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Honor (Blackstone Series Book 1)



Synopsis

BROKEN TRILOGY CONTINUES HERE...Bullets fly during a dangerous mission, and Major Mark Lopez is critically injured. A Blackstone soldier, Mark is transferred to the North Dakota hospital with the security clearance to treat members of the elite covert team. The pretty new nurse assigned to his case knows her stuff, but Mark soon discovers she knows more than just how to save lives. Mia Harper knows the Blackstone Code. Mia is a bit of gypsy and doesn't engage much with people but there's something about her mysterious new patient. After Mark recovers from surgery, he is discharged from the hospital with orders to rest. Not that he does. Instead he rushes to Mexico for the team's next assignment. But when he returns to the hospital again and again with minor and not so minor injuries, Mia suspects he's only coming to see her. Romance ignites, and because Mia signed a non-disclosure agreement at the hospital, Mark is able to open up more with Mia than any other woman. Some debts demand payment in either cash or blood. When someone from Mark's past comes to him for help, old secrets start to resurface, and more blood is shed. Worlds collide and lies are exposed in an all-or-nothing underground poker game. Mark must put his life on the line to keep Mia safe and to finally learn the answer to the question that's haunted him his whole life. What really happened that night twenty-five years ago?

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Customer Reviews

I liked this book! It became clearer as the book went on, that "gaps" in time were driven by the length of the "missions" Blackstone went on. Was glad Mia had the relationship she did with her mom.....but was totally blown away when it was evident her father had anything to do with Blackstone. Certainly did not expect him to pitch the fit he did and Mia to seem to "cave" because of it. Was not exactly a smooth path for Mark and Mia, but finally they seemed to be moving in the same direction together! Already ordered the next one in the series.

There's a lot to like in Honor and the only reason it loses a star is that there is almost too much going on to keep up with it all. That said, the love story between Mark and Mia is excellent and while their path wasn't easy, it was a good one to read about. I'll skip the synopsis but would give it 5-stars for well developed characters, 5-stars for heat and 5-stars for holding my interest. Mia is a nurse and there's a whole big story about how and why she's working at a hospital in North Dakota. Mark is part of a special forces team and his backstory tracks couple of decades earlier to his youth. This part of the book will tug at your heartstrings. They meet when Mark sustains an injury and Mia is one of his nurses at the hospital. Their relationship grows with mutual respect and with a good dose of humor tossed in. Another plus for Honor is the brotherhood between Mark and his teammates. These are all good, alpha men who would take a bullet for their loved ones and their brothers-in-arms. There are several bedroom scenes and these are descriptive and well-written without going over the top. Mia and Mark are well matched on several levels including in the bedroom. I felt like this book was a tad longer than it needed to be and I count five stories that are fighting for time in it. Some of those are critical to the book but others... not so much. Absolutely worth the read despite that and I'm glad that I read it. It made me smile a lot.

#nospoilers! I have not been into a trilogy, saga or whatever you want to call with the Blackstone series since Fifty Shades! The author has a great mix of romance, heartbreak (childhood trauma), sex and love with Team Blackstone. The female leads have their moments also, emotional but strong, fight for what they want and need #sexymilitaryman in their bed ;) There is never a dull moment in Honor - I burned through it in 2 days in between work (ugh) and sleep...lol I can't wait for

the next part of the Blackstone story.

I waited for this book for a while && when it finally came I devoured it in one sitting. And I LOVED EVERY SECOND OF IT. It had the perfect combination of mystery & romance & danger without overdoing it. It was just a phenomenal read. After reading the Broken Trilogy & the Darkness Trilogy I feel like this book had the perfect combinations of the best elements in both of those books. And you get to see a little more of the man that Mark is && his secrets. But be warned it's still a tearjerker so have your tissues ready. !

If you haven't yet read The Broken Series, I suggest you did first before reading this book. It's a spin off. It's so heartbreaking to hear what was the life of Mark as a kid. Not giving any spoilers but it is a must read series. Can't wait for Keith's story since he is a mystery man. This book will have you laugh, cry and have you seating lil edge of your chair. Love Jodi and she knows how to have to come back for more of her books.

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Just finished Honor. I say..... HOLY MOTHER FLIPPING SH!+. Best way to blow through 2.5 hours of my night & with only 1 glass of wine. I went from happy to the edge of my seat, to bawling my eyes out, then back to happy. J.L. Drake is so beyond amazing, I wish I had a hundredth of her talent. Honor is a great book on its own & makes a great companion to her Broken Series. I can't wait to see what she does next with her evil twists and turns. If I could I would give this book 10 stars!

When I read the "Broken" series with Savannah and Cole, I thought I had found a treasure. That series was so amazing, it's on my list of books I'd bring on a desert island to read over and over again. I never wanted it to end and with "Honor," it doesn't end. I have all my favorite characters back and get to go in depth with a beloved character. Mark was one of my favorites in the original series and this book is excellent. We learn more about his past and how he and Cole became brothers. You can't help but fall in love with Mark in this book, if you haven't already. For a book that's less than 2200 pages, it has tons of suspense, twists and turns. Of course, I was thrilled the moment Savi was back in the book because I love her character so much. This was a great book and I can't wait for the next one with Keith. This book built up the suspense for the next one. A sure sign of how much I loved this book was that the morning after I had finished it, I woke up sad that it was over and already missing the characters...again.

JL Drake does it again! Honor is a wonderful story about Mark Lopez finding his forever love!! We get to see a different side of Mark in this book, great, great, great! He is so sexy!! Buy the book, it is so worth it. Mark meets Mia Harper when he is hurt on a mission and she takes care of him in the hospital. Read the first 3 books of The Broken Trilogy first because you will miss out on so much if you don't. If you have read them, start reading Honor. There are so many characters back from The Blackstone series. You will laugh and cry with this story. There is so much history between the guys in the unit and the bond they have with each other. We get a glimpse of them and I wanted to be a part of their lives again. Mark's story continues after Mended ends. This story follows Mark and Mia's romance, challenges and !!! There are a few surprises I don't want to tell you. I can't wait for Keith's story. I received an ARC in exchange for an honest review. Lynn Murray

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