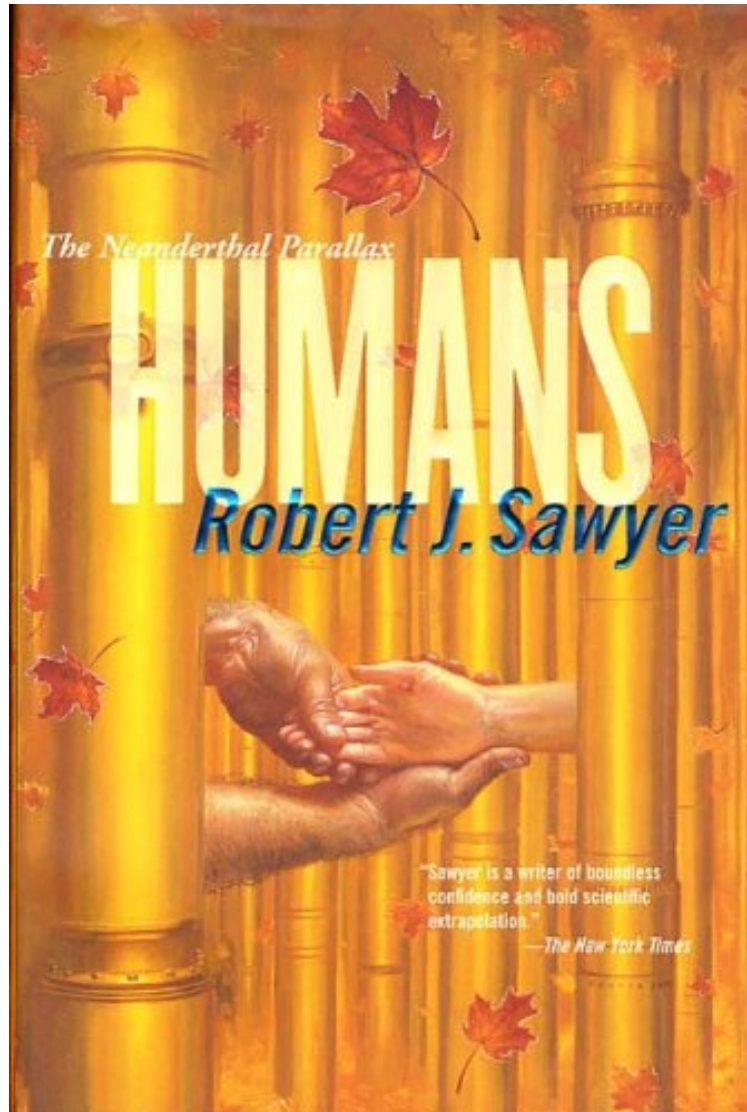


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen5 von 5 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. enjoyable story, but superficialVon ElkeI read the first part of the trilogy in German. The idea of parallel universes is an exiting one and the fact that the leading characters discussed the different ethic values of the two versions of earth made me look for the second part of the trilogy which is not yet available in German, thus I bought the English original.HUMANS continues with the story already introduced in the first book. Mary from the Homo sapiens world

and Ponter from the Neanderthal world really become lovers. Both are scientists and they discuss the many differences of the two worlds. They come to discuss environmental pollution, ethics values, religion. The differences in the two societies are that big, that I was disappointed about the way the discussions end. They really lack depth. The character of Mary is too Roman Catholic religious and as she is a scholar in the Homo sapiens world one would expect her to see more differences even in her world and explain them to Ponter. The same is true for subjects concerning ethic values. All discussions stay at the surface. The author lets Ponter know about the UN, lets him know that there are so many different nations on the Homo sapiens world, but in all her explanations of the Homo sapiens world Mary is not able to give a more global view of the questions discussed (with all the contradictions there are) but she sticks completely to her North American view of life. In my opinion the plot is really interesting and a very good basis for the questions the author wants to discuss, but unfortunately he was not able to put more depth to the discussions of his characters.

0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Great sequel to Hominids Von TinaGeToo bad Vol. 2 and 3 weren't translated into German. Was happy to be able to read them in English. Great twists - and maybe some truths that are a bit too explosive for German readers? I wouldn't think so.

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