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It all started with a spell.

Arran Conall lives with the consequences of his foolishness daily, his mistakes guiding him into darkness. He had no way to know that his beloved would fall prey to the ancient magic that awaited Blaire on the day he'd sent her away to marry his brother. Now, the only woman to ever give pause to his philandering ways lives centuries ahead of him, out of reach while still holding on to his heart. Now, he must try to live a life without her and marries another to save the lass from a greedy suitor who only wants to lay title to her father's territory.

His love for Blaire haunts him. With every breath, he prays only one thing – that she will be able to feel his love for her across the chasms of time...

Born in the seventeenth century, Blaire MacChristy lives each day trying to adjust to the challenges of modern-day life. Magic brought her here, but heartbreak keeps her from using the magic to travel back to her home. When visitors from her past arrive asking her to return to the life she'd known before, Blaire takes a chance on love. Once home, she is shocked to learn that the man she loves has married another. Will fate find a way to mend their broken hearts by bringing them together once again? Even if it does, will they be able to stop the darkness that is coming for them both?

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Kim says

After reading the first book in Morna's Legacy, I had such high hopes for the second. I should have heeded the other reviews. The fake Scottish lingo is a total turn off, and the story doesn't have the detail nor richness of the first book. I found I didn't like the main character due to the awfulness of the lingo which seemed totally artificial. A native Scot also commented negatively on the "voice" of the book. Thank goodness Ms. Clare came back to her senses with the novella that follows this book, because it was much better.

Kirsten says

The first book was mostly Bri's story, though Blaire shared the spotlight. This book was Blaire's. Not sure if it was really worse than the first book, or it was just a cumulative effect of reading them one after the other, but, although I did want to know what happened to the main characters, there wasn't a lot of depth, and the language really grated on me.

Ashley Daviau says

This was just as good as the first book if not better! Bethany Claire has really hit the perfect recipe on this series. It's funny, it's got magical bits and hunky Scottish warriors. You really can't ask for much more in a guilty pleasure read! I enjoyed getting to know the characters better and the addition of new ones, they really added to the stories! These books quite remind me of Outlander except much less heavy and detail oriented, just quick fun reads!

Cary Morton says

Ah, yet another addition to the Morna's Legacy series. I can't tell you how thrilled I was to discover that the second book in the series revolved around Arran and Blaire, and their complicated and often tragic love story. I fell in love with the two characters during the first installment to the series and was excited to delve into their story.

Technically speaking, the story was well written. The narrative moved along at a steady pace, was easy to read, and engaging. There weren't any noticeable typo's or punctuation problems, nor any awkward sentences or grammatical foibles to stumble over. I was sucked into the story right away and felt compelled to find out what would happen to the characters as I read. I couldn't have asked for more!

Like the first book, however, the story wasn't without it's problems. Though a little slower paced than the first book, the plot was far more complicated. Problems seemed to be thrown at the various characters right and left—dire problems that should not have easily been overcome... unfortunately, they were usually fixed with little trouble. Many of the issues that arose for the characters were resolved almost before they knew about the problems to begin with, or very easily thereafter. It seemed like fate and luck were on their side,

and because of it, it was hard to believe that there was any real danger of the characters not getting their happy ending. I really wished that the tension had been dragged out a little more, and the almost insurmountable problems hadn't been so easily solved.

I can't complain too much, though. Despite the all-too-easy way the plot was handled, I did enjoy the story. The characters have evolved and begun to develop more since the first book in the series, and the author stayed true to their voices. Overall, I'm glad I picked up the book. Despite its negatives, I feel the positives far outshine them. I'm interested to see how the series progresses in the next few books.

Vicki says

Arran Conall was the brother of Eoin, the Laird of Castle Conall. Arran was losing himself to the grief he felt after sending his love Blaire MacChristy forward into the twentieth century. In the first book of the series (love Beyond Time) Arran and Blaire were separated as the story of Eoin and Briell Montgomery was told.

Now he grieves for her and doesn't know how to get her back. He makes some hasty decisions that he may live to regret.

Blaire is not accustomed to the modern concepts and appliances of the new time she finds herself in and is slow to adjust. When she is facing a chance to go back and follow her heart she decides to go back. Once there, nothing is as perfect as she had imagined. There were some huge announcements that would attempt to break her. could she be strong and live with the decision she had made. So many pitfalls and twists and turns befell these two that it almost seemed deliberate.

IT is another wonderful read. It made me anxious and happy and sad for them all. So much happens in this story that it is impossible to become bored. I am anxious to read more about these couples and their families in the following books. This book was every bit as good as the first.

Laura Fadely says

I decided I wanted to read another Scottish/time-travel series after falling in love with Outlander.

This series just isn't doing it for me.

The author tells an entertaining story but there is very little character development. Characters are all over the place like she dreamed them up simply to tie up a loose end or take a short-cut and not because they were supposed to be a part of the story as a whole. I find that I'm not attached to any characters save one or two. Every situation is just glossed over, and while it's nice to know how things turn out so quickly, a little build-up and anticipation would make for a better read.

I haven't decided if I'll continue the series or not in the future. But for right now, it's a hard pass.

Dee Smith says

I got this book from my local library and I loved it! It was every bit as good as the first book. We get to have all our favorite characters together and Arran and Blaire get their story. There is lots of danger, heartbreak and excitement. I look forward to book 3! There's nothing better than a Scottish time travel book!

Samantha says

It provides more closure for the first book (if you were seeking it), but is lacking. It has some good escapism in it, but the plot is easily picked apart & there isn't anything really believable at all. That being said, it's an easy read & not unpleasant. It reads like YA fiction with a dash of bodice-ripping, Fabio-ladden, romance novel jammed in....or deeply thrust in, I should say.

Brenda L Brooks says

Excellent Read

I thoroughly enjoyed reading this book! It is still time travel but with several twist. Just when you think it is going to be like all the other time travels Ms. Claire throws another twist into the mix that you may or may not have seen coming. Suspense, adventure and intrigue. I recommend this book whole heartedly!

Stephanie Lambert says

I purchased the first 4 books on a deal. I was looking for something similar to Outlander. I've since learned that everything else pales in comparison. These were a noted improvement after the "After Climeri" series I had started and abandoned with haste. I did find many grammatical errors and typos, but the characters were interesting, the story line moved along well and the storyline kept me reading. I won't continue on with the series, feeling that the formula is a bit too predictable for me, but it was a great lazy weekend series to read.

Anne says

This book was just as good as the first one. Great characters and plot which is what I love.

Marta says

As I said in the review of the 1st book, I got the second one immediately, since I was(I admit) curios about how will the story progress. Again, as a big lover of all things Outlander, this was another cute time travel romance novel, not great but a fun, easy read! I think I will continue with the books, I am intrigued hihi!

Emma says

Another exciting episode in the lives of the Conall Clan. In this episode we have Aaran who is Laird Eoin's brother in love with the woman that was supposed to marry Eoin, Blaire. But Bri took her place and fell in love with Eoin and married him. Aaron was smitten with Blaire the moment he saw her. Although at the time she was engaged to Eoin, they fell in love. When Eoin married Aaran thought he married Blaire when in fact he married Bri. Blaire took Bri's place in the future. The two fated lovers were torn apart by time, by a false marriage, by an engagement and only then were they able to finally be together. What they did not know was that there were three people setting up their demise. There is so much emotion, drama, feelings, danger in this book. It was hard to put down. I was engaged in the story from the first page. The only thing I did not like was the price of the book. It is a little out of my budget and so my adventure with the Conall Clan has come to an end. I truly enjoyed reading this and highly recommend it.

Kim says

Arran and Blaire's story (while good in it's own right) didn't suck me in the way Eoin and Bri's story in book one did. I was more into the plot of what was going on with Arran as laird than I was with how Blaire and he would get back together.

I'm happy that Claire decided to soften Blaire a bit too. She was super harsh in the first book and I wasn't immediately drawn to her story. I liked her want for independence and applauded her that, but she was just so damn rude to everyone.

Will definitely be continuing with this series.

Rosemary Hughes says

I have listened to the audiobook of this set 1 of this series and have consequently posted this review for each book in the set.

This set of books , all hinging on Morna's matchmaking and magic have been a joy to listen to. The audio rendition has added to the writer's techniques of engaging the reader with romance, drama and enchantment. I have enjoyed the 4 books in this set.
