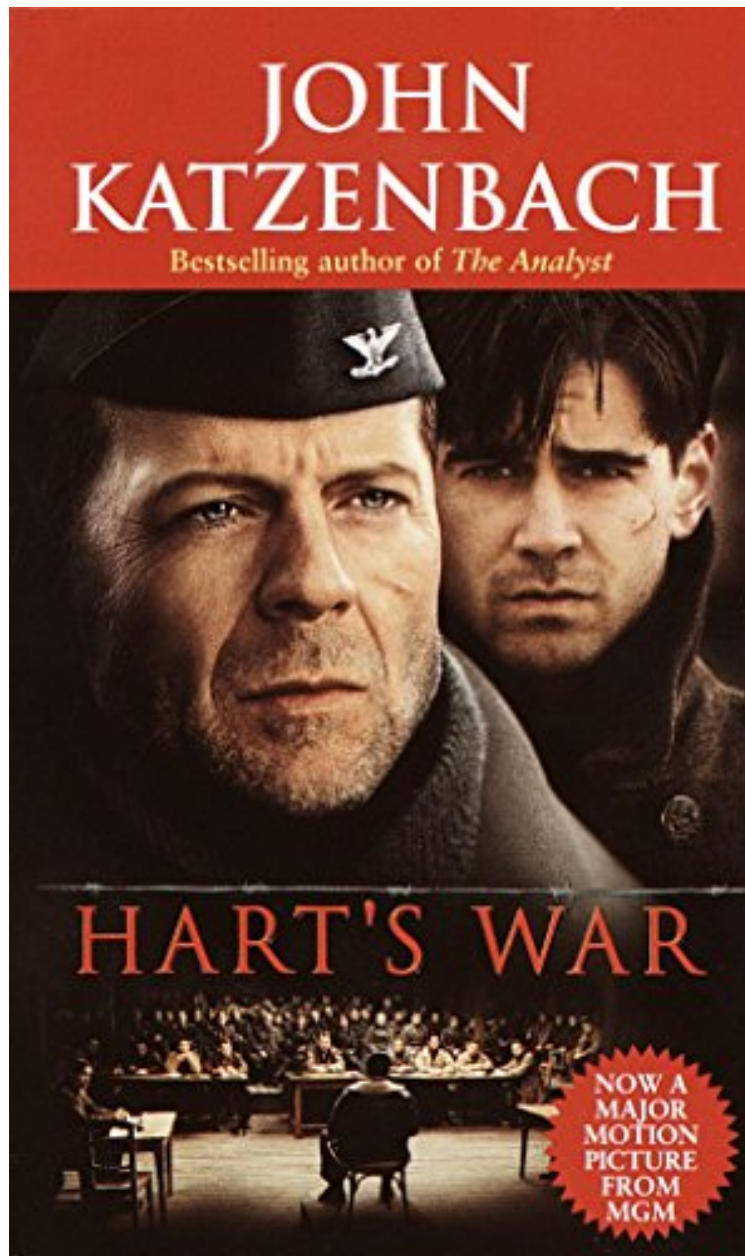


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**Von John Katzenbach : Hart's War** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Hart's War:

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Katzenbachs bestes Buch "Hart's War" ist von der ersten bis zur letzten Seite fesselnd - die letzten hundert Seiten konnte ich vor Spannung gar nicht schnell genug lesen! Es gibt kaum einen Krimi, der so gut geschrieben ist; Katzenbachs Stil ist beraus mitreißend und doch anspruchsvoll, manchmal sogar poetisch (z.B. schon auf den ersten Seiten bei der Beschreibung eines aufziehenden Unwetters über der karibischen See). Doch nicht nur der Stil reißt mit, sondern auch der Inhalt: Der junge US-Luftwaffensoldat Tommy Hart wird im 2. Weltkrieg vor Sizilien abgeschossen (superpackend geschildert!) und in ein Kriegsgefangenenlager in Deutschland gesteckt. Dort entgeht er der Eintönigkeit des Lageralltags, indem er sich mit Hilfe von mitgefangenen Juristen auf sein Jurastudium vorbereitet. Als ein Mord geschieht und der schwarze Bomberpilot Lincoln Scott verdächtigt wird und vor ein Tribunal kommt, wird Hart zum seinem Verteidiger bestellt - und lernt das Lager, seine Mitgefangenen und seine Bewacher plötzlich von einer ganz anderen Seite kennen... Obwohl manche der aufgegriffenen Themen schon aus "Gesprengte Ketten" oder "Ein Kfig voller Helden" bekannt sind, so ist deren Verknüpfung zu einer rasanten, komplexen und alles andere als schwarzweimalerischen Handlung einzigartig und ergreifend. Katzenbachs Roman gibt keine einfachen Antworten, sondern hat den Mut zu Tiefe und Differenzierung sowohl der Gefangenen wie ihrer Wächter. Selbst die Identifikationsfiguren des Romans haben negative Seiten; der angeklagte Pilot wird von Katzenbach wunderbar lange als ambivalente Figur dargestellt. Das Ende des Romans spiegelt diese Vielschichtigkeit wider: Es reicht nicht, dass Hart im Stile eines Whodunnit den Mord aufklärt, sondern auch die Aufklärung eines Mordes hat Konsequenzen - und die Schuld, die Hart hier auf sich lädt, wird ihn sein Leben lang verfolgen. Katzenbach zeigt sich in "Hart's War" als ein meisterhafter und feinsinniger Erzähler. Ich habe selten einen so spannenden und ergreifenden Roman gelesen. 5 Sterne. 2 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. The modern day version of "To Kill a Mockingbird" Von Mark O'Neill Reading this book, I was constantly reminded of Harper Lee's "To Kill a Mockingbird" and when Lieutenant Lincoln Scott, a black pilot, faces a military court of all-white officers, the similarities were amazing. The reading of this book was slightly spoiled by the fact that I had already seen the Bruce Willis movie but reading the novel made me realise how different the movie version is from the book. In short, Lieutenant Lincoln Scott, a black US Air Force pilot is shot down and imprisoned in a German prison camp during World War II. He is placed in a camp with other US military prisoners but one of them, Captain Vincent Bedford, takes an instant dislike to Scott. Bedford is from the south and extremely racist and it is clear that Bedford and Scott are a ticking timebomb. Not long after, Bedford is found brutally murdered and Scott is immediately accused of his murder. A military court is convened and Scott faces a German firing squad. Enter Scott's lawyer, Lieutenant Tommy Hart. Hart is ordered to defend Scott but it is clear that the camp doesn't expect acquittals. They want blood and they have already pronounced a verdict. Things are complicated when a Luftwaffe officer arrives as an official observer but in reality he is from the Gestapo and he has his own motives for wanting to see Scott convicted. With the help of a British and Canadian RAF officers, Hart fights to save Scott from a death sentence and find out who really killed Bedford and why. But the camp authorities and the senior American officers seem hell-bent on having Scott executed quickly. Why? You'll soon find out! A brilliant story and the movie doesn't do the book justice. Read this book! Highly recommended! One of Katzenbach's best! 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. good light summer reading Von Robert J. Rabel Katzenbach has produced a good WW II adventure with an intriguing legal mystery, the solution to which I missed, though all the clues were there! On the negative side, the narrator tended to be a bit "preachy." I prefer novels that let me draw my own conclusions without hitting me over the head with the moral of the story. Incidentally, I quite agree with the reviewer below who found echoes of Hogan's Heroes in the novel. Katzenbach's father was in fact a prisoner in Stalag 3, I understand, but that's changed to Stalag 13 in the novel. In addition, we have a spit-and-polish Commandant, a nosy and obnoxious Gestapo officer, and a German enlisted man who knows more of what's going on than he is willing to say ("I know nothing, nothing.") Pretty strange!

Kurzbeschreibung Second Lieutenant Tommy Hart, a navigator whose B-25 was shot out of the sky in 1942, is burdened with guilt as the only surviving member of his crew. Now he is just another POW at the fiercely guarded Stalag Luft 13 in Bavaria. Then routine comes to a halt with the arrival of a new prisoner: First Lieutenant Lincoln Scott, an African American Tuskegee airman who instantly becomes the target of contempt from his fellow soldiers. When a prisoner is brutally murdered, and all the blood-soaked evidence points to Scott, Hart is tapped to defend the soldier. In a trial rife with racial tension and raw conflict, where the lines between ally and enemy blur, there are those with their own secret motives, and a burning passion for a rush to judgment, no matter what the cost. From the Paperback edition. de Stalag 17 meets the best of John Grisham in this tremendously exciting and moving new thriller, about a murder trial inside a German prisoner-of-war camp during World War II. John Katzenbach has taken elements of his own father's history in such a camp, added a racial twist (the defendant is a black pilot, a member of the legendary Tuskegee Airmen), and created a memorable adventure story that soars with hope and cries out to be filmed. The first thing that former law student Tommy Hart does after his B-25 is shot down and he--the only survivor--is captured, is to fill out a form for the International Red Cross, telling his family he's alive and requesting, under

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