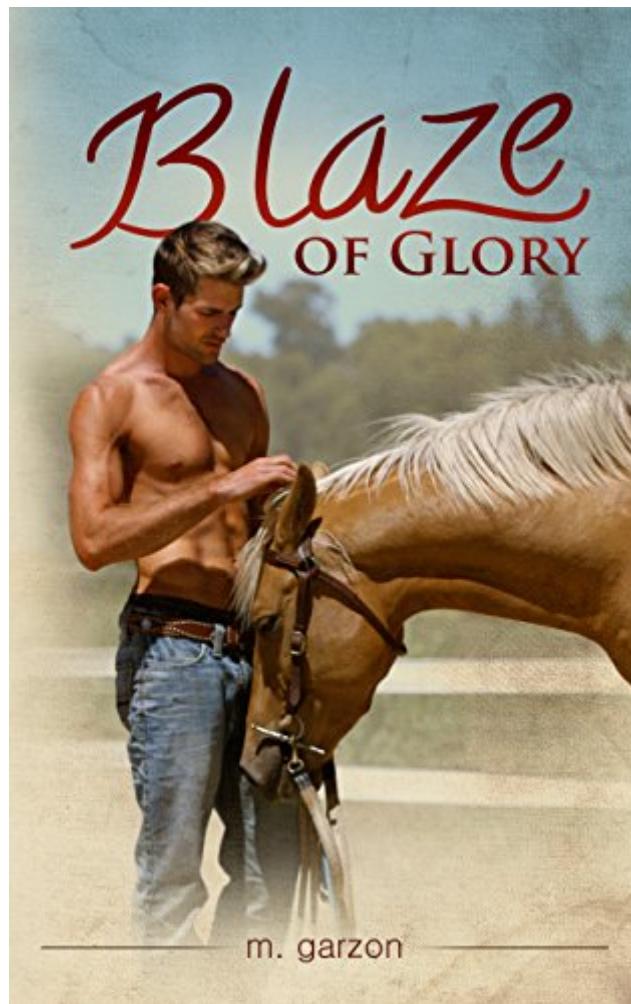


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Blaze Of Glory



Synopsis

What if you had to choose between the life that you love and the love of your life? Last year, I had it all. Two jumpers on the show circuit, a lot of wins, and a lot of attention - the good kind. But now I have nothing. My life is circling the drain. The only spark of light that exists for me is my new, forbidden passion. If my stepfather finds out, he will kill me. My twin brother, my only blood relative in the world, has already begged me not to. But I can't help myself. If it can't be horses, it has to be this! Read the horse world's favorite love story!

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Customer Reviews

This book succeeds as a "horse" book, a romance and a "growing up" story. The writing is crisp and descriptive, with just the right amount of nuance. I like the flow of the plot and how the various story lines come together. Garzon takes her time to develop the relationship between Tea and Jaden, and resists the temptation to make Declan into an unmitigatedly bad guy. All of the characters are a bit flawed, just like real people. The story never gets sappy or maudlin. As a rider, I enjoyed the

horse-related scenes, but I liked the polo scenes better than the jumping ones, perhaps because I know more about jumping and felt the latter were a little "dumbed down" for the non-riding audience. Those are minor quibbles though. The accident that opens up the book and sets the stage for the other events is very real and every horse owner's nightmare. This is an excellent "young adult" book, and a good story for readers of any age.

Blaze of Glory shares the story of Tea, a young teen living on a horse farm with her twin brother Seth and her stepfather. Tea is a typical teen, trying to navigate that awkward phase between child and adult that everyone experiences. Tea has experienced her share of personal tragedies and the reader joins her as she struggles with the most recent tragedies and her latest obsession. I admit when first asked to review this book, I was skeptical... teens... horses... Canada... but I'm glad I gave it a shot. I think many women can appreciate these young adult fiction books, after all - aren't many Twilight fans over the age of 18? Now while I hail from the "Horse Capital of the World" the extent of my horse knowledge is limited to placing a couple bets on Derby Day or skipping a day of work come spring to hang out in the grandstands and take in a race with friends, both of those activities having more to do with the social fun of drinks with friends than exercising my knowledge of horses. I'm not going to tell you that there aren't horses mentioned in the book, but the story is easy to understand and you don't need to be an aspiring jockey to understand the discussion. I've always found that any topic is ok in a book, as long as it enhances the story, Garzon proves this in Blaze of Glory. An interesting observation that I had about the book, the main character's vocabulary. While you won't necessarily need a dictionary to interpret what you are reading, I enjoy reading a story that gives the character a voice that demonstrates the potential a girl can have. I could go on a tirade here about how we continue to dumb down to communication skills of kids today, but that would take away from the book, so let's just say reading this book will remind you that it is okay to use grown up words when you speak! I found the book an easy read, you get wrapped up in the story quickly, and you'll probably identify with some of the emotions that Tea finds herself dealing with as she struggles to come to terms with how to be true to herself and not let down those she cares most about. I was provided a free digital copy of the book by the author, through Tomoson to review. The review and all opinions contained within are my own opinion and were not influenced by the author, publisher or affiliate marketer.

As is with most books I read, I find myself IN the story. I shut out everything around me and find myself feeling like I am right there with the main character. This particular story is written in first

person. Tea (pronounced Tay-a) Everson and her twin brother Seth live with their step-father; who adopted them when their mother fell ill with cancer. They board and train horses and ride them in competitions. Tea was given her horse, Blaze and they were inseparable for several years until tragedy struck. I actually FELT the pain when I read of the tragedy. Tea eventually starts riding again and is reintroduced to her cousin Jaden. Jaden is her first cousin through the adoption. She learns to play polo from Jaden- who has literally traveled the world playing and is well known in the polo world. They also fall in love. This book was so intriguing. I read for 3 solid hours to finish the last half of the book. It is a longer novel, but a great one. Blaze of Glory is to be picked up as a major TV series; one that I will be watching when it finally airs. Even if you don't like love stories, or stories about horses, there is SO much more to Blaze of Glory. I don't doubt that you will thoroughly enjoy this book!

When a horse is more to someone than a real life, find out what happens when everything changes for a whole family. Learn what happens when major rules are broken on a horse farm, and how these mistakes change the whole life of each individual involved. Can a teenage romance be more than just a fling? Okay, so here's my opinion. I love horse books, and this one was very intriguing. My instructions: read the prologue, if you are sucked in I highly suggest you buy the book (Kindle or printed versions available). Want to see more of my review, please check out Mom's Thumb Reviews.

I truly enjoyed the first half of this book. But what started out as a well written story about a young, talented rider with a troubled past and a gift for working with horses became a tedious romance where sex and drugs and dysfunctional families was the focus and were all treated with a laissez faire attitude. I thought the beginning was so good, it was a shame the author allowed it to fall apart.

Horses and a love story. Good read

Once I got reading this book, I could not stop. It is an amazing mix of horses, drama, romance and everything in between. When the main character (Tea) loses her horse in a tragic trailer accident, she falls into a deep depression. She loses her love for her horses, riding, and life all together. When she meets her cousin and gets to know him, he pulls her out of her depression and helps her get her life back on track. Although I first saw this book in Young Rider magazine advertised for 10-12 year olds, I quickly realized they were quite mistaken. The very small girl on the cover

suggests it is an appropriate book for younger readers. It is actually quite inappropriate. But if you can handle the more mature content, it is an overall amazing and enthralling book that can hold a reader's attention for days.

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