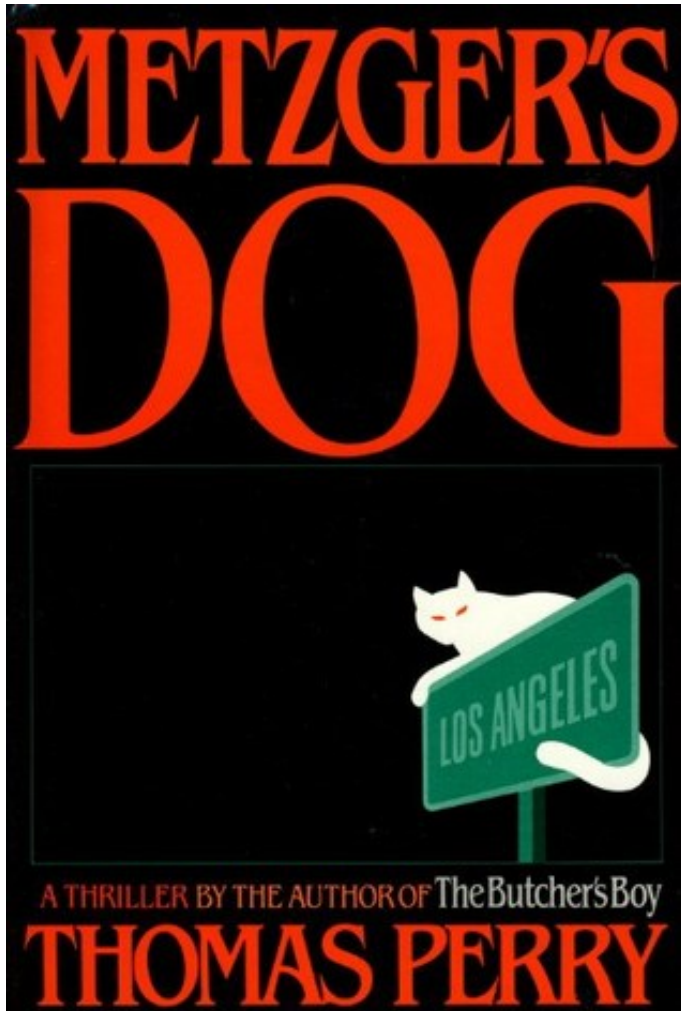

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Description

Leroy "Chinese" Gordon and his friends break into a professor's lab at the University of Los Angeles to steal some pharmaceutical cocaine, and they find papers the professor has compiled for the CIA that include a blue-print for throwing a large city into chaos. But how is the CIA to be persuaded to pay a suitable ransom unless someone actually uses the plan -- throwing Los Angeles into chaos, for instance? Assigned to cope with the crisis and restore the peace is veteran agent Ben Porterfield, a man who reminds us that the CIA's middle name is, after all, intelligence. Enlivening the mix are Gordon's beautiful girlfriend, Margaret; his temperamental cat, Dr. Henry Metzger; and Metzger's friend, an enormous half-wild dog with huge teeth.

Insightful reviews

Drew: Great read...

Mom: Loved, this book, even though it was light weight, without any great point. Funny, with delightful ideas--loved the cat and his dog--and the story was kind while still captivaing enough to draw me in. Blundering criminals fumble through a crazy blackmail plot to hoodwink the CIA.

Dobby0390:

Chinese Gordon was fully awake. He'd heard the clinking noise again, and now there was no question the cat was listening, too. The cat, Doctor Henry Metzger, had assumed the loaf-of-bread position on Gordon's blanket, his ears straight up like a pair of spoons to catch the sound and lock onto it. Doctor Henry Metzger sat up and licked his paw, then froze as he detected some variation in the sound that Chinese Gordon's ears couldn't hear.

"What is it?" whispered Chinese Gordon. "Somebody trying to break in, isn't it?"

Doctor Henry Metzger turned from the sound, walked up Chinese Gordon's chest, and stepped on his forehead on the way to the spare pillow. He'd identified it as a human sound, which placed it outside Doctor Henry Metzger's sphere of interest.

So begins a mad dash through a world populated by Good Guys and Bad Guys, in the guise of CIA guys, former soldiers of fortune looking for adventure, drug dealers, and the occasional mad scientist. Oh. And a cat named Doctor Henry Metzger, and his dog, a massive former junkyard dog rescued as part of a detour through a junk yard while evading the LAPD and possibly the CIA. Figuring out who goes into which column can leave you feeling decidedly dizzy and a bit off kilter.

Metzger's Dog is a thriller - and so much more. The fast pace, twisted plotting, and clever writing put this book high on my ranking of favorite books I've read this year.

Once again Chinese Gordon had succeeded where others hadn't even been crazy enough to try.

Back when he was a pilot in Viet Nam, Chinese Gordon's helicopter was shot down. He climbed out of the wreckage declaring "What a break! Now we know where the bastards were hiding." Chinese Gordon has a certain, um, joie de vivre that propels him from one situation to the next.

The dialogue is brilliant...

"... Being with you two has been something of a religious experience for me."

"Oh?" said Kepler.

"It proves that God, in His bounty and generosity, always creates more horses' asses than there are horses to attach them to."

"Amen," said Kepler, popping open a beer can.

The settings sublime...

Chinese Gordon pulled the car into the shadowy alley and stopped it beside a 1968 Chevrolet painted mainly in gray primer dappled with red rustproofing.

The characters so finely drawn you feel as though you've met them, maybe even see them on a daily basis...

The fact that he appeared to be a fool was part of his protection as an operative; the fact that he was a genuine fool meant the disguise was impenetrable.

I'm pretty sure I worked with this guy once.

I checked out this copy from my local library, but this is a book I'll want to buy so I can read it again. Once is definitely not enough.

Danielle The Book Huntress (Self-Proclaimed Book Ninja): i might need to say this is not my ordinary form of book, so i am pleased it was once chosen for motion group's learn this month. i discovered it enjoyable. i believe that if this was once a movie, it'd be a Steven Soderburg motion picture for sure. i'll see his contact all around the motion picture adaptation. What I liked:*I cherished the wry and sophisticated humor. try to be taking note of see it, and it is hugely ironical. The CIA's vast thinkers think their wrongdoer is something from the Russians to an immense terrorist cell, yet it isn't whatever of the sort. Their antics to solve the location in basic terms appear to make issues worst. I felt type of undesirable rooting for chinese language and his gang, yet they have been seeming an increasing number of just like the strong men in that scenario anyway. This ebook does not supply somebody the easiest view of the CIA, that is

for sure.*I cherished health professional Henry Metzger and his dog. I want they have been within the e-book more. on account that the e-book is called after them, I anticipated extra of an appearance. but if they're there, they scouse borrow the scenes. i feel Perry is an animal person. He turns out to appreciate their psychology and the way they appear to run the families within which they stay and sometimes depart their individuals baffled.*The descriptions have been rather well rendered. I used all my senses as I learn this book. The narrative isn't wordy, which might have lent this ebook to boredom, since a few a lot of the narrative hinges on theoretical sociological research.*This entire e-book is deftly plotted. i believe it may possibly have simply fallen apart, contemplating the topic matter. however it doesn't.*I imagine Margaret is likely one of the most powerful characters. unusually chinese language Gordon takes a again seat to her. She is basically the brains of the operation. I wasn't in any respect yes what i would get while i began this book. it is a bit like if you visit a restaurant and allow your better half decide whatever off the menu, and also you make a decision you love it. it is a win on either sides.

Janice: I laughed so challenging via this book! worth reading!

Wren: The Metzger within the identify is a cat. How may perhaps you get it wrong with that? outdated detective tale with stable men and undesirable guys. I loved it. awakened at 2 a.m. and could not return to sleep until eventually i stopped it. simply ordered three extra through this guy. cannot wait to learn 'em.

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