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Shadowmoor (de Lohr Dynasty Book 6)



Synopsis

1236 A.D. - Daniel de Lohr, son of David de Lohr (STEELHEART, RISE OF THE DEFENDER, ARCHANGEL, UNENDING LOVE), is a highly trained knight of the highest order from one of the finest families in England. But he is also a wanderer, a gypsy, who prefers to travel rather than be tied down to one castle, one lord, or even one woman. He loves his vagabond lifestyle, much to the distress of his parents, who wish he would settle down. But Daniel's wandering ways come to a stop when he comes across a young boy running for his life across the Yorkshire moors. In that instant, Daniel's life changes forever. Saving the child from the man who is chasing him, Daniel returns the boy home. The child's home is a fortress known as SHADOWMOOR, a desolate and derelict place harboring a cavalcade of dark and tragic secrets. Among those secrets, the once-proud Saxon fortress is now forced into poverty by a local lord who covets both the castle and the young boy's sister. When Daniel first lays his eyes upon Lady Liselotte l'Audacieux, he immediately understands the wicked lord's obsession. A tall woman with hair the color of bronze, Liselotte is a fine beauty. But she is trapped in a terrible situation. As Daniel comes to know her and understand her strife, he vows to help the woman and her family fight off the wicked lord. But his determination does not come without a price; the once-wandering knight is now a champion for the persecuted of Shadowmoor and his admiration for Liselotte quickly turns to love. He is tied to her whether or not he wants to be, and the coming battle, and the odds against him, are staggering. Calling upon his father and his uncle, Christopher de Lohr (RISE OF THE DEFENDER), for assistance, it is fight or die. Can Daniel return Shadowmoor to its former glory? Can Liselotte's love tame the wanderer? Enter the world of Daniel and Liselotte to find out what the glory of love really means.

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Customer Reviews

Le Veque novels have created such a complex and interdependent world, it is difficult to see and judge any one novel on its own, without inevitable comparisons to others. Shadowmoor is a fine tale, a complete story with all the necessary elements. But, for me, it lacks the tensions, the angst, and the gravitas of Archangel, the historical scope of Lespada, the pathos of Queen of Lost Stars, the rough joy of the Lords of Thunder. A fine tale and a worthwhile read, but just that. It is always delightful to meet characters from prior novels, and Shadowmoor is full of returning friends, but, on a continuum of all Le Veque's English medievals, this is not the best. However, given how high the bar's been set, not the best of so many really great novels is pretty darn good!

Lady Liselotte of the Audacieux and her family, Shadowmoor castle and all of her people are practically starving and her little brother has been kidnapped by a man who wants her home, Shadowmoor and her hand in marriage. Daniel de Lohr, son of David de Lohr, is a chivalrous knight who is confident in his abilities; he believes in helping those less fortunate. One such family is the Audacieux family who has a run in with misfortune. During Daniel's wandering he comes to the rescue of young boy in rags running across a field with a man on horseback chasing him claiming the boy is his servant. Daniel takes the boy home only to discover the small boy and his family are desperate need for his help. Daniel has always said he was not the marrying kind, but Lady Liselotte is someone Daniel cannot resist and their friendship blossoms. In Daniel's heart he knows Liselotte is different, she is special, but does he love her. Lady Liselotte is a strong noble woman who falls in love with Daniel and will not settle for less than total surrender, but will he return her love or leave when the problem is resolved. A great story, a true Kathryn Le Veque knight to the rescue with suspense and love thrown in the mix.

I love Le Veque's books but this one slightly less than the others. It seemed rushed with a few loose ends. However if I hadn't read almost all of this author's books, I may not notice. There is mention of an invalid mother a few times but then she disappears from the story. It does have great and varied characters and several familiar ones. Always a plus. The story is interesting and it is romantic. The poor condition of the inhabitants of Shadowmoor give a perfect opportunity to explain the fashion styles since the lady of the castle is getting an education in dress along with the rest of us.

Yes I gave another one of Kathryn Le Veque's books 5 stars. Every book she writes is one of those books you cannot put down until it is finished! If you love Medieval romance, you must read one of her books! You will have to read them all before you stop! She is that good! Romance that is sweet, scorching, and just sigh worthy,..... every book! You will fall in love with all her characters and her books are connected by the character's lineage. I love that!! Kathryn Le Veque continues to amaze me and this book was..... Amazing!!!! The De Lohr Dynasty continues!!!

A de Lohr hero-yes! SHADOWMOOR is a classic le Veque book- one that will stand a second or even third read. Our hero is just that-the epitome of a Knight, a little scarred by life, but a very good man. Our heroine is strong, family oriented and beautiful-inside and out.What I loved about this de Lohr man-he knew he loved our heroine and vowed never to leave her. (Finally, unlike his Uncle Christopher and his father David. I guess he learned from their mistakes!)I enjoyed the book and can't wait for the next book to release in June.

The men of the de Lohr dynasty, they do not disappoint. Shadowmoor lives up to the previous 5 de Lohr novels. Action, stubbornness, romance and of course HEA. I think Daniel is the perfect combination of his father, David(Steelheart) and his Uncle Christopher(Rise of the Defender). He exudes confidence but is not arrogant or head strong. Liselotte is a quiet heroine but strong and noble. A perfect match for Daniel. I enjoyed the lightness in a lot of this story and was thrilled with all the references to prior books by Kathryn. Not to worry this is still a stand alone novel but I encourage you to explore the rest of de Lohr dynasty and Kathryn LeVeque's books when you finish this one. (Also note to Kathryn should you read this, I see a story of Gunnar somewhere down the line!!)

A true hero in every way possible is in this tale. It gave some history with other characters from her other books. The heroine was a selfless, loving and beautiful woman inside and out. This was

another excellent story by an excellent author! I personally love all her books! I will not necessarily say they are all five star ratings, But she has enough history in her tales that keep me captivating and wanting more. FYI... it was an inspirational story as well.

What an incredible story! Kathryn Le Veque never disappoints. Loved Daniel's character and his transformation. He went from being a wanderer to being a chivalrous, heroic knight. From the beginning he fell compelled to protect and defend the people of Shadowmoore, and in the process fell madly in love with the beautiful Lisolette. It was heartwarming to see the relationship between Daniel and his father David. I cannot wait until June to read about Daniel's son!!!

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