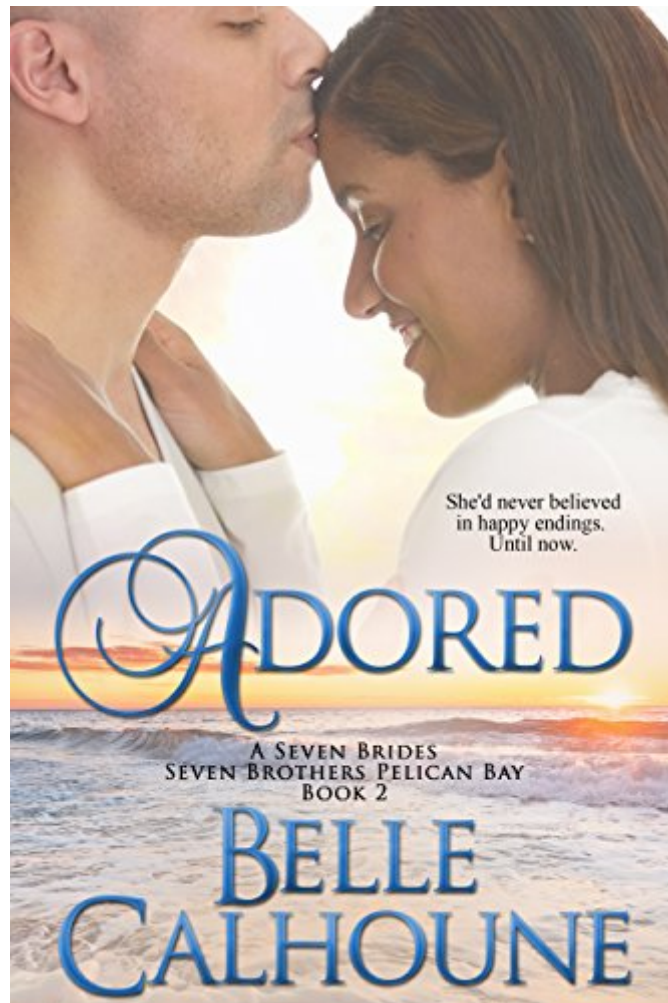


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# Adored (Seven Brides Seven Brothers Pelican Bay Book 2)



## Synopsis

This series centers around seven brothers and one sister raised by Penelope and Jude Donahue in the idyllic Florida seaside town of Pelican Bay. A blended family of adopted and biological siblings, the Donahue clan always have each other's backs as they face life's challenges and search for love. A spin-off of the Cape Cod Donahue brothers, the Pelican Bay clan are their southern cousins. Caleb Donahue is a chef who has recently achieved his life's dream of opening his own bistro, The Blue Bayou. Adopted by the Donahue family of Pelican Bay, Caleb's past is a bit murky. He's stuffed down the memories of his biological mother and the circumstances leading to his adoption by the Donahue family. Addie Fontaine steps in to his life when he least expects it. Daughter of a wealthy businessman, Sebastian Fontaine, Addie is attempting to prove herself to her father by making inroads in the business world. When her father gives her his partnership in the Blue Bayou, Addie ends up working side by side with Caleb. Addie is determined to step up and live her life out loud, while Caleb is determined to make his bistro a success. When love comes calling, will Addie and Caleb be able to reach out for the love of a lifetime?

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## Customer Reviews

I have been anxiously awaiting the second installment of Belle Calhoun's Pelican Bay series. It was worth the wait. Caleb Donahue is one of Jude and Penelope Donahue's big brood of children. He was adopted and can only remember bits and pieces of his childhood before becoming a Donahue. He owns his own restaurant that he is quite proud of, but ends up with a partner he didn't want by taking out a loan with Sebastian Fontaine-an influential businessman in town. The partner turns out to be Sebastian's daughter, Addie. Addie has also suffered grief in her life. This was a great story dealing with trust, overcoming grief ,gaining self-confidence, reconciling family difficulties, and falling in love. I will now eagerly await the third book in the series.

Issues can get in the way of love. This book shows how relationships can grow in spite of them and even because of them.

Wonderful story. It brought interesting thoughts about handling grief. Would recommend it very highly. Can not wait for the next one.

I love reading Caleb and Addie story. The story was great. I can't wait for the next book in the series.

Adored: Seven Brides Seven Brothers Pelican Bay Book 2 is by Belle Calhoun. The only thing wrong with this series is the wait between books. It is way too long. I know it is hard for an author to keep up; but this is one time I wish she would. The series is cute and really well done.Caleb has done a great job forgetting his past. He knows his mother gave him up after a fire that put him in the hospital. He was then sent to Pelican Bay with the Donahue family. As far as Caleb is concerned, this was the best possible thing that could have happened to him. The love and support the DonahuesÃfÃ¢Ã â Ã â„¢ gave to their children- theirs and adopted, is nothing short of remarkable. Caleb has put his heart and soul into his restaurant after breaking up with his girlfriend. He found he loved her much more than she loved him. His restaurant is up and coming and is his dream. However, his dream may be bursting. Sebastian Fontaine had called in his loan. Since he

couldn't repay the entire amount, he now had a partner in the Blue Bayou. What would become of his beloved restaurant? What changes might Sebastian want to implement? Addie Fontaine was in over her head. Since her twin sister died she had tried to please her Father and make him proud of her. However, Sebastian was totally immersed in his businesses and rarely saw Addie. She longed for the short time in her childhood when she truly had a "Daddy" of the Blue Bayou to work with. At first, she was thrilled to be involved with a restaurant; but that thrill quickly changed when she realized Caleb thought she was coming in to take over his restaurant. Instead, she wants to simply make it better. Will the two sides come together or will investors stop funding this program. Is Addie being sincere or just playing games to get his restaurant?

Caleb Donahue has struggled with abandonment issues for most of his life. He was taken into foster care and adopted after his mother left him alone overnight in their apartment and there was a fire that left him not only physically scarred, but emotionally as well. He didn't even have strong memories of the past, and he wanted it to stay that way. What kind of mother would willingly give him up like she did? If that was how she'd been, it was better he not remember her. Addie is the only child left to a ruthless businessman from whom Caleb borrowed money for his restaurant, and now her father called in his debts but Caleb couldn't pay. Her father has made her half owner of the Blue Bayou, hoping to get her out of her shell and more into the business world. She was a bookish type, afraid to go out on a limb and leave her comfort zone. She spent most of her life living in her twin sister's shadow, but when she'd died, that left Addie with no one's shadow to hide behind, so she had to stand on her own two feet and she wasn't doing it fast enough for her father, so he dropped this bombshell. She assumed, when she walked in, that Caleb would be expecting her. Of course that's what her father had told her, but he couldn't have been more surprised. Life is full of surprises, and this book has a lot of twists and turns for both Addie and Caleb. When Caleb thinks he's been betrayed, he's about to throw it all away to try to save the restaurant he built from the ground up. Addie has finally learned to stand on her own two feet, but at what cost? Will she have to live the rest of her life without the man she's grown to love, or can they ever get past the pain her father had caused? I love this series and can't wait for the next one. Every book I've read by this author has had me hooked from page one.

I love this addition to the series. This story deals with the aftermath of a death of a love one,

fractured families from divorce and how questions about your past can hinder you moving forward. I also liked how it highlights the issue of PTSD from veterans of our recent wars. I have friends who are affected and trying to help someone suffering can be an uphill battle. This is a great book.

I thoroughly enjoyed this book! I love the series.....and I LOVE LOVE LOVE the diversity in the characters. That Caleb and Eddie (& Jason) are African Americans are wonderful and realistic!! am looking forward to reading Heath's story (& he is of Hispanic descent.....gr8!) This is a gr8 series!

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