

# Marked: An Alex Verus Novel



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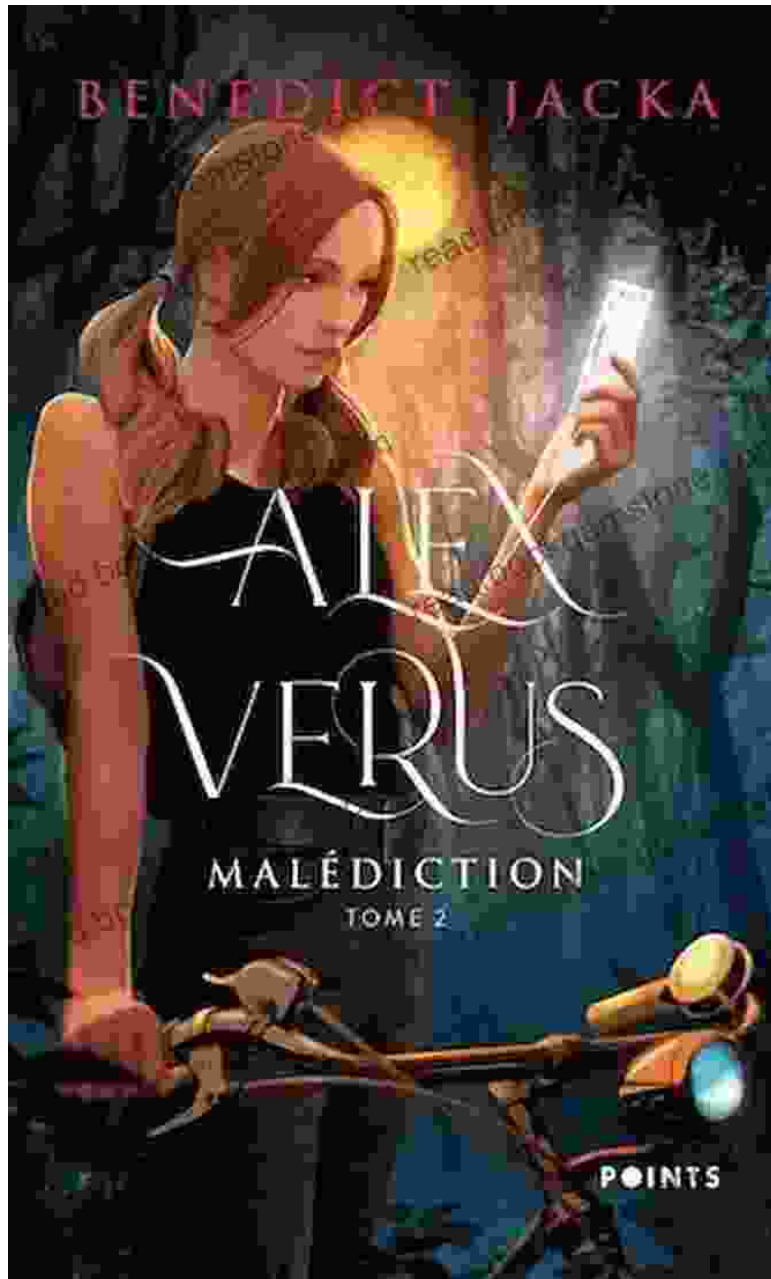
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**Author:** Benedict Jacka

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Alex Verus is a mage living in contemporary London, a world where magic permeates the everyday. He's a diviner, someone who can see the future, but his abilities come at a price. Alex is marked by the supernatural forces that surround him, making him a target for those who seek to exploit his powers.

In 'Marked: An Alex Verus Novel', Alex finds himself entangled in a deadly conflict between rival factions of supernatural beings. When a young woman is murdered, Alex is drawn into the investigation, uncovering a dark conspiracy that threatens not only his own life but the balance of power in the magical realm.

As Alex delves deeper into the mystery, he discovers that the killer is a rogue mage known as the Faceless Man. This powerful and enigmatic figure is determined to seize control of the magical world, and Alex must stop him before it's too late.

### **A Thrilling Urban Fantasy Adventure**

Benedict Jacka's 'Marked: An Alex Verus Novel' is a captivating and adrenaline-pumping urban fantasy adventure. The novel deftly weaves together elements of mystery, action, and supernatural intrigue, creating a mesmerizing tale that keeps readers on the edge of their seats.

Alex Verus is a complex and relatable protagonist. His unique abilities and outsider perspective within the magical realm make him an intriguing

character to follow. As the story unfolds, Alex's determination, resourcefulness, and vulnerability shine through, drawing readers into his perilous journey.

The world-building in 'Marked' is exceptional. Jacka creates a vivid and immersive urban fantasy setting, blending contemporary London with a rich tapestry of supernatural elements. The magical realm is both alluring and dangerous, populated by a diverse cast of beings with their own motivations and agendas.

The plot is tightly paced, with unexpected twists and turns that keep the reader guessing until the very end. Jacka masterfully balances action sequences with moments of suspense and introspection, creating a captivating narrative that refuses to let go.

Overall, 'Marked: An Alex Verus Novel' is a highly recommended read for fans of urban fantasy, paranormal fiction, and contemporary fantasy. Benedict Jacka's skillful storytelling and immersive world-building will transport readers into a thrilling and unforgettable adventure.

### **About the Author**

Benedict Jacka is a British fantasy author best known for his Alex Verus series. He was born in London and has a degree in English Literature from the University of Sussex. Before becoming a full-time writer, he worked as a computer programmer and technical journalist.

Jacka's Alex Verus novels have been praised for their engaging characters, intricate world-building, and thrilling plots. The series has been translated into several languages and has won numerous awards, including the Gemmell Award for Best Novel.

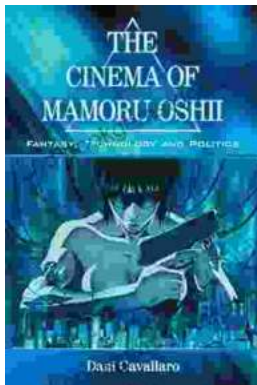
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