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You can't escape the past. You can try to forget but it never truly leaves you. It is a part of who are you are; it has shaped you, it will shape your future. It is the shadow behind you. You can't outrun it, you can't hide from it or deny it - the past will always exist. Who you once were is still a part of who you are today. This, I now understand.

My name is Gracelynn Stevenson. I tried to destroy The Lost Magic. I tried to erase the past. I tried to make things go back to the way that they once were. I failed. And now all the happiness I thought I had found, has been lost to the shadows...

## Sapphire Sun Details

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### Dani says

\*\*\* As *Sapphire Sun* is the third book in a series, this review will contain spoilers for the first two books.  
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“All magic has a price, dearie.”  
~ Rumpelstiltskin, Once Upon A Time

All choices have consequences. Even seemingly small choices can have a ripple effect creating unforeseen events, and the greater the choice the greater the risk. At the conclusion of *Silver Dew*, in a stand-off with her & Caolinn’s enemies, Gracelynn makes the self-sacrificial choice to destroy the Lost Magic. A choice which results in the loss of memory and magic for all parties involved. A choice which leads to an unwanted promise and a surprising ally. A choice that threatens Gracelynn and Sebastian’s love. A choice in a series of choices that has created a new evil that must be defeated even if it comes at a terrible cost.

**Gracelynn.** I love how strong she’s become throughout this series. From the unsatisfied-but-willing-to-maintain-the-status-quo girl she was in *Amber Frost*, to a girl who’s really come into her own. Gracelynn’s found courage and confidence, and she’s become a leader instead of a follower. She’s made mistakes, some rather large ones, but she’s becoming reconciled to her past and what Caolinn means to her. She’s fallen in love (again) with the boy who’s held her heart through time. Though loving Sebastian has helped her discover who she is, and that she’s strong with him, she’s also discovered strength without him. Her character arc as a whole has just been rather fantastic through this series.

That said, it was hard to watch Grace in this novel, though her journey was necessary and entirely keeping with her character. Her anger and desperation made her a little hard to connect with and some of her decisions hard to support. She becomes somewhat reckless and dangerous as she vows to do whatever it takes to get Sebastian back. It’s interesting to note in this novel how Gracelynn merges a little bit more with Caolinn, finding a middle-ground, so to speak, between herself and her former self.

**Sebastian.** I’m trying to keep my lips sealed on what’s up with him, because through most of the novel I was all, “Suzi! What are you doing to my Sebastian?!” It’s been hinted at in the previous books that there’s a darkness to Sebastian’s character, and in *Sapphire Sun*, you get to see more of what that entails. His arc throughout this book is hard and heart-wrenching, but well done.

**David.** A former friend of Sebastian’s, but more recently a dangerous adversary, David has forgotten both his past and his connection to the Lost Magic, but is trying his hardest to remember. What happens if he remembers? Will he be friend or foe?

**Characters & Characterization.** I wish there had been more time to get to know the many secondary characters Suzi introduces in *Sapphire Sun*, but I love what Suzi does with Sebastian, Grace and David. She puts her characters through so much, taking them right to the brink and sometimes beyond, and I adore that kind of risky character development.

Another aspect of the character development that I really found interesting is in the search for identity esp. in regard to the same soul living multiple lives. It's fascinating seeing some of these characters work through things they'd done, events they'd set into motion, decisions they'd made in the past – things that they aren't necessarily proud of. Are these decisions still a part of them? Are they the person they were or the person they are now? Are they a bit of both? And how do you live with the sins of the past?

Yeah. Interesting, right?

**Romance.** Passionate. Heartbreaking. Agonizing. Heart-wrenching. There were a few moments in *Sapphire Sun* that took me by completely by surprise, made me re-evaluate my feelings, and that left me extremely unsure as to how and if everything would work out. As much as I hated it, I loved the uncertainty – the fact that Suzi made me feel taken aback and conflicted. And did it all work out? *[insert maniacal, evil laugh here]* I'll never tell. Read the book.

**Story.** Though it felt a little... not as polished as the first two books, and though I had hoped for a bit more transition from the ending of *Silver Dew* to the beginning of this novel, *Sapphire Sun* is extremely enjoyable and a great continuation of this series. The pacing of the first third was a little slow, but necessary. And once it gets going, it's going at breakneck speed until the conclusion.

b>World. Small thing, but I love that this series is Canadian-based. I'm wracking my brain trying to think of any other YA series that I've read that's set in Canada, or that even travels to Canada, and I'm coming up with... nothing. Why isn't Canada used as a setting more often? I don't know, but honestly more series should immigrate beyond western Europe and the Lower 48. Same is lame, people.

Another thing I love about the world of the Lost Magic is the ancient feel Suzi creates. The sense of historical depth she weaves as she connects her characters' present lives with their pasts.

And this ties into the last thing I want to mention – that I already briefly touched on – about consequences. I appreciate the rules of magic in this book. Though triggered according to a person's desires, magic isn't to be used for every tiny whim. The ability to wield magic comes with temptations, opportunities, and a great responsibility. Using magic is a choice, and choices have consequences, and as is often the case, consequences have a way of catching up to a person.

**Overall.** Emotionally-charged, wonderfully conflicting, and achingly romantic, *Sapphire Sun* is the fantastic third act in Sebastian and Gracelynn's story.

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## Jasmyn says

Silver Dew ended with quite a climatic scene. This scene leads to all the trouble in *Sapphire Sun*. Gracelynn has tried to fix everyone's mistakes by taking their memories and their magic, but she didn't quite succeed in her efforts. As bits and pieces begin to come back to her, she is visited by spirits with a new task of brining mage back into the world.

This seemed a little counter productive since the last book was all about taking it away. This task leads to a very grand adventure involving Sebastian and his past coming back to haunt him (once again). This is a

theme that recurs several times throughout the series and I sort of hoped this one would end with a different note. The first half of the book really dragged for me, but the second half (once they get on the island) really picked up and became interesting. There are tons of hints dropped about the big surprise at the ending, but I didn't catch a single one so I was very surprised - in a good way.

While this wasn't the best series I've ever read, it was entertaining and had a few really good twists and turns, there was just a little too much repeating of a theme overall.

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## **Tamera says**

### **AWESOME**

Incredible series, with a different type of twist. Kept me up way too late, WAY too many nights!! Try the first one in the series and you will soon find yourself where I am now, writing a review!

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## **Anna says**

Okay, so I have to say that I have really enjoyed this series and if you haven't read them... you are missing out. I have been hooked on this series since book 1. Book 3 really takes you for a ride. I love it.

Gracelynn and Sebastian have survived the explosion but it comes at a price... They are missing critical pieces to their memories. For example, they don't know who they really are. Davis sure does have a thing for losing memories in this series but that's okay because it just makes it more epic.

Grace and Sebastian find themselves back living with the Jensions but they bring along a new friend with them. David was there during the explosion and he seems to have holes in his memory too.

Even with the memory loss, Grace and Sebastian will go on planning their wedding. Planning a wedding seems to be chaotic but what makes matters worse is that Grace starts to remember more and Sebastian doesn't want anything to do with remembering. It feels like they pulling away from each. Grace knows that something is going on when you dreams of a person telling her to follow her destiny and guide some people with natural power like hers. Grace refuses.

To make matters worse, Sebastian disappears. Now, Grace along with David and this new group of people must work together to find Sebastian before it's too late.

Grace and her group travel to an island where they attempt to watch another powerful group who use their power for evil. This is when Grace meets Aed, a man who is almost as powerful as her. Who is Aed and where did he come from? Find out in the book :)

Overall, I really enjoyed this book and series. I definitely recommend it for everyone.

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## **LoLo says**

I'm actually disappointed in this book. The only part that I like was the very end. :-/

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## **Molly Ringle says**

Satisfying wrap-up to the Lost Magic series. I do find Grace and Sebastian addictive to read, and kept turning pages. After where the last book ended, I had some theories about where this one might go; and during the course of it, I had theories about what the twists might be. But I was mostly wrong, so kudos to Suzi for keeping us readers on our toes. It's hard to discuss it without spoilers, so I hope it isn't one to say that fans of the Buffy/Angelus sections of the Buffyverse might in particular be fond of the places this one goes. ;)

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## **Charity says**

The first 2 books in the series are better than the third. Unfortunately, I lost interest half way through the 3rd book, I loved the ending, but overall the first book in the series is my favourite.

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## **Nicki Markus says**

And so the story ends.... Sapphire Sun is a reasonable end to this tale of lost magic. It ties everything up into a fitting conclusion, without leaving too many questions. Towards the middle of the book, I was impressed with what seemed like a bold choice by the author regarding the romantic storyline, but that was later turned on its head for a more traditional ending.

The story held my interest to the finale, but the ending felt a little sudden and rushed. So much so that it took me a moment to get my head around exactly what had happened. This book had similar dialogue issues to the earlier two, but to a lesser extent but the pacing was better than the last book (except for the ending)

All in all, I give this series three stars. It has its faults, but the story idea is interesting and the characters will appeal to YA readers. It is worth checking out for fans of this genre looking for something new.

I received this book as a free e-book ARC from the publisher.

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## **Kristen says**

Awesome ! I am sad it's the last book but I was not disappointed! I didn't know where the story would go after the end of book two - it was a twist and turn filled finale.

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## **Brandi Kosiner (Brandi Breathes Books) says**

So, first let me say, if you haven't read this series, you should give it a try. I love it and really liked Grace's character and the love story is great. With that said--there will probably be spoilers for the first two in the series.

Going into Sapphire Sun, I had forgotten a few things, but I remembered the love and devotion that Grace and Sebastian had for each other. And, as it turns out, the blurb tells you most of what you need to know, and Grace and Sebastian's memories are blank as to what happened in Greece. But I was sucked right back into her world and terror since it opens with a nightmare... But at first you aren't sure that is what it is, and I am not sure if it is memories trying to haunt her and how much the paranoia when she wakes is warranted. The plot is fast and there is so much coming at Grace. Hard, life changing things, and I appreciated how she handled it all. For the most part. I had to remind myself that she was young, and love is all consuming, and as the distance between her and Sebastian starts to grow once her magic reawakens and his apparently doesn't, he withdraws. She can see that he is dealing with a lot, but he doesn't want to burden her so he doesn't talk to her about it. Which only upsets her more, because she felt like she was all on her own. And I can totally sympathize with that, because for the most part, women just want to nurture, and men want to handle it themselves, and these two mindsets don't mesh. But she puts off some of the responsibilities that she agreed to with the spirits, and that creates a whole world of trouble that she couldn't predict. This is where I wished that she could have found some kind of balance before everything went so far downhill. But then they wouldn't have learned and grown as characters so much I guess. And it was quite a journey, watching their hearts be broken, deal with things that no young adult should have to. It made me feel right along with Grace, and watching her learn to be a leader and what that means, as well as embracing what she was called to do, and learn balance with the magic that she has been trusted with.

There are both old and new characters in this one. There was one in particular that I didn't know what to make of the seeming changes, and I didn't know if I wanted to trust him, but I wanted to. There is also wedding planning that made me giddy, and some very hot scenes that made me squee and blush a bit. The ending was very satisfying, and had a few twists that I didn't see coming, but it was very sweet and I think that it wrapped up the book very nicely.

**Bottom Line:** Heart stopping continuation of the love story between Grace and Sebastian, with some surprising and emotional twists.

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