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Cirque De Minuit (Cirque Masters Book 1)



Synopsis

It's no easy feat transitioning from the disciplined arena of competitive gymnastics to the artistic whirl of the Cirque du Monde. Kelsey Martin finds secret inspiration in Theo Zamora, a dark, taciturn trapezist--until his partner dies in a tragic accident and he decides to leave the circus for good. Theo doesn't understand why Kelsey reaches out to him, only that she compels him with her unique combination of innocence and recklessness. Before long the two are collaborating on an aerial silks act for a new production, the Cirque de Minuit. Theo's impatience with Kelsey's naivete is matched only by his passion for her, and the two soon become embroiled in a tempestuous, consuming romance. But some still blame Theo for his partner's accident, and danger wraps up the two performers as inevitably as the scarlet silk of their act. Theo and Kelsey must find a way to connect and trust one another as he leads her deeper and deeper into a dangerous world of control and desire. **Publisher's Note:** This erotic romance novel is approximately 70K words and contains sensual content: Anal play/intercourse, m/f/m menage, BDSM scenes, power exchange themes, and swinging/partner sharing.

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Customer Reviews

I really enjoyed the world created and its cast of characters. The power exchange dynamic between Kelsey and Theo was required for a natural flow as partners on stage, and highlighted their vulnerabilities and intimacy off stage. There was such grace to this couple, and their flaws and jagged edges added to their beauty. The implied consent to share each other sexually, and the scenes of Kelsey with Michael left me feeling a bit let down, but this is all my own issue and not in line with the character's acceptance and restricted approval of it. I enjoyed Kelsey and Theo's story, and look forward to continuing the series.

4.5 Stars Cirque du Minuit was another incredible read from Annabel Joseph. This is the wonderful story of Kelsey Martin, a former gymnast and Theo Zamora a career cirque performer. Kelsey has just moved to Paris and joined the Cirque du Monde as one of their newest acrobats. She is adjusting to circus life and the differences between performing and competing with the help of her trainer Jason. But the man who has caught her eye is the temperamental and self-centered, Theo. She's noticed his dark intensity from the moment she auditioned for the cirque and is keenly attracted to him. She gets lost in the training compound one day and happens to find Theo and his partner Minya in a Dominant/submissive scene that has her aroused and wondering what it would feel like to be Theo's lover. Then a tragic accident during a trapeze act takes Minya's life and leaves Theo with the stigma of being an untrustworthy partner. He takes her death very hard and closes himself off from the circus, locked away in his apartment. Kelsey is determined to bring him out of his depression. I was surprised that Kelsey had the strength and fearlessness to keep going to Theo's apartment even after several verbal attacks and having the door shut in her face. She didn't really know Theo that well but her attraction to him was powerful enough to keep her going back and even offer to be his new partner. The new partners are sent to Marseilles to star in a new aerial silk act with the Cirque du Minuit (Midnight Circus). Theo is a demanding task master as he trains Kelsey on the use of the silks. Their love affair also continues with him being equally as hard on her during her submissive training. Their whole relationship is rich with tumultuous emotions. I loved both these characters. There are multiple D/s sex scenes including lots of anal. The scenes are well written and emotional. I enjoyed the addition of Cirque du Monde's owner, Michel Lemaitre. He's the puppet master of both the cirque and his decadent le Citadel BDSM clubs. Lemaitre was an over the

top character that I hope we see again in the future. I loved the imagery that was used when describing the practice and performance with the silks. If you have never seen an aerial silks performance I recommend you check one out. This novel definitely turns the experience into a sensual one. Theo and Kelsey's story has to be one of my favorites from Ms. Joseph. Watching Theo change from a self-centered ass-hat to a loving partner to Kelsey was captivating. Cirque du Minuit was a beautiful story with a tragic beginning that ends with a couple who is full of hope and love. This is one of my favorite novels of Annabel Joseph and a must read for any fan of BDSM erotic romance.

There is nothing like the Cirque de Minuit, flying thru the air & meeting a man who could teach you things you'd never imagined. Theo becomes more than Kelsey could hope for. Her partner in the air, her Master & lover in the bedroom. Then there's the Citadel & Le Maitre, can she learn about true submission? I do love the way Ms. Joseph writes. She has introduced me to a world of Sadoomasochism I never thought I would enjoy. Granted some books are a little more than I enjoy. Then again W/we all have O/our preferences. Enjoy!!! I'm on to Bound in Blue Jason Beck's story.

I am even more in love with Annabel Joseph's writing! This is another fantastic book. I was so quickly sucked in and didn't want it to end. I love the plot and the elements. Just a fantastic story. And Theo is so much. He oozes dominance and sex. Off I go to get the next book in the series.

Annabel Joseph really can do no wrong in my eyes. Cirque du Minuit is no exception. She has a real talent for writing cruel, flawed, yet loveable heroes. Kelsey is probably one of my favorite heroines as she's a hard worker, spunky and doesn't take no for an answer. The setting is perfect for this book and so well-developed. The story is rich and complex, full of interesting complications.

Another excellent erotic romance from the author. I didn't find this ebook to be as intense as some of the author's other work but I found it to be very romantic. There are heavy themes of Dominance and Submission and BDSM. I really enjoyed Theo and Kelsey as a couple. Theo was an excellent leading man. Strong, brooding and passionate, an aerial artist in the Cirque du Monde in Paris. He is quite a complex and multi layered character. He makes no apologies for the way he is. I found this ebook a little different than the normal fare as it was Kelsey who initially did the chasing. She knew that she wanted Theo right away, and when the opportunity arises she steps in to partner Theo.

Kelsey is resilient, strong, passionate and a little naive, she fascinates Theo. I liked the setting for this novel, the circus and the artistry involved. Yes, it is BDSM and very erotic and angsty but the romance was poignant and very well done.

This is one of my favorite books ever. I love the passion of Ms Joseph's characters and how real they seem. Theo is very, very intense and exact and he sometimes acts like a dumb male... Kelsey starts off as an innocent and a little bit naive, but as the story progresses so does she. She gets more confident in herself, her art and her allure as a woman.

I love this author books and this was no exception. Cirque du Minuit was a fantastic story, beautifully written with great characters. Theo and Kelsey, our hero and heroine, become partners in a new aerial act for Cirque du Minuit. Their relationship goes from teacher and student to master and slave as Theo introduces Kelsey to the world of BDSM. I loved Theo although he was cold and dark in the beginning but his softer side is revealed by the end of the story. Kelsey is a sensible girl but she's feisty and strong and not afraid to speak her mind. For me they were the perfect couple. I was enthralled by this book and I couldn't put it down, read it in a few hours. Great love story, excellent writing. Definitely a must read!

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