

## One Night Of Sin Knight Miscellany 6 Gaelen Foley

Parzival, an Arthurian romance completed by Wolfram von Eschenbach in the first years of the thirteenth century, is one of the foremost works of German literature and a classic that can stand with the great masterpieces of the world. The most important aspects of human existence, worldly and spiritual, are presented in strikingly modern terms against the panorama of battles and tournaments and Parzival's long search for the Grail. The world of knighthood, of love and loyalty and human endeavor despite the cruelty and suffering of life, is constantly mingling with the world of the Grail, affirming the inherent unity between man's temporal condition and his quest for something beyond human existence.

This brisk retelling of *Le Morte D'Arthur* highlights the narrative drive, humor, and poignancy of Sir Thomas Malory's original while updating his fifteenth-century English and selectively pruning over-elaborate passages that can try the patience of modern readers. The result is an adaptation that readers can enjoy as a fresh approach to Malory's sprawling masterpiece. The book's most famous episodes--the sword in the stone, the cataclysmic final battle--are all here, while lesser-known key episodes stand forth with new brightness and clarity. The text is accompanied by an up-to-date bibliography, including websites and video resources, and a descriptive index keyed--like the retelling itself--to the book and chapter divisions of William Caxton's first printed edition of 1485.

A Noble Knight... Once, Lady Alissende de Montague and Sir Damien de Ashby were passionate, secret lovers -- until the day Alissende had to turn her back on him, shattering both their hearts and changing their lives forever. Knowing he would never love another, Damien cast off all earthly concerns to dedicate his life to the Templar Knights. But now, his life endangered, he is thrust back into a world he'd left behind...coming face-to-face with the proud beauty who'd once spurned him. A Wicked Promise... Alissende will use her influence to save the man she still loves in exchange for his protection from the detestable, powerful earl bent on claiming her. It is a perilous bargain, forcing Damien to reunite with the one woman who could make him reject his vows for the temptations of the flesh. For their love rekindled will only burn deeper, threatening to consume them in the flames of dangerous intrigue and forbidden desires...

Gaelen Foley has become one of the hottest new writers in romance, enticing her readers with bold love stories that burn with emotional intensity. Now in new novel, she presents her most unforgettable hero yet, the irresistible Lord of Fire. After years of preparation, he has baited his trap well, luring the depraved members of Society into his devil's playground so he can earn their trust and uncover their secrets. Yet no one in London suspects that Lord Lucien Knight is England's most cunning spy, an officer who has sacrificed his soul for his country. Now an unexpected intruder has invaded his fortress of sin, jeopardizing his carefully laid plans--and igniting his deepest desires. Beautiful, innocent, Alice Montague finds herself at the mercy of scandalous Lord Lucien. But as he begins his slow seduction to corrupt her virtue, Alice glimpses a man tormented by his own choices, a man who promises her nothing except his undeniable passion. . . .

Winner of the RITA Award for Best Regency"Live the Romance. Read Loretta Chase." --Christina DoddA charming, traditional Regency romance from New York Times bestselling author, Loretta Chase!Capable, clever Amanda Cavencourt is retuning to England, from exotic India, where she has been managing her brother's household. With her, she brings a treasured memento -- a beautiful statue, carved in sandalwood -- a gift from her friend, a noted Indian princess. When the statue is snatched from her, Amanda is determined to recover it, and discover why the culprit, a dashing, notorious rogue known only as the Falcon, who is renowned for his dangerous skills in political intrigue, would want such an object. Amanda vows to steal the statue back-- but she may end up stealing the Falcon's heart instead! Or maybe it's her heart that's about to be stolen...

I was born with noble blood in my veins. Heir to a powerful dynasty. Wealth. Power. Aristocracy. Temptations too dangerous to resist. Until someone tried to steal it all. Scarred and broken, I emerged from the flames. Now I've returned to take what's mine. Revenge. The first item on my agenda? Make Ivy Moreno my wife. Second? Bend her until she breaks.

When it comes to sex, good girl Skyler Thompson always plays it safe, choosing stable and sedate over wild and thrilling. She doesn't do one-night-stands, but one look at sinfully sexy Gage Holt and she's willing to reconsider. He makes her want to be bad for once in her life, and she's prepared to take what she wants. Danger follows former MMA fighter Gage Holt like a shadow. Despite his successes as part owner of Sin, an exclusive nightclub in Boston, Gage can't risk getting involved with a woman, especially one as sweet as Skyler. Still, he can't resist a taste—and it's so damn good he has to see her again. As addicted as he is to her, Gage knows there's no future for him and Skyler—not with his past lurking in the dark corners of an MMA cage. But Skyler's tougher than she looks, and she's ready to fight for her man. Each book in the After Hours series is STANDALONE: \* One Night of Sin (novella) \* One Night of Scandal \* One Night of Trouble

The classic respected series in a stunning new design. This edition of *The Knight's Tale* from the highly-respected *Selected Tales* series includes the full, complete text in the original Middle English, along with an in-depth introduction by A. C. Spearing, detailed notes and a comprehensive glossary.

The award-winning author of *Eveningland* "combines a coming-of-age tale, a ghost story and a meditation on history in his engrossing latest novel" (Minneapolis Star Tribune). It's 1994 and Lenore Littlefield is a junior at Briarwood School for Girls. She plays basketball. She hates her roommate. History is her favorite subject. She has told no one that she's pregnant. Everything, in other words, is under control. Meanwhile, Disney has announced plans to build a new theme park just up the road, a "Technicolor simulacrum of American History" right in the middle of one of the most history-rich regions of the country. If successful, the development will forever alter the character of Prince William County, VA, and have unforeseeable consequences for the school. When the threat of the theme park begins to intrude on the lives of the faculty and students at Briarwood, secrets will be revealed and unexpected alliances will form. Lenore must decide whom she can trust—will it be a middle-aged history teacher struggling to find purpose in his humdrum life? A lonely basketball coach tasked with directing the school play? A reclusive playwright still grappling with her own Briarwood legacy? Or a teenage ghost equally adept at communicating with the living via telephone or Ouija board? Following a cast of memorable characters as they reckon with questions about fate, history, and the possibility of happiness, At Briarwood School for Girls is "an inventive coming of age tale" (Southern Living). "A stunning novel with a hint of the supernatural that's sure to delight readers."—Publishers Weekly "Irresistible and satisfying."—Christine Schutt, author of *Florida: A Novel*

She was never supposed to walk into my club. But she did. I shouldn't have looked twice at her. But I did. The criminal underworld is no place for a girl like her. One night with Katerina isn't enough, but men like me can't afford to be weak. So, I tell her to leave me behind. She does, but not before she sees something she shouldn't. When she goes into hiding, it's my duty to hunt her down. I have a job to do, and she needs to disappear for good. But four years later, Kat isn't alone anymore. And the little boy right beside her looks just like me.

Carmen Pyre had it all until her husband was murdered by a madman who threatened everyone she loved. Now that her husband has been avenged, it's time to move on... she just doesn't know how. Two men who fill her husband's former roles offer to help her move forward with her life. Should she choose the dangerous new crime lord who will feed her dark cravings or the man who will anchor her and give her the deepest desires of her heart?

The moment AJ Walsh sees the sexy, tattooed pixie walk up to his bar, it's lust at first sight. He's always been labeled the "nice" guy—opening doors, buying flowers, and never, ever having one-night stands.

But with this wicked little angel with red lips and unfathomably dark eyes? Oh, yeah. Tonight, "nice" has nothing to do with it... Brett Conlon is trying to convince her family that she's put away her reckless wild girl side for good. Nothing—and no one—could be better for her reputation than golden boy AJ Walsh. So they make a deal: if he plays The Good Boyfriend for her family, he can be a very, very bad boy with her. Now their one naughty night is about to turn into a whole lot of trouble... Each book in the After Hours series is STANDALONE: \* One Night of Sin (novella) \* One Night of Scandal \* One Night of Trouble Deborah Stratton is believed to be a respectable widow, but she hides a secret, which means she can never marry again...Lord Richard Kestrel, a notorious rake, comes to realize it's Deborah's hand in marriage he wants-but not before they share one night of scandal...

This Knight of the Crown is driven by a painful past and a patient fury... and his entire life is a lie. Sir Carlton Morley is famously possessed of extraordinary will, singular focus, and a merciless sense of justice. As a man, he secured his fortune and his preeminence as Scotland Yard's ruthless Chief Inspector. As a decorated soldier, he was legend for his unflinching trigger finger, his precision in battle, and his imperturbable strength. But as a boy, he was someone else. A twin, a thief, and a murderer, until tragedy reshaped him. Now he stalks the night, in search of redemption and retribution, vowing to never give into temptation, as it's just another form of weakness. Until temptation lands--quite literally--in his lap, taking the form of Prudence Goode. Prim and proper Pru is expected to live a life of drudgery, but before she succumbs to her fate, she craves just one night of desire. On the night she searches for it, she stumbles upon a man made of shadows, muscle and wrath... And decides he is the one. When their firestorm of passion burns out of control, Morley discovers, too late, that he was right. The tempting woman has become his weakness. A weakness his enemies can use against him.

Psychopathic hard man, Marvin, is drawn into a deadly game of cat and mouse with the murderer of his lover, Goldie, and the police. As he teams up with Goldie's twin sister and friends, he finds himself taking on the corrupt authorities and the influential man behind it all - Cardinal Rock.--Amazon.com.

The power of pleasure... Gabriel Miller took everything from me. My family. My innocence. My home. The only thing I have left is the determination to get back what's mine. He thinks he's beaten me. He thinks he's won. What he doesn't realize is that every pawn has the chance to become a queen. And the game has only just begun. "Wickedly brilliant, dark and addictive!" - Jodi Ellen Malpas, #1 New York Times bestselling author THE KNIGHT is book two in the Endgame series from New York Times bestselling author Skye Warren about revenge and seduction in the game of love.

USA Today and Wall Street Journal bestselling author Tracy Lorraine brings you a new dark mafia, high school bully romance series. She's in the wrong place at the right time... Gunshots echo, reverberating through me, allowing me to feel something... anything other than the pain that consumes me. That should be a warning to stay away, but for some reason, she comes closer. Intruding on my silence. Sharing my darkness. Close enough for me to see the look in her eyes. It's not fear, but desire that darkens her eyes in the moonlight. She should run. Run far away from me, but she never does. She comes close enough to touch, tempting the devil inside that wants to cause devastation for the loss I've suffered. I take what I need before I discover the truth. The gorgeous girl in the shadows that tastes like sin, isn't an angel coming to light my way. She's one of us. One I never should have touched. And she has no idea. She could be my destruction... Dear readers, Wicked Summer Knight is the prequel to my new angst-filled new adult mafia series. This book is a dark bully romance that contains mature content and demanding alpha-holes that some readers may find disturbing. You have been warned.

Chrysanthemum loves her name, until she starts going to school and the other children make fun of it.

Enter the dark, magical world of the House of Night series by bestselling authors P.C. Cast and Kristin Cast, a world very much like our own, except here vampires have always existed. One minute, sixteen-year-old Zoey Redbird is a normal teenager dealing with everyday high school stress: her cute boyfriend Heath, the school's star quarterback who suddenly seems more interested in partying than playing ball; her nosy frenemy Kayla, who's way too concerned with how things are going with Heath; her uber-tough geometry test tomorrow. The next, she's Marked as a fledgling vampire, forcing her to leave her ordinary life behind and join the House of Night, a boarding school where she will train to become an adult vampire. That is, if she makes it through the Change—and not all of those who are Marked do. It sucks to begin a new life, especially away from her friends, and on top of that, Zoey is no average fledgling. She has been chosen as special by the vampire Goddess, Nyx. Zoey discovers she has amazing powers, but along with her powers come bloodlust and an unfortunate ability to Imprint with Heath, who just doesn't know how to take "no" for an answer. To add to her stress, she is not the only fledgling at the House of Night with special powers: when she discovers that the leader of the Dark Daughters, the school's most elite group, is misusing her Goddess-given gifts, Zoey must look deep within herself for the courage to embrace her destiny—with a little help from her new vampire friends.

What lengths will he go to in order to claim his babygirl? I'm Ransom. I'm thirty four...and I'm in love with a girl who's eighteen. Did I mention that Havana is my son's ex-girlfriend? Yeah, this isn't complicated at all. When I'm grazed by a Glock in a parking lot, she keeps me from bleeding out. We hole up in a luxurious hideaway that's like a fantasy. Clear of danger and interference, I stop resisting her. And I get the surprise of my life. But if I don't eliminate my enemies, we won't see the sun rise... Enjoy this Forbidden Confession. HEA guaranteed!

A daring rogue intent on finding the love of his life, Lord Alec Knight comes to the rescue of the spirited Becky Ward, a young lady on the run after stumbling upon a deadly secret about her cousin, the murderous Prince Mikhail Kurkov. Original.

A NEW YORK TIMES Bestseller! Hailed as a comics masterpiece, THE DARK KNIGHT RETURNS is Frank Miller's (300 and SIN CITY) reinvention of the legend of Batman. It remains an undisputed classic, one of the most influential stories ever told in comics, and is a book cited by the filmmakers as an inspiration for the most recent Batman movies. It is ten years after an aging Batman has retired and Gotham City has sunk deeper into decadence and lawlessness. Now, as his city needs him most, the Dark Knight returns in a blaze of glory. Joined by Carrie Kelly, a teenage female Robin, Batman takes to the streets to end the threat of the mutant gangs that have overrun the city. And after facing off against his two greatest enemies, the Joker and Two-Face, for the final time, Batman finds himself in mortal combat with his former ally, Superman, in a battle that only one of them will survive. This collection is hailed as a comics masterpiece and was responsible for the launch of the Christopher Nolan Batman movies. This volume collects BATMAN: THE DARK KNIGHT RETURNS #1-4.

Listen up, and listen good- I'll only say this shit once!Two Tricks does not work with MC gangs, and that's final. Period. The end. No. No, you don't get to ask why.Tricks runs the West Coast smuggling ring, so if you want anything to come and go, you play by the rules. You don't like it? Well, then you're gonna get a visit from me.Who am I? I'm Dax, his enforcer, and don't let my height or the pink hair fool you. I'll take your ass down. Now, can someone explain to me why the hell the Phantom Saints MC gang sent someone to try and talk me into getting Tricks to work with them? Or maybe how those same assholes ended up kidnapping me? You can bet your ass, as soon as I get the chance, I will make them regret ever having me as a 'house guest', even if they are sexy as sin. No one uses me and gets away with it!Book 1 of the Hidden Empire seriesThis is a reverse harem, why choose romance where the leading lady doesn't have to choose who she loves or how many. Book contains 18+ content-swearing, sexual situations, and aggressive assertive alpha-hole men.

Love or hate. Life or death. No in-between. No compromise. No rules in love and war. Knight. Party monster. Handsome Savage. Doesn't do monogamy. Elliot. Obsessive. Intense. Uncompromising. Newly single, Knight is done with relationships. All he's interested in is bringing down The Count, an Internet personality who is tarnishing his family name. An opportunity to crush him comes when the audacious

clown shows up at the Kings of Hell MC clubhouse to film for his YouTube channel. But when Knight meets Elliot, the man behind The Count, he no longer knows what to do with him. Knight has never seen a more pathetic creature than Elliot. He's also never met anyone who needed him more. Skinny, messed up, and a bucket of trouble as thick as tar, everything Elliot does seems to be a wordless death wish. No matter how much Knight hates Elliot's alter ego, under the makeup and theatrics hides a fragile young guy with a passion for history, and Knight can't help but catch Elliot every time he falls. Elliot has bad taste in men. Always hopelessly attracted to violent brutes, his favorite is a long dead serial killer. But he gets more than he's bargained for when he seizes an opportunity to meet the man of his dreams. The ghost is manipulative and dangerous, offering Elliot all he's always wanted, for a price he can't possibly pay. Elliot is faced with an impossible choice between two men. One alive, one dead. One carnal and honest, one drizzling sweet, poisoned promises into his ear. One unwilling to commit, the other promising an eternity together. And Elliot doesn't settle for half-measures. He craves a love that is all or nothing, passion that will consume him, and desire to burn him alive. Elliot is ready to either get that, or die trying. POSSIBLE SPOILERS: Themes: enemies to lovers, protector, cruelty, motorcycle club, alternative lifestyles, demons, tattoos, impossible choices, deception, crime, self-discovery, healing, black magic, gothic, commitment, ghosts, possession Genre: Dark, paranormal romance Scorching hot, emotional, explicit scenes Length: ~145,000 words (Book 2 in the series, can be read as a standalone, but it's recommended to read book 1 in the Kings of Hell MC series first) WARNING: This story contains scenes of violence, offensive language, and morally ambiguous characters.

I'm a true romantic. I believe in fairy tales, soulmates, and happily ever afters. The last way I'd ever try to find my true love is with a one night stand. But that night of the party, I wasn't looking for my soulmate. I just wanted to do something wild and crazy. So I did. When a hot guy with dark hair, brooding eyes, and a chiseled face made eye contact with me across a crowded room, I held his stare and waited for him to come over. Before even asking my name, he kissed me. I kissed him back. And then, without giving it a second thought, I followed him to a room and had my first ever one-night stand. The next morning, I took off. It was only supposed to be one night. Nothing more. But I couldn't stop thinking about him. Even months later, when I was dating someone else, I was still thinking about that mysterious stranger and the night we shared. Then I found out he's not a stranger. He's the friend of my roommate's boyfriend and has been looking for me all summer. I can't let him find me. We were never supposed to see each other again. I'll admit it was a magical night. One I'll never forget. There were sparks, fireworks, and this unexplained feeling that we belong together. But soulmates aren't found with a one-night stand.

They're found with handwritten love notes. Flowers. A first kiss under the moonlight. A one night stand is the worst love story ever. But what if it's mine?

As lead singer and guitarist of the internationally renowned Souls of the Knight, Sawyer Knight is living a life most men can only dream of. He's surrounded by music, fame, wealth, women throwing themselves at his feet. He has everything... Yet he has nothing. Life as one of the world's most sought after rock stars is tiring, oppressive and lonely. He spends every day being who the world wants him to be, who his manager tells him to be, who his mother expects him to be... all the while fighting against who he really is. Truth is, he's used to it. He's actually gotten pretty good at pretending... at living the lie. Until Jake Reed, his ex-best friend and the only person who's ever made him 'feel', waltzes back into his life as the band's new head of security. Jake wants Sawyer – always has, always will. Now, he just needs to get Sawyer to admit that he feels the same... "You will be mine, Sawyer Knight. The faster you try to run the quicker you'll fall to your knees. Then, Sawyer... then you'll be too weak to resist." (M/M romance. Not recommended for under 18's due to language and sexual content.)

Many people dream of escaping modern life, but most will never act on it. This is the remarkable true story of a man who lived alone in the woods of Maine for 27 years, making this dream a reality—not out of anger at the world, but simply because he preferred to live on his own. A New York Times bestseller In 1986, a shy and intelligent twenty-year-old named Christopher Knight left his home in Massachusetts, drove to Maine, and disappeared into the forest. He would not have a conversation with another human being until nearly three decades later, when he was arrested for stealing food. Living in a tent even through brutal winters, he had survived by his wits and courage, developing ingenious ways to store edibles and water, and to avoid freezing to death. He broke into nearby cottages for food, clothing, reading material, and other provisions, taking only what he needed but terrifying a community never able to solve the mysterious burglaries. Based on extensive interviews with Knight himself, this is a vividly detailed account of his secluded life—why did he leave? what did he learn?—as well as the challenges he has faced since returning to the world. It is a gripping story of survival that asks fundamental questions about solitude, community, and what makes a good life, and a deeply moving portrait of a man who was determined to live his own way, and succeeded.

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One Night. His Rules. It's a Devil's Bargain. She calls it a devil's bargain. I call it a deal she can't refuse. I was owed a debt and I expected payment. That payment? One night in my bed. My rules. The debt cleared, and she could walk away. There are worse things. And besides, debtors can't be choosers. The night started as it should. She obeyed as she should. But then something happened. Something I was unprepared for. And what I saw changed everything. I broke my own rules after that. And I didn't keep my end of the bargain. Because walking away was no longer an option I would grant her, no matter the cost. Author's Note: Devil's Bargain is a Standalone Romance from the author of the Benedetti Brothers Mafia World and the Dark Legacy Trilogy.

A poetic translation of the classic Arthurian story is an edition in alliterative language and rhyme of the epic confrontation between a young Round Table hero and a green-clad stranger who compels him to meet his destiny at the Green Chapel. Reprint. 20,000 first printing.

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With the smashing success of Lord of Fire and Lord of Ice, Gaelen Foley has confirmed her place as one of historical romance's hottest talents. Now with Lady of Desire, a sizzling tale in which a fiery young temptress tames the king of thieves, she delivers her most enthralling—and smoldering—novel yet. . . . Impetuous Lady Jacinda Knight is the daughter of a scandalous woman. Though society predicts she'll follow in her mother's footsteps, the spirited beauty stands unashamed of her passionate nature. Then one night, in flight from a safe but loveless marriage arranged by her strict older brother, Jacinda finds herself alone on a dark and dangerous street face-to-face with Billy Blade, the notorious leader of a band of thieves. His stolen kisses awaken in her a longing for a man she can never possess. A handsome scoundrel running from a secret past, Billy Blade has never met a woman like Jacinda—her fiery innocence and blossoming sensuality set his rebel's heart ablaze. Having turned his back on the privilege and power of his tyrannical father's house years before, he vows to return to his rightful place and reclaim his title, Earl of Rackford—to win the love of the ravishing beauty who has stolen his heart . . .

What happens when a sheepish knight and a not-so-fierce dragon fight for the very first time? Well, it's no ordinary battle since the knight has to go to the castle library to learn about dragon-fighting and the dragon must dig through his ancestor's things to find out how to fight a knight! "Spontaneity of line and feeling are backed by zesty colors and a jovial, tongue-in-cheek tone to which children can relate—a top springtime choice." —Booklist "There's a swirl of good-humored life to the book." —The New York Times Book Review

Celebrated as an extraordinary new talent in romance, Gaelen Foley astounds readers with her vibrant stories of passion and adventure. Now, hot on the heels of her daring Lord of Fire, she spins the

powerful tale of a hero tempted by the one woman he is forbidden to love. . . . Damien Knight, the earl of Winterley, is proud, aloof, and tormented by memories of war. Though living in seclusion, he is named guardian to a fellow officer's ward. Instead of the young homeless waif he was expecting, however, Miranda FitzHubert is a stunning, passionate beauty who invades his sanctuary and forces him back into society. Struggling to maintain honor and self-control, Damien now faces an even greater threat: desire. A bold, free spirit, Miranda has witnessed the darkest depths of Damien's soul—and has seen his desperate need for love. But before she can thaw his unyielding heart, she must endure a terrifying nightmare of her own. . . .

My husband hates me. But he's also the only man who can save me. Taken by a stranger, Santiago is my only hope. Except that I don't know if he's dead or alive. And for as cruel as he can be, the thought he might be gone is unbearable. But he has nine lives, my monster. He's not finished with me yet. And soon I'm back at The Manor. Locked in my room. At his mercy. I know I am despised. I know I have become the face of his vengeance. But there's something else too. Something between us. It's a dark and gnarled thing. And it has its claws around my heart.

Renowned storyteller Gaelen Foley unfurls the seductive tale of the rakish Lord Alec Knight, who never looked for love—until it was right in front of him. . . . Lord Alec Knight, the most daring and handsome rogue in all of London, is a smooth-talking aristocrat with an abundance of high-society lady admirers. With his irresistible wit, lucky hand at the gaming tables, and enticing charisma, he can have any woman he wants. But when the only girl he would have considered marrying ties the knot with someone else, Alec realizes he doesn't want to be with just any lady—he wants to find the love of his life. The boldly spirited, beautiful Miss Becky Ward takes his life by storm after he rescues her from peril. Alec soon learns that she is on the run from her cousin, the murderous Prince Mikhail Kurkov. Becky has uncovered a menacing secret about the prince—now nothing will stop him from hunting her down. In the midst of danger, Alec and Becky find themselves deeply drawn to each other. After the two spend an all-consuming night of sin, Becky's knight in shining armor vows on his honor to protect her until the end. But before long, Alec is protecting her with more than honor—and it seems the once untamed rake of London just may have found what he has been searching for all along . . . true love.

In this dazzling first novel featuring the Knight family, bestselling author Gaelen Foley writes an elegant, emotional story that touches the heart and soul. Driven to uncover the truth about the mysterious death of his ladylove, the Duke of Hawkscliffe will go to any lengths to unmask a murderer. Even if it means jeopardizing his reputation by engaging in a scandalous affair with London's most provocative courtesan—the desirable but aloof Belinda Hamilton. Bel has used her intelligence and wit to charm the city's titled gentlemen, while struggling to put the pieces of her life back together. She needs a protector, so she accepts Hawk's invitation to become his mistress in name only. He asks nothing of her body, but seeks her help in snaring the same man who shattered her virtue. Together they tempt the unforgiving wrath of society—until their risky charade turns into a dangerous attraction, and Bel must make a devastating decision that could ruin her last chance at love. . . .

"Gemma Smythe dedicated her life to the glory of battle. With her fellow War Monks, she worshipped the war gods, rained destruction on her enemies, and raised the dead when the fancy took her. Until her sister Keeley became the prophesied Blacksmith Queen, and Gemma broke faith with her order to journey to the Amichai Mountain and fight by Keeley's side. The Amichai warriors are an unruly, never-to-be-tamed lot, especially their leader-in-waiting, Quinn. But when the War Monks declare support for Gemma's ruthless younger sister Beatrix, the immaturity of her key ally is the least of Gemma's problems. She has to get to the grand masters, dispel their grudge against her, and persuade them to fight for Keeley and justice. If her conviction can't sway them, perhaps Quinn's irritating, irreverent, clearly unhinged, ferocity will win the day."--Provided by publisher.

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