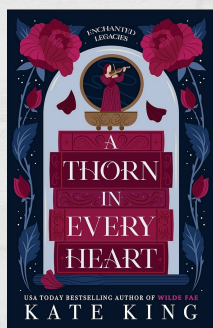


Reading Guide

A Thorn in Every Heart

Author: Kate King



Spice: 🌶️🌶️🌶️

Page Count: 400

Narrative Style: Dual POV

Book Format: Standalone

Ending Type: HAE

Available on KU: Yes

Tropes: Beauty and The Beast retelling, Found Family, He Falls First, Touch Her and Die, Bodyguard Romance

Genre/Subgenre: Romantasy

👤 CHARACTERS

MAIN

Alixandrea "Alix" Knight

Human MFC with bold choices and no follow-up questions
MMC; not one night stand material, kings half brother

Daemon Ashwater

King Thorne
Ryan

Antagonist; king of Vernallis
Alix's cheating, gaslight-happy husband

Odessa

Alix's lady-in-waiting, confidante, and solid ride-or-die

Isabelle Reading

Alix's grandmother, writer, holder of secrets

Jenna

Alix's faux bestie

DAEMON'S CREW

Jett

Smooth talker with sass to spare

Kastian (Kas)

Quiet, intense, tactical

Fox

Secretive, brooding, fae of few words

🌙 MAGIC AND LORE

The Curse of Vernallis

Anyone touched by the curse loses control of their body during the day—full-on marionette nightmare fuel.

Rose Moon

A celestial event that occurs every 12 years. The sun vanishes for 24 hours, cloaking the realm in complete darkness.

*****The upcoming Rose Moon marks 100 years since the curse began.***

🌍 SETTINGS

HUMAN WORLD

Ironhill, PA

Where Isabelle lives

Chicago

Alix's home

Philadelphia

Alix's mom's city

FAE WORLD: ELLENDER

Vernallis

Daemon's cursed kingdom

Hydratta

Kas & Dessa's home

Thermos

Fox's icy territory

Solistine

Jett's sun-drenched domain

Dyaspora Prison

Where Daemon and crew

were held until released to find the king's "bride"



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