



Natasha Romanoff is an ex-KGB assassin, an ex-agent of S.H.I.E.L.D., and a sometime Avenger. She has tried to use her unique skill set to atone for her past, but atonement is not erasure. Sooner or later, the past comes prowling back.

# BLACK WIDOW

A group of exquisitely trained girl assassins are loose, their targets determined by Recluse, daughter of the late Headmistress of the Dark Room – the new version of Russia's top-secret Red Room, where Black Widow learned to kill. Because Recluse, ever envious of Natasha, blames her for the Headmistress' death, Black Widow is certainly in danger—but she intends to seek out the Dark Room girls, save their targets...and their souls. Natasha would call S.H.I.E.L.D. to alert them and ask for help, but she's been blacklisted. Though the telepath who forced Widow to steal information is dead, there's no time to explain. There's no time at all...

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BUILT IN THE  
1960s--

--ORIGINALLY  
AN ABANDONED  
AMERICAN/RUSSIAN  
FACILITY--

--CODENAMED,  
OF ALL THINGS,  
"FRIENDSHIP"--

--TOTALLY  
UPDATED TO  
MEET S.H.I.E.L.D.'S  
NEEDS.

NORMALLY,  
OF COURSE,  
WE'D BUILD OUR  
OWN INSTALLATION  
FROM **SCRATCH**,  
BUT--

--AS  
YOU'VE

LOCALE--

"--ANTARCTICA  
COULDN'T BE MORE  
PERFECT."



CHILLY IN  
HERE. IT MUST  
BE DIFFICULT  
TO HEAT.

CONTROLLED  
NUCLEAR  
REACTOR.

DON'T  
WORRY! IT'S  
PERFECTLY  
SAFE!



I'M SORRY,  
I'M BABBLING.  
IT'S JUST THAT IT'S  
NOT OFTEN WE HOST  
AN INSPECTOR  
FROM THE MAIN  
OFFICE.

TRUTH TO  
TELL, IT'S  
RATHER DULL  
DOWN HERE.

THAT'S A  
GOOD THING,  
YES? DO YOU EVER  
THINK ABOUT HOW  
MUCH POWER  
THIS FACILITY  
HOLDS?



YOU'RE JOKING, RIGHT? SKELETON STAFF, BUT IT KEEPS US ALL UP AT NIGHT. WE'RE S.H.I.E.L.D.'S ULTIMATE FAIL-SAFE AGAINST BEING OVERRUN. THAT'S STRESSFUL--

--B-BUT STILL 100% FUNCTIONAL, AS I'M SURE YOUR REPORT WILL SHOW.

IF ORDERED, WITH THE TURN OF SOME KEYS, YOU HAVE THE CAPABILITY TO OBLITERATE S.H.I.E.L.D. INSTANTLY AND PERMANENTLY.



ALL DATA DESTROYED WORLDWIDE, ALL AGENTS LEFT IN THE COLD, ALL COMMUNICATION PIPELINES AND TRANSPORT SHUT DOWN.

IMAGINE THIS OUTPOST FALLING INTO THE WRONG HANDS.

# K-SPLANG

