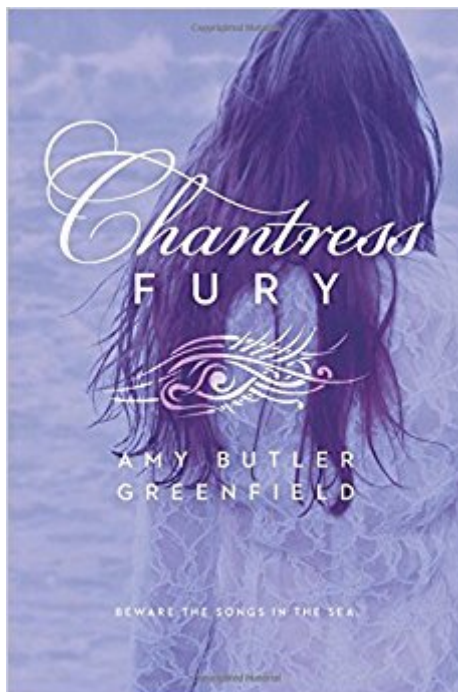


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# Chantress Fury



## Synopsis

Power and politics, heartbreak and danger, magic and mermaids—Lucy must conquer it all in the compelling conclusion to the enchanting series that began with *Chantress* and continued with *Chantress Alchemy*. With a song, Lucy can control the wind and the water; she can bring castles and kingdoms to their feet. Since Lucy mastered her powers, King Henry has kept her close. And now he's called her to investigate attempted murder by a mermaid. All Lucy can glean from the creature they've captured is a warning: The sea is coming. We are coming. And we will drown you all. And then the floods begin. Swaths of London are submerged as the people scramble to defend themselves against the water, and the monsters, that are flooding their streets. As mistrust of Lucy's magic grows, the king relies on Nat, Lucy's great love, to guide them through the storm. But Nat is cold and distant to Lucy. He swore his love only a year before, but now he calls her "stranger." Lucy is determined to defeat this powerful new magic alone if she must. But then she hears an eerie song within the water—can it mean that she is not the last Chantress after all?

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Gr 8 Up —•The final volume in a finely written and sweeping fantasy trilogy. Set in 17th-century England, the series centers on Lucy, the last Chantress who has the power to sing magic into the world. King Henry employs Lucy to investigate a supernatural murder —•just as London begins to flood. Magic, history, and romance combine to great effect, buoyed by Greenfield's graceful writing. A strong series that will likely find both YA and adult readers.

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Official Summary: The sea is coming. We are coming. And we will drown you all. With a song, Lucy can control the wind and the water; she can bring castles and kingdoms to their feet. Since Lucy mastered her powers, King Henry has kept her close as he's rebuilt England. She's his best ally and his workhorse. And now he's called her to investigate attempted murder: His men claim they were almost killed on the Thames by a mermaid. All Lucy can glean from the creature they've captured is a warning: The sea is coming. We are coming. And we will drown you all. And then the floods begin. Swaths of London are submerged as the people scramble to defend themselves against the water and the monsters that are flooding their streets. As mistrust of Lucy's magic grows, the king relies on Nat, Lucy's great love, to guide them through the storm. But Nat is cold and distant to Lucy. He swore his love only a year before, and now he calls her "stranger." Lucy is determined to defeat this powerful new magic alone if she must. But then she hears an eerie song within the water — can it mean that she's not the last Chantress after all? Sweeping and crackling with magic, Chantress Fury triumphantly concludes the powerful Chantress trilogy.  
What I Liked: Yes! This book was a wonderful addition and conclusion to this series! Any small worries or doubts I had from the previous two books were totally addressed in this book, and I finally got to experience the even bigger "big picture" of this series. I absolutely adored this book! I think Chantress is my favorite, but Chantress Fury comes in close second. Very close. It's been over a year since Nat and Lucy parted ways. Nat is the right-hand man of King Henry, and Lucy is King Henry's fix-all lackey, sent to fix situations and help bring nobles in line with the King's orders. Lucy has been avoiding

Nat, pretending she doesn't care about him - and he's been cold with her. When the old, constant threat spills over and threatens to drown the world, Lucy knows she might sacrifice everything - her love, her life, her reputation, her place in London - to save London. This book started in such a heartbreaking manner. We all know how Chantress Alchemy ends - I refused to believe that the ending would be permanent for the rest of the series. But when this book starts, we find that it's been over a year since Nat and Lucy separated. Nat believed that it would be better for them not to be together, and Lucy, despite still loving him, begins to believe it. Who wants to be with someone who is always being sent to do the King's dirty work? Someone who London is now beginning to fear, not revere? A "monster", a witch, not a noblewoman. When Nat returns to the kingdom, Lucy does her best to avoid him, but they can't avoid each other forever. My heart really broke for both of them. Lucy never stopped loving Nat, despite never seeing him and feeling like he didn't want her anymore. Nat felt like he was doing right by Lucy. But when they meet again in this book, they both realize they still love each other. But Lucy pushes him away, telling him that he shouldn't want to be with a "monster". This kind of self-deprecation would usually annoy me, but it's totally warranted, in this situation. The people of London think Lucy is the one calling the floods, that it's her fault. Magic calls to magic, they say. Eventually, people are calling for her to be burned. Lucy is truly a monster in their eyes, and she feels like one. The powerful magic that is surging and causing the floods is after her, and wants to destroy London because of her. Which makes this book all the more beautifully heartbreaking! Not only is Lucy feeling abandoned by Nat, but she is feared by Londoners. And Lucy struggles to find out the identity of the mysterious force that is threatening London. Nevertheless, Lucy remains diligent and strong, determined to work harder than ever, despite her personal problems. I really liked the direction of the story. Finally, we get to see the big picture of the series - the powerful force that is trying to destroy London and Lucy. It's an old, elemental force that is not so easy to defeat. The survival of London depends on Lucy - no small task at hand. Mermaids are a part of this - and krakens! All kinds of odd sea creatures pop up in this book. Without spoiling anything, I will say that the stakes are extremely high in this book, and the dangers are very scary. The world-building, as always, is superbly crafted. Greenfield has such beautiful writing, and her style really lends itself to the genre. Historical fiction requires a lot of things, like a certain manner of speaking for the characters, and little anachronisms. It's clear that Greenfield has done her research and knows what she's talking about! The "history" aspect is realistic and authentic, and the fantasy aspect is well-written. The romance is so heartbreaking at first! Nat and Lucy tiptoe around each other at first. But they love each other, and the sparks and flares are there. The romance takes on an... interesting quality, but I think it really works in this

book's case. We know that Nat and Lucy love each other, and that there are no others for either of them. Regardless, you have to read the book to really understand what happens with the romance in this book. I love how hard Nat and Lucy both work to find their way back to each other, even when it seems hopeless or pointless or impossible. There is a lot more romance in this book than the other two books - which is GREAT, in my opinion! This book is a such a great conclusion to the series. The ending is very, very satisfying, and there are no lingering questions by the end of the book. You'll have no trouble picking this one up after the wait between this one and Chantress Alchemy, I promise! Greenfield does an amazing job of reacquainting readers with the story. Prepare yourself for a good one!

**What I Did Not Like:** I really can't think of anything! Hopefully no one is bothered by this, as I try to have dislikes in any review, no matter the rating.

**Would I Recommend It:** I would certainly recommend this book! It's pretty much tied with Chantress as my favorite of the series, and I really liked Chantress. I really liked Chantress Alchemy too! This series is beautifully written and very unique - I'd highly recommend the books if you haven't read any of them!

**Rating:** 4 stars. Definitely give this series a shot, if you can! Historical fantasy, beautifully written, gorgeous romance, lovely story!

**4.5 STARS** Beautifully enchanting, and wickedly thrilling, CHANTRESS FURY has brought a whole new evil to this complex world, that was engrossing and addicting from start to finish!! With twist and turns, and a whole new plot line, CHANTRESS FURY was full of surprises and adventures that will keep you engaged and second guessing yourself until the very end!!! The CHANTRESS Trilogy was epic, truly wonderful in just about every way! But I have to admit, I did have my doubts that I would like this trilogy at first for numerous reasons, and was reluctant to pick it up. But when I started to get into the fantasy genre last year in 2014, I decided it was high-time I gave the CHANTRESS trilogy it's fair shot!! And let me tell you, the complete trilogy exceeded my expectations and found it's way into that special category for books that I absolutely loved, and will read again and again for many years to come! The world building in this conclusion was unlike the first two, and totally the best out of all of them!! I LOVE the idea about otherworldly creatures surfacing and attacking the human world. And the water turning against them, flooding their city and killing their people, and becoming the ultimate weapon instead of the trusted ally it's been. And Lucy finally finding her match in power. I just loved the whole plot idea and the way it was executed was beyond perfect!! Well done Amy Butler Greenfield, I applaud you!! ;)

One issue I did have in this one though was the romance. Don't get me wrong, I love Lucy and Nat, I think they're a great match and compliment each others personality. But what I didn't like and the whole reason I knocked off a half of a star was

because Lucy and Nat were still fighting, still at each others throats, still neglecting the love that they grew and formed from book one. And they were doing it the entire book, right up until the very last chapter. And that was a HUGEEEEEE let down for me. I mean it was okay in the first book, even in the second, but come on, I want the third book to be full of passion, and love, and acting desire. I want them to be building their relationship, and watching the romance blossom and bloom. Not suffering through them hurting each other, and determined not to be with each other but still have the love and desire burning at full force.

**THE PLOT** After conquering evil at every turn, Lucy has come to accept that her life will never be easy, that she may have to always fight for her life and the peace of her kingdom. Being the last remaining Chantress left, she knows it comes with a heavy burden. But what Lucy doesn't know is that the real storm is coming, that all she's ever faced in the past is nothing compared to what she's about to face in the future...

**THE SEA IS COMING. WE ARE COMING. AND WE WILL DROWN YOU ALL...** First theirs sightings of creatures in the sea, then a mermaid attack, then the waters rebel, fighting Lucy at every turn. Then serpents appear, killing men by the hundreds, then the waters come, flooding their city and drowning their people, then the music starts... Whispering of vengeance, and vowing to take it in blood, singing songs so similar to a Chantress, yet so different. Raging power so strong it surpasses Lucy's own. But that can't be right, can it?? Lucy is the last remaining Chantress alive, or is she...??? With the weight of her world on Lucy's shoulders, and her power at a standstill against the evil force driving their city to it's knees, Lucy knows she should be focusing only on the issue at hand, but she can't, her heart won't allow her... It's been over a year since Nat walked out of Lucy's life, taking her heart and soul with him. And now that he's come back, and they're finally face to face again, all though's feelings come rushing back at once, bombarding her with the love she lost, and feelings she yearns to explore all over again. But time has not been on their side, and the unfamiliarity they feel for each other only strengthens the gap, and wears on their relationship until their left feeling more alone then ever, and more like strangers then lovers. Lucy must untangle the web of deception and reveal the evil power unraveling their kingdom from the inside out. All while determining who--or what is behind it all, and what they hope to accomplish by turning the water, her most trusted ally, into her most feared enemy...

**CHANTRESS FURY** rocked the pages and had me fully engrossed until the very end!! I liked book one and two, but I LOVED book three!! This conclusion tied up a lot of questions that has been nagging at me since book one. And I am more then pleased with the way it all ended, minus my issue with the romance it was perfect. Overall, I would HIGHLY recommended this conclusion and the rest of the trilogy, as I'm sure you can tell with all my blabbering I LOVED IT...lol!! Each book in this trilogy had it's own special adventure that was thrilling and heartwarming to explore!! 4.5

Stars to this EXPLOSIVE conclusion of CHANTRESS FURY that you don't want to miss!! And 5 huge stars to the author, Amy Butler Greenfield for her creativity, suspense, and wonderful cast of characters that have made their way into my heart for years to come!! I can't WAIT to see what else Amy comes up with next, because I will DEFINITELY be reading it!!NOTE: I received a physical ARC from Margaret K McElderry Books (Simon & Schuster) for reviewing purposes! All opinions express are my own and are not influenced in any way!

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