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Midnight Blue Color

From bestselling author L.J. Shen, comes a new, standalone, contemporary romance.

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Midnight Blue Hair

It should have been easy.

I needed the money. He needed a babysitter to keep him from snorting himself to death.

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Midnight Blue Suit

I was cherry-picked especially for him. Responsible. Optimistic. Warm. Innocent.

The worst part is that I should have known better.

Midnight Blue Hair Dye

Alex Winslow. British rock star. Serial heartbreaker. Casanova with whiskey eyes.

“Don’t get near the devil in a leather jacket. He’ll chew you up and spit you out.”

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Midnight Blue Tuxedo

Guess what? I didn't listen.

I signed the contract.

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Midnight Blue Car Paint

World tour. Three months. Four Continents. One hundred shows.

My name is Indigo Bellamy, and I sold my soul to a tattooed god.

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Midnight Blues Umi Lyrics

Problem was, my soul wasn't enough for Alex Winslow. He ended up taking my body, too.

Then he took my heart.

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Then he took my all.

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A journey of coping with addiction and painful pasts complicated by vindictive exes, traitors, lies, betrayal, shockers, surprises and jealousy. Indie is in over had head and Alex’s head in no shape to handle her fragile heart. A love doomed...

“When I fuck you, Stardust you’ll scream so hard, the whole city will know I’m finally inside you.”

Eleven words to describe Alex Winslow aka The Little Prince: A-hole, brooding, mercurial, complex, broken, flawed, aloof, unpredictable, selfish, reflective and unforgettable.

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“His frown. His natural, bee-stung pout. Clean-shaven face, softened by youth but hardened by life.”

Eight words to describe Indigo Bellamy, Indie aka Stardust aka New Girl: Innocent, naive, responsible, broken, lonely, strong, reflective and vulnerable.

“I don’t want to fall in love with you,” she croaked. It wasn’t a statement as much as it was a plea.

Midnight Blue, told from dual POVs, is an opposite attracts against-all-odds-love. Apart they are two lost souls with demons, together they are dynamite; combustible, powerful and devastating. The story-telling is effortless with poetry from Alex’s song-writing during their travels. The sexual tension is palpable. Their love inevitable. Their destiny inescapable. Spectacular!

“Stardust was my main instrument. And it saddened me, because I knew I had to break her, too.”

Hero: ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

Heroine: ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

Plot: ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

Storytelling: ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

Sexual tension: ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

Sex scenes: ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

Story ending: ~ ~ ~ ~ ~1/2

OVERALL RATING: ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

Angst: | HIGH FOCUS |

Darkness: | MEDIUM FOCUS |

Humor: | LOW FOCUS |

Kink: | LOW FOCUS |

Romance: | HIGH FOCUS |

Sex frequency: | MEDIUM FOCUS |

Suspense: | MEDIUM FOCUS |

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Midnight Blue Keyblade

3 STARS

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Alex was like a knock off version of Vicious and Indigo was the thrift store version of Emilia from L.J. Shen's previous novel, Vicious. Now Vicious was the perfect asshole. Alex was a 5 year old having a temper tantrum asshole.

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There was that L.J. Shen flair that we have all grown to love and support within the book and I enjoyed that.

I'm going to do a quick summary of Midnight Blue with a few cliff notes of my own.

- * Alex is a rock star who's addicted to cocaine and booze.
- * Alex has an international tour coming up and his agent and manager need him to stay sober.
- * Indigo is hired as his "babysitter" to keep him away from drugs and alcohol.
- * Indigo is getting paid \$100,000 for the three month gig and she needs the money.
- * Indigo promises herself that she won't fuck him or whatever yet she let's him finger bang her within the first week or some shit like that.
- * When Alex tells Indigo to jump she thinks to herself, "No, I'm not going to do anything he says."
- * Her actions in that same moment ask, "How high?"
- * All of this goes on for about 75% of the book until revelations are made and Indigo can't finish the tour because Alex hurt her feelings.
- * Alex does decide to take a year to find himself while Indigo is moping around back home like a lost puppy dog. Until the day finally comes that Alex returns and gives her a 6 paragraph monologue and all is forgiven and right in the world.

Here's what really got me about Alex and Indigo's relationship "for more than 3/4 of the book Alex kept talking about how he wanted his ex-girlfriend back. He even told Indigo that shit 50 million motherfucking times. Bish. . . Bish. . . Bish. . . Let some man tell me he wants to fuck his ex all the fucking time while telling me that I have an expiration date. Y'all. . . Alex would have been knocked upside his rockstar head. Get the fuck out of here. All I could think was, "Where the fuck did they pick up this stupid ass little girl?" and "Where the fuck can we drop her ass back off?"

This bitch made a dress with lyrics from Alex's music sewn on in tiny squares. WTF?!?!?!?

Where do they do that shit at? Maybe she learned it at Groupies-R-Us. I told my sister that shit and she

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hung the phone up on me after laughing in my ear. I can't stand my sister "tramp. JK! That's my bitch!

Here's the question everybody wants to know. . .

Do I recommend this book? No, not really. Unless you are a die hard L.J. Shen fan. If you are new to her work, I say start with, Sinners of Saints Series.

Will I read another book by this author? Of course. Just because I didn't like one of her books doesn't take away how much I loved the other ones and I look forward to them.

Follow all things messy. . .

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"All true meanings are hidden. Life is full of secrets, and narrow-minded people, and sugar-coated, empty conversations that hold no weight. What's real is what's inside us. What's important is what we feel."

I'd been anticipating Midnight Blue ever since it was announced, not only because it is written by one of my favorite authors, but I had been dying for an amazing rock star romance, too. I knew if anybody could give it to me, it would be Leigh. I wasn't wrong either, because she knocked it "All true meanings are hidden. Life is full of secrets, and narrow-minded people, and sugar-coated, empty conversations that hold no weight. What's real is what's inside us. What's important is what we feel."

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As soon as I began reading, I was drawn in by the gorgeous writing. If there is one thing I love more than this author's ability to create asshole hero perfection, it's her incredible writing style. I highlighted almost the whole damn book, and I usually never highlight much if it all when I'm reading. How does she make even the most simple things sounds so alluring? It's witchcraft I'm telling you! Lol

Â Â Â Â "For three months. I have a signed contract to prove it, and now I'm going to take what's inside you and put it in my notebook, because I'm empty and you're full.

Â Â Â Â It was weird to say the truth out loud. The truth was meant to be whispered, not shouted,..."

Alex and Indie are characters that couldn't be more different. One is cocky, callous, rude, guarded, and

jaded, and the other is naive, sweet, down to earth, and selfless. Despite their differences, they do have something in common. Each is tortured in their own way. It's evident from the start that Indie is exactly what Alex needs to heal and grow, but as I kept reading, I found that he was exactly what she needed, too. It was fucking brilliant and beautiful in every way!

"He was no knight in shining armor, a far cry from a savior. He was just a broken, sad boy who was given a great gift that put him on display for the world to see and judge.

And that boy saved me.

Again."

I said a lot of shitty things about Alex up there, but that doesn't mean that I didn't love him. I absolutely did! Despite all his asshole bullshit, he was charming even when he didn't mean to be, caring even when he portrayed that he was the opposite, funny even when he wasn't trying, and talented both on the stage and in the bedroom. I adored the way he took things slowly with Indie because she wasn't as experienced as he was or ready to have sex right away. Somehow I don't see many rock stars being that patient.

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Not only did I like Alex for who he was, but I hurt for him, too. Everyone in his life seemed to want a piece of him because of his fame. It was hard for him to see who actually cared about him and who loved what he could give them. Even I wasn't sure who was who most of the time, and I can only imagine how painful that must be. His family was the worst. I wanted to kick them in the face and hug him until he couldn't breathe.

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“When I look at you, I see something broken that isn't worth fixing. And you look at me like I'm a cheap thing to replace the expensive one that's been stolen from you. See, we're all vases. And you're the one scattered on the floor, shattered beyond repair. So I'll let someone else pick you up. It's really that simple. Have fun with your temporary glue.”

Watching Alex's relationship with Indie evolve was a magnificent thing. Before he even realized it, he adored her. The way he valued her opinion and the degree to which she inspired him made it obvious. I could feel the way she touched his soul and reinvigorated him. She thawed his heart, and it warmed the hell out of mine.

Indie is easy to fall in love with. She's grounded, creative, sassy, smart, and loving. Most of all, I'm in awe of the way she always puts the people she loves before herself. I respect her so much for that. She is shockingly responsible for someone her age, and even if it's due to her circumstances, the way she

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worries about and takes care of her family makes me love the shit out of her. I wanted her to demand more from others too though and with time, she did. Indie was a pretty awesome chick from the get go, but her character developed into an even more spectacular human being by the end.

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"Once upon a time a mere mortal fell in love with a rock god. You probably know this is not a fairytale by now. Mortals and gods don't mix."

Midnight Blue is raw and emotional. The writing is breathtaking, the characters are endearing, the romance is beautiful, and the story is masterfully crafted. I know for a fact it will go on my list of favorite books of 2018. L. J. Shen never disappoints me, but this time she surpassed my expectations! If you are a fan of this author's work, phenomenal writing, assholes, and romance in general, I recommend this book to you!

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