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Camden McMahon has never trusted witches. He's willing to temporarily overlook his animosity and work with a coven in order to put an end to the threat against his family. Then he meets the daughter of their high priestess, a gifted witch in her own right—and Camden's fated mate.

Selene Trevil has always treasured the magic which flows through her veins. Until it calls out to Camden and marks him as her intended consort. A relationship between a shifter and a witch is unheard of, but resisting his pull is impossible.

Will Camden and Selene have to *bear the burden* of the past? Or will their love be enough to overcome all the obstacles standing in their way?

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## From Reader Review Bear the Burden for online ebook

### Michelle says

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**“I felt power surge through me and realized the day had finally come— I’d found my elemental affinity . My earth magic had snapped into place in a big way.”**

Rochelle Paige has once again come *bearing* another sexy magical shifter adventure in her newest installment of the *McMahon Clan Series*. If you have followed the series then you are fully aware that Camden is the last brother who hasn't been mated yet that is until he meets Selene Trevil.

**“Yes. You already bear the mark of my consort, making you mine. Now, make me yours.”“You’ve always been mine,” he whispered against my lips before his mouth crashed into mine for a deep kiss. The feel of his lips against mine and his warm body pressing me into the mattress had me throbbing with need.”**

Camden never thought he would be mated instantly but once he dreamed of Selene, it sealed the deal and united them together. Forged through a magical bond, Selene knew without a doubt her mate was Camden McMahon, a bear shifter. In the backdrops of them discovering that they were fated mates, Selene and her mother's coven must come to the rescue after a dark magic threatens the safety of the McMahon family. When Selene and Camden finally marked each other, Selene's power surged through her veins and in such help forged what the prophecy predicted that a witch and a bear shifter will mate. With this new power, can Selene protect her new family or will she be putting herself in danger?

**“I had no wish to die, not so soon after finding Camden. But even as I said the words, I knew I’d willingly sacrifice my own life for his, if it came down to making a choice between Camden and me.”**

The chemistry of Camden and Selene was instantaneously spellbinding!!! These two had the spark to sizzle and heat up e-readers as they forged and united their souls and bodies into one. As always, Ms. Paige never fails to bring out the alpha male characteristics in her stories so she will definitely have readers taking a bite into this raw heated passion of two fated mates. I loved the story of Camden and Selene and can't wait to see what Ms. Paige has in store for Papa McMahon.

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## **Witchy Richey's Booktastic Reviews says**

### **5 Shifty Witchy Stars**

I love all things witch and shift. Those two together are wonderful!!  
Another great installment in the Bear shifting McMahon clan.

The last triplet is on the chopping block. These alpha bears waste no time claiming their mate when she is found. It always shocks me how fast they hit the bed/wall/ or any other surface suitable for some seriously steamy loving.

Rochelle rocks our world again with this quick read.

Cybill A. Richey  
Witchy Richey's Booktastic Reviews  
Witchy Richey's Creative Designs

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## **Hannah says**

### **ARC REVIEW**

but for now all I have to say is that Carrick better get his own Damn book!

This is the third book in the McMahon Clan series and hopefully not the last. The third and final triplet Camden finally meets his fated mate never expecting she is a witch. The animosity between witches and shifter goes way back but the prophesized mating between a witch and a shifter has finally come true. The mating sealed even before they technically meet. Camden and Selene have a rough road ahead of them but their love is strong and true.

It's a quick and easy read. I love Rochelle Paige's narrative with both first person POV. It's one of the few that I do love. Camden after watching his two brothers and their mates knows not to make that same mistakes and the whole thing is much easier for him and Selene. The whole story arc comes to a conclusion thanks to Selene being a kick ass uber powerful witch. All I have to say, Thank God, Rochelle Paige is going to write Carrick's book. (Thank you)

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## **Sabrina says**

A mating between a shifter and a witch is unheard of in both communities. The two groups can be civil to one another, but that doesn't mean they have to trust each other. What most of them don't know, is that years ago a witch was the fated mate to a shifter. Neither of their communities wanted them to stay together and eventually it led to both of their deaths. Before the witch met her end she told of a future witch that would be mated to a shifter, and they would be the ones to change the ways of the communities.

When Camden, a Bear shifter, learns he has to work with the witches he is less than happy. But then he realizes that one of them is his fated mate, and he's ready to fight everyone that doesn't accept his mate.

This has been a great series from the beginning. I love how Rochelle Paige brings up into this shifter world, now with the added bonus of witches, and makes it completely realistic. All of the characters go together really well, and it's truly a sense of family that I get every time I read a book from this series.

Camden was such a hot character, I loved that he was so possessive of Selene, especially in the bedroom, and just wanted to protect her. Selene, though, was a very independent woman, and after she came into her powers even more so. We got to see her grow into a confident witch that wasn't afraid to use her powers. I loved seeing how Camden had to accept that she could protect herself and step back from always being the savior.

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Overall, a great book and an amazing end to this series. The development of these characters was very intriguing, and made me fall in love with them. I have to say, this is one of the hottest books in this series, and for that fact alone, totally worth the read.

### **Petula says**

Camden is the only one of the McMahon bears not to have found his fated mate. That means it's down to him to help their father find and finish the threat that hangs over them. His brothers need to protect their mates, now more than ever.

Selene is the daughter of the witch high priestess. She has never been confident with her magic. It has come to her mother's notice that a dark magic practitioner is being used to aid an evil shifter. They need to help the shifter clan being targeted, but witches and shifters have a long history of distrust.

This is the third book in this series and must be read in order. It has a lot of intense magic and some very hot sex scenes. The families on both sides will have to overcome old prejudices to survive the battle to come. A very enjoyable read.

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### **Tina says**

The last of the MacMahon brothers has found his mate. I loved the coming together of a witch and bear. It wasn't a mating that anyone wanted to accept so easily because shifters didn't trust witches. They all learned a lesson in judging others without giving them a chance first.

Salene hadn't felt her powers like she should have after she came of age. Then the night before they were supposed to meet the MacMahon family, she had a dream of meeting her consort. She then woke up marked with a bear.

Camden also had a dream, a wet one at that. lol. He couldn't believe that he was finally going to meet his mate. The following morning he mated her as soon as he laid eyes on her.

This may have been my favorite book in this series. I thought Tahlia was going to be hard to beat, but I think Salene did a darn good job of matching her.

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## **Guilty Pleasures Book Reviews says**

Rosalie's review posted at Guilty Pleasures Book Reviews

It's finally Camden's turn. In this book, the last of the McMahon triplets fall to their mate. Looking to get information to find out who is after Camden and his clan, the group works with a coven to find out what the threat truly is, and how to eradicate it. And of course, Camden finds the high priestess' daughter, Selene Trevil as his mate! However, a shifter and witch mating is unheard of; how will the two resist the urge to be together, when the pull is so incredibly strong?!

Dreaming of Selene, Camden knew she was the one for him. And at the same time, Selene dreams of Camden as well (although a different one from her mate haha). Knowing they are meant for each other, no matter the norms and expectations, the two, quickly realize there is not going to be anything that holds them back. The mating was through the roof blazing hot. I've never read any paranormal that involved witches, but if they are anything like this one, I might have to pick more up! The love between these two was evident and the way they worked together showed exactly how in tune with each other the two were through their bond.

I don't think there will be a shifter series that can compare to this one for me. They say your first is always your best. Any more I read will definitely have a lot to live up to, that's for sure!

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## **Carrie says**

I absolutely ADORE Rochelle Paige's Shifters. Each story is about a different couple (this is Camden & Selene's story) but there is an overall story arc through the whole series, which culminates in this final installment. (There will be a 4th book, about the patriarch of the bear clan, Carrick, though, and I'm looking forward to him getting his HEA!)

Camden & Selene's initial IRL meeting was quite fun & I really enjoyed how it came about! I like the introduction of a new supernatural element in the lives of these furry heroes. \*grin\* For the most part I got a kick out of the flow of the story as well. However, my one complaint would be the pacing and lack of detail in the final battle. The whole story was leading up to this epic face-off & then BOOM it was just over. I might see more detail when I do a re-read, but my initial reaction was that it felt rushed.

Despite that, overall, this is still one of my favorite series & shifter-worlds. : )

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## **Maria says**

Camden is the last of his siblings to find his mate but when he dreams of her he knows the instant he sees her but nothing will stand in his way even if she is from the one species that shifters have always been the most weary of.

Selene doesn't know if she will ever be ready to fit into her mother's shoes as the High Priestess but when a

meditation reveals to her who her faded consort is she knows that she will do whatever it takes to help him and his family and keep him safe.

In this one we see it all come together finally as the threats this family has faced are finally brought to an end.

Camden might had at a certain view about witches at the beginning but once he finds out who is mate is he is all in and knows that he will do anything to protect her and be with her. He is a total alpha about it to which I loved seeing.

Selene is unsure of herself in the beginning but quickly gained confidence as she sees the truth in the prophecy that she is a part of.

I loved seeing these two come together, but things did feel a bit rushed I would have like to see more of the story line added into this one and to have seen it be at least a little longer. Overall though an enjoyable, and steamy, afternoon read!

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### **~Nichole~ Sizzling Pages Romance Reviews says**

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### **Sybil aka Lala says**

Camden is from an important family of shifters and doesn't believe that he will ever be mated, but when a beautiful woman comes to him in his dreams the need to find her becomes ever more desperate but he also has to deal with a threat to his family. Selena is a witch and the daughter of a high priestess. She has doubts about her powers and succeeding her mother as leader of their coven. A vision during a lunar eclipse reveals a prophecy that is centred on her as well as her fated mate.

I love this entire series from Rochelle Paige and as with the others, this one is filled with her unique

mythology and added elements from other shifter species in this blended family. I enjoyed the build-up of tension between the two characters before they even met and when they finally did get together, it was explosive. Underneath all the squishy emotions and hot sexy times, there was an interesting plot filled with danger and magic.

There's a lot packed into this short novella but it all flowed together nicely and made for exciting reading. I recommend this series of shifters and paranormal romance is your thing.

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### **kookyquinn says**

AGAIN?!

Really? No character devopmrnt or back story... AGAIN? I'm sorry but this was the biggest waste of money!

The heroine was a witch.. what was it like growing up in a coven? Who were her friends? What did she do? What is a witches dating life like? She wasn't a virgin so who was her first love/crush whatever? Did she bang warlocks? Humans? Who?! Nothing about her father either. Was she hatched?

The heroes dad owns strip clubs all over the US! What was his childhood like? Did he use the clubs as a vending machine for disposable women? Was he a manwhore? Did he date anyone seriously? Who was his first love/crush? Had I not read in a previous book his mom was a human who abandoned him and his brothers I'd have no clue about her... Even that little detail is exactly that. A LITTLE detail! \*throws hands up\*

There's one more book in this series and if it's as bad as these last two that's the third strike and I'm done with Rochelle. GAH!

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### **April Symes says**

This is such an awesome story in the McMahon series. This is Camden McMahon book where he meets his mate and boy, is he in for a treat-she is a true witch. Her name is Selene Trevil and she is young but their fated to be together. He wears the mark of the fated consort.

Camden was such a cynic but as soon as he met Selene, it was like he never was and he became her fiercest champion. Selene was so scared to come and help the McMahon with her mother but when she did, it was like she grew into her powers and she helped protect and things just went from strength to strength. There are many twists in this story but I loved this book so much. I do not want to give anything anyway but suffice to say, this is one AWESOME story.

I would love to see their father get his story for I think he deserves one and there is the dragon shifter ,Damien, who I would love to see get a story. There is a lot at play so yes, I would love to read more in this world

Camden and Selene rocked this story big time. It was awesome and passionate and one hot read. I love what I read and hope there is more in this paranormal world to be written.

My rating: 5.0 stars \*\*\*\*\*

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### **Mazmum says**

Bear The Burden - Book 3 - 5 Witches and Shifters, how could you go wrong Stars

Book 3 and our final triplet and Rochelle has saved the best for last. Because if there is one thing I love when reading paranormal it's the introduction of witches, and here we have our boys finding out that a coven have offered to assist in tracing the dark witches that are helping hide and assist those that would still hurt Carrick and his family. There's just the huge issue that witches and shifter have a huge distrust of each other.

Selene is still waiting for her powers to come to the fore. Her mother is the head of the coven and assures Selene that she has a very important role to play in the future of their coven. You see there is this whole prophecy of a witch and a shifter relationship that binds the two in an unlikely alliance. There was so much I loved about this book, from the marks that appeared before they even set eyes on each other, to the arrival of her magic off the back of the jiggly jiggly and the fact that she was the saviour this time, not the men in the family.

At the end of it all, we are all left wanting the same thing and that's for everything to align to make it possible for Carrick to get his second chance at a mate - now we just need to make it happen \*coughs\* Rochelle \*coughs\*

All of the books in the series are quick, short, hot reads. Expect lots of steamy scenes (all of the boys tend to enjoy playing downstairs for a long time before getting to the hot, growly action) and a suspense tale woven through this and the end of the previous series which comes to its resolution. I found the sex scenes felt a little repetitive but I think that's because I plowed through one book to the next without coming up for air.

Overall, The McMahon brothers are well worth a visit if you have a couple of hours to spare and want a fairly lighthearted romp to pass them with.

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### **JadeSarah. says**

One step closer to eliminating the threat. This time the McMahon's have to work with the witches. While trying to get to the end of the threat, the witches and shifters need to learn to trust each other. In the meantime, Camden, the only brother not mated, finds his mate.

**"I couldn't imagine the day when any McMahon would put their faith in a witch - including me."**

Hehe. Silly Camden.

Goddamn it! These McMahon brothers are swoony, sexy motherfuckers. Seriously!! I thought Braden was my fave but now I'm not so sure! Gah! Camden the ultimate growly alpha Bear. Ugh this is why I love PNR and shifter books specifically. Once he came face to face with his mate there were no fucking questions

asked. I think out of all the first face to face meetings between the mates' this is my fave!!

**"If there's one thing my dad taught me growing up, it's that nothing worth having is easy. And you're worth everything."**

I loved Selene so damn much. She was so brave and she was as protective as the men. She accepted Camden as hers as soon as she knew and vowed to protect him and his family if she could and that she did. Her dynamic was different because she's a witch. And I loved that!

**"I knew I'd willingly sacrifice my own life for his, if it came down to making a choice between Camden and me."**

This was the conclusion to the threat that had been on the McMahon family from book one. It was done so good. I'm not sure if there's going to be more from this series or these characters. I certainly hope so! Rochelle's shifter books are my absolute fave. Insta love is to be expected with shifter books and is one of the reasons why I love them but there are only certain authors that can pull off that kind of insta love and along with Aurora Rose Reynolds, Rochelle is one of my fave 'insta love' authors. These characters are so easy to fall in love with and I don't want to say goodbye to them!

**"Is your fascination with my ass a shifter thing I need to know about?"**

**"No, it's more of an I want to claim every part of my sexy mate kind of a thing."**

**"Alrighty then."**

I hope Carrick gets his HEA and I wonder who he'd get mated with!!

I have my hopes for who it is but there's a possibility I'm waaaay off lol!!!

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