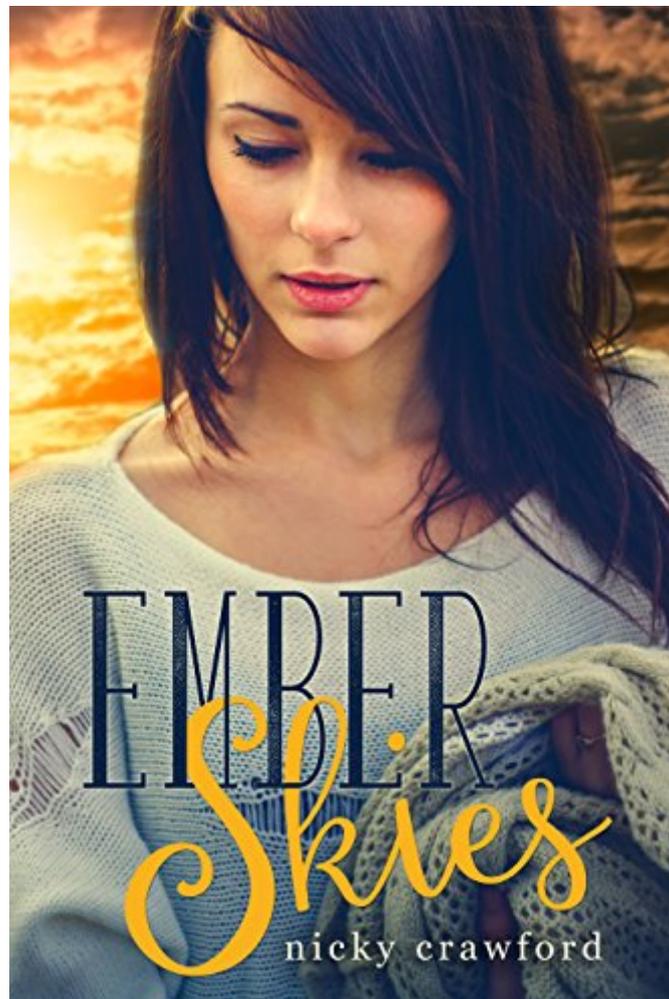


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# Ember Skies



## Synopsis

Ember strives to keep up her personae as the perfect military wife, nurse, and mother. She hosts cookouts, attends military events, and keeps an infectious smile on her face whenever she is around others. The secrets she keeps lie between the walls of her home, where her husband, Austin, drinks away his problems and asserts his dominance over Ember, physically. When Dalton Bates transfers to Austin's unit, he wants nothing more than to rid Ember of her pain and to be with her. Dalton's charm, compassion, and the undeniable way he makes Ember feel, sends her into a cloud of conflict. Dalton relentlessly pursues Ember, desperate to take her pain away and to make her happy, but when tragedy threatens to destroy Ember's fragile heart even more, she is faced with an endless amount of uncertainty. Can Ember's heart survive the overwhelming situations that consistently knock her down or will the pain send her crashing to the ground? All she wants is to feel again, to be whole, loved; but is a happily ever after written in the skies or will the dark clouds destroy her?\*\*\*WARNING\*\*\* This book contains graphic abuse scenes and profanity. If either of those things offend you, DO NOT READ THIS BOOK. Just sayin'. Yes this book has cuss words. You have been warned.

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## Customer Reviews

I think this is the second 1-star review I am posting, and I don't enjoy posting a negative review. That being said, I want to state my objections to this book (and types like it), to inform other readers out there. This story centers around an alcoholic abusive husband Austin, his wife Ember, and her new love interest Dalton. I have several issues with this book:

1. For starters the language in this book was disastrous. The grammar was wrong, but that is not even the issue, every paragraph, and I mean every paragraph had the F-word in it. I understand that not everyone takes offence to such harsh language, but you would think that if the author felt the need to use such awful language, she would at least use a little more variations, and show some kind of skill. Who even talks like this anyways? Not only was the swearing beyond acceptable, the descriptions in this book were coarse and rude. Not a lot was left to the imagination, and when being visual about certain aspects none of the descriptions were delivered in any kind of tasteful fashion. It was ridiculous.
2. The book starts off really strong giving you a real visual of the relationship Ember and Austin have. She dreads being near him, due to all the abuse he directs at her. She hopes he is asleep when she goes up to bed, so she will not have to endure getting near to him. Then a few chapters further into the book, Ember gets angry at Austin for starting up something sexual and finishing up before she is done. Somehow the whole idea of her being afraid of him sexually went out the window for me. A person who beats you, puts the fear of life into you, is not the person that turns you on, and you want to be with. I just could not buy into that.
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Title: Ember Skies  
Author: Nicky Crawford  
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Is This Part of a Series?: No  
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Summary: Ember works hard to maintain the image of a perfect military wife, trying to keep her abusive husband happy and her daughter safe. Then she meets Dalton and realizes that she is worth more than just a life of survival. Finding someone who can make her happy, though, is just the beginning. There are still years of hurts, current physical threats, fears to face, and a daughter to protect in order for Ember to reach the life she deserves. Will she find the courage to leave Austin? Will she find the strength to risk her heart again with Dalton?

Overall Impression: There were parts that were slow and parts that were heart-pounding, but when it all balanced out, it was a good, heart-warming story that was easy and pleasurable to read.

The Nitty Gritty: My absolute favorite part of this book was the cast of characters. Ember was someone you wanted to get to know, encourage, and--most importantly--watch live and grow. Her daughter, Harlee, was cute and relatively believable with her three-year-old speech (although there were a couple of times where it

was distracting). Dalton was honorable, dashing, and funny. And by the time the book was over, there were several other characters--all distinct from one another--that were also worth knowing and watching. Honestly, by the end of the book I was wishing I knew them in real life. The plot of the book (revolving around an alcoholic, abusive husband) is a bit predictable in its basic path, although it does take a few alternate routes to arrive at the typical destination.

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