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The official movie novelization of the latest film in the blockbuster action/horror movie series, *Underworld*—coming to theaters in January 2009 from Sony Pictures!

Centuries ago...two ageless and terrifying races—the aristocratic vampires and the feral lycans—are bound by a cruel, ancestral relationship between master and servant, and eternally separated by the ongoing, violent rivalry between their two species. But unknown to both nobility and enslaved alike, a clandestine—and forbidden—affair between the lycan servant Lucian and the beautiful vampire noblewoman Sonja burns brightly with an unbridled passion. Seeking to escape Sonja's tyrannical father, Viktor, and a future in which their love is considered an abomination, Lucian risks the ever-present machinations of the court and his very life to cast himself and his beloved free of their bonds...a daring tactic that will eventually give all lycans the courage to rise up against their oppressive vampire overlords. New alliances are forged even as the chains of slavery are broken...and all that Lucian and Sonja hold dear will be threatened with utter annihilation....

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Sarah says

loved being able to go back in time and meet the characters that are referred to in the other books

Kelly says

I really liked this one. I think the Mr. Cox was wise in having the books in this particular order. I enjoyed reading the story of Selene and then finding out how Lucian overthrew the vampires before Selene became an immortal. Very nice.

Kelly says

Edit 1: I went out in search of a simple, quick read before my next semester of classes started, and when I saw the book. I couldn't resist. I love the Underworld movies.

I like the movie trilogy and will occasionally pick up movie tie-ins to read.

Shiro says

The most fastest book I have ever read in my entire life. My sister got it for me from the library and as I have seen the film I thought why not read it and see it is in some way different from the movie. It actually was but only ever so slightly. Took me three days to read this book, at first i read a few chapters but then when I got into the story I was completely dwelled in the story and could imagine everything...I felt like I was taken out of reality for the entire time when I was reading. Generally I do not read romance books or watch romance films but this book has a deep and forbidden love throughout the story along with bloody violence, gore and action. So it has everything you could want really apart from comedy. A thrilling, gripping, exciting and fantastic book to read. I am definitely going to take out the other two books!

travis williams says

Blood for blood leaves the whole world blinded

I have to say once I came across this novel I was transfixed upon it I mean I've seen the movie and I was impressed not only by the storyline but by the cgi and everything and reading this novel made me team lycan I felt for Lucian losing his girl and child and to have lost them by the sonja father was even more heartfelt I mean viktor was just awful I detested him with a passion for his stupidity like why wouldn't you join the two bloodlines and be all powerful instead of mindlessly destroying them when clearly they had a level of intelligence the whole time but I recommend this book to my little sister tara who loves vampires as much as

me or so I think and anyone who enjoys the underworld movies then read the novels they give you much more depth and I gave it five stars because I enjoyed the book aside from so spelling mishaps and my hatred for viktor I really love this book

Aishu Rehman says

Lucian and Sonja's love symbolically supersedes prejudice. And Lucian proves to be a courageous leader for his werewolf brothers trapped in slavery. His battle cry, "We are not animals!" offers the downtrodden race dignity in the midst of suffering and injustice. He rallies them to demand a better destiny than forced laborers and tells them they have a choice: remain barbaric slaves or be true and dignified Lycans. He also defends his kind fiercely, coming to the aid of those who are beaten or imprisoned. He and Sonja both risk their lives for the sake of others. Slaves try to ease one other's misery by giving water or encouragement.

Haelgeweer_veertjie Die Ystervark! says

Ek's doodseker ek 'n ding of twee gemis maar dit was nou wraggies 'n deurmekaarspul vir my. Die vierde boek het absoluut niks met tweede boek uit te waai nie óf ek is stapelgek. Ag nee gaan kyk liewers die fliek, ples het ek.

Nick Roddy says

I read this on a whim, it is well written in. Professional manner, and is what it claims to be, "the book of the film" it is not a novel based on the film nor does it elucidate. The repetitive use of archaic literary terms does little to add colour to the work as the usage is not consistent, and as such often feels gratuitous. Apart from that a pleasant afternoon's distraction.

Nicole says

It was actually well done! The author gets into the mind of each character very well! Now, I have a clear understanding of what was going on in the movie! Highly recommend it!

Kat says

This book is like reading the movie. Recommended for all Underworld lovers.

Angel says

Read this book

Dylan says

The third book that covers the trilogy tells the story of the beginning of the war, and how the battles between the werewolves known as Lycans and the vampires known as Death Dealers came into being. This book is a novelization of the film, written by Greg Cox who has written the other books. It follows the film, and as such is a good read because this franchise of horror films are very good indeed.

The story tells of Lucian, the first werewolf able to transform between his human shape and that of a Lycan, and the clandestine love affair he starts with Sonja, the vampire daughter of the underworld's tyrannical leader, Viktor. Of course, things don't go as planned for the lovers, and in a world where the Lycans are slaves of vampires nothing could ever possibly go well in a relationship between the two. From these catastrophic events is born a brutal war between the two species, that spans centuries and is covered by the films and books Underworld, and Underworld Evolution.

Cox does a good job describing the world the film's have shown us. It's a book well worth reading.

Brittany Johnson says

own the movie! AWESOME!

Tara Chevrestt says

I seen the movie and could not figure out what the heck was going on so I got this book. Great "cliff notes"! It is actually a lot more detailed and explanatory than the movie. I highly recommend you read the book before you see the movie. Cox does an excellent job of bringing the screen to life and adds enough character detail and background that you get to know the characters more intimately. The story itself, (sorry Underworld fans) is kind of lame. I found it a bit eye rolling that Lucian (A werewolf enslaved to the vampires) is so enamored with one of his slave holding "betters" (a vampire princess) that he refuses to even escape for love of her. And vice versa. I am not a romantic tho. A thought tho.. the sex scene was a little outrageous.. engorged member? Succulent rump? LOL

Ruth says

c2009. A penny horrible of the spec fic genre. I read this straight after a heavywieght of a spec fic novel of Malazan and this was balm for the brain. A novelisation of a film (that I have never seen), I finished it in a couple of hours. Nothing to really rave about other than an interesting take on the vampires/werewolves back story. *"Lucien paced restlessly in the courtyard. His eyes probed the fog beyond the gate for any sign of Sonja's return."*
