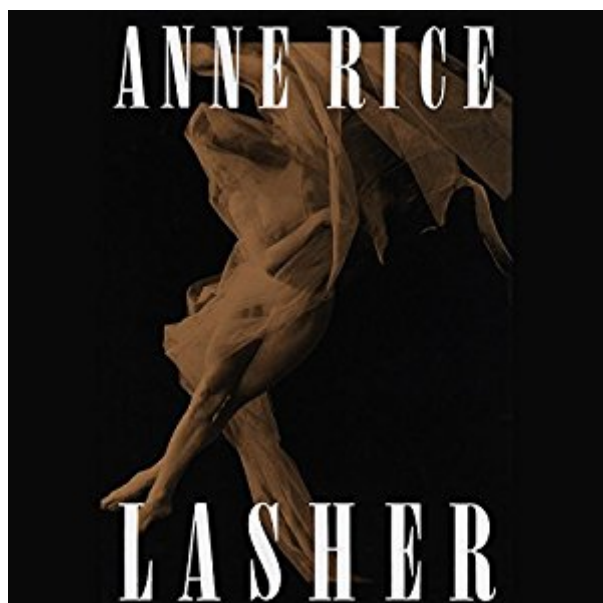


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## Synopsis

From the day her first Vampire Chronicle was published, critics and readers - readers by the hundreds of thousands - have been mesmerized by the writings of Anne Rice. And with the publication of *The Witching Hour*, she created for us yet another world and legend, and both the chorus of praise and the multitudes of her readers and listeners once more increased. Now, Anne Rice brings us again - even more magically - into the midst of the dynasty of witches she introduced in *The Witching Hour*. At the center: the brilliant and beautiful Rowan Mayfair, queen of the coven, and Lasher, the darkly compelling demon whom she finds irresistible and from whose evil spell and vision she must now flee. She takes with her their terrifying and exquisite child, one of "a brood of children born knowing, able to stand and talk on the first day". Rowan's attempt to escape Lasher and his pursuit of her and their child are at the heart of this extraordinary saga. It is a novel that moves around the globe, backward and forward through time, and between the human and demonic worlds. Its many voices - of women, of men, of demons and angels, present and past - haunt and enchant us. With a dreamlike power, the novel draws us through twilight paths, telling a chillingly hypnotic story of occult and spiritual aspirations and passion.

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## Customer Reviews

Seriously. Who doesn't love witches. I love Anne Rice's books whether they are about Vampires or Witches as she is a terrific author. The Mayfair Witch trilogy I have read several times over the years but did not have them on my Kindle. Only hardcover. Now I have both. I read all three books

(Mayfair Witches, Lasher, and Taltos) back to back, and will read them again in a couple of years. Incredible story line, terrific characters, and wonderful scene description. Rice makes you feel like you are on the street looking at the Mayfair yard and house or in the living room looking up the stairs. Simply wonderful!

I'd give it 3.5 stars if possible. It's a satisfying sequel but a somewhat disappointing Rice novel. Overall it's a good book. I enjoyed the fact that it's split into 3 parts, including perspectives from Julien and Lasher. Some people complained about how raunchy the first book was and this one is a little more explicit, so if that bothers you then you might not enjoy this book.

I should preface this by noting that I'm not the biggest fan of Anne Rice's work. I read *The Witching Hour* and was left if nothing else, wanting to know what happened next. After about 35% my desire to put the story away overrode my curiosity. I like the historic and macabre aspects of what I read but I just didn't dig where the story is going nor could I abide the aspects of a 40-something-year-old man having sex with a 13-year-old child which occurs on more than one occasion in the story.

This book is part of a Trilogy. Anne Rice has written few books that I have not enjoyed. Last fall I donated over 2,000 hard cover and 1,250+ soft covers to a nearby nursing home. The residents were elated. (In all honesty, it never occurred that younger persons would be in a nursing home, but I met 15 that were recovering from accidents and it wasn't necessary for them to be in a hospital. I'm glad I found out this information because I have collected more from neighbors that were getting rid of their books. I don't believe in ever throwing a book away, and I'm happy to say that I never have.) Anne Rice was well received by the patients.

Her writing takes you on adventures and weaves story lines that relieve you of all surrounding reality.. Such a pleasure to reread this series again.. Thank you Anne Rice, so much..

Not as captivating a read as the first book; this one was disjointed, too sexual (inappropriately so), and parts seemed to have been left out.

I love all of Anne Rice's books. I had the complete hardback books starting with *The Vampire Lestat*. I've read everything she's written and love the way she draws you into a book. She is a fantastic descriptive ability you can feel the chill in the air I will continue to read her books as she

realms them. A friend of my granddaughter was looking for a book to read so I bought the Mayfair Witches paperback for her to keep. I started reading her books a little over 20 years ago.

Another Anne Rice about the Mayfair's witches continues. Starts out slow but pick up at about 25% into the book. Not something I would read again.

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