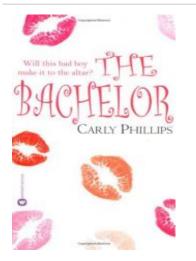
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The Bachelor

by Carly Phillips



About the Book

Will this bad boy make it to the altar?

It takes a very special woman to catch a Chandler man...

Meet the Chandlers? a trio of sexy brothers and the most eligible men in town...until their mother falls ill. As her three sons gather at her side, she makes two desperate demands: "Get married! Give me grandchildren!"

THE BACHELOR

Foreign correspondent Roman Chandler has always prized his freedom above all else. Now losing a coin toss has sealed this youngest brother's fate. Finding someone to escort down the aisle is the easy part?every wannabe bride in sleepy Yorkshire Falls is itching to get hitched to this gorgeous, globe-trotting Chandler man. But Roman still lusts after the woman who got away. Stunning heartbreaker Charlotte Bronson has come home to put down roots and get her erotic lingerie business off the ground. She wants a man who won't go chasing off to the far corners of the earth for a breaking news story. He wants her to say "I do."

Will she-or won't she? Can the love of the right woman transform a go-it-alone guy into a stick-around-forever kind of man?

Discussion Guide

1. When do Roman's fears, about Charlotte's agenda meshing with his career, change? What clues him in to her secret dreams?

2. What connections does the crocheting inspire in the story?

3. What do you think about Charlotte's relationship to her mother?

4. What core family values exist in the Chandler household? In what circumstances do these values become a strength or a weakness?

- 5. What traits contribute to the famous Chandler charm?
- 6. How does Roman propose? What was your opinion of the proposal?
- 7. What was the most sensual thing Roman or Charlotte did during this story?
- 8. What reaction do the women have to the news of the Panty Pirate? What is your opinion of their reaction?
- 9. What is your opinion of Raina's deception of her sons?
- 10. Was leaving his brothers to discover her deception themselves fair? Why or why not?

Author Bio

New York Times best-selling author Carly Phillips is an attorney who has tossed away legal briefs in favor of writing hot, sizzling romances. Her first single title contemporary romance, **The Bachelor**, captured a spot as the third pick of the "Reading with Ripa" book club on *LIVE with Regis and Kelly*. The announcement launched Carly into the number-one slot on both Amazon.com and Barnes & Noble.com within just a few hours and for a six-week stay on the *New York Times* list. The follow-up to **The Bachelor**, **The Playboy**, also hit the *New York Times* list its first week.

Carly currently lives in Purchase, New York with her husband, two young daughters and frisky soft-coated Wheaton terrier who acts like their third child. When she's not spending time with her family, Carly is busy writing, promoting (and playing online!). Carly loves to hear from her readers. You can write her at: P.O. Box 483, Purchase, NY 10577, or e-mail her at: carly@carlyphillips.com. To discover more about this quickly rising star of romance, all the Chandler men and Carly's upcoming books, visit Carly's Web site at: www.carlyphillips.com.

Critical Praise

"Ms. Phillips will heat up your summer with **The Bachelor** -- it's a sexy, sassy, sinfully good novel with compelling characters, a fun premise and a promise of more great stories to come. With her first full-length novel, Ms. Phillips proves that her talent for creating believable characters and sexy stories shines in this longer format. It's a long wait for the rest of the Chandler men, but they promise to be worth it!"

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