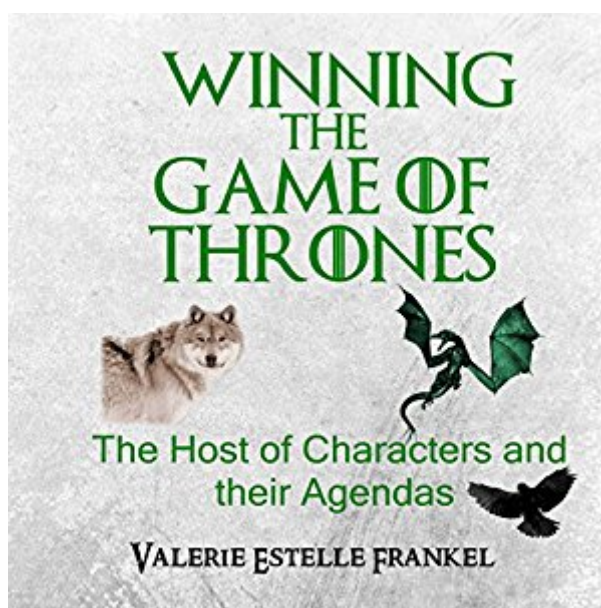


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Winning The Game Of Thrones: The Host Of Characters And Their Agendas



Synopsis

This book explores characters' agendas, from Sansa's secret schemes to Arya's ultimate goal. What is Cersei's true fear? What do trout or golden roses symbolize? Is the show a feminist success or a male playground? This book answers all these and more, revealing the enigmas and surprises hidden deep within the series. Martin's interviews, homages, and past works hint at the pattern he's chosen, while the classic pattern of the hero's and heroine's journey indicate the path of each protagonist and their ultimate destinies. From the Norse myth of ice covering all the world and the winter of wolves, to the War of the Roses that inspired much of the plot, the Game of Thrones is revealed secret by secret, including how it may be won.

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Customer Reviews

If you have or are reading the books or watching the TV series the book is full of info you already know. The final section is just a list of characters, their houses, and the geography of Martin's world. If you aren't reading the books or watching the series this isn't a Cliff Notes cheat sheet. I really didn't get anything useful from the psycho-babble about the "journeys" the heroes must take.

It was frustrating to read a book with so many glaring mistakes. I felt that it really needed a proofreader. The content was mildly interesting, but if you have read the books and done some thinking, you will probably not gain too many additional insights. Some of the historical background was good.

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Gives a fairly accurate analysis of the action in Game of Thrones. Where it disappoints is in the failure to do in-depth analysis. For instance, there is a good analysis of Bran's, Jon's and Dany's story arcs, based on the hero's journey, but I find Race for the Iron Throne provides better political analysis and historical parallels, and some of the analysis done on the westeros.org boards, relating to Sansa's story line, is absolutely stellar.

It's an interesting companion book to "Thrones" and has a lot of answers to common questions posed in the story. Heavy on a lot of the book material and might help in deciphering the whole saga. Worth a read for serious fans.

The characters and houses are explained in George R. R. Martin's books and the writer left more questions than answers. Many chapters simply repeated what was said in prior chapters.

This was quite a lengthy read, but a very interesting one at that. I definitely discovered a few tidbits in here I didn't pick up in the books or tv series. I won't recommend this to anyone who hasn't read the books yet, or at least the first three books in the series as most references are made to those. I downloaded this as a free read from for my kindle.

I really enjoyed this book. It brought up things I missed in the HBO series so now I will just have to go back to the beginning and watch again. I will also have to read some of the short stories that are part of the history of Westeros as well. I just hope I can feed my hunger until the next book comes out or at least season four starts.

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