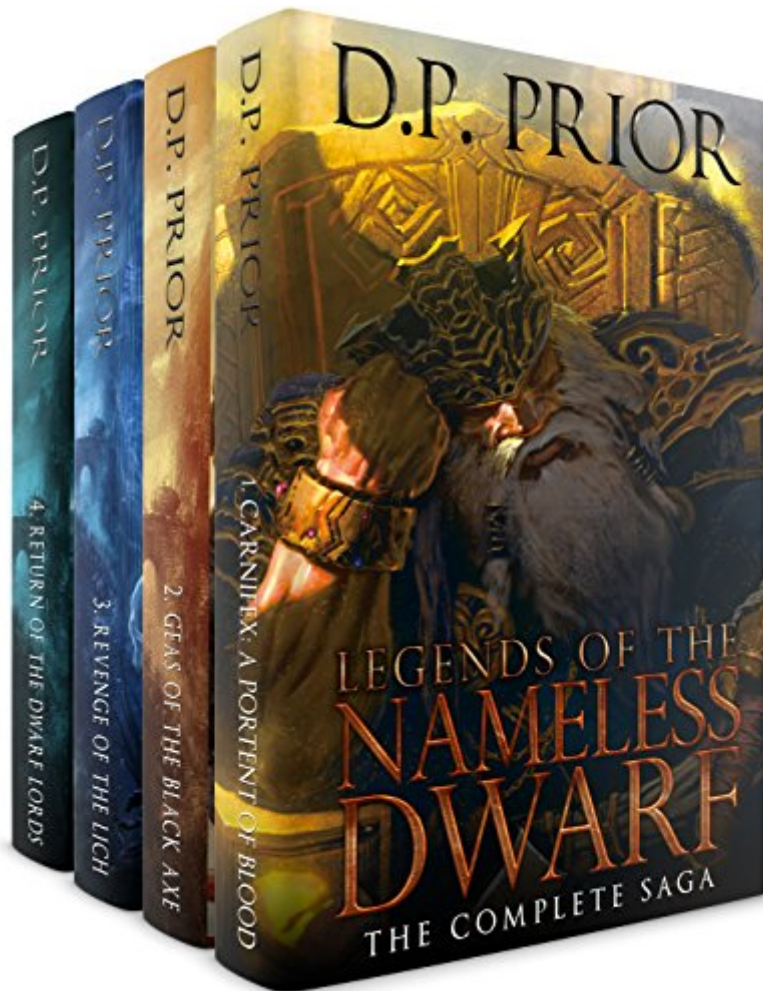


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Legends Of The Nameless Dwarf: The Complete Saga



Synopsis

The entire Legends of the Nameless Dwarf Tetralogy in one box set: 1. *Carnifex: A Portent of Blood* "Gritty, tense, and brutally tragic. High quality storytelling with great characters and a relentless plot." -- Mitchell Hogan, author of *A Crucible of Souls* and Aurealis Award winner. "For more than a thousand years, the dwarves have hidden away from the world in their ravine city of Arx Gravis. Governed by an inflexible council whose sole aim is to avoid the errors of the past, the defining virtue of their society is that nothing should ever change. But when the Scriptorium is broken into, and Ravine Guard Carnifex Thane sees a homunculus fleeing the scene of the crime, events are set in motion that will ensure nothing will ever be the same again. Deception and death are coming to Arx Gravis. The riddles that preceded Carnifex's birth crystalize into a horrifying fate that inexorably closes in. But it is in blood that legends are born, and redemption is seeded in the gravest of sins. For Carnifex is destined to become the Ravine Butcher, before even that grim appellation is forever lost, along with everything that once defined him. 2. *Geas of the Black Axe* "A dwarf with no name is a dwarf most shamed." • As the lands above the ravine city of Arx Gravis face their gravest peril, the last desperate hope of Creation lies in a dwarf with a grisly past: The Nameless Dwarf "a pariah, untouchable, the most cursed of dwarven kind. But in a world plagued by deception, where no action is free from risk, the road to salvation is shadowed with portents of blood. 3. *Revenge of the Lich* The survivors of the slaughter at Arx Gravis flee their ravine city, leaving its walkways and canals awash with blood. Convinced there can be no atonement for what he has done, the Nameless Dwarf joins forces with a whiskerless thief, a guilt-driven assassin, and a consumptive wizard. Together, they pursue the dwarves into the lands of nightmare across the Farfall Mountains. But the companions bring troubles of their own, not least of which is an ancient grimoire that leads them inexorably toward a forest of tar, and an evil from Nameless's past that threatens his entire race. The last hope of the dwarves comes from the unlikelyst of sources: a mythical city beneath the waves, an axe from the age of heroes, and the Nameless Dwarf, in whose veins flows the blood of legends. 4. *Return of the Dwarf Lords* The Nameless Dwarf: the name that is not a name, but is far better than the one he left behind. Freed from the curse that turned him into the butcher of his own kind, he once crossed half a world to protect those who had survived. Having worked out his penance and resettled his people in Arnoch, the ancient citadel of the Dwarf Lords, Nameless sets up home in the town of Brink. Now, with everything a dwarf could possibly wish for "a gym, a beer hall, and a bawdy house across the road" his new life is a welcome break from a decade of adventure. Then a blood-stained dwarf staggers into town with a message of doom: Arnoch has sunk beneath the waves, its last defense against the attack of a

five-headed dragon. The one slender hope remaining to the dwarves lies in their distant past: the Dwarf Lords, who had been created for perils such as this. But for centuries, they have been in exile on Thanatos, a death-world likely to change even the greatest of heroes. With time running out for Arnoch, Nameless must find the Dwarf Lords and persuade them to come home. But before that, he first has to survive them.

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Customer Reviews

In an effort to encourage others to try this amazing sword and sorcery series, I've decided to post my review of "Carnifex" both here and under the single volume edition. Hopefully, my love of the opening book of this series will help you decide if you'd like to pick the whole thing up.*****
*****"Carnifex" is a masterpiece of sword and sorcery storytelling. A visceral yet thoughtful epic of a dwarf (Carnifex), his people (the dwarfs of Arx Cravis), and a series of unusual occurrences which point toward an ominous future for our bearded protagonist. And whether you are already a fan of D.P. Prior's Aethir books (Shader, The Nameless Dwarf, and Husk) or a newcomer to the paradoxical world of Aethir, this novel is an

amazing place to start your journey, because it is as smooth a sword and sorcery brew as has been concocted in many a year. The story begins as most fantasy tales do these days â “ the middle. Well, not the middle, really, but rather someplace other than the beginning. I mean, beginnings are tedious affairs. That is why it is better to skip to the point in time when things get exciting â “ which is exactly where Mr. Prior starts this one. Here Carnifex Thane is a fairly content Ravine Guard (i.e. City Guard) for Arx Gravis. He is still young (but not that young anymore), has a close relationship with his aged father and his older brother, and spends a considerable amount of time drinking with his closest friends. The majority of his life is the normal routine of work, home, and pubs.

"Legends of the Nameless Dwarf: The Complete Saga" is a four book set that details the tale of the Nameless Dwarf. This e-book series sold for \$9.99 at the time of writing this review. The four books in the series are...1.) Carnifex: A Portent of Blood2.) Geas of the Black Axe3.) Revenge of the Lich4.) Return of the Dwarf LordsPlease Note: There is a map of Aethir in the front of this book, plus a 'Table of Contents' in the back. As a disclaimer, I have read all the books in this compilation either initially as an independent, intrigued reader or later as a Beta reader at the bequest of the author. The entire Nameless Dwarf series is a fantasy/horror adventure of truly epic proportions. Anyone interested in a story from this genre that is well written/edited, features a unique story-line and is populated with some the most intriguing characters you're ever likely to meet, then look no further... "Legends of the Nameless Dwarf" will meet or exceed your expectations. Oh, and I forgot, there's humor... subtle in its delivery and often appearing out of the blue. Situations that are frequently in and of themselves, defining moments. Rather than rambling on about this compilation, I've decided to reprint one of my reviews titled "The Ebon Staff", which is now part of the third book, "Revenge of the Lich". Hopefully this offering will give you an idea of my feelings toward these stories and the author that writes them. *****What follows is my review of "The Ebon Staff"... "The Ebon Staff" is the 4th and penultimate book, in the "Chronicles of the Nameless Dwarf" series by author Derek Prior. This Kindle e-book was approx.

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