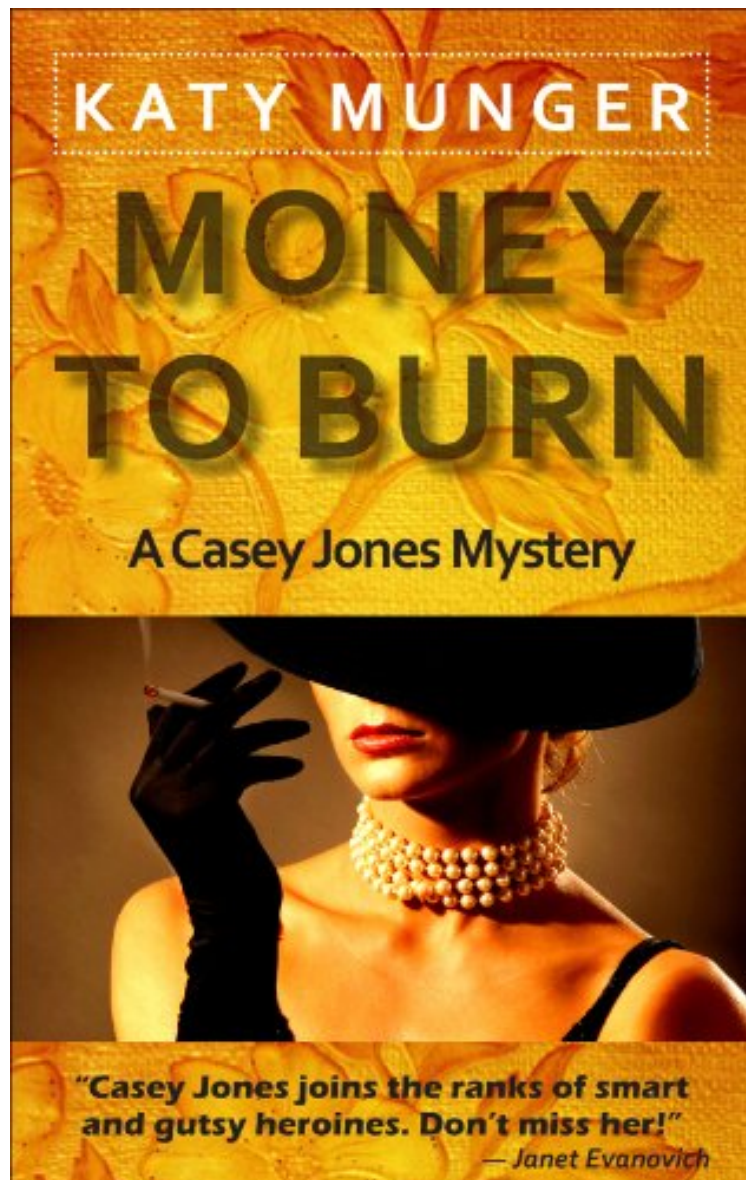


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Von Katy Munger : Money To Burn (Casey Jones mystery series Book 3) (English Edition) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Money To Burn (Casey Jones mystery series Book 3) (English Edition):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen4 von 4 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Funny but FlawedVon Ein KundeAlthough I certainly enjoyed reading Money to Burn, Katy Munger is not ready to become one of the greats of mystery fiction. On the book's positive side, Munger does deliver a very funny book with a fairly convincing and innovative plot. Since the book deals with the tobacco industry, which is an easy target these days, I was surprised that Munger avoided a cliched industry corruption tale. As always in this series, humor was at the forefront of the narrative.The disappointing aspect of this book comes with Munger's too frequent use of trite stereotypes. While it may be true that stereotypes become stereotypes because they are so often true, characterizations which are too dependent upon these stereotypes come off flat and underdeveloped. Although Munger does not use stereotypes to criticize, she does use them to avoid finding a character's inner motivations. Too many of her characters act and react because of some societally projected motivation. Munger needs to explore her characters more closely to produce a book with more real people. A great mystery novel delivers insight into the human condition just like any other great book. This cannot be accomplished with such underdeveloped characters. I have also been disappointed that Casey Jones's character has not grown through the series. I know no more about her now that I did after reading the first book in the series. For example, in this book, Casey has a very difficult and potentially life-altering decision to make. Instead of allowing the readers to follow Casey's self-exploration, she just suddenly makes up her mind. We, the readers, do not know why. Munger's sense of place is also somewhat flat. After reading a series, I like to feel that I have "been" wherever the book is set, and even though I live quite near this book's actual setting, the place does not seem at all real. With the exception of the Southern stereotypes, this series could happen anywhere. (North Carolina is important in this particular book because of the tobacco industry's role in the book.)Overall, however, I found this an enjoyable book to read, and I do recommend it. I don't think a book should be avoided because it isn't what it never tried to be. It is lightweight fun. Munger just shows so much potential that I would like to see her make this an even better series. Its engrossing plot and likable Casey Jones provide good escapist reading. If you can enjoy a book just because its fun, you should like this one. If you're looking for great depths, read elsewhere.0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. BETTER than other funny writers for one reason: PLOT!Von Ein KundeI don't want to start a debate about who's better, Munger or Evanovich, especially because from the quote Evanovich gives her it looks like they might be friends. But I find Munger to be very different from Evanovich to the point where you can't really compare the two. I think Evanovich writes to women who like romance and amusing humor and who don't care that much about a plot. Munger writes to men and women and while she is very, very funny, her plots are always excellent. She does not sacrifice the conventions of the PI genre to be cutesy, in fact, she pulls them off better than almost anyone else I've read. Her characters are well-rounded, motivations plausible, the tone perfect. Plus she is one the few writers who can write about the south in a real way, she doesn't ignore the redneck element but she doesn't make it sound like that's all there is either. Some people read her because she is funny in a scathing, sometimes scary way (literature majors will recognize some major puncturing of ego going on). Some people seem to read her because they like Casey getting it on with guys or think she's a good role model. Others read her for the mysteries and the twists and turns she throws in. I read her for all of these reasons and I hope she keeps on balancing the elements. We don't need another Evanovich. We need more Munger!0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. The best in an EXCELLENT series!!!!!!Von Ein KundeMunger is a genius at using humor to soften us up for the coup de grace. I laughed out loud again and again and then realized that all this humor was setting me up to take some hard looks at myself and a lot of other things. She is the ONLY humorous mystery writer out there today who consistently offers a great plot in addition to laughs. Her character Casey is really great, too, a strong woman and unapologetic about it. As a man, she really appeals to me and most female sleuths annoy me, to be blunt. I think Munger will be really big one day when word gets out. if you are tired of reading crap, try one of her books. I did not read them in order and they all stand alone very well. This one is the best because her characterizations are top-notch, but the other two are incredibly entertaining as well.

KurzbeschreibungCasey Jones is a take-no-prisoners female PI who wouldn't be caught dead whining over a lousy boyfriend or asking for help. She's too busy lifting weights, running off at the mouth and making doughnut runs for her overstuffed business partner, the larger-than-life Bobby D., a 360 pound Lothario whose little black book is almost as big as his appetite. With a stretch in a Florida pen behind her and no official PI license, Casey comes from nothing and has nothing to lose. She lives full speed ahead with a healthy respect for the screw ups of others.Only this time, it's Casey who has stepped in it. When a favorite client gets killed on her watch, Casey vows to find the killer no matter what the cost, either personally or professionally. When the trail leads her into the rarefied ranks of North Carolina's social elite, Casey's dirt poor childhood comes rushing back in a wave of self-doubt that adds fire to her considerable fury. She fights to regain her self-confidence and expose an incendiary killer out to destroy more than her name. Casey moves from farmland to the mountains, from debutante balls to drag bars, from boardrooms to bedrooms-- and even down the prickly path of lust at first sight--as she battles unknown enemies anxious to see her, quite literally, to go up

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