

# BOOK CLUB GUIDE

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# The Blazekeeper of Bowmore House

*A legacy revealed.*

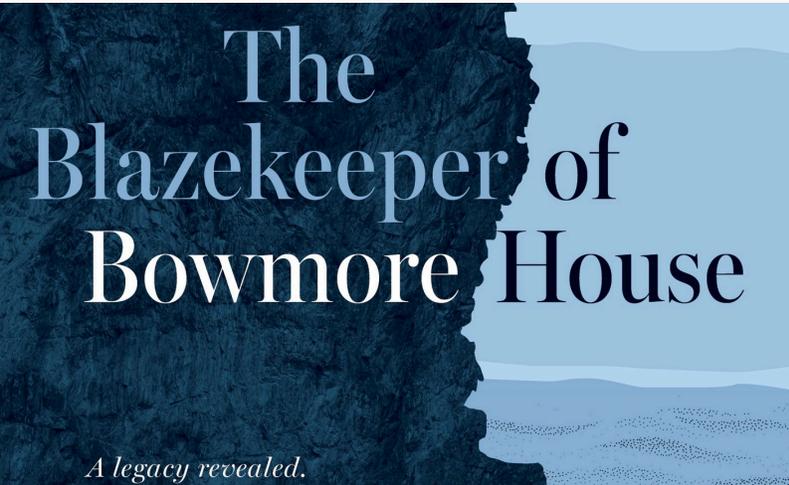
*A secret lost at midnight.*

A LYRICAL RE-IMAGINING OF CINDERELLA EXPLORING  
IDENTITY, FRIENDSHIP, AND THE BONDS BETWEEN MOTHERS  
AND DAUGHTERS.

A hidden letter from her late mother sets Cinder on a path of royal secrets, danger, and self-discovery. Summoned to a king's ball by a lifelong friend, she must navigate betrayal, friendship, and a destiny far beyond her imagining in this windswept coming-of-age tale.

# ABOUT

The Blazekeeper of Bowmore House & Elizabeth de Veer



**The Book:** A hidden letter from her late mother reveals that Cinder is more than she seems—royal blood, a legacy of betrayal, and a shocking truth about her stepmother. Summoned to a king’s ball by a lifelong friend, she must navigate secrets, danger, and a destiny far beyond her imagining. *The Blazekeeper of Bowmore House* is a lyrical, windswept reimagining of Cinderella, where identity, friendship, and the bonds between mothers and daughters shape a magical coming-of-age journey.

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How does the discovery of her mother's letter reshape Cinder's understanding of herself and her past?

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In what ways does the novel explore the bond between mothers and daughters?

03

How does this retelling differ from the traditional Cinderella story, and which changes felt most meaningful?

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What role does friendship play in Cinder's journey, and how does it influence her decisions?

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How do secrets and hidden histories affect the characters and their relationships?

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How does the setting and atmosphere contribute to the tone and emotional impact of the story?

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At what points does Cinder struggle most between safety and pursuing the truth?

08

How does the novel explore the tension between destiny and personal choice?

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Which character or relationship surprised you most, and why?

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By the end of the story, how has Cinder grown, and what future do you imagine for her?