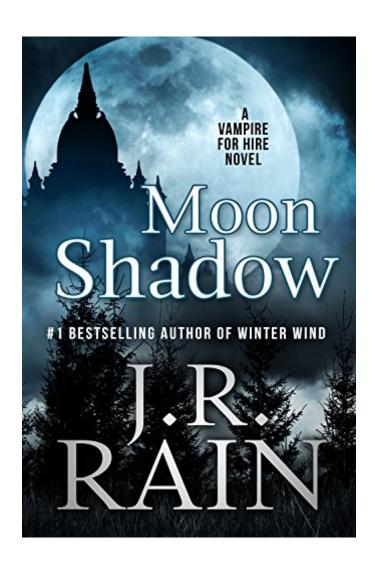
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Synopsis

Ten years ago, federal agent Samantha Moon was the perfect wife and mother, a typical soccer mom with a minivan and suburban home. Then the unthinkable happens, an attack that changes her life forever. And forever is a very long time for a vampire. There's something in the water. Something evil.... Now in MOON SHADOW (Vampire for Hire Book 11), private investigator Samantha Moon is hired to track down a purported lake monster that could wreak havoc on a tourism business. When Sam delves into the creature sightings that have spooked Lake Elsinore residents, she crosses paths with the case of two missing boys. The police are stumped, and Sam and her werewolf lawyer boyfriend, Kingsley, team up to investigate both cases. And what lies beneath the surface of the lake is just the beginning for the paranormal abomination that has taken over Lake Elsinore. This is no legendary monster. Its diabolical evil spans centuries and even worlds--and it sets its sights on Sam's loved ones... As Sam and Kingsley pursue the truth, time is running out for the missing boys--and for someone she loves. Will Samantha Moon have to choose between them?

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Customer Reviews

I love this series but felt like this one spent too much time rehashing and explaining past characters and more. Your fans know her story. We know Fangs story. We do not need a history lesson in every book. Very little time was spent on the actual mystery of the missing boys. Please Mr. Rain. Do not fall into that trap of recycling past books. Samantha deserves better and so do her fans.

Another adventure for Samantha Moon. She is of course a mother, private eye and vampire. It was a good story, the side story of her daughter who is also showing signs of growing telepathy and becoming a real brat is very credible, supernatural activity aside. Samantha is hired to find out why children and people have been disappearing and what she find is shocking, including learning more about herself and her children and their possible destiny. I like the story line, it was good, my only beef with it was her constant harping on her werewolf boyfriend, he's big, we get it, he's big and getting bigger. And he's big....he's a big lug...she likes that he is big and hairy and he's big....yadda, yadda, yadda....it gets a bit much after a while and I try to ignore it but it becomes a part of the story...he's big!...if you can get past that it's a good story. I do however wonder if I want to continue to follow her if every time I read about her new case I hear more about her BIG boyfriend.

First off, I want to assure every mystery reader out there that the Samantha Moon series is so much more than a supernatural vampire series. My main reason for reading (and loving) this series is for the mysteries and the character of Samantha Moonâ "sheâ ™s a regular divorced mom with regular mom worries that come with those things. Things that me, as a divorced mother and professional myself, can completely relate to. And yes, okay, thereâ ™s an awful lot of supernatural goings on, which being written by JR Rain, completely snuck up on me and sucked me in from book 1. And here I am on book 11, still as hooked as before. There are a few authors that have a gift of writing that is completely smooth, that allows my mind to wander through the pages as I read, and the story just flows to the point that when I finish I canâ ™t believe Iâ ™ve read the entire book so quickly. Rain does that for me every time. He has the magic to do it and it just makes me smile to get my hands on a new book. Samantha Moon is one of my all time favorites. Fans of this series will be thrilled to know that this book is more of the same, yet we get the real dirt (haha!) into Franklin, Kingsleyâ ™s butler. Also, this book is longer than most of the other VFH books, which is an extra treat. You could probably pick this book up and make some sense of it if you havenâ ™t read all the others, but I wouldnâ ™t suggest it; it would ruin the beginning of the series for you. Work your way up to this one. Another great book in a series full of supernatural mysteries.

I don't usually like this genre of books. But, something about the first Samantha Moon book intrigued me enough that I continued reading the series. (Although there are so many other extra novels that I find it confusing to keep up) The story of a mom fighting to keep her family life as normal as possible while dealing with vampirism was an interesting concept. Then werewolves, shape shifting, mind reading, guardian angels, dark entities, alchemists, witches, ghosts, dragons, parallel worlds. Frankenstein monsters, past lives, more immortal beings, Dracula, light warriors, traveling to other planets, etc, etc etc were added the story. It's just too much. I also feel like Samantha repeats her story constantly. We get it, she hates the dark entity inside her, she has a love/hate relationship with being a vampire, Kingsley is BIG and hairy.....and on and on. It seems really weird to tell the story in first person and then suddenly another character interrupts because they read her mind. Her daughter is becoming increasingly annoying and I sort of hope she gets sent away to a boarding school where she can't read anyone's minds.

I was lucky enough to receive an advance copy of Moon Shadow, a mixed blessing. The timing dictated I had about 5 days to read it and give my thoughts... I like to savor the words, not speed read! However, I just finished and J.R. Rain has done it again. I always read Mr. Rain's Sam Moon series and want 'more'. They almost all seem so short! I am not totally sure longer is better, but by the end I am well satisfied, and loved the strange world woven into a real place! I Googled Lake Elsinore and Aimee's Castle, took a virtual tour on YouTube, which enriched Mr. Rain's words. Loved all the familiar characters and the intertwined stories, too. Thank you for another wild ride!

I was so happy to finally see a full size book again in the Samantha Moon series. I have been reading this series since book one, and really enjoy them, but it seems like the last several books have been more short stories, or novellas, than actual books. This story was interesting, and kept my attention throughout, with lots of good characters involved and some really creepy parts too, that made it a fun read. And learning more about Franklin in this story was one of my favorite things, I've always thought he was a pretty cool character! Also, I can't wait to find out more about the training school for specially gifted kids in future books, I can only imagine that Samantha's son will end up being their top student one day soon. I have a feeling he's going to be a real superhero when he grows up, how cool would it be to see them working cases together one day?

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