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Review

"The universe of Sapkowski's *The Witcher* is one of the most detailed and best-explored in modern fantasy, offering endless opportunities for fresh ideas ... Complex character relationships enrich this already complex world; this is the sort of series fantasy fans will cherish." ***B&N***

"One of the best and most interesting fantasy series I've ever read. Though it functions well as adventure fiction, it has added depth and value as satire and commentary on fantasy literature ... Sapkowski is a genuine stylist." ***Nerds of a Feather***

"Like a complicated magic spell, a Sapkowski novel is a hodgepodge of fantasy, intellectual discourse, and dry humor. Recommended." ***Time***

"Like Mieville and Gaiman, [Sapkowski] takes the old and makes it new ... fresh take on genre fantasy." ***Foundation on The Last Wish***

"A breath of fresh air in a well-worn genre. Don't miss it!" ***Dreamwatch***

"Sapkowski has a phenomenal gift for narrative, inventing sensational events, creating a suggestive mood, and building up the suspense along with a dazzling, slightly cynical sense of humor." ***Jacek Sieradzki, Polityka on The Last Wish***

"Sapkowski's *The Last Wish* is a great collection of short stories centered around a witcher, Geralt - a rare sorcerous breed who hunts down the monstrous but is feared by the innocent. With a wondrous mix of Eastern European folklore and myth, beautiful princesses, mischievous demons and where all is not as it seems, *The Last Wish* is a great read - perfect for dipping into or just reading cover to cover, as I did." ***Waterstones***

"It is [his] world-weariness combined with his battle-honed powers that make Geralt such an interesting character. Here's hoping *The Last Wish* is merely the opening chapter in his English language adventures." ***Edge***

"I really, really enjoyed this book ... None of the characters in Sapkowski's world are black or white; they are all shades of grey, including Geralt and the monsters." ***The Deckled Edge***

"Sapkowski is very good at creating interesting, imaginative characters with unusual levels of depth to them ... *The Last Wish* is an enjoyable book full of stories both melancholy and comic." ***The Wertzone***

"This beautifully written character-based story from Polish author Andrzej Sapkowski ... a refreshing champion." ***The Specusphere***

"New battle mechanics, a fantastic storyline, and a gritty setting make *The Witcher* one of the most engrossing, mature RPGs to arrive on the PC in years." ***Gamespot.com on The Witcher video game***

"*The Witcher* delivers one of the most intense and rewarding role-playing experiences this year." ***GT Reviews on The Witcher video game***

About the Author

Andrzej Sapkowski was born in 1948 in Poland. He studied economy and business, but the success of his fantasy cycle about the sorcerer Geralt of Rivia turned him into a bestselling writer. He is now one of Poland's most famous and successful authors.

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