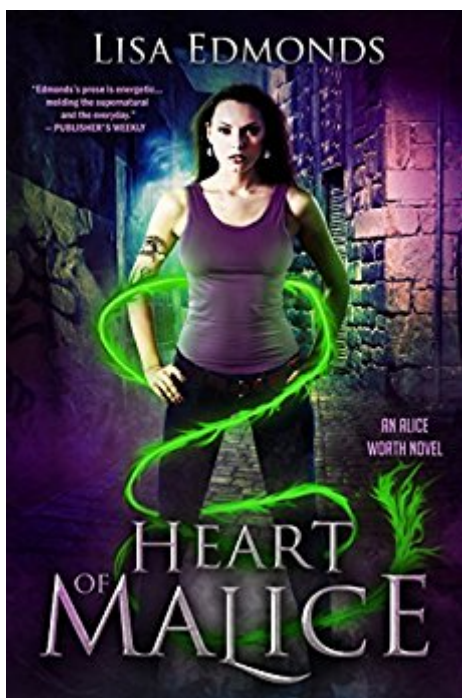


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Synopsis

The first time Moses Murphy's granddaughter killed on his orders, she was six years old. For twenty years, she was a prisoner of an organized crime syndicate, forced to use her magic to make Moses the most powerful and feared man on the East Coast. To escape his cruelty, she faked her own death and started a new life as Alice Worth. As a private investigator specializing in cases involving the supernatural, Alice walks a precarious line between atoning for the sins of her grandfather's cabal and keeping her true identity hidden. Hired to investigate the disappearance of a mysterious object of power, Alice enlists the help of Malcolm, a ghost running from a past as nightmarish as her own. It soon becomes clear the missing object was taken by someone with a dangerous secret and an unknown agenda. When her client is kidnapped, Alice must find her and the object of power before a vengeful killer destroys the city and slaughters thousands starting with Alice. Edmonds's prose is energetic...Alice is both spunky and self-deprecating, with incredibly advanced magical powers...There is promise in Edmonds's melding of the supernatural and the everyday. - PUBLISHER'S WEEKLY ...

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Customer Reviews

A new author who knows her craft...YAY! This is a pretty awesome start to the series & I can't wait for more! The author seriously knows how to edit out any extra bits that would bog down the story so it's very clean & pretty much a joy to read. The main character is kickarse but vulnerable ...her reactions are believable to what we know of her history. I think I am totally team Sean! He is sweet...an Alpha but not a douche & his desire for the main character appears as genuine as her attraction & ease (for her lol) at letting him in. Charles I want to like, but his willingness to take advantage of Alice when she has barely recovered from a freaking coma is far too calculated & shows that her well being & desires come a far 2nd to his own. So...yeah it's totally believable in a vampire, but makes him less likable as a person. After everything Alice has survived she damn well deserves someone who will put her needs & wants 1st! I like Malcom...everyone could use a ghostly BFF lol Also that Special Agent Lake dude...what is his game? Sooo can't wait to find out! Gimme more please!

Mixed feelings about this book. In terms of enjoyment I would give it a 4 but quality is 3. Manly because of show not tell and not in the typical way. It's implied through out that our main girl is strong and very competent. And yet everything that happens tends to undermine it. Seriously simple mistakes almost get her killed 3 times in only half way through the book. She spends the majority of the book seriously weak and needing help. But of course the whole time she insists that she is fine but... well she kind of needs help. And even at the end when she gets the opportunity to fight the villain she isn't the one to save the day. She can barely fight off the villain and almost dies. It kind of feels like a story that she is powerful. A strong female can make mistakes and can need to be saved but if it's through out the story and if she never once displays her true skills it sort of feels like a fake hero. SO what drives the plot for me? I surprisingly liked the romance. The guy was an Alpha without being annoying thought it was not without his problems he is almost too perfect still there are enough hurdles to help. There is another serious contender but that comes to another problem it almost seems like every man in the story might have a thing for her. Seriously every man. And I get it cause Alice is tough yet very vulnerable and needs help. She is a strong woman and yet clearly in trouble and running for someone. That appeals to a lot of men but I just don't think that was what the author was going for. I still want to read the next book. It is my fav genre right now. It was

enjoyable enough.

I enjoyed this novel quite a bit for its fresh perspective. The ability to combine elements and make them your bitch was unique. I also enjoyed the ghost side kick who added to the storyline, giving the book a new dimension as it dealt with a non corporeal entity, who was quite frankly likeable. I will be reading the next book in this series and I encourage all readers of this genre to give this author a try. By the way, if the author reads these reviews, I am truly crushing on Lake. I need to read more about him in your next book.

This captured my imagination from the beginning. Alice is a strong female Mage who has survived a terrible childhood. Sean is a fabulous Alpha wolf, just my kind of hero. This didn't get 5 stars because I found Alice's belief in Carlie's lies too contrived and annoying. It didn't add up. I agreed with her self assessment at the end with Sean. Malcolm was a delight as the side kick. Looking forward to the next book.

Wow, what a great ride Heart of Malice is! I'm a fan of this genre and it's wonderful to see an author do it such justice. Alice Worth is my new hero--strong, smart, funny and a lot of heart. The depth of characters here guarantees an unforgettable series. I plan to pre-order book 2 as soon as it's available!

Alice is unique in regards to her past, powers and personality. She is a strong woman who is still afraid of something, which is downplayed in many other books. While I enjoyed this book, I was a bit bored with Sean and Charles, typical werewolf and vampire. Strong, fast, intelligent, protective, and whatnot. The book isn't drawn out and Lisa doesn't over explain anything, which can easily happen. I am not an author but I know that it isn't simple to create an entirely new and exciting world that would draw people in but this book does just that.

My newest favorite character is Alice Worth. She leads you on a path of never expected and always exciting adventures with her "sidekick" and love interest there is lots of love and laughter. I can't wait to see where book 2 will lead her. In describing this to a friend I said it was a mixture of the best parts of Sookie Stackhouse, Bella & Edward, Jessica Jones, and Charmed.

I am new to this genre; however, this book made me fall in love with it. Mages, vampires, ghosts

and werewolves all playing a roll in a book I could not put down. Alice has a past that may catch up with her at anytime, yet she is surviving and trying to lay low in the new life she has created for herself as a private investigator. A crime story with a supernatural element to it, love it!! Super excited to see what case comes across Alice's desk in the next book. Also, who would have known a 300 hundred year old vampire, Charles, would make me fall in love with the classic man's man. Charles, the refined bad "boy" who is no boy. I will try to wait patiently for Book 2. ;)

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