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As winter closes in on Kirsten Swenson's hometown of Sedona, Arizona, and the world moves toward the solstice, strange forces begin to converge on the quiet desert city, seeking to bring about the destruction of everything she knows and loves.

Desperate to save her family and friends, Kirsten accepts the assistance of a mysterious Man in Black. He helps to awaken the powers that have lain dormant within her...and also compels her to expose the shocking secrets buried in her past. But Kirsten soon learns that giving her heart might not be enough, and that the confrontation with the alien forces may demand her to make the ultimate sacrifice. (Book 3 of the Sedona Trilogy)

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### Arely says

Okay. This one... this one was more intense. Not only does Kirsten have some tough-ass things to get through, but this is the one story in this trilogy that doesn't end all that happily.

Kirsten isn't all what she thinks she is. There are secrets her mother has kept from her... secrets that will change her life. And then she meets Martin Jones, a real, live MIB who isn't who everyone thinks he is. They've met before, but during this book they actually start talking and learning about each other.

Though this book mostly focuses on Kirsten and the things she learns about herself, Martin is a big part of that. He helps her with what she's learning and—unfortunately for him, he gets too involved.

Like in all of the other books, this one has insta-love too. Kirsten supposedly has a hard time letting men past the wall she's built to protect herself, but Martin makes it past there just fine. Though, there's an interesting new element that explains this particular insta-love—and it was one that I really liked!

And Otto makes an appearance in this book. He was in *Bad Vibrations*, and I actually liked him there; thought of him as a type of guardian angel. But here, in this book? **I hated him.** So much. So, so much. He didn't actually show up until more of the end, but the things he did made me want to call him a hypocrite. Otto crossed some lines in the first book, specifically one line that was much worse than what Martin did, in my opinion. How on earth (probably a bad choice of words there ;)) can he just do what he did?! Arggg. I honestly felt like shaking him until he came to his senses.

Something that surprised me here in this one was that it didn't end completely happily. Though in the second book someone close to the main characters dies, it didn't hit me as much as what happened in this book. Here, not just one bad thing, but two bad things happen. I was shocked that things weren't so easily resolved like they were in the previous novels. You would think I would be happier about that, but I was actually a little pissed. The repercussions of this one didn't seem fair at all, especially because there were no repercussions on Otto in the first book.

Sigh. This book actually got me more invested in the characters, so bravo for that. Though with the previous books I had enjoyed the stories, I had not really invested in the characters too much. But with this one, I felt angry at the end because though there was a happy ending, it wasn't completely happy. It was stained by the two things that happened. (It is so hard being vague here, guys! *Trust me.*)

I want another book! This book left me wondering what was going to happen to Martin and what is going to happen to Grace. I need more!!

All in all, I really liked this book. The second book didn't have as much action as the first one did, but this one does. I felt like this one was more like the first one and I was able to glimpse the similarities between them. However, all three books have the sort-of instantaneous love thing going on.

This book was a nice conclusion to the trilogy, but it did leave me wondering if perhaps we will get a spin-off series. I'm not quite ready to say goodbye to these characters just yet!

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### **Cristina says**

Back to first person point of view, the romance gets a bit more graphic. But some decent action and lovely pop culture references are sprinkled throughout the next tale of Earth defence.

And I must thank People of Earth for that showed me the differences between the Greys, the Whites, and the Reptilians.

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### **Lexir says**

I got the first book of this trilogy as a freebie on Amazon and loved it, so I was happy to see the series continue (even though it felt like a long wait for Angel Fire). I think this is my favorite of the three. I really liked the relationship between Kirsten and Martin, and there is so much going on that the book moves really fast. Maybe a little too fast, since I really didn't want it to end. I'm kind of bummed that this is the last book, though, since I want to spend more time with these characters!

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### **Cassie Jones says**

**ANGELFIRE** is book three in the sci-fi series by Christine Pope. While book one was action packed and book two was mire emotion packed, I'd say that in this book it had more emotional points than action (but it had that too, of course). Who know Kiki had just an interesting origin! Finally we get more of the mysterious but always seems to be around Man in Black, Martin. Gotta say, I really loved him. At first, he kinda annoyed me, not overall, just in the way he was always so vague with his answers for the first 25% of the book but I quickly got over that when he started opening up and became more than a mysterious but gorgeous face. Hopefully the gang can maybe, you know, go a few years before the aliens come back *this* time. Would be nice, right? I can't wait for the next book about baby Grace. **FOUR AND A HALF SLIPPERS** for **ANGELFIRE**.

This review was originally posted on Happy Ever After.

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### **Sage Adderley-Knox says**

I'm a big fan of the paranormal genre, but I have to admit, I've never read a series with a focus on aliens. While I enjoy vampires, witches, werewolves and other frightening creatures, Angel Fire, was such a refreshing change from those popular characters. Christine Pope has created a storyline that includes fun banter, romance, and adventure.

Early in the story, protagonist Kirsten Swenson uncovers a few family secrets that catapult her into a quest that she was destined for. The world is depending on Kirsten to tap into her roots and defeat an ancient pack of dark aliens. Martin is a government official who is sent to guide and train Kirsten for this battle, and he holds a few secrets of his own. The two begin a passionate bond and all seems to be flowing well until

Martin's superior steps in and rattles things up for the duo. The battle is scheduled to occur on the upcoming solstice and Kirsten must fight regardless of these unforeseen changes.

Does she save the world? You'll have to read Angel Fire and find out!

If you're unsure about aliens, put your doubts aside and check out this trilogy! It's very well-written, and will not disappoint those who enjoy the unusual. Alien fans - this trilogy is a must read.

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### **Denise says**

This is a NON-SPOILER REVIEW. Angel Fire by Christine Pope is Book 3 in The Sedona Files series. This is Kirsten's story in the battle against the aliens. I really enjoyed this book. I liked that you finally get some meaty information on the aliens and some answers about Agent Jones and Otto. There are definite spoilers in this one... in other words, this is a series read and should definitely be read in order. There is a definite X-files feel to these stories, although these are a little more irreverent and fun. In typical Christine Pope fashion, you should be prepared for the emotional rollercoaster. There are laughs, heavy sighs, tears, the heebie geebies and a lot of cheering. While this concludes the initial trilogy, the series continues with Grace's story and beyond. A great series that promises more fun to come.

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### **Nikki Brooks says**

Kristen (Kiki) Swenson is part of the UFO hunting group with her sister and various friends. They thought they had dealt with the alien invasion plot and were set for a bit of a breather but not this time. Kara has given birth to a half alien daughter, the result of her relationship with Greyson, an alien hybrid who sacrificed himself to save Kara and the gang in book 2. Kara is now happily settled with Lance. Kirsten feels an ominous presence and a sense of hatred and she knows that THEY are back! She's not a psychic like her friend Persephone but something hinky is definitely going on.

Martin Jones, "Man in Black" is a hottie and has been getting under her skin. Why is she attracted to the very guy who is making her life complicated. But when he gives her a hint to track down her mother, she realises there is more to the MIB than meets the eye. She is left reeling that she is also part alien, but a more benign kind than those they are battling and Martin is also from the same species and begins to train her, but there is only so much he can do - he cannot interfere any further.

I dare you not to feel choked up when Kirsten meets her mother. But there is also some joy when she finally gets to meet her father! Another great character driven story with plenty of action and self discovery!!!

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### **Simone says**

I received a free copy of this novel in exchange for my honest review. Angel Fire is the final book in the Sedona Trilogy. Kristen Swenson and her sister Kara live in the sleepy town of Sedona, Arizona. Kara has given birth to her half alien daughter, and although no one knows the truth of her origin (except their UFO group), there's concern that the aliens will return for her. Kirsten, babysitting one night feels a chill down her spine, and a strange sensation of hatred. She knows where it's coming from, but wonders why she's feeling

it; she isn't psychic, is she?

Martin Jones, Kirsten calls him a "Man in Black" hottie. She has an immediate connection to him, and he to her. He tells her that she needs to visit her mother to find out the truth. This becomes a rude awakening as she is not who she thought she was. Thankfully, Martin is there to guide and train her in preparation for a massive alien invasion.

I enjoyed this novel a lot, it was so action packed that you get a rush from just reading it. The characters are easy to love, with Kirsten, your heart breaks for her after meeting her mother. I'm sad to see this trilogy end, these characters became close friends you'd love to revisit. If you love Sci-Fi or Paranormal Romance, you'll love this series.

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### **Angelique says**

Author: Christine Pope

My Rating: 4 Bookworms

Where did I get the book: From Sage's Book Tours in return for an honest, fair review and in corroboration with the Book Tour.

My Review:

Kiki – oops I mea Kirsten, is young, a little inexperienced and tired of being the only one in their little group that hasn't had a close encounter of her own. This soon changes when some very strange facts come to light, and she finds out that things really aren't what they seem. Neither is Agent Jones.

I really enjoyed reading this trilogy, especially being able to jump from one to the other without having to wait for the next one. Angel Fire was a great way to end it all off. The characters from the first two are still here with us and they are such a great cast that makes for a fun read.

At some points in the book I felt things were a little flat but Ms Pope managed to pick it right back up and kept me glued to the book.

It was intriguing watching Kirsten grow into a self reliant, more self confident woman and it was great watching her and Martin fall in love. As a masterful story teller Ms Pope had me guessing right up to the end if there would be a happy ending for this one.

A great story, a great trilogy, a great read.

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### **Jo says**

*I received a free copy of this book from the author in exchange for my honest review.*

Another great addition to the Sedona Files series. This one wasn't quite as action-filled or exciting as the first two, but it was a great book nonetheless. I was really looking forward to reading this book in particular, hearing Martin and Kirsten's story. The first book I read was book 5, which features their daughter. I had really wanted to know what Martin did to interfere that resulted in his punishment. Honestly, it was *far* less than I imagined. I really enjoyed being along for the ride of Kirsten's self-discovery of her gifts. I can also see how Martin struggles to toe but not cross the line into direct interference with human affairs (and ultimately fails).

Something that was completely different is that Angel Fire was never, at any point in the story, told from Martin's perspective. I was a little disappointed by that as I was more curious than I probably was with Paul or Lance as to what he was thinking. While I realize that including Martin's perspective would've been difficult to fit into the story, I wish it had been done. I think that not having his perspective made it so I didn't connect as much with the characters of the book this time around. Additionally, I found it more difficult to feel the emotions passing between them than I had with the previous two couples. As far as action goes, I would've expected this one to be the pinnacle so far with the Reptilians finally being driven off Earth. The entire book seems to lead up to this final battle, but when we finally get there, it is rather short and lackluster. I found this disappointing as well. Those are a couple of the reasons that made this probably my least favorite of the Sedona Files so far.

While not quite as action packed, Christine Pope definitely manages to weave in some surprises! Something I really enjoyed was who Kirsten gets to meet near the end of the book. It is a bummer we don't see more of him, but I'm super excited to see how he'll play into future books (which I most definitely hope he does). Surprisingly, this book also had a tiny bit of a love triangle aspect, only Kirsten doesn't have romantic feelings toward both of the guys as Kara did in Desert Hearts, making it a bit simpler. (Being a kind person, however, it does weigh on Kirsten a little.) It was great learning about Kirsten's powers and a little of the race she owes half of her DNA to, but I feel like there is much left to be reviewed, which I look forward to (we get to learn more about it in Falling Angels for certain, but I'm hoping we'll get to learn more in book 4 as well).

This book has a HEA ending with no cliffhanger. While I believe this *could* be read as a standalone, I would *highly* recommend reading the entire series in order (and definitely reading this book in particular before reading Falling Angels) to get the most out of every book. I'm excited to read Grace's story in Star Crossed and plan to do so immediately!

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### **Bigbear Woolliscroft says**

The third volume of the Sci-Fi / romance stories and if you have your generally held Sci-Fi themes as perpetrated by TV handy, you are going to enjoy the take on this. Unfortunately, my willingness to believe or at least accept flagged a lot towards the end. But this one does have a happy ending.

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### **Jane Clarkson says**

#### **Great imagination**

I loved the suspense in this book. At times it was really spooky. Paranormal stories have always appealed to me, and Ms Pope knows how to write them!

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