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Here together for the first time in one volume are the first two books in Terry Brooks' enthralling epic, **The Heritage of Shannara**.

Since the death of the Druid Allanon, the Four Lands have changed profoundly, with magic strictly forbidden in the Southland, now under totalitarian rule. In Book One, *The Scions of Shannara*, Par Ohmsford, descendant of the fabled Shea and possesor of the power of the Wishsong, accidentally brings a mythic horror to life, and a man calling himself Cogline drives it away. Cogline brings a message from Allanon: venture to the dread Hadeshorn, along with the other Scions of Shannara– Par, his brother Coll, Wren, and Walker Boh. On the way to the Hadeshorn, they must face the dangerous Shadowen. When they finally arrive, Allanon's spirit reveals a dangerous secret. In the future, all life in the Four Lands will be destroyed. To prevent this terrible fate, Allanon commands Par to recover the long-lost Sword of Shannara, a task that is next to impossible.

Ancient evil forces remain in control of the Four Lands in *The Druid of Shannara*. To restore the Keep of the Druid Allanon, Walker Boh sets out on a journey to find the black Elfstone. After narrowly escaping death, he learns that the Elfstone lies in the hands of the Stone King. Now Walker Boh must venture into perilous, unknown lands with a strange band of fellow travelers that includes Morgan Leah, whose once-magic sword has been broken; Quickening, the daughter of the ancient King; and Pe Ell, an assassin who hatches his own dark, sinister plot. Can they capture the black Elfstone and restore peace to the Four Lands?

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#### Gabe says

very hard to put down once you get into it. good book id say its got a addictive quality

#### Bende Zsuzsanna says

Lovely story :)

#### **Octavia Cade says**

I read and reviewed *The Scions of Shannara* and *The Druid of Shannara* separately, so this is just for my own records, essentially. I rated both books at two stars, so that's what they've averaged out at here when collected together. While there were interesting bits in both of them, in general I found them too long and too repetitive to really become attached to.

#### Maria Rose says

This is a two novel book put together as one, which works since one tale follows the other. In the first tale, we have the similar tale of a group of individuals being called by a Druid to perform a specific task. In this tale, the spirit of Allanon call the descendants of Brin and Shea ( in this book Par, Walker Boh and Wren) to undertake a mission to help bring magic back to the Four Lands. They are the Scions of the first part. Naturally, we have a descendant of the Leah family in this tale Morgan Leah who has the sword with magic infused by Allanon, plus Par's stepbrother Coll. Also joining the group is Cogline who despite his frail appearance has some Earth Magic skills and some Druid knowledge from time spent training at Paranor, the Druid stronghold. They also find Padishar Creel, a descendant of the one-armed mercenary who helped Shea recover the Sword of Shannara. Since this is a three-part tale, the first tale is Alanon giving them their quests, Par to find the Sword, Wren to find the three Elfstones that were carried by Shea and for Walker Boh to find the Black Elfstone to reopen Paranor and re-start the Druids. Most of the first book deals with finding the Sword, the second book shows us how Walker Boh struggles to accept his magic and find the Black Elfstone that he needs to open Paranor.