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The Kingdom of Altnoia is on the cusp of civil war. The king and heir have been murdered, the throne taken by their uncle, and the kingdom's only hope lies with Prince Edan who has been missing for the past year. The Oracle appoints her new Dragon of Fire one task: Find Prince Edan and keep him alive.

It should have been a simple task, but Dragon did not anticipate that Prince Edan would hide away on a pirate ship, forcing Dragon not only to endure pirates, but sea-sickness and his fear of water. And nothing, not even the Oracle, could have prepared him for the twins and the complicated feelings they spark.

WARNING/SPOILER: Contains twincest and a threesome relationship.

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From Reader Review The Oracle's Flame for online ebook

Adrian Smith says

This was definitely an interesting read. I loved the mythology and the world building in it that moved along with the flow of the story. The opening was a bit rough for me. I struggled to find a POV and not have it all just be over the top narration, but once the story with Dragon got started, it flowed very nicely.

Read this easily in an hour or two, which is great, and I'm very interested in seeing where the next installment in this series takes these characters. It's hard not to spoil anything in this since the plot picks up right away, but each character has their own personality that makes them easily distinguishable from the next, even the side characters. This to me makes the story.

Warning that there is twincest in this story. The sexual scene doesn't happen until the epilogue, so if you're still interested, then skip that part. The mythology behind why the twins are together is a great twist on ancient mythology as is the whole plot with the elements included.

Overall, a great read that I did not want to put down until I finished.

****I received this ARC in exchange for an honest review from Inked Rainbow Reads****

Nikyta *Miss Forgetful* says

This review can be found at The Blogger Girls review site.

3.5 stars

I'm going to be completely honest, I didn't really want to read this book. When I was browsing Less Than Three Press' Coming Soon page, I came across The Oracle's Hatchling and wanted to read it ASAP. Unfortunately, it was book two in The Oracle series and when I saw that book one, The Oracle's Flame, was ménage I almost, almost said forget it... but the second book was just so tempting so I took the plunge and I read this one.

It's based around how the Oracle saw the world consumed with greed that turns into disease. The world was sick and it was all caused by a corrupt false king. That's where Dragon comes in. A newly made Dragon of Fire, he has one of the highest positions in the Monastery and the Oracle sends him on a mission to protect the prince before the false king kills him. Just days into his mission, however, he's brought onto a pirate ship where he meets the twins Shev & Shov, where more than just attraction develops between them. What's Dragon supposed to do when he finds himself falling for both twins especially since neither of them know why he's really on the ship?

Now, I'll freely admit that I actually enjoyed this one. I absolutely adored the world and loved the idea around the Oracle and her efforts to not only save the world but to make her people happy. It's a sweet tale about finding that missing part of yourself. We see that in the way Shev and Shov take to Dragon so quickly and their desire to make him part of their little love nest.

I really liked that this story revolved around finding the missing Prince. It's obvious who the prince is but it's still fun to see Dragon war with himself over his wish to have Shev and Shov but to also do his duty and protect a prince he still hasn't officially met. Where Shev is the mischievous and adventurous twin, Shov is more for comfortable in the kitchen. Dragon is like that connection between the two twins because he's able to be adventurous with Shev but also laid-back with Shov.

As I said, it's a sweet tale about finding that person that completes you and taking that final step to embrace it. While I enjoyed it, I did have some issues. Mainly, I felt like the story was too short. I didn't really feel a connection between the three characters and I didn't feel like I understood the world that Dragon came from. Also, I was a little sad that we didn't get to see the missing prince take back the throne from the false king. However, even with that, there's something about this author's writing I really enjoyed that made me want to keep reading.

In the end, I still liked the story. It was a short, sweet read that passed the time for a little bit. I'm looking forward to reading more by this author and seeing where she goes with this series. A word of caution, though, this story contains some incest (although briefly) but readers should be aware that Shev and Shov are twins and they're also lovers who want to make Dragon their third.

JL Lucaban says

Another from Mell Eight which I wished would have been longer but still accept that it's shorter because, goodness! That was really, really good! Oh well, I think it's better the way it is. I really love it.

Crystal Marie says

I should warn you right off the bat that this book does have instances of twinsect that happen during it, but they are not graphic or extremely detailed in any way.

But onto the review now!

I really enjoyed this book for the simple fact that the story itself is something that is completely different. It was interesting to follow along with the characters, I don't know if they would be considered shape shifters or elemental controllers but it was just amazing reading this story.

Once I started it, I could not put it down. We have Kindle's character that can shift into a dragon and is on a mission to find the prince, keep him safe and save the world from the wrong doings of others. But he ends up meeting Sev and Sov, and realizes that he has feelings for both of them. And he is worried it will take away from his mission.

Considering this is a short story, there was so much action packed into it that it kept me turning the pages and wanting to read more. Also, considering the length, I was really surprised about how well the characters were developed. I was able to connect with them all in different ways.

I can say the only thing that bothered me was the ending because we are left wondering what is going to happen. What is the next step in the story between Kindle and the men?

Reviewed by Crystal for Crystal's Many Reviewers

Copy provided for honest review

Deeze says

Maybe I'm still to in love with *Tori*, but I'm afraid this *Dragon* tale never managed to capture my heart the way previous *Mell Eight* books have.

Kindle was delightful, a sweet and young dragon. I enjoyed his story. But due to the lack of detail the plot felt very rushed and unsatisfactory for me.

I also found the beginning rather confusing, again probably due to the lack of detail, and the twist with the twins felt very unbelievable.

ETA

Funny how a second reading can bring about a different feeling. While I still think this one was too short and so lacking in detail I enjoyed it more than my previous review indicates.

Donna says

Dragon is new to the top job in his fire caste as the *Dragon of Fire*. He's young and inexperienced but when the Oracle commands him to find the missing prince of *Altnoia* and keep him alive, *Dragon* heads out to sea to do just that. Unfortunately water and the fire caste do not mix and poor *Dragon* finds himself having to battle sea sickness, hide from rain storms and deal with marauding pirate crews. *Dragon* ends up working on a pirate ship where he knows the prince is hiding somewhere amongst the crew. But perhaps more importantly to *Dragon* he meets twins *Shev* and *Shov*, who awaken desire in *Dragon* for the first time.

I loved the way this first book in the series started, with a history of the kingdom of *Altnoia*. I could practically hear the voice-over narrator as though I was watching the beginning of a fantasy movie. *James Earl Jones* would have nailed it. From there we see what the Oracle sees as she sorts through all possible futures for *Altnoia*, searching for just one that doesn't end in the downfall of everything she is sworn to protect. When she finds that one slim chance for good to prevail she sends out her *Dragon* and waits, and watches.

This beginning drew me in immediately. I loved knowing what the Oracle foresaw and I loved watching the awkward young *Dragon* become the *Dragon* of her vision. The plot itself was interesting with pirates and dragons and missing princes but it's the world that the author created that kept me hooked. From the lava flows beneath the monastery to the galley of the pirate ship I could envision perfectly the world that *Dragon* was inhabiting. But it wasn't just the settings that were detailed. I became immersed in understanding the castes and how they worked and served the Oracle. I wished I could touch the tattoos on their backs because they fully captured my interest.

In some ways the romance side of this story was unimportant but I'm never one to turn my nose up at a romance. It definitely wasn't the main focus of the story, and don't expect a lot of delicious twincest-menage-sexytimes. Actually, the book is fairly non-explicit. Even readers who have an issue with twincest

may enjoy this one.

The ending left me desperate to know what happens next, although I do like the idea that the next part of this ongoing story is told through different eyes.

Reviewed for Love Bytes Reviews

<http://lovebytesreviews.com/2015/06/1...>

Dcf260 says

This series is off to a great start.

MLE says

I received this book from the publisher in exchange for an honest review.

There is something I really like about Mell Eight's books. There's a sweetness to her fantasy that's endearing rather than annoying, and I liked that as sweet as it can be the stories aren't without real danger, and consequences. I liked the characters, and I liked seeing them grow closer together. The plot had a nice arc to it, and even though I thought some of the ending was a little out of left field I could still enjoy the story. A nice start to a new series.

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Roxs Goncalves says

LO QUE ME GUSTÓ

- Los diferentes maestros en las áreas elementales. El funcionamiento de la magia. La posición del Oráculo como un ícono místico capaz de predecir eventos futuros.
- La narración rápida y amena, pero no tan extraordinaria.
- La simpleza de Dragón. Para ser un personaje plano, me resultó agradable para pasar el rato.

LO QUE NO ME GUSTÓ

- La trama. A ver, tenía una buena idea, pero lo desarrolló tan pobremente.
- El príncipe gemelo sacado de la manga y para nada necesario. Me pareció muy innecesario, incluso si su

deseo era hacer un trío.

- El trío. ~~No me gustan los tríos~~ y yo no quería ni esperaba un trío aquí. Es más, pensaba que el príncipe sería el capitán y que terminaría siendo el dominante.
- El... ¿romance? La verdad que no me creí para nada como es que en una semana había interés romántico en los tres.

Y lo que se asoma para la continuación, según leí, me dejó más que consternada y confundida. ¿El príncipe logró coronarse como rey? ¿O fue un aviso? No entendí, ni quiero saber.

Amanda Kern says

Good book

Melanie says

For my full review visit <http://wp.me/p220KL-29K>

Rating: 3.75 stars out of 5 rounded up to 4

"New author, new series. Both things make this reviewer extremely happy. Add a dragon or two and things get just that much better. The Oracle's Flame, the first in The Oracle series, sets the foundation for this universe and the stories to come. The story begins in the Monastery, built into and under the Sacred Mountain. In this ancient building, more city than single structure, the Oracle and the Four Castes live and carry out the Oracle's plans.

Mell Eight has created a wonderful, fascinating universe for this series and for this first story, a imaginative, fun m/m/m? romance...

For all my reviews and thoughts on writing, visit <http://scatteredthoughtsandroguewords...>

Azure Jones says

I really liked this first book in the Oracle series. I found it a page turner as well as a light entertaining read. I really liked all the characters and will start on the Oracle's Hatchling as soon as I can. This is an easy reread for me. Four and one half stars.

Ili Anna says

Twins, dragons and pirates. A nice combination for a nice story. Dragon, the most powerful of the fire kind,

is sent in a journey by his Oracle to find and protect the Prince of Altonia. Things get complicated when he finds himself on board of a pirate ship and attracted to the beautiful pirate twins.

Kayla Eklund says

NOTE: This is a review of the entire series

I love reading LGBTQ+ fiction. I also love reading fantasy books. When the two genres are combined, it's a must read for me. I saw the Oracle series, and fell in love with the covers. After seeing them, I knew I had to read the series. Unfortunately, after reading all four books in the series, it was just okay. There were parts that I liked, but the parts that I disliked outweighed that.

I have different feelings about each of the books. In the first book in the series, *The Oracle's Flame*, the twincest made me very uncomfortable. I did love the way that both of the guys fell in love with who they did, but the twincest just creeped me out. However, I did think that the next book in the series, *The Oracle's Hatchling* was enjoyable. I had problems with a few things in the book, but I thought it brought something new and different to the story of the dragon's world that Mell Eight had created. The third book in the series, *The Oracle's Golem* was really good as well. I liked how the two main characters took the time to build their relationship, instead of just instantly falling in love. I did expect a different ending to *The Oracle's Golem*, and was really disappointed when it didn't happen. The last book in the series, *The Oracle's Sprite*, was just weird. I wasn't sure what to think of it at first. when the big plot twist was revealed, I understood it better, but I still thought it was odd. It was definitely my least favorite book in the series.

Even though I have a lot of mixed feelings on *The Oracle* series, I did find it enjoyable. The ending of *The Oracle's Sprite* said that there would be a fifth book, but as far as I know, it was never released. If a fifth book does get released, I will probably read it because I've invested a lot in reading the series up until this point.

Julesmarie says

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It was fun to get to revisit this world. I just wish the book were about four times as long, so there'd have been some time for some character and relationship development.

Favorite Quote:

"There ain't no one who don't look to the stars in hard times. That dragon will always be there as a symbol of hope."

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A delightful surprise! The world is fascinating, I just wish I'd gotten to spend more time in it. The way magic works is delightful, and *Dragon* was a lovely introduction to it.
