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Moonburner (Moonburner Cycle)



Synopsis

Kai is a Moonburner--a female sorceress reviled by her people and normally killed at birth. Except Kai's parents saved her by disguising her as a boy--a ruse they've kept up for almost seventeen years. But when her village is attacked, Kai's secret is revealed and she's sentenced to death. Thankfully, the gods aren't done with Kai. Despite the odds stacked against her, she escapes her fate, undertaking a harrowing journey to a land where Moonburners are revered and trained as warriors. But her new home has dangers of its own--the ancient war against the male Sunburners has led the Moonburners down a dark path that could destroy all magic. And Kai, armed only with a secret from her past and a handsome but dangerous ally, may be the only one who can prevent the destruction of her people... Mulan meets Sarah J Maas in this thrilling tale filled with celestial magic, death-defying adventure, and enduring friendships. For fans of: Teen Science Fiction and Fantasy Young Adult Fantasy Young Adult Action & Adventure Coming of Age Strong female protagonists

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Claire Luana grew up reading everything she could get her hands on and writing every chance she could. Eventually, adulthood won out, and she turned her writing talents to more scholarly pursuits, going to work as a commercial litigation attorney at a mid-sized law firm. While continuing to practice law, Claire decided to return to her roots and try her hand once again at creative writing. She has written and published the Moonburner Cycle and is currently working on a new trilogy about magical food. She lives in Seattle, Washington with her husband and two dogs. In her (little) remaining spare time, she loves to hike, travel, binge-watch CW shows, and of course, fall into a good book.

It's been a while since I read book that really made me not want to put it down. While reading Moonburner, I got mad every time I had to stop reading and get back to real life. Then I spent much of my time thinking about what was happening in the book, what I thought would happen next, and strategizing for when I could get back to my Kindle. That's how great this story is! The plot is fresh and original, the characters are well-written and relatable, and the writing is so smooth and effortless that I could envision everything that happened without having to go back and reread parts (which happened to me a lot when I read fantasy, particularly with newly-created words). The pace is perfect and the dialogue is wonderful, particularly between our main character Kai and her seishen, Quitsu. I give this book a very enthusiastic 5 stars, and I CAN NOT WAIT for the next book! Claire Luana is a very talented writer with a great career in her future!

It was a toss up between 4 & 5, only because a few minor plot elements were a bit predictable but overall a GREAT BOOK and I really enjoyed reading it, so five stars for an easy and fast paced read. Cool story, cool elements...Really creative story telling. I can totally picture this as a movie as well.... Great first novel from Claire Luana!

Engaging, fast-paced, fun story! I read it in 2 days and didn't want to put it down. The author has created a beautiful fantasy realm with interesting characters and a solidly crafted plot. Excellent writing!

This was one of the best fantasy novels I've read recently! The plot was engaging and original and very very addictive - I couldn't put it down. It's really well written and definitely worth the read - I can't wait for the next one!

My highlights:1) The world in Moonburner is built effortlessly, giving me the background of what is happening in a natural way. I did not read boring paragraphs telling me the past. Rather, I learned everything throughout the natural flow of the story. Very hard to do (in my opinion).2) The world/plot/characters/history... pretty much everything... was VERY unique and refreshing! Ms. Luana's creativity shined through this book. The detail of the Moonburner world was up there with the top fantasy books I've read.3) Kia is a likeable and realistic protagonist. Moving with her through her journey made me feel as if I really knew her personality. She grew from a lonely girl to a strong young woman. Absolutely loved seeing the transformation.4) While the story started a little slow, it quickly picked up and I eagerly turned the pages to find out what would happen. After the first "book", the plot moved at a quick pace. So if you start reading and feel like the story is slow, I recommend pushing through the first few chapters. It is worth it!My only complaint would be it took too long (for me) for the romance between Hiro and Kai to come up. I wanted it to happen from the first interaction. But that's just me being impatient, lol :). The romance was written very well. I really enjoyed the progress there.Overall, I recommend this read for fantasy readers. I look forward to reading the continuation!

Moonburner by Claire Luana***** 5+++ StarsMoonburner by Claire Luana is an unbelievable read! I could not put this book down! The way Claire writes the story and the world of Moonburners and Sunburners is beyond incredible. I was sucked in from page one. As I love me a good

fantasy/otherworldly book now and then, this one hits the mark. You'll be enthralled throughout the story. It is about a girl named Kai that has grown up in a land called Kita. Her whole life she has pretended to be a boy because during a process known as the gleaming it was discovered she was a moonburner. They are powerful humans that pull magic from the moon. And her parents had to disguise her to save her life. There are also those known as sunburners that get their power from the sun. As the two lands (kingdoms) are warring, one side full of moonburners and the other full of sunburners, you see a bit from each side. The characters were each unique on their own. Kai's seishen Quitsu was so enjoyable to see, I loved the banter and exchanges between the two. I don't want to give anything else away as I went in to this story only knowing the synopsis and don't want to ruin anything. But as a debut novel for this author she hit everything spot on. She creates a whole other world that has you enveloped in it's pages. I'd recommend this to any fantasy lover! Side note: make sure you have time to read from start to finish because you won't be able to put it down! I can't wait for the sequel Sunburner! I will be impatiently waiting for it to come out!

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