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Description

Una terribile peste dilaga a Napoli dal giorno in cui, nell'ottobre del 1943, gli eserciti alleati vi sono entrati come liberatori: una peste che corrompe non il corpo ma l'anima, spingendo le donne a venderci e gli uomini a calpestare il rispetto di sé. Trasformata in un inferno di abiezione, la città offre visioni di un osceno, straziante orrore: la ragazza che in un tugurio, aprendo «lentamente la rosea e nera tenaglia delle gambe», lascia che i soldati, per un dollaro, verifichino la sua verginità; le «parrucche» bionde o ruggine o tizianesche di cui donne con i capelli ossigenati e la pelle bianca di cipria si coprono il pube, perché «Negroes like blondes»; i bambini seminudi e pieni di terrore che megere dal viso incrostato di belletto vendono ai soldati marocchini, dimentiche del fatto che a Napoli i bambini sono la sola cosa sacra. La peste – è questa l'indicibile verità – è nella mano pietosa e fraterna dei liberatori, nella loro incapacità di scorgere le forze misteriose e oscure che a Napoli governano gli uomini e i fatti della vita, nella loro convinzione che un popolo vinto non possa che essere un popolo di colpevoli. Null'altro rimane allora se non la lotta per salvare la pelle: non l'anima, come un tempo, o l'onore, la libertà, la giustizia, ma la «schifosa pelle». E, forse, la pietà: quella che in uno dei più bei capitoli di questo insostenibile e splendido romanzo – uno dei pochi che negli anni successivi alla guerra abbiano lasciato un solco indelebile nel mondo intero – spinge Consuelo Caracciolo a denudarsi per rivestire del suo abito di raso, delle calze, degli scarpini di seta la giovane del Pallonetto morta in un bombardamento, trasformandola in Principessa delle Fate o in una statua della Madonna. Come ha scritto Milan Kundera, nella *Pelle Malaparte* «con le sue parole fa male a se stesso e agli altri; chi parla è un uomo che soffre. Non uno scrittore impegnato. Un poeta».

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Jack Fingon: Although I am new to Goodreads, and have posted very little, I have read thousands of books, and once had to sell my book collection in reverse order of preference in order to eat. I consider that the most honest system of rating a book, because your next meal depends upon it.

I want to expand upon this review, but I am going to begin by saying no other book I can think of even approaches 4 stars let alone 5, in comparison to Curzio Malaparte's "The Skin".

I hate the word genius. I am deeply suspicious of facebook, of Goodreads and of networks of any sort.

But, The Skin exposes Hemingway as a fraud. It dwarfs Henry Miller, whom I think would readily acknowledge this fact. Only Cendrars (a pal) and Céline could hold a candle to this teller of this Boccaccio-like description of end of WWII Naples.

I am even reluctant to recommend it, because I would like to hide this book from the world and keep it for myself.

Curzio Malaparte stands alone, and has immortalized Naples. I bow to him as a human being, to his humanity and genius and incredible humour and love. Bravo.

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Conor: i do not comprehend relatively the way to describe this one, so i will decide on a few major points. a) It casts a brand new gentle at the lives of liberated peoplesb) it really is most likely the one particularly horrifying struggle ebook i have ever read.c) someway a+b=c: It makes different authors who speak about war, together with Vonegut, look like sons and daughters reminicing approximately how a lot enjoyable struggle is. That said, it truly is amazing. I had a few hassle adjusting to the characters and the tone of the book, yet once I hit the fire-bombing of Hamburg and learned all of the unusual issues he used to be up to, it was once gold.

Steve: Curzio Malaparte (1898-1957)To win a conflict - everybody can do that, yet no longer everyone seems to be able to wasting one. - Curzio MalaparteCurzio Malaparte, born Kurt Suckert to a German father and Italian mother, was once a journalist and novelist who was once a member of the Italian fascist occasion and participated in Mussolini's march on Rome in 1922. i do not comprehend why he used to be at the beginning a fascist, yet he used to be an excessive amount of of a unfastened philosopher to be one for long. He used to be kicked out of the get together for his unfastened considering (and for lambasting either Hitler and Mussolini in a variety of publications) and exiled on an island for 5 years; thus he used to be arrested and imprisoned a number of times. In among incarcerations he was once an editor of a literary magazine and of l. a. Stampa for a time. throughout the moment international conflict he was once a battle correspondent for the Corriere della Sera. His most vital novels, Kaputt (1944) and l. a. pelle (1949), have been either set within the war, the previous at the japanese entrance and the latter in the course of the invasion and profession of Italy by means of the Allies. I first learn l. a. pelle (The Skin, on hand in English translation) a long time in the past and used to be deeply plagued by its cruel depiction of the distress and degradation of either the Italians and the occupying forces. After completing John Horne Burns' striking satirical prom via occupied North Africa and Naples, The Gallery, during which a similar distress and degradation are one of

the basic focuses, i assumed it used to be a great time to revisit los angeles pelle, to determine those portrayals of an identical circumstances, one from an Italian and one from an American, (*) facet by way of side. (**) Though Burns further touches of sour humor to his portrait, for Malaparte it's a dominant colour correct from the outset, the place the 1st individual narrator - a captain within the newly shaped Italian Liberation Corps, garbed within the recycled uniforms of British squaddies killed in North Africa and Sicily - is brought to his corporation of former POWs, whose pale, inexpressive faces and uniforms on which you will nonetheless make out the blood stains and sewn up bullet holes persuade him that he's commanding useless men. Burns was once an higher heart classification American idealist, so his basic reactions to what he observed in North Africa and Italy have been outrage, disgust and disillusionment. Malaparte used to be 20 years older (he had served with contrast in WW I) and extra experienced, let alone Italian and hence no longer particularly so weighted down down with illusions. Illusions like: the victors will not be only the winners yet are selected of God and are Right, while these others should not purely defeated yet are forged down into the fires and needs to clamber again out by means of the grace of our assisting hands, with the proviso that they settle for our real ideals and open their markets to our entrepreneurs, of course. Both authors skewer America. Burns' tone is satirical or at once accusatory, whereas Malaparte's is bitterly ironic, although Malaparte turns out to happen extra sympathy for the americans than Burns does. And whereas Burns' portrayal of the misery, degradation and frequent corruption used to be image enough, Malaparte is simply merciless. In fact, i am hoping he was once exaggerating for effect. (***) the fragile of spirit should still steer good away from this book. yet for the robust of abdominal los angeles pelle is a powerfully written landscape of mankind in outstanding circumstances, either the nice and the horrible, savorously spiced with all of the idiosyncrasies of that old urban through the gorgeous Golfo di Napoli, whose humans - as Malaparte emphasizes - became via centuries of domination by way of others masters of survival and gaming the system, each system. Yet different parts are introduced jointly during this agonizing masterpiece. The narrator, who's referred to as Captain Curzio Malaparte, is consistently torn among admiration/respect and distaste/hate for the victors and, for the Italians, sympathy/love and shame/hate. He can oscillate from one severe to the opposite inside a 5 minute conversation. The man's pressure is incredible. the writer Malaparte additionally seems to be heavily on the many and sundry relationships among victors and the defeated in a fashion considerably extra nuanced and multifold than Hegel's well-known research of Herrschaft und Knechtschaft. And in addition to all this, Malaparte easily comprises allusions to extensive swaths of English, American and Greco-Roman literature. i have to point out a last point which prompted me a lot suggestion in mild of present events: the Italians have been either defeated and liberated, yet even the anti-fascists have been made to style the defeat on occasion. one other pair of oscillating poles, that of gratitude/joy and resentment/shame in the direction of the liberators/conquerors, contributes to the shimmering, shifting, contradictory nature of this notable and unclassifiable text. (*) In element of fact, Burns excoriated american citizens and American tradition within the Gallery and back to Italy completely after the struggle to write down and drink himself to a really early death. (**) Norman Lewis' Naples '44 is fascinated with an analogous set of circumstances, however it seems he observed quite a lot much less of the distress and degradation than Burns and Malaparte did (or not less than selected to not write of so much of it in the sort of photo manner). (***) Exaggeration is unquestionably a part of his ironic stance, yet one of the most terrible passages are supplied with aspect that doesn't grace the passages that are truly exaggerations. score <http://leopard.booklikes.com/post/116...>

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