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Victoria Marshall is living a lie. She works for a member of the Knights of the Dragon, a secret society that traps and uses dragons for their own gain. As a child, she made an unlikely friend—a drakon. He went missing, and she's spent the past twenty years searching for him. The only thing distracting her from her mission is Luther Henderson, her boss's new head of security.

Luther is also living a lie. One, if discovered, could lead to a fate worse than death. He's attracted to Victoria, but can't fully trust her, doesn't know if she's truly innocent or a true member of the Knights. It's not only his life at stake, but those of the people he loves.

As they're thrust deeper into the dangerous dealings of the Knights, they each have to share their secrets in order to survive.

The Blood of the Drakon series is best enjoyed in order

Reading Order:

Book #1: Drakon's Promise

Book #2: Drakon's Prey

Book #3: Drakon's Plunder

Book #4: Drakon's Past

Book #5: Drakon Unchained

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D.D. Galvani says

This is book 5 in an exciting series by N.J. Walters about Drakon's, half man, half dragon shifters. I loved this series from the first book and this newest one did not disappoint. Victoria and Luther's story was well written and fun to read. I love seeing the other Drakon's pop into the story and keep you updated on what's happening with them and their mates.

The Knights of the Dragon are closing in and Victoria is desperate to save her childhood friend. Luther should be the enemy but she feels something for him that she knows she shouldn't. The tension is high and so are the stakes in this life and death race. Read this series you will be sucked in and totally entertained.

Claire Robinson says

4 - **"You need to come with a warning label."** Stars!

The fifth book in N. J. Walters *Blood of the Drakon* series, gives us Herman Temple's assistant; Victoria Marshall's story. And as is generally with the case with the characters in this series, there is definitely more than meets the eye when it comes to the *Ice Queen*.

She'd gone from personal assistant to a businessman who just happened to be a ranking member of a secret society, to being on the run... She had no home that was safe, no money she could access, and nowhere to go.

Working as the personal assistant to one of the higher ranking members of the *Knights of the Dragon* has always come with its risks, but Victoria has always played her cards very close to her chest in relation to the depth of her knowledge on the subject, and it is assumed that no one ever really knows the full story of anything within the organisation.

He'd slipped under the layer of ice she kept between her and the world and there seemed to be no way to put him back on the other side... she was no longer sure she really wanted to.

Herman Temple; man of a certain age underestimates her intelligence mainly because of the attractive façade it is covered with. Head of security; Luther Henderson, isn't of the same opinion, difference being he knows Victoria knows far more than she's letting on about, and his interest in her and what she knows actually aligns more with the mission he is on than he originally assumed.

Protecting Victoria Marshall suddenly felt like his number one priority... The most important thing in his world...

But living a double life comes with high risks as well as rewards, and both of them soon find themselves stuck in a game where the risks may well cost them their lives before the rewards are even closed to being reaped. But as they both reveal more of themselves and what they are really doing to each other the more they realize they are actually after the same thing.

"If I tell you my secrets, you have to share yours with me..."

As much as I enjoyed this book I will admit that I found the first half of it a bit of a slog. It seemed to take a while to actually get going, but once it did it was full steam ahead. It was good to see the inclusion of the previous characters as well, and I like that the main story arc moved along as well with more retribution being played out in regards to the *Knights of the Dragon*, they are however still going strong at the end of this story, so I am interested to see the direction the author takes next in the regards.

"I have to believe we'll win. After all these years, we're so close to freedom."

Hopefully there will not too long to wait for another instalment, as I have to admit I have a huge soft spot for the Drakon men that N. J. Walters gives voice too.

"We're stronger together."

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Sissy's Romance Book Review says

Drakon Unchained by N.J. Walters is book Five in the Blood of the Drakon Series. This is the story of Victoria Marshall and Luther Henderson. I have read (and Loved!) the previous books, but feel this can be a standalone book if you wish to do so. Victoria grew up a orphan with no real friends but she happened to meet a Drakon when she was young who cam an visited her...which became her only true friend. So when she became older and found that he had gone missing she went undercover at the Knights of the Dragon to try and find him. This lead her to meeting Luther who unknown to Victoria is doing the same thing but on a different level...it is his father and mother that are missing. Both leery of the other but still very attracted to each other slowly start to build trust and learn of their main goal. I have been such a fan of this series that I grabbed this book as soon as I saw it....loved it!

The Romance Book Disciple (Samantha) says

Drakon Unchained continues the saga of the Drakon, a half dragon half human creature that is being hunted by a secret society.

All the heroines in this series have some sort of supernatural talent. Victoria can 'dream walk' and see people's past and present. She met a Drakon when she was a child and she knows now that he is being kept against his will. She takes a job as the assistant to the head of the secret society seeking these Drakons. In her position she meets the head of security, Luther. He isn't there because he believes in the mission of the secret society either. However, they don't realize they can trust each other.

I liked that the drakon wasn't the hero of this story. You are introduced to this captive drakon and his mate in the first chapter of the book. That was a different take from the previous books and I enjoyed that. The plot does have action and suspense, but I felt it took too long to get there. Victoria and Luther are both fascinating characters who have their own unique reasons for seeking a specific Drakon. This book does seem to, in many ways, start a new chapter for the drakons. Normally, starting in the middle of a series is ill advised, but it kind of works in this case. You can pick up this book without having read the previous books and not feel

that something is missing. I think the world that Walters has created is interesting and unique, which creates a positive reading experience for fans of PNR looking for something fresh. I'm looking forward to seeing where Walters takes this series; I was afraid it was over after book 4 (since that was kind of the end of the 4 brothers' stories) so I am glad to see she is continuing!

POV: 3rd

Tears: no

Trope: shifters, secret identity

Triggers: none

Series/Standalone: stand alone within an interconnected series

Cliffhanger: (view spoiler)

HEA: (view spoiler)

The Darkest Warrior by Gena Showalter, Oh My Dragon by Lani Lynn Vale, Found by BL Brunnemer...then you will probably like Drakon Unchained!

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D A says

3 1/2 *'s While book 5 of the Blood of the Drakon series, Drakon Unchained as a stand-a-lone or entry point to the series. While the first 4 books centered around drakon brothers, this book introduces new drakon to the mix and provides any needed background to the series/world without bogging down too much info. Fans of the original set need not fear though as some of the prior characters do make appearances in supporting roles in this book too.

Our heroine, Victoria, occasionally shows bits of naivete or foolishness, but never strays to TSTL area, but rather brings a relatable human element to what is otherwise a brave, loyal and determined individual. She also has some psychic abilities which I found to be quite interesting and well balanced within the story. Meanwhile our hero, Luther, while also loyal and determined is also sexy and dangerous. He's also smart enough to not let his alpha tendencies turn him into an idiot as their relationship and events unfold.

At the start of the book the two have been in regular interaction (and developing attraction) as he's worked his way up to take over as the head of security for the powerful man she's been working as administrative

assistant for the past 2 years. However, both have their secrets and hidden agendas that could easily get either of them killed should their boss or others find out. Thus it's easy to understand why trust is well off the table and attraction to each other something neither is particularly happy about.

The story nicely balanced the two circling around and finding common ground while weighing the risks of trusting, not just to their hearts but lives, as well as the action of staying ahead (and alive) in the mist of an evil organization that will do anything to protect their secrecy and their goal of enslaving drakon for their own power and greed. The pacing was well done to keep the story moving along (both regarding the romance and the plots regarding the Knights and drakon battle and included a couple nice twists. An enjoyable story from start to finish. Now for what's next.

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Tracie Runge says

4.5 Stars Drakon Unchained is Book 5 in the Blood of the Drakon series brings us Victoria and Luther. I loved these characters, the interaction and the well written story made this a great addition to this series and is sure to bring many other readers the amazing afternoon it gave me reading it.

Angela (Angel's Guilty Pleasures) says

Drakon Unchained is book five in the *Blood of the Drakon* series by N.J. Walters.

I've loved this series from the begging and have been excited for more. I was not disappointed.

It's non-stop action, suspense, twists, and romance from begging to end.

Victoria Marshall made an unlike friend when she was a child. I liked Victoria. She's got a unique ability and well it didn't make it easy for her as a child and now as an adult she is still alone, but has a goal. She is protective of her friend and very determined to find and help him after all these years. I don't want to say too much, because part of the adventure is discovering the surprises along the way.

Luther Henderson has been a staple in the series working for Herman Temple. Temple is one of the bad guys out to capture a drakon. The author really surprised me with who Luther is. I didn't see that twist coming in the book or series. Luther is a great guy and I loved him.

Luther and Victoria were great together. I loved their blooming romance and seeing them confide and work together to help same a drakon.

The story was so full of surprises, suspense, and action that I couldn't stop reading. I was sucked in from begging to end. I will say you can read this as a stand alone. The author gives us plenty of information to make it easy to grasp the world and details, but I urge you to check out other previous books. Dragon shifter lovers will enjoy the Blood of the Drakon series.

Rated: 5 Stars

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the sole purpose of an honest review. All thoughts, comments and ratings are my own.

Juliette Cross says

What a page-turner. I LOVED the sizzling sexual tension between Victoria and Luther. Walters weaves another compelling tale of mystery, danger, and sensual love. Fabulous new addition to the Drakon series! Well-done, Ms. Walters.

Meghan Lloyd says

If anyone out there is listening, I would like to put in a request for my own drakon. Please and thank you.

These drakon males know how to treat a lady, let's just start there! Strong, honest, protective, and kind, they are the alpha males we all say we want but have a hard time finding. In this series, N.J. Walters has created a world of magic and crime, and the way it blends in with modern day is seamless. In a time when we are constantly talking about pharmaceutical companies going crazy with drug pricing and corporate giants putting profit over people, this book speaks to that in a way no other does. What if there was a medicine out there that could not only cure you of any illness and heal any wound, but it also could both stop and reverse the process of aging? Can you imagine the chaos caused, the amount of money paid, and what lengths a person would go to get it? In this case, the medicine is drakon blood, and the cost is both drakon and human lives. People will kill to get it, drakons will die to keep it, and the human mates of those drakons will be used to keep the captive drakons in line.

Victoria Marshall knows the cost of dragon blood all too well. Cursed with the ability to see visions of the past and present she has no control over, she has tried to use her visions to locate a long-lost friend. Having met a dragon when she was a young girl, followed by his subsequent disappearance, she has been trying to find him for years. Now, two years after working for one of the leaders of the Knights of the Dragon, she know she is close. But now she gets the feeling that she is being watched, particularly after several unnerving encounters with the new Head of Security, Luther Henderson. Luther has felt a powerful attraction to Victoria from the first moment he met her. But he can't let her distract him his mission to find his missing parents. No matter how alluring she is, for all he knows, she could be the enemy. Dancing around each other as events play out, Victoria and Luther must decide if they are allies or enemies in the war around them.

While I predicted where the story was going to go fairly early on, it did not take away from my enjoyment one bit! In fact, as everything fell into place and I realized I had guessed correctly about who Luther really was, I became even more excited to find out what happened next. Victoria was a cold person on the outside, trying to keep herself safe by showing no emotions to others, but inside she was in emotional turmoil. Orphaned and growing up alone, she was tired of watching the world go by, but she also knew that she had to find her friend before it was too late. She put others before herself, even if it meant she got hurt, and that endeared me to her within the first few chapters. Luther was a mystery at first, as he seemed to play the role within the organization well, but he also had way too much of a conscience for the Knights. I think they knew it too, but since he was so capable, it was looked over. I loved seeing how protective he was of Victoria, even when he didn't know her story, and once he realized she was a good person, he could let loose of his mask as well. Their love was a slow burn, but once it was allowed to fully ignite, it was so powerful to read about!

Even if you haven't read other books in this series, I would definitely encourage you to jump right in with this one! It's almost a standalone in how it's written, and it will certainly ensure you read the other books immediately thereafter.

I received a free copy via NetGalley and this is my honest review.

Lesley Ann Campbell says

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N.J. Walters

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****CONTAINS SPOILERS****

She had dedicated her entire life to this, to finding her childhood friend, the one person who had made her feel special, who had made her feel like she was worth something. Was she about to find him? Was everything about to change?

Victoria Marshall, a woman with a rare ability, she has visions of both the past and sometimes the present through her dreams.

Luther Henderson is the tough and handsome head of security for a very dangerous man, Herman Temple; a man Victoria hopes can lead her to Sergei, her childhood Drakon friend, and Katherine, his wife. She knows that they are being held captive, as well as tortured, she has unfortunately seen this through her visions. She just doesn't know where they are or why this is happening.

She only took the job as Temple's assistant because of a vision she had seen that evening, after her job interview. She realized then that he could be the one, the one to lead her to Sergei. He knows something, he has deep secrets, deep ties to covert organisations, she knows he is involved somehow in this nightmare. She is swimming with sharks and there is blood in the water. This is a dangerous game she is playing, one that could cost her her life.

Victoria is drawn to Luther, and he to her. It's magnetic; they can't stay away from each other, even though they both know the dangers of fraternizing within their employment under Temple. Employees have vanished for less.

I had the kind pleasure of receiving an advance copy of 'Drakon Unchained: Blood of the Drakon', to which I volunteered to read and review. I was not disappointed.

I was drawn into the book straight away; I felt an immediate connection with the characters, especially Victoria and Luther. I was immersed in their growing relationship from the get-go, I could not get enough, I found this book hard to put down if I'm honest.

I really admired the strong and independent woman in Victoria, she knows her own mind, she has dedicated her life to her mission, nothing and no-one will stand in her way. She is afraid yet fearless, she is independent yet isn't too proud to take comfort with Luther. She is such a warm character, strong, intelligent, beautiful and fragile. A character I grew to care for and admire.

I'm ashamed to say this was the first N.J. Walters book I have come to read; it definitely won't be the last. I felt a strong sense of immediate attachment, the realism in the writing connected me deeply with the story and the characters involved, good and bad. I was so deeply invested in fact that I was quite emotional in parts and also by the end of the book, I could feel the tears beginning to well up. I felt a great deal of empathy with the characters, again Victoria and Luther specifically.

“She’d never belonged anywhere before, or to anyone, and his touch silenced the old voices in her head that whispered she wasn’t good enough, that no one wanted her because she was flawed”

I swear the above extract could have been written about me and my lovely soon-to-be husband.

N.J. Walters’ writing is beautiful; the story flows easily chapter to chapter, taking you along on Victoria’s dangerous journey into the realms of the dangerous ‘Knights of the dragon’, on her quest to free Sergei and Katherine, and her growing relationship with Luther. I felt like I was there, I felt like I was along for the ride, and what a ride it was.

This is book 5 in the ‘Blood of the Drakon’ series,

Now as I have said previously, I have not read any other N. J. Walters material, so I cannot compare to the previous books or how the story flows from there. I can say with confidence that this didn’t hinder the story one bit. I felt there was plenty of detail included; well enough explained that I never felt lost or confused.

I whole heartedly give this book 5/5.

I look forward to reading more from N.J.Walters in the future (and from the past).

Lesley-Ann (Housewife of Horror)

<https://horrorhousewife.net/>

Olivia Farr says

"Drakon Unchained" is the fifth book in the Blood of the Drakon series and follows Victoria and Luther, who are both hiding. Victoria has a "gift" where she travels during her dreams to see things in the past, present, or future. As an orphan, this gift was more of a curse, as it creeped her caregivers out and led to some bad/lonely scenarios for her. The only person she felt who cared for her was a drakon who came to her in the woods, Sergio. Sergio used to talk with her and make her feel human, telling her about his life and what he was.

One day, Sergio stopped coming, and Victoria knew something happened to him. As her dreams would show her, he had been captured by one of the Knights of the Dragon, held hostage with his mate, Katherine. When Victoria gets an offer to work for one of the Knights, she takes the job only so she can find her childhood friend and help to set him free.

Luther is working for one of the Knights as head of security, but he is hiding a dangerous secret- one which if found would get him captured and/or killed. However, he is searching for his parents who were taken by the Knights a long while ago. He meets Victoria through this employment, and the attraction is instant. However, with both of them hiding big secrets, nothing is straightforward about their romance.

While the first half of the book was rather slow, the second half really makes up for it, moving quickly through events and action/adventure (only a couple small intimate scenes between main characters- overall a very clean book). While this is the fifth book in the series, it can easily be read as a stand-alone, as everything is well explained throughout. I liked both the main characters and was really cheering for them throughout. I wish there was a little more romance, but overall, it was still a solid fantasy with a hint of romance.

Please note that I received an ARC from the publisher through netgalley. All opinions are my own.

Eva Millien says

Victoria and Luther are both living a lie, on a mission to save a dragon and if they don't share their secrets with each other they won't survive.

This scintillating story draws readers in with strong, fascinating characters that are easily understood and readers can't help but feel the intensity of their emotional turmoil as they struggle to keep their cool amongst enemies while fighting their sizzling attraction. The chemistry between Victoria and Luther is full of electricity that heats up the pages and keeps readers glued to their story.

The plot is fast paced and flows smoothly throughout the book while keeping readers on the edge of their seat with lots of exciting adrenaline pumping events. Readers can practically feel the tension that the hero and heroine put off as they navigate their situation, try to determine who they can trust and outwit the really malicious bad guys. The attraction between these two of course adds to that tension with their secrets making things even more intense and intriguing while surprising twists and turns keeps everyone on their toes.

This fascinating world has some distinctive elements that add to the mystique and wonder of the Drakons and their enemies, so readers get a unique and entertaining read with each story and Drakon Unchained adds a titillating twist to the world and introduces new Drakon into the world while holding readers captive from the very beginning.

Maranda says

Love this series about Dragon-Human or Drakon trying to keep themselves hidden. On a mission to find her childhood dragon friend Victoria takes a job with the Knights of the Dragon to try to find him. Also employed there Drakon Luther is undercover in hopes to find his parents. Great characters and story. Reading all in this series will be satisfying but Unchained can be read as a stand alone. "A copy of this book was supplied by Entangled Publishing, LLC via Netgalley with no requirements for a review. Comments here are my honest opinion."

Kate says

I loved the first book in this series (Drakon's Promise) and I was delighted to find that Drakon Unchained was nearly as good. The two main characters were really well written and their story arc was well thought out and well written. I can't wait for the next book in this series. I am reviewing this book based on an ARC received from NetGalley in exchange for an honest opinion.

Carol [Goodreads Addict] says

Drakon Unchained is book 5 in the Blood of the Drakon series by N.J. Walters. I've loved this series from the beginning and have been so excited about this new one. It most definitely did not disappoint.

When Victoria Marshall was a child living a lonely life in an orphanage, she made an unlikely friend while playing alone in the woods, a real life dragon. They met every afternoon until he stopped showing up. She just knew something had happened to him. Now, twenty years later, she is still looking for that friend who brightened her childhood days. Two years ago she got hired as the personal assistant to Herman Temple who was part of the organization, Knights of the Dragon. The Knights existed for the sole purpose of capturing and imprisoning Drakons so that they can drink their blood. The blood of a Drakon will cure all illnesses and can keep a human young forever.

Drakons have existed on earth for thousands of years. A Drakon is the child of a full blooded dragon and a human woman. They can shift easily back and forth between their human and dragon forms.

Two years ago Luther Henderson took over as head of security for Herman Temple. Since the first time he laid eyes on the prim assistant to Temple, he felt a weird pull to her. But he needed to stay completely focused on his job. There wasn't any room for a woman in his life. Luther has secrets of his own and reasons for needing to stay in this job. The pull was getting too hard to resist, though. Could he trust Victoria? All it took was one kiss and he knew, he knew that Victoria Marshall was his.

“Deep within him, in the place he kept secret from everyone, something dangerous stirred. Victoria was his now. His to protect. His to care for. And he'd kill anyone who threatened her.”

As Victoria and Luther are forced to travel with Temple to another location, they find themselves in more danger than they realized possible. At the same time, their feelings for each other intensify creating an unbreakable bond.

“He'd finally found someone who filled the empty places in his soul, who shed light in the dark places.”

“Victoria didn't just fill his heart. She was his heart.”

This is a non-stop, action filled addition to this series. At the same time, the romance developing between Luther and Victoria is sweet and hot! We get a little bit of two of the brothers we met in the previous books, Nic and Tarrant. As I said before, I have loved this series from the beginning. I am waiting for someone to take down the head of the whole Knights organization, Karina! I wonder who will be the one to do it?

Yes, you can definitely read this as a stand alone. There is plenty of information given to make it easy to gain the details you need to fill in the gaps. But, I do urge you to check out the previous books in the series. If you love dragon shifter books, this series is sure to make you happy!!

“You are my greatest treasure.”