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In the first of a mesmerizing trilogy, Alexandra Ivy, author of the Guardians of Eternity series, introduces the Immortal Rogues--three vampires duty-bound to protect their own kind even as they fall prey to mortal desires. . .

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### Sandy S says

MY LORD VAMPIRE (Immortal Rogues #1) by Alexandra Ivy  
(originally published in 2003 under the author name: Debbie Raleigh)

MY LORD VAMPIRE by Alexandra Ivy is the February 2012 re-issue of her original work released under the author name Debbie Raleigh. In the trilogy, 3 vampires are placed in a precarious position in the moral realm, to protect and defend the 'human' females in possession (1/3 each) of a powerful magical Medallion. My Lord Vampires is Gideon Ravel and Lady Simone Gilbert's story.

Gideon Ravel is one of three vampires commissioned to locate and protect (one of the three) medallions placed in the care of human females in the mortal realm. Hidden behind the "Veil" for over 200 years, vampires no longer hunt or feed from humans. But rogue vampires have started to cross between the realms in search of new blood and power. And the power of the Medallion is the lure. But the heat between Gideon and his target is unexpected and unwelcome. He is in the mortal world to protect and defend, not to become emotionally involved with a beautiful human female.

Lady Simone Gilbert is a woman desired by many men in the Ton (upper class society of historical England). Wealthy, beautiful and intriguing, Simone has been labeled the 'Wicked Temptress' - although titles are not necessarily earned or merited. And Simone buries a secret or two so deep she would die before revealing the knowledge or source. But a recent social function has introduced the mysterious Gideon Ravel and he too, has some secrets he is not willing to share with Lady Simone.

Tristan is a rogue vampire who has crossed the 'Veil' into the mortal realm. The lure of the Medallion has blinded Tristan to the orders of the Council. Uncaring and without conscience, Tristan intends to reek havoc amongst the humans, hoping to distract Gideon Ravel from his charge-the Lady Gilbert. But Tristan did not count on Gideon becoming personally involved with his assignment. But secrets have a way of surfacing and blackmail becomes the weapon of choice, when Tristan makes an offer to Simone that could ruin her reputation amongst the elite of England's high society.

My Lord Vampire is an easy read. There is no sex, foul language and the violence is minimal (as minimal as a vampire novel allows). The attraction between the couple is evident from the start, but both refuse to give in to their desires or the heat of the moment. The relationship is slow to build, but in the end, the pleasure of the HEA is not unexpected or unwelcome.

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### **Cheryl says**

...made it to page 96, but could not finish... characters weak, plot slow, romantic sizzle nonexistent.... \*sigh\*

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### **Laura the Highland Hussy says**

<http://www.demonloversbooksandmore.co...>

I really enjoy Alexandra Ivy's **Guardians of Eternity** vampire series, so when I was offered this book for review I jumped on it! It's not the same series, in fact it's an older book she re-vamped (pardon my vampire pun), but it's set in the same world, and we see cross-over characters.

I did like the book, but I don't feel it really hooked me the same way her other series did. My biggest complaint is that the hero is sent from behind the veil (where the vampires have gone to devote their lives to becoming more enlightened) to the human realm. One of their own is slaughtering humans like the days of old, and Gideon was chosen to stop him. This was my main complaint. Gideon feels he can reason with his serial killer. He'll just explain how hunting humans is wrong and his buddy will go peacefully back behind the veil. Ummm. No. It's not logical. Maybe at first, but then once he faced off with Tristan for the first time and realized what a monster he really was? I don't know, for such an enlightened vampire, it didn't make sense. I didn't like how Gideon kept wanting to avoid harming other vampires when the enemy is a psycho who's leaving him "gifts" in the form of mutilated women.

Now what I *did* like was the heroine. I really liked her. A lot. Her spirit, her secret, her personality, I feel she really made the book. Her gowns and the reason she made them herself was a nice touch. I also never guessed her past, so the mystery is really good.

This book was enjoyable and easy, you don't have to be current in her other series to read and like this one. The **Immortal Rogues** series has something else going for it; it's Historical Paranormal. My favorite thing about this book is that it's Regency, it's vampires, it's a great mix!

A quick regency vampire romance. Enjoyable and easy.

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## **Katherine McCarthy says**

### **My Thoughts**

Alexandra Ivy's first novel in the Immortal Rogues series is a passionate tale of good vs. evil. Two hundred years ago, the Vampires moved from the mortal plane to live Behind the Veil – a place created where vampires could live in peace and safety and not be plagued with basic urges or bloodlust.

The greatest vampire of all, Nefri, created the Veil using an ancient Medallion. Since the Medallion is so powerful and could also be used for many purposes and even to destroy the Veil, she hid its whereabouts by separating it into three parts and giving each one to three maidens on earth to protect. Those maidens had no idea the powerful artifact they were protecting. They only knew that it was a gift from a gypsy woman who told them never to part with it.

Since the vampires considered themselves superior to mortals, it was assumed that no vampire would want to go live in the mortal world. The Medallion should have been safe. However, three vampires who were unhappy with the restricted life in the Veil escaped and fled to the mortal world. The Vampire Council was certain the traitors would seek out the Medallion and if discovered, would give them power to destroy the Veil and much worse.

The Council decided to send three vampires (Gideon, Lucien & Sebastian) to protect the maidens that were guarding the Medallions, capture the traitors and either convince them to return to the Veil or kill them if necessary - as long as the Medallions were protected.

The first story in the series revolves around Gideon and Simone – one of the guardians of the Medallion.

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Simone is part of London's elite society and the wealthy widow of Lord Gilbert. She has many suitors and has managed to evade them all with no intention of becoming attached. Despite her icy façade, she is actually very nice. Throughout the novel, we know she has a secret that could destroy her and I found myself hoping no one ever finds out what it is so she would be safe.

Gideon is our gorgeous hero that is arrogant in thinking he is above mortals since he is not burdened with silly human passions and desires. Until he meets Simone. She is not at all what he expected and challenges him at every turn. Since the story is told in third person, we get to see inside his head as well and I was glad to see that Simone was getting to him as much as he was she.

The author has created a great hero and heroine and developed them artfully so that we cared about what happened to them. Besides Gideon, Simone and Tristan (the villain), there were very few other characters involved in the story. And really, we didn't see much depth to the villain. We only know that he wanted power but not really his motives. The story and plot could have been enriched if it had more supporting characters.

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### **Bottom Line**

If you're looking for a well-written easy read with good characters, this will work for you. Ivy is an expert at delivery and detail, and this historical PNR keeps interest and makes you care about what happens with the characters. Despite its simplicity in characters, it is a good read. Even though I've only rated it a 3, I'm still

anxious to read Book #2 – My Lord Eternity - when it comes out in December 2012.

Happy Reading!!

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### **Namita says**

There was something missing in this book. It was well written but it wasn't as good as her other series. It wasn't bad, I liked it well enough. I would say that it lacked substance.

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### **Malia Green says**

This book is about a girl named Simone. Her name isn't really Simone she stole her dead sisters name. The girl was always abused by her sister and her sisters husband. So when they were all going on a vacation bandits came and killed her sister and her sisters husband and stole some valuable items. So the girl being alone and poor stole her sisters name and went to live in a huge famous mansion. Simone threw parties because she got what she wanted for being beautiful but things go wrong when vampires come to steal a pendant she got from a gypsy. Then she falls in love with a vampire because he didn't do what she wanted even though she was very pretty. I really liked this book because I like vampires. Of someone wanted to read this book they should like fantasies and mystery and romance. This book has a lot of mystery and romance.

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### **Lover of Romance says**

This is a new author for me, and her books have been on my wishlist for quite some time now. So when I saw that My Lord Vampire was in my local library, I decided to try this one out, especially since it is the first installment in the series. One of my favorite things that I enjoyed about this one, is that not only is a paranormal themed romance, but it is set in a historical setting. Now anyone who even knows my favorite types of books are Historical's. So My Lord Vampire was a delightful surprise for me. I found myself being captivated by this story. I will say that it started out a bit slow, and at first I didn't know if I would like the heroine or not. She seemed to be a bit of a snob at first, but as the story slowly progresses we see that she is anything but. I enjoyed seeing this couple first interaction....and second, third and fourth. LOL There was instant sparks, and I swear, despite the hot hot summer we are having, I almost felt like I was on fire. Such sizzling compatibility that Tristan and Simone had. There is quite a bit of a intense and mysterious aspect to the story that only added to the romance even more. I will say that I can't wait to read more from this author, I don't know why it has taken me so long to read her before now, however her books are going to be bumped up my list. A thrilling tale of passion, adventure and intensity bound to curl your toes.

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### **Pam says**

This is the first of a trilogy. Of course if it's by Ms. Ivy I have to read it. I wasn't disappointed. Gideon Ravel who hasn't been among humans for many centuries is sent to protect Simone, Lady Gilbert. He and two of his brethren have been charged to make sure powerful Vampire traitors from beyond the veil don't get position

of an ancient amulet.

Nefri the Queen of the Vampire's had separated it into three pieces and had put them around three maidens necks. They couldn't be taken from the maidens they could only be given willingly. Ancient vampires have many tricks and Lady Simone will die if Gideon can't get her trust.

Lady Simone is a beautiful woman with secrets of her own and doesn't trust easily especially the beautiful stranger that just appeared into her life.

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### **Lizzielvr says**

The story had a good start, but it never seemed to get off the ground. Dragged in parts, I ended up skipping paragraphs. Normally I wouldn't finish a book that doesn't keep my interest, but since this is only about 150 ebook pages (and I was hoping something would happen) I finished it.

I'm a big fan of Alexandra Ivy, but this was not my cup of tea.

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### **Laura says**

Relieved and excited by My Lord Vampire! I was extremely close to getting rid of the 19 books I recently purchased of Alexandra Ivy's. This is the fifth book in a week I've read of Ivy's. The three prior to My Lord Vampire being less than desirable. One being, my first ever book to put down with no intentions of ever reading another horribly written word!

This book has momentarily saved my prior horrible opinion of this authors ability to write!! Great character building, good spacing of desired information on character(s) background/history, gradual building of relationship, with believable interactions between the two main characters.

One irritating fact that seems to be a common issue for this publisher/book company...they seem to assume the readers won't notice the descriptions of the characters and the models chosen for covers do not resemble each other in the least!!! Out of five books I've read...none of the covers match descriptions of characters in the book. Sad.

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### **Paraphrodite says**

[ if the Medallion that created the Veil has worked for over 200 years, why the heck did Nefri decide to split the Medallion up into 3 pieces and bonded each piece to a mortal woman? That's just asking for trouble! And then giving the 3 vampires a piddly dagger to use against the renegades when they can turn into mist and have more superior powers after sucking blood? (hide spoiler)]

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### **Theresa says**

This is one of those books that has a decent premise and interesting characters but simply was not flushed out enough to allow readers to fully connect to the story; it needed more detail, more depth in order to bring out the strength of the characters and the content in the storyline... I thought both the hero and heroine were likable characters that had strong potential to be completely mesmerizing, but their personalities remained surfaced leading their connection feeling somewhat superficial.... I could see the potential in the writing and understand this is an early novel for this author; I would be intrigued to see how her writing becomes more expressive in future novels... 3 Stars:)

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### **Melanie Adkins says**

Lady Gilbert, Simone's life was going along as she planned. Her party invitations were the most sought after invitations in London. She was very selective about who she invited. Men from all ages did their best to entice the young widow to their side. Gideon was once again thrust back into the mortal world. After 200 years, he was able to feel the desires, passions and emotions once again. He was sent by the Council to protect one of the three maidens who held a part of the Medallion. He never dreamed that Simone would be so beautiful and desirable though. Together Simone and Gideon must stop one of the renegade vampires from the Veil.

Historical romance with a twist. I like it!! The story seems to be a little lightweight until you get further into the book. Then you learn all the secrets and stories behind the scenes. Well told and not so deep and dark you can't relate to it, this book gives you a nice vacation from the norm. I thoroughly enjoyed this book.

I didn't find anything wrong. It was an easy read and fun to see how things turned out.

I gave this one 5 out of 5 books because I'm liking me some vampire stories.

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### **Tina says**

Simone, Lady Gilbert, is happy with her London home. Once, for twenty three years, she had been isolated and never thought she would be the Lady she is today. Centuries have passed since Gideon Ravel has had human contact. Now, he has to seduce Simone, Lady Gilbert, in order to get an amulet that is very important to the balance of power in the world.

There are some who would kill Simone to get the amulet or worse. She will have to learn to trust Gideon before she can give him the amulet. Gideon must get the amulet before it's too late for both of them.

My Lord Vampire, the first book in the Immortal Rogues trilogy by Alexandra Ivy, is a Victorian romance with a twist. Ms. Ivy has thrown magic and paranormal elements into this book which makes this historical take many twists and turns, which I loved.

Gideon hasn't been around humans for a very long time and he doesn't have much patience for them either.

Learning to act genteel again is almost comical for him. He pulls it off, but just barely; it's hard to keep the hunter out of the man when it's been bred into him for so long.

Simone is a woman with street smarts. I liked that even though she's in an era where women have little to no power, she's smart, clever and wise beyond the time period she has been born into. She's actually perfect for Gideon, if they can just stop dancing around the truth long enough to trust each other with their secrets. And there are many secrets!

I really loved the mixing of historical and paranormal elements in this book and I'm really looking forward to the next book in this trilogy.

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