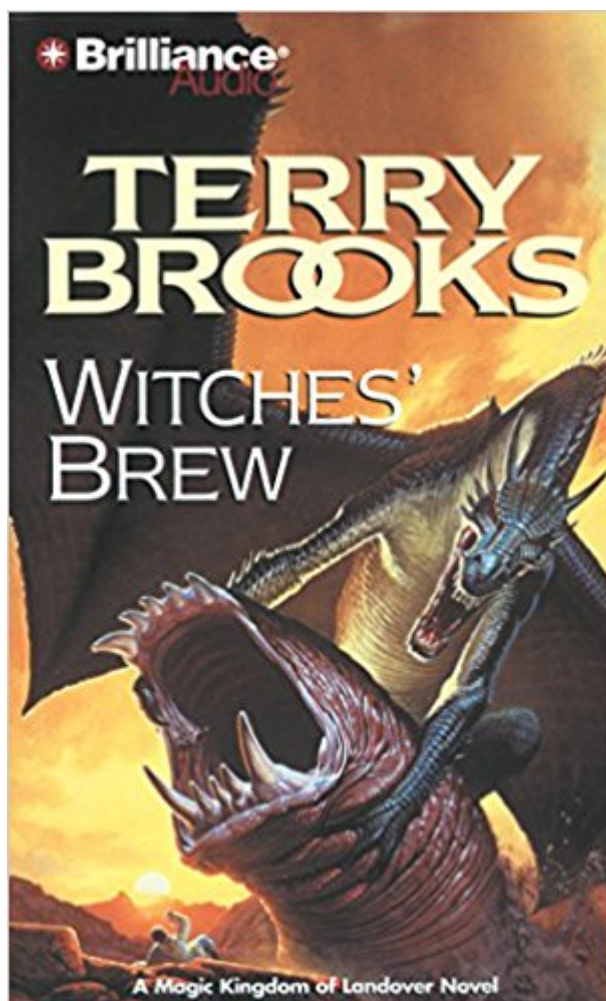




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## Witches' Brew (Landover Series)



## Synopsis

Fifth Book in the Magic Kingdom of Landover series Former Chicago lawyer Ben Holiday was proud and happy. And why not? The Magic Kingdom of Landover, which he ruled as High Lord, was finally at peace, and he and his wife, the sylph Willow, could watch their daughter Mistaya grow. And grow she did - shooting through infancy in months, learning to walk and to swim in the same week. Mistaya had been born a seedling, nourished by soils from Landover, Earth, and the fairy mists, come into being in the dank, misty deadness of the Deep Fell. With dazzling green eyes that cut to the soul, she was as lovely as her mother, and Ben wanted nothing more than to enjoy his daughter's childhood and his peaceful kingdom forever. But his idyll was interrupted when Rydall, a king of lands beyond the fairy mist, assembled armies on Landover's border and threatened to invade unless Ben was able to defeat Rydall's seven champions. Some counseled the High Lord to refuse Rydall's challenge, but Holiday could not, for Mistaya had been snatched from her guardians by foul magic. And Rydall held the key to her fate . . .

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## Customer Reviews

Picking up where *The Tangle Box* left off, Brooks continues his increasingly convoluted narrative, again following the trials and tribulations of former lawyer?and currently Landover's ruler?Ben Holiday. Even as Holiday battles evil forces to keep his domain secure and his loved ones safe, his daughter, Mistaya, is kidnapped by his nemesis, the disgruntled witch Nightshade. Threatened by

the mysterious Rydall, King of the Marnhull, Holiday must prepare to meet seven potentially deadly challenges. Meanwhile, his faithful sidekicks, Abernathy the scribe and Questor Thews the wizard, are sent to Earth, where Abernathy renews his acquaintance with Elizabeth, now an attractive teenager. Despite entertaining passages (Mistaya's training in witchcraft) and moments of depth (Holiday's struggles with his inner demons), the novel still feels cobbled together, a kind of prelude for the romances and battles of later installments. Fortunately, the familiar characters remain as appealing as when they first appeared, despite their involvement in these transparent and hackneyed situations. Copyright 1995 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

For the fifth time, Brooks brings us Ben Holiday in the Magic Kingdom of Landover. Ben's daughter, Mistaya, is growing with supernatural speed, just in time to become the object of a kidnapping. The kidnappers are working for the hostile potentate Rydall, who is challenging Ben to seven contests, winner take all--"all" in this case being the Magic Kingdom. As usual, Ben and his comrades and allies are forced to use both sheer magical muscle and subtler ingenuity to come out with their skins whole. As usual, they succeed. The Magic Kingdom books continue to be ingenious, witty, and generally fun to read, even though they do not reach for the exalted high-fantasy heights of Brooks' Shannara novels. Roland Green --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

I have Enjoyed All the books in this set..

I bought this book to replace the paperback version and complete my set in this series. This is absolutely my favorite book series. I have read it many times. I have also read Brooks' Shanara series, but it is more complicated (in the order of Lord of the Rings) and therefore harder to follow and remember all the characters. Brooks is an excellent fantasy writer (even if it seems he borrows heavily from Tolkien!) This series takes place in modern times-- now-- instead of an unknown ancient or future time. I have always wanted to go to Virginia to try to find the place where you cross over into Landover..... ;-)

"All of my questions will be answered soon!" is what I thought to myself when I was about 3/4 of the way through "The Tangle Box", 4th book in the Kingdom of Landover series. I soon realized that I was mistaken, and it was not the final book. Oops! What was I thinking!?! I scrambled to purchase the final book.. "Witches Brew". I am happy to say that the level of action and mystery in this 5th and

final installment has made the wait well worth it!

The 5th book in the Magic Kingdom of Landover series by Terry Brooks. He captivates you again in this newest book of the series with unexpected turns in the story plot that keeps you on pins and needles til the next chapter is read.

I love the fantasy writing of Terry Brooks. This is a great book!

One more in a Terry Brooks outstanding fantasy read.

Loved this book!

The original three in this series were brilliant - new concept and so well written. This was right up there with the best. I recommend reading the whole series to make the best of this even though each book can be read individually.

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