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Legendary (The Legendary Series)



Synopsis

Aliana Fagan spent her childhood traveling the world, dreaming of legendary heroes and mythical lands. But after the sudden death of her parents, she hides behind the safety of her camera and her art until a vivid recurring dream compels her to dig into her father's research about Avalon and Camelot. When she is hurled into a magical realm by forces she thought were only the stuff of fairy tales, she finds herself thrown into an adventure she could never have imagined. Nearly everything she thought she knew about Arthurian legend was wrong. The independent eighteen-year-old is shocked to find that the people of Avalon think that she is the Destined One, the only person who can summon King Arthur back to life from his hidden chamber. Most surprising of all is that it's up to her to lead the Knights of the Round Table on an epic quest-an adventure that will transport them across the seven magic realms to reclaim all that has been lost so they can defeat the evil Mordrid for good. But first, she must bring the ancient warriors into her world and reunite them with their lost brothers. Chaperoning the legendary knights-with-a-chivalry-complex as they navigate the modern world is a constant challenge, and she certainly never thought she'd be caught between her intense feelings for the noble Sir Galahad and her growing friendship with the King. To fulfill the prophecy, Aliana will have to discover the meaning of friendship, bravery, loyalty, true love, and forgiveness. But can she do it all in time to save the realms from Mordrid's impending Armageddon?

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Customer Reviews

L.H. Nicole is a seasoned Pastry Chef in our nations capitol and a life long fairytale (Disney and

Grimm) lover, believes in love at first sight, is addicted to 80's & 90's cartoons and anything that can capture her ADD-way-to-overactive-imagination. Joan Lowery Nixon and L.J. Smith were the first authors she became addicted to and who inspired her to steal away whenever she could to read and write. You can keep up with L.H. and all her news and adventures on Facebook, Tumblr, Pinterest, Blogger and Legendary Saga website.

Nicole's debut takes us from deep within Camelot legend into the modern world...and then things get serious! Heroine Aliana may be the Destined One, but she's still got her hands full with the charming knights she's chaperoned back to her world and the very real danger posed by the very, very bad guy. Nicole shows off her love of language and knowledge of the King Arthur legend to turn out a delightful and original version all her own. Glad it's a series, so there will be more to come.

This story has everything you need for a great young adult story: drama, action, battles, magic, annnnnnd romance. Well written and easy to read, you'll find yourself unable to pull away from this modern rendering of Arthur and his Knights.

Wonderful reworking of one of our oldest and most cherished legends. My only complaint is I wish the next book was available now!

Mary Sue, insta-love, not written well, waste of a good skeletal plot. I don't completely hate it but...

3.5/5
Legendary is the first book in the young adult fantasy, the Legendary Saga by author L.H. Nicole. The Legendary Saga is a tale about King Arthur. I love Arthurian stories, so I knew this one would be right up my alley. I think this series will be perfect for fans of the tv show Merlin. That was the kind of King Arthur tale I was getting while reading Legendary. Legendary is a quest story. It starts out in the time of King Arthur and we watch the faerie queen put a spell on him to put him to sleep until the destined one can come and awaken him. Then we flash forward a couple hundred years when the destined one stumbles her way into Avalon. Then it becomes her quest to get Arthur. She has helpers to get Arthur. I love a quest story. For a while I felt like this was just going to be a solo mission, with Aliana venturing out on her own the whole time. But she is soon joined by Magic (a dragon) and Loyal (sir Galahad). I will warn you now that there is a love triangle. I know you can tell from the summary, but I am reserving judgment as to this triangle because I think

it is going to be pretty flippy floppy during the Saga and I don't know whose side I am on yet. Something I found very interesting with *Legendary* is the fact that each of the chapters start off with a little bit of thoughts from various characters in the story. It was a cool way to slip into the different characters heads and see what they were thinking about Aliana. I have never seen that done before and I really liked it. The book is told from Aliana's point of view so that was a cool touch. Bottom line: If you are a fan of King Arthur tales, give the *Legendary Saga* a try. It starts off with a very classic King Arthur vibe, but as the book goes on there are modern spins thrown in. Some I really dug, some I thought were a bit weird, but overall it worked. I will be continuing this series for the simple fact that L. H. Nicole made me interested in what is going to happen next. If you are looking for a new King Arthur/prophecy/quest story, try out *Legendary* and the *Legendary Saga*. *Disclaimer- I received a copy of this book for free from the publisher.

Taking on the legend of King Arthur is no small task, but L.H. Nicole crafts her story with love and passion bringing Avalon to life with this clever and magical spin on the hero's journey. Eighteen year old Aliana finds that her taste for adventure and passion for the Arthurian legends are not just chance, rather they are part of her fate. As the Destined One, it is up to Aliana to travel a dangerous path to find Arthur and return him to his former glory. Of course, there are knights and goblins, magical creatures and magicians, mysteries and battles, and a little romance to keep it all balanced. And a pegasus -- there is a pegasus! Also a dragon, a wonderfully snarky dragon. Seriously, the magical creatures alone make this story worth reading. *Legendary* is the perfect weekend escape book. Getting lost in the beauty and drama of this new take on the old stories was a welcome escape from reality. Of course, most people will focus on all the heroics, and I admit that Aliana is a confident, quirky, and strong protagonist. But for me, the stories have always been about Merlin, Mordrid, and Morgana. What would Arthur be without his durid? Who would Merlin be were it not for Mordrid? Every hero needs a worthy opponent and L.H.Nicole has given readers that tenfold in her version of Mordrid and the menacing Sidhe. Some of the best moments in the book come from watching characters out of their natural elements. Without giving away too many details, there are some fantastic moments that involve the knights of Avalon discovering technology and some equally wonderful moments watching Aliana try to wrap her head around the fantastical world of Avalon. And for all you Shakespeare fans, there's even some (pretty big) nods to the Bard's works. Honestly, this book has a little bit of everything. If you're a fan of the classic Arthur legends or, like me, if you are feeling loss over the ending of BBC's *Merlin*, this is a book for you. If you've never read or watched any iteration of the Arthurian legends, but the idea of escaping into a mystical

fantasy that blends the ordinary and the extraordinary, this is the book for you. If you like adventure and romance, this is the book for you. Basically, just go read this book, you won't regret it.**Review originally posted on my blog: mymercurialmusings.com

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