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A forsaken princess must leave her room for the first time in her life...
to rescue her father's kingdom.

Three knights are bound to protect a city...
by satisfying a ravenous dragon's thirst for blood.

An old widow's handsome new companion never speaks...
but that's the least mysterious thing about him.

An enchanted weapon bestows unlimited power upon the one who wields it...
but at a price.

In this debut collection of short fiction, Samantha Gillogly weaves a quartet of original tales from the threads of classic European fairy story tradition. Fresh with imagination, yet evoking a bygone era, *The Golden Arrow and Other Tales* enchants with new stories about timeless archetypes that feel as though they've always been with us.

The Golden Arrow and Other Tales Details

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Joshua says

Inside this book are four wonderful short stories. They are well written with great characters and ideas behind each one. You will not be disappointed if you like classic fantasy minded tales.

Delirium says

It's such a lovely book and I really appreciate this little illustrations made by author at the beginning of every story. In regard to stories itself I wasn't disappointed there are: kings and princesses, knights, sorcerers and dragons. Oh and of course there is magic too. And as every good fairy stories they teach us something.

Inês Brito says

Four lovely tales, very easy to read. I really liked this first book from Samantha. A little of fairy tales and a little of modern era, mixed up perfectly.

edit: I received this book for free through Goodreads First Reads, thank you Samantha.

Darlene says

A very unique collection of short stories that are not your every day fairy tales! I love how they all flowed nicely and actually had a beginning, middle and end (most short stories kind of tend to leave you hanging at the end or make it feel like you started reading in the middle). I also loved how they are not the typical cheesy prince and princess romance/happy endings as well. Lots of great morals in these and lots of creativity. The artwork sketches for each title area was also very charming and creative, and I really enjoyed that. The only problem with the book is that I don't think the cover picture does it justice and would love to see some of that creative artwork in place. 5 stars! Awesome read!

Jessica says

I thoroughly enjoyed these four original fairy stories and highly recommend that you read them for yourself! The deliciously descriptive tales flowed like poetry and inspired visual interpretations, that upon reflection, made me feel like I hadn't read the book but watched it. Check out the book trailer that includes music written and performed by the multi-talented Gillogly for an added bonus.

Amy Sturgis says

What a beautiful book this is! *The Golden Arrow and Other Tales* includes four original stories in the tradition of classic fairy tales, complete with deep magic and moral lessons. In terms of content, the stories would be at home in *The Tales of Beedle the Bard*, but the style reflects an older, more poetic aesthetic -- think of Lord Dunsany, for example. The prose simply begs to be read aloud.

Here there are the usual suspects: princesses, princes, knights, and dragons, some true-hearted and some self-serving. Not everyone (or everything) should be judged by appearances, however, and these stories have some surprises in store. My favorite tale, "The Widow by the Sea," is about an old woman who wrestles a lonely life, day by day, from scavenging the beach beside her home, and unwittingly makes a silent young man from the empty sand.

I am a great fan of Samantha Gillogly's beautiful music, and I am delighted to see that she is as skilled with the written word as she is with the violin. I hope she writes more soon!

Cheska Ibasan says

[Book review + An interview with Ms. Samantha Gillogly]
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The Golden Arrow and Other Tales contains four beautifully written short stories written by Ms. Samantha Gillogly. In this book, the author was able to refresh my idea and perspective about classic fantasy stories. I am an avid fan of classic tales and this one was a roller-coaster...

The main purpose of this book is to show how well classic tales have thrived from generation to generation and how well classic tales handle its most known themes:

Love, kingship, power, magic, and death.

Just like other readers, I also believe that most stories are inspired by classic tales.

It just took me around five pages to get hooked... I love the characters, the settings, the pacing, the plots, I love everything about this book... I also appreciate the little illustrations made by the author for the four short stories. The author managed to weave a collection of classic tales with a touch of modern era in the most precise way.

Let me end this review by saying..... Samantha Gillogly is a good fairy. The Golden Arrow and Others Tales will surely touch the hearts of many readers! I enjoyed reading this book and the stories successfully took me away to different places.
