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NEW YORK TIMES and USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR, ELLE CASEY, brings readers Book 3 in the YA Urban Fantasy WAR OF THE FAE Series.

The animosity between Darkness & Light continues to grow, as do Jayne's supernatural, elemental abilities in the Green Forest. Long-lost friends arrive, new friends leave, passion burns, and mysteries abound. What is Light and what is Dark? Who can the Light Fae trust? Who will be left standing in the end and whose side will they be on? Nothing is ever as it seems, and all is fair in love and War of the Fae.

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About this series: A reader fan recently set up a blog dedicated to casting the actors for the War of the Fae movie. No, it is not in production to be made into a movie, nor have I sold the rights to anyone for the movie. But just in case I ever do, my fans will be sure the casting director has a complete line-up ready! Check it out: ellicasey.com/WOTF_Movie

Darkness and Light Details

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James says

The third installment of the series offers readers another great read. The book moves along with a good pace with a series of predicaments in which Jayne, the smart mouth elemental, must dig herself out of mostly through learning and experimenting with her new found powers. The tension buildup between the light and dark fae is very well conveyed and you feel each of the characters individual moods as the inevitable war draws nearer. The characters from the first two books are here and we learn more about their abilities as they find out about them themselves and we're also introduced to some frightening dark fae. We'll see what happens in the wrap up of this series with book four, New World Order!

Tari says

I've begun to really enjoy this series. In this entry, the story itself was great. Many of the cliches have become trite & the grammatical/editing was a train wreck. Hopefully this will not continue into the next book as I may not be able to continue the series. Reading while constantly wanting to whip out the red pen is a pain, especially with an ebook.

Jamie says

Things are definitely starting to heat up in Darkness and Light: Book 3 of War of the Fae. The first two books dealt with Jayne and her friends finding out they were Fae and dealt with their training and how they reacted to finding themselves in an extraordinary world with extraordinary powers. In Book 3 they're still training but the addition of Jayne's best friend to the Fae really amps up the level of that training and things start to heat up as the war between Light and Dark ignites.

I enjoyed the first two books a lot and this one didn't disappoint. Jayne is still Jayne, crude language and all. Tim is still a crazy pixie with bad gas and all of their friends continue to evolve, grow and change (some in not so good of ways). This book was a little more intense than the last two due to certain events that take place along with the brewing war but as always the way Jayne deals with every situation is so much fun. I like that not all of my questions have been answered yet and I cannot wait to see what happens next. I also really enjoy that these stories are not predictable. I have no idea what's going to happen next most of the time and anything and everything can and will happen. It really keeps you on your toes. The writing is superb and Mrs. Casey really has a way with words. There's just something special about this series that brings a smile to my face, it's impossible to have a bad day after reading them (maybe they have some type of pixie spell on them?).

Anita says

This is an excellent contemporary fairy tale young adult series. I believe the author is independent, though I didn't verify. I love the characters in this series and their relationships.

In book three, it's all about Jayne getting Tony to join the Light Fae, thwarting Ben's efforts to recruit him to the Dark Fae. Only then Ben sets his sights on capturing Jayne, and Jayne's stewart daemon bodyguard Chase is accidentally cursed and the only the Dark Fae seem able to cure him. Jayne learns a lot more about controlling her powers. Eventually, there's a showdown between the light and dark, ending the book on a cliff-hanger.

N.G. says

Review with [Spoilers](#)

3.5 stars

Tony, Tony, Tony...

that's how I felt at the beginning of this sequel. Come on, Tony! It was obvious who wanted to really protect you. Wasn't it?

I didn't like that Chase was abducted and everyone ignored this for a long part in the book. I mean, when Jayne was in trouble she was rescued in a minimum of two days when Chase became a Dark Fae...and why did he become a Dark fae? For Jayne while this girl was fooling around with Spike and doing another useless things while Chase was gone! At some point I thought that this could be Chase's inner dialogue:
Chase's way to gain Jaylen's heart: Besides of becoming a Dark Fae for our heroine, he always protected her to the point he received a curse and then he was under a pixie spell, and he could've died both times!
Spike's way to gain Jaylen's heart: Oh yeah, kiss her, kiss her, suck the life out of her, and yeah...he tried to help her with her energy, but he failed at that, so he wanted to kiss her again.
I was having problems understanding this love-triangle thing or whatever it was...

And what's wrong with that guy named Ben? One minute he was like:

And then he was like:

I know there's a reason behind his mental issues, but I still think he was bipolar or something.

Conversation between Jayne and Tim that almost made me peed myself:

"Motherfucker, bastard, shitballs, dickbag, fuckwhat, ass wanker ...!"

"Jayne!" yelled Tim.

"What?!"

"Are you praying or what?"

"What the hell is that supposed to mean?"

He giggled. "I don't know. I figured a girl like you maybe said her prayers like that."

Cassandra Mello says

I've been like a zombie the last several days, staying up way too late (thank you well lit Kindle!!) reading this series. I've love love loved Elle Casey's NA books and when I saw she had a YA faery series, I was so excited!! And it has not disappointed! And for as crazy this addiction has been, and I felt glad that all 7 books were already out, I kind of want more. haha It's a brilliant world, and I think once you get sucked in,

it's hard to walk away.

Again, adore this friendship between Jayne and Tony, here is one of my favorite quotes -

"But, if I had to choose between them and Tony? It would be Tony every day of the week and twice on Sunday."

So perfectly summed up by Jayne. :)

This was a good mid-point book, Jayne learned more about herself, and it brought the darker players out of the woodwork and fleshed them out a bit more. I like how even the darkest characters were given motivations beyond "I'm evil so I act evil." They were all well constructed, so very lovingly layered, that you couldn't help but hate and adore them at the same time.

BookLoversLife says

OK I need book 4!!! What an ending. Loved it.

Amy says

Loved it!!! Although, the damn cliffhanger ending had me starting book 4 last night!

Jodi says

Another page turner from Elle Casey! I would have finished it sooner but everyday life got in the way :-) Elle has a way of holding the readers attention and making you care so much about the characters that you can't help but cry when something sad happens (as it does at one point in this book, but I won't spoil it for you) and laughing out loud during others. I love the irreverant main character. She says all the things I wish I had the nerve to say, but can't. I find myself thinking about the characters while I'm trying to go to sleep at night, while on a run, and while at work. And just wishing that I could get back to it. It's just one of those stories that grips you from start to finish and leaves you wanting more. I really, really, really am enjoying this series! So much so that as soon as I finished this third book I immediately picked up the fourth and final one for uninterrupted reading.

Thanks Elle, for sharing your imagination through your stories. I am a contented reader and a new fan.

Jason says

Great book! Each book in the series has been better than the one before it. I can't wait for the next book!

Jazzy says

Giving this book 4 stars instead of the 5 stars the 1st 2 books got.

First of all, I'm pissed off about what happened to poor Chase. He not only lost his mind and became a happy bunny, but also turned over to the dark side. SO MUCH wasted romance potential. He'd better come back, personality-wise at least. Though Ben does offer potential to be a romantic replacement... Chase as the strong, quiet guy was cute though.

Secondly, Jude annoyed me when she just trusted this Dark Fey wraith who she had NEVER SEEN BEFORE with Chase. Her concern about protecting Tim, who pixied him, obviously wasn't that strong since she eventually publicly confessed the event to the other Light Fey. That was the only reason why she didn't put Chase in the hands of the Light Fey witches who are waaaay more reliable and wouldn't have involved Chase being handed over to the enemy to then turn into one of the enemy. The end of result being Chase staying rather wacky doesn't make me forgiving about this either.

Secondly, the ending is quite blasé. I feel like I'm watching a TV show where each book HAS to end with a cliffhanger, no matter how rotten, at this point. I feel exploited.

Sara says

So far, this was my favorite book of the series. I enjoyed the first two books a lot and this one was a great addition. Once again we get to read about Jayne who is the funniest mc I've read about in ages! I would literally be reading and just crack up laughing at parts. I love her!!! Love Tim, Spike, Becky, Chase :-/, Tony and so many others. I'm definitely intrigued about Ben and I'm certainly anticipating the next book to find out what happens next. My only complaint thus far is how the books all end. Rather than the ending having some kind of transition into the cliffhangers (they all end on) it just ends very abruptly. I wish that wasn't the case. Overall though, this is such a fun series and I'm looking forward to the next book!!

Anna says

I'm continuing the greatness, that is this series. It was still addicting. There was a lot that happened in this book though that caused me a lot of anxiety and anger.

First things first, Chase, ugh, he makes me so upset!!!! And Maggie, and Ben, AND Tim. Ugh, so many annoying things.

Some of the good points. Spike was a great character in this book and proved a lot of worthiness in my book. Lots of great action but now that it's getting a bit dramatic, I might need a break...lol.

Another 5 star still :)

Carol (StarAngel's Reviews) Allen says

I can't get enough of this series and Jayne!

The story continues with problems fitting in and handling her powers over The Green.

Love it....love it!

Lisa Ann says

The one thing I can always count on from author Elle Casey, is her uncanny ability to hook a reader into a story or series, and tie them relentlessly into the journey of not only the main protagonist, but also all supporting characters, both good and not so nice. The War of the Fae series is perhaps one of the best examples of this magical connection with her readers. Casey has created a whole world of characters that you very quickly care very much about.

The third book in the War of the Fae series, Darkness & Light, answers many of the questions left hanging by its predecessor, Call To Arms, and kicks the story into high gear with a lot more action and drama than you can see coming.

We again find main protagonist, Jayne Sparks Blackthorn, adjusting to her life as a "Changeling", learning to move from the human world to her new Fae world. The power she is capable of calling up to her manipulation, known as "The Green", or Earth, is now linked to another element that she can wield, Water.

But all that power is not always an easy thing to manage. Jayne again finds herself stumbling in the dark with no guide as to how she can control these huge elemental forces of Earth and Water. But being in the possession of great power also leaves Jayne vulnerable to those who would wish to use her as a means to accomplish dark and mysterious ends. Jayne's natural streak of rebellion and independence puts her in harms way too often.

Now re-connected with her dearest friend Tony, Jayne finally feels as if things will begin to settle down. She could not have been more mistaken. The impending war between the Light Fae and the Dark Fae means that no-one can rest, and no one is safe.

Jayne's mischievous friend Tim the Pixie accidentally doses her personal body guard and Daemon protector, Chase, with his pixie dust, and Chase turns into a bubbly giggling mess. In an attempt to get help for Chase, and hide her mistakes, Jayne finds herself turning him over to the care of the Dark Fae. When Jayne goes looking for an update on poor Chase's condition, she herself gets taken hostage.

This third book in the War of the Fae series was by far the most action packed and surprising thus far. Jayne is one of the most compelling characters in modern fiction, equal parts rebellious teenager, warmhearted friend, and accident prone klutz. I also must add the one thing that makes her absolutely hysterical to read about, her almost constant use of the F-word, with almost Tourette Syndrome like ejaculations of cuss words at the most unbelievable moments.

As with the two previous novels in the War of the Fae series, I found the writing to be nearly flawless.

Casey's ability to describe some very unusual and unique circumstances in a way that makes them immediately accessible to the reader is nothing short of brilliant. The level of sexuality in these novels is very tame, hugs and kisses thrown in here and there, but nothing that any parent would have reason to be concerned about. The language, while colorful, especially where Jayne is concerned, only adds to her charm, and is not beyond a level that most teens would be exposed to in the presence of their peers.

Bottom Line: You will not be disappointed for a moment by continuing to read on in the War of the Fae series, and both Young Adults and Adults alike will be chomping at the bit for more of this fantastic story. It really helps if you have read the first two books in the series, as it definitely helps to set up the world paradigm that Elle Casey has constructed for her characters to inhabit. This is a series you can be assured is worth reading over and over again, there is just so much to love about it.
