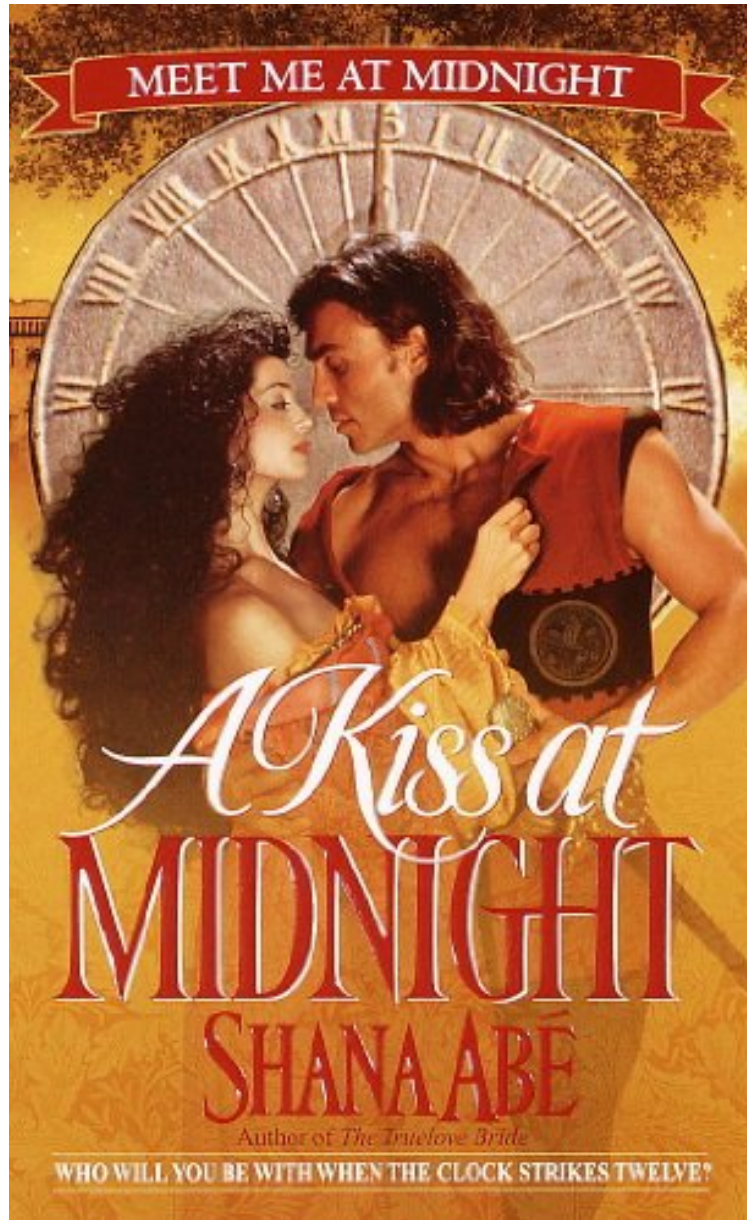


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Von Shana Ab : A Kiss at Midnight before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised A Kiss at Midnight:

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Great millenium romanceVon Ein KundeWith two months left before the dawning of the new millennium, superstitious

thoughts dominate England and legends are expected to happen. One such tale centers on the Leonhart family taking the land from the Rune family. Serath Rune and Rafael Leonhart grew up in their respective households hearing the story. Rafael feels the legend will allow him to regain his lost estate. Serath knows how savage her foe can be. Rafael kidnaps Serath as the first step in his plan to regain his family's estate. However, Serath knows her grandfather will not pay any ransom for the twit's return. As the couple begins to fall in love, they must overcome their personal suspicions of the other and their family feud, perhaps by scripting a non-violent solution to the legend. With novels like *A KISS AT MIDNIGHT* and *THE TRULOVE BRIDE*, Shana Abe is gaining an outstanding name for her stimulating historical romances. The story line is fast-paced and filled with action that brings the last months of 999 AD to life. Even though the family members seem like caricatures of the Hatfields and the McCoys, the lead couple makes the novel as they struggle between their attraction and the legend. Ms. Abe is an able storyteller who makes reading a medieval romance a lot of fun. Harriet Klausner von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Classic Storytelling Von Verse Miller Beautifully dark and moody, almost mystical, *A KISS AT MIDNIGHT* proves that great storytellers still exist. Woven into a keenly directed plot, where the characters' attributes, goals and conflicts are clearly addressed, are images of sweeping landscapes, ancient superstitions and the deepest longings of the human soul. Unlike so many romances that hope to create titillation by devising one excuse after the other to keep the hero and heroine from consummating their desire, here the relationship between Serath Rune and Rafael of Leonhart simmers in unforced stages. The intensity of their attraction builds to a much anticipated joining, written in an emotionally charged scene as richly evocative and fulfilling as any in a historical romance on the shelves today. Serath is a mature, active heroine, never simpers or exhibits tiresome, girlish rebellion. Rafael is a warrior who has seen too much, lived too much, feels too much, yet maintains loyalty to the prophecy he must fulfill. A note to budding romance writers--study this hero. Ms. Abe utilizes her lyrical, creative way with words to turn the ordinary into magic. Many scenes border on brilliant. She does not shy from creating larger than life events or skimp on the characters' reactions to them. Her liberties taken with later medieval terms and some settings in this pre-conquest era are entirely forgiven. Historical romance... this is how it should be done. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A most intriguing story! Von Mrs. Barrow I was fascinated by the premise of this book: the hero and heroine fighting for both land and acceptance at the turn of the millennium. Ms. Abe did not disappoint! Serath and Rafe were wonderfully rich characters. I had no trouble at all believing in their underlying motivations. I thought it was very clever how she cast both the hero and the heroine as the "outsider". Ms. Abe has a smoothly lyrical style of prose I always enjoy reading. A warning: this is no comedic, light romance novel, but instead one that is darkly stylish and almost mesmerizing. The interaction between all of the characters was excellent. The sexual tension between Rafe and Serath was handled skillfully and yet not coyly. I think one of Ms. Abe's great strengths is how she fleshes out her characters. It is refreshing to read about people who seem real, whose thoughts and actions make good sense without contrived plot twists. Ms. Abe is excellent at handling this. Serath was strong yet wounded, a woman wary of her world yet still thriving in it. Rafael was all that a hero should be, strong and compassionate, drawn to Serath despite all the reasons he knew he should not be. I very much recommend this book to any reader who enjoys true romance.

Kurzbeschreibung Who will you be with when the clock strikes twelve? Ancient law proclaims that, as the year 999 draws to a close and the new millennium begins, the land of Alderich will be wrested from the Rune family by the clan of Leonhart. But when Rafael of Leonhart takes Serath Rune hostage, intending to force her grandfather, the Lord of Alderich, to surrender his land, the old man refuses. Before long, Rafael is falling under the spell of his fiercely beautiful captive--and the conquest he desires most is her defiant heart. Look for the other sensational romances in the Meet Me at Midnight series: *Midnight Mistress* by Ruth Owen *Just Before Midnight* by Suzanne Robinson. de Setting: York, Britain, 999 Sensuality Rating: 4 In Shana Ab's *A Kiss at Midnight*, the end of the first millennium looms eminent and a generations-old prophecy dictates that the wealthy estate of Alderich--held for many years by Jozua Rune--must be relinquished to the Leonhart clan. But Rafael of Leonhart cannot rely on Jozua to act honorably, so he kidnaps Jozua's granddaughter, Serath Rune, from the convent where she has lived unhappily for 12 years. In doing so Rafe is forced into close quarters with the feisty beauty, who is rumored to have inherited her mother's dark magic skills. Rafe and Serath make an unlikely couple, to say the least. Neither can allow themselves to trust the other; Rafe uses Serath's reputation as a witch to control Alderich's peasants, but he is Serath's only protection from the superstitious villagers. Together, however, Rafe and Serath defend themselves and each other from the malice of a madman and fulfill the prophecy that returns happiness to Alderich and its tenants, all while falling in love. An altogether terrific read! --Alison Trinkle Pressestimmen "Historical romance at its finest." --Jill Marie Landis "Shana Ab writes with intense, unforgettable emotion. A great read!" --Jane Feather, New York Times bestselling author