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**Von Ann Gimpel : Marked by Fortune: Apocalyptic Urban Fantasy Romance (English Edition)** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Marked by Fortune: Apocalyptic Urban Fantasy Romance (English Edition):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A wonderfully epic coming of age storyVon Jean SmithIll say it again, Ann Gimpel certainly knows how to build

worlds. In fact, I wouldn't hesitate to say she is an expert at it. The dystopian/fantasy world that *Marked by Fortune* inhabits is once again detailed and perfect for the characters she has created. And, while Ned is clearly the main character of the story, the way in which Ms. Gimpel shared the story from multiple POVs was perfect. You end up with this theatrical, movie quality viewpoint of all the action taking place. While *Marked by Fortune* is a dystopian fantasy it is also a coming of age story and romance. While Ned is surrounded by wizards centuries-old he is a mere twenty something, a babe by comparison. To boot he is a mere human mage. If there is one thing wizards scorn and look down upon it is humans. After all they are an infestation on the face of the earth. They have brought ruination down upon the world by depleting its resources and warring amongst themselves. So when the wizards find themselves engaged in war once again with the infernals of the evil gods what better place to send him than the frontlines where he might die the sooner. Human civilization is in ruins along with its cities and cultures. After a particularly exhausting battle, Ned is sent into the wilderness to find another woman like himself, a human mage. Who he finds and rescues is Amanda, the daughter of the mage he seeks. He finds himself smitten with the young woman. Amanda, her brother, Jon and parents, Lori and Rolf have traveled into the Sierras to escape the atrocities of the cities. They eek out a living from the land. Living close by is a reclusive wizard named Karras. He has taught Lori to talk with the animals. A few years ago, Jon disappeared without a trace. Now Amanda has disappeared only to be rescued from the infernal undead by Ned. So begins Amanda's family's enlightenment in the ways of magic. So too begins Amanda's journey to love with a young mage. While their love is new, somewhat innocent, it is far from chaste even if they do not consummate it for fear of the cost to Ned's magehood. When Amanda is kidnapped during a brutal days long battle with infernals, Ned will see betrayal and imprisonment but nothing will deter this young mage from saving his love, not even traveling to another world of evil, bleakness, and despair. Nor will it stop his companions on their own quest to rescue Amanda. The road to success is brutal and costly. The battle is epic. Success though has its rewards. *Marked by Fortune* has its wizards, mages, gods and creatures of the unholy. It is full of action and adventure. The characters are well drawn and compelling. The storyline is epic. If there is one downside to the story it is in the fact that Ms. Gimpel has stated there is no planned series. I would recommend it to anyone who loves a good sword and sorcery fantasy. While the sexual content is limited I would still recommend this for a more mature YA or adult reader. Once again, Ms. Gimpel has created a real winner.\*\*\*\*\*Reviewed for Xtreme-Delusions\*\*\*\*\*

Kurzbeschreibung Magic levies a steep price on anyone brave enough or stupid enough to dabble in it. Wizards never forgave Ned for not being one of them. They didn't exactly come out and say his life was expendable, but they didn't have to. He figured it out fast enough when they conscripted him into their long-running war the second he was old enough to fight. Isolated, different, he puzzled out how his brand of magic worked on his own. When he's finally, finally sent on a solo mission, he vows to make the most of every single moment of freedom. Fleeing the tide of doom wiping out humanity, Amanda and her family escape to a remote corner of California, where they eke out a hardscrabble existence. With her parents at each other's throats and her brother mysteriously gone, Amanda runs up against malevolent power beyond her wildest imaginings. Captured by the undead, she's about to join their ranks when Ned shows up. Attraction ignites hot, urgent, delicious but celibacy may well be the price of Ned's magic, and he can't risk his power. Or can he? Even though he stands to lose everything, Ned doesn't hesitate after Tantalus one of the insidiously beautiful dark gods kidnaps Amanda. Defying a direct order from his wizard battle lord, he goes after the woman he loves. Even if she can't ever be his, hell be damned if he'll leave her to the dark gods' whims. Standalone, full length, new adult, urban fantasy romance with an HEA. Kurzbeschreibung Magic levies a steep price on anyone brave enough or stupid enough to dabble in it. Wizards never forgave Ned for not being one of them. They didn't exactly come out and say his life was expendable, but they didn't have to. He figured it out fast enough when they conscripted him into their long-running war the second he was old enough to fight. Isolated, different, he puzzled out how his brand of magic worked on his own. When he's finally, finally sent on a solo mission, he vows to make the most of every single moment of freedom. Fleeing the tide of doom wiping out humanity, Amanda and her family escape to a remote corner of California, where they eke out a hardscrabble existence. With her parents at each other's throats and her brother mysteriously gone, Amanda runs up against malevolent power beyond her wildest imaginings. Captured by the undead, she's about to join their ranks when Ned shows up. Attraction ignites hot, urgent, delicious but celibacy may well be the price of Ned's magic, and he can't risk his power. Or can he? Even though he stands to lose everything, Ned doesn't hesitate after Tantalus one of the insidiously beautiful dark gods kidnaps Amanda. Defying a direct order from his wizard battle lord, he goes after the woman he loves. Even if she can't ever be his, hell be damned if he'll leave her to the dark gods' whims. Standalone, full length, new adult, urban fantasy romance with an HEA. ber den Autor und weitere Mitwirkende Ann Gimpel is a national bestselling author. She's also a clinical psychologist, with a Jungian bent, and a vagabond at heart. Avocations include mountaineering, skiing, wilderness photography and, of course, writing. A lifelong aficionado of the unusual, she began writing speculative fiction a few years ago. Since then her short fiction has appeared in a number of webzines and anthologies. Her longer books run the gamut from urban

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