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Von Patricia Briggs : Raven's Shadow before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Raven's Shadow:

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen7 von 7 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Nette High Fantasy: 3,5 SterneVon hwmPatricia Briggs geht zu meinen Lieblingsautorinnen. Sie hat einen prgnanten Stil,

mit dem sie in kurzer Seitenzahl erstaunlich intensive Handlungen und Charaktere entstehen lässt und dabei weder auf Humor, noch auf Spannung vergisst. Die Dilogie RAVEN'S SHADOW und RAVEN'S STRIKE (ursprünglich als Trilogie geplant) ist eher untypisch für Briggs. Sie ist nett zu lesen, gleicht aber zu sehr gängiger Fantasyware um zu beeindrucken. Außerdem sind beide Bücher um durchschnittlich 100 Seiten länger, womit Briggs Erzählweise merklich mehr hat. Was in 250 Seiten komplex wirkt, ist auf 350 Seiten verteilt etwas dünn und naiv. Manche Szenen wirken behäbisch (z.B. wie Tier das Kommando über die Passerines übernimmt und sogar der König ihm die Führung überlässt oder Tiers Rettung aus den Kellern der Raptors) und Erklärungen sind oft schwammig (Briggs rettet sich in die Unwissenheit der Charaktere, die im zweiten Band gemindert wird). Die sympathischen Charaktere, eine weitere Stärke von Briggs, machen das Buch dennoch lesenswert. Wer also nette und nicht anstrengende High Fantasy sucht, dürfte mit dieser Dilogie zufrieden sein. Früher war Tier Soldat, nun bewirtschaftet er mit seiner Frau Seraph und seinen 3 Kindern einen Bauernhof nah dem Schattengebirge. Er ist glücklich, auch wenn sein Heimatdorf seine energiegeliche Traveler-Frau noch immer nicht voll akzeptiert hat und das Geld manchmal knapp ist. (Traveler sind zigeunerähnliche Nomaden mit magischen Gaben) Als Seraph die Nachricht von Tiers Tod erhält, kann sie nicht daran glauben und macht sich auf die Suche nach dem Leichnam. Sie findet heraus, dass Tier noch am Leben ist und entführt wurde. Die Spur führt zu einer Verschwörung von Solsenti-Zauberern, die die Traveler ausrotten und ihre Magie stehlen wollen und von mächtigen Adligen unterstützt werden. Um Tier zu retten müssen Seraph und ihre Kinder bis in den Palast des Königs vordringen, wo sie Unterstützung von unerwarteter Seite erhalten ...

26 von 32 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Please more! Von Ein Kunde After "Dragon Bones" and "Dragon Blood" this is the third book by Patricia Briggs I've read and confirmed me as an enthusiastic fan. The main strength of Ms. Briggs is in her characters. All of them become alive within the first pages. Here, the hero is a courageous baker's son-turned soldier Tier on his way back home. He rescues the Traveler witch Seraph from some fanatic villagers. So far, nothing unexpected save the lack of over-dramatisation or cliché. It gets even more "real" with the introduction of Tiers family and their very convincing interaction. In the second part of the novel (which is thankfully slightly longer than her previous ones, without on the other hand succumbing to epic proportions) the plot thickens. A spoiled emperor, for their magic persecuted Travelers and an evil sect complete the scenario. What makes this book worth reading is the very convincing motivation of the characters. The action doesn't just happen to the protagonist, they are the driving force. The different strands of the story line separate and combine smoothly, so that the reader will be kept in suspense. Normally I feel quite ambiguously towards the tradition of trilogies within the fantastic genre but I can't wait to read more by this author. All of her protagonist I've come to like so much I would like to read more about them. That's why I consider the open possibilities at the end of "Raven's Shadow" rather more promising than I would with another author trying to hook me unwillingly into another endless-sequels-story.

0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. High Fantasy At It's Best Von Peter Taucher Another excellent book from Patricia Briggs. Raven's Shadow is about magic. In a world full of natural and learned magic our anti-hero Tier is on his way home from war to resume his work in the family bakery. Under unusual circumstances the retired soldier meets a young traveller mage who he falls in love with, becomes farmer, father, prisoner of dark powers, leader and advisor of emperors in only a few hundred pages. The story might start a bit slow but the steady pace gives you opportunity to accompany the development of the characters and their motives. You get caught up in emotions that can be heart wrenching at times. As always in high fantasy humanity is protected against destruction from the dark shadows yet again ... but in a really charming way. I think it's the best book I've read so far from Patricia Briggs (her werewolf novels are very good on their own, but this one's clearly better).

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Pressestimmen Ravens Shadow is an excellent book The characters have a real interior life, with thoughts and second thoughts and feelings and the interaction between them is very good.
SF Revu Patricia Briggs is a talented storyteller who enchants her audience with a spellbinding tale. Ravens Shadow is going on this reviewer's keeper shelf.
Midwest Book Ravens Shadow is an exciting and touching tale. It's self-contained enough to give the reader a satisfying sense of completion by the end, while leaving room for a sequel that will be highly anticipated.
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