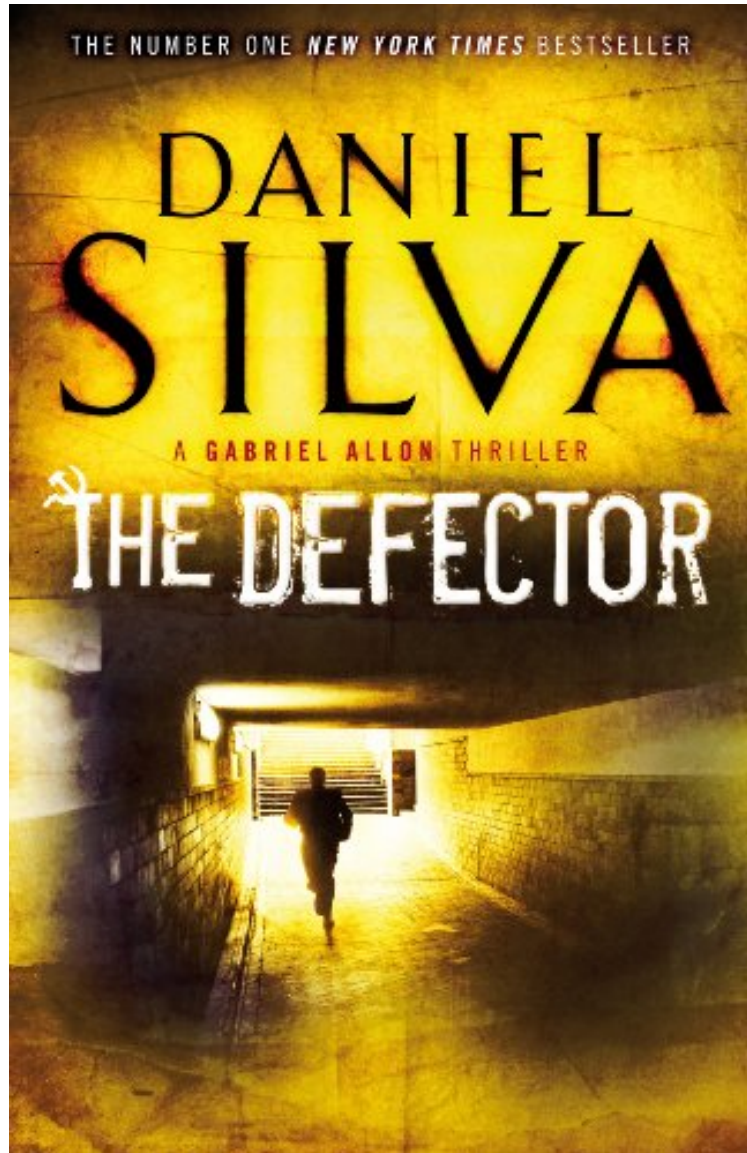


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**Von Daniel Silva : The Defector (Gabriel Allon)** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Defector (Gabriel Allon):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen4 von 4 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Payback Time in a Chilling Sequel to Moscow RulesVon Donald Mitchell"Since you would do a thing like this, I will surely take revenge on you, and after that I will cease." -- Judges 15:7Where does revenge lead? That's the painful question posed by Daniel Silva's latest novel about Israel's most dangerous man, Gabriel Allon. In Moscow Rules, arms dealer

and evil doer Ivan Kharkov loses his children, a lot of money, and his pride. There are bound to be consequences, but Kharkov is a subtle snake. As the book opens, defector Grigori Bulganov is on his way to a chess tournament he's expected to win when he disappears from the streets of London. The British are convinced he's a double agent and is headed home to Moscow. The news doesn't get to Gabriel for some time. Ordered to leave it alone, Gabriel is convinced that his Moscow savior needs saving and heads for London to do his own investigation. One thing leads to another and Gabriel soon realizes that Ivan Kharkov has made revenge personal. While the general outline of the plot is quite predictable, the menace being so personal makes the book much more appealing than Mr. Silva's plot formula normally would allow. You'll feel Gabriel's pain more intensely than you normally relate to a hero in a thriller. The book continues to explore Mr. Silva's theme of how evil destroys even those who fight it in a convincing way. I was deeply impressed by the portrayal of evil and its consequences. At the same time, Mr. Silva keeps a few surprises for us that will make your eyes open wide with shock. No matter how late you stay up to finish the book (I did at 2:03 a.m.), you'll be wide awake when you do. There's a continuing warning about the risks of dealing with the ex-KGB men who lead Russia that's underlined by a final note on how dangerous it is to be a journalist in the new Russia. It's chilling to think about. If you like your stories to be bloodless and painless, this won't be the book for you.

4 von 4 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Spannung bis zur letzten Seite Von Peter Eckl Der Roman setzt die Story des unmittelbaren Vorgängerromans "Moscow Rules" fort und daher empfiehlt es sich, diesen zuvor gelesen zu haben. Durch die zahlreichen Rückblicke, die Silva aus der Perspektive seiner Romanhelden in seine Romane immer wieder einbaut (so auch hier), ist dies natürlich nicht zwingend notwendig, um die Handlung zu verstehen. Wer Ruland und insbesondere Moskau ein wenig kennt, der wird - wie schon im Vorgängerroman "Moscow Rules" feststellen, dass die Strassen und Gebäude tatsächlich an den jeweiligen Orten so existieren, wie im Roman beschrieben (natürlich mit anderen Mietern und Eigentümern). Vor meinem geistigen Auge lebten bei der Lektüre meine visuellen Erinnerungen aus Geschäftsreisen nach Moskau auf. Der Roman geht neben Moscow Rules und Prince of Fire zu den spannendsten der Gabriel Allon Reihe.

1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. The return and downfall of Ivan Kharkov Von Mark O'Neill I swear, just when I think Silva can't get any better, he does. He pulls out another amazing, heart-stopping thriller which you can't put down until you're finished. Although I would say that I am glad that this is the end of the Ivan Kharkov story - I wouldn't have wanted this to go on for a third book. At the end of the previous book, Moscow Rules, Gabriel Allon has humiliated the Russian arms dealer Ivan Kharkov and taken away everything he owns and holds dear. His wife and children have defected to the US and \$20 million of his money has been stolen from his bank accounts and given to his wife. Added to that, Kharkov now has trouble leaving Russia as there are multiple arrest warrants out for him. You can safely say he is one very angry man. Fast forward to The Defector. The Moscow journalist who investigated Kharkov in the past and the former KGB officer who double-crossed Kharkov are now living in the UK under new names and under MI5 protection. One night, the officer goes missing after being seen getting into a car. MI5 believes that he has re-defected to Russia. Gabriel Allon believes he has been kidnapped by Kharkov and only has days left to live. But he is in the minority with that opinion so he needs to move fast to prove it before a murder takes place. When an assassination squad tries to take out the Moscow journalist, Allon knows that Kharkov is back and getting revenge on those who wronged him in the past. But as he is about to figure out how to move against Kharkov, Allon is hit very close to home. Kharkov strikes at Allon where he knows it will hurt the deadliest and Allon now has no choice but to return to Israel, collect his Mossad team and travel to Russia to finally take out Ivan Kharkov once and for all. This is writing at its very best. Don't make any appointments while you're reading this. I guarantee you'll miss them all (I did!).

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