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Witches' Bane (The Soul Eater Book 2)



Synopsis

He didn't earn the name Godkiller, but in three days I'll own it. •Witches are disappearing all over New York and Ace Dante couldn't care less. Until one holds his friend at gunpoint, demanding Ace take the job. The witch produces a girl's severed arm, bearing an unusual hieroglyph, and Ace starts to care a whole lot more. He recognizes that mark. It's connected to Ace in ways he doesn't yet understand. Why is it on a dead witch's arm? Missing witches and severed arms aren't Ace's only problems. With a new name around his neck "Godkiller" Ace has a promise to uphold. He has three days to kill the god, Thoth. Or risk Osiris's wrath. The last time Ace defied Osiris, he earned a curse that crippled his life and turned him into Osiris's puppet for eternity. This time, Osiris won't be as lenient. Ace must kill Thoth. An impossible task. It takes a god to kill a god, and Ace is just a washed-up mercenary. Isn't he? As the spells are cast and the truth is revealed, there's only one way out. Ace must become the monster the gods fear him to be. The Soul Eater has a new name, and now, nobody is safe.

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Customer Reviews

The adventure continues like every other book by Pippa Dacosta this one is a roller coaster filled with action, badassness, some great female characters that kick ass and make you weep in joy, and Ace being Ace, the Soul Eater, the God killer. Considering the high painful note the first book ended in, I was wondering what will happen now... thankfully, Pippa didn't do the obvious. Though I hope that eventually she will, at the moment she didn't and it was great. I have complete faith in Pippa that when she finally does that thing it all be the most natural thing in the world. Of course there will be hell to pay and it will be an awful journey but damn...it was awesome. Also I liked how Pippa taunted us with Bast name and referencing to her many times. What can I really say? Pippa Dacosta is awesome and she writes awesome books with complicated characters and interesting worlds and myths I just love reading. Also, Pippa knows how to write complicated characters, but the real amazing thing is how she manages for each character to be uniquely complicated all on her own, no repeats. Each is very unique and stands alone in that special brand of complicatedness. I received an ARC in exchange for an honest review.

Having just finished this book, and having read many others by this author, I can honestly say she is fast becoming one of my favorite authors. This book was filled with excellent action, wonderful and dark characters, and a sense of humor to round it all out, and of course it was well-written. Ace is back after the tragic things that happened in book one, some of which he doesn't know about (this might be confusing, but I don't want to give away too much!). Osiris has given Ace three days to finish off Thoth and live up to his "Godkiller" moniker, but Ace has other problems he needs to deal with in the mean time, namely the murder of a witch and his strange behavior. I really admire the author for how much of an anti-hero Ace is, but with the reader still drawn to him as a sympathetic character. Shu is also becoming one of my favorite characters and I'm glad in this book we find out more about the history between her and Ace. I can't say enough good things about this book and series; I hope there are many more to come. If you like excellent urban fantasy, this series and book is not to be missed. Highly recommend! This exact review will be posted on both [Goodreads](#) and [Goodreads](#).

I'm loving this new series from Ms DaCosta. I've always loved ancient Egypt and been drawn to books on the topic, and this series has been a wonderful addition to my collection. Ms DaCosta's writing always grips me with whatever topic she turns her hand, and this series is no exception. I really loved seeing how Ace coped with the latest developments thrown his way. And I can't wait to see how he handles what is coming!

Ace Dante's life is a convoluted complicated mess. He's been stalked for the past 3 months, Osiris is demanding he fulfill his end of an ill-begotten bargain, business isn't paying the bills, his ex wife is missing & his attention needs to be focused on the matter of missing witches & how they're connected with a specific hieroglyph. What may be the most difficult task yet, Ace Dante is unknowingly determined to live by The Queen of Cats Bastet's last words. Regrettably, "The road to Hell is paved with good intentions" (Henry G. Bohn's A Hand-book of Proverbs, 1855) & being more than darkness comes steeped in blood & pain. It's especially painful when meddling in Ace Dante's destiny is the gods favorite pastime. The Soul Eater's only goal is to survive the gods machinations but at what cost to his soul? I was quickly transported into the Soul Eater's world. Pippa DaCosta continues to write the unlucky Ace Dante into the most morally depraved situations while maintaining the antihero just this side of "right". How many pieces of Ace's soul will crumble before he's left with nothing but a black hole? IDK but it makes for an incredibly enthralling story. I devoured (pun intended) Witches' Bane (Soul Eater, #2) in one sitting & look forward to See No Evil (Soul Eater #3) in November 2016. Pippa DaCosta's Soul Eater series has quickly become one of my favorites. This series IMO truly showcases Pippa's talent, her ability to write a captivating story featuring an MC as churlish as Ace Dante with the added difficulties of a lower page count really impresses me. I certainly will continue to follow this series & highly recommend it to any UF fans with interest in mythology. 4 stars. The eARC for Witches' Bane (Soul Eater, #2) was kindly provided to me by the Author Pippa DaCosta in exchange for an honest review.

Witches' Bane Soul Eater Series Book 2 review I received an ARC copy of Witches' Bane by Pippa DaCosta for review. This is book 2 in the Soul Eater Series. I will tell you that I read this book in 24 hours-that's how good it is. When we left Ace, Bastet (the Queen of Cats) had convinced him to help her find out who is killing the witches in New York City. And a green-eyed black cat has taken up residence in his office. He's got no idea where the cat came from, or how to get rid of it. He's also agreed to kill a god in return for a favor from Osiris. Witches' Bane picks up about 3 months later. Ace still has the black cat, and he still hasn't killed that god for Osiris. While at a red carpet event at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, in a borrowed suit (from Osiris, of course), a magic tablet (belonging to guess who?) on loan is stolen. Ace is compelled to retrieve it. With a little help from a black cat, he is able to get the tablet back, but now, a whole new mystery opens up. Who stole the tablet? Why did they steal it? Does it have something to do with god Ace is supposed to kill? And by the way, where is Bastet? He hasn't seen her in weeks. Witches are still being killed, and when one of them shows up with the severed arm of the witch that was his girlfriend, Ace

finally gets involved. His partner, Shukra, is able to trace the magic on the severed arm to the killer-and now things are really getting weird.Pippa DaCost has totally hooked me on this series. I can't say enough about how well she writes, how well her characters are developed, and how well they grow. Pippa is the Queen of surprise and twists. As I said at the beginning of this review, it only took me 24 hours to finish this book. Read Hidden Blade: Soul Eater #1 first though. It will be a big help to have that back story before you read Book 2. Sit and ENJOY this 5 star story!Independent ReviewerJackie Huntington

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