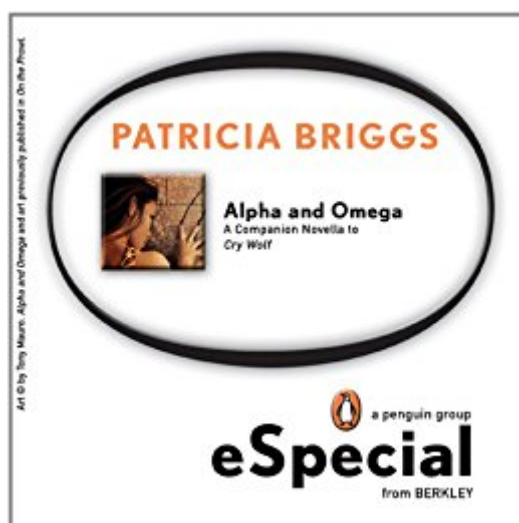


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Synopsis

A companion novella to Cry Wolf from the #1 New York Times bestselling author of the Mercy Thompson novels. Reluctant werewolf Anna Latham finds a new sense of self when the son of the werewolf king comes to town to quell unrest in the Chicago pack and inspires a power in Anna she's never felt before...

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Customer Reviews

Anna is an Omega wolf but has no clue what that is or what means thanks to her douche bag Alpha and his equally douchey cronies. It is because of them that she lives in fear and near starvation. When she finally gets up the nerve to call The Marrok, the Alpha of Alpha's, he sends her to meet his son, Charles, at the airport. When Charles tells her that she is his mate she will do whatever she can to protect him but as for those things that mates do, she tells him she doesn't like sex. Alpha And Omega isn't a very long read but it does cover a fairly large amount of ground when it comes to Anna and Charles making one eager to read the next story in the series that is a spin-off of the Mercy Thompson series (which I have plans

to dive into as some point). I think my favorite part is when Anna and Charles are in the restaurant and he is telling her she is his mate and her response is "I don't like sex" but then who could blame her. Alpha And Omega is one of those stories that just gets better with every reading and I think I have read it almost twice a year since I purchased it. Although this year's reading was just as riveting as always the deaths in this story were rather painful this time so thankfully those are near the end of the story. The fact that this is one of my favorites and I have read it several times had me excited to give Alpha And Omega the five-star rating I was planning to give so imagine my disappointment after counting the edits that I found forcing me to give the story a 4-star rating. All the same thank you Patricia Briggs for creating an amazing world of shape shifters and other paranormal creatures. "If Leo survives tonight, I shall be very surprised. If I survive you, I'll be equally surprised." -Charles Happy Reading Laura Lu's Book Reviews

My favorite genre to read is mostly paranormal, and here is where I admit that I had never read anything by Patricia Briggs. And now I am kicking myself. I decided to start with this novella because it's really the first part of the story, and also so that I could see if I enjoyed the way the author wrote before taking on a new series. So reading done and the first thing I did when I finished this was of course, buy the first real book in the series, Cry Wolf, and immediately start reading. Why? Because I have already fallen in love with the main characters. Anna is a werewolf that was changed against her wishes, and has been living a horrible life ever since. Used by the alpha of her pack as a reward to any werewolf that does good, Anna has been repeatedly raped. She is submissive and has had to do anything that is asked of her, including giving a big part of her wages to the pack, making her almost destitute. That is just told to us so we don't have to see her go through the rapes thankfully. Charles is the son of the Marrok, also known as the leader of all the werewolves. He comes to Chicago to visit Anna after she gets the nerve up to tell some things she has witnessed in her pack. I am not going into any more of the story at this point due to this being a novella. It's a very short read and actually the story didn't start until 10 percent into the read due to advertisements of other books by the author/publisher. Usually that doesn't make me happy, but since the story was so satisfying and good, it really didn't bother me in the least. Also keep in mind that this was originally part of an anthology, On the Prowl, back in 2007. Werewolves, packs, alphas, pack rules, and the beginning of a romance, this book has all that. I loved the characters, the

premise, and look forward to continuing on with this series. First read by Patricia Briggs ended up being a winner for me all the way around. Highly recommended to all adult paranormal romance/urban fantasy readers. 4.5/5 stars (PureTextuality.com)

Plot Summary: Anna is an abused, submissive wolf in a Chicago pack, and when she sees the face of a missing boy in the newspaper, a boy who was changed and sold by her alpha, she calls the head of all werewolves in North America, the Marrok. Bran sends his son and enforcer, Charles, to investigate, and Anna meets him at the airport. When Charles sees Anna, he realizes two very important things about her: 1) She is a rare Omega wolf, who is neither submissive or dominant, and 2) Charles's brother wolf wants her for his mate. I read "Cry Wolf" about a month ago, and at the time I was confused by the beginning. It felt like a whole chunk of the story had by-passed me somehow, and since "Cry Wolf" is the first book in the Alpha and Omega series, I wasn't sure what had happened. The answer is that Briggs wrote a prequel novella called "Alpha and Omega," which covers the critical period of Anna and Charles's first meeting, and her rescue from a twisted wolf pack. Now that I've read the novella, I sincerely wish I had read them in the correct order. It all makes sense now! And even though I'm forced to give this novella a good rating, I'm still tee'd off that I had to buy it separately from "Cry Wolf." My cynical side regards novellas as just another way to gouge readers into paying extra for information that should be part of a full-sized novel. So, for anyone who is thinking about reading this series, which shows excellent promise, don't be cheap. Cough up the extra couple of bucks and buy "Alpha and Omega" and "Cry Wolf" together. Treat them as one read. There are two ways to get your hands on this story: 1) Buy "On the Prowl," an anthology in which Brigg's story is just one of many, or 2) buy it as an E-book download, which is how I did it.

I love Charles and Anna, I love the Marrok in fact I love all the characters in this series. I'm actually reading the series over to play catch up as I wait for her her next Alpha and Omega book to come out. If you haven't read any of them and are thinking about it, you won't be disappointed! It's a great series!

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