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Sexy, royal and one of the ferocious black dragons... he's way out of her league.

Orphaned and forced to live under the cruel eye of her stepmother, Saskia spends her days and most of her nights sewing gowns for rich dragonesses to wear to balls she will never see. When a chance encounter brings her into contact with the handsome Callan, Duke and cousin to the Queen, she thinks nothing of it. After all, what royal duke would want a woman with a broken, mad dragon?

But when the otherworldly intervenes, Saskia gets her chance to go to the ball, and dance with the man of her dreams...

Tiny, delicate and utterly beautiful... but where has he seen her before?

A royal duke by birth, and a black, Callan's life has been dictated since the moment he was born. Ordered by his cousin, the queen, to pick a bride at the ball or she'll pick for him, he's between a rock and a hard place. Until he sees her. The tiny woman in the purple gown runs him a merry chase over the ballroom but one look and he's determined. She will be his.

And she is, for the briefest of moments before his duty intervenes and he has to return a wayward youth to his father before he gets himself into a lifetime of trouble. When he returns his delicate princess is gone, leaving behind a single shoe...

Furious, Callan launches a hunt for his love...one that leads to a woman who is not who she pretends to be, a raid on a brothel and a fight with a troll. Can he persuade his delicate princess she's not broken, but that she's the perfect dragoness for him?

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Erika says

[/prvé stretnutie medzi "duke" a "mouse", kedy držal rukavice, ktoré chcela zbali? a povedala mu, že tie by mu neboli/ (view spoiler)]

Kelly says

Oh, I liked this one. Cinderella with dragon-shifters. Yesssss. Complete with a wicked stepmother and a driven duke and a shoe left behind for him to find her by.

MAN, I like dragons. They're ruthless and focused and they definitely go after what they want when they see it. The first time they meet, Callan might not have realized what Saskia was to him, but he figured it out soon enough. But by that point Saskia is already on the run and in some deep water with her "family."

Driven dragons, a mistreated girl, and a stepmother with zero redeeming qualities. I'm all in!

-Kelly @ Reading the Paranormal

LIA Kh. says

this one have cinderella plot mixing with shifter world. I must say its quite boring and I hate a weak character that starring in in this book. something like that.

Lisa says

Amazing short story!

A lot of book in a quick read! Loved the interplay of both families. The hotness is not underscored in anyway by the teasing banter. Well written! Highly recommended!

Monty Cupcake ? Queen of Bloodshed ? says

Short book about Saskia, the Cinderella character, who has a chained inner dragon, working for her evil stepmother and stepsisters. She goes to a ball and meets Duke Calan, the hot dragon dude of her dreams. A very short dragon version of Cinderella.

Jenn says

Okay I wrote this once and it disappeared after I hit save. Overall I liked this Cinderella retelling with a paranormal twist. That said it's like the story was rushed and too many things were summarized or skipped in order to keep this at a short story length. I didn't care for the insta love or the numerous unanswered questions. The society created here was only vaguely laid out rather than presented in a way a reader could immerse themselves in the tale. All of Saskia's character growth occurs off page between the last chapter and epilogue and I feel cheated as a reader to be rushed through the story that had so much more to offer. Granted I'll give you the Disney version skipped character growth for off page too, but I'm not a child that wants to skip the meaty part of the book to go straight to the happy ending. Additionally Disney sure as hell didn't add the spicy sex scenes which while extremely well written I would have traded in a heartbeat to get the emotional detail this story was missing. It's like you get the bare bones of a good story stripped of all the meaty details that would have made it great.

Stephanie Hale says

Purple Dragons

This story was short and sweet. Loved the storyline, a little bit of Cinderella, oh my. Ms. Mina please write the Queen's story. I have to know if she finally mates what's his face. Great read.

Lauren says

I really enjoyed this book. Hunted by the dragon duke is like a dragon version Cinderella. It has the whole evil stepmother and stepsisters. It has the locked in a tower sleeping on a pallet. It also has the whole fairy godmother and lost slipper. I really liked Saskia and my heart hurt for her. I didn't like the way she was treated. I was happy when Saskia's stepmother and stepsisters got what they deserved. I really liked Galen. I liked that he was intrigued about his little mouse from the moment he met her. I liked that when he knew she was his mate, he was determined to claim her. I liked that he hunted her down and protected her. I will definitely re read this book again in the future, read more of Mina Carter's books and hope for more stories like this one.

The storyline for this book is easy to follow and an enjoyable read.

Pam Louis says

This has got to be the best version of cinderella I have read. Better then the original lol!

Saskia had lost her mother at her birth then lost her father when she was still young and before her first shift as a dragon. Now she is grown and stuck with her evil stepmother and two equally evil stepsister. They are all dragon shifters. Saskia's dragon has been locked away since her first shift. She works as a servant and seamstresses for her stepmother but she never gets the credit for her work or any kindness.

Calan is a duke of vacossin and a black dragon.

Since you more then likely know the cinderella story I will leave it at that. I LOVE the dragon twist on this

fun story. The characters are fantastic and the storyline is awesome. Don't miss it!
Voluntarily reviewed a copy and I honestly loved it.

Gemma says

This book is a short sweet retelling of the fairy tale Cinderella. A Young beautiful girl who has lost her father and is currently living with her stepmother and stepsisters is abused and taking advantage of by cooking cleaning and making dresses for them. But Saskia has a Dragons soul even though she think she's damaged and takes a leap of Faith and goes to the ball and meets the handsome Duke Calendar (a Black) cousin to the Queen (white dragon).

And when he discovers that she ran away during a situation he goes on a search for her and discovers that the evil stepmother has sold her into slavery, where he quickly races to her rescue and takes her home so that he can become her true mate and release her dragon.

This is a good story but I despise that it's so short. I loved Saskia and Calen and wanted more. Much love too Mina.

Nicole says

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This dragon version of Cinderella, was a quick and entertaining read. Although it follows the lines of the classic fairytale, it was a fun and entertaining read. Saskia has had to endure her wicked step-mother since her fathers death several years ago. In this slight variation, not only does Saskia's step-mother and step-sisters beat her drastically, but they've imprisoned her dragon and eventually sell her. Thankfully, black dragon Duke Calan has been unable to forget about the quiet girl he let her away at the ball. When he learns what has happened to Saskia he sets off to rescue her. Of course they get their HEA. I really liked these characters and wish the rest of the series was on KU. 5 Stars.

*****Reviewer for Romance Authors that Rock I voluntarily read and reviewed a copy of this book. All thoughts and opinions are my own.*****

Maura says

Basically this is a paranormal retelling of Cinderella, where the prince is Callan, who is actually a duke, cousin to the queen and a black dragon on the Council of 12. Cinderella in this case is Saskia, who was orphaned right before her first shift into a dragon, which she did alone and unsupported, which caused a lot of damage. Afterwards her evil stepmother put a collar on her which subdued her dragon...she's been in slavery to her family ever since. She manages to get to the ball where Callan recognizes her as his mate and whisks her off to try and have sex with her but he is thwarted by a stepsister and Saskia flees. The big difference in the fairytale is that Saskia is caught, so her stepmother sells her into sexual slavery and Callan has to go rescue her.

For a quick little paranormal fairytale, this wasn't bad. Having read the first in the Council of Black Dragons series, this had a decidedly more "historical" feel, although the characters do use cars and the occasional cell

phone (IIRC). Obviously if you're reading Cinderella, then the heroine is something of a doormat, allowing herself to be slave to her family. In this case, I was a bit surprised though because Saskia is the seamstress for the family business...so when they sold her, I wanted to know how they were going to stay in business. Who is going to sew the dresses now? As such, Saskia had some major bargaining power, so I think that was overlooked (and my over-analytical mind just latches on to such little details!). There isn't much getting to know you, but the set up of this story doesn't really require it...they fall in insta-love, he recognizes her as his mate and adores every personality trait he sees and she adores his protectiveness and feels super safe with him. For a short story like this, that's kind of enough...especially since there weren't any disagreements or tension otherwise. So I did enjoy this, but would have loved a longer, more fleshed out story.

Gabriella says

Cinderella meets a Dragon Duke! A retelling of Cinderella. I love fairy tales and I love shifter romance. Therefore, I gave this book a try. And the sample was good, too. But...the rest of the story wasn't so great. The heroine was very annoying. She's a complete doormat. I can't remember Cinderella not having a backbone. This girl (oops, I forgot her name) didn't have one at all. I really liked Calan. He was a good developed character, sorry to see him end up with some one so weak.

My biggest issue with Hunted by the Dragon Duke was that the story was just too short. It read more like a rough draft than a complete book (and was priced for a complete book). The premise and the beginning were good, though.

C.J. says

A quick read with a Cinderella take on a dragon story. Would have liked more comeuppance for the Blaise women. Overall, a nice story.

Smart Kinky Diva says

I used to buy and read many of Mina Carter's books when she was part of Ellora's Cave. Sadly I've lost all those books when the site was changed. I was happy to see those stories now on Amazon, too bad they aren't available via Kindle Unlimited. I purchased this book because I liked the description and as noted had read prior stories by this author. I was a bit disappointed in this story. Some parts were strong and sexy while other details were weak if not just stupid (such a hard word but I can't think of another way to describe it). I was looking for the fun and fire I read in Lyon's Price or Owned by the Elf. It was missing in this tale.
