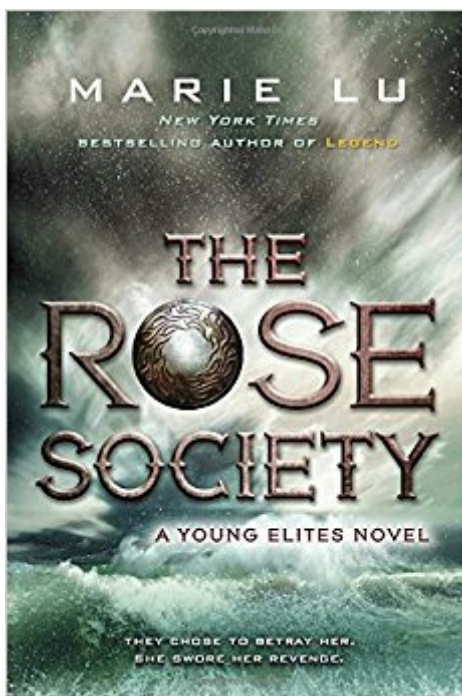


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The Rose Society (A Young Elites Novel)



Synopsis

Bestselling author and *New York Times* proclaimed "hit factory" Marie Lu delivers another heart-pounding adventure in this exhilarating sequel to *The Young Elites*. Once upon a time, a girl had a father, a prince, a society of friends. Then they betrayed her, and she destroyed them all. Adelina Amouteru's heart has suffered at the hands of both family and friends, turning her down the bitter path of revenge. Now known and feared as the White Wolf, she and her sister flee Kenettra to find other Young Elites in the hopes of building her own army of allies. Her goal: to strike down the Inquisition Axis, the white-cloaked soldiers who nearly killed her. But Adelina is no heroine. Her powers, fed only by fear and hate, have started to grow beyond her control. She does not trust her newfound Elite friends. Teren Santoro, leader of the Inquisition, wants her dead. And her former friends, Raffaele and the Dagger Society, want to stop her thirst for vengeance. Adelina struggles to cling to the good within her. But how can someone be good, when her very existence depends on darkness?

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offering. Adelina, known as the White Wolf, has fled Kenettra with Violetta, her sister, in order to recruit other malfettos (superpowered humans) for revenge upon the Inquisition—the faction that killed her love Enzo and countless other malfettos. Turned out and betrayed by her former comrades, the Daggers, Adelina is determined to form her own army, especially once she stumbles upon the near-mythical malfetto named Magiano. As the leader of the Inquisition, Teren, continues to search for Adelina so he can destroy her, she turns toward a more somber facet of her energy. Her path explodes into a dizzying array of power, murder, and revenge, leaving Adelina to question her true nature. When a malfetto queen conspires to raise Enzo from the dead, Adelina must face, once and for all, her feelings and her desires for power. What sets this novel apart is Adelina's slow spiral into bleak, joyless corruption; Lu doesn't wrap up the narrative with a shiny bow. Teens will be fascinated to watch the main character descend into villainy and revel in it. VERDICT Fans of Sarah Maas's *Throne of Glass* (Bloomsbury, 2012) and Sabaa Tahir's *An Ember in the Ashes* (Penguin, 2015) will enjoy the author's latest. —Amanda C. Buschmann, Atascocita Middle School, Humble, TX --This text refers to the Audio CD edition.

Praise for *The Rose Society*--A New York Times bestseller!"Are you a fan of, say, X-Men or Star Wars (a.k.a. are you HUMAN)? . . . Marie Lu's upcoming *The Rose Society* and its main character is basically a female Magneto crossed with Darth Vader. Also, she's a teenager. I know pretty badass."--MTV.com "A tightly woven tapestry of a story that ensnares even as it disturbs." Booklist, starred review "Lu constructs a fascinating triangle of opposing forces seeking power, and the ensuing twists and epic battles leave many dead, broken, or forever changed." Publishers Weekly, starred review "Original and sobering, Adelina is an antihero of nigh-unremitting darkness: an unusual young woman in the mold of such archetypes as Lucifer, Macbeth, and Darth Vader." Kirkus Reviews "Teens will be fascinated to watch the main character descend into villainy and revel in it." School Library Journal

This story continued from where the *Elites* ended. *Rose Society* introduces a few more elites with faults and doubts of their capabilities and survival skills. In addition, the story reveals a possibility of mortality, a shortened lifespan for the elites. However, this possibility is not overly reviewed in this book, and the readers will have to wait for the final book of this series to know what happens...The writer has created an interesting and alluring fantasy story with believable heroes and villains - some of which are both. However, this book did not quite hold the promise of the first book even though

this story was still good.

I really can't understand why so many people love this book. I can tell you it was nothing like the riveting LEGEND series Miss Lu also wrote. I hate the main character - she has no redeeming characteristics. I like the idea of the world and the powers they have. The writing was just okay. I will probably read the third book because I feel invested now, but it took me so long to read this because I kept getting bored.

this book was better than the first. it was so dark and vicious, just like Adelina. again I was sucked into the world of the Young Elites and Kenetra - and fell even more in love with Adelina and her quest for revenge. absolutely obsessively reading these books and it's amazing. AMAZING. I think what I love so much about these books is that the main character isn't a hero - she becomes more and more of a villain as the books go on. I love everything about these books. I can't wait to start the next one, THE MIDNIGHT STAR.

Awesome and breathtaking read. I became a fan of the Young Elite series soon after the first book was published when I managed to get my hands on the book for a new read. I am an YA book lover and surprisingly enough had not read any of Marie Lu's books before, including her famous Legend series. I have to say though that I am so glad I came across the Young Elite series and I can say that Marie Lu is a great and unique YA fiction novelist. Some reviewers seem upset and point out to the series being "too dark" (whatever that means) but I found it exhilarating and from start to finish. If you give the series a chance you will find yourself alongside a completely new character Adeline who is no perfect character at all. Many YA novels present to you a very heroic and strong protagonist but Adeline is very different. She is seeking out her own revenge against the people that have hurt her along her young life. She has been neglected by her father, faced death, and then was used and outcasted by the Young Elites who showed her how to use her unforeseeable power and then labeled her as a traitor only to be outcasted once again. She has been faced with sadness and sorrow her entire life and learns to trust no one. In The Rose Society she becomes stronger and bows revenge on everyone who has hurt her and in turn sets her eyes on the biggest throne of her time, the Kenetra empire. This continuation of the Young Elites novel is a thrilling ride. The Rose Society covers so much ground, one where you are exposed to a variety of old and new characters who each want and will fight for their own ambitions. There are clashes, twists and turns all throughout with zero disappointment. The Young Elite series is unique in its own form where we are

presented with a protagonist who is far from perfect and struggles not only with the outside world but even more so with herself, it is almost as Adelina is her own worst enemy. She trusts no one, not even herself. By the end of the Rose Society she has reached the point she sought out to reach, she has battled her way into the Kenettran empire and now she is the "made" ruler of Kenettra, but is she ready to take on this task? She seems to push the people who actually care about her away from her and this might be her ultimate downfall. I hope I have not spoiled much for you guys, on the contrary I hope it has sparked the interest in some of you to pick up the series.

Fascinating. I love it and I hated it. Adelina is a villain, dark and vengeful. Her quest for revenge, is stronger than her feelings for everyone who cares for her. He keeps away from Magiano and Prince Enzo, who is brought back from the Underworld, is not how she wants him to be. Adelina manage to become the queen with a very bloody price. There are so many twists and so much magical images in this book that is a bit hard to catch up but the story is very intriguing.

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