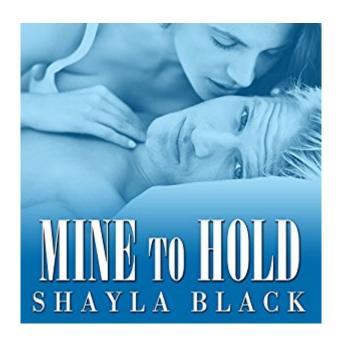
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# Mine To Hold: Wicked Lovers, Book 6





## **Synopsis**

Tyler Murphy was an LAPD detective, single and happy - until a near-fatal tragedy crippled his friend, fellow detective Eric Catalano. While Tyler supported Eric, he also became a shoulder for Eric's wife, Delaney, to lean on. But with one naughty suggestion from Eric, a drunken night with Delaney spilled into erotic abandon. Before it was over, Tyler saw his best friend's wife as a woman and yearned for more. When Eric struggled to deal with the aftermath, Delaney begged Tyler to leave. Crushed, he fled to Louisiana, hoping to escape his longing for the one woman he could never have again...and unaware of what he'd left behind. After two years of living with regret, Tyler finds Delaney on his doorstep, her husband having abandoned her long ago. She's protecting a shocking secret and desperately needs refuge from a stalker determined to see her dead. As they fight to stay alive and catch the killer, they struggle to resolve the guilt of their past pleasures. But they can't deny that what was once a spark is now a flame burning out of control. To possess Delaney - body and soul - Tyler must heal her pain and thwart the evil that's a mere breath behind her.

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### **Customer Reviews**

Tyler Murphy, the self-proclaimed "man whore," was a carefree LAPD detective, who loved life and his job. However, that all came to an abrupt end when his partner, Eric Catalano, was nearly fatally injured in the line of duty. Tyler found himself helping Eric and his wife, Delaney, hold it all together. After a night of too much drinking and not enough food, Eric, Tyler, and Delaney charted a course

into territory that would change their lives forever. Soon after, Tyler found himself cut off from both Eric and Delaney with little to no warning. Fast forward two years, and Tyler opens his door to find Delaney Catalano on the other side. He could tell from her appearance that she was in trouble. But Delaney brought more than trouble with her; she also dropped the bomb that Tyler has a son. As a local reporter in L.A., Delaney had stumbled upon information that put Martin Carlson, an up and coming ADA, in bed with some local gang members. With nowhere else to turn, she seeks out Tyler to take care of their son, Seth. Of course, when Tyler hears her entire story, he wants to get involved big time. However, Delaney is adamant that he stay with Seth. If anything happens to her, at least he will still have one parent. Never one to leave his friends or family hanging, Tyler puts himself into the equation that places him and Delaney up close and personal; right where she did not want to be. No matter how hard Delaney tries to ignore the feelings she long since buried, it's impossible to deny that there is something between them. Soon the pair finds themselves not only giving into desires they can no longer contain, but also trying to stay one step ahead of the thugs that Carlson hired to shut Delaney up for good.

ARC readReviewed at Another Look Book ReviewsARC reviewMine to Hold is a wonderful addition to the Wicked Lover's series. Mine to Hold is book 6. You can read it as a stand alone but there are so many awesome updates regarding the previous couples included that it would be more meaningful if you are a fan of the series. Plus they are OH so good. I've always said that Shayla Black should win a prize for the best first lines of her books. Mine to Hold is no different."Tyler, are you aware that all the girls at Sexy Sirens have nick-named you Cockzilla?"Got your attention right? The first two chapters push all your curiosity buttons. You need to know how, what, why and when. Delaney shows up at Tyler's house under mysterious circumstances AND she is toting along a beautiful baby boy... that just happens to be Tyler's. Oh yes, you need to know what the heck is going on. I will be the first to admit that I am not a fan of books about secret pregnancies but Mine to Hold is so much more than that story line. There is drama, action, angst, mystery and of course, hot steamy romance. One of the many things I loved about Mine to Hold is that Shayla Black answers questions the reader has through the heroine, Delaney. She makes Delaney pose these questions herself. I'll give you an example. Delaney needs Tyler to watch over their baby boy, Seth. Tyler's house is full of company when she arrives. The visitors just happen to be each of the previous couples. \*squee\* Delaney picks up on the fact that a few of the couples have an alternative lifestyle and questions whether or not Seth should be left near people who freely discuss and use floggers and whips.

Delaney, aka Del, and Tyler met through Del's husband, Eric, who was LAPD partners with Tyler. They fast became friends and then the support system for one another in bad times. One night, Eric's wicked thoughts led him to watching his wife have sex with his partner, Tyler after Eric was left paralyzed from the waist down after an on-the-job accident. Little did Eric know just how much Del and Tyler were going to enjoy it. Tyler was always the love 'em and leave 'em type of guy. He was when he first met Del, and got even worse when he moved to Louisiana and became Alyssa's bouncer at Sexy Sirens. It's all he knows. It's what he's good at. But he's so in love with Delaney and will do anything to prove that he is what she needs. But after their quick love affair in front of Eric, Del asks Tyler to leave so she can try to fix her marriage. Two years later, Del comes back into Tyler's life with a special request, and an even bigger surprise. Through the next week Tyler is protecting Delaney from the bad guys in LA after quiting Sexy Sirens and joining Jack Cole's services. Tyler is falling deeper and deeper in love with Delaney and vica-versa. I loved that neither Tyler nor Del had any totally impure thoughts of one another before that one night. Nothing more than normal human impulses at least. But from the first moment they touched, they melted together and never looked back. I felt bad for Eric in the beginning when he's trying to coach Tyler into how Del is in the sack, but...obviously he isn't what his wife needs because he's totally wrong on all accounts. I also found it hilarious though. Tyler and Del love is unmistakable. Others can see it from miles away and I even felt a hint of jealousy from Alyssa.

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