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999: Twenty-nine Original Tales Of Horror And Suspense





Synopsis

A ward-winning writer and editor Al Sarrantonio gathers together twenty-nine original stories from masters of the macabre. From dark fantasy and pure suspense to classic horror tales of vampires and zombies, 999 showcases the extraordinary scope of fantastical fright fiction. The stories in this anthology are a relentless tour de force of fear, which will haunt you, terrify you, and keep the adrenaline rushing all through the night.

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Al Sarrantonio is an acclaimed author, and the editor of anthologies such as 999: New Stories of Horror and Suspense and Flights: Extreme Visions of Fantasy. He lives in Newburgh, New York.

So good, I read it twice

But nothing that stands out as outstanding. Glad I got it for the discounted price of 99 cents.As others have commented, the formatting is pretty poor. Seems less like poor editing and more like the printed version was scanned with OCR software, which was then converted to an ebook.

I loved this book but those that need closer may be disappointed as there are many stories in this book that just simply end and leave your mind to make that up. I enjoy making up different scenarios so really will enjoy reading this book again and then passing it on.

Ninety eight percent of these stories were just fantastic! It provided hours of entertainment to my sci fi nature. You must read this book! I know I will re-read some of these stories.

Stories range from very good to poor. The greatest disappointments were, surprisingly, King and Blatty. King 's was just lazy and Blatty's started so sharply, but the deteriorated into a painfully trite tale. There's much to love, here -- typos and all.

I really enjoyed most of these stories. It's nice to find a source of new authors. I think the introductions were a bit long and in some cases included some very unnecessary information, but I did appreciate the mention of awards and other titles by the authors for further reading.

I have enjoyed reading this book. I loved that so many unknown to me authors had writings in this book, as well as those I am familiar with. Gave me a whole new group of "favorite" horror/ suspense authors.

This is a great read for "short" stories. Some not so short but, I enjoyed the variety and diverse collection of authors. This book gives you a taste of authors you know and some you should get to know. You will find stories that once read, you could turn into a story for the campfire or intimate gatherings with friends. I loved it.

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