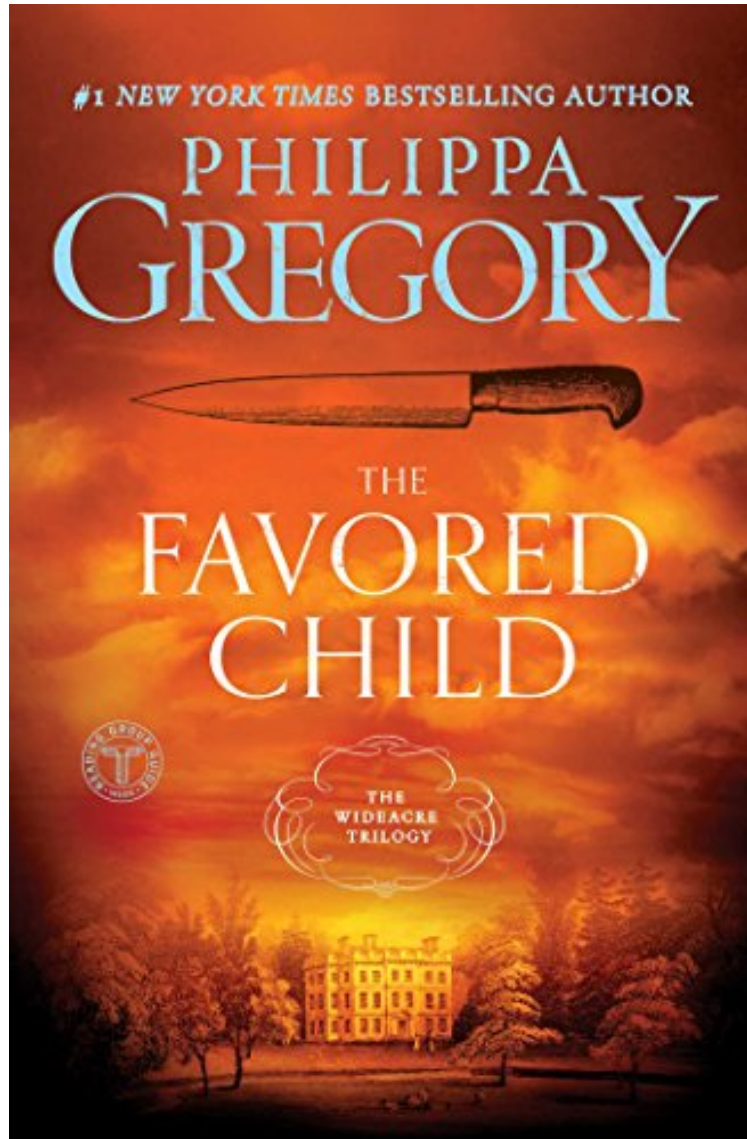


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Von Philippa Gregory : The Favored Child: A Novel (Wildacre Trilogy) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Favored Child: A Novel (Wildacre Trilogy):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen3 von 3 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Gripping and fascinating- yet I wish I had never read itVon LausermamaThe favored child is the second book of the Wideacre trilogy. It tells the story of Beatrice Lacey's son and daughter, who are raised as cousins in relative poverty on Wideacre. With the aid of Ralph Megson they start out to make Wideacre grow again and to make things right for

Acre and its inhabitants. While Julia can feel the magic of Wideacre and grows up to be the real heir of Beatrice Lacey, her jealous cousin Richard turns out to be a bully, jealous of her abilities and ready to go to absolutely all lengths to become squire of Wideacre. Just as you think they really can make things right on Wideacre, everything starts to go terribly, horribly wrong. Thanks to Philippa Gregory's vivid descriptions and love of detail, the world of Wideacre comes to life in one's imagination again. The book is very, very gripping, I could hardly put it down. Yet part of my inability to put it down is due to the horrible treatment Julia Lacey is exposed to- and to her unbelievable naiveté and submission, her inability to speak up for herself and against her cousin just for once- for the sake of her own wellbeing and that of all her loved ones and of the people of Wideacre. Hardly ever was I so ambivalent about a book- reading it was like an emotional roller coaster ride- I kept going from hoping, cheering Julia Lacey on and being happy with her to unbelievably shaking my head and wanting to scream some sense and some guts into her. What kept me going on reading was the urge to know if Julia will ever manage to stand up for herself and for Wideacre. The book engrossed me and deeply unsettled me. After reading the book to its dramatic, deeply satisfying and yet disturbing end, I know I will never read it again- which I won't have to do, since I am sure I will never be able to forget it, anyway.

0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Ein sehr gelungener zweiter Teil von Althene Bei Bchern, die in Serie erscheinen, ist es oft sehr schwer fr den Autor, die Spannung und Qualitt des ersten Buches weiter aufrecht zu erhalten. Philippa Gregory hat hier ganze Arbeit geleistet. Nach Wideacre ist auch The Favoured Child ein Buch, was man kaum niederlegen mchte. Beatrice (aus dem ersten Teil) ist Geschichte und erneut kmpfen zwei Geschwister um das Erhalten des Gutes Wideacre. Sehr spannend, kann ich nur empfehlen.

0 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. a book to inhale von Susanne Mrs Gregory hat die Gabe uns ganz unter die Haut ihrer Charaktere schlpfen zu lassen - man lebt mit - man lebt dort - man verlsst seine eigene reale Welt ganz leicht fr die Zeit des Lesens. Faszinierender Roman zum Abschalten - zum Kennenlernen jener historischen Zeit in England

Kurzbeschreibung From #1 New York Times bestselling author and queen of royal fiction (USA TODAY) Philippa Gregory comes the thrilling sequel to the New York Times bestseller Wideacre as the once-great Lacey estate is restored to its former grandeur though not without cost. The Wideacre estate is bankrupt. The villagers are living in poverty and formerly stunning hall is a smoke-blackened ruin. But, in the Dower House nearby, two children are being raised in protected innocence. Equal claimants to the estate, rivals for the love of the village, they are tied by a secret childhood betrothal but forbidden to marry. Only one can be the favored child only one can inherit the magical understanding between the land and the Lacey family that can make the Sussex village grow green again. Only one can be Beatrice Lacey's true heir. Sensual, gripping, and mystical, The Favored Child irresistibly sweeps the reader into a world of secrets, betrayals, and power in this revolutionary period of English history.

From Publishers Weekly This impassioned sequel to the page-turning Wideacre carries the fortunes of the Lacey family, now decaying country gentry, into the late 18th century. "Gregory's galloping plot leads to a savage but satisfying conclusion that piques anticipation for the trilogy's conclusion," commented PW. Copyright 1990 Reed Business Information, Inc.

From Library Journal Written with sensitivity, this is a sequel to New York Times best-seller Wideacre. The story, set in 18th-century Sussex, England, revolves around Julia Lacey; Richard, her cousin and joint heir; and Wideacre, the once-great Lacey estate. As Wideacre again prospers under Julia's almost magical agricultural ability, superstitious villagers who glimpse her visions of the future ask if she is the "favored child" predicted by Wideacre's former mistress before her violent and untimely death. Gregory's precise images and skillful descriptions make this 18th-century microcosm vivid. Love, terror, friendship, incest, class conflicts, and brutal power struggles are set against the pastoral beauty of an estate being restored to its former importance. Highly recommended for readers of this type of historical fiction. Doubleday Book Club main selection; Literary Guild alternate. - Ellen R. Cohen, Rockville, Md. Copyright 1989 Reed Business Information, Inc.