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## Bind The Soul (Steel & Stone Book 2)



## Synopsis

The most important rule for an Apprentice Consul is simple: Don't get involved with daemons. Well, Piper is planning to break that rule--big time. After a near-deadly scandal with the Sahar Stone, she has the chance to return to the only life she's ever wanted. All she has to do to keep her Apprenticeship is forget about Ash and Lyre. Ash might be enigmatic and notoriously lethal, and Lyre might be as sinfully irresistible as he is irritating, but they're not bad for a couple of daemons. There's just one problem: Ash is missing. Really, she shouldn't risk her future for him. He lied. He betrayed her. But he also saved her life, damn it. Wherever he is, he's in trouble, and if she doesn't save his sorry butt, who will? But with every dangerous secret she unravels, each one darker than the last, she slips deeper into Ash's world--a world with no escape for either of them.

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## Customer Reviews

The ONLY thing that isn't even better than the first book is that Ash isn't on literally every page. I'll keep this as spoiler free as possible (and plot free, summaries abound and are not my strong suit). This book is... I don't even know how to explain it. It sucked me in so completely - I read both this and the previous book in one day - I couldn't get it out of my head. You know books that you have to come up for air from? This is one of those. Piper, Ash, Lyre, and Zwi are back and as amazing as ever. This book has more action, New characters, and more despicable antagonists than the first (also more Ash /Piper, which I consider to be a very good thing). One of the strongest points in this book remains (like the first) the authors ability to have tension, drama, action, plot twists, etc without making you give up on, hate, pity, or lose faith in the characters. I have LOTS of deal breakers with books but the biggest one is when you can't root for the characters you love on every page. This is a book (series) where you can, no regrets. Plus? The author doesn't have a need to unnecessarily kill beloved characters as a plot point (ahem, Hedwig, literally every character in Game of Thrones, etc) and the plot doesn't suffer for it. At no point is the book slow or do you think, "you know what this book needs? More gut wrenching sadness to pull me in" because that's not how she writes- you're sucked in without it. I don't write book reviews and I don't gush but I legitimately loved this book. And I'm a decade too old for YA. I will definitely keep reading Annette Marie's books, and I already preordered the third book (these are the first books I've read with Kindle Unlimited that I've bought because I know I'll keep rereading them).

I LOVED this book, I just can't get enough of these characters! Annette Marie does a fabulous job to keep you on your toes in here Steel and Stone series! I love her heroine and the fact that she is a strong female character who doesn't back down from any challenge, forget that she is outmatched in every circumstance she is bold and unwavering in her decisions and shows just how much you can do with some big boots and bigger attitude. I love that she shows her strengths and also her soft side that she just doesn't know what to do with. Very realistic emotions for a teenager and a female character that girls can look up to! I have fallen for Ash and the more than meets the eye persona you find in each story. I love that he is the epitome of strength and caring for those he loves, who can help but love this misunderstood monster! And Lyre, how can you forget him! The comedic relief and flirty friend, you just can't help but love everything that comes out of his mouth!

Absolutely loved it can't wait dive into the next book!!

The 2nd book is just as great as the first! Maybe better?! I read Book 1 in one sitting and should have gone to bed, but made the mistake of starting Book 2 and read 75% before I finally went to sleep. I woke up and finished it, This book has all of the elements that made me fall in love with Book 1: humor, drama, action, fantasy and a beautiful and believable growing romance woven throughout that adds purpose to the plot without overwhelming it. I find it remarkable how the author can write such innocent but flush-worthy sexual tension! And yet Piper suffers from the same doubts and troubles any young adult can relate to: stressful parental relationships, self doubt and the need to prove oneself. As we take this adventurous and sometimes heartbreaking journey with her, the reader can't help but relate . There is evil and darkness in this author's fantasy world, which serves to make it all the more believable. I love to hate the villains as much as I love the heroes. If you like Karen Marie Moning, I think you will like this YA counterpart. I can't wait for the third book. I hope the author will be as prolific as she says she will be in her bio!

This series gets better and better. I loved how the characters really started to grow here. And the stakes became much, much higher. At the same time, there is an innocence and naiveté to the Piper character that is very realistic. She is a strong girl, but also out of her element and desperately trying to figure out her next move. That combination of girl and strength is very appealing--I would think that young women would be really attracted to that. The story begins to truly roll out now, many secrets are exposed, and weaknesses come to light. The character of Ash is quite heartbreaking; I found myself become invested in his welfare even more than some of the other characters. There is still a bit of padding here and there, but the story is getting much deeper and more fantastic. Completely worth the time and money!

The second book in the urban fantasy series "Steel & Stone" continues with the blistering pace, scary adventures, good vs evil, a touch of romance and who really are the good guys. Determined Piper Griffiths, without magic or information about the Underworld, searches for clues to Ash's whereabouts. More than she bargained for happens. Please read the first book to understand fully the second book's events (though they can be stand-alone). Both books are whopping good reads especially if you enjoy really good writing with an urban fantasy theme that is not all doom and gloom.

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