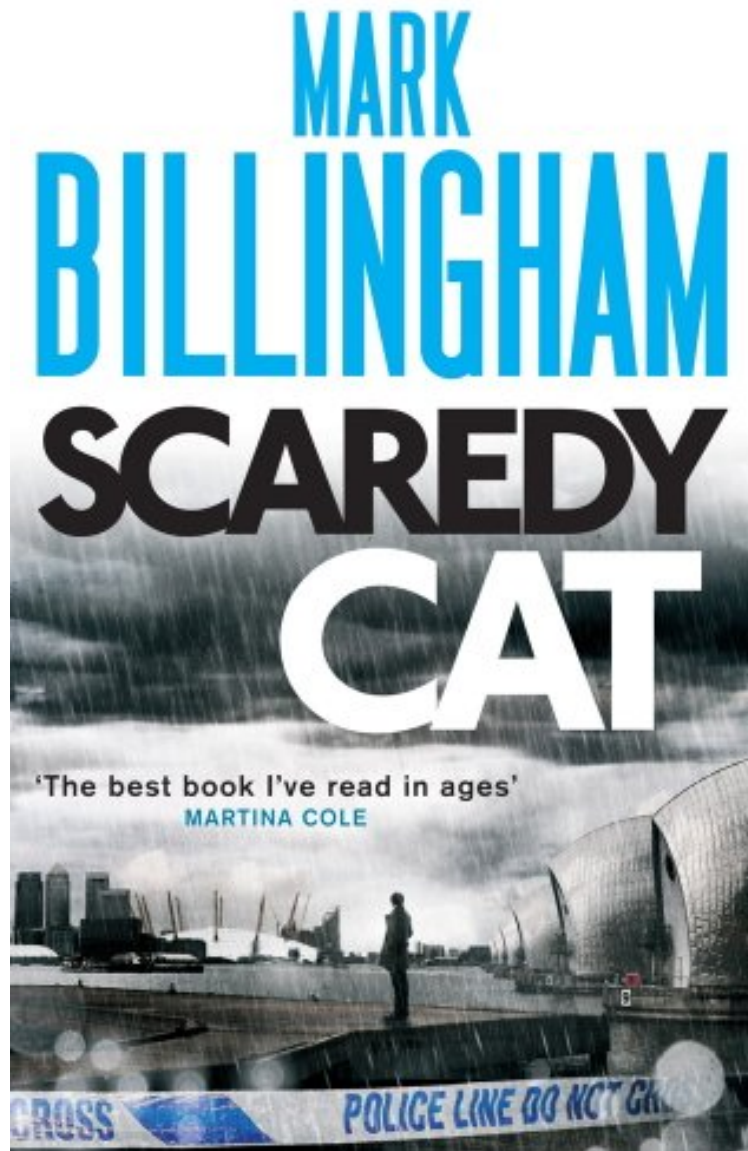


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Couldn't stop readingVon Hans K.Fantastic and thrilling plot. Got a copy at Heathrow Airport, started to read as usual - just to have something to do. After a few pages I've got "into the story" and couldn't stop reading it. Various brutal murders

appear to be somehow linked. Inspector Thorne and his team are desperately trying to find the murderer, and get into deep trouble. Story happens in a UK which is for good reasons proud of its culture and history, sieged by a lot of American stuff which appears mostly quite odd. Characters in this book reflect a lot of this conflict and the "English Way Of Life" is described in an excellent way. You will certainly live and suffer with this characters ...I'll certainly read more of this writer !

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Von Karl Bednarik

In times when it seems that certain authors publish a new book every other month it can be interesting to look into the back catalogue of a favourite genre and be able to discover writers and books who/which could give you what you are looking for, i.e. novels that are worth not only the cover price but also the hours of your life that you spend on reading them. For me, this is the case with Mark Billingham and his DI Thorne series. As with some other series, it might be good to read these books in chronological order, but even if you do not you can enjoy the very good writing, the excellent cast of characters and the London setting. So, Mr. Billingham joins the list of my favourite British crime fiction writers John Harvey, Val McDermid, David Lawrence, Elizabeth George... And, as I had the chance to get hold of a preview copy of the next Thorne book (Death Message, out in September 2007, thanks Chris !), I can assure you that this series continues to deliver !

Kurzbeschreibung TWO WOMEN DEAD It was a vicious, calculated murder. The killer selected his victim at Euston station, followed her home on the tube, strangled her to death in front of her child. At the same time, killed in the same way, a second body is discovered at the back of King's Cross station. And this grisly event eerily echoes the murder of two other women, stabbed to death months before on the same day.

TWO KILLERS WORKING TOGETHER It is DI Tom Thorne who sees the link and comes to the horrifying conclusion. This is not a serial killer the police are up against. This is two of them - and two killers are way more deadly than one . . .

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