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Twelve Houses. Twelve vampire lines. We ruled from the shadows, and manipulated the world, and when humans came too close to destruction, we intervened.

Every House has a Scion. A fragile, easily broken human that stood shoulder to shoulder with the house Princes and Princesses.

Except for ours. The Ravens, House Cantelie.

We've been without a Scion for almost fifteen years.

But that will change...and her life will be mine to protect.

The Scionless House Details

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Nadine Hook Me Up Book Blog says

3.5 Looking Forward to this Series- Stars

"The steps I'm sitting on are beginning to crumble, steep stones the color of blood. The house is getting old. The first step in matching the family that calls it home."

I can honestly say I'm looking very much forward to read this new vampire series! Twelve vampire houses rule over and alongside the humans, each of the houses been having for the past hundreds of years a Scion - a human that fights and stands side by side with the houses and its Prince/Princesses.

Unfortunately, The Ravens, House Cantelie, has no Scion. She got killed.... Octavian's aka The Blade, biggest regret and grief.

"Some call us the death omen- because when Father speaks, and is ignored, death follows."

The prequel was great, seriously great. It gave the right amount of background information to know who is who, who's part of House Cantelie and most importantly, why Octavian's is troubled. It did hint on unsolved tensions and family drama (which is common in most vampire families/novels and I seriously suck this up stuff up :)). Bring it all, I'm down for some rebellion!

Overall this series features some promising strong vampires - females and male alike - that are just looking to cause trouble and refusing orders. Totally my cup of tea!!

If you're a fan of paranormal books I'd say snatch this free prequel now, getting somewhat to know the House Cantelie - The Ravens - because it's a great intro, providing a glossary beforehand to avoid confusion.

→ <http://amzn.to/1l8lBoN> (free prequel)

** THE BLOOD SCION (bk1) comes out Nov 24 **

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Sa says

Promising storyline, interesting characters. I especially liked that the girl, Farley, didn't gawk, drool, gape or get flustered at the sight of these male vampires like mcs usually do. She only wanted to get away like any sensible person would when faced with predatory creatures. But even though this is a novella I wish it had a proper end as it would have been more satisfying.

Holly says

First posted at Words Fueled by Love.

For a freebie novella, which was recommended to read before reading book one in the series, this short 62 pages was enough to wet my appetite in the vampire genre again.

As the Goodreads summary says, there are 12 vampire houses which are the 12 vampire lines, each house with a patriarch and then a hierarchy of other vampires. Each house may include blood princes and/or princesses, blood knights, a blade, and a scion. This story is about Octavian, a vampire who is a blood prince of the Raven House, and is the house blade. His job as blade is to lead the knights, to serve as an adviser to the Patriarch and is the house assassin. His job is also to protect the house Scion, which is a human that speaks on behalf of the vampire house to the human world and as such the house protects them as they would their own.

The back story we learn is that House Raven has been without a Scion for 15 years because the last one they had was assassinated. She was instrumental in bringing about a lot of change for the vampires, namely making it so that they didn't have to keep hidden to the humans anymore. Due to a plague that was wiping out the humans, a way was paved for the vampires to come forward and help with a cure. The human race now knows the vampires exist and laws have been set up so that the vampires and humans can live side by side...albeit most humans are still afraid of them.

Octavian is being sent to New York City to collect a human girl to replace the Scion he was once protector over. But his patriarch has kept many things secret from him. His loyalty to his leader, or his father in all intents and purposes, is shaken.

An irritation of mine is for any book with a publisher, which has been released for purchase or is free, to have so many grammatical errors. There were a lot of incorrect words used or words misspelled.

Having enjoyed Nazarea's *The World Without End* series, I look forward to reading more from her, starting next with book 1 in her vampire series, *The Blood Scion*.

Language: 2 (medium)

Mature Content: 2 (medium)

Final Rating: 3.5 stars

Katherina [Book-o-Craze] says

Originally posted on Book-o-Craze, on a tour hosted by InkSlinger Blogger.

I hadn't read a book featuring vampires for quite some time, as a conscious choice. I thought that everything was already said, and wasn't really able to find anything original in many stories.

But this short story made me re-evaluate!

A whole world was made by the author, with different houses and ranks of vampires. All this was explained right at the beginning, so it was fairly easy for me to keep up with who was who and the way they interacted with each other!

The story was narrated by Octavian, a Blood Prince, who is sent on a mission to retrieve a mysterious person. It is short, but gives the readers a complete feeling of the stories and the main heroes involved. IT still left me with wanting to know more about this world, though!

Seeing as I enjoyed so much this short story, I can only wait for the actual first book in the series to be

released, in order for me to get to know the characters and their way of life, more!

All in all, 5 stars to an awesome prequel!

Sybil aka Lala says

A few years ago a trend was started in paranormal romance. We were 'treated' to vampires, zombies, werewolves and all manner of being in touch with their sad feelings and feeling all kinds of depressed about their place in the universe and high school. Let's just say, I am not a fan.

So I picked up The Scionless House not knowing anything about it and expecting much the same type of depressing, cringe worthy melodrama about zits and finding true love at sixteen (eyeroll). Well slice me off a big piece of humble pie because Nazarea Andrews sure put me in my place!

Yay the return of vampires as they should be: mysterious, dark, powerful and sexy as all fuck!

This brilliantly written novella marks the beginning of The Scionless Legacy Trilogy. We are introduced to the twelve houses and a host of vampires all in different levels of importance and rank. We meet the hot as shit Ocvtian, or Tavian, who is ordered to find a woman and bring her back to his house, a woman he knows nothing about- not even the reason he's sent to find her. We are thrown into the threat of internal danger and politics as we follow Tavian, his estranged brother and his knights on the journey.

It's like the mafia with fangs and it's FREE with not a sparkle or third period science class in sight so seriously, go get it! I am so fucking excited about the rest of this series I can hardly contain myself. Nazarea Andrews, thank you for returning vampires to my spank bank!

(ARC provided by author in exchange for an honest review)

Crina (Reading Addict) says

I have a very big and soft spot for books and series about and with vampires, especially when they sound and look really good and original. And this one has awesome covers and very intriguing and promising synopses, so when I was asked if I wanted to review the novella how could I say no?

I had a very good time reading this novella but also I was very sad at the end - because it's so short. It's not the first novella that I read and in my opinion it was a bit too short and maybe stopped a bit too abrupt? I mean, I understand that the author just wanted to give us a taste and make us very curious and eager to read the first book but still... a little more would have been amazing. This is my only complaint, if I could name it like that.

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J. Kahele says

So this is the second book I have read about vampires within the last two weeks. I have avoided vampire books, because quite honestly, they are glamorized too much. But I am glad that I did not stay away from this book. This author is an amazing writer, world builder and masterfully crafted realistic characters in a fantasy, fiction book. I really enjoyed the story and will be reading more from this author.

Valentina "TinchyB" says

Solid read

This was good prequel but short. I never know how to rate novellas especially short like this one. This was interesting intro into one new excellent series.

Once Upon a Twilight says

This novella was a bit too short for me to be able to give it a rating. I need more!!!

It seems like it could be a good storyline.

One thing I will tell you is that I LOVE the cover.

- Yara

Judith says

No Rating.

However,I did finish it and did enjoy the story

Let me start by saying don't let the fact I haven't rated this put you off because this series definitely has great potential

So I went into this knowing it was a prequel Novella so it obviously was going to be a short read and Novellas actually work well for me.

The story was going on very nicely,thank you when suddenly it stopped at 55%.You then get the first few chapters of the upcoming full length book when it stops again at 77%.The remainder is a sample of another book by the Author.

And this was the reason for no rating.It read more like a book sample.For the story i would probably have given it 4 stars but for the layout about 1 star

The Story

I do enjoy paranormal books but one thing that puts me off is that there is generally a lot of information thrown at you that is sometimes difficult to take in.

In this one, yes, there is a lot to digest but I have to say the Author has done an excellent job in setting the scene and with character development, considering it's so short.

Octavian is a Blood Prince and has total loyalty to his father even if he doesn't necessarily agree with him. So when his father sends him to New York to bring back a particular girl to become a new Princess for their house, he does so without question.

On the way he visits his estranged brother, Sulla who goes with him to get the girl.

I can already see Octavian and Sulla as fascinating characters, and I'm very intrigued as to why they've chosen this particular girl.

I can see this being a very promising PNR series and will definitely be interested in reading the full length book...

Malissa says

There isn't too much to say about this because it is a pretty quick read. This is a novella to prep readers for the first full length book in the Scion Legacy Series and it is a fantastic start! After reading this I can not wait to get my hands on the first full book.

Nazarea Andrews writes us into a whole new world where vampires and humans are, I wouldn't say co-existing, but fully aware of each other. After a disease begins to sweep through the human race the 12 vampire houses have to make their presence known in order to save humans, their life-blood...literally. We get quite a bit of backstory but it is clear that much more will be revealed in the first book. We are left in the dark on a few things and I look forward to getting more details soon.

The only reason I gave this a 4 instead of a 5 star rating is simply that there are a lot of people and those people all have people who have people and they have people...it's just a LOT of people and a whole lot of hierarchy that kind of gets all jumbled in your mind so you have to keep flipping back to the beginning to sort it all out. That is however a good reason to have had this novella, it allows you to begin to organize this world in your mind so when you go into the first book you can focus on exactly what is happening.

I love what Nazarea has begun here however and I am already falling hard for the main hero, he's mysterious, broody, broken, a bit of a lost soul (do vampires have souls? Ha) and I think he is about to meet his match in our heroine. This book sets them up, but we don't get too far into their relationship so there is no doubt that is the direction book 1 will take.

This is a fast read, only 62 pages...but well worth it to get your interest peaked, your mind prepped for what's to come, and to set the stage. Perfect read for any Paranormal/Paranormal Romance fans plus as of today (but not sure for how long) the novella is free on Kindle so grab it up and get excited for your next paranormal fix!

<http://www.readsallthebooks.com/2015/...>

Lisa (Two Bookish Brits) says

Well this was an interesting short read. I haven't really read that many paranormal books but when I do, I always hope they're worded well and easy to follow like this one was.

I seen this beauty on my kindle and decided to give it a shot and I'm glad I did. I enjoyed learning about the roles in the vampire world and learning about them.

My only regret is not checking if I had the next book on my kindle (which I don't) and now I'll have to wait, Damn it lol.

Miranda (MrsLeif's Two Fangs About It) says

I usually have a hard time getting into novellas, but that I was not the case with this novella. I was surprised with how much I enjoyed it. I thought the world was unique and interesting. I definitely want to learn more about it.

Some of the characters and their relationships with each other were a little hard to keep up with, so I wish that would have been explained a little bit better. At times, I felt like I was drowning in information overload, but I understood that the author had to give a lot of information in a short amount of time.

I felt like I was diving into a full length story, and not a short novella. I kept forgetting that the novella was going to end soon. I never wanted it to end! I was intrigued to learn more about what was going to happen. I am now very excited to read the next book that picks up where this novella left off. I thought this was a great introduction into the book series, and I am excited to see how this storyline will progress in a full-length novel.

4 / 5 Fangs

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Ethan Gregory says

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My Thoughts:

Nearly two years and about two dozen posts later, you guys all know by now that I love me some Nazarea Andrews. Everything this woman writes is golden. Having just finished one of my favorite series earlier this year, I really didn't know what to expect from Andrews. Little did I know she'd be tackling my favorite paranormal trope ever: vampires.

Oh hell yes.

I love novellas. I know some people don't and that's okay, but novellas, particularly prequel novellas, are awesome in the sense that they give readers an insight to the writing style and the plot of a series without devoting themselves to an entire novel. That being said, I don't think a novella has ever left me chomping at the bit for more like The Scionless House did. It was a super quick read, clocking in around 30 pages, but man Andrews packed a punch.

For far too long the literary world has been plagued with sparkly vampires who are more full of feels than bloodlust and power. Those vamps aren't for me. I need the dark, violent, bloodthirsty vampires that made me fall in love with them so long ago. Vampires that the likes of Anne Rice and Charlaine Harris would be proud to be associated with.

This short novella was everything I could have hoped for, and more. Plus, have you seen that cover? Woah! I couldn't be any more excited for the first full length novel if I tried. I can already tell this is going to be the Nazarea Andrews series that is NOT to be missed.

It's time for the days of the current 'greats' to come to a close, a new vampire author queen has emerged and she's sitting atop her throne ready to impress! Fans of any vampire series are not going to want to miss this one.

I've had to avoid any plot info since this one is so short and I don't want to spoil anything, but do you and your TBR a huge favor and pick this one up today. It's FREE!

All of this being said, it should come as absolutely no surprise that I am granting The Scionless House by Nazarea Andrews a near-perfect 5-star review. Don't miss this read!

Kei • lovelypagesreviews • says

This is a free prequel and tiny tbh, it introduces us to the Scion Legacy series and it really made me want to read The Blood Scion. Could use a little more detail and time on the world building but still a good introduction to the series.
