

# Debra St James

MODERN *Sexy* ROMANCE

G'day, !

OMG!!! Can you believe it's almost Christmas. I'm pretty sure it was April just a few weeks ago. I swear, the older I get, the faster the years go by. I have one more gift to buy for a family member and my Christmas shopping is done. Then comes the wrapping. I quite enjoy wrapping the gifts and putting them under the tree. It's at that point, I really feel like it's Christmas.

If you're following me on social media, you may have noticed that I came out of hiding. I'm no longer using an emoji to represent me. I have to say it was a tough and scary decision to make, because like many women ... I don't feel comfortable in my skin. I made the decision because I felt it was unfair to my readers to keep hiding. You may be interested to know that I actually put a lot of myself into my characters. You will find snippets of me and my life woven throughout my stories. Over the coming months, I'll share some of those with you. The first reason I initially hid was because I *do* use a pen name (my given name *is* Debra—Deb to my friends and family) for privacy reasons. The second reason was because I held the unrealistic and stupid belief that a romance writer *should* be young, attractive and sexy. And ... well, I don't believe I'm any of those things. I was worried that people may be turned away from my stories if they saw the person behind the words.

At almost 53, I've decided to be brave. So ... here I am!



**Stolen Kisses** has been out in the wild for just over one week!

It's been received incredibly well and I'm super proud of the story and how readers are falling in love with Emma, Theo and the kids.

What reviewers are saying about **Stolen Kisses**.

*Omg, I could not put this book down. It grabs you from the beginning and swallows you up. Debra St James just keeps on growing as a new Author and this 3rd installment of this series would make you think she's been writing for years. ~*

Goodreads Reviewer

*I absolutely loved this book.*

*It covers some very hard subject in such a sensitive and beautiful way. In places it's not easy to read but it is so worth it.*

*The characters are just so real and their reactions to things that have happened in their past and things that happen in the book are spot on.*

*Stolen Kisses made me laugh and cry while reading but I fell in love with all the characters and would highly recommend it to you. ~* Goodreads Reviewer

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Oak Springs Book 3

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When Jacob snuck out of Oak Springs like a thief in the night, he shattered Laney's heart and stole the light from her life. Now he's trying to win her back, but Laney has a secret of her own. Even if she wants to give him a second chance, her secret won't stay hidden forever, and when Jacob finds out, he may never forgive her.

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Debra xo



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