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Re-release with additional ending.

A vampire, a cupcake, plus one sexy cop, is a recipe for trouble.

VINCENT KAMATEROS is an exiled vampire making a routine living as the owner of a cupcake bakery in Arizona. Until a car with a dead driver crashes through the wall of his shop, bringing after it, All-American, closeted cop, JOHN REEDER. Smitten the instant he sees John, but bound to silence by the Vampire High Council, he can never reveal his true self to John.

John Reeder can't control his attraction to the sexy Italian baker. But as addictive as the sex is, John can't overcome his fear of rejection for being gay, and open his heart to a man with so many secrets.

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From Reader Review For the Bite of It for online ebook

Rachel Emily says

I'm with everyone else...where's the last third of the book? haha. Great build up in their relationship, interesting vampire world building, but the ending is left completely unresolved. I'm assuming there will be a second book?

Joyfully Jay says

A Joyfully Jay review.

2.25 stars

For the Bite Of It is the first book in the Orbus Arcana series and it introduces us to the gruff cop, John Reeder, and his vampire lover, Vince Kamateros. I struggled with this one from the beginning, despite its occasional redeeming moments. Vince is a fairly interesting character and while not fully developed, he definitely feels more fleshed out than John or anyone else in the book. His reason for exile is fairly straightforward, but the nature of the Orbus Arcana is less so. I was never quite sure what they do or what control they have over vampires save that it is absolute...except when it isn't. There is reference to a growing rebellion, but the core of the book focuses on the murder and the initial phases of John and Vince's relationship. I would say the murder is a fairly useless subplot. It never goes anywhere and given that Vince is ruled out as a suspect fairly early on, there's never even a threat to either he or John. It's an excuse for these two to meet and that's fine, but it serves as page filler rather than an a meaningful addition to the overall story.

Read Sue's review in its entirety [here](#).

Bookwatcher says

Oh boys and girls, I'm angry...

very angry

The plot is not bad. I read it because I'm a vampire slut . Yeah I cant see a vampire book because I'll get it. Yes, I'm admit I'm a vampire slut, and I not ashamed of it
Reading so many vampire books of course I was curious about this idea, of a vampire exiled and now a baker.
BTW my 2 stars is all to this, the original plot I enjoy so much.

The main characters are interesting but I didn't felt in love. Sorry, honest person here. I must admit I really didn't went nuts for the main characters. I like the secondary one, Angelo. And I like both men are very close to their family, loving their sisters, brothers and nephews. It was cute.

The murder that is said in the blurb is not (at all) a mystery. I read it, but I didn't care, for even a second, about it. It wasn't a mystery, it didn't catch my attention. At all.

BUT, let me get to the point. Why I start this review saying I'm angry?

I was cheated.

Oh yes, I was fooled and I HATE IT!

This book don't have an end. It's (probably) part of a serie. All the angst and doubts if their will or not be more than fuck buds will not be answer.

WTF is the problem here? you are asking yourself?

Simple, nowhere, no place **at all**, it's mentioned it's part of a serie. **Why? Dammit! WHy?**

It's so hard to add it, a little phrase after the title (Book 1, or crap like that!) telling the buyer it's not a standalone, but a book 1 of a serie!

Do I have the right to be pissed off? I don't know, but I'm, and simple phrase, saying it's not a standalone book would prevent it.

Info from a very know seller

Info from the editor site

I know many times the selling of the first book will be crucial to the writing of more, but damn, don't tell the buyer it's a serie is cheating!

So ok, more calm person now

2,5 stars if there will be more probably I'll read... hey I told you, vampire slut here *pointing to myself*, so yeah, I'll read more.

Julie Hayes says

Fate has a funny way of making itself felt, sometimes when we least expect it. For Vincent Kamateros, it struck the morning his landlord crashed through the window of his bakery in his car, only to be discovered to be dead. Not a propitious start to the day. But it led to the arrival of hot and sexy police detective John Reeder.

And now the complications begin—those nasty little things that like to bite you in the ass.

Vincent is not the innocuous baker he appears to be—he's a vampire in exile for something he didn't do. And he's the heir apparent, oldest son of the King. But to John, he's a complication John doesn't need, because John is a deeply closeted gay man, who has no intention of stepping foot outside his comfortable closet anytime soon.

Plus, as if things aren't difficult enough, Vince is a suspect in the landlord's murder.

The attraction between them cannot be denied. But John's doing his damndest to do just that. Plus Vince

knows better than to get emotionally involved with a human. As a vampire, it's not allowed, but as heir to the throne? That's just begging for trouble. But he's never felt this way before, and these feelings are crumbling his determination. How likely is he to be forgiven and to receive his powers back? Why not live a little?

These two men dance around each other, in serious denial. And yet they find they cannot stay away from each other.

I absolutely loved this book, loved the sexual tension between these men. I adored Vince from the beginning—where can I find a hot sexy vampire to call my own? Bakery a plus.

The writing is great, the sex is wonderful, and the plot is filled with twists and turns, as well as secondary characters you can sink your teeth into.

There are no pat endings, either, no rushed resolution. There will be another book, and I for one can't wait. I love the bakery and the way the authors blend food and sex in a very sensual way that is a real feast for the eyes.

Did I mention the sex is hot? It is. I could not put this down, and I thought about it when I couldn't read it. This is a winner in my books, and I hope the next book comes out soon. I want to get back in their world as soon as possible!

Chris says

Meh paranormal m/m romance about an exiled vampire stripped of his powers and baking cupcakes in Tempe, Arizona, where he comes under suspicion of murder. Did the suspicious cop have to be so appealing and so deeply closeted? Although this is kind of choppy and sloppily edited ("scoured" instead of "scowled"?!), it was heading for three stars until it abruptly stopped, at the point of a critical conversation, feeling very unresolved. If this is supposed to be the first part of a serial, there's sure not anything about it on Liquid Silver's page for the book. And if there had been - I wouldn't have purchased it.

Dawn says

I got to admit authors Viki Lyn and Vina Grey deliver a sexy tale filled with smoldering vampires, cupcakes and a simmering sexual tension that leaves you in the end wanting to jump your significant other's bones. The authors do a wonderful job in creating a world that draws the reader in, keeps them captivated and eager for more when the last page is read. The story flows nicely though it does have a few things that left me wondering if the scenes in the beginning were just fillers (John and Vincent's occupations for example are only mentioned a hand full of times and you never see them doing their jobs so to speak after meeting one another).

Meet Vincent and John. Vincent is a century's old and powerful vampire who was exiled and now runs a cupcake bakery. John is a closeted cop who finds himself attracted to Vincent. A mystery, secrets and powerful sexual tension will keep the reader on the edge of their seat until the very end. I got to admit; I

loved how John flummoxed Vincent and kept him on his toes. These two dance around one another, falling in and out of bed with abandon even as the secrets that Vincent holds will either break these two apart or bring them together. Only time will tell on that aspect of the story. These two characters dance and weave around one another with the grace of a dancer, letting the reader see one thing even as another scene is playing out in the background. I loved how these two main characters interact with one another and I can foresee the fireworks that will ensure after John finds out Vincent's secrets. The secondary characters keep the story flowing nicely and were as well written as John and Vincent were.

FOR THE BITE OF IT is just the beginning of a new series from authors Viki Lyn and Vina Grey. I really liked how they fleshed out the background of the main characters and it gave the story more depth as well. Humor, sexy scenes and more abound within the story and I can attest I am eager for book two now. If you enjoy a different take on vampires and love cupcakes as well as cops, then get ready FOR THE BITE OF IT and settle in for one smoking hot ride. Now the question is can Vincent keep John and learn that some secrets need to be told or else the trust one has with someone is broken.

Heather K (dentist in my spare time) says

Kindle freebie 2/14/15

Susan65 says

I tend to find myself, from time to time, migrating towards stories with less-than stellar ratings; I've found a few gems out there that I would have never read had I not given the story a fair chance on my own. I also seem to love what some have not, and disliked what other's loved, so when I was approached about reading For the Bite of It, which was re''vamp''ed and given an extended ending I thought, why not, let's go for it and see what's what...and I'm glad that I did.

Vincent is an exiled vampire who was cast out from his family and his position as heir to throne by the Vampire High Council for a crime he did not commit. His love and the safety of and for his family were worth the banishment, even though he is very much missing them and the loss of his powers. Seriously, a vampire without his powers is like a cup of hot cocoa without whipped cream, you just can't have one without the other without feeling the loss.

John is a closeted, sometimes real jack-ass of a cop who is investigating a murder and Vincent is front and center as his primo suspect and, unfortunately, John is strongly attracted to the man as well. Horrible news for a guy who wants to remain in the closet. He plays a terrible game of "mixed-signals" with Vincent, and the two stay on a collision course of "should we or shouldn't we", mixed in with some pretty steamy sex.

This is a fast paced murder mystery slash paranormal with a side dish of secrets and lies on both John's and Vincent's parts. John just confuses the hell out of Vincent and for a vampire that's been around a long time that is no easy feat. Vincent on the other hand is forced to keep his lineage and vampirism a secret or risk John's life. Not the best recipe for a vampire baker and human cop who are trying to find their footing in the romantic relationship arena. Trust is a big deal and that's just not in the cards for these guys right now.

For the Bite of It is book one in the Orbus Arcana series and thus far we are left with quite a few unanswered questions. The secrets are numerous and I foresee that the repercussions will be abundant in the next book. However, John and Vincent have decided to make a go of it and for now Vincent's true identity is still unknown to John. As hot headed as John is I can just imagine the fight that will ensue when he finds out. It won't be pretty.

So back to less-than stellar reviews mentioned above; I can totally see where they came from without the extended ending and revisions. Yes, we are still left with some unfinished business, but the series is as yet unfinished and the answers are forthcoming, so with that said, I feel confident in recommending this series for those looking for a fast paced, work-in-progress vampire paranormal.

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Line says

All 3 books of the series are free at amazon.com right now: <https://www.amazon.com/Orbus-Arcana-B...>

Sabi says

The ending was awful.

Ami says

2.5 stars

The blurb is promising, but for me personally, the story just doesn't click. It might have to do with Vincent's vampire status. I don't really feel it. Like, everything can still work if he's not, since I don't exactly see the "benefit" of him being a vampire. I don't even feel that his vampire-ness. So a story about closeted cop and a cupcake store owner would still suffice. By half of the book, I just lose interest.

Mandy*reads obsessively* says

FREE today and tomorrow (3rd and 4th of April) on amazon.com

Penny says

Actual Rating: 1.5 stars

Meh.

I can't say I enjoyed this book.

The whole thing seems unnecessary and old fashion to me.
Then, as vampire fantasy goes, this was incredibly lame, terrible.

Furthermore, the audiobook narrator's voices were fake and even robotic at times.

Corazon says

This one was recommended to me.
The blurb was okay; therefore I've taken it on my read-next-shelf.

You can do so many things with a vampire, but the author made Vincent so boring I didn't see him as a vampire; I didn't "feel" him.
It's the same with John, the closeted cop. Where the vampire doesn't really exist for me, the cop was so full of clichés; it hurts to read the book.

Usually I like to read short stories and I'm satisfied with it.
But in this case I lost interest after 20 pages and at the end I asked me where is the book, where is the story?
Maybe this book is a prequel to a second one - I don't know - but since I didn't enjoy this one I'm in no mood to read another boring story.

Kinny says

yup, the ending was abrupt and more of a cliffhanger. It was obvious John was going to break up with him but he gets jealous and decides to dump blame on Vince. I hated John Reeder: selfish, manipulative, hypocrite that he was. Vince was the wimpiest vampire! Walk away from the jerk who is stringing you along and wants to stay in the closet. Make him suffer!!!
