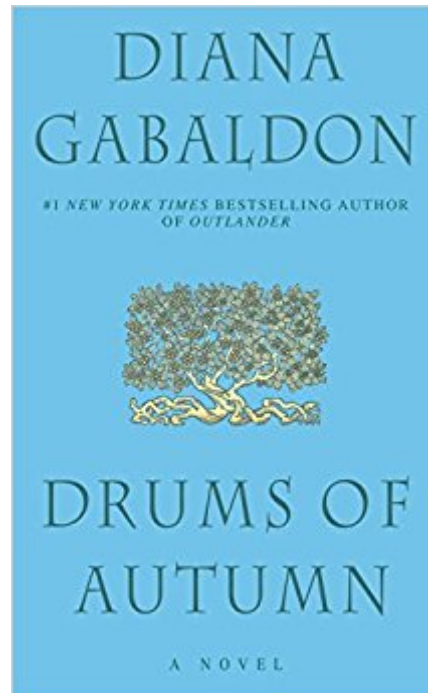




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Synopsis

The magnificent saga continues....It began in Scotland, at an ancient stone circle. There, a doorway, open to a select few, leads into the past—•or the grave. Claire Randall survived the extraordinary passage, not once but twice. Her first trip swept her into the arms of Jamie Fraser, an eighteenth-century Scot whose love for her became legend—•a tale of tragic passion that ended with her return to the present to bear his child. Her second journey, two decades later, brought them together again in frontier America. But Claire had left someone behind in the twentieth century. Their daughter, Brianna....Now Brianna has made a disturbing discovery that sends her to the stone circle and a terrifying leap into the unknown. In search of her mother and the father she has never met, she is risking her own future to try to change history...and to save their lives. But as Brianna plunges into an uncharted wilderness, a heartbreaking encounter may strand her forever in the past...or root her in the place she should be, where her heart and soul belong....

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Customer Reviews

Set in pre-Revolutionary War America, readers finally have the much awaited fourth book in what will probably become a six book series (The Outlander series). The talented Diana Gabaldon continues Claire and Jamie's romantic love affair, and introduces Brianna and Roger's story. Eight hundred pages, and several wonderful new characters later, we wonder why we were waiting for a conclusion. It'll be a long wait for book five, so I recommend you go back and reread Outlander, Dragonfly in Amber, and Voyager to keep yourself sane. --This text refers to the Paperback edition.

Gabaldon has few rivals in writing exciting and hefty historical romances. The fourth in a series of linked sagas (*Outlander*; *Dragonfly in Amber*; *Voyager*), her new epic has a delicious premise. Claire Randall, the post-WWII bride of historian Frank Randall, steps through a skew in the Scottish stone circle Craigh na Dun and lands in Revolutionary America and the arms of Highlander Jamie Fraser—putting a new spin on the notion of a two-timing woman. Bold and bawdy, but a believing Catholic, Claire struggles to live a rich and moral life—or, rather, rich and moral lives—under these extraordinary circumstances. Claire's adventures in 18th-century Charleston alternate with equally engaging chapters devoted to her 20th-century daughter, Brianna. Raised as Frank Randall's child, Bree discovers that Jamie Fraser is her real sire. She takes off on a harrowing, confrontational quest through time and space with her suitor, Roger Wakefield, in hot pursuit. Gabaldon's range is impressive, whether she's evoking the rawness of colonial America, the cozy clutter of a modern Scottish parsonage, the lusts of the body or the yearnings of the spirit. Her legion of fans will love diving into this ocean of romance. Major ad/promo; Literary Guild and Doubleday Book Club featured alternates; author tour. Copyright 1996 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to the Paperback edition.

I love this series. I love how it evolves. I love the introduction of the new characters. I love how well researched it is. It has become my favorite series that I have ever read. I tried to take a break in between the books but found myself wondering what had happened to the characters so I stopped midway through my distraction and resumed the series. I read books to be taken to another place and have my imagination sparked. This series does just that. I don't have any criticisms.

I have not had much of a chance to read this book yet, but I am a fan of *Outlander* (the series). This book will be way ahead of the game with regard to being in harmony with the series. I have read the book *Voyager* by Diana Gabaldon, which is a definite "spoiler" for what's coming up in the new season that is due to come out in September 2017. The series stays very close script-wise with the books, so I am happy that I can see what's in the future for Claire (Randall) Fraser and Jamie Fraser. If you love *Outlander*, you will love this book.

This is the sixth time in a lot of years I am reading this series. When I get tired of the same old historical romance novels I always come back to reading the *Outlander* series. I also have the Audible as I go to sleep at night and set it for one hour. I never get tired of Diana Gabaldon's books.

I am not a fan of the STARZ Tv Series. I'm not saying it is bad, just that I prefer the books. Much more in depth

Not only do I enjoy the story, I love the writing. Great descriptions of the environment, landscape, characters, their thoughts and feelings, many of which are relatable and very moving. I feel the "inside look" into thoughts and motivations are particularly good. The story can move slowly at times, but reading all the nuanced descriptions about the country and the characters is well worth slowing down for.

I loved the book but had a problem with the audio download. Toward the end of the book, it started jumping chapters. The first few words of the chapter would be spoken, then it would jump to the next chapter, and so on. I removed the book and audio from the device, shut it down, then restarted the device and downloaded the book again. When I tried to download the audio, it encountered a problem and stopped. It took three times before the audio downloaded completely. I sent an email to report the issue and THEY REMOVED THE BOOK FROM MY DEVICE WHILE I WAS READING IT. They told me they would reimburse me the \$4.99 for the book but never mentioned the additional \$4.99 for the audio upgrade. WORST CUSTOMER SERVICE EVER!!!!!!

I have enjoyed this series so much. I have read through the 7th book I believe. They have been hard to put down and now there is one more left that has been published. I have put off reading it, as I know it will be a long time before the next book is published. I have also watched the HBO series and enjoyed very much. I think Diana Gabaldon is a great author. She has done so much research and the writing seems so factual. I do a lot of reading and am amazed at the error's and often wonder if they have a proof reader. I don't find that in her works, or if so, it is extremely seldom. I look forward to reading more of her writing.

Not much to review of this book, just ongoing great reading of this fantastic series. I love the historic background and of course, the love story between Claire and Jamie continues. The writing hasn't changed from book one, easy reading that encompasses you to the point of wondering what time it is. I have recommended this book to everyone I know who reads.

There is no doubt the first two books in this series were interesting. They are not written in the strict style of a novel but for what they are, they are very entertaining. The third book wanders a bit but

stays in the mold which brings us to the drums Of Autumn. This book introduces several new major characters. However, have way through it starts to drag. It seems the Ms. Gabaldon is writing solely to write. I can't say that I regained interest in the story until almost the end. That said if you're in love with the story of Clare and Jamie this is a lot more of the same.

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