

Re/Bound by Michele Zurlo

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Heat Level:M/F, oral sex, anal play, bondage, toys, graphic language Rating: Darcy's fiancé and master, Scott, is presumed dead but his body has not been found. Both his family and hers believed that Scott was abusive and that gave the cops plenty of motive, or so they think. Darcy has always contended that Scott did not abuse her; however all either family sees are the occasional bruises that she is unable to hide. Agent Malcolm Legato is after a corrupt businessman and who happens to be Darcy's friend and current client. He needs a way to get close to his mark and Darcy is the key. Using his undercover name Theo, he comes upon Darcy giving herself a pep talk and learns that Darcy is in fact a submissive. This information puts a new spin on the information the police have about her relationship with Scott and gives "Theo" a way to help Darcy and be a part of her life. As the relationship between Darcy and Theo takes a sexual turn, will Darcy forgive Theo when the truth about who and what he is comes out?Re/Bound by Michele Zurlo was my first experience with this author and I must say that I enjoyed the experience. I found myself liking both Theo and Darcy. Ms. Zurlo also gave me an appreciation and understanding of someone who was into a sadomasochist relationship. Darcy needs pain but is afraid of bondage. Theo can dole out pain but prefers bondage. As the two blend their needs, the reader was allowed to see what Darcy needed and what pushing her boundaries would mean. Ms. Zurlo took something that for me felt extremely sensitive and uncomfortable and made it reasonable. You knew from the beginning that the relationship between Theo and Darcy was a train wreck; I mean how could it not with the underlying lie, but you could feel the inevitability of it. I was rooting for them to be the exception even on such a weak foundation. The emotions were raw but did not overwhelm the story. The chemistry was off the charts and the sex was passionate. I enjoyed this well written story and look forward to reading more from this author.