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Argentum is the threat that binds all magic ...

The silver of Miri's cat charm passed on through the generations.

The silver of Jessamyn's scepter, the source of her illusions.

The silver of Quentin's scrying bowl, forged by Merlin.

All intertwine in Argentum.

With Alistair gone a measure of peace returns to P.A.W.S., but Miri is tormented by nightmares. The silver charm that had recently hung around Alistair's neck is now in Miri's possession and seems to have taken on a life of its own. And then it mysteriously disappears. Jessamyn seeks help from Quentin, who claims to have repented his past association with Alistair, but can he be trusted? And what of Jenna? The young girl rescued from Alistair's pack house holds a terrible secret. One that could determine the future of P.A.W.S. The P.A.W.S. saga continues with Argentum.

Argentum Details

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Kristin says

This is the second book I've read in the P.A.W.S. series and like this one just as much as the first!

The story picks up right where book 1 leaves off. We follow Miri as she figures out what to do with the silver charm that Alistair left behind. She has nightmares and questions that torments her until the charm mysteriously disappears and back into the hands of her uncle. The leader of PAWS (Jessamyn) seeks help from Quentin (a Wizard and former lover), who claims to have repented his past association with Alistair.

And what of Jenna, Miri's friend at PAWS? The young girl who was once held captive by Alistair, is carrying a terrible secret: she's preggers with his child. Miri can feel/sense evil within the unborn baby. While Miri battles internally of telling Jenna exactly what she's carrying, she still wants to be her friend and have Jenna experience the joys of being pregnant.

Divya Bhat says

Amazing second installment

This book starts off exactly where the first ended. Again the author does a wonderful work of weaving an amazing story. The characters are developed more in this installment like we get to know more about Jessamyn, Quentin, Sahara who is Josh's mom, Josh's grandfather and all the family connections (though the characters themselves have yet to connect the dots. Even Lilith shows a better part of herself in this book. There are a few more characters whom I can't mention without spoilers.

All in all a very clean, well narrated and constructed book. It has paranormal, romance and urban setting all wrapped in one. I am onto the third book now.

Undeniably Addicted to Books says

Rating 3.5 Stars

Let me start by saying that I really loved this story. It's a continuation from PAWS which I really really enjoyed. In this one we follow along with our main character Miri and her friends at the St. Louis PAWS Institute as she discovers new secrets and goes back up against old foes. There were a few things in the book that I would consider mature content and they kind of took away from me being able to fully enjoy the story and brought it down to a 3.5 star rating for me.

Miri is a great lead character she is very strong and I enjoy watching her grow as the story continues. Her supporting characters add to an already solid story. We learn more magic, secrets, and history behind a few more of the characters and I thought this really helped my reading experience. It gave me a depth that I sometimes find lacking in books. The characters were also really developed and mature and that always gets extra points in my book. It didn't happen frequently but as I said there were a few points in this book where I really had to push myself to continue just because of some of the content, once I pushed through though, I

was able to get back into the story with ease.

Caitlin

(ARC provided in exchange for an honest review.)

Boundless Book Reviews says

I read book 1 and really enjoyed it, but to me this book was even better. We see a little more history of some of the main characters, which is a good thing because it helps to understand them a little better.

In this book, Alistair has been destroyed but still lives on. Miri is living her life at the school still trying to figure out her relationship with Danny, her past, and her future. The school still provides a safe haven to those lost or running from the once evil but now gone (but, not really) Alistair.

This book was a lot more action filled in my mind and was a very fun and interesting read. I really enjoyed it. Definitely a great follow up to a great first book. I look forward to reading more from the P.A.W.S. institute...Stormi

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Diane says

Received a complimentary copy to read and review. I love this series. I couldn't put it down. The characters and the world Debbie has created is great. It has great twists and turns. Miri's story continues. She finds out some interesting things in this one that leads her on a search that has her facing her past to try and find the answers she seeks. This one will appeal to all readers. It's one to add to your TBR list you won't be disappointed. I look forward to reading the next one in the series.

Patrick Hodges says

Much like many books that skirt the line between MG and YA, Debbie Kupfer's first book "P.A.W.S." was a whimsical tale of a young girl, Miri, who discovers that she has the innate ability to turn into a cat. She no sooner discovers this than she is whisked away to a school in St. Louis where she not only learns to hone her other supernatural abilities, but she meets others kids who are much like she is (and, in the case of one boy, falls in love with him). I love stories like that... whimsical, innocent, and fun, complete with an evil villain for our young heroine to vanquish.

However, in "Argentum", the second book in the P.A.W.S series, the maturity of the tone seemed much more mature than the first one, despite only a year having passed. The thought-to-be-vanquished villain, Alistair, lives on in non-corporeal form, and once again it falls to Miri and her friends to save the day.

In many series of this nature, one where we basically watch the main characters grow from childhood into adulthood (okay, into adolescence, at least), we expect the themes to become more "adult" as it goes along. However, there were a couple of scenes in this book that I found quite disturbing and difficult to read, based on the age of the characters, scenes of violence that I would prefer not to describe.

I will say, however, that the universe that Ms. Kupfer has crafted is one of great complexity, one hidden so deftly alongside our own "human" universe that one might actually believe it truly exists. The characters are well-developed (though I think they could be even more well-developed in future volumes), and Miri is a wonderful main character.

I look forward to the next book in the series!

Michelle MacQueen says

I was anxious to read the book after how much I enjoyed P.A.W.S. and I was not disappointed. The series is an interesting take on the whole werewolf/shapeshifter genre. So many of these stories have the "I've read this before" feeling. But, there is an originality to this story that's refreshing.

Miri and crew are dealing with the fallout from the events of the previous book in their own ways. They have a new infusion of wolves now that Alistaire is dead and a new sense of security. All except for Miri. Since her father's death, she has been plagued with nightmares. Nightmares that suddenly go away when her grandfather's pendant is stolen. This pushed her to learn more about her family history but all she finds are more questions.

We get to see many parts of the story that happened over many years. They all combine to create a world that keeps the reader interested and keeps them guessing. I didn't always feel the chemistry between many of the characters but the story itself was good enough to stand without that. I'd alternate between wanting to slap Jenna, wanting to kiss Danny, and wanting to strangle Andrew. It's a book that plays on your emotions. Josh is my favorite, though, and I hope there's more of him in the next book.
