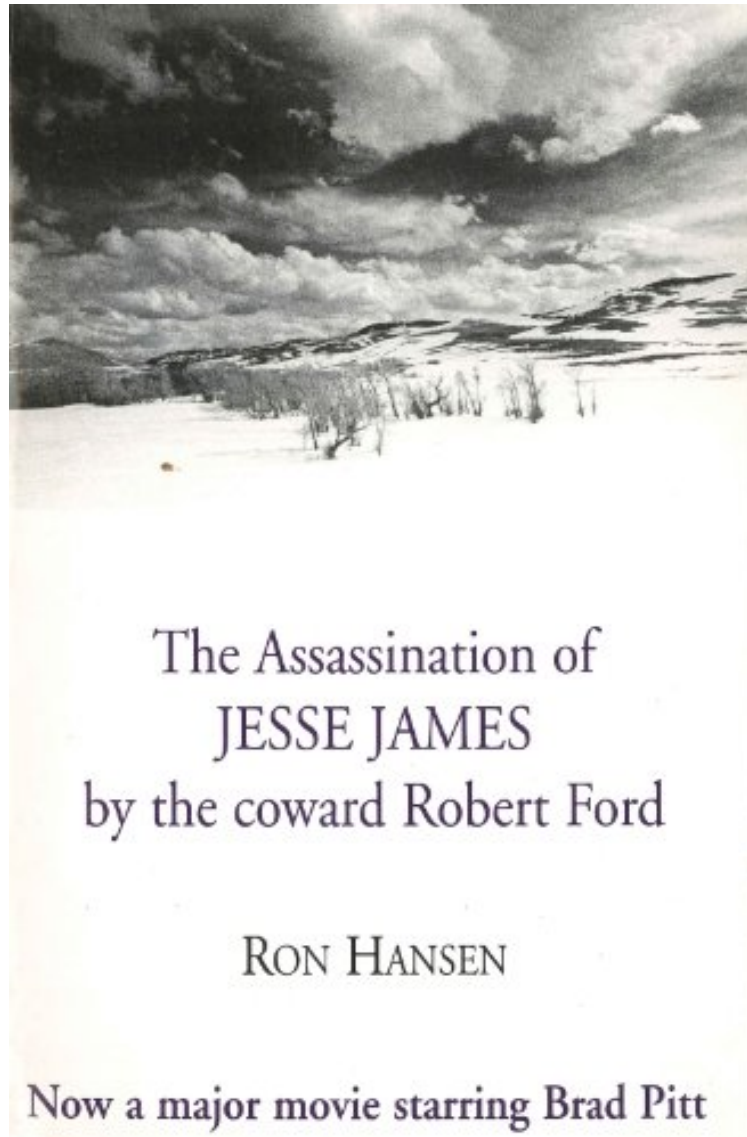


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Great surpriseVon Ein KundeHansen uses an even approach to all the characters in this story: No demons or straw men, here. I began with the common view that honorable Jesse was killed by the detestible coward Robert Ford. But Hansen

made me understand the motives, the differing natures of real people with warm blood in their veins, not the cardboard cut-outs of popular legend. I came to understand, through Hansen of course, that Jesse and Bob had few other options, given who they were, than to live and die as they did. Jesse born the killer; Bob born the Judas. This, the insistence that the story must be as it is told, indicates the very "true-ness" of the story as told by Hansen. In that respect, they are nearly elevated to Shakesperian status (Hamlet born to avenge his father), and the language does indeed inspire to reach far beyond the pitiful, common mode of the genre. A great book
0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Creative and well-written, but just not "gripping"
Von Maya Amichai
This book starts off with long descriptions of interesting facts that lost my interest after about 5. And the rest of the book followed that drawn-out precedent, with some entertaining action, dialog and humor mixed in. I enjoyed the interesting view on America it exemplified that you don't often find in contemporary novels. Jesse James was also portrayed in an astonishing light, but it got old and boring after a while. As soon as the shock wore off, I was just waiting for it to end to see exactly how Jesse was assassinated. I was not let down, but this book just had too much information and too many details without enough plot and dialog for my liking.
0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. beautifully written story of the Old West - based on fact
Von Ein Kunde
Hansen's second novel is a beautifully written tale of the murder of Jesse James by member of his gang. In-depth discussion of hero worship. This historical novel is based on fact, and delves into morality of killing a killer. Incredibly lyrical prose transports the reader back to 1880's Wild West. A towering achievement in fiction writing. (reviewed by) James P. O'Connor 11/6/96

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Hansen has turned low history into high art. This is a terrific book. (Newsday)
Here is THE James book . . . Put Hansen on your bedside table. (Richmond News-Leader)
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