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# The Princess Pact: A Twist On Rumpelstiltskin (The Four Kingdoms Book 3)



## Synopsis

Spinning straw into gold was only the beginning of the story...Marie, the dutiful princess of Northhelm, chafes under the rigid protocol that governs her life. Then a growing darkness threatens the kingdom and uncovers the lie at the centre of her whole life - a single pact that changes everything. Throwing off convention, she joins Rafe, a handsome, charming newcomer, on a quest to save her kingdom. Except he doesn't know she has a mission of her own - to discover the truth about her identity. Increasingly drawn to Rafe's strength and good humour, Marie is torn by her double purpose. With time running out and death and destruction looming, Marie will have to unravel the bargains that surround her and choose where her true allegiance lies. In this twist on the classic fairy tale, Rumpelstiltskin, a hidden identity is just one of the things Marie will have to unravel. If you enjoy clean romance, adventure and intrigue, then try the books in The Four Kingdoms series now! Each book can be read as a standalone story. However, for greatest enjoyment, they should be read in order. The Four Kingdoms Reading Order: The Princess Companion: A Retelling of The Princess and the Pea (Book One) Â The Princess Fugitive: A Reimagining of Little Red Riding Hood (Book Two) Â Happily Every Afters: A Four Kingdoms Novella Â The Princess Pact: A Twist on Rumpelstiltskin (Book Three) Â A Midwinter's Wedding: A Four Kingdoms Novella The Princess Game: A Reimagining of Sleeping Beauty (Book Four)

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## **Customer Reviews**

This book did not compare to the previous two at all. In addition to being much shorter than the first novel, its characters were extremely one-dimensional and the plot very predictable. They also did not stay in character well. The princess starts out being super worried about her brother, and then a few minutes later she's completely forgotten about him and doesn't seem to care for most of the rest of the book. One second she's being attacked, the next she acts as if it never happened. There were a lot more problems too, but I lost the document I was keeping track of them in. Suffice to say, I was very disappointed, especially considering how much I enjoyed the first two books! The only reason I scored this one a 3 instead of a 2 was because the author says she was going through a hard time when she wrote it. That may be, but while I wish her the best of luck with her life, this was not the book it could have been. I hope one day she may consider rewriting it, because her talent is much more than was showcased here.

I loved Marie and Rafe's story!! I've been waiting for Marie's HEA since I read about her in the first book in the series: A Princess Companion. (If you haven't read it yet, go back and do it - you won't be sorry!) But this book can definitely be read as a standalone, so no worries there. I like how Melanie incorporates all these fairytales into her Four Kingdoms stories but puts her own twist on the original so that you don't know exactly what's coming. I'm a big fan of clean romance and this story definitely hit the spot!! I stayed up late to read this one because I had to read "just one more chapter," and that one more chapter turned into the entire book. I have no regrets for the loss of sleep when it comes to a good story. 5 stars and two thumbs up!

As always, the author has given the reader a fun retold tale. I rated this book lower than the others in the series because there was too much teenage angst for my taste. Here's to more good things to come for and from the author. (See author's acknowledgements in back.) Thanks for an enjoyable clean series.

I really enjoyed this book. This book has great characters and a great plot. This is a great retelling of Rumpelstiltskin. I had a hard time putting this wonderful book down.

I'm so tickled by these stories. Definitely chuckle worthy. Who could guess I would love fairytales all over again. On to the next one.

I loved the story of Marie and I had been waiting for it since her brief appearances in the previous books. Rafe was lovable too and what I liked best was the dialogue Marie had with her godmother which gave her hints and plenty of food for thought. Melanie is an excellent writer who knows her craft and delivers delightful stories. I am looking forward to her next book. Rumpelstiltskin's story is presented in an ingenious way and gives the plot a nice twist. Thank you Melanie.

I love all the books I have read by this author. It's a good, interesting romance that isn't too heavily focused on the romance but is a good engaging story.

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