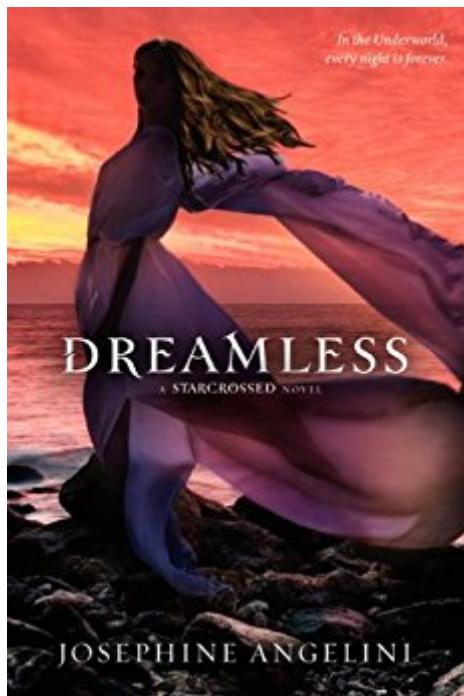


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Customer Reviews

Do you ever have a series or a book that, for whatever reason, you always put off reading? For days, months, sometimes even years? Well, this series happens to be one of those for me. I literally put off reading the first book in the series, Starcrossed, for years. I had been wanting to read it since

2011 but didn't actually buy it until 2012 or 2013. I didn't read the book until earlier this year. And I just not got around to reading the second book in the series. I don't know why I keep doing this to myself because the series is absolutely AMAZING. Like, I can't get enough of it. The story line is crazy good. There are so many twists and turns and it's not very easy to figure out, which is something that really gets my attention. It's not often that a book is insanely unpredictable but this one is. I never know what's going to happen next and I absolutely love that. It's refreshing to not be able to figure it out half way through or even chapter by chapter. I don't read a crazy amount of retellings even though I really enjoy them. I usually stick to contemporary romance but, with my love of retellings of greek mythology, I know that I need to expand my reading material. The ones that I have read, however, have not been like this one at all. Most of the ones that I have read focus on the Gods, the monsters, the Olympians. And, although this series has all of that, it's... more. If you've read this book then I'm sure you'll understand exactly what I'm trying to say. It follows a different sort of path than all the ones I've read before and I really like it. The characters are just as great. Helen, Lucas, their friends and family, and now, Orion, really draw you into the story more and make you want to know what their journey is going to hold. I have to know what happens to them! I'm probably going to try to get the husband to make a stop at Barnes and Noble this weekend to see if they have Goddess, the third book in the series. A great story, great characters, and an all around great series. I can't get enough. Rating: 5 Stars. Character: Lucas & Orion.

I was really worried when I started reading Dreamless. I loved Starcrossed and was extremely worried Angelini would fall victim to the book sophomore slump and I'd be left disappointed. I'm so incredibly happy that this did not happen, and I'm just as in love with Dreamless as I was Starcrossed. Dreamless was not about the romance. Yes, it's there and it's absolutely wonderful, but I think what I loved most about this book was Angelini allowed the love triangle to develop slowly, without being in-your-face, and it was done quietly in the background as the rest of the story happened. It made sense given everything else happening in the story. As for the rest of the story, holy cow was it amazing. I was holding my breath through most of the novel. There is so much happening, but it all works somehow. Helen descending, her starting to fall apart, the act of the Gods on her...it all somehow manages to fit together perfectly. There's action where there should be and as soon as I was able to catch my breath after one problem, I was holding it again because Helen was facing something new. The ending is definitely not the worst cliffhanger I've ever read, but it definitely had me growling and grumbling over reaching the end of the book. There is so much possibility and potential for the next book, and I really can't wait until I can get my hands on it.

For More Information, visit my blog <http://suchanovelidea.wordpress.com>Why You Should Buy ItThis second book in the Starcrossed trilogy takes Helen, Lucas, and all their family and friends on more twists and turns through the modern world of greek mythology. The mixture of mythology, suspense, action, and romance is a perfect blend of magic -- it will keeping you hanging on until the very end.My ThoughtsI had two issues with this book -- the love triangle and the fact that no one could figure out Helen's true parentage. But, obviously these were major plot points that lead up to the final book, so I was able to accept them quickly.This book wasn't as fun as the first one -- and I mean that in the best way. I have found the true point of the second book in a trilogy is to add gut-twisting emotional issues that the protagonists have to work through. The 'happily ever after' image has to be shattered so it can be remolded in book three. And this book did hit me hard emotionally. I just wanted to hug Helen all through the book. And Lucas and Orion. All three deal with more than any other characters and are still amazing characters.I also have to say that the ending of this book was rather brilliant. I sometimes hate how books in a trilogy have endings that seem thrown together -- just to get you to the next book. But this one ends perfectly. Not that I wasn't screaming "WAIT, WHAT ABOUT..." No, you still have questions and I wish some things would have been answered in Dreamless, but obviously we will see how they turn out in the final installment.The mythology interwoven in this book is superb. Angelini really knows how to manipulate the myth into something that is completely realistic for 2012. And that is SO important when writing about something that's been around for thousands of years.Overall, this book was an amazing addition to the Starcrossed series. I for one can not wait for Goddess to hit the shelves at the end of this month!OverallFour point five out of Five Stars

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