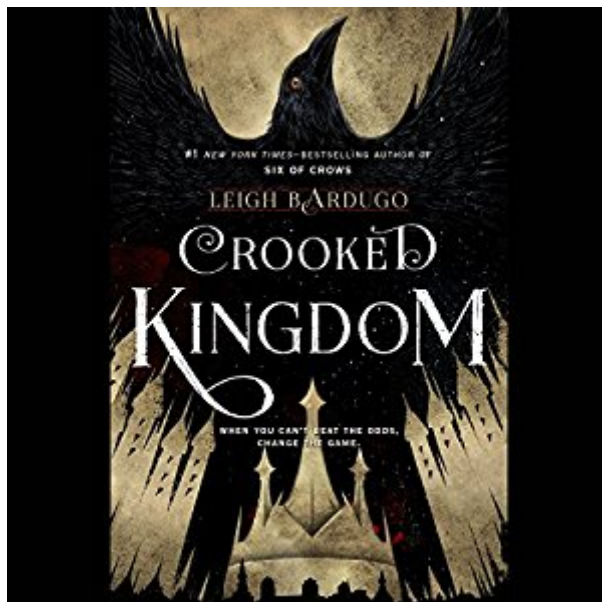


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Crooked Kingdom



Synopsis

The highly anticipated sequel to the thrilling New York Times best-selling *Six of Crows*. Kaz Brekker and his crew have just pulled off a heist so daring even they didn't think they'd survive. But instead of divvying up a fat reward, they're right back to fighting for their lives. Double-crossed and badly weakened, the crew is low on resources, allies, and hope. As powerful forces from around the world descend on Ketterdam to root out the secrets of the dangerous drug known as *jurda parem*, old rivals and new enemies emerge to challenge Kaz's cunning and test the team's fragile loyalties. A war will be waged on the city's dark and twisting streets - a battle for revenge and redemption that will decide the fate of the Grisha world.

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Customer Reviews

In this book, I came to love the characters even more. I just loved them! *Crooked Kingdom* starts off with a bang, just right out there. The crew is in it from start to finish. In the first book, *Six of Crows* I was a little bored in the beginning and then it took off for me and I ended up loving it. This one I loved from the first paragraph. 1. Kaz 2. Matthias 3. Wylan 4. Jesper 5. Inej 6. Nina 7. Kuwei and the others here and there through-out the book are totally awesome! One of the crew members is kidnapped by the evil, Van Eck, and they are trying to get them back. And of course, you know they do =) At one point though, when they were talking about torturing said person, I cringed big time at what I thought they were getting ready to do, but they didn't do that particular thing. Leigh Bardugo sure did have me on the edge of my seat saying no, no, no, no! I loved the little backstories about

the group in this book. We get to find out certain things about their home life, what they went through. I loved getting to know Jesper's father in the book, he was a really nice old man that could be a tough cookie too. It even went into Jesper's life with his mom and what happened to her. One of the saddest I read was of Wylan's life. I mean most of them had sad lives or something happen to them but just the things in Wylan's life was/is sad and just plain evil. But this is one bad to the bone group of people that have each each others back through the whole story. At least as much as they can. They are so great at what they do! The ordinary things and even the magical things some of them can do. **AMAZEBALLS!** The high wire part and the walking dead, those were cool parts. I mean the whole book is awesome, you just have to read it! Accept for one part but I digress! This book is bloody brilliant. I know I say that a lot but there is nothing I like more than to be able to say that about a book I just read! **EVEN THOUGH LEIGH BARDUGO BROKE MY HEART A LITTLE** I would say more but I sort of got off track when I saw a spoiler on goodreads and I was bummed the rest of the book. So my review sort of went downhill. But, no spoilers :-)

3 stars
"Fear is a phoenix. You can watch it burn a thousand times and still it will return."
Six of Crows was one of the top books of 2015 for me, it reinforced my love for Leigh Bardugo after the Grisha series. I fell in love with the characters and the possibilities, and after the ending I was dying for the next book.....It didn't live up to my expectations. After finishing this book I thought on it a lot and I think what didn't work for me was the first book was heavily character driven, and had so so many feels that I ate right up. With Crooked Kingdom I honestly didn't feel much for the characters. The plot was the main focus and it was like there was so much crammed in that there was no room for feels, only a few feels made the cut.
"I would have come for you. And if I couldn't walk, I'd crawl to you, and no matter how broken we were, we'd fight our way out together-knives drawn, pistols blazing. Because that's what we do. We never stop fighting."
Things I enjoyed:-The development of Wylan and Jesper as characters. In the first book, while they were MC's, the other four caught my attention more often. That was not the case here, I found myself wishing for the POV chapters of these two. We got a lot more background on Wylan and his family, same with Jesper. It helped develop them immensely and connected me to them as a reader.-Bardugo's writing: her lyrical writing is what made this book a three instead of a two. I found myself lingering on some sentences and the power behind the words. The imagery was stunning, world building two thumbs up. Bardugo has only improved her writing style with time. What didn't work for me:-Kaz and Inej: after the build up for them as a couple in the first book I found this one lacking. I wasn't longing for their POVs because

nothing was happening, they didn't go anywhere for me.-Nina and Matthias: Same thing with them, HUGE build up in book 1, felt totally brushed over in this book. And one huge spoilery thing happened..... I didn't feel a thing :/Anyways, I think I am in the minority. Many other people loved this book, and you may too. Six of Crows is still hands down one of my favorite YA novels ever, so don't let this review deter you from reading that book. “How many times have you told me you're a monster? So be a monster. Be the thing they all fear when they close their eyes at night.”

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