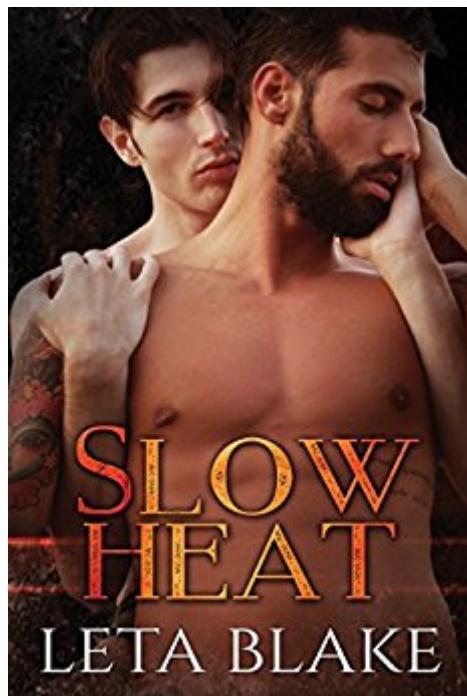


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# Slow Heat



## **Synopsis**

A lustful young alpha meets his match in an older omega with a past. Professor Vale Aman has crafted a good life for himself. An unbonded omega in his mid-thirties, he's long since given up hope that he'll meet a compatible alpha, let alone his destined mate. He's fulfilled by his career, his poetry, his cat, and his friends. When Jason Sabel, a much younger alpha, imprints on Vale in a shocking and public way, longings are ignited that can't be ignored. Fighting their strong sexual urges, Jason and Vale must agree to contract with each other before they can consummate their passion. But for Vale, being with Jason means giving up his independence and placing his future in the hands of an untested alpha--as well as facing the scars of his own tumultuous past. He isn't sure it's worth it. But Jason isn't giving up his destined mate without a fight. This is a stand alone gay romance novel, 118,000 words, with a strong happy ending, as well as a well-crafted, non-shifter omegaverse, with alphas, betas, omegas, male pregnancy, heat, and knotting. Content warning for pregnancy loss and aftermath.

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## **Customer Reviews**

My Review: Wow, wow, wow! This book is spectacularly creative and I loved reading it. It's long, but I devoured it...because I simply couldn't bear to put it down and close the file. This world is a version of a dystopian world that evolved somehow from ours. In this world, everyone is human, everyone is male, and everyone is either alpha, beta, or omega. The men have lots of traits like imagined wolf shifters do...knotting and the hierarchy, but without the shifting into animal form. In this world, alphas and omegas mate. Only omegas can give birth. And the social protocols are very strict with contracts set up between omegas and alphas based on family ranking and the bonds between them. The two heroes in this book are not what anyone would consider ideal mates. Jason is only 19 and just starting his alpha training. At this age alphas are kept away from available omegas so they won't imprint before they can control themselves. No one considers Vale as a risk around the alphas. He's a 35 yo unmated omega, but everyone assumes he's past the point of imprinting...until Jason smells him and loses control. While finding their mates is an amazing thing, no one quite knows how to deal with this possible union. Vale will have to give up everything he's worked his entire life to gain...his career, his home, his independence...if he accepts Jason's contract. This story was so good. While the two have a May/Dec romance, I loved how aware Jason is of that. He works so hard to not give Vale anymore doubts. Yes, he's having such a hard time controlling himself, but he wants Vale so much, he matures rather quickly to be what he needs to be for his omega. In the background there is a whole side story of how unfair this world is for the omega. They are in this society simply to service their alpha and breed for them...something that Vale can't do. Jason's fathers have to approve of his mating with Vale...but they are facing their own omega issues that just highlight the rough road that Vale and Jason may have to follow. It was a heartbreakingly good story that was so well-done just in the way that Leta Blake showed all the different viewpoints. Add in the story with Xan (who absolutely stole my heart...I really hope we get his story, too) and the unfairness of this set of circumstances for everyone isn't right. But the highlight of the story absolutely had to be the romance between Jason and Vale. They are so wonderful just in that they are so respectful of one another even with all the emotional turmoil within this incredible draw between these two. I thoroughly enjoyed the story and most definitely recommend it. Go check out this world!!! I received a complimentary copy of this book in return for an honest review.

Holy crap this book. I had never read a book in the omegaverse before, but I was familiar with it, having stumbled across some fan-comics and fanfiction way, way back. I had never read a novel before. After a friend recommended this to me I decided to get the book because a. she had never steered me wrong before and b. I was bored and had nothing to read. I stayed up almost all night to

finish this book, passed out at 1 AM when I had to be up at 5 AM to work, and I barely made it through work. I was desperate to finish the story. It was absolutely amazing, and I regret nothing. Well, maybe I regret rushing through it, because I loved the book so much and I want more. After this book, I have been hooked on the omegaverse and have finished book 14 in just 11 days. And it started with this. I loved Vale and Jason. They are so different, and it seems like the odds are against them, but things are not entirely grim. The world and character building Leta Blake has in this novel are phenomenal. I was completely sucked into the story. In this world, human females no longer exist, and instead there are Alpha, beta, and omega men, with omegas being the child-bearers of society. The imprinting scene was so well done. I felt the frenzy Jason felt, and I read it through three times because of how intense and sudden it was. I loved it, and after that, I completely fell for baby Alpha Jason. And Vale. How can one not feel for him after all his heartbreak? The secondary characters are also well developed. There were some I loved, some I hated, and some I pitied. By the end, I was pretty desperate for a sequel with Jason's friend, and I'm really hoping that comes out sometime soon. This book was my introduction to the omegaverse, and if you are considering joining the fray, I hope you start with this one. It has great world building, excellent characters, and plenty of emotion. Though I bought this as an ebook, it was so good I will be buying the paperback to add to my collection.

This was a great book, reminiscent of The Handmaide's Te. Set in a post apocalyptic world after humans as we know them have long since died, the book explores some prevalent issues in today's society in a subtle and understated way. The world building was amazing!! The gradual romance between the main characters was beautifully written and it was great to see an alpha/omega romance that wasn't just love at first site. Great book that will stay with me for a long time.

Okay I stumble upon this hot as hell book quite by accident. I had Leta Blake website/ blog downloaded on my phone and have not looked at it in months (Sorry Leta). I was cleaning up my phone and deleting things I haven't used in a while. For some reason something told me to check out her website/ blog. I saw the cover art for Slow Heat and I was like that looks really cool. I then pop over to [and downloaded the sample](#). This all went down around 10-11pm on Tuesday. I started the sample and could not put it down. The next morning before heading to work I stopped picked up a gift card so I could download the book. I finished it this morning at 2 am Thursday. This book is a must read. I just started reading MPreg stories and this was the best one I have read so far. There was so much packed into this book but it never got confusing. It was like I was reading multiple

stories and they just flowed together. I would love to visited this group again to see what they have all been up to. I especially want to know how things work out for Zan in the future.

Favorite genre of books is paranormal, with shifters as the main focus, I've read every different type out there and this one has to be one of the best, most original ideas and worlds ever thought up. Totally different from all others. Deeply emotional, beautifully written, with more than a touch of angst and pain, well worth the time and clenched jaws.

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