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Burn: Dark In You Series, Book 1



Synopsis

Part of a small demon lair in Las Vegas, tattooist Harper Wallis lives a pretty simple life. That changes overnight when she discovers that her psychic mate, or "anchor", is a guy who's rumored to be the most powerful demon in existence. Compelling, full of secrets, and armed with raw sexuality, Knox Thorne is determined to claim her as his anchor, creating a psychic bond that will prevent their inner demons from ever turning rogue. The billionaire also wants Harper in his bed. She's not so sure she wants either of those things. No one seems to know what breed of demon Knox is, only that he's more dangerous than anything she's ever before encountered. But he refuses to walk away. And when an unknown danger starts closing in on Harper, it seems that Knox is the only one who can keep her safe. As Prime of his Las Vegas lair and a successful businessman, Knox Thorne is used to getting what he wants, and he wants Harper. He'll have her, and he'll keep her safe from the threat that looms over her. Because Knox protects what's his. He won't allow anyone to take her from him. Even if it will mean letting the demon inside him rise and wreak the havoc it was created to make. Contains mature themes.

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Customer Reviews

Now this is a book I know I'll end up re-reading probably more than once! It was everything I love in a good PNR. An alpha, sexy hero and a strong heroine, loads of chemistry, humor, great secondary characters and world building that made sense. Knox is a Prime (leader) of a demon lair but more than that he is a bit of an enigma. No one knows what kind of demon he is and everyone is pretty scared of him. He is a bad-a** alpha who likes to be in control everywhere but especially in the

bedroom. Harper grew up with her nomadic father who was very unconventional and as a result Harper is very self-reliant and strong. She was also raised with a bunch of imps so she has some of those qualities and she doesn't back down easily. When Knox and Harper meet they realize that they are each other's psychic anchor which all demons have but don't always find (Different than mates - it isn't a romantic thing). They have a strong connection and don't automatically accept it, especially Harper. Not only are they anchors but they have a very strong sexual connection and the steam just rises off the pages. I loved the concept of anchors and I loved the world that they reside in. I really loved both Knox and Harper but I also loved the secondary characters. In fact, they were amazing and added so much to the story. If it wasn't Harper's grandmother Jolene who is the Prime of the imp lair it was Lou (Lucifer) with his OCD that had me laughing. Throw in Knox's sentinels and of course Harper's friends at the tattoo parlor and you can't go wrong. Of course there is also Harper's mother, some power hungry primes and an ex-girlfriend who doesn't want to be an ex to round out the plot. I honestly couldn't put this one down and read until the early morning hours to finish it. Then I was sad that it was over because I enjoyed it so much. I am so glad it wasn't insta-love between Knox and Harper and I really enjoyed the build up of their relationship. There was plenty of drama and some angst but it was mostly external to their relationship which I prefer. In fact I can't think of anything in this book I didn't like. Suzanne Wright is one of my favorite authors so I don't know why it took me so long to read this. It was funny, sexy, entertaining and I can't wait to read the next one.

In the style of her Phoenix Pack series, Suzanne Wright has gifted us with Burn. The series starts with an introduction to the Las Vegas lair of demons and their Prime, Knox, who built and runs the Underground, which is kind of a demon version of the traditional Las Vegas. Harper, our shero, lives in Vegas, but doesn't belong to Knox's lair. Rather, her family of imps has their own lair, run by Harper's grandmother. The world building is fabulous, mixing the familiar with the fantastic. In this world, in place of fated mates, we have "anchors", who keep the demons from going rogue. The anchor acts as a kind of psychic shield, where each partner benefits from the connection. Anchors are *not* necessarily love interests, though the anchors develop close relationships. On to the rest - KNOX and HARPER!!! Oh My Gawd - this is the shhh...ugar cookie stuff that keeps romance lovers coming back for more. Knox is the Biggest Bad of all the Big Bads - and he and his demon are bored. His demon tends to become fixated on a woman - for a short time - then loses interest. Knox is extremely upfront about this with Harper. She doesn't exactly jump at the offer, knowing that after their sexual relationship ends, they will still be in each other's lives due to the anchor bond. Knox

only knows that he and his demon are endlessly (for now) fascinated with Harper. Harper does not ever seem to react in a predictable way, keeping them (Knox and his demon) enchanted and entertained. Harper is sassy, smart, strong, and most importantly, not afraid of Knox, et al. Harper, to repeat, is sassy, smart and strong. She also has serious abandonment issues, due to her not horrible, but not traditional, upbringing. She really doesn't take any crap from anyone, Knox and demon included. She walks a Mary Sue tightrope without tipping over to too good to be realistic. Harper doesn't hesitate to dish out the pain when the occasion calls for it. At the same time, she is centered and mature, and doesn't do stupid things. Loved her. Knox is my favorite kind of male character. Knox is...hmmm, how to describe Knox? He is the strongest of the strong, scary as all hell, detached...he has a small circle of people, his Sentinals, and then Harper, that he trusts with his secrets. Takes him a while to get there with Harper, as he is cautious about her reaction to what he really is. There is very little that entertains me more than watching an uber-strong, Alpha's alpha type of male completely unravel at the feet of his love. And Knox is completely undone by Harper. He and his demon are utterly delighted and imminently entertained by Harper. He genuinely enjoys her company, and cares for her health and well being, and her happiness. (And oh, is he dominant when it counts...sizzling hawt smexy times!) His concern for her is balanced by his desire to keep her happy, so he doesn't go all caveman stupid with the demands. Plus, Harper is a practical kind of girl, and doesn't give Knox pushback when her safety is in question. So there is political unrest within the demon world, and someone seems to be targeting Harper. These subplots make up most of the conflict in the book. We get to meet Harper's extended family, and Knox's circle of friends and acquaintances, including an OCD Lucifer...yes, THAT Lucifer. The banter, the little quirks, the core of the characters are beautifully done, giving just enough to let us know who they are, and leave us wanting more. So much snark and sarcasm...I laughed, snorted and giggled helplessly throughout the book. And all of the funny blends so smoothly into the context of the story. Ms. Wright is truly gifted at the humor. Bottom line - Run, don't walk, to your preferred device and one-click this title immediately. So good, and for right now, SO CHEAP! If you haven't read Suzanne Wright before, this is an excellent starting point. The worst that will happen is you will be compelled to read everything she has ever written! Burn is a terrific read, just brilliant. Can't wait for more stories set in this world

Decent overall storyline, supporting characters well developed. What caught me a bit off guard was how Harper's character become more of a supporting role to Knox. And the sex. Which is borderline BDSM and dubious consent. I don't really have a problem with either if I know about it going in to a

story, but it seemed unnecessary, and really didn't fit in with the characters' personalities. Dominant, controlling male. Ok. But anytime there is a sex scene Harper becomes a one dimensional toy, for lack of a better word. She never initiates it, there's no emotional connection, and psychic fingers, in public? While she's having a conversation, tells him no, and he does it anyhow to punish her because another male is thinking about sex with her. She isn't thinking about it, the other male is. There's a term for that, and it isn't nice. I would have liked to read more about the world and the gifts of the people, less poorly contrived politics. My apologies to the author for a poor review, but had I known the turn the story would take, I would not have purchased this book.

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