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The traitors within Rachat have been exposed, and with the city's leadership faltering, a change is on the horizon—a shift in beliefs the vampires hope will signal the start of acceptance toward their kind. For Ash, a former-soldier in the Silver Dawn's war of hate, these adjustments are more than personal.

As he comes to terms with all he has lost, Ash must confront the demons of his past and visions of darkness now invading his sleep. When the nightmares manifest in the real world, he discovers there's more to the dreams than he would like to believe.

Now Ash must make a choice. But how far will he go to keep those he cares about from harm? And can a lie truly shield the one he loves, or is it merely to protect himself?

## Origin of Darkness Details

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## From Reader Review Origin of Darkness for online ebook

### Tami says

3,5 stars.

I loved the first installment and the whole world-building in it. I loved the characters and the writing and the whole story. In this second books in the series, the 1st person narrator is Ash. It starts with him coming to as a Vampire. He joins Mik, Violet and their "motley crew" and they travel to Calais. A mysterious woman invades Ash's dreams, and a dramatic development including demons and dreams of hell and torture (plus some new allies) ensues. The troupe has to unearth a mysterious weapon to defeat the darkness. The plot seemed quite complicated to me and some cliches (e.g. love stronger than hate) I didn't appreciate much, as they were more or less thrown in the reader's face.

There was only small personal development, especially regarding Mik's and Ash's relationship. It felt more like a fantasy adventure, but it was missing the best part of the first installment: the feelings, the slow building between them, the back and forth, the whole romantic love and drama. There was some of that in here too, but it was not as touching or special as in the first part.

It ended with a cliff hanger, so I will wait for the next one to redeem the series for me.

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### Tj says

Oh, man! This was a good read. I soooo enjoyed the first book but this one is just as good if shorter;) Mik and Ash are back and this time the focus is Ash. We finally see things from Ash's POV. This is an interesting difference to the story. Ash has so much guilt and it just smothers him. Mik is his light. The two have a very rocky romance and all they go through in the story just makes it that much more difficult for the two. Now I have to wait for the third book to get more of the two:( Write quickly Daniel;)

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### Andrew says

Can't believe book 3 isn't out yet! Now! Now! Now!

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### Whit says

OMG Daniel Kaine you are evil!

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### Td says

4.5 Stars

Anyone who was snared by the story, the world created and the characters in the first book of this series will be pleased by this new addition. Told from Ash's POV, a whole different set of challenges for most of the characters I came to care about, as well as some new equally engaging characters, to deal with. I am relieved that I didn't find the ending as traumatic a cliffhanger like I feared and am patiently (debatable) waiting for

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the next one.

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### **Penelope Frost says**

Can't wait until November! Can't we fast forward the time or something? Anyone?

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### **Leslie says**

I agree with others when they say that they wanted to like this, and the previous book. Yes, it definitely needs a sympathetic editor to catch the many typos and grammatical mistakes, as well as question the plot line and characters. For example, I never quite bought into Ash's and Mik's relationship. What was it that kept them together? There was way too much pouting and not enough shown of the good aspects (aside from sex and even that got tiresome). Also, Khalidra - her character development didn't make sense. I don't want to give anything away, but she changed for no apparent reason! How did that happen and why all the dramatic nightmares beforehand? Too overwrought.

I did want to see what happened and it's a decent plot idea, but it needs major editing by the writer to be an enjoyable read. I was speed reading the second half, just because it didn't have energy for me as a reader any more but I wanted to see how the author was going to end it all. And then it doesn't really end, so I suppose book 3 is on it's way. Oh dear.

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### **Skye Blue ?\*~??('`?)~\*? says**

Were is book 3? I really need book 3.

Great secondary characters. There were a few additions this book.  
My heart broke just a little over one of the side characters.

Loved getting Ash's pov. The story picks up just before the ending of book 1. He and Mik hit a few bumps in the road. Ash gets heaped with guilt, and fear that he could, and does hurt Mik, no matter how much he doesn't want to.

I liked finding out more about Nate.

I look forward to the next book release.

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### **315 says**

Okay going to shelf this. One book without the MC romance leads not being together is one thing but 45% in and its the same thing and as strong as book 1 is... Not feeling the love for this one took keep going. Beside this ends on another cliffhanger and the book is over 2-years old without a followup so no big lost. Also this book is more about special abilities and less about Vamps. So shelf it goes.

### **Laura says**

I love this series! Such great world building - the characters have such depth, I feel like I've known them forever. Highly recommend this series!

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### **Aniko says**

[and I absolutely adore Ash and Mik and how their relationship develops. The shift of POV from Mik to Ash worked really well (hide spoiler)]

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### **DaisyGirl says**

3.5 Stars

This sequel is told from Ash's perspective. He is guilt ridden over the choices he's made in the past, which he believes resulted in too much harm to those he loves. As he comes to terms with all he has lost, Ash must confront the demons of his past. At the same time, he's forced on a mission from which he may not return.

This one was love/hate for me. I liked revisiting with Mik, Ash, Daniel, Sebastian, etc. Ash's guilt-ridden conscience was a little over the top at times, especially when he played martyr. I hated that (view spoiler).

Beware the cliffhanger at the end following the revelation of yet another Ash screw-up ((view spoiler))

Bottom line: I'll read the rest of the series but I'm not dying to do it.

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### **Steve says**

I really enjoyed this book. I seem to have "connected" with the characters in this series more than other book. Look forward to the next one!

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### **Ami says**

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### **Buda says**

Exhausting but good.

