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Damien St. Cloud has barely begun his search for Connor Blackman when a new threat appears on the horizon, ships sailing out of the Old Empire. No one has had contact with the empire in 400 years. What could they want and what will it mean for the kingdom?

Meanwhile, out in the haunted lands, Connor searches for an artifact of dark and dangerous power. An artifact that could bring the kingdom to its knees.

Out in the Western Ocean Damien will come eye to eye with the most powerful creature on the planet. In the haunted lands Connor will risk his existence to see his sinister plans to completion.

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DeWanda says

4.5*

John Edward says

Great read

Doesn't make things overly complex, like the way characters are handled. Best fantasy series I have read in a while.

Godiva says

So my conclusion on this book is that it's a man's version of a wish fulfillment novel, which is just fine, but the main character is wanted by all the females, and he can do the strongest magic, and he can fight etc etc. Just made me chuckle.

But the story continues to be entertaining, the action is good, and there's just enough intrigue to keep me engaged.

Look forward to the 3rd book.

Vicky Camp says

Full of intrigue and action.

The story continues with the forces of light and darkness colliding at every turn.

Damien is the strongest weapon the king has but not the only one. While he is busy on various missions, his master is directing her forces in and around the castle and far away to other areas of the kingdom where enemy forces are performing dark deeds for unknown reasons. The true goal of the evil warlock, Connor, is still a mystery.

The intention to start by taking over the Kingdom is clear and then new players in the takeover appear. Magic that was previously unknown, even to the king and his sorcerer, is represented by druids. A young female druid is saved by Damien and she tells them that the earthquakes that have been plaguing their country are originating in her people's home. Damien and his sister, Jen, are sent back with her to talk with the leader of the druids and to stop the quakes. Again, Connor is involved in the corruption of key figures who have the power to cause change for the worse, all to forward his plans.

The arrival of foreigners by ship, the first such contact in four hundred years, introduces another item in Connors convoluted plans. His sorcerer minions include citizens from across the ocean, the original Empire the founders of the Kingdom escaped from. Connor has sent his former fellow student, David, to make contacts there and he succeeded. The plan to use magical urns to steal the soul force of the great dragon of the ocean is scuttled by the dragon himself. The young, foreign sorceress Damien aides remains his friend even though he has to kill her sister. They succeed in getting the urns but the enemy steals back two of them. Along with other magical items Connor has been collecting, they are important in holding enough power for Connor to reach his goals.

Princess Karrie is still trying to get Damien interested in her and although he finally agrees to marry her with the idea of protecting her rule, he does so with conditions. This happens just before he and Imogen see action together, she gets over her hatred of him in a big way, and Damien finds himself interested.

The whole story continues on in a third book and I am still interested to find out what happens next. James Wisher is a real Storyteller.

Dianna says

In this book (composed of two stories) the plot slowly comes together. We learn more about the warlock Connor Blackman as some chapters are told from his POV for the first time. In fact, there were multiple characters who were used to tell the story for a handful of chapters. The jump in POV was jarring, especially when it was a new POV character.

On top of everything else, Damien has to deal with his girl troubles and all the problems Karrie causes for him, which I'd be more interested if Karrie wasn't such an annoying character. She's written as such an immature character who cares more about herself and getting what she wants than the safety of her whole (future) kingdom, and I don't understand why she's even in the story.

Again, I struggle with how to categorize this book as the complexity of the story seems to lean towards YA but yet some of the characters and story are written in an elementary manner. For example, when the leader of the druids states that he trusts Eleck implicitly, but then Eleck ends up being the traitor who has done so much harm, all right under his nose. Or even the fact that the druids exist but NO ONE in the kingdom had ever known about them before.

Connor comes off as a bumbling bad guy too, who has made it so far due to pure luck more so than any skill of his own. And what was the deal about Lenore (the librarian) being the one to lead Connor down his current path of darkness? That was such a random idea that never made it anywhere and had zero relevance to the actual plot as she was taken care of.

Overall I enjoyed the story despite all of the flaws in the characters, writing, and the plot. Looking forward to seeing how all of this goes down in the last book.

Lurino says

Satisfying implementation of a great concept

Continuing where the previous book left off, the roster got expanded with interesting, relatable though sometimes one dimensional, characters. It put the limelight away from the overpowered main character, and add a rich dynamic to the plot.

Mnoraznan says

Decent, efficiently-plotted story, infused with an overarching conspiracy that is slowly coming together. A bit lean though, it needs more heft.

Erica Givone says

Good follow up story

I suppose the critics might mention some editing errors but not enough of them to detract from a good story; great for an escape read.

Nealis says

The series is ok so far, competently done for the most part, but in my humble opinion nothing really stand out yet. The magic system is really an afterthought, it just a convenient plot device to assign character roles.

In terms of structure, the multiple POV isn't the best either. The minor characters aren't very interesting and the author seems to relegate them to doing minor things that the main character can't be bothered with or can't be present for which means that the rather lengthy chapters become page fillers that really don't add much in the grand scheme of things.

kartik narayanan says

This book has all the good points that made this series great in the first place. It is another fast paced, "can't keep down" fantasy-action that kept me engrossed.

Amanda Kern says

Wishing it was October

I read this book in about five hours. I really enjoyed it. I mean who wouldn't like a character who isn't afraid to drop a mountain on a bad guy to stop them. If that was not enough an old character rears its ugly head.

The comment that I can't wait till October is because the third book is scheduled to be released on October 5. I have already pre ordered it.
