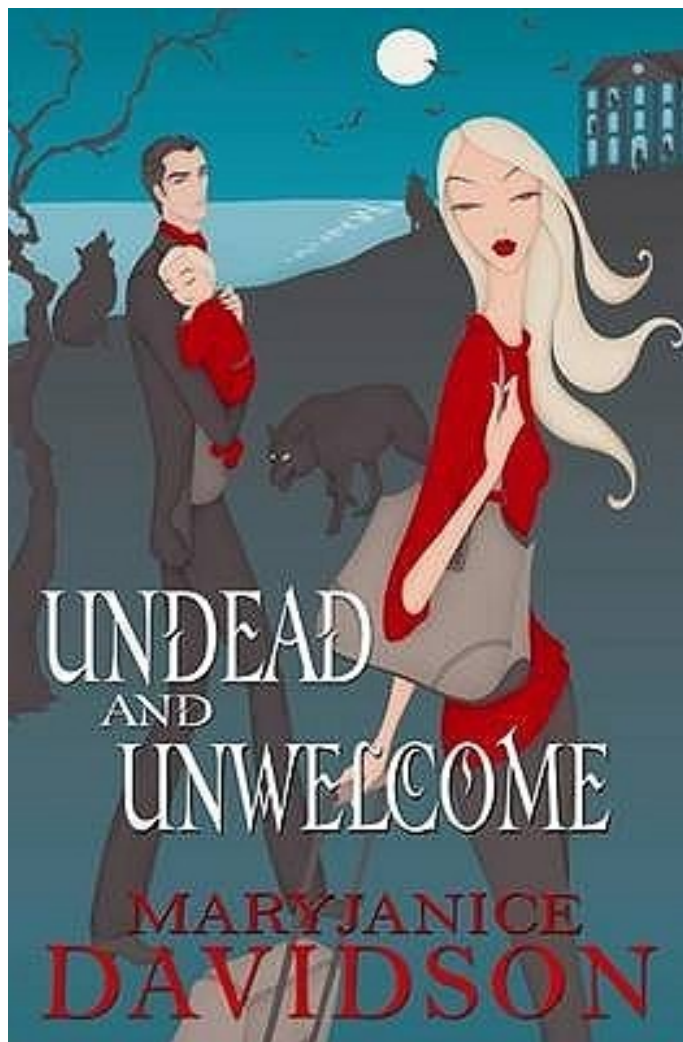

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Description

Book 8 in MaryJanice Davidson's massively popular and funny UNDEAD series of paranormal romance comedies

Insightful reviews

Jess: What a waste of my time. Just to sum up what happens.. Betsy introduces herself and all the characters in the book (again), she whines about how people think she's self centered, she has an amazing revelation that makes her feel bad about herself, she verbally spars with Sinclair (after explaining why she calls him Sinclair and not Eric), she then makes a few witty comments about her new shoes, and then continues to whine about anything else she can think of.

I'm pretty much done with this series. It's amazing how this series has declined. whew.

Julie (jjmachshev): Well, well, well. Queen Betsy is at it again. Sorry to say there's no shoe shopping in "Undead and Unwelcome", MaryJanice Davidson's latest. However, Betsy and Sinclair DO learn a bit more about werewolves and BabyJon...and Betsy's sister, the daughter of Satan. Sound funny? Oh, the whole series is a side-splitter. Picture a self-absorbed, shoe-loving, fairly normal, not-so-bright, teetering-on-30 woman. She goes out on her birthday, has a horrible time, gets hit by a car, and wakes up a vampire--not just any vampire though. Oh no, she's the prophesized Queen of the Vampires! Has this changed Betsy? Uh, nope. She's still self-absorbed, still loves a shoe sale more than anything, still has more stereotypical 'blonde moments' than are good for her, and still hangs out with her best friend from way back. But the last two years HAVE seen some changes: she's now married to hunky Sebastian, found a sister she never knew about (yes, the one who turned out to be the daughter of Satan), accidentally bit a friend, cured a werewolf who couldn't change, and many other exciting and zany adventures you'll just have to read about.

Why do I enjoy this series? It's vampires without the angst. I mean, Queen Betsy is the antithesis of angst...unless we're talking knock-off shoes. The series is a bit sillier than Charlaine Harris' 'Sookie Stackhouse' and maybe I just like the fact that reading about Betsy's antics and thought-processes makes me feel like a genius. I laugh, I shake my head at Betsy, and I laugh some more. How can that be bad?

Eileen: I am an MJD fan and will continue to be, just like I will continue to follow the Undead series, even though it seems to be on a downward spiral. So, yes, *Undead and Unwelcome* is Book 8; surely, by now, I should be used to how Betsy books turn out. I have no issues with MJD's style of writing; the haphazard crazy way of writing is fun and suits Betsy's personality. Wafer-thin plots, I have more of an issue with, but even that I can overlook - I mean, we all know Betsy books aren't exactly literature. I think a measure of a good author is the ability to evolve its character, especially since MJD herself had called out that it was a new beginning for this series from the previous book. The character shouldn't be changed beyond recognition, but certainly in a way where readers can grow with the character as the series progresses. After all,

major events would have happened; a person does not stay exactly the same. I love reading Betsy's frank outbursts; the way she speaks her mind with a devil-may-care attitude regardless of who's around is one of her endearing traits. What I can't stand is her inability to focus for more than 2 seconds, which seems to be much worse in this book than I can remember in all previous installments. Yes, we all know that she is not exactly enamoured about her position as Queen of the Undead but with all the recent events and new responsibilities, you would think she would be able to concentrate for at least the length of a conversation. I'm not sure how long more MJD can drag out this series for as things seem to be coming to a head. I can only hope that she will give the Undead series a fitting end, as Betsy so rightly deserves.

Heather: i admire this series, yet this installment was once a bit unusual for me. It felt quite disjointed for the 1st third of the book. Betsy felt spazzy to me, like she could not hold a idea directly in her head. I did love it higher than the final simply because i didn't think indignant at any characters. Still, i might supply it 3.5 stars. The publication begun with a preview, which i guess was once the satan worshipers finding Laura. It was once a bit imprecise and contributed to the disjointed feeling I got. Marc's magazine entries additionally additional to that feeling. His entries commence with him speaking approximately how he learned he is homosexual and the tension it prompted along with his dad. It did not fairly appear to have a objective for this book, notwithstanding possibly it's going to hold over to the next. Marc's magazine entries then start to conceal the occasions at domestic whereas Betsy, Sinclair and Jessica are in Cape Cod... essentially Laura going crazy. The major a part of the tale is Betsy, Sinclair and Jessica in Cape Cod facing the aftermath of Antonia's death. except the opportunity of extra crossovers and checking out that BabyJon is proof against supernatural damage, now not a lot happened. What was once so unusual used to be that this used to be the most story, yet i'd have concept that the facet tale with Laura could were extra important. Betsy did not take care of any of that till the end. Something did trouble me, though. the entire try at electronic message from Marc was once simply annoying. For one thing, what was once with all of the netspeak that did not make sense. LOL is understandable... someday like LHGC for Laura has long gone loopy (I do not have in mind precisely what it was once however it was once like that sort of thing) is not. Who could even be aware of what that was? i did not and that i knew Laura used to be going crazy. what's wrong with "Help. get back now!?" And Marc knew Betsy hated it (there used to be a extraordinary rant approximately it and it appeared unusual coming from Betsy). yet at the different hand, if a person sends you 30 electronic mail in a single day they usually have an air of urgency, is not going to you solution whether you do not just like the method the individual kinds email? contemplating their phone carrier used to be mysteriously canceled and not restored and Sinclair could not touch Tina at all, i'd imagine it'd be secure to imagine that anything was once happening. Yes, i do know it used to be used in an effort to delay Laura's evildoing however it used to be a bit unrealistic. I've additionally puzzled in regards to the a number of use of an identical name. it is not stressful loads as strange. i have been used to it with the opposite characters yet i actually spotted with the little woman werewolf named Lara and the sister Laura. Betsy truly mentions the 2 Antonias and Jon/John is used greater than as soon as as well. as soon as is one thing, yet it truly is relatively visible whilst it occurs alot.

Brekke: Vampires and werewolves, a vintage tale. i used to be ready for eye rolling here. We met the Wyndam werewolves within the brief tale "Fiend in Need," and that i really beloved them and would really like to learn their sequence within the future, yet I simply wasn't convinced how

this tale used to be going to play out. It used to be great to determine that a minimum of many of the humans within the extended family hadn't absolutely misplaced their mind, yet there has been certainly loads of it. i am not going into a lot aspect the following simply because i do not are looking to break the former book, on the way to make it fairly tough to discuss this one. Overall, I loved the booklet particularly a bit. I loved the examine the long run pack chief and that i loved the truth that Betsy could not simply lovable her method out of items yet truly needed to friggin' rise up for herself. I additionally used to be unsurprised via the BabyJon twist simply because I knew anything was once going to need to occur for him to dwell with Betsy, however it was once additionally entertaining, so that is a bonus. This booklet definitely makes up for the final one in caliber and used to be an excellent read.

Heather: i must whole-heartedly consider the posters who criticized this ebook as: (1) too short; (2) too fluffy; (3) unnecessarily spending the 1st a hundred pages rehashing the final 7 books; and (4) having a ludicrous variety of spelling and grammatical errors. i actually loved the 1st numerous books during this sequence -- but, boy, used to be this one terrible. it will definitely did increase the plot a bit bit, however the improve was once so minor, it may were a brief story, instead of an try out at a full-length book. i believe that Ms. Davidson has fallen prey to both over-zealous publishers who do not care approximately caliber as soon as a sequence is demonstrated (because all they care approximately is pushing out plenty of books, with a view to make a buck) or laziness. i actually wish her subsequent attempt is really that -- an effort. simply because if this continues, i cannot proceed reading. that is a shame, given how a lot I beloved this sequence within the beginning.

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