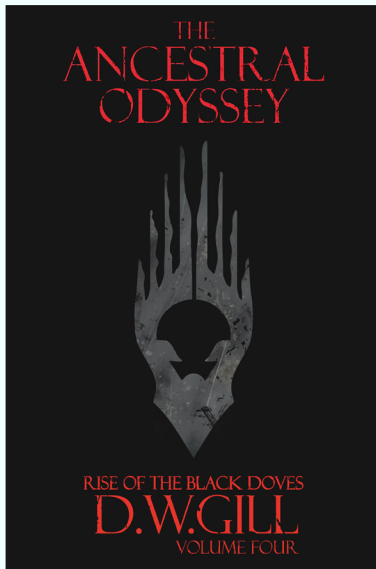




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Book Reviews and Award Contest



Title: The Ancestral Odyssey
Subtitle: Rise of the Black Doves (Volume 4)
Author: Duncan William Gill
Genre: Fiction - Fantasy - Epic - Horror
Reviewer: Amy Reins
Date: 11/04/2023
★ ★ ★ ★ ★
Appearance: 5/5
Plot: 5/5
Development: 5/5
Formatting: 5/5
Marketability: 5/5
Overall Opinion: 5/5



Book Review Mini-Critique

"The Ancestral Odyssey: Rise of The Black Doves - Volume Four by Duncan William Gill. The Night Guard, originally appointed to defend the land of Harloth, eventually became the personal bodyguards of Yarith. Equis is in need of a new leader, someone who can end the violent acts being carried out in New Xiondel. Seven Star-Callers were selected and trained to use their Glyphs properly so that one day soon one of them could possibly be selected as the Chosen. Battles ensue as the search begins for the missing Star Caller, Isolde. Will the stranger, Deacon Garla, be able to carry out the mission Tharas has asked of him? Will the other Star-Callers find out what happened to Isolde, or will everything be lost to criminals and corruption?"

The Ancestral Odyssey: Rise of The Black Doves by Duncan William is a thrilling ride through a world of ancient glyphs and celestial beings that keeps the reader hanging onto every page. The author outlined the elements of this story well enough so that all readers can understand the terms used. The characters are a mixed cast of those willing to fight for what would be best for New Xiondel in the long run and those that would happily watch it crumble. I love how some of the Elders realized that they must come to terms with how the new generation works, which resembles the age-gap clash between generations in our society. I recommend this story to adults who enjoy an all-out fantasy thriller. This one leaves the reader hoping that Volume Four is not the end of the line for The Ancestral Odyssey."