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i am meredith gentry princess and heir apparent to the throne in the realm of faerie onetime private investigator in the mortal world to be crowned queen i must first continue the royal bloodline and give birth to an heir of my own if i fail my aunt queen andais will be free to do what she most desires install her twisted son cel as monarch and kill me my royal guards surround me and my best loved my darkness and my killing frost are always beside me sworn to protect and make love to me but still the threat grows greater for despite all my carnal efforts i remain childless while the machinations of my sinister sadistic queen and her confederates remain tireless so my

bodyguards and i have slipped back into los angeles hoping to outrun the gathering shadows of court intrigue but even exile isn t enough to escape the grasp of those with dark designs now king taranis powerful and vainglorious ruler of faerie s seelie court has leveled accusations against my noble guards of a heinous crime and has gone so far as to ask the mortal authorities to prosecute if he succeeds my men face extradition to faerie and the hideous penalties that await them there but i know that taranis s charges are baseless and i sense that his true target is me he tried to kill me when i was a child now i fear his intentions are far more terrifying

from the 1 new york times bestselling author of a stroke of midnight comes a sexy tension charged dark fantasy mystery locus i ve never read a writer with a more fertile imagination diana gabaldon i am princess meredith heir to a throne if i can stay alive long enough to claim it after eluding relentless assassination attempts by prince cel her cousin and rival for the faerie crown meredith gentry los angeles private eye has a whole new set of problems to become queen she must bear a child before cel can father one of his own but havoc lies on the horizon people are dying in mysterious frightening ways and suddenly the very existence of the place known as faerie is at grave risk so now while she enjoys the greatest pleasures of her life attempting to conceive a baby with the warriors of her royal guard she must fend off an ancient evil that could destroy the very fabric of reality and that s just her day job

new york times bestseller meet merry gentry paranormal p i and enter a thrilling sensual world as dangerous as it is beautiful full of earthly pleasures and dazzling magic and ruled by the all consuming passions of immortal beings once worshipped as gods or demons merry gentry princess of the high court of faerie is posing as a human in los angeles working as a private investigator specializing in supernatural crime but now the queen s assassin has been dispatched to fetch her whether she likes it or not suddenly merry finds herself a pawn in her dreaded aunt s plans the job that awaits her enjoy the constant company of the most beautiful immortal men in the world the reward the crown and the opportunity to continue to live the penalty for failure death bonus this edition includes an excerpt from laurell k hamilton s a shiver of light praise for laurell k hamilton and a kiss of shadows one of the most inventive and exciting writers in the paranormal field charlaine harris sexy merry s adventures are engaging and keep the reader turning the pages st louis post dispatch stunning steamy an exciting and original world san jose mercury news i ve never read a writer with a more fertile imagination diana gabaldon

you may know me best as meredith nic essus princess of faerie or perhaps as merry gentry los angeles private eye to protect my unborn children i have turned my back on the crown choosing exile in the human world with my beloved frost and darkness yet i cannot abandon my people someone is killing the fey which has left the lapd baffled and my guardsmen and me deeply disturbed i thought i d left the blood and politics behind in my own turbulent realm but now i realize that evil knows no borders and that

nobody lives forever even if they re magical

i am meredith princess of faerie wielder of the hands of flesh and blood and at long last i am with child twins fathered by my royal guard though my uncle taranis king of light and illusion claims that he is the true father since he abducted me from my home betrayed and defiled me and now he has branded my guards as a threat to my unborn children bearing an heir has placed me halfway to my aunt s throne that much closer to my reign over the unseelie court and well ahead of her son my cousin cel in this race now i must stay alive to see my children born and claim my place as queen but not all in faerie are pleased with the news and conspirators from every court in the realm plot against me and mine they seek to strip my guards my lovers from me by poisoned word or cold steel but i still have supporters and even friends among the goblins and the sluagh who will stand by me i am meredith nic essus and those who would defy and destroy me are destined to pay a terrible price for i am truly my father s daughter to protect what is mine i will sacrifice anything even if it means waging a great battle against my darkest enemies and making the most momentous decision ever made as princess of faerie

this exploration of author laurell k hamilton s work examines the many novels of her series and shows how her writing has been a major influence on contemporary visions of the vampire an ideal reference text for book club leaders long before twilight achieved epic levels of popularity laurell k hamilton was reshaping the image of the vampire with her own take on the vampire mythos in her anita blake vampire hunter fantasy novel series while hamilton s work draws on traditional vampire and fairy lore her interpretation of these subjects brought new dimensions to the genres influencing the direction of urban fantasy over the past two decades reading laurell k hamilton focuses upon hamilton s two bestselling series the anita blake vampire hunter series and the merry gentry series the volume is intended as a resource for leaders of book clubs or discussion groups containing chapters that examine hamilton s role in the current vampire literature craze the themes and characters in her work and responses to hamilton on the internet the book also provides a brief overview of hamilton s life

in order to save her life and her place on the throne ex detective princess meredith must conceive a child so she begins to have relations with her guardsmen which bring on various changes in magic

i am meredith gentry p i and princess merry heir to the throne of fairie now there are those among me who whisper i am more they fear me even as they protect me and who can blame them i ve awakened the dazzling magic that s slumbered in them for thousands of years but the thing is i can t figure out why my aunt the queen of air and darkness is no longer distracted by her usual sadistic hobbies her obsession has turned unwaveringly to me the mission to get me pregnant and beat my cousin prince cel

to the crown is taking longer than expected even though i spend each night with the queen s ravens my immortal guards no child has come of our decadent pleasures but something else is happening my magic courses through me uncontrollably and as i lock my half mortal body with their full sidhe blooded ones the power surges like never before it all began with the chalice i dreamed of it and it appeared cool and hard beside me when i awoke my guards know the ancient relic well its disappearance ages ago stripped them of their vital powers but it is here with us now my touch resonates with its force and they re consumed with it their sidhe essences lit up by it but even as they cherish me for this unexpected gift there are those who loathe me for it me a mongrel only half fey and part mortal the unseelie court has suffered for so long and there are some who would not have it weakened further by an impure queen my enemies grow in number every day but they do not know what i am capable of nor for that matter do i in seduced by moonlight laurell k hamilton brings the dark erotic reign of the immortal fey to a startling new depth full of sensuality and the consuming anticipation of latent powers unleashed this world of gods shapeshifters and immortal souls is unveiled in all of its supreme magnificence and its treacherous deceits

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it is that time known as the dark ages the romans have abandoned britain s shores leaving behind a brutal fear filled twilight world where magic and superstition strife and warfare hold sway into this world is born the daughter of a pagan queen her name is guinevere and to the all seeing power hungry sorceror merlin she represents a grave threat sent into hiding in the remote north she grows up under the protection of a shape shifting wolf and a wayward druid watched over by dragons yet through his dark arts merlin tracks her down he knows her destiny and will stop at nothing to prevent what has been foretold for if guinevere becomes queen and arthur king together they will bring a peace to the land that will leave the sorcerer but a shrivelled and empty old magiciain in a weary cloak what merlin doesn t realise is that guinevere has inherited dazzling powers of her own with arthur trapped in a netherworld from which the only escape is death guinevere must call upon the ancient primal spirits and beings who walked this earth when it was still young to help her in her final confrontation with the high druid himself dark exciting highly original and utterly compelling the dragon queen is set in a brutal grittily and historically authentic celtic world where the pagan and the christian battle for supremacy full of wild magic both benign and malign romance superstition wonder bloody battles and wonderfully well wrought characters and written with a fresh contemporary voice this novel turns the legend of king arthur

and his mercurial queen well and truly on its head

tis the season in briar creek and this year festivities become fatalities in the newest library lover s mystery from the new york times bestselling author of fatal first edition during the most wonderful time of the year famous author helen monroe arrives in briar creek to be the writer in residence but her bah humbug attitude excludes her from the many local holiday celebrations to try to spread some christmas cheer library director lindsey norris invites the new writer in town to join her crafternoon club helen politely refuses and when an altercation happens between helen and another patron lindsey begins to suspect the author has been keeping to herself for a reason another newcomer jackie lewis reveals she s visiting briar creek to be near helen because she believes they are destined to meet having dealt with a stalker in the past lindsey feels compelled to tell helen about jackie as she suspects that helen is unaware her number one fan is in town when jackie s body is later discovered in the town park beneath the holiday light display with a copy of helen s latest manuscript in her hand the reclusive novelist becomes the prime suspect in the murder of her self proclaimed mega fan helen s frosty demeanor melts when lindsey offers her help and now the librarian and her crafternoon pals must prove the author innocent before the end becomes helen s final sentence

merry gentry ex private detective and full time princess is now the mother of triplets a rarity in the high ranks of faerie and not everyone is happy about it including taranis king of light and illusion he s using the human courts to sue for visitation rights claiming that one of the babies is his to save herself and her children merry will use the most dangerous powers in all of faerie a god of death a warrior known as the darkness the killing frost and a king of nightmares they are her lovers and her dearest loves and they will face down the might of the high courts of faerie while trying to keep the war from spreading to innocent humans in los angeles who are in danger of becoming collateral damage

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