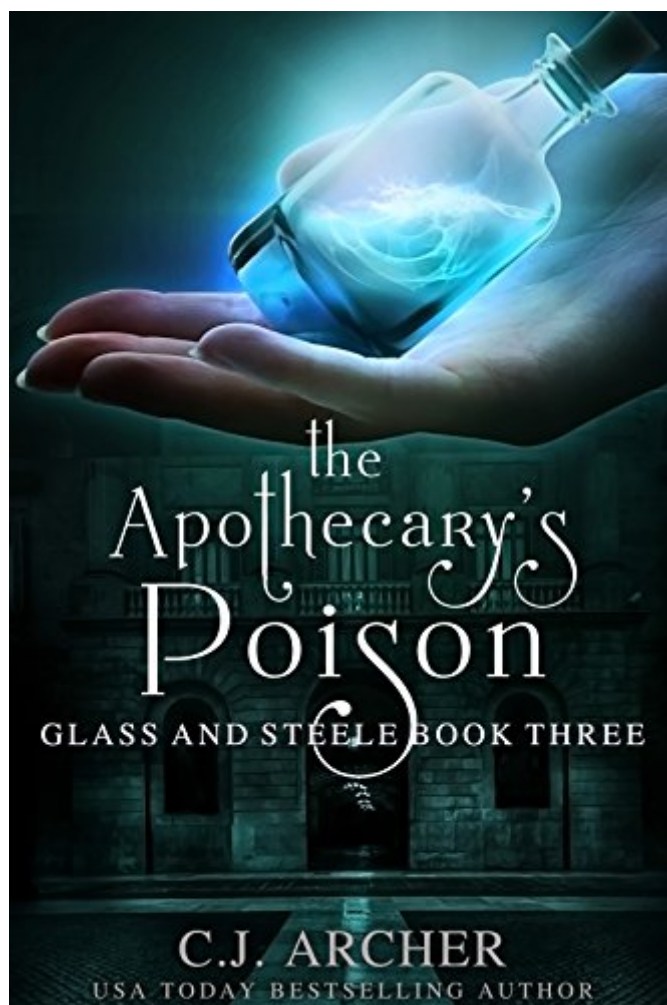


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The Apothecary's Poison (Glass And Steele Book 3)



Synopsis

When a newspaper report of a medical miracle catches Matt's eye, he and India go in search of Dr. Hale in the hope he is more magical doctor than miracle worker and can lead them to Chronos. But Hale turns out to be an apothecary magician keen to educate the public about magic. Their disappointment at not finding Chronos is soon forgotten when Hale is murdered, and Matt becomes a suspect. With Matt's nemesis Sheriff Payne influencing the investigating detective, India and Matt know they must find the real killer, or risk his freedom, and ultimately his life. Time is running out as they hunt for a killer capable of turning medicine into poison with a magic spell, as well as continue the search for Chronos. A search that must end in success before Matt's malfunctioning watch stops altogether.

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Customer Reviews

This is book three in the Glass and Steele series. The series is fantasy with a period setting in London. The series builds on its continuing story line even while it introduces a new puzzle to

solved so it should be read in order. This book begins with magic revealed in a newspaper article when a man is brought back to life. In this world, magic is doubted, feared, and sometimes punished. In their quest to learn more about magic, India and Matt begin investigating the apothecary and the newspaper reporter. It is not long until there is a murder and the weapon was magical. The book has more magic, more conspiracy theories, more learning about other types of magic, more looking for Chronos, more matchmaking and more romantic tension. Even with some continuing themes and story lines, the story is not repetitive or boring. I am not tired of them yet and will look forward to the next one. It is good entertainment at a good price.

I am giving *The Apothecary's Poison* five stars because it, like the others in the series is brilliantly written. Archer's writing style is captivating with superb dialogue, exciting plot and mind capturing settings. Each book has been a can't-put-down experience. However, five stars doesn't mean I'm totally happy with it. C.J., what were you thinking by ending with a double cliff hanger??? Seriously??? I was so ready for what I thought was going to happen, only to have my hopes dashed. I actually felt angry for a while. Is that a good thing? I sincerely hope the next in this series is coming soon. Oh, I'll pre-order it, but please, give my poor heart a break in the next book. No, let me rephrase that |

Steel & Glass are caught up in a murder. In order to keep Steel from the gallows, the two of them must find an elusive murderer. Magic rears its head. The constables are not pleased with the main suspect, Steel, interference with the investigation. Somebody is willing to kill to keep everything under wraps. Somebody else wants to tell the world all about it. Mixed in all of this intrigue, death, and romance is stirred into this fast paced, wonderfully enchanting novel. I await with great expectations for the fourth novel in this series. Ms. C. J. Archer has become one of my favorite authors, and everyone can expect an excellent reading experience with any, and all of her novels!

This has been my favorite book in the series. The readers are taken through more of London's guilds and we see the plot against magicians thickening and we can begin to formulate an idea as to who is behind it with more clarity than the other books. We do not see a resolution to Matt's issue and the end of the book is a huge cliffhanger. As I've said in the other two reviews you either commit to reading the series or you don't. With this book there were grammatical errors that I found while reading and with at least two it forced me to go back and re-read the sentence to make sense of what was going on, this was an annoyance but didn't detract from the overall enjoyment of the

story. I'm definitely looking forward to the next book.

I truly enjoy this series and cannot wait until C.J. gets the next one onto! The characters are well developed, a little more revealed with each book. Mystery, murder, and magic (let's not forget some romantic tension!) create a non stop read for me. If you haven't already read any of the Glass and Steele books, I recommend beginning with *The Watchmaker's Daughter*. I guarantee that you will enjoy it completely. I'm sure you will do what I did and immediately purchase book 2, *The Mapmaker's Apprentice*, and onward to *The Apothecary's Poison*! Enjoy and keep reading C.J. Archer!

This was another great installment in the series. Halfway through I realized that the story could not be resolved by the end of this book and was disappointed, knowing that the 4th book has not been published, yet. I am anxiously waiting for the next. The mysteries are interesting. The romance is smoldering, yet sweet, and incredibly frustrating (in a good way). I have even laughed out loud at certain parts. This series was a great find!

Nooooo!!!! Dang it, now I'm going to be fidgety until the next book gets written bc I can't wait to find out what happens next! Excellent further development of the story and characters, wonderful twists and turns, though the somewhat cliff hanger ending really chafes at my brain...

I am honestly not sure if it is just because I know the characters more or what, but this was my favorite story by far. I like how the crew (or at least I think of them) probably already think something is going on between Matt and India and they are very happy about it even though Matt and India are all at odds about it. The only thing that sort of distressed me was that I swear this is the first one that ended in basically a cliff hanger.

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