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There's a legend in Providence...and there's only one way to find out if it's real.

Once every ten years there's a secret party - based entirely on this legend. An event so exclusive - the invitation is by word of mouth - with strict rules that must-be-followed. According to legend, the hosts of this gathering are supposed to be Vampires...

So what happens when your best friend is invited and practically begs you to go along with her?

You go, of course!

Stepping over the edge of darkness and deep into the secret world of vampires, twins, Elizabeth and Melinda discover that their friend, Fiona was right: the legend is real.

Everyone's having fun at the masquerade party, except for Elizabeth. All she wants is to get through the night and return to her charming new love interest. However, as the evening grows ominous, chances are, they may never get home... Melinda is getting drunk, Fiona's gone missing, and a nightmarish clown is stalking Elizabeth. And even more terrifying - this sinister vampire thirsts for much more than what's flowing through her veins.

Instead of a carefree evening of dining, dancing, and drinks - there will be danger, there might be hard decisions, and there may be despair.

But...there definitely will be blood.

## Ravenswynd Legends Details

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## From Reader Review Ravenswynd Legends for online ebook

### Richard says

Once in a decade or two an author enlightens their readers and takes them on an astonishing journey that alters the course in character writing or storyline as did author Anne Rice in the book "Interview with a Vampire" in 1979. Decades later Stephenie Meyer author of the "Twilight" started yet another blitz of Vampire authors, sending them all back to their keyboards. Now Sharon Ricklin Jones has accomplished yet a further in depth examination of characters and story. Everything about a character in a story that we once thought typical for that character in any related story at most remained concrete until this author once again alters the course of Vampire folklore. Sharon will surely entice all seasoned and new writers to go back to their scripts for a rewrite.

The moment of a vampire bite and transition will never be written the same. The title could have been Fifty Shades of Red as it had me turning pages frantically and wanting to be turned myself. Here is a vampire story from an author who is member of Romance Writers of America but here and now... a romance vampire story with a twist!

In a few words that come to mind about this story: romance, love, trust, vengeance, power, mystical, graphical, legends.

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### Mickey O'ricky says

I thoroughly enjoyed Ravenswynd Legends. I never imagined what it might be like to be turned by a vampire, but a few pages in to this story and I had to know. I could not set it down. Now I am thirsting for more. Best read late on a moonlit night, with a flickering candle's dancing shadows and a goblet of wine - color me dark burgundy!

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### Lisa says

While the author writes well I found myself at the end thinking there wasn't a whole lot to this story. Maybe because I was expecting a dark read, which this absolutely is not or because I was waiting for the good vs evil, that was not there either although there is mention of a rogue faction and a quick couple pages where the bad guy makes an appearance. This is actually a very quick love story, it is also very light. I'm thinking the author is setting up for the rest of the series and that the story will progress with all the elements I have come to love in this genre. I would actually read the next one as I see a ton of potential in this and as I mentioned earlier, the writing is pretty good.

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### Sa says

Started out good but then became boring. Hero was too uptight and snobby for my taste. You can only read so many books with insta-love with a pretty vamp as the "plot" until it get's old.

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### **David A. Carey says**

This is a very different Vampire book, enjoyable though.

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### **Aimee says**

Delicious good read. I could not put this book down, I wanted to know what happened in it. I am now looking forward to reading the second book in this series. Two thumbs up, great story. Plus, I love the cover on the book, the artwork is stunning.

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### **Martina Avery says**

A fresh new spin on vampire genre. So glad that I waited to purchase all 4 of the books in the Ravenswynd Series at the same time. After finishing Legends I would not have wanted to wait for a minute more to start on the 2nd book.

I love that Sharon has been able to take the long and well loved theme of vampires and create a whole ,wonderful new world to explore. Legends will be revealed and the answers will keep you wanting to discover more.

Her captivating characters expertly compliment the tale with colorful personalities...each with journeys of their own to follow.

This is one legend that I know you will not want to miss and one that you will not want to end. I hope Sharon will listen to her readers who ask her to consider a 5th book in this unique series. Congratulations Sharon on a great read!!!!

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### **S.R. Roddy says**

As the first book in a series, Ravenswynd Legends was a great introduction in my opinion. A nice, clean, vampire romance that anyone can enjoy. This is not your typical vampire tween escapade. It tells the story of three women: Fiona and twin sisters Melinda (Lindy), and Elizabeth (Lizzy). This is a first person narrative with Lizzy starring as the main character.

The beginning was hard for me to follow, well maybe not follow as much as remain focused. The main character's inability to stay locked on one moment was dizzying. Her thought process flitted around like an airhead on a sugar high, very distracting. About the time of the actual party things smoothed out and became easier to follow. The story reeled me in once more and held me captivated, curious to know where the author would lead us next. The story surprised me with the depth of its descriptions.

There were a few spots I might have been tempted to roll my eyes, due to its sappy nature. Considering the era most of the vampires were born in, I didn't feel it was too overly done. Even the rendition of poetry added to the overall emotion of the story. I especially liked how she slipped Poe's work into the storyline, it truly fit the mood.

My least favorite character – You would think my least favorite person would be the antagonist, but you'd be wrong. I can almost feel sorry for him. No, I greatly disliked the twin sister, Melinda. She was selfish and self-centered. She pretended concern for her sister, but really she seemed more worried about how Lizzy's decisions, might affect her own life. She really rubbed me the wrong way.

Favorite Part – What I truly liked most about this story is the vampire folklore. It's not your typical storyline. While I tend to find entertainment in the twilight style stories, mostly for a good laugh, my true addiction stems from the older legends. I found the turning process in general intriguing. Sorry, I won't give away details, but I think most true addicts of vampire lore will enjoy the twist.

This is a full length novel, 260 pgs, with a nice price tag. As of this review the price on Amazon is only \$1.99, a great bargain. The sneak peek of book two was just pure evil. I had to go buy it. Over all it was a sweet vampire story that I would recommend to others.

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### **Maria Haskins says**

This vampire romance novel is a definite page-turner: it had me hooked from beginning to end. Jones introduces the reader to new, dark, mysterious world of vampire lore and culture, and there is a lot of promise of secrets to be revealed and relationships to be explored in the rest of the series.

The cast of characters is varied and captivating, and I confess that the scene when the main character is "turned" left me absolutely breathless!

It robbed me of some late night sleep, but then, that's the mark of a page-turner!

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### **Beth ~~Just One More Chapter I Swear~~ says**

This is a really well written book and at times very poetic. It is a newer spin on old Vampire lore which is always nice. Considering I read it in one sitting I guess it's fair to say that it grabbed my attention and didn't let go. Now the downside- with regards to the lovey-dovey, overly saccharin, gushy bits, sometimes more is just more....and in this case it is way too much. Overall a good read though and I cannot wait to start the second book tomorrow.

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### **Charlotte Rains says**

Kudos to Sharon Ricklin Jones! She has easily placed herself in ranks with, Stephanie Meyer, with her book 'Ravenswynd Legends' the first in a four book series. Will there be a book five? I, for one, am keeping my fingers crossed! She has mastered her craft in that she knows exactly how to keep her reader quickly turning the pages, unwilling to lay the book down, having to know what will happen next. Her graphic details in the transition from human to vampire, left nothing lacking. The characters, the venue, and the dialogue are well written and very believable. This woman did her research!

If you are a Vampire fan, a 'Twilight' fan, or just a lover of romance in general, I promise you will not be disappointed with this book. I highly recommend it to readers of all ages.

### **Pam Secklin says**

I was twenty-two again, young and beautiful, as curious and adventurous as I was naive, armed with both my twin sister and my best friend, embarking on an audacious journey, in pursuit of a secret legend and maybe even to become sanctioned for eternal membership in this clandestine yet powerfully compelling society. Yet I had already met my soul mate, hadn't I? What would become of us? Life-affirming, death-affirming, and gripping. A fantastic read that will propel you directly into Elizabeth's world so forcefully that for the duration, you will become her.

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### **Amy says**

Emrys. \*sigh\* Emrys! He is to die for! So electrifying! There are scenes in this book that are so good I go back and read them over and over.

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### **VampireRomanceBooks That's Erotica says**

Elizabeth and Melinda are identical twins attending their senior year of college. Elizabeth is the more reserved twin, but her life begins to change when her eyes meet those of a handsome stranger, and there is something about him that draws her in a way she has never experienced.

Elizabeth is beautiful, but in no way vain. She is intelligent, innocent, and a little naive. Prophecy brought Emrys in search of Elizabeth, and when he saw her he knew she was meant to be his. He is a traditional man who possess intelligence and charm. I liked Melinda and Elizabeth's best friend Fiona as well. Melinda is like Elizabeth in many ways, except she is slightly more outspoken and experienced. Fiona is more like Elizabeth in her thoughtfulness.

Legend states there is a party every ten years is for a clan of vampires known as the Ravens. It is by invitation only, and they are given a chance to find a mate. Humans attend to possibly become donors, or vampires. Jones penned a wonderful paranormal romance that really caught my attention. Legends focused primarily on Elizabeth and Emrys, and I am interested to see where their journey takes them. I am also curious to see what will become of her twin!

I would consider this to be a new age novel. Although this genre is usually not my cup of tea I found this read quite enjoyable.

\*\*Reviewed by Teresa D. for VampireRomanceBooks.com\*\*

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