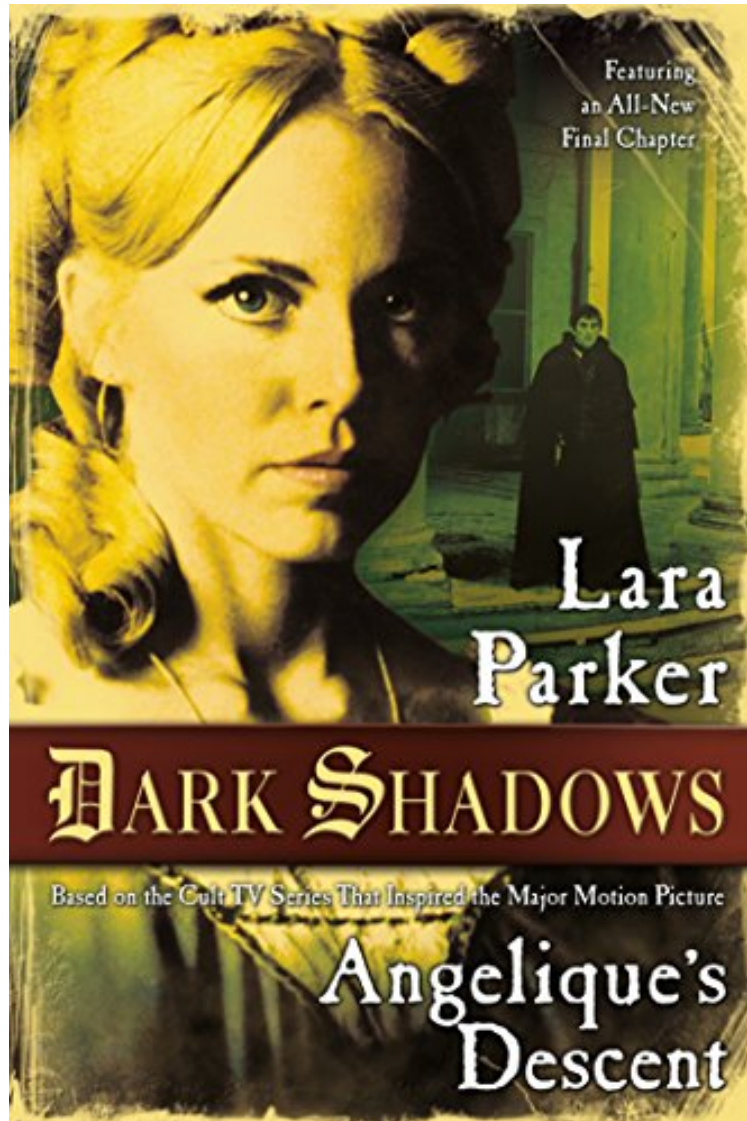


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Von Lara Parker : Dark Shadows: Angelique's Descent before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Dark Shadows: Angelique's Descent:

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. At last! A continuation of the original series!Von Mark Thomas PassmoreWow! What a surprise to pick this book up and discover that not only does it tell the origins of Barnabas and Angelique's relationship back in Martinique, but it kicks off a new series picking up in the summer of 1971 where the series left off! Lara Parker has woven a wonderfull tale

of romance and supernatural suspense in telling the life story of the character she played on the television series. She obviously has given the matter a great deal of thought in that she gives to Angelique far more motivation and understanding in how and why she became such a "seemingly" evil witch in the late 1700's. Some of the storyline was shown or talked about in the original series. But this was all from Barnabas' point of view. As we all know, there are two sides to every story and this novel clarifies many aspects of that story by presenting another side. I must admit, I was pleasantly surprised at Lara Parker's ability to write. Her style is almost lyrically descriptive in the way it draws you into this strange world of the past. Often, an actor writing about their own character only does justice to themselves. But Lara gives "voice" to some of the others with such skill, there were moments where I could visualize the actor's performance with stunning clarity. Even with no knowledge of Dark Shadows, "Angelique's Descent" is a book that anyone interested in "gothic romance" would enjoy. As a long time Dark Shadows fan, I look forward to the continuation of this series. As an avid reader, I look forward to Lara Parker writing again, whether it be Dark Shadows or not.

0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Parker masterfully recreates the world of Dark Shadows. Von The Doctor and K9 "Dark Shadows" fans have been anticipating this book for a LONG time. It's been 26 years since the last DS novel, and Lara Parker delivers book that was worth the wait. Angelique's Descent picks up where the series left off, sort of. Barnabas is cured, Angelique is a memory, and a measure of peace is evident at Collinwood. This all changes when Barnabas finds Angelique's diary. Parker skillfully weaves her story back and forth between events in the present, to the untold story of Angelique's past and the genesis of the triangle between Barnabas, Josette, and Angelique. The book is compelling. Parker obviously researched the superstitions and customs of the slave culture of Martinique. At times one almost feels as if she is writing an historical novel; the settings and characters seem so real. More importantly, the reader can empathize with Angelique and understand her motivations. On TV, she was the witch you LOVED TO HATE. Rarely did the viewer truly sympathize with her. In her book, Parker evokes compassion for the abused child who strikes back the only way she knows how. If the book has a flaw, it might be Parker's choice to start the series with Barnabas cured of the vampire curse. It might be hard for those unfamiliar with the show to comprehend that this story is partly about a guy who USED to be a vampire. Those who vaguely remember the show might be disappointed that Barnabas is not what they remembered him to be. This is not an overwhelming obstacle. The meat of the book takes place in the past anyway. Fans of fantasy and gothic horror would enjoy this book regardless of whether or not they watched the show. Parker was careful to keep the plot self contained. Essentially, she is beginning the series anew. So sit back, relax and enter the world of Dark Shadows!

!0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. It is a true attention grabber for Dark Shadows fandom. Von Ein Kunde This book is a true look into the history of two main characters from the Dark Shadows genre. It intimates that the connection between Barnabas Collins and Angelique was not just a coincidence, but rather possibly fated from their first meeting when both were very young and chance met in Martinique. It is the struggle and eventual defeat of a young Angelique in her attempt to circumvent her fate to become a servant of the demon who had tempted her from the beginning of her young life, and try and find love with the man who was fated to be hers from the beginning, BARNABAS COLLINS. This book was attention grabbing from the very first paragraph that Lara Parker created. I am a long-time fan of the Dark Shadows program and found it a refreshing change from regular soap opera fare. I am glad to see that certain members of the cast have brought the story forward for another generation to enjoy. I am hoping that the book, "Angelique's Descent" is just the first in a series of new Dark Shadows books to be produced. It is well worth exploring for both new, old and re-discovering fans of the series. It is truly a well-written book and a worthwhile effort from this new author, Lara Parker. I hope to see more from her in the future.

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