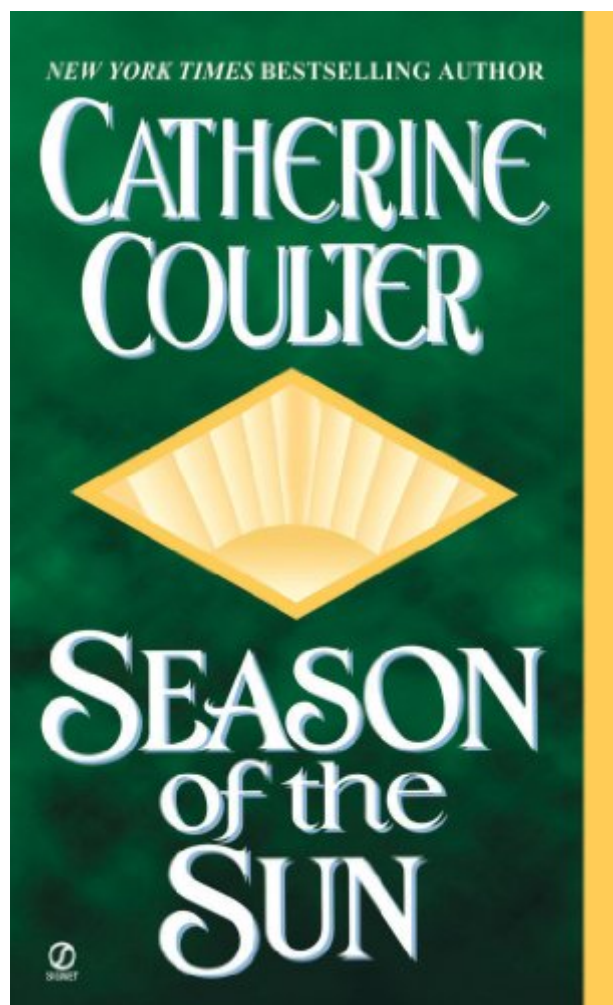


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Customer Reviews

Although I'm a big fan of Catherine Coulter, I was hesitant to buy this book because of some discouraging reviews I read, but as usual I was not disappointed. While I might not have liked everything that occurred in this story, it was very entertaining and a very fast read. There was ALWAYS something interesting happening and not once was I bored. I literally had to drag myself away from it at times to do my household chores. Upon seeing Zarabeth for the first time, Magnus decides he must have her. He wasn't looking to marry again but something pulls at him and tells him that she's the one. After a short time getting to know one another Zarabeth consents, but her stepfather thwarts their plans and she and Magnus are separated. She then marries her stepfather

and after being accused of his murder, is given by her King to Magnus as his personal slave. Because his heart and pride were injured, Magnus is not kind to Zarabeth. He humiliates her and doesn't believe her when she tries to explain why she denied him. Many of the sex scenes are not tender unions, but since she's a slave Zarabeth doesn't put up a fight. They are still basically forced however, and no doubt will be offensive to some. There are moments when you can sense Magnus's love, but then he would be cruel I'd want to smash his face. I loved Zarabeth who was the epitome of goodness, and her little sister Lotti was a sweetheart and a great addition to the story. You also meet all of Magnus's family, the best being his mother who was about the only person kind to Zarabeth. All the hell that she goes through, much at the hands of Magnus's crazy sister, is heart-wrenching and devastating. Overall though Zarabeth was kind, strong, proud, and just a wonderful heroine. I find the Viking era intriguing, but am not a huge fan of their romances. The men are too rough and violent for my taste, and this IS a violent story. I didn't love Magnus, although he does redeem himself toward the end and I wound up liking him a little. What I appreciate about Ms. Coulter is that she's always true to the time period in which she writes though. I'd recommend it if you plan on reading the series or are a lover of Viking romances, but its definitely not for everyone.

I enjoyed it, but it wasn't as good as the reviews made it sound like it would be.

I got the book . It is great...

It was a little slow getting started but I really got involved with Zarabeth and several places had me in tears. I read almost anything by Catherine Coulter. This was slightly different but I still loved it.

I was so deeply into this book. I thought how much must one woman suffer. Love at first sight goes wrong when Zarabeth's stepfather wants her for his bride. Once he dies horribly things get worse for Zarabeth when she is sold as a slave to the Viking she fell in love with but fiercely rejected on her stepfather orders. Things only get worse from here because Zarabeth cares not for herself but her quiet little sister. Ohhh so good. Must read.

Catherine Coulter never fails this is another good read from front to back!

A well-told Viking tale set in the Danelaw (Danish ruled territory of England) and Norway in the late 9th century. Like others of Coulter's, she doesn't hold back when it comes to the violence of the

times nor the cruelty inflicted on a worthy heroine by a bold alpha male who has his information wrong. I love that about her writing, but some who are looking for a softer story might not. If you can get past that (and I did), the story will hold your attention and I highly recommend it. Coulter's portrayal of loss and grief were, in my opinion, nothing short of brilliant. It tells the story of Magnus Haraldsson, a jarl from Norway and a merchant, who on a trip to York, spots the woman he wants for his wife, beautiful Irish Zarabeth (I pictured a young Maureen O'Hara). He introduces himself to her, telling her she will wed him. He's direct about his accomplishments and knows when he kisses her she finds him attractive. Innocent Zarabeth will have the Viking if he'll take her young deaf half sister, Lotti, which he will. All the while Magnus is making plans, Zarabeth's evil stepfather, Olav the Vain wants her as his own wife. He forces her to reject the Viking threatening to kill Lotti if she does not. Zarabeth complies and the Viking sails away, bitter at her rejection. Olav weds her, but never beds her when he is poisoned by his son's greedy wife. Zarabeth is framed for Olaf's murder and at her trial Magnus arrives to persuade the court to make Zarabeth his slave. Thus it is that Zarabeth sails for Norway with Magnus, but as his slave, not his wife. Talk about the perils of Pauline! This heroine had her troubles in spades. Both she and the hero at times seemed a bit dense. Initially, she failed to trust Magnus to help her and he believed the lie she did not want him. But each has courage that is compelling. The whole time I was reading her misadventures, I kept thinking that this is one hero who is going to have to grovel big time in the end. And I was not disappointed. Neither will you be. Both Zarabeth and Magnus will suffer before they find happiness. I thought Coulter did a superb job in this well-researched tale of England and Norway. It's exciting, fast-paced, detailed and well written. For Viking romance lovers, it is not one to be missed. Coulter's Viking Series: SEASON OF THE SUN LORD OF HAWKFELL ISLAND LORD OF RAVEN'S PEAK LORD OF FALCON RIDGE

i will keep this review short and sweet. The book was awesome i only wished it was longer, also try to keep in mind that the book is a period piece so the rape scenes are not that brutal when you consider the fact that women had no rights in those days. i think the book was very interesting and its one of my all time favorites.

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