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Winter Is Coming: Symbols And Hidden Meanings In A Game Of Thrones (A Deeper Look Into Game Of Thrones Book 1)



Synopsis

Game of Thrones fans watch in delight as the epic battle of Lannister and Stark entangles the Seven Kingdoms. But only the sharpest notice how these houses echo Lancaster and York in the War of the Roses. Druids, Catholics, and even Zoroastrians wander through Westeros, reframing their religions for a new world of fantasy. But how medieval is Westeros? Did lady knights and pirates really battle across Europe? The book Winter is Coming: Symbols and Hidden Meanings in A Game of Thrones explores all this and more, from the echoes of history to the symbols and omens our beloved characters. Who is Jon Snow's mother and why is she a secret? What is Daenerys's real power, unknown even to her? Will these two characters share a destiny? Where is the red priestess's real Lightbringer and when will it arrive? Through dreams and prophecies, imagery and allegory, the deepest secrets of the series unfold, in an exploration friendly to watchers and readers alike.

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Customer Reviews

I only gave this a four star rating because, having read (thus far) all five of G.R.R.M.'s books as well as watching the HBO series, it seemed to leave everything to speculation... It also seemed in areas to be lagging behind, and answering things that anybody who has paid attention, already knew in the 1st & 2nd Season. The 3rd Season isn't scheduled for release yet until February, 2014, so it isn't even considered here... The only good news comes at the end of the book where Martin informs all that there is a sixth & seventh book to wrap this whole thing up. I don't know when they are due to arrive, but I am sure, like myself, everybody else is justitching to find out. It's anybody's guess.

Like an old movie serial, the book ends nearly every paragraph with a question. Does this mean so-and-so will return? Will such-and-such revenge himself on whosis? How will you-know-who resolve the conflict? Really! I didn't buy it to answer questions; I wanted some clarity. What is explained is so simple that I had already figured it out.

If you've watched the TV show and need some guidance this book will help. It is not caught up with the latest TV season. I think she has another book or two out with the season catch ups. If you've read all the books it helps you to get insight on why they chose to leave certain things out on the TV show.

Not at all what I thought. Not really a book just a narrative.

As a big GoT fan, this book was an interesting read to uncover some new theories. However, the format and overall writing was not phenomenal. I was confused and a little disappointed that the author vacillated between the book and the TV series. I would have preferred a focus just based on the books as they are the premise of the TV series.

Poorly organized, poorly presented, poorly thought out. There is much meaning to be found in the Game of Thrones series (since many of the themes have been lifted from literary classics and from history). This book does not do justice to the series.

Interesting read and theories to make you think about GoT although this is way out of date as the books are way past this and some of the questions and theories posed have already been answered. Still interesting though.

I enjoyed this book a lot! It contained much information that helped my understanding of the books. (I have read all of them.)

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