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Synopsis

Enslaved by a vengeful goddess, forced to live on blood, Lucan can barely remember life as a knight of the Round Table. Yet when one woman's touch awakens millennium-old feelings that tame the savage darkness within him, he has no choice but to deny their all-consuming passion—for her own protection. Cat-shifter Briana Callaghan has watched all three of her brothers find their mates, but love isn't in her future. Especially when her mate turns out to be a lethal mercenary—and the only man ever to break her heart. When she's chosen to compete in the Gauntlet, an immortal death match, Briana realizes the prize—the sword Excalibur—is her only hope of severing the fierce bond that has the power to destroy her. Stunned to find themselves pitted against each other, Briana and Lucan quickly find that the only thing they're fighting harder than their enemies is their sizzling, heartbreakin chemistry. But even if they survive the Gauntlet, claiming the woman he loves will be as impossible as letting her go. Primal Temptation is the fifth book in the Pendragon Gargoyles series featuring sexy alpha males hell bent on claiming their mates, sassy kick-ass heroines going to toe-to-toe with lethal shapeshifters and bone-melting sexual tension. If you're a fan of Kresley Cole or Sherrilyn Kenyon, or if you just enjoy paranormal romances with lots of heat, action and suspense, you'll love Primal Temptation. Praise for the Pendragon Gargoyles Series:
"the entire series a must-read." — Rabid Reads on Primal Pleasure
"The world that Sydney Somers created is just fantastic. The twists and turns will keep you coming back for more." — Fictional Candy on Primal Instinct
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Customer Reviews

I gave this whole series a 5 star rating because from the first book it draws you in. I found myself unable to put them down. Filled with intriguing characters and full of twists and turns. Great new play on an old legend.

Best one yet, this series has gotten better with each book. You need to read them in order and this is the last of the four siblings but I hope and suspect there will be more in this series with some of the characters introduced in this book. Action and romance with good characters and storyline.

This writer keeps me coming back for more....I LOVE HER BOOKS

Holds your attention

I have really enjoyed this series so far. Can't wait to see what's in store for them next. Keep the stories coming!

This was worth the read I love the whole series, please be sure to start at the beginning. A great series

Lucan has kept his distance from Briana, tried to avoid her for as long as he can. But one night at the Pendragon Pub and a spell by a mischievous enchantress throws them into each others arms once more. Lucan is tempted to take what he has denied himself for so long, but knows that if Rhianna finds out she will use Briana against him. Trying to do the honorable thing, he tells Briana over and over that she means nothing to him, that it was just the magic of the night that she is felling, knowing that every time he denies his true feelings, he dies a little more each time. Briana is the youngest of the Callaghan Clan. She, like her three brothers, has finally found her mate. But there is a problem. He is a wraith, the same wraith that marked her brother's mate for death. So for now she will keep her silence, not telling anyone, not even Lucan that he is her mate. After being denied by Lucan time and time again, Brianna begins to believe that the cat within her will turn against her, leaving her as one of "The Forgotten". Can she convince Lucan that together they can fight the darkness inside him and have a future as long as they fight for each other? When both of them are pulled into the Gauntlet, forced to compete against each other, forced to hurt each other, all for the prize of Excalibur, will they make the choice to use the sword to break the mated bond, or will they chose each other always? Ok, hold on to you hats, cause the forth book in the Pendragon Gargoyles Series is going to take you on a wild ride. This book is full of action and adventure (not that the other 3 books were lacking in any way). You will visit the past through flashbacks and scenes so real that you would swear that you were actually present. You will feel the heartbreak of both Briana and Lucan as they struggle to fight the feelings that they so desperately want nothing more than to act on. What I loved most about Lucan is that through everything that he has been forced to do since being punished and forced to kill and live as a blood sucking mercenary, he remains the noble knight, wishing to prevent others from suffering. What I loved about Briana is even though she had her doubts that she and Lucan would every truly be together, at the heart of it, she never really gave up. She kept fighting for him, fighting for her, fighting for them until she could make him see that they were just meant to be. Yes they sizzled the pages of this book, but their story is so much more than that. There are so many things that I would LOVE to reveal about this book, but that would just spoil the story. I will not reveal any spoilers, but I will say this, by the end of the book, you will be craving more, more, more.

I haven't picked-up a Pendragon Gargoyles book since 2011 but managed to fall back into Sydney Somers' world with ease. Her spin on King Arthur & The Knights of the Round Table is both sexy and fascinating. Briana and Lucan's thousand-years-in-the-making love story also helped ensure that this novel did not suffer from the insta-love syndrome that so often plagues paranormal romance. Primal Temptation is a well-rounded read packed with fun mythology and lovable characters; a definite must for fans of the genre! I enjoyed watching the romance between the two main characters develop and I especially liked the flashbacks; Somers creatively weaves them into the plot which adds a lot of fluidity to the story. One of the aspects of mate bonds that I enjoy the most is how oftentimes "the one" isn't necessarily the person you'd expect. In this case, it's a matter of a cat shifter falling in love with a wraith. Adding to the list of reasons why they shouldn't be together is the fact that Briana's brothers dislike Lucian. Oh, and there's also the small matter of him having broken her heart all of those years ago. But, as much as the odds are stacked against them, love always finds a way. The main plot line of this installment is exciting; I liked the gauntlet set-up and enjoyed watching the characters overcome each trial. There are a few hints along the way that the gods may be playing with the immortals and that they might have ulterior motives. A lot of the characters get put through the wringer in this book while new ones are also introduced as possible future love interests. The story ends with a couple of major revelations which guarantee that there are turbulent times ahead for this series (i.e. more installments!). I'm a sucker for the tall, dark and tormented type so I took an instant liking to Lucan. He can be a real ass at times but it's mostly a front for his insecurities and protective nature. We learn his true identify in this novel and it's hell-a shocking! Briana is strong, independent and courageous which just so happen to be some of my favourite traits in a heroine. I loved watching her give it her all in the gauntlet competitions and her refusal to take any crap from Lucan was admirable. A lot of this series' previous characters also make cameo appearances throughout the book which helps make the story extra special for long-time fans of Sydney Somers. Primal Temptation is the perfect read for a chilly night with its amped-up sexual tension and heated battles; I just hope that I don't have to wait another 2 years for the next installment!

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