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Editorial Review

From School Library Journal

Gr 8 Up—The Darkling has finally risen, and only Alina Starkov has the power to free Ravka from his evil influence. But with her powers depleted, her best friend injured and broken, and boyfriend Mal at odds with her decisions, Alina knows her odds of finding the elusive firebird are stacked against her. As Alina seeks out the firebird amplifier that will give her the power she needs to defeat The Darkling, she learns that her ties to him may be too great for her to resist. Readers are advised to read—or even reread—the first two books before delving into this conclusion to the trilogy, as there is little backstory to remind readers what transpired in the first two books. Once again, Bardugo is a master at building an action-packed fantasy with extraordinary world-building and complex characters. Though they try to do the right thing, the characters are perfectly imperfect; they question themselves, take risks, and make plenty of mistakes. While The Darkling is a little too similar to Harry Potter's Voldemort, he is still a delicious combination of evil, cunning, and manipulation. Fans of the first two books will not be disappointed, especially with the reappearance of charismatic Nikolai/Sturmhond. Already optioned for a movie, this trilogy is a must for libraries serving teens.—Leigh Collazo, Ed Willkie Middle School, Fort Worth, TX

From **Booklist**

In the concluding volume of the Grisha Trilogy, Alina, chafing at the Apparat's enforced protection in the underground White Cathedral, decides it is past time to break free and seek the Fire Bird, the last of the three amplifiers of her power. Battling across a land ravaged by the war with the Darkling, Alina's band is rescued by Prince Nikolai and taken to his hidden headquarters, where the group of allies plans for the dangerous journey into the Fold. There, Alina must reconcile her country's need for her to be Nikolai's queen with giving up her lifelong love for her childhood friend Mal. A psychic connection with the Darkling heightens the tension as they struggle for control of Ravka. An intriguing plot twist adds an unexpected new element, requiring an unthinkable sacrifice. Readers won't be able to turn the pages fast enough to the conclusion that will generate much discussion. HIGH-DEMAND BACKSTORY: Since the first title in the trilogy, Shadow and Bone (2012), hit the New York Times best-seller list—and film rights were sold—this series has been big news. Top-level marketing plans will ensure it stays that way. Grades 8-12. --Lynn Rutan

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"This is just my kind of fantasy--**rich, satisfying, and gorgeous, laced with heart-pounding action and pitch-perfect romance.** The characters . . . are layered and complex. I'll be thinking about it for a good long time." *?Cinda Williams Chima, bestselling author, on Shadow and Bone*

"**Fast-paced and unpredictable**, this debut novel will be a hit with readers who love dark fantasy.... Bardugo creates a unique world complete with monsters, magic, danger, romance, corruption, and extravagance." *?School Library Journal, starred review* on *Shadow and Bone*

"Filled with **lush descriptions, intriguing magic, and plenty of twists**, this memorable adventure offers action and intrigue mixed with an undercurrent of romance and danger." *Publishers Weekly* on *Shadow and Bone*

"Bardugo **weaves a captivating spell** with lushly descriptive writing, engaging characters, and an exotic, vivid world. Readers will wait impatiently for the next installment." *Booklist* on *Shadow and Bone*

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