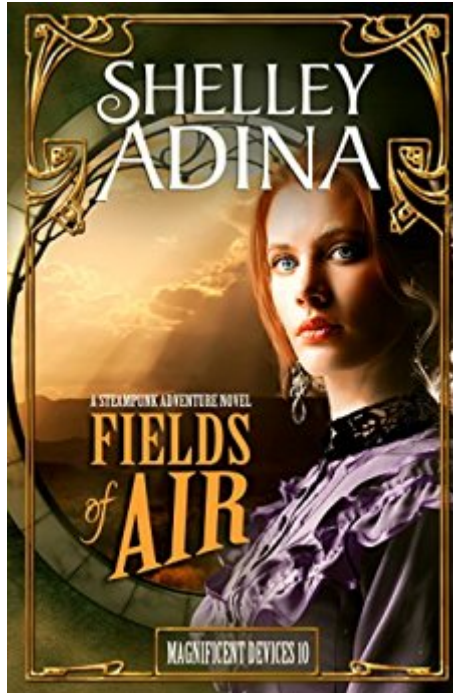


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Fields Of Air: A Steampunk Adventure Novel (Magnificent Devices Book 10)



Synopsis

Book 10 in the Magnificent Devices steampunk series! Her father started a war. She intends to stop it. Her father may have sacrificed his own life to save hers, but heiress Gloria Meriwether-Astor is finding it difficult to forgive him. After all, how many young ladies of her acquaintance will inherit wealth, beauty, and a legacy of arms dealing? Now the Royal Kingdom of Spain and the Californias is about to declare war on the Texican Territory and Gloria simply will not allow it. In company with Alice Chalmers and the crew of Swan, along with a lost young Evan Douglas seeking reparation for his own sins, she takes to the air. Her intentionâ”to stop the train carrying the final shipment of monstrous mechanicals into the Wild West. But they should have known that making a deal with air pirate Ned Mose in exchange for his help could never end well. What is a lady of principle to do? For the lives of thousands may depend on her ability to stop the war â”even if it means losing everything and everyone she has come to love â”

â”™s another element I love about these books; from Claire to Gloria to Alice to Lizzie and Maggie to Lady Dunsmuir, the women in this series generally like and respect each other. Other women are not required to be lesserâ”weaker, more cowardly, less intelligentâ”in order for Claire to be awesome. She is not an exceptional woman, she is an awesome woman among awesome women.â”

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Customer Reviews

Oh, my gosh, I just finished this one and the next one isn't out yet. I generally tend to hate series books for this reason!!! However, I have to say that I really like this series, and I've enjoyed watching the characters 'grow up' through the books. Alice Chalmers is one of my favorite characters in this series, so I was glad to see her get such a great adventure, and Gloria Meriwether-Astor is growing on me; I'm not exactly sure where she got such a strong conscience but I'm glad to see it, and she's a bit more relate-able than Claire, being not such a goody two shoes. This book went along smartly, was a very quick read and I was sorry to see the end of it, so abruptly and with some of our characters still in danger and events still unfolding. Looking forward to the next one. I recommend these to everyone who enjoys an adventure with a dash of romance and good female characters, along with Victorian manners & details of dress and dining that make the world so believable, similar to but not exactly the same as our own history.

While not exactly a cliff hanger, this one just stops abruptly without giving any sort of satisfactory ending. I like this series, or I wouldn't be reading book 10, but the ending is, I hope, not a trend the author is intending to continue with in future books. It just feels like she had a deadline to meet and hadn't finished the story so just ended it unfinished. I thought something was wrong with the Kindle download and re-downloaded it just to be sure, it is that weird a way to end a book. Not a lot of Lady Claire and the mopsies in this one but we still get two strong heroines in Alice and Gloria and plenty of action and adventure to keep them busy. Some old characters revived and some new ones too boot. Don't take the book blurb on as gospel as Ned hardly has any real role and is almost incidental to the overall story. Hopefully the next book will come out quickly so we can finish this story.

I enjoyed this book from Shelley Adina and have read every book in the series. I enjoy her characters and the way they have evolved over the various volumes. The book stands on its own, but you would get so much more out of it if you start at the beginning of the series and move sequentially forward as then you would understand the references and back story more fully. I look forward to each new story and enjoy the fact that different characters from her cast of characters

seem to "star" in a particular volume which enhances her world building. Makes one wish for of a flock of one's own.

I had to take a star away for the abrupt ending! I thoroughly enjoy Ms Adina's writing and have had great fun with Claire et al. along their journey. Fields of Air does not disappoint except, as other reviewers have mentioned, for the abrupt ending. Hopefully the next book, Fields of Iron, will be available soon. If you are a fan of Lindsay Buroker you will enjoy this series as well. It is full of fun and HEA's!

I was a bit disappointed by the lack of an ending. I can't really call it a 'cliffhanger' as there was little suspense - it just seemed as if Ms. Adina had either hit her word count or run out of ideas, or both. I really loved the beginning of this series, now I think that it is getting a bit stale. Maybe the author will surprise me with a different set of characters.

I admit, I am an addict. I discovered the magnificent devices books, and now, like cats need catnip(or chickens need corn) I can't stay away from them. I hope you, too discover this addiction, and begin to enjoy this exciting world. It started with a young women who had everything, then suddenly, she was left with only her wits- to survive in a brutal world- and her survival changed her world. Keep them coming, Shelley!

I have read the whole series & could not put the books down since the first book. Just keep them coming Shelley, they are fantastic! thank you for giving me endless enjoyment on all your female heroines & their supporting male partners & the awesome flying machines & other gadgets in the series. I am now waiting for the next few installments - am sure you had just as much fun writing them as I did reading them!!!

Free e-books are a good marketing strategy. Having received the first book for free, I was hooked and bought the rest in order. But now I have to Autumn to read more about the Mopsies and the rest of the flock. I shall try to be patient.

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