

Stolen By Raze Lolita Lopez

Thirty nights. Two hearts. One fate. American Beauty, Book 1 After her parents' tragic deaths, Elisa Snow wanted nothing more than to escape her past. Eighteen and alone, she fled her quaint English village and moved to the United States. A starving science student by day and an artist's muse by night, Elisa has slowly built a new life. She never dreamed she would lose everything again. She's one week from graduation when her visa is unexpectedly denied. Given thirty days to leave the country, she must face the one thing she cannot survive again--saying goodbye and leaving her home. Yet within minutes of her world shattering, she meets a man with the power to piece it back together. After finishing his tour of duty in Iraq, Aiden Hale traded battlefields for boardrooms, becoming one of the most successful venture capitalists in the nation. But all his wealth can't buy him reprieve from the horrific memories of war. The only thing that gives him peace is a painting of Elisa. Drawn together by their invisible wounds, they begin a passionate affair as they race against the clock to defy their pasts--and fight for their future. Earlier versions of this book were posted on the author's blog under the titles of The Master's Muse and 30 Nights of Snow, using the pen name Ani Surnois, and the book has since been extensively edited.

A fresh and acclaimed account of the Spanish Civil War by the bestselling author of Stalingrad and The Battle of Arnhem To mark the 70th anniversary of the Spanish Civil War's outbreak, Antony Beevor has written a completely updated and revised account of one of the most bitter and hard-fought wars of the twentieth century. With new material gleaned from the Russian archives and numerous other sources, this brisk and accessible book (Spain's #1 bestseller for twelve weeks), provides a balanced and penetrating perspective, explaining the tensions that led to this terrible overture to World War II and affording new insights into the war--its causes, course, and consequences.

ABC's, First Words, Numbers and Shapes, Colors and Opposites including a special note to parents. Children will enjoy hours of learning fun in each 32-page bi-lingual book. All four books are designed specifically to teach and reinforce basic concepts for preschool through early elementary school children.

Book 3 in the Bestselling Her Russian Protector Sexy Romantic Suspense Series While clawing her way out of Houston's worst neighborhood, Lena vowed to never let any man have power over her. After a lifetime of broken promises from her criminal father and a mother who abandoned her, Lena believes that love makes you vulnerable. She's never been tempted to test that belief...until Yuri. Sexy as sin and with a dark reputation, Russian billionaire Yuri Novakovsky survived a miserable childhood of poverty and neglect to ascend the pinnacle of success. He enjoys the perks of his massive wealth without much thought to the consequences...until Lena. When Lena's father and cousin blunder into an international art theft operation, Yuri seizes his chance to be her protector. But when past misdeeds catch up with him and threaten Lena's safety, Yuri puts her love and trust in him to the test. He'll prove he's the man she needs--a man she can trust and depend upon--one sensual, wicked kiss at a time. keywords: billionaire, alpha male, latina heroine, multicultural romance, mob romance, her russian protector series, fighting connollys series

If you have a genuine desire, speaking Words of Power will make the magick come alive for you. It takes moments to read the words and then the magick happens. If you've ever done magick of any kind - whether casting a spell, performing a ritual or even just praying - this may sound too good to be true. Author Damon Brand says, 'I felt the same way when I first explored these ideas, because I have spent a lot of time working with more complex magick. When I tried the Words of Power, the results I received convinced me that this magick works.' Damon Brand works with a group of occultists known as The Gallery of Magick and they have spent several decades testing the best combinations to create the most safe and effective Words of Power. Words of Power work because they connect you to spirit forces with direct access to divine power. The book gives you the ability to avoid violent situations, attract generosity, know what people are thinking, improve luck, skills and wisdom as well as getting support for your projects. Words of Power give you new ways to attract money, make money last longer, protect yourself, repel enemies, gain an advantage as well as winning competitions. You will discover: 25 word combinations that produce results. Magick that can be done in private. Emergency magick for instant results. A brief activation ritual that switches the words on. Damon Brand says, 'Magick is about getting results in the real world, and that is the promise of this book.'

"Having been born a freeman, and for more than thirty years enjoyed the blessings of liberty in a free State—and having at the end of that time been kidnapped and sold into Slavery, where I remained, until happily rescued in the month of January, 1853, after a bondage of twelve years—it has been suggested that an account of my life and fortunes would not be uninteresting to the public." -an excerpt

THE CRIME WAS OVER IN A MINUTE – THE CONSEQUENCES LASTED A LIFETIME Hospitalized after a liaison with another man's wife ends in violence, Paul Cole has just one goal: to rebuild his shattered life. But with his memory damaged, the police hounding him, and no way even to get home, Paul's facing steep odds – and a bleak fate if he fails... This final, never-before-published novel by three-time Edgar Award winner Donald E. Westlake is a noir masterpiece, a dark and painful portrait of a man's struggle against merciless forces that threaten to strip him of his very identity.

Jillian Landay is no queen of an alien planet like her younger sister, Megan, but she has a successful career as an interior designer. Love and relationships? Totally out of the question. She's not about to get burned again. So how the hell did she end up pregnant for an arrogant alien general? Jonnar Dorayan may be the sexiest alien warrior alive with his intense, blue-violet stare and a scorching touch that sets her body afire, but he's not her type. Yeah, he's the father of her unborn child. And yeah, he saved her life. Twice. But falling for him? Never gonna happen in this galaxy or the next! - There are two things Jonnar enjoys in life: fighting and... well, it involves a willing woman beneath him. Fatherhood was definitely not one of his life's goals. And if he had a choice, he certainly wouldn't have chosen a prickly, stubborn human female as the mother of his child. Jillian is nothing like what he's accustomed to, yet her irresistible curves and astounding strength captivate him. He can't fall in love with her. He's no good for her and she's too good for him. But if he ever gets them out of their dangerous situation, he's not sure he'll want to let her go. The Alien General's Baby is a steamy sci-fi alien romance. It features a handsome, powerful alien general falling in love with and risking his life for his luscious human female and their unborn child. This book features these themes: science fiction alien romance, forbidden love between alien and human, enemies to lovers, pregnancy / baby, steamy love scenes, action and adventure, suspense.

After a nightmare blind date, hair stylist Holly Phillips swears off men. The only problem with that plan? Her mysterious and sinfully sexy neighbor Kostya who appeared from the shadows and saved her on that cold, scary night. Russian covert operative turned infamous mob cleaner Kostya Antonovich lives his life by one major rule: Don't Get Involved. But when the lies surrounding Holly's birth begin to unravel, Kostya's only choice is to break that rule and break it hard. He'll use every last tool in that sinister black bag of his to protect Holly from a cartel hit squad and the notorious KGB operative who has escaped a grim Russian prison to seek his revenge. For her, he'll risk it all.

Griffin Cadogan is surprised when Avani Monroe, the sworn enemy of his dragon family, walks into his gym. With his mating phase approaching, the dragon shifter wonders why she risks coming into enemy territory. Yet the dark-eyed temptress shocks him even more with an outrageous demand: She wants him to help her have a baby. After her mother's dragon line was annihilated by the Knights, Avani vows to continue her unique dragon breed--and the registries indicate that Griffin is the best candidate. Determined to mate, Avani plans to use her seductive beauty and powerful scent to

entice Griffin. The big, strong Welsh man will make for a fitting partner . . . if he doesn't kill her first. When they spar over the terms of her proposal, Griffin and Avani can't deny the intense, primal attraction they feel for each other. But as they become closer to creating a child, the lovers can hear danger encircle them as loud as the clapping of wings. The dragon slayers are coming . . .and they're gunning for Griffin, Avani, and the entire dragon race.

Raze wants to keep Ella, to collar and love her-but there's a shameful secret in his past that shatters any chance of a happy future. But Raze isn't the only one with a complicated past. Ella has secrets of her own-and they're about to threaten the safety of everyone she loves. She'll have to go back to where it all started, risking her life and her future with Raze-to end it once and for all.

From the brilliant mind of bestselling erotica expert Rachel Kramer Bussel comes a delicious and highly original concept. *Orgasmic* was born from a wonderful idea - to compile a book of erotica exploring every possible type of orgasm. Oral sensations, digital delights, tricks with toys and the old bump and grind are featured, as are more imaginative ways of bringing a lover to climax. Covering uncharted territory and opening up a treasury of scenarios and techniques, *Orgasmic* is sure to bring readers to new heights of pleasure.

Written entirely in verse, tells the story of a young man hiding from the draft during the Vietnam War in a San Francisco basement, who spends his time translating his mother's diaries about her experiences in German-occupied Poland in 1941.

A collection of five erotic stories with mixed themes including sex in public, ménage, exhibitionism and older woman/younger man. *No Knickers* by Elizabeth McWilliams Usually a reserved young lady and model employee, when Madeleine forgets to pack a vital item of underwear, she is inspired to spend the day chasing illicit thrills. Leaving her usual, dutiful self back in the office, she takes a chance on an attractive stranger in a café who is more than prepared to take advantage of her lack of lingerie. Madeleine forgets her inhibitions along with her knickers, and boldly embraces the opportunity to explore her exhibitionist tendencies and indulge herself in an intimate and sensuous encounter. *Between The Crosshairs* by Troy Seate The American Jersey Shore gang might be dysfunctional, but the babes in *Crosshairs* are naughty, nice, and oh so different. This is a tale in which a young man finds himself in a strange place that leads to an illicit, never to be forgotten encounter with two lusty and very creative ladies. *Mad About The Boy* by Jade Taylor Mel doesn't cheat; it's a rule. Even if she's stuck in an engagement to a man she doesn't want to marry, even if she's been sexually frustrated for far too long, she doesn't cheat. But there's a boy at work she likes - and he's so young he's definitely a boy. Mel doesn't sleep with younger men. But the way he looks at her has her tempted, makes her wet, makes her wonder what it would be like to be with him. And on a night out the "boy" shows her that rules are made to be broken, and shows her how much of a man he actually is ... *Moving Violation* by Lolita Lopez Bella craves a little danger every now and then. Risky, mind-blowing sex on her apartment balcony? Yes, please! But her policeman lover, Jack, refuses to give into Bella's requests for illicit trysts. He's happy to indulge her love of spanking and rougher play but anything that would risk his career is off-limits. One nighttime drive down a secluded lakeside road is all Bella needs to change Jack's mind. She'll show him how deliciously naughty breaking the rules can be. *Shall We Dance?* by Landon Dixon John was down on his luck, needed money for his family, badly. He was nursing a drink and his woes when Olivia came into the bar, slid onto the stool next to him and said, 'I like married men to fuck me.' He was desperate enough to take her up on it. There was only the matter of price. Just how steep soon became clear.

NOTHING HOTTER THAN DRAGON'S FIRE When her best friend disappears, bio-engineering student Eris Jones embarks on the quest of her life. Her search leads to a secluded estate where she experiences visions of a powerful, winged creature who's transformed into a tall, dangerously sexy man at her touch. But the feel of his rock-hard abs and lean, sinewy arms tells Eris this is no dream . . . it's real. Niko Drakon is dangerous and he knows it. When the call to mate is too strong, he has no choice but to lock himself away in his basement saferoom. Otherwise, people get hurt. The moment Eris walks into his home, nothing can keep him from claiming her. However, she could also be the key to bringing down the dragons' greatest enemy, which leaves Niko with a devastating choice: keep Eris for himself or lose her to the cause he's served for most of his life . . . 25,000 words. Also in the *Dragon Heat Series*: *Dead Sexy Dragon*, Book 1 *Red Hot Dragon*, Book 2 *Dragon Heat 2-in-1*, Books 1 & 2 *Wicked Dark Dragon*, Book 3

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A much-anticipated collection of brilliantly observant short stories from one of the great American masters of the form. At times raucously hilarious, at times charming and delightful, at times as solemn and mysterious as a pond at midnight, Deborah Eisenberg's stories gently compel us to confront the most disturbing truths about ourselves—from our intimate lives as lovers, parents, and children, to our equally troubling roles as citizens on a violent, terrifying planet. Each of the six stories in *Your Duck is My Duck*, her first collection since 2006, has the heft and complexity of a novel. With her own inexorable but utterly unpredictable logic and her almost uncanny ability to conjure the strange states of mind and emotion that constitute our daily consciousness, Eisenberg pulls us as if by gossamer threads through her characters—a tormented woman whose face determines her destiny; a group of film actors shocked to read a book about their past; a privileged young man who unexpectedly falls into a love affair with a human rights worker caught up in an all-consuming quest that he doesn't understand. In Eisenberg's world, the forces of money, sex, and power cannot be escaped, and the force of history, whether confronted or denied, cannot be evaded. No one writes better about time, tragedy and grief, and the indifferent but beautiful universe around us.

The debut of *Oklahoma!* in 1943 ushered in the modern era of Broadway musicals and was followed by a number of successes that have become beloved classics. Shows produced on Broadway during this decade include *Annie Get Your Gun*, *Brigadoon*, *Carousel*, *Finian's Rainbow*, *Pal Joey*, *On the Town*, and *South Pacific*. Among the major performers of the decade were Alfred Drake, Gene Kelly, Mary Martin, and Ethel Merman, while other talents who contributed to shows

include Irving Berlin, Gower Champion, Betty Comden, Adolph Green, Agnes de Mille, Lorenz Hart, Alan Jay Lerner, Frederick Loewe, Cole Porter, Jerome Robbins, Richard Rodgers, and Oscar Hammerstein II. In *The Complete Book of 1940s Broadway Musicals*, Dan Dietz examines every musical and revue that opened on Broadway during the 1940s. In addition to providing details on every hit and flop, this book includes revivals and one-man and one-woman shows. Each entry contains the following information: Opening and closing dates Plot summary Cast members Number of performances Names of all important personnel, including writers, composers, directors, choreographers, producers, and musical directors Musical numbers and the names of performers who introduced the songs Production data, including information about tryouts Source material Critical commentary Details about London and other foreign productions Besides separate entries for each production, the book offers numerous appendixes, such as a discography, film versions, published scripts, Gilbert and Sullivan operettas, and non-musical productions that utilized songs, dances, or background music. A treasure trove of information, *The Complete Book of 1940s Broadway Musicals* provides readers with a complete view of each show. This significant resource will be of use to scholars, historians, and casual fans of one of the greatest decades in musical theatre history.

With studies of, amongst others, Miguel de Cervantes, Anton Chekhov, Charles Baudelaire and Henry James, this landmark collection of essays is a unique and wide-ranging exploration and celebration of the many forms of digression in major works by fifteen of the finest European writers from the early modern period to the present day.

Spoiled heiress Camila has enjoyed a privileged life thanks to her politically connected family. Sheltered from the harsh realities of the galaxy, she has no idea that her vacation plans are about to go horribly awry. To survive the emperor's murderous plot, cyborgs Misko, Andro and Branko lead a small group of civilians into an escape pod. During a chaotic launch, Andro is badly injured, and Misko and Branko find themselves holding their panicked group together. Soon, their limping escape pod strands them in space. All seems lost—until a private ship crosses their path. Hijacked by filthy criminals, Camila tries to flee but is captured by Misko. He quickly identifies her as precious cargo and decides to keep her—in his cabin, tied to his bed. Misko isn't sure why he's fascinated by the bratty blonde who tried to claw his eyes out, but he's compelled to keep her close—naked and writhing underneath him close. Soon, that infuriating, handsome cyborg hasn't just hijacked Camila's ship, he's hijacked her heart. Faced with losing Misko, Camila vows to risk everything to save him from the emperor's death squads. She wants Misko in her life, by her side, in her bed, forever—and she always gets what she wants.

The Singularity. It is the era of the posthuman. Artificial intelligences have surpassed the limits of human intellect. Biotechnological beings have rendered people all but extinct. Molecular nanotechnology runs rampant, replicating and reprogramming at will. Contact with extraterrestrial life grows more imminent with each new day. Struggling to survive and thrive in this accelerated world are three generations of the Macx clan: Manfred, an entrepreneur dealing in intelligence amplification technology whose mind is divided between his physical environment and the Internet; his daughter, Amber, on the run from her domineering mother, seeking her fortune in the outer system as an indentured astronaut; and Sirhan, Amber's son, who finds his destiny linked to the fate of all of humanity. For something is systematically dismantling the nine planets of the solar system. Something beyond human comprehension. Something that has no use for biological life in any form...

The Sexiest Dragon of Them All Adopted at birth, Ivy Morales always suspected she was more than human. Still, she keeps the outlandish thought to herself—even though she can't ignore her powerful dreams of an ancient blood feud . . . or the darkly erotic turn of those hallucinations. Kidnapped in Mexico for her visions, Ivy has only one chance to escape: find the wickedly sexy man in her dreams. Welsh dragon shifter Ian Madoc doesn't understand the strange dream connection he shares with an unknown, beautiful woman. Yet after the seductive images turn into pleas for help, Ian rushes off in the middle of the night, hell-bent on rescuing her. But will she turn out to be the soul mate he's always longed for . . . or the downfall of his entire clan?

Hallie has never run so fast in her life. One of the frightening sky warriors from the warship *Valiant* is hot on her heels and intent on capturing her as his bride. He takes her down, places his collar around her neck. With one word, he claims her. Mine. Born and bred for the military, Vicious has spent years rising through the ranks. Hallie is his reward, the beautiful sprite ensnaring him with a glance. Despite her fear of Vicious, Hallie surrenders under his skillful hands and mouth. If she'll submit, he promises pleasure and comfort. After a lifetime of hardship, his offer tempts her greatly. One night with Hallie and Vicious feels his protective instincts flaring. He'll do anything to make her happy and keep her safe, even if that means surrendering his heart. Though he intended to master her, Vicious realizes it may be his sweet Hallie who masters him.

Suitable for all admirers of the piano, this work brings together more than 3,000 works for piano and orchestra. It comes with a supplement containing over 200 new entries.

"New! An easy-to-use, alphabetical guide for creating rhymes. Features 55,000 headwords with pronunciations at every entry. Lists arranged alphabetically and by number of syllables, with thousands of cross-references to guide readers to correct entries."

Book 2 in the Bestselling *Her Russian Protector* Sexy Romantic Suspense Series Refusing to lose her brother to the violent *Hermanos* street gang, Benny turns to Dimitri, the dead sexy Russian who lives in the apartment above her family's bakery. He's the only man tough enough to get through to Johnny and save him from a life in prison--or worse. There's nothing Dimitri won't do for Benny, even if it means dealing with her troublemaking brother. He quickly realizes that it's not just Johnny and his thug friends that pose a threat to Benny. A shady real estate developer needs to buy her bakery to secure a multi-million dollar deal and he'll stop at nothing to make her sell. Threatened from all sides, Benny finds safety in Dimitri's strong arms--and in his bed. Her big, sexy Russian has no intention of ever letting her go--and he'll brave the fires of hell before he lets anyone harm her. Reader's Note: Dimitri is an incredibly passionate man with a dominant streak--and Benny is only too happy to indulge his need for a little...restraint. keywords: alpha male, latina heroine, multicultural, mob romance, bodyguard romance, her russian protector series

Follows the wild life and times of Pogues co-founder and legendary partyer Shane MacGowan, exploring his childhood, music, friends and family, and religious views.

Book 5 in the Bestselling Her Russian Protector Sexy Romantic Suspense Series After losing her older brother in a violent robbery, wedding gown designer Bianca Bradshaw refuses to date men with criminal ties. She's never been tempted to cross that line--until Sergei. The Russian behemoth works as an enforcer for mob boss Nikolai Kalasnikov and fights as his champion in the underground bare-knuckle circuit. Sergei is absolutely the last complication she needs in her life--but he's the only man who makes her body ache with desire. And right now she needs his help. When he learns some creep is bothering Bianca, Sergei Sakharov vows to protect her at all costs. He's been trying to get close to the plus-sized beauty for months but she rejects him at every turn. He's determined to show her that he's worth more as a man than his criminal connections. But Sergei's loyalty to his family--both blood and criminal--put him at odds with the future he wants with Bianca. He has to choose--the woman he desperately loves or his loyalty to the man who saved his life. Because the darkness of the underworld he inhabits is about to spill into Bianca's life and the hardest choice may be the only one that allows him to protect her... keywords: interracial romance, bwmm, mob romance, alpha male, tattoos, fighter romance, mixed martial arts, multicultural romance, her russian protector series, fighting connollys series

The last thing dragon shifter Stig Wyvern needs is his dead friend's kid sister showing up on his doorstep, especially since he's just minutes away from entering a mating phase. Sharing his isolated house with the young woman he's desperately lusted after for quite some time is a recipe for disaster. But Cora Cardenas has nowhere else to go. She's in deep trouble with some really nasty people and Stig is the only one who can protect her. That he's deliciously sexy and makes her tingle with the simplest of smiles is an added bonus. Cora quickly realizes Stig is hiding something from her. To make matters worse, she's plagued with breathtakingly naughty dreams starring a shadowed lover who bears a startling resemblance to her host. And what the hell is going on in the basement at night? Stig needs to get Cora out of his house but his inner beast has other ideas. He's found his mate and she's not going anywhere. Word count: 25,000 words.

This panoramic overview chronicles the activities of the George Jackson Brigade, a radical, 1970s, multiracial and sexually diverse organization—veterans of prisoners', women's, gay, and black liberation movements. The Brigade embraced bank robberies and armed insurrection to wage war against what they felt was an unjust government. Through a wide array of surveillance reports, feature articles from mainstream and alternative presses, and the organization's prolific, spontaneous communications and substitutive political statements, this collection reveals this body of propaganda and meditations on praxis.

After spending all of her life working in the mines, Brook jumps at the chance to earn a one-way ticket to the colonies. All she has to do is provide some maps and plant some explosives to help the sky warriors rescue one of their operatives. Easy enough, right? But what should have been a simple mission spirals into a fight for her life when she discovers a stolen stash of nerve gas in the mine. Engineering specialist Cipher long ago accepted that he would never have a mate. He refuses to participate in the Grabs, and instead, he dedicates his life to his work. He's all but given up on the idea of love and a family of his own. Until the night he meets the asset who can help them retrieve Terror. The moment he meets Brook, Cipher knows he'll never be able to leave her behind on the mountain. The petite, brilliant beauty ensnares him with one shy smile and awakens his protective instincts when she goes missing. Brook is the one he has been waiting for his entire life--and he'll risk everything to claim her as his mate.

[Menage Amour: Erotic Contemporary Menage a Trois Romance, M/M/F, bondage, spanking, sex toys] For months, LA fashionista Whitney Montcrief has secretly lusted after her roommates, super sexy trauma surgeon Mick O'Loughlin and rough, tough and drop-dead gorgeous SWAT sergeant Eddie Dillon. Eddie craves Whitney's touch. Her sweet smile tempts him like none other--and it terrifies him. He's been burned once before and has no desire to relive the pain of rejection. His heart walled off, Eddie denies himself the very thing he wants most. But Mick is tired of tiptoeing around the obvious sexual attraction between the three of them. He wants Eddie and Whitney in his bed. He's ready to play with fire, even if that means dragging Eddie, kicking and screaming, right through the flames behind him. ** A Siren Erotic Romance

To escape her father's debt to a loan shark, Dizzy seeks refuge in the upcoming Grab. She'd rather belong to one of those terrifying sky warriors from the battleship Valiant than to the sleazy criminal who wants her as his plaything. The years of constant war haven't been kind to highly decorated sniper Venom. Only the promise of earning a wife kept him going through deadly battles. Catching and collaring Dizzy fills him with incredible hope. Finally he has a woman of his own, a mate to love--and bind and adorn with his ropes. After a brazen Splinter attack, the Shadow Force uncovers secrets about Dizzy's late mother that entangle her in a web of deceit. To save Venom, her father and an operative named Terror, Dizzy digs deep and risks it all. Venom refuses to stand idly by while Dizzy's haunted past threatens the future they're trying to build. He finally has a reason for living--and he's not giving her up.

Superhero adventure comics have a long history of commenting upon American public opinion and government policy, and the surge in the popularity of comics since the events of September 11, 2001, ensures their continued relevance. This critical text examines the seventy-year history of comic book superheroes on film and in comic books and their reflections of the politics of their time. Superheroes addressed include Batman, Wonder Woman, Spider-Man, Superman, the Fantastic Four and the X-Men, and topics covered include American wars, conflicts, and public policy. Instructors considering this book for use in a course may request an examination copy here.

[Menage Amour: Erotic Paranormal Cowboy Menage Romance, M/M/F/M/M, werewolves, HEA] All Shelby Mosley wants is a long weekend of R & R. Finding a wounded wolf smack-dab in the highway and taking shelter with his three owners in their secluded cabin isn't part of the plan. But something isn't quite right with these Blackhorse men. What the heck is up with all the wolf decor? And where do they get off smelling so deliciously good? That ought to be criminal! Shelby spends a wicked, wild night with the three men. But the cold light of morning brings a startling discovery. Alex isn't a wolf anymore. He's an injured man who wants to claim her. Con, Ty, and Chuck are also werewolves who believe she is their mate! When she learns Alex's injury was a first strike in a looming war against a new breed of grotesque creatures, Shelby is faced with a choice. She can flee the danger or she can stand with her men and face the coming nightmare.

Note: There is no sexual relationship or touching for titillation between or among siblings. ** A Siren Erotic Romance

For three decades, Sri Lanka's civil war tore communities apart. In 2009, the Sri Lankan army finally defeated the separatist Tamil Tigers guerrillas in a fierce battle that swept up about 300,000 civilians and killed more than 40,000. More than a million had been displaced by the conflict, and the resilient among them still dared to hope. But the next five years changed everything. Rohini Mohan's searing account of three lives caught up in the devastation looks beyond the heroism of wartime survival to reveal the creeping violence of the everyday. When city-bred Sarva is dragged off the

streets by state forces, his middle-aged mother, Indra, searches for him through the labyrinthine Sri Lankan bureaucracy. Meanwhile, Mugil, a former child soldier, deserts the Tigers in the thick of war to protect her family. Having survived, they struggle to live as the Sri Lankan state continues to attack minority Tamils and Muslims, frittering away the era of peace. Sarva flees the country, losing his way – and almost his life – in a bid for asylum. Mugil stays, breaking out of the refugee camp to rebuild her family and an ordinary life in the village she left as a girl. But in her tumultuous world, desires, plans, and people can be snatched away in a moment. *The Seasons of Trouble* is a startling, brutal, yet beautifully written debut from a prize-winning journalist. It is a classic piece of reportage, five years in the making, and a trenchant, compassionate examination of the corrosive effect of conflict on a people.

From the editor of *Dirty Girls* comes a new anthology of steamy stories for women who don't fit into a size zero—or two, or four—and the men and women who love them. In this voluptuously erotic collection, editor and best-selling author Rachel Kramer Bussel showcases the sensual side of having “more to love,” from the sexiness of big butts and plus-size corsets to the irresistible allure of pregnant bellies. No aspect of full-figured female sexuality is left unexplored, whether heterosexual or same-sex, raunchy or romantic, femme or butch. Bussel also includes seductive stories featuring characters of varying ethnic and racial backgrounds, exploring how different cultures approach size and eroticism. From trysts between long-time partners to one-night stands, from vanilla encounters to kinky romps, *Curvy Girls* is an all-inclusive celebration of the sensuality of larger women—in all their curvy glory.

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