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The Dragon Hunter And The Mage (Wounds In The Sky Book 1)



Synopsis

Magic can make you invincible, if it doesn't get you killed first. Aric and Fadan are half-brothers. Both sons of the Empress, but only one of them the son of the Emperor. A decade ago, Fadan's powerful father tore the Empire in two by outlawing the use and practice of magic. Forbidden from seeing each other, Aric and Fadan defy the Emperor and wander the vast Imperial Citadel until one night, they stumble upon an ancient Manual of Magic. They are faced with a choice: take the book straight to the Emperor or see if one of them has the forbidden magical Talent. Their world is turned upside down and the half-brothers find themselves swept away as tragedy and conspiracy separate them, sending each to either end of the Empire. In a world of dark mages, massive creatures, and vengeful gods, one will train as a Dragon Hunter while the other taps into magical powers that could spell his execution. Dark forces are moving in the shadows and no one in the Empire is ready for what's to come. Will Aric and Fadan survive to ever see each other again?"The wait has certainly been worth it! Well-crafted, action-packed, and intricate. I fell in love with the characters."-Kelly St.Clare, author of Fantasy of Frost

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Customer Reviews

I will not attempt to write a synopsis of this wonderful novel. There are reviews enough here, as there usually are, of the storyline. I like to focus on the skill of the author and how he handles characters, action, and a prose that is like opening a door leading into the setting. The Dragon Hunter And The Mage is a splendid story that left me caring about the characters and getting mad at some of the others. Perfect for conflict and action. I loved this novel. It has everything about it that I enjoy. There are many things I look for when reading and I do that a lot. This story has them all, and then some. Surprises are there and it has all been constructed to leave the reader satisfied. I feel as good as a cat with a bowl of cream right now. When I came to the ending, I noticed the mention of the author's prequel, Dragon Dodgers. I grabbed it and loaded it into my Kindle. So I escaped, for a time, that empty feeling when finishing such a novel. It captured me to run alongside the dragon hunters, mages and dodgers. As I was reading the prequel, I soon realized by the storyline, that I had read it before. Never mind, I kept going because I liked the writer's way with words so much. I am not a "Young Adult" but I write in that genre myself. I think each of these novels could easily be enjoyed by young and old alike. I am eager to see more of Mr. Cardoso's fascinating way of dragons and how they interact with humans. Perhaps there is another story there from the dragon's point of view. Keep them coming."

I loved the book. Was not all that excited by reading others reviews but the book description won me over. Starts out with the common themes that tend to run through these types of stories but there is enough of a change occurs between side and main characters it come to an end very well. With the 3 main characters starting out in this book Aric come out the most for changes and story development. But by the end between Aric and Fadan starts to come into his own. The choices hes making start to make him come out as a primary character then a support as he seems to start out as. The background and side characters are strong by themselves for the most part nut lend themselves tot he main story and main characters very well to make the story stronger and characters have a better point of standing among the background stories of the support characters. If I was to judge the book soley on the characters or the story it would be lower but with reading of the book twice I can say there is a good chance this as a series will come out great.

I immediately checked to see if the second book was available! The book created a great blend of magic and swordplay. I thoroughly enjoyed that the two main characters were had distinctly different abilities, one concentrating in magic and one in swordplay. I enjoyed the training in both and would

have enjoyed even more about Aric's training as a dragon hunter. I enjoyed the battle scenes of Aric's dragon company but given the level of violence in the first battle there should have been casualties. I would have liked to see more of the story line of Fadan's magic training as well. There was a large number of alternating persons that made it a little hard to follow if you were listening rather than reading the book. Mr. Cardoso has set up a great world with multiple elements to continue to develop the storyline well into the future. I will definitely read the next book in the series and highly recommend it for other fantasy readers.

The story is very good. However there are so many missing words and grammatical errors, even wrong words that spell-check changed, it makes reading difficult.

This made for a good read. The story wasn't predictable and the characters were likeable and well developed. It built an interesting world that I felt part of from start to finish.

When you read very many fantasy books, you become very picky. Then it's extra gratifying to find something new. In terms of fantasy, the book is as expected, environments, magic and historical weapons capability. What is very good is that it's a high tempo and good switching between characters- you never know what will happen at the end of each chapter. The mix of magic and weapons capability of the main characters will likely meet one day - all in order to hit the enemy! Looking forward to the conflict ...

What the heck!?! I read this line or a variation of it far too many times. Give your characters more distinguishable quirks and sayings rather than having them all speak the same line over and over.

this book did start a bit slow for my tastes but after it got going I was very happy with it. I kept turning pages hoping what I was thinking would happen would up happening. Some great surprises kept me guessing at where the author was taking us and I can hardly wait to read the next book in the series. Thanks for a wonderful exciting story!

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