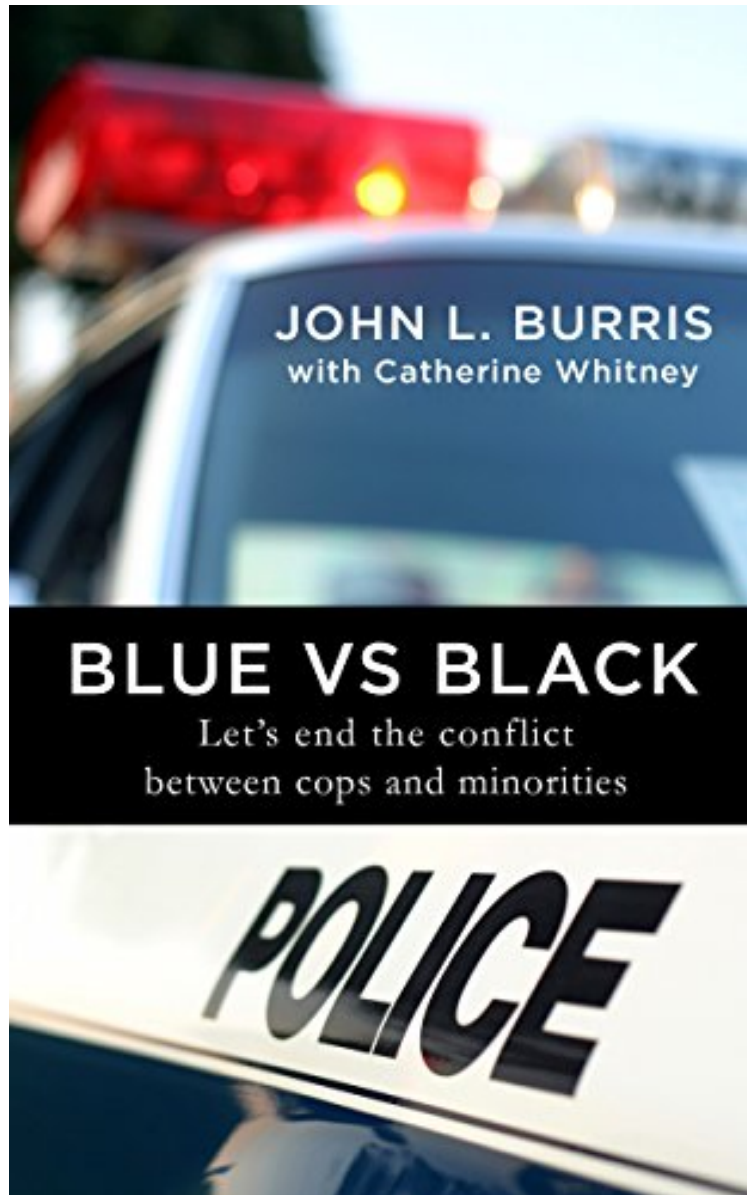


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A powerful and to the point account of police horrorsVon Ein KundeI don't know if Oakland is truly representative of an American city, as far as the police's community relations are concerned, but I was nonetheless shocked that such a city really does exist. How can any city function when its citizens have as much to fear from the police officers as criminals themselves? This book basically blew away any remaining idea that things just couldn't be as bad as all that. The testimonies, all by law-abiding, often commendable characters, were severe and to the point. That is, too many good people have been severely wronged and no one seems to be accountable. Mr. Burris doesn't make the mistake of blaming every police officer and goes out of his way to assert that most cops are good cops. But he recounts a problem that runs rampant, of which most people in this country, myself included, was largely unaware. What police force could justify savage beatings in front of small children, or the use of a police cruiser to knock down a fleeing "suspect" who later turns out to be one of their own (who was only identified by chance, lying in his cell bloody and badly injured). Rather than leave the matter at that, Mr. Burris has a lot of concrete ideas for solutions, and his goal in the end is a police force that is essentially there to help its community. In realising this, he has more optimism than I.0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. EVERYONE Should Read This BookVon Ein KundeAbner Louima, Amadou Diallo, Rodney King, the list of names who have been victims of police misconduct goes on and on. A beautifully written, heart-breakingly honest look at one of the most sensitive issues our country--no, the entire world--has to look at and deal with. Racism, hatred, and bullying have all got to end. There are young children walking around who have already felt hatred. They feel it, and they express it, too. It's a vicious cycle. Kids grow up knowing there is hatred, division, and prejudice surrounding them. There are people that will wish to do them harm because they are of a different color. Isn't that amazing? Blue Versus Black makes it clear that it's not simply a matter of it being the police officers' fault. The police are put out on the streets under the worst of circumstances, and are expected to always make the right decision. They are in a no-win situation. As it's made clear in the book, we should applaud the efforts of the police. We need the police. We need to help the police make their jobs easier and safer. The community can help. Everybody should read this book. It was beautifully written, a compelling, honest, and moving book. I recommend it highly.0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. great book but narrowVon eloise fletcherThis was a really great book. There can be no doubt that certain groups are targeted by the police and that the police in this country are becoming increasingly dangerous. I think the authors should write a follow up book illuminating the real source of the problem -- that the police are really paid thugs whose job it is to 'protect and to serve' the rights and property of a privileged few at the expense of the poor and under-represented. Of course this is a description that fits many African Americans. It is true that young white female protesters in eureka california are only doused with chemical weapons -- not beaten into a bloody pulp by a pack of rabid officers, but any abuse is too much. When did the police become the military and the average citizen the enemy? In Boise, where I used to live they just shoot first and ask questions later. Anyone who wants to be informed should buy this book.

KurzbeschreibungCan we heal the breach between cops and the African American community?Blue vs. Black tells the true, heartbreaking stories of ordinary people who cross paths with the wrong cops at the wrong time. The slogan #BlackLivesMatter takes on new resonance as we witness the way their lives were turned upside down in an instant: A young community center director who is savagely beaten by cops before the eyes of the children in his care; a woman who is handcuffed to a chain link fence by a female officer and humiliated in front of her neighbors, simply because of a minor traffic violation; a father who is pulled over by police officers and shocked with a stun gun while his three-year-old daughter screams in the backseat of the car. These are no criminals, but ordinary, law-abiding citizens. Their stories are disturbing, but in seeking justice for them Burris holds out the hope that the system can change. His practical blueprint for police reform has become a standard in many police departments..deThe horrific images of the Rodney King beating by the LAPD and the torture of Haitian immigrant Abner Louima by New York cops are the most blatant reminders of police brutality against blacks in the United States. But as Oakland-based civil rights attorney John L. Burris (who represented King) and co-writer Catherine Whitney remind us in this disturbing book, the problem is more widespread than most white Americans are willing to admit. "Our nation practices a selective blindness," they argue. "In this great and strong nation, we have all become unwitting accomplices to the continuation of the conflict." Along with alarming statistical data, Burris and Whitney chronicle several nightmarish incidents of law-abiding African Americans at the mercy of police officers, including an Oakland community leader who raised his children to respect the police--and was then beaten senseless in front of their eyes. The authors also examine the closed "blue wall of silence" mentality that pervades police culture, reinforcing an "us against them" point of view. But, offering more than a catalog of well-justified complaints, they present a good 10-point "Blueprint for Police Reform" that includes "a dual training focus of force and communication" to supplement nonviolent procedures, as well as the denial of career advancement to officers who have racked up numerous citizen complaints. "If law enforcement is to abandon the culture that supports misconduct, silence, heavy-handedness, and disrespect," they write, "a new scaffold

must be erected to replace the old." --Eugene Holley Jr. Kurzbeschreibung Can we heal the breach between cops and the African American community? Blue vs. Black tells the true, heartbreaking stories of ordinary people who cross paths with the wrong cops at the wrong time. The slogan #BlackLivesMatter takes on new resonance as we witness the way their lives were turned upside down in an instant: A young community center director who is savagely beaten by cops before the eyes of the children in his care; a woman who is handcuffed to a chain link fence by a female officer and humiliated in front of her neighbors, simply because of a minor traffic violation; a father who is pulled over by police officers and shocked with a stun gun while his three-year-old daughter screams in the backseat of the car. These are no criminals, but ordinary, law-abiding citizens. Their stories are disturbing, but in seeking justice for them Burriss holds out the hope that the system can change. His practical blueprint for police reform has become a standard in many police departments.