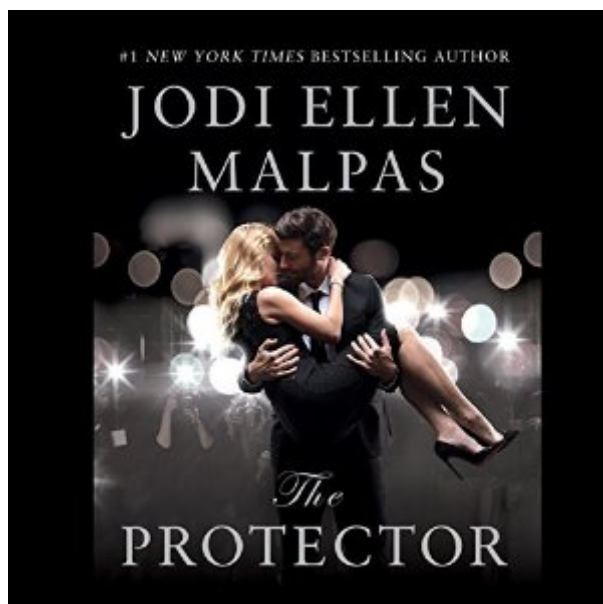


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The Protector



Synopsis

The new novel from the best-selling author of the *This Man* trilogy and *One Night* trilogy! People think they have Camille Logan nailed: daddy's girl, a beautiful, spoiled young woman with her father's bank balance to fund her lifestyle. But Camille is determined to have a life free from his strings. Out on her own, she's made mistakes, including one that found her clawing her way back after a stint in rehab and plenty of bad press. Now, after fighting so hard to be independent and happy, she finds her life threatened as a result of her father's ruthless business dealings. Caught between resentment and fear, Camille prepares herself for the measures her father will take to protect her. But nothing could prepare her for the ex-SAS sniper who crashes into her life. Jake Sharp resides in his own personal hell. He was distracted from duty once before, and the consequences were devastating - both personally and professionally. He vowed never to let that happen again. Accepting the job of bodyguard to Camille Logan isn't the kind of distraction from his demons he should take. Women and Jake don't mix well, yet protecting the heiress seems the lesser of two evils. But Jake soon discovers that she isn't the woman she's perceived to be. She's warm, compassionate, her presence settling, and his duty to protect her soon goes deeper than a well-paid job, no matter how hard he fights it. He needs absolution. He comes to need Camille. But he knows he can't have both.

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Customer Reviews

Warning: spoilers abound. An intriguing blurb plus an awesome cover do not necessarily guarantee a good read and such was the case with *The Protector*. Between the odd choice of descriptors,

excessive amount of exclamation points, and the use of certain dialogue tags, I couldn't help but wonder if the book had been professionally edited at all. All the spitting and spluttering was off-putting, to say the very least. Cami Logan is a twenty-five-year-old fashion model and aspiring designer—or half of one, at least. She does the sketching, her friend does the sewing. Then there was her stint in rehab for cocaine addiction, but now that that's behind her, she's ready to get back to her busy schedule of shopping, drinking, the odd photoshoot here and there, and having girls' days with her BFF, where they paint each other's nails, giggle like school girls, and drink copious amounts of wine. But she'll have you know she's more than just a pretty face. Like, duh. Before long, Cami gets summoned to her rich daddy's office, a guy I couldn't help but picture as Donald Trump, where she's informed that, thanks to his shady business practices, her life is in danger, and, as such, good old daddy is taking precautionary measures to ensure her safety. Enter Jake Sharp, a thirty-five-year-old, emotionally stunted, ex-military sniper, and Cami's hired bodyguard. Jake is supposedly the best money could buy. With a 100k a week price tag, he should've been, but that just wasn't the case. Cami easily gave him the slip, the first of many, within five minutes of meeting him. Well, that was money well spent. From that point on, I couldn't take Jake seriously as a respectable, top-of-the-line bodyguard. He failed to live up to his reputation.

The Protector by Jodi Ellen Malpas 3 stars!!! I see you. • Jodi Ellen Malpas delivers her first standalone read with The Protector. The synopsis had me hooked as visions of Whitney Houston and Kevin Costner in The Bodyguard came to mind, one of my favourite girlie movies. Who can resist a man that would put his life on the line at the drop of a hat with no regards for his own safety? I've never felt so absorbed by a woman that she makes me want to sacrifice my soul in her honour. I've never felt this. Never. • As usual Jodi Ellen Malpas knows how to deliver an alpha, broken hero, a trait common amongst her other stories and Jake Sharp is no different. Jake has issues, deep rooted issues and it is these issues that keep him focused and incessant on working himself to the bone to keep his otherwise anguished mind occupied. Jake being Ex-SAS has seen and been a part of some awful and haunting situations but his mental anguish is not through his time in the SAS alone, his personal life has been plagued too. This man is extremely broken, yet extremely professional. His vices in life are alcohol and women, both of which he uses as a crux and a means of escape when he isn't on duty. Both are interchangeable and a means to an end. No ties, no strings, no emotions. Jake is a closed book, a locked fortress of emotions and no-one has the key, not even Jake. • You've taken everything manly in me and pulverised it. • Camille Logan was the daughter of a multi-millionaire and had been brought up in wealth and

social standing all her life. While most women in her situation would make the most of daddyâ€™s deep pockets, Camille is the opposite.

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