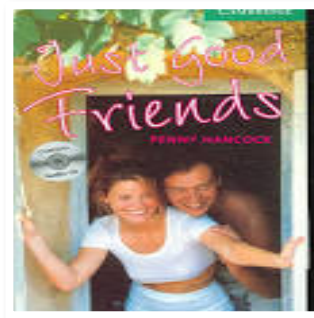


Book Report



Title: Just Good Friends

Author: Penny Hancock

Publisher: Cambridge University Press

Name:

• This book is about

love story.

It's Stephany and Max's first holiday together in Italy and they are staying at the flat of Stephany's friend, Carlo. Max is a little jealous of Carlo and Carlo's wife is certainly not happy to see Stephany. It becomes clear that there is more between Stephany and Carlo than just friendship and the tension rises between the two couples. As Max discovers more about Stephany's past, he begins to wonder if he really knows her at all.

• The main characters are

- Stephany: a language teacher, lives in London.
- Max: an architect, lives in London.
- Carlo: a friend of Stephany's, lives in Genoa, Italy.
- Ruth: Carlo's wife, lives in Genoa, Italy.

In the story, there was a problem – overcome by mutual passion Stephany and Carlo commit adultery, but agree nobody should know.

• I liked this book because

It was so interesting that I read it very fast.

At first, I think this is a love story. But it is not just a love story.

It describes main characters' feeling very well. I could see their feeling change steadily.

It was exciting for me to guess how the relationship between two couples - Stephany and Max, Carlo and Ruth - would change in the future.

Moreover, I was impressed by the beautiful scenery of Italy against the non-romantic love story.

I think 'Just Good Friends' is a good title, and I really want to know what would happen to the characters after the end of the story.

• I recommend this book because

It is an unusual love story.

In a general love story, the rich and handsome man and the nice and pretty woman love each other, and they get a happy ending. But the main characters of this story are very ordinary person around us. They are dishonest to their lovers and sometimes selfish. You can find the honest feeling of the main characters from the vague boundary of friendship and love. I recommend it to anyone who wants to read a realistic love story about the desire of men and women. I hope you experience the different ending of an unusual love story. (287w)