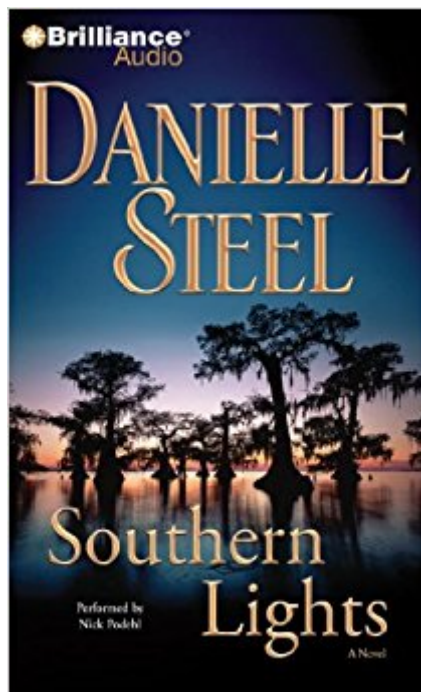


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# Southern Lights



## Synopsis

Eleven years have passed since Alexa Hamilton left the South behind, fleeing the pain of her ex-husband's betrayal and the cruelty of his prominent Charleston family. Now an assistant D.A. in Manhattan, Alexa has made a name for herself as a top prosecutor while juggling her role as devoted single mom to a teenage daughter. But everything changes when Alexa is handed her latest case: the trial of accused serial killer Luke Quentin. Alexa prepares for a high-stakes trial . . . until threatening letters are addressed to her beautiful seventeen-year-old daughter, Savannah. Alexa is certain that Quentin is behind the letters and that they are too dangerous to ignore. Suddenly she must make the toughest choice of all and send her daughter back to the very place she swore she would never return to: the place where her marriage ended in heartbreak . . . her ex-husband's world of southern tradition, memories of betrayal, and the antebellum charm of Charleston. Now, while Alexa's trial builds to a climax in New York, her daughter is settling into southern life, discovering a part of her family history and a father she barely knows. As secrets are exposed and old wounds are healed, Alexa and Savannah, after a season in different worlds, will come together again strengthened by the challenges they have faced, and with Savannah now at home in the southern world her mother fled. A novel that will catch you off guard at every turn, *Southern Lights* is Danielle Steel at her electrifying best.

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A veteran of exploring wealthy family dynamics, Steel now flirts with the thriller, introducing two familiar fixtures, the serial killer and the strong single female attorney determined to get him

convicted. Unfortunately, her focus quickly shifts away from New York ADA Alexa Hamilton and her conflict with rapist-murderer Luke Quentin to Alexa's 17-year-old daughter, Savannah, and her relationship with her father, Tom Beaumont, who broke Alexa's heart when he divorced her to remarry his first wife. After Savannah begins receiving threatening letters sent from Luke or an associate, Alexa asks Tom to provide Savannah a haven, which he does over his wife's objections. The visit helps Savannah grow closer to her dad and stepfamily; it also gives Alexa, on weekend visits, an opportunity to heal in classic Steel style, but the resulting courtroom drama feels rushed and inexperienced. Thriller fans will be disappointed with all the family bonding, though Steel's many readers will, of course, devour this. (Oct.) Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Danielle Steel has been hailed as one of the world's most popular authors, with over 590 million copies of her novels sold. Her many international bestsellers include *Happy Birthday*, *44 Charles Street*, *Legacy*, *Family Ties*, *Big Girl*, *Southern Lights*, and other highly acclaimed novels. She is also the author of the story of her son Nick Traina's life and death.

Lots of plot changes kept it interesting. The beginning leading up to the trial had me scared. I couldn't read it at night. I was afraid Luke Q was going to get Savannah and do something awful to her. Another great read from Danielle Steel.

If you have an elderly parent or grandparent who loves Danielle Steel but has issues with vision, this book is perfect for them. I purchased this for my 95 year old grandmother, but sadly she became an angel in heaven before I could give it to her. I will keep it for the rest of my life in remembrance of her. When my vision is such that I need a large print book, I will break it out and read it in honor of my grandma.

If you are a member of the Danielle Steele fan club you will enjoy this one. It's an easy and quick read that leaves you rooting for Alexa and happy with the outcome in her life. Still looking for the connection with the title since so much of it takes place "up north" but place just does matter.

Quick read ! Really enjoyed this story.

Love this novel. ..like all Danielle Steele 's books..

Gift for Mom, she loves it!

Everything I expected.....

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