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The V Girl: A Coming Of Age Story



Synopsis

ROMANCE SET IN A DYSTOPIAN FUTUREIn post-apocalyptic North America, sexual slavery is legal. Lila Velez desperately wants to lose her virginity before the troops visit her town and take it away by force. She makes plans to seduce her only friend. Lila does not love him, but he is the only man who has shown her true affection, an affection she is willing to take as a substitute for love. Lila's coping mechanism to cope with her mother's loss is her secret. A secret that will bring her closer to Aleksey First, a foreign, broody man who she distrusts because of his links to the troops and his rough, yet irresistible appearance. He offers Lila an alternative to her plans, a possibility that terrifies her and tempts her in spite of herself. With threats looming at every turn and no way to escape, Lila fears that falling in love will only lead to more heartache. The consequences of laying down her arms for Aleksey and welcoming hope might destroy more than her heart. They might force her to face the worst of her nightmares becoming a reality. Is love possible in a world that has forgotten what the human touch is?

NOTES FROM THE AUTHOR* This is a book full of romance and anti-rape messages. I didn't write this book to romanticize violence against women but to tell the story of a girl who has to come of age under the most terrible circumstances. * This full-length novel is a stand alone. No cliffhanger* Alpha male hero. No cheating. No slut-shaming.* Includes a discussion guide for bookclubs* Possible triggers for abuse survivors.

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Customer Reviews

Love it! It was very hot and suspenseful. Make sure you get the copy with the epilogue.

'The V Girl' by Mya Robarts is Brutal yet Brilliant. Set in post apocalyptic America, The V Girl illustrates a society where rape is not only legal, but excepted. In her awesome debut, Mya Robarts crafts a unique story with unforgettable characters and tackles heavy topics effortlessly and with maturity. At times, 'The V Girl' is difficult to read. Not because there are graphic scenes (which there are...so, beware) but because of the world these characters that you come to know and love live in such a brutal society where consent is something of the past. And always in the back of my head as I was reading this is that this, this life is the norm for these people. There is something disillusioning about that and frankly terrifying. We follow Lila, our heroine, who is a virgin and as she is racing against the proverbial clock to lose her virginity before the Recruitment Ceremony-a legal ceremony where soldiers can come and terrorize towns-where she will be forced to give it up without her consent in what will be a violent filled and humiliating experience. Lila is an extremely unique character. A Gem in fact. She is complex and made mature for her age by circumstance. She literally has no choice but to grow up and be an adult. (We see this especially in her younger sister, Azzy, who is a child but mental is most definitely not a child) Lila is not the innocent heroine I was expecting, at all. She goes far and beyond all my expectations. Lila sees and goes through a lot of things that I don't think I could have handled. She's a strong heroine who literally fights her way through life. Throughout the book, Lila attempts to lose her virginity leading to awkward and sometimes funny situations where you honestly feel for the girl cause C'mon!! I can totally understand her desperation and I found myself stressing for her for most of the book because the soldiers believe that if they 'bed' a virgin all their sexually transmitted diseases etc will be vanquished. Thus on the night of recruitment, if you are a virgin you will be on high demand. (as if it wasn't horrifying enough) Then Lila's world is turned up side down when she meets, Alexsey (YAS!), an ex-soldier who turns her for a loop, defying everything she thought soldiers were. He tempts her like no one has before making her want someone she really shouldn't want. Alexsey is perfect. Long blonde

hair, intense blue eyes, he is sexy, adorable and brooding. What else could a girl ask for? Honestly, Alexsey is also thrown for a loop when he meets Lila and finds himself, unexpectedly/unbelievable in love. Once again, Mya wrote a really unique character that exudes magnetism. 'The V Girl' has so many twists and turns and they had me going crazy and threatening Armageddon. I was basically a mess a certain parts. It was a whip lash of emotions, I s*** thee not. Lila's 'emergency deflowering' is not the only aspect of this book. 'The V Girl' has many different aspects to it: War, fighting for your freedom, love, the society of the world. It's utterly addictive and I want more. 'The V Girl' is about changing your own destiny, fighting for your rights, falling in love in such desperate times and what it means to be human. It's dark, unique and addictive. I demand more, Mya!

I could not put this book down. I read it without taking a break, staying up too late to finish it. It was an engrossing, original and at times, heart breaking story. Reading about the rapes was hard but readers were warned and they were not as graphic as I expected. I loved the hero Aleksey. He falls head over heels with Lila and is faithful to her shortly after meeting her even though not a couple until near the end. It seemed to take forever before they were together and that was my only disappointment. I wanted them to together much sooner than they were and that included wanting them to make love sooner as well. They did not make love until over around 80% of the book. I loved when Aleksey's possessiveness and jealousy reared its head. It was hot. It was heart breaking too when the idea of Lila being with Rey gutted him. Some readers were upset that Lila kept trying to be with her best friend Rey, to give him her v-card. The closer it got to the ceremony the more desperate she was and she did not trust Aleksey. I do not blame her for trying to entice Rey. She was afraid of being raped and non-virgins tended to be safe from being recruited. I too would do anything to stop that too. Also her and Aleksey were not together during her attempts. Rey angered me. He wanted her and knew he could save her but kept getting cold feet. Also him thinking about OW during those attempts including calling out the OW name was irritating. If he wanted her like he said he did and loved her like a friend then he would man up. I loved when Lila's sister put both Aleksey and Rey in their place when they were fighting over Lila. She is right in what she said and they both deserved to be reminded that neither of them were innocent or wronged parties. It was heart breaking to me what happened to a secondary character and what he did as a result of that occurring to him. Based on what was shown about his character and personality, I think it was unlike he would react to the trauma in the way he did. I liked the ending.

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