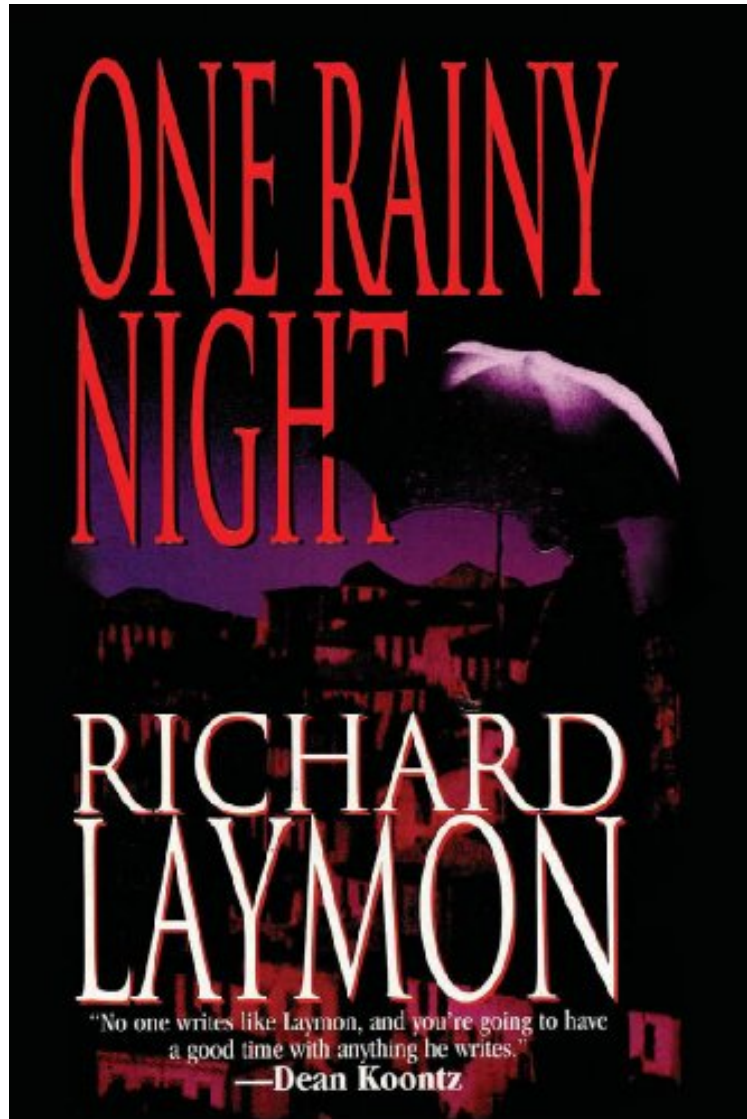


One Rainy Night

Von Richard Laymon

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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. An incredibly intense readVon Mike OliveriI really enjoyed Laymon's first Leisure Books release, BITE, so when ONE RAINY NIGHT came out I snapped it up. It has been a long time since any book has captured my attention like this book did, keeping me up well into the night to finish it. Leisure has made a very intelligent decision to finally bring

this American author back home to the US mass market. I never thought Leisure would outdo releasing Piccirilli's HEXES or Masterton's PREY, but they did it with ONE RAINY NIGHT.1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A Thrilling Ride Von Jane Osnovich Having read this novel last year as an import, I was thrilled to see it on bookshelves here in the US. This book is an excellent example of the writing abilities of this author. "One Rainy Night" opens with the murder of a black student by a bunch of rednecks. Shortly thereafter the small town is plagued by black rain that continues to fall without end. The townspeople who are exposed to the black rain find themselves becoming increasingly violent towards each other. Within a couple of chapters the whole town has become insane. Killings are rampant as decent people turn into maniacs. At every junction where people meet there are attacks. The violence is extremely brutal and raw. What makes it even more disturbing is that all the acts are completely realistic. Laymon has a way of exposing mankind's ugly side that would make even the most hardened reader cringe. This is not gratuitous gore like you find in a lot of hack horror novels but a glimpse at what happens when good people give in to their animal nature. Another distinction in Laymon's writing is that he takes the conventional roles of hero, victim, villain and completely turns them around. It is not uncommon for the hero to become a victim, for the victim to become a villain and so on. In Laymon's books heroes sometimes die and villains get away. The battle between good and evil rages on, often within one character. The character's in this book are real people forced into the most extreme of situations with shocking outcomes. Without giving away too much of the storyline, I must add that the ending was a big surprise. The twists and turns that occurred within the story kept me guessing through the end. The book was a fast, action packed read that pulled no punches. I highly recommend it but be warned it is not for the faint of heart.0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Bad Splatterpunk Von J. Surowiecki I remember passing this book by when I first saw it in 1991. Having just completed it, I wish that I had passed it by yet again. "One Rainy Night" is a very quick read. I finished it in more or less one sitting. Normally that's a good thing, and I will credit Richard Laymon's ability to create story flow. However... he left so many gaping holes and unexplored avenues throughout the novel that it became tedious less than halfway through. One of my major problems with this novel was dialogue. The character of Kara may be nine years old in the story, but her lines are those of someone well along in years. And how many high schoolers do you know that refer to kids as "ankle-biters"? I can see the parallel one other reviewer had with this novel resembling a George Romero movie. Although I find "One Rainy Night" to be more like the film "The Crazies" than any of the "Living Dead" films. Rape and gore are prominent throughout the novel. This may have been meant to be shocking..but after a while you'll notice that's all there is. A half-hearted attempt at splatterpunk. If this is indicative of the rest of Richard Laymon's work, I'll most probably pass those by as well. Readers may want to check out the horror classic "The Fog" by James Herbert. A significantly better novel by a master story teller.

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