



Sweet and Bitter Magic by Adrienne Tooley
Reviewed by Amelie



Stand Alone
YA Fantasy

Give a summary without spoilers!

A plague has swept across the land, causing people to forget who they are. Dark magic is causing chaos, and no one knows what's causing it. Tamsin, a witch with a dark past and the inability to feel love, is sitting in her house one day when a fiery-haired village girl named Wren bursts in and asks her to help her break the curse. Wren is a source of magic, and she has just lost her father to the curse. Can they find a way to work together as they travel to Within, the land of witches, and what will happen when feelings unexpectedly bloom from where none could have grown?

What drew you to this book?

I really liked the cover of the book, the two main characters holding hands with matching ribbons around their necks. I had also heard good things about the book and wanted to read it. The characters were very interesting, especially when you begin to delve into their backstories.

Did it remind you of something that you've previously read?

It did not remind me of something I'd previously read aside from the fact that it was fantasy and had witches. Otherwise, it was a fairly unique story with some interesting twists and an intricate magic system.

To whom would you recommend this book?

I would recommend this book to beginners in fantasy, people who are looking for an easier story to follow and some magic and an adventure. There is almost no violence, and a little romance, and some enemies-to-loves as well. The storyline is easy to understand, though its pace is a little slow.

Overall, did you like it and would you recommend it to others?

I liked it and I might recommend it to others if they said they liked fantasy and were looking for something new to read, though I have read fantasy books that are more interesting and more intricate. The book was an easy read for maybe those on the younger side.

Anything else that you would like to add to this review? What made you choose it? Did you like the cover? Was it recommended to you? Did you find it at the library?

I chose this book as a fun summer read, and it was good. I found it at the library and picked it up because I'd heard it was good. It met my expectations.