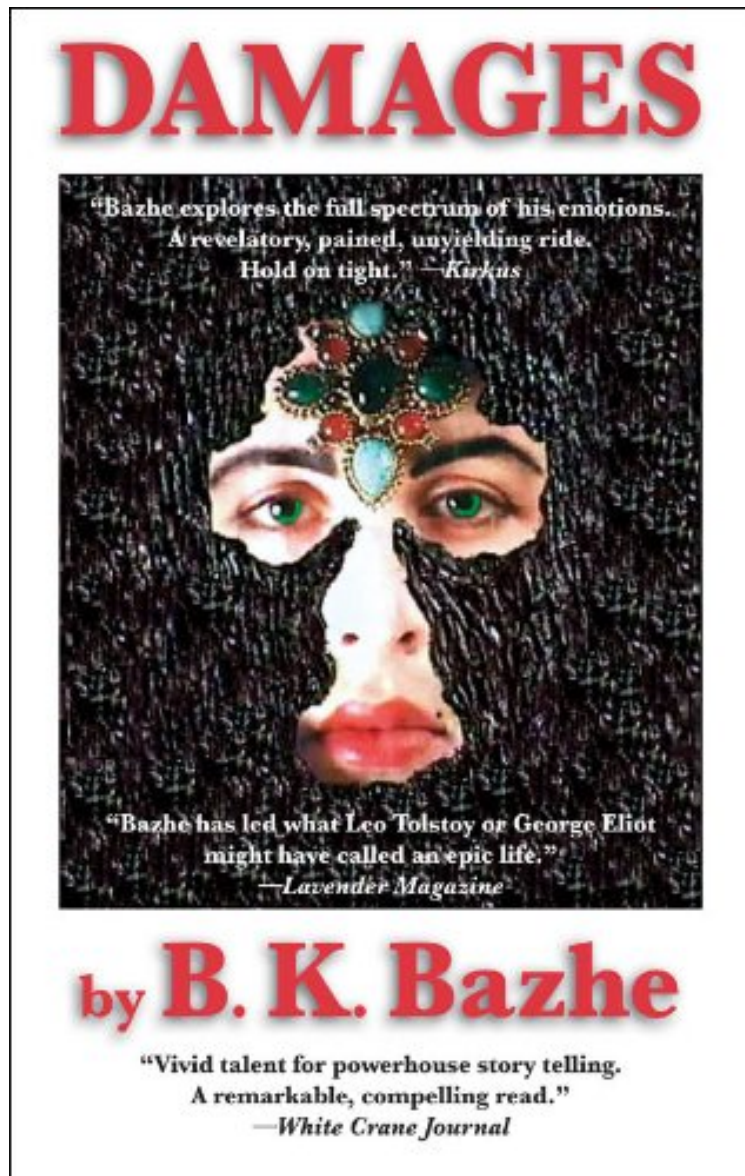


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Kundenrezensionen Hilfreichste Kundenrezensionen 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. I love this book. It is a great read Von Diana The most striking thing about "Damages" is its effulgent honesty. The harsh events, the unusual secrets, and the complex yet inspiring thoughts of one man's life are all revealed in this book. The

author has a gift of storytelling. This story is gripping from the very beginning. His unconditional love for his adoptive mother is illuminating, and his search for his biological mother heartbreaking. I fell in love with the main character while reading his true story and so many times wished I could reach out and hold him. This story is different from most true stories I have read. The author's writing is full of passion and rich in description of his fight to find his true identity and freedom. He suffered incredible hardships yet still made it out alive and overcame the ignorance of the society. I learned more about the history of the troubled Balkans after reading this book than I ever did in school. He leaves no stone unturned in narrating his personal history replete with his adoptive and biological family, friends and enemies, prisoners and transvestites, government officials and informants, army recruits and lovers, ruffians and bigots, etc. It's jaw-dropping tale, and betrayal is a true occurrence in the author's world where no one could be trusted. I can't possibly fathom half of the experiences he had in his childhood and adolescence. The eroticism that is discussed here is intense and unique, and the sexual encounters were mostly acts of rebellion. Arenas lived life with the same urgency that comes through his uncompromising extraordinary writing. This book opened up my eyes. This book taught me how to enjoy my life fully. Do yourself a favor and read this book! 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. It's a book you must read. Von Ronald Don't think for one moment that this is a one-theme novel. Far from it. And if you do, you are in for a big surprise. This marvelous book encapsulates everything and everyone around the author from his early upbringing to his adulthood and his undying total devotion to his mother and her tragic illness, colon cancer. Also it encompasses the turbulent Balkan history and the consequences of nationalism and religious fanaticism that destroys any society. This is a touching characterization of a young man growing up in a setting alien to most. Bazhe manages to weave issues of identity, sexuality, class and search for his birth mother with ease. He is not afraid to speak the truth and to feel trust because of that truth. You will be taken in very subtly the first few chapters and then be lifted into a kaleidoscope of heartbreak, terror, humor, and much happiness. One major attribute it teaches us is to listen to our own hearts. After finishing the last chapter one is amazed that he survived and shows us the shining example of the human spirit. Don't pass this gem up!

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