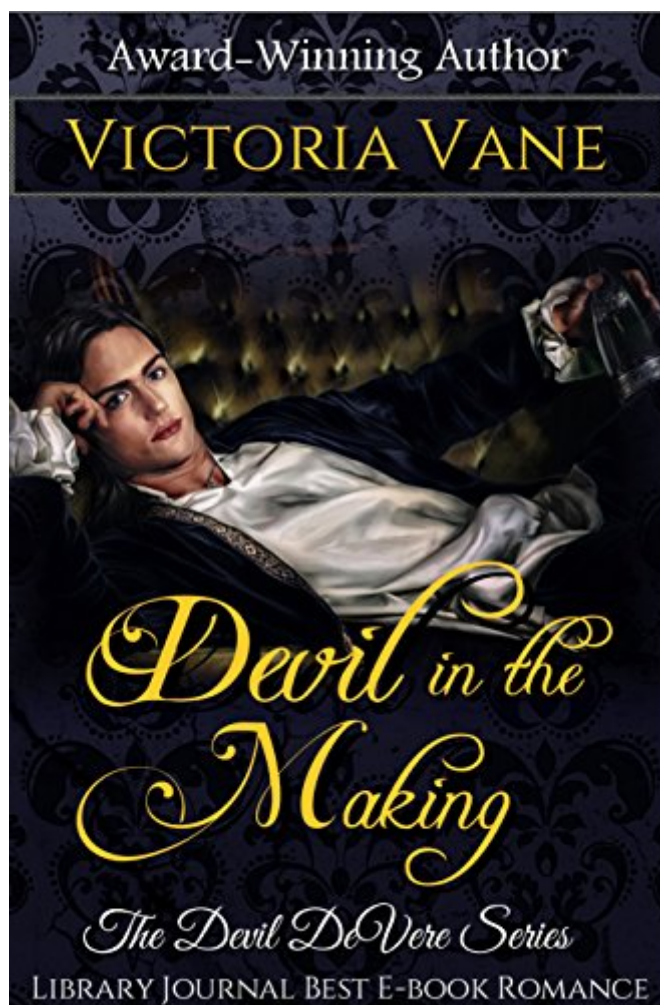


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Having read this book there is one thing I simply must say. Ludovic De Vere. Bad boy extraordinaire!! There is just a certain allure to a man confident enough to do what he wants no matter what the consequences, who fears no man. not even a King. That being said, I read *A Devil Named De Vere* before I read this and could not help notice the discrepancies in the timeline as it occurred as opposed to how he told the story. He met his mother BEFORE he acquired his father's title, in fact she assisted in his attaining it, and was very much aware of her... occupation at that time. He gave Diana the impression that she contacted him after he was already Viscount De Vere and he only years after learned of the whore-house she ran. At no point were her other children even mentioned again either, but that is negligible. This was an amazing spotlight into the devil I have grown to love. It is good to know his sexual predilections do not involve bestiality. (So funny)

Don't expect romance, this simply tells us how, and why, Ludovic became Devil De Vere. Strangely, I'm glad I read it after I had read the subsequent novellas. Had I read it first, I doubt that it would have made such an impression. In a richly Georgian setting, we first learn of De Vere's expulsion from school along with his two best friends. Next, we see the barrenness and antipathy with which he is regarded by his father, a reprobate suffering the ravages of syphilis. Then, 19-year-old De Vere becomes great friends with Charles James Fox, of all people! Finally, De Vere and Fox travel to Paris where Fox introduces him to the most exclusive Parisian brothel where he meets the beautiful madam, his mother! She had run off with a lover when De Vere was 13. Given the sordid history of both parents, this little story fully explains De Vere's subsequent life of debauchery and his steadfast refusal to believe anyone capable of being faithful. Those interested in the series should enjoy this little vignette. Enjoy your reading! :)

Every devil has a beginning...and having read the previous De Vere titles by Victoria Vane there is

no more charming of a devil than Ludovic, Viscount De Vere and in this short little tale we get a wonderful glimpse of what shaped Ludovic into the man he became. He is at school with his two friends, Ned and the newly introduced Simon, when his behavior gets them into trouble yet again. Thinking they will teach their teacher a lesson, Ludovic creates an idea that involves a lion...and is sure to make you laugh with the ridiculousness of it! Loved it. You get a nice sense of the bond these three friends have formed and I am very eager for Simon's own story now (Jewel of the East, Spring 2013). The story even delves into the scandalous history of Ludovic and his parents. His awful relationship with his father and his lack of a relationship with his mother who left him when he was a child. It really makes you appreciate and see how Ludovic came to his vices and way of life and I thoroughly enjoyed seeing this glimpse of the past. You should note, as Ms Vane states, this is not a romance but there is some minor heated moments with the lion trainer. And even in this short tale, approximately 60 pages, you can see the attention to detail of the Georgian period that Ms Vane pours into her lovely writing. If you have never read anything by Victoria Vane, this is a great place to start as I guarantee you will be eager to see how Ludovic ends up with his happily ever after. And if you have read the previous stories, you will appreciate this glance into the mind of how the devil came to be...and even at this reckless age, you can see his compassion for others underneath the devil-may-care attitude. 4 stars

DEVIL IN THE MAKING by Victoria Vane is an exciting erotic historical romance set in the Georgian era. "Devilish Vignettes" series. We learn more of the character Devil De Vere, what makes him who he is. A wonderful fast paced story of love, passion, desire, and how family consequences can shape one's future. Love this series! I also love this author's writing, she is an awesome storyteller. More of this series please. I can hardly wait for the next exciting installment. A must read! RATING: 5 HEAT RATING: MILD TO HOT REVIEWED BY: April R, My Book Addiction and More/My Book Addiction Reviews

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