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Death wasn't the end, it was only the beginning...

Sybella has always been the darkest of Death's daughters, trained at the convent of Saint Mortain to serve as his justice. But she has a new mission now. In a desperate bid to keep her two youngest sisters safe from the family that nearly destroyed them all, she agrees to accompany the duchess to France, where they quickly find themselves surrounded by enemies. Their one ray of hope is Sybella's fellow novitiates, disguised and hidden deep in the French court years ago by the convent—provided Sybella can find them.

Genevieve has been undercover for so many years, she struggles to remember who she is or what she's supposed to be fighting for. Her only solace is a hidden prisoner who appears all but forgotten by his guards. When tragedy strikes, she has no choice but to take matters into her own hands—even if it means ignoring the long awaited orders from the convent.

As Sybella and Gen's paths draw ever closer, the fate of everything they hold sacred rests on a knife's edge. Will they find each other in time, or will their worlds collide, destroying everything they care about?

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Alienor ✕ French Frowner ✕ says

Sybella. Beast. French Court. Enough said.

Stephanie says

yes, ASSASSIN NUNS!

I missed you so much, Sybella.

Ella says

I AM HYPERVENTILATING. I HAVE TEARS IN MY EYES. I ALMOST SPAT OUT THE TEA I WAS DRINKING AS I CAME ACROSS THIS PAGE.

OMG. ANOTHER FAIR ASSASSIN BOOK. ANOTHER...*SYBELLA AND BEAST* FAIR ASSASSIN BOOK. ACTUAL TEARS ARE ROLLING DOWN MY FACE AS I WRITE THIS, I'M SO ECSTATIC AND HAPPY. OH MY GOD. WHAT EVEN. I HAVE NO WORDS.

PLEASE COME QUICKLY 2018, PLEASE, *PLEASE*, COME QUICKLY.

starts crying all over keyboard

Nora says

WHHAATT??? There's more? Sign me up!

Christina Kneidel says

I would die for Sybella + The Beast, cannot wait for this!!!

Plus, check out the pre-order giveaway! ???

Katie says

HOW DID I NOT KNOW THIS WAS GOING TO BE A THING???

I NEED THIS IN MY LIFE

Christina (Ensnoced in Lit) says

OK, so here goes.

I absolutely loved the His Fair Assassins trilogy. I thought Grave Mercy was good, but not life changing, Dark Triumph was absolutely amazing and Sybella was my total hero. I bawled after this book. And I really loved Mortal Heart just for how unexpected it was. So when I saw Robin LaFevers was returning to this world, I knew I had to get my hands on Courting Darkness.

We've been told that this is a standalone duology in this world and that you don't need to read the previous books to read the duology. I have to disagree.

Like I mentioned previously, Sybella is an amazing character and I love to see that she is front in center in this next installment. Her love story with Beast is one of the best parts of Dark Triumph. But if you don't have that history, Courting loses a lot of its punch. Courting Darkness takes place right after Mortal Heart ends in the timeline, so everything that has been building up in the first three books continues in this installment. Characters from the first three books fill up the pages, the political intrigue picks up right where we stopped, and the way even the assassins work isn't dwelled on. I believe that it should be called the fourth book in the series.

I worry that new followers will not be grabbed by the story because they don't know Sybella and Beast like we do. And Courting Darkness is well worth the read, but the history counts.

We are introduced to another new important character, who has been seemingly abandoned by the convent. Slowly, as this book is a slow burn, we realize her importance. But do not expect for Sybella to meet her in this book.

So this is the issue-- I loved this book, but the way it was presented does it a disservice to both old fans of the series and new ones as well. It also definitely felt more like the first half of a long book rather than a book in its own right.

While I will for sure pick up the next book, I urge others to start with Grave Mercy and work their way through all the books prior to Courting Darkness. It's worth the journey but it's a longer one than you were expecting to take.

Lisa says

WHAAT

JDSVNJDFNVJNBKSNJDVNDJBNNDNMFBNGBNGDJBNK MORE SYBELLA AND BEAST HOLD ME

Cee (The Mistress Case) says

WHY HAVE I ONLY HEARD OF THIS NOW?!!!

Minx -The Genre Minx Book Reviews says

I received a digital ARC of this novel courtesy of NetGalley and Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Children's Book Group in exchange for a honest and voluntary review. Will post full review closer to publication date of February 05, 2019.

WHOOOOO HOOOOOO!!!

Maggie ? (Reader in Wonderland) says

So excited for the continuation of His fair Assassin series! Especially since this one will be about my favourite characters Sybella and Beast!! The cover si also great, though very differnt in theme from the first three.

Kitty says

Do my eyes deceive me or ARE THERE GOING TO BE **MORE BOOKS?!**
I NEED AIR (also, a time machine)

Lea (drumsofautumn) says

[**Update May 2nd 2018**] omg omg omg I peed my pants I LOVE THIS COVER!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! it looks so bad ass omg omg omg omgggggggggg I cannot wait I absolutely CANNOT WAIT

[**Update February 2nd 2018**] I just saw that this got pushed back to February 2019 which suuucks BUT ALSO WE HAVE A TITLE COURTING DARKNESS I CAN'T BE MAD

[**October 8th 2017**] I just can't believe that we are getting more book in this series and that we ARE FOLLOWING SYBELLAAAAA!!! DARK TRIUMPH WAS MY FAVOURITE

Vee ?Under Mountain Books? says

Just give it to me. NOW.

Candace Robinson says

Sybella will always be amazing!! ????
