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As Charmaine and Tabbruis unite to proclaim their love for one another it becomes apparant that a new and dark task has presented itself for the lovers to overcome. Even with the beautiful union between Tabbruis and Charmaine, destiny will surely reveal itself.

Being the Queen of Light, Charmaine is fated to bring light and love into the world, but yet her personal life can in no way interfere. Devoted to Tabbruis and her son Shane, it is all she can do to focus only on them. As the rule of engagment commences, she must first step up to the plate and bring forth a change that will only start an endless feud that has already been acclaimed centuries into existence.

As King of Darkness, Tabbruis has been placed in his position for a purpose. His love for Charmaine has only brought peace and clarity to his existence. With his family now back together, he must now stand against his own kind, not only to protect what is right but also to protect the world from the impending darkness.

Family bonds only strengthen the ties. Shane introduces his proclaimed love into the picture and in a jaw dropping course of events love is tested and the family is torn apart. They say that love can span the planes of existence, but can this family hold tight until the end and keep it together just long enough to face forces of darkness that is so hell bent on destroying the world?

## **Mactus Details**

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# From Reader Review Mactus for online ebook

## Alyson LaBarge says

### My Review:

Mactus picks up where Charmeine left off, without missing a beat. If you enjoyed the first book, then you will LOVE this one!

**The Good:** I really loved the way that Emily shares Char and Tab's past with us...through dreams. It was written in such a way that I could visualize the events as they were described. All of the characters really grow in this portion of the series. They become a family - close knit and loving. Shane even has an awesome surprise and it is a great addition to the storyline. Are all of their challenges over? Are you kidding? This is only the second book, silly! ;)

**The Bad:** Once Charmeine remembered the past and knew the family's destiny, she almost went into a sulk and I really just wanted to slap her. Just because you know you have to protect your family, it does not unequivocally mean that you have to sacrifice yourself! Grrrr! I guess I just really do not understand why she kept getting hung up on that. Otherwise, I find little to no fault in Mactus.

**The Snuggly:** In this book, Tab and Char's relationship is elevated to a whole other level. I really could feel their closeness and oneness in heart and mind (well, except for what I mentioned in The Bad). Their intimacy was like the last piece of the puzzle, fitting together so that seemingly nothing could tear them apart. As I said in Charmeine, the sex was tastefully handled and appropriate to the circumstances.

**The Rest:** This book, even more so than Charmeine was a page turner. Event after event occurred, changing their circumstances and making me want to know my proverbial "*What Happens Next?*" The end was so explosive that I was glad I had Accendo already on hand. I strongly recommend that you read this sequentially, in order to get the full impact of the storyline. Mactus is also written without undo amounts of bad language or sexuality so again, unless you have a problem reading basic Christian Doctrine, lovers of Paranormal Romances will be in seventh heaven.

\*Note: I received this book in exchange for my honest and unbiased review. All opinions are 100% my own.

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## Nicole Hill says

Wow! I was loving these two at the end of the first book but now, I am loving them even more. In this book, Charmeine and Tabbruus are given the surprise of their lives as memories of their past love come to the surface. Some memories are good, while others reveal their ordeal may be far from over. Can they complete the dark task that has been set before them and once again be what they once were to each other? I definitely recommend this book as well as the first to anyone who loves a good deep story of love that can overcome any distance and any force imposed upon it.

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## **Nicole says**

Mactus starts exactly where Charmeine left off. Tabbruis and Charmeine are slowly realizing their pasts through their dreams, while working to pull together their family. As the family grows, dark and deadly threats become real and destinies will be fulfilled. Will Charmeine accept her new future, or will she sacrifice herself in order to save her family?

In this second chapter of The Light-Bearer Series, Guido continues the emotional story of Tabbruis and Charmeine. Two angels destined to be together in a world desperate to tear them apart. As the family begins to train for the battle against the Elder Council, new truths will be revealed that will solidify the reader's love for this series. There are some minor grammar issues, but overall the tale of good and evil combining as one is breathtaking. The ending alone will have readers rushing to buy the third book.

These books tell a story of two long-lost loves, but the meaning behind this tale is powerful. The world would be a brighter place, if everyone could learn acceptance. Fans of Charmeine will not be disappointed by Mactus.

Notes:

Emily Guido provided me a copy of this book for me to review. To learn more about this book and the author, please visit her website: <http://emilyguido.com>

This review was originally posted on my website: <http://ariesgrlreview.com>

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## **Satarupa says**

I got this book from the author, free of cost, in exchange of an honest review from my side.

Firstly I would like to thank Emily Guido, author of Mactus, for giving me this opportunity of reading and reviewing this fabulous book.

WOW! What a great read. Charmeine was intriguing and now Mactus really changed the meaning of intriguing to me it was freakishly intriguing and exciting with more dark secrets, power-packed fighting scenes, passionate true love, heart touching family bonding, dangerous enemies craving blood and destruction.

I really fell in love with this book and you'll too when you read it. It's a total page turner and I completed it in one sitting!

The story brings back the wondrous magic of Emily Guido and we are taken back to the life of Charleen and Tabbruis where they slowly get glimpses of their long lost love through dreams and as a special treat we get to see Shane in love as well.

The Elder Council and the blood hunters possess threats all over again and this time the fight is not only for the couple but also for their family as well where loyalty, love, affection, dedication are all put through

dangerous tests and love is at stake again!

With unpredictable twists and turns, revelations of hidden secrets, increase in intensity of love we find ourselves to be on an roller coaster where you can't even imagine what's going to be served next.

A thrilling and gripping read for ya all and I'm sure that You'll love it as I did! Great job Emily, you rock! Now I'm anxious waiting for the next and upcoming installments!

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### **Laura Thomas says**

This Series is really heating up!

In Mactus you get the same magnetic romance between Charmeine and Tabbruis, along with some huge surprises.

I was either sighing over Char and Tab, or chuckling about Shane.

I also did a lot of 'take this' and 'take that' when the evil-doers showed up. Every time one fell, I'd do a fist pump!

Emily's love for her characters is shown in their love for each other. Never have I read a book with such love and devotion in a family. I get a goofy grin on my face when they share their emotions so freely with each other.

He leaned to her and whispered, "Semper tuus ero, Charmeine."

She whispered back, "Semper tua ero, Tabbruis."

There is more than one love story being told in Mactus. And Charmeine has some heavy decisions to think about. But I believe this family is tough enough, strong enough, to triumph over any obstacle.

As I closed the book, I studied the cover and my mind wandered. And I dreamed.

I can't remember what I dreamt, but the feeling of joy stayed with me all through the day. I'm sure Emily's characters had something to do with that.

Each book gets better and better as you become more committed to this family.

Light and dark. Angels and vampires. The Light-Bearer series casts a spell of charm and holds you tight.

Emily gifted me this book for my enjoyment. My review was honestly and thankfully given.

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### **Kim says**

So I read "Charmeine" the first book in this series, I fell in love with the story and the characters. Charmeine

full of light, love and energy, literally, also a great sense of humor. Tabbruus, a 8,000 year old BloodHunter, turned good and fights for his kind who are like him, they only feed on animals not humans. He's dark, handsome, a vampire and loyal. Dimitri, one of Tabbruus's BloodHunter brothers, loyal, knowledgeable because he's the oldest of them, also very handsome. Shane, Charmaine's friend since they were young. They are in Romania now, they had to leave NYC because a BloodHunter was after Charmaine. Tabbruus has his home there and feels they will be safe there with Dimitri. We meet new characters in this book that I also fell for. A couple big secrets revealed throughout this book. A family finally back together have to fight with their lives to stay that way. Will they be strong enough to bring down the Elders? Does bringing Charmaine to Romania bring her closer to death. When I wasn't reading, I was wondering what the characters were up to! The author does such a great job with personalities of the characters I get emotionally involved and can't wait to get back to them. LOL! Awesome! Now I get to read the last book, I'm looking forward to it, also dreading it being the end of my time with all them. My favorite quote, Semper tua ero.

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## **Sherry Fundin says**

Mactus - Latin - means well done, good job, honored, good luck.

Mactus (The Light-Bearer, #2)

Charmaine and Tabbruus awoke to Shane barging in, demanding answers. Shane was very protective of Charmaine and he didn't like the idea that Tabbruus could be taking advantage of her.

Tabbruus told him that he had been an orphan, like Charmaine and that he was also a vampire. Charmaine went on to tell Shane how they had found out that Tabbruus was a Blood-Hunter and she was a Light-Bearer. Tabbruus explained that they were sworn enemies, but their love was something special, their hearts beat as one, and Tabbruus could no longer see a life without her.

Shane proceeded to tell them, that he was also an orphan. He told them about a dream he had. It was the same dream that Charmaine and Tabbruus had been talking about. They had all been together. What could it mean?

Then, everything came rushing back to Charmaine. She told them what she remembered, that her and Tabbruus had been married and Shane was their child. They had been a family in Heaven. Shane was the one to voice the question - Why? Why had they forgotten? And what had happened to separate them?

Hurt, pain, and loneliness poured from them, only to be replaced by love, joy and a sense of belonging.

Tabbruus' voodoo stare told them to do as he said, when he told them to get ready to leave. They were going to Romania. Dimitri had sent Tabbruus' "brother" to collect them.

They were attacked at the airport. The fight was brutal and to the death. No one had known, not even Shane, that he had powers, but when the Blood-Hunter took Charmaine, Shane was the one who saved her.

Tabbruus had seen a darkness surrounding Charmaine, but said nothing.

As they approached Dimitri's castle, security kept getting tighter, more intense. It was now going to be their home too. [draculas castle Pictures, Images and Photos](#)

In Tabbrius' dream, Charmeine was being tortured. He awoke with a start and immediately started looking for her, but she was gone. He had told her that God had made him for her and she for him. Their hearts beat in tune and their love would save them.

But, like the "Son", would Charmeine sacrifice herself to save the others?

4 STARS - Would Highly Recommend To Others

The cover is pretty, but does not do the story justice. It does show that Charmeine and Tabbrius are together, but it does not portray what they will have to go through to make that happen. The title is appropriate. It will take good luck for them to make it through what is to come.

Not only do the characters grow on you, the story deepens and takes you along with it. As they fight to survive, they risk it all. But Tabbrius does not want to live without Charmeine. He must convince her, not to sacrifice herself. There has to be another way.

Their friends will give up their lives to help keep them safe. How many of us can say the same? To have such loyal family and friends could be something we all strive for. Not only to have for ourselves, but to be that family member or friend that would do the same.

I marvel at Emily's ability to, not just create the story, but to be able to describe it so vividly that I feel as if it could be real. Who is to say? Do you believe in Angels? If you do, then there must be demons also. Who knows what form they would take.

I received this book free from the author. I am not sure if she expected a review or not, but as I read through every book of the series (and I can hardly wait to start the next book) I will be doing a review for each and every one. I would like others to see, that this is a series that they will want to add to their collection of books.

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### **Janice Ross says**

The surprises, twists and turns never fair. The characters are so very real and I feel like part of the family. Charmeine, Tabbrius, Shane, Dmitri, Sandra, and Neal are all such wonderful characters. They are all developed so well and Emily uses her skills to draw readers into this series even more, with the second book.

Keep up the wonderful work Emily!

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### **Polly says**

Excitement, excitement from the beginning of book two in this wonderful series! I absolutely loved Shane's

surprise!! The excitement keeps building and building!

I loved Dmitri, loved the “family” What a lovely castle for their home. Charmaine is such a strong woman, she continues her training and the love between her and Tabburis continues to grow. The couple is learning more and more who they can trust and who they can't. Are friends really enemies? I loved the development of the extended family, each new member is such a great addition to the book and to the series. Book two in this series just left me wanting book three NOW!

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### **Carol Fitzpatrick says**

"Mactus" means a job well done!

"Mactus" is the continuation of Charmaine and Tabbru's love story.

The wonderful event which happens when they arrive in Romania is both beautiful and spiritual. God has a mission for them but they accept the peril that they have to combat.

Also the secondary characters are revealed in more depth.

Emily Guido does not disappoint. She is weaving the world of Blood-Hunters and Light-Bearers and I laughed and cheered while the action ensued.

Excellent second novel in "The Light-Bearer Series."

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### **Al says**

The author of Mactus gave me the book free so I could give an honest review. As Emily gave me a signed first edition, I did not want to ruin the book, so I also downloaded the latest version to my kindle. I did enjoy the book, and I feel that Emily is a very good author. I am looking forward to reading the remainder of the series.

Mactus starts immediately where Charmaine, the first book in the Light-Bearer series, left off so there is no loss of weeks or days. Charmaine has discovered who she is and what she is. New characters arrive to help explain what Light-Bearers and Blood-Hunters are. The book brings the relationship between Charmaine, Tabbru's and Shane to light. In addition, how the new characters – Dmitri, Thomas, Neal and Sandra come into play. This is where I feel that the book went a little over the top. When a character finds out what they are, then they immediately know how to use the abilities and everything that goes with it. I cannot go into too many details, as I do not want to spoil the plot. This area is my only gripe with the story.

Emily writes in her particular way again with her descriptions that say that she is an author of unique style. I would suggest picking up all three books in the series and read them, as it is a definite kicker of a series. I am really looking forward Accendo – the third book – as this ends at the perfect place so the third book will have a straight run. Thoroughly enjoyable.

Charmaine, Mactus and Accendo originally had been a single book, but splitting them into three made for



easier reading.

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## **Sandy says**

Taking off from the ending of Charmeine, as a reader, you are whisked away into the bliss of Tabbruis and Charmeine and their deep love for one another. Such compassion and reverence for each other, you just have to wonder how they will ever function in the world. They seem to be so passionately occupied with each other. While reading, I visualize the melting and glowing that encases the room whenever they enter. They soon find out that Shane is more than just a great friend of Charmeine and that her motherly tendencies ran deeper than she had originally thought when it came to their friendship. With the power and the money flowing freely, Shane is able to get his girlfriend back into the picture and the foursome have some remarkable tales to tell around the kitchen table which now seems to be getting quite full. With Neal, Dmitri, Thomas and the two couples there are some great stories to be told and you get your share of them in this novel but let's not forget that we are dealing with the Blood-Hunters and the Light-Bearers for which trouble still brews. For once in her life, Charmeine feels happy and content and wants to relax and enjoy life, yet with her being a Light-Bearer and her mission there is other things she must accomplish. There is tension in the air as we close out the novel as their unknown future hangs in the air and yet the compassion still runs deep as their lives are just beginning. Can love handle the test of time and war?

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## **Emily Guido says**

### **Notes to Reviewers and Readers:**

First, the Blood-Hunter race or Elders have been on Earth for thousands of years. Because of this, they do not use contractions like I'm, don't or can't. They communicate in a more refined way because of their age.

Second, there are several OLD editions out in circulation of my books. Please leave a review on the current edition. Please feel free to contact me, Emily, at [guido.emily@gmail.com](mailto:guido.emily@gmail.com) to check the edition you have is the recent edition.

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## **Angie ~aka Reading Machine~ says**

Tabbruis(Tab) and Charmeine(Char) have found each other again remembering their love for one another is the key to many missing memories for both of them. Shane Kelly demands answers from Tab and Char about previous nights events. When the explanation is given for what happened a startling new discovery emerges from Shane. To both Tab and Char's surprise and delight discover that Shane is actual their son. A joyus family reunion insues for all involved. Tabbruis cannot believe how happy he is to have his wife and his son with him now after many years of loneliness. The Blood Hunter's will not stop at nothing to get Charmeine to their Elder even if it means all out war. Char is injured during the attack and is fighting for her life. Char makes a recovery thanks to both Tab and Shane. Plans need to be made to stop the Elder Council continuing it's path of destruction. Tab sees frightening visions of Char and wants nothing more than to stop Char from fighting period. Tab's longtime friend and brother Dmitri encourages Tab to trust in Char's love and also to believe in Char. For the most powerful on Earth is love. Shane learns that his love Sandra Gomez is free of the military. Will Char and Tab's dreams come true? Will Shane get his wish? Will the prophecy come true? Will the Blood Hunters keep coming? Your answers await you in Mactus.

I gained further insight to Charmaine's powers and gifts. Tab is a wonderful alph male that will do anything to protect his love and his family from his enemies. I loved the revelation that Shane is Tab and Char's son! What a great reveal! Definitely looking forward to the next installment in the series.

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## **M. Gwedo says**

WHOO WEE... UNBELIEVABLE!!! I mean "Mactus" is a wild ride!

I don't want to give out any clues to what the book is about but after reading "Charmeine," I can tell you it left the door opened wide for anything, and it did!

Our heros, Charmaine and Tabbruis start out with a huge surprise which was sitting right in front of them, and it is mind-blowing. Charmaine is attacked and it takes the help of their friends to battle the bad Blood-Hunter who is out for her blood, literally! The book twists and turns so much, you think one thing is going to happen and then it warps into something else totally. WOW! This author, Emily Guido, knows how to keep the interest and the romance even with all the intrigue! Then I about dropped my kindle when I read about the joyous event which happened when they finally made it to Romania.

To give "Mactus" five stars is shorting it, but I will give it that! If you have read "Charmeine," you have to read, "Mactus!"

I can't wait until Emily Guido's novel "Accendo" is out!

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