In the book *The Liar’s Crown*, a young adult fantasy romance by Abigail Owen, we the readers follow the main character Meren. Meren is a secret twin sister of a princess destined for the throne in Aryd. She is witty, sarcastic, smart, resilient and she also has powers. Her powers allow her to manipulate sand heating it into glass, using it as her defense in attacks. She and the whole line of twins in her family have been hidden from everyone, she is used and trained from when she was a child to fulfill her duty as a double for her sister Tabra. What Meren wants though is to be her own person and make her own story, but her destiny set out for her begs a differ. One day Tabra and Meren’s grandma dies, her sister has to take her place on the throne, making Meren travel to the castle. When Meren arrives she learns of her sister’s communication with Eidolon the immortal king in a neighboring realm who is known for killing their doubles. Meren stands in for her sister during the important coronation when she gets kidnapped. While she is taken away, she discovers that her capture is not who she thinks it is. He is no other than a man named Reven who has many secrets to tell. Reven is flirtatious, sarcastic, charming, quiet and a real catch in the eyes of Meren later on in their combined stories. She discovers his hidden secrets and must decipher if he is a tempting lover or a corrupted killer. Soon a forbidden romance with her capture begins to stir as she is compelled with interest. They both connect for they both long to be free and both feel the weight of the world on their shoulders This book is the first book in a trilogy with the second book, *The Stolen Heir* already out and the third book *The Shadows Rule All* coming out in January 2nd, 2024. What captured my gaze about this book was the thrilling cover with tangled magnolia flowers surrounding a skull with a crown on top. The crown symbolizes the kingdom with a hidden princess and queen. The original interest for me came from the description that catches the readers of one princess hidden and one princess to rule. Meren is a true heroine character to love. This book reminds me of the series...
ACOTAR by Sarah J. Maas because starting off that series in the first book Feyre the main character gets kidnapped as well as Meren. Readers who like themes of family, desire, change, love, and a tale enthralling and imaginative with action packed battles and a secret lived around forever to be kept will admire and love this book. As new characters emerge into the tale, new adventures unravel and new challenges as well. This book draws you in and leaves you raveled in the story, reading through the night. Ending the book is a gripping, cliff hanger, leaving you wanting the second book to continue Meren’s story, *The Stolen Heir*.

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