

PRISONERS OF THE WIND

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As the estranged daughter of the Madris Leader Neala Acet, Marin Deringoe benefits nothing from it, but the knowledge that her mother hates her. School has finished for the year and she and her friends are to be transported home. However, her worries of the future are waylaid when she meets the Captain, a man bent on revenge.

Taegin Drae couldn't ask for a better opportunity to get back at The Madris Leader Neala Acet. He now has her daughter, and intends to seduce young Marin and humiliate the Leader who killed his father. But soon he discovers his plans may come unraveled by the pure innocence of the young woman in a world where purity is rare.

Although this story had promise, I found the character motivation for Marin was inconsistent, and leapt between wanting the hero and wanting to escape the hero without any real indication as to why. Marin's reaction to being captured and threatened by rape left me unfulfilled. I often felt more voyeuristic, losing some key moments where I could've really felt for the characters.

I do acknowledge the art of keeping sexual tension up in an erotica is difficult, but I found this particular element frustrated me. It lacked the portrayal of the character's emotions and rather relied on outside interruptions to hold the pair apart.

An interesting premise, and with two villains in this story, the heroine's mother and in the last half an estranged lover of Drae, this story is not without conflict, but it never quite fulfilled its promise.

3 Kisses