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Torn between duty and survival, nothing can be the same.

Everything Ivy Morgan thought she knew has been turned on its head. After being betrayed and then nearly killed by the Prince of the Fae, she's left bruised and devastated—and with an earth-shattering secret that she must keep at all costs. And if the Order finds out her secret, they'll kill her.

Then there's Ren Owens, the sexy, tattooed Elite member of the Order who has been sharing Ivy's bed and claiming her heart. Their chemistry is smoking hot, but Ivy knows that Ren has always valued his duty to the Order above all else—he could never touch her if he knew the truth. That is, if he let her live at all. Yet how can she live with herself if she lies to him?

But as the Fae Prince begins to close in, intent on permanently opening the gates to the Otherworld, Ivy is running out of options. If she doesn't figure out who she can trust—and fast—it's not only her heart that will be torn apart, but civilization itself.

Torn Details

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Cierra says

justmiaslife says

Die Handlung von "Torn" setzt unmittelbar nach den Ereignissen des ersten Bands an, wodurch der Leser sich schnell wieder in der Geschichte zurecht finden kann. Der Schreibstil von Jennifer L. Armentrout hat einfach etwas an sich, wonach man total süchtig wird und gar nicht anders kann als so durch die Seiten zu fliegen. Deswegen habe ich diesen Folgeband auch schneller verschlungen, als ich eigentlich erwartet hatte und als mir lieb war! Denn nun muss ich wieder bis Februar warten, um zu erfahren wie die Geschichte um Ivy & Ren ausgeht.

Oft geht es einem bei Reihen ja auch so, dass der erste Band letztendlich der Stärkste ist und (leider) der Verlauf der Geschichte immer schwächer wird. Aber bei "Torn" kann ich absolut nur beipflichten, dass mir sowohl die Charakterentwicklungen als auch das Buch selbst um längen besser gefallen hat, als im Vorgängerband. Das lag zum einen natürlich wieder mal an Ivy, die eine absolut sympathische Protagonistin verkörpert. Sie ist eine Kämpferin, die im Verlauf der Handlung viele schwere Entscheidungen treffen muss, an ihre Grenzen gerät, aber auch etwas über sich selbst erfährt, das dafür sorgt, dass Ivy nicht mehr weiß, wer sie eigentlich ist. Ich konnte mich mit ihr sehr gut identifizieren und hätte wirklich jedes Mal genauso gehandelt! Ich bin mir sicher, dass sie in Band 3 auch noch ein paar Überraschungen für sich bereit halten wird.

Auch Ren, der sich im letzten Band schon zu einem meiner Bookboyfriends entwickelt hat, war in "Torn" wieder genauso charmant und liebenswürdig! Man kann ihn einfach nur ins Herz schließen. Mein Lieblingscharakter bleibt jedoch immer noch Tink, er war schon im ersten Band mein absolutes Highlight und im zweiten Band hatte er noch mehr Sprüche auf Lager, bei denen ich laut auflachen musste!

Meine Befürchtung war, dass die Liebesgeschichte einen zu sehr im Fokus stehen und damit die eigentliche Handlung zu kurz kommen würde, aber für mich war es genau die perfekte Mischung! "Torn" konnte mich insgesamt noch mehr vom Hocker hauen als Band 1, weswegen ich Jennifer L. Armentrout beim Abschluss der Reihe blind vertraue und ich mir sicher bin, dass das Ende der Geschichte mich genauso fesseln wird!

Fazit: "Torn" stellt für mich den Vorgänger und ersten Band der Reihe komplett in den Schatten und kann durch seine spannenden Wendungen und sympathischen Charakteren brillieren! Ein Muss für alle Romantasy Fans, ich bin mir sicher, dass die Geschichte euch genauso fesseln wird, wie es bei mir der Fall war!

Penny says

Actual rating 3.5 stars.

I quite liked it. Very entertaining.

Wicked (A Wicked Trilogy #1)

Brave (A Wicked Trilogy #3)

Candace Robinson says

I really liked this sequel. I liked seeing how strong Ivy was and even with everything that happened with her while maybe a little more damaged she is not destroyed. Tink is like my favorite character so freaking hilarious. I got a little annoyed at Ren, but he fixed it! The Prince was an excellent villain. Although the pacing at the beginning was a little slow the rest made up for it. My one complaint is I felt like there was too much name dropping going on. I can't wait for book 3! Full review on my blog <https://literarydust.wordpress.com/20...>

Kassidy says

It was great seeing Ivy and Ren again and learning more about the fae. I didn't love this one as much as the first book. The beginning and middle were a little slow, but the ending was crazy and left me so excited for the next book, Brave.

Rachel Reads Ravenously says

4.5 stars!!

There will be slight spoilers from the previous book in this review. If you don't want Wicked spoilers STOP READING NOW!!! Okay? Okay.

Ivy Morgan is a member of The Order, a group with a mission to go out and kill Fae living in the human world. At the end of the previous book she was almost killed by the Fae Prince, until he discovered she is the halfling he has been looking for. This secret throws Ivy and she has no idea who to trust with this information. Because the Prince needs Ivy to create an apocalypse baby, and The Order wants the halfling dead.

Should Ivy tell her boyfriend, Ren, the man she loves? Or keep it a secret and run?

Recently some of the stuff JLA has put out has been quite the miss for me, and I love her books. So I was a bit scared going into this book that I wouldn't like it, but I needn't have worried. Reading this book was like coming home. I ADORED this book, so so much. Even more than the first book. It was also easy to read this

book despite reading Wicked two years ago.

Ivy's struggles with who she was and what that meant pulled at my heart, I felt for the girl so much. She was basically put in an impossible situation and I couldn't even figure out what she should do. The Prince was creepy AF, and honestly gave me the shivers (of ick).

But my favorite part? TINK. That fairy man makes the book. I want him to have his own book, I think it could easily be done.

This book was equal parts suspenseful, angsty, sweet and awesome. I only hope that the next book really does release in summer of 2017.

Nieves says

4'75? Madre mía, madre mía el enganche que estoy teniendo con esta trilogía ? Esta segunda parte me ha gustado aún más que la primera, el giro que da la historia hacia la mitad me ha tenido con el corazón en un puño es que de verdad, tengo unas ganas tremendas de matar a unos cuantos personajes que estoy que me muero porque cuando llegue su hora sufran pero mucho eh Y Ivy y Ren cada vez me gustan más, ella tiene una fortaleza que admiro con todo mi corazón y él no sé queda atrás, son unos personajes que me tienen totalmente conquistada y estoy seguro que aun me vas a gustar más ? No me puedo olvidar de Tink, me muero de risa con este "pequeño" madre mía la que ha liado y las que va a liar, soy fan absoluta ? Ay Jennifer, lo que me haces sufrir pero lo que me encantan tus historias ???

Siobhan Davis says

So, I'm a bit torn over this book (pun intended) because although I did enjoy it (it's JLA, so come on like) and there were loads of things I loved about it (Ren and Tink anyone?) there were a few niggly issues which stopped me engaging in my usual gush-fest; things that prevented me from rating this a five-star read.

But I'll start with the good stuff. I loved how Ivy behaved in this book. She gets on with things, refusing to be seen as altered or injured or weak, and she never indulges in self-pity. She wants to take control and deal with things head-on. Rock-on Ivy.

Ren is still a hot, sexy, sweet guy and I totally ship him with Ivy. Yes, he lost his way a little but I forgave him because he recovered spectacularly. I enjoyed the romantic scenes between our couple even if they were a bit scant overall.

TINK!!! Omg, I loved Tink in Wicked but he's even better in this. And that revelation - ha, ha! Genius. The scene where he is "outed" is hysterically funny and I was chuckling away to myself.

The latter scenes involving the Prince were awesome. Creepy, a bit debauched and depraved, but awesome all the same. And I want to help Ivy string that Breena (Breana??) one up.

What I love the most about this book - and this is classic JLA - is the witty banter between Ivy and Ren, Ivy and Tink, and Tink and Ren. Plenty of laugh-out-loud moments.

The writing is superb as usual, the characters are well developed, and the world building was decent.

Probably the biggest issue I had was with the actual storyline. It was too predictable and there wasn't enough happening to drive the plot forward. Certain aspects of the story lacked depth, in my opinion, and I wonder how well they would hold up to more detailed scrutiny. I could be specific but I don't want to give away any spoilers so I'll say no more. I also felt the pacing was off which I was most surprised at because Jennifer's books are almost always perfectly paced with a mix of action and romance that flows consistently. I actually struggled to get into the first twenty percent of this book and I was starting to get bored. Thankfully, it picked up after that and it became a non-issue thereafter.

Overall, *Torn* was still a good read - it just didn't blow my mind in the way most of Jen's books do. But I'm still very invested in this series because I love Ivy, Ren, and Tink, and I want to find out how the story concludes. If you enjoyed *Wicked*, and you are a fan of Jennifer's, then you'll most likely enjoy it.

Actual rating: 3.5 Stars

This review will appear on my blog in due course: <http://myyanabookobsession.com>

Thanks to Jennifer and her publicist, Kelly Simmon, for providing an ARC of this book in exchange for my honest review.

Laura says

|1.7 so annoyed stars|

Oh dear Lady... am I *biased*?

I'm so unsure about what I should think. When I started this book I was hyperconscious of the last book I read by Jennifer and how that turned out to be – a true disappointment. So I didn't want to go ahead and tear this book apart while reading it; and what do you know... I didn't like it.

I don't know if this is me realizing how **similar all her books are** and how unable I was to set apart her narratives. Like, Ivy's voice is so similar to Kat's from her Lux series and to Alex's from her Covenant series; and that's a problem –I don't know if it's because that's the way she writes her paranormal/fantasy stuff but it bothered me this time.

Ivy was so annoying and immature and, for the love of me, so your typical badass wannabe. I liked her in the first book –or at least *I think I liked her* but this was just ridiculous. I get it, girl, you're the halving and you're everything you've been fighting against to your whole life and the guy you love was sent to hunt you and put you down but would it kill you to be a bit smarter about it?

Torn was so cheesy and cliché and something I've already read a hundred times before. The plot was so *meh*

and you could see those twists coming from a mile. I didn't have any sympathy for the MC's.

I didn't like Ren and I found myself wanting to read more about the rest of the characters rather than having these two MC's being dramatic, and just when shit started to get better and there was so heavy building and you could taste it, this action packed moment... the love interest appears to save the day. *Yay*.

You know what I want to read about?

I want to read about the courts and how these "good fae" changed bands and how they kept hidden and I liked the whole fantasy structure but Ivy messed things up for me. I was constantly skipping through the pages because it was so predictable. I swear, I could tell how this book was going to end and who were the goods and bad guys and that annoyed me.

I don't want to bash on this book nor do I want to say this book is a complete crap but I can't sugarcoat how I feel about this book and Jennifer. I think she either improves her storytelling or stops recycling her characters, plot, etc. or she will, sadly, fade in time and become mediocre; and that'd be a shame because for years I've loved Jennifer and her books but now everything is so weird and sad between us.

Holland says

I don't know who had the audacity to rate this book one star as soon as the author put up the link for it, but I went ahead and gave it a five star because Mrs. JLA...

Enough said.

'Jennifer | Wortgetreu says

Ich mag einfach Jennifers Schreibstil und ihre Charaktere. Wobei ich sagen muss, dass Ren mich so überhaupt nicht reizt. Irgendwie ist er für mich ein Nebencharakter und langweilig. Dafür mag ich Tink um so mehr. Auch Ivy als Protagonistin fand ich wieder großartig und selbst die bösen Faes finde ich total interessant. Ich bin gespannt auf den dritten Teil, muss aber auch sagen, dass ich Wicked besser fand als Torn.

Ashwood (?? ??). says

This book was a fun, awesome and semi intense read but kinda fell a little short of the first book. It was still good but in certain parts it felt like it dragged for years?

Predictable to the point of me being about to know half of the events before they happened.. so yea not my favorite JLA book I've read but still semi enjoyable to read, just wasn't amazing like all her other work.

It did have a bit more character building and back stories to all the ppl involved so that was a plus! Tink is by far my favorite in these books! His witty/snarky, caring/not caring (mainly to Ren and everyone else besides Ivy and Dixon) mischievous, super smart mind, and his overall badassery when it's least expected makes him my favorite character to read about ?

Ivy and Ren were cute and kickass as ever but certain parts of their relationship drama seemed forced and really unnecessary. It got resolved in the end but when it wasn't resolved between those two it was boring, predictable and I wanted to shove both of them in a hat and drop kick them off of the closest and highest building possible because really needed to get a brain?

As for the awesome cute moments they were worth it when I did get to them so I guess that was a plus.

So for the character that was just evil, annoying and needs to go back to the Otherworld, preferably in a pine box, is Prince Drake. That dude was conniving, ruthless, pretty sure he doesn't possess a heart and has a mind of a cool and collected psychopath. Yea, not feeling any warm and fuzzies for the guy.

So I'm excited...a bit for the 3rd book, Brave, but not exactly waiting at the edge of my seat for it.

Jen ♥Star-Crossed Book Blog♥ says

Spoilers for Wicked. If you haven't read Wicked yet, you can read my review [here](#)

"I don't want to die."

Torn was an emotional ride that was filled with uncertainty and characters I absolutely loved! It was everything I was hoping the second book would be and much, much more! I was left on such a high and I truly can't wait for the release of the next book to see what happens with characters who have easily become favorites for me. **Each and every one of them has embedded themselves in my heart.** Ivy is someone who makes me want to be her best friend, Ren makes me want to steal him so he could do wicked things to me and I'd love to carry Tink around in my purse all day so I could hear all of his crazy antics. And **I can't wait to see where their journey is going to go from here!**

The hate building inside me burned brighter than a thousand suns, but even with that rage, I always, *always* felt cold. With each passing day, it was like I was filling up on the inside with ice and shadows. The only time I didn't feel this way was when I slept. I felt nothing then.

The horror, uncertainty and utter shock that Ivy felt upon learning that she was the halfling crippled me. I knew that *she* made the most sense in the back of my mind, but I was truly hoping that Val would be the halfling. Even if that wasn't very logical. I just couldn't believe that after she finally opened herself up to friendship and possibly love with Ren, that she was slapped right in the face. Because **the man she had fallen for had been sent there to kill her.**

I should've never gotten close to him.

While Ivy vacillated in telling Ren the truth about what she was, I completely understood her internal struggle. If she told him the truth, what would he do? Turn her in, be the one to kill her or would he just leave since history was repeating itself? It was such a hard decision, and while I started to struggle with her keeping secrets and the truth from Ren, that issue quickly disappeared in my eyes. Why? Because **Torn took**

a dive into a dangerous, twisted area that quickly had me rooting for Ivy and being her biggest fan.

“You can fight this all you want, but I know the game and the rules,” he said , and my stomach roiled as his icy breath coasted over my cheek. “I know how this ends, little bird. And trust me, you will be consenting sooner than you realize.” - The Prince

Speaking of twisted, **can I say how much I hate the Prince? Well, hmm, actually that's not entirely true.** *hides face while I make this confession* Yes he's creepy and wants to impregnate Ivy so the gates from the Otherworld remain open so he can take over the mortal world. But **at times I found him amusing. And I truly don't know what that says about me at all because the prince was sick and twisted.** You see, he had this weird sense of humor and would say and do things that made him appear in a different light. I know that it's probably because he's a psychopath and I know without a shadow of doubt not to trust him *but* his personality had these blue moon moments. In those moments he was entertaining. But then he would do stuff that quickly had him nose diving into the oh-I-hope-you-die category. I loved that the Prince was a complex character that made me second guess my hatred for him but then had me spiralling back into the rallying behind his death. On a side note, I hope Breena dies too!!! I know you'll agree with me!

As I exited the bedroom, I hit the switch and turned on the fan, grinning when he shrieked.

“That was screwed up!” he shouted as he was flung across the room. (Tink & Ivy)

Thank goodness Ivy had Tink in her life though, because he was a constant. No matter how ridiculous he could be. And trust me, he definitely strays from the bounds of being normal lol. But **I loved that Ivy had a male best friend who was from the Otherworld.** There's so, so, so much I want to say about Tink. But I can't because of *huge* spoilers. But just know that while I guessed for one thing to be true, the other one I wasn't even close. At all. Let's just say that I stared at the page open-mouthed while trying not to gasp. Or maybe laugh. I can't tell you which. Yeah. I desperately need someone to talk to about that!! But besides loving Tink interacting with Ivy, **I freaking adored Tink and Ren's interactions because those moments were always explosive, hilarious and over the top.**

My fingers curled around the top of my dress as I stared blankly at the tile floor. I didn't know who I was anymore. My breath caught in my chest.

How did I not talk about Ren yet?! After reading Wicked and now Torn, **I truly believe that wicked is the perfect word for describing Ren. He is constantly exploding sexuality and I just wanted to crawl into the book and steal him for myself.** His looks, his touches, his words everything he does seduces me, um I mean Ivy. And while my heart did break for him as the story unfolded, he proved himself to be the badass sexy fighter that I have easily come to love.

I'm gonna kill her. My hands trembled as I let the bra slip to the floor. I'm gonna kill her. I kept repeating those words as I slipped off my undies.

So now I patiently wait for the next book. **The ending of Torn is much, much easier to handle than Wicked,** who's ending left me feeling like my heart had been ripped out of my chest. Although I do love that feeling, since I'm glutton for feeling deep emotions in a book. But I can't wait to read more about my favorite characters! Come on 2017!!

Quotes were taken from ARC

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BookOwl BookOwl says

Couple days later and I'm still not over how totally disappointed this book left me. The first problem was the language of the characters, immature.

I felt as if I was reading about a slightly older version of Alex from Half-Blood. The setting did nothing for me and it took me forever to get through half of this book.

To be honest, it wasn't interesting in the least. There isn't a single part that I can say captivated me, not a single character that intrigued me, nothing.

Can't believe I'm saying this, but it was just boring. What's worse is how long I had to wait for this book and now, I almost wish I hadn't read it. I'm crushed right now. J. L. Armentrout is one of my favourite authors....

This has to be the least favourite of her novels for me.

Leah City of Words and Pages says

In dem zweiten Teil sind echt viele Sachen passiert und die unterschiedlichen Handlungsstränge haben mir gut gefallen.

Wieder einmal muss ich erwähnen, dass der Schreibstil von Jennifer L. Armentrout einfach super flüssig ist und ich das Buch auch schnell beenden konnte.

Ren und Ivy sind nicht mein liebstes Paar, aber die Geschichte mag ich trotzdem ??????.
