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Surviving a narrow brush with death convinced Katelyn Kestrel that she must never return to the war-torn Outside World. Safe again within the sanctuary of Haven Valley, she has forced herself to forget Rune Thayer, the young Dragoon soldier who had sacrificed everything to save her.

Katelyn's struggle to adapt to a peaceful life is undone when she is assaulted by a classmate, triggering her powers with devastating consequences. The authorities learn of her rare Abilities, and a web of troubling mysteries unravels around her. She finds that an unfortunate twist of fate has delivered Haven prisoners to the Prince of Shadows, and he will stop at nothing to discover the valley's secret location. Katelyn must find and rescue the captives or witness the destruction of everything she has ever loved.

## **Paperglass Details**

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## Caroline says

*I received a copy of this book from NetGalley in exchange for an honest review.*

*Paperglass* is the sequel to *Haven* and picks up a year after the events in the first book. If you haven't read *Haven* yet – What are you waiting for? The book is amazing!

Anyway, in *Paperglass* we find our heroine, Katelyn, graduating from high school, ready to set off in the world. After leaving her peaceful haven in *Haven* (see what I did there? Sorry...) Katelyn vowed never again to leave *Haven* for the war-torn outside world. Then, everything changes. A man commits an act that puts many lives in jeopardy, including Kaelyn and her friends. Soon she finds that *Haven*'s government is hiding things from its citizens and Katelyn is tasked with using her talent of finding anything to lead a rescue team to the outside world to rescue a group of Havenites who have left their protective country and ventured into what was unknown to them, but a world Katelyn knows all too well – she bares the scares.

Unwilling to bring more people to the outside world and risk their lives, she sneaks off to rescue the team, led by an individual going by code name Paperglass. Once back on the outside, Katelyn finds herself in an alliance she doesn't quite trust, and three other surprises are waiting for her.

*Paperglass* reunites us with characters we knew and loved... and hated from *Haven*, as well as introducing us to new characters and more of the outside world's war and politics. There are twists and turns, just when I think Katelyn is home free, safety is torn from her. Everything is so well thought out and put together, it just flows from one scene to another. The only reason it took me 11 days to finish this book was because I had to read another book for my job.

If you loved *Haven*, *Paperglass* will surely keep your attention and leave you desperate to find out what happens next, in book three of the War of the Princes series, *Monarch*.

*NOTE: Paperglass was previously released under the title Dragoon.*

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## Lenore Kosinski says

4.5 stars -- great followup to the first book. Again, lots of great action, an intriguing and unique built world, hilarious banter between characters, a flawed protagonist that has been thrust into the craziness again....oh yeah, and Rune. \*sigh\*

Hmmmm, how am I going to do this review without giving anything away? Impossible. Maybe I will just say that I enjoyed this one equally as well as the first, but there are still a few tiny things that bothered me on occasion (but obviously not enough for me to round down).

1) Katelyn could get a little caught up in her maudlin self-defeatist attitude...luckily that was usually

countered with a friend calling her on it. And really, she does have a lot on her shoulders, though she really could learn to lean on her friends and allies more.

2) Sometimes the details about the world became overwhelming, and since I'm actually the type of reader who needs a lot of realistic touchstones to enjoy a story, it became taxing on my imagination....it's really a personal preference thing. (ie I enjoy paranormal, but usually not all out fantasy)

3) Huh, I thought I had a 3rd, but now I can't think of it.

I really do enjoy that these books don't have cliffhanger endings...they set up for the next book, but you can still feel you got a bit of a conclusion in there. That being said, I am \*not\* looking forward to Monarch based on the synopsis...NO KATELYN NO!!!

In summary: Prepare for intensity, prepare for heartbreak, prepare for horrifying images, prepare for snark....good stuff.

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## **Melissa says**

Now, let me start this review off by saying that I've never written a book review before in my life... That should first of all tell you how much I love this book and want everyone to read it! (And also, maybe, the more reviews, the faster the next book will come out.....\*hopeful look\*)

Haven was a wonderful book! I read it last year and absolutely loved it, so I was excited when I found out there was a sequel in the works! (I actually emailed the author and begged for one \*cough\*) I signed up POST HASTE for the mailing list so I knew when the next book was coming and started my countdown! I wasn't disappointed! Dragoon picks up a year after the end of Haven and while we're given bits and pieces of what Kat's life has been like, it's obvious she's not happy. The beginning can be a bit confusing, since you pick up right after something has happened, but it works itself out and soon the adventure begins!

I was glad to see some of the old characters back in this book (Dylan, Ruby, RUNE \*swoon\*... heh, that rhymes...) and the adventures they go on are certainly exciting! I don't want to say too much and give anything away, but I will say that you get to see more of the Outside world and learn more about the Princes and the war they are fighting.

And, of course, the reunion between Kat and Rune the Dragoon. \*double swoon\*

Honestly, this is a can't-put-down book, and you won't be sorry AT ALL that you bought it! I work two jobs and stayed up until the wee hours of the morning until my eyes burned and watered and then woke up early before work to read, snuck in passages at my break time and in general was lost in thought thinking about Dragoon when I had to do anything other than read. It's that good!!! :D

I hope the next book comes out soon..... I want to see what Prince Varion is like, what's going to happen to Breakwater and Haven, and what the heck is going on with the Monarch.

Long story short, READ THIS BOOK!

PS: Don't buy any tarts from Rocco Thatcher; he's nothing but a swindler. :)

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## **Emma says**

I received a free copy of this book via netgalley in exchange for an honest review.

I loved this second installment as much as I loved the first. I was very glad to be back in this exciting and unique world. Katelyn is a great main character, she loves her friends and is only looking out for them, sometimes it ends badly but she has only good in her heart. It was nice to see Haven again although it was only at the beginning, but that's where her story started so it was nice for the second book to start in the same place.

I loved that I was not expecting half of what happened, yet it all made perfect sense. We got to know some minor characters (from the first book) better, and some old friends and foes, were back. The story moved swiftly yet goings on were explained perfectly and I felt like I was standing right beside them.

Now I don't want to give too much away, but I am very glad s certain character was back and just as great as ever although their interactions were few and far between, it was good to know they really are a good person, although every reader new it from the first book, it is good to have proof. Another returning character I was a little disappointed to be back, but it worked and was a little strange that their personality was completely different from the first book but after what they had gone through, I would have been bitter too.

I understand the title of the next book, I have a small hint as to what is going to happen next but no idea as to the main plot, looking forward to reading it.

4 out of 5 stars

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## **Little Paper Rose Reviews says**

It is books like 'Haven' and 'Dragoon' that inspire me and makes me ridiculously excited about reading, about the art of imagination and storytelling.

Ivanovich is an excellent writer. Truly gifted. I just love her writing style, how everything just flows. When you're reading you'll experience that the story is writing itself, and it does so flawlessly.

(Feel free to read my review of the first installment, Haven.)

Again, I loved Katelyn, our protagonist. Her narrating voice is so solid, and good gravity, is she sensible, smart, and selfless. I admire her and her ability to make strong, fearless decisions. Never the damsel-in-distress and never a weakling, yet so easy to relate to emotionally. I also very much appreciated her witty nature. At the end of the day, she was an eighteen-year-old girl who'd managed to do what few could.

It was so interesting that Ivanovich decided to include Katelyn's friends from Haven in the Outside World, and it had me wondering if the story would go down a doomed route because of it. Would Katelyn's epic journey be weighted down by constantly having to look out for her friends and rescue them? Would they put her in unnecessary danger and risks due to their lack of knowledge? The answer is no.

Surprisingly enough, it worked very well. It made Katelyn more vulnerable and it lent her more strength.

There was always a possibility she wouldn't make it back home, to Haven, but with people she cared about with her, she had to. And they were willing to fight by her side.

Things didn't turn out the way I'd expected with Dylan; though, despite my hopes(?) it was realistic for Katelyn and Dylan to have a rough, conflicting relationship. Ivanovich let Dylan stay true to his nature but in an enjoyable way. I liked not liking him.

As I mentioned in my Haven-review, romance isn't what you think of when you're reading these books. However, the story is driven by the heart.

Fake identities, flying ships, explosions, immense danger, and an impossible quest aside - Katelyn's heart always wondered about the one person, the one dragoon. Rune. And it drove the story to be more relatable and hopeful.

There wasn't much romance, but it was just enough to be a small step towards something greater. Rune is unlike any other love interest that I've read about. He is unwillingly stoic. There is so much to understand about him. Dragoons are not seen as people and they aren't worthy or allowed to feel, to care, and to love. I look forward to experiencing more of Rune's character development.

'Dragoon' is a highly enjoyable read without a dull moment! I'll be waiting for the third installment.

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## **Makenzy says**

Oh. My. Word. There are so many things I want to say, but half of those would be spoilers that I'm sure most people would not like to know until they have read this amazing sequel. So I will start with this: The War of the Princes has quickly gone to the top of my favorites list. I loved Haven, and Dragoon lived up to everything I expected from it after reading the first book. I really wanted Dragoon to be good, and it went far past everything I hoped it would be! In Haven there were a few small mistakes that Dragoon didn't have, which made me give it the 5th star I didn't give Haven. Dragoon also had more depth and brought out so many emotions I wasn't expecting to feel. I started it this morning, and could not put it down until I finished it. I was constantly being surprised. Every time I got comfortable, my mind was thrown into chaos by the twists that I never expected. I finally learned to just keep sitting on the edge of my seat.

Katelyn has become one of my favorite characters I have read about. Honestly, I feel like I am reading about myself. I could feel her sadness, anger, happiness, and pain. I admire her because of how real she is. Katelyn isn't this big strong intimidating girl that no one could ever compare themselves to. She is terrified most of the time, which is what I think any person would be in her situation, and she overcomes it. She swallows her fear, and uses it to give her the strength to get done what needs to be done. Don't get me wrong, she has many flaws, but she recognizes them and attempts to change them to help herself become a better person. Katelyn Kestrel never gives up on trying to do the right thing. And her sense of humor is wonderful.

There were a couple times I would start to be disappointed, thinking a problem had been dropped or a character forgotten, but time after time my doubts were thrown back in my face and made me ashamed of having ever stopped believing in A.R. Ivanovich, which I will never do again. I want the third book so badly, and I know it will drive me crazy not knowing what is going to happen! Until I am able to have it, I will just keep working on my fan art and re-reading the first two books that have become two of my favorites.

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## **Maria says**

### **Update 1.0**

I'm so excited to read this book. It's only been a day but I already misses Rune.

### **Review**

What I like about this book is that it depicts two type of worlds: Utopia and Dystopia. Katelyn lives in a better world while Rune is still fighting in a war in their world as a Dragoon. The pacing of this book is quite fast but I'm not sure if I like it or not.

On Katelyn's second return on the Outside World, she now have a mission and that is to rescue her mother and her team who went outside 6 months ago for a Historical Research. Her mother's team doesn't have a clue about the current war in the Outside World and their importance in it. Therefore, only Katelyn can help the team to go back to Haven safe and sound. Unknown to Katelyn, her friends Ruby, Sterling and Kyle followed her Outside World. Thus, their group is set in an adventure to rescue the other historical research team who are in prison inside the Prince's castle.

### **My thoughts**

I want to say that I like the second book but actually it didn't reached my expectation. But that doesn't mean I don't love it anymore.

A lot of things happened after Katelyn left the Outside World. Katelyn' and Rune's world are very interesting and I love to explore more about it, but the second book didn't give anything that will excite me. However, I was so excited to see that Ruby and Kyle are now part of the Outside World. I hope on the third book, we will get more idea of the Outside World and the secret/conspiracy of Haven.

Katelyn as a character is still okay but on this book, she's a bit boring. Dylan is also back but not as much as a bad guy. And of course, Rune is still awesome especially now that he has another reason to live. (view spoiler) There are new characters in this book too. They were not explored much yet but I hope they will be included in the next book.

The romance is as minimal as it can be. It makes me hungry for more, so that's why I'm so excited to read more. I love the way the author depicts the love of our star crossed lovers. On the first book, it's already obvious that they want to stay together but because of Katelyn's circumstances, she can't stay nor he can live with her. So they have to be separated... more or less, forever. They have to sacrifice for their own people.

There are more things to improve and I hope the author has more things for us in the future. The story has lots of potential and hopefully not to be wasted. I crave for more Haven and Outside World. I want more information of the Princes and how the war started. Why did the Haven people cut their ties in the Outside World hundred years ago? What are the Lurchers and who created them? Who is sending them papers and researchers in the Still Well from the Outside World? Lots of question in my mind that would hopefully be answered in the next book.

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## **Pamela says**

This series just gets better and better. I tore through book two in a single day. This went from being a story

that I was casually enjoying to one that I am emotionally invested in. I love the premise that each person has a specific gift or ability that is required to keep the "machine" of life moving... yet she also includes characters that have no special abilities that make a serious mark on the world. I think what tipped the scales for me was watching the illusion that Haven is some sort of utopia crumble away. Margrave Hest was a fascinating character. I thought her lingering need for a connection to someone or something was well done and, evil as she was, I actually felt sorrow for her at the end. The development of the characters of Brendon and Dylan Axton I also thought was very well done. Anxiously awaiting the next installment!

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## **Jackie says**

I received a copy of this book from NetGalley in exchange for an honest review.

It was as amazing as the first one. I was sucked into Katelyn's eyes and I truly felt her fears, sorrows, and contentment. It was incredible. Since I knew the social hierarchy of the Western Kingdom already, it was a bit of an easier read. I thoroughly enjoyed this book.

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## **Julie says**

### **The journey continues**

Going straight into this book from the first one I was already captivated by the story. The author did a great job picking up the story right where the first book ended. And the characters just get better! Needless to say I am hooked without a doubt and flew through this book and can't wait to start the next book. So that's what I'm going to do right now! On to the third book I go!

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## **Amanda says**

A double review of this and the next novel originally posted on [a cup of tea and an armful of books]

At the close of *Haven*, Katelyn has resigned herself to her secret. Although she shared it with her closest friends, if it gets out that she visited the outside world, repercussions will not only affect her. Life, however, seems a little dull since she's been back, and Katelyn is trying to decide what to do with her future when the Pull is pulling her toward the outside world and the boy she left behind. Things change when a half crazed member of their community destroys the radio tower, and everything that Katelyn thought she had escaped from may be coming right to the doorstep of Haven and her loved ones. Her mission takes her back to the outside world, and only she knows how bad it would be if she doesn't find the lost explorers before they tell the Prince how to get to Haven.

*Paperglass* thrusts us deeper into the outside world. I was very happy to read more about how their military and ability system worked. We got to see a little more depth to why the Margraves and Dragoons are so dreadful, instead of being told. The world started to get fleshed out the further they traveled from the wall, so I was able to see how Katelyn reacted to life among the outsiders, which was something I had wished happened in *Haven*. Again, the pacing in *Paperglass* is a bit faster than I wanted it to be. It worked a little better this time around because there were multiple conflicts in the novel, rather than only being a novel about returning to Haven and to safety.



A complaint I do have is that there aren't many named side characters. *Paperglass*, like *Haven*, is driven by the core main characters, with side characters making a brief appearance to say something and then sit on the sidelines until they were necessary again or dying on the page. As a consequence, they felt very much like tools to drive the plot forward, rather than actual characters. They could have been a little more vibrant. Another consequence of that is that *Paperglass* becomes a romance novel with fantasy thrown in. The focus seemed a bit heavier on Rune and Katelyn's relationship this time around, and less on the conflict and mission that the characters are on.

I was interested, however, in the inclusion of Dylan. It wasn't clear if he had survived at the end of the last novel or not, so I was surprised to see him alive and moderately well when *Paperglass* started. I do like when you can't always tell what antagonistic characters are up to, and having Dylan in *Paperglass* was something that created tension and made Katelyn question the morality of her past and current decisions.

Although the characters do bother me a little, *Paperglass* is a book that I enjoyed because the world is rich enough to make up for the lack of characterization. It also helps that these novels are very short reads; they're engaging for the four hours or so that it takes to finish reading them, which is good if you want to read straight through them in an afternoon. *Paperglass* built upon the foundation started in *Haven*, so I enjoyed it a bit more.

4 stars.

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## Wendy says

This continues to be a good series, well-paced, and the characters are developing—especially Rune—he's come a long way from the dragoon he was in the first book. Very interesting developments as to the safety of Haven and of Breakwater. Katelyn learns about her mother, and she and her friends rescue Professor Block and learn some truths about Haven. Hmmm. I am so glad I have all of these to read at once!

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## Ria says

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The End, everything leads up to an exhilarating show down. The most epic bad gal gets just what she deserves. This installment has some very sad moments but come heck or high water Kat will see justice is served. Rune I'm happy to report is just as dreamy and honor bound as before. He too will risk everything in order to do the right thing. Dylan is well Dylan, sour and broken I hope he finds his way...I know there is more to this character I hope we get the chance to truly see him shine. Kat is brought face to silhouette with the prince of shadows and this leaves her stunned. The end of this installment was full of betrayal and bravery I cannot wait to see what happens next. There is so much I want to say about this book but in the spirit of keeping things spoiler free I will not.

5.0 Because what? Goooooodness. This is just too good seriously stop thinking about it and just do it! Read this series! You will NOT Regret it!!

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**MichellemyBelle says**

5 stars! Great story and character development. I love when characters are introduced and one by one we are kept in the dark as to whether they are good, bad or indifferent. They are simply presented to us allowing their true usefulness to the storyline to be unfolded slowly and carefully. Characters I thought I would hate in this book, I loved. Characters I thought would be insignificant and broody, I loved. It's a sign of a great storyteller to manipulate your feelings from one page to the next. I am immediately downloading book 3! What a dangerously captivating world A.R. Invanovich has created!

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**Lisa says**

Outstanding sequel! I loved every bit of this story. You have already seen the summary, so I'll just explain what I especially liked. The MC, Kat, is a practical, get on-with-it sort of girl, who makes the very best decisions she can under enormous pressure. The plot is so energetic and engaging, that there is just never a dull moment, but there is still character development happening along the way! The world of Breakwater and Chapel Hill are described well enough that the reader can relate to the action, but no unnecessary time is spent with descriptive passages. The contrast is again made between Haven and the outside world, with even more at stake now. Read this book after Haven or you'll be missing so much information that it won't be very engaging.

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