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When it comes to love, sometimes you have to cross the line...

Feared by mortals for his inexorable power, and loathed by his fellow Greek gods for the same, Hades rules the Underworld alone. A stark eternity looms before him until he discovers Persephone. Struck by the youthful goddess' beauty, kindness, and spirit, he must have her. But Hades believes Persephone could never love him, and so he conspires with his powerful brother, Zeus, to take her by force.

Persephone too seeks a mate but her possessive mother, the goddess Demeter, frustrates her husband hunting. Then Hades abducts Persephone, tearing her away from the Upperworld she loves to reign with him in the dank depths below. Though outraged, Persephone cannot deny the desire ignited within her by the dark lord's touch. And even as she hopes that Demeter will unearth her, Persephone aches to surrender to the heat in Hades' immortal soul.

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Ana says

Anita says

Since reading this book and with the help of the lovely authors of the Dark Hunter books Sherrilyn Kenyon open my eyes to this beautiful story of Hades's love story. When reading PC Cast version Goddess of Spring of the love story brought the story to life for me.

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I cried when I read PC Cast book on this love story that has won my heart and fueled my obsession on reading this love story that I find other Hades and Persephone's love stories and enjoined each one.

Getting back to Fatal Kiss...

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I loved how Hades who is well known as the God of death and is feared by many and a God who just wanted a wife and what a lengthen Hades went to getting that wife. As the story progressive I came to love how Hades has not just a tough side but also a soft spot when it comes to his lovely wife, many of these Authors I mention made me fall in love with Hades and Persephone's love story all over again.

Nicole Potter says

I loved this book SO MUCH, that I was devastated when it was over. I was so happy that I took a chance and bought this book!

I'm a HUGE Persephone/Hades lore fan, and there aren't many romance books that feature the two. I came across this one on Amazon, and while the book cover scared me a bit (no offense!) I decided to give it a try.

Once I started reading, I could not put it down! And I was so upset when I had to go to work the next morning, and that I actually had to stop reading and go to bed, haha!

Mina's portrayal of Hades and Persephone are wonderful! Especially Persephone, I love how she doesn't make her a meek girl like most make her out to be. No, Persephone is strong, and it shows when she repeatedly won't take for how Hades acts, speaks, or treats her.

I will admit, I did want to hit Hades over the head a few times, especially in the beginning of the book. Though without trying to spoil too much of it (and it does follow the myth quite well storyline wise), Hades does get better and lets his true self shine...with Persephone, anyway ;) I think it's great when an author can make you love a character you were very unsure about!

And I also appreciate that their relationship didn't develop quickly. There was initial attraction sure, but their feels really took some time to come about, and I truly appreciated that. It made me invest in the story so much more!

To summarize - EVERYONE should read this book. Like mythology? Read it. Like Persephone and Hades? READ IT! Like romance in general? I think you'll be pleasantly surprised, like I was!

Now, don't mind me while I sit here and hope and wish for a sequel. Or perhaps another book in the same series? Pretty please? :)

Susan Swiderski says

I was already somewhat familiar with the myth of Persephone and Hades, but Lobo breathed life and passion (Woo-Hoo! What passion!) into these characters. With a keen imagination and vivid descriptions, she depicts the gods and goddesses of Greek mythology as you've never seen them before, and creates fantastic and memorable images of the underworld. This book is thoroughly enjoyable. And hot. Yep. Who knew? Hades really IS hot.

Becca Reads A Lot says

I may be biased because I love Persephone!

I have read quite a few retelling's of this myth. This version stuck close to the myth with keeping some of our modern day convictions. Hades was strong but had the obvious adoration for Persephone. Whereas in other novels, Hades is almost weak and crippled by his love for her. Persephone was strong but also very feminine. This retelling also incorporated other myths from greek mythology. I really enjoyed this version!

Christine Rains says

Hades rules the Underworld alone in the darkness. Only one light has ever attracted him. For years, he has watched Persephone and fallen in love from afar. He must have her as his wife. Conspiring with her father Zeus, Hades abducts the beautiful goddess and whisks her away the Underworld. Persephone is a creature of the light. She's goodness and compassion with a hidden wildness and streak of willfulness. She won't submit to Hades so easily even though she feels a powerful pull toward him. Hades struggles to show her how much he loves her, and she doesn't make it any easier on him. Will Persephone fall for the dark lord's charms or be one of the few to escape from the Underworld?

I'm already a fan of Greek mythology, and I love this telling of Hades and Persephone's tale. Even though I knew how it was going to end, the journey was amazing. I was sucked into the story right from the beginning and found it hard to put down my Kindle until the end.

What made this book so great is the characterization. The reader gets to see the gods as they've never been seen before. Hades isn't the cold and forbidding dark demon as some portray him. He's isolated yet yearns for companionship, demanding yet compassionate, and totally hot! I became enchanted by him. He's an Alpha male, but unlike many others in the genre. Persephone can be young and rash, but she's smart, strong, and sympathetic. The perfect complement to Hades. I especially liked her relationships with the other goddesses, particularly Hecate and Athena.

THAT FATAL KISS is a phenomenal debut for Mina Lobo. Her romance sizzles and her worlds are vivid

with life. This is a love story I highly recommend.

Lorena says

Great mythology book.

Yolanda Renee says

I've never studied mythology, but I've always loved the stories that have come from it. My goal when I watch a movie or read a book is to be entertained, taken on a journey, and blown away by the excitement of mystery and romance.

I found all that and more in Mina Lobo's book *That Fatal Kiss*. Persephone is a beauty, she's also a goddess, Hades is handsome, he's also a loner, which suits his role as the God of the afterlife, but it plays havoc with relationships. In his quest to find a wife, he puts Zeus in a precarious position, give me your daughter Persephone as my wife, or suffer the consequences. Poor Zeus, he's between a rock and a hard place, the powerful Hades or the powerful Demeter, Persephone's mother. Does he even consider the plight of his daughter? Why should he, a woman's feelings didn't count, not then and even today, the struggle continues, but back to all that fun and the drama of fiction!

Is it a love story? Persephone was considering marriage, she just didn't have anyone in mind, and Hades is handsome, and he did choose her, but is it enough? She's not a wilting flower either, and that makes her the perfect foil for a God who thought he could just command his way to love. Would you give up living in the light to exist in the bowels of hell, even if true love were the reward? I mean looks and power aren't everything - especially if marriage is the sentence!

It's a great journey and Mina tells it with skill and finesse! Her love scenes are sizzling and masterful. The quandary of her characters believable and the solution well thought out and extremely diplomatic - considering the warring nature of gods and goddesses!

I highly recommend *That Fatal Kiss*, it's a must read, and one I'll go back to on those cold and lonely nights when a great love story is what I'm seeking. Well done Mina!

Melissa Maygrove says

I was drawn to this book from the moment I saw the cover. Then a teaser I read sealed the deal. Though the story turned out to be a bit lighter once I got into it, I wasn't disappointed.

I don't know much about mythology, so I'm not sure how someone who does would feel about *That Fatal Kiss*, but the information woven in was interesting to me. Lobo's characters are likeable, and I came to admire Hades despite his initial treatment of Persephone.

I'm not a fan of omniscient POV or abundant/excessive dialogue tags, but the fact I kept reading (and enjoyed) the book in spite of those is a testament to the author's skill and the likability of her characters and

the story. Once I got used to Lobo's style, those things faded into the background.

Mina Lobo is definitely an author to watch, and That Fatal Kiss is worth your time to read. 4 1/2 stars.

Trisha says

First off, I love Greek mythology and studied it at university, so this was a bit of a blast from the past for me. I loved reading this retelling of the Hades/Persephone myth. I thought it was interesting how Mina Lobo treated Artemis, who has always been my favourite goddess. She was basically a petulant, whiny little sister at times, which was cute, but I love the Artemis of myth who is a mighty huntress.

All in all, I loved this book - Lobo portrays Hades as a delectable kind of sexy, brooding dude, but of course the brooding guys are always much better in fiction than in reality, at least in my experience. :P Still, I will go for them every time in the fictional worlds I read about, and I will love them!

I found this book to be humorous as well as sweet and romantic and, now and then, just a little bit steamy. ;) I also think Lobo is a great writer, and in recent years I've read a lot of self-published books that have actually made me furious because they're badly written. It was a delight to read an excellently-written self-published book whose every word was pleasing. :)

Maya De toro says

No matter how many books I read about these two I just fall in love with them over and over again. As much as I can see here Demeter was made to be a mother of infinite control over Persephone's whole life until she met the Lord of the Underworld, Hades. Lord of the Underworld Hades has ever ruled his realm on his own in solitude and darkness. However, ever since he saw the young goddess, Persephone, his life changed. I find it absolutely adorable how Hades was made to be the all controlling tempermental god he is, but when it comes to his fair wife and queen of the underworld, he goes all puppy dog on her and its just very much adorable. Great book!

Sammy says

4.5 Too Good love story

i am just speechless, i loved dis books dt much. I think the writing got to me. I am irrevocable in love with Hades, and in awww of Persephone...

Anne-Marie says

When I started this book, I thought it was good. Now, maybe I read one too many persephone/hades books, but this one left me... unsatisfied? I don't really know how to explain it.

The books starts off with Persephone being kidnapped by Hades. I love that the author kept the story as true to the myth as possible. And I had nothing against it. Then Persephone was falling in love with her husband and their relationship was growing rapidly. And that's fine. What really turned me off is that Persephone went from "I hate you for dragging me to this hell hole" to "I love you let's have babies" in a matter of a week and a half. In nine days specifically, she found out that she would rather spend all of eternity in the underworld with this man she barely knows than go back up to the living world.

I'm sorry, but I hate it when that happens. I would have been fine with the story if this development had taken a couple of months rather than a simple 10 days. It is just unrealistic.

So far as my two stars go; I'd like to say that I base my judgment on the description of goodreads.

Ergo, 2 stars = it was okay

Heather M. Gardner says

I enjoyed this re-imagining of the Greek myth of Hades and Persephone so much!

Persephone was smart and resourceful but craved love and respect.

Hades was handsome, wise and crushingly in love with her.

The story was well written and very humorous in places.

The author kept a good handle on the lingo and all the characters.

And YE GODS the smoldering tension between these two could heat the whole NorthEast this winter!

Thank you to the author for such a great book!

Molly Ringle says

Well done! Many of us, when retelling the Persephone/Hades myth, end up re-envisioning it without all its non-consensual elements, because those things, while perfectly true to the myths, can be hot-button issues for modern readers. However, Mina Lobo finds a way to stick very closely to the mythology and to still make it a lighthearted love story. I am impressed!

Yep, Hades kidnaps Persephone, and tries some other naughty tricks on her too. But this is a goddess we're dealing with. She's not helpless--as we all must have wondered when reading the myth. She fights right back, and soon sees he's not malicious really; just clueless about courtship (also a possibility I considered in my youth, when thinking about the myth), and that he honestly does love her and doesn't want to hurt her. In short, the author makes it work, even with all the consent problems the mythology comes packaged with, because now we get to see the in-between scenes that weren't mentioned in, say, the Homeric Hymn to Demeter. (But which still could fit into the framework of the original mythology.)

And for mythology fans, there are many other excellent references woven into Hades and Persephone's adventures, all surprisingly faithful to the old stories. The dialogue even has a stately feel that would fit into the afore-mentioned Homeric Hymn, but with more modern sparkles of wit thrown in, giving the whole thing a fun and whimsical mood.

Amen on Ares being "kind of a douche". I mean, seriously.
