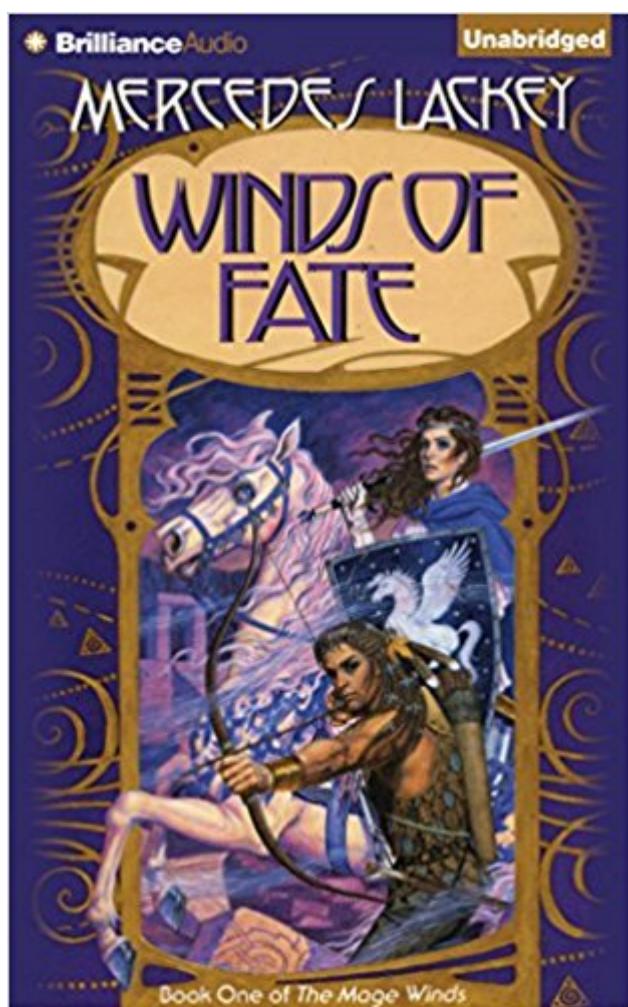


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# Winds Of Fate (The Mage Winds)



## **Synopsis**

Winds of Fate is the first book in the Mage Winds Trilogy. High Magic has been lost to Valdemar centuries ago when the last Herald-Mage gave his life to save the kingdom from destruction by dark sorceries. Yet now the realm is at risk again. And Elspeth, Herald and heir to the throne, must take up the challenge, abandoning her home to find a mentor who can awaken her untrained mage abilities. But others, too, are being caught up in a war against sorcerous evil. The Tayledras scout Darkwind is the first to stumble across the menace creeping forth from the "Uncleansed Lands." And as sorcery begins to take its toll, Darkwind may be forced to call upon powers he has sworn never to use again if he and his people are to survive an enemy able to wreak greater devastation with spells of destruction than with swords. |

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YA-- Elspeth, future queen of Valdemar, and her long-term friend, teacher, and fellow Herald, Skif, set out to locate a mage who will either train her or return with them to protect their home. Strong female characterization, vivid description, and fast-paced adventure entertain readers as good battles against evil in this first book in a fantasy trilogy.- Barbara Hawkins, West Potomac High

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LOVE Mercedes Lackey!! I have most of this entire set of books in paperback... unfortunately, I can no longer re read d/t not being able to see smaller print. Got a notification from my bookbub that one of these were on sale, so I purchased it and the other 2 for my e-reader, (woot!! and tho I LOVE the feel of that paper flipping...I can make the letters whatever size I NEED!!) and am looking forward to revisiting longtime friends!!

A world of Mages and magic made believable through exceptional character terrorist development of both hero's and villains. The author does an extraordinary job of creating an image in the readers mind of a woman fearful and frightening fantasy world that I look forward to visiting again.

The characters are fully fleshed out and make you care about them immediately. The action is exciting and full of unexpected twists. Fantasy fans will revel in the world building and reach eagerly for the next installment.

Every time I think that the series I just finished is my favorite, I start another one. And it becomes my favorite. I loved Talia and didn't think I would like the series based on Elspeth as much, but I was wrong. It's a fun read and the new characters are fantastic :)

I first read this book when it was first released. I cannot say how many times I have reread it. Of course when I do I have to go through the whole series again.

For those who love Mercedes, you'll love this series. It's her typical insight into human relationships and struggle. I loved it! Can't wait for more.

I am a huge fan of Mercedes Lackey in general and her Valdemar books in specific. While the Winds trilogy wasn't my favorite it was still a great story and advanced the story line of her world forward and allowed other fantastic stories to be written

I enjoy all of Mercedes lackeys books and continue to read them over and over. Enjoying them again and again. This part of the series is one of my favorites along with the last herald Mage

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