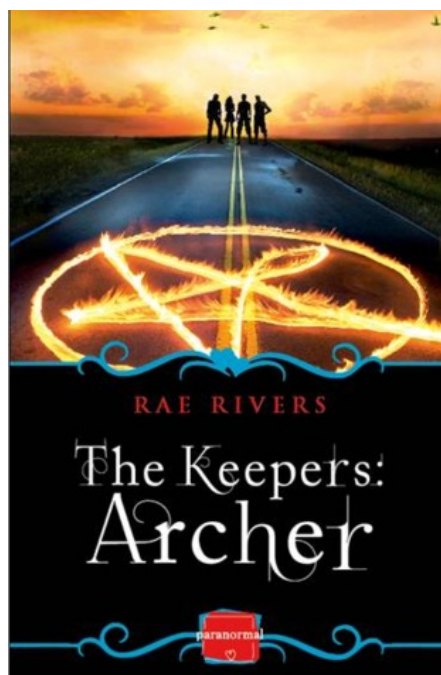




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‘Don’t ever look for me again, Archer.’

His mouth curled into a smile. ‘Game on.’

Central Park. Sienna Beckham is out jogging in the autumn sun, feeling almost ordinary. Trouble is, she'll never be. She's on the run from her life as a powerful witch and the three Keepers blood-bound to protect her.

Evil is hot on Sienna's tail and Archer Bennett is searching for her, desperate to find her before they do. As one of her Keepers, he will fight to his death to defend her.

Sienna must return and defend her hometown, Rapid Falls – but she has to face the past and master her powers. And as forbidden feelings blossom between Sienna and Archer, will their love survive the ultimate war?

The Keepers: three strong and handsome warrior brothers, born to protect.

The Keepers: Archer Details

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Jane Hunt says

Jane Hunt Writer

The Keepers: Archer is an exciting book combining modern paranormal themes with excellent storytelling and the added complication of forbidden love. The expert weaving of action and dialogue never gives the reader time to relax.

The first book in a trilogy it successfully builds the paranormal world where the action, romance and stories take place. A page turner, which could easily be read in one go but to fully understand the paranormal world of 'The Keepers and Witches' I recommend a slower perusal.

Some ideas were alluded to but not fully explained in this first book. Whilst this is momentarily frustrating for the reader it is essential in a series whose overriding story isn't concluded until the last line of the last book.

Sienna is a contemporary woman, the modern face of an ancient legacy of witches. She is a dichotomy; the powerful witch with a vulnerable heart. It is this susceptibility which threatens her well-being and the safety of those she cares for. She is an easy character to like as she strives to accept her fate.

Archer is the protector every woman dreams of; sexy, witty and fiercely loyal. His brothers and fellow Keepers Declan and Ethan are equally gorgeous and I can't wait to see more of them in the next two books.

The sexual tension between Sienna and Archer is well written and the love scenes are sensual.

The antagonist is an important component of the story. Warrick the evil Warlock lives up to this potential and I defy you not to hate him by the end of the story.

The ending is action packed and notable as is the lead onto the next adventure.

If you like modern paranormal romance this is definitely for you.

The prequel The Keepers: Sienna is out 26 September 2013. I can't wait to read and find out more about Sienna and her Keepers.

Rae Rivers

Pam says

Sienna left her witchy past behind after a tragic lost years ago. She left everything behind including her three

Keepers, the ones who protect her. Now the past has caught up with her and she will have to face the evil that has been haunting her. She will also come back into contact with her Keepers, one in particular Archer. Archer knows more about Sienna than anyone what he feels is more than protective for her. They are forbidden to love and stand to lose it all if they cross the line. Will they be able to fight the evil and their love or will love be worth the risk.

Sienna is a very powerful woman but she really doesn't want anything to do with her powers. She has to learn to use her new powers and soon. She loves her Keepers, family and her friends. She will do whatever it takes to protect them. She also has guilt eating her up on the inside. Archer is strong and very protective. He would do anything to keep Sienna safe from harm. He is also very hard headed and doesn't like to be fussed over.

I really enjoyed this book. From the beginning the action starts right away. I was confused a little at first at what was going on but the more you read the more you see what happened in the past to make Sienna and the others the way they are. I liked seeing Sienna working with her powers and learning what she could do. Having not used them she doesn't realize just what she can do. There is several fight scenes that are amazing as well. If your looking for romance you get that with Archer and Sienna. These two have a love that has been going on for years but they can't do anything about it for fear of what will happen and it's against the magic rules. I loved these two together. You also get to see some of the other Archers in this book and I look forward to what they will get into. I will say this book has some sad moments that will shatter your heart so be warned. This is packed full of magic, evil, love, heartbreak, action an more so I would recommend anyone looking for a great story with a magic to pick this up.

Jany says

Rating: 3.5 out of 5 stars

This book got a lot of emotions out of me. I was surprised at how much the main character annoyed me. Sienna is too much of a girly girl. And to me it seems like everything is her fault.

The beginning of the book caught my attention, it kept me hooked. I liked the fact that there was action right at the beginning.

Towards the middle, I don't think it was the best. It focused more on the thought of action rather than the actual action. If that makes any sense. It had the basic idea but no examples leading off to the idea's base.

The end was really good! It wrapped up the book nicely. Oh how I love cliffhangers... The end wasn't what I expected. But towards the end I was holding my breath pleading.

Throughout the whole book the author used a few phrases too much. Like how Sienna blames everything on the 'testosterone'. Also, how every time Archer gets hurt she squeals "Archer, your hurt!" And rushes over to him. There are a few more but I think that's a good enough example.

Amanda says

As soon as I saw the cover and read the synopsis for The Keepers: Archer, I was excited. I love paranormal romance and witch stories in particular so it went straight onto my 'must read' wish list. I was also intrigued when I read that this was to be Rae Rivers first paranormal romance and what a debut it is! The Keepers: Archer is a fast paced and action packed story with a strong element of forbidden romance that kept me glued to my Kindle as I read!

As the story opens we meet Sienna Beckham as she jogs in Central Park. To anyone watching she looks perfectly ordinary but within the first few pages she is attacked by a group of pretty nasty characters and as one of her Keepers, Archer dashes to her rescue, the real story of Sienna Beckham comes out. Sienna is a very powerful witch who has run from the death and destruction in her past to an anonymous life in New York but with the attack in Central Park she's forced to face up to her demons (both literal and metaphorical!) and to make contact with her family and Keepers for the first time in two years.

I loved how the story got straight into the plot and didn't hang around and I thoroughly enjoyed the world that Rae Rivers has created. I've read quite a few witch-based stories over the last few years and haven't encountered anything quite like The Keepers yet! I thought the idea of having the three very different but very strong brothers who are bound to Sienna to protect her was original and I loved the twist that one of them is in love with her. I was also very thankful that there was no hint of a love triangle in this book but that the romantic tension in the story comes from the fact that romantic relationships are forbidden between a witch and their 'Keepers.'

At first glance I thought this book might be light on the mythology and focus on the relationship between Sienna and Archer but Rae has created a complex world with a lot of background detail and legend, the depth of which is revealed as the novel progresses. Yes, the relationship between Sienna and Archer adds spice to the novel but the story line is much more than that. Rae has built a fascinating world around the town of Rapid Falls and I'm looking forward to getting to know more about some of the other characters that live there in future novels. The ending to the story is as dramatic as its opening and although this book does conclude one strand of the story nicely, it's clear that there is so much more to come!

I'm already looking forward to getting to know the other Bennet brothers better in books two and three of this series. If you enjoyed Gabriella Pierce's 666 Park Avenue series then this might just be the next book for you!

Jo Hughes says

Update to follow X

Tracey says

Wow what a way to be enticed into what promises to be a very intriguing series.

Archer, along with his brothers, is a Keeper. A protector of their witch and gifted with powers of the elements. Sienna means everything to Archer and he will do anything to protect her. Even if meeting her again ignites feelings that should be forbidden.

Archer is very swoon worthy and along with his brothers and their witch, expect to be drawn into an action packed adventure with intrigue and mystery around every page turn.

Sienna Logan (Lost to Books) says

For more of my reviews visit <http://losttobooks.blogspot.com>

It was the premise that caught my attention with this book. The new take on witches with keepers interested

me as it is not something I had come across before. As well as this the promise of romance intrigued me even more into requesting this book from NetGalley and I was excited when HarperImpulse allowed me access to the title.

The book started off at a fast pace and the action pulls you into the storyline. It hooked me from the beginning and I was eager to find out what it was Sienna was running from and who was after her. The elemental powers were established quickly and also caught my interest as I was intrigued to see how the author wove them into the narrative and how everything would play out. Personally though I felt that after the initial 20% of the book things started to lose their impact and the middle of the book fell a little flat.

My main issue was that during the middle there seemed to be a lot more worrying about things that could happen and less action. For me, I felt like a lot of things were glossed over that needed to be included, for example the spells Sienna casts or how she retrieved her Grimoire. I mean there was a big deal made of it being hidden and then she just shows up with it. I wanted to know where this amazing hiding place was. Personally I feel these are vital to writing a novel with witches in as I just felt it lacked authenticity without them and came across as a lack of thought into the paranormal side of things. One minute there was tension building with magic and the next the chapter has ended and moved onto the next with everything being over and a success. This happened a few times, where the prospect of a fight or plenty of action was skipped by a change in chapter and for me this is why the middle fell flat.

As well as this I wanted more description on The Circle, e.g. what they were precisely, how they controlled and the background on the witch community. They were made out to be these all powerful witches who forbid relationships with your keeper but when it came to dealing out punishment it once again felt a bit weak, with the consequences being stated abruptly. It didn't even take that long for them to figure out. One other thing that did irritate me slightly was the speech. At times it felt a little stiff and the constant name repetition at the beginning or end of every utterance became slightly annoying as it seemed a little false to me.

However, there was a romance development during the middle which I loved as the scenes were steamy and full of passion. It may have been abrupt but the history with the characters made it believable and it didn't feel like a whirlwind romance due to the fact Archer and Sienna had a history before she ran away for two years. I do wish there was more of the romance though as I enjoyed the relationship.

Furthermore towards the end the book did pick back up to the standard of the start. Once again there was a load of fast paced action and I liked how Sienna developed with her powers and confidence. There was a nice change from her in the beginning and her at the end and by the end I found myself engaging with her more as she became this force to be reckoned with.

Moreover I liked Archer and the other Keepers. Their loyalty was admirable and it enabled the reader to relate to them and sympathise not only with the difficult situations Sienna put them in but with the danger they find themselves in more than one situation. I would have liked to know more about their powers though but maybe they will be developed more if there is a sequel.

Overall The Keepers: Archer was an interesting new take on witches and I liked the Keeper aspect which was the main thing that made it original. The beginning and end were full of action and the character development was good throughout. I just wish there was more background description, detail into the magic used and action during the middle so I could rate this book higher. Saying that though I would recommend this book to readers who like magic and paranormal books as it was an interesting read that did keep me turning pages.

Laura says

I absolutely loved the sound of this book so was really excited when HarperImpulse allowed me to have a preview. It is the first in a trilogy by Rae Rivers and I have never come across a story quite like this before, so was intrigued to know what this first paranormal romance story from HarperImpulse would be like.

I love books that get straight into the action. No dillydallying, no long descriptions of the scenery around them- just straight to point and it is clear what is going on within the first couple of pages. And this is exactly what this book was like.

Sienna is a Beckham witch and the darker world are after her. Luckily for Sienna she has three Keepers to look out for her, one of them named Archer. But Sienna left Rapid Falls and her Keepers behind two years ago and I really wanted to know what had caused her to run away. She had cast a spell that meant that her Keepers could not find her. But luckily for Sienna Archer does finds her.

Within the first chapter Sienna is attacked and Archer comes to her rescue. The reader immediately knows that Archer is in love with her. Having searched for her for two years he has finally found her and has to resist the urge to hold her against him and never let go. But Sienna doesn't want him back in her life, she doesn't want anything to do with her powers, but she can't escape the fact that she is a witch with a destiny, and Archer and her other two Keepers are bound to look after her at all costs.

This novel had me gripped the whole way through, so much kept happening and it was not at all predictable. I literally could not put it down and so much so that I was not much company on Father's Day (whoops!).

The relationship between Archer and Sienna is extremely hot! They are forbidden to fall in love, and I really wanted to know why. I could really feel the frustration between the two of them. I desperately wanted them to be together. There is clearly a history between them and the romance that begins to rekindle is so believable and I loved the scenes with Archer and Sienna.

Also the descriptions of Archer and his brothers Ethan and Declan made me wish they were real people- extremely handsome and strong, protective men- what I personally like in a man (LOL!). I loved how protective they all were over Sienna and I could really relate to them when Sienna wasn't being cooperative and putting them in tricky situations, when all they wanted to do was help her. They all feel protective over her in different ways and it goes deeper than them being bound to protect her.

Sienna's character is also brilliant- strong and feisty with her fiery red hair. She was headstrong and wouldn't let anyone tell her what to do, but I liked that there was still a vulnerable side to her that she tried to keep hidden, as this made her more real. It was great as she developed as a character throughout the book.

I think the only criticism I have of this book is that there was a point where an action packed chapter ended with the characters discussing what they needed to do and then the next chapter jumped to them already having done what they had discussed. It left me with a couple of questions as to how they had managed it. But at the same time it still kept the story moving at its fast pace.

So much more happens in this book, but I really can't say much more as I'm worried I will give it away, so I will have to leave it there.

This was a fantastic new story on witches, keepers and magic and I would definitely recommend as it's a real page turner! I really cannot wait for the next in the trilogy as the ending has left me craving as to what will happen next.

Krystal says

The premise of this book along with its cover (not even going to lie) drew me in from the start. I was expecting what I've come to term the "normal" of a paranormal romance (at least for the most part)... little if any drama, characters that are under developed and make you roll your eyes every few seconds - you get the idea. However, I am happy to say that this book contained NONE of that!

The action starts immediately, and doesn't let up. In fact The Keepers: Archer takes you on an unpredictable and fast paced ride that you will find hard to put down (in fact I read it in a little under two days). The characters as well as the overall plot of the book were obviously well thought out and planned making it more believable than some of the other paranormal romances that I have read. The chemistry between the two main characters is undeniable as well, you can practically feel sparks fly whenever they touch.

Overall, The Keepers: Archer is a wonderful blend of witches, keepers of magic and intense story-telling that I would definitely recommend! I am already hoping that I will be lucky enough to be picked to review the next book in the series when it becomes available!

CasPerfitz~SLiTsReaD says

I was really looking forward to this one.... but it just didn't work for me. :(From the start to end, I could not get myself to like the heroine. I find her character way too annoying! And I'm sorry, the story itself was very disappointing. Halfway through I wanted to stop torturing myself and just give it up.

Sienna, the heroine, is a Beckham witch, which means she is a very powerful witch.... She got three protectors, or her guardian, known as the Keepers, which consist of Archer, Declan and Ethan, or the Bennett brothers. Because of something tragic that happened two years ago, she ran and left that life behind. But life has a way of catching up on her or evil has a way of finding her. And Archer comes to the rescue.

Archer is a warrior, one of Sienna's Keeper and he is a water elemental, meaning he can manipulate the water... As a Keeper, he will protect Sienna with his life. But he is more than her Keeper... he is her friend, family and more, attraction/in-love more. But it is forbidden for a Keeper and a Beckham witch to have a relationship.

So anyway, now that her enemy has found her, Archer and his brothers brought her back so they could protect her. Now this is where their story begins.

First, Sienna does not make it easy for her Keepers to protect her. She lies or omits to tell the truth on a situation that she could have given her protectors a heads up to avoid getting hurt or killed. Then every time something bad happens, she goes on guilt trip.. thinking it is all her fault. By making it harder for her guardian's to protect her, I say "yes it is!" And this is how she explains herself :

"Don't treat me like I'm an overprotective big brother, Sienna. You put all our lives at risk by not telling us that you met with Warrick."
"He caught me off guard, Declan."

"Yeah, well a little whisper, a scream, a sign – anything – would've been nice to warn us that Warrick is back in town and brushing toes with our witch right under our damn nose."

"Don't be snarky, Declan."

"Oh, I've earned several hits of snarky," he snapped. "You lied to us tonight and almost got us killed in the process."

"That's not fair."

"You shouldn't have lied, Sienna!"

"I didn't lie."

"Lie. Omission. Same bloody thing."

"I was not about to let you go all crazy on him in the middle of Lora's store, Declan. There were people around."

"You should've told us!" he roared.

"Don't yell at me!" she shouted back and then lowered her voice. "He surprised me. I needed time to process our conversation before I told you."

"Yeah? An evil warlock's back in town. What the hell's there to process?"

Yes Sienna, WTH is there to process? And shows how much faith she has on her Keepers does it? This is where I almost "DNF" this book.

Guilt played a big part on Sienna's character and let's just say, it kinda gets old.....

I keep trying to remember how old she was, hell, how old they all were... for the life of me, I can't remember it was ever mentioned. So, maybe I thought they were young adults, well mostly on Sienna case cause she acts like one... But they're are not! YA I mean. Well, I didn't think so specially with the intimate scenes between Archer and Sienna.

There were scenes that I'd expect something magical to happen, like when Sienna channelled her power, but there wasn't really nothing special to it except her burning up and draining herself while concentrating. Then another scene where Archer described as :

They looked incredible together, a force to be reckoned with. So in control, so focused, so connected and the power that emanated off them was breathtaking.

So, I read that scene over again, looking for that part that he saw, and all I see was Sienna and Rose standing in the center of the pentagram, holding each others wrist, with their eye's closed. WTH! I guess I, as a reader, will just have to believe that they looked incredible together, LOL.

There's more of this btw, more of you to just imagine what happened, in other words, it lacks details.

And word!!!! There's a lot of Sienna going "I'm a Beckham witch, be afraid... be very afraid" (Those are my words by the way, you will not find those in the book, LOL, but I hope you get the drift).. What I'm trying to say is, there are more threats, words thrown, than action or a real show of power. Well, not till the peak of the story... and it wasn't quite an "omg" moment for me, but just alright.

I was hoping the romance will make up for what was lacking... but even that didn't really do it for me. I love that they had a history together and there's that forbidden thing going and them fighting the odds. But....

I'll just quote and borrow Sienna and Archer's words in the end :

“What just happened?”

He glanced at the dagger and the scroll, and gave a brief shrug of the shoulders. “I wish I knew.”

Is exactly how I feel, LOL...

Would I want to read the sequel... I think I'll pass. The story has it's moments, but it just wasn't for me.

Review also posted here : SLITSREAD.COM

BestChickLit.com says

Picking up from the devastating ending of the short prequel (The Keepers: Sienna), the story moves forward a few years, even though the characters haven't moved on emotionally. The action kicks in fair quickly and you are plunged back into the world of the Beckham witches and their Keepers as the battle lines previously drawn by their enemies are well and truly crossed.

The Bennett brothers smolder from the pages and we are treated to a more in-depth look at the 3 protectors, especially (and thankfully) the fabulous Archer. Heat and passion are turned up a notch, which threatens to unleash an age-old curse, and the build-up of tension between Sienna and Archer makes for fantastic reading. The plot twists and turns, spells are cast, sacrifices are made and you'll be kept on the edge of your seat wondering how the characters will loosen the hold that evil Warrick has over them.

Rae Rivers finishes the book with the most intriguing ending and I cannot wait to get my hands on Declan, the focus of the next Keepers installment.

Review by Charlotte Foreman on behalf of BestChickLit.com

Emma Star Crossed Reviews says

This review was originally posted on Star Crossed Reviews I received this book for free from the Author in exchange for an honest review. This does not affect my opinion of the book or the content of my review. Thank you to Rae for sending me a copy of this book for review. I first heard of these books during Harper Impulse Fortnight last April/May time. I read Sienna's story back then but unfortunately I haven't had the time to read the rest of the series until now. The Keepers series focus' on the Bennett brothers, Archer, Declan and Ethan and their witch Sienna Beckham. Each book focuses on one of the Keepers. Archer's book is first.

Sienna and Archer while having a Keeper, witch relationship also have something else. There has always been this chemistry between them. However, a romantic relationship between a keeper and their witch is

forbidden and cursed. In this book we see Sienna and Archer's constant struggle with their feelings and what they know they should be doing.

This book will constantly surprise you. Every time you think you have something figured out, bam! Rae takes it in a direction you didn't see coming.

This is Rae's debut and I have to say she really makes her mark. Her writing is captivating and addictive. Rae is most definitely not afraid to push the boundaries and test your emotions.

As soon as I finished this book I started on Declan's. I'm extremely excited for this one as Declan is most definitely my favourite.

Krys says

I'm a Beckham witch and that means badaxx but not me because I'm too afraid of my super witchyness.

I have 3 sexy keepers. Archer is controlled sexy. Ethan is wild sexy. Declan is dangerous sexy. Sarah was their sister. She is dead because of me. But although she died, her brothers remain sexily by my side. Protecting me. Because that's what sexy keepers do.

I'm in love with my super hot keeper and it's forbidden but I love him. Forget the curse I'll love him back; but I can't because I'm afraid of the curse. I love my sexy keeper. My sexy keeper's sister is dead. Because of me. Did I mention that? I can't resist my eye candy keeper.

Beckham witches are dangerous. But not me because I'm so afraid of my own shadow. I used my powers and lost one of my keepers. So I won't use my powerful powers and end up with another dead keeper. But I have to use my powerful Beckham super witchy powers. Because they are powerful and capable of protecting those I love. Like my sexy keepers....

Honestly I could run on and on. The storyline wasn't what disappointed me. That was awesome. But the repetitiveness and annoying, shallow monologues really got to me. Maybe I'm being unfair with the rating but after reading 'Sienna', I was super excited and ready to 5 star this ish like no tomorrow!!

Nonetheless, the plot was fantastic. A lot of drama and action that made up a lot for the writing. And of course I'll pick up the next in this series.

Vicki Ballante says

Super! Awesome! Un-put-downable. If you're looking for nail-biting suspense, action-packed, non-stop entertainment, and hot and touching romance, you just have to read this series. I CAN'T WAIT TO GET MY HANDS ON THE NEXT ONE!!

The plot and the flow of this novel won't leave you bored for a second. All the time, you have this sense of impending action - you are kept in suspense continually. My heart was racing a lot in this book. It definitely needs to be made into a TV series or series of movies. There's just so much inside one book. And you become invested in the characters and want to know each of their stories.

Definitely, a five-star!!

Desere says

From my experience I have always thought witches to not run at the first sign of danger, they rather fight back right? Wrong, in this read we meet Sienna, she is yes a very strong and powerful witch but she is running, trying to find some form of a normal life, she wants nothing to do with her powers and she will do anything to keep it that way.

But the evil out to get her is not all she is running from, there are her three keepers, bound to protect her against anything and everything even if it costs them their lives. One such keeper is Archer and what a delicious keeper this man is!

He is one of those "Hold me close and never will I feel more protected simply because you are near me, and no it has nothing to do with being in your arms" kind of protectors.

He has been looking for her for two years and now that he has found her he will not let her out of his sight ever again, but getting Archer to let her be is a whole new set of spells this witch has no manual for. She is about to have the good old fashioned love potion number nine place her under a spell there is no getting out of!

Ultimately having to defend her home-town only adds to Sienna's rapid rise and fall of emotions, Archer being part of the mix only makes it so much harder for her to see the line between love and hate, between keeper and witch.

The character of Sienna was a real go getter, "Get out of my way or I will walk all over you, do not challenge me as in ever", kind of heroine, the kind that as reader always has me jumping out of my seat shouting "You go girl!" I could understand why she wants her independence away from her powers so much, as we all know being different whilst having feelings of knowing there has to be something else or somewhere else you are meant to be does make life a situation of go after it or sit still and shut up! But she also has a very hidden side to her, one that she does not let the world truly see and this made her more realistic, well done Rae!

The character of Archer was as I said before the perfect protect me hero, but what I simply adored about this man was that he is so headstrong and such a force of a character that it was as if he would jump out of the pages at any minute and sweep me off into the wild wonder that is his world, he is one of those hero's that simply brands you with his unique kind of passion and you are overwhelmed and breathless.

The dialogue and backdrop settings were exciting and entertaining, and the story moved with a very nice fast pace, never boring in any manner. The characters were described by the author with absolute passion and emotion that if truly was as if they were real.

The one thing that made the book even more exciting was the love between Sienna and Archer which is so strong and so very obvious, however forbidden, it added a new level of mystery and suspense to a already great read.

I am taking away a message of trying to outrun your destiny never ever works, sooner or later you will need to face it and take it all in stride for others lives might depend on it.

I recommend this read for fans of paranormal reads that have loads of action and secrets to keep you glued to your seat, and a very strong, powerful emotional love between the two main characters, and an ending that will leave you jumping up and down for the next part of the series.

However if you find yourself not a fan of spells, witch crafts and all that it entails this read is not for you.

4 star review

" He will keep her safe at all costs, she will fight him every step of the way"
