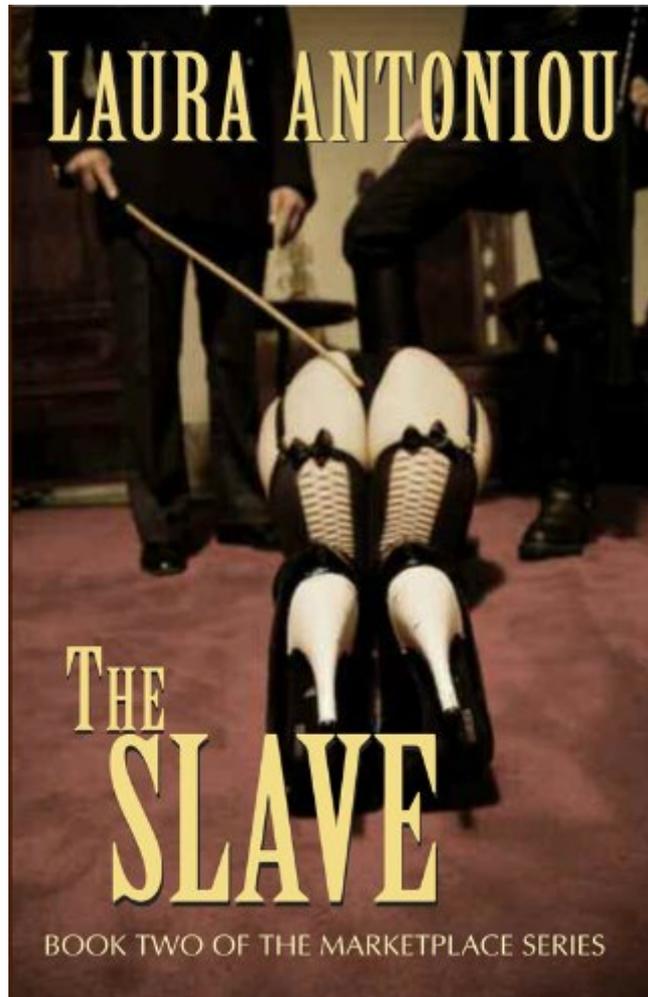


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The Slave (The Marketplace Series Book 2)



Synopsis

The second book in Laura Antoniou's contemporary BDSM classic series about The Marketplace. Robin wants to be a slave in the underground world of the Marketplace. She falls under the tutelage of the infamous trainer Chris Parker and spends an intense few weeks with him. Little does she know that her adventures as a slave are just beginning, taking her from one coast to the other, into the whirlwind party world of a California gay couple and their house full of slave boys. The ebook edition also contains an all-new, never before published story "That's Harsh!" The story tells the tale of what happens when Robin's masters decide to throw an all-male party. What will they do with their one female slave? Give her the weekend off? Not likely!" A lot of thought on the topic of submission went into this novel, and it struck some very strong chords with folks who can find themselves in the protagonist... well worth reading!"--Blowfish

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Customer Reviews

Chris Parker, the harshly self disciplined trainer, returns in the second book of the series to guide Robin, a woman whom rejoices in her need for servitude, into the mysterious underground world of

Masters and slaves. Robin is trained and then ushered into a world where willing submissives are bought, sold and used at their owners discretion. For those readers that fell in love with the BDSM classic, the Story of O, there has finally come a series that treats BDSM as more than just a cheap trick to sell poorly written porn. This book is well written, has identifiable characters and an interesting premise. Lara Antinou is a frequent guest at many BDSM conferences. I believe that her premise taps into the desire of many of the BDSM scene (whether they go to the events or just dream at home) that there is a group of people out there that take the leather scene a little more seriously than your average S&M aficionado. It is just a little exciting to think that if you can shine as a truly powerful Master or well behaved slave, that you may be allowed into a special clique of true devotees. In addition to her well conceived premise, the characters in the book are well developed and interesting to read about. For those of you that enjoy BDSM but not bisexuality, this book has fewer homosexual encounters than the first book in the series. I think that you find it is a welcome break from aggressive, badly written fare that passes for BDSM novels.

Once more, Laura Antoniou takes us into the world of the Marketplace where consensual slaves go through harsh training, then are sold for time limited terms to real owners. This time, she focuses on one slave-girl, Robin, and her journey through training under the hands of Chris Parker and then her life as the sole woman in her gay masters' household. In addition to the novel itself, this Mystic Rose edition has a short story, "A Familiar Ring", which takes us further along in Robin's service and gives us a glimpse back into the BDSM community as it exists today. If you liked the first book, you'll enjoy this one just as much.

I've read a LOT of S&M fiction and other erotic books,, and I have rarely found a book I treasure as much as this one. All 3 of the Marketplace books are fantastic,, but this one is the best, probably because it really explores the psychology of submission,, and the deep desires Robin has to submit to her trainer (Chris),, one so much in control (not out of control). What is also fantastic about these books is that the story spans across all 3, leaving you wondering about certain details about the characters lives, and pushing you to read the other 2 books to try to satiate your curiosity. I am really tired of reading collections of short stories,, this quenched my thirst for an intelligent story with character development and a plot, and it lasted more than 15 minutes! Please continue the series Ms. Adamson???!!

Once again, Laura Antoniou takes us into the world of The Marketplace. This time, we follow Robin,

a woman who gives up her familiar life in the hope that she can follow her dream of becoming an owned slave. I found this book more readable than the first, probably because there's less of a focus on sex and more of a focus on the actual training of Robin in the ways of slavehood. We follow her struggles and her uncertainty and of course, we are teased again with the strange sexuality of Chris Parker. I'd already been anaesthetised to Antoniou's typographical errors (what does she DO with these books? whip them up on a typewriter?), but they are still kind of annoying. I feel somewhat ambivalent about *The Slave*--it's not the best book I've ever read, but it's not the worst either. I found that it held my attention for the duration and the temptation to read "just one more" chapter kept overwhelming me. Worth a read and probably a better introduction to the lifestyle than *The Marketplace*

Of all the books in the *Marketplace* series, this has always been my favorite. Not only is it filled with erotic imagery and some really hot sex scenes, it's a great look into the psyche of Robin, who is training to become a slave, and what kind of person would really want to do this. Antoniou really keeps the story tight, and keeps the erotic tension throughout the entire novel. I was thrilled to read the added short (well, not so short!) story that gives us even more about Robin and puts her into a great three-way with two really hot, fun, lesbians. The story is wonderful, and worth the price to pick up the new edition!

Having recently started wondering through the world of erotica, I started a search for a good book to introduce me to BDSM. Before reading, I naively thought it was all about tying someone up and giving the pleasure through this. Now I see how wrong I was. Not only did it give me an honest glimpse into the real S&M, but the story line also caught my interest. I started with *The Marketplace* and after reading that, went out and bought the rest of the series, including *the Academy*. I have lent the series out to family members, friends and even men along the way. I highly recommend this book and the others in *The Series*.

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