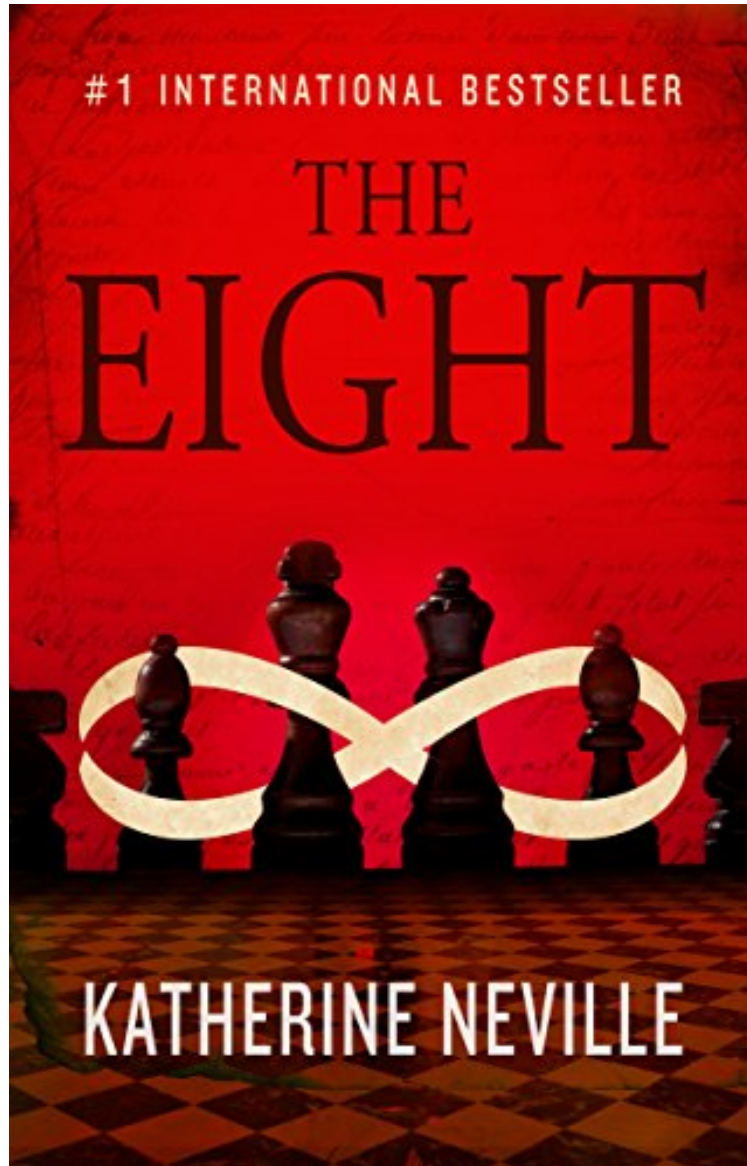


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Von Katherine Neville : The Eight (English Edition) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Eight (English Edition):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen10 von 10 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. pssst! Want a perfect summer read?Von K. DennyOne of the best "take me away - I want to get lost in a book" novels I ever read. I've read it several times, and each time I find myself staying up until the wee hours of the morning to finish it.

One review I read years ago described this as an Indiana Jones for women - I agree, but I think it's not FOR women, just ABOUT them. It's a perfect blend of history, chess, tantalizing clues, and non-stop action. As a bookseller, I've sold this book many times with a money-back guarantee in case the customer didn't like it and I've never had a single customer bring it back for a refund. A word to fans of *The Eight*, Katherine Neville's next two novels, *A Calculated Risk* and *The Magic Circle* do not live up to the standards set by *The Eight*. 7 von 7 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. I stopped counting the times I've read this book at, yes, 8 Von Ein Kunde All the other reviews describe the book well. But no one mentioned the biographical sketches of such historical figures as Catherine the Great, Napoleon, Bach, Marat, Rousseau, Talleyrand, Benedict Arnold, etc. that are an integral part of the novel. Of course the stories of these persons are fictionalized in the book, but the ability of Ms. Neville to weave such realistic portraits of legends into the epic story she tells is fascinating and adds greatly to the appeal of this book. Also, let's not forget the education she gives us in chess, math, computers, the French revolution, alchemy, Mediterranean mythology, Algiers, OPEC, puzzles, Fibonacci numbers and freemasonry. Oh, and before anyone thinks that a book that covers the above topics must be pedantic, boring and complicated, let me state emphatically that this book is FUN. It's a hoot. It's engaging. It's engrossing. Finally, my copy of this book is starting to fall apart from overuse. It's time to get a new copy. And Ms. Neville, if you're reading this, please write another book. I can't wait. 4 von 4 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Are they sure this isn't a romance novel? Von Ein Kunde This review is going to do some serious bashing so I'd like to emphasize the book wasn't all *that* bad. I just don't think it rates what most people have given it. It is "below average" but not "horrible." So I give it two stars. My biggest complaint? I found myself repeatedly looking at the spine to make sure it really did say "fiction" and not "romance." I realize taking things out of context can be dangerous so I'm going to use one of the less offensive examples: "Every moment spent with him seemed a frozen golden drop of time, like the jewels scattered on the dark cloth - as vivid and as precious." And remember, I'm not even citing the worst example. There is plenty of "quivering" and swooning to go around. I may be a cynic but this seems the stuff Harlequin uses - tho admittedly, I've never read one. The characters? The female protagonists in the historic thread just reek of stereotypes. In the modern thread, the female protagonist solves the most obscure references jumping topics and even languages with the greatest of ease - and then shows a complete inability to do a common-sense task. The main male character in the historic thread simply could not think with his mind but seemed doomed to think sometimes with his heart but usually with regions further south. The main male of the modern thread is all the best of Fabio, Einstein, Dirty Harry, James Bond, McGuiver, Dante and e. e. cummings (and only 26 years old!). And, for the record, I love a *good* heroine. The "mystery" was *completely* insolvable by the reader. In fact, it wasn't even very well defined. On more than one occasion, the author uses the and-they-stayed-up-all-night tactic allowing the protagonists to come up with the solution to the piece of the puzzle du jour. Unlike many books, the last 20 pages actually improve the book. Treading lightly to avoid any spoilers, I was a bit annoyed that, in the end, the entire caste of characters inexplicably takes the decision of the lead heroine as gospel. Had it been me, I'd have said "Yeah, right. Gimme the pieces!" But that's just my opinion, I could be wrong. Trapped on a transcontinental airplane and someone stuffs this book in your hands? By all means read it, it won't be a complete waste of time.

Kurzbeschreibung The riveting #1 international bestselling novel about the quest across centuries by two intrepid women in different eras to reunite the pieces of a powerful, ancient chess set A fabulous, bejeweled chess set that belonged to Charlemagne has been buried in a Pyrenees abbey for a thousand years. As the bloody French Revolution rages in Paris, the nuns dig it up and scatter its pieces across the globe because, when united, the set contains a secret power that could topple civilizations. To keep the set from falling into the wrong hands, two novices, Valentine and Mireille, embark on an adventure that begins in the streets of Paris and leads to Russia, Egypt, Corsica, and into the heart of the Algerian Sahara. Two hundred years later, while on assignment in Algeria, computer expert Catherine Velis finds herself drawn unwillingly into the deadly Game still swirling around the legendary chess set a game that will require her to risk her life and match wits with diabolical forces. This ebook features an illustrated biography of Katherine Neville including rare images from her life and travels.