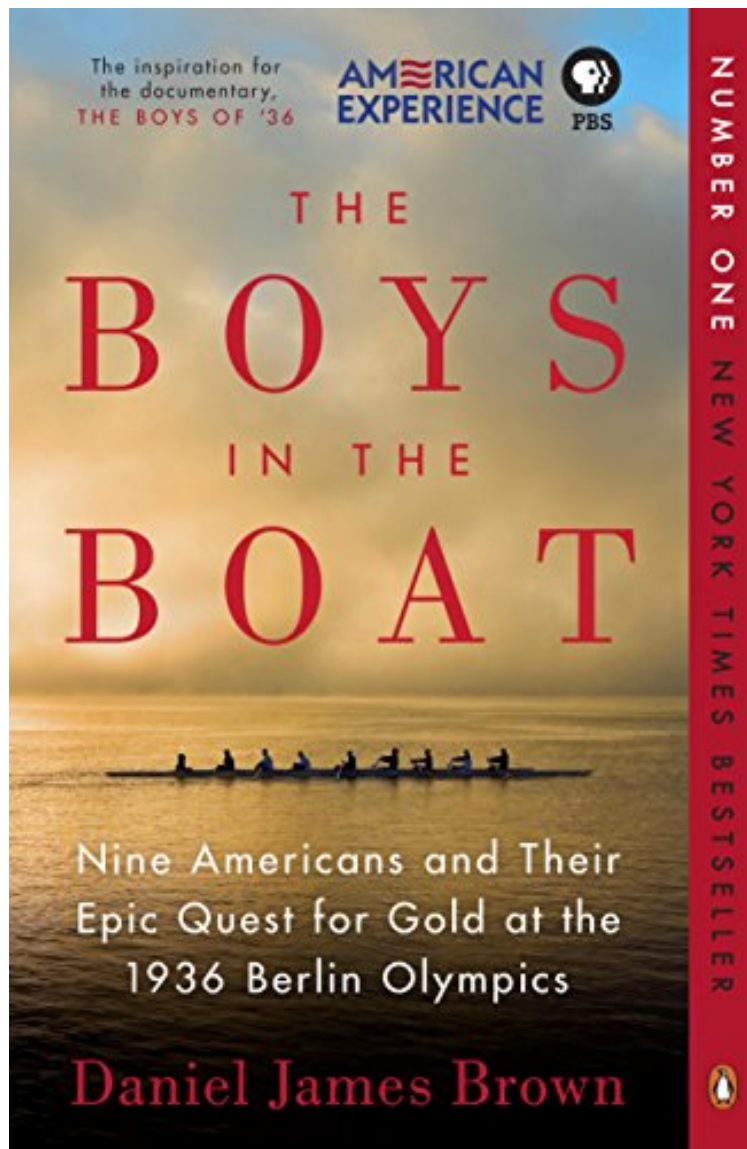


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Can't recommend, I'm afraid.0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Faszination RudernVon Helmut JanusFr alle, die rudern und gerne englische Bcher lesen ist es das Buch schlechthin. Die Geschichte ist packend geschrieben und auch fr Nicht-Ruderer hochinteressant. Erzht wird die Geschichte von Joe Rantz, einem Ruderer des amerikanischen Achters, der 1936 in Berlin vor den Augen Hitlers und zu dessen groem rger Gold gewonnen hat.Joe Rantz stammt aus einfachen und unstabilen Familienverhltnissen, muss sich durch die Weltwirtschaftskrise schlagen und wird schlielich an der University of Washington in Seattle aufgenommen, wo er sich um einen Platz im Ruderachter bewirbt. Er unterzieht sich einem brutalen Training und Auswahlverfahren, bis er es schlielich in die Olympiamannschaft schafft. Es verblfft, dass Rudern in den 30er Jahren in den USA der grte Publikumsmagnet war, lange vor den Zeiten von Football und Basketball. Zu den Regatten strmten oft mehr als 100.000 Zuschauer. Die Rennen wurden live im Radio bertragen und in allen Zeitungen auf den Titelseiten kommentiert. Entsprechend gro war der Druck auf die Sportler. Der Autor Daniel James Brown versteht es, alle Hrten und Schmerzen des Trainings zu beschreiben, aber auch die ungeheure Faszination, die von einem perfekt im Takt rudernenden Rennachter ausgeht. Hhepunkt des Buchs ist zweifellos die Beschreibung der Olympischen Spiele 1936 in Berlin aus Sicht eines amerikanischen Sportlers. Das Naziregime und sein Propagandaminister Goebbels hatten mit der Filmregisseurin Leni Riefenstahl eine perfekte Propagandaveranstaltung aus den Spielen gemacht. Die deutschen Ruderer hatten bereits fnf von sechs Goldmedaillen gewonnen, als zum Schluss als Hhepunkt das Achterrennen startete. Lange sah es so aus, als wre es wieder eine klare Sache fr die Deutschen, bis zum Schluss die Amerikaner sich noch im Endspurt vor Italien und Deutschland legten und das Rennen denkbar knapp fr sich entschieden.Das Buch ist ein Heldenepos, wie es die Amerikaner lieben, es ist aber auch eine Hymne fr den Rudersport. Es ist hervorragend recherchiert und ein echter "page turner". Im April 2015 erscheint es auch auf Deutsch. Unbedingt lesen!1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Sports novel of the bestVon martinaOne of the best Novels i have read in the Long Run. Not only for rowers! Page turner! A true story about great sportsmen!

KurzbeschreibungThe #1New York Timesbestselling story about American Olympic triumph in Nazi Germany and now the inspiration for the PBS documentary TheBoys of 36For readers ofUnbroken, out of the depths of the Depression comes an irresistible story about beating the odds and finding hope in the most desperate of timesthe improbable, intimate account of how nine working-class boys from the American West showed the world at the 1936 Olympics in Berlin what true grit really meant. It was an unlikely quest from the start. With a team composed of the sons of loggers, shipyard workers, and farmers, the University of Washingtons eight-oar crew team was never expected to defeat the elite teams of the East Coast and Great Britain, yet they did, going on to shock the world by defeating the German team rowing for Adolf Hitler. The emotional heart of the tale lies with Joe Rantz, a teenager without family or prospects, who rows not only to regain his shattered self-regard but also to find a real place for himself in the world. Drawing on the boys own journals and vivid memories of a once-in-a-lifetime shared dream, Brown has created an unforgettable portrait of an era, a celebration of a remarkable achievement, and a chronicle of one extraordinary young mans personal quest.From the Trade Paperback edition.Pressestimmen"A triumph of great writing matched with a magnificent story. Daniel James Brown strokes the keyboard like a master oarsman, blending power and grace to propel readers toward a heart-pounding finish. In Joe Rantz and his crewmates, Brown has rediscovered true American heroes who remind us that pulling together is the surest path to glory.- Mitchell Zuckoff, author of Lost in Shangri-La and Frozen in TimeIn 1936 nine working-class American boys burst from their small towns into the international limelight, unexpectedly wiping the smile off Adolph Hitlers face by beating his vaunted German team to capture the Olympic gold medal. Daniel James Brown has written a robust, emotional snapshot of an era, a book you will recommend to your best friends.--James Bradley, author of Flags of our Fathers and FlyboysI really can't rave enough about this book. Daniel James Brown has not only captured the hearts and souls of the University of Washington rowers who raced in the 1936 Olympics, he has conjured up an era of history. Brown's evocation of Seattle in the Depression years is dazzling, his limning of character, especially the hardscrabble hero Joe Rantz, is novelistic, his narration of the boat races and the sinister-exalted atmosphere of Berlin in 1936 is cinematic. I read the last fifty pages with white knuckles, and the last twenty-five with tears in my eyes. History, sports, human interest, weather, suspense, design, physics, oppression and inspiration -- The Boats in the Boat has it all and Brown does full justice to his terrific material. This is Chariots of Fire with oars.--David Laskin, author of The Children's Blizzard and The Long Way HomeA lovingly crafted saga of sweat and idealism that raised goosebumps from the first page. I was enthralled by the story's play of light and shadow, of mortality and immortality, and its multidimensional recreation of the pursuit of excellence. This meditation on human frailty and possibility sneaks up on you until it rushes past with the speed of an eight-oared boat."--Laurence Bergreen, author of Columbus and Over the Edge of the WorldThe Boys in the Boat is an exciting blend of history and Olympic sport. I was drawn in as much by the personal

stories as I was by the Olympic glory. A must read for anyone looking to be inspired!"--Luke McGee, USA Rowing Mens National Team Coach
The Boys in the Boat is not only a great and inspiring true story; it is a fascinating work of history."--Nathaniel Philbrick, author of *Mayflower* and *In the Heart of the Sea*
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For years I've stared and wondered about the old wooden boat resting on the top rack of the UW boathouse. I knew the names of the men that rowed it but never really knew who they were. After reading this book, I feel like I got to relive their journey and witness what it was truly like earning a seat in that Pocock shell. The passion and determination showed by Joe and the rest of the boys in the boat are what every rower aspires to. I will never look at that wooden boat the same again.- Mary Whipple, Olympic gold medalwinning coxswain, womens eight-oared crew, 2008 and 2012
Daniel Browns book tells the dramatic story of the crew that set the stage for Seattle emerging as a world-class city. Their lives define the tradition that is still University of Washington rowing today.- Bob Ernst, director of rowing, University of Washington
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Werbetext
An epic true-life journey to the heart of Hitler's Berlin.