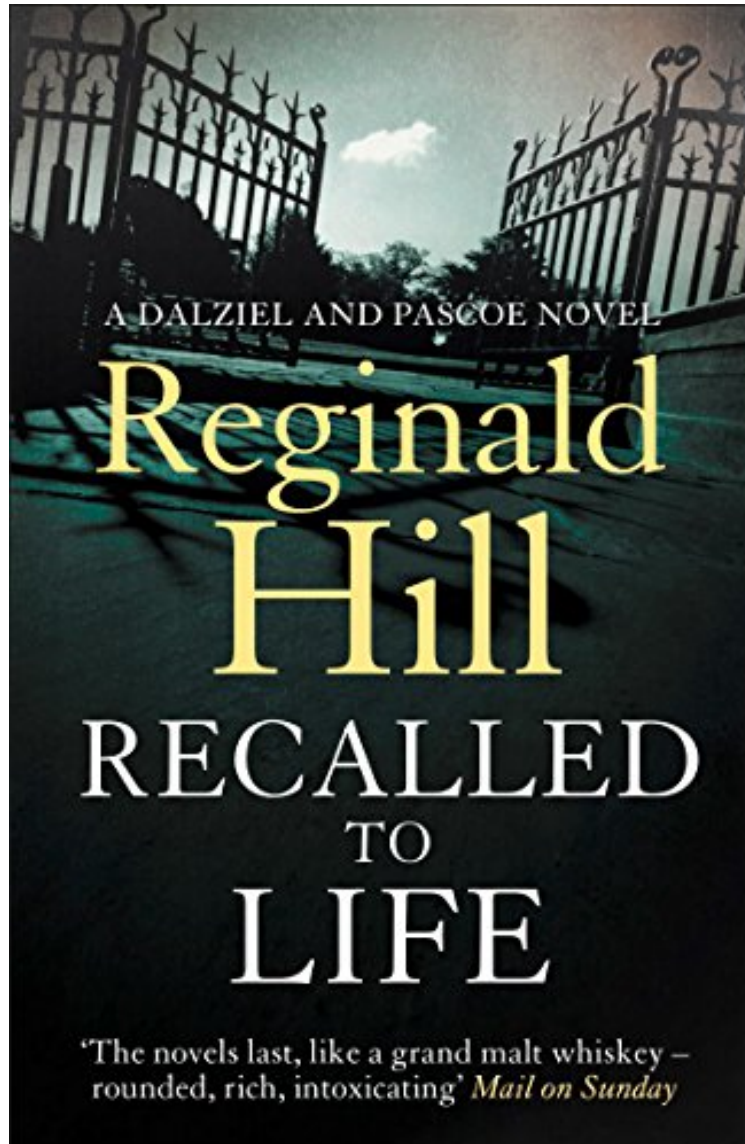


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Von Reginald Hill

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Von Reginald Hill : Recalled to Life (Dalziel Pascoe, Book 12) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Recalled to Life (Dalziel Pascoe, Book 12):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen2 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Sexual intercourse began in 1963 (and very British scandals)Von Ein KundeFor some reason 1963 is a landmark year in British culture. Kim Philby defected. The Profumo affair (prostitutes and politicians - a potent mix) broke. And, as Philip Larkin had it "Sexual intercourse began in nineteen sixty three between the end of the Chatterley ban and the

Beatles first LP". The era is revisited in a number of novels, including John Lawton's *A Little White Death*. Recalled to Life is Reginald Hill's take on the era. Hill is one of the finest contemporary genre writers. His Dalziel and Pascoe series is a long running police procedural series that rarely flags, due not only to the strength of the central characters (well drawn, and believably human, they are the bull like Superintendent Andy Dalziel, and sensitive graduate Inspector Peter Pascoe), but also the variety and deft characterisation of the peripheral characters (be they regulars like Sergeant Edgar Wield (a gay police officer), or Pascoe's wife Ellie a former sociology lecturer). Sometimes, though, all does not work as it should. In my view this is one such novel. The novel begins with the release of Cissy Kohler from prison. She had been convicted of a country house murder in 1963, where in attendance were a prominent politician, an industrialist, a distant royal relative, and an American "diplomat" (together with assorted spouses, nannies and children). Dalziel was involved in the original investigation, and becomes involved in reassessing the investigation. His investigations take him to the United States, where his Yorkshire based brand of zero tolerance sees him featured on the front of a newspaper as "Crocodile Dalziel". The story comes together with involvement of the media, the secret service (from the UK and the USA), police corruption investigation, high politics, low deceit. Hill handles the plot in an exemplary fashion, drawing together the strands, and running a number of storylines/strands of investigation simultaneously. So far, so police procedural. As ever the peripheral characters are delightfully drawn, from the ageing Scottish nanny, Miss Marsh, to the money grabbing former prison officer, encountered by Peter Pascoe, to Lord Partridge, a former cabinet minister, forced to resign in the aftermath of the Profumo affair. So why the moderate ranking? If 3.5 stars were available I would have awarded that. But, there seems to be something missing in this book. The Dalziel and Pascoe series works at its best on home ground, drawing strength from the Yorkshire geography and culture (witness *On Beulah Height* and *Bones and Silence*). However, here by removing Dalziel from home base we are left with a number of forced situations of an Englishman abroad. There is also an unlikely love (lust?) interest that stretches the bounds of credibility. This is a very enjoyable mystery novel. It has the usual Hill virtues (plotting, characterisation, and a twisted sense of humour), and manages to say a lot about English society. However, for me, the spark is missing. If you enjoyed this novel try the Lawton book or either of the Dalziel and Pascoe books mentioned earlier. 1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. My favorite of the Dalziel-Pascoe series Von Ein Kunde I love Reginald Hill's work and I think this is the best of the Dalziel-Pascoe series. The story centers around a woman convicted of the murder of her employer many years before, a murder for which her "accomplice" hung. The levels of mystery and the relationship of Dalziel to the murder kept me very interested, and Hill's humor comes through the sad and sordid plots and subplots.

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