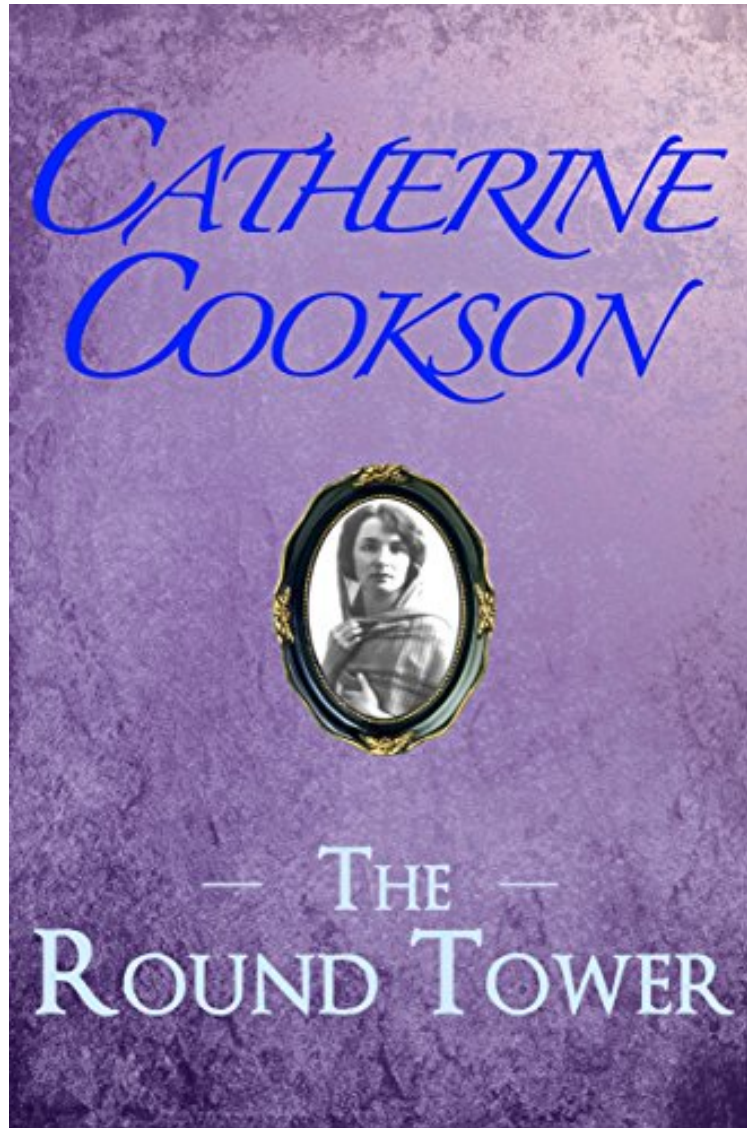


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. I love it!Von SturmwolkeTypisch Catherine Cookson. Ich nehme mir jedes Mal vor, mir beim Lesen Zeit zu lassen, aber dann kann ich einfach nicht mehr aufhren. Auch dieses Buch habe ich in nur zwei Tagen gelesen. Und wieder ein Buch, das vielschichtig die Beziehungen der Menschen untereinander sowie den verschiedenen Klassen (die ja auch

verschiedene Welten darstellen), wie sie darin gefangen sind und wie sie damit umgehen. Und wie immer lassen sind ihre Protagonisten starke Figuren, die an sich und ihre Trume glauben, trotz aller Widrigkeiten, und niemals aufgeben. Natrlich geraten auch sie ab und an auf Irrwege, aber gerade das macht sie so menschlich und echt. Und dass sie letztlich doch gl0cklich werden, ist gerade in der heutigen Zeit, in der es nur noch um Perfektion geht, doch sehr trstlich!

KurzbeschreibungA constant source of enjoyment for Mrs Cooksons many and devoted readers is the vividness and realism with which she recreates the Tyneside scene she knows so well. The Round Tower is set here and portrays the clash between Jonathan Ratcliffe and Angus Cotton, and the corresponding contrast between their respected backgrounds the smart suburb of Brampton Hill and its opposite, Ryders Row. Jonathan Ratcliffe is the successful manager of Affleck and Tates engineering works. He has succeeded to this position over the head of Arthur Brett whose ancestors founded the firm. Arthur Brett is also his neighbour and possesses land which Ratcliffe covets. The inevitable tension between the two men and their families is increased when Arthur Brett finds himself attracted to Vanessa, Jonathans daughter. She is only sixteen, but her provocative manner often draws envious eyes in her direction. Angus Cotton, son of the Ratcliffes cook, is a rough diamond and an engineer at Affleck and Tate. He has ambitious plans for his future, plans that never included Vanessa, until he is blamed by Jonathan for giving Vanessa a child. This accusation changes the whole course and pattern of the lives and the ensuing struggle of the three families. The classic relationship between a young man of humble origins and the girl from a higher class creates a powerful and wholly memorable story of love, greed and honour. Pressestimmen "Humour, toughness, resolution and generosity are Cookson virtues . . . In the specialised world of women's popular fiction, Cookson has created her own territory" (Helen Dunmore, The Times) Werbetext The award-winning, powerful love story from one of Britain's most popular novelists