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Sequel to Vein of Love

Warning: 18+, cliffhanger.

Never trust a demon.

Never trust your heart.

And never trust the woman who holds it.

In Body of the Crime, a beast craved a beauty and oh, how she ravaged him.

Body of The Crime Details

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Pam says

4.5 heart be damned stars

Tensley and **Molly** are back with a vengeance and boy do they have a point to prove.

Molly wants to prove that she is more than a power play at his side... she wants to be his everything and anything. Feeling her way past his defenses allows her to see a side of him she only dreamed of, but holding someones heart is a huge responsibility, especially when there are secrets left unsaid.

They were exploring each other, learning each other—mind and body, and everything in-between, and she felt closer to him than to anyone else ever before. That fact alone scared and thrilled her.

Tensley opened himself up so to the possibility of more, proving he's not the cold hearted bastard we thought him to be . Allowing us to get to know him and see past the mask he so carefully and dutifully wears; for without it, could mean the end of everything he holds dear.

“What? Scared of the beast...Bruise me, sweetheart.”

Family, duty and power, were once everything... but that all changes when the heart finds it's home.

Body of the Crime is so different than the first book, in a really good way! It's crazy because it's the same characters but I now have a deeper understanding and appreciation for them, especially **Tensley**. I wasn't a fan of him in the first book, but I was curious to see where their story would lead, and I am so happy I continued on this journey with them. In the body of crime, we focus more on the two, knowing it's them against the world. Scared but guided with hope, they build a bond that is special, that no one else understands. It's in their vulnerability that I found their beauty and cherished what they were building.

As a new couple they still have issues to work through, because it is all so new to them and to us. Experiencing this book for both POV's allowed me to feel what they feel and just be in the moment with them. Emotions are heightened and their growth is commendable. We are taken on a ride of love, betrayal, lust and trust. After the cliffhanger of an ending, I am jonesing for the next hit of their story! Recommended to my friends who love a us against the world all consuming love.

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***Quotes above are taken from the version of the book I received and may differ from published edition.

Jen says

This is book two of the series and I have got to say I am loving it! Tensley and Molly are a likeable couple and I found Molly to be a ton more tolerable in this story than in book one! I'm dying to get started on the third book, so I will move on right away!

If you are a reader who enjoys paranormal aspects to your reads then you must give this series a go!

Cristina | CristiinaReads says

⇒ *R. Scarlett has done it again in this new sequel to Vein Of Love...*

⇒ The darkness and the mystery behind this thrilling sequel is always and has always been present when it comes down to this love story. Yes, it not only is a thrilling and mysterious love story, but it also has a the aspects of fantasy and a thrill taking experience when it comes down to the plot and climax points throughout the story. At first I was confused as to how Mrs. Scarlett moved from the ending of the first one and having its cliffhanger KILL ME... But as you keep reading, you come to an understanding how the relationship between Tensley and Molly come to be, and when they do... OH LORDY!

IT. IS. H O T !

⇒ The possessive side of Tensley is just way the right amount of dosage that needs to be present when accepting a legitimately alpha male, because Tensley is a pure alpha that craves for Molly and everything she is. He has a determined mind set to never let her go, and most importantly, not let anyone on her near sight be part of witnessing the beauty she exudes to the world. The way he treats her, makes her come alive, and also ignites the fire in her that not everyone is capable of doing, is thrilling and absolutely exchanging to read;

“You want the beast?” he whispered into her ear.

“Yes.”

“Good. Because he needs you.”

⇒ The characters definitely learn the evolvement of all their relationships in this incredibly written story. There is a magnificent way in which Scarlett compels her audience and attracts you to keep going with this story. There just isn't a thrilling relationship taking place, but the drama and the action behind everything i put into place that has a delicate aspect to it, as if every single word she wrote is meant for something, and has a meaning to something more than just a story. The beauty behind every word in this story is just the

thrilling feeling that I, as a reader was able to obtain. I have not felt a feeling of excitement over a book in this genre, for a long time. R. Scarlett is starting her role as an author in an excellent way, and I cannot wait to read more of her books in the future, as should everyone else who enjoys this incredibly compelling story. Oh and I definitely need to know what happens next in this compelling story... GIVE ME, GIVE ME, GIVE ME!

The Blackest Gold Series:

Vein of Love (Blackest Gold #1)

Body of the Crime (Blackest Gold #2)

Untitled (Blackest Gold #3)

⇒Hero rating: 5.0

⇒Heroine rating: 5.0

⇒Sexual tension rating: 4.5

⇒Sex scenes rating: 5.0

⇒Sex scenes frequency: 4.5

⇒Plot rating: 5.0

⇒Dialogue rating: 5.0

⇒Storytelling rating: 5.0

⇒Story ending rating: 5.0

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Carol [Goodreads Addict] says

RATING 4.5 STARS

Body of The Crime is book two in the Blackest Gold series by R. Scarlett.

“She wanted all of him...including his iron heart.”

Our Molly Darling has most definitely grown up. She is no longer that naïve, indecisive girl we met in the first book. Molly has trained, learned how to control her powers, and knows what she wants. She is tough and determined but still somehow holds on to her sweet loving nature.

Tensley and Molly are getting to know each other and their bond is strengthening. Tensley is in a constant battle with himself between what he is beginning to feel for Molly, that she is making his heart grow for her, and what is ingrained into his head, what is expected of him, the rules he MUST live by in his world of demons. We finally meet the older brother, Beau, who had his heart ripped out by Fallen for allowing

himself to love a human, for allowing himself to love at all. If Tensley allows himself to feel for Molly, it would be his fate as well. The best thing he could do is to stay away from her. But she was like a drug to him, one he just couldn't seem to give up.

“If there was one thing he was certain of, it was that he’d never be able to offer Molly what she deserved. He was withdrawn. Cold. Emotionless. A beast. He was heartless - and he had to remain that way.”

This book kept me in a pretty constant state of freaking out. These two found themselves in one situation after another where one or the other of them was in danger. Molly, though, tough little Molly, is a force to be reckoned with now. She can fight her own battles. She might want Tensley, but she can take care of herself.

Fallen and the rules the demons are forced to live by aren't the only dangers stacked against Molly and Tensley. Evelyn, Tensley's ex, is a constant thorn in both their sides. And there is a new character in this book, Tensley's so called friend, Pierce. He is a lunatic and brings all kinds of extra trouble to their lives. Trouble they didn't need. And there is always Tensley's father and his quest for power. He has big plans for Tensley and he doesn't care how they get it. To him, Molly is just a pawn in his game. She may be a daemon but she is also just a human. And he will do whatever it takes to get what he wants and that includes using Molly in whatever way necessary.

“Be careful sweetheart. I’m pure poison.”
“I’m not scared of your poison, Tensley.”

I loved this one. I was sucked in right from the start and pretty much couldn't put it down. Even when I wasn't reading, I was thinking about it. These two are so perfect together. I love the way Tensley and Molly give each other power and strength. And I love the way they can heal each other. It seems like such an intimate thing they can share, even more intimate than sex. And yes, there are some steamy sexy times in this book. But if ever there was a couple that had the world stacked against them, these two do.

Yes, there is a cliff hanger. I hope Ms. Scarlett doesn't make us wait long for the next book. If you haven't read either of the books in this series yet, this is the perfect time to start at the beginning. This series does need to be read in order. This is such a unique story and I am loving it. I can't wait to see what happens next.

“She was falling for a god, bent on chaos, and she craved him like her last breath.”

Paige says

5 "I'm Yours" Stars

I read this a few days ago and I'm still thinking about it and wishing book 3 was out already. R. Scarlett

really upped her game with this addition and I'm officially in love with this series. And I NEED more.

Tensley and Molly are finally starting to connect. Molly is gaining strength and confidence and Tensley seems to be opening up. Still they don't fully trust each other and their connection is constantly tested. But as they really get to know each other, sparks fly. Still outside influences are constantly interfering and their relationship is tenuous at best. While Molly is really starting to come into her own, Tensley is at odds with himself. Both have decisions to make before someone else makes them first.

I started this book and finished in it one sitting because I could not put it down. I was hooked from word one. Both Tensley and Molly have grown a bit and so has Ms. Scarlett's writing. While there were times I was frustrated with Tensley, I still loved him and understood him even if I didn't like it. Molly was a heroine that anyone would love. She made mistakes in book 1 but learned from them and was all in. With the ending of this book, I'm so nervous but beyond excited to see where they go.

Provided for honest review.

Natalie The Biblioholic says

Many people have asked if my opinion of Molly changed while reading this book and I must admit that she redeemed herself a little bit. I actually didn't hate her. I still didn't love her, but that didn't stop me from loving this story.

Once again it was Tensley who owned my heart. The author did a remarkable job of humanizing this fierce demon and I loved watching the battle that was being waged within him. As his heart grew, he was fighting against everything he knew. He was on the cusp of breaking the rules, all for Molly. To me, that's what made this installment so amazing.

I liked many elements of this story: how Molly has better control of her powers; how she and Tensley have started to step up as partners and are slowly learning to lean on each other; the twist that I totally saw coming regarding Molly's time with the hunters (although I didn't expect how brilliantly the author would let it come about); the injection of more evil; and funny enough I even enjoyed the comic delight that was Evelyn. I'm sure she wasn't supposed to be funny but she was pathetic, which made me laugh.

I didn't like that Tensley allowed himself to be turned on by Evelyn. Why put himself in those situations? I didn't like that Molly was still too immature at times. See, that's only two things so obviously I enjoyed the ever-loving heck out of this book. Now I'm left twiddling my thumbs until the next one.

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Genre: PNR

POV: Dual - 3rd person

Steam: 3.5 out of 5

Book Type: Book 2 of the Blackest Gold series

Eve Recinella (Between The Bookends) says

I like this cover better than the one for book one. The composition is much better with the tagline place above the title. It's very similar to the to book one's cover so it adds some nice consistency to the series so far.

I enjoyed this one even more than I did book one. I think the writing was even better. Same high pace as book one. We get even more world building and twists and turns. We also meet some new secondary characters. Some are intriguing, and I want to know more about them and some I hope suffer vicious deaths. Especially Evelyn who I admit I am really over at this point.

As for the main characters, I am still firmly #teamMolly. She grew so much as a character in this one. I liked her in book one, but I LOVED her in this book. Tensley, well Tensley still annoyed me. His continuous push/pull wore me out. I thought when he finally marked her we were getting someplace, but nope he pulled yet another douche move by pushing her away AGAIN. I have really low tolerance for push/pull angst and this book is rife with it. That said the times when gets his head out of his ass I love him. He is sweet alpha badass.

Even with all that I inhaled this one all in one sitting so what does that tell you? I would very much like book three now. Two HUGE thumbs up from yours truly.

Melanie says

1.) Vein Of Love ★★

“Love is a weapon; it’s a weakness.”

This is book two of a series all about demons and the wicked world they try to hide from humans. This book stars a young 19-year-old girl, Molly, who is the victim of a 300-year-old contract that was set up by her ancestors. The contract promises Molly, who was born with ancient daemon (unlike demon) powers beyond her control, to marry a demon of a very prestigious demon house. She is also promised to give him an heir eventually, but he has to have sex with her, AKA mate her, so no other demon can pursue Molly, since she is a very rare commodity that would make any demon mate even more powerful.

Tensley is the demon who is promised to Molly. And he comes from a very powerful line of demons, yet

because of a mistake his brother made years and years ago, his family is desperate to prove their worth and value to the rest of the demons. And obviously Molly is the perfect claim to (more) fame.

In this second book, Tensley and Molly's relationship has actually developed into something pretty adorable. Even though Tensley has only known this scary, cut-throat world, where demons are never allowed to show anything other than anger and rage, Tensley proves over and over that he is soft and capable of giving and receiving unconditional love. Tensley is such a good male love interested because he is very dominant without ever reading/feeling like toxic male masculinity.

"Demons don't love-they destroy."

And I feel like the struggle and growth between both Tensley and Molly are so believable. I love seeing them grow as people, above the discriminations and hate of their people, yet also seeing them grow together to wreak havoc on anyone who stands in their way of being together. I mean, hopefully!

But **content warnings** for attempted rape, lots of talk/threats of rape, sexual abuse, physical abuse, and just violence in general. This book never felt that dark to me, but this is a story about a forced marriage, while a demon will gain an immense amount of power if he takes her virginity.

Also, because I know most of you follow me for my fantasy reviews, I always feel it necessary to state that **I rate erotic books differently than other books!** I know many of the relationships are toxic and problematic and I completely understand that they wouldn't be the healthiest and/or most ideal of starts for people in real life, but I love steamy reads and I rate them purely off my enjoyment, and I truly did enjoy this second installment, and I absolutely cannot wait to read the next! I honestly have the highest of hopes and predict this series will just get better and better.

Overall, I really enjoyed this and it was such a fast and addicting read. And I feel so happy that I was able to start my 2018 off with this engrossing and captivating PNR! I read this in two sittings and it took everything in my power (and me looking at my TBR of ARCs for the month) to not immediately pick up A Bow of Thorns!

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Mikee Andrea (ReadWithMikee) says

I'M FREAKIN SHOOK TO THE CORE. Paranormal Romance has never been my cup of tea but omg. WHY DID I WAIT SO LONG TO READ THIS?!!! I hate myself for missing out on this series for so long. I think this might easily be one of my favorite romances of all time.

I've finished the first and second book within a few hours and I'm already devouring the third book. I haven't read a romance series this good in so long. ?

Marjorie W. says

IT'S LIVE EARLY!!!!!!!! MAKE SURE TO GRAB A COPY!!!

I will not rate nor review this book because I'm wayyyyy too biased when it comes to this one, but I'll say this: READ IT! READ IT NOW (well, when it comes out in a few days) YOU WON'T REGRET IT! Read book one (Vein of Love) first though if you haven't read it yet or you'll be lost hahaha!!

My review of Vein of Love: <https://www.goodreads.com/review/show...>

Malene says

I was really impressed with Vein of Love and didn't really think that R. Scarlett could top that first book but boy did she. Body of the Crime is amazing! I couldn't stop reading and my mind revolved around Tensley and Molly constantly. I was and still am in a Knight/Darling bubble. What really made me love Body of the Crime is the character arcs of Molly and Tensley. What a transformation Molly goes through. From a naive young woman to a strong warrior goddess. She fights for what she wants and that's Tensley. She isn't ashamed of what she is but uses it as a strength. To her advantage. Tensley's arc is incredible too. He's a demon but still very much a human and doesn't hide either side from Molly. He tries so hard to fight his beast side and his desire for Molly. Their chemistry is out of this world and gave me tingles. R. Scarlett kept surprising me throughout this story with twists and turns. It's a thrilling and entertaining ride and I don't want to get off. Blackest Gold is definitely one of my favorite PNR series I've ever read and this was only book 2.

5 BadAssDirtyWarriorStars

Pavlina Read more sleep less blog♥♥ says

5 STARS <3

How much I loved this one, I enjoyed it even more than the first book! It has everything I wanted in a story and even more! It was fast paced, it has action and many intense moments between Tensley and Molly!

Finally these two getting to know better each other! I love their moments together! Whenever these two were together there was tension, angst and passion! I loved their relationship and I like how things went between them in this one! Molly changed a lot from the first book and I enjoyed her even more in Body of The Crime! Tensley is still sexy, dark, dangerous and hot! I loved the push and pull between Tensley and Molly! They drive me crazy in a good way!

Overall, it was an amazing read! I can't wait to start the next book in the series and see what will happen next! I loved the writing a lot, Rebecca did an amazing job, the writing is beautiful and flawless!

Sissy's Romance Book Review says

'Body of The Crime' by R. Scarlett is book Two in the "Blackest Gold" series. Body of The Crime This continues the story of Molly and Tensley from book One "Vein Of Love ". Yes, this book does end with a cliffhanger that sets us up for the Third Installment into this series. Please don't let that stop you from taking part into this series. I have fallen in love with this series and Ms. Scarlett writing. Ms. Scarlett's writing is somewhat different then some of the books I read...which is a nice change. This story has the strong male that is somewhat damaged in the fact that he doesn't think he can love anyone but does want Molly so much. Molly is the strong female that wants Tensley but also wants her life to be hers. Molly and Tensley have a lot to overcome and you just find yourself holding your breath for what is to come. I have been waiting for this next installment and when I received it I read it until I finished it at 3:00am. I am that in love with this series!

We pick up where Molly and Tensley are finding that they are heavily attracted to one another but Tensley has not 'claimed' her yet. Tensley seems to not want to ruin her life which he seems to think will happen if he does 'claim' her. Molly is getting used to her new strength and trying to make up for what she did to Tensley in the last book. Molly wants to win back Tensley trust and to do that she thinks she has to fix what she did to him. Tensley does still feel hurt/betrayed by Molly's actions but does want to keep her safe too. In addition to all of that they are still having to deal with family, a past relationship and not to mention the people behind Tensley. I will be biting my nails waiting for the next installment!!

"My honest review is for a special copy I voluntarily read."

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R. Scarlett says

Art of Tensley Knight by Coralie (Coco)

Elizabeth says

~4.5 Stars~

"Sometimes we can't help how we feel; sometimes we're cursed to be drawn to the wrong people."

Body of the Crime is the second book in the Blackest Gold Series. With a hypnotic blend of demons, passion, romance, and intrigue, the stakes are high for Molly and the dark and deadly Tensley.

"He destroyed her, and she still loved him. How cursed she was."

Body of the Crime picks up after **Vein of Love**. Molly and Tensley are engaged and an arrangement has been set. Although Tensley and Molly are growing closer together, Tensley is hesitant to trust her after her brutal betrayal.

"If you really cared for me, if you really wanted me, you'd fight for me. For us."

Molly is desperate for Tensley to mark her and make her his but with his demon brethren constantly getting in their way, it seems as though the deed will never be done. As both Molly and Tensley continue to wage an emotional and physical war, there is no question that they will find their way together. But when life or death is on the line, is love worth it?

"She kissed him back, bleeding her entire being into him, because this was goodbye for now."

Told in dual POV, **Body of the Crime** is like taking a trip down the rabbit hole. The dark and delicious setting of this world will certainly keep your heart pumping because no one is safe. Tensley is my favorite flavor of hero with his dark and twisted emotions constantly warring with his desire to love Molly. Molly is young and still learning how to use her powers, and yet, she is certainly a force to be reckoned with. As each moment passes, the stakes become higher for Tensley and Molly. The supporting characters enhance the story greatly with their quirky personalities, and I thoroughly enjoyed becoming more entrenched in this fantastical world. This is certainly not an insta-love story as Molly and Tensley have been forced on each other and must learn how to cope. I am desperate for these two to overcome their foes and finally be free to be together. There were moments when I wanted to throw my Kindle against the wall when it seemed they wouldn't be able to "get over themselves" and realize that they are meant to be, and yet, I have faith in Ms. Scarlett that she will ensure that Tensley and Molly will become unstoppable.

Overall, I highly recommend **Body of the Crime** to paranormal romance fans who lust after dark heroes. This slow burn romance is full of passion, and the complex plot is only just beginning! Be forewarned, the cliffhanger is deadly in this one but certainly worth the fall! I cannot wait to find out what happens next!!!!

*****Blackest Gold Series*****

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