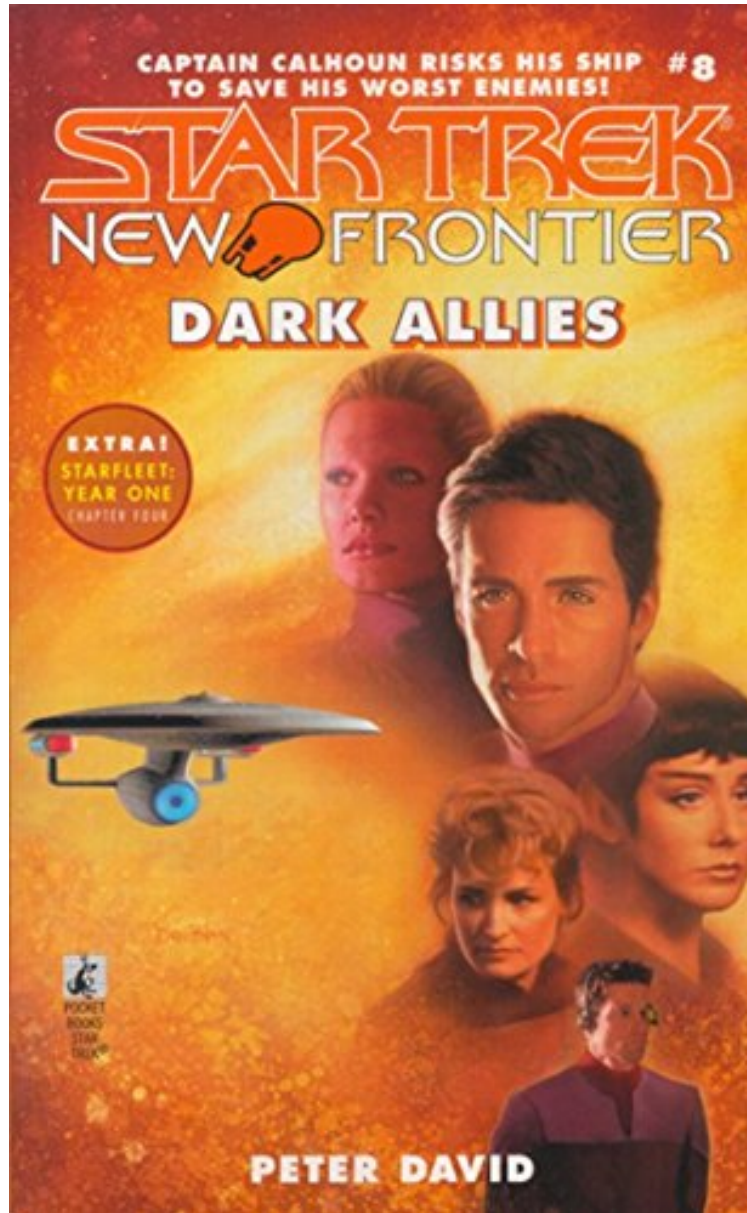


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**Von Peter David : Dark Allies (Star Trek: The Next Generation)** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Dark Allies (Star Trek: The Next Generation):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. An enjoyable entry in a great seriesVon Ein KundeNow this more along the lines of what the New Frontiers books should

be about--an interesting dilemma and some great character interaction. After the step in the difference direction with the Quiet Place, David makes Dark Allies one of the fastest paced but most densely plotted New Frontier books yet. The Redeemers have their backs to the wall and are forced to ask Calhoun and company to help them fend off a force of creatures that are going to destroy their homeworld. However, as in the NF universe, nothing is ever what it seems. The Redeemers are going to make darn sure that Calhoun will help. Double crosses and triple crosses abound in a book that unfolds at great pace and has a nicely done resolution. But what unfolds onboard the Excalibur is even more interesting. The characters we've come to know and love are gloriously alive and jump off the page. Everything in the first seven (well, nine actually) books is a set-up for a great payoff here..and you get the feeling it will only get better with each passing book. The only bad part...David ends on one hell of a cliffhanger. It makes me want the next book NOW and not next year when it does come out. A must read.

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Von Ein Kunde  
Like THE QUIET PLACE, this read like an unedited first draft. Someone (like the book's editor) should've told the author that a) Robin Lefler having the flu was neither funny, interesting, nor relevant, b) Robin Lefler is a lieutenant, not an ensign, c) a lengthy, boring fight scene between Burgoyne and a monster in the middle of the book's climax ground that climax to a halt for no good reason, d) the Si-Cwan/Kally/Xyon plot really needed =something= (anything!) to make it stand out from the standard father-figure-doesn't-approve-of-relationship plot, and e) he really needs to come up with another way of describing Zak Kebron besides "walking landmass." The book did some nice work with the Redeemers, the recurring villains of NEW FRONTIER, the Shelby/Calhoun relationship takes a major (and interesting) left turn here, and we get another great use of the delightful Ensign Janos. Plus, of course, there's that nasty ending. Gotta give David points for that one. (Tee hee.) Still, it would've been nice if this book had been edited.

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Excalibur returns  
Von Jayson Olson  
Book 8 in the series begins shortly after 'The Quiet Place' left off. In this novel, we see the return of all our favorite Excalibur characters and plot lines that had been started early in the series. Again, I commend Peter David for writing a fascinating Star Trek novel, this time packed with science, action, humor, and above all more character development. The science aspect was ingenious, something that you can only expect in the Trek universe. We learn much more about the inner-workings of Calhoun, Selar, McHenry, Kalinda, Xyon, and especially Si-Cwan. Si-Cwan is written expertly and many of his internal/emotional dealings are very common for us 'humans'. There is also the constant fun-barbing between Si-Cwan and Kebron a futuristic odd-couple. There were a few surprises (don't wanna give 'em away).....always fun. And the cliffhanger demands the new novel arrive shortly. Overall, this installment was much more fast paced than the last, and the result was a 'fun' Trek novel.

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