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Twice the combined might of Ynis Aielle's greatest heroes and wizards has hurled back the demon armies of Morgan Thalasi. Always the Black Warlock has rebounded, stronger and more evil. But never has he wielded such power as now. With the Staff of Death, Thalasi can raise a new army from out of the very ground -- soldiers who cannot be killed because they are already dead.

As the Black Warlock and his fearsome general -- the foul wraith that was once Hollis Mitchell -- prepares a devastating attack, the humans and elves of Ynis Aielle are staggered by a fresh calamity. The beautiful Rhiannon, daughter of the Emerald Witch, has been captured by Mitchell and given over to his dark master. Now the last hope of defeating Thalasi -- and Rhiannon's last hope as well -- lies at the heart of a mountain, guarded by a dragon as old as the world itself. . .

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Kathy says

I really enjoyed this trilogy. The more I got into the story, the more I loved (or hated) the characters involved. The plot took several twists and turns that were unexpected which I also love. The whole premise of the story which takes place after an earth destroying nuclear holocaust caused by all out war, really gets you thinking about where our world is headed today. A very thought provoking book.

Keil Hunsaker says

I really enjoyed this book. I like the neatly tied up ending.

Conan Tigard says

Bastion of Darkness starts off two months after The Witch's Daughter ends. What I really liked about this book, and it really shows how R.A. Salvatore's writing style has grown, is how there is no real main character in the book, just a lot of really great ones. After all, this book was published 11 years after The Witch's Daughter. I found that I really liked the last book to this trilogy.

The writing was excellent and the story development had me hard-pressed to put the book down at night. In fact, I would read until the the book practically fell out of my hand as I was falling asleep. Unlike the second book in this trilogy, the entire book is not about a war.

Bastion of Darkness slowly builds focusing on all of the characters until the final confrontation is achieved. There area a lot of fantasy writers out there these days, but I am hard-pressed to name many that are better than R.A. Salvatore. This man knows how to write excellent fantasy.

So, if you are looking for a fun fantasy trilogy to pick up, try The Chronicles of Ynis Aielle. You won't be disappointed.

I rated this book an 8½ out of 10.

Ben Evans says

I enjoyed the trilogy but felt that the ending was very rushed as if it was trimmed to suit a page limit.

Andrew says

Don says

Read it with bated breath.

The perfect ending, a perfect and full circle. I loved it.

Annie says

I think this one would be 3.5. I love R.A. Salvatore and have since Drizzt. This isn't his best work but still quick and entertaining read. I have to say, it is really nice when the author keeps to the 3 book format. I just don't want to get into another 10 book saga right now. So a double plus.

Lex says

I read this out of order I'll have to backtrack and catch up on the books that take place earlier. This was a good read. It's rather typical of fantasy books but I like that stuff.

Seanwg says

I have mixed feelings about this trilogy. After reading the second book I had considered not even buying the third one, but since I am a big fan of Salvatore I decided it was worth trying, and I didn't regret it.

I usually do not enjoy stories that portray the main characters as good and the antagonists as evil without giving any shades in between. It is important to note though that the whole trilogy is set in a fantasy world where good and evil are absolute concepts, obviously strongly inspired by the world that Tolkien created.

Thus I believe the book must be read keeping this in mind, and knowing that some Deus ex machina is acceptable in such a story, where there are powers well beyond the characters portrayed.

All in all, it is a page turner, as most of Salvatore's books, and it never gets boring. I'm not saying it's perfect either, it seems as if he forgot about some story lines, or didn't give enough importance to some characters, and some action scenes are exaggerated.

I would like to give it 4.5 but it isn't possible so I gave it 5 stars because I believe that any fan of Salvatore's books will probably enjoy it.
