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Von David Weber, Timothy Zahn : A Call to Duty (Manticore Ascendant series Book 1) (English Edition) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised A Call to Duty (Manticore Ascendant series Book 1) (English Edition):

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Interessante neue Serie Von Scimitar Als Weber-Fan musste diese neue Serie natrlich sofort angefangen werden. Die Geschichte spielt einige hundert Jahre vor den Honor-Harrington-Bnden. Das Knigreich ist noch frisch, die Machtverteilung noch variabel und politische Rnke gibt es auch schon. In dieser Situation meldet sich ein junger Mann zur Royal Manticoran Navy, um Ordnung in sein Leben zu bekommen. Wie er schnell feststellen muss ist die RMN zu dieser Zeit unterbesetzt, unterfinanziert und von Patronage durchsetzt. Trotzdem erlebt er in seiner Dienstzeit eine Reihe von Abenteuern und kann zeigen, wie viele Ideen er hat. Auch wenn sich dies zunchst kaum auf seine Karriere auswirkt. Ich habe den Band sehr gern gelesen, aber auch eine Reihe von Schwchen festgestellt. Weber und Zahn haben sich nach eigener Aussage von "BuNine", einer intensiven Fangruppe helfen lassen, den Band zu schreiben und dabei mehr Technik als sonst einflieen lassen. Auerdem ist die Schilderung der Ausbildung mit Bootcamp und Co ziemlich ausfhrlich. Trotz aller Spannung zeigt der Band deshalb aus meiner Sicht eher Schwchen, die Technik ist gerade wegen der genaueren Darstellung in meinen Augen nicht immer plausibel und es flt den Autoren etwas schwer, die Balance zwischen Intrigen, persnlichem Coming-of-Age, Weltraumabenteuer und Technik-Gebabbel zu finden. Insgesamt haben die Ideen ein hohes Potential, wenn es besser gelingt, sie gegeneinander abzuwgen. Deshalb von mir vier Sterne und immer noch eine Kaufempfehlung. 2 von 3 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Good "Prequel" Von Komiker I really had a good time reading this book. Of course, being a Long time fan of both Timothy Zahn and David Weber gave me a positive bias towards the book. A Call to Duty is good in the sense that it manages to do very well what Weber alone in his series does awesomely: blending the personal destinies of some characters in defining historical moments of political relevance. In this instance, the Story of the two half-Brothers, one a noble of Manticore, focused on solving intern Problems of the Realm and the other a teen-ager finding his true calling in the navy gives us the possibility to see two sides of the Problems of Manticore a short time after the plague and not even a hundred years after it became a monarchy. There is no Manticoran Junction, Manticore is at the end of nowhere, the neighborhood Looks peaceful but nobody knows for sure. The only shining beacon of peace and civilization in the area is not (yet) Manticore but the Republic of Haven, a really nice touch which fits with the backstory of the original series, which claimed that Haven was a beacon of civilization for a Long time and ought to have kept being so, if the Sabotage of the MAlign hadn't brought the Legislaturists to power. Albeit all personal issues about the protagonists are solved in the book, on a strategic level it ends on a cliffhanger (well, actually two), I can't wait on part two to see how it evolves. On a side note, the main Protagonist, Travis Uriah Long was also the main Protagonist of a short Story in the latest Honoverse anthology (Beginnings), Story Happening later in the time line, hence... it is not a Spoiler to explain that he survived. :) 0 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Plugging a hole Von Stoller Beat This cycle in cooperation with Timothy Zahn, another of my favorite authors, is finally plugging a gaping hole in the Honorverse series. Hopefully David Weber et al can be convinced to plug some more, like e.g. the Diaspora?

Kurzbeschreibung Growing up, Travis Uriah Long yearned for order and discipline in his life . . . the two things his neglectful mother couldnt or wouldnt provide. So when Travis enlisted in the Royal Manticoran Navy, he thought hed finally found the structure hed always wanted so desperately. But life in the RMN isnt exactly what he expected. Boot camp is rough and frustrating; his first ship assignment lax and disorderly; and with the Star Kingdom of Manticore still recovering from a devastating plague, the Navy is possibly on the edge of budgetary extinction. The Star Kingdom is a minor nation among the worlds of the Diaspora, its closest neighbors weeks or months away, with little in the way of resources. With only modest interstellar trade, no foreign contacts to speak of, a plague-ravaged economy to rebuild, and no enemies looming at the hyper limit, there are factions in Parliament who want nothing more than to scrap the Navy and shift its resources and manpower elsewhere. But those factions are mistaken. The universe is not a safe place. Travis Long is about to find that out. At the publisher's request, this title is sold without DRM (Digital Rights Management). About A Call to Duty: "A new series set in the universe of Webers popular heroine Honor Harrington gets off to a solid start. . . . Cowriters Zahn and Weber do an excellent job alluding to events known to longtime fans. . . . [T]his astronomical adventure is filled with . . . intrigue and political drama." Publishers Weekly About the Honor Harrington series: Weber combines realistic, engaging characters with intelligent technological projection and a deep understanding of military bureaucracy in this long-awaited Honor Harrington novel Fans of this venerable space opera will rejoice to see Honor back in action. Publishers Weekly . . . everything you could want in a heroine . Excellent plenty of action. Science Fiction Age Brilliant! Brilliant! Brilliant! Anne McCaffrey Compelling combat combined with engaging characters for a great space opera adventure. Locus Weber combines realistic, engaging characters with intelligent technological projection . . . Fans of this venerable space opera will rejoice . . . Publishers Weekly About Timothy Zahn: Zahn keeps the story moving at a breakneck pace, maintaining excitement. Publishers Weekly "[Y]ou can count on Timothy Zahn for three things: clean, sparse prose; good pacing; and great action scenes. The first book in the Cobra War series hits all those marks in admirable style and makes for a quick, entertaining sci-fi novel." Blogcritics [Conquerors Heritage] is another finely wrought space adventure . . .

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His planetary adventure novels with military science fiction ace and multiple national best-selling author John Ringo includes the March to the Stars and We Few. Finally, Webers teaming with Linda Evans and Joelle Presby produced the Multiverse series, including latest entry, The Road to Hell. David Weber makes his home in South Carolina with his wife and children. Timothy Zahn is a Hugo award winner, and author of the #1 New York Times bestseller Heir to the Empire. Born in Chicago, Zahn earned a B.S. in physics from Michigan State University and an M.S. in physics from the University of Illinois. He sold his first story to Analog magazine in 1978, and immediately attracted attention as a new writer of science fiction based on real, cutting-edge science. Other Zahn creations include the Conqueror and Dragonback series. His books for

Baen include his popular Blackcollar and Cobra SF adventure series, with latest entry Cobra Outlaw, and now the Manticore Ascendant series, cowritten with David Weber. The Timothy Zahn author page on Facebook has received over 50,000 likes and can be visited at <http://www.facebook.com/TimothyZahn>.