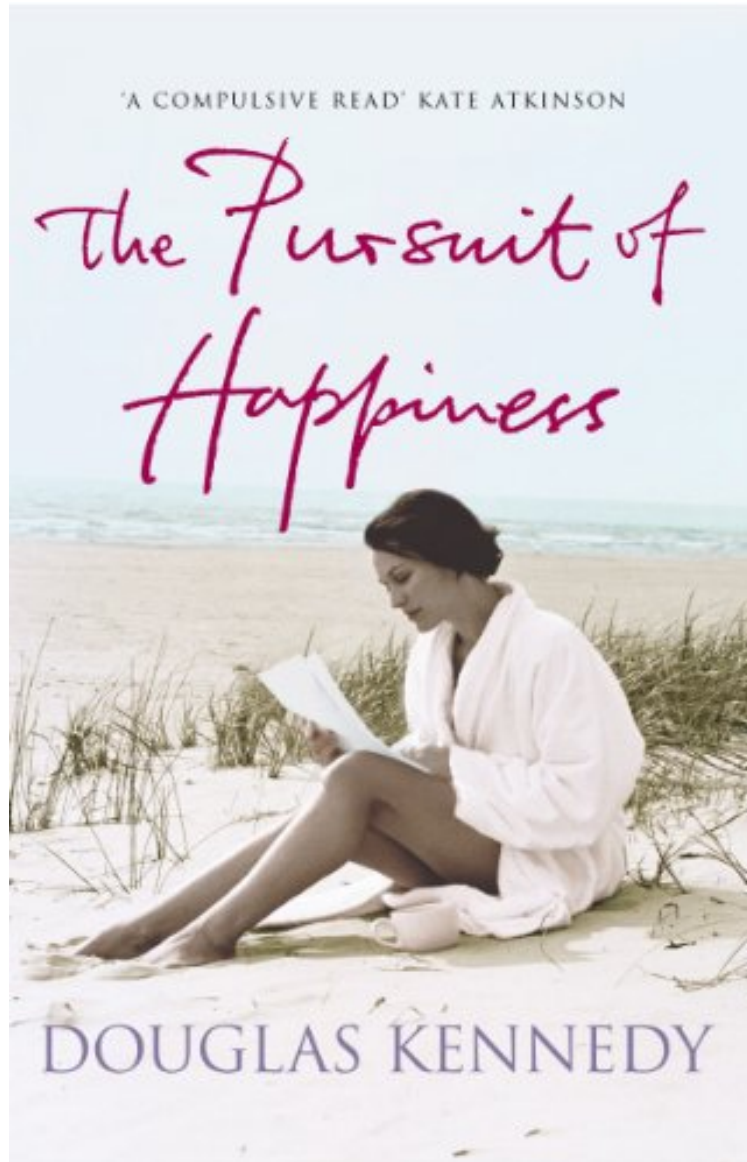


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Dramatisch und sehr mitreissender LiebesromanVon Ein KundeDies ist ein fesselndes Buch, der Autor erzählt spannend und mitreissend. Im Mittelpunkt steht eine dramatische Liebesgeschichte, die realittsnah aus der Sicht einer Frau beschrieben wird. Zugleich erzählt das Buch die Lebensgeschichte der Frau und den Umgang mit verschiedenen

politischen Ideen in den USA und v.a. New York nach dem zweiten Weltkrieg. Ein lohnendes Buch.5 von 5 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. GRIPPINGVon Heather Negahdar"I first saw her standing near my mother's coffin. She was in her seventies - a tall angular woman with fine grey hair gathered in a compact bun at the back of the neck."If you love long fat books, this one is for you. Not only is it long and fat but also it is a great book that will keep you up all hours of the night. I love it and I loved the intriguing characters right through. Like a jigsaw puzzle, the reader finds herself trying to fit the pieces together out of mysterious happenings in the characters lives, but one is not able to do this until you see the last page.In The Pursuit Of Happiness, the war is over and there is a party going on at Thanksgiving Eve at Eric Smythe's apartment. It is at this party that his sister Sara Smythe meets an attractive guy Jack Malone and there is an instant attraction between these. From hereon these two people would turn the world upside down, with their heavy influences on their friends, family and all whom they will come into contact with. Hearts will be broken some may be mended as they become toughened. By the end of the book you will wonder, how could all of this have happened just like that?Hope my review is not too vague but it was very hard trying to avoid spoilers this time around. Trust me it is worth your time and money.Enjoy!Reviewed by Heather Marshall Negahdar (SUGAR-CANE 24--3-2010)8 von 9 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. ABSOLUT LESENSWERTVon Ein KundeIch kaufte das Buch am Flughafen, ohne jemals etwas über einen Douglas Kennedy gehört zu haben.Das Buch ist absolut mitreissend, Douglas Kennedy schafft es, die Spannung über das ganze Buch zu halten. Er stellt die Charaktere glaubwürdig dar. Ich habe Rotz und Wasser geheult und empfehle es allen, die nicht an oberflächlichen Liebesschnulzen interessiert sind. Man erfährt sehr viel über Amerika nach dem zweiten Weltkrieg, die Verfolgung von Ex-Kommunisten und die langsame, aber endgültige Ausgliederung dieser aus der Gesellschaft.LESENSWERT!

KurzbeschreibungThe critically acclaimed bestseller from the author of The Moment and A Special Relationship.New York, 1945 - Sara Smythe, a young, beautiful and intelligent woman, ready to make her own way in the big city attends her brother's Thanksgiving Eve party. As the party gets into full swing, she meets Jack Malone, a US Army journalist back from a defeated Germany and a man unlike any Sara has ever met before - one who is destined to change Sara's future forever.But finding love isn't the same as finding happiness - as Sara and Jack soon find out. In post-war America chance meetings aren't always as they seem, and people's choices can often have profound repercussions. Sara and Jack find they are subject to forces beyond their control and that their destinies are formed by more than just circumstance. In this world of intrigue and emotional conflict, Sara must fight to survive -against Jack, as much as for him.In this mesmerising tale of longing and betrayal, The Pursuit of Happiness is a great tragic love story; a tale of divided loyalties, decisive moral choices, and the random workings of destiny..deThe Pursuit of Happiness opens with a funeral scene, swiftly setting the tone for this tragic love story-cum-damning indictment of the McCarthy witch hunts of the 1940s and 50s. Douglas Kennedy's 500-page epic delivers a consummate yet intimate look at post-war New York, gripped by the fear of the enemy within and purging the country of Communists, told through the story of Sara Smythe, a small-c conservative striving to make sense of her own place in the world. Sara's story unfolds as Kate, the daughter of the recently deceased Dorothy Malone, reads a manuscript handed to her by an elusive woman who appears at her mother's graveside.This, Sara's account, begins 55 years earlier at a Manhattan party hosted by her brother Eric, a successful gag writer on the hugely successful Marty Manning Show. Searching the room aimlessly, her gaze locks with that of Jack Malone and for the next 24 hours the pair are inseparable. Jack must return to Europe but not before securing Sara's promise that she will be there on the dock in nine months time. However, it is another five years before the pair reunite as divided loyalties, duty and fate combine to thwart them. As the years pass, Kennedy treats us to an urbane look at Manhattan life: from Duke Ellington to highballs to the Stork Club; from Thomas E. Dewey to Pearl Buck to Rita Hayworth, the prose is enlivened by contemporary allusions to every facet of city life. As Sara, Eric and Jack's lives converge, though, the narrative's themes of betrayal and disloyalty on a personal and national level (echoing those of McCarthy himself) collide.Kennedy's final damning moral is that chance only plays a small part in how our lives turn out--it is the choices we make subsequently that determine our destinies. The Pursuit of Happiness is therefore not a comforting read but it is ultimately affirming if you see that each step counts and the pursuit is everything. --Nicola PerryPressestimmen'A compulsive read' -- Kate Atkinson'This is the novel against which the rest of the year's output demands to be judged' -- Express on Sunday'Kennedy cannot help but write grippingly, and he weaves threads of love and betrayal into a thrillingly masterful ending' -- Observer