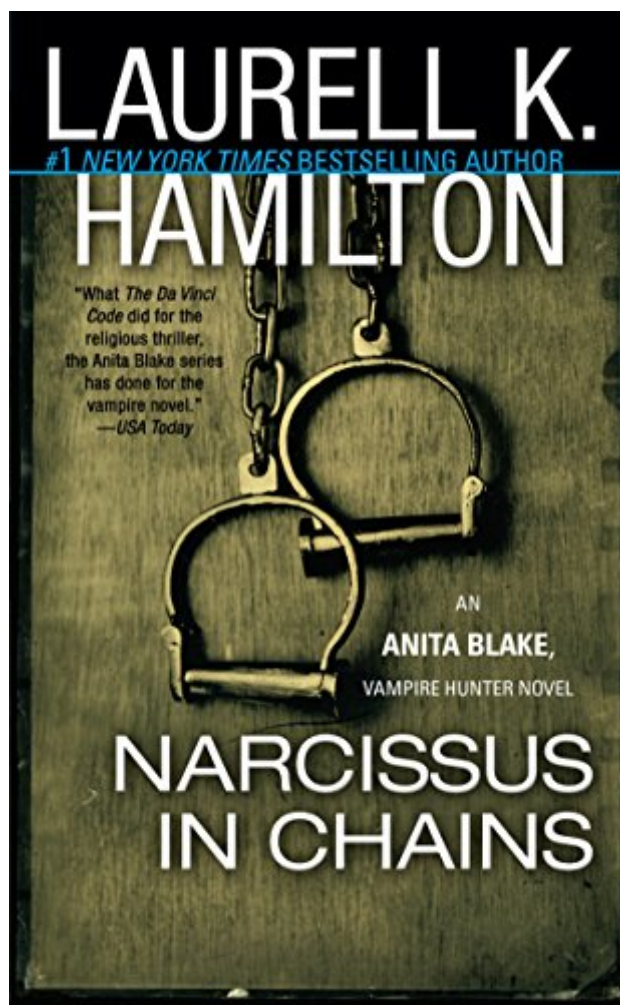


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Customer Reviews

Gave it one star only because I couldn't give it less. What started out as a great series has turned into nothing more than vampire porn and a very convoluted story line. Read the first 10 books and don't bother with the rest.

I love the Anita Blake Series...or at least I did for a while. I miss the mystery the early books had. I'm sick of hearing about what a self-loathing person Richard has become. Her work for the police and for the necromancy firm seems to have basically disappeared and has been replaced by on-going, poorly written, self-loathing sex scenes. I love the scenes from a few of the earlier books, but now it's become a chore for her and she still acts like it's some moral fight constantly. She needs to develop a little bit. Her character does not seem to have evolved throughout the series hardly at all,

and all the other characters lost all their own will and personalities. This book in particular did a lot of building with a lot of nitty gritty details as Anita dealt with a plethora of problems, with all of them leading up to a major confrontation where the mystery was solved. However, the mystery never felt front and center in the book, the mystery felt like it was thrown in there as a side "plot" to the more major theme of Anita saving everyone with her uber powers and pointing out how much better she is than everyone else in terms of her "morals". When you finally get to the big finale at the end, everything closes up so fast that it feels like Ms. Hamilton simply got sick of writing this one and just said enough to make it end, then threw together a quick epilogue to quickly tie up all the loose ends she'd made throughout the book. There was a weak grasp at tying a previous character in from a previous book, but it was not developed enough to really work well. I gave this 3 stars because I do really like these books, and she seems to come more to terms with herself in these than in the past books, BUT I have a feeling this may be the last book I read of this series. I no longer enjoy the direction these books have taken.

This book centers more on Anita's personal life than work. Rather than solving a murder she finds herself trying to untangle some personal issues and of course fight off a bad guy or two.

I think that I've read most if not all of Laurel Hamilton's Anita Blake series books. The first few are outstanding works of fantasy/horror. Narcissus marks the beginning of the mediocre Anita Blake books. At this point in the series Hamilton stops writing content and starts churning out mostly porn. Don't get me wrong, a little sex just adds spice to the story, but when most of a book is sex, I wonder if the author has run out of ideas. At this point in the series, I'd recommend that readers check the local library before investing in the book.

Love the books but writer has lost the mystery of Anita now more about sex and there's a lot going on with a lot of characters

The truth, it wasn't her best, but it was my favorite of the series. I loved, loved, loved it. The new man in her life just did it for me. I think why some people didn't like it because it wasn't about mystery, and solving crimes. This is about her finding herself. I'm sorry but it's my all-time fave!!

Hamilton weaves a great plot and plot is a big part of any book. Hot, spicy and a real go-around. However, she gets ever deeper into the psychological conundrum(s) of her lovers and friends and

sometimes a book can become just a little bit too plot-heavy. It almost threatens even to topple Anita Blake as she is first dragged into and then becomes more and more tired - and I don't blame her! If you are a fan of Anita Blake - and I would buy her next book in a minute - it is all easier by far to follow. I love the way LKH seems to be able to pull off the trick of surprise after surprise from beginning to end of the book. But then, again, she does that in all her books. I am not a fan of S and M and that may be why I backed off a bit from this book because S and M can become deadly without constraints and the "bad boys" in this one are REALLY bad boys and seriously threaten Anita Blake and her lovers, all of whom seem to change a great deal as the stories progress. I loved the book - with SM reservations. Thanks, LKH. READ IT!

The Last Straw for Anita Blake. Loved the series until Narcissus in Chains. I had hoped to read them all but this trash stopped me in my tracks. If you are interested in uncontrollable sex with Vampires and Weres this book will make you happy. Not much of the original Anita Blake left.

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