

LoveReading4kids Reader reviews of **One Silver Summer** by Rachel Hickman

Below are the complete reviews, written by the LoveReading4kids members.



Imogen Breaks, age 14

I really enjoyed this book because not only was it a summer romance but it also included adventure. I would rate this book a massive 10 out of 10 and recommend it to lovers of Lauren St John. 'One Silver Summer' is about a young girl called Sass who is sent to live with her uncle in Cornwall, after losing her mum in a tragic accident back in America. However one day she stumbles across a pure silver horse alone in a bright meadow and there is instantly a connection. Until a boy rudely breaks it. As the horses' trainer Alex is fiercely protective at first but soon his anger thaws and his curiosity about the girl with the sad eyes, peaks. However when he offers to teach her to ride, Sass realises that

they were becoming much more than just friends. But Alex has a secret that could shatter the already delicate Sass and leave him destined to be alone forever. I really enjoyed this book because not only did it have the summer romance element but it also included adventure, betrayal and the struggles that the 21st century can bring us. I would rate this book a massive 10 out of 10 and recommend it to lovers of Lauren St John, Sophia Bennett and readers 11+

Sidney Greenslade, age 13

'One Silver Summer' is a beautifully vivid story about Sass, a girl who builds a new life after tragedy strikes but is in danger of losing everything she loves all over again. 'One Silver Summer' is a beautifully written and heart warming tale, about Saskia Emerson, a girl who is sent to live in Cornwall with her uncle

David after a tragic accident leaves her motherless and heartbroken. Sass believes that all she'll ever feel again is pain and loss, so she can't believe it when she finds a tiny ray of sunlight in her otherwise dark world. A silver horse in a meadow, and a boy named Alex with a thousand secrets. Sass finds herself falling in love but little does she know, one of Alex's many secrets could destroy everything, leaving her in lonely darkness again.

*'One Silver Summer' truly enchanted me. I have never ridden a horse myself, but everything was described so well, so vividly, I could easily imagine myself galloping along the beach on the back of a silver horse, rain thrashing around me. I thought the characters were amazing, and their backstories brilliantly thought through. **There were twists and turns that kept me on the edge of my seat - the beautiful world Rachel Hickman has created had me bewitched until the very end.***

Neha Saji, age 14

'One Silver Summer' by Rachel Hickman is a novel about change and first love with a good story line with unexpected twists in the main plot. Alex and Sass' love will undeniably make you swoon.

The big positive about his book is that it is very descriptive so that you (the reader) are able to imagine the scene clearly. What I loved in the book were all the Sass and Alex scenes because their relationship was very sweet and innocent, able to make me swoon.

In my personal opinion, this book was not to my taste. I felt that it moved too quick with the whole love aspect, and many things were still left unfinished at the end of the book. There were so many different concepts trying to be conveyed with multiple narrative points, it was hard to grasp them all. The novel was much too fairytale like, and revolved a lot around horses, it would be more appealing to younger readers and horse lovers. Overall I would give this book 2/5.

Bella, age 10

*It's got beaches, horses and a prince and makes me want summer. To be honest **I think my mum enjoyed this book more than me although I did like it.** It's a love story between a prince and a girl.*

Saskias mum dies so she goes to live in Cornwall and she spies a beautiful horse and goes to make friends with her but the horse belongs to a prince. They meet in secret and fall in love but it doesn't stay simple for long.

I love the descriptions of the horses and the beaches and it makes me want to go back to Cornwall (we go every summer). This book is enjoyable but older girls might like it more.

Emily Kirby, age 12

'One Silver Summer' was good but I have to say it wasn't the best book I've ever read. I felt that it had too many characters with confusing names and it was a bit cliché. 'One Silver Summer' is about Alex and Sass and their struggles as a couple. Saskia (Sass) has come to Cornwall for the summer to stay with her uncle after the tragic death of her mother and meets Alexander (Alex) whose parents have just broken up but Alex has a secret which will really shock Sass.

Holly Wilkins, age 13

A book you'll never want to put down.

I would give it 4 out of 5 stars.

Sass moves to England after a traumatic accident. When taking her uncle's dog for a walk she stumbles across a horse who turns out to be owned by the richest family in Cornwall. This leads to one of the most exciting events in her life.