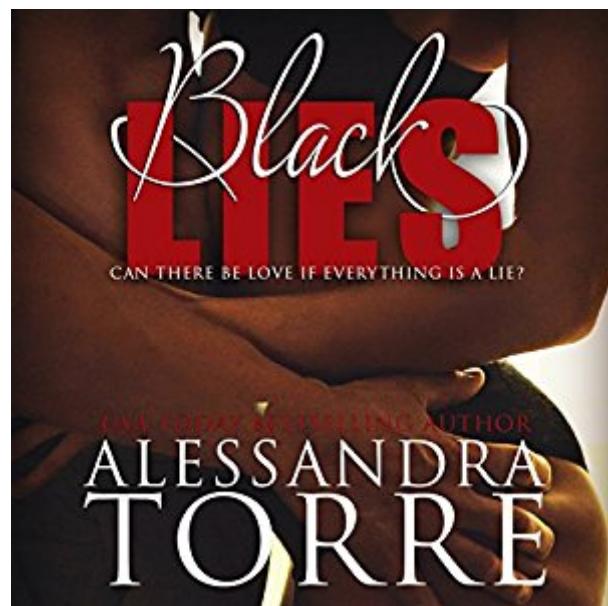


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Black Lies



Synopsis

Brant: Became a tech billionaire by his twentieth birthday. Has been in a relationship with me for three years. Has proposed four times. Been rejected four times. Lee: Cuts grass when he's not banging housewives. Good with his hands, his mouth, and his body. Has been pursued relentlessly by me for almost two years, whether he knows it or not. Go ahead. Judge me. You have no idea what my love entails. If you think you've heard this story before, trust me - you haven't.

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Customer Reviews

This has been literally mind-blowing! Normally, I don't read books with cheating spouses/lovers. I couldn't tolerate the audacity of the person committing infidelity and dishonesty. When I saw this book, I didn't exactly read the synopsis nor any reviews about it, I just downloaded it on a whim because it was by Alessandra Torre. (Yes, I'm a fan!) So I went blind going through the book. Somehow after reading the prologue, I had second thoughts reading the book. But I told myself, I'd be a fool if I let a measly paragraph decide my reading. Plus, this is a Torre book, and I've never been disappointed by her before. So armed with a coffee and donut on my side table, I devoured every page of Black Lies. And boy was this an unassuming gorgeous book! I couldn't stop reading right after the first chapter. At the back of my mind, I already knew that Layana was going to be a cheater, but something told me to give her the benefit of the doubt. I wanted to know why would she resort to that tactic and how could she sleep at night knowing this predicament. This has been mentally exhausting, and if you know me, I was already formulating a lot of hypothesis on my mind, digging into Brant's, Lee's and Lana's skulls. And I was rewarded when I got the lies right.

Yep, I already had an idea about the secrets surrounding the characters, but I wasn't prepared with the consequences it had entailed. Did I like the book? Yes! Did I enjoy the mind-boggling events? Yes! Did I love Brant or Lee? Yes and yes.. Who would I choose then? I have no idea, but hear me out. I wouldn't mind getting tangled with both of them too. Lucky Layana indeed!

The two main characters are Brant and Layana. Brant is a tech genius having earned himself billions with his genius mind. Layana uses his donations to house homeless children until an adoption is made. Layana was a child of wealth. Layana was raised with the belief that you married wealthy and supported your husband. It all began because both did want to follow rules or be tied by expectations from their status. Layana tired of playing by everyone else's rules decided when she turned twenty-five to take her trust fund and break away from the prestigious expectations of a socialite. Layana meets Brant at her charity gala where Brant donates a large sum of money. Layana takes the aggressive and uncouth approach by inviting Brant back to her home for a night of sex. The story is told from both Brant and Lana's POV. The stories broken into three parts. Some chapters have a timeline that is winding down from about 2 years. The sexual chemistry is what initially keeps them together. The sex scenes are explicitly delicious. The warning to stay away from Brant lingers as time moves forward. Questions to his whereabouts when having missed a date with Lana. Alessandra uses every sexual adjective in the thesaurus to describe the most intense sex scenes. I'm exhausted and breathless. It's a witty game of trying to unravel the black lies of Layana loving two men and screwing two men. Alessandra hid those clues to that secret well but my mind found them early on. I took a chance with my resolution and came out victorious. What a difference it made unlocking the clues. My thoughts and original concepts for this story are not the same as they were from the beginning. I'm near the end and feel as if I've read a completely different story of characters. Alessandra did an amazing job creating these characters and moving the story into an unfamiliar area. Alessandra never one to plot the familiar offers a story so riveting that my mind will not allow me to let go. I immensely enjoyed this journey created by Alessandra. The worst part and most disappointing part of this story were the two words at the end declaring, "the end". These are my favorite types of stories ones that make your mind work hard to figure out the clues to unlock the secrets. I definitely had not heard this story before. The synopsis for this story has you geared for a completely different story than what you were given but in a good way.

This was a unique, excellently written, story that gives you an impactful look into the dark, twisted, and unbelievable world of Dissociative Identity Disorder (DID), and how it affects all those around it.

Ms Torre far outreached the norm in her telling of this story, with the twists and turns woven into a rich, highly emotional journey through this couple's life. The surprises were eye-popping and jaw-dropping, and made you smile and say to yourself, "how did I not see this coming?" The characterization and dialogue was phenomenal, especially considering the dual personality issue. Ms Torre gave us a story that was put together with humor, style, intelligence, drama, hot passion, sizzle, and everything in between, causing a cannot-put-it-down story we love. I did both the audio version and printed version (mainly because I'd listen when I would go to bed, fall asleep and have to read the next morning to see what I missed), and the voices were perfect for the story and the characters you built in your mind.

After I read the reviews I knew there was a twist somewhere in the plot line but I almost didn't get to find out what it was, I almost stopped half way through the book. I read a lot and live with the philosophy of if the book isn't doing it for you just stop reading. At about half way done I really didn't like Layanna, Brant was ok but a bit meh with a tender heart and Lee was an (expletive fill in whatever you want here). Yet I still couldn't put the book down, probably because of my strong dislike of the characters I really wanted to see them taken down (is that wrong?) I am glad that I stuck it out because I did end up liking them and really felt badly for my impression of Layanna, stick with the book it is worth it. I felt that the author could have developed Jillian a bit more to really finish out the book. So the twist, it was not what I thought it would be and I really didn't see that coming despite the fact that I was looking for the twist and thought I had it all figured out, I didn't.

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