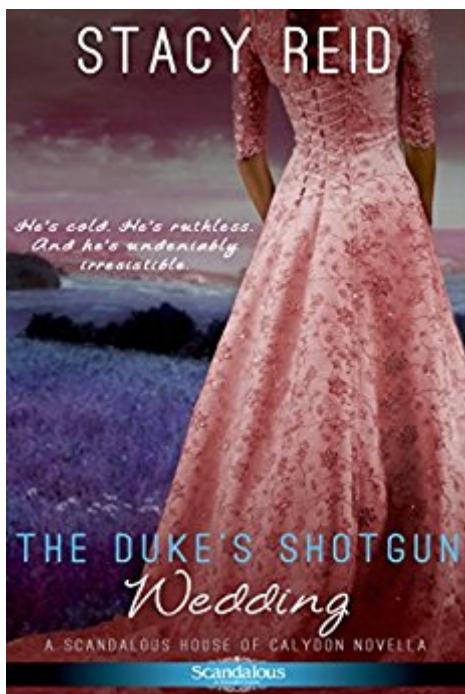


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# The Duke's Shotgun Wedding (Scandalous House Of Calydon Series)



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A 2015 Virginia Romance Writers HOLT Award of Merit recipient for outstanding literary fiction in the Romance Novella category. Victorian Era England... As far as rash decisions go, it was formidable. But Lady Jocelyn Rathbourne's will remains strong. If the only way to save her family's estate and reputation is by aiming a small pistol at the Duke of Calydon, then so be it. For Lady Jocelyn demands satisfaction - and she will have it at any cost. Even if it means demanding the hand of the intense and foreboding Duke himself... But she's made the first move against a very dangerous opponent... For Sebastian Thornton is no stripling to be trifled with. The lady has played her hand. Now it's his turn. For Sebastian is in need of a wife. And to find a wife with spirit and fire - even if she means to only marry for his money - would be a great prize indeed. And he intends to thoroughly take his pleasure with her... and demands his own satisfaction in return.

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Having checked out the other reviews, I am wondering if I read the same book as everyone else. I must have, because the characters' names in the other reviews are the same as those in the book I read. But I found this a particularly emotionless book. Oh yes, the heroine did her thing from time to

time, and the hero maintained his icy rage, but there was no emotional impact; no reach inside me and squeeze my guts with angst, hope, fear or passion. Even the sex scenes were rather cold-blooded and mechanical - but maybe this was because the hero was constantly conscious of his alter-ego's reaction to the heroine, and those reactions were so matter-of-factly stated, that they had as much impact on me as him saying he had a headache and sort of deadened me to any pizzazz that might have been when he got to bed the girl. Or maybe it was the girl going to see her family straight after the wedding, then coming home to her new husband after dining with her family? That was truly weird and not at all romantic. I found the inciting incident rather iffy. The heroine was no wilting miss who'd been compromised before Society. She had not even appeared in Society. A locket, gifted to her by the hero's brother, was presented as evidence of her being compromised by the hero's brother, but when kissed by the hero, he discovered she was an innocent. But this man whom we are supposed to believe has always been determined not to marry, and who has a very low opinion of women, decides to marry a girl he's never clapped eyes (or anything else) on before, even though he's already deduced that she is untruthful, and all because she dared to confront him in his own home with a derringer. Okay - I decided to suspend my disbelief and read on. The hero is no hero.

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