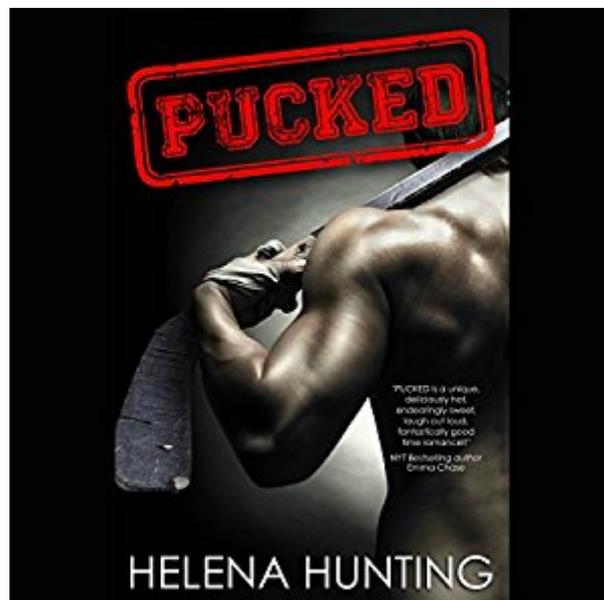


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# Pucked



## Synopsis

The first standalone novel in The Pucked Series With a famous NHL player for a stepbrother, Violet Hall is well acquainted with the playboy reputation of many a hockey star. So of course she isn't interested in legendary team captain Alex Waters or his pretty, beat-up face and rock-hard six-pack abs. But when Alex inadvertently obliterates Violet's misapprehension regarding the inferior intellect of hockey players, he becomes much more than just a hot body with the face to match. Suffering from a complete lapse in judgment, Violet discovers just how good Alex is with the hockey stick in his pants. Violet believes her night of orgasmic magic with Alex is just that: one night. But Alex starts to call. And text. And email and send extravagant - and quirky - gifts. Suddenly he's too difficult to ignore and nearly impossible not to like. The problem is, the media portrays Alex as a total player, and Violet doesn't want to be part of the game.

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## Customer Reviews

I'm not entirely sure what I thought I would be getting when I decided to read Helena Hunting's Pucked, but it wasn't what I got. Maybe I expected a typical sports romance - which I love. Maybe I thought I'd find the same stereotypical men and women I see in so many books in this genre. I didn't get that either. This was a totally new experience to me and I thoroughly enjoyed it. Violet was a great main character. I don't know that I've enjoyed a character's inner dialogue this much since the first time I read Alice Clayton's Wallbanger. She's hilarious. She's unapologetically sexual, which I love and want to see more of in books. She's not exactly what you would call ladylike - what with talking about "jilling off" and coming up with interesting nicknames for her lady parts (and Alex's

man parts). She's a totally different character than what I'm used to reading and I loved that. Alex was yummy â “ former nerd (and figure skater) turned hockey pro. What's not to love about all that? Sure, he has a reputation as quite the manwhore, but there's more to him than meets the eye. And, not everything you see in the media is exactly true. He was Canadian, eh, so I was totally reading his chapters with an accent, which is always fun. All that said, despite getting a few peeks inside his head, I still don't feel like I ever got to know him as well as I did Violet, but I'm ok with that. I really liked Violet and Alex together. They definitely had a ton of chemistry â “ in and out of the bedroom â “ and I loved how they could be their goofy, crass selves with each other. Their scenes had me laughing just as much as swooning or blushing. Sure, there were some communication issues that caused bigger problems for them, but I was hopeful they could pull things together.

4.5 Stars!! I tend to avoid lengthy novels because I get bored easily, which results in fast-forwarding through the chapters and missing key elements of the story. So when I was offered the chance to read *Pucked*, a 400-page book from "new to me" author Helena Hunting, I was a little hesitant. Almost immediately my reluctance was soon forgotten, due to the entertaining plot, creative characters, some hysterical moments, and hot, sexy times. In a nutshell, a terrific read. This novel is about junior accountant Violet Hall and professional hockey player Alex Waters. Their eyes meet during a hockey game and their relationship begins after the game ends. Violet and Alex are great together and their sexual chemistry is scorching. There are so many good things about this book, which include the originality of the title and the sexiness of the cover. Violet is a riot, with her ability to uniquely speak her mind, her weirdness, and the way she comes up with a masterful name and costume for Alex's most important body part. She is like no one I have ever read about before and she definitely marches to the beat of a different drummer. She has beauty and brains, which is why she can only tolerate men with very similar attributes. Alex is a professional hockey superstar that defies the dumb jock stereotype, while working extremely hard to be the athlete that he is today. Choosing a hockey career over a chance for an Olympic medal in figure skating, never sat well with his mother and has caused him a lot of angst over the years. Alex is smart, talented and good-looking, yet some of his decisions about his career have backfired. Finding Violet was one of the best things that ever happened to him.

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