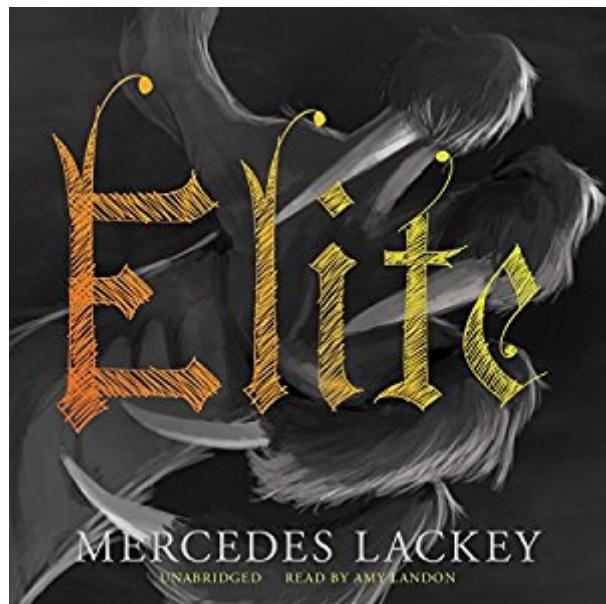


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# Elite: The Hunter Series, Book 2



## **Synopsis**

Hunting monsters was supposed to be the hard part. When Joy came to Apex City, all she cared about was protecting the Cits from the dangers lurking outside protective barriers. She understood the need for the secrecy surrounding her hunts - no need to cause a panic by announcing just how real of a threat the Othersiders pose. But as she quickly discovered, the conspiracies of the city run much deeper. And a dangerous new covert mission leaves Joy with a target on her back once more. Under the orders of her uncle, the city's prefect, Joy begins patrolling the abandoned tunnels and storm sewers under Apex Center. With her large pack of magical hounds, she can fight the monsters breaking through the barriers with the strength of three hunters. Then she starts finding bodies. Psimons are turning up dead in the bowels of the city, with no apparent injury. Reporting the incidents makes Joy the uncomfortable object of PsiCorps' scrutiny, and the organization appears more interested in keeping her quiet than investigating. Joy's situation grows more precarious, and her relationship with her Psimon boyfriend, Josh, begins to fray. Long-held tensions between PsiCorps and the Hunters seem to be reaching a breaking point. While infighting threatens the stability of Apex City, Othersider forces are gaining strength and momentum outside the borders. Joy desperately seeks answers to figure out who her real enemies are before she and everyone she cares about are locked into an all-out war.

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## **Customer Reviews**

This novel does not disappoint... yes it is a teen novel ..It is still very enjoyable by this particular

adult....I like the main character and I am charmed by her hounds... especially Bya...there is a nice mix of characters that can lead to another long running series from one of my favorite authors... the pace of action is good, with battles with mythical monsters... there is suspense wondering who is trying to have her killed and just what does that fey lord want with her...it has a slightly different feel than a lot of her other series... not sure if it is because it was written for a teen audience... The further on in the story I got the more involved I was... there are twists and turns in the relationships of several characters.. I even cried a few times... Love it... do not regret purchasing at all...and waiting impatiently for the next one...

This series just keeps getting better and better, btw make sure you read this in order. First Hunter (which is a steal for \$2) then read Elite (definitely worth whatever I paid). I love almost all of Lackey's books, the only ones I have a hard time getting into is the 500 Kingdoms series. I am not sure why but they just really do not interest me. I love other author's books which are rewritten Fairytales but there is something lacking for me with most of the 500 Kingdoms books. I think it is teaching me patience because while I am really glad Mercedes/her 500 Kingdoms fans are enjoying them I have been waiting for anything new to come out. This is EXACTLY what I have been waiting for! Thanks Mercedes Lackey for all of the books you write, I have enjoyed them more than you can know!!!!

One of my favorite things about Mercedes Lackey books is the details she gives about the daily lives and the world she creates. To me the setting is as important as plot and character development. This installment was light on the daily details yet heavy in action details and it's difficult to give the real essence of a fight using just words. I like knowing more about how magic usage evolves. I like the adding of new characters. I like the mystery plot and I like how she brings the Othersiders to life. I really loved Hunter. I gave Elite only 4 stars because it felt more like a movie script and lacked the richness and depth of Hunter. (Books are ALWAYS better than the movie because of the richness of detail and depth of character development) Nice job on book 2 and here's hoping a return to the quality of Hunter in book 3. Can't wait to read it.

Joy is now an Elite Hunter, no longer followed around by the cameras or competing in the rankings. She soon learns that there is more danger than anyone expects, and not just from the Othersiders, but within the city of Apex itself. There is much more action in this sequel than in the first book, which I was personally very happy about! This book makes up for the world-building in the first novel, and I

can appreciate how the two books worked together. The plot thickens in this story, and things go from bad to worse for Joy and the Hunters. The buildup in this story is incredible, and I couldn't put the book down the closer I got to the climax, wondering how they would defeat the Othersiders. The tension is fantastic, and I really hope there will be a third book as I've become attached to several of the characters in this story!

Mercedes Lackey never, ever disappoints! Delightfully twisty plotting, with three-dimensional characters that are an absolute joy to get to know. I really hope this series continues on for at least one or two books more! This story is not done! There must be at least one more book. She remains one of my very favorite authors.

Very much enjoyed this latest book in the Hunter series. Definitely did not see some of the twists and turns coming, particularly with the Psimon storyline. I really like that it has some of the Lackey trademarks of not shying away from real issues of acceptance and loyalty to the greater good. The only thing that bothered me a little bit were some of the editing inconsistencies from the first book, like changing the name of Mark Knight's fiancée from Verity in the first book to Jessie in the second. Looking forward to next October when hopefully the next volume comes out. Incidentally, I know this is marketed as a YA, but I am enjoying it as an adult reader and long time Lackey fan.

an apocalyptic entry of the near future with a side salad of magic and a gutsy heroine who begins to show leadership qualities. p.s. you will love the alebrijes hounds be sure you look it up

Picked up where Hunter left off; a seamless continuation. Additional creatures, another plot twist, whom does she trust? I want the next installment, but it's not available until Fall 2017! :(

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