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The clan is waking. After centuries of spellbound sleep, dragon-shifters are returning to the mountains. They are few in number, and the outside world has become overrun with humans.

Huroth, the dragon chieftain, recognizes a need for his kind to adapt, by forming alliances and mate-bonds with humans, but his clan is divided. From the first time she meets him, Lady Orwenna is drawn to the magnificent chieftain.

The mind link he forms with her is both fascinating and frightening, as is the powerful attraction she feels for him. If only she knew what was in his heart.

Does he want her for the woman she is, or for her magical abilities? When war breaks out between kingdoms and ancient enemies of the dragons resurface, the clan will be tested. In the midst of uncertainty, can Huroth and Orwenna find their way together?

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Andra says

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Huroth awakes, trapped in ice despite his fiery strength as dragon chief. His alarm clock? A deranged, banished magician who is out for power, instead Huroth descends upon the kingdom, and takes princess as his betrothed. It's too bad that the princess is an infant and that Huroth is attracted by a much more age appropriate woman of the court: Lady Orwenna.

First off, Orwenna wins for my favorite character name of the year so far. It's delicate and feminine, yet full of some sort of inner strength. Almost like an owl, although that's not necessarily the sexiest of animals. Huroth on the other hand does not conjure up images of muscly, brawny beef-cake to me. Instead it reminds me of like...Igor, or Smee...or other unsexy, oafish-type names. Oaf-name aside, Huroth is deserving of your lust and appreciation. As dragon chief, he's got that alpha male thing going on in spades, and forget kidnapping damsels...he's all hero, all the time.

The mythology of the dragons was fun and typical for a paranormal/fantasy romance. There was a lot of angst, a lot of supernatural strength, and some kick butt fighting scenes as our dragon defends fair maiden (isn't that a twist!). There was also the addition of spells and glamours in what I believe could be a nod to faerie magic that influenced many a fantasy book (particularly those set in Europe-esk landscapes).

As a couple, Orwenna and Huroth just work. They are equals and they go toe to toe (and other part to other part...)and you never know who's going to come out on top (teehee). I liked that Orwenna had a sweet kind of fierceness that let her match Huroth's vibrating energy (oh come on...this is almost too easy :P) and kept her from being a pale, wasting waif.

This was a really easy read. The writing style is smooth, flowing, and not very complex, allowing me to fly through the book in less than a day, between my two work shifts and on the metro back home. This is definitely a fun read for those that like the genre, and a great starting point for those who like blended romance and fantasy!

Teresa Kander says

I loved the idea of a clan of dragon shifters, and was not disappointed by this story. The plot is very fast-paced and keeps readers caught up in suspense and romance. The story is well-written and extremely detailed without getting you bogged down in minutia.

I enjoyed getting to know Orwenna and Huroth. They are both intriguing characters. Orwenna is strong and independent, unwilling to let anyone control her life. Huroth is protective of everyone in the clan, and is determined to do what is best for all of them.

While this book was fascinating and enjoyable, I also found the plot a bit too predictable. It's a very light romance, and perfect for those who love dragons.

I received this book to review through Beck Valley Books Book Tours, all the opinions above are 100% my own.

Rachel says

I have read a few of Diana Green's books and I was really looking forward to reading Dragon Wife as it is different from what I had read before from her. I had never heard or read of Dragon Shifters before. I loved the characters, the plot and it was all so well detailed that I was completely hooked and I was actually in the book.

I do not want to give away too much hence why I have not written about the storyline but it is fantastic and very well written. A great start to the series and I look forward to reading book two.

Jean Smith says

Dragons and magic... Oh how the mighty fall in the face of love

After being frozen in suspension for eons dragons are back in the world and Orwenna has a connection to one. She dreams of them nightly. Orwenna's bold and outspoken where women are expected to be biddable and meek. Left to her own devices she's managed her family estate alone for years and yet she is nothing but chattel in the scheme of things. She is her father's to award in marriage to whomever he pleased. Well Orwenna wasn't so accepting of his dictates so off she ran to find her own path in life. And where better than with the dragon she met years ago and dreams of nightly.

Huroth is chieftain of his clan of dragon shifters. After a brutal war and an enchanted sleep he is awakened from his cold slumber. His clan is decimated and few. Huroth knows they need allies and mates with magic in their blood to continue their race. He aligns his clan with the human realm of Rhelaun promising to come to their aide in times of need in exchange for the King's daughter as a dragon wife. Years will pass before this marriage will come to be as the princess is but a child when the alliance is made. But there is one in the Rhelaun court that captures his attention with her witchy abilities. Their connection is instant but left to simmer over the years.

War comes to Rhelaun. The dragons are called. Orwenna and Huroth are reunited. This time she is no longer a crushing adolescent but an adult whose desire sizzles. Huroth finds her irresistible. As their adventure progresses desire builds, love blossoms and trust grows. But is it enough trust to ensure Orwenna will choose to stay with Huroth as his mate? Enemies old and new as well as a skeptical clan provide plenty of challenges.

This was a good read with solid writing. The story was a little slow in the beginning but certainly picked up along the way as the action started to heat up. The heat level is more on the sweet to sensual side. If you're looking for dragon shifters, magic and love look no further. Review copy provided via Reading Alley in exchange for an honest review.

Debbie says

Independent Reviewer for Archaeolibrarian I Dig Good Books.

A fantasy adventure involving long sleeping dragons awakened to new alliances with humans.

Delightfully packed with magic and myths and legends, there is much left unsaid about the reasons the dragons were put to slumber in the first place, but this is book one, so I'm hoping that all comes out at a later date, in a later book.

Orwenna is a strong willed woman, who doesn't want to do what is expected of her, and I loved her. Leaving as she did, to raise the alarm to get the dragons to come to their aid was a very brave thing, and her courage was tested when the true nature of the forest revealed itself.

Huroth and Orwenna's attraction is slow, it builds over time, their coming together is not until Wen had agreed to mate with Huroth and I liked that. There is steam, and passion, yes, but the actual act is late in the book. All too often the attraction is immediate and instant and I loved being made to wait for here!.

There is more to come, as Huroths' son and his bride need a book, I think, and maybe one or two of the dragons who woke up on the wrong side of the bed, the grumpy anti-human ones need to fall in love!

I've not read anything by Diana Green before, but I will certainly look out to. I loved the world building here, and it made for an interesting change to my usual reads.

And I mean, come, on! Who doesn't love a dragon shifter??

4 stars

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Farrah says

Dragon Wife was a lovely fantasy romance. I thought it was a great read and I liked it.

I liked both characters. Orwenna and smart and strong, unwilling to let anyone dictate her life. My only issue with her was that she seemed determined to assume the worst about Huroth. But, she was fine otherwise.

Huroth was protective over those within his care and determined to do what was best for his clan. He was sweet and I liked him.

The romance was great. Orwenna and Huroth were great together.

The plot was slow to start but picked up along the way, so I was able to stay interested. I liked the story and I thought the ending was lovely. Romance lovers, you might want to check this book out.

*I received a complimentary copy from the publisher in exchange for an honest review

Kathryn Svendsen says

Dragon Wife is a fantasy novel about Huroth's clan of dragons making an alliance with a small kingdom of people in exchange for the king's daughter to become the wife of Huroth's son.

At this time in history a few people were able to perform magic. Most kept quiet about it because others called it witchcraft and were very uncomfortable with it. One of those able to do small bits of magic was Orwenna, the king's niece. She mind-spoke with Huroth when he arrived in her kingdom to make the alliance with the king when she was only eleven and both she and Huroth were surprised and pleased by the encounter. Orwenna hoped to meet him again

Later, as an adult, Orwenna's father announced that he had chosen a husband for her, a man she found dull, who did not seem to care for her. She wanted adventure, so she did something about it. This was a fortunate twist of events for her kingdom too, as otherwise it would have been destroyed.

The variety of events included in this story was diverse and interesting. The author kept the story moving along at a steady pace holding the reader's attention. I couldn't put this book down until I finished it. It's a good thing I started early in the morning or I wouldn't have gone to sleep that night!

Dragon Wife was an interesting look at dragon mythology and how they might have lived and interacted with one another as well as humans. It was a lovely story of romance set on a background of war. There was plenty of action in this novel and I found it very entertaining.

I did find that there were some scenes that were a little more risqué than I am comfortable with. I prefer bedroom scenes should be kept in the bedroom with the door closed. There is swearing in this novel as well that may offend some readers.

I would highly recommend Dragon Wife. It is an amazing story that will captivate your imagination. I gave it 5 stars out of 5.

Thank you to the publishers for providing a copy of this book in exchange for a fair and honest review. A positive opinion was not required. All thoughts are my own.

This review was published on my blog Shelf Full of Books <http://kathrynnshelffullofbooks.blogs...>

Jess F. (From Me to You ... Book Reviews) says

"4 out of 5 stars!! Set in a mystical world where old world nobility meets magic and dragon shutters, you follow two individuals who connect during remarkable circumstances and who are trying to carve out better

paths for themselves by whatever means they can.

I was intensely drawn to this novel from its prologue and onward. So much so, that I completed reading it in a day! With its fascinating plot and fun characters, I could not get enough!"

Read more of this review, a teaser, and an excerpt here:

<http://frommetoyouvideophoto.blogspot.com/2015/03/blog-tour-feasted-on-dragon-wife-by.html> (Review to be posted on March 17th 2015 as a part of a blog tour.)

Find out more about my blog here: <http://frommetoyouvideophoto.blogspot.com/>

Shantie says

So good! Perfect.

linda says

Nice book

Good job writing this book. Although it had a slow start getting to the gist of the story, I was sorry to see it end. I was hoping to read more of Ayelet's plight and her life unfolding as a dragon wife. And what of the children? How did they turn out not being able to shift? Unfortunately I was left with more questions than answers.

Aanandita Maitra says

A historical romance of a dragon with a feisty heroine on its tail!

Although most of the paranormal stories tend to gravitate towards modern time this particular book has successfully leapt across time to find its conventional motifs in the 18th century society, where sea voyages and astonishing inventions were paving way for an incoming revolution. It depicts a society which at once wants to move forward by embracing the new but is also held back through superstitions of witchery and magic.

In this contemporary situation the plot of the book is born into, where we see the rise of self ascertained women like Orwenna, negating the stereotypical roles appointed to women and re-evaluating their position in society.

Orwenna is portrayed as a very strong character with mental and magical power also possessing a spine of steel. Thereby, she doesn't hesitate to seize the day to find her own adventure by leaving her hopeless arranged match behind or either to ascertain her right in front of the king when he tries to force her hand.

I may as well take the liberty to say that, she is the epitome of Metaphysical philosophy: *Carpe Diem* Orwenna! She really knows how to seize the day!

The protagonist of the story, Huroth, is also a spectacular specimen of paranormal fantasy, one who is generous, loving caring but also fiercely protective of those under his care. The most important characteristic of Huroth according to me is his humbling nature, which allows him to shake off his pride and ego in order to understand Wyn's dilemmas and also his treatment of her as his partner, not as a weakling.

Together they make an amazing couple, who learning through their misunderstandings to come out victorious in their love to build a happy future together.

A well defined plot twisting between the protagonists but also allowing glimpses of their surroundings enough, not to grow monotonous, a spirited heroine, an alpha hero and it spins the barn of a successful story. I loved the author's writing style and would definitely check out the whole trilogy.

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Yami says

Pride and Stubbornness entangle

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Orwenna is our heroine and the king's niece with a gift in magic. Now with humans the gift of Magic isn't welcomed and looked on as evil. She keeps her abilities hidden from other's so she isn't looked down upon. Huroth our hero is a dragon and chieftain of the dragons who lived in Dragonvale. He's awakened from his slumber and works on finding the rest of his clan and makes an alliance with Orwenna's uncle. During this alliance the two meet and a spark ignites within them both.

The book skips several years where the King needs to dragons to help protect his people. Orwenna goes after the Liaison in secret, as the job ends up falling onto her to bring the dragons to help the king. Loosing people and a dragon things become hard and a bit rocky for Orwenna as Huroth offers things to the king so he can ask Orwenna hand, but things get meshed and messages mixed up. After the mix up in messages Orwenna gets to go see Dragonvale and the two after some hardships get through everything to be together.

The book flows rather well, and you can envision some of the places that Green talks about. The writing paints a picture of how places are suppose to look and the emotions described into it shows you the character growth and understanding. Her characters feel real and not made up or just sketched onto a piece of paper. I really do like Orwenna she's got a fire in her; when she decides to go what she wants it makes you want to cheer for her and makes you happy. Though it's looked down on in that era, you can't help but to congratulate her. Huroth is a dragon and use to thinking as a 'dragon' or 'animal' rather than trying to deal with human emotions that confuse him. He learns the best way to earn Orwenna's trust is to be truthful and explain things to her. You watch the man/Dragon struggle with his pride and go through the steps trying to prove he cares for her and she isn't a breeding tool. It's rather fun to read and some parts felt longer than others. It was a good read over all and I thoroughly enjoyed it.

? BookAddict ↗ La Crimson Femme says

Dragon shifters are always a must read for me. Who doesn't love dragons, be they evil or good. They are powerful, dangerous and majestic. Their ability breathe fire is pretty awesome too. For Wen, she is one of the few humans unafraid of dragons. This could be because she lives a life filled with managing her father's small estate. She wants a bit of adventure. When she connects mind to mind to a dragon lord, life definitely becomes more exciting. Huroth awakens from a mysterious long sleep only to find his large clan completely decimated. Turning to the humans is a way to continue dragon kind existence. Brokering deals for the

younger unattached dragons, he didn't expect to find a mate in Wen.

This story is a mix of paranormal and historical romance. This is definitely a feudal system with Lady Wen as the requisite bluestocking railing against the inequity of being a female. She's a typical woman who is no nonsense and capable of surviving without a man. This does give her a rather unappealing chip on her shoulder about males and their inconsiderate attitudes. Still, she's a decent character to match up with Huroth. She isn't completely fearless which makes her a bit more believable. Huroth is a decent dragon just trying to survive. From a character perspective, he's the white knight in shining armor, set to rescue the damsel in distress. He's caring and sweet. Both characters are easily understandable and pretty common in historical type romances.

The plot of this story is average. It's predictable from start to finish. There is nothing new or innovative. This is a nice familiar trope well written with good action and a smooth writing voice. The world building is very light. This is one piece I'd recommend fleshing out more. Perhaps this is just the first little bit to build up in the next books in this series. For those who read a lot of paranormal romance and fantasy, it will be easy to fill in the blanks based on our own reading experiences. This is a light romance recommended for dragon lovers.

**I received this book in exchange for an honest review from The Reading Alley*

Eva Millien says

After centuries of being in a spellbound sleep, Huroth recognizes the need for forming alliances and mate bonds with humans but his clan is divided. When he meets Lady Orweena he'll do whatever it takes to convince her and his clan that she belongs with him in this enchanting dragon fantasy romance. The author has created an intriguing world of dragons and magic with some interesting elements that keeps things entertaining. I was ensnared by the story although I wish it had been more informative of the reason the dragons were spelled to begin with or how, but then again this is a trilogy so I will probably find out more in the next two books - maybe I shouldn't be so impatient.

See my full review at:

<http://www.theromancereviews.com/view...>

Dri-g says

This was an interesting take on dragons. There's a lot of potential to build from this premise but I thought the book was a little too short for my taste. While the writing is decent, it didn't feel like there was a lot of depth. At the same time, who doesn't like dragons?
