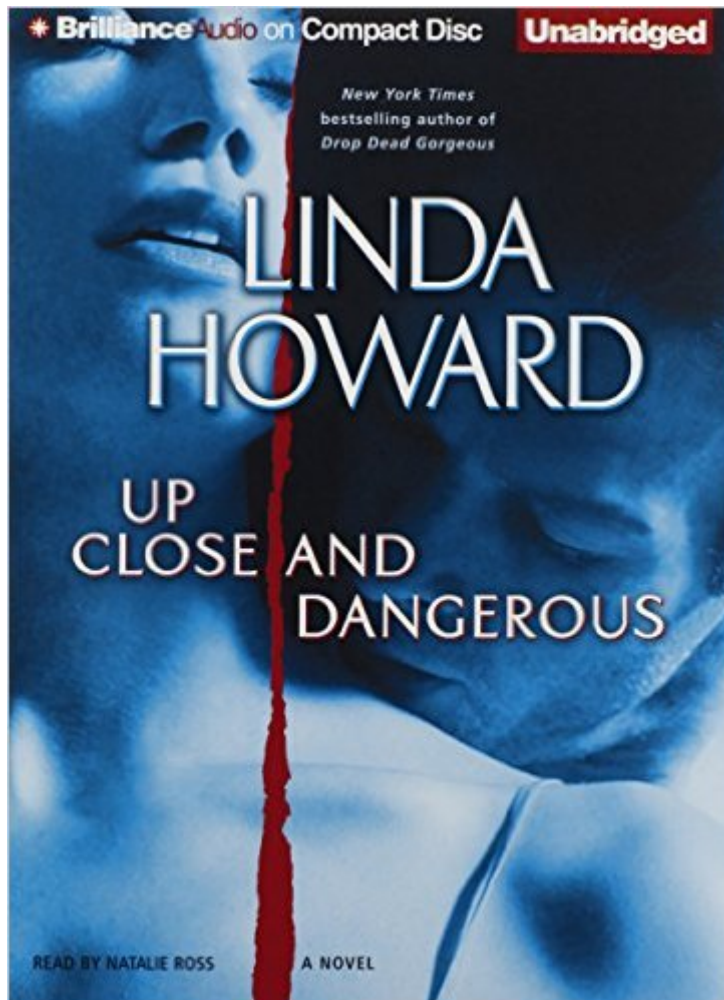


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Up Close And Dangerous: A Novel



Synopsis

Bailey Wingate's scheming adult stepchildren are surprised when their father will leave Bailey in control of their fortune, and war ensues. A year later, while flying from Seattle to Denver in a small plane, Bailey nearly dies herself when the engine sputters and then fails. Cam Justice, her sexy Texan pilot, manages to crash-land the aircraft. Stranded in the wilderness, and struggling to douse her feelings for the ruggedly handsome man by her side, Bailey begins to wonder whether this was a mere accident. Sure enough, upon her return to civilization, Bailey's suspicions mount: Who tampered with their plane? Who's trying to reunite Bailey and her husband in the afterlife? Trusting her life and heart to Cam, Bailey must outwit a killer who will stop at nothing to finish the job.

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Customer Reviews

While this book is not as bad as Linda's last hardcover effort, "Cover of Night," it really is not worth the hardcover price. Case in point.....it wasn't that good. However, I'm stating this based on previous stories like, Kill and Tell, After the Night and Dying to Please. But, quite honestly, she hasn't written a story like that in a long time. So, if we compare it to her last few hardcover efforts, "Cover of Night," and "Kiss Me While I Sleep" to name a few, it was a vast improvement. Go figure. Actually, "Up Close & Dangerous" was not that bad. It was just missing some of Linda's original flair. Quite simply, it was missing that "secret ingredient" that makes Linda's stories, Linda's. For me, the novel was a pretty slow read. I've had it for a few days and kept putting it down. I had a

hard time getting into it, and only finished it so I can start on some other stories. It was kind of boring and I found myself skimming through much of the book. The main characters, Cam and Bailey are involved in a plane crash. Cam was flying Bailey to Denver where she was vacationing with relatives. However, the plane had been sabotaged, crashing into the mountains. It was only Cam's extreme piloting skills that allowed them both to survive the crash. In typical Linda fashion, the romance was fast and hard. They were together 24 hours a day for several days, about six, I think. Their romance went from 0 to 60, literally. I guess I can kind of understand them falling for each other, especially considering the extreme circumstances they had been subjected to. But, before the crash, they barely tolerated each other. After the crash, they were professing their love for each other and contemplating marriage in the span of sayyyyyy.....4 to 5 days.

Bailey Wingate had no idea what she was in for when she married her boss James. There was plenty of respect between them when she was his personal assistant, but never love. She entered into this marriage knowing it would be her responsibility to oversee his children Seth and Tamsen's trust funds. James had everything planned perfectly before he died, and Bailey took her responsibility very seriously. She was also well provided for, but that didn't take the place of a husband and family. She was still close to her brother, and had planned a two-week trip to meet him along with his wife in Colorado to go white water rafting. Since she was a Wingate, she had access to their private plane, and was excited by the prospect of some peace and quiet with her family. Her pilot for this trip was supposed to be the normal Wingate pilot Brett Larson, but he was feeling ill, so Cameron Justice was taking his place. Bailey was dreading the time she would have to spend with Justice because he made no secret that he disliked her. Just another person that thought she had married for money and had taken advantage of an ill man. When they had been into their flight for a couple of hours, the plane started experiencing problems. Bailey was alarmed right away, but Justice seemed to have done something to correct it, so she calmed. All of a sudden he was having control problems, and told her to take precautions because they were going down. When Bailey came to, she was groggy, but remembered enough to know she needed to get herself and Justice out of the plane. He appeared to be unhurt anywhere with the exception of the gash in his head. Bailey struggled to get to the first aid kit, and when examining the cut, was horrified to see it would need stitches.

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