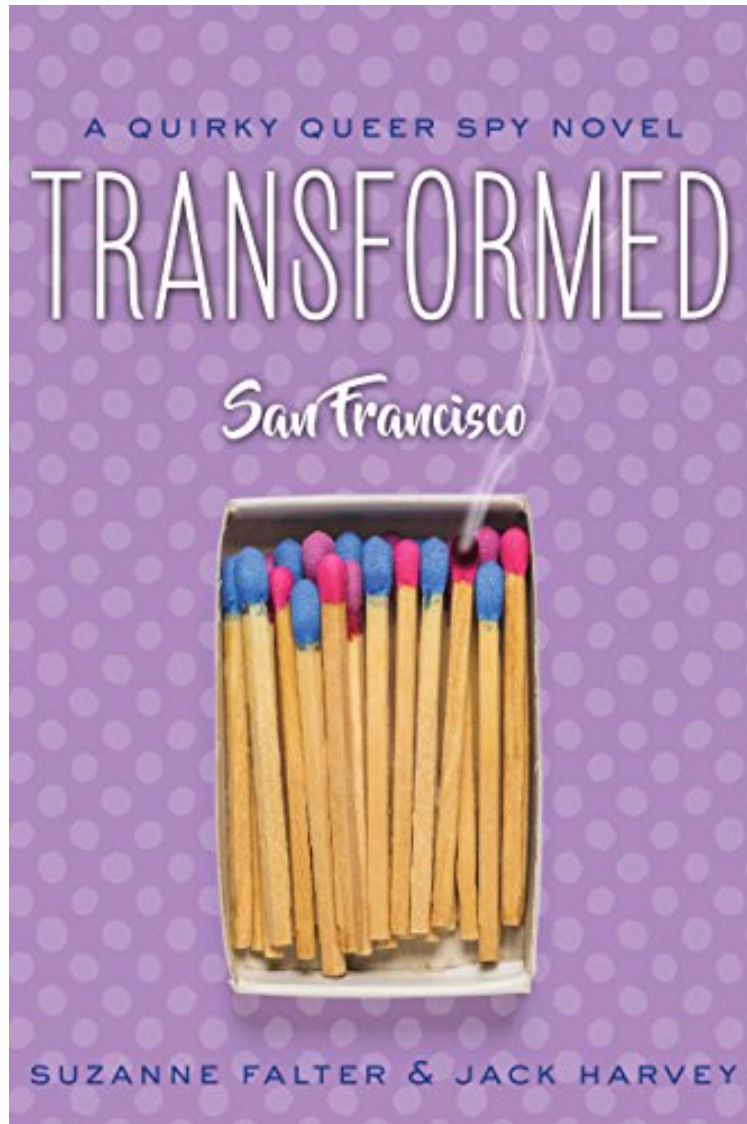


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Do readVon Books_to_get_lost_inI nearly dnf-ed this book. The beginning is so hectic and the characters seem rather

random. But I read on and suddenly I was hooked. Everything comes smoothly together well, mostly. I was confused why they get from stalker to terrorist. Maybe I read over something, but I am sure I didn't. Anyway, I really liked Charley's doubts about his own body and how he helps Electra discover herself. At first I couldn't take her seriously as a dominatrix, because in her everyday life she truly isn't dominant (not saying you have to be), but later on the reader gets to read her in a scene and: mh, yes. It isn't the most intellectual read, but I was entertained. Nearly entertained enough to ignore the mistakes. There were a few repetitions (like how plastic bags are forbidden in San Francisco). At the end of the book you learn what inspired the authors to this novel and I may be checking those books out. Disclaimer: I received an ARC at no cost from the author. 1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Quirky crime novel with unusual characters Von Juliane Brandt I received this book via NetGalley in exchange for an honest review. "Shouldn't we be exactly who we are, no matter how unconventional? It's our birthright." Welcome to the maybe most unconventional crime novel since a long time. Let's do a roll call here: there is a pansexual transman CIA-agent, a badass ex-navy lesbian police officer and a proud 50+ dominatrix fighting against an ultra-conservative, ultra-devout Christian criminal. Those are quite some main characters! They are quirky and bizarre, bordering on comical but never crossing the line. Although their accumulation seems maybe a bit too much, they work nicely together. I especially liked that they all had doubts about their identity at some point. I think more people can relate to a trans* protagonist still questioning the necessity of "bottom surgery" and still having certain issues with his identity than a protagonist who is all out and proud and 110 percent self-confident. Their questions and their complexity made the characters especially nice. The crime plot had sufficient amounts of suspense, while the romance and friendship parts counterbalanced that. I found the writing style and the language worth mentioning as well, since it created an easy flow of the story with precise but simple descriptions (especially well done when concerning emotions). However, there were also tiny errors in repetition, continuity and sometimes choice of words. To sum up: this is a quirky crime novel with an assortment of weird and unusual characters that could be too much for some readers. It is funny, but in my opinion the idea is not interesting enough to carry over into a sequel.

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