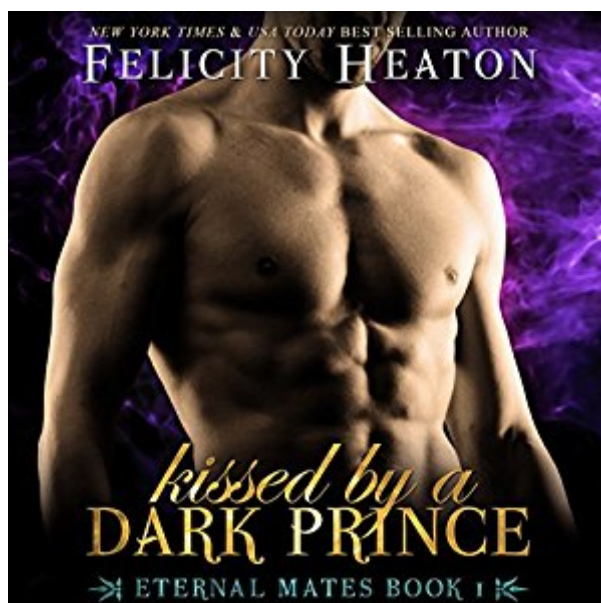


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Kissed By A Dark Prince: Eternal Mates Paranormal Romance Series, Book 1



Synopsis

Olivia thinks it's her lucky night when a dangerously handsome, unconscious fae ends up on her inspection table. He's her chance to redeem herself with her employer, the demon-hunting organization Archangel. But when the tall, dark, and deadly immortal warrior awakes, she gets much more than she bargained for.... Attacked by his enemy in the elf kingdom, the last thing Prince Loren expects when he comes around is a beautiful angel watching over him and medical technology of the mortal realm. Hazy from his injuries, all he can focus on is the pulse ticking in her throat and the sweet allure of her blood. One single bite reveals she is his eternal mate, triggering a bond between them that will leave him weakened until it is completed...or broken and pulling Olivia into the crossfire of his ancient feud. To protect his people and his mate from the machinations of a madman, Loren must risk everything by working with Olivia at Archangel to find a way to break the bond blossoming between them. But will Loren be strong enough to place duty before desire and give up the one thing he has waited millennia for and craves above all others - his eternal mate? And will Olivia be able to resist the incredible heat that burns between them and the temptation of her dark prince's kiss?

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Customer Reviews

I don't think that I've ever managed to catch one of Felicity Heaton's series from the beginning; usually, by the time I discover them she's already at least a few books in. So, when I crossed paths with *Kissed by a Dark Prince* I couldn't resist bumping it up to the top of my reading pile. I loved this book because on top of getting Heaton's trademark killer writing style it also features a supe that

doesn't often make appearances in paranormal fiction. Elves generally prefer to hang out in high fantasy as opposed to romance but, I must say, this author does a superb job of sex-ifying the fae! The opening two chapters of this book really sucked me in; the first because of its intensity and Olivia's what-the-hell-are-you moment when she first meets Lorne and then the follow-up to that is a scandalously naughty sex dream! Kissed by a Dark Prince definitely starts on a high note and things only get better from there! I enjoyed the world-building; the Eternal Mates universe is fresh and well developed. I also liked discovering all of the little details that make Heaton's elves unique to the paranormal romance genre. This author has a real knack for picking character names (i.e. Vail, Sable & Bleu) and for inventing terminology that helps to further enrich her world. Normally I'm not a fan of insta-love but in this instance I liked Heaton's spin on the typical mate bond. Olivia and Lorne's connection goes beyond the standard attraction; they are actually linked to each other on a physical level as well meaning, when one's scared, the other's heart rate accelerates. I thought that this was a neat play on the standard soulmate gimmick.

Brought to you by OBS reviewer Vanessa This is the first book I have read by Felicity Heaton and my opinion on her work is still yet to be determined. I am not one to toss out an author if my first impression is less than ideal. Ultimately I was neutral on this book. There were parts that I enjoyed and parts that I detested. What I really enjoyed about this book was the author's vivid world building as well as her new take on the traditional supernatural beings within the paranormal romance genre. There are touches of elements we have seen in previous PNR's such as bond mates, destiny and a couple thrown together from two very different (and opposite) worlds. However prepare yourself for some things you don't commonly see, such as a blending of paranormal races combined. (Including fairies with vampiric tendencies) I also enjoyed the back story of Loren and his brother Vail and the realistic drama that unfolds between two siblings at odds with one another. We slowly learn more about Loren's world and his abilities as Olivia does. We also get to see his internal conflict between his familial bonds and his duty, which does give his character some emotional depth (that in my opinion was otherwise lacking). We also experience the conflict that both Loren and Olivia feel about their blossoming bond. Each has their own reservations as to why the bond is bad for them, however that ultimately leads them further into each other's arms. As far as the characters go, I found myself rather annoyed with both Olivia and Loren. Something about each of them just rubbed me the wrong way, especially Olivia. One of my biggest problems with this book was the overt sexuality. Now don't get me wrong.

If you're looking to spend some time with some Elves this Christmas... well then... this is the book for you! These are not your typical Christmas Santa elves though... these guys are tall, dark, deadly and very easy on the eyes! The Elf Prince, Loren, has been battling against his brother for centuries. He finds himself flung on the doorstep of Archangel. Olivia is a doctor at Archangel, an organization that studies and guards the human realm from all things paranormal. Olivia is thrilled to have an opportunity to study this rare species that was flung on their doorstep... that is until she discovers that she is supposedly his Kiara (eternal mate). Loren and Olivia decide to find a way to study their blood bond and find a way to break it because neither of them are interested. Well, not at first. This was the best part of the story for me. Watching this Elf Prince, always in control... lose his marbles over his need to complete the bond with Olivia. There were times I kind of felt sorry for him... the need to complete the bond was often over-powering and took quite a lot of self control. His personal guard Bleu, had his hands full with this guy. (insert giggles) There is so much more to this book than the "tension" between this couple. There is a great story that builds around them. Olivia's back story as to how she came to work at Archangel, the very touching story of Loren and his struggle to save his brother from the powerful witch he is bound too, and the laugh out loud funny relationship that goes on between Bleu and Sable. My absolute FAVORITE character in this book was Sable... Olivia's best friend and hunter of the paranormal. She is such a wonderful kick your butt character. This book really won me over with these two smart, strong female characters.

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