Running Blind: Jack Reacher, Book 4
Synopsis

Across the country women are being murdered by a killer who leaves no evidence, no fatal wounds, no signs of struggle, and no clues to a motive. They are, truly, perfect crimes. In fact, the only thing that links the victims is the man they all knew: Jack Reacher.

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Customer Reviews

I was really excited that I had missed reading a Reacher book but it turns out to be Running Blind.

This book is "Running Blind" under a different title. It should be illegal to sell this book. I feel so cheated.

I have just finished reading the latest in this great series by English author Lee Child. Just like Killing Floor and Die Trying, this novel flies along at a frantic pace that you try hard to keep up with. Reacher is the suspect in a bizarre series of murders in which ex-army women (who left the force because of a variety of sexual harassment cases) are left naked in their bathtubs filled with green army paint. The killer leaves no clues and what is even more bizarre, they have no idea how the women died. Even after Reacher’s name is cleared, he is blackmailed by the FBI into unravelling this bizarre case. He must get to the killer before more women die, or face the consequences of the FBI’s fury. Read and Enjoy
I have read several of the Lee Child’s “Jack Reacher” novels and enjoyed them. Up until now. Child creates great characters (Reacher being preeminent) and has a talent for great individual scenes. His endings tend to be a bit clumsy, but I’ve forgiven that in the past for the joy of the ride. I can’t do it with this one. The solution on this one, re. how the murders are committed, is so absurd that it has effectively ended my interest in the series. I figured out the probable solution early on during the book, but I kept telling myself I must be wrong as such a solution would be ridiculous. Unfortunately the ridiculous solution was the solution. I apologize for mentioning the ending without going into detail as to what it was and what specifically was wrong with it, but there’s no way to do this without being a "spoiler” and I don’t want to mess up the (already bad) ending for people who do choose to buy the book. If you like Lee Child, please continue to read him but know that he has done better work than this.

My thanks to the other posters for the "Truth in Advertising" warnings that "The Visitor" is really a re-titled "Running Blind". The Jack Reacher series for me is a "buy on sight" type of thing and I might have been misled if it was not for the other reviewers. That being said don’t be put off from the original novel by the Publisher’s shady marketing. Running Blind is one of the best Jack Reacher novels:Running Blind

I have now read all of the Jack Reacher novels by Lee Child and I believe this one to be the best of them all. Not that it doesn’t have flaws - some of the activities carried out by the FBI are pretty questionable, Reacher at times approaches super-human in his skills, and there are probably a few too many red herrings and digressions. Nevertheless, for what it is, this is an extremely fast-moving and exciting thriller. It is genuinely hard to put down and the ending will likely surprise you (though admittedly a careful reader will probably see it coming; there are clues aplenty). Child plays fair, however, and you buy the whole thing. I do wish Child’s novels "reached" (pun intended) a wider audience; he is a good writer who has created an interesting and charismatic character. This book is well worth your time.

I was very disappointed when I realized the book, “The Visitor” was the same book as “Running Blind”. Where is the integrity and honesty? They should be ashamed. Will make me think twice before buying another Lee Child book!!!!

I’ve read every Lee Child novel with Jack Reacher and was set to buy this one. Thank goodness I
looked here and found it is just RUNNING BLIND with a new title. The one star I gave it is for the publisher. RUNNING BLIND gets five stars.

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