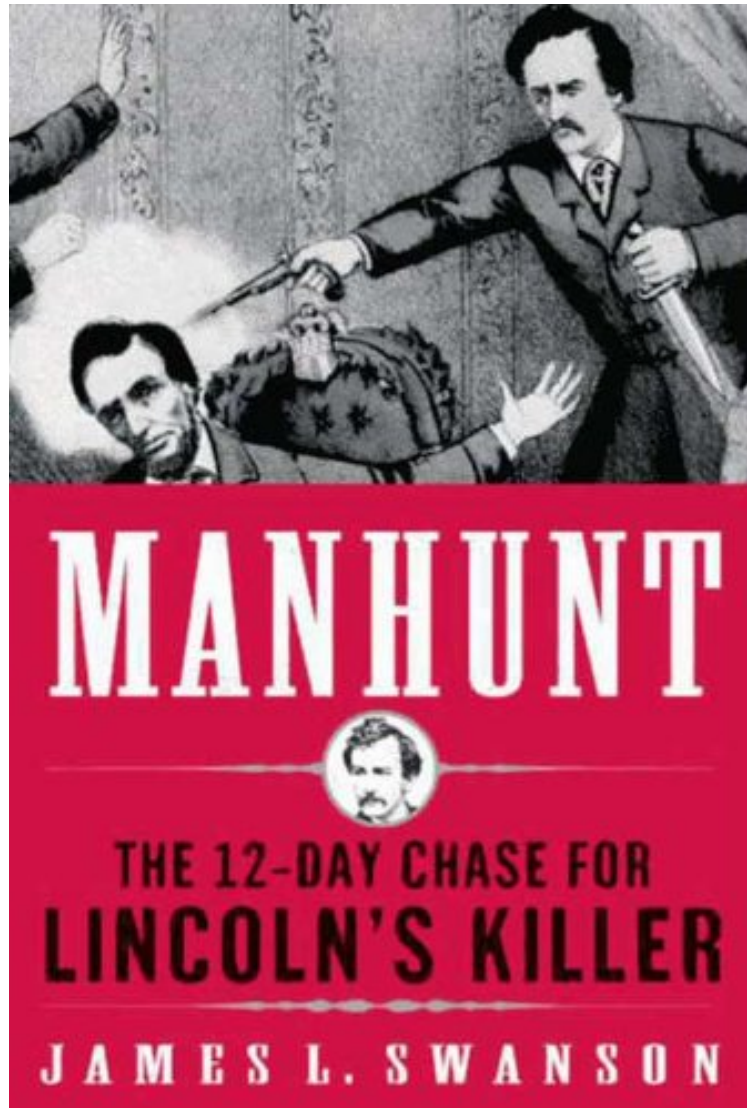


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. UnprotectedVon Karl BednarikOn Good Friday, April 12th , 1865 , US president Abraham Lincolnwas assassinated and died early next morning. The nation was shocked andfurious, and a manhunt like never before started to catch the ruthlessmurderer. This book is a tight-written account of the twelve days untilin a fatal shootouth the assassin

J.W.Booth was killed.(Would Jack Bauer only have needed 24 hours to solve that case ?)Lincoln had been jubilant, because the War between the States seemed to finally have ended, but then this tragedy (written about now in hundreds of books) had struck. And it, unfortunately, was not the last murder of a political figure in America.I have enjoyed the book very much and then added it to my Dealey Plaza shelf.

KurzbeschreibungThe murder of Abraham Lincoln set off the greatest manhunt in American history. From April 14 to April 26, 1865, the assassin, John Wilkes Booth, led Union cavalry and detectives on a wild twelve-day chase through the streets of Washington, D.C., across the swamps of Maryland, and into the forests of Virginia, while the nation, still reeling from the just-ended Civil War, watched in horror and sadness.**James L. Swanson's Manhunt** is a fascinating tale of murder, intrigue, and betrayal. A gripping hour-by-hour account told through the eyes of the hunted and the hunters, this is history as you've never read it before..de **The Greatest Manhunt in American History** For 12 days after his brazen assassination of Abraham Lincoln, John Wilkes Booth was at large, and in **Manhunt**, historian James L. Swanson tells the vivid, fully documented tale of his escape and the wild, massive pursuit. Get a taste of the daily drama from this timeline of the desperate search. April 14, 1865 Around noon, Booth learns that Lincoln is coming to Ford's Theatre that night. He has eight hours to prepare his plan.10:15 pm: Booth shoots the president, leaps to the stage, and escapes on a waiting horse.Secretary of War Edwin Stanton orders the manhunt to begin. April 15 About 4:00 am: Booth seeks treatment for a broken leg at Dr. Samuel Mudd's farm near Beantown, Maryland. Cavalry patrol heads south toward Mudd farm.Confederate operative Thomas Jones hides Booth in a remote pine thicket for five days, frustrating the manhunters. April 19 Tens of thousands watch the procession to the U.S. Capitol, where President Lincoln lies in state. Wild rumors and stories of false sightings of Booth spread. April 20 Stanton offers a \$100,000 reward for the assassins, and threatens death to any citizen who helps them.After hiding Booth in Maryland, Jones puts him in a rowboat on the Potomac River, bound for Virginia. More than a thousand manhunters are still searching in Maryland. In the dark, Booth rows the wrong way and first ends up back in Maryland. April 20-24 Booth lands in the northern neck of Virginia, and Confederate agents and sympathizers guide him to Port Conway, Virginia. April 24 Booth befriends three Confederate soldiers who help him cross the Rappahannock River to Port Royal and then guide him further southwest to the Garrett farm.Union troops in Washington receive a report of a Booth sighting. They board a U.S. Navy tug and steam south, right past Booth's hideout at the Garrett farm. April 25 The 16th New York Calvary, realizing their error, turns around and surrounds the Garrett farm after midnight that night. April 26 When Booth refuses to surrender, troops set the barn on fire, and Boston Corbett shoots the assassin. Booth dies a few hours later, at sunrise. April 26-27 Booth's body is brought back to Washington, where it is autopsied, photographed, and buried in a secret grave. **Pressestimmen**James Swanson has written a terrific narrative . . . a triumphant book. (Doris Kearns Goodwin)Brilliant! Absolutely haunting. . . . This historical book is almost impossible to put down. (Patricia Cornwell)A gripping page-turner . . . Riviting . . . Booth comes across as viscerally real. (Entertainment Weekly (Grade: A))Told expertly . . . Swansons moment by moment account of the 12-day chase is compulsively readable. (Wall Street Journal)Extraordinary . . . Brilliant . . . As gripping as any tightly scripted crime drama (Boston Globe)An action-adventure . . . infuse[d] with high drama. . . . A multifaceted chronicle. (New York Times)Vividly readable example of the you-are-there genre . . . managed with CSI immediacy. (Washington Post)