

Lacy Rose Gardenia Gets Her Bloom

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Logline

Lacy's accidental meeting with Jay changes her life and she eventually realizes she wants to spend the rest of her life with him.

Characters

Lacy Rose gardenia (F) - 5'3 naturally blonde. She works at an advertising agency. After being rear-ended by Jay's car, her relationship with Spence takes a nosedive. She enjoys Jay's presence in her life, although she's confused about which of the two guys are serious about her. She eventually gets true love when she marries Jay.

Spence Edward Taylor (M) - Lacy's childhood sweetheart. However, his relationship with her passes through several obstacles. Eventually, Lacy decides to spend the rest of her life with Jay and keep Spence as a friend.

Jay Samuel Bloom (M) - He rear-ends Lacy's car on her way to work. He shows her love and care and eventually marries her.

Stephanie (F) - 5'4 naturally blonde girl. She is Lacy's best friend. She gets entangled with several guys, including Lacy's boyfriend, Spence. But she eventually rebuilds her friendship with Lacy.

Three-act Summary

Act One

- Lacy is running late for work. As she steps out, her neighbor's cat gets in her way. She drives out and gets stuck in a traffic jam. When the cars move again, Lacy stomps on her break to avoid a puppy. Jay confronts Lacy over it, and she blames him for scratching his car. She leaves her card with him so he can fix it.
- As Lacy arrives at work, she sees the puppy from earlier in her car and sneaks it into her office, naming it Sammy. At lunch, she takes the puppy to the park, and when she returns, she stumbles into Jay at her office.
- After work, Lacy drives home, examines her car, and takes Spence's call telling him about her day. Spence decides to bring her pizza while she has her bath. Spence shows up with the pizza and leaves afterward, giving Lacy time to visit her grandma. When she returns, she gets a message from Jay's insurance man and calls Spence before going to bed.
- Lacy puts Sammy in his crate to sleep, but he whimpers, and she lets him on her bed. The next morning, she packs his stuff, takes him to her grandparents, and leaves for work. Lacy runs into Jay again, and they agree that Jay comes to her house to check her car. Lacy calls Spence, and after that, Stephanie comes into her office to talk.
- Lacy goes to her grandparents to pick Sammy up, and when she gets home, Jay calls her and comes by to check the car. Stephanie visits and Lacy fills her in on the recent happenings in her life as they drive to get supplies for her parents' welcome party. When they return, Stephanie leaves, and Lacy gets a call from Spence. That night she fails again to get Sammy to sleep on his own.
- The next morning, preparation starts for Lacy's parents' surprise welcome party. Jay shows up later, and Lacy is

forced to introduce him, and he joins the party. Lacy introduces Spence to Jay as a friend, which makes him upset. After everyone leaves, Spence expresses his anger over Jay's presence.

- Lacy speaks with her parents and gets advice about Jay and Spence. After church, Spence confronts Lacy over a missed call from the day before. When Lacy gets home, Stephanie calls and offers to come over. Stephanie arrives, and they go to the park where they see Spence with a lady. Lacy calls Spence, and he lies to her. Just then, a football hits her in the face.
- Stephanie and Lacy drop Sammy off at her grandparents' farm and go to Lowe's. At Lowe's, Stephanie meets a new guy, Andrew. When they leave, they run into Jay at a gas station. Lacy agrees to hang out with Jay. Lacy drops Stephanie off and prepares for her dinner. Lacy meets up with Jay at the restaurant for their dinner. Jay follows her home to check on Sammy, but she throws up, and he takes her to the hospital.
- After getting treatment for a slight concussion, Jay takes Lacy home and puts her to bed. In the morning, he tells her of her mother's call. Then she goes to talk with Stephanie. Jay leaves, and she falls asleep. Spence's call wakes her hours later. After the call, she and Sammy go to her grandparents' house.

Act Two

- At Lacy's grandparents' house, she calls Stephanie and tells her about Spence's reaction to her dinner with Jay. Jay calls to check on her in the morning. After being with her grandparents for a week, Lacy resumes work. Jay calls her office to give updates about her car. She doesn't notice Spence's entry into her office. After Spence leaves, Lacy does some work and goes for lunch with Stephanie.
- Lacy returns from work and soaks in the tub for a while. Her mom calls her, and as she takes the call, the doorbell

rings. She sees Jay and Spence at the door. Jay returns to her car, and the two men offer to take her out to dinner. After dinner, the two men bring her home and tuck her in on her couch.

- Lacy wakes and realizes she's still in the tub. Her phone rings, and weirdly, it's her mom. Then she ends the call and switches to Jay's call. Jay pulls up in her car, and shortly after, Spence shows up. Lacy thinks she's still in the dream and pinches herself. The three of them go out for pizza, and Jay and Spence tuck her into bed when they return.
- Lacy's alarm wakes her up, and she hurries to work. Jay calls her to check up on her. Afterward, she calls Stephanie to meet up. In the evening, at the park, Lacy narrates her dream to Stephanie. They see Spence with the same lady, Lori, from earlier. The two ladies walk up to Spence, and Lori leaves.
- Later at work, Lacy calls Spence, but he tells her he's busy. Lacy calls Spence's friend Mitch who confirms that Spence is going to dinner. She calls the restaurant to find out Spence's dinner time. Lacy shows up at the restaurant and surprisingly meets Jay. Jay confirms he knows Lori. Lacy and Jay crash Spence and Lori's dinner, and Lori leaves the restaurant.
- The next day, after Lacy meets with Stacy Littlebook, the local animal shelter overseer, she stops by the newspaper house to see Spence. He apologizes for his actions and tells her that he's working on a story with Lori about her ex-husband. Later that evening, Lori and Stephanie have a grilling picnic when Spence comes by.
- At Lacy's appointment with Stacy, she suggests they put Spence on the team. After the meeting, she bumps into Jay when she returns to her office. Later at home, Lacy dresses in sexy nightwear and orders pizza. Jay shows up at her house, and after he leaves, she calls Stephanie.
- Lacy is pulled over and almost gets a speeding ticket on her way to work. Stephanie and Jay come into her office

that morning. After she dismisses them, she heads for her work meeting with Spence, and they go out for lunch. Lacy goes to Stephanie's office, and Stephanie fills her in on her findings of Lori.

- In the evening, Spence takes Lacy to a restaurant, and they meet Stephanie with Andrew and invite them to their table. Lori shows up to confront Spence, but Jay steps in to limit the altercation.
- Spence drops Lacy home, and when Lacy hears the doorbell ring, she assumes he's back again. Instead, she meets Jay at the door, and they share a kiss. Lacy curls up in her bed later, reading Spence's paper and trying to sleep.
- The next day, Lacy calls Spence to inform him of her appreciation of his work then schedules a lunch break meeting with Stephanie. During the lunch break at the park, Lacy confides in Stephanie about her confusion with the two guys. When Lacy gets back to the office, she calls Spence over Lori's comment at dinner. Jay comes to her office to tell her he's leaving town.
- Lacy gets a call from the local news station, WWSP, indicating interest in her pet shelter program. After work, Lacy visits her grandparents and tells her grandma of her dilemma with the guys after her grandma overhears her talking with Jay.
- When Lacy gets home, she sees a car parked near her house and confronts the driver thinking it's a stalker. She gets into her house and plays her messages. Stephanie visits her to take her to lunch. After lunch, Lacy calls Spence, but he doesn't pick up.
- The next day at work, Jason, Lacy's boss, pops into her office for a briefing, and she goes to get lunch. She sees Lori and almost confronts her, but Jay steps in. Lacy runs into Stephanie on the elevator on her way to her meeting. After her meeting, she talks with Spence, but the call doesn't go smoothly.

- Lacy and Stephanie are out for lunch and run into old acquaintances, Mark and Scott. They invite Mark and Scott over to Stephanie's house. While playing host to the guys, Jay calls to explain things about Lori to her. After her guest leaves, Spence calls her, and they almost quarrel.
- The next Saturday, Lacy heads to the Pebblestone county grounds for her first interview with WWSP news. After the filming, Spence talks about his attitude with Lori, yet he excuses himself for a meeting with her leaving Lacy dumbfounded.
- Lacy prepares for her dinner with Jay. Jay picks her up, and they go to an expensive restaurant and then to a club to dance together. Before Lacy sleeps, she calls Stephanie and learns that Stephanie and Spence had spent the day together.
- That weekend, Lacy visits her grandparents, but her calls to Spence end in his answering machine. Lacy's schedule frees up, and she calls Stephanie and learns she's got a cold. She drives to Stephanie's house to give her some soup and meets Spence there. Lacy hosts a grill out for her friends, and when everybody leaves, Spence offers to watch a movie with her.
- Lacy returns to work, and Jay comes to see her. Her boss, Jason, informs her that her interview is airing, and she calls all of her family to share the news. Jay commends her on her work. She calls Stephanie to join her in her newspaper float, but Stephanie tells her she's promised to join Spence.

Act Three

- Lacy drives her golf cart to the fairgrounds. She bumps into Jay, and he asks to join her cart. The next day, the parade starts. Lacy spends more time with Jay and misses Stephanie and Spence. Before Lacy and Jay leave, they find a little Chihuahua puppy, and Lacy adopts it and names it Molly.

- When they reach Lacy's house, Jay gets a stomach ache, so she urges him to stay in her house. Lacy leaves for the fairgrounds without Jay. She bumps into Stephanie, who tells her that Spence had taken a picture of her with the famous goat at the fair. They catch up a little, and Lacy returns home to check on Jay.
- Since Jay is feeling better, he expresses his gratitude for Lacy's care and leaves. Before Lacy goes to bed, she looks at Spence's newspaper article about her. After reading the article, she takes a bath and calls Stephanie before retiring for the night.
- Lacy calls Spence the following day to say thanks for the article. Then she calls her grandma and soon heads over to the farm. While helping her grandma, Lacy gets a delivery of flowers from Jay. She calls him to acknowledge it, and he asks her to save some cake for him. Later, Lacy and Stephanie drive out for dinner. When Lacy gets back to her house, Jay comes for his cake.
- The next morning, Lacy meets with Stacy to discuss their pet shelter project. After that, she goes to the grocery store, where she runs into her parents and invites them to her house. As Lacy shops, she hears a voice like Stephanie's and sees a woman and a man rush down the aisle. She follows them and notices they resemble Stephanie and Spence.
- As Lacy drives home, she drives past Spence's house, but his car is not parked at home. When she drives past Stephanie's house, she notices Spence and Stephanie's car are parked. Lacy drives further and calls Stephanie and Stephanie admits she was at the mall with Spence.
- When Lacy's family arrives, she confides in her mom about Spence and Stephanie. Spence and Stephanie arrive bearing food. After they settle down, Lacy tries to get an explanation from Spence and Stephanie. Jay visits Lacy and stays until everyone has left.
- The next day, Lacy calls Spence to clarify their relationship. She also calls Stephanie to see if she could

catch her off guard. Confused by the outcome of the calls, Lacy calls her grandma and heads to the farm to talk with her. After spending time with her grandma, she returns home and calls Stephanie to come over.

- Lacy invites Spence over to discuss their relationship, and they agree to take some time to think about it. She calls Stephanie and Mitch to inform them so they can give Spence some space. Jay visits Lacy later, and Lucy tells him she needs to take time out to think. Lacy calls her boss for one more week off and jets off to her grandparents' farm.
- Lacy confides in grandma Lily, who tells her to make notes on her friendship with the two guys. After talking with her grandma, she decides she wants to spend the rest of her life with Jay and remain friends with Spence. Six months later, Lacy marries Jay.