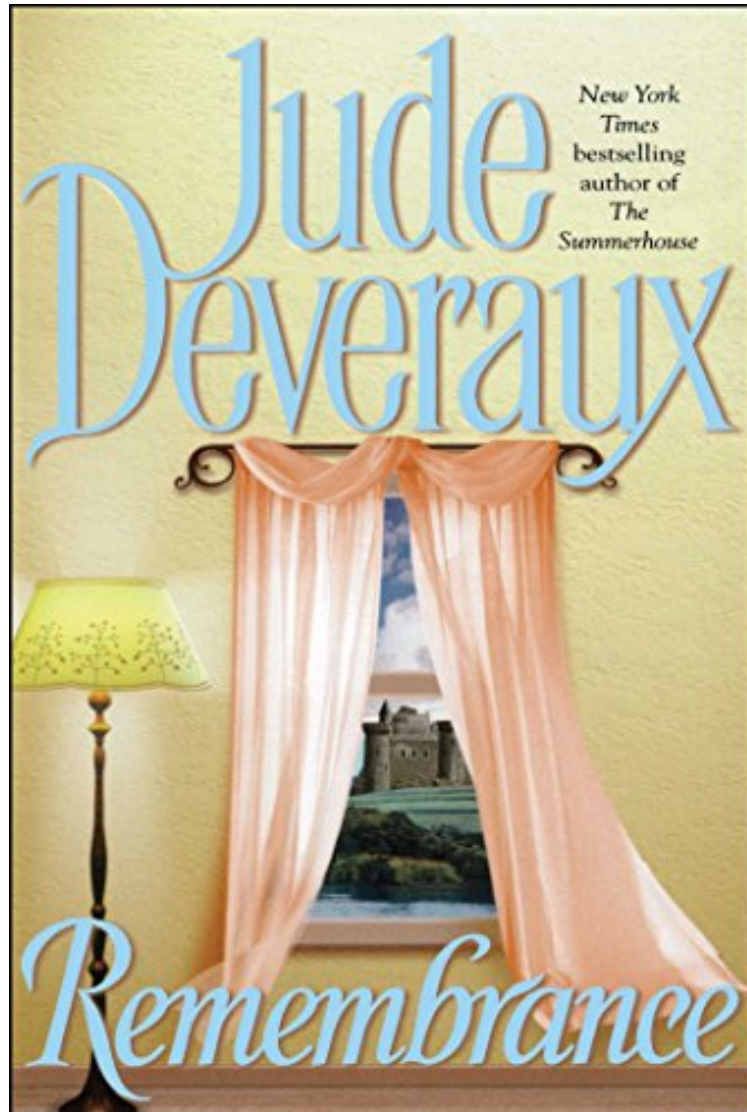


Remembrance

Von Jude Deveraux

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Von Jude Deveraux : Remembrance before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Remembrance:

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen3 von 3 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Soul mates or hocus pocus?Von KellyI have been wanting to read something by Jude Deveraux for a long time, and while at my library, Remembrance caught my attention. I hadn't heard anything about it, but thought, hey what the heck, and picked it up. As you start reading, you are introduced to Hayden Lane, an unhappy romance writer who is in love with a man she made up for one of her stories but never actually wrote about. She becomes more obsessed with him,

and her fiancé dumps her. Wanting to find out what is wrong with her, Hayden seeks professional help, but no one can tell her what is wrong. When she seeks out a psychic named Nora, the woman tells Hayden that she is unhappy in this life because of something that happened in her past life. She can never find love because in the Elizabethan age she and her soul mate put curses on each other that would make it so that they would never be happy together, in the life they were living, or in future lives. This intrigues Hayden, and she is soon digging up stuff about a woman, Lady de Grey, whom is said by Nora to be one of her former selves during the early 1900s. During a hypnotising session with her friend Millie's hypnotist, Hayden is whisked back to the time of Lady de Grey and promptly faints because of the unpleasant sensation of a corset. Lady de Grey is married to her soul mate, but because of the past curses, they hate each other. Hayden sees that she can do nothing to make the two love each other and figures that she will never find love because it is impossible to make the two love each other. She sees an ad for a hypnotist and figures that that will be her ticket back to the future. When Hayden tells the hypnotist where she would like to go, she innocently says "the beginning" meaning back to her own time, but instead she is taken back to the beginning when the soul mate business first started with her, the Elizabethan age. In that age, the story begins of Talis and Callie (Hayden). The two are born on the same day in the same hour and somehow their spirits are intertwined. They grow up together, but cannot be separated for long or else the two will basically grow weak and die. When they grow up, the two look at each other with a deep deep love. But a long standing hate threatens the two's rare and amazing love. Will Hayden be able to figure out how to undo the curses the two put on each other and will she be able to get back to her own time? *Remembrance* is truly an epic novel with twists and turns and three loves in one. The character development of Talis and Callie (the two real main characters) is spectacular. I felt for Callie and thought she was one of the best romantic heroines I've seen in a while. She is not drop dead gorgeous, but she has a mind of her own and tells amazing stories. Talis is absolutely wonderful. He *is* handsome, but thinks himself a shadow compared to Callie and thinks she is the most beautiful thing in the universe. He thinks Callie's stories are the most entertaining things ever told. Their relationship was truly earth shaking. I liked the fact that some of this book didn't end happily ever after, but most of it did. This was one of the few romance books that I actually sobbed in. I cried for about an hour. This was my first book by Jude Deveraux, and my book pile is growing with her books. Her writing style is fresh and touching. She makes you believe in things that you thought were just hocus pocus. *Remembrance* has a special place in my heart now, and I will always remember it. The plot is unique, and I hope my soul mate makes an appearance sometime in my life. The only thing I didn't like about it was the end was a little corny but the rest was fabulous. So if you're thinking about reading a Jude Deveraux book, read this. If you remotely like Jude Deveraux, read this. If you like romance, read this. You will not be disappointed. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Too convoluted; too many characters Von Ein Kunde I was surprised that this book received so many positive reviews. When I read it years ago, I was expecting *A Knight in Shining Armor*. Was I ever disappointed! The major flaw of this book is that there were too many characters to care about. There was the writer and her mystery man, the Edwardian couple, and Talis and Callie (who should have been given a book of their own, not used as background to another couple's story). I love time-travel stories, but I found the past lives plot device to be silly. The idea that Hayden -- the modern heroine -- would automatically despise the man she was destined for unless she could sort out her past lives was stupid. And although I'm sure Ms. Deveraux meant it to be romantic, I found it ridiculous that the heroes and heroines were all fated to die within the same hour of each other. I am a total non-feminist, but I find it distasteful that any couple would be so wrapped up in each other that they couldn't survive without each other. There were parts in *Remembrance* that were entertaining, but all in all, I think Jude should have focused on just one couple (preferably either Talis and Callie, or Hayden and her mystery man), developed the time-travel plot, and cut the past lives business. It would have made a much cleaner, more understandable novel. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Fascinating story -- overlong in places Von D. Simpson This book's premise, plot, and characters were all wonderfully thought out, and fascinating. I found the characters very endearing and believable -- real people with foibles that I could relate to! The jumps between time periods and the portrayal of the same essential characters with three different backgrounds and settings were intriguing, as were the insights from Ms. Deveraux on the lives and feelings of modern romance writers. However, I can't give the book that fifth star because parts of the book through the middle subplot, the telling of Talis's and Callie's childhood experiences, seemed too long-winded. I know that the background of the curses affecting their lives throughout time was necessary information, I just felt that this section of the book seemed repetitive and could have been condensed a bit more to keep the pace from dragging. Overall a fun book however, and an imaginative portrayal of one woman's search through the centuries for her one true soulmate.

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