

Re/Bound by Michele Zurlo

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Working undercover for the FBI, agent Malcolm Legato's mission is to infiltrate the Synder Corporation for clues regarding Scott Yataines's disappearance. Knowing his best bet is to become friendly with Scott's girlfriend, Darcy Markovich, Malcolm angles to meet Darcy at a public speaking engagement. Back stage, Malcolm sees Darcy trying to talk herself into speaking, and recognizes she's a submissive. Watching her tugs at Malcolm's dominant tendencies and he provides welcomed stress relief, giving Darcy the confidence to carry on. After the speech, Malcolm introduces himself as Theo Stevenson and wheedles his way into her bed and heart. What will happen when Darcy finds out his mission and feels he played her for a fool?

Michele Zurlo knocks out a super-charged BDSM novel in Re/Bound. From its opening pages, Ms. Zurlo's characterizations of both Darcy and Malcolm sucked me in, making me stay up well into the night reading their story. I couldn't help but feel for the deeply submissive Darcy who's got quite a masochistic streak to find closure in her life and a reason to love again. When Malcolm provides that sense of peace at her speaking engagement, it was only a matter of time and place for her to fall under his spell.

Darcy is a wonderful submissive who truly gives of herself and craves the need to belong to as well as fully please her Master. She has no inkling Malcolm is just using her to gain entrée into Victor Synder's inner circle. When he's in "Dom" mode, Malcolm is a demanding dominant, truly understanding her need to not only submit but engage in rough play. He's a great sadist to her masochist, making me squirm at times, demanding her complete and total submission. Early on, he pushes Darcy's limits, making her come clean with her fears of bondage, freeing her to experience an unparalleled ecstasy she had never experienced with Scott. Darcy revels under his mastery and loves the quiet strength of this new Dom in her life.

Malcolm hates the role he must play with Darcy because deep down he knows when she discovers his subterfuge, their relationship will end. He knows Darcy is the one for him and when the inevitable revelation happens, determines he will not give up the love of his life without a fight. Bravo, Ms. Zurlo, you make me fall in love over and over again with memorable characters who make kink a vital part of their lives. If you love emotionally kinky journeys that will push your boundaries, I urge you to pick up Michele Zurlo's Re/Bound today!