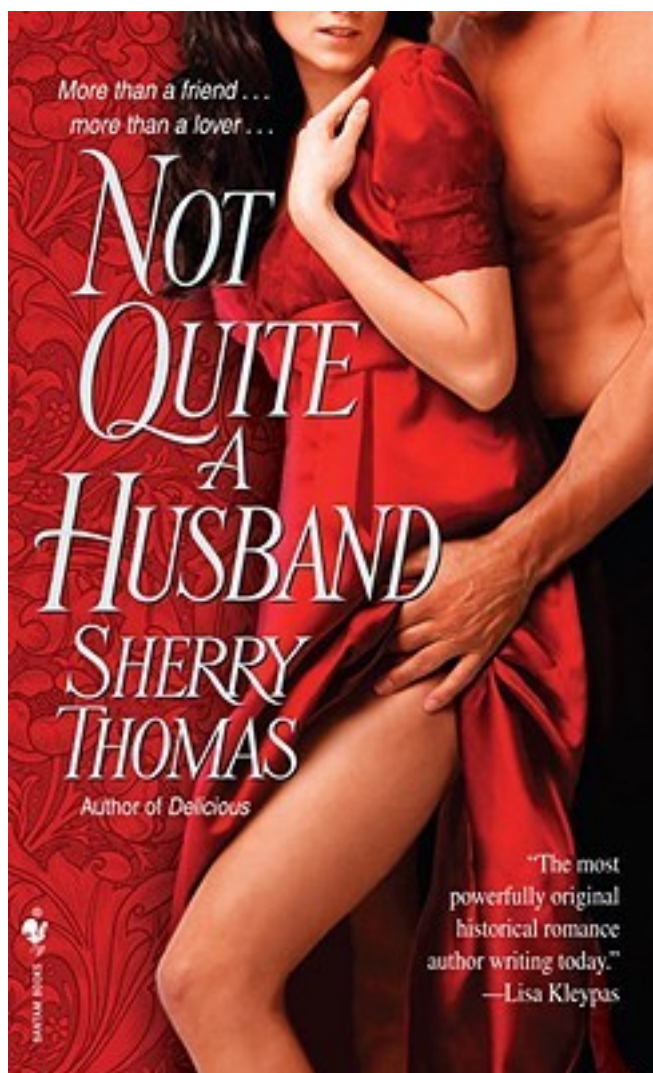


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## Sherry Thomas

### Not Quite a Husband (The Marsdens #2)



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## Description

Their marriage lasted only slightly longer than the honeymoon—to no one's surprise, not even Bryony Asquith's. A man as talented, handsome, and sought after by society as Leo Marsden couldn't possibly want to spend his entire life with a woman who rebelled against propriety by becoming a doctor. Why, then, three years after their annulment and half a world away, does he track her down at her clinic in the remotest corner of India?

Leo has no reason to think Bryony could ever forgive him for the way he treated her, but he won't rest until he's delivered an urgent message from her sister—and fulfilled his duty by escorting her safely back to England. But as they risk their lives for each other on the journey home, will the biggest danger be the treacherous war around them—or their rekindling passion?

## Insightful reviews

Iliada: Oh my God! How can two people be in love and hurt each other so much? To me this book was tragic, made even more so by the fact that they both truly loved each other. ([view spoiler](#)). I wanted to yell at Leo: "You did that, you brought this to yourself", but Bryony wasn't blameless either. So yeah, I didn't find this book pleasant, I didn't enjoy reading it, there were things that made me want to cry my eyes out and things that made me want to cry out in frustration, but it got to me and Sherry Thomas is an amazing storyteller.

*P.S.: I didn't enjoy the setting of the book (India), but that's just a matter of personal taste.*

Absolute favourite quote:

([view spoiler](#))["br"]>["br"]>["br"]>["br"]>["br"]>["br"]>["br"]>["br"]>["br"]>["br"]>

Beanbag Love: The main two reasons I bought this book were the good reviews and it wasn't an anti-free market price fix by one of the greedy publishers that have become my arch nemeses. After a few chapters, however, I wondered what I'd gotten myself into.

The first part of the book is very staid. A married couple who simply can't communicate. A heroine you want to drop off a cliff she's so bitter and hurtful. It takes a tad too long to find out why she behaves the way she does. I really had developed a strong hatred of her by the time of the reveal so I wasn't completely moved by the cause. Thankfully, the author is adept at giving both characters a heavy dose of soul searching and a situation where they can't do anything but finally talk to each other candidly.

This is a real "Can This Marriage be Saved?" storyline and I really wondered how/if it would work. But it did, and beautifully. About halfway through, the relations began to thaw and I started to believe the chemistry. By the end of the book I was enthralled and I have to say I really loved it. Those first chapters are extremely rough, though, and they cost the book a full star.

This book didn't make me LOL, but it did make me smile and it also made me cry. There's a lot

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to like here and it's a unique (for historical romance) time frame and setting -- turn of the 19th to 20th century in India. The book is all about these two, though. No real subplots going on, but I didn't really miss that. I look forward to reading the rest of this author's short backlist and grabbing up whatever she comes up with next.

Jan: AS new\_user said, even better than [Private Arrangements](#).

I think I'm a sucker for romances with a second chances theme, mostly because the characters have a history together, and overcoming mistakes you made yourself is always the hardest.

I love Sherry Thomas' unconventional heroines, both in their profession and interests, but also in their personalities. I also love how her characters make true mistakes that are very hard to overcome. Relationships take work and a lot of communication, and the people you love are the people who have the most power to hurt you. I love seeing how 2 people come to realize that they still love each other, and then start working on how to repair what went awry and regain each others trust and affection.

It was truly swoon worthy.

Added to that, the setting is quite awesome. It was what made me hesitate to read this at first, because it's so unfamiliar terrain for me, but I adored the traveling, especially because it was shown as the hardship it must have been at the time. The whole uprising plot was very interesting and intriguing as well, and I applaud Sherry Thomas for making the dangerous circumstances something that helped to overcome the differences between Leo and Bryony, but it didn't completely solve them. I think violent conflicts are too often used as a deus ex machina, where I don't always buy that the H/h will be able to have a HEA in normal circumstances. I'm so glad that Thomas didn't do that here.

I think Sherry Thomas is now firmly on my autobuy list, and I'm looking forward to the books of her I haven't read yet. Highly recommended.

Feminista: there has been an excessive amount of angst during this book. i could not deal with it. Also, the hero cheats on her, whereas engaged to her. I did not like how the hero had selected to disregard his act of indiscretion. And it by no means happens to him that she could have discovered approximately it (although, it's true, that it was once not likely that the heroine might stumble upon the scene as she did). yet he's so definite that he has handled her good and enjoyed her thoroughly, that he chooses to, if no longer ignore, then put out of your mind that he did her wrong. For example, that scene the place her father comes by means of to overcome him up for hurting his daughter, he tells her that he has handled her well?!?! there has been no judgment of right and wrong or guilt over what he did. That angered me virtually up to the truth that he cheated. It may be acknowledged that they have been "only" engaged. yet what if the heroine did a similar to him? could he have idea it was once an ignorable act? Having stated that, I mellowed out a bit, due to how determined he used to be for her. That scene the place he has malaria.. XD

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Kelly22: 4.5 stars - historic romance Not particularly a Husband is a 3rd Sherry Thomas novel which concentrates on ex-lovers who had a worrying prior of miss-understanding and confusion which used to be just a little as a result of their loss of communication. Leo Marsden who used to be 4 years junior to Bryony Asquith used to be her neighbor all through their childhood. whereas turning out to be up Leo nurtured extreme emotions for Bryony which she by no means was once conscious of. After Leo grew up he turned a proficient mathematician and disbursed his services to varied universities. Bryony studied drugs and have become a miles infrequent girl surgeon in the course of these times. in the future as a result of a night of heated second of passion, Bryony proposed Leo to marry her on a whim. Leo couldn't locate any cause to refuse her and so they have been married nearly immediately. However, their marriage wasn't a cheerful one. Bryony proved to be a truly chilly spouse all through which was once challenging for Leo to accept. eventually in the future Bryony requested Leo's suggestions for granting them an annulment in order that they may stay their existence individually which he accepted. Now the tale starts off 4 years after their annulment while Bryony practices her clinical at quite a few nations and eventually India. Leo locates her as a way to inform her that her father used to be ailing and that she needs to accompany Leo to England. She concurs unwillingly and so they set for a dreadful trip from India to England. in the course of their trip in quite a few moments together with Leo falling sick and Bryony nursing him, the former couple eventually acts upon the a lot wanted conversation which used to be absent in them from the start to tackle their false impression and errors out of happenstance. A attractive romance evolves while the couple proceeds to behave of their name of actual ardour and finally name out their loss of belief and dependence on every one other. In such moments, many mysteries and untold anecdotes evolve which makes them determine and become aware of one another and their courting to a complete new level. What will happen? Will they manage to triumph over their prior turmoil and overcome their demons? I chanced on it to be a really bizarre but pleasurable romance tale with suitable and plausible hero and the heroine. I simply enjoyed Leo (:D), who proved to be a robust personality and used to be relentless in his pursuit of constructing the heroine discover her error and establish her emotions in the direction of him. At one point, either one of them launched into to admire one another and try and be civil in each one other's presence which was once absent before. this can be the place the tale will get interesting. the affection scenes are passionate and are profitable to acquire the H/h's ardour and romance for the story. The ebook begins sluggish initially and is punctiliously descriptive portraying a variety of ancient settings, cultures and geographical destinations in its course. Due to its narrative nature of geographical settings, i discovered it a piece lengthy and impatient now and then and accordingly will provide it a 4.5 rating. another way i want to say, it's a excellent tale with a powerful author, an emotional (and heart-breaking sometimes) account, genuine characters and robust dialogues. will certainly learn her different books!!!

Kinga: it truly is this time of the yr back whilst I needed to learn a few girly porn. Sherry Thomas is considered one of my favorite girly porn writers. She is basically particularly clever, and he or she spends a bit extra time construction her characters than your common romance writer. "Not really a Husband" is all approximately forgiving and trusting, simply because even rushing romance heroes make mistakes. it is also approximately awaiting not anything in need of perfection out of your different part and the way it'll make you sad ultimately (an concept that avid romance readers may need a troublesome time accepting). Other than that, it is similar to the other porn. It has a few type of unbelievable backstory (the lady types of plumbers coming

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to mend the pipes and finishing up screwing the woman of the home or lecturers having to self-discipline their students), and lots of excellent intercourse scenes. 'Not relatively A Husband' used to be specific due to abundance of sleep-fucking scenes. I swear, this merely occurs in porn video clips and romance books. One night, our heroine wakes up climaxing along with her ankles up at the hero's shoulders. How? How may possibly you sleep via that?? another time our heroine offers the hero a blow activity whereas he's sleeping. He merely wakes as much as trap her wiping her lips whilst it's all over. that is simply bollocks. They consistently wake up! Always!

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