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The Elves of Cintra Del Rey

In *Running with the Demon*, Terry Brooks does nothing less than revitalize fantasy fiction, inventing the complex and powerful new mythos of the Word and the Void, good versus evil still, but played out in the theater-in-the-round of the “real world” of our present. On the hottest Fourth of July weekend in decades, two men have come to Hopewell, Illinois, site of a lengthy, bitter steel strike. One is a demon, dark servant of the Void, who will use the anger and frustration of the community to attain a

terrible secret goal. The other is John Ross, a Knight of the Word, a man who, while he sleeps, lives in the hell the world will become if he fails to change its course on waking. Ross has been given the ability to see the future. But does he have the power to change it? At stake is the soul of a fourteen-year-old girl mysteriously linked to both men. And the lives of the people of Hopewell. And the future of the country. This Fourth of July, while friends and families picnic in Sinnissippi Park and fireworks explode in celebration of freedom and independence, the fate of Humanity will be decided . . . A novel that weaves together family drama, fading innocence, cataclysm, and enlightenment, *Running with the Demon* will forever change the way you think about the fantasy novel. As believable as it is imaginative, as wondrous as it is frightening, it is a rich, exquisitely-written tale to be savored long after the last page is turned.

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SET IN THE WORLD OF SHANNARA!

Possessing an awesome power he is only beginning to understand, young Jair Ohmsford must summon the devastating yet darkly seductive magic of the wishsong on a fateful mission to save his friends . . . and protect the future from the forces of evil. If you’ve never ventured into the wondrous world of Shannara, consider this an ideal opportunity. Prepare to enter the breathtaking realm of the Four Lands, where beings both noble and sinister have quested and clashed, crossed swords in the names of darkness and light, and engaged in adventures rich with mystery and majesty. “Terry’s place is at the head of the fantasy world.” –Philip Pullman, author of *The*

Golden Compass

Bloodfire Quest Del Rey

An epilogue to *The Wishsong of Shannara*

The time of the Shannara follows in the wake of an apocalypse that has destroyed the old world and very nearly annihilated its people as well. A thousand years of savagery and barbarism have concluded at the start the series with the emergence of a new civilization in which magic has replaced science as the dominant source of power. A Druid Council comprised of the most talented of the new races—Men, Dwarves, Trolls, Gnomes, and Elves, names taken from the old legends—has begun the arduous task of rebuilding the world and putting an end to the racial warfare that has consumed the survivors of the so-called Great Wars since their conclusion. But the wars continue, albeit in a different form. Magic, like science, is often mercurial, can be used for good or evil, and can have a positive or negative effect on those who come in contact with it. In *The Sword of Shannara*, a Druid subverted by his craving for magic's power manipulated Trolls and Gnomes in his effort to gain mastery over the other races. He failed because of Shea Ohmsford, the last of an Elven family with the Shannara surname. Shea, with the help of his brother and a small band of companions, was able to wield the fabled Sword of Shannara to destroy the Dark Lord. Subsequently, in *The*

Elfstones of the Shannara, his grandson Wil was faced with another sort of challenge, one that required the use of a magic contained in a set of Elfstones. But use of the Stones altered Wil's genetic makeup, so that his own children were born with magic in their blood. As a result, in the third book of the series, the *Wishsong of Shannara*, Brin and her brother Jair were recruited by the Druid Allanon to seek out and destroy the Ildatch, the book of dark magic that had subverted the Warlock Lord, and was now doing the same with the Mord wraiths. The story that follows takes place several years after the conclusion of *The Wishsong* and again features Jair Ohmsford, who must come to terms with his obsession with the past and his use of his magic that his sister has warned him not to trust BONUS: This edition contains an excerpt from Terry Brooks's *The Measure of the Magic*.

The Scions of Shannara Del Rey

The world of Shannara is brimming with untold stories and unexplored territory. Now bestselling author Terry Brooks breaks new ground with a standalone adventure that's sure to thrill veteran readers and recent converts alike. The mysterious, magic-

wielding Druid order has existed for long ages, battling any evil that threatens the Four Lands—and struggling to be understood and accepted by outsiders. But their hopes of building goodwill are dashed when a demon's murderous rampage at a peace summit leaves their political opponents dead—casting new suspicions upon the Druids and forcing them to flee from enemies both mortal and monstrous. Paxon Leah, the order's appointed protector, knows that blame lies with Arcannen Rai, the vile sorcerer he has battled and defeated before. But there's no time to hunt his nemesis, if he is to lead the wrongfully accused Druids to their sanctuary. It is a quest fraught with danger, as a furious government agent and his army snap at their heels, and lethal predators

stalk them in the depths of the untamed wilderness. But Arcannen is playing a deeper game than Paxon realizes. Paxon's sister possesses a powerful magic that the sorcerer longs to control—but Arcannen has not reckoned with the determination of his own estranged daughter, Leofur, who is also Paxon's devoted lifemate. Leofur sets out on a perilous quest to thwart her father's desires—while the vengeful Arcannen conjures his blackest magical skills, determined to destroy them all . . . and claim the most powerful of magics for his own.

Lessons from a Writing Life High Druid of Shannara (Paperb

“ Find the Elves and return them to the world of Men! ” the shade of the Druid Allanon had ordered Wren. It was clearly an impossible task. The Elves had been gone from the Westland for more than a hundred years. There was not even a trace of their former city of Arborlon left to mark

their passing. No one in the Esterland knew of them -- except, finally, the Addershag. The blind old woman had given instructions to find a place on the coast of the Blue Divide, build a fire, and keep it burning for three days. “ One will come for you.” Tiger Ty, the Wing Rider, had come on his giant Roc to carry Wren and her friend Garth to the only clear landing site on the island of Morrowindl, where, he said, the Elves might still exist, somewhere in the demon-haunted jungle. Now she stood within that jungle, remembering the warning of the Addershag: “ Beward, Elf-girl. I see danger ahead for you . . . and evil beyond imagining.” It had proved all too true. Wren stood with her single weapon of magic, listening as demons evil beyond all imagining gathered for attack. How long could she resist? And if, by some miracle, she reached the Elves and could convince them to return, how could they possibly retrace her perilous path to reach the one safe place on the coast? **BONUS:** This edition contains an excerpt from Terry Brooks's *The Measure of the Magic*.

Straken Del Rey

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER The adventure that started in *Wards of Faerie* takes a thrilling new turn, in the second novel of Terry Brooks' s brand-new trilogy—*The Dark Legacy of Shannara!* The quest for the long-lost Elfstones has drawn the leader of the Druid order and her followers into the hellish dimension

known as the Forbidding, where the most dangerous creatures banished from the Four Lands are imprisoned. Now the hunt for the powerful talismans that can save their world has become a series of great challenges: a desperate search for kidnapped comrades, a relentless battle against unspeakable predators, and a grim race to escape the Forbidding alive. But though freedom is closer than they know, it may come at a terrifying price. Back in the village of Arborlon, the mystical, sentient tree that maintains the barrier between the Four Lands and the Forbidding is dying. And with each passing day, as the breach between the two worlds grows larger, the threat of the evil eager to spill forth and wreak havoc grows more dire. The only hope lies with a young Druid, faced with a staggering choice: cling to the life she cherishes or combat an army of darkness by making the ultimate sacrifice. Includes a preview of the next book in the *Dark Legacy of Shannara* series, *Witch Wraith Praise for Bloodfire Quest* “ Explodes from the first page . . . and the action doesn' t stop until the novel' s cliffhanger ending. . . . Intense and exhilarating . . . The author

balances character development with intense action, and he has a gift for creating characters the reader cares about. Brooks is one of the best fantasy writers in the business, and *Bloodfire Quest* is better than its predecessor.” —Associated Press

“Shannara fans will delight in Brooks’ sorcerous action, skilled characterizations, and rapid-fire storytelling twists.” —Publishers Weekly

“Brooks mixes things up here with several sharp battle scenes, for which he brings his distinct talent, giving a true grandeur to clashes involving terrifying creatures and powerful magic. . . . A fine middle chapter to Brooks’ latest Shannara adventure.” —Kirkus Reviews

“From the first pages to the harrowing ending, *Bloodfire Quest* . . . is a thrill ride that will leave readers wanting more. . . . This volume, paired with the first, might be just the right place to introduce new readers to this fine writer.” —Booklist (starred review)

Praise for Terry Brooks “I can’t even begin to count how many of Terry Brooks’ books I’ve read (and reread) over the years. From Shannara to *Landover*, his work was a huge part of my

childhood.” —Patrick Rothfuss, New York Times bestselling author of *The Name of the Wind*

“Terry Brooks has been my constant companion over a lifetime of exploring my beloved fantasy genre. I say with all honesty I would not be writing epic fantasy today if not for Shannara. If Tolkien is the grandfather of modern fantasy, Terry Brooks is its favorite uncle.” —Peter V. Brett, New York Times bestselling author of *The Desert Spear*

“Terry Brooks is a master of the craft and a trailblazer who established fantasy as a viable genre. Not only do I owe him for many hours of reading pleasure, I owe him my job. He is required reading.” —Brent Weeks, New York Times bestselling author of *The Night Angel Trilogy*

Monster in the Middle Ballantine Group

The legendary hero Allanon takes center stage in the first of three gripping new standalone eBook short stories set in the world of the fantasy-fiction phenomenon that is Shannara—by beloved New York Times bestselling author Terry Brooks. The history is thus: The once-Druid Brona, seduced by his pursuit of dark magic, was forever transformed into the Warlock

Lord—whose evil would be the downfall of the Four Lands and the death of the Races. Against him, the Elven King Jerle Shannara wielded the fabled sword that bore his surname and triumphed. Or so it was believed. But though the Dark Lord was driven out . . . he was not destroyed. The Druid Allanon knows only too well the prophecy passed down to him by his late master: that eventually the Warlock Lord will return. Now, after hundreds of years, that day seems imminent. And the time is at hand for the Sword of Shannara to once more be brought forth from its sanctuary to serve its ancient purpose. All that remains is for a blood descendent of the Elven house of Shannara to carry the blade into battle. With ever more portents of doom on the horizon, Allanon must seek out the last remaining Shannara heir, who alone will bear the burden of defending the Four Lands’ destiny. But with agents of darkness closing in from behind, unexpected enemies lying in wait ahead, and treachery encroaching on every side, there can be no certainty of success. Nor any assurance that this desperate quest will not be the Druid’s last.

Paladins of Shannara: The Black Irix (Short Story) Ballantine Books

With Grianne Ohmsford, the rightful High Druid of Shannara, imprisoned in the Forbidding by Dark Magic, her enemies seize control of the Druid Council and embark on a war against the Free-born, as Grianne's young nephew, Pen Ohmsford, sets out on a desperate quest to find the mystical Tanequil, a sentient tree whose magic could free Grianne. Reprint.

Wards of Faerie High Druid of Shannara (Paperb

After more than three decades of captivating epic fantasy readers, the storytelling magic of "New York Times"-bestselling author Brooks' Shannara saga continues to enthrall. Now the fascinating chronicle of Shannara's prehistory reaches a thrilling new peak in the sequel to "Bearers of the Black Staff." The Wishsong of Shannara Del Rey

From bestselling author Terry Brooks comes the final thrilling novel in a brand-new trilogy—The Dark Legacy of Shannara! **NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER** For centuries the Four Lands enjoyed freedom from its demon-haunted past, protected by magic-enhanced borders from the dark dimension known as the Forbidding and the

profound evil imprisoned there. But now the unthinkable is happening: The ancient wards securing the barrier between order and mayhem have begun to erode—and generations of bloodthirsty, monstrous creatures, fueled by a rage thousands of years in the making, are poised to spill forth, seeking revenge for what was done to them. Young Elf Arling Elessedil possesses the enchanted means to close the breach and once more seal the denizens of the Forbidding in their prison. But when she falls into the hands of the powerful Federation's diabolical Prime Minister, her efforts may be doomed. Only her determined sister, Aphen, who bears the Elfstones and commands their magic, has any hope of saving Arling from the hideous fate her captor has in store. Meanwhile, Railing Ohmsford—desperate to save his imprisoned brother—seeks to discover if his famed but ill-fated ancestor Grianne is still alive and willing to help him save the world . . . no matter the odds or the consequences. **BONUS:** This edition includes an excerpt from Terry Brooks's *The High Druid's Blade*. Praise for *Witch Wraith* "Terry Brooks has written a slam-bang conclusion to his *The Dark Legacy of Shannara* trilogy with the stellar *Witch Wraith*. . . . He has a keen eye for great world-building as well as unforgettable characters. . . . *The Dark Legacy of Shannara* trilogy is arguably his best work to date." —Associated Press "The final chapter in Brooks' s latest trilogy set in his beloved world of Shannara peaks in a bittersweet conclusion that seems to set the stage for future books. A must for

the numerous die-hard Shannara fans." —Library Journal Praise for Terry Brooks "The *Sword of Shannara* is an unforgettable and wildly entertaining epic, animated by Terry Brooks' s cosmically generative imagination and storytelling joy." —Karen Russell, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Swamplandia!* "If Tolkien is the grandfather of modern fantasy, Terry Brooks is its favorite uncle." —Peter V. Brett, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Desert Spear* "I can't even begin to count how many of Terry Brooks' s books I've read (and reread) over the years. From Shannara to *Landover*, his work was a huge part of my childhood." —Patrick Rothfuss, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Name of the Wind* "Terry Brooks is a master of the craft and a trailblazer who established fantasy as a viable genre. He is required reading." —Brent Weeks, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Night Angel Trilogy* "The Shannara books were among the first to really capture my imagination. My daydreams and therefore my stories will always owe a debt to Terry Brooks." —Brandon Mull, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of the *Beyonders* and *Fablehaven* series *The Black Elfstone Del Rey* *The Sword of Shannara* is the first volume of the classic series that has become one of the most popular fantasy tales of all time. Long ago, the wars of the ancient Evil ruined the world. In peaceful Shady Vale, half-elfin Shea Ohmsford knows little of such troubles. But the supposedly dead Warlock Lord is plotting to destroy

everything in his wake. The sole weapon against this Power of Darkness is the Sword of Shannara, which can be used only by a true heir of Shannara. On Shea, last of the bloodline, rests the hope of all the races. Thus begins the enthralling Shannara epic, a spellbinding tale of adventure, magic, and myth . . . BONUS: This edition contains an excerpt from Terry Brooks's *The Measure of the Magic*. **Bearers of the Black Staff Del Rey** Filled with practical advice for anyone interested in creative writing, the best-selling author of the Shannara series offers a firsthand glimpse of the rewards and requirements of the writing life, in alternating chapters that address his experiences in the publishing world along with discussions on different aspects of the writing craft--research, plotting, characterization, and more. Reprint. **The Darkling Child Ballantine Books** **NAMED A MOST ANTICIPATED BOOK OF FALL 2021 BY: NEW YORK TIMES VULTURE BOSTON GLOBE OPRAH DAILY SHEREADS KIRKUS REVIEWS HEY ALMA LITHUB AND MORE** "Reveals on every page how love can persevere and take shape over time and space." —Boston Globe "One of the most inventive and talented stylists of her generation." —Vulture From the award-winning author of *Land of Love and Drowning*, an electric new novel that maps the

emotional inheritance of one couple newly in love. When Fly and Stela meet in 21st Century New York City, it seems like fate. He's a Black American musician from a mixed-religious background who knows all about heartbreak. She's a Catholic science teacher from the Caribbean, looking for lasting love. But are they meant to be? The answer goes back decades—all the way to their parents' earliest loves. Vibrant and emotionally riveting, *Monster in the Middle* moves across decades, from the U.S. to the Virgin Islands to Ghana and back again, to show how one couple's romance is intrinsically influenced by the family lore and love stories that preceded their own pairing. What challenges and traumas must this new couple inherit, what hopes and ambitions will keep them moving forward? Exploring desire and identity, religion and class, passion and obligation, the novel posits that in order to answer the question "who are we meant to be with?" we must first understand who we are and how we came to be. **Paladins of Shannara: Allanon's Quest (Short Story) Del Rey** BONUS: This edition contains an excerpt from Terry Brooks's *The Measure of the Magic*. Horrified by the misuse of magic they had witnessed during the First War of the Races, the Druids at Paranor devoted themselves to the study of the old sciences, from the period before the

collapse of civilization a thousand years before. Only the Bremen and a few trusted associates still studied the arcane arts. And for his persistence, Bremen found himself outcast, avoided by all but the few free-thinkers among the Druids. But his removal from Paranor was not altogether a terrible thing, for Bremen learned that dark forces were on the move from the Northlands. That seemingly invincible armies of trolls were fast conquering all that lay to their south. That the scouts for the army--and its principal assassins--were Skull Bearers, disfigured and transformed Druids who had fallen prey to the seductions of the magic arts. And that at the heart of the evil tide was an archmage and former Druid named Brona! Using the special skills he had acquired through his own study of Magic, Bremen was able to penetrate the huge camp of the Troll army and learn many of its secrets. And he immediately understood that if the peoples of the Four Lands were to escape eternal subjugation they would need to unite. But, even united, they would need a weapon, something so powerful that the evil magic of Brona, the Warlock Lord, would fail before its might... **Bearers of the Black Staff** BONUS: This edition contains an excerpt from Terry Brooks's *The Measure of the Magic*. **NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER** Five hundred years have passed since the devastating demon-led war tore apart the United States and nearly exterminated humankind. Those who escaped the carnage were led to sanctuary in an idyllic valley, its borders warded by powerful magic against the

horrors beyond. But the cocoon of protective magic surrounding the valley has now vanished. When Sider Ament, the only surviving descendant of the Knights of the Word, detects unknown predators stalking the valley, he fears the worst. And when expert Trackers find two of their own gruesomely killed, there can be no doubt: The once safe haven has been made vulnerable to whatever still lurks in the outside wasteland. Together, Ament, the two young Trackers, and a daring Elf princess spearhead plans to defend their ancestral home. And in the thick of it all, the last wielder of the black staff and its awesome magic must find a successor to carry on the fight against the cresting new wave of evil.

The Defenders of Shannara Random House Digital, Inc.

Twenty years after Grianne Ohmsford abandoned her life as the evil Ilse Witch to lead the Druid Council protecting the Four Lands, she disappears, and it is up to her nephew Pen and his comrades to go to her rescue.

A Knight of the Word Del Rey

With his groundbreaking New York Times bestseller *The Sword of Shannara* and its acclaimed sequels, Terry Brooks brought a new audience to epic fantasy. Now that story of clashing forces of darkness and light, of Shannara's beginnings and the human race's possible end, marches forward into an unforgettable second volume full of mystery,

magic, and momentous events. Across the ruined landscape that is America—hopelessly poisoned, plague-ridden, burned, and besieged by demon armies bent on exterminating all mortal life—two pilgrims have been summoned to serve the embattled cause of good. Logan Tom has journeyed to desolate Seattle to protect a ragged band of street urchins and the being known as “the gypsy morph,” who is both mortal and magical, and destined to save mankind unless he is destroyed. Likewise, Angel Perez has her own quest, one that will take her from the wreckage of Los Angeles to a distant, secret place untouched by the horrors of the nationwide blight—a place where the race of Elves has dwelled since before man existed. But close behind these lone Knights of the Word swarm the ravaging forces of the Void. As the menacing thunder of war drums heralds the arrival of the demons and their brutal minions in Seattle, the young survivors who call themselves the Ghosts are forced to brave the dangerous world of gangs, mutants, and worse to escape the invasion. And Logan Tom must infiltrate a refugee compound to rescue Hawk, the leader of the street urchins, who has yet to learn the truth about who and what he is. Meanwhile, Angel Perez has joined an equally urgent mission: to find the Ellcry, a fabled talisman crucial to protecting the Elven realm against an influx of unspeakable evil from the dread dimension known as the Forbidding. But Angel and her Elf allies must beware—for a demon spy, with a monstrous creature at its command, walks among them. As the legions of darkness draw

the noose tighter, and the time of confrontation draws near, those chosen to defend the soul of the world must draw their battle lines and prepare to fight with, and for, their lives. If they fail, humanity falls. **BONUS:** This edition contains an excerpt from Terry Brooks's *The Measure of the Magic*.

Elfstones of Shannara Del Rey

"After taking up his enchanted sword against the dark sorcerer Arcannen, Paxon Leah has become the sworn protector of the Druid order. Now a critical hour is at hand, as a beloved High Druid nears the end of her reign and prepares to pass from the mortal world to the one beyond. There is little time for Paxon to mourn his friend and benefactor before duty summons him. For in a distant corner of the Four Lands, the magic of the wishsong has been detected. Paxon must accompany a Druid emissary to find its source and ensure the formidable power is not wielded by the wrong hands"--

Morgawr Del Rey

Horror stalks the Four Lands. The *Ildatch*, immemorial book of evil spells, has stirred to eldritch life, sending its foul Mord wraiths to accomplish at last mankind's destruction. Only Jair and Brin can attempt to halt the resulting evil

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The New York Times bestselling author of the classic Shannara epic, Terry Brooks, has proven himself one of the modern masters of fantasy, brilliantly creating breathtaking worlds of magic, adventure, and intrigue. Now, for the first time in one marvelous collector's edition hardcover, here's the complete trilogy of the Voyage of the Jerle Shannara: *Ilse Witch*, *Antrax*, and *Morgawr*. In these enchanting novels, a colorful contingent of characters takes to the skies aboard a magnificent airship – the Jerle Shannara – on a quest fraught with wonder and danger. *Ilse Witch* A half-drowned elf carries a map covered with cryptic symbols – and Walker Boh, the last of the Druids, has the skill to decipher them. But someone else understands the map's significance: the ruthless *Ilse Witch*, who will stop at nothing to possess it – and the powerful magic it leads to. *Antrax* While in search of the elusive magic, Walker Boh is lured into a trap – caught in a dark maze beneath a ruined city, stalked by a hungry, unseen enemy. It is *Antrax*: a spirit that feeds off enchantment and traps the souls of men. Now the fate of the Four Lands hangs in the balance. *Morgawr* The intrepid heroes aboard the Jerle Shannara have reached their breaking point. A centuries-old sorcerer, the *Morgawr*, vows to find and control the fabled ancient books of magic – and

he is an adversary of awesome might with a fleet of airships and a crew of walking dead men at his command. In *The Voyage of the Jerle Shannara*, Terry Brooks weaves together high adventure, vividly wrought characters, and a spellbinding world into an irresistible story of heroism and sacrifice, love and honor.