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Dageus is a demon warrior sworn to protect his Prince even if it means sacrificing his past. Even without his memories, ice blue eyes and hard male touches haunt his fantasies. Despite his disturbing desires, Dageus has more important things to worry about when his prince and fellow warriors travel from Demontia to Earth to escape the assassins hot on their trail.

After years of searching for his lost lover, Kalel, Master Vampire Alexander never expects to find him walking through the doors of his theater. But Kalel is no longer the same young dancer Alex remembers. Kalel is now a Ravyn warrior with a new name and no memory of their love.

When Dageus finds himself face-to-face with the man of his dreams, he can no longer deny the desires that have driven him in the years since becoming a Ravyn. He must learn to balance love and duty in order to find happiness in a world full of killers, vampires, and dances that are hot enough to scorch the sun.

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Avril says

Had to DNF at 41%...trust me, that was a lifetime. First this is just plain boring. Then throw in fish in what should be strictly meaty and you lose me.

Cayla says

I had this series sitting on my nook and i had yet to read them so i opened book one and started to read and I was so happy I did. I fell in love with Alex and Kal from the start.

Shivani ~*My blurry eyesight wants more books*~ says

Three point five stars

A great start to the series. I liked the concept basically. The writing was kind of different but cannot fault it just because I'm not used to it. This is my first Jana Downs book and I liked it enough to continue reading another one. The ending though could've been more grand and the climax could've been more slow. There were mistakes which lead this book to only three stars but for the love and intimacy that MC's share promoted them to half a star more. It is a story that needs retouching. Most importantly the author needs to give more care to the scenes which are important/which adds twist to the plot. Everything else is pretty much spot on.

Azusa says

Personally, i thought the book was good and all, but this book was specifically supposed to be an all male on male book. I really enjoyed it until the femlse showed up. GAWD!! That was such a mood killer, but i managed to finish it anyways. I was glad that Daegus(?) a.k.a kalel got back together with Alex the master vampire. I really didn't like how kalel's memories was stripped form himafter he became a ravyn. All in all, this story was good. I'd recommend it, but if a girl in a male on male story upsets you, then you shouldn't read it.

anarcHy(amanda) says

A great start to a series, gonna get and read the rest of them now

~SexyBookWorm~ says

Kinda slow...i feel like it could have been condensed. It became hard to see K as a dancer AND a warrior. Subservient to A but a strong leader. His personality felt disconnected.

Ter says

There is some m/f in this, it doesn't go into too much detail on paper.

But it's there, and hopefully the series will stay M/M and not have more m/f in them. I don't like series that go back and forth.

But one of the warriors they call "Ally-cat" cause of his bed hopping with the ladies. So who knows about his story.

Pixie Mmgoodbookreviews says

4 Hearts

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This is a first published work for this author and I am excited to say that it is really good. Dageus is haunted by sparkling blue eyes and a hard body, he is also haunted by the fact that he desires men; he tries to suppress both hauntings by ignoring them and protect his prince. Alex longs for his lost lover and is shocked and delighted when he spots Kalel in the VIP balcony but then upset when he realizes that Kalel can remember nothing of the past.

This is a brilliant storyline and plot, the writing is smooth and flows well and the characters are incredible. We get to know all of them well and there is some great world-building between the demon realm and Earth. This is a story that makes you love and hate these characters because as you are drawn into the story, you are conflicted on how to feel about the supporting characters. You are pulled back and forth between loving them, because they are great, and hating them because of what they do to Dageus. These are the characters that you know that there will be future books about (I can't wait).

You feel sorry for Dageus/Kalel as the past is revealed and his story unfolds, the emotions between him and Alex are incredible and as they get everything sorted out you root for them. The sex between them is wow! Believe me it's really hot and sensual and definitely passionate and they are soooo romantic when they first meet up after six years apart.

So I recommend this to those who love danger, vampires, demons, hot passionate sex, a great story and a happy ever after that touches you.

Gabriel says

Well done. Throwing in females, girly bits and even sex scenes with females in an MM story. I ain't a fan, but hopefully none of the other books will have it.

Full review will be posted later.

Phaney says

Sorry, this didn't work out for me at all.

And the least of it were the sexual interactions with females (really negligible, everything considered). I do recognize the interesting premise at the core of this, and the varied – and very flawed – characters. Sadly it's the execution that (for me, anyway) breaks the story.

Just let me say right away that this looks to be the author's first published novel – and it's clear that she has grown a lot as a writer since then.

As it is, this feels like amateur work, like a kid would tell a story. Like how someone would tell someone else about this great anime they saw, but flavoured with telling a story they made up. Or maybe it is a fairy tale (or close to one, perhaps a myth).

The (inadvertently?) omniscient viewpoint, the simple expressions of emotion or motivation, the unlikely happenings and rules that seem to copy yet defy reality.

As with a fairy tales we don't exactly get characterization, but instead roles that people fulfil in the story. That makes it difficult for me to emotionally connect to anyone.

It's an interesting story but I am merely watching it from the outside and the protestations or feelings of love between the protagonists mean nothing to me. (Which in turn makes me impatient with logical issues.)

As mentioned, it also reminds me of an anime. How things are beyond weird and you have to completely shelve your disbelief.

That's how the dancing ties in, too – the way people treat it, be it admirer or amnesiac or bystander, and the way it is described. Even the abruptness with which squabbles and fights begin and end.

The sad thing is that no matter how hard I try I can't like anyone, can't connect with anyone here. (Well, okay. Maybe I like Damian. Hard to say after only a page or two.)

Most of them are self-serving, ruthless, arrogant jerks who either can't think for themselves (deeply brainwashed, I guess) or readily sacrifice anyone else (including those closest and most trusting) for their own needs.

At the same time, all of the Ravyns, including Salvatore, seem strangely naive. And, oh god, stupid. Granted, the majority of them seem to suffer from intermittent amnesia, which merely makes them *look* unintelligent at times, but there's no excuse for Kal/Dageus. Our boy keeps on doing the most stupid thing possible in any given situation.

(view spoiler)

With that let's move on to plot and matters of logic.

I took a shipload of notes but since they're a mess, I'll just cut them down and put them in spoiler tags. Otherwise I'd have to just scrap them as a whole. And yeah, there are real spoilers in there, together with aspects I already mentioned. My apologies. You won't miss anything of significance if you skip these.

(view spoiler)

And yet he is perfectly capable of wondering about this while giving Alex a blowjob.

Gotta admit, everyone referring to Kal/Dageus as Alex's "Bride" grates more with each iteration. I realize it is an expression like *mate* in other books but, seriously, *bride* is female. (hide spoiler)]

So yeah. Lots of early-work type issues. It happens.

Since I've enjoyed the more recent works of this author I'm planning to continue with the rest of this series to see where it goes. I'll just need a break first.

Rachel Emily says

Ack! Surprise M/F scenes in here, wasn't expecting that. Struggled to get through this and not sure if I will give the second book a shot. I wasn't a huge fan of the plot.

Cam says

I actually really liked this book :) Great read if you like paranormal m/m romance. Would definately recommend.

Fadia Pierre says

Really enjoyed this series, cant wait to see where this story will lead. The characters are are really great, love the Ravyn's, Salvatore, love the vampires specially the head of the line. The way the author potrait's him I could actually see him with his cane giving orders.
