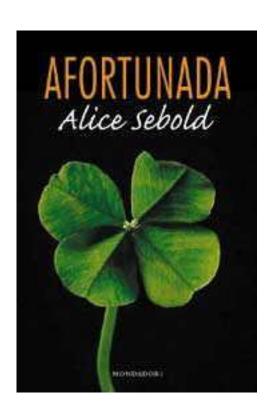
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Description

Esta es la historia real de una violación. Cuando Alice Sebold tenía 19 años y estudiaba en la Universidad de Syracuse fue asaltada y brutalmente violada. En Afortunada la autora habla de ello con total libertad, haciendo un retrato profundo de la tragedia de una mujer americana, de clase media y su lucha por salir adelante . Aspectos raciales, políticos y sociales se tratan en este memoir. Afortunada empieza con el relato detallado de la violación, que tuvo lugar en un parque a media noche. La autora explica cómo sintió la muerte muy cercana, cómo reconoció a su violador, un hombre negro joven, y cómo la justicia manejó su caso. También habla de lo que sintió cuando una de sus mejores amigas fue violada pocos meses después o su imposibilidad de encontrar ayuda en su familia y su consiguiente abuso del alcohol y drogas como consecuencia directa de su dolor.

Insightful reviews

amanda marie: It was definitely 50/50 with this book. One half of me really enjoyed it, while the other half of me was bored.

From the very beginning, I was impressed with Sebold and the actions she chose to take regarding her rape: dealing with everyone's mixed emotions, going back to school where she was the topic of every conversation, and running into her rapist, charging him, and taking him to court. She was strong. Stronger than I think I would even be in such a position. Reading her graphic words regarding how horribly she was violated, I felt sick to my stomach. I felt weak just reading it; I couldn't imagine actually living it.

However, the story seemed to drag. I had trouble reading it because of how depressing it was at times, but the main issue I had was how slow it seemed to be. I really had the strongest mixed emotions with Lucky that I have ever had with a book. I was rooting for her, wanting her to come out triumphant – but at the same time I just wanted to wish I never knew her story, just so I wasn't dying to know what happened. I almost felt like this book was a burden on me. Maybe even a trap. It was so compelling, she pulled me in ..., but then she had me nearly bored to tears.

I guess if you're patient, by all means read it. I'm still sticking to my guns though and will never be convinced that Lucky is better than The Lovely Bones.

Bonnie: I read *Lucky* not long after it was released. Alice Sebold deserves credit for her sometimes graphic but realistic description of her horrible experience. I would have hoped that writing this book would have allowed her to get it out of her system so that she could move on with her life. Evidently, this is not the case.

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Katherine: When Alice Sebold was brutally beaten and raped in the cold and lonely park near her college dormitory, police told her that she was "lucky" to have not been murdered. "In the tunnel where I was raped...a girl had been murdered and dismembered. I was told this story by the police. In comparison, they said, I was lucky." The pain and irony in this description serves as the basis for Sebold's memoir entitled Lucky.

From that night on, Sebold struggles to keep her life together. She doesn't want to be looked upon by others as tainted or destroyed; nor does she try to pretend that the rape never occurred. Rather, Sebold bravely marches ahead with her life, continuing on with school, while at the same time attempting to deal with the incredible trauma that the rape inflicted upon her. Sebold's story is rich with details and vivid descriptions. She effortlessly weaves together raw and painful details with sarcasm, revealing a raped teenaged woman's forced bravado as she explores the complicated dynamic between herself and her parents and sister after the rape. Desperate for her parents to not treat her differently after the rape, she tries to show her father that she's not broken. "I'm still me, Dad," Sebold tells her father.

As Sebold's college years draw to a close, she realizes that she still has not healed from the rape. In the following years, Sebold moves from one precarious situation to the next, moving through lovers, drugs, and low-paying jobs until finally she realizes that she suffers from post-traumatic stress disorder, a realization that finally helps her to deal with the trauma in her life. This book is a remarkable piece. It is a gritty, unabashed, and honest look at the devastating effects of rape on not only the victim, but on her friends and family as well. Sebold's brave work is not an ongoing psychotherapy session. Rather, it is the product of years of reflection and recognition, a beautiful piece of writing that explores the journey of healing and empowerment.

Violante: 2.5 examining problem 2015: #26 Una memoria. "Todo estaba mal. Estaba mal que yo no pudiera caminar por un parque por los angeles noche. Estaba mal que me violaran. Estaba mal que mi violador se creyera intocable o que, como estudiante de Syracuse, yo recibiera sin duda un trato mejor de los angeles policía. Estaba mal que violaran a los angeles sobrina de aquel agente. Estaba mal que él dijera que estaba arruinada. Estaba mal que pusiera las luces del coche patrulla y bajara por Marshall. Estaba mal que acosara, y tal vez hiciera daño físicamente, a tres chicos negros inocentes que iban por l. a. calle." Es muy difícil calificar el libro, no es como si pudiera hablar del desarrollo, de los personajes, de las relaciones. Pero después de todo, se escribió para ser leído, y los angeles narración deja mucho que desear. Es muy sencilla, pero demasiado. No fue lo primero que I. a. autora escribió, lo que es muy extraño porque casi se siente una inexperiencia enorme. Hay oraciones que dejan mucho que desear, las metáforas son bastante patéticas y malas. Lo siento, pero es difícil conectar con los angeles historia con una narración que evidentemente no pasó por un editor. Creo que por más que no estoy de acuerdo con decisiones o rules de Alice, los angeles mina es un ejemplo. ¿Poder seguir adelante después de los angeles violación? ¿Pasar por un juicio en donde todo el tiempo el lugar de víctima se lo daban al agresor? ¿Poder hablar abiertamente, sin miedos a todo el mundo? Sí, algunas cosas no me gustaron de l. a. autora, pero en eso, l. a. mina es un ejemplo. No llego ni siquiera a entenderlo ahora, no creo que puedo hacerlo nunca. I. a. forma en los angeles que se sintió Alice, los angeles forma en l. a. seguramente se seguirá sintiendo no creo que pueda entenderlo por más que leí su historia, sus propias palabras y sensaciones. Si puedo llegar a imaginar un poco el miedo, darte cuenta que vivís en un mundo violento de repente y lo que te daba seguridad ahora ya no. Me lo puedo imaginar, qué horror. Algunas situaciones me resultaron tan surrealistas, es difícil verlas como reales, y junto a momentos que

se me hicieron innecesarios los angeles lectura fue bastante pesada. No creo que cualquiera pueda leer este libro, no solo porque es bastante lento sino porque es una historia muy cruda. Lo terminás con un nudo en l. a. garganta, con un poco de incredulidad (ya lo dije, alguna cosas parecen tan irreales) y con mucha bronca.

stephanie: i learn this ahead of i learn gorgeous Bones, partially simply because i needed to determine how she handled her personal history, partly simply because well, i am a sucker for memoirs. i classify this as a crazypeoplememoir no longer calmly - my definition of "crazy" is a bit loose. alice sebold was once raped through anyone she did not comprehend as an undergraduate at syracuse university. what i admire approximately this e-book is that sebold does not fall into the traditional culture of "victim" memoirs. she does not blame folks - even her attacker. she accepts that this terrible factor occurred to her, after which she tells her tale of ways she pulled herself out of the hole, how she fought opposed to being a victim, how she fought with herself. she isn't any elizabeth wurtzel, and that i love her for that. she does not take an excessive amount of blame, and he or she does not push it off on others - it is the tale of somebody who has adjusted, who has had whatever terrible occurred to them and are available out on top. she did not write this for pity, she wrote this since it used to be her story. and that i absolutely admire her for that.

Catsalive: A harrowing tale, indeed. "It is not only forcible intercourse; rape capability to inhabit and ruin everything" (p.123). No ask yourself it had taken goodbye for Alice to return to phrases with it. Such brutal destruction of every little thing one knew and was once couldn't be conquer fast or easily. i discovered I needed to cease examining at durations to get better my very own equanimity. The reactions of the folk surrounding her i discovered fascinating. What does one say to the victim? under no circumstances "I bet this may make you much less inhibited approximately intercourse now, huh?" (p.77). you'll imagine a therapist can have performed larger than that. I imagine i might prefer to learn the beautiful Bones back having learn this memoir. i did not provide it a lot of a evaluate or ranking while I learn it & i'm wondering if i'd think any varied on a moment reading. Terry Gross asks an engaging query on the finish of Lucky:TG: I acquired the influence that the type of moment-by-moment description of the brutality that is on your memoir is anything you felt did not belong during this new novel, within the description of the brutality that this fourteen-year-old face. AS: Yeah. I mean, the humorous factor is that I did write the start of the beautiful Bones earlier than I wrote my memoir, so the violent crime that happens in Susie's lifestyles happened, by way of writing approximately it, prior to an outline of my very own rape used to be written through me later. i believe so one can separate the 2 stories, to ensure that Susie was once now not doing any of my paintings for me whilst I back to the novel, i ended to jot down Lucky. And one of many issues that was once vitally important for me to do was once to get all of the proof of my very own case down, in order that they were written, they existed entire in an entire different book, and that i may perhaps return to Susie and she or he may lead me the place she desired to take me and inform me her tale within the manner she desired to inform it, in preference to me feeling maybe that i wished to truly inform the true deal approximately each dtail of rape and violence. I did that during the memoir in place of the unconventional simply because i wished my characters to rule the novel, now not a few kind of wish to speak about rape and show rape to readers. I suggestion this memoir was once well-written and gripping, and regardless of the distressing content material it used to be well worth the effort.

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