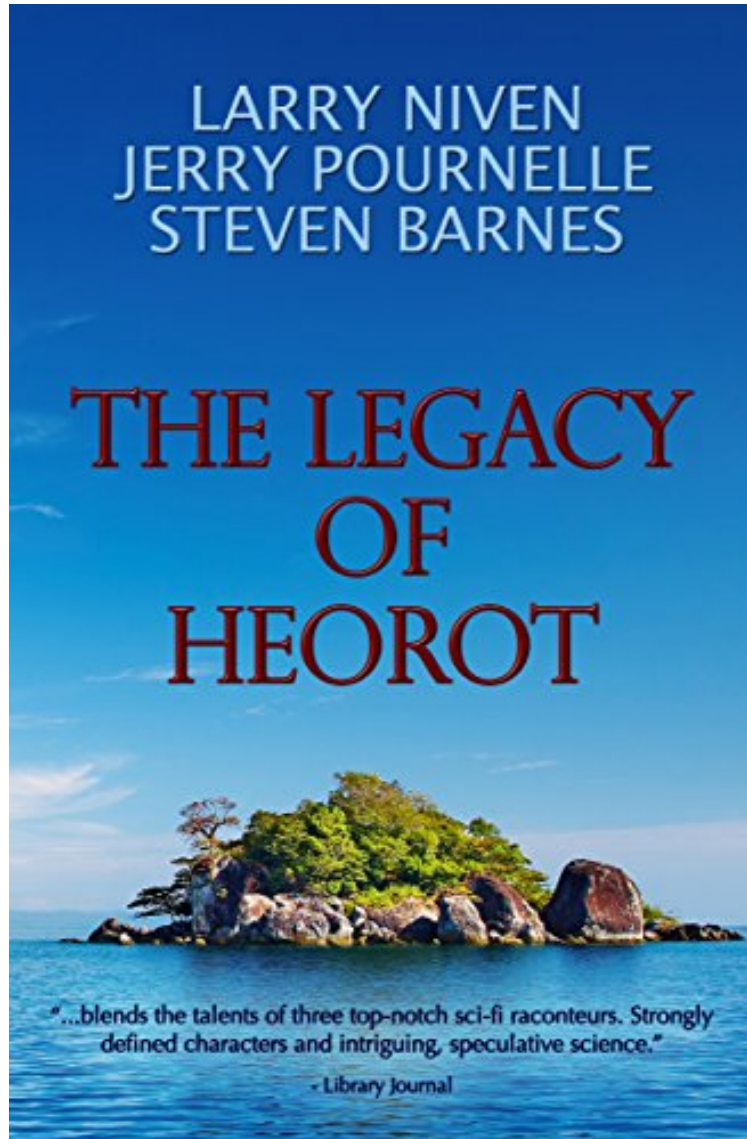


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Von Larry Niven, Jerry Pournelle, Steven Barnes : The Legacy of Heorot (Heorot series Book 1) (English Edition) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Legacy of Heorot (Heorot series Book 1) (English Edition):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. By the booksVon NathanWhile this was a very fast paced book with a lot of interesting parts to it, it didn't turn out very well.The writing, especially in the first hundred pages, was very dry, to the point where I was thinking that it would be

more fun to read yesterday's newspaper. While the language and writing style did improve somewhat afterward, it was still a little lacking all throughout the novel. While there were a few riveting or very real scenes, the dialogue pretty much didn't sound real; I couldn't picture real people saying those lines. Just as a quick example...the dedication -- "we are indebted to so and so for translating this poem. we are indebted to so and so for the maps". Straight from the heart. Moving on. Again, this book was extremely fast paced, but there were quite a few flaws. A few of the characters were very well rounded, but I found most of the main characters to be quite flat. Many of the "plot twists" weren't very surprising, I had guessed the ecological situation long before all these "geniuses" came up with it. Also, while all the little details were technically correct, it was too "by the book" for a science-fiction action/adventure novel. Everything was predictably placed, and the "grendels" failed to inspire much awe or fear in me. While I agree to an extent with the reviewer before me ranting about the ecological concerns, these didn't really bother me so much...If I moved to another planet, I wouldn't care if the carnivores that tried to eat me and my kids were there first, I'd shoot now and try to get along peacefully later too. Was this book great? No. Was it good, fast, and a fun way to spend an afternoon or three? Yes. Don't look for any deep messages here, but if you want a quick shoot-em-up romp with some sex and technology on the side, you'll find it here.

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Von Michael Battaglia This book was really entertaining but definitely not the best place to start for the works of Niven/Pournelle (I'm not sure what Barnes contributed) they seem to be slumming a little bit on the ideas here, the Grendels are the only really new idea and the secret to their life cycle isn't all that impressive and easily dealt with, unlike say the Moties. The beginning scenes with them are great as the authors pour on the suspense and horror but by the end they're just this faceless horde that keeps coming, scary not because they're frightening but because theirs so friggin' many of them. In my opinion it reduces the book to little more than an action movie romp, with the big men strapped on guns and blasting away. Though the strategy stuff is interesting but considering that the Grendels are nearly mindless except for animal cunning, it's not like they're going up against suprageniuses. That and the characters, while drawn enough so you can care about them a little, aren't all that deep, the motivations for coming onto the planet aren't delved into all that deeply. Most of them stick to one type of personality and stick to it without change, heck if I want to read cardboard characters, I'll go get an Ayn Rand novel (ooh, that's one is asking for it, maybe will delete it to avoid controversy). But they are sympathetic at least even if everyone seems to think about sex, with or without making babies. Am I being harsh on this book . . . well considering how much better the team has done before, it's probably warranted but at the same time this isn't bad, it's just not as idea driven as the other novel, you sort of check your brains at the door, sit back, relax and have a little fun. It's not even that long. So go try the others first and come to this to see what Niven and Pournelle are like on auto-pilot and you'll see what I mean.

0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. NIVEN POURNELLE : BUY, BUY, BUY

Von Herr Grosses Tier Jerry Pournelle and Larry Niven present a sound scientific background and superb, fast paced storytelling, as in their prior collaborations. Steven Barnes does a good job in characterization, which was one of the minor weak points of the two aforementioned authors.

The Story :The planet AVALON gets settled by a mixed group: scientists, farmers, administrators and so on. The settlement is placed on an island before the coast of the main continent to hinder biologic intoxication with earthbound genematerial. The island seems perfectly save, but one day comes GRENDEL :An organism with capability of hyperfast movements. A former soldier is the hero of the story, he kills the monster, but only after it has violated the settler's camp and killed many people. Typically the survivors blame the soldier for the killings and so he finds himself another place on the island to build his home, alone. The scientists of AVALON do research on GRENDEL's cadaver for an explantation for GRENDEL's abilities but only when they answer the most important question :Where does GRENDEL come from ?the book unfolds its true action. I recommend this book and also its sequel 'The Dragons of Heorot'. Buy them.

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