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Von Ann Cleeves

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Von Ann Cleeves : Raven Black (Shetland) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Raven Black (Shetland):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A thrilling insight into life on ShetlandVon Miriam MalerThose who love the northern parts of the UK and are interested in learning more about life and the people in those areas will find this first volume of the Shetland series by Ann Cleeves very appealing. Apart from this, the novel is a thrilling crime story, also made into a major TV series recently.

A good read!0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Raven BlackVon Colin McDougallA great detective thriller about a murder on the Shetland islands. Cleeves' main character - Jimmy Perez - is destined to become as well-known and well-loved as Ian Rankin's John Rebus.3 von 3 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Eine nette Story, aber kein ThrillerVon B. PeterDieses Buch von Ann Cleeves ist eine leichte Unterhaltung mit netten und interessanten Charakteren. Auch die Schreibweise berzeugt und die Erzählung aus der Sicht der jeweils wichtigen Personen gibt interessante Einsichten und Gefühlswelten preis. Dafür die zwei Sterne.Da das Buch aber als Thriller beworben wurde, hier die Definition aus Wikipedia: "Charakteristisch für Thriller ist das Erzeugen eines Thrills, einer Spannung, die nicht nur in kurzen Passagen, sondern während des gesamten Handlungsverlaufs präsent ist, ein beständiges Spiel zwischen Anspannung und Erleichterung". Und genau diese Definition von Thriller ist der Grund, warum das Buch nur zwei Sterne bekommt. Es gibt keinen Spannungsbogen der zum Weiterlesen motiviert, es gibt nicht einmal kurze, spannende Phasen - nicht einmal beim (wenn man es überhaupt so nennen mag) Finale ist das Buch auch nur ansatzweise spannend.Fazit: nette Lektüre, aber bitte nicht auf einen Thriller hoffen!

KurzbeschreibungRaven Black is the first book in Ann Cleeves' Shetland series - filmed as the major BBC1 drama starring Douglas Henshall, Shetland.It is a cold January morning and Shetland lies buried beneath a deep layer of snow. Trudging home, Fran Hunter's eye is drawn to a vivid splash of colour on the white ground, ravens circling above. It is the strangled body of her teenage neighbour Catherine Ross. As Fran opens her mouth to scream, the ravens continue their deadly dance . . .The locals on the quiet island stubbornly focus their gaze on one man - loner and simpleton Magnus Tait. But when police insist on opening out the investigation a veil of suspicion and fear is thrown over the entire community. For the first time in years, Catherine's neighbours nervously lock their doors, whilst a killer lives on in their midst.Also available in the Shetland series are White Nights, Red Bones, Blue Lightning, Dead Water and Thin Air.From Publishers WeeklyStarred . Set in the remote Scottish Shetland Islands, Cleeves's taut, atmospheric thriller, the first in a new series, will keep readers guessing until the last page. Det. Insp. Jimmy Perez investigates the murder of teenage Catherine Ross, found strangled on a snowy hillside shortly after New Year's. While the police and citizens alike are quick to lay the blame on local eccentric Magnus Tait, who was not only the last person to see Catherine alive but also the prime suspect in the disappearance eight years earlier of another girl, Perez has his doubts. He's soon drawn into an intricate web of lies as he unearths the long-buried secrets of everyone from a roguish playboy to Catherine's only school friend. Cleeves, winner of the CWA's Duncan Lawrie Dagger Award (formerly the Gold Dagger), masterfully paints Perez as an empathetic hero and sprinkles the story with a lively cast of supporting characters who help bring the Shetlands alive. When the shocking identity of the murderer is revealed, readers will be as chilled as the harsh winds that batter the isolated islands. Copyright Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.From BooklistOn the remote island of Shetland, teacher Fran Hunter is walking home when she spots a splash of red in the deep, white snowdrifts, with black ravens flying above. What a perfect picture it makes, she thinks. But on closer inspection, she finds that the "perfect picture" is the dead body of local teenager Catherine Ross, whose red scarf has been used to strangle her. Suspicion immediately falls on recluse Magnus Tait, who was accused--but never convicted--of kidnapping another girl eight years earlier. Policeman Jimmy Perez, assigned to the case, isn't convinced of Magnus' guilt. As he investigates, he uncovers a web of sinister secrets, strange superstitions, petty rivalries, thwarted love, and illicit affairs--the dark underbelly of Shetland's tight-knit community. Cleeves offers up a dark, brutal, suspenseful page-turner that will keep even seasoned mystery buffs guessing right up to the end. Emily MeltonCopyright American Library Association. All rights reserved