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Rebel's Honor: Book One In Crown Of Blood Series



Synopsis

An oppressive family of tyrants. A warrior princess to destroy them all. Lynx of Norin is a proud warrior who always does what's right for her people. When an ancient treaty and a thousand superhuman guardsmen force her to leave her land for an arranged marriage, she knows it's her duty. Lynx begrudgingly travels to wed her sworn enemy, the beautiful, brooding Lukan Avanov. Lukan grows to love his bride-to-be, but he wasn't prepared for a second mysterious visitor to ruin his plans. A curse that has been prophesied for ages may come true on Lukan's watch, and it could kill him and destroy his empire. As Lynx seeks to overthrow the Avanovs from the inside, Lukan fights to protect his life and his empire with secret, mind-controlling devices. Will Lukan manage to save himself from her, or will Lynx destroy him and his empire first? Rebel's Honor mixes fantasy, post-apocalyptic science fiction, and a dash of steampunk to create an adventure in a world where anything is possible. If you like page-turning action, intrigue, some romance, and a heroine who fights her own battles, then you'll love the first installment in Gwynn White's Crown of Blood series. This is book one in a six-part series. The other books include: Warlord's Wager Dragon's Fire Traitors And Tyrants Blood Rites Crown of Blood (September 2017) Buy Rebel's Honor to join the fight for freedom today!

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Customer Reviews

This is the first book I have read from Gwynn White and it was good. It's not a typical romantic story, though there is romance in the plot, and bonus points for it not being hard out political either.

Timeline wise can almost be compare to the Shannara series from Terry Brooks in that it happens way into the future after a great war threatened the whole of civilisation; but in this case some technology still exists. The main characters are complex and well developed and continue to grow throughout the book and even in the second one which I am currently reading. Lynx, as a heroine, shows that complexity and growth really well as she goes from being a raider in the Norrin tribe to being the crown princess and future empress. She finds out that nothing is as cut and dried as she thought and has to revise quite a bit of her idealism and learn to maneuver among all the greys.

It's been hundreds of years since "the burn" and some societies are more advanced than others. You have tribal nomad hunters, others with access to steam and coal powered machines., and one that is just starting to toy with transmitters and microchips but lives in a stone castle with a dungeon. It would have been helpful if two of the main characters names hadn't started with an L. I also hate cliffhangers...very mean!!! You can tempt me to buy the next book but don't make me buy the next one to finish the story I just spent hours of my life getting into. Bad form!

Loved this book and will be adding Gwynn White as an author to follow! This is the first steampunk novel that I have read (and I have read a lot!) based in Africa, and the blend of the African theme in the Norrin culture and names and the steampunk theme is unique to me. The story starts with an intriguing hunt and kept me turning the pages, with twists and turns and great scene and character building. The heroine, Lynx, is my kind of leading lady - strong willed, honourable, and because of that; a tiny bit predictable. Whereas the world she navigates and the characters she meets are anything but. As soon as I finished Rebel's Honor, I downloaded the next in the series, Warlords Wager, to carry on the story of Lynx, Axel and Lukan and I have not been disappointed. I'm really hoping the author is very busy on the third book!

This was my first book by Gwynn White and I couldn't put it down. I stayed up all night just to finish it

and can't wait to read the rest of the series to find out what happens next. I just adore Lynx and her spunky feisty persona.

This book was awesome. Can't wait to read the next book, because of the cliff-hanger, (which I usually wait til they're all out before I read). But this book grabbed and held on tight. Looking forward to many other books from this writer. She knows a great story and how to tell it. Definitely a great read. 2 Thumbs up. :-)

If I were permitted only one descriptor for this book, I would call it a page-turner. I seriously could not put this one down. The setting is unique and makes it hard to lock this story into a particular genre. The book reads like an epic fantasy with its evil empire and court intrigue, yet the civilization is steam-powered with a secretive advanced technology. Then there are the nomadic people that add an African flavor. The opening action sequence portraying an ostrich hunt was great. The characters are well-developed, and the multiple points-of-view keep the reader from being too quick to judge. Just when I thought I had a character figured out, Gwynn showed me the world through his eyes and I begin to wonder if he was truly evil or just misunderstood. I'm not normally a fan switching point-of-view so often, but in this case, it does work to heighten the intrigue. And this story is packed with intrigue. If I had one criticism, it would be that I occasionally got lost in all the intrigue, and was a little fuzzy on some of the character's motivations. But the fault might have been mine because I was reading so darn fast. I probably missed a few things. As I said, this book was a page-turner and I HAD to see how it ended. To sum up, I was pleasantly surprised by how much I enjoyed this. Yes, it ends on a cliffhanger, but with book 2 already available, I have no problem with that. I recommend it!

A captivating dystopian tale with scent of magic and adventure. Lynx, a Norin princess and heir to its throne, is oath-bound to marry the crown prince of Chenaya, Lukan. Not only she hates everything Chenayan as the conquering nation, she despises her future husband as well. The company of her sister Kestrel is no comfort. For Norin, honor is the most valued virtue and Lynx cannot imagine breaking one, no matter how much she wants to. But travelling to the heart of the empire opens her eyes and causes Lynx many surprises. Not only in technology and devices Chenaya possesses, but also in political machinery and surprising friendships...even love. However, Lynx's life is in constant danger and she can't be sure who is an ally and who is enemy. I am totally intrigued by this story. Great plot, fast pace, intricate storylines, outstanding characters. I absolutely loved the detailed

world building and the realistic, complex personalities of the main characters. Lynx is a strong heroine, passionate and wild, just and fierce, changing under the pressure of circumstances. Lukan is full of conflicts, gentle and misunderstood on one side, but vengeful and full of self-loathing on the other side. I fell for Axel immediately, despite his arrogance and plotting, but his heart and sacrifices won me over. And I absolutely adored Tao and Malika. Their contribution to the story addicted me more to this world. This story was action packed, adventurous, full of tension and drama, and very emotional. I loved it very much and by the time I am writing this review, I am already reading book 2. Great read, fully recommended!

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