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Abducted (Lizzy Gardner Series, Book 1)



Synopsis

Lizzy Gardner is a one-million copy bestselling series. When Lizzy Gardner was only seventeen, what should have been the perfect night became the perfect nightmare. Kidnapped just blocks from home after a romantic evening with her boyfriend, Jared, she woke up to find herself at the mercy of a depraved serial killer. Imprisoned and tormented for months by the maniac she came to know as Spiderman, Lizzy narrowly escaped, the only one of his victims to survive. But Spiderman escaped too, outwitting police and cursing Lizzy to spend her life looking over her shoulder. Fourteen years later, Lizzy is a private investigator who teaches self-defense to teenage girls in her free time. She does what she can to help others protect themselves and to forget the horror of her ordeal, yet fears she will always be known as "the one who got away." Then she receives a phone call from Jared, now a special agent for the FBI, with grim news. The killer has resurfaced, this time with a very specific target: "Lizzy. And he's made it clear that she will not escape him again. So begins a chilling game of cat-and-mouse, a terrifying, heart-pounding hunt that only one will survive.

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Customer Reviews

Loved this book. It did have some predictable parts but was a very good story with good character development. Will check out more from this author.

It's very intriguing from beginning to end. If you like psychological thriller this book is for you. I really liked Lucy and how brave she was to try and save another captive. I don't like the creepy crawlers in story. Excellent read.

Elizabeth Gardner (Lizzy) is the one that got away... from a perverted kidnapper/killer when she was 17. Fourteen years later, it seems that the bad guy is back. Lizzy is now a P.I. and works with teens to teach them how to avoid being abducted. Her personal life is a bit of a shambles, since she has never fully recovered from her earlier experience. Enter FBI Special Agent Jared Shayne, who was her boyfriend at the time she was abducted, and is now working on ending the criminal career of 'The Spiderman'. I found this book to be a page turner as the story of the bad guy is revealed, and as Lizzy works through her personal issues. Mostly a suspense book, but enough 'romance' in there to satisfy. Not sure how the series will go, but will put #2 (Dead Weight) in my want-to-read list.

Readers of Allison Brennan's Lucy Kincaid series should enjoy T.R. Ragan's Lizzy Gardner series, as there are many similarities. This is the first book in the series, which follows the character of Lizzy Gardner. Lizzy was just 17 when she was abducted by a serial killer. Her abduction was an accident, as the killer, Spiderman, had planned to abduct another girl. His focus was girls who were "bad." Lizzy manages to escape after a couple of months, but is never the same. Now, ten years later, Lizzy is a private eye who also teaches self-defense classes to young girls. However, Spiderman is not finished with her quite yet. Neither is Lizzy's first love, (whose name escapes me at the moment) who is now an FBI agent. I enjoyed the book. I think that there is some good writing here. Lizzy comes off as more human, more vulnerable than Brennan's Lucy. There's an interesting dynamic with Lizzy's sister, who is still angry at how Lizzy's abduction "ruined" their family. It won't change the world, but it is entertaining. Recommend.

New author took me by surprise with this thriller. Lizzy and her boyfriend are together for the last night before he leaves for college. She's snuck out to be with him and she has him let her off down the block from home so her dad won't find out. As a result Lizzy, is one of the teenage girls kidnapped and tortured by a serial killer but escapes after a few months. Fast forward 10 years, the serial killer returns and is out to get Lizzy - the one that got away. Lizzy's high school boyfriend is

now an FBI agent and Lizzy is practicing as a PI and an instructor teaching high school girls how to defend themselves. Lizzy has loads of mental and emotional problems and is still struggling to overcome the terror she experienced at the hands of the killer. She and Jared both have tons of guilt issues over it all. Let me tell you the serial killer is just downright creepy. The guy's nicknamed "Spiderman" for a reason. This book labeled as a romantic suspense is heavy on the thriller/suspense and very, very light on the romance. Jared and Lizzy's story is still a good one as they try to reconnect after everything that's happened in the last 10 years. Lizzy's character develops slowly as the story moves along and there are times I wondered if she'd ever be able to move forward. The torture scenes are graphically detailed which intensifies the creep factor. The side characters are realistic and I was amazed at how Lizzy, Jared and Spiderman's family dynamics twist and turn. The story is nicely woven together for a terrific ending. The story keeps you guessing and on the edge of your seat the entire time. Totally engrossing and a terrific read.

Lizzy Gardner snuck out one night as a 17 year old, the results are her being kidnapped by a mad serial killer. After a few months of torture, she finally escapes. 14 years later the sick killer is back, and is determined to capture and kill Lizzy once and for all. Jared Shayne, her high school sweetheart, reappears into her life. Now an FBI agent, he and Lizzy are doing everything in their power to stop Spiderman once and for all. This story is full of twists and turns, breath-taking scenes and will leave a chill feeling running up your spine. I strongly recommend this story to be bought and read by millions of people. I love the way this author writes, and she kept me guessing. I felt as if I was actually in the story along with everyone else. Everything was all clear, the people, the settings, etc. This book should NOT be selling for \$2.99 AT ALL. This story should be selling for \$10.00 AT LEAST. I am so excited to read the next book in her series. I am in love with her writing and the story *Abducted*. I LOVE LOVE LOVE this!!! I felt as if Lizzy and I had been close for years, I felt as if I really knew her. I loved the way the author would spice it up a bit and put things in different characters perspectives. She would just add in things to make the story as a whole. BUY IT!!!!!!!

I buy the books for my Kindle to read aloud to my Mother at night to lull her to sleep (she is unable to see well enough or able to hold a book.) Unfortunately, the books she likes me to read to her are often exciting and suspenseful which end up keeping her awake even longer! She really enjoyed this one, and it was not so complicated that I had to stop and remind her from night to night what had happened when we stopped reading the night before!

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