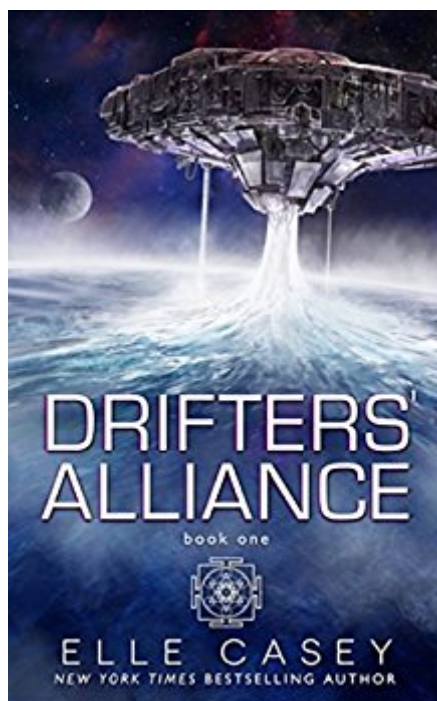


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Drifters' Alliance, Book 1



Synopsis

NEW YORK TIMES and USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR, ELLE CASEY, brings readers Book 1 of DRIFTERS' ALLIANCE, an ongoing Science Fiction Space Opera series. One hand of cards and it's all over but the crying... Cass Kennedy finally gets what she's been dreaming of for the past ten years: a drifter ship to call her own. All the sim time and battle training is going to pay off in spades as she sets her course for the future. She'll be living on her own terms, not those of her father. But drifting through deep space with a crew of nutty strangers on the DS Anarchy carries a lot more surprises than she bargained for. Nobody told her that her ship is falling apart, that dead chickens are something you really want to hang on to, and that the OSG has big plans for the universe that don't necessarily jibe with her plans for herself. Jump onboard with Cass and her crew as she charts a course toward an alliance that will either make her or break her as Captain of the DS Anarchy. SERIES: This is Book 1 in an ongoing series. Books 2 and 3 are now available. More books coming for this series in 2016! GENRE: Science Fiction, Space Opera AUDIENCE: For older teens and adults CONTENT WARNING: Colorful language, sexy stuff, and general badassery

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Customer Reviews

Like other reviewers, I turned the page--and found I'd reached the end. So now I have to wait for book two. Casey has done a great job building a future that holds together, and has good rough edges. The characters are developed at a good pace, and no long monologues on history, technology, or personal quirks. Cass Kennedy's goal was to pilot a drifter ship (DS), and at 19, she achieves her goal on a bet in a hand of cards. But she hasn't thought past her goal--like how to actually pilot a ship, and how to captain a crew that may or may not want to work with her. Cass's tenuous link to the strengthening police force brings tests of her resolve, and the loyalty of her crew. The language is adult--nothing you wouldn't hear in an appropriately-rated movie (or on any high school campus); it just caught me by surprise. With that caveat, I highly recommend picking up this fast-paced, funny, wonderful book.

My only complaint is that it isn't longer. Once I started reading I couldn't stop and then I got to the end and I was left wanting more. For Mrs. Casey's first run at Sci-Fy, I think she did a wonderful job. I am anxiously awaiting book 2 and even at Mrs. Casey's pace, it won't be soon enough. Some of the character development is a bit predictable, but the over all universe reminds me of Firefly. Cass' hard work and dedication to her goal is something all young people should strive to achieve. She is a young, strong female lead character who uses her wits and training to outsmart, maneuver and earn the respect of those around her, while doing what she can to avoid the authorities and make her dreams a reality. I really can't wait to see where this story goes.

I love this book! At first I wasn't sure if I was going to like it but after the first few pages I was hooked. I love the interaction of the characters. Capt. Cass is such a great character, because of the the training she received when she was growing up she us a real bad**s but inside she is a typical confused teen who doubts herself. It was wonderful to watch her succeed. The supporting characters are just as good. I love the fatherly feel of Jeffers. The "ginger twins" are so funny. I can't say enough good things about this book. If sci-fi is not your usual book give this one a try you'll be glad you did. I can't wait for the next one!!!!

While Captain Cass is her own person and this is its own story with no connection to the firefly 'verse, there are some mighty fine and pleasing elements of butt-kicking women, teamwork, and a bunch of folks working to make sure they get some room to do as they please. I really enjoyed this and look forward to more!

I have never wanted to venture into sci-fi because I was afraid that it would be too serious for me. But Elle Casey is one of my favorite authors, so I of course had to read it and it was fantastic. I can't wait for the next book to come out and to follow the rest of the series, there will be a series, right Elle?!

A good old fashioned swashbuckling space opera with tough cookie Cass at the helm. An entertaining read, however I'm not much for books that end in, if not a cliff hanger, like you were mid way through. I can remember when the choices were either a library or book store, and not being able to find the next book for perhaps years or finding the next one after the one I wanted. It always seemed to me that if you believed your books would be around for awhile, you'd make them each stand alone. If the material is good enough your audience will be looking for the next book without the cliffhanger. I gave it 4 stars because of that and because it shows that it has older teens as part of its designated audience. I'm hoping that later volumes will develop a little more sophistication, perhaps with the aging of Cass. I would also like to see some of the thoughts of the other characters about Cass and their situation.

The book was fun but not completely believable. While the Heroine was super trained as a special operative by her fathers organization she did not appear to have the emotional composure to pull off her actions. To be able to fly a ship of this complexity with only experience in trainers also does not appear to be reasonable. This is even more unbelievable with the controls changed from the standard she trained on. It only took her maybe five minutes to understand the new configuration and then she was an expert. The plot just grows and grows with no chance for the crew or the reader to catch up. While she is presented as brilliant hand to hand fighter her constant threatening everyone with a stabbing is not the way to make friends that you may need to help you later.

I loved this story about a strong, independent, cocky, vulnerable, smart young woman. Cass, our female protagonist does a lot of wisecracking and swashbuckling stuff in a sci-fi setting. In short, she does things that male characters often do, such as captain a space ship, only she's way sassier. Lucky me-- I downloaded Book 1 for free. I will definitely buy Book 2 now. This is a huge endorsement because I mostly read free books from my public library and Book Bub. The writing style is very good and I didn't notice any typos or other editing SNAFUs! Thank you, Elle Casey! There is some grown-up language which I did not find offensive. Just don't read it aloud to a seven-year-old unless you are good at editing out cussing on the fly.

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