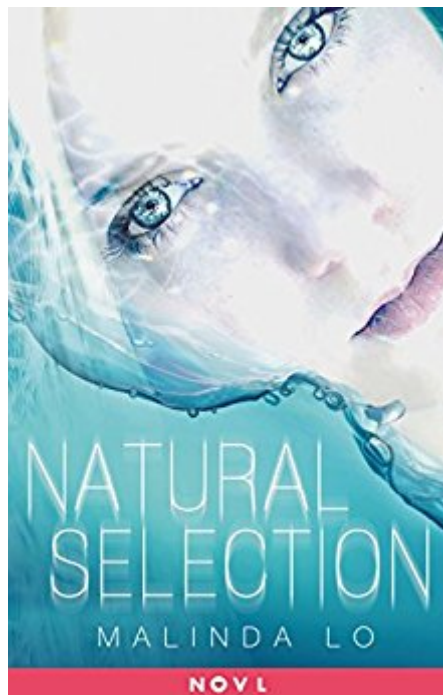


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Synopsis

I was born on Earth, not Kurra. I'm not human, even though I try to be. My people, the Imria, think I'm a little unusual because of that. They call me an Earthsider: as if I've crossed a line, chosen a side. Gone native.

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Customer Reviews

Amber is a great character and it was really fun to spend time with her in this story. I enjoyed this a lot.

Great book. I love the Author. Book felt short, would have loved to read more. It's a good read =)

I didn't know about this novel before I had already finished the series, as I checked out the books from my local library, but I'm glad that I found it! It was a cute and short look into Amber's history and her limited life in the world that her parents were born on. I liked it especially for its further

explanation of the polyamory-type culture that she comes from. It felt a bit off when this came up in the books themselves, but it helps to have this story as background information. All in all, I felt that I understand Amber a lot more for reading this, and any fan of the series should definitely check it out!

After experiencing the mysterious Amber Gray in *Adaptation*, I was elated to see that there was a story just for her. The words flow so well, I love the author's style. The creativity shown in this short novel really made me feel more connected to the character. And almost made me wish that the Imbrias actually exist. Their way of life was fascinating. I very much enjoyed reading into Amber and her peoples' ways. :)

I have only read 1 other book by Malinda Lo, *Ash*. Like *Ash*, the writing in *Natural Selection* has a beautiful lyrical quality to it. The world Lo has created is so real, you feel like you've been plopped right down in the middle of it. I knew it was a novella and not a full book, but it ended so soon! I must go and purchase Lo's companion books to *Natural Selection*, *Adaptation* and *Inheritance*, so I can find out more about Amber's journey!

It took me a little bit to get invested in this novella. But I did enjoy learning more about Amber. About who she is and how her time on earth has impacted her. It was interesting to have her talk about humans because while she lived among them she wasn't one. Overall, a decent addition to the story.

Really interesting premise, but at the end I was bored. Themes and interesting morals hinted at in this book don't really get explored that much, nor do they have any consequences in the plot. Mostly a light, quick read focused on exploring dual identities.

I probably read this in the wrong order, but the alien culture and the young woman with a destiny in this story speak to me. I already bought the two novels Amber appears in.

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