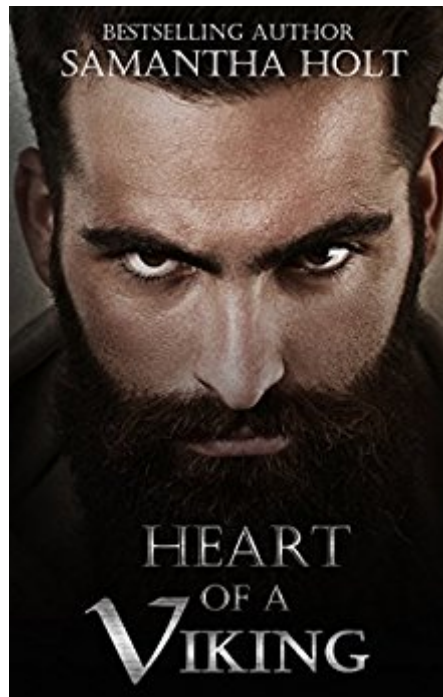


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Heart Of A Viking



Synopsis

HEART OF A VIKING includes a bonus viking novella ALREK. Taken Captured as a slave, Keita must use all her wits to survive the brutal world of the Norsemen. After a treacherous journey across the sea to a new world, her new owner bestows a blessing upon her--no man may touch her. Her purity becomes her salvation...and her curse. Forbidden. Thorarin had planned his revenge for ten years. He does not need his attention diverted by a slave girl. To touch her is to risk everything. Including his life. Tempted. The pull between them is strong. Thorarin must fulfil his revenge against Keita's owner and she must remain untouched or risk being tossed aside as nothing more than a tattered sail on a Viking ship. Can they resist one another, knowing that just one touch could mean the end of everything for them both?

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Customer Reviews

Heart of a Viking is really two short stories both have strong heroines who have to overcome harsh circumstances. In the first story, heroine Keita is given to a Viking Marauder. She is deemed to be almost magical by her captor and is remained untouched. She is still a slave in the Viking's household though. Thorarin is out to avenge his family and Thorarin sets his sights on Keita's owner. Thorarin though is very attracted to Keita and he hates how she is under his enemy's

thumb. He knows he can never touch Keita as it will result in his death but passion overtakes the both of them and they must deal with the consequences of their attraction. I liked the leads although the both of them could act rashly. Thorarin is a very brave man and quite a strategist but he does allow his heart to rule his head when it comes to Keita. The second story involved a widow who finds an injured Viking. She takes him back to her hut and nurses him back to health. The two form a quick bond and whatâ™s more, they act nobly with each other. The heroine and hero are both self-sacrificing and looking for a peaceful life which they find in each other. They overcome prejudices and past hurts to love each other unconditionally.

Review by the Club
Keita was sold by the king, her father, to pay a debt. As her reality set in, she convinced the earl who bought her she was good luck so he kept her protected instead of bedding her like all other slaves. Then she saw the Viking, Thorarin, and somehow she knew there was more to him. And as the time went on she started to fall. But the danger was still there and she is still a slave to her master who would kill all who touch her. Thorarin has his secrets. He is here for revenge and nothing more. But laying eyes upon Keita he can't help but be drawn to her. Soon he starts risking all he's worked for in seeking revenge for her. I love reading about strong men willing to risk it all for a woman. Even though he had reasons for not just taking her and running, no matter what he still tried to keep her safe. Their lives were more alike than they might of thought. Both betrayed by their people and somehow they use that as strength to keep moving forward. It was a sweet love story with a little bit of gruff added in. 5 stars

I hate being the first to review. I know I haven't always given this author great reviews so it's a pleasure to have enjoyed one of her books. To be honest there are 2 stories in this KU offering. I've not had great luck with books lately so I returned to this HR sub-genre being a Viking romance. Heart of a Viking: Here our h is a Pict princess (although illegitimate) who was given to the Vikings to turn them away when they came to raid the family home. She is a slave to the Jarl (Earl) and because he felt she gave him good luck on the journey home - he decides that she has to stay pure. The Jarl is not a popular leader and isn't fair either. The H had lived as a child with his family under the Jarl's reign. The H witnesses the Jarl murder his own son and later the Jarl accuses the H of murdering his son. The punishment was being banished. The H dreams of revenge and it's what keeps him going. He meets the H when he comes to the Jarl's rescue and is given a place to stay. It's a little more complex but too long to go into here. The main characters are seriously attracted to each other but both try to fight it. To find out how they finally get their heads, you'll need to read the

book. Alrek: This is a shortish story about the H, a Viking, whom the h rescues after he is injured when his boat founders on the rocks. The h is a Pict widow living on her own, raising sheep and barely eking out a living. There is chemistry from the start but the h has trouble seeing the future with the H. Her husband was murdered by Vikings in a raid and if that isn't enough, the H wants to go and settle down in Iceland. Anyway I loved the story but hated the editing errors. They were glaring. There were some editing errors that were a bit annoying but I could overlook them in the first book but not in the second. Lots of misused word etc.

I absolutely loved this story!! It was well written. Samantha kept me captivated throughout the whole story and the second short novella. VERY well done and I want to read the next books that come out from her. I love vikings and that time era, so rugged and so dang cute!!

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