Something For The Weekend

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A teachers' conference doesn't sound like a sexy place. And that's because it's not. But shy literature teacher Chloe Price and brash PE teacher Jess Cooper are about to be thrown together at this particular conference at a time of crisis in each of their young-ish lives. And it will lead them to what they both believe will be a simple one-night stand...But each year, back they come to the conference, always finding themselves intertwined. And as the years pass, their relationship grows in all sorts of unexpected ways. Even as their lives take them in opposite directions, the annual weekend keeps pulling them back together. Whether they like it or not. A book reminiscent of One Day (à “One Gay” if you will) taking place on the same annual weekend over the course of a decade. It's a tale of what happens when no matter what you do and how far you go, life just keeps bouncing you back to the same spot, to the same person and the same pull to them that you just can’t seem to shake.

I beautiful sweet story of growing into your adult self and also falling in love. Jess and Chloe meet up every year at the same conference. Each year a little wiser and changed in their own lives and
each year still finding themselves attracted to each other. Their love story is a slow burn that starts with friendship until neither can deny the elephant in the room. Timing isn’t always great with these two but it’s what works for them oddly enough as it allows them to seamlessly fall in love. One of the things I enjoyed most is that the author allows the reader an almost inside look at what happens when two people get together and grow together and what happens when they get together but also grow and grow apart. Not seen in many novel and it was a nice change of pace to experience the slow burn of a growing relationship from its awkward baby steps to it more confident adult strides. Clever, funny, unique and engaging. That’s the only way to really describe this book. Another home run for Natasha West for breaking the same humdrum formula of lesbian fiction novels and giving us something new and improved in the genre.

I really appreciated the style of this story, the year that passes between each chapter brings a unique angle to the story that I enjoyed. I am a fan of how this author constructs her character relationships/dynamics and the dialogue always feels real/genuine. I didn’t connect as much with this one as I did with her other books. I felt much more frustration than satisfaction. A lot of that were the character’s frustrations that I take to heart as I read, but I also feel that the romance/attraction between the two main characters could have been given more detail or attention. We are given a lot into what is going on in their heads about their feelings towards each other, but the actually interaction of them acting on this attraction is glossed over here. I agree with the other review that that is all that seems to be missing. I kept thinking as I read, that all this needed was a little more. For a sweet romance, it definitely succeeded. I know when I pick up this author’s next one, it’ll be just as unique as her last. That’s always encouraging.

I really enjoyed Chloe & Jess meeting every year at a teacher’s conference for a decade while they become lovers/friends, have a falling out & then realize what was right in front of them all along. I do believe they were smitten with one another that first year & I loved how their relationship progressed as they met & separated. I loved learning about Jess’s Gran & her sayings, reminded me of my own Grandma. Though the story ended with some sadness, the person that brought them back together was perfect for them. You’ll have to read to understand. But sometimes leaping in & taking a chance is the best kind of risk.

I loved this book. As pointed out before, it does has a familiar ring to it, but with that said the characters were well developed and you found yourself turning the pages to find out what the next
year would bring them. If you are looking for a sweet love story with fade to black love scenes, this is the book for you. I will definitely be checking out the author's other titles and looking forward to reading more of her books to come. I would recommend this to anyone who want's to immerse themselves into some nice quiet time with a good romance novel.

I liked it but for some reason couldn’t really connect with the characters because their interactions were too minimum which I get is what the story is about. It just didn't do it for me. I like Natasha West’s books and writing style and will always read her stuff...this just wasn’t for me

Good story with developed characters. Reminiscent of another novel with similar set up but still entertaining. The only thing lacking was a bit more physical chemistry between the characters.

Cute story but it was very drawn out. It made me want to choke both of the main characters at different points of the story so the story did grab me. Thankfully it did have a happy ending.

I'm too tired to write a reviewBut wanted to leave oneBecause this is better than most of the crap I read on hereThanks

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