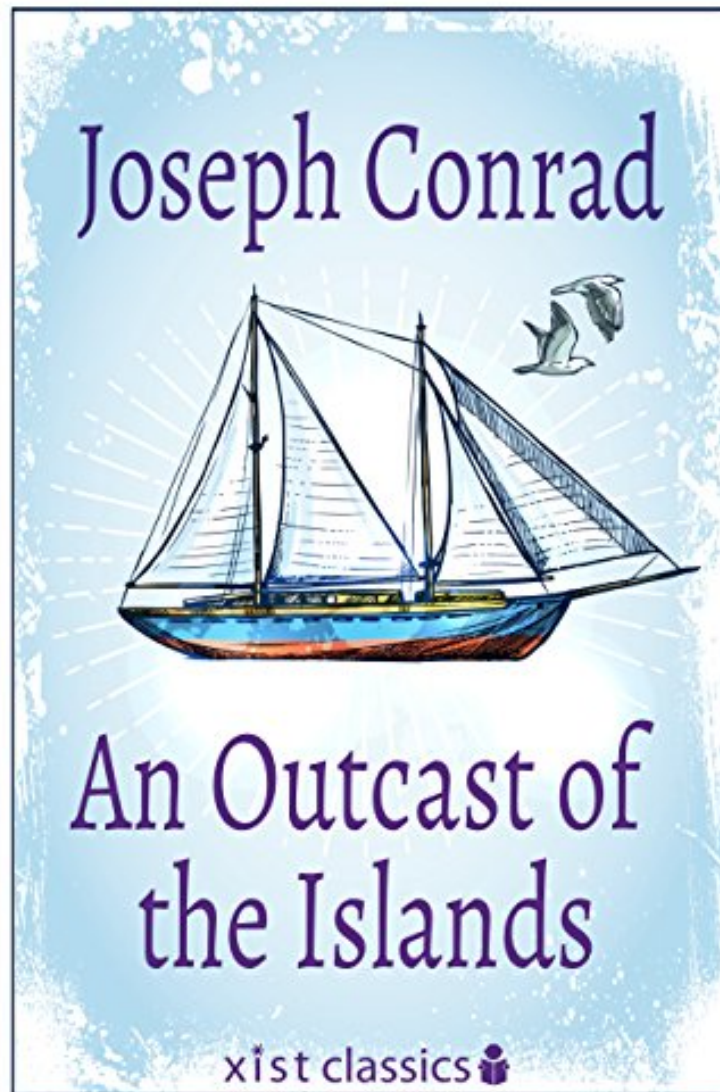


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**Von Joseph Conrad : An Outcast of the Islands (Xist Classics)** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised An Outcast of the Islands (Xist Classics):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A powerful tale of greed and passionVon Ein KundeAN OUTCAST OF THE ISLANDS was both Conrad's second novel and the second novel in a trilogy of books featuring Almayer (the first book being ALMAYER'S FOLLY and the third Conrad's final novel, THE RESCUE), who is a major minor character in this one after being the major character in his

first novel. This novel is not as strong an effort as the novels from his major phase, but it is nonetheless a book of great power and wonderfully illustrates most of the great themes that run through all of his books. I have a love-hate relationship with Conrad, because while I respond to the marvelously depicted male characters in his books (his women are usually implausibly stupid and cardboardish) and their conflicts with the universe and each other, I find the world he describes as being a little too bleak and the cosmos far too impersonal. All of his characters are doomed to ineffecual action, and their fates are determined by forces and factors outside of themselves, or perhaps to some degree by motives within themselves over which they have no power. I do not like Conrad's universe, but I admit the power of his creation. This is not one of Conrad's greatest works. It belongs in a tier immediately below his very greatest works like NOSTROMO, THE SECRET AGENT, UNDER WESTERN EYES, HEART OF DARKNESS, LORD JIM, and VICTORY. Nonetheless, slightly lesser Conrad is more rewarding than major works of other writers, and I heartily recommend this novel (as well as his other books) to any serious reader.

1 von 6 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. THIS BOOK SUCKSSSS!!!!!! Von Ein Kunde I hated this book so much. I Hate this book but I still gave it five stars. I'm really high right now but I like this book. I don't know what I'm saying but I hate this book so much I love it.

0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A Powerful Tale of the Moral Destruction of a Man Von Chris Willett (cwillett@math.uiuc.edu) Conrad has an exciting style of writing which consists of artfully mixed poetic prose and moral analysis. The language of the text alone is enough to make this a great novel, perhaps even an epic poem. The intensity of the prose is such that I was driven backwards into my seat for most of the novel. A prequel to *Almayer's Folly*, *An Outcast*... is a true must read.

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**ber das Produkt** *An Outcast of the Islands* is the latest volume in the widely praised Cambridge Edition of the Works of Joseph Conrad. Like its predecessors in this series, this volume offers scholars an authoritative text, free from the interference of early typists, compositors and editors, and comprehensive textual and explanatory notes.

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