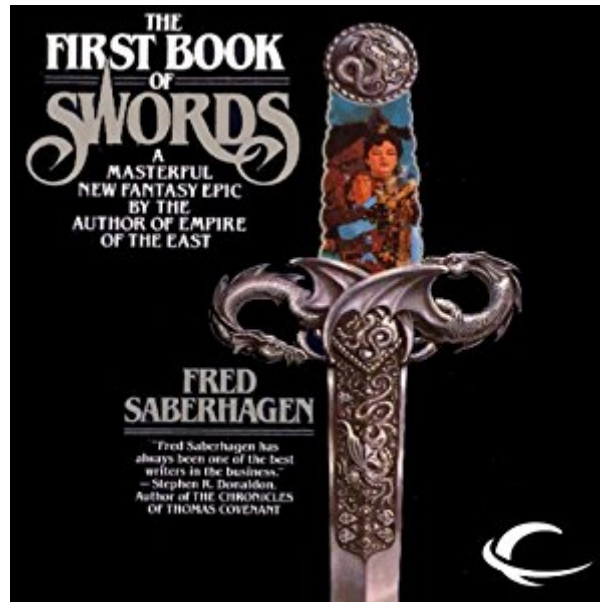




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The First Book Of Swords



Synopsis

For a game, the gods have given the world 12 Swords of Power so that they might be amused as the nations battle for their possession. But Vulcan the Smith has had his own little joke: the Swords can kill the gods themselves. What started out as Divine Jest has become all too serious as the gods fight to recover the Swords, and mortals discover that the mantle of power is more delicious and more terrible than anything they could have imagined.

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Customer Reviews

Mark, Ben and Barbara are still featured but tend to play a secondary role to Mark's nephew, Zoltan, and a mysterious old wizard who pops up in the strangest places to aid Zoltan in his travels. A new nemesis, The Master, is introduced and old enemies are reinvented. The storyline, as the title infers, revolves around Woundhealer, a sword with the power to heal and to transform a person's heart, but Shieldbreaker, Dragonslicer and Farslayer also play an important role. Mark and Kristin's son, Adrian, suffers from blindness and seizures so Mark takes him. Ben, and a small escort of soldiers to a Temple rumored to possess Woundhealer (The Sword of Love) only to find it has been stolen only a short time before they arrive. Meanwhile, Zoltan is lured away from his home by a mysterious girl and captured by an old enemy. Through the aid of an odd wizard, Zoltan finds himself propelled into a quest to aid his Uncle Mark and Cousin Adrian and eventually finds himself in possession of another of the lost swords, Dragonslicer (the Sword of Heroes). Some of the things I like most about this story are the interesting and magical characters, the quirky godforged swords, and of course the

unexpected plot twists which I have left out of this review. However, I recommend reading the three Book of Swords volumes first. This story doesn't go much into the history of the featured characters or the swords and will be much more enjoyable if you go into it with a basic understanding of both.

Great series of books. They are an easy read without a gaggle of characters to remember, but still a very compelling series with pretty unique hooks and unexpected twists. One of my top ten fantasy series!

Great book in the series. So sad there isn't more. Rip me, Saberhagen, your works were amazing and so very rich.

Having read Saberhagen's Books of Swords many years ago, I was not let down by the Lost Sword book. A very easy read and as always well written, I'm looking forward to read more of Fred in the coming months. I am very grateful for who ever came up with Ebooks, as I have nearly run out of room for hard cover Sci-Fi.

Good book but still leans heavily on the original series without developing the new characters.

I gave it a 5 star rating because it is still just as good as it was the first time I read it back in junior high school when I read it for the first time.

A great read if you're into Sword & Sorcery Fantasy. Saberhagen's writing is laid back and easy to digest. Woundhealer's story is the best of the lot.

Maybe not the most cogent response. But loved these stories. Certainly Shieldbreaker was one of my favorites.

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