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Keeping the secret had never been a problem for William Rose. Even when he was only eight and first decided to travel to the other world, he knew that keeping his family and his world safe were more important than anything – more important than even having friends. And it had always been easy, spending a few days in Bristlecone, Colorado to study, and then returning to his real home, his real life in Eirenetheos. He'd never imagined anything that could make it difficult for him.

He never counted on the girl.

Crossed Roses is a novel in The Dusk Gate Chronicles series which presents an alternate viewpoint from the first book. It is not necessary to read the other books before enjoying this one.

Crossed Roses Details

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Katie says

It was a great change in perspective to see William's point of view in the beginning of the Dusk Gate series. While I already knew what would happen (read Seeds of Discovery first!), it was fun to see what he was thinking. There were definitely some surprises in there!

Jennifer Polys fowler says

I have and have read every book in the series and I love how breeana went back and did book one in Williams point of view. he was in love with her and didn't know it till Thomas pointed out that she was spoken for. I hope ever book is done like this I would really like to be in Williams head when they are hiding from Tolliver and Quinn and William kiss. or when he finds out Quinn is the rightful ruler to the neighboring country or that William was placed near Quinn to maybe bring them together and marry. great book!

Lanie Price says

I LOVED this series! I read all of them in about a weeks time. It's so easy to fall in love with the characters, the only thing I didn't like was sometimes I felt like the character development went a little deep with information that didn't really add to their development or the plot line but that's just my opinion. I really hope to see more of this series or a spin off series come out!

Deon Cantrell says

"She doesn't have a crush on me. She almost ran me over with her car!"

"Isn't that what girls do when they have crushes on boys?" - Breeana Puttroff Crossed Roses

To say I loved this book would be an understatement. I have been anxiously awaiting this book's release this morning. But I didn't have to hold out that long. Breeana Puttroff was offering a few free copies for reviews, so I snagged one! (The squeals of joy upon receiving this might have scared my Husband a little.)

Isn't it beautiful!

For those of you who don't know what The Dusk Gate Chronicles are (educate yourself!), they are a collection of now seven books and a novella surrounding a girl named Quinn Robbins who becomes fascinated by an enigmatic boy from school after almost plowing him down with her car. Bent on discovering what is going on with him, she inadvertently follows him into another world. The series is fabulous, and this newest addition didn't disappoint. My only complaint is that it was too short! (Kidding, it was perfect).

Crossed Roses is a retelling of the first Dusk Gate Chronicle book Seeds of Discovery that started as a project on the author's blog. The first two chapters can be found there. In Crossed Roses, we see the original

story from mainly William's point of view with little tidbits from Nathaniel, Thomas, and Linnea as well. So if you loved the first book, you will definitely love this one. A few scenes are brushed over, like the Naming Ceremony where Quinn meets Alvin, but as a reader, you don't really mind because you have already seen that. This book offers behind the scene glances at the other characters, one of my favorites was Nathaniel's thoughts on Toliver's attack on Quinn. It is also awesome to see Williams feelings for Quinn developing even before she finds her way to Deusterros. The scene where he is eavesdropping on Zander's conversation with his friend about asking Quinn out.

This book was fabulous. I wish it would have went a little deeper into was William making the wooden carving of Dusk for Annie. I would have loved to see what he was thinking while he was carving it. I'm pretty sure he gave it to her in the second book, so it makes sense that it wasn't added into Crossed Roses, but I noticed it was hinted at twice.

Something else I might add.... After reading this book I would suggest rearranging the order of the books to look like this:

Seeds of Discovery

Roots of Insight

Thorns of Decision

Blooms of Consequence

Crossed Roses* (I'd put it here instead of at the end)

A Christmas Rose

Canes of Divergence

Leaves of Revolution

Also, for those of you who purchase the ebook, there is a section at the end where you can enter in your email to start receiving her newsletter with an exciting Dusk Gate Chronicles announcement. (I'm not sure if I'm allowed to reveal it on here, so I wont. Just sign up for the news letter.) And buy the book! It is only available on ebook right now, but she said that it will be coming out in paperback, like the first four of the series.

She has also written an unrelated, standalone book called Rumpelstiltskin's Daughter which is also great!

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Marie says

Manchmal ist es, wie wenn man alte Freunde wieder trifft....

Und die Dusk Gate Chronicles sind liebe alte Freunde. Auch wenn man die Geschichte ja schon kennt - es ist 'Seeds of discovery' aus Wills Sicht - ist die neue Sichtweise doch so interessant, dass man am Ende gerne

such noch die anderen Bände aus seiner Sicht lesen möchte....
Oder doch lieber Zanders Geschichte?
Kann mich gar nicht entscheiden. Freue mich auf jeden Fall auf den nächsten Band!

Ayanami Faerudo says

William, you dork.

Laurie Hopkins says

Great

Loved reading how William felt and thought about Quinn from the beginning. Having his actions explained compared to what Quinn saw a felt.

Shauna Salley says

William is my favorite so I really loved this book, getting more insight into his head was a lot of fun for me.

Jessica Arnold says

Didn't love the retelling as much as the original, but it was fun to revisit this world and these scenes.

Cora says

This novel started out as little clips from the author to her readers thought social media sites...and after she saw how much we loved having William's POV on things that happened in the first book, The Seeds of Discovery, and new info she treated us to this: a whole book. So make sure you have read all the books before you begin Crossed Roses to really enjoy this wonderful story. The Dusk Gate Chronicles are some of my favorite books ever and I have enjoyed reading them all over before each new one comes out.

As I said before, this is like a sweet gift to us to show us how William started to see Quinn in a new light once she "joined" him in his home world. You have the build up showing what he saw before the day she took a leap of faith and then the adventure once she was there. I have seen several authors starting to do this...where they take us back into the story only from the guys POV and I am loving it! When you have a good story line the readers will enjoy going back and reliving all the highs and lows. I can't wait to read what she puts out next for us :)

Rachel says

Crossed Roses is Seeds of Discovery (which is the first book in the series) told from different Roses POV (point-of-view). We get to hear from William, Nathaniel and more.

I love it when authors do scenes from other POVs and this was no exception. William is from this different world and he has so much on his plate, being a prince and a doctor. We get to see William's insecurities and how much he has grown to like Quinn.

Crossed reveals parts of secrets, justify parts of my theory and other things become an even big mystery. I'm really excited for the story to continue.

I loved Crossed Roses, it was done really well and I wish that the other books had alternate POVs. So if you really like the story I would suggest you get this one.

Heather Miller says

I wasn't sure where this novel was taking us at first. But, it is a boy - William living in the human world - Earth, but, he goes back to his world, through a portal. There is a girl Quinn, on the Earth side who follows him to his side one day. He is worried that she won't understand his world but she is trapped there for 10 days with him and his family. But, she does understand it and does like his world. Both are too shy to talk and be alone together in any fashion, but, they do start talking with each other.

T.R. says

This is part of The Dusk Gate series. I would advise you to read them in order before reading this book. I loved William's POV. In the past we only have Quinn's POV but now finally we get to see what William was thinking on this journey. How he grew to love Quinn and the little things she did to win him over. I absolutely love everything about this series and it takes you to another world like no other. Every character is intriguing and the whole series keeps you entertained. This might be William's POV but unlike other stories which seem to be the same, we get to see more in depth of this world and story. Love that some other characters thoughts even get told. Look forward to see what will happen next. Love this incredible world and read this story in one sitting because I could not put it down.

Angie says

This was SO cool getting to see everything happen all over again from a different point of view while still knowing what was happening with the other characters. LOVED IT!
