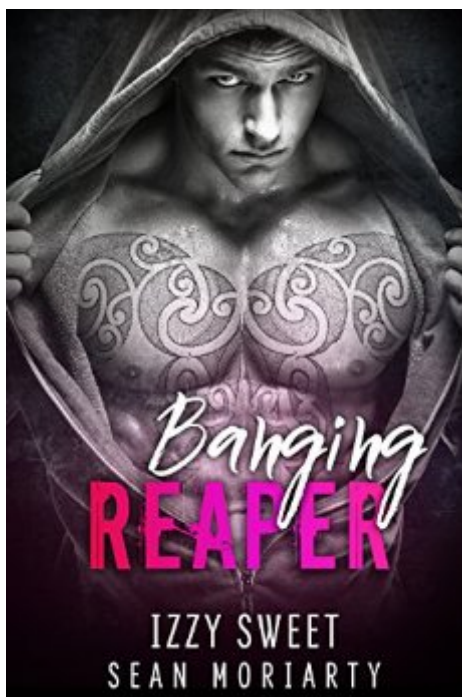


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# Banging Reaper (Pounding Hearts Book 1)



## Synopsis

Two men. Only one can be the best in the ring. Only one can make her completely his. Avery Life isn't easy when your mother abandons you and the grandmother who raised you is gone. Ethan has been my best friend since middle school. He helped me out with college when I was flat broke, and now I feel like I owe him. So when he starts treating me like his MMA lucky charm, it's hard to say no. But when he finally loses, he blames me--and Reaper, the guy who beat the crap out of him, is the one who rescues me. I want to forgive Ethan ... but I can't resist Reaper. Chase Yeah, they call me Reaper, because I make anyone who fights me wish he was dead. I'm large and in charge with a big house, two cars, and enough money to party for the rest of my days. Life is great--but meeting Avery changes everything. She's nothing like the ring girls I usually hook up with. There's just something about her that brings out the protective beast inside me. She needs to be mine, but that cheating asshole Ethan is in the way. I'll do whatever it takes to claim her ... even if that means destroying her best friend. Banging Reaper is a HEA, standalone MMA/Bad Boy romance with a dominant alpha hero and a young heroine trying to make her way in the world. Some content intended for mature readers.

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## Customer Reviews

I was gifted this book for an honest review. Don't let the title scare you away from this book. It's not that crass. I'm not usually an MMA fan, but this story had me from the beginning. I like Izzy's writing, it just flows. The guy writing Chase's part is equally good. And the story has two good fight scenes. Only two (good for me). The heroine is damaged, but strong of spirit. Chase has had his share of rough times but has come through. Spoiler it's somewhat a love at first sight story with bumps. Well, well worth the read!

I received an ARC for an honest review. I loved this book. This is the first book I've read by these authors but it won't be the last! It's a great story! I love the dual point-of-view. The title leads you to believe the story is kinda crass but it really isn't. It's a kinda sorta lopsided love triangle, love at first sight story. We have a cool, sexy, hot, true sportsman, MMA fighter Chase (The Reaper), a glory-seeking a--hole, sort of dilettante, MMA fighter wannabe, Ethan, who used to be a good friend to Avery when she first met him in middle school. Avery is a poor girl who is hard working, smart, sexy, and wants to help underprivileged youth know someone cares. Ethan changed when he got into fighting and got arrogant. Avery didn't feel comfortable around him and he hurt her after a fight when he pushed her into a wall saying she owed him. This is how Avery met Chase when he grabbed Ethan off of her and beat him up for hurting her. Love at first sight?! Well worth reading!! I will be looking for more from these authors.

This isn't your typical love triangle book. Ethan is in love w Avery but she has no idea. He's only her best friend who has started doing MMA fights. Avery grew up very poor & very alone. Ethan was always there for her & has helped her financially when/if she needed it. Things have been going downhill as Ethan becomes more popular & thus cockier. At the title fight Chase sticks up & saves Avery from Ethan. They have an instant connection & fall quickly. I really enjoyed this book & would read another by this author.

I loved this book so much. It caught me on the first sentence and had me until the very end. I'm so happy Avery and Chase got their happy ending. They deserved it. I'm glad I bought this and read it and I hope everyone enjoys it as much as I do.

I am so glad I picked this up on Kindle Unlimited. The lead female, Avery, is mostly strong and determined to make it on her own, if a bit naive when it comes to her "best friend". The lead male,

Chase Winters....WOW!!! He's the MMA heavyweight champion, capable of inflicting serious damage. His strength of character is as strong as his muscle. When Chase witnesses a heated discussion between Avery and another MMA fighter who wants to be more than friends and sees Avery get pushed against the concrete wall so hard you can hear her head hit it from over 10 feet away, Chase intervenes, telling the guy point blank YOU NEVER HIT A WOMAN. After the threat to Avery is removed, Chase watches over and tends to Avery, ensuring she gets the care she needs. Deciding this girl is the one for him, Chase proceeds to give his heart by absolutely cherishing Avery at every turn. He cares for her, he protects her, he respects her. This is a guy who knows how to be the alpha male without being over-the-top possessive and controlling. Chase Winters is all that and then some. It helps that Chase has a good friend watching his back (Dale) and a GREAT relationship with a TERRIFIC father. Their presence story really helps develop insight into how Chase became such a good guy...especially that of his father. What a great role model. You'll love him, too. I will definitely be looking for more from this author. This is an easy read and a sweet (Sweet) story. Well done!

It was good. Not too much drama in the beginning, and even when there was drama, there wasn't a lot of screaming and crying for chapters upon chapters. The make up was good although I would have liked to see Avery make the first move, sense she screwed up imo. There's three action scenes, a ton of them doing it. What more can you ask for? My problem was the Break up and Avery's actions. Slight spoiler. She gets mad at Chase for paying off her tuition and flips her lid. Yet she allows Ethan to give her jobs and acceptance his position as assistant that pays double at first, then triple. To do absolutely nothing according to her.

I received an advanced copy for my honest review. I loved the story and found the characters to be well developed. It started a little slow and had me confused because of the way Chase talks about his love of pain. I expected this to have some BDSM element to it which never happened. Avery is a strong woman who has a lot of insecurities. The two of them have a mind blowing relationship. This story has it all and is well worth the read!

I really loved this story. I'm an avid reader, (albeit new to reviewing) so I'm always looking for something that has a new twist. Avery happens to be Ethan's good luck charm for when he fights in the MMA ring, they have been friends forever but she has no idea that he's in love with her. When he ends up losing his first fight to Chase "Reaper", Ethan gets upset and hurts her. Reaper then

rushes to her aid and the sparks fly. I don't think I put the book down at all. It was my first Izzy Sweet book, but certainly won't be my last.

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