

The Lucky List

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Blurb:

From the #1 New York Times bestselling co-author of *Five Feet Apart* comes a gripping new romance, perfect for fans of *The Perks of Being a Wallflower* and *Simon vs. the Homo Sapiens Agenda*. Two girls, one list and twelve chances to fall in love this summer... Emily's always been lucky. Well, technically her mum was the lucky one, and since she died, Emily's started to feel like her luck's run out. So when Emily finds her mum's senior-year bucket list, she finds twelve ways to feel close to her again. But if she wants to check everything off, she'll need help - help in the form of Blake. As Blake and Emily work through the list, the girls' bond deepens. Emily is starting to feel lucky again, but she's faced with the question: can she accept this new part of herself, the part her mum never even knew existed? A captivating, heartfelt love story about learning who you are, and who you love, when the person you've always shared yourself with is gone.



Lamont Review:

It's been three years since Emily's mum passed away from a brain tumour. But that's the only thing that has changed in the small rural town of Huckabee.

Emily certainly does not think she has changed, even though her friends see her as becoming risk averse and slowly shutting herself off. This is particularly true when it comes to her Mum-approved, on-again off-again boyfriend Matt, who Emily can't seem to totally commit to.

But all that changes when her Dad's best friend returns to Huckabee after a ten year absence, and with him comes his incredible and beautiful daughter Blake.

Blake and Emily find a 'to do list' that Emily's mum made the summer when she was their age, and together, they start to complete the list as well. Overcoming a fear of heights, swimming naked in the Huckabee pool etc..

Slowly Emily's true identity emerges, one that at first she tries to deny, but ultimately embraces.

This is a powerful and heartfelt novel, with themes of grief, discovering yourself and your sexuality, family, and small town prejudices, that will be loved by many, but mostly girls aged 14 and older.

Reviewed by Rob