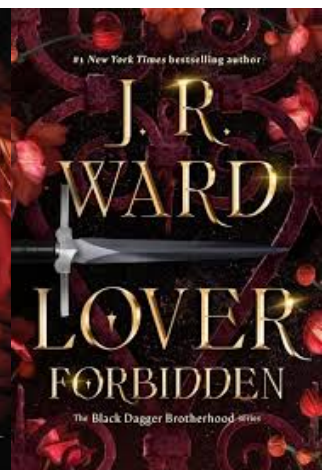
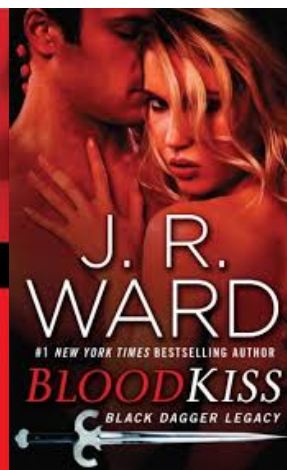
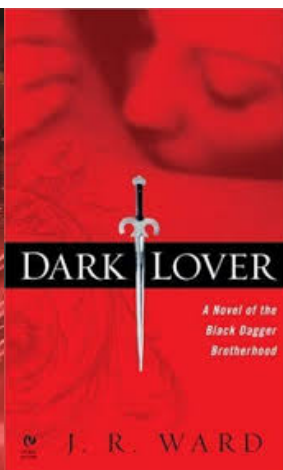
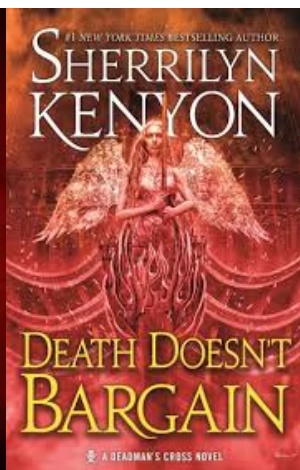




## Explicit Paranormal Romance and Urban Fantasy Romance Recommendations

*The patron who requested this list enjoys paranormal romance authors like Patricia Briggs, Jeaniene Frost, and Christine Feehan. She liked fantasy and romance books featuring werewolves, shapeshifters, vampires, and fairies. I created this list for her and also suggested she check out the romantasy list specifically for fairy-centered romance reads.*

- **Sherrilyn Kenyon's books.** Her work is very steamy and features highly vivid worldbuilding and dynamic, morally gray characters.
  - *Dark Hunters series.* Numerous subseries within this, but many are set in modern-day New Orleans and feature a variety of shapeshifters, demon hunters, Greek gods, and immortal warriors.
  - *Deadman's Cross trilogy.* A continuation of one of the Dark Hunters subseries. Set in the same universe but fantasy historical fiction romance about a dark warlord pirate.
  - *Bureau of American Defense series.* Not part of the Dark Hunters world and not as fantastical as some of her other work. Contemporary paranormal romantic suspense about a covert agency set up to protect America from evil.
- **J.R. Ward's books.** Highly recommended for Feehan fans, Ward writes violent, steamy paranormal romance. Best known for her *Black Dagger Brotherhood* romances, which has several spinoff series.
  - *Black Dagger Brotherhood.* Vampire paranormal romance about an elite society of vampires dedicated to protecting their own kind.
  - *Black Dagger Legacy.* Young vampires in the Brotherhood training program.
  - *Black Dagger Prison Camp.* Vampires in a prison camp.
  - *Lair of the Wolven.* Werewolves in the Black Dagger world.
  - *Fallen Angel.* Not connected to the Black Dagger series. Paranormal romance about a fallen angel who works with a demon to help people become better.





- **Laurel K. Hamilton's books.** A blend of fantasy, romance, horror, and mystery featuring a wide variety of mythical creatures and explicit, graphic violence and sexual content.
  - *Anita Blake, Vampire Hunter books.* A vampire hunter in an alternative version of St. Louis where vamps have a somewhat recognized legal status, Anita gets up close and personal with vampires, as well as faeries, were-leopards, and more.
  - *Merry Gentry series.* Merry is a fairy princess-turned-private investigator in Los Angeles who also deals with the nefarious plots of her fairy queen aunt.
- **Charlaine Harris's Sookie Stackhouse series.** Lighter in tone than the other recommendations, these are steamy paranormal romances that star vampires, fairies, and werewolves, recommended for Briggs fans. Sookie herself is a telepathic human who works as a cocktail waitress in rural Louisiana. But she finds herself falling in love with a vampire and dealing with all sorts of mythological creatures coming into the bar.
- **Kim Harrison's Hollows/Rachel Morgan series.** Set in a magical community within Cincinnati, this compelling, funny series follows a tough, smart, sexy witch and bounty hunter.
- **Kelley Armstrong's Women of the Otherworld Series.** Recommended for Briggs readers, this author's work writes about strong women battling supernatural foes and blends fantasy with horror and paranormal romance, often in a Pacific Northwest setting. These books include characters that are werewolves, ghosts, witches, and more.
- **Jayne Castle's Planet Harmony series.** More science fiction and also a bit lighter and more playful in tone than the other books listed, they are very steamy paranormal romances set on the planet of Harmony, a rich, chaotic world filled with humans, aliens, magic, and ghost hunters. Various couples have unusual adventures that range from investigating crimes together to exploring unusual catacombs. Recommended for Feehan fans, particularly for fans of her Ghostwalkers series.

