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KARMA UNDER FIRE

ABOUT THE BOOK

Two societies collide: the trendy, upscale, ultra-hip universe of Atlanta and the alluring, bound-by-tradition world of old India!

Pressured by her challenging mother, Harlow Kennedy, an aspiring jewelry maker, agrees to marry politically ambitious pretty-boy Addison Whitmore. The match will elevate Harlow's non-existent social standing and guarantee financial security for life. The wedding is scheduled to take place as soon as Harlow returns from her BFF's wedding in India.

On the other side of the world, the parents of Tej Mayur, the "it" chef of Atlanta's hottest new Indian restaurant, are fretting about their son's unmarried status. They summon him home.

When Harlow meets Tej on a flight from Atlanta to Delhi, sparks fly. Unfortunately, Tej's nuptials are already being arranged by his privileged East Indian family, and Harlow is not Indian. After touching down at Indira Gandhi International, they flee one another's company—or so they think.

Karma Under Fire transports readers across the globe, and like *Mississippi Masala* and *Crazy Rich Asians*, at its core it's a vibrant heartwarming story about two young people's search for love while they navigate the uncertain path between passion and tradition.



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“Soooo . . . you're going home. You leave in two days, right? Let me be the first to say congratulations.”

“Huh?”

“Your upcoming nuptials, of course! Come on, man. You're headed home just before marriage season. Your maata has you in the crosshairs. Oh, how the mighty fall. I hate to admit, I'm going to miss reading about your escapades on the gossip sites.”

“Bugger off, mate. What are you going on about?”

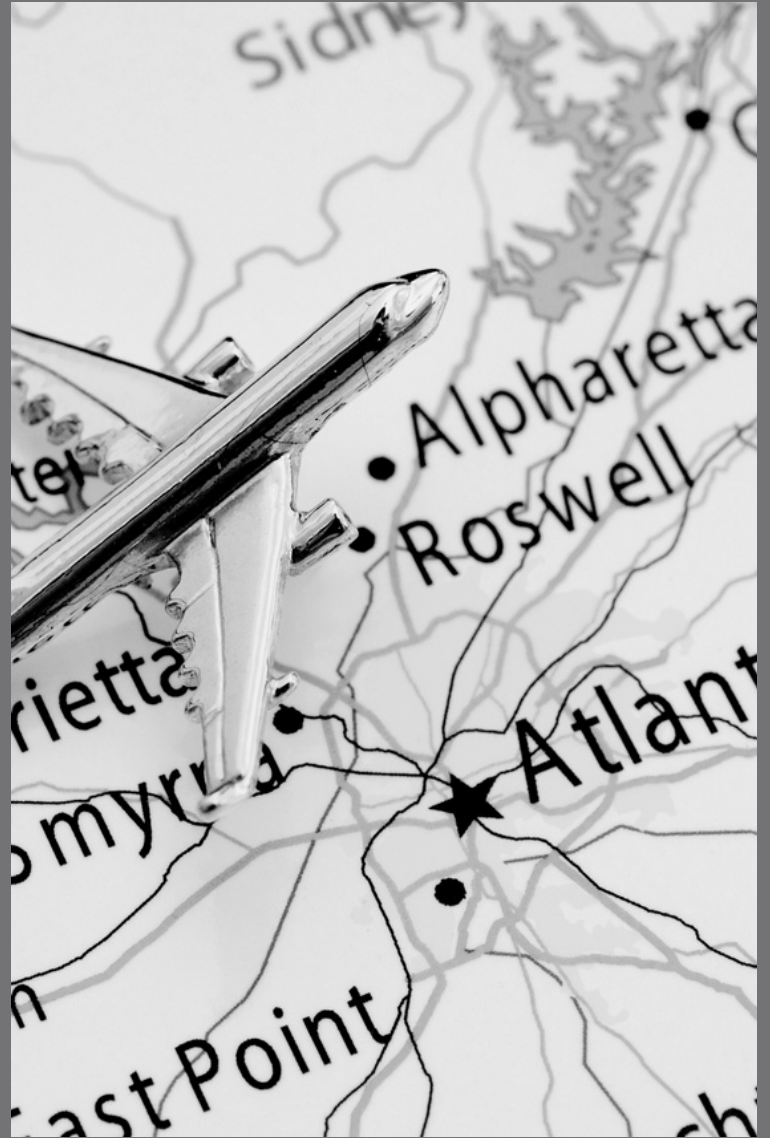
The Indian community gossiped worse than older women at a Baptist church social. My life was well chronicled. I continually endured meddling, marriage-minded Indian maatas, their vapid, status-seeking daughters, and the unrelenting brutality of social media. Success carried privileges—and liabilities.

Bishal was a dog with a bone. “Your maata is back on the warpath, huh? She's telling you that fun time in America is over. Time to come back to India and do the right thing for the family. Marry a good woman. Have a truckload of babies and make her proud?”

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Excerpt from *Karma Under Fire*





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Love's passion for travel is reflected in her books as she transports readers between the southern sweetness of Georgia to other picturesque locations around the world. She believes that the love you give away will find its way back you. Her books reflect this truth. Love currently resides in Atlanta, Georgia with her husband, their two sons, and pet Morkie.

PRAISE FOR KARMA UNDER FIRE



“Crisp, engaging prose and quick-paced storytelling will please readers of lively, travel-minded international fiction.... Enormous wealth, extravagant weddings, unyielding tradition, fantastic Indian cuisine—all the boxes for depicting India as an exotic backdrop for romantic adventure get checked.”

—Publishers Weekly

“Readers will find this to be a gratifying and heartwarming story, featuring two characters that they will be likely to find endearing, despite their flaws. Each chapter alternates between the two main players’ perspectives as they grapple with their futures; this format results in a delightful and easygoing read that some will find to be reminiscent of Indian romance films.”

—Kirkus

“Love Hudson-Maggio has written a fun, hip and poignant debut novel. *Karma Under Fire* is a gem—you’ll fall in love with Harlow and Tej in a hot Atlanta minute!”

—Addison Fox, Bestselling author of *Rustlers Creek Series*

“A fun, exciting, international, rom-com with dynamic characters, realistic life challenges, globe-trotting, weddings, and matchmakers create a vibrant story that draws you in from the first page. The delicious descriptions of food and colorful locations invite you to enjoy extravagance and travel for free!”

—Jennifer Moorman, Bestselling author of *The Baker’s Man*



“A wonderful Indian matchmaking romcom that features a cross cultural romance. Told in multiple POVs, we follow Tej and Harlow as they navigate through challenging obstacles. Just enough tension and spice to hold readers attention. I especially enjoyed the details of Indian culture, along with sumptuous descriptions of food.”

—Gwendolyn McDavid Anderson

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