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I loved him—that was my torment. And I was losing him all over again. Walls crumbled all around me. An undeniable force pulled at my core. I tried to fight it, I tried to deny it the power, but I was weak. I felt pain in my side, and I knew that this dark force was winning. My veins started to burn, and I screamed, but it didn't stop. Thrilling and seductive, PINELIGHT is a bittersweet love story submerged in a dark and beautiful world.

PineLight Details

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Tj says

Great read! Begins to cast its spell from the beginning! Clara is rebuilding a new life in a small town after a tragic circumstance has left her without parents and little memory of her past. Her attraction to Eric (shockingly handsome, but rather dark) will suddenly catapult her into a quest to save not only her beloved aunt, but her own self as well. At this point, you won't be able to stop reading as you will soon meet a mysterious traitor and learn there is much more to Clara's past! Be prepared for a fantastic adventure as this quest leads Clara to Ireland where she finds herself unwittingly drawn into a world of danger---powerful, mesmerizing characters, beautiful and alluring places, and numerous dangerous exploits. Ending will leave you anxiously waiting for the next book in the series! Jillian Peery

Branwen Sedai *of the White Ajah* says

As soon as I started this book I was hooked! The author surrounds the main character and the surroundings with such intriguing mystery that you can't help wanting to read it all in one sitting. I really enjoyed the character interaction also, especially between Clara and Finn. Overall, this was a very good book and I am looking forward to reading the next installments!

Janeth says

All I have to say is wow!

Laura Daugherty says

I have fallen in love. This book has a twilight feel to it, but it offers so much more in story. It's funny because as I read it, I could see it being turned into a film. I hope it does! The story is about a seventeen-year-old girl named Clara and her journey to find the truth about who she really is. Along her journey into a lost world, she meets a dark and handsome boy whom she is strangely drawn to and another who she feels a deep connection with. There is a wonderful tension throughout the entire story, building all the way to the end! What will become of Clara? Who will she choose?

I'm afraid that this review does not do the book justice at all. Just believe me when I say that this book is awesome....

Donna {Book Passion for Life} says

I'll be honest; I've been struggling to write this review for a few weeks now. I struggled with this book and although I can see how much hard work and love has gone into the story, it pains me to say that....it just

wasn't for me.

PineLight start with Clara, a young girl who lives with her aunt after losing her parents. Clara doesn't remember anything about her past but she knows that the people around her, who loves her, are protecting her from something. Her best friend Erik has hurt her by stealing pages of her journal but when Clara's aunt is kidnapped, she is thrown into a dangerous world where she must go on the run and try and find out her destiny.

If you've read the blurb you will know how intriguing this book sounds and although this is what attracted me to the book in first place, after reading it....I just don't get it. I did find the first few chapters very intriguing but I quickly got confused. I was confused because there's a lot of weird things happening to our main character from page one. And because I never actually knew what's going on, I constantly felt like I was missing something. I had to back track and re-read pages just to make sure I hadn't missed anything. I didn't understand the Biblical references and how it combines with the mythology and I also felt there was too much jumping about in the story. There were so many different characters from vampires, to pirates to little girls and even mysterious boys....it was just too much and everything happened far too quickly for my liking.

The characters I felt we're lacking. With Clara being our main character I felt she wasn't developed that well, she's quite naïve and never really questions what's going on around her. Although I tried to like her and I did feel for her for the situation she was in, I couldn't connect to her and that's what I need from a main character.

Now I know this is only book one in the PineLight series and yes, I do believe the series will get better as it goes on but I need something to capture my interest, I almost felt I was reading a mystery book and mystery isn't really my thing. But, even now when I look at all the other reviews on Goodreads....other people liked it, so that doesn't mean you wouldn't if you tried it. I do believe that many of you will like this story, so try it and make up your own minds.

Patrick Gates says

What a great book!! I started this book yesterday and finished just a few short hrs ago. I could not put it down. I do not want to give anything away but the end had me in awe. The adventure really begins when Clara meets Maytide. After that good luck making time to sleep. I loved it and I hope there is a second book. Does anyone know if there will be? Check it out if you like Twilight/Chronicals of Narnia/Harry Potter.

Tiffany Langdon says

Awesome book! Almost done with it. Quick read, fast-paced and exciting! A real page turner!!

Jillian Peery says

Well, I am biased here...but...

I really enjoyed writing PineLight. I fell in love with each character from the get-go and I can't tell you how

much fun I had writing their story. I'm excited that I'm finally sharing this hauntingly beautiful world with readers. That's all I'm going to say for now--no spoilers! Lips silled x

Much love to those who have supported me through this entire adventure. You are the heroes of the world.

? Leah. says

YOU'RE FROM A WHOLE OTHER WORLD, A DIFFERENT DIMENSION, YOU OPEN MY EYES
AND I'M R EADY TO GO, LEAD ME INTO THE LIIIGHHHTT~

Wanna bet it's the Young Adult version of Katy Perry's ET?

Gurl, it ain't creative if you're jacking ideas from songs and the girl on the cover of your book looks like she would be suffering from back pain in the future but is being abducted by aliens.

Palmer Jones says

My best friend recommended this to me and thought I would give it a try since it was only .99 on kindle. It has been such a good find! I read through it so fast do to my crush on Edmund (he's kind of a bad boy) What I really found interesting was the take on Vampires. The author makes them out to be more like Fallen Angels. It just really did it for me. The author is new, I think, but I expect to see more from her. I believe there is going to be two morebooks in the series and I'm waiting for those to come out!

Holly Peyton says

This book is amazing! It's a cross between The Shack and Twilight but a new twist.
I read this book in 3 days and couldn't put it down! I can't wait for the next one to come out!
Its very descriptive and imaginative, well written and very thought through! Great job Jillian!!!!

Clint Peery says

Well I know my wife is the Author of this book but I must say that this is the first novel I have read front to back(Twice). I begged her to let me read it months ago but she would not allow me to read her unfinished product. The day came for me to sit down and read PineLight and I immediately new this was her calling! God has blessed her with a gift and I am so proud of her. We are excited about what this book is and what we believe it can become.

Now for my review of the book. IT WAS AWESOME!! Clara is a quiet High School student who really doesn't know anything about her past or who she really is. The book opens immediately with an altercation and builds from there. I will have to tell you though when I got to chapter 6 and met Maytide I did not want to stop reading. There were times in this book I got chills. The characters are so unique and I almost found

myself liking the villian (once you read it you will know what I mean). When everything comes together later in the book I remember looking at Jillian and going wooooooooooooow!! Anyway, I really hope you check this book out, you wont be disappointed.

Jessica Thomas says

omg omg omg! I had to take *Pinelight* with me to work tonight bc I couldn't put it down! I don't know where to start in this review...

First off, Clara is so easy to relate to...I really felt like I was living in her shoes and finding out pieces about my forgotten past along with her! The beginning was really interesting bc it was set in Red River Parish Louisiana, but I have to say that the book turned into a nonstop page flipper at Chapter 6. That is when I was hooked! Clara meets a Traituese (which is like an old Cajun healer) and then all of these crazy fantastic things start to happen. She ends up journeying to a dark world where she finds beauty and love in the most unexpected place!

IF you liked books like *Twilight*, *Beautiful Creatures*, *Hush, hush* and *Tigers Curse*, then you will love *Pinelight*!

Dark fallen Angels, mysterious vampires, a lost world...you just can't go wrong here!

This quickly shot to my favorites list!

Dani says

Two years ago, Clarabella moved to Red River Parish with her aunt after a tragic accident stole both her parents and her memories. She befriends a neighbor boy named Erik, a boy she finds unnaturally mesmerizing. A guy who – as she heart-breakingly discovers as the book opens – has blatantly violated their friendship and who now gives off a threatening vibe. Hurt and betrayed by his strange behavior and haunted by terrifying nightmares, she begins to unravel the mystery behind her memory loss. As her true identity slowly comes into focus, Clara is swept up into a fantastic adventure in a strange world where the battle between good and evil rages. And Clara has become a key player in the struggle. Forces will battle for her soul as two men wrestle for her heart. Whom will Clara choose?

Grand in scale and described in brilliant detail, the world of *Pinelight* is simultaneously unsettling and lovely. Evoking a fairytale feel while imaginatively weaving in religious and mythological elements, Peery creates an intriguing backdrop against which she tells her story. The physical rendering of the world is wonderfully described: from the haunting loveliness of the Louisiana bayou, to creaky sailing vessels, to magnificent castles, to surreal dreamscapes. I had no problem visualizing Clara's surroundings, which remind me of a cross between *Wonderland* and *Narnia*.

However, despite the detailed descriptions, the explanation of the world wasn't as clear as I would prefer.

This might be a deliberate move on the part of Peery, as this is only the first book – the introduction – to her *Pinelight* series. She may be planning to reveal further fundamental details in subsequent books. But I felt like a few key points were not clarified well enough for my understanding of this story, and made things a little confusing at times.

I don't want to reveal too much of the plot beyond what I've already shared in the summary, because the fun and excitement of *Pinelight* is in the twists and turns. Suffice it to say that the story was very fast-paced and always moved ahead with purpose. The mystery behind Clara's forgotten past was well done and built at a nice suspenseful rate. I wish, however, that the revelation of the mystery had been a little more gradual, but nevertheless, it was enjoyable. I also loved the romance in this book. Again, I'll be as vague as possible, but the way the romance played into the story, it could have seemed rushed and a little inst-a-romance-ish, but I thought it felt genuine, sweet and very well-developed.

Overall, Jillian Peery's *Pinelight* was a compelling, mysterious debut with an interesting mythology set in a hauntingly beautiful world. I can't wait to read the next installment in Clara's story.

Michael Bradford says

not to sound gay or anything, but i really liked this book. It is a love story, but there are vampires and pirates and a lost world...a lot of action...definitely buying the paperback.
