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Von Joe R. Lansdale

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Von Joe R. Lansdale : Act of Love (English Edition) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Act of Love (English Edition):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Gritty, gory, grippingVon mellion108Turn on a light and check all your locks. You'll need that sense of security while reading this novel. We're so numb to serial killer fiction at this point that it's difficult to remember a time when this genre was relatively unknown. ACT is one of the first, and Lansdale adds his incredible touch to make it a unique and chilling

novel of a horrific killer and the men trying to catch him. Lansdale doesn't ease into this subject: the first few pages describe a grotesque murder, the first of the "Houston Hacker", a self-proclaimed hunter of women. Enter Marvin Hanson and Joe Clark as the cops assigned to solve the series of grisly murders. Hanson is a unique character for horror fiction: he's a black cop in the South. He's disgusted by the murders and takes on a personal vendetta against the Hacker. Lansdale leads the reader on to various possibilities as to the identity of the killer without totally giving away anything until near the end. Do not doubt: this novel is not for the squeamish. Lansdale never pulls any punches in his novels; these murders are grotesque. The novel is packed with scenes depicting racial and gender hatred so prevalent in society; there are loads of racial slurs between some of the characters. If you can read this without cringing, check your pulse. Lansdale is always worth the read. He's a master storyteller. This edition is especially worth it for the intro written by Andrew Vachss as well as the afterword written by Lansdale himself; he explains how the novel came into being, and it's an interesting saga.

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Von J. Bilby I read this book after finishing Mucho Mojo and what a difference, but Joe Lansdale is soooooo talented in anything he sets his mind to, I just went with the book and I have read many books over the past several years like this, but to have come out in the very early 80's it was groundbreaking for this style and I would recommend it just because Joe gives it a whole different feel than your typical serial killer novel.

0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Great!

Von M. Midlock I recently discovered the great talent of J. Lansdale and I'm thunderstruck! Lansdale has an unbelievable way with words. This book is a simple serial-killer novel, but Lansdale's magical touch makes it so much more than that. Recommended.

Kurzbeschreibung Homicides in Houston's Fifth Ward tend to be fairly mundane: domestic violence, gang-related shootings, that sort of thing. None of it forgivable, but all of it understandable. Crimes of passion, crimes of pride, crimes of poor impulse control. But suddenly there's something new in the Ward at night... a sickness with human form. Someone who dissects and eviscerates and takes trophies. Someone with wet, unknowable urges to satisfy. Someone who leaves mocking notes, taunting the police for their powerlessness. Detectives Hanson and Clark are on the case, but leads are thin on the ground. It's almost as if the killer's among them, listening, anticipating, concealing... and increasingly, terrifyingly, he's making it personal.

de Before Clive Barker or splatterpunk, Lansdale wrote this pioneering serial killer novel, set in Houston. "The closest thing to what I wanted to do at that time was the work of Sam Peckinpah," Lansdale says. "I wanted to make violence nasty, I wanted to make it bother you, but I wanted to make the story compelling. The thing that made me write Act of Love was anger. I was angry that so much attention was directed to psychopaths and murderers and very little attention given to their victims."

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