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## From Reader Review Tro for online ebook

### Tanne says

\*Received a copy in exchange for a review\*

4 stars

YES, I liked Tro very much! It was a great ending to a great trilogy. I will keep an eye on you, S.T. Bende! This book was full of action, a bit (a lot) more steam (I was getting toothache of the sweetness) and interesting developments. Go read this book!

The book started in a bubble, the honeymoon bubble. Far away from the world (loved the Valkyries btw, they are awesome), a place to have fun! I felt just as relaxed as Ull and Kristia were. It had funny scenes, and I enjoyed it, but it was starting a bit slow. And then.... BAM!

This book finally gets to the part you were waiting for! It was action and suspense and great. I had to keep reading. The ending was perfect, but the last two chapters did feel a bit unnecessary.

The characters were great. We finally got to know Ull as a fighter, and Kristia became... herself, and she was badass. She protected her loved ones, and she finally became useful! I loved her role in Tro.

Tro is a great book. I loved the action, and I'm recommending this book (series) to anyone!

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### Jan Niblock says

I just finished this book to the series and loved it. It really surprised me at the end and I am not going to spoil it for you, so you will just have to read it yourself. Kristia is one strong woman and even she didn't know how strong she was until she needed to be. The fact that she never gave up on those she loved and always put them before her made for a great read. Ull and Kristia together make a very romantic couple so if you really don't care about mythology or wars, there is a very cool love story going on. This book hits on all three levels, action, mythology and romance. In addition, the author left it open just enough that if she wants to carry this story further, she can. I, for one, hope that that she does decide to do just that in the future.

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### Angie says

**Synopsis:** *"Sometimes you just have to believe.*

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*can't live without?"*

**My Review:** I really am hoping this isn't the last book in the saga, I am enjoying these characters and the premise far too much! I loved all the action in this one, it wasn't all romance which is so nice. Kristia might become one of my favorite female kickass heroines, just takes on all challenges. The way all the characters work together so beautifully in all the scenes. This was a book that pulled me in (really the whole series did) and made the pages just fly.

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### **Hetal says**

everything was too happy and mushy. It was too much, coming from someone who loves love stories. too many "perfects" "I love yous" "darlings" etc.

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### **Michelle's Paranormal Vault of Books says**

Wow, this series took me on a great ride. I loved it, and will not say much as I do not want to spoil anything for you.

I loved the characters and came to really care for them.

You can get the first book free for ebook, and you will get hooked. I had to buy the 2nd and 3rd right away as i loved it so much.

Give this series a chance if you like mythology and paranormal books.

You will fall in love with Ull like I did too.

I give it 5 out of 5 stars.

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### **Verity Wolfe says**

I received a copy in return for a review.

When this came through as a read and review I very nearly didn't sign up. I had already read the first books in this series, and I was left felling really disappointed after book two. So I signed up for this book, as I figured, I had read the series up to this point just finish it and find out how it ends.

And boy am I glad I signed up. This was how to write a sequel! It was packed full of action. It moved with pace. It held my attention. I flew through this book!!

Everything fell into place with this book, something I had really hoped for from book two. The first third of the book was just pure romance chick lit, my all time favourite thing in a book. The rest was full of surprises, a couple of why are you not questioning this sooner moments, and a whole lot of punch. I really liked that Krista stuck to her guns, grew as a person, and proved just why she was so important. Ull was the typical

protective Apsardian, who finally realised his wife was so much more powerful than he ever realised, and maybe he doesn't have to do it all alone any more.

I really loved this book, I am so glad I read it.

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## **Cassie C says**

Review to come!

Update 12/23/14:

I didn't think I could possibly love this series more, but Ms. Bende has proven me wrong! This conclusion to the Elsker Saga was phenomenal, and sweeps you off your feet from the very first page. Ms. Bende has such an elegant way with words that you will never want to stop reading. Because of this, you'll easily devour this book in one sitting (even though you want it last forever)! The scenes were yet again perfectly and richly described so you can easily picture every minute detail as if you were truly standing next to the characters. Ms. Bende weaves the Norse mythology into the story seamlessly, and it makes for such an exciting read as you learn Norse mythology and are taken on an exciting adventure. She obviously did her research, and I loved every single second of it.

Kristia has always been one of my favorite characters because she has always been strong, but she truly blossoms in this one into a brave warrior. She takes on the role that she must to fight and defend Asgard (and Midgard) from Ragnarok, and is certainly kick ass! Ull is as amazing as ever, and will have you swooning so many times throughout the story. He would go to the ends of the earth for Kristia, and he proves how much he cares and loves her in this novel. The romance between Ull and Kristia can't be denied, and their entire honeymoon was extraordinarily magical and lovely.

The action is at an all time high once you reach the halfway point in this novel, and it is never-ending excitement until the end. There's plenty of fighting, deception, and sadly death (but don't worry too much). I loved that there was peek into Kristia and Ull's future, as it gave the series as a whole a very nice conclusion. That being said, I definitely wouldn't mind reading more!!

I highly recommend checking this book out for fans of the Elsker Saga. It is not to be missed!! I can't wait to read more amazing adventures from Ms. Bende (maybe even another novella \*hint hint\*).

5+++++ stars

Happy reading :)

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## **Jenny - Book Sojourner says**

4.5 Stars.

Finally the Honeymoon! I must say, I love Ull and Kristia. They are just so very sweet. And fun. And funny. And sexy in their very adorable way. All the build-up of their relationship was lovely and I caught myself grinning and sighing contentedly often during this book, particularly the first half. Just seeing Ull and Kristia

let loose and be completely free with each was the best. I especially loved the new fun side of Ull we got to see. This story gave me all kinds of happy.

Besides the happy honeymooning, we still have the ever impending doom of battle on its way. Elfie himself takes persistent, annoying, crazy, evil guy to a new level. He's not toying around anymore. There are some great battle scenes here and I liked the various perspectives we're able to take on them. I was certainly biting my nails at one point as I flipped through the pages, nerves on high alert. I wanted a bit more, too, but was content with the tension and intensity of the scenes.

I love the Elsker Saga series. The combination of Norse mythology with the modern world, the beauty of finding your true love and soulmate, the sweet tenderness of friendship and romance, the intensity of impending battle and doom. All these things make this series very special and a journey I loved taking. The author even notes there will more to come with a new Norse crew, and I can't wait to see what comes next.

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### **Mihi Vienna says**

Speechless for a long time :)

OMG!! I ABSOLUTELY FREAKING LOVED THIS!!!

My review is going to be short and sweet!!...

I usually do quite a long one but this one has left me feeling, Emotional..

I cried a little, stopped breathing, smiled so much and laughed in this book!..

I absolutely enjoyed how everything came about. It was so intense and had me on edge the whole entire time. It made me love all the characters even more, they all compliment each other & their flaws.

This I felt was a beautifully written story and I had a joy reading it.

Definitely recommend this series to anyone!.

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### **Heather Duff says**

Thank you to ST Bende for providing me with an advance copy

The Elsker Saga has been an incredible read and the improvement in my Norwegian has been immense!

Kristia and Ull's journey is nearing it's end, will they have a happy ending or will Asgard fall and those they love be lost?

Before anything happens though they need to have their honeymoon, at the end of the last book Kristia became Mrs Myhr (breaking thousand of fan girl hearts in the process) and Ull has one hell of a romantic honeymoon lined up, which I will let you read about for yourself!

Kristia is still learning how to deal with her powers and her visions are becoming more frequent, the evil elf is still showing up and in this book his true identity is revealed and as a fan of that person in another series I

was like "why does he have to be sooo bad when he is so damn handsome in that other series" (that's my clue see if you can work that out!!) but of course he is meant to be bad.

Tro is a very satisfying read, the characters as always are brilliantly written and the seamless changing between Midgard and Asgard is again just perfect. The Elsker Saga has all the hallmarks of a great series for me, a fantastic plot, engaging characters and great settings, plus it doesn't always take itself too seriously and of course it does help your Norwegian too!

The climax of this Tro was excellent and the glimpse in to their future thanks to Elsker spilling her secrets was much appreciated!, plus I forgot to say we find out a little bit more about Kristia's family history which comes in handy when a beloved character is taken ill.

So if you have enjoyed the previous books in the series, you will love Tro!

Awarded 5 out of 5

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### **Tina Lynne says**

Where do I even begin? I will try to tell you my thoughts without veering too far into fangirl land. Ha! I have loved every single second of the Elsker Saga. This series proves that you can have a clean series that still has all the elements that people want to find in a book: love, romance, adventure, with a fabulous paranormal flair- a unique spin involving the Norse gods. Tro opens up literally seconds after the end of Endre. Kristia and Ull are on the way to their honeymoon. She has already gone through the transformation to become Norse goddess. She is anticipating learning how to function in her new role and more importantly, how to control and use her visions to save her new family and Asgard. The beginning of the story portrays a devastatingly sweet love story. Kristia and Ull spend weeks on a glorious honeymoon. Their love affair is so endearing yet it smolders with the best of them. During their nuptial adventures, Ull begins to teach Kristia what it means to be a goddess and how to utilize her new found powers. With Ragnarok still on the horizon, despite their happiness, there is an urgency that Ull and Kristia cannot ignore. When things start to come together and Kristia's dreams and visions warn of what is coming, they leave the island to join with Ull's family to face an uncertain future.

We see all the favorites from the series so far! Gunnar and Inga are back and as wonderful as ever. We see more of Elsker, Thor, Odin, Sif, and Olaug from Asgard. One of my favorite themes (which I have mentioned in reviewing the other books in the series) is family. It is the defining pillars of the Norse culture and something that Ull and Kristia refuse to compromise on. They are a new family and will do whatever it takes to protect their extended family, no matter the cost.

One of my absolute favorite things while reading this series is watching the transformation of Kristia. She starts off as a shy girl, who has had visions of the future her whole life and no way to truly understand what is happening to her. Yet adventure strikes and takes her across the pond to Cardiff University, where she develops a community of new friends and meets a mysterious heartthrob. She falls in love with Ull and discovers that all the stories her grandmother told her were true. She learns of the reality of the Norse gods and that there is so much to the world than what she sees. She begins to become a stronger and more confident woman, a woman determined to protect and love those around her. When she and Ull are married, she can finally come into her destiny, as the goddess of winter, standing beside Ull, protecting those she loves in ways that she could never imagine. She is not a passive character but one who actively seeks out what is right and how to protect the world she is a part of and the ones that she loves. She becomes a true heroine of the story in the end. Ah! I love to fangirl over her. She is the best!

Without giving too much away, this book gives us the sweet romance we wanted to see for the first bit and then the adventure and fight in the second half. It is filled with visions and training, with a battle of good versus evil that finally comes to a boiling point. We see the confrontation between enemies and how Ull's family fights for the future existence of Asgard and his family, holding to the truth that Kristia and her visions are the reason that the prophecies have been changed. There is action and suspense, romance and love. All in all, it is everything I wanted and I cannot wait to read it all over again. If you have not picked up this series, then stop being crazy and do it now! You will not be disappointed.

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### **Shelly Wygant says**

This series just keeps getting better and better. After you attend the wedding of Krista and Ull you get to witness the making of a goddess. The honeymoon is going well but as they decide to return home the fight of their lives is before them. Krista is trying to learn to control her visions and foresee the future of Asgard. Will she be able to see the enemies and help save Asgard?

The action in this book was non stop. At times I was scared to turn the page because I did not want to see who was going to face death. It was like reading through your fingers. LOL. We watch the fight to save Asgard play out and you will hold your breath throughout. We also learn more about some of the secondary characters. There is a twist at the end that you won't see coming.

I will certainly be putting S.T. Bende on my must read author list.

I received a gift copy in exchange from an honest review.

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### **Jenna says**

Everything I wanted the first two books to have are all **HERE!** Therefore, this is my **MOST** favorite book in the trilogy!

I still think this book series didn't get the much deserved attention it deserves! It's a great series and I love it! Did I say I love it? haha!

Seriously though. On a random note, it's so funny. The other day, my friend and I went to a Phillip Phillip concert in Manhattan, and in between the first act and Phillip finally singing, these three **HUGE** tall guys worked their way and stood in front of us, where we were standing for an hour or so already. And we were like, 'what are you doing?' and they said "we're from Iceland and we're really huge Phillip Phillip fans..." we were like 'we don't care if you're from wherever you are and if you're huge fans, we got here first and you are all so tall, go stand in the back.'. haha! Okay, how does this connect? Well, I don't know why but when I saw them, tall guys and one was gorgeous and they all have white blonde hair, and I just couldn't stop myself from thinking "They must be from Asgard!" haha. **ALL** because of this series, I relate tall gorgeous white blonde guys with accents to be Norwegian, where the setting of S.T. Bende's series is based.

Anyway, the last book is where all the action and all the answers are! This is the most exciting book in the series! Ull and Kristia are now married and the first few chapters are dedicated to their honeymoon. In all honesty, it kind of reminded me of *Breaking Dawn*, the last book from the popular *Twilight* series, because



yeah, the first parts of that book was also about the honeymoon...same setting: beach, same anxiety for the girls- the first night. ONLY- Kristia didn't get miraculously pregnant! lol. Then after the "honeymoon phase", literally honeymoon phase,lol, comes the exciting phase where all the action happens. I'm not going to spoil you whether or not who dies or what exactly happens, but every question and every mystery there is in the first two books are finally answered! The sequencing of the events are perfect. The plot is perfect. Aaaah. I just love everything!

So, from me, an honest book reviewer, to you, fellow readers, I highly recommend this book series. Especially if you love, Norse mythology, or if you've never tried reading a novel with Norse myth on it..or if you love some light paranormal romance. I don't know if this is categorized as paranormal, but it's clearly not normal. lol. :D

A copy was received in exchange for an honest review. I wasn't paid to say what I said above. :D I was never ever paid ever in any of my reviews if that info helps. :)

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### **Sanne Heremans says**

\*\*\*4.5 stars - ARC provided by the author in exchange for an honest review\*\*\* Sanne ~ Scandalous Book Blog

After you attended the wedding of the millenium you are now cordially invited to the honeymoon... Will they finally get their happily ever after or will the upcoming #RagnaRock destroy them?

Prepare yourself for the ride of a lifetime and get ready to rock! ;)

The honeymoon - Will the God of Winter finally let loose and enjoy his new bride/godess? He is one greedy little bugger if he get's going... lol

But.... Kristia's visions are becoming clearer and will put an early stop to their happy little bubble.

----- That's when #RagnaRock starts

How will they handle all of this, will there be casualties and will they get their happily ever after? Read and find out! ;)

Ohh my dear Gunnar such a funny guy and always comes to the rescue! :)He has got a little surprise for ya'll too.... Mwhuahahah ;)

Overall a beautiful ending to a beautiful story! Mange takk to ST Bende for letting us take part in this incredible journey! Jeg elsker deg and may you always have Tro!

PS: And I NEED that name!!!

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## **Andrea Heltsley says**

WOW! This was such an awesome series! I was sad to see it end! However, this was the perfect ending to the story. Kristia and Ull are adorable! I've already pre-ordered the first book in a new series set with Norse mythology. This was a perfect trilogy and I can't recommend the five star read enough!

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