



# THRONE OF GLASS Reading Guide

Sarah J. Maas recommends reading *Throne of Glass* in Publication Order, which places *The Assassin's Blade* second, and that's the official order I include here. That said, I personally prefer reading *The Assassin's Blade* either first or last. When I read it in the middle, I just wanted to get back to the main storyline, and it didn't work as well for me. If you're similar and hate stepping away once you're invested, starting with it or saving it for the end may work better for you.

## Publication Order

- Throne of Glass
- Crown of Midnight
- The Assassin's Blade
- Heir of Fire
- Queen of Shadows
- Empire of Storms
- Tower of Dawn
- Kingdom of Ash

This is the official reading order recommended by Sarah J. Maas and follows the books exactly as they were released. It keeps the story unfolding as intended and avoids spoiler confusion. While this isn't my personal favorite way to read *The Assassin's Blade*, it's the safest option for first-time readers and the order I recommend if you want to follow the author's original structure.

## Chronological Order

- The Assassin's Blade
- Throne of Glass
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This order places *The Assassin's Blade* at the beginning of the timeline, giving you all the backstory upfront, but it can reveal information earlier than intended. Personally, I like this approach better if you plan to read it first or save it for last, since it doesn't interrupt the main storyline once you're invested. It's a good option for readers who hate pausing momentum, just keep in mind it may include light spoilers.

## EMPIRE OF STORMS & TOWER OF DAWN

*Empire of Storms* and *Tower of Dawn* take place at the same time, which is why many readers choose to tandem read them. Reading *Tower of Dawn* on its own just wasn't as enjoyable for me, while tandem reading made the experience feel much more engaging. It takes a little extra effort, but I truly think it's worth it.

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