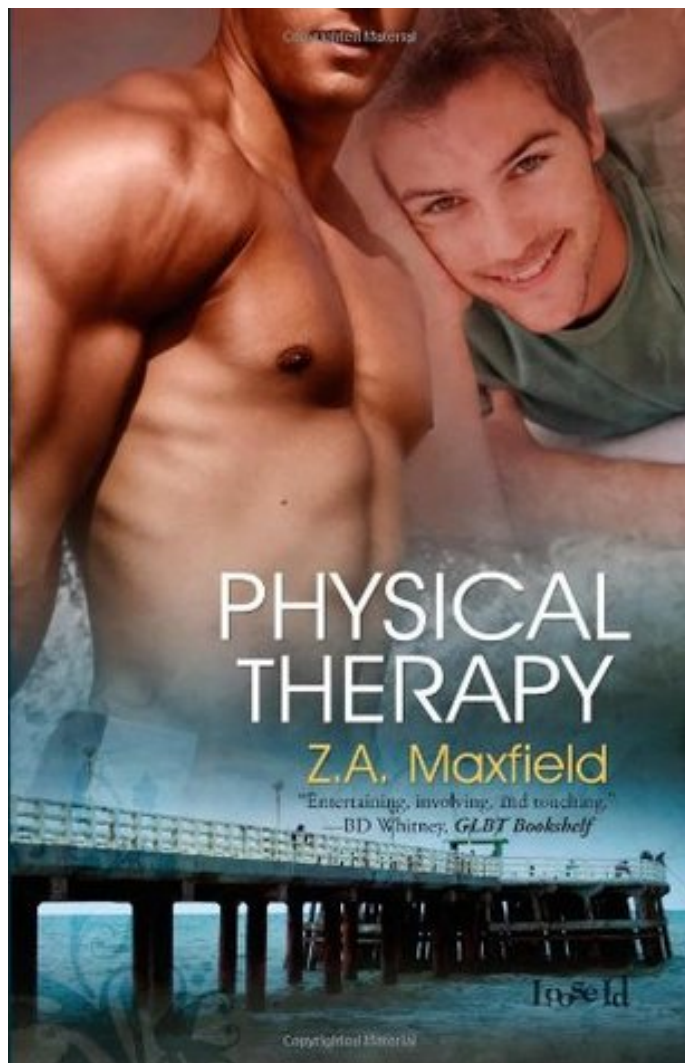

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Description

For reasons they can't explain, Ken and Jordan are drawn together, each finding in each other the thing they most need.

When Jordan Jensen moves to St. Nacho's he has one goal in mind: starting over. He wants to reconnect with best friends Cooper and Shawn yet is uncertain of his welcome. He has the skills to get a job, but isn't sure any prospective employer can get past the time he spent in jail for alcohol-related vehicular homicide. He's past the worst part of his life but knows it will haunt him forever. So Jordan plans a life of quiet service. One thing he knows for sure: finding love is entirely too much to ask.

On the first day of his new job, Jordan meets Ken Ashton. Ken has every reason to hate Jordan for his past: Ken's baseball career was shattered in a drunk-driving accident. But for some reason he can't explain, Ken needs Jordan's touch and finds healing within Jordan's warmth and strength.

Without entirely understanding it, Ken and Jordan develop a powerful emotional and erotic connection, but Ken must help Jordan find the faith to trust it. Unexpected help comes from the people of Santo Ignacio--and the town itself--a place where *Physical Therapy* can be a path toward spiritual healing and powerful, passionate love.

Publisher's Note*This book contains explicit sexual content and includes anal play/intercourse and male/male sexual practices.*

Insightful reviews

Heather C: I think I liked this story better than the 1st. My only issue is that everything felt rushed. A lot of stuff happened in such a short span of time, it didn't seem realistic. But enjoyed the read

Elizabeth H.: I'm disappointed in this book, as it had been highly recommended to me by a friend. It's not like I don't like lots of gay romances, I really do, but it seems I've picked up two in a row now that just didn't do it for me. Hoping I'll adore the next one I read.

Anyway, *Physical Therapy* took a lot of short cuts. I was *told* quite a lot how attractive the two protagonists thought each other was without being shown it in a realistic way. Part of that is how short this novel is, as I felt Jordan's determination to stay away from Ken much more strongly than I felt his pull toward him.

The compression of time (the most important parts of this novel happen in a few days) is a writerly short-cut and cop-out that I don't have a lot of patience with. It's a lot harder to write a relationship that grows over a few months or even a few weeks than the few days in real time that the author allotted to Jordan and Ken. I felt the escalation of their attraction as well as the

friendship Jordan made with Izzy was frankly unrealistic. How long had it been since Jordan walked into St. Nacho's before his attack? I believe four days. Something close to that. I get how St. Nacho's represents some out-of-body experience and otherworldly place, but there's mainly just a hint of that with the majority of the emphasis placed on realism. If that's the case, then I think the author really needed to give me realistic emotions, realistic progression of time, and a more realistic presentation of friendships made.

Finally, Jordan's need to be dominated/punished/guided jumped out about two-thirds of the way through without nary a hint it had been there, lurking. While I liked to a certain extent how the author pulled that through to the final resolution of the emotional difficulties between Jordan and Ken, this smacked of a too-simple solution. The story could have been greatly enriched if this need of Jordan's had been factored into the story from the beginning.

I can see why folks are talking about Maxfield's work, because she has a smooth, very readable style. I read this novel in half a day. Good writing, with a few sentences/paragraphs that I stopped at and read over because they were beautifully, subtly expressed. So I think Maxfield knows how to write. What I hope I see in her other work is a more sophisticated rendering of characters and a better, smoother presentation of motivation.

Joyfully Jay: A [Joyfully Jay](#) review.

4.5 stars

Physical Therapy is the second book in Z.A. Maxfield's St. Nacho's series and I think of it as kind of the companion book to the first one, St. Nacho's. That is Cooper and Shawn's story and Jordan plays a significant role there as the villain of sorts, or at least the stumbling block to Cooper's emotional healing and his relationship with Shawn. Jordan is in a very bad place in that story and this book takes place after he has gone to rehab and changed his life. I am a big fan of the "villain redeemed" storyline and I love that we get to see the other side of things from Jordan's POV here. He is a totally different person, but he hasn't forgotten the past. He has just learned to find some focus in his life, to direct his energy in positive ways and toward helping others.

I really appreciate that Maxfield doesn't go for the obvious here and make this a story where Jordan hides his past only to have Ken find out the truth in an 11th hour conflict. I know we have all read that book a million times and Maxfield elevates this story by taking it beyond that. Jordan is honest with Ken from the start. It is not easy by any means. Even though Ken accepts Jordan and his past, Jordan still has trouble moving beyond the guilt and seeing himself as someone who can be good for Ken. And Ken's protective family definitely doesn't think he should be with a guy like Jordan. Ken has been struggling with his recovery, both physically and emotionally. It is clear right away that Jordan is so good for him; somehow the connection between them just works. But both men have demons of lives that could have been and both are still struggling to move forward.

Read Jay's review in its entirety [here](#).

Kris: Mini Tasting: Why I purchased it: ZAM = vehicle buy. Mini-chomp: Dislike~ I'm beautiful definite this can be a me thing, yet I'm getting a bit bored with the interfering loved one and/or friend. I'm now not asserting it wasn't suitable to the tale or that it didn't aid to growth the plot or something in actual Therapy. it really is simply that I'm starting to locate it a bit too inventory regular in m/m romance. possibly it's me though... Like~ one of many protags, Jordan, used to be brought to the reader in St Nacho's (the first ebook within the series). I completely loved revisiting him and seeing how he had grown as a personality – redeemed himself, I assume - within the intervening period. In all honesty, I feel this was once my favorite point of the story. So, what I think: while I most well-liked St Nacho's, I'm certainly loving this series. An absolute needs to for lovers of ZAM and if you are puzzling over giving this writer a try. ===== 'Tasting' is my model of a mini-review the place I speak a (very) little approximately what I beloved and disliked a couple of booklet in addition to who I feel the tale will attraction to. Oh, and I've extra a section approximately why I picked up the e-book within the first position – occasionally this is often attention-grabbing to know.

Sandra: 2.75 stars So first issues first. I simply have to vent and say, I do not comprehend why this ebook is named 'Physical Therapy'. now not as soon as can we see Ken in the course of PT, convinced he goes, yet Jordan is his therapeutic massage therapist at his gym... it simply does not make any sense. Secondly, they did not clarify Ken's harm at all. Jordan pointed out he did not see scars on his legs and he saw that he had difficulty together with his coordination. Ken referred to as himself a 'motor moron'. however it wasn't till good into the booklet that Jordan pointed out a hectic mind harm in passing, and this simply occurred once. Did folks get this? I assumed it was once very obscure and could have cherished much more information. I additionally might have loved a few information approximately that occurred to the individual that hit Ken and triggered all this. in particular given the subject of redemption with Jordan, it appeared appropriate. OK, onto the tale itself. humans enjoyed this, and I am a bit uncertain as to why. It used to be OK. I cherished Jordan. yet what felt like a constructing courting that was once occurring over a number of weeks, truly came about over 3 days. First of all, I had hassle realizing how all that healthy into 3 days. And moment of all, I did not see the necessity to make it so short. It was once very extraordinary for Ken to behave the way in which he did (view spoiler)[ask Jordan to maneuver in with him?!? (hide spoiler)] after 3 days. If it was once only a friendship before everything I might have felt greater approximately it, yet then Ken might try and kiss him. That seems like the worst recipe for disaster. Ever. Anyway, as I used to be saying. Ken pursues Jordan relentlessly, over the process 3 days. ultimately will get what he wants... and spazes. This used to be beautiful annoying. From there on in the market was once consistent back-and-forth up-and-down of emotional curler coaster. yet now not within the solid way. extra within the immature and emotional stunted way. 1) the 2 instances Ken cannot locate Jordan he essentially accuses him of going after different men or whatever, geeze dude calm down. 2) whilst expressing curiosity in mild BDSM Jordan desires to use a safeword and Ken has a hissy healthy 3) extra of the same. Eh, I dunno. But it got here jointly within the end. I am certainly completely happy it had that final bankruptcy and intercourse scene or it do not have felt whole though. I beloved the addition of Jordan's mother (view spoiler)[glad they did not go away her with that asshole husband (hide spoiler)] in addition to the addition of alternative

characters like Izzy. Lastly, I did not learn the 1st book, St. Nacho's. yet I beloved Jordan's personality and felt like he used to be doing every little thing attainable to be an outstanding person, repent, no matter what you wanna name it. I used to be a bit upset (that sounds terrible) while checking out how his twist of fate really happened. do not get me wrong, it is unhappy and terrible, etc. however the conditions appeared off to me (view spoiler)[what the F was once a 3 yr previous doing within the driveway at 9:30 at evening in the course of a young ones party? the place have been his parents? Why wasn't he in bed? Weird. (hide spoiler)] And yes, he used to be inebriated and made negative decisions... however it kinda looked like what occurred could have occurred whether he were sober. I used to be looking ahead to anything a bit extra dramatic, in particular once they pointed out Cooper's trauma approximately using in vehicles (view spoiler)[I assumed there has been a precise crash (hide spoiler)]. I do not be aware of if I nonetheless may have had those matters notwithstanding if I had learn the sequence in order, yet I might most likely suggest that folks do. Cooper and Shawn appear cool yet I've got difficulty backtracking as soon as I meet a longtime couple, so I most likely will not return and browse it. Borrowed for March Promo from Mandy in Bookie Nookie's Erotic Lending Group

Adara: The extra I feel approximately it, the extra I locate ludicrous the concept that an individual could let a three yr previous to be driving on a tricycle at 9:30 at evening whilst his sister is having an important commencement party. Ok, whether we presume the fogeys are on holiday and left the sister to observe the child (on her commencement week? who does that??), she enable him wander round at that hour and nobody stated whatever to her approximately it? Sorry, that premise is bothering me extra and more. Anyway, that time aside, I nonetheless loved this tale a lot. I did not have as a lot of the 'waiting for the anvil to fall' this time as I did final time, notwithstanding there has been some. I presumed might be Ken's recognition of Jordan's prior used to be a section too fast, yet otherwise, they appeared an outstanding fit and that I cherished the dynamic. I additionally favored the tidying up of Jordan's and Cooper's courting as well.

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