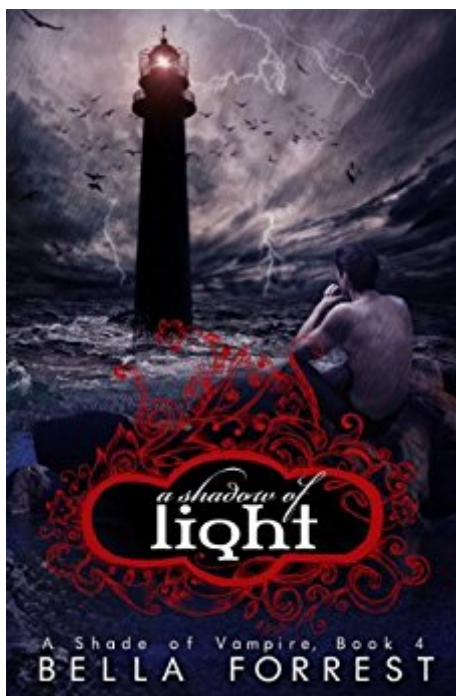


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Customer Reviews

Here we are, back at The Shade. Well not exactly, but you know what I mean. I can definitely say that this is my least favorite book in the series so far, but not by much. As you can see from my 4.5 heart rating (instead of the normal 5), I still loved the book! The story opens with a back story from Camilla, who is Sofia's mother. To be honest, we desperately needed this back story. But the story continues to be in large part about Camilla, who is a conniving witch of a woman. I think that's why I didn't enjoy this story as much because I was just so done with Camilla. Once I found out that Camilla hated her daughter because her husband loved Sofia more, I just couldn't take anymore of her. I mean how twisted is that? The absolute best thing that came out of this story was the return of a character that we all thought for sure was dead. I seriously wanted to scream for joy when this was revealed! With the return of this beloved character came a change of heart for another character. But unfortunately it was too late and proved to not matter. In the beginning of this story, I was EXTREMELY disappointed in Derek and basically wanted to strangle him with my bare hands. He still has some making up to do in my eyes, so hopefully he will in the next book! I was so happy when Sofia made it out of Hawk Territory even though she had to bring Reuben with her. That was extremely frustrating and I'm still not sure exactly how that's going to play out for Sofia and The Shade. When we finally literally return to The Shade, we return to a cluster mess of pure chaos and I was extremely worried there for a little while. I couldn't believe the standoff between Derek and his father Gregor. I'm glad Derek grew some balls and proved why he was King of The Shade. Gregor had chosen to side with Darkness, which apparently is a tangible force that Derek is going to have to face, so when Gregor tried to choose the Light it cost him his life. Which was kind of sad even after everything he put Sofia and Derek through. It was also really reassuring to see how much influence Sofia has at The Shade, especially with the Naturals. It was also nice to see that Derek and Sofia were seen as a unit and

not two separate entities. With the end of the book came the demise of another character. I was so glad when this finally happened because I couldn't stand another minute of this person torturing Sofia. I literally breathed a sigh of relief, even though it completely shattered Sofia and her accomplice. Also with the ending we get a nerve racking VISION and I cannot with what was seen! Other than Camilla playing such a large part in this novel, I really don't like the cure and the immune aspects of this series. I really wish they would get over one and change the other. But we will see if that happens, I really hope so!! CANNOT wait to see what the next book holds!

All I have to say is that I've read the first 4 books and I'm getting mad, mad, and madder! Sofia and Derick are nowhere near being able to be together. I'm just not sure I'm going on from here. I think I'm done with this series there is hardly any happiness in this series so far the author said she believes in happy endings well I don't see it happening. She writes about this other vampire that wants Sofia and he gets to her twice almost kills her each time while trying to rape her and keep her. Her crazy mother tried to have him turn her at 9 years of age but she is immune then her mother promises her to him at that time so he thinks when she gets older he can have her what kind of mother could do that to her daughter what kind of mother watches him nearly kill her twice while trying to rape her what kind of mother is so jealous of her daughter?? Derek saved her the first time he got hold of her the second time she and Vivienne killed him. I do not understand why that bit is still alive at the end of book 4! Now another vampire is after her supposedly the original Derick is the most powerful vampire other than the original so how on earth is there any happiness in this series I have to say there hasn't been any yet. Even though this is a long series and Derick and Sofia's ending is supposed to be at book 7 shouldn't there be some happiness in the last 4 books? When a person reads a series and there is hardly any happiness at all in the first 4 books it gets very disappointing. I'm sure there's more but I've vented long enough I realize books are supposed to have your feelings going in all different directions but my feelings aren't they are just going one way and it's not good at all!!!!

This turned out to be a very weak story. I wanted so very much to like it, but it's very predictable, and the characters are really one dimensional. It is told from first person, switching between different characters. I find that at times I have to flip back to the beginning of the chapter to remind myself who I am heading about, because the characters are so undeveloped that it's hard to distinguish between them. In the end it hurts the series, because the characters' lack of development leaves

me just not being ungrateful truly caring what happens to any of them. The only reason I have purchased anything further is that no matter how bad a story is, I want to know what happened to the characters. I am now six books in, and truly just wished I had stopped after the first. So far, the story could easily have been condensed into one book. After the first three, I had waited until the books went on sale so I didn't have to spend too much more to find out, and it's not worth the two hours to read the book

This series just gets better and better and so far all these books have finished dramatically.

Here's my take on this installment: * It's a fast read and is never boring. * There are now parallels appearing between the other couples in this series and the relationship that Derek and Sofia have. This provides a running theme with these vampire/human relationships. * This book is told from several points of view and is a good all-round view of the story. * Dramatic events that make you gasp. * It is a little predictable but not overly so. * This particular installment draws comparisons to LJ Smith's "The Vampire Diaries" with the introduction of a new threat. This made the book feel a little less original in its storyline. * Sweet romance between Derek and Sofia but has taken a back seat to the worsening situation around them. * This author is not afraid to kill off characters that you least expect. * The power Sofia holds over other characters, apart from Derek is intriguing and I can't wait to find out why she has this hold over them. A fantastic read once again and I can't wait to see what happens next. 4 stars!

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