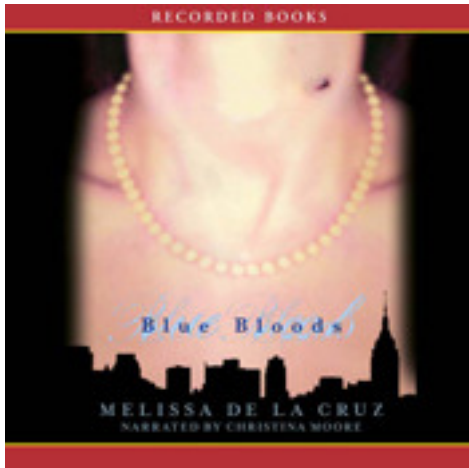


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### Blue Bloods (Blue Bloods #1)



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## Description

*From the Publisher*

The first book in the *New York Times* best-selling series, *Blue Bloods* introduces Schuyler Van Alen to the ancient world of the undead. Schuyler is an outcast at her prestigious private high school filled with fashionable upper-class socialites. But this off-limits world opens up to her when Schuyler turns 15 and discovers that her peers, like her, are budding vampires. Then vampires start getting killed, and Schuyler realizes something else—they are being hunted.

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## Insightful reviews

Denys L.H.: Starting with the positive points, they had really interesting vampires. The idea of older generations of vampires being reincarnated into future generations sounded pretty cool. They don't really die, they come back in the future generations as someone else with the same soul. I thought that was pretty well thought-out.

Now it's time for the negative points. And boy, did I have many. First, the writing. I was getting sick of all those detailed descriptions about clothing and what designer brand they are. I don't give a fuck if they were from Gucci or whatever. That shit doesn't matter in vampire novels. I do give kudos, however, that they did mention two of my favorite bands though (Muse and The Strokes).

The main character "Schuyler" was as deep as a brick. Her lack of personality made me bored blue with this book. But of course, she's as pretty as hell, so her zero personality doesn't have to matter at all. And oh yeah, she's had a tragic past (parents died, whatdiayaknow?) This seems to be a fault in many vampire novels. The female protagonist always has to be beautiful with shitty character qualities. How about making them actually believable? Fucking Mary-Sues everywhere.

The rest of the characters were shallow assholes. Some of them were OKAY, but the vampire ones were bland and not in the least bit as vampiric as they were supposedly. Those vampires are all rich, so what does it matter if they're a bunch of reincarnated snobs?

I might pick up the second novel, but to be quite honest, I don't really care what happens to all of them. They can all get staked and die. :)

Leonie: I've just started this book, and there are a number of things in which this book is disappointing.

For one, Melissa de la Cruz keeps on nagging about what everybody is wearing. On and on. I couldn't care less. It also contributes to annoying fact #2. The books moves damn slowly. I'm on page 97 and nothing has happened so far. And the same plot-hints are being dropped over and over. I'm laying the book away now, perhaps I will finish it later...

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... And I picked it up anyway, like 3 hours later.. and finished it. The story does have some potential, but I'm not really enthousiastic about it. Also, the latin in the book wasn't correct, I'm definitely subtracting points for that. And why is it latin in the first place? If Gabriel and Micheal and all those others were cast down from heaven, and all the bla bla bla, shouldn't it be hebrew? Rome didn't even exist yet. I also skipped all the lines about describing outfits, I think it reduced about 10% of the lines per page. She describes what everybody is wearing, on every occasion. That's so non-interesting. I'm glad a finished this book, and I'm pretty sure I'm not reading any more books of this series.

I'm going to include some of the clothing descriptions, to illustrate my annoyance;

**#1** Schuyler always looked like she was drowning in fabric. The black sweater reached almost to her calves, and underneath she wore a sheer black T-short over a gray thermal undershirt; and under that, a long peasant skirt that swept the floor. Like a nineteenth century street urchin, her skirt hems were black with dirt from dragging on the sidewalks. She was wearing her favorite pair of black-and-white Jack Purcell sneakers, the ones with the duct-taped hole on the right toe. ...

10 lines below that:

**#2** He was wearing a severe military greatcoat over a flannel shirt and a pair of holey blue jeans. Of course, the flannel shirt was John Varvatos and the jeans from Citizens of Humanity...

**#3** They'd settled on a sexy-but-in-an-off-beat-bohemian-way-with-straps-just-falling-off-the-shoulder-just-so-Marni camisole, a tiny denim Earnest Sewn miniskirt, and a sparkly Rick Owens cashmere wrap.

**#4** But somehow, she'd arrived for the first day wearing a pastel Ralph Lauren sweater with a plaid Anna Sui kilt (in en effort to look more like the girls featured in the school catalog), with a honking white leather Chanel purse on a gold chain slung over her shoulder, only to find her classmates dressed down in grotty fisherman sweaters and distressed corduroys.

And so on and so forth...

Arlene: I guess I got caught up with all of the vampire folklore because of the Twilight series, and I was looking for a substitute. Blue Bloods is a light and to a small degree entertaining read. It kept me interested barely enough to want to finish the book, but it definitely was not captivating.

I feel the author had an opportunity to develop her plot, which was extremely original. However, the entire novel lacked some sort of cohesive concept or stimulating event to give the storyline some needed spark. This book seemed to be more about fashion, cliques, partying and drinking than about vampire mythology.

I bought the second and third book before I finished reading Blue Bloods, and I kind of wish I would have held off. I'm not jumping to the sequel; it's still sitting there on my shelf waiting to be read, however I'm just not that fascinated with the story. I'm sure I'll get around to it when I've

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exhausted my other options.

Rachel (APCB Reviews): learn the entire overview the following @A Perfection referred to as BooksThe Concept:Blue Bloods is a trio mixture of Gossip Girl, angels, and vampires. the assumption and premise of this sequence is unique and great! essentially the angels who sided with Lucifer have been solid down from heaven and now they're Blue Bloods, vampires, who reside in a hundred 12 months lengthy cycles, attempting to in attaining redemption. i admire it! it is a cool inspiration :) a few elements of the concept that are a piece difficult to grasp. Cruz does not do a great activity of explaining issues and always contradicts herself: "So in a way, we're all related, yet we aren't similar at all" Yup that completely makes sense. The Setting: Helloooo higher East part !! Oh the opulence and wealth. really enjoyable to learn of, yet wayyy an excessive amount of time used to be spent describing the posh and the name-brand garments and furniture. so much of this booklet used to be spent describing everyone's designer-brand things, i would have loved extra of the tale to be about, oh i do not know, the plot perhaps? The Writing:Cruz's writing is fine. it truly is simple; she writes fluffy, mild stories. I stuck a grammar mistake or within the writing. Cruz is excellent at describing, occasionally she is going overboard though. This ebook lacks humor and fun. I want Cruz might comprise that into her books (please, something to brighten up this series)!The Plot:There is a plot! It simply is going NOWHERE. there is a lot which may be performed with this sequence however the execution is so terrible that it is going nowhere! It hurts my bookworm center simply because this sequence can be so sturdy if written the proper way. yet alas, we in its place are pressured to learn 250 pages of nothingness and 50 pages of tangible tale and plot improvement and movement. the focal point of this publication is totally wrong. cease concentrating on the wealth of the Blue Bloods and the higher East aspect scene. concentrate on the threats, the Silver Bloods! Have a few personality and plot development. Have significant scenes, not only randomly thrown-in ones. The Characters: i do not like every of the characters. it is sad. Schuyler is okay. She's so uninteresting though. Jack is mysterious and sizzling yet along with that he does not have a lot going for him. I detest Mimi, and her satisfaction and self-esteem make me are looking to slap her. Bliss is a dolt. And she's approach too captivated with what humans think about her. All of those characters get on my nerves. The Romance:It is going from 0 to sixty in 3.5. What. The. Heck. Jack and Schuyler infrequently understand one another after which they unexpectedly love every one other? and that i imagine a love triangle should be forming? and there is certainly a few incest... EW INCEST. I simply are looking to puke whilst i feel of Jack and Mimi together. Bleh :P If I see any incestuous issues occurring during this sequence i'll chuck the e-book around the room and begin purging. Bleh. Mimi and Jack?! Ew. And Mimi wishes Jack? Ew. i do not care concerning the little technicalities and the way it truly is like "hey we are type of siblings form of not. We in order that ensue to be referred to as again to dwell during this cycle as dual siblings," do not even. that is known as incest. Cruz, do not even try and make it greater via complicated me much more with the bonding rituals that Blue Bloods have that they renew with that very same companion in the course of each one cycle... Ew. Incest. No. Ew. The Cliches:There are such a lot of cliches that made me roll my eyes during this book:- the obvious protagonist is unexpectedly figured out to be gorgeous- the preferred man who is by no means given her phrases abruptly is all attracted to her- Protagonist's mother is in a coma - lacking father- usual lady reveals out she's now not so ordinary- BFF in love with protagonist, protagonist cannot see it even if it truly is noticeable - specific protagonist first identify that you've got by no means heard of before- Spoiled queen

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bee who does evil issues (especially to the protagonist)Overall:Blue Bloods was once a foul begin to the series. i am maintaining onto the desire that this sequence will get better. it is an enticing thought and a very good plot idea. Now if in basic terms the execution might improve...

Jilly: This booklet is so fucking silly that I misplaced IQ issues whereas analyzing it. the single cause i did not DNF it used to be for the shaggy dog story material. Because, seriously, this publication needs to be a joke, right?The premise had a few power - vampires who came around at the Mayflower, come into their vampireyness at age 15, and are reincarnated repeatedly again. ( ?) There are precisely four hundred of them, and our distinct snowflake is a brand new one! Oh no! now not a brand new Soul!?(again... ) So, in fact the powers that be are suspicious of snowflake. ( ...anyone?)Our specific snowflake's identify is Schuyler. that is right, Schuyler. I know, right? i am so ailing of women named Schuyler! We had like 6 of them in my homeroom category in school.So, in fact Snowflake is going to an particular university that in simple terms the richest of all wealthy little ones move to. And, after all she is an outcast who's abruptly spotted by means of the most popular jock in school. And, in fact she has a boy ally who's secretly in love with her. And, in fact there's a mean-girl membership that hates her. And, in fact there's a modeling casting name at her college that every one of the women visit yet they choose Schuyler to be the subsequent stick insect as she simply occurs to be strolling by way of simply because she's soooooo beautiful.I mean, come on, these issues are only a given. Duh!But, the simplest a part of this book? the object that may offer you mind-numbing soreness that purely killing all of those asshole characters can alleviate? The endless, and that i suggest pages and pages of, dressmaker label names which are listed. we all know what each personality is donning always - every one piece, lingerie incorporated - and what dressmaker made it. And, the ridiculous descriptions of opulence that we're imagined to think that those vampire youth reside in. Really? it's not relevant that they're 15, you'll serve them cocktails from the bar in the event that they are rich? Oh, and do not disregard the heated almonds. wealthy bitches love hot nuts. Oh, Mr. Peanut, you're so hot!The in basic terms excellent news approximately this publication is that it is just a pair hundred pages long.

Joyzi: publication Review (This pic is from deviantart.com btw) i have been eager to learn this sequence for a very long time now yet regrettably i used to be consistently received sidetracked by means of different vampire sequence (e.g. The Black Dagger Brotherhood series, Vampire Academy, residence of Night, Evernight Series, Morganville Vampires, Sookie Stackhouse series, The Mortal tools Trilogy, evening Huntress). Whoa that used to be an extended list, should still I simply say i am a vampire addict? (blame this on Meyer's Twilight).Okay so yeah I picked it up as a result of those reasons:1. My neighbors Szam, Julie, Gabby and Isamlq (etc. in case I forgot someone) continually noted the sequence that I felt passed over and out of place, so may well in addition learn this in order that i will take part their bubble of conversation.2. It has vampires in it, 'nuff said.3. It used to be really authored by way of a Filipina-American author(I'm a Filipina too btw), so yeah cool beans, may still certainly learn this to teach a few Filipino love.So now will gonna have professionals and cons...Pros1. Vampires (check)2. Filipina writer (check)3. A heroine that's not whiny, weak, Mary Sue, and silly (\*coughs\*shall I simply positioned Bella Swan here\*coughs\*) (check)4. scorching men (check)5. Cool vampire lore (check)6. style (check)7. Vampires and shool lifestyles (check)8. teenager drama (check)9. Love triangle (check)10. A shock that i did not see coming (check)11. Writing isn't really crappy \*coughs\*House of Night, Fallen, Twilight, and Sookie Stackhouse\*coughs\*(check)12. adorable

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and quirky characters \*my faves have been Dylan and Bliss and i am staff Ollie btw\* (check)13. attractive (check)Okay what i discovered unique during this one:1. the concept that vampires got here from fallen angels.2. The blue bloods, silver bloods and crimson bloods.3. The repository thingy.4. The phases of vampire existence thingy.5. The conduits.6. The Sacred Kiss thingy.Cons1. Similarities (euphemism for rip-off) with different books:>House of Night-also use the time period vampyre-the queen bee thingy-Zoey and Sky has plenty of universal like they've got this prophecy thingy approximately saving the vampyres blah blah blah-Bliss and Dylan's dating jogs my memory of Rephaim and Stevie Rae>Gossip Girl-mention of brands-parties, clubs, smoking, modeling etc.-Manhattan Elites (even the place- East Side)-the well known and non-popular group-the sex>City of Bones-Ollie jogs my memory of Simon-Allegria jogs my memory of Clary's mother (both have been in coma and feature the well-known place on their race)-Incest (Jack and Mimi)>Evernight-the mixture of vampires and people in a single academy-the point out that they are vampires additionally occur in the course of the plot>Fallen and Evermore-At first i assumed that Jack and Sky's courting was once comparable with Luce and Daniel and Ever and Damen relationships yet i used to be incorrect and that i did not see it coming that tuuuuuuuut was once what Jack previous mate(can I say mate? idk probably lover?)(extra)Favorite Scene:>my favourite scene was once the interrupted sacred kiss(and sex) among Dylan and Bliss and that i was once like this yet then Bliss' father came Yeah i love it and may nonetheless learn the subsequent books

^^ \_\_\_\_\_ I imagine it is time for me to learn a Vampire tale advised by way of a Filipina writer >.<

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