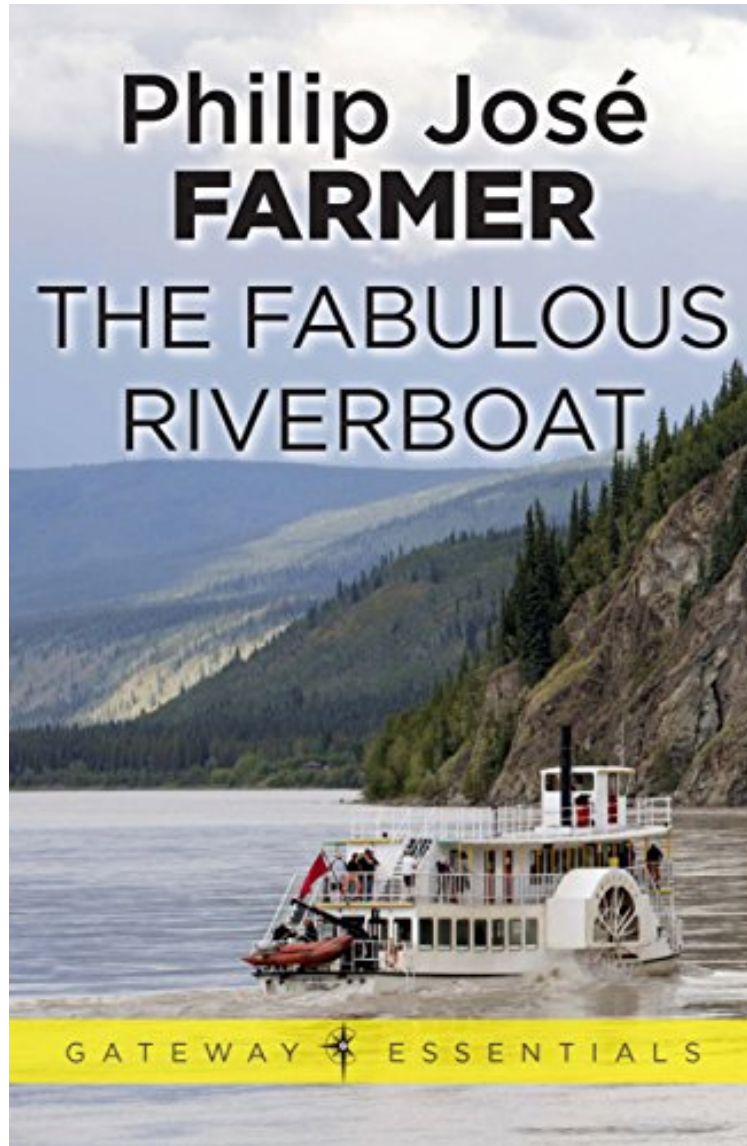


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Von Philip Jose Farmer : The Fabulous Riverboat (Riverworld) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Fabulous Riverboat (Riverworld):

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BrilliantVon Ein KundeBook 2 of the fantastic Riverworld series. Read in order. A world of resurrection where every soul who ever lived is brought back to indefinite life - where death is but a temporary inconvenience. Among the billions clawing through warfare, slavery and violent aggression is Samuel Clemens, alias Mark Twain. Sam's dream

is to build a Mississippi style riverboat and travel to the source of the River (Riverworld's artery). Even with the aid of one of the mysterious beings responsible for Riverworld and his neanderthal blood brother he is hard put to bring his dream to life. There are others, King John for example who will stop at nothing to get the Fabulous Riverboat. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Not as compelling as *To Your Scattered Bodies Go* Von Antonio Figl In the second book of the Riverworld series, Sam Clemens aka Mark Twain has a single dream: build a majestic Riverboat to sail to the headwaters of the mighty river and find the ones responsible for Resurrection. Although the story is first rate, I found the pacing mediocre. Clemens is given a revelation from a "Mysterious Stranger" at the very beginning of the book, and nothing more is forthcoming; I found that this early climax robbed the rest of the book of some of its punch. Also, toward the end, there are two major time-shifts which are totally out of place. But the rest is quite enjoyable. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Disappointing and distracting Von Ein Kunde After presenting such a wonderfully consistent and believable view of River World in 'To your scattered bodies go', I was repeatedly stunned by the unbelievable circumstances he presented in this, his second installment. JPF managed to make Mark Twain rather boring, and robbed the River World of all its interesting features by abandoning subsistence living and introducing airplanes and firearms. Like the river it takes its name from, the river world series unerringly goes downhill... Definitely read 'To your scattered bodies go', but avoid this (and the rest of the series) like the plague.

Kurzbeschreibung Resurrected on the lush, mysterious banks of Riverworld, along with the rest of humanity, Samuel Langhorne Clemens (a.k.a. Mark Twain) has a dream: to build a riverboat that will rival the most magnificent paddle-wheelers ever navigated on the mighty Mississippi. Then, to steer it up the endless waterway that dominates his new home planet - and at last discover its hidden source. But before he can carry out his plan, he first must undertake a dangerous voyage to unearth a fallen meteor. This mission would require striking an uneasy alliance with the bloodthirsty Viking Erik Bloodaxe, treacherous King John of England, legendary French swordsman Cyrano de Bergerac, Greek adventurer Odysseus, and the infamous Nazi Hermann Gring. All for the purpose of storming the ominous stone tower at the mouth of the river, where the all-powerful overseers of Riverworld - and their secrets - lie in wait . . . de In *To Your Scattered Bodies Go*, Philip Jos Farmer introduces readers to the awesome Riverworld, a planet that had been carved into one large river on whose shores all of humanity throughout the ages has seemingly been resurrected. In *The Fabulous Riverboat*, Farmer tells the tale of one person whose is uniquely suited to find the river's headwaters, riverboat captain and famous Earthly author Sam Clemens (a.k.a. Mark Twain). Clemens has been visited by "X," a mysterious being who claims to be a rebel among the group that created Riverworld. X tells Clemens where he can find a large deposit of iron and other materials that Clemens can use to build the greatest riverboat ever seen. Since there is virtually no metal on the planet, it will also give Clemens an unbeatable edge when it comes to battling the various warlike societies that dominate the Riverworld. But Clemens is not alone in his quest for the iron, which arrives on the planet in the form of a giant meteorite. In fact, Clemens is besieged on all sides by forces determined to seize the precious ore, leading him to make a deadly pact with one of history's most notorious villains, John Lackland. Lackland's crimes during his reign as king of England were so hideous that no other English monarch will ever carry his name, and he's up to equally nefarious tricks on Riverworld. However, Clemens has a guardian angel in the form of Joe Miller, a giant subhuman with a big nose, a serious lisp, and a cutting wit. Miller has also been to the very headwaters of the river, where he saw a mysterious tower in the middle of the North Sea and where the creators of Riverworld are thought to reside. He will be an invaluable ally in completing the riverboat and sailing to the headwaters, but even an 800-pound giant may not be enough to help Clemens fulfill X's mission. --Craig E. Engler Kurzbeschreibung Resurrected on the lush, mysterious banks of Riverworld, along with the rest of humanity, Samuel Langhorne Clemens (a.k.a. Mark Twain) has a dream: to build a riverboat that will rival the most magnificent paddle-wheelers ever navigated on the mighty Mississippi. Then, to steer it up the endless waterway that dominates his new home planet - and at last discover its hidden source. But before he can carry out his plan, he first must undertake a dangerous voyage to unearth a fallen meteor. This mission would require striking an uneasy alliance with the bloodthirsty Viking Erik Bloodaxe, treacherous King John of England, legendary French swordsman Cyrano de Bergerac, Greek adventurer Odysseus, and the infamous Nazi Hermann Gring. All for the purpose of storming the ominous stone tower at the mouth of the river, where the all-powerful overseers of Riverworld - and their secrets - lie in wait . . .