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Forget everything you know about the world. Vampires exist, Werewolves exist, monsters hide in the shadows, and it's my job to make sure they obey our laws. My name is Evelyn, and I'm a gargoyle. The last one or so I thought.

A team of Gargoyles have found me. And for the first time in over a century, I'm not the only one of my kind around. Which is a good thing since demons are slipping into this world fully formed. The bodies are piling up. Something is going on in my city, and it looks like I'm going to need the backup.

* While this is a Veil Diaries world book, this is not a Young Adult book. Graphic content.

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C.L. says

Bottom line- I had expectations for this book and was seriously upset they weren't met. Lesson learned. This is nothing like the Veil Diaries series in tone, character and actions. Because I thought it was an extension of that series, I read this book and was very disappointed. Yes, we find out more about Zahur, but the rest of the story put me off. It was too horrific and gory for my taste. While TVD delved into deep relationships to where we felt and understood characters, "Found" did not. I could not connect with Evelyn and Atticus as a couple. Their relationship was about duty, honor, tradition and the archaic beliefs of what/who gargoyle women should be like. (Seriously, "we are fated mates and you must have my children because our race is dying" is not a good pick up line. JMO) I was not prepared for the violence that accompanied the actions of these gargoyles and the other species they dealt with. I would categorize this as more Urban Fantasy and not a paranormal romance. I will continue to read this author in the future even if it isn't the Books of Stone Series.

Searcy says

Wow. Hmm...

Let's call it 3.5 stars.

Honestly, the world-building is incredible. What this book portends for the Veil Diaries series is amazing. I am utterly in love with the complexity of everything B.L. Brunnemer has going on here. There are gargoyles and demons and angels and werewolves and vampires and witches and necromancers and redcaps and...and...

You see where I am going?

There is a ton to love and a great mystery throughout it all that I am very excited to uncover.

All of that - plus the fact that it is very well, and cleanly, written - should equal 5 stars. Right?

And here is where I run into problems.

1) The cliffhanger ending. I am not a fan of those, at all. And it will be quite a while until that curiosity and anxiety is satisfied, since this series is being written concomitantly with the Veil Diaries. And B.L. Brunnemer always takes the time to make sure each book is the best it can be. So, I am docking a half star for the crappy cliffie.

2) I spent a large portion (okay the entire book) of the story raging at Atticus. The guy is the most un-self-aware, chauvinistic, pigheaded, stubborn, bullheaded, rage-inducing, uncommunicative, chauvinistic, pigheaded man it's ever been my displeasure to read. And even as he learned something from his mistake(s), he still managed to find new and annoying ways to be chauvinistic, pigheaded... grrr...

3) And unfortunately, Evelyn - who is a generally *amazing* character - deals with Atticus in a frustratingly passive-aggressive manner. I kept wanting her to just stand up to him and confront him about his issues.

THEY JUST NEED TO COMMUNICATE, DAMMIT! Okay, okay, I get that maybe the way she handled it was more mature. *sigh* But it left me forced to deal with Atty's behavior for far too long.

And those additional two issues were big enough to knock my enjoyment down another star. However, I reserve the right on re-read (because I am QUITE sure I will be re-reading this!) to raise my rating if I find myself getting over the Atticus issue.

Back to Evelyn though. She is one of the best MC's I have read in a long time. And given how much I like Lexie, I am now convinced B.L. really knows how to write a great heroine. Evelyn is strong and mature and balanced and pretty awesome. Self-aware. Intelligent. And kind of ridiculously overpowered, though I did not find myself minding in the least, given the array of evil stacked against everyone in this world.

I also found myself very sad (read that as crazy, uber, ragingly BUMMED) that this series was not RH. Because as much as Atticus irritated me, I adore Falk, Zahur and Ranulf. I would have killed for that to be the harem! Not to mention, there was the perfect set-up for it, between the lack of female gargoyles and the discussion numerous times about the possibility of multiple Matches.

sigh Ah well.

All in all, this was well worth the read. The complexity this adds to the world of the Veil Diaries is enticing. There had been hints, but I was not prepared for how extensively paranormal it is. And it is a wonderful thing. Be sure you read this before you continue with the Veil Diaries, folks!

I can't wait for WHEN EVIL COMES TO PLAY in 4 days.

singing I'm so excited...and I just can't hide it...

UPDATE PROGRESS NOTES:

93.0% "LMAO!"

"You're not so much of a bed hog as a body-heat seeking koala that grabs on and won't let go."

Great line.

90.0% "Well, that gives new meaning to the promise to "listen with an open heart and open mind". LOL!"

88.0% "Hmm...pretty sure Zahur had silver eyes earlier. Why are they now chocolate eyes? Continuity issue?"

87.0% "O. M. F. G. I haven't been so irritated with a character in...well, there were a couple other books this month, but STILL! God, Atticus is an effing fool. And I am getting tired of Evie's passive aggressive way of managing it. It's taking too freakin' long."

85.0% "Evelyn really has to stop being a doormat to the guys. Just tell them to cut it out or you are leaving, already! This is getting old, fast."

84.0% "Sigh....Atticus is the most uncommunicative moron... :/"

72.0% "I have never seen two characters who are more relationship challenged in my life. How on earth can *anyone* be so completely clueless? Even instinct would give someone more of an idea than they seem to

have."

65.0% "What happened to always having someone with her to help her? And why the heck wouldn't he think Cyrus would come after her since he now knows where she is?"

(And by the way...who the heck shakes a bottle of wine?!"

56.0% "OMFG you idiot! You still can't learn your lesson and effing TALK. TO. PEOPLE? Especially to Evelyn?! I really really dislike Atticus.

You know, this book is backwards. Usually it is the MC that is the main POV of the book that is continually keeping secrets and being an idiot. Here, the MC is pretty awesome, but the guy IS. AN. EFFING. MORON."

56.0% "Thank you Jesus! Finally!

He knew what I was thinking, he figured out why we were here. I was a fucking idiot.

And yes, yes you are, Atticus."

53.0% "Oh Atty...will you never learn?"

53.0% "Clearly the treaty has been violated for some time, I'm guessing. I would also guess this is how the demons have been summoned. (view spoiler)"

45.0% "Only took half the damn book and a couple legs for Atticus to get his head out of his arse. A**hat."

39.0% "So far, Atticus is everything I hate in males. Every. Darn. Thing. Pigheaded, self-absorbed, egotistical, bullheaded, arrogant, self-righteous, pigheaded... Did I mention pigheaded?"

34.0% "*grumble* For being 500 effing years old, Atticus acts younger than Lexie's teenage guys in Veil Diaries...."

34.0% "Atticus is an effing idiot. Has it never occurred to him to fucking TALK to anyone, aside from listening to the sh*t Cyrus is clearly spewing??"

31.0% "Can someone explain to me why Falk doesn't use sign language? I mean, texting is only going to work sometimes. And not like he hasn't had hundreds of years to learn it."

27.0% "Atticus is a freakin' a**hat"

20.0% "This is stupid. Why the hell would she be thinking her aversion to this guy was just the Matching when she has no aversion to Ranulf, Zahur or Falk? Illogic at its worst :((No resolution to this - which is interesting. Need to keep track of the guy from the diner, for sure.)

18.0% "Sigh...did I ever mention I hate miscommunication roadblocks like this? If everyone just *talked* then half the problems would be resolved. :/"

13.0% "Sigh...once again an MC who doesn't bother to learn all she can :(Hate myopic characters - though I guess it's better than lazy, stupid ones."

13.0% "Bronze and black Latin Templar tats!? Oooo! This sounds like the tats on Lexie's True Self! I wonder if that indicates Templar leanings later on. If maybe she finally meets with the priest Serena mentioned and learns something!"

12.0% "You know, I'm really not a fan of an author adding an early scene that tells the reader things definitely aren't going to go smoothly. Example: Atticus talking to Cyrus, being warned off Evelyn, and listening. Would much rather the Cyrus denouement just happen when it comes to a head instead of lingering in my thoughts the whole read."

9.0% "Sigh...this soooo needed to be RH :/ it's the perfect setup for it!"

Missy Brown says

Set in the Veil Diaries world, Found is a page turning new series about gargoyles that had be invested from beginning to end. The story centers around Evelyn, a female gargoyle who has been protecting her city for over 40 years. She has a system in place with all of the supernaturals, a harsh but fair one. Not knowing that there were others out there like her, until at a demon kill she meets another, Atticus. Right from the start there is something about him that sets a fire to her. Besides the fact that he is cold and distant at times, he is the leader of a group of gargoyles that investigate supernaturals. They were there to see about the demon killings, not expecting to find a rare female. Their mission has just changed. Their orders are now to bring the female home for safe keeping. But they don't expect Evelyn to be as strong, fierce, kind, loyal, and devoted to her city and friends there. Evelyn and Atticus, find that they are mated, but for past reasons Atticus fights the mating, believing he is not worthy. Will Evelyn fight for them? Will he overcome his dark past and embrace his future? I throughly enjoyed Found, and literally couldn't put it down until the end. The characters were well written, the secondary characters Zahur, Ranulf, and Falk were just as fun and interesting as the main characters. Overall if you are on the fence about reading this book, don't. It was awesome! And I cannot wait for more from this series.

Ajà says

This book in one sentence : Ancient gargoyles who all act like they're in their early twenties keep Chicago safe from demons on a murder rampage.

My rating : ???

Steaminess : ??????

Would I recommend : Maybe? As much as I LOVED the Veil Diaries by B.L. Brunnemer, I was kind of disappointed by her new NA series. It was pretty generic NA paranormal urban fantasy. I think one of the things that works best in the Veil Diaries is the slow-burn romance and deep friendships developed by the characters, whereas everyone in this book are just mates who fall instantly in love with eachother. Despite my lukewarm feelings towards this book, I'll still read the futur releases in the Books of Stones series to see where this goes.

Tropes : instalove/soulmates, enemies-to-lovers

Katie R says

Holy Crap

She has done it again! I am officially hook on this new series! All the characters are amazing and fun. And I can tell there will be side stories to this to make things more interesting. Also, super cool when he brought up the Veil... *wink* I can't wait for the next story!!! ?

Amber Tucker says

An amazing new series!

Words can't describe how good this book was!!!! The description doesn't do it justice. Evelyn is a Gargoyle who has been on her own for a very long time. The last of her species. She takes care of the city full of humans and supes alike. Then a team shows up that turns her world upside down. I can't wait for Book 2!!!!!! I need it now! If you are a Veil Diaries fan a BIG question is answered not too far in. You won't regret picking up this book, trust me.

Bec says

Sigh, I was hopeful because I have read the authors other work and this is not going to be a popular opinion with all the 5-star reviews this has. Right at the beginning, it was mostly dead in the water for me. In a book where a guy and his pal that you have known for less than 10 minutes says something to the effect of since you are a female, you're going to have to come with me and you don't have a choice I get turned off by the book ASAP. It goes more downhill when said male also tells you that your species needs more offspring so you will be put into the women's compound to produce children. I had some hope when the female says screw that and leaves but my hopes were dashed again several pages later when the female offers the potential kidnapping male a place to stay, at her place of course. What is more irritating is that the male in question is 500 years old so I have a hard time buying he thought she would go willingly... The female is almost 200 years old and is apparently too stupid to live if she offers both these guys a place to stay because she should know better. This is also heading toward insta love because hormones are just uncontrollable... So I'm DNFing now....

Jeanny says

Tripe. DNF 78%

If you're interested in her work her Veil series is entertaining YA RH.

Brittain *Needs a Nap and a Drink* says

Gimme.

taveena kade says

Update 1/15

It's soo good. I think i'm in shock. At first I was a little disappointed that it wasn't a reverse harem, but now i'm glad it isn't. WHY DID YOU HAVE TO FO THIS TO ME BECKY??? ISN'T THE FACT THAT YOU HAVE HOOKED ON THE VEIL DIARIES ENOUGH!?!

Update 1/13

I know it's release day okay?!? But I'm reading this other great book and i don't want to stop? I swear i will start it by tonight!!!

Update 1/8

I NEED THIS NOW!!!

Blurb:

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Pre-Order (releases 1/13): <https://www.amazon.com/Found-Books-St...>

Dominique says

I read this book because I loooove the Veil Diaries series and cannot wait to read the fifth book! This book is also part of the Veil Diaries universe but I did not love it :(. I really like how the author writes but contrary to Veil Diaries in FOUND the history of the characters evolves way to fast, they are already kissing and in love in the half of the story.

Sophie Rex says

Really enjoyed this but i dont think i can cope waiting for the next one ? i think i prefer this to the veil diaries, looking forward to seeing more cross overs in future books!

Only thing i'm dreading is when Atticus reveals who adopted him... shit will go down, why didn't he just tell her straight away, so frustrating!

The Romance Book Disciple (Samantha) says

Found by BL Brunnemer is a slight spin off from her YA Reverse Harem series, The Veil Diaries. Zahur has made a few appearances in The Veil Diaries in helping Lexi with the veil, but in Found we discover he is a gargoyle. I loved Brunnemer's take on gargoyles. She brings together lots of supernatural creatures and Evelyn is the one person keeping all these creatures from destroying Chicago.

Evelyn is certainly one of the more badass heroines. She has more powers than any of the guys and she has been single handedly keeping the supernatural creatures of Chicago in line. She didn't know there were other gargoyles out there. Her parents died when she was a teenager and she spent her life roaming until settling in Chicago. Lexi uses her powers to enforce the rules, but more than that, she uses her brain and diplomacy! I loved that the author included this aspect.

Atticus was a bit of the typical man in my opinion. He finds his mate. He wants to wrap her in bubble wrap. He grunts and demands instead of talking. He makes dumbass mistakes because he doesn't listen and hear. However, he was still oddly likable. I think it helped that several chapters are from the guys POV so you get to see into his thought process. Atticus has lived a very different life than Evelyn, so his behavior, while annoying, is understandable. Falk and Ranulf are great! I loved the humor and levity Ranulf brings (and am dying to know more about him and his mate!!). Falk brings a quiet support system to Evelyn that was touching. Zahur is the mature, father figure of the group. He isn't afraid to call the others out on their idiotic behavior.

Overall, Found is a great introduction to the world of Books of Stone. Its not perfect, but I felt the same way about the start of the Veil Diaries. Sometimes I think it just takes a book or 2 for Brunnemer to really find her rhythm. This is certainly steamier than The Veil Diaries! Atticus and Evelyn are mates and they consummate their mating frequently. If you like paranormal romance with all kinds of supernatural beings, fated mates who aren't sure what they think of each other, and a supporting cast of characters that are awesome, Found is a perfect pick. I'm not sure what is up with this cover. Normally, Brunnemer's covers are stunning. This one totally misses the mark for me.

Kasha Kensington is one of my favorite narrators so the reason I decided to give this book a shot was because of her! Antony Ferguson is great with the accents. Zahur has an ancient, slightly middle eastern accent, Falk and Ranulf are Scottish, and Atticus is English. He does a wonderful job with all the accents. Kensington does amazing with the accents as well, so overall, this was a great listen!

POV: multiple 1st

Tears: no

Trope: fated mates, supernatural

Triggers: none

Series/Standalone: series

Cliffhanger: (view spoiler)

HEA: (view spoiler)

authors like Lisa Ladew, Dannika Dark, Milly Taiden...then you will probably like Found!

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Roxy D.C says

4.25 out of 5 stars ?

This was a surprising read for me?!

RTC? 

Emma Keaton says

BL Brunnemer you've done it again ? what a way to start a new series. I couldn't put it down. I can't wait to continue reading this with The Veil Diaries. Already my mind is running on different theories. The only downside is that it's only day 1 of being released ... I'm not sure I can wait for the next books in both series to be released. ??????????
