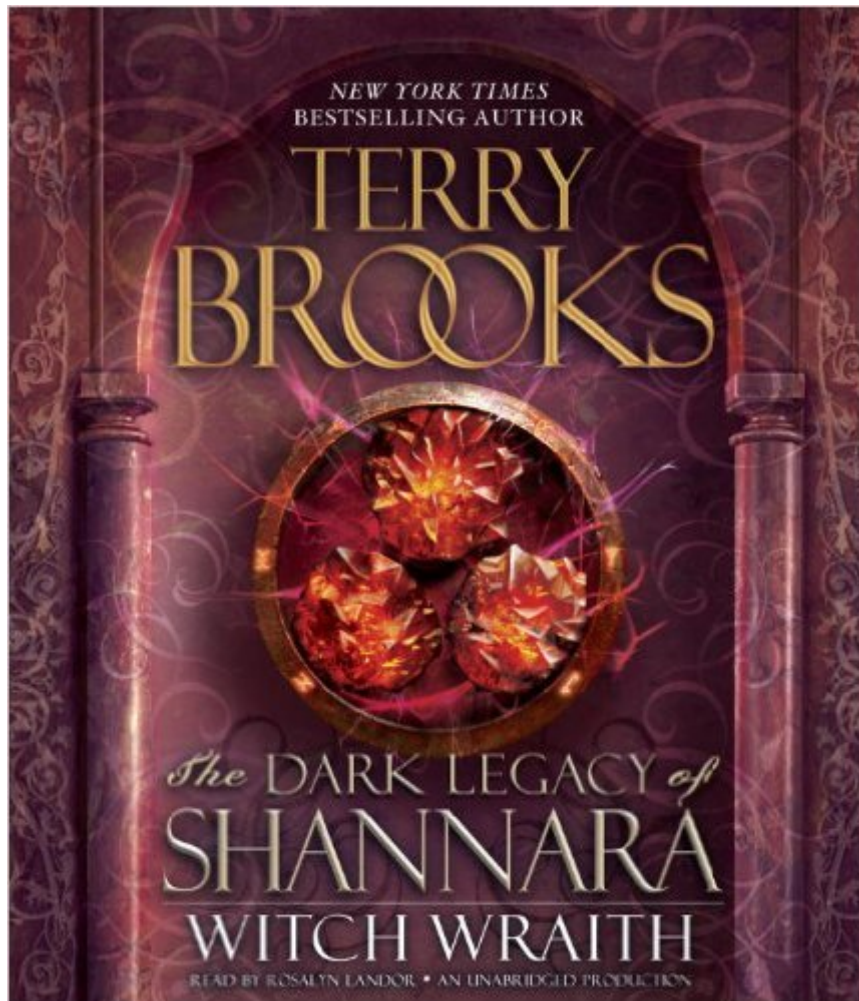


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# Witch Wraith: The Dark Legacy Of Shannara



## Synopsis

From bestselling author Terry Brooks comes the final thrilling novel in a brand-new trilogy—*The Dark Legacy of Shannara!* A NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER For centuries the Four Lands enjoyed freedom from its demon-haunted past, protected by magic-enhanced borders from the dark dimension known as the Forbidding and the profound evil imprisoned there. But now the unthinkable is happening: The ancient wards securing the barrier between order and mayhem have begun to erode—and generations of bloodthirsty, monstrous creatures, fueled by a rage thousands of years in the making, are poised to spill forth, seeking revenge for what was done to them. Young Elf Arling Elesedil possesses the enchanted means to close the breach and once more seal the denizens of the Forbidding in their prison. But when she falls into the hands of the powerful Federation's diabolical Prime Minister, her efforts may be doomed. Only her determined sister, Aphen, who bears the Elfstones and commands their magic, has any hope of saving Arling from the hideous fate her captor has in store. Meanwhile, Railing Ohmsford—desperate to save his imprisoned brother—seeks to discover if his famed but ill-fated ancestor Grianne is still alive and willing to help him save the world . . . no matter the odds or the consequences.

**Praise for *Witch Wraith***

• Terry Brooks has written a slam-bang conclusion to his *The Dark Legacy of Shannara* trilogy with the stellar *Witch Wraith*. . . . He has a keen eye for great world-building as well as unforgettable characters. . . . *The Dark Legacy of Shannara* trilogy is arguably his best work to date. —Associated Press

• The final chapter in Brooks's latest trilogy set in his beloved world of Shannara peaks in a bittersweet conclusion that seems to set the stage for future books. A must for the numerous die-hard Shannara fans. —Library Journal

**Praise for Terry Brooks**

• *The Sword of Shannara* is an unforgettable and wildly entertaining epic, animated by Terry Brooks's cosmically generative imagination and storytelling joy. —Karen Russell, New York Times bestselling author of *Swamplandia!*

• If Tolkien is the grandfather of modern fantasy, Terry Brooks is its favorite uncle. —Peter V. Brett, New York Times bestselling author of *The Desert Spear*

• I can't even begin to count how many of Terry Brooks's books I've read (and reread) over the years. From *Shannara* to *Landover*, his work was a huge part of my childhood. —Patrick Rothfuss, New York Times bestselling author of *The Name of the Wind*

• Terry Brooks is a master of the craft and a trailblazer who established fantasy as a viable genre. He is required reading. —Brent Weeks, New York Times bestselling author of *The Night Angel Trilogy*

• The *Shannara* books were among the first to really capture my imagination. My daydreams and therefore my stories will always owe a debt to Terry Brooks. —Brandon Mull, #1 New York Times bestselling author of the *Beyonders* and *Fablehaven* series

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## Customer Reviews

Spoiler alert! Finally! I picked up the third book of this trilogy ready for epic battles, resolution to the many plot lines and some grit. Witch Wraith should have concluded the Dark Legacy of Shannara series with a bang; after all the monsters are free from their centuries long prison and, driven by their dark lord, descend upon human and elf with unmatched ferocity. Our main characters are out and about on their various quests - bring life back to the Elchris which maintains the Forbidding, rescue a brother by resurrecting a witch, etc... Wait, I just used 'etc' in a book review. Does that mean the writing was a little formulaic and maybe a bit predictable...? Well...If I sound less than excited about this book it is because I found some of the story a little too reminiscent of previous Shannara books. Terry Brooks even goes so far as to hang a lantern on that obvious problem, pointing out that 'history repeats itself'. Well, I guess that's one possibility. Another explanation would be that the author didn't have any exciting new ideas and went with the tried and true. Couldn't Brooks at least pick a different room for the changeling reveal? Could the druids actually win a battle when their fortress is besieged? Why win - we'll just release the guardian once most of us are dead and it will kill the invaders...I also found the resurrection of the Elchris to be a disappointingly flat ending.

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