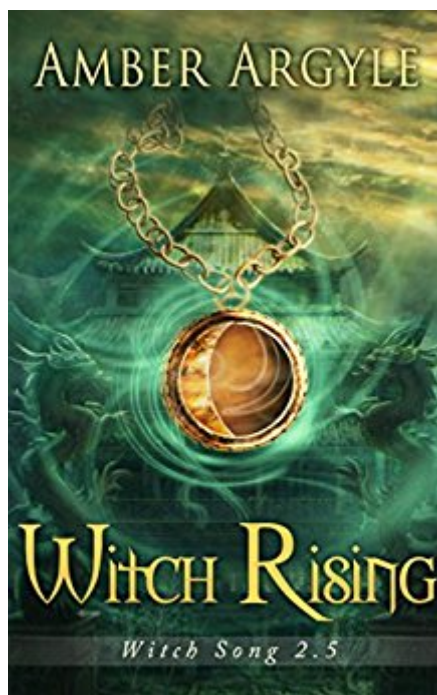


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Customer Reviews

Witch Rising by Amber Argyle
My rating: 2 of 5 stars
1.5 stars.
I decided to read this one because it was short, I need to catch up on my Goodreads challenge, and because I need to clean up my TBR. I read the first book in this series several years ago when I got it at a signing and I think I enjoyed that one. Years later however, I don't remember much of it or how I felt and the world just feels so foreign to me. This book had such a slow beginning that it didn't really let up until the end when (SPOILERS) they tried to escape. Other than that, I didn't really care for the characters or the story. After the end, I felt somewhat compelled to start the next book but 1) I don't own it and 2) if it's like this but longer, I don't want to start it and possibly get into another slump. It was okay but super slow. It's probably a good idea to familiarize yourself with the world before getting into this one.

In *Witch Rising*, little Lilette is subjected to tragedy upon tragedy. It's difficult to describe the plot without giving away major spoilers, but Lilette is a young witch and is running away from the Harshens. She meets Fa who takes her in and hides her, but is she truly safe on the island? I liked this little novelette but it was confusing several times in the story. Part of the problem is you jump right into the action without understanding what's going on exactly or why. I know this book was meant to be short but an extra word, paragraph or page would have clarified the confusing points. I liked the writing style in terms of descriptions used. Argyle has a specific voice for the novelette and it rings throughout the story. I also liked how the author created emotional moments - she used clever descriptions and plot devices to quickly build relationships between people that seemed mostly natural and believable. This is definitely an action packed, adventurous story with a coming-of-age/YA theme featuring a genuine female protagonist.
3.5 stars.

This is one of the most unique, interesting, entertaining and attention holding series of this nature I have read to date. I read a lot and love series, particularly when each is stand alone, a full story in itself. This is the case with this series, however, you will be hard pressed to start another book or series when there is another "Witch Song" just waiting for you. This author has a very unique ability to put you in the story with her characters, where you live it with them. There are a few minor editing errors, but none that would disturb your reading of the story and certainly none I feel would diminish the star rating. This is the first time in a lot of years I am reading a series for a second time and I just finished the first time last evening. Congratulations Amber. This is the first I have read your work,

but, I will be watching for new additions. Good Luck! Funny this is asking for more words when I tried to submit, but I guess knows I haven't raved enough about this book.

This is a splendid prequel. I love learning the back story of how/why things are the way they are. Fluid writing and spellbinding adventure. A heartwarming reminder of what family and friendship truly mean (even in the witch world). The author takes us through heavy lose, unrealized gain, and undaunted friendship. It's not always easy to tell who you are and even less to tell how others are or will be.

Lillette's world goes up in ashes, but can she find a way to rise from them in Amber Argyle's Witch Rising? This novella is an intense and emotional story. Lillette's growth from never wanting to use her spells again and coming back to who she tugs on my heartstrings. The lessons she learns will make her stronger, and I'm looking forward to reading the forthcoming Witch Fall. Witch Rising is a great prequel and beautifully written.

A very promising beginning to the story, with the author's gift for nuance and wonder, but I was stunned to realize how short it was--it took me only 15 minutes to read it. I can't wait to read more, but can't help feeling taken--it wasn't even the length of a typical short story, but rather just a chapter. I'll look at the print length before buying any more works. A fan, but feeling the sting.

I like the books in this series. they are well written. and keep moving forward. I finish one and can't wait to buy the next one. please keep them coming.

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