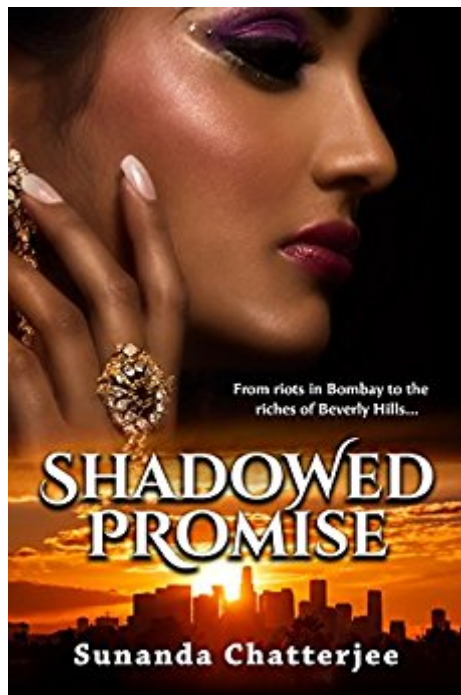


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A sassy, sexy, sweet romantic saga with secrets and politics. Moyna, an orphan, has been brought up by a domineering aunt to believe she brings bad luck to those she loves. During riots in Bombay, Moyna promises to protect her dying cousin's baby and makes a hasty decision that would return to haunt her years later. Sameer, the happy-go-lucky son of a successful lawyer in Beverly Hills, falls in love with Moyna, who remains secretive about her past and insulates herself from love to protect others from her unlucky curse. At the cusp of political victory, Sameer faces increasing gun violence and death threats leading to an FBI investigation. But his greatest challenge comes when a shadow from Moyna's past threatens to destroy their future. What hope do they have with the media hungry for a scandal? A story of friendship, redemption, and forgiveness, *Shadowed Promise* is a journey from blind faith to triumphant love.

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Customer Reviews

Shadowed Promise is a beautifully told story of a young girl's journey from family struggles in

India to finding love and friendship in America while carrying misguided guilt and self-blame because of her past. I absolutely loved the main character - her passion and determination, her caring heart, her strength in the face of horrible tragedies. I could relate to her experiences, thoughts, and feelings and I greatly enjoyed reading about her striking journey. The book is very well paced - I couldn't put it down! The author has astounding descriptive talent and I thoroughly enjoyed the weaving of Indian background and traditions throughout the book. I especially appreciated the author's portrayal of the differences between the main female character having grown up in India, and the main male character, an Indian having grown up in the US. I loved how the author related the inner thoughts and turmoil of each character - it shows real insight into our nature, as human beings. The descriptive style was so vivid, I was laughing and crying the whole time I was reading. Amazingly written, wonderful, exciting but also heartbreaking at times - you are going to love reading this book! I highly recommend it for anyone who enjoys a moving, heartwarming story.

This book provided a really visceral experience of another culture for me. I was drawn in immediately by the wonderful descriptions of India - the colors, the odors and the feel of it. And the characters were all extremely relatable. There are a lot of different themes in this book - love, loss, independence, loyalty and trust - and they are all woven very sweetly into the story of one young girl's struggle to find herself and to find love. We follow the main character, Moyna, in her travels from her dangerous yet familiar home in India, to America, where she searches for belonging and purpose. The author very compellingly shows us how guilt and shame affect Moyna's ability to be happy, yet she is a strong character nonetheless and she's a survivor. In spite of the abuse in her past and the difficult circumstances she faces, fear does not hold Moyna back. I found myself really rooting for her! The story is full of twists and turns and kept me intrigued from start to finish. I really enjoyed this book and was sad to let go of Moyna when I finished it.

Sunanda Chatterjee's book, *Shadowed Promise*, is a heart warming story about a young Indian girl named Moyna who lived in Bombay. The story begins in 1992. There are riots. Moyna believes she carries a curse which harms anyone she cares about or loves. Her parents are dead, and others she cared about in her past are dead. Now she lives with her aunt and uncle. Events cause her to leave Bombay, and she eventually flies to California to start a new life. Will she finally be happy, or will the curse continue on? There are many twists and turns before her future is finally determined. I found myself becoming attached to Moyna, and I was compelled to continue reading to see what

happened next. The author has written a powerful story that will pull at your heartstrings.

This book was such a pleasant surprise. This was a new author to me, and I didn't expect to be drawn into the story so quickly or swept away by it. I started reading in the evening and was just going to read a few pages to see what it was like. Next thing I knew it was past midnight and I couldn't stop until I finished. It was that good. I love to get lost in a big, sweeping saga, and that is what this book delivered. I am also a very picky reader, so I don't say that lightly. What hooked me at the beginning were the rich descriptions of Bombay. The sights and sounds and smells, were so vivid that I felt like I was there. There is drama and unanswered questions from the start, which kept the pages turning. Moyna is a likable character and I was rooting for her as her journey took her to college in California. She finds love, but fights it as she fights demons from her past and discovers connections where she doesn't expect to find them. This story follows Moyna through college and the years following and it stayed with me. I love big, sweeping, dramatic stories like this. Highly recommended. I look forward to reading more from this author.

I do not often read fiction but I loved this story. It was well written and was paced very well. The descriptions of Bombay in the book made me want to visit. I look forward to reading the author's other books and highly recommend this book.

Couldn't put the book down! From Bombay to LA, the author weaves a story so well, that you feel like you're right there - with Moyna as she embraces all the challenges life throws at her and fights back. It's a moving story of love and hope, I haven't read a book like this in a long time. Cannot wait for more books by the author!

"Shadowed Promise" is an artfully written and inspiring story with memorable characters and realistic action spanning the globe. Sunanda Chatterjee masterfully captivates her readers with her wit, her command of language, her eye for details, and her ability to evoke and explore a range of emotions. Although I generally anticipate the ending, especially in a romance story, I was unusually and pleasantly surprised at the twist in "Shadowed Promise," which I won't give away. This is a must read for anyone who enjoys exploring other cultures, traveling to exotic locales, getting to know interesting characters, unraveling a mystery, all the while cheering for a young woman from India who shows extraordinary character, integrity, strength, resourcefulness, and the capacity to love!

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