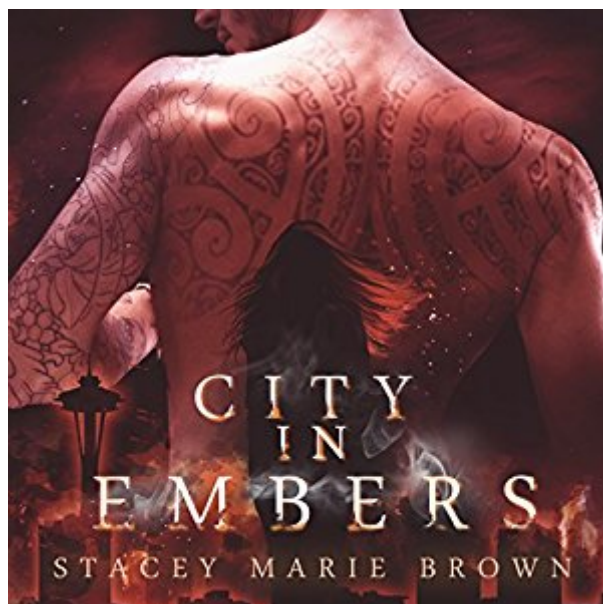


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# City In Embers: Collector Series, Book 1



## Synopsis

Zoey Daniels has been tossed from foster home to foster home, where she grows up fast and tough. When she is placed in her "last chance" home, she finds a reason to stay and turn her life around: her foster sister, Lexie, who is paralyzed and confined to a wheelchair. After high school, Zoey is hired by a special government agency, the Department of Molecular Genetics (DMG), where she meets the other reason to remain: Daniel, her coworker. The man she loves. But there is something unique about Zoey. She can see fae. Because of this, the DMG hires her to work as a Collector: catching, researching, testing, and using the fae to save human lives. The work never registers on her sympathy radar. She was raised to think of fae as beasts that feed on humans and want to destroy them. When devastation hits Seattle, Zoey's whole world is turned upside down. The electric storm connects her to a ruthless fae, a Wanderer named Ryker, whose dealings expose them to even more trouble and danger. They embark on a journey, running and hiding from both the government and fae, both of which threaten their lives and those they love.

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## Customer Reviews

\*\*I received an eARC of this book from Netgalley in exchange for an honest review. This does not affect my opinion of the book or the content of this review.\*\* I have a love/hate relationship with *City in Embers* by Stacey Marie Brown. On one hand I LOVED the paranormal, urban fantasy feel of the book. Fae live among us and have declared war with an electric storm that basically wipes out Seattle (no spoilers in this review. I promise!). In the process Zoey Daniels, a collector for the DMG

â “ think X-files section of the government, witnesses her partner being killed by a group of Fae and is then hit with a bolt of the magical lightening. This bolt of lightening transfers the powers of one Fae, the handsome and very intimidating Ryker, to Zoey. Now Zoey is stuck with Ryker until they can figure out how to get his powers back to him. I really like Zoey. She is strong, fearless, and a bit snarky (I love snarky!). However she is also insecure. She is a foster kid who was never adopted and never really wanted. She bounced around from home to home finally sticking to one place at 12. Now 22, sheâ™s in love with her partner, Daniel who happens to be 18 years her senior. This aspect bothered me a bit. I have nothing against age, but I felt Zoey was trying to force herself on this older man. Unfortunately (or thankfully depending on how you look at it), he dies early in the book, leaving our Zoey grieving and a bit on edge. This is when I really started to like her character. Ryker isâ |. I have no words for him. Zoey describes him as a Viking because of his intimidating size and overall hotness. Heâ™s a bit of a jerkâ |. no scratch that, heâ™s a BIG jerk to her. Basically he ties her to him and only seems to care about saving her to save his powers.

**WARNING:** Once you start this you won't be able to put it down!!!!!!for people who loved the darkness series you will absolutely love this. zoey Daniels isn't your ordinary girl, she's had a tough upbringing and now is trying to lead a good life working for an agency who collect fae for research purposes, to help cure cancer and other major health issues and also help and support her foster sister lexie who is in a wheelchair and her health is declining, their current foster mother is useless and the agency zoey works for isn't all it seems...zoey who was once the collector is becoming the collected. teaming up with ryker ( fae )and sprig to find out what's happening, what's really going on and at the same time trying to figure out how to give ryker his powers back as the Electrical storm transferred his powers to zoey. oh and there's big bad fae after ryker for a stone that he currently has. so much going on as zoey, ryker and sprig have one epic journey of discovery and it's only the beginning!!!! I have to say Stacey Marie brown is definitely one of my favourite authors, she has a way with words that keep you trapped between the pages till you find out what's next and even then it's not enough you want more. I am a massive fan of the darkness series and I love ember and eli and I honestly thought this wasn't going to be as good but there's no doubt that Stacy went above my expectations. I fell in love with zoey straight away I love her spunk she's such a fiesty young woman. zoey has been through so much and the emotions she goes through only makes her stronger. I think most people in her situation would give up but she doesn't she's determined to find answers.

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