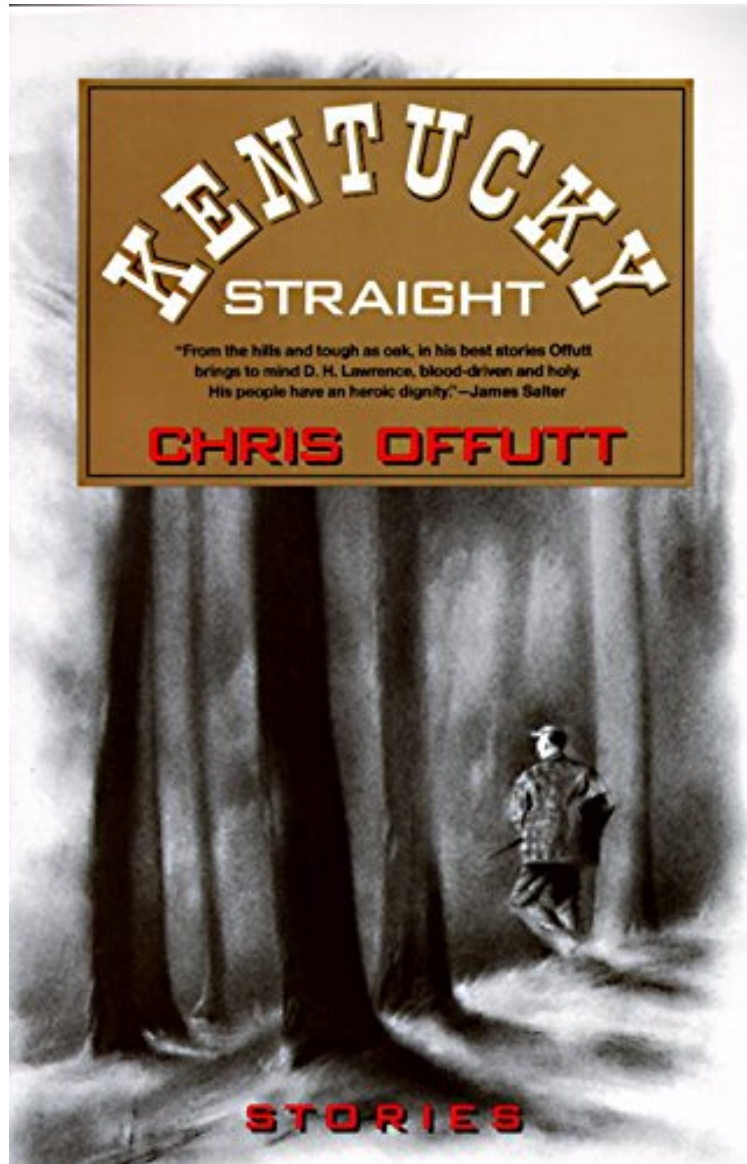


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Kentucky Straight -- an off-the-cuff appreciationVon Ein KundeIf you are considering buying this book, please do. Let's just say that first off. Just get it and we'll go from there.Why? Well, Chris Offutt has one of the freshest, most

innovative voices I've read in years. I absolutely love his work. His characters are poignant and real. The situations that they deal with are intense, gritty, and often hilarious. He seems to play with juxtaposing deep sadness with humor in this book... I often found myself stunned quiet, then laughing out loud the next minute. I read this book on a plane, and folks in other rows were asking me what book I was reading, because I was laughing so much. *The Same River Twice* would round out your appreciation of Chris Offutt's work if you were so interested. This book is a memoir, and you get to find out about the mind this author rides around in. It's also a fantastic book. Enjoy. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Straight, no chaser Von CRDream tinker, Chris Offutt, takes us into the woods with a kerosene lamp and holds the light to a place in ourselves we visit even less often. There's no room in these stories for anything but the story being told and there lies the straight, no chaser. If this book was a season it'd be the spring rains. If this book was a car it'd be a tow-truck. If this book was a museum piece it'd belong in the American Museum of Natural History. After reading the third story in this collection, *THE LEAVING ONE*, I knew I was going to begin this book again after finishing it. It's difficult to place the correct amount of stars on a book such as this. I'd probably have to give it a planet, like Venus, as well. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A man in love with words Von Ein Kunde It doesn't matter if Chris Offutt is a "real" Appalachian or not, what matters is that he's a real person with a real heart that sings out loud in this truly inspirational book of short stories. His perspective is as valid as any, and it all rings true in *Kentucky Straight*. These stories speak to the soul of people everywhere and you won't find a better collection of truly American stories. I hate to use the "I laughed, I cried, I jumped for joy" cliché, but I read this cover to cover over a weekend and yearned for more. As a writer of short fiction, I found Offutt's style to be unique and inspirational.

Kurzbeschreibung Kentucky straight is bourbon with no mixer. Kentucky Straight is Kentucky seen without nostalgic gloss. These riveting, often heartbreaking stories, take us through country that is unmapped. They are set in a nameless Appalachian community too small to be called a town, a place where wanting an education is a mark of ungodly arrogance and dowsing for water a legitimate occupation; where hunting is not a sport but a means of survival. These are stories of coal miners and backwoods medicine men, of gamblers and marijuana farmers, tales of real tragedy and unutterable strangeness that convey their sense of place so vividly that we feel its ground rise beneath our feet. Offutt has received a James Michener Grant and a Kentucky Arts Council Award. Pressestimmen "From the hills and tough as oak, in his best stories Offutt bring to mind D. H. Lawrence, blood-driven and holy. His people have an heroic dignity. James Salter These are wild, tough, magical stories, often as shocking as real life, and every one a heartbreaker. Chris Offutt plainly loves the English language and knows how to make it do wondrous things. Josephine Humphreys Kurzbeschreibung Kentucky straight is bourbon with no mixer. Kentucky Straight is Kentucky seen without nostalgic gloss. These riveting, often heartbreaking stories, take us through country that is unmapped. They are set in a nameless Appalachian community too small to be called a town, a place where wanting an education is a mark of ungodly arrogance and dowsing for water a legitimate occupation; where hunting is not a sport but a means of survival. These are stories of coal miners and backwoods medicine men, of gamblers and marijuana farmers, tales of real tragedy and unutterable strangeness that convey their sense of place so vividly that we feel its ground rise beneath our feet. Offutt has received a James Michener Grant and a Kentucky Arts Council Award.