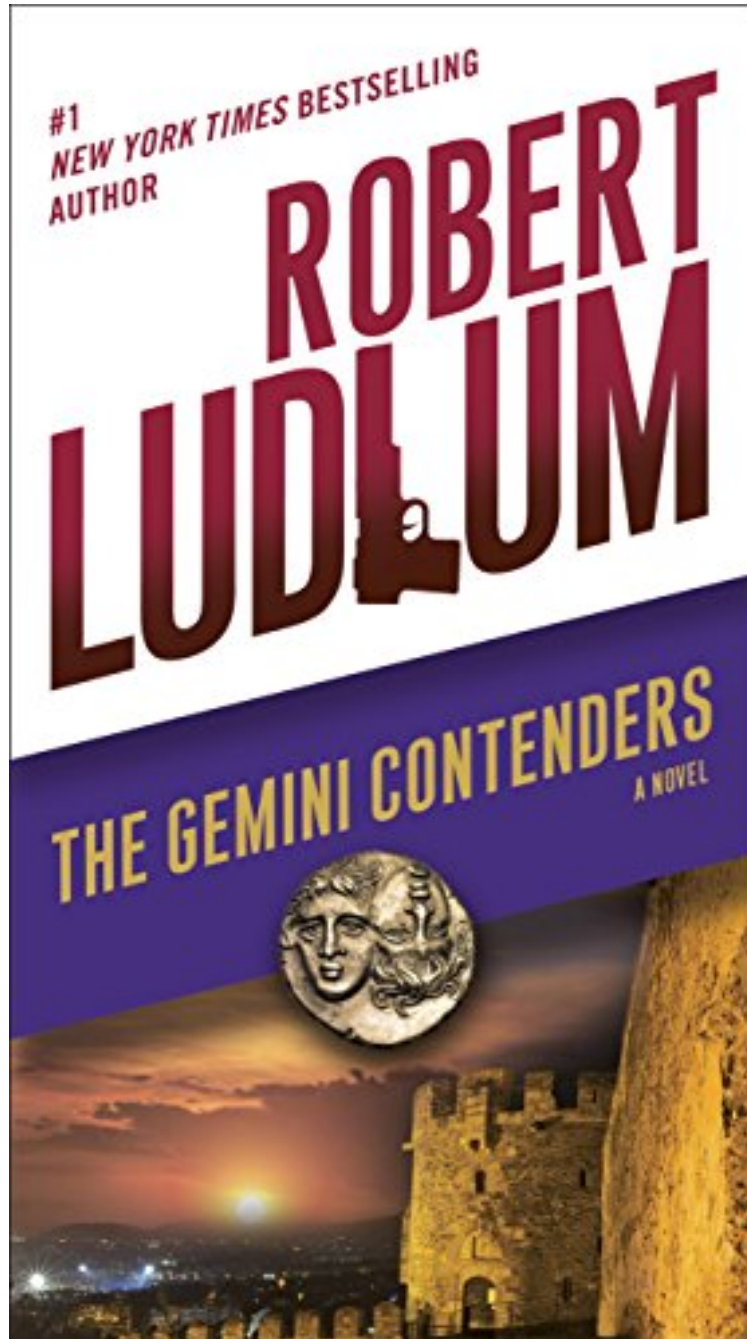


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Von Robert Ludlum : The Gemini Contenders: A Novel before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Gemini Contenders: A Novel:

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen7 von 7 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A classic, well-researched and believable!Von Mr N Forbes-warrenVittorio Fontini-Christi is the head of a highly regarded Italian family who harbours a deadly secret. When a vault from a religious order called Xenope is transported from Greece to Switzerland and Italy, his secret could alter the course of World War 2 - a secret which could shake the foundations of religion itself. From 1939 and on up to 1973(when this book was written, I should imagine), the feuding offspring of Vittorio - one a US Army soldier hardened by Vietnam, the other a radical peace campaigner, struggle to get their hands on the vault - but for what cause? Read on and you will be hooked. The action sweeps across well-researched European locations which I have visited and could relate to quite well, especially Rome and Milan. The action never stops and builds up to an awesome climax in the Alps. Unlike some of Ludlum's other books, the ending here builds up at the right pace - not too quickly and it certainly isn't an anti-climax - the last page will leave you breathless. A must read, and a Ludlum classic.1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. One of his best plotsVon Jared GarrettRobert Ludlum proves that his capacity for plot creation is stellar. This novel rocks you with its pace and twists. After a hundred or so pages you ask, "What could happen next?" Ludlum keeps you on a fast paced run to find out what in the world is in the vault, and you sometimes wish it would slow down so you can make sure you don't miss anything. This book is wonderfully researched and I found myself turning back a few pages regularly in order to not miss anything. One of his very best plots indeed! Read it.0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Action-Packed Novel Based In the Heat of WWIIVon Mike HuntThe Gemini Contenders by Robert Ludlum was a great novel that kept the pages turning. It was a story about a man by the name of Vittorio Fontini-Christi who is part of an influential Italian family. He is involved in concealing a religious artifact that could tear the Christian world apart at its seams,but he doesn't know it. He is smuggled out of Italy by a British spy agency, and is sent throughout Europe to disrupt business interactions. All the while he is trying to figure out how he was involved in an event that he had never heard of. Meanwhile the British spy agency is in touch with him trying desperately to find where the artifact was hidden. They know that in the wrong hands, namely those of the Nazi's, it could be used as a weapon against the allied forces. I highly recommend this book for anyone who is looking for a novel that is going to challenge their minds and think through this maze of spy tactics and seemingly unrelated events. Being a teenager that typically does not enjoy reading, I could not put this book down. The detail in the book was so amazing that I felt that I was with the characters sneaking around the shores of Italy, and sitting with a group of high commanders in a secret room in London. I highly recommend this book. People from their teenage years to those who want a good book to latch onto their imagination and let it run wild, all will enjoy it.

KurzbeschreibungSalonika, Greece: December 1939. In the dead of night, a clandestine order of monks embarks on a desperate mission: to transport a mysterious vault to a hiding place high in the Italian Alps. The sinister cache, concealed for centuries, could rip apart the Christian world. Now, as the Nazi threat marches inexorably closer, men both good and evil will be drawn into a violent and deadly hunt, sparking a relentless struggle that could forever change the world as we know it. Praise for Robert Ludlum and The Gemini Contenders [Robert Ludlums] most ambitious novel . . . Its twist and turns carry the reader on a fast bobsled run. . . . A marvelously unflagging imagination.The New York Times A winner . . . one of those books you intend to put down after just one more chapter . . . suddenly its two in the morning and youve read the whole thing.United Press International A skyrocket of a book . . . The action never stops for a second.The Plain Dealer Packed full of excitement.The Denver Post BONUS: This edition includes an excerpt from Robert Ludlums The Bourne Identity.Pressestimmen"His most ambitious novel. Its twists and turns carry the reader on a fast bobsled run...A marvelously unflagging imagination."The New York TimesFrom the Paperback edition.WerbetextPandora's Box is about to be opened...A brilliant, fast-paced thriller from the internationally bestselling author of the Bourne series.