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4 authors will each take a different daughter born from the Prince of Darkness, Vlad Montour. (Also known as Vlad the Impaler, an evil villain from history).

Blair – Chrissy Peebles

Jezebel – Kristen Middleton

Victoria – W.J. May

Lotus – C.J. Pinard

The Daughters of Darkness is a series of female heroines who may or may not know each other, but all have the same father, Vlad Montour.

Lotus

Don't let the pretty name fool you. This daughter is no delicate flower.

Lotus grew up orphaned. Having no idea who her real parents were, she's been drifting around the U.S. for over 100 years moving every 15 years or so since she just doesn't seem to age. She'd figured out on her own that she had to be at least part vampire, as she needs to suck on a few blood bags a month to survive.

Working as a detective with the Denver P.D., Lotus is searching desperately for a serial killer who is murdering the homeless of the city. Except these are not ritualistic or thrill killings. These victims have been drained of blood and Lotus knows, beyond a shadow of a doubt, that they have been committed by a vampire.

Her search will take her to Las Vegas, and that is where the true adventure will begin, when she finds out who has been searching for her.

This is part I of Lotus's journey. Part II will be out in late October 2015.

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Marley says

I really enjoyed lotus, a lot. Loved it in fact. It was a five star for me. Kept my interest peaked and made me want answers. My only problem is it's a short read and luckily it was free but all the others are \$2.99 for 130 pages or less. That's not cool in my book. I understand different authors got each daughter but I'm not even sure starting with Lotus was the right one. And seeing as each book are that price - except the first for each daughter which are free- I don't see myself spending that much for so little. They should come in a bundle pack for cheaper per author, per daughter for \$2.99 since they are such short reads. So till this happens this will be the only star rating in the series and I'm not going to bother getting invested in the other 3 daughters.

Shermet Morgan says

can some one help me here?I am picking books but can't read them .why? when I touch read I don't get the book .why? help please

Hannah Sanders says

I love how the author has made it its own series but also part of a larger series with other series

Caroline Barker says

Lotus's Journey is a fantastic combination of the paranormal, mystery and crime. This is a talent of C.J. Pinard that is also shown in her Enchanted Immortals series and Rebel Riders series. It is the darkness of the vampires and the eerie mystery of the crime/s that build up a great atmospheric sense and truly captivate the reader until the end.

Lotus Arden Smith is half vampire and half faery. Her human detective partner, Stephan, has no idea that she isn't human. It is her half faery, she suspects, that allows her to walk around in the daylight, and provides her with the need to eat 'normal' food, as well as to suck on the occasional blood bag.

The story opens up at a murder scene, and from this very beginning an unpleasant atmosphere has been created as the author describes the scene of a warehouse in which the homeless human has died. Lotus's senses are sharp, just as a vamp, and her sense of smell is no exception. The description of the stench is very real as the reader can almost smell the putrid stink. But, Lotus can also smell more than this – cologne, possibly belonging to the killer.

We learn that this is the fifth body found with a similar MO; a homeless human drained of blood, and Lotus is aware of the puncture marks on the victim's neck. Stephan is aware they have a serial killer on their hands, but doesn't notice the puncture wounds, and is unaware of the supernatural. But, Lotus is only too certain

that it is the work of a vampire.

“The body was decaying, and therefore, beginning to wrinkle and prune, but that did not stop me from seeing the two faded puncture wounds in the victim’s neck. They’d never had the chance to heal since the dumbass vampire killed his victims immediately after feeding. If he was smart, he’d let them live for a few minutes, hypnotize them into forgetting about it, let their body heal – and then kill them. Then the puncture wounds would be gone. But no, this jackass was either very new or very, very stupid. My guess was a combination of both.”

There is an eerie moment as Lotus becomes aware that someone has been following her. Someone is outside the window of her third floor apartment. And she is certain it is a vamp due to their speed and height from the ground. As she goes to investigate further, forgetting her nakedness, she loses them and after an awkward, and comical moment for the reader, Lotus goes back inside.

This scene, along with mentions of her hot, muscled, blue-eyed neighbour, Drew, creates some refreshing, lighter moments. I love his character. Lotus enjoys a tiny flirting moment with him here and there, but knows that she cannot get involved. Although, I am secretly hoping this can change!

The darkest aspect of the story for me is the evil, vampire character, Vlad Montour, Lotus’s father. Lotus never met her parents, was brought up in foster homes, and has the sense to look after herself. After all, who else will? Believing her mother died, possibly at the hands of her father, she knows she’ll never get to know her mother. When she starts dreaming of her father beckoning to her she experiences an eerie, surreal feeling which both excites her and frightens her; excited at the prospect of finally meeting him, but fear of what he may say or do.

After another killing, the same smell of cologne and an almost face-to-face confrontation Lotus decides she needs to track the killer down alone. The one lead she has to go on is the cologne, but that’s not a likely lead for her partner, Stephan, who isn’t even aware of the scent. Lotus takes a vacation to Las Vegas after finding out a source, and once there she begins to get ready for action.

“I slid on the soft leather pants and a loose top, finally throwing on the leather jacket over it. I had attached my Lotus body holster under my jacket. Finding my ‘special’ handcuffs in my bag. I folded them and shoved them into the tiny canvas cuff holder I wore on my belt. Those and the gun had been fun getting through security at the airport...”

The first part of Lotus’s Journey leaves you on a cliff-hanger that you won’t want to wait to read. The good news is that part II will be released at the end of October!

Summer Haze says

Fun read!

I loved reading the previews so far about Blair, Jezebel & now Lotus. Being half fairy, you would think she would be sweet & super cheery, but instead, Lotus is a total contradiction! I love that she’s an introverted loner & one bada\$\$ chick! Can’t wait to finish her whole story!

Michelle Quinn says

2.5

I honestly only picked this up because it was free and because I was interested in the whole 4 sisters-4 authors thing. I didn't like this one so much, but I have hope for the other 3.

I found this one had some grammatical errors, discontinuities in characters and story, and the characters were all either flat or the same.

I believe this could've been longer and there was a lot that could've been included, like more material on how life goes for this half vampire half faery main character.

(view spoiler)

J. Kahele says

Lotus definitely is a bad ass!

Love her! People are dying and Lotus knows who the killer is, it's a vampire. How does she know because she is a vampire, half that is the other half faery.

This story is told through the eyes of Lotus and takes us on her journey to find the vampire killer. If you're looking for an action packed thriller, with a tinge of fantasy, this book is for you.

Angela Arrington says

This is the first book I have read written by C.J. Pinard and it was good. I can't wait to read further into this series as well as check out all of her other books.

Greg Dixon says

lotus daughter of darkness

A adult read for people who are in to the series recommend highly can't wait for the next one of the series a little slow to start but picks up towards the end shaping up to be a enjoyable series

Barbara A. Thompson says

Good

Great read
Really recommend
Can't wait to read next one.
Vampire lovers book all the way puts magic to work

Rosa Munoz says

Loved it and will be ready to read the next one soon

It is very interesting to know that they have so much incoming with one another and not know when another in person. Would love to find out when they will all meet each other

Laura Greenwood says

<http://a-reader-lives-a-thousand-live...>

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Half-faery, half-vampire Lotus, has never met her parents and doesn't even know the name she was born with, but she hasn't let that stop her. Working in law enforcement she helps make the world a better place, but with a vampire serial killer on the loose and someone stalking her she has her work cut out...until a new lead takes her to Vegas and she discovers just who is after her...

I said after reading Jezebel that i was going to try the other sisters' first books before making a decision on the series (the first four; Jezebel, Lotus, Blair and Victoria are free) and I must say with Lotus things are looking up from how they were with Jezebel, so maybe this series can be saved!

Lotus was a strong heroine. She had a backstory that was quite moving at some points, and proved that she had come about her strength in a legitimate way. There was also a backstory to her career and why she did it. I thought she was a well rounded character in that regard. Though she could hold her own in a fight or other situation she did make mistakes which made her more likeable.

There were a lot of mysteries still left in Lotus. I think because I read Jezebel first I had a little more of a handle on what was going on with their father, but that could be the effect of the series. But I'm not overly

convinced that I actually learnt anything new about Vlad in this book.

It was interesting seeing how faery powers worked and how that combined with Lotus' vampire side. I always find it interesting when authors have their own take on mythology.

Roxanne Dugger-Martinez says

I enjoyed this story. I liked reading about her back story and how she wanted to help people after learning what she was. I hope she finds someone who can help her be the best hybrid she can be.

Deb says

LOTS OF EXCITEMENT AND SUSPENSE!! THIS SERIES IS SO MUCH FUN TO READ AND EACH DAUGHTER IS AWESOME IN THEIR OWN WAY! CAN'T WAIT FOR TUESDAY WHEN TWO MORE BOOKS COME OUT!! YOU REALLY MUST READ THIS SERIES!!

John Easom says

Strong and enjoyable faerie vampire.

One can empathise easily with this strong female protagonist. Interesting take on a familiar theme. Quite believable and begs for the next in the series.
