught in a compromising position with the virtuous virago, the reportedly disreputable Delacourt does the honorable thing and offers to marry Cecilia. But Cecilia wants nothing to do with the womanizing lord and refuses his troth, much to Delacourt's surprise and even dismay. Years later when fate intervenes in the form of Delacourt's interfering brother-in-law, Cole Amherst, from Carlyle's earlier novel A Woman Scorned, Cecilia, now the widowed countess of Walrafen, once again encounters her nemesis Delacourt in the most unlikely of places, running a shelter for rehabilitated prostitutes in London's slums. But when the unfortunate women in their care begin to turn up dead, Cecilia and Delacourt put aside their animosity to discover who is preying on their defenseless charges. Thrown together by the investigation, passion quickly replaces antipathy, and the fires that have been simmering for six years flame out of control. Readers will love Carlyle's flowing prose, heated love scenes, and titillating portrayal of the macabre. Let Liz Carlyle make a fan out of you!--Alison Trinkle