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Every autumn, Moonbright, Maine, is the picture of charm with its piles of crisp leaves, flickering jack-o-lanterns, and a touch of the sweetest kind of enchantment.

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The Bakeshop At Edsa Shangri-la

Witches, goblins, the occasional ghost—they're all sure to be spotted at the annual Halloween parade, where adults and children alike dress in costume to celebrate Moonbright's favorite holiday. And no place has more seasonal spirit than Bellaluna's Bakeshop, a family business steeped in traditional recipes, welcoming warmth—and, legend has it, truly spellbinding, heart-melting treats!

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a cute couple...so I went with it. ðŸ˜ƒ

Bonus...we get another cookie recipe. ðŸ•ª

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And as with the first two books we again get a delicious sounding cookie recipe! ðŸŽŸf

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The Bake Shop At Biltmore

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The Bellaluna women were a bit magical and mystical themselves!

One lives in Philly and is in town to help out extended family go on a trip of a lifetime, the other is rooted in the town and particularly Bellaluna's Bakeshop, so how would they make a long term relationship work!

"I can't predict the future! But I think we both know this feels like it could be a whole lot more than nothing!"

Like Bree's cookies and cakes this story was seductively sweet, devoured too quickly, and left me with a smile on my face.

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The Bake Shop At Ghent

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I loved how there was a little bit of magic in each of these stories, but it did not overwhelm. These were sweet stories of love with each of the women being a bit shy, yet rather sassy when attraction begins. The banter between the two main characters in each story was funny and had me smiling. The supporting characters were also entertaining. With each story being a novella or short story, there was not a lot of time to develop characters, yet that did not seem to be an issue. Each story had me smiling as I watched the attraction grow between the characters. Yes, it was instalove and that is not my favourite trope, but it worked well with these three delightful stories.

I listened to the audiobook narrated by Tiffany Morgan. This is the second book I have listened to with this narrator and she is enjoyable. She adds specific voices to the characters which helps with identifying who is speaking at the time, but the breathy voice she used for one of the characters began to grate on me after awhile. Other than that, the expression she used to dramatize the story was wonderful and I enjoyed her performance of this story. The publisher of this audiobook generously provided me with a copy upon my request. The rating, ideas and opinions shared are my own. ...more

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between them and it looks as if things may not work out. Dive in and see if the magic that has come alive between them brings a romance like no other to life. I will definitely be reading more from each of these authors!!!

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The Bake Shop At Pinewood

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In Love Spells Disaster by Allyson Charles, Cassandra is trying to get a date with her boss. There are some truly laugh out loud moments here. This story focuses heavily on the bakery treats which I loved. There is a lot of emotion in this story and I really enjoyed that!

Sweet on You by Kate Angell, was a fantastic story. Lara, the main character is in the bakeshop with her ex boyfriend after being dumped in the company of a lot of people. In enters the mayor and maybe

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things might be turning around? I loved how this story had several characters from the first two stories. This story wrapped up the trilogy very nicely .

I absolutely LOVED how these stories tied together while celebrating the town of Moonbright, Maine and all of the Halloween and fall festivities.

I highly recommend this wonderful book ! ...more

The Bakeshop On 20th

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This one starts it off and I really enjoyed it. It let us know what the whole theme of the book was. It did a great job of setting up for the next two stories. Characters are good I only wish for more of a romantic feeling between these two. I needed more.

Love Spells Disaster by Allyson Charles

I love Allyson Charles books so this was a treat for me. I did think that Cassandra treated Chip pretty poorly but got where the author was going. She finally got her head on straight and figured out what she really wanted. I liked how much she enjoyed Halloween and went all out for it. One of my favorite things is to decorate for the holiday's so this talked to me. I only wish I could build a haunted house in my driveway.

Sweet On You by Kate Angell

The third and final story is by Kate Angell an author I really enjoy. This one is so well done you won't want it to end. I have to tell you Jake and Lara are up there for my favorite couple of the year. I just loved these two together. They worked perfectly together. I loved them so much that I want more of the town so I can visit with them.

Summary of the whole book

The book is worth buying. You'll love the fall-themed stories. It's full of wonderful characters and not all of them are the main characters. More than one of the stories leave you wanting more of their world. I will say that Angell's book was my top favorite. Her story was the best written. You could tell right off the bat how much she connected with them. Even after I was done I kept thinking about them. Made it hard

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on me to start something new.

I enjoyed both Charles and Kauffman's stories but will admit that Kauffman's was the hardest to get through. Her writing and I don't always match.

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I definitely recommend this book. It's a great Halloween read but can be read any time of the year. I will be reading more from these authors!

Thank you #netgalley and #donnaKauffman for giving me the privilege to read this wonderful book!
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The Little Bake Shop At Johnson Orchards

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I was addicted to this story from the first few pages until the very last part. I could easily feel the excitement of the characters and the love that they felt for one another. It's a cozy, magical feeling that the book gives off at every twist and turn. It's sweet, fulfilling, and delightful and one that I will cherish again and again. 5/5 stars

The Sweet Bake Shop Atlasville

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Good story. Bree is the latest in her family to work at the family bakery. Within the family, it is an accepted fact that some members have a magic touch when it comes to baking. Bree hasn't yet experienced that phenomenon and is beginning to despair that she ever will. That is until Caleb comes into the shop. Suddenly those Italian cookies have a little extra zing to them.

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Neither Bree nor Caleb can explain why they are drawn together so strongly. It makes no sense because Bree is planted firmly in Moonbright and Caleb is only in town for six weeks or so before he goes back to Philadelphia. But as Caleb gets deeper into the problems at the restaurant, Bree is there to help him. There is no doubt about the attraction between them, but both try hard to resist it. Neither one wants to hurt the other or suffer a broken heart. I ached for them both, as it was clear that their hearts were already deeply involved, but neither could see a way to make it happen. I liked how honest they were about the pros and cons of being together. When the truth behind his uncle's troubles comes to light, Bree and Caleb have to work together to find a solution. It takes the help of family, especially Bree's grandmother, for them to get their happy ending.

I liked seeing Caleb come into his own as he worked through the restaurant's troubles. Though an excellent chef, he avoided the front of the house like the plague in his family's restaurant. In Moonbright, he had to do it all and discovered that he was better at it than he expected. I liked seeing him work with his sister, Cassie, to find the problem and fix it in a way that preserved his uncle's pride. I'm looking forward to seeing more of Cassie. I also liked seeing Bree find her groove at the bakery. Her grandmother's support was critical, and I liked how Sofia helped Bree through her doubts. I loved the scene in the epilogue with Clark Kent and Wonder Woman.

Love Spells Disaster - Allyson Charles

Cassie is a recent arrival in Moonbright. She chose the town because of their focus on Halloween, which is her favorite holiday. Now that she has settled in, she is ready to look for a man in her life. Due to a rough childhood, Cassie has particular requirements for a potential mate. Having had her fill of bad boys, she sets her sights on her boss, an uptight, strait-laced man who has the security she craves. Unfortunately for her, he is oblivious to her interest, so she looks to the tried and true "the way to a man's heart is through his stomach." She stops at the Bellaluna Bakery where Sophia gives her two special cookies along with the instructions to be open to whatever comes her way.

Disaster ensues when her boss turns down the cookie because he's in training for a marathon. When she munches a cookie herself, she chokes and is rescued by a visitor to the office. Chip helps himself to the other cookie, but Cassie wants no part of a man who doesn't check her boxes. Chip, on the other hand, is immediately attracted to Cassie. I had a bit a trouble with Cassie here, as she was quite rude and judgmental toward him. She redeemed herself somewhat by feeling guilty and did eventually apologize.

Chip and Cassie are thrown together when she needs a handyman to build her haunted house for Halloween. I liked seeing them together here as their efforts gave them the chance to get to know each other. Chip comes to understand what drives Cassie and has the patience to overcome her fears. Though Cassie tries to resist Chip's appeal, it isn't too long before she realizes that they have more in common than she thought. There were some pretty funny scenes as Cassie experiences one disaster after another in her pursuit of the wrong man. I liked the ending as Cassie finally realized the treasure she had. I also loved how Chip loves all of Cassie's Halloween quirkiness.

Sweet on You - Kate Angell

My favorite of the three stories. The story opens with Lara in the bakeshop where she is cruelly and publicly dumped by her boyfriend. To add insult to injury, she also runs into her landlord who informs her that the rent on her apartment is going up, and her employer can't guarantee she'll have a job past Christmas. Enter the mayor and his coworkers for their daily coffee break. The shop is crowded, and Jack ends up sitting with Lara. Sophia brings them some of her cookies and Jack and Lara chat for a while. A caring man with a big heart, it doesn't take long for Jack to get Lara to tell him of her troubles. He invites her to stop by his office if her job hunt isn't successful.

I loved both Jack and Lara. Lara is a sweet woman, a bit short and curvy, and a little insecure because of it. She is also smart, organized, and determined. Jack is a great mayor. He has the love and respect of the townspeople, and he loves them right back.

I loved the development of the relationship between Lara and Jack. They knew each other in school, where each had a crush on the other but never did anything about it. I loved hearing about how Lara attended all of Jack's hockey games, and that he knew she was there. Jack is currently swamped with the

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details for the Halloween parade, which leaves him little time for doing actual mayor work. After getting a chance to talk to Lara, he realizes that she would be perfect as the town's event planner and hires her on the spot. There is also the added bonus of being able to see her every day. Jack is well and truly smitten. Lara is surprised by Jack's attention but is equally attracted to him. Over the next couple of weeks they spend a lot of time together, both for work and personal time. I loved how easy it was for them to talk to each other and share their lives. There were some great scenes of them together. One of my favorites was their day of pumpkin and apple picking, and the heat that built between them all day. There was a brief resurgence of Lara's insecurity at one point, but Jack handled it perfectly. The ending was great.

I loved the setting of the story as Lara and Jack plan the Halloween parade. There are so many moving parts that it takes a truly organized person to make it all work. I adored seeing Lara make the job her own, being flexible when necessary for and firm when she needed to be. It was satisfying to see her stand up to her ex when it came to his demands. I liked Jack's assistant, Donna, and her little nudges of pushing Lara and Jack together. My favorite secondary character was Edna. Though she comes across as quite the grouch at the beginning, both Jack and Lara soon see that there is a side of her that few people know about. I laughed at her nicknames for people and cheered when Lara gave her one of her own. I loved her part in the twist at the end. ...more

4.75 Stars

SWEET MAGIC by Donna Kauffman - 5 Stars!

This story is just wow, EVERYTHING I ever wanted in a love story. It doesn't even feel like a short story at all. Bree O'Neill and her family own the Bakeshop at Pumpkin and Spice lanes called Bellaluna's. This family has its own brand of magic, foodie magic. They make cookies and these cookie nudge couples together, couples that might never have met otherwise. Bella was working on her first batch of love spell iced cookies and was unhappy with t 4.75 Stars

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Everything seems like it is perfect for them. Then they realize that each have similar family connections

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and a love of baking. She here and he in Philly. But Caleb is only in Moonbright due to his Aunt and Uncle's after the fact honeymoon. He will only be in town for 6 weeks. Bree knows that she would never leave Moonbright and she could never ask Caleb to give up everything for her.

Fate has other ideas. Her magical connection to Caleb prompts her to visit him when she believes him to be in danger. The connection they have is just a mind-blowing thing to read. AI could literally feel all the tingles and yes, magic happening with the couple. It comes through on the page in a flurry of fascinating circumstances. I just loved this one so much!!

LOVE SPELLS DISASTER by Allyson Charles - 4.75 Stars

Cassandra Hie has decided who she wants for her beau and she is setting up a strategy to get him. Her target is her boss Samuel. He is buttoned up and straight-laced. He is a guy who would provide her security in her life. But handyman Chip Gneiss eats the magical cookie Cassie had bought for Samuel not realizing her intentions for its use. I don't even think Samuel knew Cassie even worked for him much less was pining away for him. But fate keeps pushing Chip and Cassie together, much to her dismay. She knows what she wants and has decided it is not Chip.

Then Chip comes and builds the Halloween Haunted House she had always dreamed of in her driveway. He initially gets frustrated at her constantly pushing him away and then comes to the conclusion that Cassie is someone he wants to fight for.

Super sweet story but I felt like this one almost ended too soon. I think I needed a bit more of the story after Cassie realized that she would surrender to fate and finally accept Chip. This is one of those stories you just want to knock the main character on the back of the head and tell her to "wake up." Her best friend, Franka (cool name btw) did the best she could during the story but it is Chip's persistence that wins him the day and Cassie's heart.

SWEET ON YOU by Kate Angell - 4.75 stars!

Lara Shaw is not having a good day. First her boyfriend dumps her for the town's sluttiest resident, her rent goes up higher than she can handle and her 30 hour a week job will be gone by Christmas. Sofia from Bellaluna's Bakeshop gives her and Mayor Jack Hanson some of their special iced cookies. Lara had always felt like an outcast compared to Jack's popularity. They knew each other in school, but what she never realized was that he was sweet on her, even back then. The cookies only nudge the two together.

While Lara is on her job hunt, she doesn't find what she is looking for. Jack decides to hire her to coordinate the Halloween festivities, parade and to choose the Queen. There is a fire cracker of a woman, Edna Milner, in this story who gives all the residents she secretly likes special names like

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Pumpkin Head for Lara and Jack-o-lantern for Jack.

This is a story not only about finding love again even when you don't think it is possible but a story about community and how being a good neighbor can be its own blessing.

Super sweet story. You won't want to miss it.

Excerpt of LAVENDER & MISTLETOE from Donna Kauffman is tagged at the end of this book. It is definitely a book you might want to buy after getting this short glimpse into the story. It is part of a multiple book series. It might be a series to do a marathon read with too.

I put this book off until the end of the month and after reading my plethora of cozy mysteries that came out on August 27. I am not sure why I waited. This book might look unassuming but you can feel the magic inside its pages. Pick it up and check it out for yourself. You won't be disappointed.

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Loves Spells Disaster by Allyson Charles

Cassandra Hie, Aka. Cassie wants to go out with her boss, Samuel, who strictly goes by the rules. Stopping in at Bellaluna's Bakery, Sofia questions Cassie about the man she is attracted to. Finding this somewhat strange, Cassie tells Sofia about Samuel's qualities. Sofia gives Cassie two of their "magical cookie's" to help love along. Unfortunately it isn't Samuel who eats the cookie but a customer to buy life insurance. Chip Gneiss is enthralled by Cassie from the first meeting. Will the "love spell" work its magic or will love find its way on its own? This is a beautifully written story that shows love will strike when you least expect it.

Sweet on You by Kate Angell

This is the first story that I have read by this wonderful author and it will definitely not be my last! With the annual Moonbright Halloween Parade looming in the near future, Mayor Jack Hanson is having to handle all of the details. During his Coffee break at Bellaluna's Bakery, Jack runs into Lara Shaw. Lara is trying to figure out her next move after her boyfriend broke up with her. Sitting in Bellaluna's Bakery, she notices Jack as he enters. As she gets lost in her thoughts of the past, Jack approaches her table with a plate of the Italian Iced "Magical Cookies". Telling Jack the short version of the problems she is facing, her mood has lightened after he has left and made her promise to come by his office to let him know about her job search. True to her word, Lara stops by the courthouse and witnesses the

many people there to give Jack their opinions on the annual Halloween Parade. When the office is finally empty, Jack hires Lara as his event planner. It seems Lara's day has gotten brighter since her visit to Bellaluna's Bakery. Has the beautiful magic, that Bellaluna's is famous for, given a slight push to bring this awesome couple together?

This three story collection is a beautiful and magical read as Fall approaches! ...more

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In the second story, Love Spells Disaster by Allyson Charles, Cassandra (Cassie as most call her) is looking to "snare" her boss as she thinks he would be the perfect significant other. Well, Sophia has other ideas but Cassie is on a mission. The whole debacle of giving her boss the treats was fun to read, with a bit of being uncomfortable with side events. When Cassie meets Chip Gneiss instead of thanking him profusely for something that happened, she gives him the brush-off and is pretty nasty. But their story continues, it's all about those bakery goodies (!), and both Cassie and Chip learn to deal with their own hurts and emotions.

In the last story, Sweet on You by Kate Angell, Lara Shaw is having a bad day. It starts with her sitting in the bakeshop with her as-of-this-moment ex-boyfriend Glen as he dumps her in a room full of people. Next on her agenda, as she is still sitting at the table with a now empty chair across from her, her landlord stops by to say that he will need to raise her rent, which may mean Lara will have to find a new place to live as she can barely meet the rent as it is. Enter Jack Hanson, the mayor of Moonbright, Maine, and her life **may** have just brightened a bit! Their story is fun and poignant, with a lot of characters from the first two stories, and a wrap up of Halloween.

All these folks get the HEA they deserve and it was fun to read about the differing stories and how they

The Bakeshop at Pumpkin and Spice

got there. Totally enjoyed these early "holiday" reads! I received an ARC from NetGalley, and this is my honest review. ...more