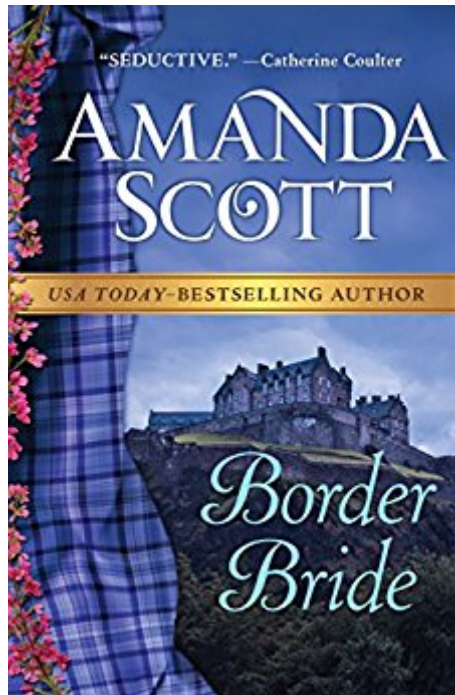




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Synopsis

Set in treacherous sixteenth-century Scotland, the first volume of Amanda Scott's Border Trilogy tells the unforgettable story of a woman sworn to defy the knight she is forced to wed – only to discover a love she'll do anything to claim. As Mary, Queen of Scots, languishes in the Tower of London as a prisoner of her cousin, Queen Elizabeth, war tears Scotland apart. To save her beloved homeland, a proud Highland beauty named Mary Kate MacPherson must wage her own battle when she's forced into wedlock with a knight, Sir Adam Douglas, from the barbaric borderland of Tornary. Even as she succumbs to her seductive husband's sensual demands, Mary Kate vows never to give him her heart. She will belong to no man. But Adam burns with something deeper than desire. Sworn to carry out a long-awaited revenge, he won't rest until he has vanquished his enemies. Accused of treason, the last thing he expects is to lose his heart to the woman he's determined to tame but never to love: his own wife. Border Bride is the 1st book in the Border Trilogy, but you may enjoy reading the series in any order.

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Customer Reviews

Trilogies have long been a way for publishers to get readers sucked in to buying 3 books instead of 1. I have been sucked in happily many times over the years. However, when you make a trilogy when none is there AND the "first" of the trilogy (the one which is not like the other two) is a really bad book, you have a problem. Amanda Scott has been a favorite over the years. I loved her other series and several of her stand-alones. I had the 2nd and 3rd of her Border Trilogy (as described in Fantasticfiction.co.uk) and, after being unsuccessful in finding Border Bride in used bookstores, finally ordered it through . I never even read a review. It was Amanda Scott! Who needs a review? Well...me, that's who...The couple started out as one-dimensional, he as a boor, she as a spoiled brat and by the end had advanced to idiotic boor and stupid spoiled brat. She kept trying to teach him lessons which he (Surprise!) refused to learn. I kept expecting some learning on at least one or God forbid, both sides, the way you see in, oh say, EVERY FREAKIN' romance book you've ever read! But no, they each remained as ignorant of each other as they were at the beginning of the book, doomed to a life of miscommunication, but at least good sex. We can only hope it will be enough for the two half-wits. I immediately began reading the second of the trilogy which is when I discovered we didn't have a trilogy at all, we had 3 books with Border in the title. For the first time my life, I actually put the book down. I couldn't go on when I knew none of the characters from the first book would be in the second and I just couldn't take the chance that these new characters could be as stupid as the old characters. I repeat, I have NEVER done that. Even if I wasn't that crazy about the first book, I kept going with the trilogy. It looks like the last two books are related. Do yourself a very big favor. Read the reviews of the last two books. If they sound OK to you, knock yourself out and read them. But, whatever you do, DON'T READ THIS BOOK!

Mary Kay Adams was away from home. She met Sir Adam Douglas and he misinterpreted her flirting . He thought she wanted more so he climbed through her window. He ended up getting hit on the head with a five foot pole. She went back home and found she was to marry Adam her father had just given permission.. She did not want to marry him but had no choice. They went out together at her home for a horseback ride before the wedding. She upset him so he send her horse away and she had to walk back five miles . They married quickly and went to his castle . You have to remember this book was around 1620 the author is only writing about what went on then. Mary Kay had a lot to go through with ,She got a whipping from him by not doing what he thought she should have. She soon found out he had a 15 year old maid pregnant by him. She was not a problem sent to her home later. She soon wasn't mentioned or any birth of the baby. The biggest problem was his

married cousin Megan, She had come to visit and attend a wedding at a later date. She did everything to keep Adam's attention it was like they were the couple/ Mary Kay finally blew up and Adam blamed her. I won't tell what happened after that but caused big problems. Mary Kaye did a few things to cause trouble also. She had a unique way to try and bring about a HEA.

It was very twisting and turning story. I didn't like that Sir Adam Douglas was so stubborn that he refused to admit he was wrong, domineering, and would flirt with other women when he was angry with his wife. Though Kate wasn't any better by being stubborn also, very prejudicial and naïve. The way they met was entertaining. They refuse to communicate even for people back then. To make anything work, there must be communication.

Very well written and historic references interesting.

This definitely isn't a romance.

This was boring. I did not like any of the characters and this story went nowhere. ****SPOILERS*****Plot : circa Elizabethan era, Mary Kate was married off to an arrogant nobleman named Adam Douglas and he whisked her off to his castle. There he proceeds to have sex with her, belittle her and treat her like garbage. I found myself being bored with the story right away and found it a chore to read through. Through much of the book, Mary Kate was afraid of her husband and not much else went on...oh, yeah, she was kidnapped by some ruffian Scottish guys and later rescued but, that did not liven this story up. I was just-bored beyond measure. The few love making scenes were so-so. I can't say I would recommend this book to anyone although, some readers do like it. Also, I thought the speech of the characters was not very reflective on the Elizabethan era.

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