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Haunting tales from the shifting sands of time. A brilliant new collection of stories, from the Sunday Times bestselling author of *Lady of Hay* and *Hiding from the Light*. *Sands of Time* features two intriguing long stories that pick up the fortunes of characters from *Whispers in the Sand*, Barbara Erskine's captivating novel of Egypt. Still haunted by ancient mysteries, and the subject of dark intentions, Anna and Louisa must once more do battle with the past in order to survive the present. Here, too, are a host of other tales, all with a touch of the unexpected...A happily married woman has an affair – with a man who died in the First World War...Who is the little girl on the swing in the garden – and why does only Charlotte see her? And how can a traveller find herself transported suddenly from her airplane seat to the snowy Canadian wastes below? Suspense, romance, passion, unexpected echoes of the past – vintage Barbara Erskine, and storytelling at its most compelling.

## Sands of Time Details

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## From Reader Review Sands of Time for online ebook

### **Melanie Bonnici says**

It seemed like all the short stories had practically the same plot. It got boring after a while.

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### **Gina says**

Excellent in terms of tying up the story to 'Whispers in the Sand,' The other short short stories - although quite repetitive after a while are a nice bonus, I would definately highly recommend this to fans of Erksine.

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### **Carrie Hetherington says**

Barbara Erskine is my favourite author, I have all her books and would highly recommend each and every one. You won't be able to put them down! There are characters from the past and present intertwined in a single story, grounded in historical fiction and they're always full of ghosts. Gripping.

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### **Sophie Saunders says**

Gripping, atmospheric and eerie short stories with an ancient Egyptian twist...Excellent!

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### **Tricia says**

This was a nice collection of short stories. These ones all involved some kind of person or thing out of place in time. Some are ghostly presence. Others are more physical.

I really like reading collections of short stories and this one did not disappoint me.

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### **Sharon Reeves says**

I really love Barbara Erskine books, I have read every one and I could not wait to get my hands on this book, as having read 'Whispers in the Sand', I was desperate to read the next part of the story.

I really loved reading this story, as I felt I had a conclusion to the story 'Whispers in the Sand', which gripped me in a way that I really did not expect. The short stories that are included are an added extra. Highly recommended , but please read Whispers in the sand first - you won't be disappointed!!

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### **Aileen says**

This short story collection contained some very good stories, in particular the two follow-ups to Whispers in the Sand. Some of the others, I felt could have been expanded on. However I thought the majority seemed to be variations of the same theme and much too similar to enjoy reading so close together. I think I much prefer the author's epic tales.

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### **Stephanie Woods says**

Did not enjoy the short stories.

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### **Erin says**

I'm a huge fan of Barbara Erskine and I will assure other readers to not think this collection shows the extent of her talents. On the other hand, I truly understand the disappointment of my fellow readers. Erskine jams a rather large quantity of short stories in this collection and the stories begin to appear too similar to be outstanding. By the end, the characters all seemed to have the same storyline.

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### **Maggie says**

Two of the stories follow on directly from "whispers in the sand"

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### **Leah Phillips says**

The best Erskine I have read. After this book I became obsessed with Egypt... Loved it!

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### **Caroline says**

Not a big fan of short stories, so didn't really enjoy this book that much x x

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### **Grace-Elisa says**

The stories are too predictable and formulaic.

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### **Cathie says**

I liked some of the stories in Sands of Time and some were not up to Barbara Erskine's talent. Sands of Time is a book of approximately seven short stories, but I only liked about half of the stories so I can only give this 3 stars.

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### **S.S. says**

This was a nice collection of short stories from Barbara Erskine. I picked this up recently from a local shop because I have got back into Barbara Erskine's work in the past six months or so (the last time before that that I read anything by this author was about twenty-plus years ago. There is no good reason for that, by the way. I still don't know why it took me so long to get back to her writing, considering I enjoyed the book I read at the time.) I enjoyed some of the short stories more than others (but that's not unusual for me in short story anthologies and I'm not implying that any were horrible. They're not! Really not!). I really do like her writing a lot and so will be re-visiting this book again, when I need a short story or two to read again. It is a nice and comfortable summer afternoon (or several) read, even though, currently .... it's not summer! (it's a rainy English April afternoon at time of writing.) I'm sure it will do for any other type of day too (which I've proved I think, given the state of the day at the mo.)

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