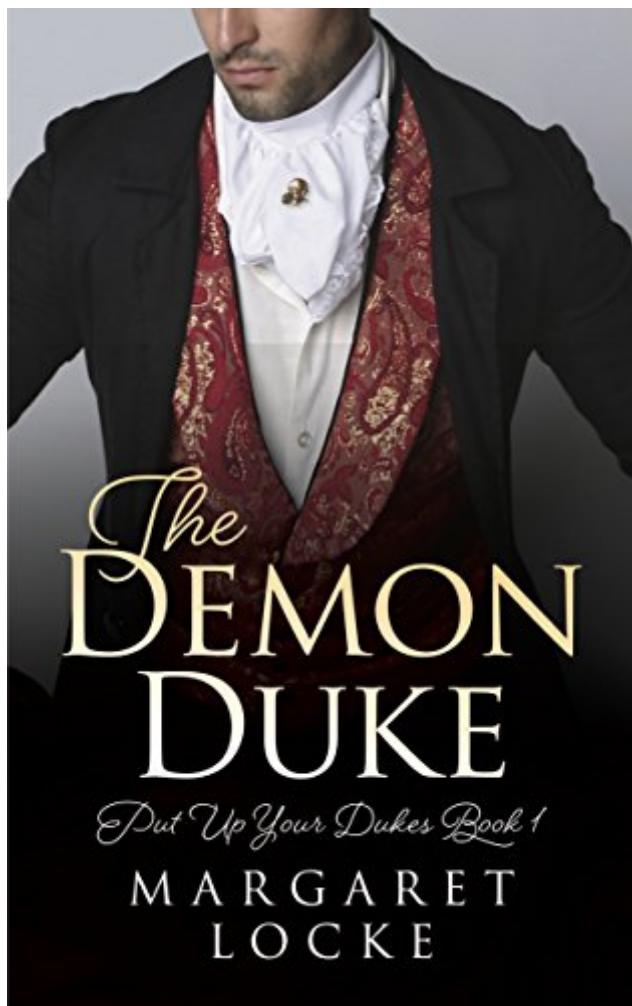


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Synopsis

The first in Margaret Locke's new Regency Put Up Your Dukes series: Behind every good man is a great secret. Banished to Yorkshire as a boy for faults his father failed to beat out of him, Damon Blackbourne has no use for English society and had vowed never to return to his family's estate at Thorne Hill, much less London. However, when his father and brother die in a freak carriage accident, it falls on Damon to take up the mantle of the Malford dukedom, and to introduce his sisters to London Society—his worst nightmare come to life. He never planned on Lady Grace Mattersley. The beautiful debutante stirs him body and soul with her deep chocolate eyes and hesitant smiles. Until she stumbles across his dark secret. Bookish Grace much prefers solitude and reading to social just-about-anything. Her family may be pressuring her to take on the London Season to find herself a husband, but she has other ideas. Such as writing a novel of her own. But she has no idea how to deal with the Duke of Malford. Will she betray him to the world? Or will she be his saving Grace?***** Margaret Locke's fourth book, *The Demon Duke*, puts her squarely in the senior ranks of Regency romance novelists. The balls, the social interactions, the rigidity of Regency society's arcane rules, all come to life in a charming way. And, of course, there are a number of happily ever afters. An excellent read, and I can't wait to see what adventures await the panoply of engaging characters. • P. A. Duncan, author of *A War of Deception****** And don't miss Margaret's award-winning, reader-beloved *Magic of Love* series - three magical stories, one laugh-evoking, tear-inducing, thought-provoking series. *A Man of Character*: What if your book boyfriend was real? *A Matter of Time*: What if a magical manuscript threw you into the arms of your personal Mr. Darcy? *A Scandalous Matter*: What if your soul mate doesn't want happily ever after?

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Customer Reviews

I'm particular in my favorite authors. Margaret Locke is absolutely in my favorite authors list. I've read and reread all her titles in this series. The unique plot twists, the awareness raised while seamlessly woven into the spell-binding tale, The Demon Duke's story is full of tender romance, passion, excitement, and most of all a down to earth humanity that draws the reader into a world I wish I could have a time traveling peek into. Thank you for writing. Well done. Please don't stop! I eagerly await the unfolding of the other characters love stories (they will come, won't they!?).

Damon and Grace are an incredible couple. Damon has "fits" and was sent away when he was 10. Grace cannot stand the nonsense of the ton. No spoiler here. Ms Locke has shared a true love story. A young man so hurt because of his demons, needing to find salvation. Oh my, so well written, you'll fall in love with this wonderful couple.

I fell hard for Damon. Who wouldn't fall for a dark, brooding, delicious man such as him? He was masculine, responsible, loyal to his family, while also being so kind hearted, tender and flirtatious. Grace was also a heroine to love. She accepted Damon fully upon first meeting him. They were perfect for each other, and how I adore romances where there is no filler-no stupid arguments and trite misunderstandings! The love scenes were just enough. I am anxious to read more of Ms. Locke's books now.

First off I want to say I did enjoy this book. Bless the author for her description and dealing with a hero with Tourett's syndrome, especially in a historic setting. She kept it realistic in the ways he had to deal with and overcome this. The only things that kept this from 5 stars was a few things that

were just a little too contrived for my taste (ie Eliza popping in to insist on boiling the needle). Overall definitely worth the read.

What a wonderful love story this was. Thank you for writing about the trials and tribulations of people with disabilities it warmed my heart. Can't wait for the next one

Short review. Sweet, touching, wonderful, enlightening story that at times will have you reaching for some tissue. I like the 'Beauty & the Beast theme that was woven throughout the book and how the difficult subject matter was handled.

I have read the Magic of Love Book book series by the amazing Margaret Locke and absolutely loved them. I could hardly wait to read her next book The Demon Duke (Put Up Your Dukes Book 1), and it did not disappoint. What I loved most is how she weaves in real life challenges in surprising ways! I couldn't put it down! Waiting for Book 2 in this series! Well done Margaret Locke!

This is the very first time that I review a book (and I have just began reading it!) Am I the only one who has noted that most of the dialogue is 2017? I am expecting a dude or a bro at any moment! What has happened to editors? One of the most important things in a book is respect to the vocabulary of the times. It is horrible not to be able to enjoy a good story because words and phrases that don't belong in that period keep popping up. The story seems to be good but I just can't get into it.

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