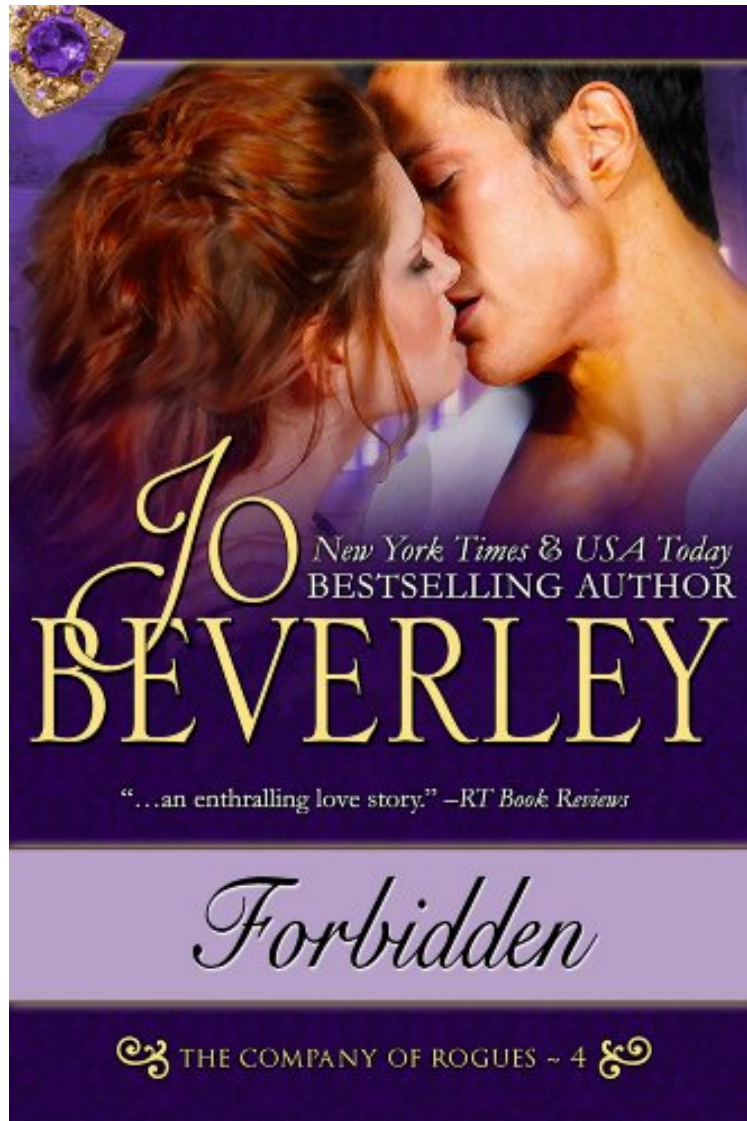


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Von Jo Beverley : Forbidden (The Company of Rogues Series, Book 4) (English Edition) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Forbidden (The Company of Rogues Series, Book 4) (English Edition):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen3 von 3 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Another "Rogues" book - good but not greatVon Helen HancoxJo Beverley's Regency romances are slightly different than

most - hers tend to have a little more of the seamier side of life and her female characters often suffer in the novels. The first book in the series, for example, has a rape; in this book our heroine, Serena Riverton, has had a particularly bad time. Married off at 15 to Lord Riverton, Serena finds herself imprisoned in an awful life where she is treated abominably as a sex slave by her husband. After eight years he dies but rather than this being the escape she hoped for she finds herself in the hands of her evil brothers who are trying to sell her to the highest bidder. She escapes the house with a small amount of money but knows her brothers will try to find her. Eventually when walking alone down a quiet road she is rescued from a storm by Francis Haile, Lord Middlethorpe, who is about to offer marriage to Lady Anne Peckworth but who is trying to find the man blackmailing his mother. Serena only really knows one way to thank Lord Middlethorpe for his kindness in helping her - the way that her husband has trained her to behave - but she gets rather more than she bargained for in Francis. He is torn between having her as his mistress but knowing he can't as he is about to offer marriage to someone else. In the end he takes her to stay with his Aunt Arabella whilst he and she decide what to do. Unfortunately for Serena events are taken out of their hands and her and Francis' relationship changes significantly. However there is much confusion and misunderstanding between them, as well as between Francis and his mother and her 'blackmailer'. Many of the characters from the other Rogues books appear in this story - Beth Arden looks after Serena, Nicholas and Eleanor Delaney also try to help, and Blanche the mistress appears again. I do find it rather difficult to believe that gently bred women would befriend a prostitute in such a way, especially when she was formerly the mistress of one of the women but I suppose this is fiction! This book relies on misunderstandings to move the plot along - neither Serena nor Francis ever really explains everything to the other and so they are partly to blame for their problems. However Serena's awful life has evidently affected her and she was written well as a nervous character who in some ways wants to return to her schooldays, who takes delight in a puppy but also behaves like a siren. Francis sometimes seemed rather weak and ineffectual to me but his good nature comes through clearly and he was an engaging character. It's an enjoyable read but, like the other rogues books I have read, doesn't quite rate five stars for me.

KurzbeschreibungThe death of her husband freed Serena Riverton from life as an abused sex-object. Now, her brother plans to sell her to another vile man. This time, Serena flees, but finds herself stranded and near penniless. When a passing gentleman offers help, Serena accepts, and develops a new plan: become a rich man's mistress so she can leave at any time. Believing herself barren, Serena initiates a passionate encounter with her rescuer. However, Francis, Lord Middlethorpe is already committed to a sweet-natured lady. He finds Serena refuge with an elderly relative, and must return to his life. Then Serena discovers she's pregnant. They have no choice but to marry, but assailed by Serena's scheming brothers, Francis's appalled relatives and Serena's painful past, is there any hope for the loving future they both seek? Please Note: Story contains references to the heroine's sexually abusive first marriage that some readers may find disturbing. **REVIEWS:**"Any woman would be able to understand Serenas horror... and her inability to trust" ~Romance s Today "Nobody does Regency better than Jo Beverley." ~Rendezvous "Ms. Beverley breaks just about every rule in the book and makes us beg for more in this enthralling love story." ~Romantic Times. **ABOUT Jo Beverley:**The NYT bestselling author of over thirty historical romance novels, all set in her native England in the medieval, Georgian, and Regency periods, Jo Beverley firmly believes that reading should be fun, and every book should leave the reader with a smile. You can find Jo on Facebook at www.facebook.com/jo.beverley and at www.wordwenches.com where she blogs regularly. **Kurzbeschreibung**The death of her husband freed Serena Riverton from life as an abused sex-object. Now, her brother plans to sell her to another vile man. This time, Serena flees, but finds herself stranded and near penniless. When a passing gentleman offers help, Serena accepts, and develops a new plan: become a rich man's mistress so she can leave at any time. Believing herself barren, Serena initiates a passionate encounter with her rescuer. However, Francis, Lord Middlethorpe is already committed to a sweet-natured lady. He finds Serena refuge with an elderly relative, and must return to his life. Then Serena discovers she's pregnant. They have no choice but to marry, but assailed by Serena's scheming brothers, Francis's appalled relatives and Serena's painful past, is there any hope for the loving future they both seek? Please Note: Story contains references to the heroine's sexually abusive first marriage that some readers may find disturbing. **REVIEWS:**"Any woman would be able to understand Serenas horror... and her inability to trust" ~Romance s Today "Nobody does Regency better than Jo Beverley." ~Rendezvous "Ms. Beverley breaks just about every rule in the book and makes us beg for more in this enthralling love story." ~Romantic Times. **ABOUT Jo Beverley:**The NYT bestselling author of over thirty historical romance novels, all set in her native England in the medieval, Georgian, and Regency periods, Jo Beverley firmly believes that reading should be fun, and every book should leave the reader with a smile. You can find Jo on Facebook at www.facebook.com/jo.beverley and at www.wordwenches.com where she blogs regularly. **Synopsis** Finally freed from a cruel, depraved husband, Serena Riverton wants nothing more to do with men or marriage. Fate and her brothers give her no choice, however, except to flee - into a storm, and into the arms of a stranger. Without friend or fortune, in a moment of recklessness, Serena seduces a handsome lord. But just one night together will start a sequence

of events that threaten to destroy them both. Francis, Lord Middlethorpe's life is planned and orderly, including marriage to Lady Anne Peckworth, a rich and suitable lady. But now he is haunted by memories of one passionate night and Serena, the wicked siren who tempted him with pleasures he had never known. Caught between duty and desire, will he risk his reputation and the respect of his world to claim her love?