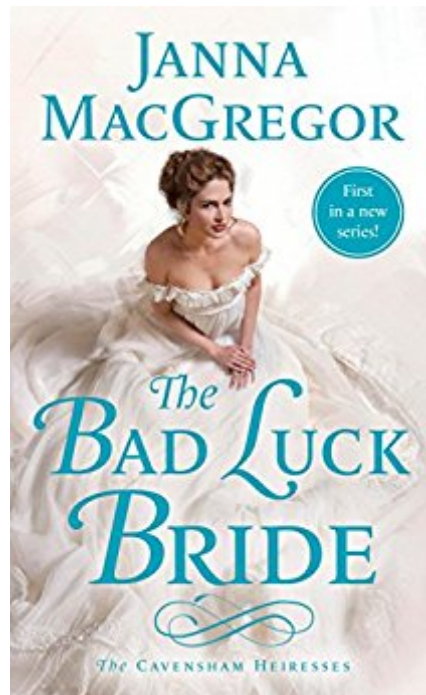




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Synopsis

All were shocked at the announcement of the "cursed" Lady Claire Cavensham to Lord Alexander Hallworth, the Marquess of Pembroke, especially since she is already engaged to another unfortunate Lord. Perhaps she will make it to the altar this time with one of these fine gentlemen! •Midnight CryerNo one is left breathless at the imperious pronouncement of her engagement to Lord Pembroke more than Claire. She hardly knows the dangerously outrageous man! But after three engagements gone awry and a fourth going up in glorious flames, she isn't in a position to refuse...Alexander requires the hand of his enemy's fiancée in marriage in order to complete his plans for revenge. It's his good fortune that the "cursed" woman is desperate. However, what begins as a sham turns into something scandalously deeper... "Full-bodied romance...with intelligence and heart." •Cathy Maxwell "Captivating characters and a romance that sizzles." •Eloisa James "Will leave you swooning." •Sabrina JeffriesThe Bad Luck Bride is the first in a new Regency romance series from Janna MacGregor!

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Customer Reviews

I was very excited about the opportunity to read *The Bad Luck Bride* because historical romance is one of my favorite genres. I was even more excited when I found out that this was author Janna MacGregor's debut novel; new authors are always a special treat. When Alex approaches Claire with a marriage proposal, he actually has an ulterior motive. This is supposed to be the final part of his ultimate revenge plot against the man who was once one of his closest friends. Claire has developed an unfortunate reputation as a "bad luck bride" due to several broken engagements. She barely knows Alex, but isn't really in a position to add another broken engagement to the list. Admittedly, Alex is thinking primarily of himself and his thirst for revenge when he proposes marriage, but as he gets to know Claire, he realizes that he genuinely cares for her. Likewise, Claire feels comfortable with Alex and trusts him enough to share her tragic past. This was an absolutely stunning debut. There is a lot going on, and sometimes, it almost feels like there is a bit too much, but I couldn't imagine cutting any of the story elements. Alex and Claire are two flawed individuals who have been through so much, and it seems like discovering each other would lead to a quick happily ever after. Of course, that's not the way things really work, and their journey is captivating and fraught with emotion. I would recommend *The Bad Luck Bride*. MacGregor crafts a compelling story, and there were several surprise twists. I couldn't wait to find out what was going to happen next. I am already looking forward to the second book in the series, and I love the way that MacGregor dropped hints about the second book in this book. I received a digital copy of this book from Netgalley/the publisher in exchange for an honest review, and then I purchased my own copy upon its release.

I try to keep my "must buy" authors to a minimum, but I'll definitely be adding Janna MacGregor to the list! *The Bad Luck Bride* was so well written, had my attention from the start, a great story that had a little of everything, and awesome characters. When a book has me not only falling in love with the hero and heroine, but also wanting stories for most of the supporting characters, you know it's pretty amazing. Highly recommend! Loved Alex and Claire, and can't wait for *Somerton & Emma*, coming in book 2!

A+++++

I loved this book and can't wait for the next one. When a book makes me tear up, laugh, and

anxious for the next page, it's a good book

This is one of the best debut novels I've ever read! The characters were fully actualized from the beginning. The premise was believable. I could easily see everyone's point of view. The story was different and refreshing. Although set in the realm of the gossipy haute ton, it was centered around strong, supportive families and friendship. The drama was centralized within that small group. Issues flared and were dealt with inside of that protective cocoon. Claire, in spite of her weakness, was a strong heroine. Alex, in spite of his tendency to jump to the wrong conclusion, was a swoon worthy hero. Lord Paul was a mystery. He leaves one curious as to what makes him tick. The Langham men were simply awesome. Along with Somerton, I look forward to seeing them all meet their matches. Janna MacGregor has with her debut novel effortlessly entered my autobuy group. October is a long time to wait for her next release. Kudos on such an awesome first publication!

Just loved this book! Can't wait to read next book in series! Just couldn't put it down! Great new talent!

Janna MacGregor has hit it out of the park with her debut novel. I couldn't put it down! Her characters are passionate and complex. The story has a depth and richness to it that I haven't seen in a while. She creates an intricate plot that is as intelligent as it is seductive. It kept me on my toes the entire time. I can't wait for the next book in the series. Well done!

Having one fiance die before the wedding is bad luck. Losing another 3 is definitely a curse. So, when Lady Claire accepts a proposal from Alex, the Marquess of Pembroke on the night of her planned betrothal the fiance number 4, even she is beginning to believe in the curse. Janna MacGregor has managed to write a delightful story of love, loss, pain and revenge. While Claire and Alex certainly don't start out as a love match, you can see the attraction from the first moment they meet. Both have secrets that could potentially ruin their marriage and the writer dances around the issues masterfully. The reader can't help but pulling for the couple and wanting to see them get their Happily Ever After. The epilogue sets up the perfect lead-in to book 2 of this series.

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