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The Runaway (Valkyrie Book 2)



Synopsis

Freya searches for a missing Valkyrie in this second book of an exciting new series that School Library Journal described as perfect for “those looking for Rick Riordan read-alikes.” Valkyrie: Norse Goddess. Reaper of Souls. Defender of the Weak. But could she also start a war? In the world of Asgard, living among Odin, Thor, and Loki are the Valkyries of legend. Norse goddesses, reapers of souls from human battlefields—they have the power to cause death with just one touch. Freya is a Valkyrie—but she has not followed in the footsteps of the legends before her. She has been to the World of Man to befriend humans—and not to reap their souls. Now she must return to the human realm on a new quest to track down the runaway Valkyrie of legend. There she will discover a dark secret that leads her to the Land of the Frost Giants where she must take on new enemies. But this time she has friends to rely on, and lots more to gain.

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Customer Reviews

(Note: Another review by my daughter) This one is just as awesome as the first! I totally recommend this one too! You'll be knocked almost entirely off your feet! This met WAY more than my expectations. To say I was satisfied was an understatement! I was really happy! It's almost as good as the first one. It comes in by a very close second. How much better was the first than the second? I'll give you this: .0001 points better. They might as well be the same, as they are so epic the books are a hurricane of epic! This and it's prequel are totally in the top five in my favorites list. READ THE PREQUEL AND THEN THIS ONE I AM BEGGING YOU

At first my 10 year old daughter was slow to get into the first book Valkyrie, but as she got farther in, she got hooked and a little emotional during the ending. She quickly moved into this second book The Runaway and zipped right through it. She was very excited about it and is ready for the next one. My daughter loved the Pegasus series by this author.

My 5th grader finished the series over a month ago & still talks about it. I'm always thrilled to find books that my child wants to read! According to her, this series has an interesting story line involving mythology "and there's a bunch of adventure stuff that happens and you get really attached to the characters in the books."

I was a little disappointed on Kate O'Hearn's last Pegasus book, so I wasn't very sure I'd like this one, but it turned out to be much better than I expected! I really hope the series doesn't get sloppier in the next books and I can't wait to know what happens, even more after the exciting sneak peak to the second book!! especially loved Archie as a character, although he is not the protagonist. Freya, the main character, was less relatable in her actions, but she was still quite good. I would really recommend you to read this if you like the whole mythical-fantasy topic as much as I do!

I really enjoyed this book. Despite some rather cliché plot points, it had a refreshingly novel flavor--love the Norse mythology!--and the characters were very sympathetic, especially Freya and Maya. Valkyries are pretty rare in fiction, and I enjoyed the idea of mythological beings interacting with the modern world. It raised some interesting questions about the changing nature of war, and Freya's struggles with her once-bloodthirsty culture were understandable and interesting. While certain themes (such as the "high school dance" subplot) are rather tiresome in any media, I actually thought O'Hearn handled them well here, and the characters were so loveable I really didn't mind. The darker elements like bullying were treated deftly, and I enjoyed watching Freya act out

her role as a heroic defender. The ending was suspenseful and well-paced, and the whole book was a lot of fun to read. Overall, light and enjoyable with a deliciously unique flavor.

Kate is one of my favorite authors. This story has a lot of surprises and suspense and it was one of the best books I ever read. I couldn't put it down and I am so excited so that the end of this book said to be continued. Can't wait for the third one!

The story was the best and the cover was also amazing and the words really captured me and it was overall a very good book. -perspective from 9 year old reader.

My Daughter Loves it.

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