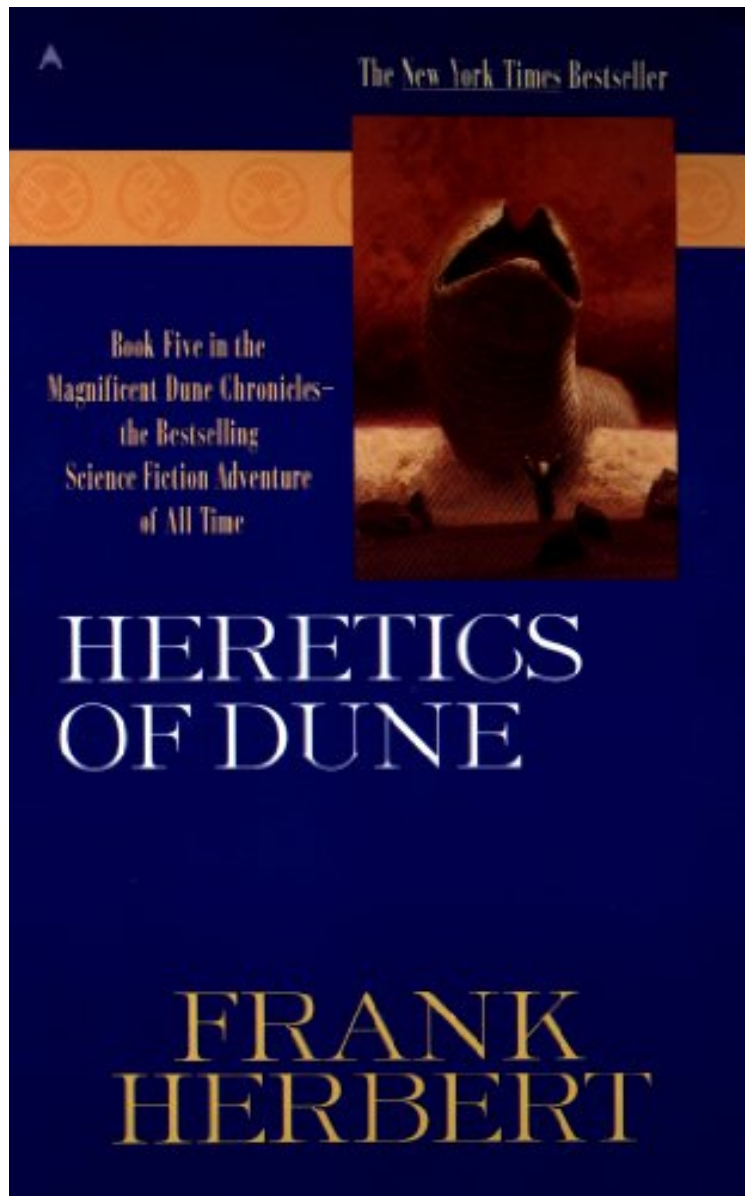


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Von Frank Herbert : Heretics of Dune before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Heretics of Dune:

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen5 von 5 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Here we go again...Von Galazka GuyI've been following the Dune Saga for some years now. The first book, "Dune", was by far the best of them all. Frank Herbert introduced us to the intriguing world of great families fighting on a small but

crucial planet called Dune, home of the spice. When I finished "Dune" I couldn't wait to see what would happen to Paul Atreides "Muad'Dib", Chani, etc. Unfortunately, "Dune Messiah" was so disappointing. It seemed as if the author, run out of ideas, wished to "kill" Paul as quickly as possible. And so he did. "The Children of Dune" was enjoyable and "God Emperor of Dune" was by far the worst of the Saga. However, despite the fourth one, I decided to read "Heretics of Dune". Now that I finished it, I must say that this book is almost as good as the first one. Thousands of years have passed since the death of Leto II and the humanity must cope with the consequences of the "Big Dispersion". All the characters in this book are new, which is a good point. This time, the author chose to focus on the Bene Gesserit Order. The description of the order is much more interesting and deeper than in the previous books. Soon we, the readers, discover that the Bene Gesserit are facing a new enemy, the Honoured Matres, who are in fact a branch of the BG that came back from the "Big Dispersion". The conflicts between the two of them and the plot are highly intriguing, thus contributing to make this book a real page turner. It is a real fun to read about Rakis, where each corner is carrying the memory of the Baron, Jessica, Paul and his children. Another good point is the arrival of a new character, Miles Teg, the Bashar of the Bene Gesserit. Herbert largely describes the old Teg: his thoughts, feelings, victories and loyalty to the order of the BG. While reading about Teg, I had the feeling that the author wanted to compensate his failure with "Dune Messiah". Teg is the image of Paul: a warrior, a lover and a father, who grew old and now has to face many inner conflicts, that each one of us has to face when our life is about to end. As a matter of conclusion, I would say this book is very good. It has got all the usual stuff: action, love, friendship, philosophy, interesting characters and so on. Pity that it does not come right after "Dune". I can assure you that you can start with "Dune" and skip right to "Heretics of Dune". Trust me. The three previous ones are not as good and you won't miss a thing!

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Von CodenameThis book is good to read. I enjoyed reading it, but now, looking back, I'm not sure why. Because, once you finish the second trilogy, you realise that Heretics Of Dune is actually just a long, long run up to the final book. But even so, a lot happens here, and now, not having any Atreides from the initial Dune nuclear family to follow, we see the universe from the Bene Gesserit point of view. And something strange happens. We begin to like them. Up until now the Bene Gesserit have been a hindrance or a nuisance. They even tried to have Paul Atreides killed off more than once in the first trilogy. But now, after the Tyrant Leto's lesson, they are a changing people. And they are a sisterhood fighting to stay in touch, for Leto's universal shake-up caused a mingling of humanity that has resulted in a band of fearsome women called Honoured Matres. And the Honoured Matres don't have anything but disgust for the Bene Gesserit. And so begins a plot to... do something. For all the way along we are kept as confused as the main characters. Only the Bene Gesserit's Mother Superior knows what the final objective is, and she's not telling anyone anything they don't need to know. Even the people executing her plan don't know what it is they're ultimately aiming for, and this does add to the intrigue. This is a great book, despite it becoming so obvious that the real ending will be found within the next book: Chapterhouse Dune. Although Chapterhouse would make little sense without first reading Heretics Of Dune - so read it.

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Von CustomerBook 5 of the Dune Chronicles is just as compelling as the 4 preceding ones. The incredible complexity, yet simple to understand, that Frank Herbert created can only be compared to Tolkien's Middle Earth. And the superb technique of narrating lures you into a magical world to which you become addicted once the original plot unfolds. A book probably to marvelous to write an adequate critique for!

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