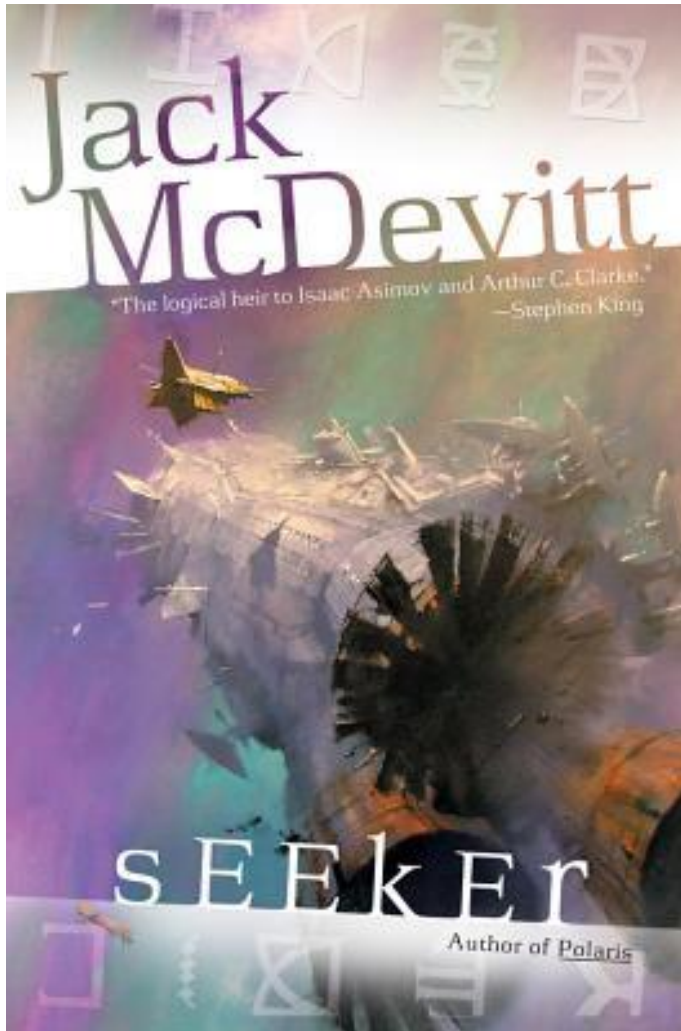

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Description

Thousands of years after an entire colony mysteriously disappears, antiquities dealer Alex Benedict comes into possession of a cup that seems to be from the Seeker, one of the colony's ships. Investigating the provenance of the cup, Alex and his assistant Chase follow a deadly trail to the Seeker-strangely adrift in a system barren of habitable worlds. But their discovery raises more questions than it answers, drawing Alex and Chase into the very heart of danger.

Insightful reviews

Sam: This is the first book in this series that I've read - so I'm coming in right in the middle. I don't think that's a big problem with this series, though. I'll be looking for the earlier and later books in this series, and for other books by McDevitt, for that matter. The future he envisions is pretty interesting, showing a somewhat familiar world set 15,000 years in the future. The main characters are antique/treasure hunters - they look for remnants of lost civilizations, colonies, ships, etc. and sell them. In this story, a coffee cup from a long-lost and somewhat famous ship turns up and starts them down a long, winding wild-goose chase that gets more interesting and more dangerous with each chapter. The structure of the book is interesting, with a female first-person narrator talking about her part of the adventure, with her boss as the title character for the series. She does all the hard work, basically, and he solves the puzzles and gets the glory. A great installment in a series - I'll be looking for the rest.

Ian: Seeker is the most original, interesting, and thoughtful of the Alex Benedict novels. Like the others, so long as you don't take it too seriously, you can have some fun reading it. I give this one four stars (instead of three like the others) because it has some really cool, original ideas woven in.

I'm not a big McDevitt fan, but I like the Alex Benedict novels. They're reasonably well crafted. Just think of this book as a little "roughage" for your mind.

Scott Holstad: This is the third book in Jack McDevitt's Alex Benedict series, although it should probably be called the Chase Kolpath series, as the story is told from her point of view, like all but the first book. They are antiquities dealers, selling extremely rare and often old artifacts for small fortunes to rich collectors. They often travel to distant worlds to find these items. In this book, they meet a young woman who has a cup she'd like to sell and they figure out it's from the legendary space ship Seeker, a ship that left Earth 9,000 years ago with colonists bound for an unknown planet that was never seen again. They become interested in finding, first, the ship, and then later, the planet, and so the mystery begins.

Alex sends Chase, his assistant and pilot, everywhere, including to a museum on an alien world where they're telepaths and they can all read her mind, and then to old Earth. They do ultimately find Seeker and its hidden contents, but discover there was a second ship as well, and so the search continues. Meanwhile, someone isn't too happy with their efforts and tries to murder them. When the identity of the person behind the murder plot is revealed, I was shocked. Shocked! And Chase is amazing. She can do practically anything, while Alex gets all

the credit.

I'm not sure if this is a five star book or not. It's not the best book I've read and it may not even be the best Alex Benedict book. But after thinking it over, I can't come up with a valid reason NOT to give it five stars. It's a great mystery. It's got action. It's got history. It's got space. It's got sci fi. What more could you want? Recommended.

Toby Udstuen: this is often booklet 3 of the Benedict series. the entire Alex Benedict books are set approximately 10,000 years within the future. So while certainly one of Benedict consumers come to him with a cup that got here from a colony send misplaced 9,000 years in the past Alex sits up and takes notice. How did the cup come back to the identified worlds? the place was once the 9,000 yr outdated send it got here from? Did the send make it to it is mysterious destination? Is there a colony there now? those are the query Alex and his accomplice need to answer.

Benedict: Stayed up past due to complete this book, which used to be a clean reminder that sturdy technological know-how fiction does not have to be in regards to the measurement of explosion futuristic guns can accomplish. i am not conversant sufficient within the style to situate it as "golden age" or "high technological know-how fiction," yet i'd say that it truly is dependent in its execution. the gap commute and astrophysics look grounded actually (again, i am no expert), however the actual treasure during this e-book is that the social affects of either philosophy and expertise are seamlessly built-in into how the characters reply to the occasions round them. there is not any apology for it, either; the protagonist writes as though to her personal contemporaries, instead of with any information that she has to supply exposition for us again in our age. a similar is right of her character; she does not evince any have to self-disclose for natural exposition's sake, and as a result, she comes off even more real. It used to be attention-grabbing that Jack McDevitt selected to jot down as a feminine lead, and that the nature is not the hero of the occasions of the ebook (for all that she does lots of the work). To provide a (minor) spoiler, the tale itself is anything of a secret concerning a misplaced human send and its colonists (I accumulated extra information than this from the again cover). it has got strong pacing and drama, and the responses the protagonist pair has to the quest are deeply human. nice stuff. I'm thankful for the advice that introduced this writer to my attention, and i'm going to definitely be analyzing extra McDevitt. i am giving this my four-star score for a good execution of a piece that stands proud to me in a crowded genre.

Nancy Oakes: Seeker is a e-book of speculative fiction that may entice you if you are now not into hard-core technology fiction, and while you're a reader of mysteries. McDevitt has mixed either right into a tale that starts off with the invention of a cup bearing a few "English" letters, which antiquities broker Alex Benedict and his companion Chase Kolpath hint again to a long-lost send referred to as Seeker. To be very blunt, Benedict and Kolpath plunder what we might examine archaeological websites and promote what relics they arrive across. this present day that is illegal, yet one way or the other within the future, there is not any challenge with this custom and there is a large market, even if a flow is afoot to forestall the plundering. What's distinct approximately this actual cup is that the send Seeker, millions of years earlier, took a bunch of a couple of thousand humans clear of earth, destined for a brand new world, Margolia.

because the send left, nobody ever heard from those humans again, and legends started to flourish in regards to the hidden colony -- emerging to the extent of our personal fascination with say, Atlantis. yet with the cup found, Alex and Chase now have proof that somebody in the market is familiar with anything in regards to the Seeker and particularly probably Margolia, and so they commence a protracted trip to find all they can, with the wish of selecting up extra relics and creating a fortune. alongside the way in which Alex thinks they could additionally resolve the secret of what occurred to the Seeker and its passengers. yet there are others in the market who don't desire Alex and Chase to succeed. whereas components of the plot and a few of the characters (aside from Alex and Chase) are frequently simply so-so, there are a few strong scenes. McDevitt's top writing exhibits itself while Chase ventures off into the house global of the bodily repugnant Mutes (The Ashyyur -- a telepathic race with whom people have a tentative peace), following a lead. McDevitt poses a few powerful ethical questions during this novel whereas telling an exceptional story. I imagine i'm going to search for the opposite books during this sequence now. the combo of sci-fi and secret appeals to me while i am within the "I have to sit back my brain" mode. i might suggest it to readers of speculative fiction, and for secret readers who do not brain leaving Earth throughout the read.

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