

BLESS THE SKIES

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Laeli Tavens, a thief shaped by the Sky-worshipping myths of her island, stalks High Lord Lawrence Anderton across the country. She must save her twelve-year-old sister Elaina, whom the obsessive Anderton has kidnapped as bait.

*"You need not run and hide, little one.
You need not close your eyes, little one.
You may raise your voice and cry
But you'll be here— as will I—
Until the day I die, little one.
You know I would not lie, little one.
Let the shadows say goodbye,
Hear my voice, your lullaby,
And be my bit of Sky, little one."*

Elaina copes with brutalities and tortures she cannot understand, while Laeli and her long-time ally Sophia navigate a country of prostitutes and assassins, war brewing around them. Though Laeli clings to a well-crafted denial of her past, she and her conspirators must conquer their secrets before Anderton's trap ensnares them all.

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REVIEWS

"A riveting and provocative work of dark fantasy... Landry takes her characters to much darker depths than Tolkien or even *Game of Thrones*... This is an unsettling book, and that is because Landry paints each moment so vividly." — Self-Publishing Review

"*Bless the Skies*... turned out to be a marvelous book and one that I couldn't stop reading. Although the writing wasn't as polished, the story and characters really put me in the mind of Scott Lynch's *Lies of Locke Lamora*. The words in this book, the characters, and story just had the same taste as *Lies*, which kept me wanting to read more long after the story was finished." — Premier Book Review

"*Bless the Skies* must be one of the more disturbing books I have read up to this point. It combines friendship and death, torture and betrayal, hope and horror in a crazy amalgamation of words." — Goodreads Reviewer

"*Bless the Skies* by Julie Elise Landry is an adult dark-fantasy story that will suck you in from the first page! This action packed debut novel is the first in a series, and definitely not for the faint-hearted." — Amazon Reviewer

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Every legend begins with a lie.

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