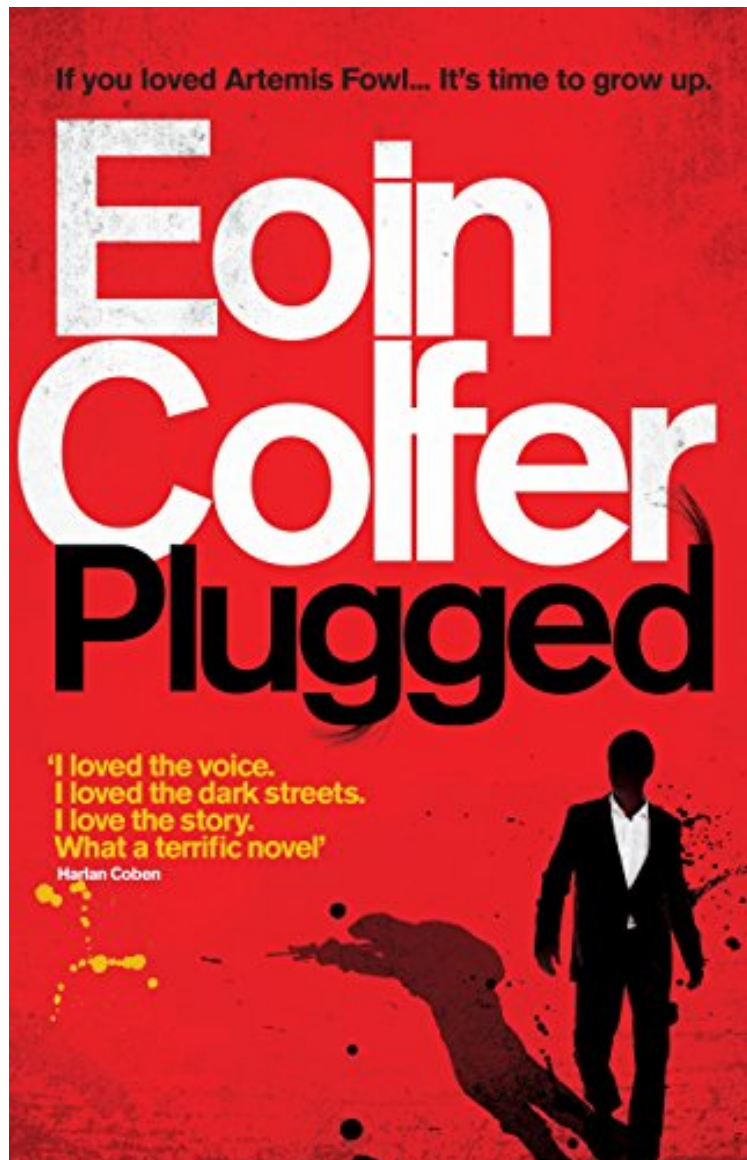


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Von Eoin Colfer : Plugged (English Edition) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Plugged (English Edition):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen8 von 8 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. What a ride! Excellent!Von NikolausGColfer at full speed. Bloody funny, wisecracking, high tension, page turning action, a twisted, almost film noir plot and weird, but true characters. A story so unbelievable, that it could be true. Meet Dan the irish ex-peacekeeper now doorman at a run-down strip club and join the ride that leaves several - bad - people

dead, a doberman well fed, and nothing unsaid, when it comes to the most hilarious banter one can have with the voices it his own head and all the smarta... people out there! One of the best books to hit the shelves in 2011! If you like "Get Carter" or "Payback" or simply Eoin Colfer and are an adult (beware: thos is NOT a childrens book), this is must read!

2 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Mal was anderes von Colfer

Von Meine Bcherwrmer Daniel McEvoy, Sohn einer amerikanischen Mutter wuchs in Dublin auf. Wie ihm sein Psychologe klar machte, war das Verprgeln durch seinen Vater dafr verantwortlich, dass sich in Daniel ein starker Beschtzerinstinkt ausbildete und er sich gleich fr zwei Friedenseinstze der NATO im Libanon freiwillig meldete. Heute ist Daniel Anfang Vierzig und Sicherheitschef in einem kleinen Casino in einem Vorort von New York. Um sich nicht so zu fhlen, als wre sein Leben schon fast vorbei, lsst er sich von einem aus dem Libanon bekannten und jetzt im selben Ort ohne Genehmigung praktizierendem Arzt, Haare von seinem Rcken auf den Kopf verpflanzen. Bei einem seiner Prazisbesuche trifft er jedoch nicht auf seinen Freund Zeb, sondern auf einen Killer vom irischen Gangsterboss Michael Madden, der gerade dessen Rumlichkeiten verwstet hat. Er ist auf der Suche nach Zeb und als Daniel ihm nicht weiterhelfen kann, geht er mit dem Messer auf ihn los. Daniels militrisches Training bernimmt die Kontrolle und er kann seinen Angreifer in Notwehr tten. Daniel schtzt die Situation so ein, dass sein Freund Zeb inzwischen vermutlich auch tot ist, was dazu fhrt, dass er dessen Stimme fortan als Kommentator in seinem Kopf mit sich rumtrgt, die ihn dazu drngt, ihn zu finden und ihm vielleicht noch das Leben zu retten. Als sich Daniel an diesem Abend mit grter Vorsicht zum Casino begibt, wird dort die Leiche seiner erschossenen Kollegin gefunden, der er am Vorabend noch mit einem handgreiflichen Gast geholfen hat. Die Polizei verhrt alle Angestellten und schickt sie nach Hause. Zurck in seiner Wohnung findet Daniel eine aufgebrochene Tr und ein verwstetes Zimmer vor. Daniel verdchtigt den Gast des Vorabends und gibt der Polizei einen anonymen Tipp. Als er beobachten mchte, ob der Mann festgenommen wird, muss er stattdessen mit ansehen, wie eine der beiden Polizistinnen versucht ihre Partnerin zu ermorden. Da kann Daniel natrlich nicht anders, als einzugreifen. So landet er ganz pltzlich noch viel tiefer in einem Hin und Her zwischen Drogenhndlern, korrupten Polizisten und einigen Morden. Plugged / Der Tod ist ein bleibender Schaden ist von der ersten bis zur letzten Seite sehr unterhaltend. Daniels interne Monologe mit "Ghost Zeb" und seine Sprche lockern das eigentlich dstere Geschehen ungemein auf. Im Gegensatz zu hnlichen Bchern, wie beispielsweise den Crime-Novels von Anthony Bourdain, fliet zwar auch einiges an Blut, jedoch ist die Gewalt nicht so sehr bildlich dargestellt, dass es einem den Appetit verderben knnte.

0 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Erwachsenen Krimi

Von Andrea Trinkerl Nach wie vor sind die Artemis Fowl Bcher die besten Romane von Eoin Colfer. Leider liest sich plugged nicht so flssig wie Artemis.

Kurzbeschreibung 'I love the voice. I love the dark streets. I love the story.' Harlan Coben

Dan, an Irishman who's ended up in New Jersey, finds himself embroiled in a world of murder, kidnapping and corrupt cops. Dan works as a bouncer in a seedy club, half in love with hostess Connie. When Connie is murdered on the premises, a vengeful Dan finds himself embroiled in an increasingly deadly sequence of events in which his doctor friend Zeb goes mysteriously missing, a cop-killing female cop becomes his only ally, and he makes an enemy of ruthless drug-dealer Mike Madden. Written with the warmth and wit that make the Artemis Fowl novels so irresistible, though with additional torture and violence, PLUGGED is a brilliant crime debut from a naturally gifted writer with a huge fanbase.

Pressestimmen "Great writers can write anything, and Plugged is proof. Its author is Eoin (pronounced 'Owen') Colfer, a name you might recognize because he wrote the best-selling 'Artemis Fowl' books for young adults, as well as a sequel to Douglas Adamss "The Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy." Taken together, those books feature fairies, unemployed gods, a boy genius, a green alien and a galactic president, which means its not easy to categorize Colfer or his writing. Thats a good thing. Because now hes produced a bang-up crime novel for adults. This might lead you to think youre in Elmore Leonard, Carl Hiaasen or even Damon Runyon country, but youre not. Although there are echoes of all three writers in Plugged, Colfer's novel is dominated, driven and fully animated by a refreshingly original voice . . . Colfer has the deftest of touches, so he underplays them at every opportunity, which makes the reader care all the more. Plugged packs a powerful dramatic wallop for such a slim volume, like a flyweight with a knockout punch. And Daniel McEvoy becomes a knight errant in a sensitively wrought study of the effects of war on the human soul. As I said, great writing." Lisa Scottoline, The Washington Post

"Channeling noir stylists from Raymond Chandler to Elmore Leonard, Eoin Colfer the Irish author of the million-selling "Artemis Fowl" series for teens, goes a little crazy in his head-spinning, hilarious first novel for adults. "Plugged" introduces us to the charismatic Daniel McEvoy, who uses the lethal skills he learned in the Irish army as a strip-club doorman who finds himself in deep sewage with the cops and the Irish mob thanks to his best friend, a crooked doctor who is giving him hair implants." San Antonio Express-News

"Author Eoin Colfer, who created those Artemis Fowl books, lives in Ireland. Again, hair-raising, dark bad boys, crime, events where your wife's brother gets selected 'designated drunk.' Daniel McEvoy's a bouncer, Irish. Like, what else? Lives there a villain who's Norwegian? His girlfriend gets suddenly dead. It's a crooked doctor, menacing homeland mob, seedy New Jersey club, more booze--and such prose as squeezing certain sensitive parts of a

male Rottweiler. And Page 264's 'Little virgin Connie didn't want hands on her ass.' Eugene O'Neill it's not. Irish it is." Cindy Adams, New York Post "Irish author Colfer, best known for his middle-grade Artemis Fowl series, makes his much anticipated crime novel debut with this pitch-perfect comic noir . . . Outrageous characters, uproariously funny plot twists, and brutal, nonstop action make this a sure-fire winner." Publishers Weekly, starred review "The bestselling author of the Artemis Fowl novels dedicates this, his first crime novel for adults, to fellow Irish writer Ken Bruen, who 'made him do it.' The result is an infectious blend of hardboiled lunacy mixed with Celtic black humor that is held together by Colfer's own glorious voice." Patrick Millikin, The Poisoned Pen, in The Indie Next List "Eoin Colfer makes his crime fiction debut with a bang With swift pacing and plenty of twists and turns to keep readers guessing until the very end, Colfer's crime caper has all the makings of a classic thriller. Daniel tries to hide his insecurities and chivalrous weak spot behind his wry, self-deprecating humor, and his witty voice deftly blends comedy with the noir storytelling. A clever ending leaves room for a sequel and fans clamoring for more of this sensitive Irish rogue." Foreword s "Colfer, author of the Artemis Fowl youth series, employs similar techniques in this one--breathless plotting, humor, and wordplay--but he adds a diverse armory of guns, grenades, and stilettos. Fans of Ken Bruen's hilarious odes to murderous psychopaths will want to get Plugged." Booklist "If Carl Hiaasen married Raymond Chandler and engaged Dave Barry to be a surrogate mother, Plugged would be the progeny. Oh, grow up! This is a zany crime caper where such things are possible. With the unlikely title--redolent of Chandler's characters being "plugged" with lead bullets--the bestselling author of the Artemis Fowl series makes his hilarious crime fiction debut la Elmore Leonard. Incredible imagination won't suffice to solve this who-what-and-whydunnit. This five-star story in the vein of Robert Coover's Noir has more twists than a box of rotini pasta." L. Dean Murphy, Bookreporter.com "Plugged is a miles-apart transition for the acclaimed young adults' author, as he makes the brave leap to adult fiction--not the easiest of leaps to make, especially if that leap is the wide and dangerous canyon of hardboiled crime where safety nets are as scarce as a Tony Soprano's diet. Thankfully, Mr. Colfer's leap of faith has him landing expertly and solidly on his feet with page-turning ease. Funny, acerbic, crazed, riveting, sardonic--with just the right amount of hard-boiled dialogue--Plugged is everything you want in a summer read." New York Journal of Books "Eoin Colfer, primarily known for his children's books featuring Artemis Fowl, shows he can write a terrific crime novel for adults with Plugged . . . Plugged is that rare book that mixes terrific suspense with laugh-out-loud humor. McEvoy and his attitude will appeal to fans of both the crime novels of Elmore Leonard and the wacky characters prevalent in the novels of Carl Hiaasen." Associated Press "Keeping New Jersey sleazy, Plugged is full of fake boobs, Irish gangsters, dirty cops, and a sea of salty language. And like a double shot of Jameson on an empty stomach, the buzz comes on quick . . . Colfer's prose is generous with the jokes and nimble with plot twists." Mystery Scene Magazine "Compared with that criminal mastermind Artemis Fowl, Dan McEvoy is a bungling idiot. But that's essentially the appeal of Eoin Colfer's first adult protagonist, an expat Irish Army veteran who appears in Plugged . . . lots of bloody fun." Marilyn Stasio, The New York Times Book "Colfer makes the transition [to adult literature] with his facility for the delightful Irish turn of phrase intact, even if many of those phrases are saltier this time around . . . the sharp curves come fast and so do the dips that make you feel giddy. Colfer keeps up the furious pace." The Chicago Sun-Times "With his new novel Plugged, Colfer makes the transition for YA to full-on adult fiction, with impressive results . . . an adorable mongrel of a book - wildly funny, oddly touching, part caper novel, part mystery . . . Starting the novel is the equivalent of hitting the power switch and holding on for dear life; the narrative builds and folds in on itself, the bodies pile up, the situations get more and more outlandish, and the reader just grins and plays along." The Vancouver Sun "Colfer makes his adult crime fiction debut with this tale of Daniel McEvoy, who might be a doorman at a low-rent casino in Cloisters, NJ, but who once upon a time served two tours of active duty in the Irish army. . . The body count rises steadily as Daniel gets himself into various situations both dangerous and hilarious involving good and bad cops, crooked lawyers, barrels of steroids, and assorted mayhem. Carl Hiaasen and Elmore Leonard fans should enjoy this hard-boiled novel with a dash of humor." Library Journal "In the journey towards crime fiction, Eoin Colfer is helped by the fact that his children's hero, Artemis Fowl, was a master criminal. The narrator of Plugged is also quite a dodgy dude. This comedy of vanity in an action protagonist alerts us that we are in the territory of comedy crime, in the style of Carl Hiaasen. As he showed with the Artemis Fowl books, Colfer is an engaging and inventive writer with a strong sense of the rhythm of a story, its twists and riffs. Always entertaining page by page, the book also has a truly unexpected sex scene and much sassy dialogue." The Guardian (UK) "Colfer's adult crime-fiction debut--after his bestselling Artemis Fowl YA series--introduces a big, brash, bawdy, balding anti-hero." Kirkus s "Colfer's first adult crime novel, Plugged is a gloriously ramshackle comedy crime caper. As a narrative vehicle the story is a getaway car careering downhill and losing wheels at every corner. Colfer, however, is too experienced a storyteller to get carried away himself. The propulsive chaos masks a palpable appreciation of the crime novel itself, not simply in terms of his playful subversion of the genre's tropes but also in Colfer's willingness to warp the parameters of what is essentially a conservative narrative form. Successfully blending the subgenres of comedy crime caper and hard-boiled noir is no mean feat, as those who have read Donald Westlake's pale imitators will confirm. Colfer's exuberance in this respect will delight the connoisseurs jaded by crime novels that insist on adhering to a predictable norm. Scabrously funny, furiously paced and distinctively idiosyncratic, Plugged ultimately comes to a belated reconciliation with the genre's

conventions, but only after a titanic and entertaining struggle that suggests Colfer's first adult crime novel will not be his last." Declan Burke, The Irish Times Pressestimmen'I loved the voice. I loved the dark streets. I love the story' -- Harlan Coben 'Eoin Colfer ... is hugely inventive and intelligent and an instinctive storyteller, who happens to write beautifully and elegantly as well' -- Michael Morpurgo 'Colfer is an engaging and inventive writer with a strong sense of the rhythm of a story ... always entertaining page by page' -- Guardian 'This is Sopranos territory - where terrible deeds are mixed with the painful banalities of life in a way that brings laughter among the tears and gnaws at your heart. It's a fine debut' -- Daily Mail 'This might lead you to think you're in Elmore Leonard, Carl Hiaasen or even Damon Runyon country, but you're not. Although there are echoes of all three writers in Plugged, Colfer's novel is dominated, driven and fully animated by a refreshingly original voice' -- Washington Post