

A Christmas To Come Home To

by Alison Reid

Some hearts never forget the way home.

Clara Bennett built her life on control.

In New York, she's one of the most sought-after event designers—polished, successful, untouchable. The girl who once loved too deeply and lost everything has been carefully locked away. Until one job brings her back.

Maplewood. Hawthorne House Inn. And William Hawthorne. The man who broke her heart. The man she never truly forgot.

Years ago, Clara walked away from him after the one moment that mattered most—when she needed him, and he didn't choose her. This time, she returns on her own terms: for work, for closure, and for nothing more.

At least, that's the plan. But Maplewood hasn't changed. The memories haven't faded. And neither has the way Will looks at her.

Now the powerful Managing Director of the inn, Will has spent years carrying the weight of one devastating mistake—and the woman he lost because of it. When Clara walks back into his world, he knows this is his last chance to prove what he's never stopped feeling.

That he still loves her. That he always did.

As Christmas approaches and the town prepares for its most important festival yet, Clara and Will are forced into close proximity—old wounds reopening, old chemistry igniting, and a truth neither of them can ignore.

Because love didn't disappear. It was only waiting.

But this time, it won't be enough to feel it. This time, it has to be chosen.

***A Christmas To Come Home To** is an emotional, slow-burn second-chance romance filled with longing, tension, and undeniable heat—where heartbreak lingers, forgiveness isn't easy, and love must be fought for... one choice at a time.*

Tropes:

- 💔 Second Chance Romance
- ❤️ Childhood Sweethearts
- 🎄 Christmas Romance
- 🏡 Small Town Romance
- 🤝 Forced Proximity
- 💕 He Never Stopped Loving Her
- 🔥 Redemption & Grovel

Reader Guide:

- 🔥 Heat: ★★★★★ (Moderately Steamy) *Several open-door scenes with moderate detail*
- 💔 Angst: ★★★★★ (High) *Heartbreak, separation, betrayal & strong emotional tension*
- ❤️ Emotion: ★★★★★ (Intense) *A deeply moving love story with unforgettable emotional impact & a rewarding HEA*
- 📖 Dual POV
- 🌶️ Open-Door Romance
- ✅ No Cheating
- ✨ Guaranteed HEA