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Voice Of Mars: Starship's Mage, Book 3



Synopsis

When accusations of piracy and mass murder are laid against his homeworld, Damien Montgomery is sent to resolve the crisis. As counteraccusations fly and an old flame reenters his life, the newest Hand of the Mage-King of Mars finds himself in the midst of a bloody interstellar shadow war. With the death toll mounting, Damien must decide whether he should trust the world he came from - or the world that asked for his help. The wrong choice will trigger a civil war that could shatter human civilization. No pressure.

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Customer Reviews

*Note: I received a an advanced reader's edition of this novel in return for an honest review. Voice of Mars picks up the story of Damien Montgomery, Hand of the Mage King of Mars, some time after the end of the last. Damien has had time to really grow into his new role as a Hand, and this novel starts right in the thick of the action as Damien is called to take care of a terrorist threat on an agricultural planet. I love Voice of Mars because it is as much a whodunit mystery as it is a military space opera. Damien has to punish guilty (as soon as he finds them), save innocent (as long as they really are innocent), and deal with people from his past all while trying to avert a potentially civilization ending interplanetary civil war. One thing that I found lacking in Hand of Mars was that Damien had the romantic escapades of a common houseplant in that novel. Thankfully, Damien gets more action than my Ficus in Voice of Mars. The only thing that sort of bugged me in Voice of Mars is that the end leaves us with a rather major tease of the future novels with no sequel as of

yet. All in all Voice of Mars turned out to be exactly what I wanted even though I had completely different expectations going in. I was expecting a grand military space opera with epic space battles and grand magic. What I got was a rather satisfying mix of mystery, action and intrigue with just the right sprinkling of romance to spice things up. Frankly if you have like the previous two novels in the series, you will love this one too. Voice of Mars is everything Hand of Mars was and so much more. I really can't wait to see where the story goes next.

I was lucky to get an advanced story to review. The whole story line is great. First he has to save himself with a few friends. Then he saves a whole planet. In this last story he has to save his home. What more can you ask for? The Voice of Mars greatly expands upon Damien's character as he is a Hand of Mars.

The author has really hit his stride with this book - both with the story and the mechanics of writing / editing. This was a great read. (But if you're starting the series don't start here.) Damien Montgomery is in his role as Hand of the Mage-King and it's obvious he is more settled and confident in performing that role. But the current adventure tests him as the conflict he needs to settle involves his home planet. I like that he now has a support team to shore up his edges, as it were and I think that was a realistic development given his age and experience and the situations that a Hand is called on to solve. The tension in the story stems from not being a 100% sure who is going to be trustworthy, who really is causing the issues and if Damien can trust his instincts. I liked that the situation is fully resolved but there is still an over-arching storyline that undoubtedly leads to the next tale. I'm looking forward to the next book.

another home run for Glynn Stewart. I enjoyed the third (7th or 8th if you read the serialized version of book one) book in the mage series and found it to be very well written. I think book is very well thought out and the characters full and complicated. I would like to see more written about the Mage King and his involvement in the story; to make him more real instead of a behind the curtain type of character. Damien continues to grow as a person and bringing back his first love was a nice touch but is he really serious about the King's daughter or does her place in the kingdom require him give into forever? I guess we will see.

Love this series! Stewart is an excellent writer and this book is the best yet. The combination of fantasy and space opera can be daunting and frequently awful, but the characters and plot carry

this story. Excellent pacing with plenty of action, suspense, and a bit of romance. Damien Montgomery will have a long future in my library. Highly recommended.

Kind of a nice book, and I'm eagerly looking forward to the next sequel. That being said, I sort of wish the hero would meet a real challenge. He's like uberpowerful, but too modest to accept it. There's nothing he needs help for, and just sends out minions to handle the small stuff...

Got it all! Power, romance, high tech, mystery, tormented hero! Truly the making of a mega-series. All great to see Damien struggle with his inner and outer demons. Can't wait for the next edition!!!

I bought the book because I really enjoyed the first two installments. I am now looking to book 4 which was clearly setup by the ending in this story. The story does come to a conclusion, so we are not left hanging.

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