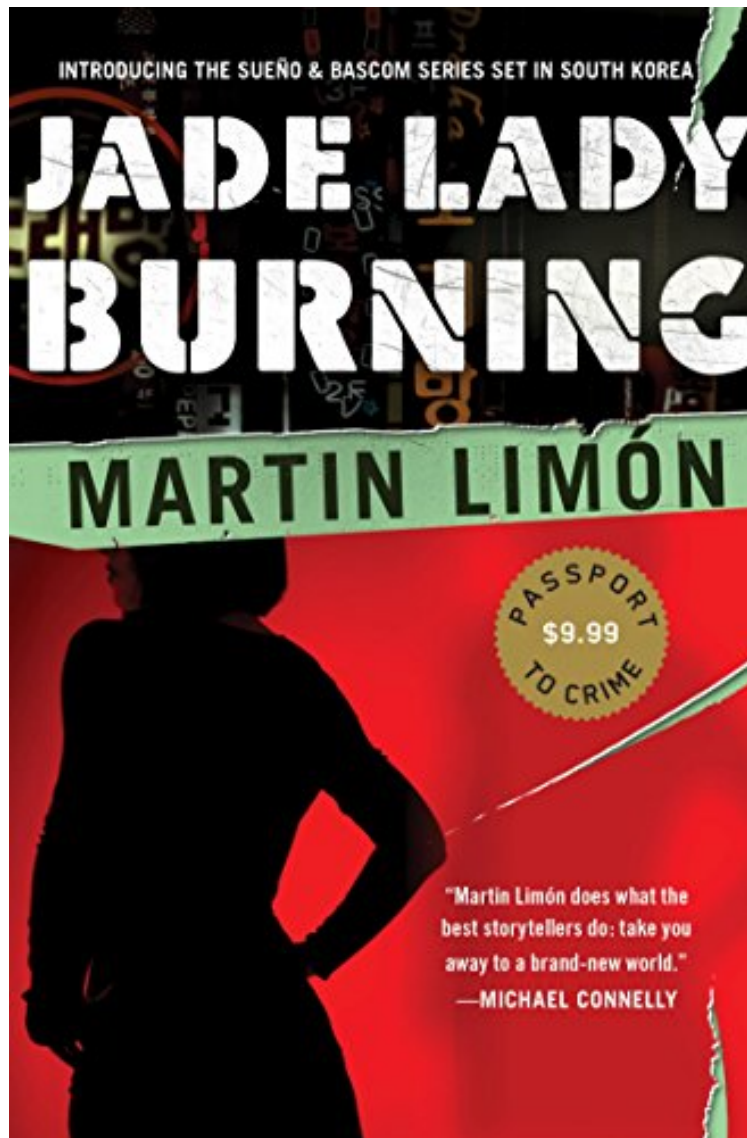


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Von Martin Limon : Jade Lady Burning (A Sergeants Sueo and Bascom Novel) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Jade Lady Burning (A Sergeants Sueo and Bascom Novel):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Intensely honest depiction of the US military in KoreaVon Ein KundeMartin Limon has depicted an intensely honest and sadly accurate portrayal of the 8th Army bureaucracy in the 1970's. If George and Ernie were to return for

assignment to Yongsan in 1999, they would find that the facilities have grown and modernized, but the inner workings of the Army command structure remain as Machiavellian as ever. *Jade Lady Burning* is must reading for anyone who is interested in understanding the inner workings of the Army from a soldier's perspective. Read Tom Clancy and WEB Griffen if you are looking for an idealized picture of the US military; read Ralph Peters and Martin Limon if you are looking for the unvarnished truth.0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Excellent Military ProceduralVon A. RossSet in what looks to be 1970s-era Seoul, Limon's debut is a highly enjoyable procedural featuring two well-drawn US army CID officers. Normally confined to busting up black market operations, the two must battle army bureaucracy while trying to solve the murder of one of the hundreds of prostitutes who live off US GIs. The book is excellent at exploring the relationship between the army and the local service economy that it supports, and Limon's service in Korea brings raw authenticity to every page. Limon's use of both Korean and US army culture in service of the plot makes this well worth reading.0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Realistic and Totally Believable!Von Joseph Kohout Jr.Not only is the concept of the "closing of ranks" (regardless of offense)around military officers totally believable, but even the the "good guys" are flawed. I am a dedicated Asiafile and found that the insights offered by the Author run remarkably deep. There are only a small number of Authors that specialize in the Asian set fiction. Martin Limon is certainly one of the best in this genre and the only one that comes to mind with a series set in a Korean locale. Having read the trilogy, I can hardly wait for his next offering.

KurzbeschreibungMeet Sergeants George Sueno and Ernie Bascom in their first investigation, set in 1970s South KoreaAlmost twenty years after the end of the Korean War, the US Military is still present throughout South Korea, and tensions run high. Koreans look for any opportunity to hate the soldiers who drink at their bars and carouse with their women. When Pak Ok-suk, a young Korean woman, is found brutally murdered in a torched apartment in the Itaewon red-light district of Seoul, it looks like it might be the work of her American soldier boyfriend. Sergeants George Sueno and Ernie Bascom, Military Police for the US 8th Army, are assigned to the case, but they have nothing to go on other than a tenuous connection to an infamous prostitute. As repressed resentments erupt around them, the pair sets out on an increasingly dangerous quest to find evidence that will exonerate their countryman.From the Trade Paperback edition.From Publishers WeeklyA dense wallow in the sleazy, labyrinthine decadence of Vietnam War-era Seoul, South Korea, in the company of army investigators Ernie Bascom and George Sueno gives this debut mystery a unique atmosphere. Unfortunately Limon, himself a U.S. Army veteran who served in Korea for 10 years, moves his narrative forward at a strangely leisurely pace. The two barely moral sleuths trudge through an endless succession of dark bars, propositioning or being propositioned by the local business girls (the negotiations lead to deals on several occasions), all the while asking questions about the brutal murder of Miss Pak Ok-suk. Limon renders an unforgettable setting and a nasty killing into which the local authorities and military bigshots seem reluctant to pry, gives us a patsy in the shape of the victim's seared GI fiancée and creates sympathy for Kimiko, an older local woman who is trying to survive in a young girl's market. But the plot lags, and Limon underutilizes Bascom, whose innocent-looking puss conceals a classic crime-fiction psychotic. A mixed-bag first effort, with an evocative setting and a sluggish pace. Copyright 1992 Reed Business Information, Inc.From Library JournalGeorge and Ernie pal around as military investigators for the Eighth Army in Korea, making daily visits to Itaewon for bars, booze, and "business" women. When an American serviceman apparently murders a young Korean woman, they use their unusual contacts to find clues but stumble on evidence of a conspiracy aimed at grabbing millions of dollars in army contracts instead. Limon's clipped narrative style fits the military life he describes and the duo's methodology as well. A competent and promising first novel with a unique setting. Copyright 1992 Reed Business Information, Inc.