**Marion ZimmerBradley's Ravens of Avalon**

Discover the dawn of the mythical legend of Avalon in the long-awaited prequel to Marion Zimmer Bradley's The Forest House.

Diana L. Paxson expands Marion Zimmer Bradley’s beloved and bestselling Avalon series in a dramatic new installment. Marion Zimmer Bradley’s Ravens of Avalon is the prequel to The Forest House and tells the story of the Roman conquest of Britain and the origin of the Forest House that preceded the return to Avalon.

Marion Zimmer Bradley’s Ravens of Avalon follows the journey of Boudica, a Celtic princess, and Lhiannon, a priestess who is Boudica’s mentor on the Druid isle. When the Romans conquer Britain, Lhiannon fights them while Boudica is married to a king who has surrendered. Theirs is a great love story, but when he dies, the Romans brutalize her and her daughters. In rage, Boudica raises the British tribes and nearly succeeds in driving the Romans from Britain, claiming a place in history. Lhiannon survives and becomes the guardian of the Druid traditions in the new Roman Britannia as high priestess of the Forest House.

Epic in its sweep and peopled by the remarkable women who have always inhabited Avalon, Marion Zimmer Bradley’s Ravens of Avalon expands the legendary saga that has enchanted millions of readers over the years and is sure to please Bradley’s loyal readership and anyone who loves wonderfully told stories of history, myth, and fantasy.

**My Personal Review:**
A worthy addition to the Avalon series written in Bradleys style. I didnt notice a change in authors.
This particular title takes us back to the time when Druids where still on Mona and through most of Boudiccas life. It visualizes the events leading up to the Mona massacre, as well as Boudicca rebellion. Particularly dear to me is a story behind Lhiannon. Lhiannon, a young priestess, is very different from Lhiannon, the High Priestess in later novels. The novel gave me a very welcome glimpse into why and how of Lhiannons later detachment, while High Priestess.

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