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Book Two in the time travel, fantasy romance trilogy, Highland Secrets!

*She's always been a dutiful daughter...*

*Janet MacLeod has spent the last ten years dedicated to her clan, acting as the Lady of the castle—at the cost of her own happiness.*

*She aches every time she looks at her brothers, both happy with their wives, and wants nothing more than a love of her own.*

*He's a broken soldier...*

*Xander, a former Fae Warrior, sacrificed his wings and magic to live in the Human Realm and became a traitor to his people.*

*When he finds Janet forlorn on the beach, Xander gives her a ring he's had since childhood, not realizing it'll reveal her as his fated mate.*

*The ring's magic activates the Faery Stones, and Janet is sucked into the Fae Realm. Her life is in immediate danger, for the Fae sense—and seek to destroy—any human who dares step into their world.*

*Xander is the only one who can retrieve her, but he too, wears a target.*

*Can he rescue his soul-mate and return with her to the Human Realm or will temptation of great magic and the rebirth of his wings force him to abandon their destiny?*

## The Fae Ring Details

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## **From Reader Review The Fae Ring for online ebook**

**Lynda says**

**Pretty good**

Pretty good for book 2. Had all the elements that I hoped it would. Can't wait to Read the next book

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**Ashley Daviau says**

This book was even better than the first in the series! I loved that we got to know more about the magic and how it worked, it made for a much more interesting and captivating story. I was slightly disappointed that there wasn't really any time travel but the other magical aspects did make up for it somewhat. I also really loved that it was the same cast of characters and that we got to know more about them. All in all, I thoroughly enjoyed this book and am looking forward to starting the third in the series!

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**Mel Shank says**

THE FAE RING by C.A. Czarek

I have to admit that I think I have a major crush on C.A. Czarek. I bought THE FAE RING the moment it went live and did not even wait until the tour started to read it. THE FAE RING is the second book in the Highland Secrets Series but is a standalone. Czarek explains all you need to know from the first book in the series, THE TARTAN MP3 PLAYER, as needed. I really enjoyed THE FAE RING.

So I am really not a paranormal, fairy, fantasy kind of gal. I really try to avoid the fantasy genre because normally I do not understand most of it but Czarek makes it enjoyable and really at this point I will read anything she puts in front of me. Janet and Xander's love begins as a magical connection but moves from magic and make believe to something that is true and real. Czarek makes me forget that I am reading about an unreal world and makes it so believable and real.

Janet is the little sister that stepped up to take care of her brothers, father and homestead after her mother died. She now does not really know her place since both of her brothers have found their true loves. Xander is trying to find his "home" in the human realm and finds it with Janet. However, lots happens and well, you just have to read it.

The FAE RING is well written, a couple of steamy scenes and lots of fighting and drama. A definite read that I will always recommend.

THE FAE RING by C. A. Czarek receives 4 out of 5 Platypires!!!  
TEXAS HUGS and HAPPY READING!!!

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## **Madison Warner Fairbanks says**

The Fae Ring by C. A. Szarek

Fae, fated love and sacrifice are the core of this romance, the second in the trilogy.

Janet wants to be loved. Her brothers have found true love. Now it's her turn. Is fate a choice?

An emotional romance of the highlands. Nice surprise from family.

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## **Donna says**

I really enjoyed this book. I loved how she could see the mating bond as well as him. I would love to see Xander be able to return home someday. Seeing as I started with book 2, I don't know what happened to cause him to be branded a traitor. I plan on reading book 1 in the near future.

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## **Jess F. (From Me to You ... Book Reviews) says**

"3.5 out of 5 stars! A compelling story about a woman who has taken the role of "lady of the house" since her mother died years ago and pretty much raised her nephew now wants a family of her own. Fate has come to her rescue in the form of her fae warrior mate, but is she willing to trust fate or does she want to hold out for love?"

Xander and Janet are an intriguing pair, the more you learn about them the more you root for their relationship."

Read more of this review and a teaser here:

<http://frommetoyouvideophoto.blogspot.com/2014/06/made-grade-highland-secrets-trilogy.html> (To be posted on June 27th 2014)

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## **Marta Cox says**

Second book in this series that features Scottish heart throbs with the addition of the Fae. This book follows on from Tartan MP3 Player and features a very tempting Fae warrior who sacrificed his magic and wings to follow his beloved cousin and her mate into the human world. Xander had been so used to using his magic that without it he feels lost but his honour is such that he has no regrets. His world is about to get even more complicated however as a magical ring in his family's possession will lead him to his destiny.

Janet Macleod has always put others needs first. When at the tender age of sixteen her mother died she stepped up and became the lady of her clan. Janet has stood by and watched as both her brothers found love and has even acted as a surrogate mother to her nephew when his mother was held captive but the one thing she wants is a man of her own. Her age is against her and she realises that she may never know what it's like to truly be loved but when Xander the fearsome warrior is compelled to place a ring upon her finger Janet finds her life turned upside down! The ring is imbued with a special kind of magic that sends her to the Fae Realm but Xander will not stand idly by and lose her, no he's set to follow and then Janet's adventure truly begins!

I loved this. It's short but full of magic and it's just such a feel good book. This author has the ability to write very sexy tales that transport the reader on a wild ride. The first book in this series was a time travel novel but I'm pleased to see this had a different feel about it. I really liked the heroine Janet in the last book so it was wonderful to see her get her happy ending. As for Xander, well he is certainly the sort of alpha male that I enjoy reading about in romance and I truly enjoyed this book. I will certainly look out for more from this author.

Four and a half from me

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## **Now I Read Book Blog says**

This is the second book in the "Highland Secrets" series from author C.A. Szarek. I think this one is the best in the series. This book is full of some love, drama, action, heart break, time travel and some very hot sexual chemistry that will leave you gasping for air.

As soon as I sat down and started reading this book I was drawn into what felt like was a different time and place. This book was full of emotional roller coaster of emotions that will have you on the edge of your seat waiting to see what will happen next. This book was full of some many twist and turn you never know what will happen next. This book is full of some smoking hot sexual chemistry. This book is full of some mouth watering Alpha men that had me needing a cold shower. I fell in love with this book and all most all the characters in it.

Janet MacLeod has spent the last ten year being "lady of the castle" and does this at the cost of her happiness. She wishes that she could find and have what her brother have. She feels like it never going to happen to her because she has no one show has step fourth for her hand. But one day that all change when she out for a walk. She just need some fresh air but when her emotions get the best of her the last person she thought would come to comfort her would be Xander. He is an ex Fae warrior and is the last person you think that would want to comfort a female. He went to comfort her and the last thing he planed was to kiss her and find his fate mate. After he explains what has happen between them it to much for her to handle. She run away from him and find her self in a place she has never been. But she soon realize she not in her won land. She in Fae and she has no idea how she going to get home. But when she see Xander she feel better. Can he protect her, get her to be his fate mate and get her home safe.

Xander is a former Fae Warrior and he has sacrificed his wings and his magic for and the chance to live in the Human Realm. He did this so he could keep his promise to keep his cousin safe. One day while he out for a walk he comes across Janet and all he wants is to make her stop crying. He gives her a ring that he has had since a child. The next thing he know he is kissing her and then he see the fate rings around them. He knows that he has found his fate mate but when he explains what happen it to much for her to handle for her. He realize the ring has taken her to Fae and he knows he has to go after her. Can he get her to me his fate mate and get her home safe.

Will they come together and be Fate Mate or will them being from two different Realm keep them from a happy ever after.

There is so very much more juicy detail to this book that I did not share. I cant wait to read more from this author in the future.

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### **Jenni Schell says**

As I have not read the first book in this series, I was a little worried that I would have some trouble following the story. I was very wrong. This is a great story of romance and the paranormal and I enjoyed it very much.

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### **Lori Garside says**

This is the first book of Ms. Szarek's that I've read - and that was not a problem. While the second book in a series, the author was able to give enough information about previous events, so I understood the story easily. That being said, I thoroughly enjoyed *The Fae Ring*. It's got action, adventure, a beautiful maiden in distress and a faerie soldier! What more can a girl want?!

Xander was sworn to protect his cousin, Alana, forever. His magic is almost nonexistent in the human world. One afternoon, Xander sees Janet crying and looking out over the cliffs. Janet is jealous of her siblings' relationships with their fae mates and feeling very sad that she is almost to the age where marriage would be a miracle. He feels 'called' to her, slips a ring he's had on her finger, and discovers that she is his 'fated mate'.

Once realizing that the ring, and their reactions to it, means that she and Xander are now married for all intents and purposes, Janet goes to the "Faerie Ring" - a group of stones believed to hold mystical and magical powers. The ring opens the portal to the Faerie realm and Janet is sucked through. The problem? Humans are not allowed in the realm and the sentence for interlopers is death. Once Xander realized where Janet has most likely gone, he goes through the portal to save her.

The rest - well, you'll have to read it for yourself! This book is a fun and sexy read!

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### **Carra says**

Review to come...

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### **AnnMarie says**

Book two in the series was equally as great as the first. There were twists and turns, happy times, and upsetting times, a very emotive book that I fully recommend.

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### **The Book Tart says**

Review originally posted <http://thebooktart.com/book-review/th...>

I've been eagerly waiting for C.A. Szarek's sequel to The Tartan MP3 Player and a chance to revisit the world of the Highland Secrets series. The Fae Ring is book 2 and it's a delicious mixture of paranormal and historical romance. Janet has been the lady of the castle since her mother died years before. She's had responsibility and sense of place... but now her brothers are married and she is feeling lost... Where does she fit in now. She is happy for her siblings and their loves but... she is sad at her loneliness too. I empathized with her immediately and ached for her to find a life partner... a mate.

Enter Xander. \*swoon\* He's a fae warrior who gave up his wings and most of his magic when he followed his duty and chose to live in the human realm to protect the faery princess who married one of Janet's brothers. He is feeling lost and out of place too. Unexpectedly magic binds Janet and Xander together as soul mates but they need to decide if that's what they want.

I loved their journey to true partnership and the adventures they were thrown into along the way. I got a kick out of Janet's reaction to magic and the very hot chemistry between them. And I fell hard for Xander as he tried to protect and cherish her. Their love scenes were yummy and the emotional chord that drew them together made me sigh.

A few of my fav lines.

♥ She closed her eyes against his shoulder, trembling as emotions swirled in her head. She felt right in his arms.

♥ Xander's head and heart were floating, wrapped up in the golden magic of the mating bond... and in Janet.

I needed this romance. I slipped into Janet's and Xander's love story and just breathed. If you like paranormal romance, Scottish accents, homage to the Princess Bride (As you wish ;) ) and a fated love that comes down to choices, then fly out and get C.A. Szarek's The Fae Ring!

The Queen of Tarts

♦ eARC provided for review for my honest opinion.

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