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The penultimate tale in this gory, epic series from Darren Shan - with unmissably horrifying twists!

Zom-B Fugitive Details

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From Reader Review **Zom-B Fugitive** for online ebook

Ada says

That was unexpected. And now the wait until April begins.... Argh!

Kc Chapa says

I can't say enough good things about this series. Very sad the end of it is around the corner. I love the twisted shit that comes out of this man's mind! MARRY ME DARREN SHAN ;) I'll definitely miss B when she's gone. :(

Adeeb says

I think that this book and its predecessor, *Zom-B Bride*, could have been combined into one book. They were both very build-up type of books. That being said, this book had two twists that made me jaw LITERALLY drop. And I'm not joking. It was amazing. Can't wait to see how it all ends.

Brooke ♥booklife4life♥ says

Basic Info

Format: Hardback

Pages/Length: 171pgs

Genre: Young Adult; Zombie

At A Glance

Love Triangle/Insta Love/Obsession?: No

Cliff Hanger: Yes

Triggers: n/a

Rating: 2 stars

Score Sheet

All out of ten

Cover: 8

Plot: 5

Characters: 8

World Building: 6

Flow: 5

Series Congruity: 9

Writing: 7

Ending: 7

Total: 5

In Dept

Best Part: Becky is still my fave :D

Worst Part: No real plot movement....

Thoughts Had: okkkk....; no way!!!!; oh snappppppppppp

Conclusion

Continuing the Series: yes

Recommending: yes

Short Review: I love this series i really do, but this one felt forced. Yes you get 2 major plot devices but in 171pgs, i wanted more. There was only 1 real action screen. The ending did hurt me a bit. Barnes didn't deserve that at all. I don't know how i didn't see the "twist" in this book. The whole new way she has to eat now, gross.

Misc.

Book Boyfriend: Barnes

Best Friend Material: Becky

Review in GIF Form:

Chris Lemmerman says

So close to the end, and the hits keep coming. I can't see how this is going to resolve itself nicely at this point, and with Shan's track record for endings not being the best, I'm hoping for a satisfying ending for a change with the next volume.

Meg McGregor says

Wow!! I absolutely loved this book! Intriguing plot twists, non-stop action, and Becky Smith at her most philosophical and vulnerable.

If you haven't read this series yet, get to it! Each book is better than the last!

My favorite character. in this book, was Holy Moly. He really does love his Mummy.

Wish I could give it six stars!!!

Haley says

[Dr. Oystein is RELATED TO MR.DOWLING! THEY ARE BROTHERS (hide spoile

Sophie says

Originally published at <http://solittletimeforbooks.blogspot....>

It has become almost impossible to review these books without mentioning spoilers from earlier in the series so consider yourselves warned!

The eleventh instalment in the Zom-B series is possibly the most mind-blowing yet. I felt like my brain had melted by the time I had finished Zom-B Fugitive.

When we left B at the end of Zom-B Bride, she had been tortured, rescued, made a deal with Mr Dowling, got married, become the mother to a hoarde of zombie babies and escaped once again, with some incredibly valuable information. I was on the edge of my seat from the get go. B has the opportunity to save the world and she's really not about to waste it! It's amazing how far B has come from the beginning of the series and I couldn't help but be really proud of her! She's become a good person and I've come to respect her and the choices she makes, and that's not something I expected when I first started this series!

I'm not going to spoil anything about Zom-B Fugitive, but I will say that it has what is hands down the biggest plot twist in the entire series, and that's really saying something. Darren Shan pulled out the big guns with this one and I genuinely found myself putting the book down and muttering to myself in shock. I gobbled in down in one sitting.

The Zom-B series has got better and better as it's gone on and I can't wait for the final instalment, Zom-B Goddess, though I'll be very, very sad to see it over.

Amelia says

This book was one of the quickest reads in the series, I read half of it in an hour but it had the biggest revelations! Oh my gosh, Mr Shan, well played, well played! *tips hat* I loved it, I'm feeling so impatient for the last one... next year! D:

I kind of suspected the first thing B finds out about, I was always a little suspicious but I kinda forgot about it and was just enjoying the story and then it kinda came back after Zom-B Mission after Billy was reading those files but then other things distracted us and then I was like "I knew it!" But it still shocked me nonetheless! I just stared in to space for about 5 minutes before continuing and then the end was even more of a twisting shock, I did not see that coming!

I really love Holy Moly in this book, he is so cute! (I know the baby's are genderless but I like to think he's a he ha) He was so sweet and now I want a zombie baby D: loved him.

I loved Barnes too, I started liking him after Zom-B Gladiator, the characters have really developed. I hope there will be a good ending in the last book, which is a given seeing as it's Shan writing but I still don't want it to end! D:

Oh well, this book was one of the best this series :)

Maddison says

Just had the best most unbelievable plot twist that I've ever read in my whole life. And that's all I have to say about that. Just too good.

Miranda Reads says

B Smith is on the run - from everyone she's ever known and from everyone who knows of her. It's going to be rough!

Audiobook Comments

Read by Emma Gavin - and (as always) she rocked the audiobook!

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Sharon Mariampillai says

Actual Rating: 4.5

This was an amazing read. This is my favourite book of the series. The plot was amazing. B is my favourite character. She is still a sassy character and I love her. I think this book could have been combined with Zom-B Bride as it follows the storyline. However, this book was still one of my favourites. I think the plot twist was amazing. I never expected it. I am sad it will be ending soon. The ending was the saddest ending ever. I wonder how it will all end. I can't wait to read Zom-B: Goddess. Overall, a fantastic read.

Dan says

[Spoilers for previous books in the series]

In the penultimate volume of Shan's undead adventure, B goes on the run. Having telepathically found out it's location from her creepy clown husband Mr. Dowling, she grabs the zombie-destroying formula and heads back out into London. But the mutants and babies are after her and with it having been so long since she last saw the Angels, is there anyone left in the city that she can trust?

For the most part this is a fast-paced story which follows B's desperate bid to escape. But along the way there are some big twists as she uncovers some huge revelations which shake up everything she knows. One of those is so powerful it exists as a three-word chapter, which gives an impression just how much of an impact it has.

Despite the brevity, the action and the revelations, B does get some proper time for reflection here. It only feels like 5 minutes since the first book in the series was released but here we are at book 11 and we can see just how much B has changed in that time. It shows Shan's talent that he can give us such a well-rounded book.

I wouldn't say this was the best book in the series so far but it works excellently as a penultimate book. Virtually all the surviving cast of the series make some sort of appearance, there's some great revelations and it sets a big finale. I have no idea how the series will conclude and I really can't wait for the final book!

Kimberley doruyter says

what the holy hell

Matthew says

4.5/5 Stars

What if everything you knew was a lie?

B Smith is on the run...

We're here, folks! Shan's unique take on the zombie mythology has reached its penultimate entry!

And everything's building towards what's looking to be a colossal climax.

In standard Shan fashion, *Zom-B Fugitive* is a compelling, fast-paced ride of undead proportions. There's action, twists, self-reflection, and a terrific lesson that will have you questioning the people in your life.

If you've ever wondered how B Smith feels with a hole in her chest and her heart literally gone, *Zom-B Fugitive* is about to show you.

SPOILER WARNING

Synopsis (Not a copy from the book, but I always keep my interpretations close.)

Tortured, beaten, and married off to a crazy clown who revels in the blood of innocents, B Smith knows the meaning of torment, and then some.

After a strange and instinctual trapeze through Mr Dowling's mind, B accomplishes the impossible. She escapes, with a weapon that could change the world. But B soon finds out she has nowhere to turn. No allies, nowhere to go. The only things left, are the ones who chase. And B, who runs...

Plot - 4/5 Stars

Picking up directly after *Zom-B Bride*, *Zom-B Fugitive* is surprisingly more of a slow burner than its predecessors. There's a ton of self-reflection, predominantly from our main character B. Personally, I feel like this is a pro and a con: A pro, because the depths we dig into B's psyche do wonders for her already fantastic development; and a con because there's a large chunk of the book centred on just running.

Fugitive is the build-up to the finale, and that can work against it, with events setting big things up, rather than executing them.

B's fugitive status though isn't all bad. When she's running from Mr Dowling - the supposed main evil - nothing's amiss. But when the story decides to mess with your perceptions, and our protagonist flees from those she had been running *to*, the playing field crumbles, and what we've taken for granted is obliterated.

There are some twists that are complete gold! Oystein, for example. Despite guessing the twist thanks to some earlier pointers in the series, it's still a jaw-dropping spin that you can't quite believe. It reinforces the tearing of the universe's fabric. Oystein, the supposedly good-hearted hero, is really the instrumental instrument that destroyed civilisation!

It also highlights a recurring theme that slots comfortably in beside Shan's exploration of racism throughout the series: Appearances. *Zom-B Fugitive* focuses on this aspect heavily, and I'm actually not long finished writing something similar in my last review of Karin Slaughter's *Pretty Girls*.

Appearances can deceive. Personas can be adopted, and actions can be forced, all to create a false perception. There's no real way of knowing someone until you see their true core, a feat only accomplished when everything about them is stripped away. While Oystein is the more obvious example to pull from, I think B's progression - more so in this instalment than any - is the stronger highlighter. She's committed horrible acts, died, returned and been forced to fight for sport; she's been tortured and destroyed.

Yet, still, she fights for an outcome that would see her dead for good, just to give the living their lives back.

I guess, simply, *Fugitive* teaches you that good isn't always good, and bad isn't always bad.

The concluding note to this entry shocks me to my core! I completely forgot about Owl Man's mysterious manipulative power over B! Shan does a wonderful job of quickly, but smoothly, injecting such chemistry into B and Barnes that, the end...

Pace - 5/5 Stars

The *Zom-B* series' flow has never really changed. It's fast and smooth. The books are easily read in a couple of hours, but they remain with you for far longer than that.

Characters - 5/5 Stars

I delved quite a bit into B up above, but there's never enough opportunities to gush. She continues to be a compelling protagonist. Despite her upbringing and what the world's thrown at her, she's grown to be such a selfless, kickass character. Plus, she still has her witty wisecracks.

There's no Mr Dowling in this entry - he's probably still recovering from B kicking his backside - but the creep factor is held by the demonic babies. Holy Moly, while only briefly present, is a terrifying, cute, and capable being. They're my favourite species of this series, who inspire a gallimaufry of emotions.

There's the reveal of Oystein's role in the apocalypse; there's the return of the Owl Man; the melancholy reunion of old friends. Shan's ability to create an engaging cast is envious, and Fugitive brings the main players back into the game.

The finale is coming...

Writing - 5/5 Stars

Everything is rapid, spurred on by Shan's use of the first-person narrative and the present tense.

We're immersed, involved, and interested, with the story's immediacy waiting to bash you around the head at every turn.

Overall - 4.5/5 Stars

With only one more book left to go, intriguingly named *Zom-B Goddess*, the need for answers is more powerful than it's ever been.

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