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digging her own grave landscaper nina quinn makes her living from surprise garden makeovers it s not her fault that someone duped her into digging up the wrong yard and she certainly can t be blamed when her handiwork turns the unsuspecting real owner apoplectic and he drops dead from a heart attack can she nina s got enough trouble already with her divorce from faithless hubby kevin nearing completion and her unruly stepson up to his teenage neck in possibly illegal mischief now she s in danger of losing her business but there s something screwy about this rather convenient accidental death of a man whom apparently no one could stand not even the grieving widow who s threatening to sue nina s overalls off to save her livelihood and her skin nina s going to have to dig deeper into the dirt than she ever has before and see what sort of slimy secret things crawl out

can one illicit night lead to the love of a lifetime in this hope children's hospital story senior pediatric surgeon alice baxter believes she II never conceive so is stunned to find she s pregnant after one spontaneous night with colleague marco ricci she might be his buttoned up boss but their chemistry is off the charts and when marco whisks alice to his family s italian castello she discovers he s determined to claim both his baby and her heart too hope children's hospital miniseries book 1 their newborn baby gift by alison roberts book 2 one night one unexpected miracle by caroline anderson look out for the next two books coming soon book 3 the army doc s christmas angel by annie o neil book 4 the billionaire s christmas wish by tine beckett ms anderson has penned a delightful read filled with plenty of emotion that at times made me laugh smile or want to cry and where the chemistry between this couple was powerful the way this story ended left me completely satisfied as this pair definitely deserved their happy ending harlequin junkie on the midwife s longed for baby bound by their babies is a sweet inspirational story of friendship and second chances a book that will yank at any reader s heartstrings goodreads

an inconvenient desire growing up in the midst of her parents fraught union surgical nurse lise bradshaw has never wanted nor needed a man by her side until a sensual chance encounter with dr dante valentino on the dance floor of a miami club sparks a full blown passionate affair leading to a shock proposal dante knows what he wants a family and what he doesn t love but as the fire

blazes between him and beautiful lise he realizes that he s inconveniently falling for his convenient fiancée

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raphael s heart was lost until he found maggie again brooding surgeon dr raphael boucher finds his way to sydney and the one woman he could never forget working together it s clear maggie louis is the only one who can make him feel alive again but first raphael must return to paris and resolve his past before they can finally be together

a single mother is drawn to a handsome italian doctor while on work assignment in italy in this medical romance burned in love dr matteo di salvo knows he should stay away from single mother rose palmer but as he gets to know the beautiful english archaeologist he longs to chase the shadows from her eyes rose is drawn to the handsome radiologist though after her disastrous marriage getting emotionally entangled is out of the question but as the sun drenched island of sicily works its magic she wonders if she s finally found a man she can trust with her heart and her son

my friends are missing because i threw caution to the wind and had a one nightstand our first night in colombia what was i thinking what was supposed to be the vacation of a lifetime became an impossible rescue mission thank god for miguel the one nightstand jessie ran into after her friends disappeared miguel has an answer for everything but can he help jessie save her friends or is he the reason they went missing in the first place

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an elegantly written exploration of the cutting edge science of the strangest and most remarkable creatures on our planet by a leading marine biologist hundred year old giant clams coral kingdoms that rival human cities and jellyfish that glow in the dark ocean invertebrates are among the oldest and most diverse organisms on earth seeming to bend the rules of land based biology although sometimes unseen in the deep the spineless creatures

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