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Zoey Donovan-Quinn is growing restless. After months of searching, her crew hasn't been able to locate the resting place of the one man who could save Daniel. While they frantically continue their quest, Zoey is still struggling to recover from the devastating losses she suffered in Faery. In the midst of her grief and worry, Louis Marini appears and demands the Blood Stone he forced Zoey to steal. Zoey has no other choice than to hand it over.

When the giant ruby's true nature is revealed, Zoey discovers she has given their greatest enemy a weapon of unimaginable power. Equipped with the Blood Stone, Marini intends to dominate the supernatural world and, on a more personal note, claim Zoey as his companion.

Desperate and on the run, Zoey, Dev, and Daniel forge an unlikely alliance with an old adversary who claims he can lead them to the wizard who can free Daniel from Marini's clutches and help him claim his throne. As they race to solve a thousand-year-old mystery and gather their forces for the ultimate battle, Zoey prepares to do what she does best.

If Daniel and Dev are to have any hope of victory, she will have to do the unthinkable... surrender to Louis Marini and steal back the Blood Stone.

## Steal the Night Details

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### Elle says

#### 4 stars!!

Aduh aku pengen banget kasih rating 5 bintang tapi... ada beberapa hal minor yang membuatku sulit bernafas (pun intended). Pertama2 aku mau menghela nafas lega karena akhirnya Steal the Night adalah buku terakhir. Yay! Walaupun aku suka petualangan Zoey dkk yang berprofesi sebagai pencuri barang2 mistis dan juga kisah percintaan masing2 karakter, rasanya buku terakhir ini cukup untuk merangkum semua cerita dari buku pertama. Steal the Night berhasil membuatku pusing dengan hantaman roller coaster yang tidak terduga.

Merupakan bagian kelanjutan dari Steal the Sun, dibantu Lady of The Lake yang terkenal demi mencari Merlin; penyihir legenda zaman King Arthur, Zoey dkk harus terbang ke Inggris. Petualangan baru bagi Zoey ini demi menyelamatkan suami pertamanya, Daniel Donovan yang dimana nyawanya terancam oleh kepala dewa Vampire, Louis Marini. Hanya Merlin yang bisa menyelamatkan nyawa Daniel dan perjalanan mereka untuk mencari penyihir itu cukup memusingkan. Argh... aku tidak mau men-spoiler lebih banyak lagi karena isi dari cerita ini sungguh penting dan harus dibaca sendiri. Yang bisa kuceritakan hanya kali ini petualangan Zoey di Inggris benar2 berwarna dan benar2 tidak terduga dari awal hingga pada akhirnya Zoey ditangkap Marini.

Sial! Buku ini benar2 menguras emosiku luar dalam. Friend or Foe? You will never know. Aku banyak sekali meragukan tokoh2 yang bermunculan dikala 'terjepit'. Kekurangannya adalah walaupun bisa dibilang perjalanan mereka tidak terlalu mulus tapi terlihat mudah dilalui dengan tidak banyak perlawanan. Aku benar2 jatuh cinta sama Marcus Voreenus; mentornya Daniel karena dia... seperti gentleman namun tetap memiliki sisi nakal. Aww... Walaupun cintanya bertepuk sebelah tangan dengan Zoey, Marcus tetap membantunya dengan tulus (Yah, Zoey seperti feromon dimana2 pria 'normal' akan nemplok). IMO, Sepertinya seri ini mengajarkan kita bahwa sebagai wanita bagaimanapun juga tetap menjadi pusat perhatian para pria. Hehehe... Adegan2 HOT sudah tidak diragukan lagi dari Lexi Blake. TOP! Kekurangan lainnya yang kutemukan adalah... Err... Zoey dan Marini \*beep\* (Ini harus dibaca sendiri karena aku tidak sanggup). Pertarungan terakhir melawan dewan vampire yang harusnya WOW tidak kurasakan. Terlalu 'mulus' dan mudah. Penasaran? :p

Hal2 emosional lainnya bisa membuatku menangis basah. Poor Lee... sob sob. Finally, Steal the Night berhasil membuatku merasakan variasi emosi yang beragam. Dari lucu, sedih, kesal, sampai flat. hahaha... Semua mendapatkan happy ending. Setelah mengikuti dari buku pertama, menurutku seri Thieves ini merupakan bacaan yang mudah, menyenangkan dan layak dicoba. Kapan lagi seorang manusia dikeliling makhluk fantasi dan berpetualang ke berbagai macam dimensi ditemani bukan hanya seorang tapi dua orang pria yang mencintai dirinya :p Zoey, Daniel dan Dev sudah mengalami suka duka dari hubungan mereka dan membuat semua itu terbayar dan patut mendapatkan happy ending. Hihi... Aku tidak sabar buat baca kelanjutan seri ini karena Marcus Voreenus akan menjadi salah satu karakter utama. Yay! Namun dengan heroine yang baru dan berbeda dari Zoey tentunya ;)

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### Julie says

Sometimes a gals work is never done!! Zoey now has the Blood Stone in her hands, and Marini is demanding that he get his hands on the object. With the device on Daniel's heart a constant threat, Zoey and the gang are determined to find a way to overcome the hazards of the device. Their quest will be riddled with ups and downs in this chapter of their lives. Looking for help will lead the group to an unlikely ally....Merlin.

It's a magical world when paths are crossed with Excalibur, the Lady of the Lake, Merlin and other mystical elements. Possibilities in this tale are endless and riddled with excitement. Daniels life is on the line and Zoey will do anything to save the man that she has loved her entire life. With Marini controlling Zoey, unexpected allies will be the driving force in putting an end to the reign of one of the oldest vampires around. As with anything that seems to cross Zoey's path....there will be a 'price' to pay for giving Danny the freedom that Zoey and Dev so desperately desire.

What a wild ride!! The thrills for Zoey, Dev and Danny just keep on rolling. With Danny's life hanging in the balance, Zoey and the gang lead readers on on heck of a thrilling ride. The plot to Steal the Night is no less thrilling than the other books in the series. It does provide a few more tears than the other books!! This triad rivals all others in the romance department. Lexi Blake has pulled me in with each and every book, and the thrills just keep on coming!!

While Steal the Night is NOT a stand alone, I strongly recommend this series to all lovers of romance. In fact - you do not have to be a paranormal fan to enjoy the elements of this novel. It's engaging, gripping, and I just can't get enough of the ménage that is Danny, Zoey, and Dev!!

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### **Shayna says**

Take a deep breath...inhale...exhale...inhale...exhale! Ok, I think I'm ready now. I will try my best to keep this review short and sweet. When it comes to this series, or with any Lexi Blake book, I can talk about them for hours and hours. There is just something about every single journey that Lexi takes us on. I never want it to end. It's so magical, so intense, and so damn beautiful that the reality that you stepped away from to enter Lexi's world, is no longer appealing AT ALL! I would stay submerged in them if that was at all possible. I would just love to bury myself inside Ms. Blake's mind and live there forever. The gorgeous, vivid imagination that this woman has is ridiculous. Suspenseful, paranormal romance is her calling, and I am just ecstatic that I was along for the ride.

My favorite trio is back and people are still trying to take them down...SHOCKER! With the Blood Stone in hand, more and more enemies come out of the woodwork. There is never a shortage of enemies when it comes to Dev, Danny, Zoey, and the rest of the crew. If you are a fan of Arthurian legend, then you will absolutely love this latest installment of the Thieves Series. Merlin, Lady of the Lake, Excalibur...I just smile at the great modernization and imagination from the author when it comes to this legend. It was brilliant to say the least.

OMG! I know what you all are waiting for! You want me to spill on Dev and Danny's relationship! NOT GONNA HAPPEN! It is SO JUICY though, you have NO IDEA! There is one scene....WOW! I don't care who you are, what gender you are, what sex you prefer, Lexi Blake couldn't have written two male characters more perfect, and who compliment each other so well. It's PERFECTION. The love, the tenderness, the complete surrender that these three show one another is beyond reproach. I fell hard for all of these characters, it is simply impossible not to.

As an avid fan of the Thieves novels, I was informed that I might throw my kindle during a certain part of Steal The Night. I have to say that I was definitely informed correctly. Not only did I want to throw my kindle across the room, I wanted to demand a re-write of the scene right then and there. But, I am a grown woman, so I stayed patient, and even though Lexi Blake shattered my heart into a million pieces with one particular scene, slowly, with her brilliance, she eventually put it back together again. My heart still hurts, but only for longing of when I will see a certain character once again.

Steal The Night is not a standalone title. This series must be read in order. I'm not going to say much about it, because I'm afraid of giving something away, but just know that once you begin, you will be hooked. There will be no turning back. Put the coffee on, and be prepared for a long night.

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### **Kristen Burns says**

#### **4.5 Stars**

##### **Review:**

My review of Book 1 is basically a series review, so instead of repeating everything, I'm going to focus more on the things I liked about this particular book.

This book is a fantastic wrap-up to the whole Zoey/Daniel/Dev/overthrowing the Council part of the story (it was the end of the series, so you could definitely end here, but I don't want to say it's the end of their whole story since there's a spin-off series in which these three are side characters).

But before I talk about all that, I would like a moment to talk about Marcus. I've controlled myself and waited until my review for the final book to really talk about him, and I can't wait any longer.

As Marcus made his way down the aisles of detectives' desks, every human in the room fell where they were standing. They were like puppets that had their strings cut.

“Fuck me,” Terry said, his eyes wide. “That’s a vampire.”

Yes, as Terry so eloquently put it, *fuck me, that’s a vampire*. I love that scene so much that I even wrote a poem about it that I have lovingly titled "Ode to Marcus." \*clears throat\*:

*Oh Marcus, my Marcus,  
So much hidden badassery;  
When you walked through that police station,  
How I fell in love with thee.*

My love for him as a character kind of sneaked up on me. He made brief appearances in most of the books, but he was always just a side character. I didn't notice him that much. But then somehow, all the sudden, he

was not only one of my favorite characters in this series but also one of my favorite characters ever. Which is why this whole review so far has been about him even though the book was not. And it seems like every time I reread, I notice some not-so-great things about him and think to myself, “Wait, why do I love him so much?” but then I remind myself that he’s a product of his time and of 2000 years of vampire society. Vampires have different laws and morals and lifestyles, and that makes sense. Marcus still seems like someone who treats his companions and partners well and someone who has a lot of depth, and he really was helpful to Daniel and Zoey. He’s not perfect, but I don’t like perfect, so that’s part of what makes him such a great character in the first place.

Anyway... all the rest of the characters! I should probably talk about them too! Like...

Zack, the wolf who annoyed me sometimes with how much of a kiss-ass he was but who would sacrifice his own life in an instant for Zoey or Daniel or Dev.

Lee, the scruffy, beer-drinking, nap-loving lone wolf who’s more wolf than man but who pushed aside his desire to roam in order to be there for his brother and then also for Zoey and even Neil.

Neil, the gay wolf who was shunned from his own pack but found a new pack with Zoey and her crew and who is the best, most loyal friend anyone could ask for.

Chad, the lawyer-turned-vampire-spy who feared for his own sanity and made you question whose side he was really on.

Sarah, the witch who made mistakes but who realized them and was there for her friend in the end.

Felix, the fallen angel who’s always the voice of guidance and reason and who may be a pacifist but would do anything to protect his wife.

Marcus, the vampire who is a product of his time and 2000 years of vampire society but who supported Daniel from the start and who really just wants to find a true love of his own.

Marini, the vampire who loved once and might have been a good man but who became unhinged and hardened by so many years of life and a loss he never got over.

Declan, the faery heir to the throne who may be an inappropriate jerk but who carries the heavy burden of a future king and who proved he’s capable of doing the right thing when it counts.

Dev, the faery prince who was shunned by his people because of his mortality and who felt expendable and wrapped up all his self worth in how well he could please people sexually but is fiercely protective of the new family he’s found.

Daniel, the vampire who felt like a monster after turning and becoming the Council’s death machine but who loves Zoey more than anything and whose biggest fear is that this new life of his will be the death of the people he cares about.

And Zoey, the human who never lets anything stop her, supernatural or otherwise, when it comes to those she loves.

\*sigh\* Can you tell I love this series and all the characters in it?

As for the rest of the book, it was on par with the rest of the series with all the same great things. This author did such a great job with the depth of the characters, the emotions, the complex and touching relationships (including romance, friendship, family, and found family), the humor, the action, and the plot. This book was tense, intense, and filled with so much struggle for the characters. I felt so much for them.

Not only that, I've mentioned before that each book before this one had a somewhat self-contained plot, but that the overarching plot was being set up the whole time. And this book took all those details and things that were set in motion and brought them together in an amazing and natural way that gave a satisfying [semi]-ending to the story! I swear I appreciate the complexity of the plot more each time I read this series.

There's nothing left to say that I haven't said already. This series isn't perfect, but my gosh, I just love it so, *so* much. It's one of my absolute favorites, and I hope I never get tired of it because I plan to keep reading it over and over and over!

#### **Recommended For:**

Fans of Books 1-4 in Lexi Blake's Thieves Series. Anyone who likes laugh-out-loud hilarity, heart-wrenching emotion, complex and flawed but still lovable characters, action, heists, sex, supernatural creatures (especially vampires), and lots of adorable relationships of all kinds.

#### **Original Review @ Metaphors and Moonlight**

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#### **Original Review:**

(view spoiler)

#### **Second Read Update:**

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[First Read: 1/18/15]

[Second Read: 2/9/16]

[Third Read: 6/18/17]

[Fourth Read: 10/2/18]

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#### **? BookAddict ↘ La Crimson Femme says**

A Komodo dragon like shifter is NOT a dragon. *\*still hoping for a dragon in this series\** This last book

before it switches over to the Hunter series is a doozy. I cried. WHHYYYY!?!?!? Noooo. Please, don't let the one I like die. \*rails at Ms. Blake\*

This is an emotional powerful climax to the end game. There is so much in these 240 pages I'm frankly shocked how Ms. Blake fit it all in. The pace to this book is fast yet slow. Let me explain. Some of the pieces fall into place too quickly. Yet there are other times when Zoey is imprisoned where it felt forever. This is cleverly done to keep the story moving and to show how torturous it is for Zoey. Bad things happen. Ms. Blake fades to black to prevent a reader from being too traumatized. Most romance readers will appreciate it. For those of us who are dark and depraved, it is fine. It's not that I would want to read the graphic raping or torture. It's that it wouldn't bother me. I think Ms. Blake does a good job avoiding the graphics because it isn't her style and it would throw the tone of this book completely off. Plus it really isn't necessary.

What I liked is how there is a tongue in cheek deus ex machina. Very nicely done. It really isn't a deus ex machina because of how well Ms. Blake sets it up. I loved it because it reminds me of a time in her other series where she specifically calls out a female character for being TSTL. I bow down to Ms. Blake's mighty pen.

I loved this ending to how Danny fights to be king. People are lost. There is a grave cost as part of this war. There are also a few lose threads I noticed that are not tied off yet. This makes me very hopeful that it will appear either in another Thieves book or show up in the Hunter series. \*hint hint - what the hell happened to Neil?\* Now that I'm completely caught up in this series I now languish in wait for the next book to show up. Highly recommended for urban fantasy lovers who also enjoy an erotic manage, a kingdom to conquer, enemies to kill and a lover to save.

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### **Steph says**

**Steal the Night** picks up about two months after the events of *Steal the Sun*. Zoey and her family must first find a way to protect her husband before they can set their master plan into motion. This felt like the final installment featuring Zoey and crew, however Lexi Blake continues on within the same world where these characters appear in her spin-off/same world series, *Hunter* (first book: *Ripper*).

A LOT happens in this book and there's not much I can say that won't be spoilery. Now that I'm invested in the lives of Zoey and her family, I may re-read *Ripper* as a refresher on how they're featured in Kelsey's story at the start of the spin-off. Lexi tied up any loose ends created in the first four installments of *Thieves*, so the *Hunter* series could be read without first reading those.

**Rating:** ★★★½

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### **UF says**

Oh my Lord, I totally know who is gonna be with Marcus! I haven't finished reading the book yet (still only half way through), but this just occurred to me: Jacob, aka Apollo, prophesized that the one Marcus would love would be descended from Zoey's great-grandmother. Case in point, Summer.

We found out in the last book that Summer was really Daniel's and Zoey's child, so I hope she is Marcus'

true love. I love Marcus. I want him to get some lovin' too. He deserves it.

And is anyone else disappointed by the follow-up series to "Thieves"? I mean, from the reviews I've read, Daniel and Dev are not painted in the best light, and it's another three-some, with the new UF heroine, a half-demon, and Marcus! I don't think that I am happy with that. So, is Marcus gonna end up with Summer?

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### **Yvonne Wood says**

Usually struggle with a 5 book series but this kept me reading. Lots of action of all kinds along the way and a good ending.

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### **Novel Grounds says**

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OH MY GOODNESS THIS NOVEL. I feel like it was a series all its own. It was crazy from the very start of it. With everything coming to a head we all knew this was going to be the bang we were waiting for. Throw a few new characters into the mix and a gang that is going to see this out to the end and I was in for it. I wanted Daniel to take his throne and I wanted to see Zoey and Dev right there with him.

This novel doesn't let down. It gives us a crazy story we kind of new we were getting with ALL THESE OTHER STORIES LINES! Tons of crazy that I didn't know was going to be coming. I felt like I spent half this book yelling at my e-reader and the other half in tears. Lexi BROUGHT IT with this book. She went all in with our gang and pushed everyone to the limits.

With the hurt of the last 5 books, this family was ready to find their happy ending. I knew not everyone would make it through this war, but my heart is still breaking.

Okay, I don't want to talk about that though. I can't do it. I want to talk about the fact that Lexi Blake managed to deliver a novel that had all of the information as wanted thrown into it without having it feel crammed, or too long. A perfect balance of awesome.

If you loved the first 4 novels then you will read this. I don't have to convince you, I just need to tell you that you will be satisfied and that you just need to hang in there. Have faith in our Trio and the band that they call family.

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### **Sarah says**

3.5 stars (rounded up because it really was a great ending for Zoey and her men!)

Months after returning from the sithein Zoey, Daniel and Dev are still searching for the one person who may be able to save Daniel by removing the silver bomb attached to his heart and until they do that they are completely powerless to do anything to stop Marini and the rest of the vampire council. When Zoey is forced to hand over the Blood Stone to give them more time she unwittingly hands Marini the key to take everything he has ever wanted and now they're in even more peril than before. Now her only choice may be to hand herself over to her greatest enemy in the hope that she can steal the Blood Stone back in time to save the men she loves.

**Steal the Night** is the final story with Zoey as the main character and it really was a fitting end to her, Daniel and Dev's story. I've loved watching the relationship that has slowly built between the three of them since the beginning of the series and was really pleased with the way things ended for them as a triad. They haven't had an easy time of it and there is more hurt and loss they'll have to get through in this last book but I think they've definitely earned their HEA now.

There was a lot to love about this book, not just the relationship between the three main characters but also Zoey's friendship with characters like Neil and Sarah, her brotherly relationships with Lee and Zack, the alliances they have slowly been developing with the werewolves, fae and some of the vampires and the world that they're trying to build for the future. So many of the side characters from this world had a chance to shine in this book and while some things broke my heart others left me with a huge smile on my face.

While there was a lot I enjoyed about this world and I love the series as a whole there were a few things that stopped this being a 5 star read for me. The main one was how things unfolded with Marini, I really didn't like the way Zoey had to spend so much time with him or the things that happened while she was there, I know the author was trying to show the danger of the world but I found some of those scenes very hard to stomach reading. Then there's the fact that there was very little aftermath for everything Zoey has been through, she seems to forget about everything within seconds whenever either Danny or Dev are around and if you're not going to make her feel the full emotional effects of what she's suffered then I don't think it's

worth putting her through it in the first place. I was also confused about the way the story ended with a certain wizard, it looked like he was going to be a major player in the story and I was worried about where that plot was going but then it just completely fizzled out with no resolution. Perhaps that's because we'll see more of his character in the new spin off but for now it just left me feeling confused.

So, while I did enjoy most of this book and I definitely loved this series but I don't think this was the strongest instalment compared to the first four books. I'm really looking forward to starting **Ripper** though, I can't wait to meet new character Kelsey and I'm very excited that Marcus is going to play a larger role in the spin off because he's been a brilliant side character so far.

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### **Tanaka K says**

Zoey, Dev and Daniel have been through a lot as a couple. They faced all sorts of hell, disgruntled angels, scheming demons, death and conniving faes. They have been through dangerous situations as individuals and also as a couple. I have respect for them. This series was a roller coaster. OMG, I was flabbergasted and my mind was blown.

Steal the Night was the book that tied everything together. It was a book that completely awed me yet I was more vocal in. They were certain scenes that made me throw my kindle away and also curse multiple times. But that is the beauty of a book. To be completely invested in a book that it will make you lose your mind. And it made me bonkers trust me. Steal the Night had everything - palpable action, intrigue, suspense and a touch of magic that left me so spellbound. I was completely sucked in with my whole mind, soul and heart.

I recommend you to read from the beginning. This book is not a standalone. To be able to understand the events of Steal the Night, you need read book 1.

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### **Cocktails and Books says**

I'm sad this portion of this series is over. I've enjoyed Zoey, Daniel and Dev's story. Hopefully, we'll get to see how little Lee and Rhys are doing when I move onto the spin-off series.

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### **Kazza says**

**Edited to add that I upgraded the rating from 4 to 5 stars on September 30th, 2018 after another reread.**

There is a lot that goes on in Thieves #5 and plenty of people make reappearances, have a bit more depth added to them, and I became closer or moved further away as a result. New characters also emerge, some good, some not so good. Zoey, Daniel and Dev are on the run as Louis Marini, the head of the current Council, becomes more powerful and blood crazed. More obsessed with Zoey. More powerful with the Blood Stone in his possession.

There is a fairly big Arthurian bent to this book. Zoey, her guys, and her/their entourage end up in London, then Wales, and boy do they create havoc. Total havoc. They meet the Order of Galahad. They meet the

demon that is Merlin. The legend behind Excalibur takes on a whole new supernatural/mythical purview. Daniel needs a bit of heart surgery, forget anything you might know about cardiology, and they shore up even more allies as their need to change the corrupt Council and install Daniel in his position as the rightful king becomes a necessity.

The romance that has built and built throughout the series between Zoey and Daniel and Dev is tested and fortified, even with Stewart the doubt demon back and up to his old tricks. While it doesn't reach the (bi) heights I was hoping for it's still a very satisfying love story because I like all of the individual personalities and they mesh well as a triad. And hallelujah! *hallelujah!* my favourite body sharing fertility deity, Bris, is back... and he's in fine form.

This book throws the reader quite a few twists and turns, and, oh my god, the feelings it launches. Lots of damn feelings were pulled out me while I read. It's a throw the Kindle of events and feelings.

Niggles. (view spoiler)

I'd love to revisit Zoey and Daniel and Dev (and Bris) (view spoiler) in the future, I'm not sure about the spin-off series, because these original MCs *really* make the Thieves series what it is, along with a lot of help from their crazy, funny, and wonderful friends. So I'll say bye and thanks for the love and the adventure, Zoey, Daniel and Dev, I hope to see you around.

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## Kelley says

The Thieves Series is a must read!

This series is so masterfully written that you will lose track of time and everything around you as you embark on a new mission to steal the unobtainable. Lexi takes you on an incredible journey through several different worlds where you meet some very unique and memorable characters. Steal the Night begins with the journey to find Merlin. They have to get that device that Marini has put on Daniel's heart removed if he ever has a chance in hell to be king. The journey they embark on to find Merlin will keep you on the edge of your seat.

The banter between characters is hysterical. Lexi delivers so many funny one liners I could not keep track. I laughed out loud to the point that the people sitting next to me on my flight to DC were giving me strange looks.

Dev sighed. "i can't get Dan interested in public sex. There's even a club here in Dallas. He won't let us go."

OMG! I died laughing when I saw that Lexi had referenced Sanctum in Steal The Night. I don't know how Ian would feel about vampires and faeries hanging out at Sanctum.

Zoey again is the babysitter for her husbands as they try little experiments with each other. I loved it when she chastised them for their stupid stunts. Just to let you know they pull a lot of stupid stunts.

Before long Marini appears and wants what Zoey stole for him. The blood stone. Once Marini gets his hands on the blood stone and its power is revealed all hell breaks loose. In the exchange he manages to get a taste of Zoey. He was obsessed with her before, but now she is like his heroin and he cannot live without his fix.

Lee steps up to the plate again and becomes Zoey's rock and protector. She loves him and he loves her like family and he will do anything to keep her safe. He is her one loyal ally in this mess that keeps her secrets and that helps her preserve her sanity as things spin out of control. There are so many twists and turns on this thrill ride that you will be clinging to the edge of your seat bracing yourself for what is going to happen next.

Lexi put her heart and soul into this series and it shows. Zoey, Daniel, and Dev experience tragic events on their journey that I am almost positive Lexi has experienced herself. I believe she wrote this series as means to work through some heartache and pain she suffered in her past and share with readers that they are not alone. I cannot thank her enough for taking a risk and writing something so memorable that it became a part of me and found its way into my heart and soul. The love that is portrayed in this book will grasp your heart strings and never let go. I bawled like a baby when I thought that Lexi had killed one of the main characters. You never know what to expect when a series comes to an end. Don't be deceived there is loss in this final chapter but you will awestruck as to how that loss is formed into a new beginning.

Lexi Blake is an artist when it comes to writing urban fantasy. I am grateful everyday that I have been a part of this journey and I am so excited to see what is in store for us next.

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### **Rosebud says**

Zoey, Dev, and Daniel have survived hell, zombies, disgruntled angels, attacking werewolves, an alternate fae world, and even a political rebellion in the vampire world, but will they be strong enough to survive Merlin?

The climatic conclusion to Zoey, Dev, and Daniel's fate in the Thieves series.

I started reading this book knowing it would be the last in the series. Bittersweet would probably be a good word to use as it's been my experience that authors usually do the whole tying up any loose ends, walk down memory lane last of series book. Though enjoyable the usual debate is whether the fans agree/disagree with how things ended.

Until I remembered this is Lexi Blake we're talking about. This book added a whole new adventure for the trio to face though some of my favorites from the previous episodes do show up to help or hinder the adventure (depending on who it was). And. Just when I thought I knew where things were going the author does the whole blindside/360 turn thing that left me too emotionally drained to continue. There is one scene that had me putting down my book for a couple of days before i could stand to pick it up to finish. Heck, I even sent a PM to the author herself expressing my STRONG feelings about said scene. Those of you who have read this installment know what I'm talking about. Those who haven't. Sorry. Nonspoiler code of conduct.....

As for the adult content/erotica. Lexi (also known as Sophie Oak) is a Mistress of menage relationship erotic romance stories with a BDSM slant. Anyone who's read her stuff knows what I mean. Those who haven't? What are you waiting for?

As for the option of reading this as a standalone. Nope. Not advised, recommended, or even a possibility if you haven't read the previous installments. The series builds off the previous installments but this one especially requires the reader to have a working knowledge of past and present characters and situations.

I do want to include this one vague yet very pertinent comment about my feelings about this particular book. I totally appreciate the mind of Lexi Blake and am in awe of her ability to weave such a fanciful story that is non stop action filled suspenseful excitement for the senses. It's an exceptional author that can generate such strong emotions in her readers when she takes a chance and does the unexpected. Though I may not always agree, I can respect and appreciate that decision. I just need to have more faith when things like this happen.

Personally loved this series and if you're a fan you HAVE to read this one. :D

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