# Twin Blades by Noelle Upton Readalong X

## Synopsis:

The Warrior Queen, the Protector of Innocents... fights in seedy taverns and picks pockets for the highest bidder.

But her people have been rebuilding from near eradication. And after a century of running, Meline returns home at the request of the only family she has left. They've built a kingdom from ashes and connected with other leaders to give them all a fresh start, but they are still under attack with the threat of another slaughter on the rise.

So, to atone for her sins, Meline agrees to travel to faraway lands and persuade more to her family's cause. Even if the agreement demands she take a personal guard. But not all is as it seems, and her Shadow is hiding a secret of his own.

Through homecoming and redemption, Meline finds herself leaning on her companion as they face tense negotiations, assassins, and the mysterious powers of a dark Goddess. But will it be enough to confront the person she once was and conquer Death? Or will it lead to the ruin of those she loves most and the future of her people?

Content/Trigger Warnings: strong language, dark themes, explicit scenes of violence and sexual nature, death (on and off page), grief, mentions of self-harm, depression, sexual assault and suicidal ideation

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Start Date: May 7 End Date: June 1

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We will be reading **two (2)** chapters a day until the book is completed. There are **46** chapters in total plus the epilogue and a short preview of Shadows and Flames, AKA book 2 (only included in the anniversary edition). The extra days at the end are for the preview and/or to let people who got behind catch up!

The main differences between the debut and anniversary edition include a new cover, in-book artwork, and a preview of Shadows And Flames. The story/content is the same.

<u>GIVEAWAY:</u> There will be a drawing for a winner with the prize being the readers choice of a paperback or hardcover copy of Twin Blades and goodies. You will be entered if you finish and review the book. I will be going through the retailer sites and apps (StoryGraph, GR, etc.) to ensure your review is posted. If I do miss it, feel free to send it my way, through email or IG DM!

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