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Most bonds evolve with time. But a precious few begin even before birth.

In the dual-gendered realm of Ylandre, the great divide between the high-born True Bloods and the lower-ranked Half Bloods is deemed impassable by most. Rohyr Essendri dared to cross it when he took young Lassen Idana from his provincial town and made him his paramour.

Lassen perforce learned how to navigate the intricate byways of life at court. What he never expected, however, was to fall in love with Rohyr, a most inadvisable and impractical thing to do when one's lover is sovereign ruler of the land. But anything worth having is worth fighting for, both figuratively and, as Lassen discovers, literally speaking.

Contains hermaphroditism and explicit homoerotic sexual encounters.

Sacred Fate Details

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M'rella says

DNFed at 35%. My rating is for that part only.

Nothing happens in the first third of this "fantasy". The book itself is a huge info dump of useless history, descriptions of unimportant things (ie plumbing) and family liaisons.

The language is pretentious and heavy, trying to camouflage as an "old charm".

The characters.... ohhhh...

Rohyr the King is a push-over and a suck up, bending backwards in order not to upset his evil uncle.

Lassen is a "breeder", someone who can bear children. He is a hermaphrodite, identifies himself as male, but acts like a female. Why not make him a woman from the beginning? Is it just for the sake of mpreg tag?

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I made a list of important events, that transpired in the first 35%. Don't hold your breath.

1. Young Lassen finds himself given away to the king (Rohyr), in exchange for military protection of the province where he lives. Rohyr makes Lassen his ~~where~~ concubine (never to be a consort), even tho the boy is underage at 28 (breeders don't reach sexual maturity until they are past 30. Long life span and all.).
2. Lassen lives somewhere in Rohyr's castle, but not with him. Every once in a while they run into each other and suck face and other body parts.
3. 10 years later (smack out of nowhere - not a warning, not a hint, nothing, just turn a page to a new chapter and there you *are* Ten. Years. Later.) Lassen finds out that Rohyr's evil uncle has an evil plan at hand.

This is it.

All around and in between the above mentioned events we have:

- a lot of unnecessary history and geography lessons,
- lectures on Rohyr's extended family relations,
- overload of random alien names that for the life of me I couldn't remember past the sentence they were introduced in,
- lengthy descriptions of things in no way important to anything in the book - see me bitching about whimsical plumbing in the comments.

Once again, that's 35% of the book, and the book is not short.

1.5 stars and rounding down.

PS Looking at the characters' bodies and their heads, I can't stop thinking "Escher"!

Honey says

I've read too many of this type of hypocritical relationships lately to let this one pass me by. Other reviews have pointed out this book's apparent merits, but I wish I hadn't read it in the first place.

When Rohyr and Lassen begin their relationship, Rohyr imprints on Lassen which doesn't allow him to have sex with another. However, it's ok for Rohyr to marry somebody else, have sex with him and try and get an heir?

Yes, from the beginning we are told that Lassen is nothing more than a paramour, but their seemingly impossible relationship was so easily settled at the end of the novel that it all felt pointless to me. If all of their suffering could have been prevented from the very beginning, why did I have to read through 171 pages when just one word from Rohyr as King could have avoided it all?

Then, to find out that Rohyr and Lassen were actually soul mates and that Rohyr had known from the first time he set eyes on Lassen that he was the man that he had loved in a previous life and had lost. If I am to believe that when he lost Lassen the first time this had destroyed Rohyr, how can I reconcile this with the fact that after lifetimes of waiting and searching for Lassen when he finally finds him he willingly marries another, and tells Lassen he would have loved his new husband if he'd only been nicer?

Summarised into one sentence, what I'm trying to say is: how come love can overcome death as proven by the soul-bound but it can't overcome duty? Why do I keep reading about the more dominant partner in a relationship being able to have sex with others under some excuse or another while the other has to put up with it?

..*°*°*°*Gwendolyn's°**★°**★ says

A population of 100% dual-gender. WORLD RATING UPDATED BELOW*

There are difficult names, kissing cousin's and made up words!

I had to spend too much time in the glossary. And, this is still

3.5 Unique Stars!

Honestly, this world is not for me, but, I will continue in this world for a little while longer.... , but, I had to adapt . It was weird, and, this book confused the hell out of me. Yet, it held so much sweetness in the HEA, and the world was so wonderfully unique and very vivid...I could not help but adore this read.

1. This world and these characters were intriguing. I still wanted (and want) to know all about them. Rohyr and Lassen, as a couple...well, I fell in love with them as soon as they hit the pages. The first meet was ADORBS. And Rohyr's eyes swoon....I love how that description writing played that out.

2. The smexy scenes were on page, and plentiful without being too much. The world and characters are in the forefront of this book, and I loved that.

3. The action was good. Sword fights, yay!
4. The infant in its natal shell peaking out was uniquely wonderful!
5. I adored the glorious HEA.

This was a fabulously crafted book. But, be prepared for a book with a prologue, intro & the world building, that can at times be laborious, thus But, once I hit at 60% it was full steam ahead. I never wanted to put it down at that point, and actually I didn't, I simply stayed up in the night, because I was so engrossed and wished the clock would cease to move forward. Sadly, I am only magical in my dreams. So the clock moved forward, and I downloaded book 2.

Val Shameless ?? Steamy Reads ?? says

12/11/15 Series RE-READ in preparation for newest book, woot woot! and JUST as awesome.

ORIGINAL REVIEW:

This was me before starting this:

What, what, you say?

- 1) On the "**Best Gay Romance with Characters With Unusual Genitalia**" list
- 2) **MPreg** - that's *male pregnancy* - for those like me who were not *in the know* and did not know about this entire reading sub genre.
- 3) And "**dual-gender**" characters?

And this was me after:

Wooooooooooooooooooooooooooooow....!

That was surprisingly super-y duper-y good!

Not gonna lie though...

At first, I had NO idea what da *fuq* was going on.

But you know how things go when you start a new fantasy-type series...

Lots of world building...

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...LOTS of names and places you have no idea what/where/when they are...

...or how to even pronounce them...

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LOOOOOOTS of crazy sexual what the FUCKery.

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...HOWEVER...

If you are like me - and *dig* all that kind of shit?

Then you too will think this *ish* was *awesomely* badass.

Already downloading numero dos...

Lexi Ander says

Update 02/01/2014

This story mixes historical and fantasy with exquisite world building. As novel as the idea for this story is, it could easily overwhelm the unwary reader. A glossary of terms can be found at the end. I would suggest first time readers to at least take a look before tackling the story. Even I needed a bit of help with the terms used.

This was a reread for me because I wished to finally read the rest of the series, which I already own just haven't gotten around to yet. I'm glad that I did because I needed the refresher on the world and terms. The story was unique enough that I still recalled the plot but the terms tripped me up. I still hold to my stance, there are too many side characters. It is why I cannot give the story five stars. Something of the story was lost when I had trouble following in certain places. The uncommon names and titles weren't familiar enough to help me place certain characters when they entered a scene.

That being said, remembering the core characters wasn't as difficult so I didn't become lost following them through the plot.

This is a story of a King (Ardin) Rohyr Essendri and his leman (concubine) Lassen Idana. There are many elements such as: court intrigue, Full Bloods and Half Bloods class distinction, a Templar secret society, mixed with mental abilities that ranged from reading minds to translocation.

Some years pass since Rohyr took Lassen from his home as a youth and claimed him as leman. He was strong armed blackmailed by his trusted uncle into a marriage to a younger cousin he hardly knew, but Rohyr negotiates that he would keep Lassen. It was difficult to watch Rohyr take and bed his consort, even though he was in love with Lassen. His uncle was always pushing, shoving, and reminding Rohyr of his duty time and again until I wanted to run the man through. The court intrigue and political maneuverings began in earnest. The threat the consort would find a way to part Rohyr from Lassen built until I devised multiple ways for Rohyr's duplicitous cousin to meet his untimely demise.

I think Lassen easily speaks to many readers. He's kind, thoughtful, and humble. He pigeonholed himself into his social class and it was evident that if he had been even slightly ambitious, Rohyr would've eventually caved and made Lassen his official consort. But Lassen would never use his influence for personal gain. His only ambition was on Rohyr's behalf, lifting him up in the eyes of the people.

Lassen didn't push, therefore Rohyr didn't think to solidify their bond more formally. He, too, trapped himself by adhering to the Full Blood's and his family's customs instead of listening to his heart. Much of what transpires was caused by mistakes, small and large, when Rohyr trusted the wrong individuals and did not look beyond his current personal circumstances, leading to culminating events that had devastating results.

Without giving away spoilers, there is a turn in the plot where Rohyr reveals a long held secret which will have some readers up in arms. I felt the reasons given throughout were sufficient to excuse Rohyr from not being perfect. Part of the story is about breaking the conventional bonds that holds each man to his social class, breaking age old practices, and being the first to step over that boundary to face ridicule and censure. Realizing that state of the country did not mean anything if Rohyr lost the one and only person he loved. All of that, plus knowing Rohyr lived his life as the office of Arden to the point, that without Lassen, he would have forgotten how to be simply a man, made him redeemable in my eyes. I do adore flawed characters.

If you find delight in historicals with an alternative twist, court intrigue, ambitious consorts, constricting class distinctions, blackmail, flawed characters, and epic love all wound to together in a stunning world, then you may enjoy Sacred Fate.

You can also see the review at <http://heartsonfirereviews.com/?p=24890>

10/26/2010 Review: I wasn't sure that I was going to like this book. I don't read much historical romance because I cannot stand the smote/smiting - doths - the droving of swords or "shiething" or how the arthor just cannot say Rohyr kissed Lassen but that Rohyr captured Lassen's breath or some such foolishness, even if it is occassionally hot. At least nothing felt like black velvet and there were no verily's to irk me. :-P

This was like reading Robert Jordan for the first time (with better sex). I did not find the index of terms until I finsihed the book because of course it was placed in the back. (Like I would have had the patience to flip back and forth.) There were strange terms and place names and given names which made it a challenging read. I quit trying to remember who was who as long as I got the core characters down which really was what was important.

All that being said, this was a fantastic read. I was caught before the first chapter concluded and I couldn't put it down until I was finished. I didn't even mind some of the smoting that went on, though talk of the "shieth" cracked me up because come on....but I did understand the usage when everything got laid out. I look forward to re-reading because I am sure that I missed things the first time through (just like Robert Jordan).

Breann says

I love epic fantasy. I love creative world building. I love a good sweet romance. So, this book was perfect for me!

When reading the blurb and knowing that Lassen was to be taken by the King, Rohyr, as the king's paramour I was expecting a reluctant romance to blossom. *Not at all*. Lassen took what was thrown at him in stride. He didn't resent his position nor did Rohyr press him for more than he was ready for.

The king is welcome to his concubine, but must have a proper mate, one of status. The king shouldn't be falling in love with his lover or having children with them. Naturally, the King must follow the tradition and marry into a loveless marriage but is able to keep Lassen as his lover.

I *adored* Lassen and Rohyr's relationship. Lassen was more than ready to do his duty to the king, no matter how inexperienced he was. Rohyr knew of his inexperience and seduced Lassen slowly. They were always so much more than king and concubine, they were lovers and mates from the beginning. On hundred percent devoted to one another in everything. I loved it.

This was definitely different than I expected, but it was a nice surprise to find such romance in this fantasy story.

Bookwatcher says

Once upon a time, far.. far.... away, in a strange land, called Aisen, there is a warrior king. Surrounded by his loyal followers...

... he is the only ruler, with power, adoration and a mental capacity no other in his land have....and despite everything... something is missing

He is a sorrowful knight... because never know true love

Yes, it's a fantasy, with a touch of fairy tale, and a lot of erotic scenes.... how can I say how much I love **Lassen Idana of Tal Ereq**, the hermaphrodite *Deir* with a simple live, never searching power of notoriety, but only a trustful partner? How can I show you how amazing is **Rohyr Essendri**, with all his immense power, never being able to give his soul to another being, and finally know this strange but so much desired sentiment... called love.

Fantastic story, amazing secondary characters, perfect in all aspect!

5 stars and I strongly recommend a glance in the Glossary of Terms (at the end of the book) before you start it. There is a lot of strange words, and the glossary certainly is very useful.

Valentina Heart says

This book simply captivated me. The world is magnificent, the idea behind the story unique and quite beautiful. The characters are caring and kind, yet intelligent even when a bit naive.

Lassen grew on me, and honestly I can put him at the very top of the list for the best character in m/m. He was so beautifully portrayed in his innocence and simple goodness that it brought me to tears at times and I couldn't read the words fast enough.

Rohyr is a great ruler, fair, strong and very conscious of his desires as much as his obligations. The care he showed for the man he loved was astounding and I couldn't help it but adore him from that first talk with the elders and his overwhelming confidence.

The very bearing of a child was described to the smallest detail, giving the very notion of how much effort was invested in the concept of the story. It gripped me from the beginning to the end and I found myself enjoying their sexual endeavors, smiling at their gentleness and enduring through their pains.

It was truly a wonderful experience to read this book and I hope there will be a worthy sequel in store.

Dreamer says

Okay, so.. I enjoyed the love story here and the hot monkey hermaphrodite sex was a bonus. However the unpronounceable names, titles, placenames and complicated politics made me want to scream! So to simplify:

Lassen is the blond willowy beautiful youth (you know the type) who becomes concubine to **Rohyr**, the tall dark handsome king of Ylandre (I called him Rory)..

Imcael is the wicked uncle and **Tyrde** (Turd obviously - lol) is his evil son. Plus there are a heap of other characters with weird names who are all basically good guys.

And a quote:

'He opened his arms to Lassen. With a blinding smile that was equal parts disbelief and joy, Lassen went into his embrace and laid his head on Rohyr's shoulder. Rohyr pressed a kiss to Lassen's golden crown and held him fast.'

Kukko says

Main Characters: Rohyr Essendri & Lassen Idana

Key Themes: MPreg, Soulmates, Social Differences & Racial Intolerance

Location: Planet Ylandre

Incredibly romantic paranormal MM romance between an aristocrat and a commoner.

This story is set in a mystical realm - where indoor plumbing is a luxury, but teleportation is a capability. This is also a world where evolution has replaced women with men who are able to breed. I couldn't help wondering if such a world could ever really exist. A world devoid of the balancing qualities of female energy, and totally reliant on the male ego, would surely rapidly descend into chaos, but that's a discussion for another day!

Rohyr is a True Blood, a direct descendant of the alien colonizers of Ylandre. He is a progressive and fair-minded monarch, evidenced by the respect and love shown to him by *most* of those around him. On a visit to one of his provinces, Rohyr sees, and is immediately attracted to the beautiful but very young Lassen. Lassen is Half Blood (a mix of alien colonizer and the indigenous race of the planet). Rohyr bargains for Lassen and takes him back to his palace to be his concubine.

True Bloods are not only the ruling class, they also have special abilities. So the Half Bloods are at a double disadvantage. With such social imbalances, it is not surprising that racial intolerance is a major issue on the planet. Fortunately, all of these inequalities also served to heighten the special nature of Rohyr's love for Lassen. Although a significant revelation at the end of the story took away a bit of that shine.

I am a big fan of supernatural abilities in a character, and it's a shame we don't see Rohyr use his special capabilities more often or earlier in the story. I was also really hoping Lassen had some hidden special ability, and although that was hinted at, it was not convincingly developed, much to my disappointment.

All that aside, this was an endearing and sweet romance. It is definitely worth reading. I will be reading the rest of the series....

Day-thief says

If I ever wanted to read about two guys so **PERFECT** that it made me itch all over, but at the same time so **STUPID** that I wanted to slap them into oblivion, this would just be the book for it. I opt for a **moment of ZEN** before I start this review.

The book managed to vex me on so many levels, it was simply breathtaking. To name a few: passive, submissive and naïve MC, conflict due to miscommunication, blatantly stupid behavior on all sides (not even the bad guy was allowed to do clever things, let alone hideous ones), chick with dick...

But the ratings are high, so let me give some examples and play a (MILDLY SPOILERISH) game:

Imagine having looked for your lost soul mate in past lives that stretched over a millennium, and when you finally found him, you

- a) court your long lost soul mate so that he falls in love with you all over again , reassure him that he won't be put aside EVER and make him yours in whatever way possible ASAP?
- b) force his parents to give said soul mate to you as a concubine on the side because custom and a grumpy uncle forbid marriage?

Another one? How do you like your king best?

- a) He is "a battle-honed, warrior king of striking beauty, steely grace and an ENDOWEMENT that leave your mouth dry"
- b) He shows "...many kindnesses and compassion. Not to mention EXCEPTIONAL handsomeness and nigh perfection of form..."
- c) This one is mandatory: "The people love him."
...and my favorite:
- d) He is one of the very few "... who can recall every life cycle of his existence and withstand the burden of it. ALL OTHERS would go mad from such knowledge."

2 stars for a m/f romance in a flimsy mpreg disguise

Lyn says

2.5 stars rounding up because I loved the MCs.

All I have to say in this review is that the writing ruined what I consider to be an amazing 5-star story.

I'm parting ways with this the rest of this series because this reader does not find the old English writing style reader friendly.

DaisyGirl says

3.5 Stars

Rohyr Essendri is the ruler of Ylandre. A high-born True Blood, Rohyr breaks tradition when he takes Lassen Idana (a Half Blood) as his lover. Lassen falls for the noble and honorable Rohyr and vice versa but true love may not be enough to overcome the prejudices and traditions they face.

This was my first foray into MPreg and my first book by this author. I enjoyed the writing and the world building. Beware: this is a complex story. There are a lot of characters and places. I found myself having to

use my Kindle's search function more than once. In addition, you must learn the terminology (Eressë kindly provides a glossary).

To be honest, I'm not sure that I'm sold on this series. The hermaphrodites take some getting used to. MPreg as a sub-genre just may not be to my liking. In a way, this felt like re-purposed m/f, which is not my bag. And, honestly, it kinda squicked me out. From the sheath-to-his-sword (eye-roll) to the birthing seam (yucks!), I couldn't say for certain that I was into this stuff. On the other hand, I devoured this book ... so there's that.

Bottom-line: Undecided; moving on to book 2 before drawing any conclusions.

Heather K (dentist in my spare time) says

****Fans of M/M fantasy, this is FREE today (9/8/14) at Amazon US!**

<http://www.amazon.com/Sacred-Fate-Chr...>**

I'm going to rate this even though I only read up to 50% (still about 175 pages). I think it is safe to say that this book is not for me.

I struggled immensely with the writing. It is a lot of "thou" and "wherefore" kind of talk coupled with names that I think were designed just to confuse readers. Virtually unpronounceable and thoroughly unrememberable, I could not for the life of me recall the names of either the characters or the places. Also, was I the only one who noticed the POV changes from paragraph to paragraph?

To top it off, I thought that the relationship between Lassen and Rohyr was just fraught with miscommunication and inequality. And the scheming relatives bored me. I also thought the sex was a strange and not particularly erotic, but maybe that was the intersex quality of the MC, which I found to be more interesting than hot.

I don't know, I don't know... I think fantasy doesn't work for me a majority of the time. This was no exception. It wasn't bad, I could have probably finished it, but I felt totally blah towards it the entire time. A miss for me.

Experiment BL626 says

CAUTION: Major Spoilers

Stupid Characters

Unlikable and sometime idiotic characters. There is a difference between being innocent and being naive, and unfortunately Lassen fell into the latter. Lassen stupidly fell in love with Rohyr despite knowing Lassen could only ever be the king's concubine and not his consort. No matter, how much they love each other it was unrealistic of Lassen to not consider whether he could have a happy future with Rohyr. Love may be blind, but it sure as heck isn't stupid.

Rohyr was idiotic in the fact that he fell prey to his uncle Imcael's scheme. Just because they share the same blood doesn't mean loyalty was a given, and Rohyr fell for that *hard*. Royal family members who backstab

each other for the throne? How UNSuprising. Moreover, you think Rohyr would have taken this history lesson to heart considering he remember his past-life as another king who was dealt the same crap. Past-life! OMG! Not only so, it made no sense that he accepted to marry Tyrde when he knew Lassen was his soulmate, knew the loss of his soulmate in a past-life when both Rohyr and Lassen were different people. How could he repeat this mistake? And then he expected Lassen to stick around? And slapped Lassen when Lassen didn't and thought that Lassen was pregnant with another man's baby? What a SOB!

Tyrde, stupid stupid evil Tyrde. Tyrde, if you wanted the throne, you could at least pretend affection for your king. Did you really expect Rohyr would endear himself to you for an occasional bang in the bed and your strict adherence to royal protocol? Did you really think mind-reading Rohyr would not discover your scheme to eliminate Lassen? It's fine if you make clear of your ambition, but it's NOT fine to alienate the one person your ambition rested upon.

Ending Kinda Suck

The end-fight felt rushed. It would have been better if Lassen learned to make use of his newly-founded psychic skill and to release it in the fight against Tyrde. So when Rohyr had to help out Lassen, it made the victory seem hollow.

Epic World

The world-building was superb, almost as epic as LOTR (the films). I literally felt the history of Ylandre moving across my eyes. I like how the author asserted the extinction of female-kind and the male-pregnancy right from the beginning. It didn't feel sexist to me because she build these people up as hermaphroditic aliens. Technically, this wasn't a mm-romance since the people were not truly male.

The sex scenes were creatively-worded so I wasn't bored by their shagging. Though the sex didn't evoke the oh-la-la hotness, but it was touchingly sweet.
