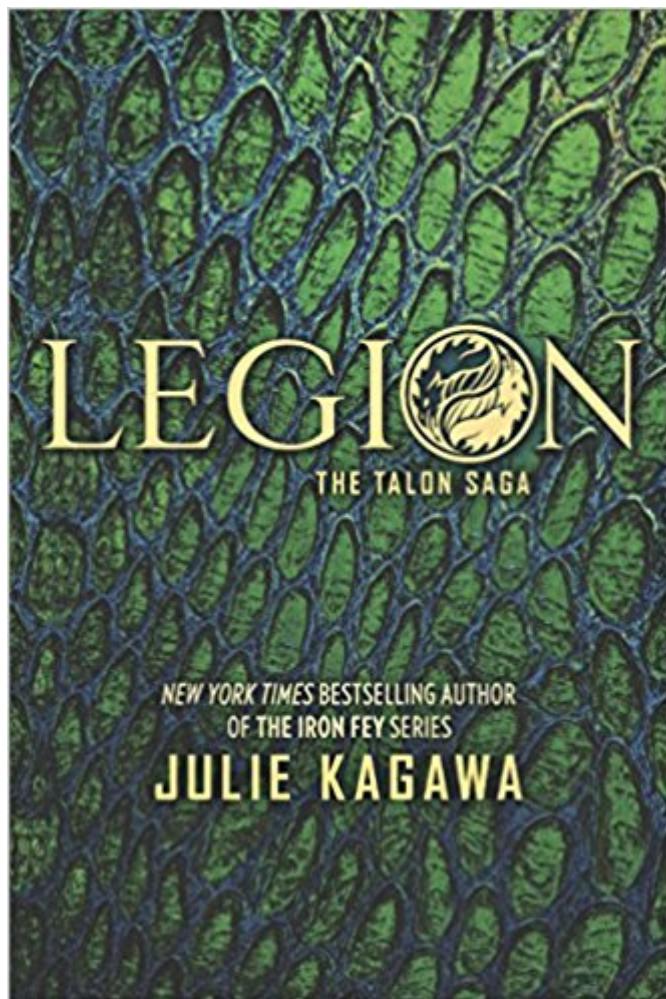


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Legion (The Talon Saga)



Synopsis

From the limitless imagination of Julie Kagawa comes the next thrilling novel in The Talon Saga. The legions will be unleashed, and no human, rogue dragon or former dragonslayer can stand against the coming horde. Dragon hatchling Ember Hill was never prepared to find love at all; dragons do not suffer human emotions; let alone with a human, and a former dragonslayer at that. With ex-soldier of St. George Garret dying at her feet after sacrificing his freedom and his life to expose the deepest of betrayals, Ember knows only that nothing she was taught by dragon organization Talon is true. About humans, about rogue dragons, about herself and what she's capable of doing and feeling. In the face of great loss, Ember vows to stand with rogue dragon Riley against St. George and her own twin brother, Dante; the heir apparent to all of Talon, and the boy who will soon unleash the greatest threat and terror dragonkind has ever known. Talon is poised to conquer the world, and the abominations they have created will soon take to the skies, darkening the world with the promise of blood and death to those who will not yield.

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Customer Reviews

Born in Sacramento, CA, Julie Kagawa moved to Hawaii at the age of nine. There she learned many things; how to bodyboard, that teachers scream when you put centipedes in their desks, and that writing stories in math class is a great way to kill time. Her teachers were glad to see her graduate. Julie now lives in Louisville, KY with her husband and furkids. She is the international and NYT bestselling author of The Iron Fey series. Visit her at juliekagawa.com.

Received an advance reader copy in exchange for a fair review. Thanks to NetGalley and Harlequin Teen for the opportunity to read and review the fourth book in the Talon Saga, Legion by Julie Kagawa! This is a perfect addition to the already popular Talon, Rogue and Soldier books with just as much action, intrigue, romance and suspense! Each of the books in the Talon Saga are told from a different character's point of view. Talon is told in Ember's point of view, Rogue is in Riley's and Soldier is told in Garret's point of view. Legion brings back all of the main characters and their points of view, including Dante's. Dante is Ember's brother and has been loyal to the dragon rule all along because he believes he will be the dragon in power someday. At first, he wanted to help his sister succeed and only cared about pleasing their instructors and taking care of her. Then he had an epiphany about the position of power he could be in someday. This changed his entire perspective. The strong, dynamic characters are worth cheering for while the tension builds in this addition to the Talon saga. I didn't see the specific conflict coming and was shocked and appalled at the Elder Wyrm's use for Ember Hill! This book is as amazing as the rest of the series and is suspenseful and intriguing with new mysteries springing up and adding to the un-put-down-ability of the story. 5 stars for characters I love and the building anticipation! I am already anxious for the fifth book in this series and I plan on a complete re-read when the entire series is complete!

Legion sweeps the readers into a whirlwind of emotions and intense events. It picks up right where Soldier left off, and we get to see where our characters are when the previous book ended. Garret's life hangs in the balance, and we see how his precarious position plays out. Ember's heart is in shambles due to Garret's difficult situation, and we see how Riley assesses it all. We also get to see Ember's twin brother, Dante, who is set to take Talon by storm and escalate up the chain of command within the dragon organization. Each book thus far has been told from a character's point of view. Talon was told from Ember's pov, Rogue from Riley's pov, Soldier from Garret's pov, and Legion has all of their pov's, in addition to Dante's. The chapters that intrigued me were Dante's. His voice is powerful due to his apparent misguided ways. As intelligent as he has shown himself to be, his lack of knowledge of the truth behind Talon's ulterior motives, coupled with his chilling focus to rise up in the ranks of Talon, brings forth a series of disastrous events. In simple terms, Dante is brainwashed. We get to see Ember make contact with her twin and does her best to bring him to the light, if you will. However, her actions and the actions of those that she holds dear, seem to solidify Dante's loyalty to Talon even more by the book's end. In Legion the action gets cranked up several notches. Kagawa grants us with several amazing fight scenes that had me on the edge of my seat.

However, nothing beats the last action packed scene where we finally get to see the Order of St. George with the help of Ember and Riley's underground Rogue dragons go against Talon's secret army. It was a bloody mess full of carnage and tumultuous moments. The real star of it all in my eyes is Jade, the Shen-lung, the Asian adult dragon that we were introduced to in the previous book Soldier. The romance also takes an interesting turn in this book. The only thing I will say is that Ember finally makes a choice of who she truly wants, between Garret the ex-St. George soldier and Riley the rogue ex-Basilisk dragon of Talon. You will be in for a very intense scene. It will be interesting going forward how this love dynamic will show itself in the concluding book. Despite Ember finally choosing who she wants to be with, I'm sure the person she turned down will have more to say about that decision going forward. Legion has quite a few reveals that tie up some loose ends. We get to see Talon's reasoning behind why Ember and Dante are so important for their world-domination plans, particularly Ember's role. It is both cunning and a bit frightening. The implications are crucial to the future of the world our characters live in. It leaves Ember at her most vulnerable, and we can't help but wonder the ramifications if Talon were to actually succeed. Legion is a darkly fast ride that readers will rally behind to embark on. Kagawa, a seasoned author, lets her gift of telling an interesting story fully blossom. She pulls on the right heart-strings and has us doing spectacular pirouettes through her action packed scenes. By the end, we are satisfactorily exhausted for what has transpired. She gives us just enough that allows us a glimpse of what the concluding book will entail when it releases. Be sure to pick up books Talon, Rogue, and Soldier before sinking your teeth into this book.

Dante needs to grow up urrrggh he is so ignorant and I cannot wait for him to finally learn the truth and quit being so dumb! I loved the action and the chaos that is in this series. I think it's going in a great direction and I love that dragons and humans are coming together, little by little. I think Ember and Garrett are just perfect for each other, they think the same and want the same things. Riley however is too different and single minded, I don't think he focuses on the big picture. I do think there could be something between him and Mist, but I guess we'll see. I also really really really hope Garrett becomes a dragon, but I know the chances of that are slim. Seeing him get certain abilities will be super exciting as well though. I'm really looking forward to the next and final book, it's gonna be crazy!

Julie Kagawa has done it again with her fourth installment of the Talon saga. The war between Talon and St. George intensifies with the Rogues caught in the crossfire and Ember Hill at the

epicenter of it all. A breaking revelation leaves her stunned, and she finally comes to terms with her human and dragon sides—making a choice that will rock both worlds. The writing is flawless, and Julie Kagawa drags us into her fiery world. She shatters hearts relentlessly and leaves us breathless for the next book in the series.

That was my first thought when I reached the end of the book. I couldn't believe it -- I've reached the End?! Who won -- Talon or The Order and Rogue Dragons? Or did anyone win? Who is left alive? Now what -- where do we go from here? And now I have to wait a full year before the next book comes out?! Waaaa!.....

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