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Sleeping Beauty Novels - A.N. Roquelaure 1999-05-01

Celebrate the daring gifts of Anne Rice, writing as A. N. Roquelaure, with this beautifully repackaged boxed set of the three erotic novels in her acclaimed Sleeping Beauty trilogy.

Belinda - Anne Rampling 1994

Jeremy Walker is 44, handsome, refined and world famous for his lavishly illustrated children's books. His life is ordered, comfortable - until he is seduced by a beautiful 16-year-old runaway. Belinda: innocent yet passionate, she becomes his elegant muse and lover. His portraits of her, shocking and erotic, are the finest work he has ever done - yet to reveal them could destroy his career for ever. As his passion for her deepens, so does his obsession with the past she will not talk about. Terrified of losing her, he is unable to live with her silence; and as he probes for the truth, he finds himself swept up in the world Belinda has fled from, a world of Hollywood money, lust and dark family secrets.

The Vampire Chronicles Collection - Anne Rice 2011-05-25

The hypnotic, deeply seductive novels of Anne Rice have captivated millions of fans around the world. It all began a quarter of a century ago with Interview with the Vampire. Now, in one chilling volume, here are the first three classic novels of The Vampire Chronicles. INTERVIEW WITH THE VAMPIRE Witness the confessions of a vampire. A novel of mesmerizing beauty and astonishing force, it is a story of danger and

flight, love and loss, suspense and resolution, and the extraordinary power of the senses. "A magnificent, compulsively readable thriller . . . Anne Rice begins where Bram Stoker and the Hollywood versions leave off and penetrates directly to the true fascination of the myth-the education of the vampire." -Chicago Tribune THE VAMPIRE LESTAT Once an aristocrat from pre-revolutionary France, now a rock star in the decadent 1980s, Lestat rushes through the centuries seeking to fathom the mystery of his existence. His is a mesmerizing story-passionate and thrilling. "Frightening, sensual . . . A psychological, mythological sojourn . . . Anne Rice will live on through the ages of literature. . . . To read her is to become giddy as if spinning through the mind of time." -San Francisco Chronicle QUEEN OF THE DAMNED Akasha, the queen of the damned, has risen from a six-thousand-year sleep to let loose the powers of the night. She has a marvelously devious plan to "save" mankind-in this vivid novel of the erotic, electrifying world of the undead. "With The Queen of the Damned, Anne Rice has created universes within universes, traveling back in time as far as ancient, pre-pyramidic Egypt and journeying from the frozen mountain peaks of Nepal to the crowded, sweating streets of southern Florida." -Los Angeles Times

Sleeping Beauty - Act III - Karina 2021-04-21T02:00:00+02:00

Despite her inexperience, Oxana will be able to fulfill her dream of dancing Princess Aurora in Sleeping Beauty! But she doesn't realize that

this casting choice is just part of Mr. Aster's scheme to make the whole company hate her. To make matters worse, he has her medallion and source of the "sleeping beauty's" vital energy in his possession, the key to reviving the malediction that once plunged her into sleep. Isolated, weak, and with the threat of the ancient curse looming over her, Oxana's future seems uncertain in this final act. But Léonide is watching over her...

The Sleeping Beauty Trilogy - A. N. Roquelaure 2012-08-22

After waking her from her hundred-year slumber, the Prince takes Sleeping Beauty as a sex slave and brings her to live in his kingdom where she learns to become submissive and fulfills the sexual desires of nobles and other slaves.

Beauty's Kingdom - A. N. Roquelaure 2015-04-21

The erotic Sleeping Beauty trilogy now continues with a fourth novel by master storyteller and bestselling author of "Prince Lestat," Anne Rice, writing as A. N. Roquelaure. Mega-bestselling author Annie Rice returns to where she left off in "Beauty's Release" with the disappearance of Queen Eleanor in Bellavalten. Now, twenty years after they were forced to leave the kingdom to return to their homeland, Beauty and her husband Laurent agree to travel back as its king and queen, to uphold the ways of complete sensual surrender, with a twist: they now insist on "voluntary" servitude in Bellavalten. Countless eager princes, princesses, lords, ladies, and common folk journey to Beauty's new kingdom where she and her husband awaken their domain, ushering in a new era of desire, longing, and sexual ecstasy. Provocative and stirring, Rice's imaginative retelling of the Sleeping Beauty myth will be hailed by her longtime fans and new readers of erotica just discovering the novels. This book is intended for mature audiences.

The Claiming of Sleeping Beauty - A. N. Roquelaure 1990

The first novel in Anne Rice's erotic Sleeping Beauty Trilogy.

Braving Fate - Linsey Hall 2014-11-10

As chaos looms, a warrior queen is reborn. Bookish academic Diana Laughton has been having terrible dreams. Dreams of battle, dreams of blood... dreams so vivid she's living them day and night. When demons

invade her quiet life, she wonders if she's going mad. Or if perhaps she's remembering a past life she had no idea existed... In the midst of betrayal, he must protect her. Mythean Guardian Cadan Trinovante loved and betrayed Britain's warrior queen Boudica two millennia ago. Now he's tasked with protecting mortals whose lives affect the fate of humanity. His latest assignment is Boudica herself, reincarnated as a woman with no idea of her past or her fated future. Though in the irresistible form of Diana Laughton, it's possible Cadan has once again met his match... To succumb to seduction could prove fatal. Thrown together in a shadowy world that exists alongside our own, Diana and Cadan must fight not only the demonic forces that want Diana dead, but a past and a passion that have lasted centuries. Their desire could be deadly. But as evil from the underworld unites against them, their only hope could be each other.

Violin - Anne Rice 1999-09-07

In the grand manner of *Interview with the Vampire*, Anne Rice's new novel moves across time and the continents, from nineteenth-century Vienna to a St. Charles Greek Revival mansion in present-day New Orleans to dazzling capitals of the modern-day world, telling a story of two charismatic figures bound to each other by a passionate commitment to music as a means of rapture, seduction, and liberation.

The wolf gift : a novel - Anne Rice 2012

A young reporter on assignment is attacked and bitten by an unknown beast in rural Northern California and begins a terrifying but seductive transformation into a being with a dual nature, both man and wolf.

The Queen of the Damned - Anne Rice 2010-11-17

In a feat of virtuoso storytelling, Anne Rice unleashes Akasha, the queen of the damned, who has risen from a six-thousand-year sleep to let loose the powers of the night. Akasha has a marvelously devious plan to "save" mankind and destroy the vampire Lestat—in this extraordinarily sensual novel of the complex, erotic, electrifying world of the undead. Look for a special preview of Anne Rice's *Prince Lestat* in the back of the book. The *Vampire Chronicles* continue in *Prince Lestat* and the *Realms of Atlantis*, available for pre-order now. Praise for *The Queen of the Damned*

"Mesmerizing . . . a wonderful web of dark-side mythology."—San Francisco Chronicle "With *The Queen of the Damned*, Anne Rice has created universes within universes, traveling back in time as far as ancient, pre-pyramidal Egypt and journeying from the frozen mountain peaks of Nepal to the crowded, sweating streets of southern Florida."—Los Angeles Times "Imaginative . . . intelligently written . . . This is popular fiction of the highest order."—USA Today "A tour de force."—The Boston Globe

The Wolves of Midwinter - Anne Rice 2013-10-15

The tale of *The Wolf Gift* continues . . . In Anne Rice's surprising and compelling best-selling novel, the first of her strange and mythic imagining of the world of wolfen powers ("I devoured these pages . . . As solid and engaging as anything she has written since her early *Vampire Chronicles* fiction"—Alan Cheuse, *The Boston Globe*; "A delectable cocktail of old-fashioned lost-race adventure, shape-shifting, and suspense"—Elizabeth Hand, *The Washington Post*), readers were spellbound as Rice conjured up a daring new world set against the wild and beckoning California coast. Now in her new novel, as lush and romantic in detail and atmosphere as it is sleek and steely in storytelling, Anne Rice takes us once again to the rugged coastline of Northern California, to the grand mansion at Nideck Point, and further explores the unearthly education of her transformed Man Wolf. The novel opens on a cold, gray landscape. It is the beginning of December. Oak fires are burning in the stately flickering hearths of Nideck Point. It is Yuletide. For Reuben Golding, now infused with the Wolf Gift and under the loving tutelage of the Morphenkinder, this promises to be a Christmas like no other . . . The Yuletide season, sacred to much of the human race, has been equally sacred to the Man Wolves, and Reuben soon becomes aware that they, too, steeped in their own profound rituals, will celebrate the ancient Midwinter festival deep within the verdant richness of Nideck forest. From out of the shadows of Nideck comes a ghost—tormented, imploring, unable to speak yet able to embrace and desire with desperate affection . . . As Reuben finds himself caught up with—and drawn to—the passions and yearnings of this spectral

presence, and as the swirl of preparations reaches a fever pitch for the Nideck town Christmas festival of music and pageantry, astonishing secrets are revealed; secrets that tell of a strange netherworld, of spirits other than the Morphenkinder, centuries old, who inhabit the dense stretches of redwood and oak that surround the magnificent house at Nideck Point, "ageless ones" who possess their own fantastical ancient histories and who taunt with their dark magical powers . . .

The Claiming Of Sleeping Beauty - A.N. Roquelaure 2015-10-22

An erotic novel of discipline, love and surrender from master storyteller Anne Rice. In the traditional fairy tale of 'Sleeping Beauty' the spell cast upon the lovely young princess can only be broken by the kiss of a prince. However, in the world of Anne Rice, this legendary curse is broken not with a kiss, but with sexual initiation. The Prince's reward for ending the hundred years of enchantment is Beauty's complete and total enslavement to him. Sleeping Beauty awakes to a world of seduction, desire and love. In the first of a three part retelling of the Sleeping Beauty story, Anne Rice explores the unspoken implications of this lush, suggestive fairy tale, opening up a world of erotic yearning and fantasy which is perfect for fans of *Fifty Shades of Grey*. This is the first of Anne Rice's classic *Sleeping Beauty* trilogy.

Servant of the Bones - Anne Rice 1998-09-28

In a new and major novel, the creator of fantastic universes of vampires and witches takes us now into the world of Isaiah and Jeremiah, and the destruction of Solomon's Temple, to tell the story of Azriel, *Servant of the Bones*. He is ghost, genii, demon, angel—pure spirit made visible. He pours his heart out to us as he journeys from an ancient Babylon of royal plottings and religious upheavals to Europe of the Black Death and on to the modern world. There he finds himself, amidst the towers of Manhattan, in confrontation with his own human origins and the dark forces that have sought to condemn him to a life of evil and destruction.

The Lioness and Her Knight - Gerald Morris 2008-10

No sooner does Luneta leave home to visit King Arthur's Court than she gets swept up in adventure, romance, betrayal, and more than a little bit of magic.

House of Dark Delights - Louisa Burton 2007-01

The home to mysterious immortal creatures intent on fulfilling their visitors' secret fantasies while ensuring their own gratification, the Castle of the Hidden Grotto can only be reached by making one's way along an unmarked path through miles of primordial forests and gorges and forms the backdrop to a trio of interwoven erotic tales. Original. 32,000 first printing.

Cry to Heaven - Anne Rice 1995-04-01

In a sweeping saga of music and vengeance, the acclaimed author of *The Vampire Chronicles* draws readers into eighteenth-century Italy, bringing to life the decadence beneath the shimmering surface of Venice, the wild frivolity of Naples, and the magnetic terror of its shadow, Vesuvius. This is the story of the castrati, the exquisite and otherworldly sopranos whose graceful bodies and glorious voices win the adulation of royal courts and grand opera houses throughout Europe. These men are revered as idols—and, at the same time, scorned for all they are not. Praise for Anne Rice and *Cry to Heaven* “Daring and imaginative . . . [Anne] Rice seems like nothing less than a magician: It is a pure and uncanny talent that can give a voice to monsters and angels both.”—*The New York Times Book Review* “To read Anne Rice is to become giddy as if spinning through the mind of time.”—*San Francisco Chronicle* “If you surrender and go with her . . . you have surrendered to enchantment, as in a voluptuous dream.”—*The Boston Globe* “Rice is eerily good at making the impossible seem self-evident.”—*Time*

The Sleeping Beauty Trilogy - A. N. Roquelaure 2012-07-10

A collection that includes all three novels in Anne Rice's seductive retelling of the *Sleeping Beauty* story. A spell has been cast upon a lovely young princess who sleeps, waiting for someone to save her. The Prince awakens Beauty, not with a kiss, but with sexual initiation. His reward for ending the hundred years of enchantment is Beauty's complete and total enslavement to him... In 1983, Anne Rice, writing as A.N. Roquelaure, began the first installment of a series that is now considered a forerunner of erotic literature. This collection—containing *The Claiming of Sleeping Beauty*, *Beauty's Punishment*, and *Beauty's*

Release—is a testament to Anne Rice's irresistible talent, exploring the world of erotic yearning and fantasy in a classic trilogy that makes the forbidden side of passion a doorway into the hidden regions of the psyche and the heart.

Beauty's Release - A. N. Roquelaure 2008

Beauty has learned her lessons well. There are no pleasures that she hasn't given, no delights she hasn't known - but there can be no freedom for her. It means she must deny her body the joy it expects, the excitement it so desperately craves. Now as our story nears its end, Beauty meets the Prince of her dreams - the one man whose touch can release the torrential passions locked within her. And, as with the best of fairy tales, they are destined to live ecstatically ever after. *Beauty's Release*: her climactic adventure.

Beauty's Release - A. N. Roquelaure 1999-05-01

From Anne Rice, author of *Beauty's Kingdom*, the third book in the erotic *Sleeping Beauty* series Before E.L. James' *Fifty Shades of Grey* and Sylvia Day's *Bared to You*, there was Anne Rice's provocative take on the timeless fairy tale “*Sleeping Beauty*.” In the final volume of Anne Rice's deliciously tantalizing erotic trilogy, Beauty's adventures on the dark side of sexuality make her the bound captive of an Eastern Sultan and a prisoner in the exotic confines of the harem. As this voluptuous adult fairy tale moves toward conclusion, all Beauty's encounters with the myriad variations of sexual fantasy are presented in a sensuous, rich prose that intensifies this exquisite rendition of Love's secret world, and makes the *Beauty* series and incomparable study of erotica. In it, Anne Rice, writing as A.N. Roquelaure, makes the forbidden side of passion a doorway into the hidden regions of the psyche and the heart.

Shield of Three Lions - Pamela Kaufman 2010-12-08

The first novel in the *Alix of Wanthwaite* series, by bestselling author Pamela Kaufman. Eleven-year-old Alix is the daughter of the baron of Wanthwaite, whose lands along the Scottish border are among the best in England. But when her family is killed and her lands seized, Alix is forced to flee from the only home she's ever known. Her one hope of restoring her inheritance is to plead her case to King Richard the Lion

Heart, who is far away in France, preparing to go on his Crusade. Alix resolves to follow him. She cuts her hair, dresses as a boy, and takes the road south to London. Disguised as a beautiful young boy, Alix is more than befriended by the handsome and mysterious King Richard, even becoming his favorite page. Their relationship sets tongues wagging and places Alix in considerable danger as the battle for Jerusalem unfolds. "Richly rewarding, superbly written... The richness of the characters, the historical details, and the story as a whole make this novel a memorable reading experience."—Chicago Sun-Times

Interview with the Vampire - Anne Rice 2010-11-17

The spellbinding classic that started it all, from the #1 New York Times bestselling author—the inspiration for the hit television series "A magnificent, compulsively readable thriller . . . Rice begins where Bram Stoker and the Hollywood versions leave off and penetrates directly to the true fascination of the myth—the education of the vampire."—Chicago Tribune Here are the confessions of a vampire. Hypnotic, shocking, and chillingly sensual, this is a novel of mesmerizing beauty and astonishing force—a story of danger and flight, of love and loss, of suspense and resolution, and of the extraordinary power of the senses. It is a novel only Anne Rice could write.

Ramses the Damned: The Reign of Osiris - Anne Rice 2022-02-01

The gilded adventures of Ramses the Damned, iconic creation of the legendary bestselling author, continue in this breathtakingly suspenseful tale of a titanic supernatural power unleashed on the eve of war. A pharaoh made immortal by a mysterious and powerful elixir, Ramses the Great became counselor and lover to some of Egypt's greatest and most powerful rulers before he was awakened from centuries of slumber to the mystifying and dazzling world of Edwardian England. Having vanquished foes both human and supernatural, he's found love with the beautiful heiress Julie Stratford, daughter of Lawrence Stratford, the slain archeologist who discovered his tomb. Now, with the outbreak of a world war looming, Ramses and those immortals brought forth from the mists of history by his resurrection will face their greatest test yet. Russian assassins bearing weapons of immense power have assembled under one

command: all those who loved Lawrence Stratford must die. From the glowing jewels at their necks comes an incredible supernatural force: the power to bring statues to life. As Ramses and his allies, including the immortal queens Cleopatra and Bektaten, gather together to battle these threats, Ramses reveals that the great weapon may have roots in an ancient Egyptian ritual designed to render pharaohs humble before Osiris, the god of the underworld. The resulting journey will take them across storm-tossed seas and into the forests of northern Russia, where they will confront a terrifying collision of tortured political ambitions and religious fervor held in thrall to a Godlike power. But the true answers they seek will lie beyond the border between life and death, within realms that defy the imagination of even an immortal such as Ramses the Great. In *Ramses the Damned: The Reign of Osiris*, Anne Rice, revered and beloved storyteller ("queen of gothic lit, the maestro of the monstrous and the diva of the devious" --The Philadelphia Inquirer), in collaboration with her son, acclaimed bestselling novelist Christopher Rice ("a magician; a master" --Peter Straub), bring us another thrilling, seductive tale of high adventure, romance, history, and suspense. AN ANCHOR ORIGINAL

Darling Beast - Elizabeth Hoyt 2014-10-14

A MAN CONDEMNED . . . Falsely accused of murder and mute from a near-fatal beating, Apollo Greaves, Viscount Kilbourne has escaped from Bedlam. With the Crown's soldiers at his heels, he finds refuge in the ruins of a pleasure garden, toiling as a simple gardener. But when a vivacious young woman moves in, he's quickly driven to distraction . . . A DESPERATE WOMAN . . . London's premier actress, Lily Stump, is down on her luck when she's forced to move into a scorched theatre with her maid and small son. But she and her tiny family aren't the only inhabitants—a silent, hulking beast of a man also calls the charred ruins home. Yet when she catches him reading her plays, Lily realizes there's more to this man than meets the eye. OUT OF ASH, DESIRE FLARES Though scorching passion draws them together, Apollo knows that Lily is keeping secrets. When his past catches up with him, he's forced to make a choice: his love for Lily . . . or the explosive truth that will set him free.

Pandora - Anne Rice 2010-11-17

Anne Rice, creator of the Vampire Lestat, the Mayfair witches and the amazing worlds they inhabit, now gives us the first in a new series of novels linked together by the fledgling vampire David Talbot, who has set out to become a chronicler of his fellow Undead. The novel opens in present-day Paris in a crowded café, where David meets Pandora. She is two thousand years old, a Child of the Millennia, the first vampire ever made by the great Marius. David persuades her to tell the story of her life. Pandora begins, reluctantly at first and then with increasing passion, to recount her mesmerizing tale, which takes us through the ages, from Imperial Rome to eighteenth-century France to twentieth-century Paris and New Orleans. She carries us back to her mortal girlhood in the world of Caesar Augustus, a world chronicled by Ovid and Petronius. This is where Pandora meets and falls in love with the handsome, charismatic, lighthearted, still-mortal Marius. This is the Rome she is forced to flee in fear of assassination by conspirators plotting to take over the city. And we follow her to the exotic port of Antioch, where she is destined to be reunited with Marius, now immortal and haunted by his vampire nature, who will bestow on her the Dark Gift as they set out on the fraught and fantastic adventure of their two turbulent centuries together. Look for Anne Rice's new book, *Prince Lestat and the Realms of Atlantis*, coming November 29, 2016.

Angel Time - Anne Rice 2010

Contract killer Toby O'Dare accepts a seraph's offer to leave his violent existence in order to save lives, and finds himself transported to thirteenth-century England and challenged to defend falsely accused Jewish citizens.

The Mayfair Witches Series 3-Book Bundle - Anne Rice 2013-10-07

An enchanting, hypnotic trilogy of witchcraft, adventure, and romance from the beloved author of *Interview with the Vampire* and *The Vampire Lestat*, *The Mayfair Witches* is a wondrous journey through the centuries, across the globe, and between the human and demonic worlds. Now all three novels in Anne Rice's spellbinding series have been collected for the first time in this stunning eBook bundle: *THE*

WITCHING HOUR LASHER TALTOS On the screened porch of a great New Orleans house, now faded, a mute and fragile woman sits rocking. She belongs to a legendary dynasty of witches—a family that is itself haunted over the ages by a dangerous and seductive being named Lasher. Their story begins in our time, with a rescue at sea. Rowan Mayfair, a brilliant neurosurgeon aware of her abilities but oblivious to her ancient line, finds the drowned body of Michael Curry off the coast of California and brings him to life. In his brief interval of death, he has acquired a sensory power that mystifies and frightens him. Fiercely drawn to each other, Rowan and Michael set out to solve the mystery of her past and his unwelcome gift, and an intricate tale of evil unfolds: an evil unleashed in seventeenth-century Scotland, where the first “witch,” Suzanne of the Mayfair, conjures up the spirit that spells her own destruction and torments each of her descendants in turn. Praise for Anne Rice and *The Mayfair Witches* “Behind all the velvet drapes and the gossamer winding sheets, this is an old-fashioned family saga. . . . Rice’s descriptive writing is so opulent that it almost begs to be read [by] candlelight.”—*The Washington Post Book World* “[A] huge and sprawling tale of horror.”—*The New York Times Book Review* “Lush prose, dense atmosphere, steamy sex, Gothic tension . . . Rice stages her scenes in a wide variety of times and locales, tapping deeply into the richest veins of mythology and history.”—*San Francisco Chronicle* “Spellbinding . . . mythical . . . Rice is a pure storyteller.”—*Cosmopolitan* “Rice sees things on a grand scale. . . . There is a wide-screen historical sweep to the tale as it moves from one generation of witches to the other.”—*The Boston Globe* “An intricate, stunning imagination.”—*Los Angeles Times Book Review* “It is hard to praise sufficiently the originality of Miss Rice. . . . She has made a masterpiece of the morbid, worthy of Poe’s daughter.”—*The Wall Street Journal*

Christ the Lord: The Road to Cana - Anne Rice 2008-03-04

NATIONAL BESTSELLER • The second novel in Anne Rice's hugely ambitious, moving, and masterful portrayal of the life of Christ, following *Christ the Lord: Out of Egypt*. It's a winter of no rain, endless dust, and talk of trouble in Judea. All who know and love Jesus find themselves

waiting for some sign of the path he will eventually take. After his baptism, he is at last ready to confront his destiny. At the wedding at Cana, he takes water and transforms it into red wine. Thus, he's recognized as the anointed one and called by God the Father to begin a ministry that will transform an unsuspecting world.

[Beauty's Kingdom](#) - A. N. Roquelaure 2015

After the death of Queen Eleanor, Beauty and Laurent are implored to take the throne and uphold the ways of complete sensual surrender that have made Eleanor's realm a legend.

Encyclopedia of erotic literature - Gaétan Brulotte 2006

Taken by the Bratva - Harley Wylde 2021-03-10

She's been used. Broken. Scarred inside and out, she tries to hide. But I see her. There's a fire burning deep inside. One they haven't extinguished. Imogen Byrnes is going to be mine. I'll show her there can be pleasure with pain. Freedom in submission. I'm a monster. Her monster. I'll bend her to my will. Break her in new ways. Then I'll put her back together. My beautiful, broken girl will be in my bed, and she'll wear my ring. Once she's mine, I'm never letting her go. Please be warned there are some scenes that may trigger sensitive readers.

Men in Kilts - Katie Macalister 2003-10-07

At a mystery conference in Manchester, Katie Williams makes her move on a burly Scotsman...and winds up falling in love before the night is over...

Beauty's Punishment - A. N. Roquelaure 1984

Sequel to "The Claiming of Sleeping Beauty."

The Mummy or Ramses the Damned - Anne Rice 2011-03-16

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • Ramses the Great returns in this "darkly magical" (USA Today) novel from bestselling author Anne Rice "The reader is held captive and, ultimately, seduced."—San Francisco Chronicle Ramses the Great lives! But having drunk the elixir of life, he is now Ramses the Damned, doomed forever to wander the earth, desperate to quell hungers that can never be satisfied—for food, for wine, for women. Reawakened in opulent Edwardian London, he

becomes Dr. Ramsey, expert in Egyptology. He also becomes the close companion of voluptuous, adventurous Julie Stratford, heiress to a vast shipping fortune and the center of a group of jaded aristocrats with appetites of their own to appease. But the pleasures Ramses enjoys with Julie cannot soothe him. Searing memories of his last reawakening, at the behest of Cleopatra, his beloved Queen of Egypt, burn in his immortal soul. And though he is immortal, he is still all too human. His intense longings for his great love, undiminished over the centuries, will force him to commit an act that will place everyone around him in the gravest danger. . . .

The Roquelaure Reader - Katherine M. Ramsland 1996

A comprehensive reference on Anne Rice's erotic writings--The Claiming of Sleeping Beauty, Beauty's Punishment, and Beauty's Release--includes a biographical discussion of Rice's writing process, a concordance to the three novels, and other fascinating trivia. Original.

Ramses the Damned: The Passion of Cleopatra - Anne Rice 2017-11-21

From the iconic and bestselling author of *The Mummy* and *The Vampire Chronicles*, a mesmerizing, glamorous new tale of ancient feuds and modern passions. Ramses the Great, former pharaoh of Egypt, is reawakened by the elixir of life in Edwardian England. Now immortal with his bride-to-be, he is swept up in a fierce and deadly battle of wills and psyches against the once-great Queen Cleopatra. Ramses has reawakened Cleopatra with the same perilous elixir whose unworldly force brings the dead back to life. But as these ancient rulers defy one another in their quest to understand the powers of the strange elixir, they are haunted by a mysterious presence even older and more powerful than they, a figure drawn forth from the mists of history who possesses spectacular magical potions and tonics eight millennia old. This is a figure who ruled over an ancient kingdom stretching from the once-fertile earth of the Sahara to the far corners of the world, a queen with a supreme knowledge of the deepest origins of the elixir of life. She may be the only one who can make known to Ramses and Cleopatra the key to their immortality—and the secrets of the miraculous, unknowable, endless expanse of the universe.

The Witching Hour - Anne Rice 2010-11-17

From the author of the extraordinary Vampire Chronicles comes a huge, hypnotic novel of witchcraft and the occult through four centuries. Demonstrating, once again, her gift for spellbinding storytelling and the creation of legend, Anne Rice makes real for us a great dynasty of witches--a family given to poetry and to incest, to murder and to philosophy; a family that, over the ages, is itself haunted by a powerful, dangerous, and seductive being. On the veranda of a great New Orleans house, now faded, a mute and fragile woman sits rocking . . . and *The Witching Hour* begins. It begins in our time with a rescue at sea. Rowan Mayfair, a beautiful woman, a brilliant practitioner of neurosurgery--aware that she has special powers but unaware that she comes from an ancient line of witches--finds the drowned body of a man off the coast of California and brings him to life. He is Michael Curry, who was born in New Orleans and orphaned in childhood by fire on Christmas Eve, who pulled himself up from poverty, and who now, in his brief interval of death, has acquired a sensory power that mystifies and frightens him. As these two, fiercely drawn to each other, fall in love and--in passionate alliance--set out to solve the mystery of her past and his unwelcome gift, the novel moves backward and forward in time from today's New Orleans and San Francisco to long-ago Amsterdam and a chateau in the France of Louis XIV. An intricate tale of evil unfolds--an evil unleashed in seventeenth-century Scotland, where the first "witch," Suzanne of the Mayfair, conjures up the spirit she names Lasher . . . a creation that spells her own destruction and torments each of her descendants in turn. From the coffee plantations of Port au Prince, where the great Mayfair fortune is made and the legacy of their dark power is almost destroyed, to Civil War New Orleans, as Julien--the clan's only male to be endowed with occult powers--provides for the dynasty its foothold in America, the dark, luminous story encompasses dramas of seduction and death, episodes of tenderness and healing. And always--through peril and escape, tension and release--there swirl around us the echoes of eternal war: innocence versus the corruption of the spirit, sanity against madness, life against death. With a dreamlike power, the novel draws us,

through circuitous, twilight paths, to the present and Rowan's increasingly inspired and risky moves in the merciless game that binds her to her heritage. And in New Orleans, on Christmas Eve, this strangest of family sagas is brought to its startling climax.

Exit to Eden - Anne Rice 2013-07-30

The bold erotic masterpiece by #1 New York Times bestselling author Anne Rice writing as Anne Rampling. They call her the Perfectionist. A stunning, mysterious, and fearless sexual adventurer, Lisa is founder and supreme mistress of *The Club*—an exclusive island resort where forbidden fantasy meets willing flesh. Here eager participants who can afford life's most exquisite luxuries can experience the breathtaking pleasures of surrender and submission. Here nothing is taboo. A thrill-seeking photojournalist, Elliott risks his life daily in the most dangerous, war-torn regions on Earth. Now he has come to Paradise to explore his most savage and vulnerable sexual self, committed to the ultimate plunge into personal risk. Together, their journey to the limits of erotic pleasure will take them farther than they ever dreamed they'd go . . .

Enchanted - Elizabeth Lowell 2009-10-13

Simon the loyal has vowed never to love, for love makes a warrior weak. His arranged marriage to a beautiful Norman heiress would be duty and no more. But more than duty stirs his blood when he first sees Ariane. She has known only coldness from men and a betrayal so deep it all but killed her soul. Wanting no man, trusting no man, speaking only through the sad songs she draws from her harp, Ariane comes to Simon an unwilling bride. They wed to bring peace to the disputed lands, but marriage alone is not enough. Simon must teach Ariane passion, she must teach him trust. And both must surrender to the sweet violence of love's enchantment. . . or die.

Beauty's Punishment - A. N. Roquelaure 2008

An erotic novel of discipline, love and surrender from master storyteller Anne Rice. This sequel to *The Claiming of Sleeping Beauty* resumes Beauty's explicit, teasing exploration of the psychology of human desire and seduction. Now Beauty, having indulged in a secret and forbidden infatuation with the rebellious slave Prince Tristan, is sent away. Sold at

auction, she will soon experience the tantalizing punishments of 'the village,' as her education in love, cruelty, dominance, submission and tenderness is turned over to the brazenly handsome Captain of the

Guard. Once again Anne Rice's classic tale of pleasure and pain dares to explore the most primal and well-hidden desires of the human heart. This is the second of Anne Rice's classic Sleeping Beauty trilogy, with a new preface by the author.