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Ara has returned—and has left more than her homeland behind, as her journey brings her to sea along with Boro and his band of pirates. However, what new wonders—and dangers—await Ara on their next stop? And will she be able to survive the experience? The world of Jirni explodes into uncharted territory as Ara's epic story continues!

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# THE TENALI OCEAN.

**PULL!  
DAMN  
YOU!**

There's a difference between pirates and ordinary thieves.

Thieves believe the world is harsh and unforgiving, that it is bent on beating them, crushing them, devouring them. They steal because they think it's the only way to survive.

WE'LL BE AT THE BOTTOM OF THE OCEAN IF WE DON'T GET THE MAIN SAIL DOWN!

PIRATES KNOW BETTER. THEY UNDERSTAND THAT THE WORLD DOESN'T CARE ABOUT THEM. ANYMORE THAN THE WIND CARES ABOUT THE LEAVES IT BLOWS ALONG THE SKY.

They do what they do because they can.

IT'S NO USE!

TRY HARDER, LADS!

ME--I HAVE MY OWN COMPASS. MY OWN PATH.



THEN AGAIN,  
I'M NOT A PIRATE.  
I'M JUST HITCHING  
A RIDE.



I CAN'T HOLD IT FOREVER, MORTOG!

TIE IT DOWN!



ATTA GIRL, AKA!

LET'S SHOW THE GODS HOW WE DEFY THEIR STORMS.




PERHAPS INSTEAD, BORO, WE COULD HAVE SHOWN THEM OUR WITS BY STEERING CLEAR OF THIS STORM IN THE FIRST PLACE.

NONSENSE. WE'VE MADE IT THIS FAR. THE END IS NEAR.

THE END OF THE STORM, OR OF US?

HAVE FAITH IN YOUR CAPTAIN.





I CANNOT TELL IF BORO IS SMART OR MERELY LUCKY. ONE THING IS FOR CERTAIN--HE IS BRASH AND BOASTFUL.

BUT, HAVING BEEN STRANDED OUT AT SEA ON MY LITTLE SKIFF, I COULD HARDLY BE PICKY ABOUT MY RESCUERS.

WHEN THEY FOUND ME, MOST OF HIS CREW WANTED TO KILL ME--OR DO EVEN WORSE THINGS TO MY BODY.


YET, BORO SAW VALUE IN ME. ONCE I SLAYED THREE OF HIS MEN.

FOR SOMEONE WHO HATES THE WATER SO MUCH--




--YOU SURE SPEND A GREAT DEAL OF TIME LOOKING AT IT.

WHAT MAKES YOU THINK I HATE THE WATER?



PHYSICALLY, YOU ARE AN EXQUISITE SPECIMEN, BUT YOUR SEA LEGS LEAVE A LOT TO BE DESIRED.



AND THE WAY YOU GAZE TO THE HORIZON--NOT WITH A SENSE OF EXCITEMENT OR WONDER, BUT WITH LOSS AND LONGING, AS IF YOU CANNOT WAIT TO GET OFF THIS VESSEL.