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#### **Editorial Review**

#### From Publishers Weekly

In her latest Regency romance, Chase deftly weaves a tale of passion, sacrifice and growth with humor and charm to spare. Handsome, charming and an intellectual of the first order, Darius Carsington, fifth son of the earl of Hargate, spends his life in two pursuits: "(1) studying animal behavior, especially breeding and mating behavior, and (2) devoting his leisure hours to emulating this behavior"—with women. But his demanding father finds Darius's interests worthless and gives him a choice: either marry or go to work renovating his father's recently acquired countryside estate. Darius chooses the latter, making him neighbors with Lady Charlotte Hayward, a beautiful woman who's vowed never to marry, and the young pair's clumsy, comical first meeting does nothing to diminish the immediate chemistry between them. Behind her vow, though, Charlotte hides a shameful 10-year-old secret that she's loathe to reveal—and which a marriage would surely uncover—but nonetheless finds herself falling hard for Darius. Meanwhile, Darius is struggling to maintain his longstanding belief that there's no such thing as love. Amid all the reluctance, trysts and unexpected devotion, a hidden rival steps up to capture Charlotte and threaten to expose her. Chase knows what her fans want—strong characters, a swift pace and plenty of heated encounters—and once again she delivers, with considerable wit. (*May*)

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#### From Booklist

After a rake ruined her life, Charlotte has perfected the art of dismissing unwanted suitors. So when Charlotte stumbles into her new neighbor, the annoyingly handsome Darius, she immediately begins thinking of ways to keep him away. As a scientist Darius relies on reason and logic, and up until now, love has had no place in his orderly world. But when he meets the bewildering, beguiling, and utterly bedazzling Charlotte, he discovers that love has rules of its own. Chase expertly pairs up another of her smart, stubborn heroines with an irresistibly sexy hero, and deftly combines deliciously clever dialogue and superbly nuanced secondary characters to create another wickedly witty, lusciously romantic, and sublimely sensual tale. Charles, John

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#### About the Author

Loretta Chase has worked in academe, retail, and the visual arts, as well as on the street—as a meter maid—and in video, as a scriptwriter. She might have developed an excitingly checkered career had her spouse not nagged her into writing fiction. Her bestselling historical romances, set in the Regency and Romantic eras of the early nineteenth century, have won a number of awards, including the Romance Writers of America's RITA®.

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