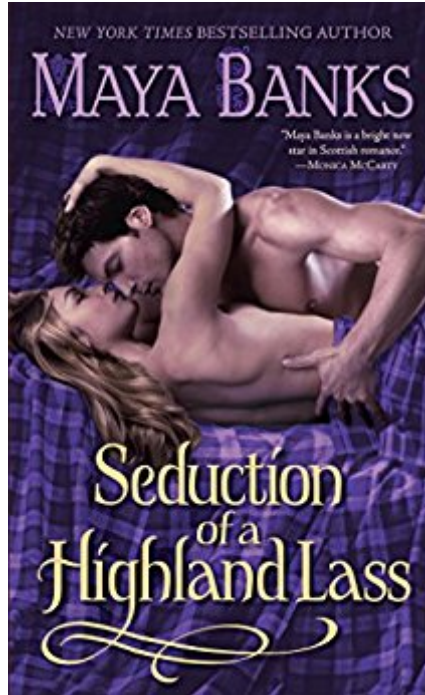


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Seduction Of A Highland Lass (The McCabe Trilogy Book 2)



Synopsis

Maya Banks, the New York Times bestselling author of romance and romantic suspense has captivated readers with her steamy Scottish historical novels, perfect for fans of Julie Garwood. In *Seduction of a Highland Lass*, an indomitable Highland warrior is caught between loyalty and forbidden love. A fiercely loyal to his elder brother, Alaric McCabe leads his clan in the fight for their birthright. Now he is prepared to wed for duty, as well. But on his way to claim the hand of Rionna McDonald, daughter of a neighboring chieftain, he is ambushed and left for dead. Miraculously, his life is saved by the soft touch of a Highland angel, a courageous beauty who will put to the test his fealty to his clan, his honor, and his deepest desires. An outcast from her own clan, Keeley McDonald was betrayed by those she loved and trusted. When the wounded warrior falls from his horse, she is drawn to his strong, lean body. The wicked glint in his green eyes ignites a passion that will follow them back to Alaric's keep, where their forbidden love draws them deeper into the pleasures of the flesh. But as conspiracy and danger circle closer, Alaric must make an impossible choice: Will he betray his blood ties for the woman he loves? From the Paperback edition.

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Customer Reviews

Alaric McCabe is all set to marry Rionna McDonald the heir to the McDonald's territory for the sake of his clan. A partnership between the McCabe's and the McDonald's would secure the territory needed to fight the coming war with Duncan Cameron. Alaric is resigned to his fate at least he will become laird of his own keep in the process. Unfortunately, Alaric and his men are ambushed on his way to the McDonald strong hold. Alaric survives only by the grace of God and the hands of a lovely angel. Keeley McDonald was banished from her clan when she was just a child. Since then she has made a home for herself and become known as a healer. When a warrior literally falls at her feet with a ghastly wound it is up to Keeley to save his life. She is determined to save this warrior's life for he calls to her like no other. As his brothers find Alaric in her home, they force her to come with them to see to his health. As Keeley slowly nurses her patient back to health she falls for the burly warrior and when Alaric awakens he wants only his beautiful angel. He's destined to marry another, yet fate has thrown him into the arms of another. Which will win fate or destiny? Find out in *Maya Banks Seduction of a Highland Lass*. I didn't think Ms. Banks could pull off another romance as enchanting as *In Bed with a Highlander* but I was so wrong! *Seduction of a Highland Lass* blew me away with its exquisite love story!! I honestly cannot recall when a novel has gotten to me so much that I was literally in turmoil thinking about the couple being torn apart. I started reading this at eleven at night and thought I'd just read a bit before I went to sleep but I couldn't put it down!

I love forbidden love/romangst tropes: you know, where there's some seemingly insurmountable reason that the hero and heroine can't be together, so their relationship is doomed, and the longing is so painfully delicious. This was such a book. Keeley and Alaric fall in love while she nurses him back to health after he shows up on her doorstep, barely conscious and bleeding to death. Alaric had long envied the loving relationship his elder brother Ewan has with his wife, Mairin (see book one of the McCabe Trilogy, *In Bed With a Highlander*), so it is all the more wrenching when he finds a similar love with Keeley, knowing she cannot be his lady. Alaric can't marry Keeley because he's already betrothed to Rionna McDonald, the daughter of a neighboring laird, and their eventual marriage is the key to an alliance that is critical not only for the interests of the McCabe and McDonald clans, but also to peace in the highlands, because the two clans need to be united to stand against the villainous Duncan Cameron as he plots to overthrow the king. The emotional torment on Keeley's side of the relationship ratchets up because Rionna is her cousin and best friend from childhood, and Keeley would not betray her (though Rionna has betrayed Keeley, by standing complicit when Rionna's parents banished Keeley from the McDonald clan years ago). In light of these circumstances, the lovers try to resist temptation (Keeley tries harder than Alaric, it

must be said), but their attraction is so powerful, it can't be denied though no good can possibly come of it.

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