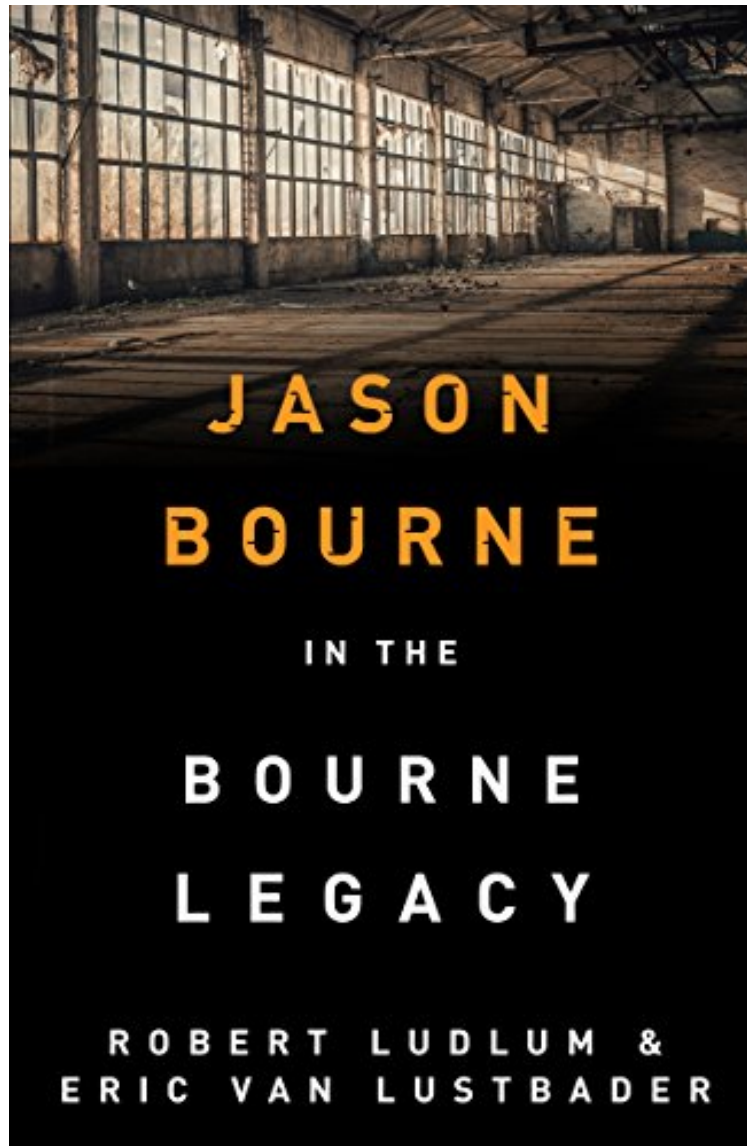


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**Von Eric Van Lustbader, Robert Ludlum : Robert Ludlum's The Bourne Legacy: The Bourne Saga: Book Four (Jason Bourne)** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Robert Ludlum's The Bourne Legacy: The Bourne Saga: Book Four (Jason Bourne):

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Jason Bourne Is Born Von Donald Mitchell If you expect a classic Robert Ludlum Jason Bourne book or a classic Eric Van Lustbader ninja delight, you will be very disappointed with this book. The Bourne Legacy doesn't fit well into either camp. If you are willing to forget that you have ever read about Jason Bourne or anything else by Eric Van Lustbader, you will probably find this to be a relatively pleasing page-turner of an action novel. The book shifts in a number of ways from the prior ones. First, this Jason Bourne is always reacting . . . and a little too late. Second, he's vulnerable both physically and emotionally. Third, he unrealistically recovers from serious injury time and time again to take even more abuse. He's sort of like a silly putty man in that sense. You toss him away and he bounces back quickly. Fourth, his long-time co-characters all but disappear. Fifth, an important new character is introduced, Khan, whom you will probably either like a lot or hate a lot. I leave it to you to decide. Clearly, this book looks like it is intended to launch a whole series of novels based on the events in it. If you think you might like to see an action hero develop in a different way, give the book a try. If you want more of what you've had in the past, avoid this book. Good hunting!

Kurzbeschreibung Jason Bourne is back in the forthcoming major motion picture starring Matt Damon and Alicia Vikander. Go back to where it all began for Bourne in his original adventures. 'Watch your back 007 - Bourne is out to get you' - Sunday Times Jason Bourne has gradually come to realise who and what he really is - a strange amalgam of a man named David Webb, and a deadly killer. Now David Webb is living a peaceful life as a university professor in the backwoods of America with his wife and children. But someone is reaching out to take him out of the game for ever. A deadly assassin is on his trail and his former handler has been brutally murdered already. It seems that David Webb must once again turn to Bourne to save his life and family. From Publishers Weekly Veteran thriller maestro Lustbader (Black Heart, etc.) seizes the reins of Robert Ludlum's bestselling Jason Bourne series, proving that even Ludlum's death can't stop the ex-CIA operative. David Webb, a mild-mannered Georgetown professor, harbors his old Bourne identity deep within his psyche except in moments of danger. A mysterious assassin, Khan, has targeted Webb. Seeking counsel from his old CIA handler, Alex Conklin, Webb arrives at Conklin's home to find him, along with Webb's psychiatrist and friend, Mo Panov, murdered. Unsurprisingly, it's a setup, and Webb is declared a rogue agent and the prime suspect. His only clue to the real killer is a pad of paper with a faint impression of the notation "NX 20." Meanwhile, in Reykjavik, preparations are underway for the upcoming summit on worldwide terrorism. Even the dimmest thriller reader will immediately intuit that Bourne, pursued by the world's leading intelligence agencies, will end up in Iceland confronting some evildoer out to wreak havoc on the international terror conference. And thus it comes to pass. Lustbader has wisely eschewed mimicking Ludlum's signature style short punchy paragraphs with lots of exclamation points. His own prose, often cliché-ridden ("Khan felt as if his brain was about to explode. He was shaken to his very foundation"), is perfectly serviceable, effectively conveying the myriad cinematic hairsbreadth escapes, crosses, double crosses, explosions, furious fistfights and careening plot twists. It's a hearty serving of meat and potatoes action adventure, just the sort of fare that both Ludlum's and Lustbader's fans relish. Copyright Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. From Booklist Three of Robert Ludlum's novels featured the fictional character Jason Bourne. Now comes a Bourne novel not by Ludlum but by Van Lustbader, the author of 20 novels that had nothing to do with Bourne. The publisher assures readers that the individuals who control Ludlum's estate have given their permission to create this new novel. Here and now, Bourne, described as "an international assassin of deadly repute," has retired from the CIA and is a professor of linguistics at Georgetown University. He has been framed for the murder of two associates and becomes the target of an assassin. The novel begins in Chechnya and continues in such diverse places as Nairobi, Crete, Washington, D.C., and Budapest. The many-paged narrative provides ample room for lots of action, including a body found in a refrigerator, "shared joy" between lovers, fistfights, gun battles, torture, and deceit. The Bourne Legacy reads much like Ludlum, which, of course, is exactly the point. George Cohen Copyright American Library Association. All rights reserved