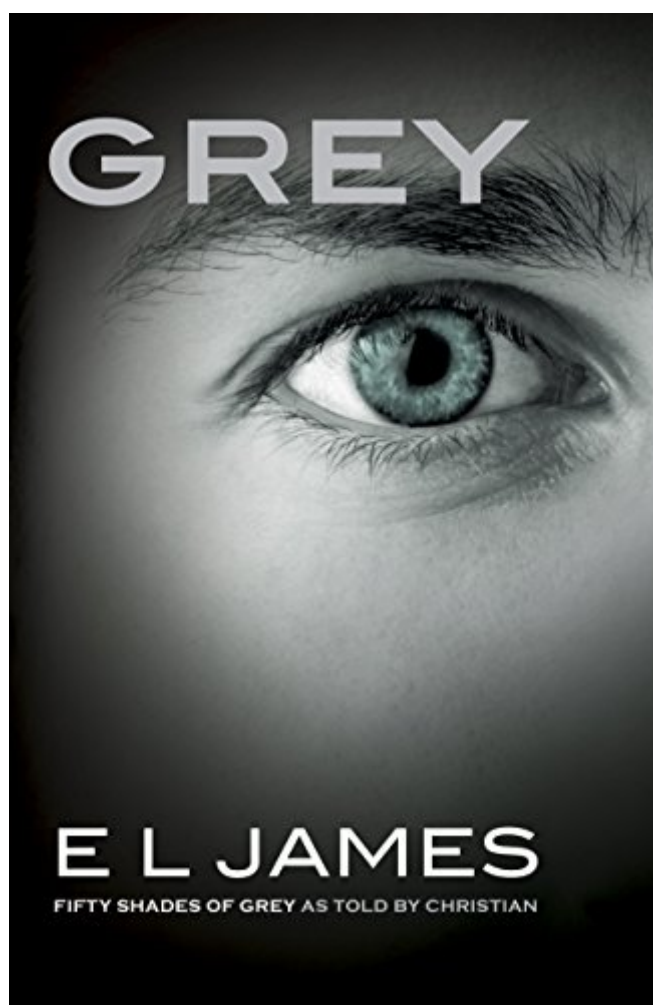


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Grey: Fifty Shades Of Grey As Told By Christian (Fifty Shades Of Grey Series)



Synopsis

See the world of Fifty Shades of Grey anew through the eyes of Christian Grey. In Christian's own words, and through his thoughts, reflections, and dreams, E L James offers a fresh perspective on the love story that has enthralled millions of readers around the world. Christian Grey exercises control in all things; his world is neat, disciplined, and utterly empty—until the day that Anastasia Steele falls into his office, in a tangle of shapely limbs and tumbling brown hair. He tries to forget her, but instead is swept up in a storm of emotion he cannot comprehend and cannot resist. Unlike any woman he has known before, shy, unworldly Ana seems to see right through him—past the business prodigy and the penthouse lifestyle to Christian's cold, wounded heart. Will being with Ana dispel the horrors of his childhood that haunt Christian every night? Or will his dark sexual desires, his compulsion to control, and the self-loathing that fills his soul drive this girl away and destroy the fragile hope she offers him? This book is intended for mature audiences.

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Customer Reviews

I have been reading almost every new erotica book to hit the shelves for the past 5 years now, and

I thought this was a little different take on the norm! If you never liked 50 shades, you probably won't like Grey - but everything's worth reading once, so give it a try. Keep in mind this is retelling 50 shades, just a different perspective! If you're not in the mood for Grey, there are the novelette options like *Dark Petals* by Deidre St Luke the up and coming writer. Lastly, I have read some of the reviews posted and while I am not bashing anyone's opinion I would simply like to point out some facts. 1. This is a retelling of the original story but from Christian's POV--therefore how can the author make it be different or original? 2. Whereas I did find Christian to be immature and childish in his actions and thoughts those of us who read the original series knew this already. His growth didn't come around until after the second book started. Even Dr. Flynn tells Ana that in a lot of ways emotionally Christian is still a child so this is not news. 3. I do believe this book helped to better understand Christian I am not altogether certain it was necessary as the series was already a huge success but just as I am sure with other readers the times I really wanted to know what he was thinking came in book two and three. For instance when he and Ana married, what was on his mind as he and Ros made their way home after Charlie Tango crashed, and I really want into his head the night he confronted Elena at his mother's home. 4. As far as the movie I watched it and believed it to have been as true to the book as was possible for a decent rating. Although I honestly believe that there is NO ONE that could have been picked to play the part of Christian that would have been accepted by all the fans of this series. Each woman as we read *Fifty Shades of Grey* had a mental picture of Christian and everyone's picture would have varied in some way. Anyway I hope to hear more from Christian's POV IN THE FUTURE

This writer is a big fan of the *Fifty Shades of Grey* series. I was instantly excited when I heard that there was going to be another book in the series. In my opinion, this book did not disappoint. Christian Grey is a complex man. He is a self made Billionaire who was born in abject poverty. He is a man who exercised control in all things, but begins to give up those rules and controls when he meets Anastasia Steele. I personally like this book better than *Fifty Shades of Grey*. Although the story is overall the same, the perspective of Christian is very interesting. It becomes clear all the changes that he tries to make to keep Anastasia in his life. It also gives insight into how a child that was so horribly neglected and abused, would try to make stringent rules and always be in control in order to protect himself. I found this book very enjoyable and I sincerely hope that there will be more books in the series. Hopefully a book that starts up where *Fifty Shades Freed* ended someday.

Along with so many others I was dying to know what was always going through Christian's mind. Mrs. James came through for us. Finally we get to see just what makes him tick. Christian is such a contradiction. He is always in control just the way he likes it, or so he shows everyone. No one sees just how insecure and messed up he really is. Christian is a work in progress. Thanks to Ana he starts to see things differently, wants to be a different type of person. Ana brings light to his darkness he keeps buried and hidden from everyone, even himself. Christian is so trapped in his past that he doesn't believe he can have or deserve more. At first, I was afraid this book was going to be a rehash of the first book. However, I was pleasantly surprised to see how different it was, even during the times when Christian is with Ana. Reading this book has me looking forward to see how Mrs. James tells Christian's side in the other two parts to this story.

The first Fifty Shades from Grey's perspective gives depth and color to a deeply scarred and flawed character that makes him more easily understood as the emotionally frozen teen within the adult, sexually and physically abused but totally enamored and in love with Anastasia from the first. It is refreshing, funny and moving by turns to see his growth, and especially how he handles when Ana walks out and his subsequent discussion with Dr Flynn... How it opens his eyes to his ability to do "more," be "more" for Ana. It was refreshing and moving to see a deeply, emotionally flawed character grow and fall in love. Ana's strength of character grows and changes him for the better... She may have been inexperienced, but her strength of character grows and highlights how these two move toward each other in a moving dance as they fall in love.

I know that people have not been overly thrilled with this book. I've heard the remarks referring to Christian as a pervert and predator. While his sexual appetite may be a bit extreme I think he just comes off as a guy. Fifty Shades of Grey seemed hot and intriguing and sexy and romantic even with all the kinky sexual activity because it was from a woman's point of view. If you loved Christian in the first book you loved the romanticized version of him. In Grey you get him how he really is - a guy. A rich, egotistical, pompous, good-looking, messed up, kinky guy with serious issues - but still just a guy. And like pretty much all guys his ultimate goal is to get the object of his desire in bed and under his conditions. It just so happens that his issues make him interesting and Ana's ability to stand up to him make her more intriguing to him. I enjoyed having the opportunity to see things from his point of view. Hopefully we'll get to see his point through all the books in the series.

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