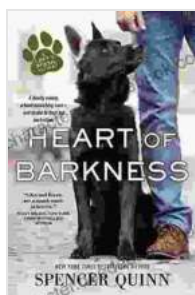


Heart of Barkness: A Chet Bernie Mystery by John D. MacDonald

Heart of Barkness is a thrilling mystery novel by John D. MacDonald that follows the adventures of Chet Bernie, a private investigator who is hired to find a missing woman in the dangerous Everglades of Florida.



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The novel opens with Bernie being hired by a wealthy businessman to find his daughter, who has disappeared while on a camping trip in the Everglades. Bernie is initially reluctant to take the case, but he is eventually persuaded by the man's offer of a large sum of money.

Bernie begins his investigation by interviewing the man's daughter's friends and family. He learns that she was a troubled young woman who had been

struggling with drug addiction and mental health issues. Bernie also learns that she had recently been involved in a romantic relationship with a mysterious man who had a reputation for violence.

Bernie's investigation leads him deep into the Everglades, where he encounters a cast of colorful characters, including a Seminole Indian guide, a group of moonshiners, and a ruthless drug dealer. Bernie also faces danger at every turn, as he is pursued by the mysterious man who is responsible for the woman's disappearance.

Heart of Barkness is a gripping mystery that will keep readers on the edge of their seats from beginning to end. MacDonald's writing is suspenseful and atmospheric, and he creates a vivid and unforgettable setting in the Everglades.

Chet Bernie

Chet Bernie is a private investigator who is known for his tough-guy demeanor and his willingness to take on dangerous cases. He is a skilled investigator and a quick thinker, and he is not afraid to use violence when necessary.

Bernie is a complex character who is haunted by his past. He is a Vietnam War veteran who has seen the horrors of war firsthand. He is also a recovering alcoholic who has struggled with addiction for many years.

Despite his demons, Bernie is a good man who is committed to helping others. He is a loyal friend and a compassionate listener, and he always puts the needs of his clients first.

The Everglades

The Everglades is a vast and unforgiving wilderness that is home to a wide variety of plants and animals. It is also a place where danger lurks around every corner.

The Everglades is a popular destination for tourists, but it is also a place where people can easily get lost or injured. The terrain is treacherous, and the weather can be unpredictable.

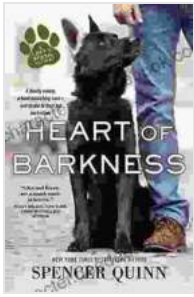
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Chet Bernie is a complex and compelling character who is sure to win over readers. He is a tough-guy with a heart of gold, and he is always willing to fight for what is right.

The Everglades is a dangerous and unforgiving wilderness, but it is also a place of beauty and wonder. MacDonald's novel captures the essence of the Everglades, and he creates a setting that is both terrifying and breathtaking.

Heart of Barkness is a must-read for fans of mystery, suspense, and adventure.

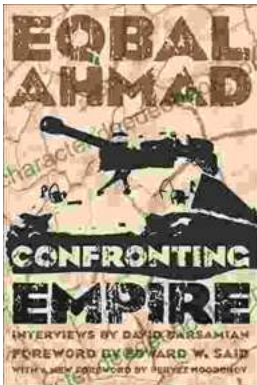


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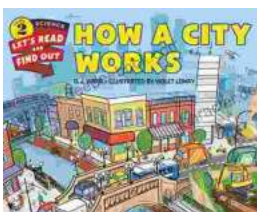
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