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An earth dragon, long-lived and skilled in the ways of magic, Magnus Silverclaw has hunted relentlessly for his errant human lover. He is furious and bitter over what he considers Leida's betrayal and seeks retribution by having her sentenced to four years of enforced servitude to him--in a position far below the one she once occupied as his mistress. He does not anticipate her horrified reaction to the punishment or the reason for it, and her revelation leaves him reeling with shock and jealousy. After nearly four years of evading capture, Leida of the Glimmer South stands bound before a tribunal of dragon judges, accused of theft and the illicit use of dragon magic. Once the favorite of the dragon lord, Magnus Silverclaw, she faces punishment for a crime considered high treason among dragons. Leida is still deeply in love with Magnus but refuses to divulge her reasons for why she stole from him and left without warning four years earlier. Only the threat of enslavement makes her reveal a carefully guarded secret, one that can either reunite her with Magnus or tear her from him forever...

Draconus Details

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From Reader Review Draconus for online ebook

?Karlyn P? says

4.5 stars. A steamy novella with a sexy shape-shifter Dragon (Magnus) who finds the woman who left him four years ago, and who he could never forget. A great dark romance short story (about 70 or so pages?), well done.

Mikaela says

Scorching hot! But what do you expect from a dragon shifter? Be forewarned, however: this hot little number is a novella. Also, it's only available at B&N, so if you don't have a Nook, download the free Nook app for your smarty-pants phone.

Rk Ramsay says

Grace Draven is one of my all time favorite authors. I have started with Radiance and have been reading her works from newest to oldest. This book is not near as developed as her newer books. There are some books that seem to be just an excuse for pornographic sex. This book is about 90% sex and was really disappointing.

Macleisha says

I think this was one of Grace Draven's early work. I still enjoyed. It was a short story, not much development of either character. The plot was simple. A typical misunderstandings that happen when there is no communication. The whole problem would have been resolved with a honest conversation between the main protagonists, but I thought it was still entertaining.

Talltree says

3.5 stars

Lisa says

He really forgave her too easily. Besides her running away, stealing from him, taking his child away because of an imagined fear is a little too much.

I couldn't forgive that easily or that quickly even if it was someone you loved.

BookPusher D says

I like Grace's writing style. She doesn't put too much emphasis on world building, which is important in fantastical worlds. But the story and depth of each individual character and the customs of her societies is fleshed out so well, you almost don't notice the world has not been detailed.

This stand alone was a little predictable, but fun nonetheless. Dragons are always interesting. And Grace knows how to keep my interest sparked with her amazing abilities to keep each character's personality true to a T. Also her sexytime scenes are steam-eeee! Adults only.

3.75

Dimple Gohil says

This is a short story around 90 pages (I don't know how many words)

If it is set in A world where other books are also written I am not aware, it can be read as a standalone even if it is part of the series.

The synopsis is very accurate. It is a short story predominantly romance with erotica. The story is told from the point of view of the male and female lead.

The story takes place within a period of a week with flashbacks showing the history of the characters.

The synopsis appeals to you I would recommend it it is a short story to read between other novels.

Samantha says

3.5 stars

Claudia says

Draconus brought back memories of G.A. Aiken's dragon kin series but didn't raise to the same level. Grace Draven has a way with words that has me wanting to read more from her. Her short story and immersion in a dragon's world didn't allow me to enjoy it.

The lack of enough character and story build has robbed the story from it's potential.

There are times when I wish the authors understand that a short story fails to deliver almost all the time the intended glimpse in the author's imagined world.

That being said, I still like the way Grace Drave writes. Her characters are smart, fun, well rounded.

It was just not enough.

Anya says

So this is how this book goes-

Blackmail. Sexual tension. Sexual tension. Accusation. Sexual tension. Sexual tension. Sexual tension. Misunderstandings. Sexual tension. Foreplay. Misunderstandings. Sexual tension. Sex. Sex. Sex. Sex. Sappy 'I've always loved you' declarations. Sex. Sex. Sex. HEA epilogue.

I read it and

jD says

Ahhhh...that was the sweetest love story I've read in a long time. I am really feeling the seductive writing style of Grace Draven. The fairytale feel entertained the little girl in me. The passion between the lovers reminded me why it's good to be a woman. I have a soft spot for magical creatures such as dragons. Draconus is nothing short of a delight in his manner and vulnerability. He is a great balance of hard alpha male and sensitive man in love. Leida was a woman torn and imperfect but having the strength of will to fight for what she thought was right. It always amazes me when authors master the novella format without sacrificing character development.

This is the second work by Grace Draven that I have read. She is relatively new and still building her arsenal. Based on this short story and Master of Crows, I expect that arsenal to be a force to be reckoned with.

Thanks GR friend for the loan of some of Grace's work. As I suspected, Grace is not a one-trick pony. I highly recommend Ms. Draven's work to lovers of erotic fantasy with a dose of the paranormal.

Suz says

One of Draven's earlier works this fantasy romance tends to lean a bit more heavily on the erotic side of the romance than you are likely to see in her more recent works.

The relationship theme is a bit too alpha male dominant to suit me, but it would be ideal for people who enjoy their escapist literature with a bit of the angry alpha male dominant besotted with seemingly rebellious slave girl trope. If you are all good with that then you will probably enjoy this entry in Draven's catalog.

Draven's writing is always competent and in so being it makes it very easy to get swept away in her worlds, characters, and stories. Draconus is no less capable of doing that, even for being an earlier work.

UPDATED TO ADD: I forgot to mention that Draven is going to be offering this title again via an online service whose name escapes me at this moment. I'll update when I remember the name. The point being is that this title should become available again soon with an updated cover.

Laura (Kyahgirl) says

4/5; 4 stars; A-

I enjoy Grace Draven's writing. This book is more romance than fantasy.

Melanie says

A very short story from the talented Grace Draven with dragons reminiscent of GA Aiken's 'Dragon Kin' series (although without the sarcastic wit and humor).

'Draconus' starts directly into the tale of a captured thief, a human woman once the favorite of a dragon master, under trial by a dragon tribunal for her crime. Instead of the death sentence she expects, she is sentenced to servitude under her former master as the lowliest servant in his possession. When reunited, their passion for each other ignites once again, but is threatened by secrets and lies unless each can learn to trust one another.

While I did enjoy this novella, a drawback for me was the length of it - without it being part of a larger series to anchor it, I felt it was just too short to garner any real emotional attachment to the characters. Still, it was a well written and spicy tale and there's no denying that Draven definitely has a way with words!
