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Smouldering Fires (Rediscovered Classics)



Synopsis

Anya Seton, whose many novels won her world-wide acclaim, wrote, for her last book, a fast-paced novel that explores the subconscious mind of a young girl whose troubled dream life parallels that of another girl who lived over 200 years earlier. A shy high school senior, Amy Delatour is a misfit in the well-to-do community in which she lives with her widowed mother and French-Canadian grandfather. Amy's passion is for the 19th-century poet Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, whom she sees as a romantic and tragic figure. Her immersion in the poet's life and writings is partly fueled by her grandfather's tales of his ancestors and of the injustice of *le grand d f rangement*, when the French Acadians were expelled from their home in Nova Scotia in 1775. Amy has steeped herself in the lore of the period, and the efforts of a young English teacher to draw her out through hypnosis brings unexpected results. What begins as an unauthorized attempt to free Amy from her frightening visions of the past ends with intimations of reincarnation or, at least, genetic memory. Anya Seton's many fans will not be disappointed in this closely researched and deeply engrossing novel--nor will readers new to her finely crafted historical fiction.

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Anya Seton was the author of the bestselling historical novels Avalon, Devil Water, Dragonwyck, Foxfire, Green Darkness, The Hearth and Eagle, Katherine, My Theodosia, The Turquoise, and The Winthrop Woman.

It was not as good as other Anya Seton books I have read. I will get her historical novels next time. I loved "Katherine."

Although a much shorter work than her others, this is another finely woven tale that includes historical facts to help bolster the story..

Good deal

All of Seton's books are great. Thanks for the great customer service and making this product available at such a reasonable price....

Anya Seton novels are usually thick, this one is thin....barely a few hours read. BUT I enjoyed the novel very much...interesting plot lines and historical tie ins. Worth the read!

very good service - you are stopping people from doing reviews by insisting on this - a five star mark should be all that's necessary.

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I enjoyed the book, but the ending was rather flat. I expected the ending of the story to have a connection to the character's previous life. It did not do this.

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