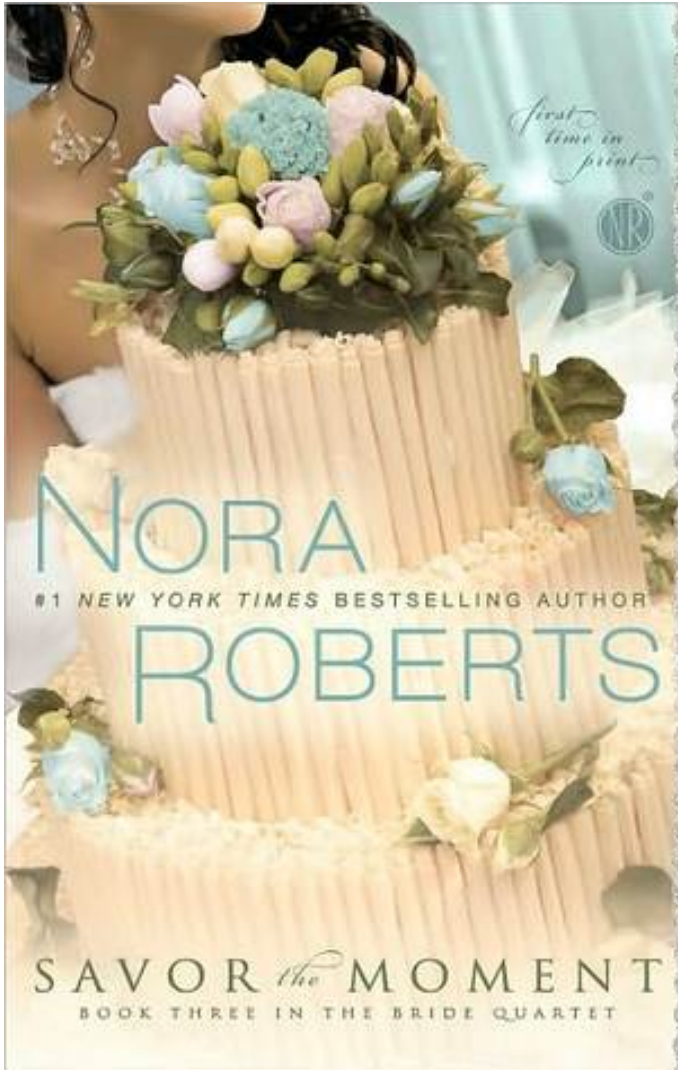

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Description

#1 New York Times bestselling author Nora Roberts cordially invites you to meet childhood friends Parker, Emma, Laurel, and Mac — the founders of Vows, one of Connecticut's premier wedding planning companies. Laurel McBane has always relied on her friends for support, especially when her dream of attending culinary school was almost ruined by her parents' financial problems. Now Laurel is repaying the kindness of her friends by creating extravagantly luscious tiers of cakes and other confectionary delights that add the perfect touch to their clients' weddings. As for romance, Laurel believes in it — in theory. But she's too low-key to appreciate all the luxuries that other women seem to long for. What she does appreciate is a strong, intelligent man, a man just like Parker's older brother, Delaney Brown, on whom Laurel has had a mega crush since childhood. But some infatuations last longer than others, and Laurel is convinced that the Ivy League lawyer is still out of her reach. Plus, Del is too protective of Laurel to ever cross the line with her, or so she thinks. When Laurel's quick-silver moods get the better of her — leading to an angry, hot, altogether mind-blowing kiss with Del — she'll have to quiet the doubts in her mind to turn a moment of passion into forever...

Insightful reviews

K.: I've been pretty eager for this book to come out, as I've been happily following the series. Surprising for me how much I've enjoyed this new series by Nora Roberts since I'm not usually a big fan of her books (hit and miss with me). I suspect part of the reason I'm particularly attracted to the stories is due to the wedding planner theme -- it's particularly girly, and I'm pretty darn "girly" myself! ;) Also love the life-long friends falling in love with guys who've been their life-long friends as well. Girl-next store falls in love with boy-next door stuff - another "girly" type romance theme. Anyway ...

I enjoyed Laurel and Del's story immensely. BUT ... I have a feeling these books may come off better in audio than they might be in paper book form. Angela Dawe is the reader on this one, and she's spectacular. She gives a lot of life to the characters, and her inflection and emotion is spot on. Her voices are distinct, and match the characters she assigns them to. I really "get" her emotional vibes, and that goes a long way in getting into the scenes.

Laurel and Del have been virtually life-long friends, and have even "married each other a couple of times" by the time they'd grown up. Since the 4 main heroines of this series own a very successful wedding planning business, Parker (Del's sister) had collared Del a few times to "play groom" by the time he was 8 or 9 years old and paired him up with best friend Laurel while playing "bride" together. Laurel, however, has always known she's hopelessly in love with Del, and that no matter how often she's tried to change the fact and refocus her energies toward other relationships, Del's "THE one" for her! Del has a harder time defining his feelings for Laurel, although he's never doubted for a moment he "love's" her, and has always loved her ... that "love" wasn't the kind typically assigned to a "lover." However, he too has shocked himself a couple of times by how attracted he's begun to find Laurel, and he's a bit afraid of how that sexual attraction might mess up their life-long friendship, which means a lot to him.

I've heard a few reviewers define Laurel's attitude as a bit too bitchy toward Del, and that just doesn't come across in the audiobook. The narrator makes her feelings appropriate and I always knew that Laurel was just "guarding" her feelings. Del comes across as the "head of the family" (which encompasses ALL of his circle of friends, including Laurel): Very in-charge, protective, yet funny and cool type of guy. Their road to figuring out their relationship/love for each other brings the series to a nice conclusion for Laurel/Del, and includes enough set up for Parker and Mal's forthcoming book. Can't wait! The whole audiobook series is worth listening to more than once.

K.

Shannon Stacey: I struggled a little with the beginning of *Savor the Moment* because, in some ways, I felt it was the same story as *Bed of Roses*, but it wasn't and I got sucked in as their story became their own. And the ending was so incredibly perfect I was teary-eyed.

Mojca: And yet another [Nora Roberts](#) winner in this amazing series. And this time, though it still revolved around the friendship between Mac, Emma, Laurel and Parker, the story was mostly about the romance between life-long friends. Yes, you'd think it was pretty much the same as in [Bed of Roses](#), between Emma and Jack, but the thing is, Laurel and Del, Parker's older brother have known (and been friends) each other for her entire life. So the switch held much more danger and possible obstacles. For them both, but mostly inside their little "tribe". So the same fears and worries as with Emma and Jack were there, but much more augmented, *because* of that long(er) friendship.

But it was beautifully done, if you ask me, much better than in [Bed of Roses](#), especially since the hero (Del) had no obvious and well-known commitment issues Jack had. He was much more laid back and relaxed when it came to his "thing" with Laurel and he had no compunction in stating his love for her, since everybody knew he loved her. Pity, that, since the words held no "special meaning" being said so many times before, no wonder she was skeptical and a little skittish.

And that is the biggest problem I had with Laurel. It didn't overly bother me, since I understood her reservations, but still, sometimes she came off as a bit too impulsive in her judgment. And too stubborn to listen...or talk about what bothered her. But, her love for Del was there, and I forgave her. ;)

Now, onto the less-friendship-more-romance thingy. Well, it's true. Sure, the girls were still tight as ever, they talked, they laughed, they cried, they ribbed each other, but there was that much appreciated lack of "friendly intervention" at the end, that was present in both previous novels, and an especial "burden" in [Bed of Roses](#). First, it was because Laurel was more reserved by nature, preferring to solve her problems on her own and second, there was no big rift between her and Del to demand an intervention in the first place. Sure, she made a mess with her stubbornness and refusal to listen, but it was quickly resolved.

And who resolved it? Del, of course. Who's become my favorite hero in this series a few pages into this story. Who wouldn't want a guy like Del? Who wouldn't love a guy like Del? He was (over)protective, self-assured, caring, loving, tender, funny, sexy (my mouth watered reading the pond scene), and romantic (the awwwww-factor in the ending was all him).

I love my girls (the Quartet) and I love Carter and Jack, but Del is by far my favorite.

I'm sure he'll fall into second place today, as I start reading [Happy Ever After](#), because there's just something about Malcolm Kavanaugh that "inspires" me. I cannot wait to read about him and Parker. If the sparkage these two produced in [Savor the Moment](#) is any indication, the fireworks will go through the roof when it's their turn. Can't wait! *happy squeal*

Well, this series is shaping to be my favorite (short) series I've read in my life. Romantic, funny, sexy, sensual, light-weight, emotion-engaging...A truly awesome read.

Maggie: this could be my new favourite of this series. midway even though i noticed that one of many issues i admire the easiest approximately this sequence is that it truly is cumulative, it'd be tough to select it up mid-series. I received relatively concerned with this e-book simply because i actually cherished Delaney's personality from the start. i am particularly waiting for Parker's story, i admire her and Mal as a couple. **re-read April 2010, i feel this can be my favourite of the sequence so far. I learn it on audio this time and the narration was once wonderful.

Nely: The 3rd installment within the Bride Quartet, *relish the Moment*, is the tale of Laurel McBane. Laurel is likely one of the founders of Vows - the marriage company that she and her 3 BFF's run. Laurel is the artiste in the back of the lavish marriage ceremony brownies that Vows offers. Once again, i have to say how in awe of this sequence I am. even if savour the instant used to be the least favourite within the sequence (for me!), I nonetheless love how "feel good" those books really are. From its first web page you're swept into the whirlwind lifetime of a marriage planning/producing organization. The 4 buddies are the most sought after marriage ceremony organizers of their kingdom and Laurel is as much as her elbows in fondant. Her marriage ceremony tarts are piece of art. she is going to spend numerous hours (including wasting sleep) in making a bride's excellent cake. She does not have a lot time for something else, yet she is going to take a second of that point to appreciate, Delaney Brown, one in all her most sensible friend's brother. Delaney and Laurel have identified one another so much in their lives. He treats her like he treats the remainder of the 3 girlfriends, as a sister. he is over protective, over bearing and consistently will get Laurel's mood going. this can be simply because she's had a overwhelm on him since, well.... forever. whilst a minor spat will get their tempers flaring and results in a truly sizzling kiss, a second of ardour may be simply what they should boost their friendship right into a a lot deeper connection. i actually cherished Laurel and Del. they're feisty and witty and really sarcastic (which consistently will get an increase out of me). they're ideal for one another. Laurel is a fighter... she's acquired fairly the temper. And Del, being an attorney, is her excellent fit considering the fact that he understands simply the best way to face up to her and whilst to conform. Their push and pull, the consistent bickering and the making up used to be fairly entertaining. other than the beautiful characters, I enjoyed the baking. the main points of Laurel's muffins and baked sweets have been so targeted you can nearly see and odor them. i used to be really hungry for many of the time i used to be examining this book. i could have even snacked on a cookie or due to it. Then there has been the girls' friendship. i could love this point of the e-book such a lot of all. i like once they have their woman time and simply talk about the random in's and out's in their lives. even if or not it's their business, upcoming weddings or maybe their very own weddings. i like how they rise up for

every other, continually able to lend a supporting hand or a shoulder to cry on. Parker, Emma, Laurel and Mac stay one in every of my favourite staff of associates in modern romance. What am i able to say that i have never already approximately this series? it's natural unadulterated girlie awesomeness. Weddings, love, friendships, romance, and food. are you able to get it wrong with that combination? Nope siree, there is not anything you are able to do to debris that up. i admire that you simply do not need to imagine an excessive amount of during this series. there's not anything occurring in it except love. No undesirable guys. No vampires. simply common humans falling in love with each one other... if you fall in love with them.

Lynsey A: Unfortunately, this one used to be simply okay for me. i used to be form of tired of either Del and Laurel. If Laurel enjoyed Del her entire lifestyles i did not see a lot of it. i actually acquired uninterested in all of the workout and scenes with the brides that actually did not have whatever to do with the Del and Laurel. i suppose i needed to work out them jointly extra and it simply did not happen. I form of trudged via this one and used to be happy it used to be ultimately over. it is not to claim i did not get pleasure from components of the e-book yet for the main half this booklet used to be dull for me. In my books i love to have a bit clash among the H/h and so they simply got here together. Yes, Laurel enjoyed Del endlessly however it did not consider actual to me. It appeared there has been extra concentrate on exercise, baking, weddings and the 4 friends. Friendships are impressive of course, yet this can be a romance. i needed a piece more. all of it fell flat for me. I certainly cherished Jack and Emma's tale better. i am hoping I get pleasure from Malcolm and Parker's story.

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