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Sexy, alluring, ruthless, and oh so complicated.

West Moseley is known as the “charming” Dark Dweller. With his cheeky grin and southern drawl, he can charm anyone, especially women. And does.

But after being held prisoner and tortured by the cruel Seelie Queen, West’s past comes back to haunt him. His memories of a tragic event and the truth of what happened on the Light side goes deeper than anyone realizes. Things he wants no one to know about.

Struggling with his own demons, he battles the very essence of what he is—a Dark Dweller—a terrifying beast from the Otherworld designed to hunt and kill.

When the Unseelie King sends him to Ireland to uncover a dangerous artifact, West’s entire world takes a dangerous turn.

When a treasure lands in his hands, one he never suspected, nor wanted, he learns one crucial thing: you don’t steal from the Demon King . . . not if you want to live.

\*\*\*West is a spin-off of the Darkness Series. It is a stand alone adult urban fantasy romance, but it would greatly benefit the reader to start with the Darkness Series (1-4) first. West contains story-lines, world building, and spoilers from previous books and characters.

## West Details

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## **From Reader Review West for online ebook**

### **Jemma says**

Yay,

I was some what apprehensive when starting this book, You see I loved West as a side character in Ember and Eli story, I also Loved Rez as well, But after reading the second series and not jelling with Zoey I was scared that I loved the first series just too much to enjoy any other.

(It was a real fear people)

But this novel ended up feeling like coming home, I adored ever moment of it. West is just to perfect ladies and gents!

I found it refreshing to have a less Overly "tough" lead female, sometimes Authors don't find beauty in a feminine female lead character, its almost like unless they tough and rough they simply can't be strong enough characters, but Rez proves that even a feminine lead can far out shadow any other character in the story. It was refreshing and real, I felt completely connected to her, she was feminine and shy but when needed she could rise to the challenge and harness womanly strength without loosing the beauty that comes with being "girly" as someone who is extremely "girly" it was nice to finally have a character to relate to.

So ya I loved it and would read it again and again, along with the first series. It was so nice getting to catch up with all the old characters. I have a big feeling that Lars has a great Love coming?

Ok so go read already and stop looking at this comment, your wasting time!!!!!!

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### **Tracy Lawson says**

#### **MY MAN WEST !!!!!**

Omg I don't know how I'm gonna review this book, other than say Stacey did it again, she told another amazing story and I totally fell more in love with MY MAN WEST

We were left dangling at the end a tad not so much a cliffy just an intro for Kennedy's book.

So now the wait is on for Kennedy's book and I'm hoping it's not too long I need my next fix and sooner rather than later.

All I'm gonna say if you loved the darkness series you will definitely love West so READ this book !!!!!

Another fabulous 5\* read for me !!!!!

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### **Pam Nelson says**

4.5 West Stars

I have been waiting sooo patiently for this book!

And it was fabulous! I really didn't know who West was going to end ups with.

I mean we learn that he is having trouble with his dark dweller side since he was taken by the evil queen. But I don't think we as readers understood what that was until this book.

His struggle is overwhelming and sad and he is a dark dweller so he doesn't want pity. I really never had a clue who he was going to end up with, usually you have a thought.

But I kind of liked the not knowing and when you see who it is and wow.. Yeah WOW.. this book has ACTION in more ways than one.

It's a perfect ending or a perfect middle book until the next of the series since the "king" doesn't have em all yet ;)

LOVED the narration! Aaron Shedlock and his yummy voice. ;)

\*You don't have to like my review but its 100% my opinion, and I am allowed to have it.\*

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## **Sonja says**

This was a good book, but not quite as exciting as I was expecting. I loved West and I liked Rez, but I honestly don't know how I feel about them as a couple. They just never really seemed to be on the same page because of the different ways they live. I did like how everything went though and the new elements that the two of them had to deal with.

We knew that West suffered greatly during his time as prisoner on the light side. But here we learn exactly some of the horrific things that happened to him, and also that his extended stay there has trapped his beast inside of his human side. He's having a VERY hard time with things back with his brothers, but he covers it all up behind his mask of humor and arrogance. With the dwellers now working with Lars, West comes into contact with Rez on occasion and she becomes someone he desires greatly. Unfortunately for him, she is also Lars's mistress. Making her off limits. Which West could deal with...up until the point he is shoved together with her on mission.

We hadn't learned too much of Rez before, but we do now. One thing has me excitedly curious: (view spoiler). She had a surprisingly terrible past, and it was Lars that saved her. She's loved him longer than they have been together even though she knows his heart has always belonged to another. She's refined, smart, and loves her lists. Quite the asset to be sure. She rarely goes out, but for this mission she's the best person to go with West.

Lars has tasked them to go and find the Spear of Lugh, one of the Treasures of Tuatha De Danann. He promises West that if he comes back with it, he will do anything within his powers to help him be able to shift again. Something that West desperately wants back. As for Rez, I think she goes to prove that she is just as able as everyone else. It is definitely an interesting pair up. Things don't go very smoothly for them right from the start, but they have no choice to keep pushing on. They not only have little information to go on, they have to deal with kidnapers, witches, giants, and the growing attraction between them. Which seems to be the hardest thing for West to control.

It was believable how the two of them were able to obtain the spear, but what frustrated me was how they

thought that Lars would never find out what happened between them. You ignored his calls for days! What did you think would happen!? I did absolutely love what happened when he got there, and how he dealt with this betrayal.

Judging by how I think this fits into the timeline on the whole, I think Lars now has three of the Treasures. Including the Stone of Fal he got at the end of the *Collector* series. I really want him to get all four because I can't wait to see what he'll do with them.

There was one thing that West mentioned that has me racking my brain back to Ember's story. He said he has his doubts that Lars is her uncle and more like he's her dad. I can't remember everything we were told about the two of them, but if this is true I sure hope we find out in Lars's book. Either way, I love how he clearly favors Ember.

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## **Sarah Dale says**

Well after meeting West in the **Darkness Series** I knew I was going to love his book.

This book is another brilliant tale from Stacey of action, adventure, mythical creatures and a hell of a lot of sexual tension and emotional baggage from West and his companion Rez. You have met them both in the **Darkness series**

There are a lot of references to the characters in Stacey's **Collectors Series**, which I am now going to go and check out.

I loved West, you get to see his vulnerable side and you find out what really happened to him when he was being held by the Seelie Queen. My heart really did break for him. You want him to have time to heal but you know that is not going to happen when he is called upon by the Unseelie King Lars.

You are left dangling slightly at the end as this leads into Kennedy's story and the **Lightness Saga** which I am happy I can start straight away on.

Stacey Marie Brown is definitely an author that is on my 1-click list. She weaves brilliant tales that have you completely hooked from start to finish with amazing characters you can't help but love or hate (in a good they are evil baddies way).

***I voluntarily reviewed an Advanced Readers Copy of this book in exchange for an honest review from the author and The Next Step PR***

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## **Katie says**

gotta love that sexual tension!

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## **Nic \*The Wandering Bookaholic\* Spears says**

Stacey has done it again!!!! She has knocked all and any expectations I could ever have going into this book.

I have been blown away. Again!

A story of healing, acceptance and learning to move forward West is everything you want to have in a book. Packed full of heart-stopping action and twists you didn't see coming this book will have you hooked from beginning to end; keeping you on the edge of your seat with wanting to know the outcome.

I loved West!!! I really did and I loved the fact he got his own book. To see his more vulnerable side and learning exactly what happened when he was a prisoner of the Seelie Queen it made your heart hurt for him. You wanted him to catch a break and let things settle down but you just know it's not going to happen. Especially when you get called upon by Lars; The Unseelie King...

Lars is one hell of a formidable man who you really do not want to piss off!!! I know he's a demon but hell if his actions was him holding back just a little bit...fuck!!!!

I still love him though. He is definitely one of my favourite secondary characters who I always look forward to reading about. I'm just a bit apprehensive about his bigger plans once he's got all of what he's searching for.

A truly, truly all consuming book which I devoured and fell in love with more as I read each page.

Thank you Stacey. For your words, your amazing characters and your uncanny ability to lock me in the world of Dark Dwellers, Sirens, Fae and many more mythical creatures I have come to love over the course of your books. I cannot wait to get more in the start of Kennedy's series. I can see the shit really hitting the fan and I'm giddy just thinking about it.

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## **S.F. Benson says**

Once again, another great read by Stacey Marie Brown.

I fell in love with West Moseley when he was first introduced in the Darkness series. I loved his brashness and his take on life. Brown didn't disappoint me with this book all about the man. The tortures he faced under Aneira would have completely broken most fae. Somehow this Dark Dweller survived it, but the scars it left behind.

Brown writing in a complete male POV, no back and forth POVs from different characters, was excellent. She handled the male viewpoint so well at times I wondered who she interviewed for the perspective. Not once did West come off as possibly crafted by a female writer. Excellent job (I'm envious)!

I loved the character of Rez. I won't give anything away here, but I'll let you know she is incredible. The woman is a perfect match to West. She has a past full of turmoil, but you'd never know it. Rez is classy, dignified, and a bit of a control freak. She has a way of shining a light on West's darkness and helps him learn to deal with it. I appreciated knowing that such a put together woman, on the outside, has her own rough edges.

Thanks, Brown for sneaking Ember and Eli back into the story! Brown is segueing into another series here. Great characters, great plot... I can't wait for the next book.

If you're a reader who doesn't read acknowledgements, change that habit. I loved the ones from Brown. She's a constant inspiration for those of who write!

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### **L.B. says**

When I say "Take Me West," I don't mean a direction... This book, even by Stacey Marie Brown standards, is quite the sizzle! Don't get me wrong, there's adventure and action, fantastical creatures and of course a lot of emotional baggage from their pasts that West and his travel companion Rez (both introduced in the Darkness series) struggle with every day, but the attraction and tension between the King's minion and his mistress wouldn't let me put the book down. I was a little surprised at the many explicit scenes versus a seemingly short climactic action scene from this author, but as with the author's other work (her complex characters is one of the reasons I devour each of her releases ASAP), this book is more concerned with matters of the heart than the actual quest that simply exposes it, less about West's physical prowess and more focused around the growth of his emotional strength and his internal acceptance. I also really enjoyed all the little allusions to the Collectors Series, connecting the authors' work and building one tantalizing Fae world that I wish I could portal into, even with all its tests and dangers. Especially if West is there!

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### **Melissa Wright says**

Stacy is a true story teller. All I can say is wow! It was like opening a door to old friends. West.. Oh-my-goooooodness is that man sexy as hell! The chemistry between West and Rez is so super steamy and that hotel scene was scorching (believe me you will know when you get to it). I loved that Eli and Ember were back too! Super excited that this is just the beginning of West's story and wait for more.

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### **Jessica says**

If you want to understand more about all the series put together, this is a must read. Makes so much sense. This book has a lot of glue. And, c'mon, a Dark Dweller is a Dark Dweller.

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### **Joc The Audio Flow Bookin Around Town says**

It took me forever to read WEST just because I didn't have time. Am I mad I waited? Yes and No. Yes, because it was so damn good, and No because The Crown of Light released right after I finished.

West was more than a surprise. The charming, "southern" talking Dark Dweller didn't spend a lot of time with us in the Darkness Series, because of situations, but this story picks up after the war.

What I wasn't expecting in this story...everything. It was all a WTF and I-AINT-SEE-THAT-COMING

moments. None of it. Well, maybe one part, but nothing else was on my radar. I loved it. I loved that I learned Rez's backstory. I really had no idea what a Siren was until I read this book. Shameful, I know. West's character is dark, and angry, and he has a right to be. He hides behind a mask, and in this story, we learn of the torment of his past and why he's built a wall. Rez, is sent with West on a journey to recover an artifact for Lars, and yeah...Nothing left to be said except Lars is scary...

Everyone knows that the entire series is my favorite of all times. I am so excited about how the secondary characters were given a backstory and that the Darkness/Collector Series didn't end there. There seems to be so much to tell, and I know at some point it will end. But as of now, I'm enjoying and lapping up all I can from the very talented SMB!

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### **Adalis Aleman says**

Omg woman!!!! You are absolutely brilliant!!!!!!?I loved it!!!! I need Kennedy's story like yesterday!!!!!!!

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### **Vanessa ?Queen Alchemy ? Novel Nerd Faction? says**

3.5/5 Stars

This review MAY contain spoilers. Read at your own risk.

I really enjoyed this book a lot, but it was quite different from the rest of the Darkness series. I loved getting a better glimpse of West, his past, and his inner turmoils. I always loved his character and it was awesome to see him as the star of the show. That southern accent of his melts my heart.

The thing about the Darkness series that I always loved was the characters. The characters really bring this series to life more than anything else. At least to me. All of them together have so much incredible chemistry. I think that is the reason why this book, as well as the first book of the series, fell a little bit short while books 2 through 4 were ballpark knockouts. It is the only thing that is different about those two books and the other books in the series. I think that if all of the characters were present throughout the entire book then it would have added more to the book. The chemistry between the characters in this series cannot be overlooked. Once West reconnects with the rest of the Dark Dwellers at the end of this book I felt like I was back in books 2 through 4. The spark was back.

I felt that the plot was good. It does have a fairly self-contained plot of its own while stemming off of events and themes from the first four books in the series. It definitely had a different feel to it. I like that the plot in this book leads into what will happen going into the Lightness Saga.

The world building was detailed and easy to comprehend. West travels to Ireland in this book and I loved all the details specific to the different villages and places in Ireland that he and Rez traveled. It was quite atmospheric and very easy to visualize. The descriptions were great. I could feel the freezing ocean water and cold wind that was described in the book. It was easy to see and feel the surroundings described in the book.

The characters are the same from the rest of the Darkness series with a couple more new additions. We have



already gotten to know most of these characters. The character development for West and Rez was incredible. We get to dive into the pasts and see the things that have formed their identities. We get to see and experience the demons that haunt them and it really makes you appreciate their character growth. Most of the characters in this series do not have happy pasts by any means, but I felt especially drawn to West and Rez's sad pasts.

I liked the romance between West and Rez. I liked that it was a forbidden type of romance since she was technically the Unseelie King's mistress. The fact that Rez and Lars didn't love one another really made me feel guiltless about repping the romance. I am not usually into the cheating aspect. I did feel that West talked a little too much about how horny he was over Rez. It was almost a little overpowering. But I liked that their romance was gradual. They got to know each other on their trip and fell in love along the way. I liked that West's beast claimed her. It was kind of perfect. It does make me want to see all of the Dark Dwellers claim their mates as well.

Overall, this was a great addition to this series. I loved reading about West's story. If you are a fan of this series then I would highly recommend reading this book. It does add a lot to the overall story. Especially if you are going to continue on to the Lightness Saga from here. If you haven't tried this series then I greatly recommend you read it!

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### **Andrea Cloyd says**

Stacey has done it again!!! I didn't know what to expect when i started reading this book - honestly i expected it to be a Novella of sorts and not really tie into the story ( but i love Stacy's books so i decided to read it anyways) I was HAPPILY mistaken the book was fantastic!!! I love West even more after reading this book you get a deeper look into what choices he has made in the past and the struggles he is dealing with daily after his 'stay' with the former queen. His relationship with Rez is filled with sexual tension that both characters desperately try to ignore knowing it is wrong, however as the story it shows that if something is meant to be then nothing will stop it. I love that you get to know more about Rez in this book as well - you see how similar she is to west both having a past that needs to be overcome. Both characters have a guarded depth and sadness, yet show and present themselves in vastly different ways as a way to help cope with their pasts. She is the perfect person to help him move on from the torments of his past choices and begin to start working towards being truly happy and at home with his family! I am so glad that I decided to read this book while preparing for the last book that concludes all three of her series!

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