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The infamous pirate, riverboat seductress, master of disguise, and street-urchin-turned-sailor Jacky Faber has been captured by the French and beheaded in full view of her friends and crew. Inconceivable? Yes! The truth is she's secretly forced to pose as an American dancer behind enemy lines in Paris, where she entices a French general into revealing military secrets—all to save her dear friends. Then, in intrepid Jacky Faber style, she dons male clothing and worms her way into a post as galloper with the French army, ultimately leading a team of men to fight alongside the great Napoleon. In this sixth installment of the Bloody Jack Adventures series, love and war collide as the irrepressible Jacky Faber sets off on a daring adventure she vowed she'd never take.

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Nisha says

Another winner. Thank you L.A. Meyer. I was almost going to give up after the last book. Obviously, I did not enjoy it as much as I should have for a Bloody Jack book. This one makes it up.

As usual, Jacky does not lack her horde of admirers. This time, she seems a little too adventurous for a normal teenager. Or maybe not, what do I know. There is the previously introduced Joseph Jared, the newcomer, Jean-Paul, who gets pretty lucky with Jacky, Randall Trevalyne, remember book 2?, and finally, our favorite Jaimy Fletcher.

I see a pattern. Jacky only does boys with name that start with J. anyway, on a serious note. There is a lot more action and more politics and crazy near-death experiences. And as usual, Jacky survives them. And, somehow it does not get old.

I can't wait until I get my hands on the next book, as well as buying this book (the paperback version). This one is definitely worth a read, to the skeptics after Mississippi Jack.

Priya says

As I've come to expect, I loved the next installment of Jacky's adventures. My Bonny Light Horseman made me love Jacky even more. I can never put one of L.A. Meyer's books down!!

Teea says

So, I would probably give this one 3 1/2 stars. It's not my favorite of the series, but there is always so much adventure that once I pick them up there just really isn't a place to put it down until I'm finished. This series is ridiculous and over the top and yet I'm still find myself excited to see Jacky squeeze her way out of another tight spot. She is such a girlie girl and the next moment cool, confident, and in control. Everything I secretly want to be. I can see why she made such an excellent spy. These books hardly changed my life, but give me exactly what I want.... a few hours of adventure and mayhem without even changing out of my pajamas.

Anne says

Irrepressible Jacky Faber is back in her 6th book. Now she has been captured and beheaded by the French. Somehow she overcomes that and is being sent by the British to be a spy while acting as messenger for the French army.

Love her spunkiness!

Herman says

Such a wonderful series! Of course after book three the adventures are getting a bit wilder and more unbelievable but even so this is so much fun, I really enjoyed reading these stories and I wish it was like that, the world deserves a Jacky Faber, and if it's only as a fictional character so be it, just such a life story is a joy to read; this one was good the belly of the bloodhound is still my favorite, and under the Jolly Roger is a close second this one might be the fourth best which still makes it far better than most books I've read this month or this year. Ok have to read the next one Rapture of the Deep she finally is in the arms of her Love so it appears the formula of unrequited love with multiple men vying for her is about to change have to read the next book to see how that change happens somehow I know it's all going to go wrong before it somehow ends up all right in the end.

Aximili says

While I love the Bloody Jack series and adore Jacky and her wild adventures, I couldn't help feeling frustrated with the direction this one went with. I find Jacky's character refreshing from the pristine, virginal heroines who never contribute to anything constructive. I like how Meyer makes Jacky identifiable and her character like a real girl. I don't even mind Jacky's use of her sexuality and various love interests.

What I found to be the biggest wallbanger moment was when she was having yet another affair with another boy. I felt that after the events of Mississippi Jack and her realization that Jaimy is hurt by her infidelity, that Jacky would at least try to reign herself in a bit. It just felt out of character. I understand Jacky is a bit lewd and not content to be in one place for a long time, but I feel that her and Jaimy just need to tie the knot already. Their relationship is enjoyable to read and I do love the books but with nothing developing, the romance is starting to drag. I just feel that it's unnecessary for Meyer to keep things frozen like this. It's starting to feel like he doesn't know or want to write Jacky in a long term relationship where her partner is actually present.

Overall, I enjoyed the book and the series. I like the characters and plot, the alternating moments of light and darkness, and the swash-buckling action and setting the books take place in. I will most likely continue to read these books, but desire at least some acknowledgement of the development and actions that took place in Mississippi Jack. This one felt too much like a reset button.

Leslie says

Still enjoying this series. It is a lot of fun.

Cindy Mitchell *Kiss the Book* says

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Fans of Jacky Faber are rejoicing at her return. Jacky Faber is finally headed to England to see what awaits her . . . most likely the hangman's noose. Unexpectedly, the ship she is on is captured by the French and Jacky is imprisoned and beheaded. . . . well, at least that is what the British Intelligence Service want the world to believe. Now that the infamous Jacky Faber is dead, no one will be looking for her. This allows Jacky to be sent as a spy into France. Her life as a spy begins as a ballet dancer and ends as a messenger in Napoleon's army where she comes face to face with the famous Emperor. Readers of this series will welcome Jacky's return to posing as a boy and the troubles/opportunities that causes her. In this novel, Meyer include an increased amount of sexual references and bawdy inferences. However, Jacky's innocence remains intact. The use of coarse language is minimal and the violence stems from the story being placed in war time.

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Jamie says

One completely outrageous adventure after another. I can't believe how many famous historical events they cover in this series. Its just plain fun. Its perfect for long drives or house cleaning! I love the narrator and how she makes it easy to follow each character. I keep thinking I am going to get tired of Jacky Faber but I never seem to. She is NEVER BORING!!

Katie Hutchison Irion says

Oh Jacky, your life is never calm. I can't believe I've spent the last weekend just reading about it. My poor kids haven't seen me and Ricky even knows who Jacky is since I reference her in my everyday conversations.

So, this book was great but not my favorite. I loved the first half, I mean, come on, Jared Joseph was in it. I liked the men on the boat with her and was interested with the plot. I think I could have done without all the fighting and spying in France. I think there were too many paragraphs on battle techniques and not enough about Jaimy. Still love him. I did not really care for Jean Paul so no competition there. I am just amazed with all these eligible men Jacky ends up with. Here is my ranking of the men in her life. Well, the men that kiss her because Higgins would be top of the list if it were just men. He's great.

1. Jaimy Fletcher-He is so sweet and his letters make me melt.
2. Jared Joseph-Smolders. I don't know him, but I'm sure he does.
3. Lord Richard Allen-HELLO, a LORD! Need I say more.
4. Randall Trevelayne-love his swagger and bravado
5. Jean Paul and his gross little Frenchy mustache
6. Robin-Just too young

AHH, now I have to wait until I get book 7. I hate waiting.

Peggy Stuart says

I listened to the audiobook. The narrator, Katherine Kellgren, is amazing! The story is full of suspense and humor. I always know she will survive, but I'm still scared for Jacky.

Angie says

Kaherine Kellgren has officially ruined audiobooks for me. She is absolutely amazing at it. The books come to life in my head as she reads it with many different accents for all the characters. She has such enthusiasm and even sings all the old sailor songs. I swear she's amazing. When this series is over I shall be quite sad to go back to the regular books with singular characters and narrators without enough ummph.

L.A. Meyer has found a gem of a series with his adventures of Jacky Faber and I hope for all us Bloody Jack fans out there we can expect many many more :)

Jen says

This is the sixth book in this series and I think the funnest one so far. Jacky Faber is a hilarious character and I thought that she just gets better with each book. I also felt that you could see this series coming to an end - maybe? and I liked that.

These books are written for the young adult age but I'm not sure I agree with that. They are at times a bit grown up I feel. If you have teens that you might suggest these to, I would as a parent read them first and then decide.

Caitlín (Ink Mage) says

Okay, so it wasn't as good as I hoped, but it was not as much of a disappointment as *In the Belly of the Bloodhound*. I think I liked the overall story about as much as the first book, but something that the other books have was missing.

I think it might be the relationships Jacky makes, because really the only people she meets and you care about at all are Jean-Paul (whom I find rather pathetic, anyway) and Bordot. It was kind of cool catching up with Davy (who is much more mature now), Jared, and Tink, and I predicted that the mysterious American in Boney's army would be Randall (who is also rather more grown-up and more pleasant to read about), but there were no new relationships forged like Jacky usually does wherever she goes.

I also wish we could meet up with more old faces again, like Mairead and Liam, Amy (whom has hardly been in there in forever), Ezra, Robin, etc.

I didn't understand why Jacky even went to work as a dancer in the Corps de Ballet, it wasn't a main focus of the story, and was just random in my opinion. My favorite part was probably while Jacky was aboard the *Dauntless*, but--as with other parts--it seemed kind of like it had all already happened:

Here's Jacky in another stinking cell, bemoaning her fate and never going to get out alive, but meanwhile plotting her escape and charming her Marine guards and any other male within her reach.

Here's slight little Jacky shaping up a group that's in shambles and making them some of the best in the army.

Here's Jacky flirting with yet *another* dashing, handsome, and kind man who she's being "good" with by only kissing and groping. That part especially got to me this time; Jaimy's lying there wounded and Jacky still doesn't know if he'll survive--or if he does, regain his full mental capacity--and she's charming the life out of Jean-Paul and falling in love with him.

At least this book is finally one that ended with her in Jaimy's arms (not in a corny way) and no sign of danger on the horizon...yet. I'm hoping the next book might have them traveling together for at least a while-

-like if Jacky for some reason has to be disguised as a boy again, and Jaimy comes too and so has to treat her like one. Now *that* would be interesting. It might develop their relationship on more equal respect and friendship terms, rather than just their romance.

Did anyone notice that Joseph Jared is now aboard the H.M.S. *Lorelei*? The working title of Book #8 is *The Wake of the Lorelei Lee*. Hmmmm

Justine Barr says

With the dramatically ironic relationship between Jacky and Jaimy finally ended (the ironic parts but not the romantic parts), Jacky is once again thrust into seemingly impossible adventures. She's also forced again to pretend to be a boy, which I found very entertaining.

I can't wait to find out what happens next to this cast of characters!
