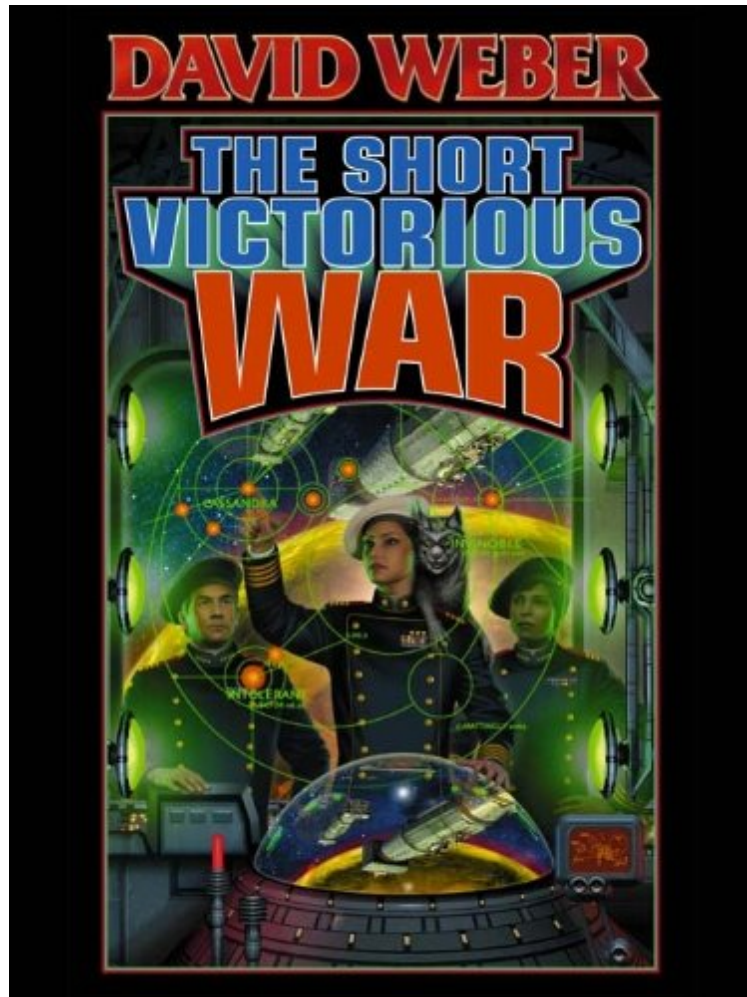


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Von David Weber : The Short Victorious War (Honor Harrington Book 3) (English Edition) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Short Victorious War (Honor Harrington Book 3) (English Edition):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen1 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Great universe, not-so-great execution and character(s)Von NikolausiusIn my opinion, the author created a smart but also fun-to-read universe. You get the sense that Weber understands how history and various political mechanisms work and the military in the books is also written in a believable sort of way.Now, there are some problems I have. Some of which concern this particular book and others the entire series (as far as I have read). I will try not to include any spoilers plot-wise. Note that I have not yet finished this book, there are still about 100 pages to go.a) The protagonists

are on the wrong side: Manticore is a kingdom based on England in the 19th and early 20th century that works pretty well. The biggest challenge it encounters is the People's Republic of Haven that basically tries to conquer it. Apart from that the administration and military seem efficient and competent and even if one admiral dislikes the other you get the impression that overall the system works. No one is purely incompetent to date, except those that have been branded as villains from the getgo. The PRH has many more problems. As stated by reviewers before, it resembles the Soviet Union on the eve of 1989. It seems to be much more challenged than the Kingdom (political in-fighting way more intense than in Manticore). They find themselves in a predicament between a war with an enemy outnumbered who outclasses them and the implosion of their entire empire due to domestic issues. Manticore might pose the "friendlier" good-guys, since they are a constitutional monarchy etc., but exploring the obstacles of a near-collapsing totalitarian empire seems rather exciting to me.) You know how it's gonna end. No, this is NO spoiler. I haven't finished the book but I will in the next couple of days. If I'm wrong this section will be deleted. But I highly doubt I'm wrong. Certain things tell you that the PRH will lose the short "victorious" (for Manticore) war. 1) The blurb gives away a lot. "...give them [the PRH] a war that is anything from short...and anything but victorious." 2) The teaser, or whatever it's called on the very first page describes the PRH-fleet being ambushed. It is very heavily hinted that the particular fleet is in the process of being destroyed. Take these points and some from a) and you will find the PRH anything but menacing.c) Honor Harrington. I don't like this character. That's just my opinion, but even someone who genuinely likes her might be annoyed by the frequent praises articulated by her superiors and subordinates. She seems perfect and invincible. That (again) takes away a lot of suspense when it comes to military engagements (she will win, no matter how outnumbered or outgunned she is, again, no spoiler i do not KNOW the outcome) and when it comes to personal issues her flaws are being turned into virtues by others. I must confess I skipped the pages where she trash talked with her (female) XO about her psyche or similar scenes. All those points form up to one annoying conclusion. No suspense. The protagonist (HH+the kingdom) are too good (minus the two "villains") morally and in terms of policy and military to fail. At least the PRH doesn't consist of generic evildoers. Their motivations and challenges are explained and described and I found those to be the most exciting parts of the book. Lastly some examples of other Sci-Fi classics to explain my point.-In the original SW-trilogy you had a bunch of ragtag Rebels being hunted by a menacing (!) Empire, that was able to hurt them (Episode V).-In Firefly this is also the case. If you knew the Alliance was nearly collapsing, you hadn't as much fun. Generally you are rooting for those who find themselves challenged the most either politically or militarily. A third option is ethically if the protagonists are superior in the other two areas. I appreciate Weber letting us look into the PRH, it takes away lots of good vs evil-conflict. But this erodes the foundation of tension.1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. The Course of War can be unpredictable... Von SRWillard@juno.com I just finished "A Short, Victorious War", the 3rd book in the series (the first two being "On Basilisk Station" and "Honor of the Queen"). All were excellent, and near the top of the line for a sci-fi series. By contrast, I might compare it to the "Star Trek" series as I would compare a filet mignon to a hamburger. Don't get me wrong; I enjoy Star Trek very much, but I feel that, if space travel to this degree was a reality, the Honor Harrington series does a much better job of reflecting that reality. That said, I have to suggest that a couple of additions to these books would enhance my enjoyment: A cast list of the major characters, with a few words about each, and a glossary of abbreviations/explanations (e.g. RMN-Royal Manticoran Navy). More than once, I found myself forgetting someone's earlier connection, and who can remember all the acronyms floating around in outer space? Nevertheless, I find myself anticipating the subsequent books in the series. I do recommend to anyone reading this: Do plan on reading these books in sequence, since there are so many recurring characters, and references to events in the earlier books abound.1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Krieg und Revolution... Von NMK Die Republik Haven braucht neue Planeten um die steigenden sozialen Kosten ihres Herrschaftsbereichs zu decken. Dafür entwickelt die Navy von Haven einen waghalsigen Plan um gegen Manticore loszuschlagen. Gleichzeitig rumort es in der Republik. Revolutionäre Kräfte bereiten den Umsturz der Regierungsklasse vor. In all das wird Honor Harrington wieder hineingezogen. Diesmal als Kommandantin der HMS Nike, eines berühmten Schiffes der RMN, und als Kommandantin eines Geschwaders. Wieder nimmt Weber als Hintergrund ein Geschehnis unserer Geschichte. Es kristallisiert sich klar heraus das Manticore für die USA bzw. die Westmächte steht und Haven für den Ostblock. Auch diesmal versteht es der Autor den Leser in seinen Bann zu ziehen. Mehr als in den beiden Vorgängerromanen On Basilisk Station (Honor Harrington) Honor of the Queen (Honor Harrington) wechselt er die räumlichkeiten und beschreibt Geschehnisse, die Lichtjahre entfernt liegen. Dies macht einen Großteil der Spannung des Buches aus. Der Leser bekommt einen Einblick in die politischen Geschehnisse der Republik von Haven. Weitaus besser und detaillierter als in den Vorgängerromanen. Fazit: Weber macht mit der gleichen Qualität weiter. Auch dieser Roman ist spannend von der ersten bis zur letzten Seite. Absolut empfehlenswert, wenn einem die beiden Vorgänger gefallen haben. Der Nachfolger ist Field of Dishonor (Honor Harrington).

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trouble. The treasury's empty, the Proles are restless, and civil war is imminent. But the ruling class knows what they need to keep in power: a "short victorious war" to unite the people and fill the treasury once more. It's a card they've played often in the last half-century, always successfully, and all that stands in their way is the Star Kingdom of Manticore and its threadbare allies: enemies in the past who have always backed down. Only this time the Peeps face something different. This time they're up against Captain Honor Harrington and a Royal Manticoran Navy that's prepared to give them a war that's far from short or victorious. At the publisher's request, this title is sold without DRM (DRM Rights Management).

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