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First Of My Kind



Synopsis

This is the story of Nathan Myers a Missouri Farm boy who through a chain of events that happens half way across the galaxy, finds his way from the seat of his grandfathers tractor to the command of a starship from a lost super race. Nathan will tell you in his own words about the life and death struggles he encounters on his journey. He will tell you about the humor, peril and pain of his galactic education. Even with the help of an eccentric A.I. and the most unlikely of allies, he still finds it easy to lose his humanity to the horrors and injustice of a galaxy no one could have possibly imagined.

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Customer Reviews

The First of My Kind by Marc Stevens is an amazing story. This character driven space opera is told in the first person. It tells of Nathan, a young man from the farmlands of Missouri as he travels to Alaska hoping to be a hunting guide. He ends up getting a job as a gopher with an flying service where his best friend from back home works. Circumstances find Nathan lost in a blizzard in a remote valley, barely alive being chased by wolves. Unfortunately for him, this isn't the most dire of

circumstances he'll find himself in in his near future. Fast forward six months and Nathan is the Commander of an ancient alien starship with a mixed alien crew of three other strange characters. A small engineer who looks like one of the 'classic' alien, with a big head, black eyes and a gray complexion. A warrior who is an 800 pound fireplug with legs like an elephant and a sexy female alien who looks very human but for her four arms. The four become a family of sorts, with the intent to clean up Dodge of all the criminals and low life scum of the Galaxy. Their ship, the Legacy, is controlled by an A.I. named Justice. Justice has something of a sense of humor, learned from Nathan over the course of their friendship. The bad guys are driven by the acquisition of 'Precursor Artifacts', items from a previously technical race who have mysteriously disappeared for some unknown reason that is hinted at throughout the story. I gave this book five stars for it's inventiveness, action sequences and the comradery between the characters. The dialogue from the bad guys is over the top funny: "If I see you again, I'll slit your belly and make you eat your entrails as I watch you die!", is one example out of many. Even though the book needs a serious editor for misspellings, grammatical errors and improper word usage, I still gave it five of the pointy things because of the entertainment value. This is a seriously fun book to read. At over 600 pages, this is a long read. After the first several chapters the fun begins. I have to admit that I almost put this one down while reading about Nathan's childhood and teen years. While still interesting, it didn't seem like the Science Fiction novel I was expecting. All I can say is, hang in there. The beginning section is referred to at times throughout the story and the pay off is worth the wait. I enjoyed *The First of My Kind* immensely and can't wait for the expected sequel. There are too many questions left hanging for there not to be a sequel, but don't worry. This isn't one of those stories that leave you high and dry. All of the themes in this book are tied up nicely inside, but other developments present themselves at the ending which demand a continuation. Read this! You won't be sorry.

This was a great read. Lots of development of tech stuff and characters. Stayed with first person narrative which I much prefer. Could not put the book down and looking forward to the next installment. Please stay with the same style first person narrative. So many authors write a great first book in this style and then start doing the multiple character point of view and ruin the series.

The book started fast with development and imagination. When the ship was introduced the story took off. Seeing a human rampage through the galaxy going deadpool on people was funny. Can't wait for the next book.

I really enjoyed this book. For the first quarter I kept asking myself when do the aliens come into the picture. Well they did. Well written and thought out. I look forward to the sequel.

A different storyline, but not radically so. A slowish start, it picks up momentum steadily. I hope the next book is available, if not now, then soon.

When folks say follow your dreams is it you or circumstances? In the grand play of our widdle lives, be careful what you wish for.

This was an exceptional book especially considering it was his first. HIGHLY recommend!

I chose 5 stars because the story is good and the characters are great. Nathan is a good character and a damn murder machine to ever mess's with who he considers family. I really hope a 2nd book is in the works

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