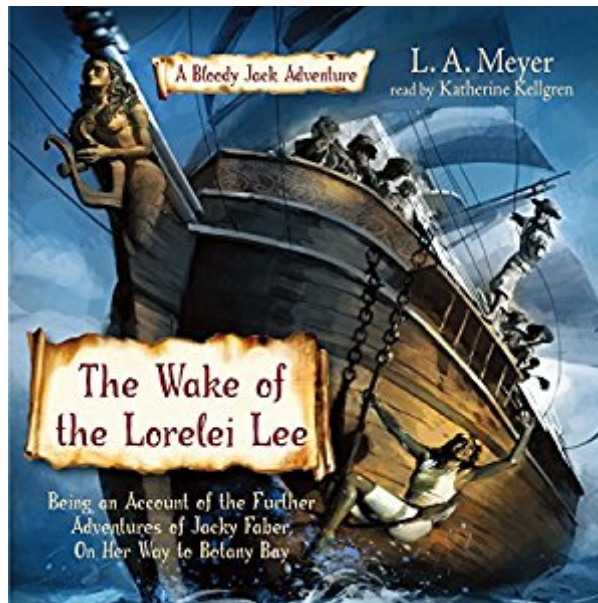


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The Wake Of The Lorelei Lee: Bloody Jack #8



Synopsis

Jacky Faber, rich from her exploits diving for Spanish gold, has purchased the Lorelei Lee to carry passengers across the Atlantic. Believing she has been absolved of past sins against the Crown, Jacky docks in London to take on her crew, but is instead arrested and sentenced to life in the newly formed penal colony in Australia. To add insult to injury, the Lorelei Lee is confiscated to carry Jacky and more than 200 female convicts to populate New South Wales. Not one to give in to self pity, Jacky rallies her sisters to "better" their position - resulting in wild escapades, brushes with danger, and much hilarity. Will Jacky find herself a founding mother of New South Wales, Australia? Not if she has anything to do about it! L. A. Meyer received a master of fine arts from Boston University, and is currently the curator and exhibitor at the Clair de Loon Gallery in Bar Harbor, Maine. He lives in Corea, Maine. Katherine Kellgren has recorded over 60 audiobooks including Bloody Jack, which won an Audie Award, a Publishers Weekly Listen Up Award, and ForeWord magazine's Audiobook of the Year.

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Customer Reviews

"Mary Faber, you have been found guilty of all the charges against you, and we all know what the sentence should be in this case..."I'm waiting for the blow while the Chief Justice is conferring with the other judges on that bench."...but in consideration of the service you have heretofore rendered the Crown, and to avoid the surely endless appeals to keep you from the hanging you so richly deserve, it is the order of this court that you are sentenced to Transportation for Life at the penal

colony in Australia. You are to be remanded to the Hulks on the Thames to await transport to New South Wales."He brings his scepter down."Take her away."I almost swoon as I realize...I am not to hang. (And so Jacky Faber begins yet another terrific, white-knuckled series of page turning adventures. pp. 80-81)Once again, others have beaten me to the punch and told us about the plot of this, the 8th book in the Bloody Jack series, so I won't add any more. One reviewer, though, was put off by the alternating chapters between Jacky and Jaimy, the love of her life. I rather enjoyed reading about the wild adventures of both J and J. Mr. Meyer gives us a better picture of Jaimy and develops him more as a main character. At any rate, Jacky finds herself bloodied by two scoundrels, which were introduced earlier in the series, sent to the infamous Newgate Prison before her trial, and then, through many harrowing experiences along the way to Australia dealing with neer-do-wells and Chinese pirates, she...Well, I promised not to spoil this, in my opinion, one of the best Bloody Jack books in the series. O...While Jacky still enjoys flirting shamelessly, she also matures sexually, so I recommend this book to older YA fiction readers. 5 STARS

While not the strongest in the ongoing series it certainly provides an entertaining continuation of the story of Jacky Faber. I'd suggest you beware only if you have reached the point of wondering why she gets within a hundred miles of England and are getting tired of the somewhat contrived ways the story keeps her and Jamie apart. Jacky is as likable and entertaining as ever and the new characters in this book being generally good and a mix of the historical and fictional references fans have come to expect. Any complaints on my part would be too much Higgins, too little of the Lawson Peabody school cast. The books have grown up a bit and this one doesn't shy away from subjects of prostitution, racism and another few taboos. Nothing that should upset a teenager.

I've only just finished reading the latest installment of this great series and I am already anxious to read the next one. This book rivals my favorites in the series. It has a great combination of new adventures and characters without forgetting about the old. L A Meyer does a nice job keeping an ever increasingly complicated cast of characters under control without feeling like you're reading a long summary of past events. While some of the coincidences are quite far fetched it is more than forgivable as the twists and turns he leads the characters are quite entertaining. I found myself laughing on more than one occasion. The book has its dark moments too, but they are tempered by Jacky's joie de vivre. I like how Jacky is showing signs of maturity in (some) of her actions. I'm excited to see where Mr. Meyer takes our heroine next. One tiny SPOILER...I'm so glad Joseph Jared is back.

I love this series. This is the eighth book in the series. The things that were bothering me the most in the book as far as unbelievable-ness goes (I know, that's not a word) were explained in the back of the book by the author as being historically accurate. Quite cool. What is it about Jacky? Mostly incredibly unbelievable, I still want more of her. She's spunky, courageous, daring, nutty, sexy, and fun. Who else could wear a bathing suit, or smuggle a stolen diving bell, or remain a virgin in ships full of sailors and pirates? In this book we find Jacky a prisoner on a ship bound for Australia. (Not a nice thing.) She's put in contact with many of her old acquaintances, some nice some not. She also meets some new "friends" such as the crazy Chinese pirate queen... (ahem.) I thought for sure she and Jaimy would tie the knot in this book, but it looks like there are more adventures to come. Stormy seas ahead, Jacky!

love L.A. Meyer and this series

I think this was wonderful addition to the series although there were some things that worked out a bit too easily, even for Jacky. Still, a great read, and I love the added perspective that Jamie adds to this book. I look forward to seeing how things continue throughout Jacky's travels!

It started off slow and I had hoped things would get better for Jacky not worse. I'm only half way through it but it has finally picked up and Jacky is back to her normal ways.

Once again Jacky rushes headlong into an adventure. This book has a much smoother pace and feel to it (unlike the last which seemed quite contrived) however, there was a tremendous number of pages dedicated to illustrating the heroine's relationships and how she dealt with other people. For long stretches it seemed to have no destination and could have been condensed somewhat. Overall though, a fun read and in keeping with the trials and adventures of our darling Jacky.

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