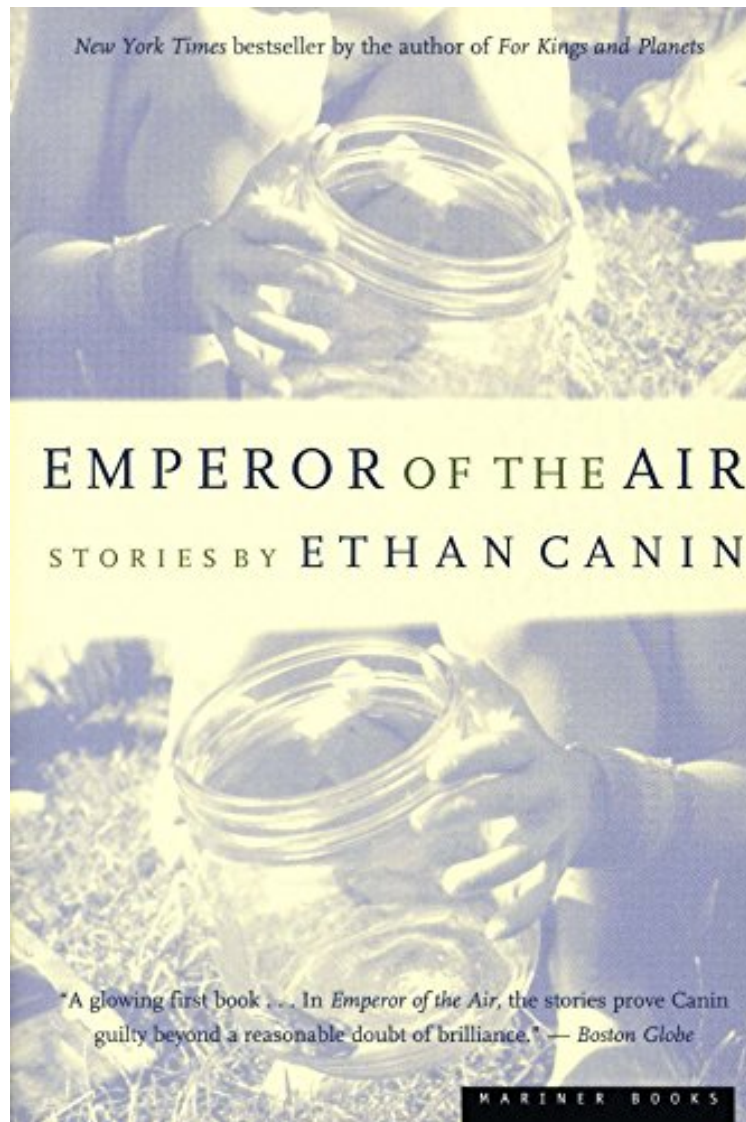


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Von Ethan Canin : Emperor of the Air before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Emperor of the Air:

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Beautiful, compelling writingVon chrisb@twbg.comI read this collection of stories by Ethan Canin 10 years ago, and continue to recommend it as an absolute must for anyone who enjoys fiction. The writing is straightforward and evocative, and the plots are about real experiences that it seems almost everyone, regardless of age, race or class, will find almost eerily familiar. I agree with the reviewer who loved "We Are Nighttime Travelers." I was 29 when I read

it, but my reaction was completely visceral. "Star Food" and "Where We Are Now" have the power to be classics as well. My former literature professors might send me out of class if they heard me say this, but I honestly feel these stories are very different from much of the "literary" fiction we read these days. Canin never writes over our heads. He never tells stories that appeal only to intellectual minds or to an inside group of reader/writers who have all spent time at the same fellowship programs and writers colonies. He respects his readers and has the courage to go straight for the heart. Every good story should be suspenseful, and Canin creates an irresistible sense of "what will happen now?" from the very first line. He gives us stories with beginnings, middles and ends that linger in the mind for years. Obviously, I just can't say enough. . .0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. I regret having loaned it out...Von Ein Kunde...because now I'll never see it again. Stated simply, this is a work of art. The stories are inspired, and the characters are handled with such compassion and subtle understanding that it is difficult to believe that this is Canin's first published work. I agree with the critics that it is also his best. Having read *_Of Kings and Planets_* recently, I feel that his artistic integrity may be suffering the pressure of compromise coming from his book deal, but it may also be that his subject matter is exhausted. I thought that *_Blue River_* was all right, though it was certainly outshined by this gem. I agree with the other reviewers that "We are Nighttime Travellers" and "Star Food" are the kind of stories that stop time dead in its tracks. If he never writes a good book again, Canin should still be regarded as an exceptional success.0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Wonderful StorytellerVon Ein KundeIn hindsight and looking back to when this book first arrived on the literary scene, clearly Canin's book was one of those works most seminal in bringing story telling back to American fiction. Canin was one of those first shots across the bow proclaiming that short fiction did not have to be cryptic and dense; that you could be affectionate towards your characters even when they were strange, and that, yes, stories could have a plot. The medical world lost a doctor, but American literature gained a much needed shot in the arm.

KurzbeschreibungEMPEROR OF THE AIR "explores tricky family relationships and tender moments of self-discovery with a voice of compassion rarely found in contemporary short fiction" (San Francisco Chronicle). Whether his characters are struggling to save trees in their yards, their marriages, or themselves, Cannin renders their moments of revelation with rich observation, energy, humor, and grace.