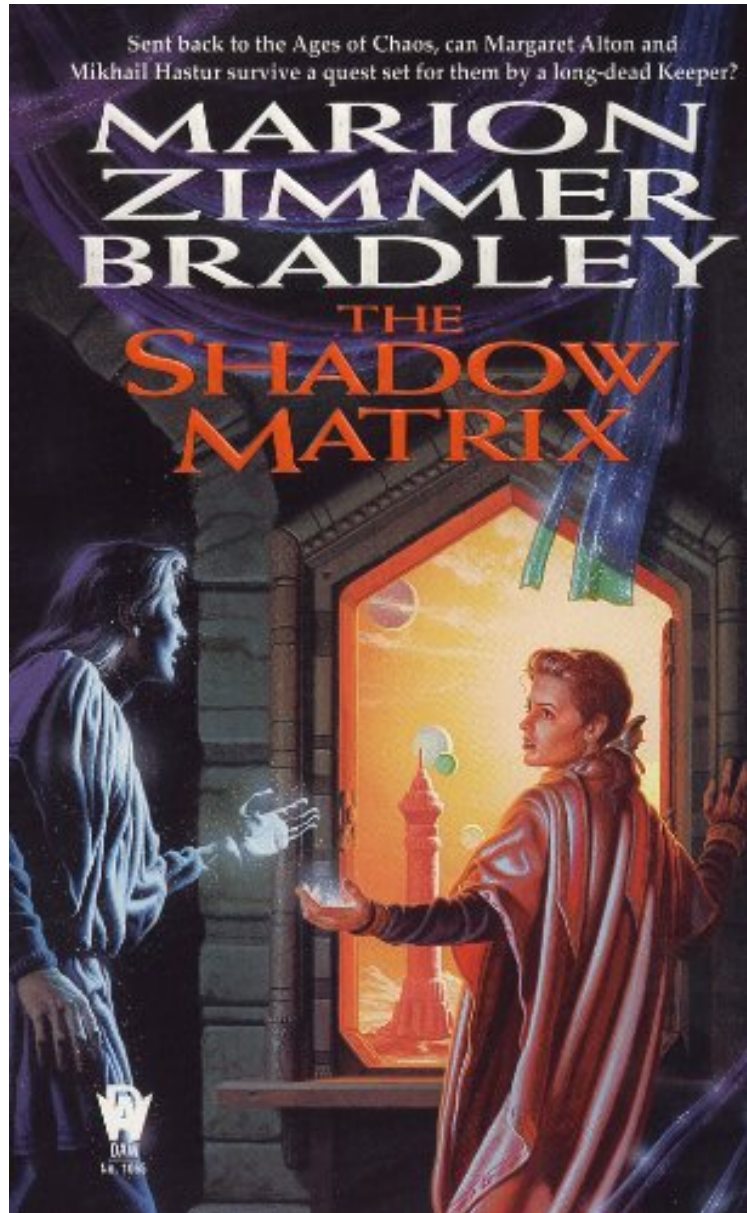


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Von Marion Zimmer Bradley : The Shadow Matrix (Darkover) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Shadow Matrix (Darkover):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen2 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich.
Fantasy's best=Marion Zimmer Bradley !!!!!Von Ein KundeDear readers and fans of Mrs. Bradley, I'm writing from

far Italy only to let you know that my heart beat 1000 times faster when I saw that in the bookshop there was a new book of this wonderful writer "the shadow Matrix". You may pardon my opinion, but to really appreciate this work I'd suggest to first read the entire "saga" chronologically, beginning with (you will excuse me if the titles are not perfectly correct, but I'm used to the Italian ones) "The heritage of Hastur", followed by "Sharra's Exile", "Return on Darkover", "The exile's song", and then "Shadow matrix", in order to understand the "historical" facts and the characters better. The thrilling adventures of beautiful and intelligent Marguerida and of intrepid and handsome Mikhail really captured my mind...the more I read the more I wanted to read about their story. When I arrived at the end of "The Shadow Matrix" I was so sad (perhaps I'd better say hungry), because I didn't know if there was a follow-up (let's call it like this)...you can perhaps imagine my joy when I discovered that in fact there is one, "The traitor's sun". But unfortunately it has not been translated in my language yet, and I'd be really thankful if somebody could help me. To those who write that Mrs. Bradley's masterpieces are honeyd or like "Barbara Cartland's" romances (I once read one and I found it really empty), well, I respect their opinion, but let me add that no other author (and I really read a lot) made me fly on the wings of fantasy and made me enter in this world of romance, magic, love, chivalry as if I was a character myself... I just wanted to let you know this little thought of a passionate and faithful reader from far Italy. (hope you'll excuse my English mistakes) If there is someone who would enjoy sharing my feelings and thoughts through e-mail, I'll be glade to chat a little..... ciao ciao2 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Please tighten the stories up! Von Ein Kunde I have and have read all of the Darkover series up until this on an enjoy them all. I enjoyed Exile's Song quite a bit, though it did seem a little different from MZB's usual style. The first half of this book is simply told in order to set up the second part of the book...if there was any reason for it at all. Personally, I could have lived with the first half being told in only one or two chapters. This might have actually created some excitement to that story instead of a boring tedium. The second half of the book, though, was as good as Exile's Song. It's not good enough for me to add this book to my collection, though.2 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A call for editing Von Ein Kunde Like its predecessor, Exile's Song, The Shadow Matrix is a decent story that is severely undermined by misspellings and horrible grammar. Plus, you know it's bad when even the author can't keep track of all of the character names (Mikhail's brothers are twice called "Lanart-Alton," and shouldn't "Lanart" be after "Hastur" anyway?). Did anyone actually edit this book, or did it go straight from MZB (friends) to the printing press? These problems were very distracting and kept the book from being otherwise enjoyable.

Kurzbeschreibung After spending her youth in the Terran Empire, Margaret Alton returns to Darkover, the planet of her birth. There she discovers she has the Alton Gift--forced rapport and compulsion--one of the strongest and most dangerous of the inherited Laran gifts of the telepathic Comyn--the ruling families of Darkover. And even as she struggles to control her newfound powers, Margaret finds herself falling in love with the Regent to the royal Elhalyn Domain, a man she has been forbidden to marry, for their alliance would irrevocably alter the power balance of their planet! From Booklist This direct successor to Exile's Song really ought to be read in conjunction with that book, but in any event, it is a high-class addition to Bradley's Darkover saga. Margaret Alton is trying to master her gifts and the Shadow Matrix; Mikhail Lanart-Hastur, her lover, is on a wild-goose chase, courtesy of his uncle, Lord Regis Hastur; Mikhail's mother is fussing; and the lovers are trying to overcome political and family objections to their marriage. Just as they are up to their hindquarters in alligators, they are flung back to the Age of Chaos, in which Varzil the Good acts as a sort of deus ex machina to tie up several loose ends and generate others. The whole plot has a certain melodramatic, even operatic, quality, but the pacing is brisk, the setting is well handled, and the book succeeds at the most basic level of keeping the reader--particularly the hard-core Darkover reader--turning the pages. The characters sometimes indulge in illogical angst, and the Terran Empire, showing its invincible stupidity in handling Darkover, remains something of a straw villain. Bradley's saga is clearly showing some signs of age, but Darkover remains a monumental achievement, one that seems likely to spur more than a few additional good tales from its creator. Roland Green Kurzbeschreibung After spending her youth in the Terran Empire, Margaret Alton returns to Darkover, the planet of her birth. There she discovers she has the Alton Gift--forced rapport and compulsion--one of the strongest and most dangerous of the inherited Laran gifts of the telepathic Comyn--the ruling families of Darkover. And even as she struggles to control her newfound powers, Margaret finds herself falling in love with the Regent to the royal Elhalyn Domain, a man she has been forbidden to marry, for their alliance would irrevocably alter the power balance of their planet!