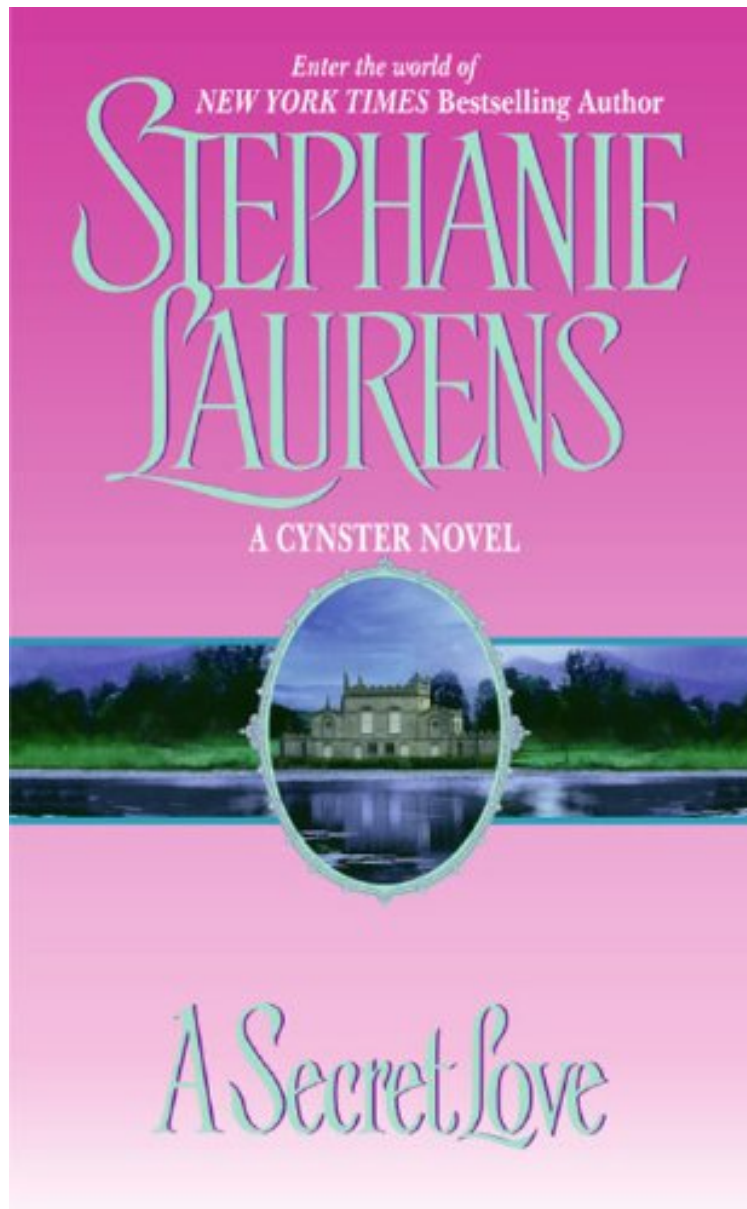


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Von Stephanie Laurens : A Secret Love (Cynster) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised A Secret Love (Cynster):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Very entertaining, though not always historically accurate.Von KiwiThere is not much left to add about the plot and we DO

know Mrs Laurens is a tremendously entertaining writer. I give the book 5 stars, because indeed I didn't read it for research, it's not a nonfictional book. Nonetheless, this time the social do's and don't's are sometimes SO far away from accuracy that it hurts. Alatheia Morwellan would never go to a library alone (unchaperoned), and it was definitely unheard of that a lady would dance more than one, in the extremest two dances with the same gentleman, even if he'd be her husband. So this nonstop waltzing would be outright scandalous and not possible. And I almost grimaced when Alatheia is sitting at Gabriel's breakfast table, nonchalantly nibbling her toast, while he tells Lucifer "Welcome your sister-in-law-to-be". Even IF people would turn their eyes blind when a couple is betrothed, THAT is so so so far away from the periodic reality, that it is a grave fault for any writer who aspires to historic writing. 3 von 3 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Stephanie strikes Cynster Gold again! Von Renee I read this book the same day I received it! Stephanie Laurens continuing story of the Bar Cynster is fantastic. In Book 5 of the Cynster series Stephanie Laurens introduces us to Rupert Cynster also known as Gabriel. A committed rake with a strong distaste for financial fraud, Gabriel is enticed into helping the mysterious woman who is known only as the Countess protect her family's future. What Gabriel discovers, along with evidence of fraud is a woman whose strength and vulnerability cause him to reconsider his views on love and marriage. The heroine, is a strong female lead who challenges the hero every step of the way. What Gabriel doesn't know is that his mysterious Countess is his childhood playmate and neighbor Alatheia Morwellan. As the plot to defraud her family of all their money is gradually exposed, so too is the love that has always existed between these two. While I love all the Cynster novels, this one is probably the strongest Ms Laurens has written since Devil's Bride. The byplay between the male female leads is strong - filled with emotion and humor. Also, Chillingworth is back as both nemesis and ally, this time treading too close for Gabriel's peace of mind. It is an absolute must read for fans of Stephanie Laurens and the Cynsters. 3 von 3 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Laurens's best work yet. Von Kikyo C. I haven't read that many of Stephanie Laurens's works, but what I have seems to rest more on scripted scenes of passion rather than any complex plot structure. A Secret Love, however, surpasses her previous novels about the Cynster clan and the fates each of the Bar Cynster cousins face. While embellishing on characters found in previous novels, the story has a greater depth than the usual seduction, and the element of intrigue and mystery which Laurens injects into the tale gives it more breadth than seems typical for her earlier works. Forced by circumstances to retire from London society and become an avowed spinster, Alatheia Morwellan has devoted the last eleven years of her life to protecting her family from financial ruin. But when a new danger threatens to destroy all she has sacrificed to save, she turns to the only person who can help them: Gabriel Cynster. Notorious rake, the very essence of London's tonish society, Alatheia and Gabriel have treated one another as brother and sister since they were born. Until a sudden discord almost twenty years ago made them unable to stand one another's company, that is. Afraid that their strained relations might impede his full support, Alatheia seeks his aid as the mysterious Countess. Veiled in darkness and wreathed in a sensual fragrance he cannot forget, she piques his curiosity and something else he cannot yet name. Gabriel agrees to help on one condition: that with each piece of information, he receives a reward... beginning with a kiss. Unable to refuse, Alatheia finds herself drawn into a dark web of passion where she risks more than just her family's estate. I found this a pleasantly enjoyable read, full of surprises and a dash of adventure, as well as Laurens's characteristic ability to heat up the pages. The unique history shared by Alatheia and Gabriel make for a very interesting and amusing story that is as much about childhood romance as it is about mature passions. Alatheia is a very entertaining figure whose understanding of Gabriel's character lends itself to a level of storytelling that goes beyond the typical boy meets girl scenario. I especially liked the large involvement of other characters I had previously met in Laurens's other novels: Amelia and Amanda, Gerrard Debbington, the other Cynster cousins (Devil and Vane), and Chillingworth especially, who adds an interesting twist to Gabriel's carefully-laid plans. The danger posed by Crowley appears very real, much more so than others Laurens has written, such as the mysterious thief in A Rake's Vow. It contributed to a nicely climactic ending with a good dose of 'happily ever after.' Laurens blends passion and fairytale romance into a classic Cinderella story that any reader can appreciate.

Kurzbeschreibung And now, Stephanie Laurens has created her boldest Cynster yet - Gabriel - a man who has known the pleasure of many women, but who has given his heart to no one. She was desperate for his help... When a mysterious lady, her face hidden by a black veil, begs Gabriel Cynster for his help, he cannot refuse her plea. For despite her disguise, Gabriel finds the woman alluring and he is powerless to deny her. But he exacts payment as only a Cynster would demand: with each piece of information he uncovers, she must pay him - in the form of a kiss. He was powerless to resist... Lady Alatheia Morwellan knows Gabriel is intrigued, but despite the sparks that fly between them, they have never passed a civil moment together. Yet as the stakes get higher, so does Gabriel's desire for payment. And with each overpowering kiss, each passionate embrace, Alatheia knows that she will not be able to resist his ultimate seduction...but what will happen when she reveals the truth?. deSetting: Regency England Sensuality: 8 Alatheia Morwellan needs Gabriel Cynster's help to save her family's fortune from an unscrupulous con artist, but the

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