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In a universe starved for power, the Conglomeration rules societies with an iron grip on all trade and by the power of the eMpaths with eXtra abilities they have enslaved.

Claire, a sheltered eMpath, finds herself involved in treacherous negotiations that leave her stranded on a barbarian world of violence and danger.

Koda, the ruthless barbarian Warlord, controls the vast resources of energy of his planet. Refusing to bow to the Conglomeration, Koda plunges Claire into a violent world of deception and greed where the rules of survival suddenly change.

When it is evident that the Warlord Koda has no intention of giving up his eMpath, Claire is forced to trust the barbarian with her life. As the future of her kind hangs in the balance, she must also decide if she can also trust him with her heart.

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## **From Reader Review Warlord's Honor for online ebook**

### **Debra Dunbar says**

Claire is an empath (MX) with other extrasensory abilities. In her society, these MX women (always female) are cloistered, drugged (unbeknownst to them) to make them more compliant, and rented out for use in trade negotiations etc. Claire think she's off on a job - a somewhat unusual one since she's solo without a handler and the client is a leader of 'barbarians' from another planet, but otherwise a routine job.

In reality, she's been sold.

Her handler has inside knowledge that the MX program is being disbanded, and that all the empaths will be killed. Selling Claire to Koda seems a better fate for her than death, but once Claire finds out she's traded one form of slavery for what seems to be another, she's not sure.

Claire is a tough character to get into. She's sympathetic - used her whole life, and clinging to rules and the value of her skills to keep her alive. Thrown into a strange culture where she DOESN'T know the rules, and feeling strong emotions for the first time as she detoxes from the drugs, she's off kilter and losing control. Her character growth isn't linear - it jolts here and there with some occasional backsliding. Understandable, given how alien her future appears to her.

Koda is a typical alpha male. He cares for Claire - loves her even, but the communication issues caused by their broad cultural differences perplex him. The times when Claire stands up for herself and tells him what she's feeling, he does his best to make everything right.

There are sensual scenes, and the plot and premise are really intriguing. Sometimes the prose feels stilted - although this might be in part due to the portrayal of their language. Written in third person, the POV isn't as deep as I usually like, but I still felt invested in the characters. 3.5 stars, rounded up.

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### **Angarad says**

2.5 stars

I am not sure what to say about this book... I like the settings and ideas behind it, even like the Warlords but not Claire. She is very weak despite her very incredible power and doesn't stand up for herself much I thought. She always ends up crying or running, never fighting for herself and what she believes in. She is always so indecisive.

Add to that the lack of communication between her and Koda, even when they actually share and read each other feelings... well this creates a lot of very annoying situations!!

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### **Mistral Dawn says**

Warlord's Honor is a fun, engaging Sci-Fi story about a woman with psychic abilities left to find her place in

a male-dominated society of warriors who (for the most part) shun technology. The hero is HAWT and a very sympathetic character who want to make his lady happy while still acting in the best interests of his people.

If you like Sci-Fi romance, you'll LOVE this story. The characters are well developed, and you can really put yourself in their places and feel their pain. The world building is excellent, and really makes you think about where a society whose leadership is completely based on personal greed will end up. All-in-all a very fun read! :-)

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### **Pickyreader says**

DNF hated the heroine

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### **Pat says**

I could have done with a bit more detail in some areas but overall I liked the story.

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### **Amy Clark says**

I really liked this book. This book has a great story and very interesting characters. Koda is a Warlord Leader and he is one badass kill anyone who tries to take what's his Alpha Male. I really loved how the warrior society that was supposed to be "barbarians" are the ones that step up to protect the MX's, women eMpaths with eXtra abilities. This book is full of action, love, warlords, empaths, raiders and even a prophecy. No cliffhanger, although I am excited to see what happens between the empaths that were saved and the warlords that save them. I would recommend this book. I really hope there is another book out soon.

Favorite Koda quote: "A male who is too great to do small things is too small to do great things."

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### **Amy says**

I was given this book as an exchange for a review. I really like the premise of the book and was looking forward to reading it. The story is compelling and a page turner. The writing needs a bit more tightening and structure. The inconsistent beats of the piece are very distracting and made it difficult to get through. An enjoyable tale, just needing a little more focus.

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### **Cheesecake says**

This was surprisingly good for a new author.

I loved the development of the relationship between Claire and Koda. My only complaint is that he calls her by her given name only once, near the end of the story. Even though he calls her by a term of affection, I still find that makes him seem rather cold and distant to Claire, and lacking depth to his affection for her. But I guess that is part of his need to grow with the relationship.

I look forward to the next book!

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### **Misty says**

I found this book well written with a few grammatical errors. This book has questionable content between the two main characters in the beginning of their relationship. It also contains a rape, which I thought was written in a way without being graphic. I liked this book and hope there will be sequels.

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### **Shay VanZwoll says**

Two Civilizations come together...

The Conglomerate: a large trading council that takes what it wants from its members even at the expense of the people. They forbid any of their members to trade with worlds and civilizations outside of the Conglomerate, leaving people to buy off of the Black Market or starve. They have complete control over the MX: eMpaths with eXtra abilities. The Empaths are women raised in what is essentially slavery, knowing that they must always obey the rules and do their job, or else they will die. Claire "accepts" a job working with the Krystile Warlords, knowing that the Conglomerate is looking to betray them.

The Krystile Warlords: a group of barbarian warriors who control the Krystile, which the Conglomerate will do anything to possess. The Warlords may be considered barbarians and work as mercenaries, but they have a strict code of honor. Koda, the Warlord Leader, will do what is necessary to protect his people.. especially his mate.

The Prophecy: In his generation, a Prophecy foretells that Koda's men will find the MX and provide them with sanctuary. This is a sanctuary that they will desperately need as the MX program is cancelled and a bounty put on the head of every MX.

Claire and Koda come together in this powerful and sweet tale about two civilizations clashing as they strive to understand each other. While the story does include sex, it furthers the story and is well-written. The rest of the story, minus the sex, is also well written and leaves you with wanting to know the future of the MX, the Krystile Warlords, and the Conglomerate.

NOTE: I received a free copy of this book in exchange for an honest review.

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### **Kalyee says**

I gave this 3 stars because it really surprised me (in a good way) and I can see myself rereading this at a later date.

Claire is an MX, MX are empaths with extra abilities( btw the whole eMPath with eXtra nonsense got old, fast) ,are always women and are used as slaves and treated like dangerous animals by their government, "the conglomerate". The government has decided to end the program that houses MX's and rents them out to people, which means Claire and all others like her will be killed. To prevent Claire's death her handler sells her to Koda( leader of a "barbarian" people). The majority of the book is about Claire coming to grips with her new reality while struggling to stay alive against a government who wants her dead and some of Kodas people, who view her as a threat.

What surprised me about this book, was that the first half really has a "survival" feel. Typically I expect insta lust and lots of sex, with some scifi dropped around that, but that's not the case here. The beginning of the book is really all about Claire trying to figure out what's going on around her while battling new emotions and expanding powers( thanks to coming off the drugs she's been force fed her whole life). While there is sex (view spoiler), there wasn't an overwhelming amount and it fit into the story instead of feeling forced. I like the authors writing style, I liked the world building and I'm definitely going to look for more in this series.

However, there were some things I thought didn't work and are the reason I didn't rate it higher (view spoiler)

Trigger (view spoiler)

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### **tyrene says**

#### **Very entertaining....**

Good sci-fi tale. plentry of action, fight scenes...these are some bad a## Warlords. Character development is off the charts. Love scenes are sensual...not Hot...I usually like a lot more spice, but the lack thereof doesn't diminish the story. I absolutely love Koda, by far the most unique Alpha I have ever encountered in a book. no posturing, or yelling, threatening his mate...he just is. Can't wait for the next book.

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### **Sharon Reddy says**

Romance! and I only wanted to whack the heroine on the head a few times. I read this for the science fiction premise and I wasn't disappointed. The author has created an interesting universe and I only want to whack heroines I like. A series well worth the read. Good job.

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### **Sylvie says**

I really hate this book. The reference to an empath made me believe that this would be similar to Nalini Singh Psy-changeling series but I was strong. This book is about a strange futuristic society where they use electronic communication devices but travel with horses, live in castles and fight with swords. It's a masculine word where females are basically servants but of course, they are protected and honored and very happy with being second-class citizens. The lead couple is pretty much Tarzan and Jane and even if she

sometimes tries to assert her will, the end result is always : he is so handsome and he knows better than me  
!!!!.... Argh!!!!.... It just makes me sick...

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### **Sarah says**

The word I would use to best describe this book is frustrating. I had a very difficult time enjoying this story, the male was just a bit too Alpha to the point where he overpowered the heroine and made her seem weak. I liked Claire more in the beginning of the story than at the end. She was basically sold from one form of slavery into another. If the warlords culture had been just a bit less misogynistic and Koda more openly loving I think it could have worked a lot better. Also, the repeated violent abuse of Claire with so little attention or caring from Koda afterwards (besides holding off on sex) really made me dislike his character. The writing and world building were good though and kept me going.

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