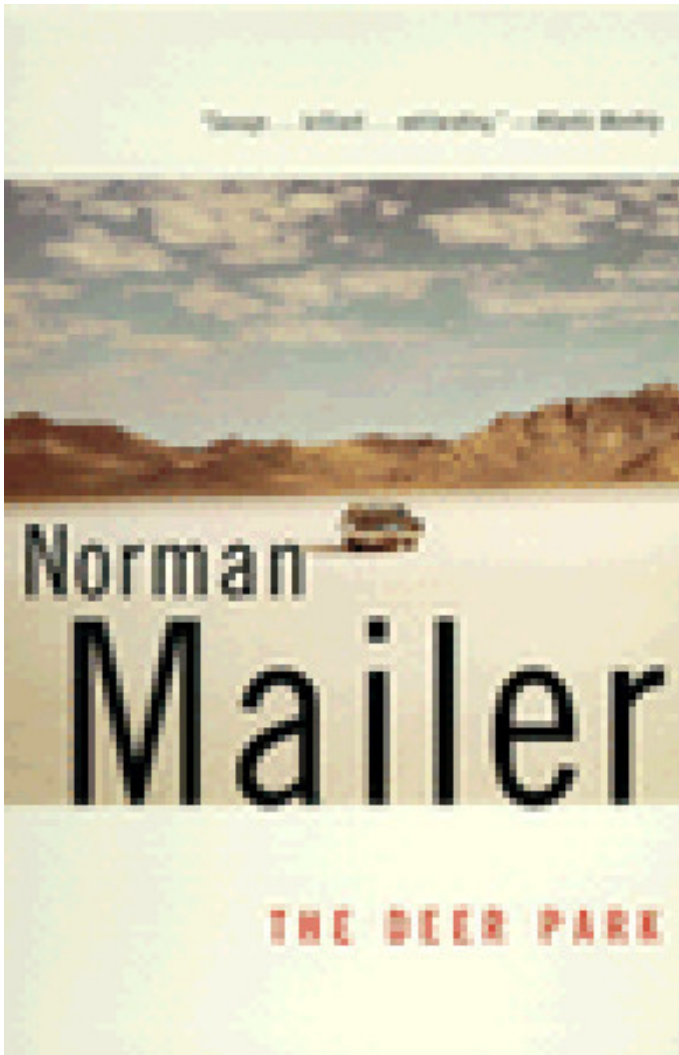


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## Norman Mailer

### The Deer Park



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## Description

Amid the cactus wilds some two hundred miles from Hollywood lies a privileged oasis called Desert D'Or. It is a place for starlets and would-be starlets, directors, studio execs, and the well-groomed lowlifes who cater to them. And, as imagined by Norman Mailer in this blistering classic of 1950s Hollywood, Desert D'Or is a moral proving ground, where men and women discover what they really want—and how far they are willing to go to get it. *The Deer Park* is the story of two interlacing love affairs. Sergius O'Shaughnessy is a young ex-Air Force pilot whose good looks and air of indifference launch him into the orbit of the radiant actress Lulu Meyers. Charles Eitel is a brilliant director wounded by accusations of communism—and whose liaison with the volatile Elena Esposito may supply the coup de grace to his career. As Mailer traces their couplings and uncouplings, their uneasy flirtation with success and self-extinction, he creates a legendary portrait of America's machinery of desire.

## Insightful reviews

Alexandra: An exquisite portrait of the relations between pride and desire. Also a great commentary on the artist's condition and a reference point for the jaded, the morally corrupt, the promiscuous and the unsure.

Charles M.: Sergius finds himself in a rather bizarre world among the elite and artsy crowd in this 3d person observation of the Hollywood in-crowd and hangers on. He observes and moves in and out of friendships and relationships.

Chris Gager: The first Norman Mailer that I read. I don't recall enjoying it. It was about Hollywood(?)... California(?)... Sort of baffling and uninvolving to me at the time. Maybe Mailer's equivalent to Styron's awful "Set This House on Fire". Date read is a guess.

Corey: it is rather infrequent that i do not end a book. Usually, as soon as I commence examining something, i've got one of those compulsive urge to complete it, irrespective of how undesirable or how dull. Occasionally, however, there comes alongside a publication that overpowers me with its banality and mediocrity, a tome that forces me to set it apart and circulate on. *The Deer Park*, for me, is one such book. on the urging of a professor who's assisting me with whatever i am writing, I sought out a duplicate and began to learn it. After all, I thought, it is only approximately three hundred pages. i'm going to end it in no time. Right? Wrong. *The Deer Park* is a kind of Fifties retelling of the good *Gatsby*. Our Nick-Carraway-type determine is changed by way of Sergius O'Shaughnessy, a former air strength pilot who wins massive at a on line casino and proceeds to blow his funds by means of passing some time in a inn in a thinly-disguised Palm Springs. Our *Gatsby* is Charles Eitel, a prosperous screenwriter hoping to make a comeback after his profession is destroyed by way of his unwillingness to cooperate with the Unamerican actions Committee. The characters that populate this novel delight in all types of hedonism. Mainly, though, that hedonism manifests within the kind of sex. As I comprehend it, there has been a few kind of bruh-ha-ha in regards to the book's risqué content material whilst it first got here out, yet by means of glossy standards, every thing in this is lovely tame. There are not any genuine intercourse scenes in Mailer's novel (at least within

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the first of it), as an alternative there are just vague, after-the-fact details, which I am beautiful definite Mailer wrote often by means of taking a look in a word list for synonyms for "passion." Boring, chauvinistic, and it appears that evidently written, there did not appear to be whatever to work out here. possibly I'm going to return to it one day, yet most likely not.

Charles: My first Mailer novel.... probably not bombastic or outrageous like I used to be awaiting it to be. Alternatingly compelling and tedious, and its insights into women and men jointly have been simply as prone to make me roll my eyes as nod my head.

matt: I learn it many years ago, it labored quite adequate as a unique yet there have been means too many moments during which I felt stormin' Norman's sweaty, heavy palms everywhere F Scott Fitzgerald's tender and subversively limpid material. This is coming off the sagging failure of "Barbary Shore" and Norm's attempting to speak himself out of his gloom, paranoia, and wife-shanking by way of attempting to inform himself he can "do" Hollywood. He can't. no longer really. He will get the booze, a bit of of the desert, the sex-as-power-as-money-as-existential-loneliness-and-risk thing, but if they write one other historical past of tinseltown he will not be one of many chroniclers or sages. Fitzgerald nevertheless was once pretty well precisely the digital camera eye you want. upset yet filled with dreams, heart category yet pretending to be rich, horny yet fading and never humorous any more. that is the way you method the yankee dream factory, with one hand in your center and the opposite in your shredded, fading ticket. And Mailer's finishing is largely a formulation (his brain was once far more infused with the directions of his aeronautical engineering measure from Harvard than such a lot people- together with himself at this stage- rather knew) for the type of existential (that's right, I suggest it, too) hijinks which might unfurl over the subsequent decade.

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