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After rogue archeologist Mariah Hunter dumps a cache of ancient Mayan coins in the Mexican jungle, she ends up with a bounty on her head and needs a quick cash infusion to cover the debt. So when she hears that a priceless stone is up for grabs in a remote region of Germany, she scrambles to reach it before her rivals.

Nearly three hundred years ago, in a futile attempt to rescue his family from a mercenary horde, Rafe Forsyth springs an evil trap that keeps him captive within a hidden stone. Alone with his grief and rage for centuries, he is unprepared for the rush of attraction he feels for the beautiful adventurer who liberates his body...but can she save his soul?

Together, Rafe and Mariah race against time to recover the stolen coins and discover the means to free Rafe from the curse's evil magic. Because until the curse is broken, the Gypsy's kiss is the truest danger of all...

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Rhonda says

The third installment of Julie Leto's Phantom series, Kiss of the Phantom, is my favorite. All of her books contain a female lead that is very strong and self-sufficient, but has vulnerability as well. I found that I connected with the Mariah Hunter character the best of all the leads thus far in the series.

Mariah is a self-proclaimed thief, a paid treasure hunter, in the adventurous style of Indiana Jones. Whether it's by flying her own plane or helicopter, trekking through the densest jungles with her machete, or a combination thereof, she travels the world taking valuable artifacts from various entities, giving them to others who pay her well for this service. Kiss of the Phantom begins with the loss of some Aztec coins she acquired for a not so nice client, as well as Mariah chasing after an artifact simply because her old partner and ex-boyfriend Ben was after it. Mariah quickly finds out that the artifact is not a simple one. It has magic attached to it, in the vein of a "phantom" named Rafe, who was trapped in an artifact a couple hundred years ago like his brothers in the previous books of the series. Adventure and danger ensue, as Rafe learns about his new world, they try to get the coins back, and Mariah learns how to let a man in to her heart after all.

I really enjoyed this book the best out of the Phantom series. There was nonstop action and a lot going on, but I never got lost or confused. Ms. Leto's wonderful writing kept me entertained as well as completely engrossed. I can't wait until the next installment!

Harriet Schultz says

As a fan of time travel and romance I enjoyed all three Phantom books. My one disappointment was Leto's inability or lack of desire to reunite the brothers who returned to life after being spelled into suspended animation 200 years earlier. A reunion would have brought the series full circle. As written, something is missing.

Brenda Cody says

I read the entire 3 book series and felt it was just OK. The story left so many open issues at the end. I had the feeling that the author rushed through the end. I never really connected with any of the characters to tell you the truth. It wasn't awful, it just wasn't gripping for some reason.

Jenny says

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Really good paranormal, romantic suspense. It has time travel, humor, romance and magic. Rafe and Mariah are interesting main characters.

AH says

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Jenna says

Kiss of the Phantom is an interesting book in the series by Julie Leto. It interesting the mix of mystery, magic and romance. I found the premise of the book to be really good.

Dana says

I read through the Prologue and maybe the first one and a half chapters and couldn't justify wasting my time in continuing.

Julie Ramsey says

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Mariah Hunter is in hot water. After a failed job where she had retrieved some Mayan coins and then lost them in the jungle when she went back to collect them, her client is not happy. Soon there is a bounty on her head. So when she learns that there is a priceless stone in Germany up for grabs if she can get there before her rivals, she could pay off the client and maybe save herself. For nearly 300 years Rafe Forsythe has found himself captive in a stone. He was unable to save his family from the same evil that has trapped him. Rage and grief have been his only companion for all this time until he is suddenly awoken by this beautiful adventurer who is carrying his stone. He cannot believe the rush of attraction that he feels for her and hopes that she is the one to save his soul and liberate his body.

Review: This was a sexy paranormal story that had a lot of action. The author does a great job of pulling you into the emotions of the characters. The story between Mariah and Rafe was sweet at times and sexy at others. The adventures were action packed and kept me wondering what was around the corner for these two. And even though this is book three of a series, I had no problem following the story. I did however want to read the other books :) I can easily recommend this book.

Theresa F

5 of 5 stars

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Angela says

Just love this phantom series. I can't wait till there is a new one.

Lindsay says

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Nancy Garcelon says**Wonderful Story!!!!**

I really like all the books in this series. This is the third book. I can't wait for more to come out. I love Time-Travel stories, and these books are sort of like that. I really enjoy the family love that is shown. "Waking up" after 260 and then start looking for your family. All the things that happen along the way to finding your family, like falling in love, and hiding/running from bad guys.

Cherise says

Mariah Hunter is a thief and an adventurer, but she gets more than she bargains for when she steals a fire opal out from under her old partner and lover's nose. Ben tries to warn her, but she flees the scene and soon finds herself being hunted by one man and travelling with another who popped into her hotel room out of thin air.

It has been years since I read the first two books in the Phantom series so when I originally started this book I had to stop and go back and reread the first two to refresh my memory. I am glad I did because it gave me a chance to rekindle my attachment to a lot of the characters.

This third book is definitely my favorite. I love Mariah's spirit and her tough outer shell. I loved reading about her and Rafe and watching him page by page melt her icy heart. The heat between the two is incredible and their lead up to happily ever after realistic and exciting. They both have a past with baggage that adds to paths they select when dealing with each other, emotionally, it gave the story depth and added a layer of believability to their relationship.

I really enjoy the magic and the glimpses of the old Romani Village, Valoren, that Rafe and his family come from. If you haven't read the first two books in this series, I strongly suggest you do so. They are all connected and characters appear and reappear in each book. Had I not read them I really feel like I would have felt a little lost or at least like I was missing out while reading this one.

Some things were left up in the air at the end of this book, and I find myself wishing I had a book four in my hands. I don't feel like I have all the closure I need to have with some of the other characters like Ben and

Cat, Gemma and Paxton and finally Rogan and Sarina. I would love for another book in this series, and the sooner the better - tomorrow would be great!

Cherise Everhard, December 2012

This book was given to me by the author in exchange for an honest review.

Linda says

Book 3 of the Phantom series is just as good as the first two books in the series. You meet Mariah Hunter and Rafe Forsyth. It starts off with Mariah in Germany where she has found Valoran. You go from there to Texas then to the jungles of Mexico where you visit the magic of the Mayan people then you go to an island off the coast of Florida. It is a really good stand alone book but it's a great book when you've read the first two in the series. There's magic, excitement and romance. This is one of the books where you get everything that you desire in a book. You won't regret reading it!

Gail says

I liked this installment of the series much better than the second and possibly more than the first. It gets a bit repetitive and explicit, as is fairly standard for the genre, but I still enjoyed it more than the average romance novel. No great shakes, but I liked it anyway!

Angie ~aka Reading Machine~ says

Mariah Hunter is a treasure hunter and ex-lover to Dr. Ben Rousseau. Mariah is willing to double cross Ben to get what she wants. Ben warns Mariah that she'll get into more trouble than she bargained for. Mariah chooses to ignore Ben's advice. Mariah needs to retrieve the Mayan coins to a collector before he ruins her reputation as treasure hunter. Rafe Forsyth only wanted to protect his sister from Rogan. Yet he and his brothers were trapped by black magic into objects like a mirror, sword, painting, and now a stone. Mariah is startle by Rafe's appearance before her yet can't understand how it works. Mariah isn't the only one after the stone. Gemma Von Roan and Paschal Rousseau are searching thru K'ver archives looking for clues to the next object that holds Forsyth brother. Paschal finally reveals to Gemma who he really is but Gemma doesn't seem to believe him. Meanwhile Ben and Cat seem to finally admit their fears, hopes, and dreams for one another. Mariah gets into hot water needing to be rescued. Will Mariah believe Rafe? Can Rafe accept himself? Will Gemma believe in what Paschal says? Your answers await you in Kiss of the Phantom.

I sure do hope this series of books continues because I have to know if the remaining brothers get rescued too. The book is a page turner from beginning to end for me. I kept telling myself just one more page and one more chapter. I'm a fan of this author's works. For me, what made the story so relatable was the characters. I could make many paragraphs just about the characters. Honestly, the characters really struggled with themselves and those around them. I love stories like this because they create an element of the unknown which makes me hungry for more. I will definitely read what this author puts out.

