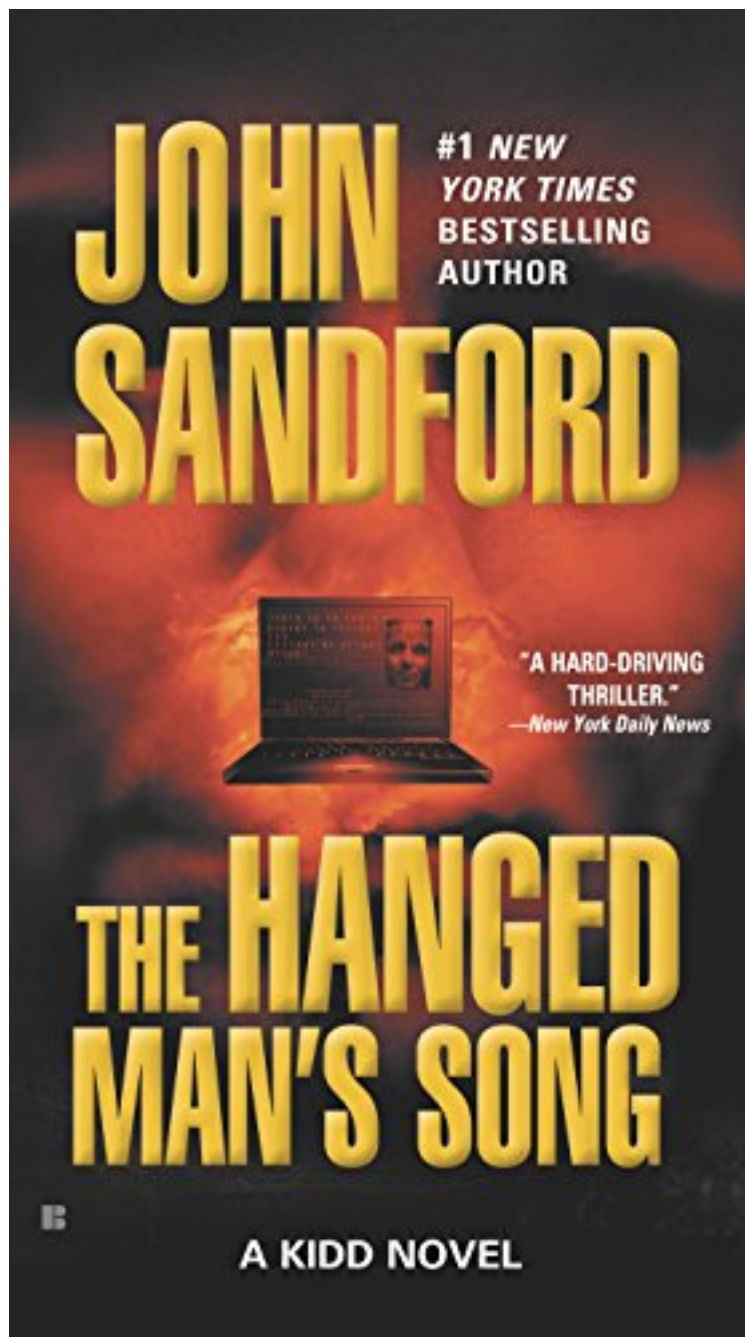



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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen2 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Now this is more like it! Von Mark O'Neill After reading the Devil's Code, I didn't think much of John Sandford and I said so in the review. I thought the story was a little tacky and predictable. However, I decided to read at least one more of Sandford's books to decide about him for sure so I chose "Hanged Man's Song". I'm glad I did because I loved this book! The plot - "Bobby", the man that gave Kidd and LuEllen all the information they needed in the past, is brutally murdered in his home by a man called Carp. Carp is after Bobby's laptop computer which contains enough explosive secrets to bring down half of Congress, the White House and senior government officials. Carp soon uses this information by leaking documents from the laptop to CNN and when the first senators start to resign, people in high places start to get really scared. Carp impersonates Bobby and soon the government starts a full-scale manhunt for Bobby, determined to stop him before he can do more damage. After not hearing from the real Bobby for some time, Kidd travels to Bobby's home with a hacker friend and finds Bobby dead. When they discover the laptop missing, they realise who is behind the recent damaging revelations and they also remember one other thing - that Kidd and everyone else in on that laptop and if the files fall into the hands of the FBI then their identities will be blown and they would need to run. What follows is Bobby's online friends getting together to find Carp, recover the laptop and bring Bobby's murderer to justice. Meanwhile, an increasingly unstable Carp is releasing more documents from the laptop and murdering anyone that gets in his way...but soon Kidd and LuEllen discover why Carp is doing what he is doing. The reason reaches into the highest levels of US Intelligence and Kidd and company soon realise that the stakes of the game have dramatically risen. They are fighting for their lives and there are people in the government who would kill them in a heartbeat to protect their secrets...Very well written, very fast moving. You can tell by the end that Sandford is setting up the scene for the next book! I can't wait for it! Highly recommended!

Kurzbeschreibung Hard-boiled computer hacker Kidd and his sometime girlfriend LuEllen make for a refreshingly roguish couple (Entertainment Weekly). Now they're back in #1 New York Times bestselling author John Sandford's electrifying novel of murder, intrigue, and revenge Kidd style. When Kidd's superhacker friend Bobby is murdered and his laptop is stolen, Kidd knows it's panic time. The secrets stashed in Bobby's computer are enough to hang Kidd and everyone else in Bobby's criminally ingenious cyber-circle. It's up to Kidd and his partner LuEllen to track it down, find Bobby's killer, and save their own necks because the secrets are downloading faster than anyone anticipated. And they're far more staggering than anyone imagined..de Just about everybody knows John Sandford for his long and successful Prey series. But just as well written and maybe more fun are his Kidd books, of which this is the fourth. Kidd is a professional thief for the Internet age: a cybeprowler, a hacker extraordinaire. In *The Hanged Man's Song*, he gets word that one of his key contacts--a superhacker known only as Bobby, whom Kidd has never met but has relied on many times--has disappeared. Kidd and an old buddy, both of whom could be compromised by data in Bobby's files, go looking for him. Finding his brutally murdered body draws them into a Hitchcock-esque intrigue that eventually involves stolen government secrets, crooked politicians, and a rogue CIA agent who's as crafty as he is creepy. While filling his tale with fascinating and authentic-sounding lore about the hacker subculture, identity theft, and security cracking, Sandford keeps the action brisk with plenty of white-knuckle chases, tense stakeouts, and hairsbreadth escapes. Couple that with a smart, agreeable narrator and a cast of vivid characters evoked with an old pro's ease, and you've got one winning thriller. --Nicholas H. Allison.com Just about everybody knows John Sandford for his long and successful Prey series. But just as well written and maybe more fun are his Kidd books, of which this is the fourth. Kidd is a professional thief for the Internet age: a cybeprowler, a hacker extraordinaire. In *The Hanged Man's Song*, he gets word that one of his key contacts--a superhacker known only as Bobby, whom Kidd has never met but has relied on many times--has disappeared. Kidd and an old buddy, both of whom could be compromised by data in Bobby's files, go looking for him. Finding his brutally murdered body draws them into a Hitchcock-esque intrigue that eventually involves stolen government secrets, crooked politicians, and a rogue CIA agent who's as crafty as he is creepy. While filling his tale with fascinating and authentic-sounding lore about the hacker subculture, identity theft, and security cracking, Sandford keeps the action brisk with plenty of white-knuckle chases, tense stakeouts, and hairsbreadth escapes. Couple that with a smart, agreeable narrator and a cast of vivid characters evoked with an old pro's ease, and you've got one winning thriller. --Nicholas H. Allison