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Synopsis

1967-1969. Based on the true story of how Israel's Mossad agents stole three tonnes of Mirage fighter drawings following General de Gaulle's disastrous ban on the supply of these aircraft that were vital to Israel's defence.

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Customer Reviews

If you are an avid reader of historical novels, Mirage is a must read. Beginning shortly after WWII the lead characters arrive in the British Mandate of Palestine. What follows is the history of the birth of the State of Israel. Even with the sanctions of major countries and their refusal to supply this newly emerging state the necessary weapons & machinery to defend herself, Israel's clandestine service, Mossad develops an intriguing plot to secure technical drawings to build her own. Though the characters are fictional, the writer makes them real and believable. It's fast paced action, intrigue, dangerous and exhilarating and best of all, a very satisfying read.

As based on the true story, it is interesting and has a lot of actual facts in it. Some characters are very well developed and some is not at all and you even question yourself why they are there?

Overall it is a good read.

This was an interesting tail and very entertaining but when you arrived to the end of the story I felt that there should have been a better ending with the two key players in the story. I probably will not read any other books by this author as I was disappointed with how the story ended.

This is a solid four star rating and then some. A well written and well researched historical fiction. James Follett masterly weaves a tale of the theft by Israel of production drawings for the Mirage fighter aircraft from France following President de Gaulle's arms embargo in 1967 with the breakout escape of 5 unarmed fast attack naval vessels being built by France but being held under the embargo. The theft of the plans was suspected but never acknowledged by the Israelis. The breakout and sailing to Israel of the war ships actually happened. The story is well constructed with complex main characters. The ending is a page turner. It will have you rooting for the good guys and booing for the bad guys. I highly recommend recommend this especially if you are a history buff.

this is an interesting book from a history standpoint. the writing is good, but not Folletts best. I could put the book down for days at a time, which is unusual for me with Folletts other books I have read.

Great story line compelling characters. Piece of history I was ignorant of. Relavant inter social conflict WEST meets EAST CULTURE. One can achieve great acts of courage especially in the service of others but may pay a a big price to the individual whether that price is horrendus physical/ mental wounds even death or needing to choose between life love life and duty.

This is a fast-paced thriller, made even better with the knowledge that it's based on fact. every page demonstrates an excellent balance between action and description. The main characters are interesting and believable. This is the first book by this author tha I have read and I will definitely be reading more of his works

From the start to the end, the writer made good use of all the dialogues, either to insert witty remarks or provide lengthy explanation within a few short carefully written sentences. The premise was with the French arms embargo after the Six Day War, the fledging state of Israel found itself in danger of unable to match her enemies weaponry. In came Daniel Klein, ace pilot who was invalidated due to war injury. Hatching a bold plan, he and his girlfriend sought to obtain the

blueprints for the Mirage, the aircraft which the Israeli Air Force depend on. The only fly in the ointment was an arms dealer who was hoping to supply subsonic jets to the Israeli. The writer gave extensive background not only to the characters, but also to the development of the air defence of Israel, showing in a logical manner why the Mirage was priceless to Israel. The only kink in the entire story was the involvement of CIA agents at a critical point, without proper explanation for their presence or stance.

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