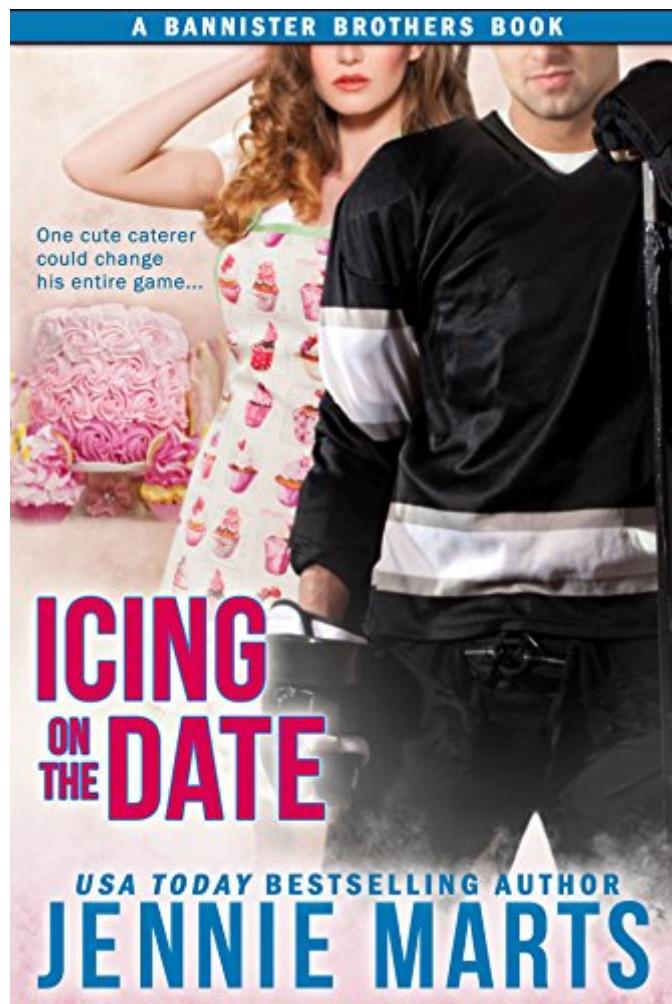


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Icing On The Date: A Bannister Brothers Book



Synopsis

Struggling caterer, Gabby Davis, has enough on her plate trying to start her new business and take care of her deadbeat brother. The last thing she needs is to get involved with Owen Bannister, the brawling NHL player who is known for his cavalier playboy ways. Even if having him in her kitchen does turn up the heat. Owen Bannister has a reputation for being a hot-head that no one woman can pin down. When the press captures him laughing and frosting the cupcakes of a local baker, team management sees a chance to clean up his tarnished image. But he soon finds that love is the ultimate game changer, and he's about to get checked. Having Gabby around is great for publicity and great for her business, but what happens when she becomes more than just a game? Mixing cupcakes and hockey might just be a recipe for love in this fun romantic comedy/sports romance that mixes a cute caterer with a bad-boy hockey player.

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Customer Reviews

I was excited for this book, and I couldn't wait for it to pop up on my kindle. Unfortunately for me, the anticipation of the book outweighed the reality. The Pros: I really liked Owen. I thought he was fun and he is just what every female hockey fan wants (buff, rough around the edges, teddy bear on the

inside, and sweet). I liked the setting... how can you go wrong with cupcakes? The Cons: The book moved slowly. If you look at a plot diagram, you have the intro, rising action, conflict, climax, decline, and ending. The rising action part of this plot took up the majority of the book, and it was a very slow rise. It took forever to get to the conflict. In fact, I didn't get to the conflict until I was 75% through the book. This means that the climax, decline and ending were smashed together and honestly it fell flat. The plot line definitely wasn't balanced. Overall, I liked Gabby, but I had a few issues with her. First, she is an enabler. I can't STAND enablers. Her relationship with her brother made me mad. I understand that taking care of family is important, but you have to take care of yourself first. The author tried to portray Gabby as a strong independent woman, but her actions spoke of someone with an odd co-dependency issue. I wanted her so badly to put her foot down with her brother, but she didn't. Second, I did not buy the I don't like violence so I can't like a hockey player line. Work life and personal life are two totally different spheres. Never once did Owen show a propensity for violence in his personal life. He was protective sure, but he never let things get out of control. I know I am being pretty vague here, but I am trying to avoid giving away spoilers. Read the book and see if you agree with me.

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