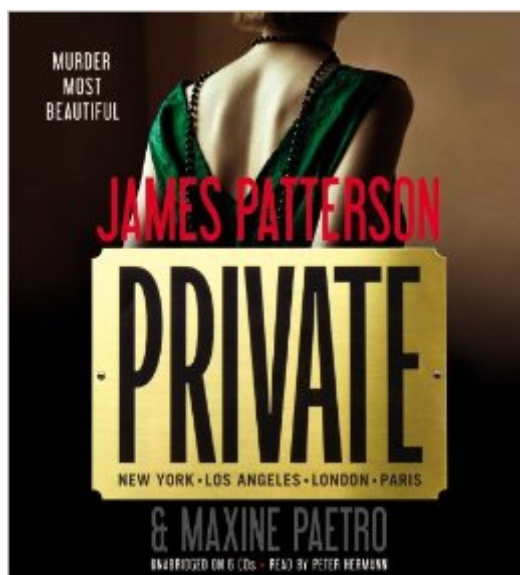


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Synopsis

The police can't help you. Former CIA agent Jack Morgan runs Private, a renowned investigation company with branches around the globe. It is where you go when you need maximum force and maximum discretion. The secrets of the most influential men and women on the planet come to Jack daily--and his staff of investigators uses the world's most advanced forensic tools to make and break their cases. The press will destroy you. Jack is already deep into the investigation of a multi-million dollar NFL gambling scandal and the unsolved slayings of 18 schoolgirls when he learns of a horrific murder close to home: his best friend's wife, Jack's former lover, has been killed. It nearly pushes him over the edge. Instead, Jack pushes back and devotes all of Private's resources to tracking down her killer. Only one place to turn: Private. But Jack doesn't have to play by the rules. As he closes in on the killer and chooses between revenge and justice, Morgan has to navigate a workplace love affair that threatens to blow the roof off his plans. With a plot that moves at death-defying speeds, Private is James Patterson's sleekest, most exciting thriller ever.

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Customer Reviews

I've been reading James Patterson's books for years (I don't think I've missed one!) and we all know that a majority of his books these days are ghost-written by a co-author, meaning that the quality isn't often anywhere near as good as some of his earlier novels (such as the Alex Cross ones). Well Private is a prime example of this - sloppy writing with forced dialogue, predictable plot twists and

celebrity name-drops and product placements litter nearly each one of the short chapters; bad two dimensional characters that are all horribly unlikable; and three unrelated "mysteries" that tie up a little too easily (and are then forgotten about - I mean, what was the point of the NFL storyline exactly?!) and have none of the usual twists and shocks that I'd expect from a thriller novel. I just wish Patterson would do himself a favour and stop putting his name on any book thrown at him as his reputation is going to be dragged through the mud even more with books like this one. This is the last time that I get excited about one of his novels and pre-order it so I get it on day of release and I'll read a few other customer reviews before purchasing in future as this was a real waste of time and money.

I have read every single novel written by Patterson. Since ghost writers and assistant writers have written novels signed Patterson, the quality of the story has deteriorated. This last novel is by far the worst I have read. The quickness of the chapters one used to feel, the incredible desire to want to read the next chapter is no longer there.

Just plain boring. I usually don't read his books with other authors and will return to that practice after this. It is not a James Patterson book.

Some books are so bad I just can't keep reading. This one almost fell into that category. I had to push on to finish. My title says it best. Although I finished the book it may be the worst I have ever read. Totally boring with no character development whatsoever. I kept saying to myself, "where is this book going". Patterson, or whoever is ghost writing for him should just hang it up. No wonder Andrew Gross moved on away from Patterson. If you must read this pathetic effort then get it from the Library and do not waste a penny on it.

This book was so bad I couldn't even finish it. That is very unusual for me. I am very disappointed as I was so excited to read another James Patterson thriller. Don't know if I will read anymore Patterson books.

I can't believe the television ad calls this a thriller. The only thrilling part of it was that I was finished with it. I continued to read it so I could be done with it. Maybe Patterson (or his writers that do the work) should write less books and try for quality!

I've read just about everything Patterson has written, or has lent his prestigious name to a "ghost writer". By far, PRIVATE was the least entertaining of any of his books. Random, and oft times irrelevant, dialogue and purpose. This book was a major disappointment, and I will be more selective in the future regarding his "Ghost writer's" efforts.

I usually like Patterson's books but I found this to be boring. Definitely does not live up to the hype. But I guess the TV ads calling it a thriller was the only way he could get enough people interested enough to buy it. It is NOT what I would call a thriller. Don't waste your money.

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