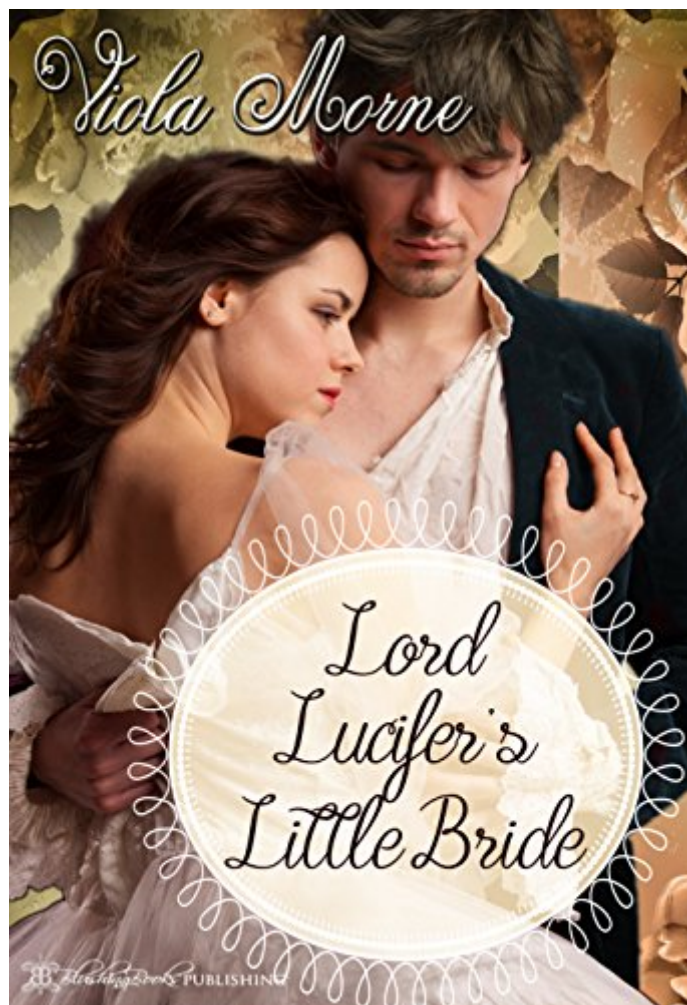


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# Lord Lucifer's Little Bride (The Marquis' Runaway Miss Book 3)



## Synopsis

One wicked and utterly delicious lord. One sweet little scientist. Two reckless hearts. The Honorable Miss Phoebe Wincham has no plans to marry. She is happy doing her animal research in the country. A husband would be an unwelcome inconvenience. Lord Lucian Beaufort is the biggest rake in London. A wedding is the last thing on his mind. But mired in debt and disgrace, Lucian has no choice but to marry the woman his father has selected for him. When he finds Phoebe tucked away in the nursery at a country house in Essex, he quickly changes his mind. Lucian is determined to marry her and to have Phoebe as his own little girl. Phoebe is dazzled by her handsome suitor and the way he lays claim to her body with both pain and pleasure. They settle in London, where married life in fashionable society offers its own challenges. Phoebe is afraid that her husband will revert to his roguish ways--and her fear and insecurity push him in that very direction. But Lucian is as stubborn as he is charming. Phoebe is his wife and he will risk anything to keep her--even his life.

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## Customer Reviews

I enjoyed this addition to the Marquis<sup>™</sup> Runaway Miss series which compliments the other two

stories, but this story will read well as a standalone. Two people who neither one was in any hurry to marry but was being pressured by parents to do so, find themselves physically attracted to each other and agree to marry. Lord Lucian Beaufort has a reputation as a shameless rake, a libertine, and a man whore. He is referred to as Lord Lucifer, the fallen angel of darkness. Miss Phoebe Wincham does not want to marry, is more a studious wallflower, with a love of animals and animal husbandry research. She and her mother were in a carriage accident that has crippled one ankle, and it took the life of her mother. The plot of the story has two people basically being forced to marry by their families. He has a very well-earned reputation as a rake, and she is mildly crippled, with a weakened ankle. There is a definite chemistry of attraction between the two, especially when Lucian finds Phoebe in her family home nursery playing with her doll house. "He was fire and flame, and she was drawn to him, like the proverbial moth, to her inevitable destruction." He has a proclivity to having a woman dressed like a young girl that he can take in hand, like what he found at The Nursery, a brothel in London. The age-play in this story is on the mild side and not the main focus of this story. The audacity of some of the women of the ton that boldly state to Phoebe their affairs with Lucian and her comeback comments adds extra humor to the story. Lucian and Phoebe will go through rough patches and her eventually leaving him before both of them to come to term with their real feelings. "When we married, I thought you were a lamb. I know now how wrong I was. You, madam, are a veritable lioness."

I really enjoyed this book! The romance between Lucian and Phoebe was so sweet with very mild age play. Phoebe's character made me smile, a young, strong woman who knew what she wanted. She was certainly before her time, and was strong enough to help Lucian figure out what he wanted out of life. Enjoyable read!

A great addition to the series. I really enjoyed this book. Phoebe is a wonderful character who knows what she wants and is determined to get it, her way. Lucian is a rake through and through. The relationship between the two of them is hot and explosive. Love their interactions. A fabulous read.

This was a nice edition to Viola Morne's The Marquis' Runaway Miss series, Lucian a rake of the highest order and does little with his life beyond parties, and whoring around that his father calls him to task in a more concerned way than we get from most lord fathers in romances and wants him to meet Phoebe whose family is willing to entertain the idea about their daughter marrying such a

libertine. Phoebe is more reluctant to marry due to feeling inadequate because of her limp and a desire to not be hurt and would rather spend time helping out animals. But the minute these two see each other there is an immediate attraction, Lucian sees the little in Phoebe how she takes joy from being in her old nursery and she sees the handsome man that is always trying to encourage and support her and handles her in a way that makes her hot in ways she never imagined. While this can be read as a stand alone book there are mentions of the previous book and some plot points that took me awhile to understand having only read the first book and not the second but it is a minor part. Overall this is a great book with several erotic scenes, and two people who are trying to understand how to be married and not let doubt and fears about their past ruin their future.

I enjoyed this well-written book so much I couldn't put it down. Although it can be read as a stand alone, it was nice to be familiar with the characters from the previous books, which were both excellent. Lucifer is a well-developed character who is trying to grow up. I found his conflict endearing as the renowned rake tried to become a respectable husband. Phoebe is a complex character who I loved. Her intelligence and compassion and spirit combined with her insecurity and low self esteem made her both incredibly strong and vulnerable. I admired her ability to self soothe by retreating to her nursery and releasing her inner child. It was this quality that made Lucifer realize that she was the right woman for him, although the age play element in this series is subtle. The plot was driven by the emotional conflict regarding Lucifer's past and Phoebe's insecurity, but there was plenty going on throughout the book that held my interest. I highly recommend it for all fans of historical dd romance. I received this book from the publisher in exchange for an honest review.

I received an ARC of this book for an honest review. I loved this book. I really like this genre but don't always feel it is played out well. A lot of the time they can be harsh or make me mad for undeserved punishments. This book, however, is not harsh nor filled with undeserved punishments that make you question the H's ability to love. The h is strong, she is determined and kind, she is a little by personality not by force or coercion. I truly loved her character. The H was a good guy that just needed to grow up a bit and get his head out of his butt. He was a good papa to her. They were a great match. If you are into this genre this book will be a great addition to your library. If you are new to this genre, this book a softer read than some of the others out there and would be a great intro book.

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