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They left us behind. Some say it was a mistake, while others say it was a purge. As for me? Well, I say it was my damned liberation.

They call me Ari.

Three years after being captured by the Reapers, I am no longer human. With the Y-506 virus destroying what's left of Silo, no one truly is anymore. We now work for them, these things that control us. We kill for them, warding off the black-eyed leviathans that roam the desert hills. In return, we get to keep some piece of our past.

But you see, not all of us are compliant. Not all of us could be changed. We haven't forgotten. I'm different, and so is Jonathus.

There are much more like us.

They took my mother and threatened the life of my sister, forcing me into a life of exile. I am hellbent on my revenge. Taking back Silo one asylum at a time is our means to an end. Joining the Underground is only the beginning...

My name is Mathai Porter. The invasion starts now.

Asylum 54.0 Details

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Leslie M. says

4.5 stars

Mathai Porter wakes up with no memories. All she knows is that someone wants to control her, and she is determined to prevent that from happening. She knows she is different, and she wants to know why. Will she discover who she is, and is there anyone she can trust?

This is the first book I have ever read from Richards. The concept of this book is quite different from what I normally read. However, I'm so glad that I stepped out of my box on this one. To begin with, the cover. It immediately caught my eye. The book itself is mostly written as a normal novel, though there are some graphic novel elements to it, which makes it a bit unique. Scenes are easy to envision, almost like a movie unfolding, and it quickly engages the reader with its fast pace and creativity. In fact, I finished this book in less than a day. It turns out that it is the first installment of a seven-book journey, and I can't wait to read the rest of them. Fans of books and/or movies such as *X-Men*, *Divergent*, or *Hunger Games* should be sure to check this out.

Leslie says

I feel like I do not have the words to give this book the review it deserves, but here we go! You had better have some free time when you first start reading Asylum 54.0 because you will NOT want to put it down. This book is the first in the series and introduces the reader to Ari/Mathai, a young lady who is much, much more than she seems. Her memories have been erased, she does not know who is friend or foe - but Ari/Mathai is determined to find out who she is and what happened to her. Reapers, leviathans, white jackets and the virus Y-506 are just a few of the obstacles in her path to knowledge and truth. I can't say any more and not give anything away. Trust me on this, you need to read this book. If you choose not to, you will miss out on experiencing the talents of an amazing author and the world she has made.

Alissa Ganser says

3.75 stars. I liked this book, but I really wanted to LOVE it. The plot has the potential to be an amazing story - humans that were engineered to fight the virus that has been turning people into zombies? Yes please! It's like I Am Legend, but with an awesome and sassy female lead! Some of the writing was so vivid and beautiful that it gave me goosebumps (like the scene where Mathai stumbles upon a feeding leviathan (zombie)). But overall, I thought that the story was rushed in some places, and the characters were coming to crazy conclusions about events that were unfolding with barely any information. Thus, as the reader, I didn't buy some of the events. Overall, it was a quick and enjoyable read, and I loved the inclusion of the comic pages! That was so unique! Bottom line: Enjoyable read, hopefully the storyline unfolds better in the sequel.

Josephine says

4.5 stars.

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I don't know where to start. Honestly. What a hidden gem I found in this book.

The plot is amazing. It's so big and intricate and fresh and I got serious hunger games vibes from it. To me it definitely feels more dystopian than sci-fi, and I haven't read anything like this in such a long time, if ever. There's action and fighting and blood. There's a tough heroine and a tight and awesome crew.

It's just so. bad. ass.

And, side-note, it would make an awesome movie ?

I really enjoyed the entire crew's characters. Mathai is our main protagonist (at least in this instalment) and we got to know her the best here, with the rest of the crew only being introduced later on (at the halfway point and onwards), but apparently this is meant to be a seven-book series so we'll have plenty of time to get to know the rest. There's Les, Elektra, Lexyn, Cameron, and of course Jon, and all five of them are wonderful ? I can't *wait* to get to know them all better! And I am so intrigued by these powers they all have - a superhero-ish crew of fantastic characters in a dystopian/sci-fi hunger games-esque world? Do you need anything else?

And did you know - there are a handful of scenes in this that have been illustrated and the artwork is beautiful, I could stare at it for ages ? Such a nice touch!

My *only* problem with this book was that I was a bit confused here and there where I feel like I shouldn't have been. Nothing major. The main character starts the book with memory loss, and we kind of learn things along with her, which I didn't mind - in fact I liked and enjoyed it - and eventually everything that was meant to be confusing was explained and made clear, but there were parts scattered throughout the book that I feel like I should have been able to get, but didn't quite grasp. I had the same feeling at the very very end of *The Last Magician* when things were being revealed and explained, but it was a bit hard to follow - so maybe it's just the writing that could have been a bit clearer? It doesn't actually bother me much (it didn't with *The Last Magician* either) **BUT!** I fear not, because the author has said she heard that feedback and has been working on improving it in the sequel, so I'm so so excited to see how she's done ?

All in all this is one of THE MOST underrated books I have *EVER* read, and I feel like more people should give it a chance. Especially now, while the series is still so young since, like I said, there are supposed to be seven books in total, so start while it isn't intimidating! ? I can't wait for the next book, which I believe should be coming out any day now. **GIMME!**

Shivani Reddy says

can't wait to read this book...i loved the bleeding heart trilogy and i would do anything to read this book...nadege just gets to me ... win it or not i'm sooo reading this book.. :D

Kylie says

I really enjoyed this story.

I loved all the characters and the story of the main character.

It was all kind of hard to get in to because at some points I thought there were things that weren't explained well. I thought maybe it was because Mathai had lost all her memories so we were kind of learning with her, but it happened all throughout the book. So the only thing that brought my rating down was personally I thought some parts needed a little bit more explanation.

I seriously cannot wait to see what happens in the next book!

Brenna says

To everyone reading this,

Nadege Richards is an amazing author, and an amazing person. She puts so much devotion into her writing, and is just a true inspiration. I was lucky enough to be able to meet her, and you can tell her love for writing is just out of this world. She deserves all of the good and high praise that she gets. She is just amazing, as are her books.

Brooke says

Nadège Richards is a very talented young author and I cannot wait to see what she surprises me with in the sequel!

Flora says

I have mixed feelings about this book. I like the concept, but after the beginning of the book when we've gotten used to the world, I felt like the pace slowed down way too much, and didn't pick back up til the last portion of the book. I also felt like the book just ended, it didn't have an overall "Yes there's a solution" moment, while there are reveals as Mathai learns information, the book seems more like a set up for a good series than a story within the individual book.

Jessica Surgett says

I've had this book in my possession for a couple months but only began reading it a few weeks ago. Because

I am an idiot, apparently. I absolutely loved it. Like, shout-it-from-the-rooftops-like-a-crazy-person loved it. Like, hand-out-copies-to-strangers-on-the-street loved it. It's been a while since I read a good sci-fi novel, and this one has turned me on to the genre again. We are thrown into the story naked and afraid, just like Ari. There is a perfect mixture of confusion and world-building that I really appreciated. I feel like often times with sci-fi books there is either not enough, or too much world building. It's a hard balance to find. I want to be able to follow the story, but not have to spend 5 chapters reading facts about the world while the plot remains motionless. This book does a great job of finding that balance. It also does a great job with pacing. The plot pulls you along and keeps you guessing. That was another strong point for me: the plot twists! I like to think I am some expert sleuth, and have a good eye for catching plot twists before they happen. I have been put in my place. And I absolutely LOVE when that happens. I love being surprised, and surprised I was. Bamboozled. Flabbergasted. SHOOKETH. (I never use that word, but it is so appropriate). I would have liked some more time for the Crater Knights to bond, but the way things play out makes sense with the plot line, so they are forgiven. However, I do expect more of that to come, as well as more baCK STORY FOR THE BLUE LEGION BECAUSE I HAVE QUESTIONSSSS. And Elektra, baby doll, keep kickin ass honey. Mommy loves you<3

Filthy Book says

Well I wasn't sure just want this book was going to be going into it. I was pleasantly surprised that it wasn't at all what I thought it was going to be. Again Nadège shows her skill with the written word yet again. For somebody who's only been writing for a few years and is so young ,her books read like someone has been writing their entire life. These characters were greatly developed they were very relatable and just bad ass. There's a fierceness and her writing that comes out through the characters that she develops in the world is that she builds. This book only highlights that yet again. I was completely blown away by just how sucked into the story I got. It just kept building and building and building and then there was an explosion like a Powderkeg and I was just like oh shit. I can't really say much more than that without spoiling it because I want to just tell you all the awesome things that happened but I don't ruin it for you . I can't wait for the two I think it will be better than this one and they will only continue to get better this series will be one that everyone talks about and if not then they're stupid.

Also check out her bleeding heart series

McKayla Debonis says

Actual Rating 3.5

I really enjoyed the storyline but I just wish the pace was a bit faster and not so drawn out. Also at times I was a bit confused because some scenes just seemed to jump around and not everything was explained.

On the upside though, the writing of descriptions was freaking amazing and solid! The characters were also really strong, I really really love Lexyn!

I can't wait to see what happens next.

Tori Carlson says

Have you ever...?

Have you ever picked up a book slow to start, which you read thinking that the whole book was going to be like that you wouldn't wanna finish? And you push through hoping beyond hope that the next page is going to give you the better amount of excitement?

This is that book, and it delivers. Absolutely and inconsolably it delivers. The further I got the less I wanted to put it down and the more this lovely novel devoured my soul. Pulling me into a new world where all I wanted was for Mathai to achieve her goals, for our Legion to get what they deserved and for everyone to live happy ever after.

I won't tell you if they do, but I will tell you this. When you pick up this book be prepared to be taken on a ride of a lifetime. And once the rollercoaster starts moving be prepared to never look back because the twists and turns this takes you on will leave you begging for more.

I absolutely cannot wait for book two, or three, or ten. And I thank Nadge for taking me on this ride.

Laia's Cave says

english isn't my mothertongue so at first i had a little trouble understanding what really was happening, too much detail for me. But after some pages i just couldn't let go of the book it was reaaally good and just like Ari/Mathai we want to know who she really is and why everything is happening to her.
Waiting not so patiently for book 2 to come now ^^

Autumn says

<http://fallenoverbookreviews.blogspot...>

So I have had this book on my radar for a while but just haven't had time to read it. So this book was part of my challenge for myself to get through not only books that I need to get through, but books I just want to read.

As I started reading I was a bit confused because of how we were introduced to Mathai because we were introduced then it flipped to a new scene. I kept thinking to myself as I kept reading on I just hope that all the answers will come! Sure enough, they did but it took a while. Ari is no longer a human but she doesn't remember much of anything. Slowly over time with the help of those that are not like the reapers Ari starts to remember.

I really did like the story-line and how it was a steady pace. The characters were well developed and I want more of this world. I want to know if Ari and her team will do what they need to help others and survive.

One thing that I really enjoyed about Mathai is that she never gave in to those that wanted to control her. You could tell she was different from everyone! She is a very strong character.

This author needs to just keep on writing more of this world she is amazing!
