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Editorial Review

Amazon.com Review

Amazon Best Books of the Month, July 2012: Deborah Harkness burst onto the scene with her 2011 debut, *A Discovery of Witches*, which introduced legions of fans to Diana Bishop, an Oxford scholar, and Matthew Clairmont, a handsome geneticist. Diana also happened to be a witch, and Matthew a vampire--and readers couldn't get enough of them, right up to the thrilling cliffhanger ending. Now *Shadow of Night* picks up where the first book leaves off, with Diana and Matthew entering Elizabethan London, where Mathew is part of the mysterious School of Night, a group that counts Christopher Marlowe and Sir Walter Raleigh among its members. Characterization, a great eye for detail, and a story that takes some notable twists and turns make this a great novel that will more than live up to eager fans' expectations. It's even better than the first. -
-Chris Schlupe

Review

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"Harkness exudes her own style of magic in making the world of late 16th century England come alive. . . . Enchanting, engrossing and as impossible to put down as its predecessor, *Shadow of Night* is a perfect blend of fantasy, history and romance. Its single greatest flaw is, after almost 600 pages, it's over. If you've already read and enjoyed *A Discovery of Witches*, picking up *Shadow of Night* is an absolute requirement. Otherwise, pick up both, and consider your summer reading list complete." --"Miami Herald"

"Harkness proves she's not suffering from a sophomore slump with this addictive tale of magic, mayhem and two lovers." --"Chicago Tribune"

"Rich, period fun, particularly delightful in its witty characterization of historical immortals . . . "Shadow ramps up the supernatural suspense." --"New York Daily News"

"This novel is as much a love story about a bygone era as it is about Matthew and Diana. It overflows with a colorful cast of characters, many of whom Harkness has plucked straight from the history books, and Harkness renders the late 1500s in exquisite detail. . . . The writing is so rich, the characters so compelling . . . and best of all, Harkness manages to execute with aplomb the act of answering old questions while posing new ones that will intensify anticipation for the final installment. Readers who have been counting down the days, take heart: The wait was most assuredly worth it." --"BookPage"

"Harkness delights in lining up the living dead and modern academic history. . . . This tale of a feminist Yankee in Queen Elizabeth's court charms amid the tumult, as the gifted heroine and her groom fight for generations and another sequel to come in order to protect the magical world that's all around us."--
""Publishers Weekly
"" "

"The author's fans will be thrilled to get the second installment of the All Souls trilogy. . . . Those who enjoy a well-developed world, lots of historical detail, and plenty of character development will find much to like."
--"Booklist
"" "

"Destined to be as popular as its predecessor, this is a must-buy." --"Library Journal"

"Harkness has great fun and her background as a history professor gives her plenty of room to work with." --
"Kirkus Reviews
"

Praise for "Shadow of Night"

"A captivating and romantic ripping yarn."

--E. L. James, "Books of the Year 2012: Authors Choose Their Favourites," "The Guardian"

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Deborah Harkness is a professor of history at the University of Southern California. "A Discovery of Witches" was her fiction debut. She lives in Los Angeles.

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