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#### **Enclave by Ann Aguirre**

Read by Kristin Allison

7 hours

In a post-apocalyptic future, Deuce, a loyal huntress, brings back meat while avoiding the deadly Freaks outside her underground enclave. But when she is partnered with outsider Fade, she begins to see that the ways of the elders may be horrifically wrong. Violence. For senior high and older readers. 2011.

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### The Inheritance by Tamera Alexander

Read by Gabriella Cavallero

11 hours, 25 minutes

1877. McKenna "Kenny" Ashford and her troublesome teenage brother leave Missouri to join their cousin Janie in Copper Creek, Colorado. Then Janie dies, leaving Kenny her bankrupt ranch and five-year-old daughter. Kenny doesn't need any more complications--but widowed marshal Wyatt Caradon falls in love with her. Rita Award. 2009.

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#### Revealed by Tamera Alexander

Read by Catherine Byers

12 hours, 55 minutes

Willow Springs, Colorado Territory; 1870. Former prostitute Annabelle Grayson's husband Jonathan dies on their way to his Idaho land, leaving her alone and pregnant. Jonathan's half-brother Matthew Taylor, who despises Annabelle, reluctantly agrees to escort her to the homestead. Unexpectedly, the two fall in love. Rita Award. 2006.

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#### **Nell by Jeanette Baker**

Read by Anne Flosnik 12 hours, 48 minutes

Two women, Nell Fitzgerald from the sixteenth century and Jillian Fitzgerald from the twentieth century, are united across time in their search for love. But for both, the conflicts between England and Ireland, Catholics and Protestants, lead to tragedies that tear each from her beloved. Some descriptions of sex. 1999.

**Download from BARD: Nell** 

Also available on digital cartridge DB052069

# **Leaves of Fortune by Linda Barlow**

Read by Dale Carter

18 hours, 27 minutes

The family motto for the Templeton Tea Company of Boston, "For they shall have prosperity, but neither joy nor peace" seems to be more like a family curse. The story focuses on Minerva, who saved the company in the 1930s, and her granddaughter, Delilah, who leaves Boston to build up a successful herbal tea business in California and then returns to take over the company. Strong language and descriptions of sex.

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#### **Devilish by Jo Beverley**

Read by Madelyn Buzzard

13 hours, 18 minutes

Diana Westmount, the countess of Arradale, remains unmarried so she can control her own fate and fortune. But when King George III commands Bey Malloren, the marquess of Rothgar, to escort Diana to London, mutual attraction tests her resolve to stay single. Some explicit descriptions of sex. Rita Award. 2000.

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#### My Lady Notorious by Jo Beverley

Read by Madelyn Buzzard

13 hours, 26 minutes

Lord Cynric Malloren is riding in a coach that is captured by Chastity Ware, a lady disguised as a highwayman. Chastity is helping her widowed sister Verity and Verity's baby escape from a guardianship battle. Cyn joins them and falls in love. Some explicit descriptions of sex. Rita Award. 1993.

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# The Black Hawk by Joanna Bourne

Read by J. Michael McCullough

12 hours 51 minutes

London, 1818. After a near-fatal attack former French spy Justine DuMotier takes refuge at the safe house run by her ex-lover and adversary Sir Adrian Hawkhurst. They reminisce and ponder their future together. Sequel to The Forbidden Rose (DB 74091). Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. Rita Award. 2011.

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# My Lord and Spymaster by Joanna Bourne

Read by Julie-Ann Elliott

13 hours, 24 minutes

When Cockney smuggler Josiah Whitby is accused of being the infamous traitor Cinq and imprisoned, his daughter Jess sets out to prove his innocence. Her attempt to pickpocket Josiah's accuser, Captain Sebastian Kennett, leads to an uneasy alliance. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Rita Award. 2008.

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#### Between the Devil and the Duke by Kelly Bowen

Read by Ashford McNab

11 hours, 39 minutes

Angelique tries to repair her aristocratic family's fortunes by visiting a gambling club, but she gets caught counting cards. Alex is the owner of the establishment, and one sight of the beautiful Angelique has him offering her a job instead of throwing her out. Some strong language, explicit descriptions of sex. Commercial audiobook. 2017.

<u>Download from BARD: Between the Devil and the Duke</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB087289

#### Him by Sarina Bowen and Elle Kennedy

Read by Teddy Hamilton and Jacob Morgan 8 hours, 7 minutes

Ryan Wesley's biggest regret is coaxing his straight friend into a bet that pushed the boundaries of their relationship. Now, with their college hockey teams set to face off at the national championship, he'll finally get a chance to apologize--if he can only fight his attraction. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. Commercial audiobook. 2015.

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#### Treasure by Helen Brenna

Read by Kristin Allison 6 hours, 26 minutes

Jake Rawlings has sought the sunken Spanish galleon Concha his whole life, and marine archaeologist Annie Miller thinks she can locate it. They voyage to the Bahamas--Jake hoping for riches, Annie hoping to end an ancient curse. But

they find love. Some explicit descriptions of sex. Rita Award. 2007. Download from BARD: Treasure

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#### **Bodyguard by Suzanne Brockmann**

Read by Kristin Allison

9 hours, 41 minutes

FBI agent Harry O'Dell reluctantly protects beautiful Mafia widow Alessandra Lamont from her late husband's associates. But Harry falls in love. So when police protection fails, he disguises Alessandra and takes her into his own family circle. Explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. Rita Award. 1999.

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Also available on digital cartridge DB052406

# The Bridal Season by Connie Brockway

Read by Erin Jones 8 hours, 41 minutes

Victorian England. Runaway music hall performer Letty Potts finds a train ticket and travels to Little Bidewell, Northumberland. She is mistaken for wedding planner Lady Agatha Whyte, and manages to orchestrate a high society nuptial. Sir Elliot March, despite his suspicions, falls in love with Letty. Prequel to Bridal Favors (DB 56854). Explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

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#### My Dearest Enemy by Connie Brockway

Read by Kristin Allison

8 hours, 19 minutes

Devon, England; 1887. When Horatio Thorne passes away, he leaves his estate to suffragette Lillian Bede--provided she makes the farm profitable within five years. His rightful heir, Avery Thorne, travels around the world, exchanging goading letters with his adversary, Lillian. Eventually, they meet. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1998.

<u>Download from BARD: My Dearest Enemy</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB051921

#### Against the Tide by Elizabeth Camden

Read by Kristin Allison

9 hours, 24 minutes

Boston, 1891. Lydia Pallas works as a translator for the Navy Yard. When Lieutenant Alexander Banebridge requires Lydia's skills for a case, she becomes his assistant. As Lydia is drawn deeper into Bane's mission to end the opium trade, a relationship develops between them. RITA Award, Christy Award. 2012.

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# By Right of Arms by Robyn Carr

Read by Carol McCartney

12 hours, 46 minutes

Sir Hyatt, an English knight exiled by his father because of the wiles of his evil stepmother, is ordered by Edward III of England to capture and secure a castle in Aquitaine. The castle lord was killed in battle, leaving a beautiful young wife, whom Sir Hyatt claims as a rightful conquest. Some descriptions of sex.

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#### The Bride Finder by Susan Carroll

Read by Martha Harmon Pardee

13 hours, 11 minutes

Reclusive nobleman Anatole St. Leger, who is cursed with the inherited tendency to have visions, employs the family bride-finder. Anatole asks for a heavyset plain woman, but the old man delivers a petite redhead--much like the one the visions warned against. Explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1998.

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#### **Lord of Scoundrels by Loretta Chase**

Read by Terry Donnelly 12 hours. 54 minutes

When her brother falls under the influence of the notorious Sebastian Ballister, Marquess of Dain, Jessica Trent is determined to save him. Dain usually wants nothing to do with proper ladies, but he has met his match in Jessica. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

<u>Download from BARD: Lord of Scoundrels</u>
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# Oh. My. Gods. by Tera Lynn Childs

Read by Jill Fox

7 hours, 1 minute

Phoebe Castro's life turns upside down when her mother becomes engaged to a near stranger and moves herself and Phoebe to Serfopoula, Greece. After Phoebe learns her new school is an academy for descendants of Greek gods, she tries to fit in. Some strong language. For senior high readers. 2008.

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#### A Hunger Like No Other by Kresley Cole

Read by Alec Volz

11 hours, 43 minutes

The leader of the Lykae Clan, Lachlain MacRieve, was tortured for years by vampires. Now he finds that the mate for whom he has waited centuries, Emmaline Troy, is half-Valkyrie, half-vampire. Violence, explicit descriptions of sex, and some strong language. 2006.

<u>Download from BARD: A Hunger Like No Other</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB086209

#### Merely Married by Patricia Coughlin

Read by Kristin Allison

8 hours, 40 minutes

England, 1819. Adrian Devereau, the Duke of Raven, is tired of being endlessly pursued to marry. He concocts a scheme to wed a dying girl and thus become a grieving widower. Adrian finds the perfect victim in Leah Stretton--but then she recovers. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1998.

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# **Forget About It by Caprice Crane**

Read by Colleen Delany

12 hours, 29 minutes

New York City. Advertising agency minion Jordan Landau has a cheating boyfriend, a critical family, and an unappreciative boss. After she's hit by a car while biking to work, Jordan fakes amnesia; invents a confident, demanding persona; and changes her life--for the better. Strong language. Rita Award. 2007.

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#### Seducing Mr. Darcy by Gwyn Cready

Read by Martha Harmon Pardee

10 hours, 49 minutes

Philippa, a.k.a. Flip, gets transported into Jane Austen's Pride and Prejudice by a magical masseuse. Returning, Flip is horrified to learn that her dalliance with Mr. Darcy has changed the novel's plot. She needs attractive Austen scholar Magnus to fix things. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. RITA Award. 2008.

<u>Download from BARD: Seducing Mr. Darcy</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB071238

#### **Bet Me by Jennifer Crusie**

Read by Martha Harmon Pardee

10 hours, 37 minutes

Thirty-three-year-old Minerva Dobbs's boyfriend not only dumps her right before her sister's wedding but also bets his buddy, Cal Morrisey, that Min will sleep with Cal. Min overhears them and although she plans revenge falls in love instead. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2004.

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Also available on digital cartridge DB058276

# **Getting Rid of Bradley by Jennifer Crusie**

Read by Elenna Stauffer

6 hours, 9 minutes

Lucy Savage was already through with her husband Bradley when cop Zack Warren arrests him for embezzlement. After Lucy suffers two attempts on her life, Zack moves in to protect her and the pair fall in love. Contains some explicit descriptions of sex. Commercial audiobook. 2008

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#### A Night to Surrender by Tessa Dare

Read by Catherine Byers

12 hours, 23 minutes

Spindle Cove, England; 1813. In her community, Susanna Finch has cultivated a tranquil safe haven for young women--free of men and militia. Susanna is outraged when her father gives injured officer Victor Bramwell the title of earl and sends Victor to protect a nearby castle. Explicit descriptions of sex. 2011.

<u>Download from BARD: A Night To Surrender</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB074458

#### Romancing the Duke Castles Ever After by Tessa Dare

Read by Abigail Maupin

8 hours, 45 minutes

Izzy Goodnight, the penniless, orphaned daughter of an acclaimed fantasy author, inherits a castle from her godfather. Izzy discovers that the blind duke of Rothbury still lives in the castle and does not know that his estate has been sold. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2014.

<u>Download from BARD: Romancing the Duke Castles Ever After</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB078316

# **Angel for Hire by Justine Davis**

Read by Mary Woods

5 hours, 22 minutes

Alexandra Logan has struggled for eight years to maintain her unusual farm, in spite of the objections of the residents in her small Oregon town. In response to her plea for help, Michael Justice is sent from heaven to help Alexandra maintain her sanctuary for Vietnam veterans. But Michael is not supposed to fall in love! Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex.

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#### Games People Play. Books 1-3 by Helenkay Dimon

Read by Carol Jacobanis

40 hours, 4 minutes

Three novels and a novella of romantic suspense, written in 2017-2018. In The Fixer, Emery believes a shadowy man known only as Wren is responsible for the disappearance of her cousin. Also includes The Enforcer, The Negotiator, and The Pretender. Strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2018.

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Also available on digital cartridge DB096870

#### **Candle in the Window by Christina Dodd**

Read by Michele Schaeffer

11 hours, 46 minutes

In medieval England, young, blind Lady Saura of Roget is resigned to running her stepfather's household when a visiting lord offers her a way out. Impressed by Saura's abilities, Lord Peter asks her to teach his son William to adapt to his own recent blindness. William is not told that Saura is young, blind, or winsome but his bitterness soon gives way to love. Unfortunately, his enemies interrupt his bliss. Violence and explicit descriptions of sex.

<u>Download from BARD: Candle in the Window</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB035615

# The Sweet Spot by Laura Drake

Read by Jennifer Hubbard

9 hours, 3 minutes

After the tragic death of their son, Charla Rae and James "JB" Denny's marriage falls apart. Now, with the ranch in trouble, Charla needs help and JB plans to persuade her to give their love another chance. Descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2013.

<u>Download from BARD: The Sweet Spot</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB080348

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#### **Forget Tomorrow by Pintip Dunn**

Read by Theresa Sullivan

9 hours, 55 minutes

After being imprisoned for a crime she has yet to commit, Callie, with the help of her childhood crush Logan, escapes in hopes of running from the government and her future. For grades 6-9.

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Also available on digital cartridge DBC009588

#### Rules for the Reckless. Books 1-4 by Meredith Duran

Read by Carol Dines

49 hours, 48 minutes

Four romances, written between 2013 and 2015, featuring heroes and heroines with shady pasts in Regency England. Includes That Scandalous Summer, Fool Me Twice, Lady Be Good, and Luck Be A Lady. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2015.

Download from BARD: Rules for the Reckless. Books 1-4

Also available on digital cartridge DB083721

#### This Time Forever by Kathleen Eagle

Read by Madelyn Buzzard

12 hours, 26 minutes

When rodeo rider Cleve Black Horse's truck breaks down, he accepts a ride from Arnie Bertram. By night's end, Arnie is dead and innocent Cleve is arrested for murder. Nurse Susan Ellison is the only jury member who believes Cleve, but she finally agrees to a guilty verdict. When Susan grows attached to an infant patient, she confronts Cleve again: she thinks he is the father. Strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence.

**Download from BARD: This Time Forever** 

Also available on digital cartridge DB039740

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#### **Perfect Chemistry by Simone Elkeles**

Read by Laura Giannarelli

10 hours, 58 minutes

Assigned as lab partners in senior chemistry, well-to-do Brittany Ellis and Latino Blood gang member Alex Fuentes clash in and out of class. As their heated exchanges lead to a forbidden attraction, their lives begin to change. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. For senior high readers. 2009.

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Also available on digital cartridge DB069609

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# The Border Bride by Elizabeth English

Read by Corrie James 10 hours. 37 minutes

The Borderlands, 1375. English Lord Darnley promises his daughter Maude to Scottish Jemmy Kirallen. When he sends his illegitimate daughter Alyson instead, the two fall in love. Alyson's identity is soon discovered, jeopardizing her life. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. Rita Award. 2001.

<u>Download from BARD: The Border Bride</u>
Also available on digital cartridge DB056030

#### Adiós to My Old Life by Caridad Ferrer

Read by Michele Schaeffer

7 hours, 11 minutes

Seventeen-year-old Cuban American Ali Montero from Miami enters a Latin American singing contest and wins a chance to compete on television. Her father, a music professor, reluctantly allows her to continue. Ali learns about the business--and falls in love. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. Rita Award. 2006.

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#### **Outlander by Diana Gabaldon**

Read by Barbara Caruso

33 hours, 24 minutes

It is 1945. Frank and Claire Randall are on a second honeymoon in the Scottish Highlands, where Claire is studying rare plants and Frank is researching family origins. One day Claire steps into an ancient stone circle and is hurled back in time to 1743. She is nearly raped by one of Frank's ancestors before being rescued and forced into marriage. Violence, strong language, and explicit descriptions of sex. Prequel to Dragonfly in Amber (DB 36536).

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Also available on digital cartridge DB036535

#### The Bride by Julie Garwood

Read by Martha Harmon Pardee

11 hours, 15 minutes

Britain, 1102. Scottish lord Alec Kincaid is ordered by the king to wed an English woman. He impulsively settles on a baron's youngest daughter, Jamie, while his friend, Daniel, takes her sister, Mary. But Jamie resents the marriage since she is promised to another. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1989.

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Also available on digital cartridge DB052154

# Show No Mercy; Take No Prisoners by Cindy Gerard

Read by Mare Trevathan

15 hours, 39 minutes

First two novels featuring the Black Ops, Inc., elite mercenary team. In Show No Mercy a bombing reunites an ex-hostage with her rescuer. In RITA Award-winning Take No Prisoners an ex-operative seduces a Vegas blackjack dealer to find a criminal. Strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 2008.

<u>Download from BARD: Show No Mercy; Take No Prisoners</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB071343

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#### The Surgeon by Tess Gerritsen

Read by Chuck Benson 10 hours, 26 minutes

Trauma surgeon Catherine Cordell left Savannah after escaping from a serial murderer whom she managed to kill. A copycat is now stalking her in Boston while finding other victims, and Catherine falls in love with the detective on the case. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2001.

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#### Not Another Bad Date by Rachel Gibson

Read by Martha Harmon Pardee

7 hours, 42 minutes

Writer Adele Harris returns to her Texas hometown to help her pregnant sister. Adele, who has had bad luck with boyfriends, runs into her first love, football coach Zach Zemaitis, whose late wife had tormented Adele throughout their school years. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller. 2008.

<u>Download from BARD: Not Another Bad Date</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB066997

# True Confessions by Rachel Gibson

Read by Nanette Savard 9 hours, 51 minutes

L.A. tabloid reporter Hope Spencer recovers incognito from her tumultuous divorce in rural Gospel, Idaho. She falls in love with local sheriff Dylan Taber, a single father, who also conceals secrets from his past. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Rita Award. 2001.

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#### Tiffany Girl: a Novel by Deeanne Gist

Read by Faith Potts 12 hours, 58 minutes

Just as Flossie Jayne's father is about to pull her from the School of Applied Design, Louis Tiffany asks her to join him in Chicago to build a stained glass chapel. Once there, Flossie is determined to become an independent woman, even though many would challenge her. 2015

<u>Download from BARD: Tiffany Girl: a Novel</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB083138

#### Cowboy Take Me Away; Baby, It's You by Jane Graves

Read by Teresa Willis 19 hours, 7 minutes

Two romances set in Texas. In Cowboy Take Me Away, Shannon runs an animal shelter that's struggling, until a handsome cowboy comes to the rescue. Baby, It's You has runaway bride Kari Worthington looking for work at a Hill Country winery and finding love. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2014.

<u>Download from BARD: Cowboy Take Me Away; Baby, It's You</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB083468

# **Dragon Bound by Thea Harrison**

Read by Mare Trevathan 10 hours, 58 minutes

Pia Giovanni, who has hidden her half-Wyr side, is blackmailed into stealing a coin from dragon shapeshifter Dragos Cuelebre, the leader of the Wyr kingdom. Dragos pursues the thief, and discovers that she is his mate. Violence, strong language, and explicit descriptions of sex. RITA Award. 2011.

<u>Download from BARD: Dragon Bound</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB074620

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#### Patterns of Love by Robin Lee Hatcher

Read by Laura Giannarelli

9 hours, 10 minutes

lowa, 1897. Reverend Linberg and his family tend to their parish of fellow Swedish immigrants. The oldest daughter, Inga, agrees to help farmer Dirk Bridger take care of his orphaned nieces and ill mother. Despite differences Inga and Dirk fall in love. 2001.

<u>Download from BARD: Patterns of Love</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB054864

#### Always to Remember by Lorraine Heath

Read by Mitzi Friedlander

9 hours, 50 minutes

"Clay" Holland, who refused to carry a gun during the Civil War, has been branded a coward since his return to Cedar Grove, Texas. Meg Warner tries to shame him and to commemorate the town's fallen heroes by commissioning him to carve a memorial statue for the town. But Meg is surprised by Clay's courage. Some descriptions of sex.

<u>Download from BARD: Always to Remember</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB046243

# Jennifer; Danger in the Shadows by Dee Henderson

Read Madelyn Buzzard

12 hours, 43 minutes

In Jennifer pediatrician Jennifer O'Malley loves devout Christian Tom Peterson and turns to him when she is ill. In Danger in the Shadows Sara Walsh is protected from a kidnapper by brother Dave Richman, an FBI agent, and her boyfriend Adam Black. Prequels to the O'Malley series. 1999.

<u>Download from BARD: Jennifer; Danger in the Shadows</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB078061

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#### **Between Sisters by Kristin Hannah**

Read by MaryBeth Wise

13 hours, 1 minute

Time and differences have kept divorce lawyer Meghann Dontess, from Distant Shores (DB 56933), and her sister, Claire, from the closeness they shared during a difficult childhood. Reunited for Claire's wedding, they establish new bonds, and Meghann finds herself falling in love as well. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2003.

<u>Download from BARD: Between Sisters</u>
Also available on digital cartridge DB058727

#### **Catch of the Day by Kristan Higgins**

Read by Margaret Strom

11 hours, 28 minutes

Maine. Thirty-two-year-old Maggie Beaumont, who has been single since her high school boyfriend dumped her, keeps busy by running a diner, volunteering, and helping with her twin sister's family. Maggie doesn't notice her brother's colleague, lobsterman Malone, although Malone is acutely aware of her. Some strong language. Rita Award. 2007.

<u>Download from BARD: Catch of the Day</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB068034

### Too Good to Be True by Kristan Higgins

Read by Colleen Delany

11 hours, 41 minutes

After prep-school teacher Grace Emerson's fiancé dumps her to date her younger sister, Grace makes up an imaginary boyfriend to stave off her family's nosiness. Grace meets her new neighbor--handsome, ex-con Callahan O'Shea-and, despite having misgivings about his past, falls in love. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2009.

<u>Download from BARD: Too Good to Be True</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB069116

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#### A Noble Masquerade by Kristi Ann Hunter

Read by Ann Marie Gideon

10 hours, 22 minutes

Lady Miranda Hawthorne, feeling stifled by society's expectations, writes letters she never intends to send to her brother's best friend, the Duke of Marshington. When her brother's new valet mistakenly mails one of the letters, an unexpected correspondence begins. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2015.

<u>Download from BARD: A Noble Masquerade</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB096930

#### **Lessons of Desire by Madeline Hunter**

Read by Colleen Delany

11 hours, 10 minutes

Italy, 1823. When British lord Elliot Rothwell learns that a publisher's scandalous posthumous autobiography will smear his family name, he seeks out the man's unconventional daughter, Phaedra Blair. Elliot finds her imprisoned for causing a duel--and marries Phaedra to win her her freedom. Explicit descriptions of sex. Rita Award. 2007.

<u>Download from BARD: Lessons of Desire</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB069637

# The Proposition by Judith Ivory

Read by Kristin Allison

11 hours, 8 minutes

London, 1898. On a bet, linguist Edwina Bollash has six weeks to transform a Cornish ratcatcher into a proper gentleman who can pass as a viscount at her cousin's annual ball. But the tall and handsome Mick Tremore charms his way into her heart. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

<u>Download from BARD: The Proposition</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB050381

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#### **Snowbound by Janice Johnson**

Read by Annie Wauters

6 hours, 37 minutes

Teacher Fiona MacPherson and eight students are stranded by a blizzard in Oregon's Cascade Mountains. They find shelter at Thunder Mountain Lodge, run by wounded Iraq War veteran John Fallon. Among many mishaps, Fiona and John fall in love. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Rita Award. 2007.

Download from BARD: Snowbound

Also available on digital cartridge DB069320

# Charley Davidson Series. Books 1-4 First Grave on the Right; Second Grave on the Left; Third Grave Dead Ahead; Fourth Grave Beneath My Feet by Darynda Jones

Read by Gabriella Cavallero

41 hours, 22 minutes

Books one through four, written between 2011 and 2012, featuring part-time investigator and full-time Grim Reaper, Charley Davidson. Paranormal tales include: First Grave on the Right, Second Grave on the Left, Third Grave Dead Ahead, and Fourth Grave beneath My Feet. Violence, strong language, and descriptions of sex. 2012.

<u>Download from BARD: Charley Davidson Series. Books1-4 First Grave...</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB080427

### The Firebird by Susanna Kearsley

Read by Lucy Rayner

18 hours, 18 minutes

Art gallery worker Nicola Marter can touch an object and see those who owned it in past. When she encounters a carving that belonged to Empress Catherine, Nicola travels to Russia with her ex-lover Rob McMorran to authenticate its provenance--and uncovers a historic love story. Some descriptions of sex. Commercial audiobook. 2013.

**Download from BARD: The Firebird** 

Also available on digital cartridge DB077034

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# Mrs. Drew Plays Her Hand; Miss Grimsley's Oxford Career by Carla Kelly Read by Vanessa Maroney

21 hours, 7 minutes

Two Regency romances by the author of The Lady's Companion (DB 45373). Widow Roxanna Drew fends off improper advances from a man who could destroy her--while falling for another. Miss Ellen Grimsley gets a lesson in love when she impersonates her brother to study at Oxford. Some descriptions of sex. 1992.

<u>Download from BARD: Mrs. Drew Plays Her Hand; Miss Grimsley's...</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB058995

# The Prince of Midnight by Laura Kinsale

Read by Ilona Dulaski

15 hours, 7 minutes

When both her parents and her sisters die, Leigh Strachan determines to kill the man she holds responsible--The Right Reverend James Chilton. She travels to France in search of the legendary S.T. Maitland, the Prince of Midnight, who she hopes will teach her how to handle a sword and a gun. But Maitland is deaf, suffers from dizzy spells, and is starved for female companionship. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex.

<u>Download from BARD: The Prince of Midnight</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB039040

#### **Shadowheart by Laura Kinsale**

Read by Martha Harmon Pardee 17 hours, 42 minutes

Europe, during the reign of King Richard II. Allegreto, pirate-assassin from For My Lady's Heart (DB 39854), kidnaps Elayne, princess of Monteverde, and makes her his bride. On the journey to confront Franco Pietro--Allegreto's political rival and Elayne's former fiancé--true affection blossoms. Explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. 2004.

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#### Worth Any Price by Lisa Kleypas

Read by Martha Harmon Pardee

9 hours, 21 minutes

Unable to face a future with Lord Radnor, to whom she was betrothed as a child, Charlotte Howard runs away. Bow Street runner Nick Gentry is hired to find her, but isn't ready for what he encounters. Companion to Lady Sophia's Lover (DB 54333). Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

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Also available on digital cartridge DB055731

#### The Book of True Desires by Betina Krahn

Read by Luna Catarevas

10 hours, 1 minute

1898. Adventuress Cordelia O'Keefe seeks out her wealthy grandfather Samuel Blackburn for funds to finance her expeditions. But first Cordelia must find a Mayan treasure for him. Attractive butler Hartford Goodnight, sent along as an observer, becomes a temptation. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. Rita Award. 2006.

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Also available on digital cartridge DB065597

# Stardust of Yesterday by Lynn Kurland

Read by Gabriella Cavallero

11 hours, 55 minutes

Genevieve Buchanan owns a successful restoration company. She is told she has inherited an English castle--that just has a few minor quirks. When she arrives at Seakirk Keep, Genevieve discovers that her inheritance includes Kendrick de Piaget, a thirteenth-century ghost with a charming bag of tricks. Some descriptions of sex.

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Also available on digital cartridge DB048145

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#### Five Days in Skye by Carla Laureano

Read by Erin Jones 8 hours, 28 minutes

Instead of heading to Tahiti for her dream vacation, thirty-year-old Andrea Sullivan is sent to the Isle of Skye to land celebrity chef James MacDonald as a client for her hospitality consulting firm. She soon realizes God works in mysterious ways. RITA Award. 2013.

<u>Download from BARD: Five Days in Skye</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB080141

# The Saturday Night Supper Club by Carla Laureano

Read by Teri Shnaubelt

9 hours, 59 minutes

After a negative review costs Denver chef Rachel Bishop her job, Alex Kanin-the writer partly responsible--helps Rachel get started as a chef for a supper club. The pair find they have more than food in common. Commercial audiobook. 2018.

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# **Untamed by Elizabeth Lowell**

Read by Michele Schaeffer

11 hours, 30 minutes

Norman knight Dominic le Sabre has returned from the Holy Land to claim his Saxon bride and the vast domain that she will inherit upon the imminent death of her father. Dominic looks forward to his marriage and the heirs he will have. But Lady Margaret suffers from the curse of Glendruid, and she will never bear a son--unless her husband truly loves her and his passion can equal hers. Explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller.

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Also available on digital cartridge DB036345

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# No Good Duke Goes Unpunished the Third Rule of Scoundrels by Sarah MacLean

Read by Madelyn Buzzard 13 hours, 22 minutes

London, 1831. William "Killer Duke" Harrow is suspected of murdering his father's fiancée twelve years ago--until the lady in question, Mara Lowe, reappears. Mara's brother is in debt to the duke's gambling establishment, and Mara offers a deal. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2013.

<u>Download from BARD: No Good Duke Goes Unpunished the Third Rule...</u>
Also available on digital cartridge DB077949

#### A Rogue By Any Other Name by Sarah MacLean

Read by J. Michael. McCullough 13 hours. 24 minutes

London, 1831. Lady Penelope Marbury and Michael, the marquess of Bourne, were childhood friends. Then Michael lost his entire estate on a bet--and departed for the London underworld. Ten years later, marriage to Penelope is key to his plans for regaining his lands. Explicit descriptions of sex. 2012.

<u>Download from BARD: A Rogue By Any Other Name</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB074329

# The Christmas Basket by Debbie Macomber

Read by Peggy Gilleland

5 hours, 5 minutes

Noelle McDowell hasn't been home for the holidays in Rose, Oregon, in ten years because she didn't want to risk running into Thom Sutton. Once she had planned to elope with him, but Thom jilted her. Now she is home, it's Christmas, and miracles do happen. 2002.

<u>Download from BARD: The Christmas Basket</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB056364

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#### Wicked Lovely by Melissa Marr

Read by Susan Tucker

8 hours, 40 minutes

Seventeen-year-old Aislinn and her grandmother are fey--they can see faeries, who are nasty folk. Keenan, the Summer King, wants Aislinn to be his queen and takes human form to woo her. But Aislinn prefers fellow student Seth and resists joining Keenan. Some strong language. For senior high and adult readers. 2007.

<u>Download from BARD: Wicked Lovely</u>
Also available on digital cartridge DBC015667

#### The Farm by Emily McKay

Read by Jill Fox

12 hours, 55 minutes

When vampire-like mutants threaten to devour all humans, teenagers are quarantined for their "protection." Seventeen-year-old Lily plots to escape with her twin sister Mel, who has autism. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. For senior high and older readers. 2012.

Download from BARD: The Farm

Also available on digital cartridge DB076214

# The Measure of Katie Calloway a Novel by Serena Miller

Read by Emily Pike Stewart

10 hours, 19 minutes

1867. Escaping her abusive husband in Georgia, Katie and her younger brother find sanctuary in a north woods lumber camp. Camp owner Robert wonders if Katie can survive the harsh environment and the hard life of a cook, but the two soon develop feelings for each other. 2011

Download from BARD: The Measure of Katie Calloway a Novel

Also available on digital cartridge DB081086

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#### The Highlander's Touch by Karen Marie Moning

Read by Mitzi Friedlander

11 hours, 31 minutes

Lisa Stone, a twenty-first-century woman, is transported back to fourteenth-century Scotland after she touches a rare museum artifact. She meets the immortal laird Circenn Brodie, who has pledged to kill the bearer of the flask. Brodie instead falls in love with the beautiful stranger. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2000.

<u>Download from BARD: The Highlander's Touch</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB053836

#### How to Keep a Secret by Sarah Morgan

Read by Laurel Lefkow

11 hours, 18 minutes

Three generations of women come together one summer on Martha's Vineyard. Each woman has a secret unhappiness, but they will have to relearn how to be family if they want to support and help each other. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2018.

<u>Download from BARD: How to Keep a Secret</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB093426

# Crazy Thing Called Love by Molly O'Keefe

Read by Carol Dines

11 hours, 57 minutes

Morning television host Madelyn Cornish is determined to make it to the big network shows. When her producer suggests a makeover story, Madelyn is not sure how to handle the proposed subject: bad-boy hockey star Billy Wilkins--her ex-husband. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. RITA Award. 2013.

<u>Download from BARD: Crazy Thing Called Love</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB080142

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#### How to Bake a Perfect Life by Barbara O'Neal

Read by Dale Allen

11 hours, 30 minutes

Bakery owner Ramona Gallagher of Colorado Springs is struggling financially. When her daughter Sofia's husband is wounded in Afghanistan and Sofia leaves for Germany to tend to him, Ramona takes in her thirteen-year-old stepgranddaughter and falls in love with a long-lost friend. Includes recipes. Rita Award. 2011.

<u>Download from BARD: How to Bake a Perfect Life</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB076646

#### The Promise of Jenny Jones by Maggie Osborne

Read by Anne Hancock

11 hours, 14 minutes

Ornery but honest mule driver Jenny Jones faces a Mexican firing squad because she admits to killing her attacker. A mysterious dying woman offers to take Jenny's place if she will take the woman's young daughter to her estranged gringo husband in California and fight off the greedy Mexican relatives who want the girl dead. Violence, strong language, and explicit descriptions of sex

<u>Download from BARD: The Promise of Jenny Jones</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB047015

#### **Heavens to Betsy by Beth Pattillo**

Read by Margaret Strom

8 hours, 49 minutes

Beautiful and single, the Reverend Betsy Blessing of Nashville tends to her flock while contemplating leaving the ministry. Betsy discovers she feels more than friendship for her former divinity school classmate David, but she refuses to marry a fellow minister--even if he is perfect for her. Rita Award. 2005.

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#### Dream a Little Dream by Susan Elizabeth Phillips

Read by Carole Jordan Stewart

12 hours, 8 minutes

After her embezzling televangelist husband dies in a crash, his destitute young widow, Rachel Stone, brings her little boy back to face the unfriendly town of Salvation, North Carolina. Reeling from his own loss, surly Gabe Bonner is dismayed to find himself helping Rachel. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller.

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#### First Lady by Susan Elizabeth Phillips

Read by Madelyn Buzzard

11 hours, 9 minutes

First Lady Cornelia Case has always lived in the political spotlight, so when her husband is assassinated she looks forward to a more private life. But the new president has other ideas and when Cornelia attempts to escape the spotlight, the results surprise everyone. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2000.

<u>Download from BARD: First Lady</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB050721

# It Had to be You by Susan Elizabeth Phillips

Read by Michele Schaeffer

11 hours, 53 minutes

After her father dies, Phoebe Somerville is shocked that she has temporarily inherited the Chicago Stars football team. To keep the team, she must work with head coach Dan Calebow, whom she dislikes. Companion to This Heart of Mine (DB 52086). Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1994.

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Also available on digital cartridge DB055305

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#### Nobody's Baby but Mine by Susan Elizabeth Phillips

Read by Carole Jordan Stewart

11 hours, 1 minute

Jane, a thirty-four-year-old physics professor, wants a baby. Her football-groupie neighbor promises to find a classy hooker for quarterback Cal Bonner's birthday. Jane agrees to pose as the call girl, thinking that a child with an athlete's I.Q. would not be the teased genius she had been. Companion to Dream a Little Dream (DB 45735). Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex.

<u>Download from BARD: Nobody's Baby but Mine</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB047391

#### The Rake and the Reformer by Mary Jo Putney

Read by Ann Hodapp

12 hours, 8 minutes

Regency romance in which the notorious Reggie Davenport unexpectedly inherits an estate. Told that it has been expertly managed, Reggie has no idea that the manager is in fact a woman, the striking "spinster" Alys Weston. Tensions mount when they meet face to face. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex.

<u>Download from BARD: The Rake and the Reformer</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB043053

#### On the Way to the Wedding by Julia Quinn

Read by Kristin Allison 9 hours, 50 minutes

London, 1827. Gregory Bridgerton unexpectedly falls in love with Lady Lucinda "Lucy" Abernathy after being jilted by Lucy's best friend Hermione. Lucy, engaged since childhood, finally succumbs to Gregory's advances but still feels obligated to marry her fiancé. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2006.

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Also available on digital cartridge DB063137

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#### The Secret Diaries of Miss Miranda Cheever by Julia Quinn

Read by Kristin Allison

8 hours, 27 minutes

England, 1810. Ten-year-old Miranda begins keeping a journal at the suggestion of her friend Olivia's older brother Nigel "Turner" Bevelstoke, whom she adores. Nine years later Miranda is still in love with Turner--now a widower with no desire to remarry. Some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller. 2007.

<u>Download from BARD: The Secret Diaries of Miss Miranda Cheever</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB065036

# What Happens in London by Julia Quinn

Read by Madelyn Buzzard

10 hours, 5 minutes

Lady Olivia Bevelstoke becomes interested in her new London neighbor Sir Harry Valentine. Harry, a spy, falls in love with Olivia while he watches a treacherous Russian prince court her. Companion to The Secret Diaries of Miss Miranda Cheever (DB 65036). Some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller. 2009.

<u>Download from BARD: What Happens in London</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB069534

# Beneath a Southern Sky by Deborah Raney

Read by Gabriella Cavallero

9 hours 26 minutes

Missionary Daria Camfield returns home, grieving her husband's death. She overcomes her loss and falls in love again--but is shocked to learn that her husband is still alive. Now Daria discovers that her faith in God will help her resolve her dilemma. 2001

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#### Silent in the Grave by Deanna Raybourn

Read by Colleen Delany.

13 hours, 50 minutes

Victorian England, 1887. Lady Julia Grey learns from Nicholas Brisbane, her late husband Edward's private investigator, that Edward's death may have been a murder. After a year in mourning, Julia, with the encouragement of her father, eagerly assists Nicholas in pursuit of the truth--and falls in love. Rita Award. 2007.

<u>Download from BARD: Silent in the Grave</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB068626

# A NASCAR Holiday by Kimberly Raye, Roxanne St. Claire, Debra Webb Read by Kate Kiley

Three short stories involving romance and NASCAR drivers. In "Ladies, Start Your Engines..." Savannah wants to be a racecar mechanic. In "'Tis the Silly Season" Clay Slater hires Lisa Mahoney and her kids to be his family. In "Unbreakable" Dr. Maxine Gray studies drivers as athletes. Rita Award. 2006. 7 hours 58 minutes

<u>Download from BARD: A NASCAR Holiday</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB065327

# As Sure as the Dawn by Francine Rivers

Read by John Horton 16 hours. 25 minutes

Once again Hadassah awaits death in the cells below the arena. As she waits, Hadassah is visited by Atretes, and she tells him that his son by Julia still lives. Atretes is told to go to John, who has given the son to a young widow named Rizpah. Atretes is reunited with his son, but in order to keep him alive, Atretes must also accept Rizpah into his life. Sequel to An Echo in the Darkness (DB 42396).

<u>Download from BARD: As Sure as the Dawn</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB042413

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#### An Echo in the Darkness by Francine Rivers

Read by John Horton

15 hours, 31 minutes

Marcus, believing he saw Hadassah die in the arena of lions, has become a bitter man and is unable to forgive his sister Julia for her part in Hadassah's death. But Hadassah lives. Hiding behind a veil and now known as Rapha, she uses her faith to heal others. But can her faith sustain her as she is called upon to help the very person who sent her to her death? Sequel to A Voice in the Wind (DB 42380).

<u>Download from BARD: An Echo in the Darkness</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB042396

#### The Scarlet Thread by Francine Rivers

Read by Barbara Pinolini

12 hours, 39 minutes

California housewife Sierra Clanton Madrid learns she has much in common with her pioneer ancestor, Mary Kathryn McMurray, as she reads Mary's tattered journal. Like her predecessor, Sierra is forced to move away from family and friends so her husband can make a new beginning. Both women struggle, but each finds contentment when she turns to God.

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Also available on digital cartridge DB044425

#### Concealed in Death by J. D. Robb

Read by Martha Harmon Pardee

12 hours, 20 minutes

After her husband finds human remains in the wall of a building he is retrofitting, Lieutenant Eve Dallas's team discovers twelve bodies hidden there--all girls between the ages of twelve and sixteen. Now Eve must identify the victims--and their killer. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller. 2014.

<u>Download from BARD: Concealed in Death</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB078480

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#### New York to Dallas by J. D. Robb

Read by Martha Harmon Pardee

12 hours, 20 minutes

A dozen years ago rookie New York cop Eve Dallas brought down serial rapist Isaac McQueen. Now McQueen has escaped from prison and is taunting Dallas to find him--in Dallas, a city that holds awful memories for her. Violence, strong language, and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller. 2011.

<u>Download from BARD: New York to Dallas</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB073705

# **Birthright by Nora Roberts**

Read by Annie Wauters

16 hours, 35 minutes

Ancient bones are uncovered at a construction site in Maryland and archaeologist Callie Dunbrook and her ex-husband are asked to investigate. When a local woman claims that Callie is her long-lost daughter--kidnapped twenty-nine years earlier--Callie must search for the truth. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller. 2003.

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Also available on digital cartridge DB055869

# Born in Ice by Nora Roberts

Read by Mary Woods

11 hours, 5 minutes

In this sequel to Born in Fire (DB 39873), Irish Maggie Concannon's sister, Brianna, has turned the family home into a bed-and-breakfast. Brianna is excited to have a paying guest for the cold winter: American mystery writer Grayson Thayne. She also discovers that her late father has a third child in America and that he made one last long-shot investment before he died. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller.

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Also available on digital cartridge DB041122

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#### **Brazen Virtue by Nora Roberts**

Read by Martha Harmon Pardee

8 hours, 25 minutes

Mystery writer Grace McCabe comes to Washington, D.C., to visit her sister, Kathleen, hoping for rest and a sisterly bond. But everything changes when Kathleen, who works at night as a phone-sex operator, is strangled to death. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller. 1988.

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Also available on digital cartridge DB053372

#### **Carolina Moon by Nora Roberts**

Read by Pam Ward

16 hours, 34 minutes

As a child Tory Bodeen was deeply affected by her abusive father and the brutal murder of her best friend. Now the adult Tory returns home to South Carolina, where her psychic ability to "see" the past and the future puts her in mortal danger. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. Bestseller. 2000.

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Also available on digital cartridge DB049775

# **Divine Evil by Nora Roberts**

Read by Michele Schaeffer

15 hours, 6 minutes

Sculptor Clare Kimball returns to her Maryland home to confront her father's mysterious suicide, while Sheriff Cameron Rafferty investigates grave robbing, cattle mutilation, and murder. Clare and Cameron together uncover links between her father's death, the disturbing incidents, and satanism. Explicit descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. 1992.

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Also available on digital cartridge DB061932

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#### **Hidden Riches by Nora Roberts**

Read by Suzanne Toren 12 hours, 56 minutes

Dora Conroy owns a small antique shop in Philadelphia. Following a buying trip to an auction, where she acquires a curious assortment of items from a newly arrived shipment, Dora becomes the target of break-ins and attempted murder. Fortunately her actor father rents the apartment across from Dora to expoliceman Jed Skimmerhorn. Some violence, some strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller.

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#### **Night Tales by Nora Roberts**

Read by Kristin Allison 24 hours, 51 minutes

Four connected novels--Night Shift, Night Shadow, Nightshade, and Night Smoke--feature a cast of related characters who enter passionate relationships while investigating dangerous crimes. Explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. Bestseller. 1994.

<u>Download from BARD: Night Tales</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB050925

#### **Private Scandals by Nora Roberts**

Read by Martha Harmon Pardee 16 hours, 17 minutes

Chicago, 1994. It is midnight when Deanna Reynolds arrives at the CBC TV station, where Angela Perkins has demanded to meet her. They have become enemies in the past few years as Deanna has usurped Angela's place in the talk-show market and in Finn Riley's life. Now Deanna hopes to have it out with Angela. But when Deanna walks into the studio, she discovers Angela with her face blown away. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller.

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Also available on digital cartridge DB038882

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#### Remember When by Nora Roberts and J.D. Robb

Read by MaryBeth Wise

16 hours, 16 minutes

Laine Tavish discovers that a man killed outside her Maryland shop helped her father steal millions in diamonds. Max Gannon, investigating the theft, falls in love with Laine. Fifty years later, NYC police detective Eve Dallas assists their endangered granddaughter who unknowingly has the stones. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2003.

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#### **Three Fates by Nora Roberts**

Read by Martha Harmon Pardee

14 hours, 25 minutes

Irish siblings Malachi, Gideon, and Rebecca Sullivan seek the return of a family heirloom--a small antique statue--and the whereabouts of its matching pieces. During their dangerous quest, they manipulate suspects but also fall in love. Strong language, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. Bestseller. 2002.

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Also available on digital cartridge DB054462

# **Tribute by Nora Roberts**

Read by Annie Wauters

14 hours, 40 minutes

Cilla purchases the neglected Virginia farm where her grandmother Janet, a famous actress, committed suicide. As Cilla works on the house, she meets her intriguing graphic-novelist neighbor, discovers Janet's mysterious love letters-and becomes the target of threatening vandalism. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller. 2008.

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#### The Edge of Impropriety by Pam Rosenthal

Read by Patricia Kilgarriff

10 hours, 15 minutes

London,1829. Acclaimed romance writer Marina Wyatt, the widowed countess of Gorham, falls in love with the scholarly Jasper Hedges, an uncle of her young friend Sir Anthony Hedges. While indulging in their clandestine affair, Marina is blackmailed for past indiscretions. Explicit descriptions of sex. Rita Award. 2008.

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#### Lady Luck's Map of Vegas by Barbara Samuel

Read by Constance Crawford

9 hours, 28 minutes

India drives her mother, Eldora, from Colorado to Las Vegas to relive her youth after India's father dies. They also search for India's schizophrenic twin sister. Eldora burdens India with her sordid past, while India's pregnancy forces her to make decisions. Some descriptions of sex. Rita Award. 2005.

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Also available on digital cartridge DB063489

# A Human Touch by Glenda Sanders

Read by Mary Woods

5 hours, 23 minutes

After her lover dumped her, pregnant Meredith Quinn dropped out of college and lost her job. Now reduced to living with three-week-old Stacy in her car, she seeks help from a priest. He convinces his friend, attorney Kyle Brooks, to not only sue Stacy's father for palimony, but to hire Meredith as his live-in housekeeper. Kyle's initial reluctance fades as he gets to know Meredith. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. A Harlequin romance.

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Also available on digital cartridge DB037970

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#### One in a Million a Lucky Harbor Novel by Jill Shalvis

Read by Angèle Masters

8 hours, 49 minutes

Wedding planner Callie returns to her hometown of Lucky Harbor, only to find her high school crush, Tanner, is as sexy as she remembers. Meanwhile, deepsea diver Tanner is trying to live down his wild past and deal with having his teenaged son back in his life. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2014.

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Also available on digital cartridge DB081836

#### Simply Irresistible by Jill Shalvis

Read by Elizabeth Jasicki

10 hours, 34 minutes

Maddie and her two half sisters inherit a resort in Lucky Harbor, Washington. Maddie, recently fired by her boss and dumped by an abusive boyfriend, hires sexy Jax Cullen to renovate the inn--and desperately tries to resist his charms. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 2010.

Download from BARD: Simply Irresistible

Also available on digital cartridge DB072926

# My So-Called Bollywood Life by Nisha Sharma

Read by MacKenzie Beyer

7 hours, 27 minutes

Betrayed by Raj, whom she thought she was fated to marry, teenaged Winnie teams with fellow film fan Dev to get her life back on track and find her true soul mate. Strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2018.

Download from BARD: My So-Called Bollywood Life

Also available on digital cartridge DB096670

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#### Tempt Me Twice by Barbara Dawson Smith

Read by Anne Flosnik

10 hours, 54 minutes

Regency England. Lord Gabriel Kenyon returns to London from Africa to inform Kate Talisford of her father's death there. Kate holds a grudge against Gabriel, but needs him to help find her parent's treasure--and along the way they fall in love. Some explicit descriptions of sex. Rita Award. 2001.

<u>Download from BARD: Tempt Me Twice</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB056054

#### **Blackout by Annie Solomon**

Read by Laura Giannarelli

9 hours, 33 minutes

Washington, D.C. Accused of murdering top spy Frank Temple, bookseller Margo Scott cannot remember the past month. Undercover federal agent Jake Wise, sent by Frank to watch Margo, tries to confirm her identity. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Rita Award. 2006.

Download from BARD: Blackout

Also available on digital cartridge DB065437

#### The Endearment by LaVyrle Spencer

Read by Jill Ferris

13 hours, 3 minutes

Anna Reardon and her brother, James, do not have much of a life in Boston. Their mother is a prostitute, and basically, they are raising themselves. When James sees Karl Lindstrom's advertisement for a "mail-order bride," he convinces Anna to write Karl. Desperate to change their way of life, Anna misrepresents herself in her letters. Now, in Minnesota, the truth is coming out. Descriptions of sex. Bestseller.

<u>Download from BARD: The Endearment</u>

Also available on digital cartridge DB032021

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#### The Gamble by La Vyrle Spencer

Read by Jill Ferris

17 hours, 26 minutes

Agatha Downing, a milliner with an injured leg, has resigned herself to a dreary life in a small Kansas cow town of the 1880s until she meets rakish LeMaster Scott Gandy, a saloon-keeper and former gambler. When the prim temperance crusader protests the installation of a nude painting in his bar, he responds by dumping her in the mud. But through their adoption of the town orphan, they are brought together and decide to take a gamble on love. Explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1987.

<u>Download from BARD: The Gamble</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB026153

#### Morning Glory by LaVyrle Spencer

Read by Jill Ferris

16 hours, 16 minutes

Elly Dinsmore, widowed at twenty-six, is pregnant, and has a baby and toddler in tow. Will Parker is an ex-con who responds to Elly's ad for a husband. Each has had a painful past that will constantly test them in the future. Set in rural Georgia in 1941. Descriptions of sex.

<u>Download from BARD: Morning Glory</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB029013

#### **Quinn's Complete Seduction by Sandra Steffen**

Read by Mitzi Friedlander

6 hours, 8 minutes

More than a year ago Nathan Quinn's wife died. As spring blossoms, he considers that it is time to find a new woman to help raise his daughter, Holly. Crystal Galloway, new to Jasper Gulch, South Dakota, is also searching for something, but not a husband. 2001.

<u>Download from BARD: Quinn's Complete Seduction</u>

Also available on digital cartridge DB057094

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#### The Haunting of Maddy Clare by Simone St. James

Read by Jill Fox

9 hours, 48 minutes

London, 1922. Working as a temp, Sarah Piper is assigned to assist ghost investigator Alistair Gellis. Alistair has discovered an apparition who will only talk to women and needs Sarah to uncover the mystery behind the ghost's death. Explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. RITA Award. 2012.

Download from BARD: The Haunting of Maddy Clare
Also available on digital cartridge DB077359

# Boys Like You by Juliana Stone

Read by Mare Trevathan

6 hours, 10 minutes

In an attempt to shake her out of a lingering depression, Monroe's parents send her off to spend the summer at her grandmother's Louisiana plantation. There Monroe meets Nathan, and the two bond over feelings of loss and guilt. Strong language and descriptions of sex. For senior high readers. 2014.

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#### Ice Blue by Anne Stuart

Read by Annie Wauters

8 hours, 32 minutes

Museum curator Summer Hawthorne's Japanese nanny gives her a blue ceramic bowl just before dying. Summer is then kidnapped for the coveted relic and rescued by handsome, dangerous Takashi O'Brien. Takashi also desperately wants the bowl and--despite himself--Summer. Strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. Rita Award. 2007.

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#### The Tender Texan by Jodi Thomas

Read by Linda Fox

11 hours, 25 minutes

Anna Meyer offers one hundred dollars to the Texas cattleman who can help her forge a frontier homestead. Chance Wyatt agrees to settle down and build a home with the lovely stranger. Anna and Wyatt agreed to live together for one year, but as the challenges of the savage land bring them closer and closer together, neither can resist the aching desire that inflames their hearts and touches their souls. Contains explicit descriptions of sex, some strong language, and violence.

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### The Texan's Reward by Jodi Thomas

Read by Michele Schaeffer

9 hours, 11 minutes

Nell, the "wild child" from the Wife Lottery series, needs a husband to help run her ranch. Jacob Dalton, who keeps rescuing Nell, hopes to prevent her from making a big mistake, but instead falls in love. Sequel to A Texan's Luck (DB 61638). Some descriptions of sex. 2005.

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#### **Welcome to Harmony by Jodi Thomas**

Read by Kristin Allison

8 hours, 4 minutes

Longing to belong, foster teen Reagan "borrows" the last name of a deceased nursing-home patient to pass as the woman's great-granddaughter. Then she heads to Harmony, Texas, where she moves in with her pretend great-uncle Jeremiah Truman, attends school, and befriends the locals. Some strong language. 2010.

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#### **His at Night by Sherry Thomas**

Read by Annie Wauters

10 hours, 5 minutes

England, 1897. Lord Vere hides his vocation as a secret agent by acting as an "amusing idiot" in society. But while investigating Miss Elissande Edgerton's uncle, Lord Vere and Elissande become entangled in a marriage of convenience. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. RITA Award. 2010.

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# Lover Revealed; Lover Unbound by J.R. Ward

Read by Nick DePinto 33 hours, 25 minutes

Books four and five, written in 2007. In Lover Revealed, the only human ever allowed in the inner circle of the Black Dagger Brotherhood loves a vampire. In Lover Unbound, vampire Vishous avoids emotions until a human doctor shows him love. Violence, explicit descriptions of sex, and some strong language. 2007.

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# Finding Stefanie: Noble Legacy, Book 3 by Susan May Warren

Read by Theresa Conkin

10 hours, 55 minutes

Rancher Stefanie Noble and the residents of Phillips, Montana, deal with disruption in their town. Movie star Lincoln Cash--who is hiding his multiple sclerosis--plans a film festival. And three runaway siblings accidentally burn down Cash's newly purchased ranch house. Meanwhile, someone is plotting more serious trouble. Rita Award. 2008.

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#### The Husband Trap: a Novel by Tracy Anne Warren

Read by Mare Trevathan

10 hours, 40 minutes

London, 1816. For sundry reasons, shy Jannette Violet Brantford agrees to change places with her identical twin, vivacious Jeannette Rose, just before Rose's wedding to Adrian Winter, the duke of Raeburn. But Violet truly loves Adrian and he grows to love her--the imposter. Explicit descriptions of sex. Rita Award. 2006.

<u>Download from BARD: The Husband Trap: a Novel</u> Also available on digital cartridge DB066196

#### Lakeside Cottage by Susan Wiggs

Read by Kristin Allison 9 hours, 30 minutes

Unemployed journalist Kate Livingston and her nine-year-old son are spending the summer at her family's Washington state cottage. Nearby, military medic J.D. Harris seeks refuge from the press after saving the president's life. The two meet and fall in love despite obstacles. Some strong language. Rita Award. 2005.

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# The Mischief of the Mistletoe by Lauren Willig

Read by Martha Harmon Pardee

10 hours, 30 minutes

Christmas, 1803. Arabella Dempsey, a friend of Jane Austen, takes a teaching position after her suitor marries her wealthy aunt. Arabella meets a pupil's brother, Reginald "Turnip" Fitzhugh, and becomes drawn into international intrigue when a message in French is found on a pudding wrapper. 2010.

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