

# Just His Barista

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## Synopsis

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**She's just his barista...until she buys into Legacy Brew as a co-owner. Then she's Coy's business partner *and* the source of his five-year-long crush. But after they share a kiss one night, Macie's seriously considering mixing business and pleasure.**

**Macie:** Coy Cochran and I have never gotten along all that well. His daddy hired me a decade ago at their family coffee shop, and I've grown to love the place. Now that Coy's dad is gone, he's more than determined than ever to carry on the family owned and operated caf . I'm the brains and beauty at the shop, but Coy won't listen to me until I have money in the game too. Now that we're business partners, we get along slightly better. Slightly. He's still surly and full of bark, and while I like animals, I tend to stay away from the human ones that demand to see me in their office over a little spilled sugar. I can handle working with Coy. It's the "not working" that's been plaguing me. See, we had this...well, I call it The Kissing Incident a single kiss, months ago, in a moment of extreme distress. Too bad I told him it was a mistake and couldn't happen again. Double-too-bad that it was the best kiss of my life and triple-too-bad that I can't stop thinking about it. Him. I can't stop thinking about *him*. And now my best friend's wedding is coming up, and I don't have a date. So I post on my social media, asking if anyone in Charleston would be willing to spend a few hours with me, drinking, dining, and dancing the night away. No strings attached. No boyfriend status required. When Coy texts me, saying he'll be my date, I'm torn. I definitely want to go out with him, but the wedding isn't for seven more weeks. And I want that boyfriend status with him, so I tell him we should give a relationship a test drive. The problem is, if the test drive turns out to be a complete wreck, I'm back in the same situation as before my social media post: dateless and comparing every future kiss I'll ever have to the man who still thinks I'm just his barista. Oh, and bonus: I'll have to continue working with him

day in and day out too.<br /> <br /> <b><i>Get ready to laugh out loud in this hilarious, sweet workplace romantic comedy! The romance is clean, the jokes witty, and the coffee-shop-grump swoon-worthy. </i></b></p>

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