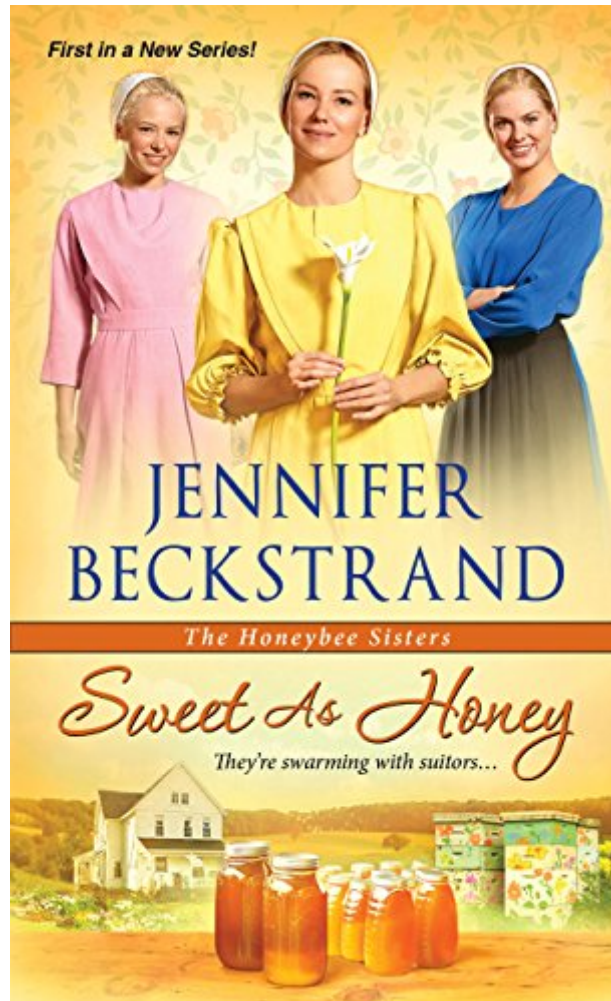


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Sweet As Honey (The Honeybee Sisters)



Synopsis

As Sweet as Honey is a warm, wonderful book filled with delightful characters, humor and tenderness. Jennifer Beckstrand writes lovely stories, sure to touch your heart. --RaeAnne Thayne, New York Times bestselling author Smart, kind, and good-hearted, the three Christner girls are affectionately known as The Honeybee Sisters in the beloved Wisconsin Amish community where, under the care of their aunt, they've grown into skilled beekeepers--and lovely, sought-after young women. . . Though she has blossomed into a beauty, Lily Christner doesn't really believe it. Deep down, she still feels like a lonely, gawky teenager. Maybe that's why she's all but promised herself to Paul Glick, the one boy who never teased her in her awkward girlhood--unlike Dan Kanagy, whose creative name-calling left her in tears many a time. Now he's back in town after two years away--and being surprisingly sweet, suspiciously attentive--and making Lily unsettlingly yet deliciously nervous. It seems Dan wants Lily's forgiveness--and her heart. But can he convince her--not to mention her protective sisters and aendi--that despite the past, her future lies with him?...
 Praise for Jennifer Beckstrand and her Matchmakers of Huckleberry Hill series "Full of kind, sincere characters struggling with the best ways to stay true to themselves and their beliefs." --Publishers

Weekly Readers will treasure this series and put the first outing on their keeper shelf." --RT Book Reviews "A delightful voice in Amish romance. Sweet and funny." --Emma Miller

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Customer Reviews

Sweet as Honey centers around 3 sisters being raised by their Aunt Bitsy in Wisconsin. The main plot centers around the sister Lily's romantic decisions. There is also a lot of beekeeping content. This is the first book in the series. The good news: the characters are well developed and the WI content rings very true. The sisters all have strong personalities. The real revelation is the Aunt Bitsy character. She returned to the Amish after living on her own in the world. She came back to care for her orphaned nieces. Beckstrand has written her with humor and worldly experience combined with an acceptance (for the most part) of the strict observance of Amish ways. She's really the heart of this book and I very much enjoyed the depth of her character. The bad news: the villain in this book is written in a cartoonish, one note way. I definitely needed more layers to Paul's character. It was troubling enough for me to give this book 4 stars when I enjoyed it so much. That aside I am on board for the series. This is a new author for me and I'm looking forward to reading her other books.

. This book is the first book in the Honeybee Sisters Series. I don't know about you but I love Jennifer's stories. This book is well written, humorous, and heartwarming. You will love the characters, especially Aunt Bitsy. As an Amish book, it is filled with faith. I love Amish stories but I'm quite thankful I'm not locked into the legalism they have. Dan Kanagy returns home after living away for two years. His parents sent him to relatives to learn about cattle but really they wanted him to find a wife. Dan only had one woman that interested him and she was living here in his hometown. As a child he was unsure how to get her attention so he would tease her and call her names but in his heart he had loved her. His only desire was to win her heart but now she's dating a man who has always hated him. He stands like a wall between them. Lily Christner was laughed at and teased by the boys at school. Hurt she turned to the only boy who took her part. Now as an adult he wants to marry her. Lily still believes she is that ugly child and Paul wants to keep it that way. He's doing everything in his power to turn her into a proper humble Amish frau. When Dan came back he reads all about the working of their bees, he's willing to help them harvest the honey, and is always trying to lift Lily up and not put her down. Lily becomes very confused as the men's courting style are so different. Can Lily trust Dan or is he just trying to destroy her in a different way? A journey of two

people trying to survive the trial of everyday life and to figure out what their future is. God has a plan for these two and it is a plan for a hope and a future. God is like that for us too. God never puts people down to make them humble. God wants to lift us up so that we might be used of God. He has a purpose for each of us and it is so much greater than you could ever dream. Give Him a chance to turn your life around.

I read the second book in this series first (because I read it as a Vine choice) and decided to go back and read this one, too. I liked the second book, though I found the main male and female couple to be annoying. But I really liked this one. The story is excellent and the character likeable. The same couple (though they're not a couple in this book) are still a bit annoying, but since they're not the focus, you don't see them much. I love the plot of this story and I love Aunt B with her dyed hair, earrings and rock and roll!

This was an amazing book of how the amish hurt just like we English do and have the same feelings as we do this book was a life lesson for us all we need to trust the Lord and do His will he will give us the desires of our heart Thank you JENNIFER BECKSTRAND for another Great and exciting book can't wait til August to read the next one

Ok, Jennifer has done it again. Love the Honeybee Sisters. Just can't wait for the next one. Characters are so real and they become friends at once. Try SWEET AS HONEY today. I have never been disappointed in any of Jennifer's books and this one fall right inline. Thanks Jennifer.

Growing up, Lily Christner wore glasses and braces and always thought she was ugly and Dan Kanagy's constant teasing did not help her self-esteem. It felt like the only friend she had back then was Paul Glick and she has stayed close to him through the years. Over time, Lily has blossomed into a beauty but does not know it. She is practically engaged to Paul but suddenly Dan is back in her life. Lily knows she should love Paul who stood by her all these years but there is something about Dan that tugs at her. Will she stay loyal to Paul or follow her heart about Dan? "Sweet as Honey" is the warm and witty first book in Jennifer Beckstrand's The Honeybee Sisters series. I have read many Amish romances and I love Beckstrand's fresh take on the Amish. The three Honeybee Sisters - Lily, Rose, and Poppy - live with their loving eccentric Bitsy (affectionately known as "B") who loves wearing earrings (in private) and temporary tattoos - made me laugh out loud at times. Lily is a very realistic heroine - plagued by

insecurities and bad childhood memories, she is beautiful and smart but doesn't know it. As for the romance in the book, Beckstrand leaves no doubt as to who Lily should end up with- if this was a movie the audience would be hissing at Paul every time he shows up on the scene. Dan is the total opposite of Paul - kind and loving even if he does make a few mistakes along the way. The romance between Lily and Dan is very sweet -you know how this is going to end up so you just sit back and enjoy the ride.â œSweet as Honeyâ • is a nice Amish romance and I look forward to reading the next book in the series.

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