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For heroes, a happy ending is not assured.

When Aldan and Srilani return the heir safely home, they are greeted with coldness and suspicion.

Rumors plague Srilani as she resumes her First Princess duties. Friends are few, and intrigue is around every corner. Who betrayed them before their abduction? Who is plotting treachery now?

Enemies are everywhere, and Aldan desperately needs allies. Keeping his identity secret is essential, but the king is wary, his countrymen are hostile, and time is short.

Read this thrilling installment in the Mardan's Mark epic adventure fantasy series.

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Linda Yezak says

This novella is the exciting entr'acte between Mardan's Mark and the upcoming Mardan's Anointed. If you missed Mardan's Mark and the companion novella in the series, Healer's Curse, then you're depriving yourself of an excellent adventure.

Start with Mardan's Mark. You won't be disappointed. With authors like Kathrese McKee, I'm learning to love YA adventure. What a rush!

I got to read Marden's Heir in advance of publication.

Jackie says

Amazing fantasy story. Aldan and Srilani bring the heir safely home. Unfortunately there is distrust. Intriguing to the end.

Tj Akers says

This was the kind of book I looked for as a kid and seldom found. It's exciting and keeps you turning the page.

Jessica Dowell says

I received an advanced copy of this book prior to release for the purpose of reviewing. All thoughts expressed are my own.

I have been waiting SO LONG for the sequel to Mardan's Mark and I am so thankful that the wait is finally over! I was so excited and blessed to be on the author's team of early readers again. Our story picks up right where we left our characters, at the tail end of the journey back to the northern kingdom. Aldan hopes not only to gain support from King Terson in taking back his throne, but in gaining his approval to wed Srilani. He and the brothers are in very new territory, having to navigate the waters of diplomacy and politics. Aldan, of course, rises to the occasion as graciously as he can with the help of Judge Ellison, Raymond, and the captain. His brothers are....let's just say they give moral support.

Srilani, having tasted independence now finds it even more grating to being under her father's authority once again. Once they return to the castle, she and Aldan barely see each other, and when they do they have to keep their relationship secret from the public. This only made their private scenes together THAT much sweeter, and their public scenes that much more intense. I love their relationship so much. There are insecurities on both sides, but they are honest and open with each other, and make a conscious effort to trust

each other and communicate as clearly as they can.

There are so many dynamics I can't even begin to describe that make this book awesome. In addition to all the above, we have battles with PTSD and suspicion causing problems for our main character, vengeance from the priests of Azor causing problems for the Northern Kingdom, and prejudice from the Separatists causing problems for both kingdoms.

So many amazing plot lines set up, so many fantastic new dynamics, and just as soon as you get comfortable with the ending and where all the characters are headed, the author yells, "PLOT TWIST!" and we end on a cliffhanger. (WHY!?)

Still, if you are anything like me, that won't stop you from diving straight back into the story because you missed these characters SO MUCH!

Thankfully, we only have to wait until January to find out what happens! And to get you over that last month, the author is releasing Sam's backstory in *Pirate's Wager*, coming out in December. We can do this, guys. Lol.

In the meantime, we will comfort ourselves by reading, and re-reading, and then reading our favorite parts again, and again, from *Marden's Heir*. Enjoy!

J.F. says

Marden's Heir continues the story where they left off in *Marden's Mark*. The royal children are rescued and return home. Their tale reads more like a historical romance than a fantasy as the focus was on the politics involved in the royal children's return and Alden's desire to claim his rightful place on the throne with the primary focus on Srilani and Alden's relationship. Like Srilani, I found her return to the castle confining after her adventures. Though it did make the moments with Alden sweeter.

This installment strikes me as more of a bridge between *Marden's Mark* and the next book to come. There was less action and excitement. And I was disappointed to find yet another "to be continued" at the end. I much prefer to have a nice story arc and satisfying conclusion.

Despite these issues, I enjoyed the story. *Marden's Mark* was a well-written, clean tale with likable characters. And I look forward to the final installment which the author promises will not be long off. So, if you're okay with a "to be continued" ending and you enjoy a clean tale with a sweet romance, *Marden's Heir* is for you.

Shantelle says

You're not going to want to miss book two in the epic fantasy series, **MARDAN'S MARK!** *Marden's Heir* picks up where *Marden's Mark* left off and continues this exciting journey. I was so excited to reunite with these characters, and really enjoyed reading this book!

Aldan and Srilani have returned from their harrowing adventure and now have to take on royalty, naysayers, and hidden enemies. Aldan must convince people of his true identity, and Sirlani struggles to get her family to believe where her heart's affections truly lie.

Kathrese Mckee did well with this sequel! We dive back into this fantasy world (*superb world-building, by the way!*), come to know the characters better, and get close to uncovering deadly secrets. *Mardan's Heir* ends with a cliffhanger, and I can hardly wait for Book Three to release in January!

The characters are such fun, and all their own. I love Aldan's brothers, Sam and Linus. They have unique personalities and just add so much life and depth to these books! Srilani's sisters are also great and I'm so glad they're a big part of the story. As for our two main characters, I like them, too! *winks* At times, I became frustrated with Srilani's attitude - but she also can be easy to relate to in various ways.

There were a couple scenes that seemed inappropriate and/or disrespectful toward authorities, father figures, or men in general. (*There is some true and deep hurt that the main character deals with when it comes to her father.*) But there were also moments of regret, apology, humility, and showing value to the other gender. I hope this series continues to delve into these difficult relationships and show healing, peace, and truth!

Overall, I recommend this book (*and its companions*). *Mardan's Heir* is exciting, adventurous, romantic, emotional, humorous, dangerous, and all the things! It's clean, has a faith theme, and really is a memorable find for fantasy lovers. Do check it out!

I received a copy of Mardan's Heir from the author in exchange for my honest review.

Candy Briggs says

This is the second book of the series and I did not read the first one. The retinue is returning home from the Cauldron Fortress that guards the border. The prince and the three princesses were abducted from their home while they walked on the beach while being guarded by the Palace guards.

When they managed to escape, it was with Aldan and his two brothers and the four royals. The First Princess was a fighter. While returning to their home a missive was bought by two messengers. Some very dear friends of theirs had been abducted and had been killed. Aldan was the missing prince of the Green Marst. There were twin brothers and their father built them each a city. One was blue Marst and the other was Green Marst but they weren't friends anymore. Aldan and his brothers, who were not of the same blood, spent 12 years in slavery and they adopted each other. Sam and Linus were their names and the three of them stuck together like glue.

The characters were strong and well developed. The descriptions were very good and they gave you a sense of the beauty of their surroundings. The plot is somewhat complicated. There is a lot going on. My pet peeve is it is a cliffhanger. So here I sit and suffer waiting for the next book. But it was a great book and I thought the author did a nice job despite the cliffhanger.

I received this ARC free from the author and Voluntarily reviewed the book.
