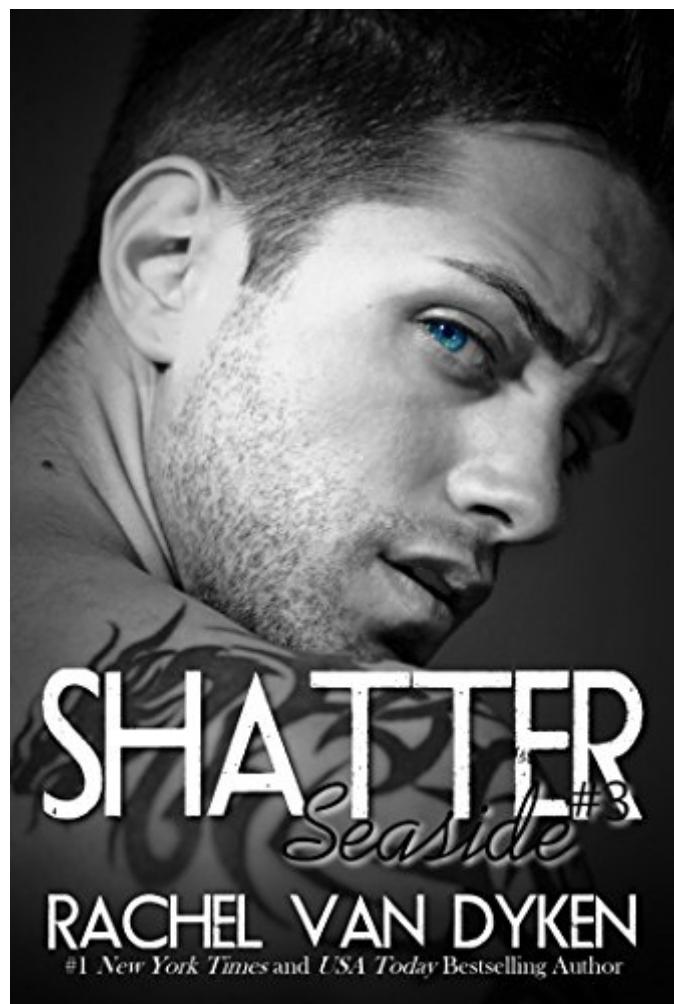


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Shatter (A Seaside Novel Book 3)



Synopsis

Sometimes the only way to heal... is to shatter. Rock star Alec Daniels has it all. Love, fame, money... But being in the limelight isn't all it's cracked up to be, and after one bad choice comes back to haunt him he is left picking up the pieces of his carefully constructed life. Now he faces the toughest decision of his life: Deal with his mistake like a man, or dive back into the dark hole of depression, drugs, and denial that have been his comfort for so long. One wrong move could destroy everything. His girlfriend, his family, and his future. *This is a New Adult Book, blood, violence, cursing, sexual references, and drug use. Not recommended for those under 17*

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Customer Reviews

I am having a serious love-hate relationship with this story. I loved it because the book was focused on Alec who is by far my favorite of the Seaside men and I hated it because he was struggling and I didn't want to see a character I so fiercely love, struggle. So for the first half of the book I struggled to keep my deep seeded hatred under control. The gut feelings I had about Angelica being a truly

horrid human being...yep just verified. She is vile and I honestly, firmly believe she doesn't ever deserve a happily-ever-after. Unless with Ruben because he is equally as awful. Now Alec and Nat had my feels all over the place. I was concerned, I was cheering them on, I was drawing the conclusions that everything was going to hell. Seriously, at one point in the story I was like, "When is enough, enough?". It was like an endless case of one bad thing after another with endless cases of people getting punched in the face. Haven't these men learned that that is not the way adults work out their issues?! But I truly loved having all these men together and they gelled so flawlessly. Alec really grew throughout the story and I loved watching him battle...and defeat his demons. The secondary characters also make the story...they were the ones that flawlessly balanced out Alec's brooding with humor. I also have a true confession to make, my real life relationship is a carbon copy of Demetri and Alyssa's relationship in this book...*dies of embarrassment*. What can I say, I am a sucker for a rock-star romance.

Shatter is the third book in Rachel Van Dyken's Seaside Novel's series. The story is told from Alec and Demetri's perspectives. We join Alec, Nat, Demetri, Alyssa, Jaymeson and Angelica as they are filming their reality show in Seaside, Oregon. (And let me just say, Hello and Welcome to Jaymeson! It was great meeting you! Can't wait to get to know you better in the next book in this series, Fall!) Shatter revolves around the repercussions from a decision that Alec has made in the past and how he chooses to handle it now. His decisions will effect everyone he loves. As always, Rachel Van Dyken's style of writing is flawless. She captivates you from the very start of the book and has you wishing the story will never end. Even though the story line of this book is often heavy and emotional Rachel is amazing about interspersing humor throughout the book. There are some fabulous one-liners in this book that just had me cracking up! I highly recommend Shatter. Hang tight and Rachel Van Dyken will take you on a fantastic, gritty, intense, emotional journey. Her characters are flawed but they love deeply. I love to see where their motives come from and why they have chosen to do certain things. It seems to always redeem them in the end. Complimentary copy provided.

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As much as I wish Alec and Nat had had their happily ever after I was happy to have an entire book dedicated to them. They are hands down my favorite couple in Seaside (so far at least!), and more Demetri is never a bad thing. The story was a little more angst than I would have liked, which is funny considering they're a year older in this book. Once again the ensemble cast of characters and their love for each other takes center stage, making it very easy to love them all a little more. Unlike Alec and Nat's first book, Shatter is told in a dual first person POV from both Nat and Alec's points of view. The book was a very fast read and a must for any fans of this series!

This is the 3rd book in this series. Fantastic writing again by Rachel. The characters in this series are so easy to get to know, you find yourself cheering them along. The emotion and trauma they go through is heart wrenching at times. Some parts of this story really show us how much pressure we place on ourselves. Alec Daniels and Natalie Murray, we met in the first book. They fall for each other and in this part they are happy and in love. But secrets get in the way. Lies by omission get in the way. Not an easy time. This is quite a raw story in amongst some of the funniest scenes. Such a mix of drama and humour and love. This author has a unique and refreshing way of writing. As I am reading I can almost picture all the scenes being played out. Demetri Daniels whom we met in the first book as well and whom we got to know even better when he met his match in the second book Alyssa. He is back with full force and somehow the roles are reversed and now Demetri is the sensible one. There are lies, blackmail, fighting, scheming, plotting, love, humour, heartbreak, this story has it all. Possible to read as a stand alone, with much of the story explained. Such a great way, but really at its best when read as a series. Awesome read, highly recommended to all us romantic, drama queens. Great story.

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