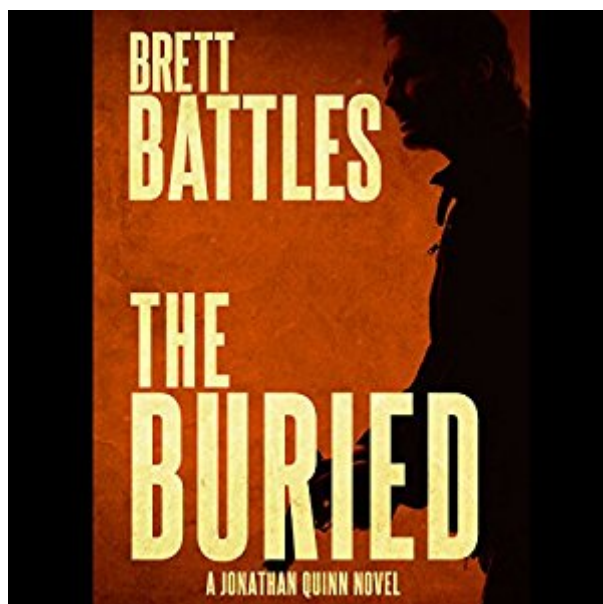


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Synopsis

Everything on the job is going as expected. The target has been dealt with, and all that's left to do is remove the body. But a surprise is waiting for Quinn and Nate, one that completely changes their mission. Then when the client who gave them their new orders disappears, they find themselves on their own, with a human asset holding a dark secret that several parties are interested in obtaining, by force if necessary. To keep the asset alive, the two cleaners must stay on the run, but even that doesn't guarantee success. Because no matter how closely a secret is guarded, if enough people want it, it won't stay buried forever.

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Customer Reviews

THE BURIED is the most recent offering from author Brett Battles in the Quinn series. I admit I am a fan, but it is for good reason. If you have never read any of the books in the Jonathan Quinn series, start with the Cleaner, and you will find an enjoyable journey ahead of you. Although, all the books are stand-alone, and can be read in any order, starting at the beginning can be fun. This recent book continues that enjoyable journey. The following descriptions apply to all of Battles' books, or at least all that I have read so far: Page-turners with fast-paced action, high intrigue, captivating story lines and likable characters. This new book is, as expected, a great read. I suggest starting the book when you have plenty of uninterrupted time as it is probable you won't want to put it down. The book opens with Quinn and Nate thrown an unexpected twist while at a cleanup. Life goes into high gear as the Quinn team pull together to help a captive girl, and try to piece together the reasons

seemingly everyone is looking for her. Without giving too many spoilers, I can safely say Orlando and Daeng also see some action as Orlando sets off on a rescue mission of her own. By the end, all is apparent that Quinn was right to play white knight, and Orlando delivers a surprise for Quinn. I hope when I am 92, Brett Battles is still adding to the Quinn series so I can keep reading them. Enjoy the book. I did.

So I have given this book five stars but I did have one complaint. The good first....this series just gets better and better. I love these characters, and I really like how the writer has added character's personalities to the series. Even the newer character that has become part of the group adds so much to the stories. This particular book had me reading really fast, the action was pretty non stop and the reader was learning about the story along with the characters. The reader did not know why everyone wanted the "searched" for person until the characters did. Which brings me to my one complaint. I hated parts of the ending. I am not one to complain normally about an author ends his or her book, but this ending fell kind of flat to me. So before I wrote the review, trying to decide if this was a four or five star book. I decided not to take any stars off for the ending, I could not put the book down, that is a five star! I also loved the kind of keystone cop kind of atmosphere, everyone chasing after the same person, everyone getting in each other's way. Very fun!

BEWARE! By the end of the second sentence you'll be hooked, and have to go on (as I did) non-stop to the end. The book is appallingly good. I really did read it in its entirety yesterday because I was unable to put it down. I don't know why this series isn't better known. The characters, especially Quinn and his cohort/family, come up very well off the page. Each successive book is better, and they started out very well. Battles allows a good bit of backstory in each book, but never chokes us with exposition. His short stories built around Quinn and Orlando are also very much worth your attention. You can enjoy THE BURIED at either or both of two levels. It's a very successful - and enjoyable - espionage thriller. It's also a great example of a craftsman/artist doing fine work.

I was waiting for another Jonathan Quinn Novel and my wait was rewarded with another exciting installment. Quinn, Orlando, Daeng, Nate and a cast of nefarious bad guys are thrown into conflict as the long missing daughter of a dead but exceedingly wealthy arms dealer is pursued to locate her father's hidden weapons trove and information worth millions. Quinn and his associates inadvertently become the young ladies protectors, without really knowing why so many agencies

and criminals are after the resurfaced heir. Many twists and turns keep the reader engaged. The only negative is that once you finish this novel, you will be wanting Mr. Battles to scamper back to his computer and produce the next in the Quinn Series. An enjoyable read and more than worth the modest price.

Jonathan Quinn is one of the most original series characters in the thriller genre. Brett Battles literally blew me away when I first read THE CLEANER many years ago – and his standard for excellence continues with THE BURIED. It is another terrific book that fans of the Quinn series will enjoy. If you're new to the series, Jonathan Quinn is a "cleaner" – contracted to dispose of bodies and physical evidence after a hit man (or in this case a hit woman) eliminates a subject. You might wonder how a character like that could be heroic – but Quinn is a cleaner with morals, and all too often he walks into a jackpot à la Jack Reacher that ends up testing both his abilities and his character. In THE BURIED, it's not so much a cleaning job gone wrong, as it is a job with an unexpected twist. And once again, Quinn, along with partners Orlando, Nate and Daeng, put themselves in harms way because, in the words of Orlando, "we're playing the white knight again." This is a fast-paced action/thriller with Quinn and Nate on the run from assassins and shadowy government agencies – all the while they are trying to protect a mysterious woman that harbors a terrible secret. 5 stars – highly recommend for thriller fans.

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