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Von Peter David : Martyr: A Novel (Star Trek: The Next Generation) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Martyr: A Novel (Star Trek: The Next Generation):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen2 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Book 5 leads into book 6 from book 4, fantastic!Von Ein KundeAfter reading each book in the series, decided I really liked

the story and character development in this book. The characters have feeling, depth, and comedy tastefully entwined. When are the next books coming out? For a 51 year old grandmother this is an excellent series. If they don't take away from the characters, this would also make a fantastic tv series or a few good movies. The handling of the romance issues are wonderful; after all, let's get real, what mixed group of people would go gallivanting out in space for up to five years with no romance? None! This is really must read Star Trek for the fans. Star Trek Voyager and Deep Space Nine got so boring I couldn't stay with those series, but will stay with this series if it stays as hip as the first 6 books in the series. Publish more! The Plots and action are excellent, too!

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The big-wigs at "Star Trek: Voyager" should drop everything and hire Peter David now. David accomplished in five books of the "New Frontier" series what the "Voyager" staff is still trying to do: chronicle the adventures of a free-wheeling crew with an unconventional captain in a distant region of space, and do it with enough character depth and Trek flavor to make fans want to come back for more. "Martyr" displays the best and worst of Peter David, with the best coming out on top this time around. Yes, David lays the sex and innuendo way too thick for a single book, the idea of a sentient Mugato security guard grates on this Trek fan's nerves, and the plot itself is not exactly groundbreaking material. However, even with these drawbacks, the story can still succeed if the presentation is good enough. In this regard, David rarely disappoints. And he doesn't this time. With "Martyr", David manages to flesh out all his regular characters to some degree, especially the two characters I was most worried about. He finally made Burgoyne 172 more than a sex-craving curiosity, and Soleta got a chance to shine as well. And, like all the "New Frontier" books before, Captain Calhoun continues to stand out as a conflicted man who inspires both frustration and admiration--often at the same time. I find myself hanging on the Calhoun scenes just to see what the man does next. So, sex aside, the characters work. And the plot? Well, the plot fares less well, mostly because it is familiar ground, and the actions of the aliens involved are telegraphed well in advance. However, David makes the most out of it. He makes the character of Ramed just tortured enough hold one's attention, sets up the Redeemers as a possible recurring threat (possibly a quite interesting one), and leaves the fate of Zondar an open question. Plus, Peter David manages to infuse a Trekkian-style flavor in the ending. He is one of the few Trek novelists (perhaps the only one) who goes beyond the action and adventure and tries to convey a message with it, be it a character's self-discovery or the folly of a culture's short-sightedness. This is something that even the Trek television writers have pulling off nowadays. Is "Martyr" Peter David's best work? No. Is it still a good read? Definitely. Is it better than most of the other Trek novels being cranked out these days? Absolutely. There is just as much to like in "Martyr" as there is to dislike, but in my case the stuff I liked won out. Looking forward to "Fire On High"...

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Von Ein Kunde

The New Frontier Series is the first Star Trek books that I've ever read. Martyr (like the 4 books b4 it) is integrated with the next book Fire on High. The "weaknesses" of the book that others have mentioned in depth are developed later. So if you read one-read both. I'll call it a guilty pleasure. I'll put it down as "what I did on my summer vacation." This is not and should not be considered for a Pulitzer - and I must admit, I was a bit embarrassed to be seen reading it on the bus, and at lunch, but I enjoyed it! The protagonist and antagonists were true to their characters. The real antagonist was really the situation itself, and what kept me involved was seeing how these people got themselves out of it. In the process, we learn more about the people, as they learn about themselves. And really isn't that the nature of a good story anyway? IMHO, it is a good book, and I'd recommend it to a ST fan, but not to a ST fanatic. On this basis, I've borrowed a friend's copy of Q Squared - also by Peter David. I'm 1/3 into it and I can see that he is capable of much better - but taken together, Martyr Fire on High are a fun, humorous books - Great to keep you company on MUNI or at the beach.

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Synopsis The crew of the USS "Excalibur" continue their exploits in this fifth book of the series, with an adventure involving the Thallonian Empire.