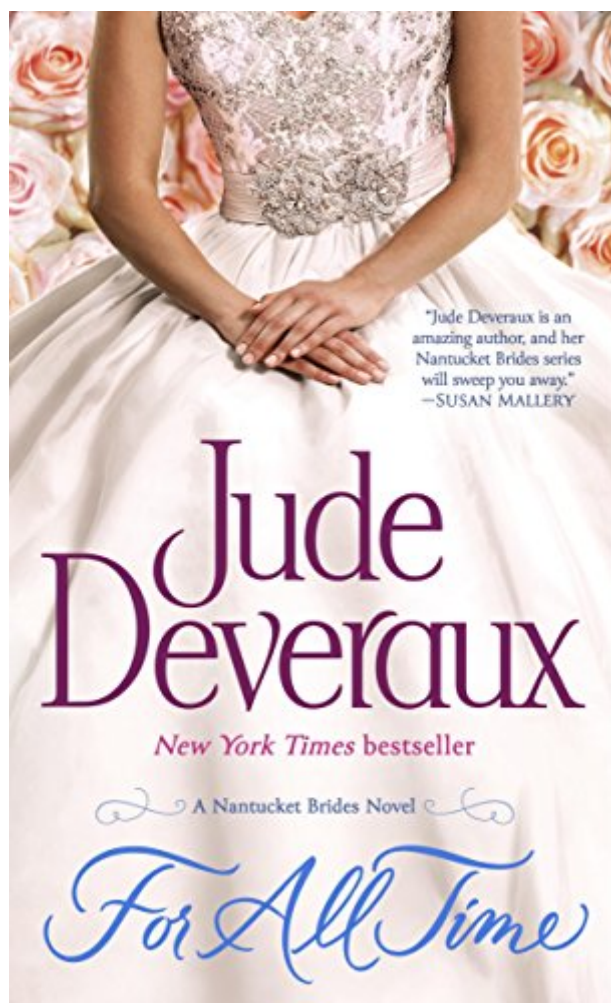


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For All Time: A Nantucket Brides Novel (Nantucket Brides Trilogy Book 2)



Synopsis

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER Jude Deveraux returns to the magnificent, sunny island in *For All Time*, the second novel in her Nantucket Brides trilogy—this time featuring the next generation of her beloved family of Montgomery-Taggerts. The wedding of Alix Madsen and Jared Montgomery is a glorious affair at an elegant little chapel in the woods, followed by dinner and dancing, all while moonlight blankets the festivities in a romantic glow. While most guests are fixed on the happy couple, Jared's cousin Graydon can't look away from a bridesmaid, Toby Wyndam. It's not just her quiet beauty that enthralls him or the way she makes him laugh. Toby possesses the truly remarkable ability of being able to distinguish Graydon from his identical twin brother, Rory. According to family legend, such a gift marks her as Graydon's True Love. But Graydon knows there is no possible way that they can ever be together, for he is heir to the Lanconian throne and is to marry a noble woman who has been chosen for him. Yet, intrigued by Toby, he asks her to help him hide on Nantucket for a week away from regal responsibilities. In exchange, he'll assist her with planning acclaimed novelist Victoria Madsen's lavish wedding. Since they both know their union is impossible, the pair promises that they will never be more than just friends. But there's more going on between Graydon and Toby than her unique power to tell him apart from his twin. At work are forces beyond their control, which are ruled by time itself. Combine that with the magical island of Nantucket, and a seductive spell is cast over Graydon and Toby. If they are to be together, they must change what once was, as well as what will be.

BONUS: This edition includes an excerpt from Jude Deveraux's *Ever After*.

Praise for Jude Deveraux and *For All Time*

• Jude Deveraux is an amazing author, and her Nantucket Brides series will sweep you away. • Susan Mallery

• Jude Deveraux takes us to a place where dreams are made. . . . *For All Time* is a page-turning time-travel romance that captures your imagination from the start and keeps hold till the very last page. • Fresh Fiction

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• A charming tale. • Library Journal

• Engrossing . . . [a] romance that transcends time. • Kirkus Reviews

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Customer Reviews

I'll be honest: I liked the Edilean series. I was disappointed when I heard Jude was abandoning it to return to the Montgomery-Taggerts. Having said that, it seems that Jude has entered a second Renaissance with this series, and this book is just everything a fan could ask for, and then some. Graydon Montgomery is the Crown Prince of Lanconia. He has come to Nantucket with his twin, Rory, for the wedding of Jared Montgomery Kingsley to Alix Madsen (Book 1 in the series, True Love.) He's immediately smitten with bridesmaid Toby Wyndam, who has simply never found a man worthy of tempting her into a love affair. However, Graydon is engaged-to-be-engaged to an appropriate lady in Lanconia. Graydon immediately tells Toby who he is, thankfully, so there's none of this "I have to tell you something..." later. They start out as friends. Graydon arranges to stay on Nantucket for a week while his twin pretends to be him back home. As Graydon and Toby get to know each other better, they are swept back into the past to fix a two-hundred-year-old love affair that ended in tragedy. For a veteran Jude fan, this book is like a wish list woven together as enthralling entertainment. The return of the Lanconians! Many inside-joke references to past Montgomery books! (Toby is "A Maiden," wink-wink, nudge-nudge!) Time travel! A cameo by J.T. and Aria!!!! (I know, they HAVE to be in their 90s, but...hey, royalty lives long lives, right? Look at Queen Elizabeth II and Prince Philip.) And even though you might think halfway through that the ending is going to be predictable...it's not. Even though it's difficult for me, someone who has read Jude Deveraux's books for about 25 years, I tried to seriously look at this from the point of view of the non-fan.

FOR ALL TIME is the second book in the Nantucket Brides Trilogy. It is also related to Deveraux's long running Montgomery-Taggart family series. This book begins at the wedding for the couple in the first book of the trilogy. This book is about Graydon Montgomery and Toby Wyndam. Toby is a bridesmaid and Graydon can't stop watching her. According to family legend Toby is perfect for Graydon because she can tell the difference between him and his identical twin. Graydon is the crown prince of Lanconia and already has his bride picked out for him. Graydon, however, is intrigued by Toby and when the opportunity presents itself, he convinces his twin brother to take his place while Graydon remains in Nantucket to spend time with Toby. The book examines issues of fate, destiny, time travel, obligation, duty and love. Graydon is definitely enamored of Toby but doesn't intend to do more than spend time with her because he knows that it is his duty to marry the woman chosen for him and he doesn't intend on having a sexual relationship with Toby. I really liked Graydon and Toby and it was clear from the beginning that these two were meant to be together. I don't know whether it is common for Deveraux to have time travel elements in her books, but of the couple of books I have read, that theme has appeared in most of the books. In this case, the time travel allows the characters to escape their fixed lives and see their problem in another form. It did seem to me that the time travel element was a way of allowing these characters to engage in sex without having to face the real complications in present time. I will state that I haven't read the first book in the trilogy so I have no idea what effect that book would have on my view of the book.

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