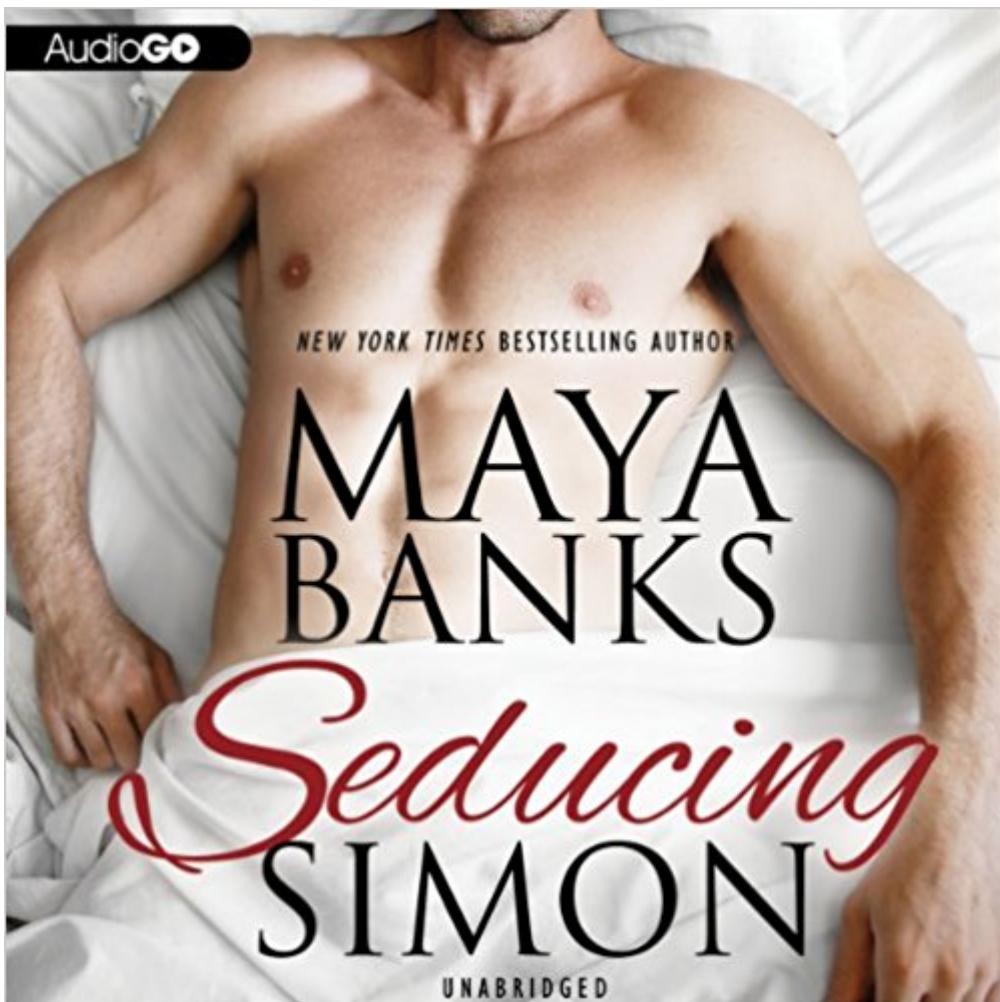


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Seducing Simon



Synopsis

[Read by Rebecca Mitchell] Toni Langston has been in love with Simon, her best friend, for years. The night Simon breaks up with his longtime girlfriend, he and Toni make love. Toni is devastated and humiliated when, in the heat of the moment, he calls her by his girlfriend's name. The next morning, Simon remembers nothing of the previous night and Toni is only too relieved not to remind him. Two months later, she discovers she's pregnant. She wants Simon to love her, apart from any obligation he might feel because of the baby. So she embarks on a quest to seduce her best friend, to make him see her as more than a little sister, to make him love her as much as she loves him. It works. Maybe too well. Now when things are perfect, she faces telling him of the secret she's kept.

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Book Reviews

MAYA BANKS lives in Texas with her husband, three children, and assortment of pets. When she's not writing, she can be found hunting, fishing, or playing poker.

After looking at the reviews, I had anticipated reading a great book.....but truthfully, it never materialized. The plot had potential but it fell flat. Characters underdeveloped and story line was slow and hard for me to continue reading. I kept anticipating a lurch forward but...nope? If you don't read a lot of books and are lacking any current comparisons, maybe it would work. Unfortunately,

there are many, many excellent books out there that deserve the high rating, but this is not one of them. It is an HEA. I always really try to finish books. I should have put this one down early in the read. Like drinking flat soda. Sorry but I give honest reviews. Move on to the next choice.

I'm in the minority here.... because I thought the book was okay, but certainly nothing special. The living circumstances were unique but the catalyst that began the journey was difficult to believe.... a man not remembering ANYTHING about having sex? I thought the story dragged while the h had a internal struggle w/telling the father he was going to be a father..... I mean it dragged on & on, with little real purpose. She was described as a "strong woman" but she didn't have a backbone?!?! It had too pat an ending w/zero conflict except for the h not trusting the man she supposedly loves. The heat was minimal w/most left to the imagination... which is okay if that's your taste. This was basically a romance/love story w/ no conflict but a lot of drama... just saying. Not sure if I'd try another of Banks' books, this one was on sale for a dollar.... but didn't live up to the hype I read about her abilities.

None of my favorite authors really write secret baby stories. I used to read a lot of Harlequin books, and secret babies abounded. I decided to look around for one, and the reviews on here made it seem like a good book. It wasn't. The story dragged on too long, and the heroine was just childish and annoying. The hero was just a soggy cardboard cutout, the author never gave him any swoon-worthy qualities. I'm sorry, folks, I don't expect adult characters to play high school level games-"If I make him jealous he'll fall for me!" At no point did I feel a connection to the characters that had me rooting for them. I have an honest question, are all the good reviews on books like this done by friends of the author? I feel like some of us didn't even read the same book.

I have been looking for a secret baby book for a long time now, well one that I think actually works/plays out well. And truth be told this book had a lot of good recommendations out there, and I know Maya Banks is a well known author so I figured this would be a good place to start when looking for the secret baby theme. Truth be told, I am not sure how I feel about this book. I know I didn't love it, but I also didn't hate it either, in the end, I think for me, it was too easily forgettable and didn't capture my attention the way I wanted it to. So the problem with secret baby books is that the heroine in question comes off as looking like the bad guy a lot of times, I mean what kind of woman intentionally keeps the father of her child away from the child. It's always a shock to the guy, and it always makes sense that

he would be super pissed. Unless of course the author is able to give the woman some kind of plausible reason why the guy never finds out (one night stand, guy moves away, that kind of thing). The biggest problem I had with this book was that Toni and Simon live together. She gets pregnant from a drunken night (on Simon's part not hers) and he doesn't remember. But Toni knows it happened, and when she turns up pregnant, she tells everyone that she is in fact pregnant, but refuses to say who the father is. So all Simon knows is his best friend is knocked up, but doesn't know its his. It's really awkward to read. And the vast majority of the time I felt like shaking the crap out of Toni for not telling him. Yeah it would have been awkward/weird since the situation was no ideal, but still. I really didn't have too many feelings about Simon. He seems like a pretty solid guy. He's supportive of Toni, but is of course upset about the whole secret down the line, which I think was understandable. Honestly the guy I had the most visceral feelings about was Toni's brother, Matt. Matt basically loses his s**t when he finds out the truth, and honestly I agree that Toni shouldn't have kept the secret, but Toni is his sister, and to lose it on her, was just kind of messed up. Especially given the fact that she's pregnant. All in all, I don't think the book was for me. I didn't have a big connection with Toni and I think for me that made the story too much on the forgettable side. This wasn't a secret baby story that I wanted it to be, so in the end, I think the book was just okay.

Maya makes six figures now. While I know this was her first release from way back when, clearly it got a new cover and all of her other books and various reviews got added so why in the world couldn't it receive a new edit? This manuscript contains very simple grammatical errors that can be expected with a first release. But Maya's a pro now. Why didn't someone go back through this and polish it appropriately? While the story is solid, the errors are distracting and disappointing.

I have had this book on my wishlist for some time because I've heard so much about it in the Romance Forum. Maybe I was expecting too much after hearing about it for so long, but I was rather disappointed. It's the story of two friends, who are roommates (along with two others). Toni has been in love with Simon forever, and one night, while he was drunk, they slept together. Now she's pregnant, and he doesn't even remember. Toni seemed incredibly immature and unrealistic to me. It's not just that she had little life experience, but it seemed like she was a completely passive person until her pregnancy, and Simon just didn't have much personality. While they obviously

cared for each other, the main story revolves around the mutual attraction that is only hindered by an almost total lack of communication. When they do finally hook up, the relationship seemed awkward and uncomfortable, and not in that fun way that romance novels can be, but more in a manner that made me feel awkward reading. All in all, the romance between Toni and Simon was really just rather okay.

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