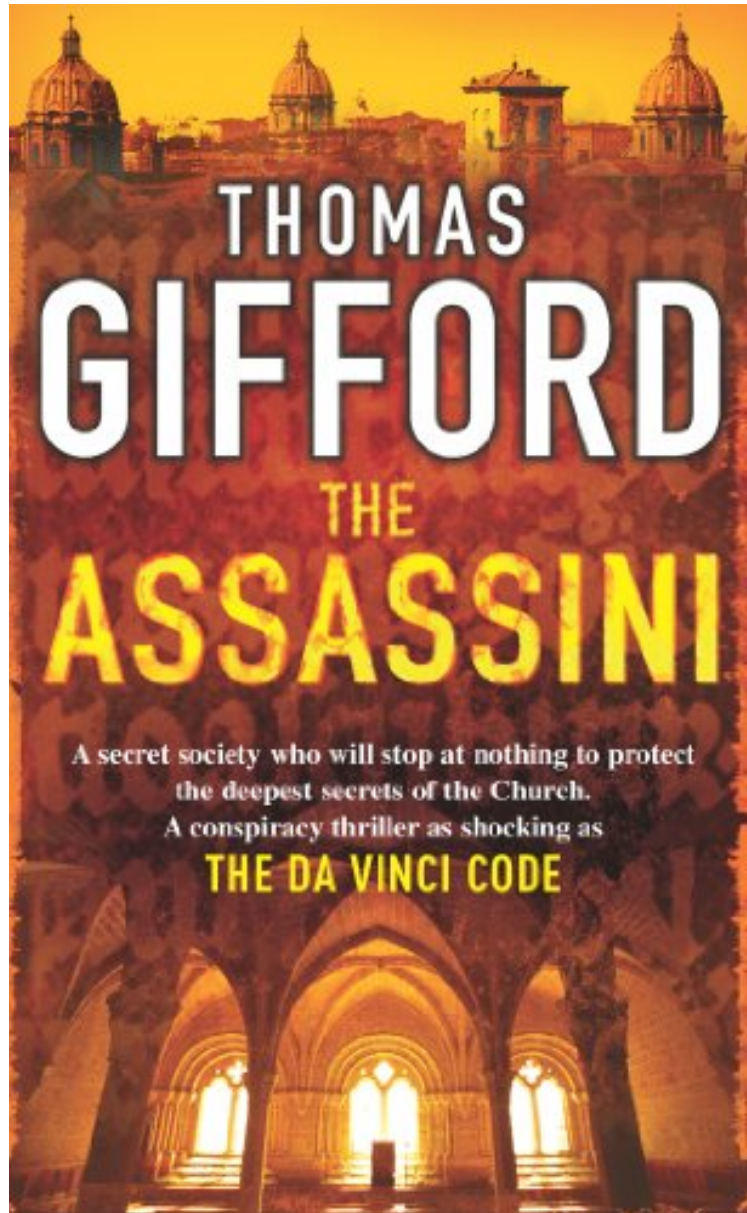


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Von Thomas Gifford : The Assassini before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Assassini:

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen3 von 3 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. An intriguing and believable Vatican mysteryVon Ein KundeThat Thomas Gifford was met by stiff opposition during his

nine years of impeccable research for this work of art speaks volumes about the internal workings of the Catholic Church. It lends credibility to this intriguing array of subplots and characters, while verifying what the rest of the world already knows: that the Church is only marginally unlike any other major multinational corporation. This is a brilliant mystery containing many interesting characters illuminated by a rich tapestry of historical events. Like any roller-coaster ride, the initial pace is slow...but this is a small price to pay for the thrill of this gem.0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. gutes BuchVon SvenInteressantes Buch auch wenn es doch sehr stark an den da Vinci Code erinnert - aber auch egal wer von wem abgeschrieben hat, es lässt sich nach den ersten 100 Seiten gut lesen und das Ende hat noch eine kleine Überraschung parat!1 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Okay readVon Rory MortyThis was a nice read. The story is interesting, and is a nice patchwork of several different but related stories, set in the present and in the past. Essentially, a very sick pope lies dying in the Vatican, and the prime contenders for the throne of St Peter are lining up, organising their support base, and employing each and every ruthless antic in an effort to secure their success at the coming conclave. This struggle, set in the present, is nicely worked in with the complicated relationships between the major players that have their roots in the past. The story nicely highlights some of the major problems, in terms of public image, that the Catholic church and the Vatican face today. I am Catholic; but intrigue, cover-ups, and skeletons in the closet are what is destroying any role for the Catholic church, and by extension, the Vatican, in the modern world. Indeed, the novel sadly paints what is probably a fairly accurate picture of the curial cardinals today. This novel takes the reader to several wonderful places, however, I am not certain that the author actually ever visited Ireland, since his portrayal of that country is a little "off". This novel is long. Too long in my opinion, and I feel it could have been pruned down a little, making it more concise and gripping. I prefer novels that are hard to put down. In this case, I was tired out several times by the novel, and quite relieved to put it down and turn off the light. I have a major marketing issue with the novel. I think that it was very bad form for the publishers to mention The Da Vinci Code on the spine of this novel. It was a cheap shot at trying to push up sales by misleading the public, and I am less than happy with Mr Gifford for permitting this to happen. While I enjoyed the story a lot, something intangible was clearly missing, and I would rather direct prospective readers to Daniel Silva's excellent "The Confessor", or one of Dan Brown's novels. Those ones which have only one title printed on the spine..... From me: two-and-a-half stars.

KurzbeschreibungFor fans of The Da Vinci Code: A conspiracy thriller about an age-old brotherhood of killers. Once hired by princes of the Church to protect it in dangerous times, whose orders do they obey now?In the Vatican, the pope is dying as priestly vultures gather around, whispering the names of possible successors. In a forgotten monastery on Ireland's gale-swept coast, a dangerous document is hidden, waiting to be claimed. And in a family chapel in Princeton, New Jersey, a nun is murdered at her prayers. Sister Valentine was an outspoken activist, a thorn in the Church's side. When her brother, lawyer Ben Driskill, realizes that the Church will never investigate her death, he sets out to find the murderer himself -- and uncovers a dangerous, explosive secret.Pressestimmen"A classic thriller."-- Publishers Weekly. "Adds new meaning to the word riveting."--Atlanta Journal And Constitution."Masterfully plotted and brilliantly told, The Assassini's suspense is unrelenting and its satisfaction is guaranteed."--Ross Thomas author of The Fourth Deadly SinFrom the Paperback edition.WerbetextTHE INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLER