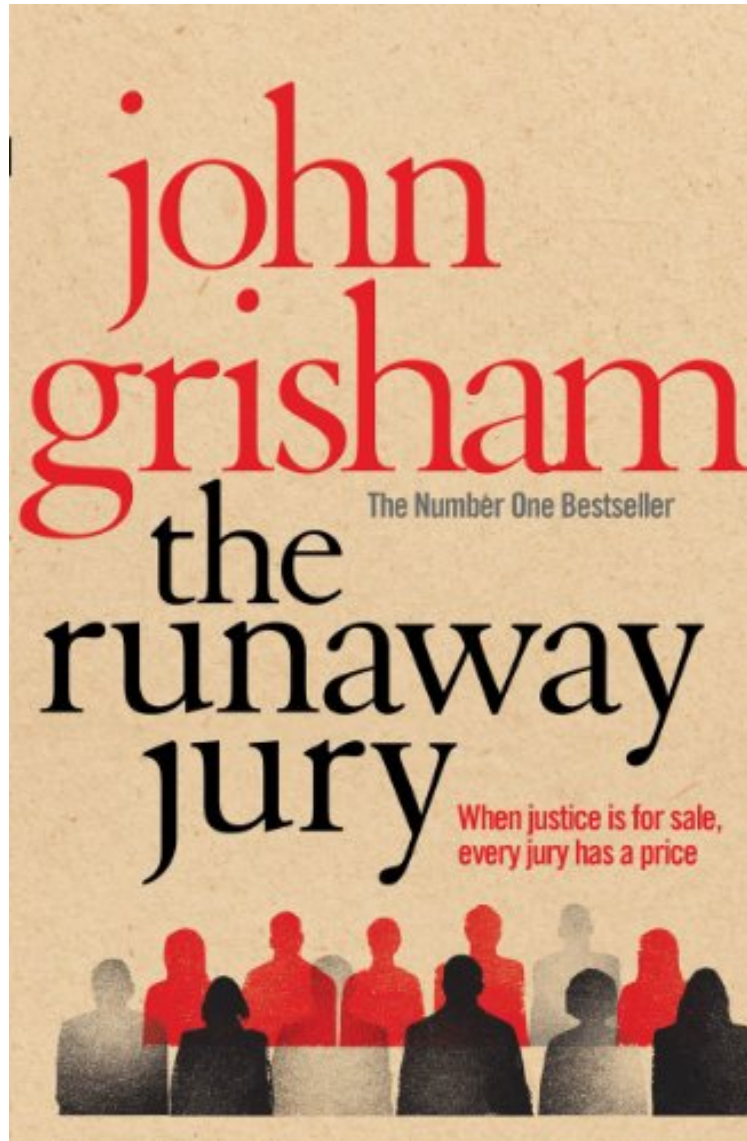


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Von John Grisham

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**Von John Grisham : The Runaway Jury** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Runaway Jury:

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen4 von 4 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. My favorite so farVon Ein KundeI've been reading Grisham's books in the order in which he wrote them and this is my favorite so far. The court stuff gives interesting insights into the jury process (to give away only a little thing, did any of the jurors in the OJ trial knit when there were long breaks in the proceedings?) and it contributes an aspect of

Grisham's writing that I find new and refreshing: wonderful humorous interludes that break the seriousness of a tobacco industry trial. I was held in suspense by the behind the scenes stuff - I kept speculating on what was really going on and a hint here or a phrase there would send me off into new speculations. By the time I got to the last 60 pages I was telling the plot to my non-reading husband to let him in on the fun. When the secrets were revealed I was not disappointed nor was he! {:-) I even went to Grisham's web-site hoping there was a place to tell him how much I enjoyed this one. There wasn't, but maybe he'll read this! Keep it up John and I'll surely keep reading and recommending your books to others!

2 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Not just smoke... Von Dominic Buschi Several years ago I read the Grisham novels 'The Pelican Brief' and 'The Firm' and was completely hooked, ripped through one of them in one marathon afternoon reading. Since then I have read 'The Chamber', which I found more substantial but not as enjoyable as the previous ones, and 'The Client', which I thought was neither profound nor fun. When I picked up 'The Runaway Jury', I was wondering if it would confirm the downhill trend of Grisham's writing. It's not as bad as 'The Client', but not top of the crop either. It is suspenseful enough for me to have missed three tram stops while reading. It does demonstrate that it's possible to write a legal thriller without corpses (discounting lung cancer). It does have a relevant and controversial topic (tobacco legislation) at its core. It does give some fascinating insights into the courtsystem: Jury selection, Sequestering, Trial Strategies. It does show, that Grisham writes a smooth pen. But: The story is very simple and straightforward. Much of the book is spent in the courtroom, listening to the pro/contra smoking specialists. The remainder is scheming to influence the jurors. It wasn't enough to keep me electrified throughout the book. The second half I was just trying to get to the verdict (and hence missed my stop!). The ending was predictable and kind of fizzed out. All in all: I'm glad I didn't spend any money on the book. On the other hand I'm sure that I'll read one of his other books when I feel like literary junk food again. And just maybe he writes something like his early books again.

1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Not bad, but Grisham can do better Von G. Roger Priddy The Runaway Jury is an interesting read. The book keeps your attention most of the time, and leads you face to face with a number of various hot issues, the most important of which being tobacco products and nicotine (do they cause death?) This is worth reading, yet I still found myself quite disappointed with the overall work. From past experience reading Grisham's novels, I know he can do a lot better than this. First of all, I simply did not like the main characters. Why Grisham makes his seemingly "good guys" so unlikeable in this one is beyond me. He wrote it as if he wanted and intended for you to hate them. This threw me off at times completely. It actually got to the point where I found myself rooting for whom Grisham clearly identifies as the "bad guys" in the book. Rankin Fitch for the tobacco companies was so much more well developed than the juror in control and the other good guys. I don't smoke, and agree the nicotine in cigarettes is addictive. Yet I found myself hoping, even cheering for the tobacco companies. The good guys are such losers I wanted the bad guys to win. As usual (for anyone who has read any book by Grisham), the ending is predictable, though I found myself wishing it would go the other way. And there is clearly too much courtroom talk. Grisham fails to realize, as the jurors get bored with certain testimony, the reader probably will too (at times I did). Books seem to always be best too if you can limit the main characters. Here, Grisham has 12 (the jurors) plus many more, and there is simply too much to keep up with, and some of the characters are simply a bore, and the passages about them are difficult to get through. Grisham also seems to be edgy about the content he wants to be in this one. I like Grisham in large part because he doesn't have to be that dirty to write a good book. In Runaway Jury, he uses more language and sexual references than in many of his other books. It seems like he wants to keep the content level down, yet at the same time he wants to put a little adult material in. Grisham either should have toned it down (which I like best and usually turns out best) or lived a little and spiced it up a bit. In between simply doesn't work and makes the reader ponder which of these more mature portions Grisham actually put in himself, and which the editors edited in later on. Despite some complaints, and the knowing that Grisham can do better, Runaway Jury is still worth checking out sometime, especially if you are interested in the smoking and tobacco products subject of or are a fan of Grisham. See if you agree with my complaints though.

Kurzbeschreibung The perfect combination of drama and insight into the legal process. An American classic from the No.1 bestselling master thriller writer. When justice is for sale, every jury has a price In Biloxi, Mississippi, a landmark trial begins. There are hundreds of millions of dollars at stake and soon it swerves mysteriously off course. The jury is behaving strangely, and at least one juror is convinced he's being watched. Soon they have to be sequestered. Then a tip from an anonymous young woman suggests she is able to predict the jurors' increasingly odd behaviour. Is the jury somehow being manipulated, or even controlled? If so, by whom? And, more importantly, why? de Millions of dollars are at stake in a huge tobacco-company case in Biloxi, and the jury's packed with people who have dirty little secrets. A mysterious young man takes subtle control of the jury as the defense watches helplessly, but they soon realize that he in turn is controlled by an even more mysterious young woman. Lives careen off course as they bend everyone in the case to their will. com Millions of dollars are at stake in a huge tobacco-company case in Biloxi, and the jury's packed with people who have dirty little secrets. A mysterious young man takes subtle control of the jury as the

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