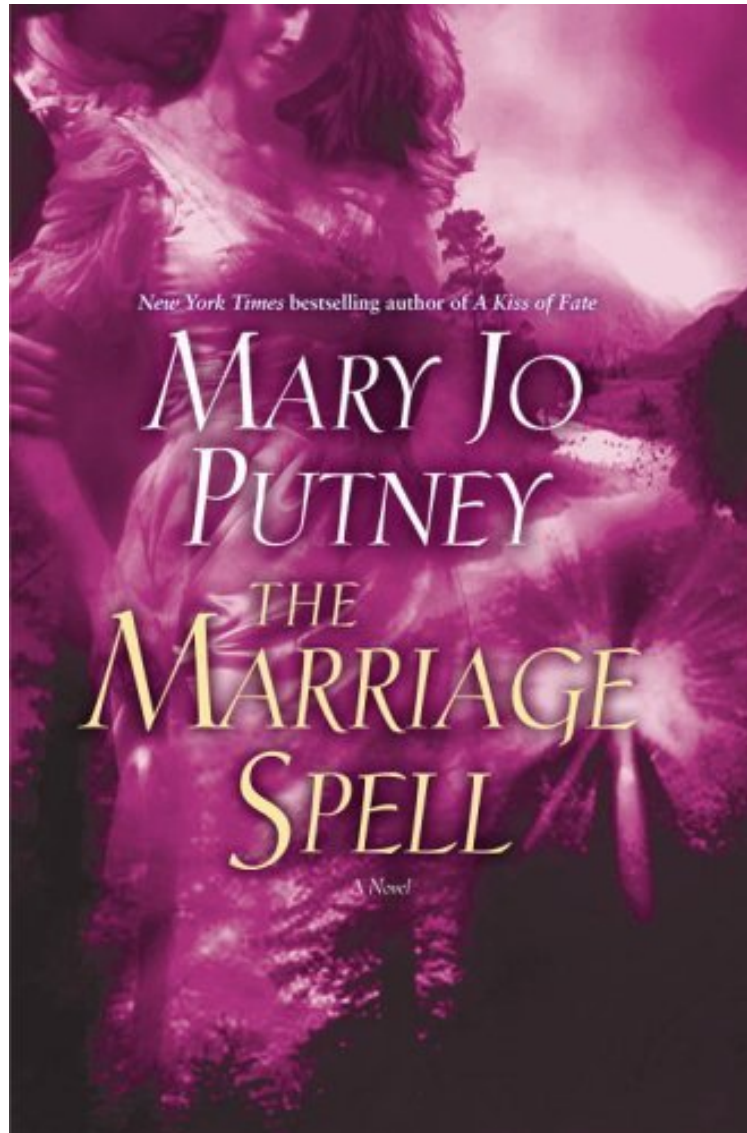


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Zauberei als RealittVon CustomerSonst kein Fan von Fantasy oder Paranormal Romance, konnte ich doch einem Titel Mary Jo Putneys, einer meiner Lieblingsautorinnen (The Rake, The Bargain, China Bride), nicht widerstehen. Zuerst fhlte ich mich in die Harry Potter Welt meiner Kinder versetzt, aber dann zog mich die Geschichte von Abby, einer Heilerin

mit Zauberkraften und Jack, einem Draufgänger mit unterdrückten magischen Kräften doch in ihren Bann. Auch wenn mich meine Aversion gegen die Darstellung von Zauberei als Realität nie ganz verlie, die Darstellung der beiden Protagonisten und ihrer Beziehung war einfach zu gut, um das Buch zur Seite zu legen. Für Fans des Genres ist "The Marriage Spell" sicher eine rundum gelungene Lektüre, für Fans von Putneys früheren Historicals gewohnungsbedürftig. Ganz konnte ich nie den Gedanken abschütteln, dass Putney ein besseres Buch geschrieben hätte, wenn Held und Heldin auf eine "normale" Art gesellschaftliche Außenseiter. Nichts desto trotz: Ein wirklich lesenswertes Buch!

Kurzbeschreibung New York Times bestselling author Mary Jo Putney is acclaimed by critics and readers alike for unforgettable storytelling and arresting characters. Now she introduces a Regency England you've never seen before, where dazzling magic is practiced in all but the highest reaches of Society, and where desire is the most mysterious and seductive force of all. One of the Duke of Wellington's most respected officers, Jack Langdon, Lord Frayne, takes his family's honor very seriously. He also hides a shameful secret: a talent for sorcery he has been raised to suppress and openly reject. But after an injury lands Jack at death's door, his only chance at survival lies with Abigail Barton, a peer's daughter and a skilled wizard. Her price: Jack's hand in marriage. It isn't long before Jack feels an irresistible attraction to his forthright new wife, whose allure is as intense as the reawakening magical abilities he can no longer deny. Abigail had to make a great sacrifice to perform a spell powerful enough to save Lord Frayne, and although she cannot help but be drawn to her reluctant husband's surprising sensitivity and kindness, she knows all too well his distaste for magic. Once she has Jack's name and the child she has always longed for, she is determined to live apart from him so that he can preserve his reputation and so that she herself can stay true to her gifts. But neither Abby nor Jack reckons on the deep, long-simmering passions her spell ignites. They challenge each other's extraordinary powers and deepest desires for the sake of a love that may cost them all they cherish most. With breathtaking skill and vivid historical detail, Mary Jo Putney weaves a tale of enchantment, mystery, and romance that will forever hold you spellbound. From the Hardcover edition.

From Booklist When his father failed to beat the love of magic out of him, Jack Langdon was sent to a strict boarding school that would instill in him a disdain for magic appropriate for a member of the nobility. As a daredevil officer in Wellington's army, Jack breaks his neck and is treated by Abigail Barton, a talented healer, who states that her price will be marriage. After a grueling healing process, Abby discovers that Jack possesses untapped magical powers. In spite of the fact that having a wizard for a wife will not sit well with the ton, Jack marries Abby, even though his injuries prevent him from consummating the marriage. Abby suspects that Jack's reckless ways and reluctance to return to his home may be the result of an evil spell. Together they must discover the cause of the blight and use their love to save their lands and tenants from being completely drained of all life. Popular Putney's winning combination of well-crafted fantasy and romance will have broad appeal for readers of both genres.

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