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Veronica knows the monsters aren't "just in her head," but no one listens to the headstrong ten-year-old as they tie her to a hospital bed every night.

Years later, after being dumped by her business-partner/boyfriend, Veronica finds herself on the verge of bankruptcy. Then a late-night call promises the perfect solution -- a job opportunity decorating a castle in France. Will Veronica risk what little she has left to chase a fairy tale?

When the shadowy things that once terrorized her return, Veronica must decide how much she'll sacrifice for them, for her sanity, and for her life.

Oubliette -- A Forgotten Little Place consists of interwoven stories with paranormal twists. An epic adventure, it spans nearly two millennia.

You'll be transported to an ancient Pagan ritual, Roman-ruled Gaul, the bloody Inquisition of the Knights Templar, France as it's ravaged by the Black Death, the duplicitous Reformation, the Paris Catacombs, and the gory French Revolution, while you unravel Oubliette's cryptic layers.

Vanta M. Black was inspired to write Oubliette after learning about the real oubliette at Leap Castle, the famed most-haunted castle in Ireland. She traveled there, as well as to chAteaux in France, and to the Paris Underground, for research.

Real paranormal accounts of elemental spirits, ghosts, sorcery and demons, plus actual historical events and legends, all feed into this masterfully-crafted narrative. Additionally, Black's own encounters with entities known as "shadow people," serve as the novel's foundation.

Oubliette delivers blow after blow of mystery, horror, and suspense. This thriller seeps into your soul and doesn't let go. In the end, as you're begging for mercy, you'll also be begging for more.

Oubliette: A Forgotten Little Place Details

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Maria Beltran says

Oubliette: A Forgotten Little Place by Vanta M. Black is a novel anyone can easily get lost in. We meet the ten-year-old Veronica in a hospital as she is being treated for sleeping problems that the doctors call night terrors, when shadow people visit her in her sleep. Fast forward to the present time when she receives a strange phone call from a French woman who offers her an extraordinary sum to decorate the Chateau du Feu Ardent in the Loire Valley. Having been recently rejected by Robert, her partner and former boyfriend, Veronica is on her own and she needs the business. Although we know all along where the plot is headed - to that castle, with those medieval fashioned windows, majestic steeples, round belfry and a slender tower that seems to glow from within - we don't know what awaits Veronica there.

Every page of Oubliette: A Forgotten Little Place offers small pleasures of thrill, suspense and eager anticipation as author Vanta M. Black weaves a number of stories dating back to 182 CE, when we witness an ancient ritual gone wrong, to the present time when Veronica accepts an offer to decorate a castle in France that hides a forgotten dungeon with only one opening, an oubliette. Vanta Black is very skillful in maintaining suspense as she transports us back to 325 AD when Rome fought the barbarians, the Dawn of Reformation in 1520 AD, the Inquisition in 1307 AD, the Great Pestilence in 1348 AD and the onset of the French Revolution in 1789. Seamlessly woven together, Oubliette is a good book, but it is more than that. By using fiction to explore the realm of the paranormal surrounding a number of historical events, it takes a shot at greatness.

Jasmin says

The first half of the book was super interesting! I loved all of the different point of views. However, It wasn't scary which I could have gotten over if it wasn't for the unnecessary and frankly weird love scene and also for the love interest involving the main character. It was a bit draggy towards the end, it picked up and Just when I thought it was about to redeem itself..... it kind of just ended. I would have liked to see the main character's point of view on last time. I didn't feel that there was a conclusion. No closure for me. But over all I did have a lot of fun reading this book.

Emma Shibilski says

Oubliette: little forgotten place.

This book has it all - history, French chateaus, Templar Knights, and modern L.A. women. Combined in such a way that the reader is never quite sure what is real or what isn't, Vanta M. Black has written a thrilling journey to a place where past and present collide.

Beware, while this book begins as an innocent narrative, it soon takes a dark twist.

Jackie Corbeil says

Greatly enjoyed this book! The multiple story lines really works well, even if they switched when I wasn't ready for them to. It kept me turning the pages to watch the story unfold. Loved some of the characters, laughed at a few, and wanted to choke one or two!
I recommend this book if you enjoy a good story with a little of everything!

Stacey Bookerworm says

I was looking forward to reading this book as it sounded exactly like the kind of thing I would be interested in. On the whole it was O.K and in places I loved it but ultimately I found it lacking.
The book begins with 'True events and historical legends which was quite an interesting read and provided a good introduction.
Read more of this review at <http://www.bookerworm.com/reviews/16-...>

Lynn says

Hold on to your hats you are in for a great ride!

I started this book. I am loving it. This is a great read! For me though, it is going to be a very slow read with each chapter being on somebody different. I am differently abled so that it is going to take me longer to complete reading this book.

The characters are well written with depth. It all makes sense it fits together seamlessly.

It is the type of book that you really have to pay attention to!

It has twists and turns.

Lisa says

Oubliette is a roller-coaster ride through the ages, bringing the past and present together in a truly unique mosaic. Easy to pick up, hard to put down! Recommend!!!!

Thank you to NetGalley and Black Chateau Publishing for an ARC of Oubliette: A Forgotten Little Place by Vanta M. Black, in exchange for an honest review.

Iris says

I received a copy of this book at no cost to me in exchange for an honest review. I loved this book! It is written in several different points of view which gives such a complete perspective. Anyone who loves history and/or horror will love this book.

Kelshei says

The child who really sees monsters under her bed, but is not believed by the adults in her life is a common trope in horror and paranormal literature. Probably the reason behind this is because we can all remember a time when we, too, believed there were monsters under our bed or in the closet. We can all remember a time waking up... being wide awake... in the middle of the night, just sure something was in the room with us. How much more horrible would it be for us to discover that childhood fancy was something far more real, more sinister?

Veronica woke from night terrors as a child, sure that something really was after her. That belief landed Veronica in the hospital under observation. Later, when Veronica is a successful interior designer, she has no memory of her time in the hospital. Veronica awakens to a phone call one morning, being offered a chance of a lifetime. What Veronica does not realize is that she might not survive this golden opportunity.

The storytelling in this book is amazing. the chapters change time periods, locations picking up threads and weaving together an extremely entertaining tapestry by the time all is said and done. As I read further and further into the book, I wondered what some of the pieces meant, though they all, at least tangentially involve the chateau that Veronica has been hired to redecorate/renovate. I won't say more, as that would involve spoilers. I will say that the book is entertaining, enthralling, and, because of all of the well-researched history, educational.

There are a few scenes where the characters are depicted in great peril, and that is something to keep in mind. There are some allusions to sex, but they are handled in a very circumspect manner. Because of the alternating story lines, et cetera, I wouldn't recommend the book to anyone younger than 16, and, then, only after talking in-house.

This is not my ordinary "drug of choice" when it comes to pleasure reading, but I'm glad I took a chance!

Reviewed by HR Duby for Romance Authors that Rock

Laura Thomas says

This is a rather long book but reads quickly as the author transports you back in time and forward to the present, giving you multiple perspectives that enrich this tale of historical horror. And it all starts with a ten-year-old girl, Veronica, suffering from what everyone believes are night terrors.

The author then flashes to the present. Veronica is all grown up and struggling to make it on her own as an interior designer. A mysterious invitation to come to France for the summer and do a complete makeover at the historical Le Chateau du Feu Ardent, which means The Castle Of Blazing Fire, sounds like a dream come true to her. But she could never have imagined the nightmares that await.

Veronica invites her sister, Nikki, to come along. Nikki is a bit spoiled and self-centered but I still found her a delight. She adds that light-hearted humor that provides a break in the suspense, allowing you to fully connect with these two sisters. But all isn't light and laughter as the two are exposed to something dark, insidious. It will be a summer they'll never forget, and maybe won't survive.

Oubliette is filled with historical fact that blends the real and fictional. The author's ability to do this shines in her descriptions of the different periods. You feel like you've stepped in a time capsule and are actually seeing the places she reveals.

The cover was what first caught my attention. I thought I was getting a horror story. And I did. But I also got much, much more, and I highly recommend this tale.

I was gifted a copy of this book. My review is voluntarily given.

J C Steel says

Veronica's interior design business is failing when she gets a call from France early one morning. The call is the opportunity of a lifetime – an offer to renovate an ancient chateau in the Loire Valley, the traditional holiday destination of French royalty, all expenses paid. Veronica and her sister, Nikki, both agree that a few months working on a French chateau sounds like just what a couple of poor American girls need. What neither of them realises is that the Chateau du Feu Ardent isn't just a medieval French castle, but more a thin veneer over a yawning pit of history.

Oubliette: A Forgotten Little Place is a nicely-paced urban fantasy spiced with just enough horror to keep a reader's attention. The characters are a particularly strong point of this book: Nikki, especially, shines as a trashy, selfish type, guaranteed to get a reader response. The utter normality of the characters, and their typically American complacency, is a particularly nice offset to the horror aspects of the plot. It's a classic plot construct because it works, and this story is no exception. Vanta M. Black has done an excellent job of weaving in the cameo stories of the castle's past inhabitants and keeping all the various storylines in sync for the final twist. I can recommend this book to anyone who likes their legends with a little darkness.

Reviewed for By Rite of Word.

Lorri says

This book was longer than most I have read in a while but it was well worth it. It has me wanting to know when the next is coming out! I liked the fact it has history mixed in, making it more real. The characters were interesting and the story seemed to flow along nicely, even though there were many different 'little stories'. If you enjoy ghost stories or a good thriller, you should read this one.

Oh I did receive a review copy in exchange for my honest opinion.

Wade Corbeil says

Hang on tight...this roller coaster is full-throttle!

Oubliette: A Forgotten Little Place is one of those rare gems that readers are always on the lookout for. A virtual trip through the ages that takes the reader through the French Revolution, Knights Templars, The Roman Empire and the Black Plague (Black Death).

Vanta is one of those rare writers who not only tells a masterful story, but actually transports the reader to the time and place she writes about. You can almost taste the dust in your throat, feel the chill of cold water against your skin, and the pure dread of being trapped in a living nightmare..."

Oubliette is indeed a forgotten little place, but not for long.

Carla says

You'll love falling into this oubliette! I could not put this book down as each chapter kept raising the stakes. I was beside myself as all the different plots unfolded. If you love tales that make you hold on by the seat of your pants then this is just for you. I like books that make you think and challenge you. I was guessing the whole time and couldn't get the characters out of my head. They still hang with me, like shadows, that won't go away. Very haunting! If you like horror and suspense then you are in total luck with Oubliette!!!!

Coleen says

The book was very interesting and was easy reading for me through about the first 2/3 of the story of the Chateau de Feu Ardent. When I reached the parts deep in sewage, sludge, septic tunnels and catacombs filled with bones, I realized that one could not be squeamish and read this book. But I kept on because I really enjoyed all of the characters from the early pagans, through Constantine and Helen, Middle Ages, the Plague, French Revolution and finally modern times with Veronica, her sister Nikki, and Christophe.

While I would never have stopped reading before the last line of the last page, I had visions of various ways the tale could end, as I normally do when reading a particularly interesting book. And I would have rated the book higher if any of my ideas had come true. Unfortunately, I overlooked the BLACK cover of the book, and the notation about it being a noir. I should have been prepared for several scenarios where there was a dark ending. But being the optimist that I am, and really loving the book, and the author for writing it, I wanted an ending that I could live with.

That ending did not materialize. Authors have the prerogative to end their books the way they want, and I accept that. Oh well.

I won this great book in a Goodreads giveaway.
