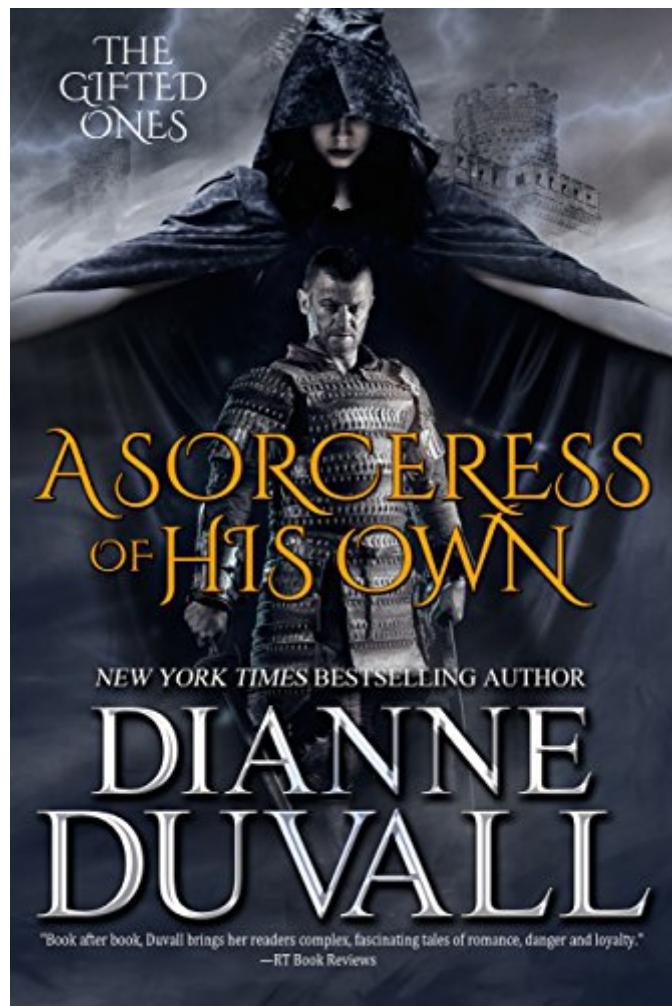


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A Sorceress Of His Own (The Gifted Ones Book 1)



Synopsis

A USA Today BestsellerFrom the New York Times bestselling author of the acclaimed Immortal Guardians series comes an enchanting new series full of romance, danger, and loyalty: The Gifted OnesSince the day Lord Dillon earned his spurs, rumors of his savagery on the battlefield have preceded him into every room, stilling tongues and sparking fear. Weary of battle, he wishes only to find a woman he can wed who will approach him not with fear, but with the tenderness that has been absent from his life for so long. Yet only the wisewoman seems invariably at ease in his presence. Perhaps because she garners the same fear in others that he does himself. For seven years, Alyssa has been by Lord Dillon's side, counseling him from the shadows, healing him with her hands, and staving off the worst of his loneliness while his fearsome reputation keeps others at bay. Blessed--or cursed--with gifts that label her a sorceress, she is forced to conceal her youth and the love she harbors for him beneath umbral robes that lead Dillon and his people to believe she is the same aged wisewoman who served his father. All is revealed, however, and passions flare when an enemy threatens Dillon's life and Alyssa sacrifices everything to save him. When Dillon discovers that the wisewoman is far from elderly, he is instantly entranced. And, as he and Alyssa work together to defeat an enemy bent on destroying them both, Dillon will risk anything--even the wrath of his king--to be with her.

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Customer Reviews

I'm going to start off by saying I don't write many book reviews, although I do read a lot. And I mean, A LOT. Reading is a great escape for me especially when real life can be messy and complicated enough, thank you very much. Lately I've been tired of the same "He has issues but she can fix him or she has issues but he loves her despite them" story lines. What I was really looking for was a story where two strong, intelligent characters worked well together, respected and genuinely cared about each other, and held on through whatever fate threw their way. This story was that and more. The hero is smart, strong, fiercely loyal and dangerous, while the heroine is intelligent, a good strategist, and kind to others regardless how she's treated. She is a great match for the hero. Another reviewer mentioned that it was pretty light on the "paranormal" and a little heavier on the "historical". That may be true, but in no way does it detract from the story. I'm a huge fan of paranormal romance myself (bring on the demons, witches, sorcerers, vampires, shifters, angels, etc.) but the story line was so good that I didn't feel like I was missing anything. There was some sexual content but it wasn't gratuitous and was appropriate to the story line. The chemistry and love between these two characters was well written. I had foregone sleep and was late to work just so I could find out how it ended. I was not disappointed and got my HEA. Also, I really appreciate there was no cliffhanger and the book was complete, not broken down into multiple parts to be purchased separately. I'm really looking forward to reading about the other "gifted ones" and where their adventures might lead them. So, thanks Dianne Duvall. This story was like a warm chocolate chip cookie after a crappy day. Exactly what I needed.

Originally Reviewed For: Tea and Book
Dianne Duvall takes us on an epic adventure through King Richard's England. Caught up with all the mysteries and superstitions telling a tale of secret passions that defy all, be they friend or foe, serf or king. A love story that rises from what could be to what is..When little more than a child, Alyssa donned her grandmother's robes and became the "wisewoman" for Lord Dillon. At 16 she was strong enough to hide a burgeoning love and step into shoes that should have been to great to fill. Ever looking for ways to keep Dillon safe, Alyssa has

closed herself off to all others. Allowing the suspicion and scorn to reign supreme. Always afraid of allowing others to see her true self. Until tragedy struck and Alyssa's healing of Dillon all be destroyed them both. Lord Dillon, Earl of Wescott has known the wisewoman his entire life. She served his father and grandfather and he is more than a little confused as to why he is so drawn to her. His trust in her is without a doubt but the connection that grows daily between them? That's another story. For seven years she has been at his side, his anchor in so many ways. But an ambush leaving him near death teaches him just how loyal she has been to him and what he almost lost. This was more than a medieval romance this story had power.. The power to draw me in, to reveal the gifts given and to want to hold tight to the loyalties shown. While prejudice and superstition ran rampant in this book, they should have this was the 12th century after all, the power of love and loyalty managed to conquer even that. One thing I really appreciated was the fact that while Dianne made several of the priests corrupt and evil, lost to superstition and greed, she didn't make all priests out to be so. She carefully crafted what I would consider accurate portrayals of the clergy at that time, or anytime really, some good, some bad.. some men of their times and some able to look beyond the obvious. The one thing I was disappointed in was the fact that the Immortal Guardians, Seth and Roland were very minor characters. I wanted them to be huge players, to explain more of the what ifs? But I think Dianne has other plans and their importance may show as the series grows. But really that is such a minor thing and if that's all I didn't like? Well that means there were pages and pages and pages of things I loved! A Sweeping Saga like story setting the groundwork for the wonders of the Gifted Ones. Alyssa's brother and sister are sure to play a large part in future books as should Dillon's brother Robert.. Of course I don't really know how the mind of Dianne Duvall works but I am excited to see what will happen next. This story might be just another day in the mind of Dianne Duvall.. but it was a delight to me! Loved it! Shauni This review is based on the ARC of A Sorceress of His Own, provided by the author for an honest review.

I love Dianne Duvall's Immortal Guardians series, and now we get to see what started them with The Gifted Ones! Omg! How can you not fall in love with Dillon and Alyssa! They are so meant for each other, and you see how they have a connection even before Alyssa reveals it. The story clicked on all cylinders and kept me turning the pages to see what happens next. Alyssa, and Dillon so selfless. So fun to see some fab Guardians before they came to be. I love the commraderie between Dillon and his brother Robert, and that they trust each other, even when the enemy tries to cause problems. The setting, the characters the villains, the Hottie Hero, the beautiful heroin, the story.....well you get the idea. You are missing out if you don't snap this one up, you won't be

disappointed! While you're at it, check out her Immortal Guardians , Hot special alpha happiness!! In the meantime, I'm going to be patiently waiting for Robert's book...well maybe not too patiently. :sigh:

I am a fan of Immortal Guardians series. I then read the Rendezvous with Yesterday, The Gifted Ones Book 2. (Read and listened too and Loved!) and then I read and listened to this one where Dillon and His Sorceress overcome obstacles as the Gifted Ones series begins. Although I read these books in reverse order, this book provides us with the concept of the gifted ones and where other immortals (Seth, Roland, Marcus) are introduced. It is a wonderfully entertaining story. The narrator is great! Her inflections and different characters enhance the story. I listened, then read a little, then switched back to listening. I have listened twice and working on reading it through again. It's great to find a story that I can enjoy over and over again ! I have started listening to Marcus's story in the Immortal Guardians series again (enjoying it more since reading these Gifted Ones books). I highly recommend the audible whispersync version along with your Kindle ebooks.

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