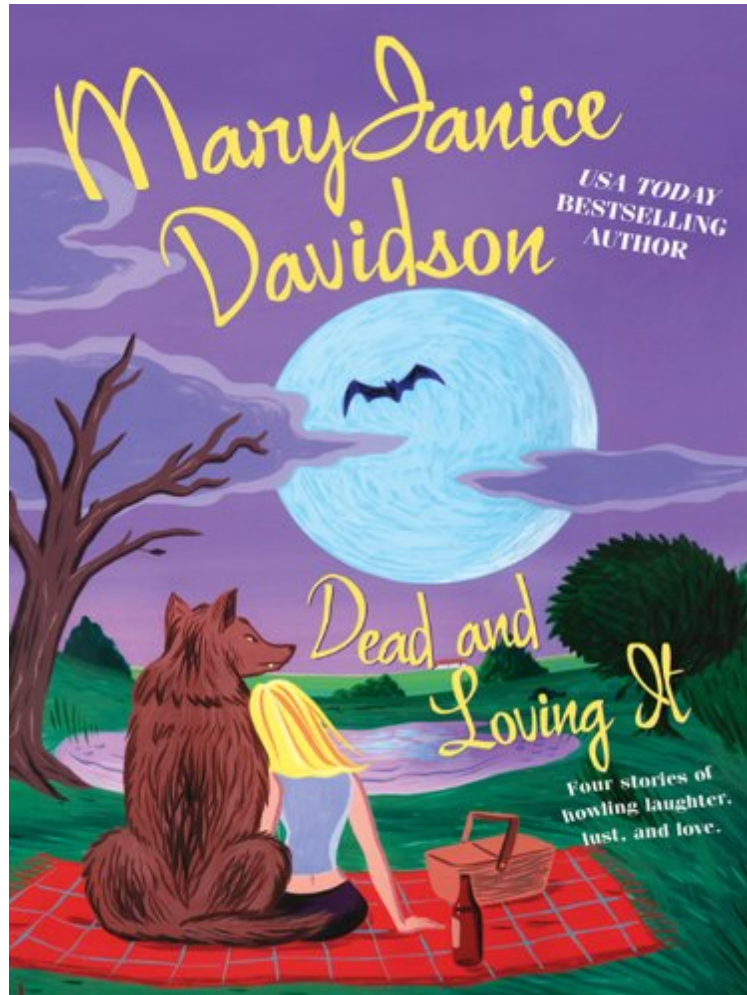


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**Von MaryJanice Davidson : Dead and Loving It (Undead)** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Dead and Loving It (Undead):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen4 von 4 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Very funny early novellas about the Wyndham-werewolvesVon S. FischerMaryJanice Davidson is nowadays a best-selling author thanks to her vampire romances (the Undead-series). But she started in the business with smaller publishers like Red Sage Publishing or Ellora's Cave, who publish erotic novels and novellas. That's where her werewolf-series was born. The first two novellas are still available in two "Secrets" anthologies by Red Sage Publishing. She published three more novellas, originally with Ellora's Cave, but those were either published as ebooks only, or the print version was soon off the market and used books were extremely expensive if available at all. Only when she continued the series with the mainstream market publisher of her Undead-series (the title of this book is Derik's Bane), her older

novellas were rediscovered and are now published with a new novella that connects the Undead- with the Wyndham-werewolves series. So "Dead and loving it" is a collection of formerly published erotic novellas and a new one that's supposed to boost sales because it's connected to the Undead-books. The four novellas are:- Santa Claws: When a Scottish werewolf comes to America, he smells his perfect mate. Will she return to Europe with him after a wild night of sex?- Monster Love: A vampire falls for a female werewolf, but when she seems to lie to him and leave him, he kidnaps her and keeps her prisoner in his bedroom. They scorch the sheets, but will that be enough to keep her with him when the next full moon gives her the power to break out of her prison?- There's no such thing as a werewolf: A blind werewolf falls in love with a young woman who keeps trying to jump off houses to fly. His wish to protect her soon turns into love.- A fiend in need: George the fiend (Undead-series) falls in love with Antonia, the seer of the Wyndham werewolves. Another unlikely couple find their way to true love. The novellas are very sexy and extremely funny. The principle may be similar (unusual couple finds love through wild sex, often politically incorrect, like kidnapping etc.), but they are still different enough for my taste and really hilarious and entertaining. They are definitely my Davidson-favourites. There are a lot of Undead-fans who gave them negative reviews, but I think that's really because Davidson's style regarding sex in these early novellas is so very different from what she's successful with nowadays. I got to know her through the Wyndham-werewolves, and must say that I really love these early, very daring and funny stories, while I was rather disappointed with her tamer later books, like Derik's Bane. I guess it will be difficult for her to reconcile the two factions of readers. But I myself really love her Wyndham-werewolves and am happy that they are finally available as a collection in print. If you like her sense of humour and don't have a problem with very explicit and daring sex scenes, this book should be worth buying. But if you have a problem with this kind of explicitness, it might be a disappointment. Whatever it is, I would recommend reading the two Secrets-anthologies first. Some of the characters (Antonia, Derik) are introduced there, as well as her werewolf-universe. It's more fun to read these novellas in order.

2 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A lovely read Von Caro v. T. This anthology truly surprised me with stories that are funny without being shallow and heroes who are not the ridiculous, over the top 'alpha' throwbacks to the eighties that often populate the paranormal genre. Of course these are novellas instead of full-length books, so sometimes the resolution comes too quickly to be entirely satisfying. Still, I was not happy to see any of these stories end, and have already reread them several times. All in all, smooth writing, fresh characterization and excellent dialogue made this a wonderful read for me.

1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Entertaining with small flaws Von USAs a fan of both Betsy Taylor and the Wyndham Werewolves, I had to read this anthology sooner or later. There are four love stories: 1) Werewolf - human, 2) werewolf - vampire, 3) werewolf - fairy and 4) werewolf - "fiend" (with the whole "Undead" cast as supporting characters). The stories are by no means un-entertaining, and the characters are certainly funny and likeable. Nevertheless I found the meticulous description of sexual intercourse in its various forms (in one case over more than twenty pages) a little trying. Besides, in a love story (even a short one), I'd like a little more emphasis on the word "story". Unfortunately, we are only offered the sort of explanation "a werewolf knows his or her mate by inhaling their smell" or "only a vampire is strong enough to make love to a werewolf and not get injured" - and the next minute the protagonists are in bed (or wherever) together. Plot-wise, that is a little unsatisfactory. So, on the whole, more plot, more depth and development of the characters and a little less sex would be preferable. Still: I was fairly well entertained, and I suppose most people who like Davidsons's other books will be, too.

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