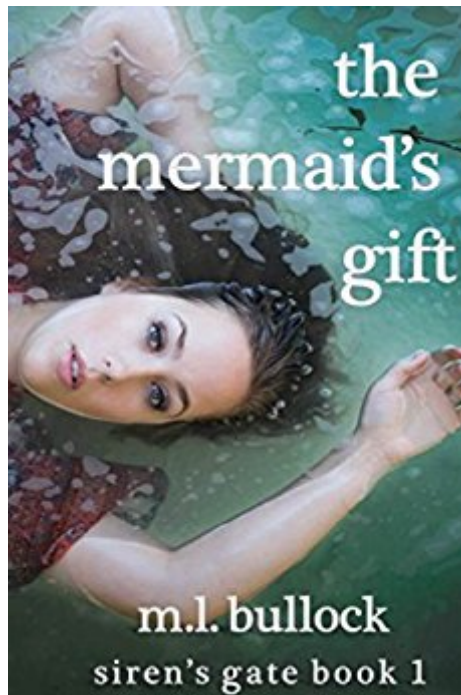




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Synopsis

Nike Augustine isn't your average girl next door. She's a spunky siren but, thanks to a memory loss, doesn't know it yet. By day, she runs a souvenir shop on Dauphin Island off the coast of Alabama, but a chance encounter opens her eyes to the supernatural creatures that call the island home, including a mermaid, a fallen goddess and a host of other beings. When an old enemy appears and attempts to breach the Sirens Gate, Nike and her friends must take to the water to prevent the resurrection of a long-dead relative—but the cost might be too high. To make matters worse, Nike has to choose between longtime crush, Officer Cruise Castille and Ramara, a handsome supe who has proven he's willing to lose everything—including his powers—for the woman he loves. *The Mermaid's Gift* is Book One in the Sirens Gate series, a new young adult fantasy (and romance) from M.L. Bullock, author of the *Seven Sisters* and *Desert Queen* series. All the books in the Sirens Gate series: *The Mermaid's Gift*, *The Blood Feud*, *The Wrath of Minerva*

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Customer Reviews

I see that this author has written a lot of books, and that really surprised me, because I would have bet that *The Mermaid's Gift* was some young author's first book. Maybe it is meant for a younger audience, and I just didn't realize it, but the writing was shallow either way. I didn't connect to any of the characters, and there were a LOT of characters to try to connect to. Too many. The reader is shoved from one point of view to another at each new chapter, and most of these point of view shifts are completely unnecessary to progress the story. In fact, they are mainly just distracting. The writing was clean, no grammatical, punctuation, or spelling errors that I remember. As far as the story itself, there were some interesting ideas, some original elements. However, for the entire book, the reader is told how awful the Big Bad is, how powerful, how driven, and, when the big showdown comes around, the Big Bad is driven off with little to no effort on the heroine's part. Yes, the author is leaving it open for the Big Bad to come back in the sequels, but our heroine gained an unspecified new skill from the encounter, which follows the pattern most supernatural series take, where the MC gets stronger with each book. So, since our heroine is getting stronger, and she all ready ran the Big Bad off, there's no tension, no anxiety, no reason to buy the next book in the series. This is especially true, since I never connected with any of the characters and didn't really care if they died. This book was good enough that I read it all the way through, and it was entertaining enough. If you just like reading about mermaids, sirens, harpies, ancient gods, and eloi, and you don't care much about character development, you would probably enjoy reading this. It's too bad, because I love the idea of an island peopled by supernaturals like these, but I also like to get sucked into the story, and that just didn't happen.

I'm a fan of Bullock's 7 Sisters and Idlewood ghost series, but wasn't sure I could get into this series. Stuck with it and liked it a lot. On to the 2nd!

Very good book!!! I can not wait till the next part of this series . This book kept me wanting to read it and now that I am finished I want more .

the ending made me kinda mad i must find book 2

a woman who l8ves in a mystical area full of other creatures who are the same, working al9ng side humans. trouble rises for one woman who there to Guard the sirens gate.

This was a good read. The characters were well laid out and felt genuine. I like the style of chaptering via character view points.

Enjoyed it. Good characters! Well written. This will be an enjoyable series. The first book can also be a standalone story as well.

Have read the Seven Sisters series and enjoyed her writing in those. This book seems more like a teen book, entertaining but sort of for the younger crowd.

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