



Dogeaters (Contemporary American Fiction)

By Jessica Hagedorn

Download now

Read Online ➔

Dogeaters (Contemporary American Fiction) By Jessica Hagedorn

“As sharp and fast as a street boy’s razor . . . a rich small feast of a book.”—*The New York Times Book Review*

Welcome to Manila in the turbulent period of the Philippines’ late dictator. It is a world in which American pop culture and local Filipino tradition mix flamboyantly, and gossip, storytelling, and extravagant behavior thrive.

A wildly disparate group of characters—from movie stars to waiters, from a young junkie to the richest man in the Philippines—becomes caught up in a spiral of events culminating in a beauty pageant, a film festival, and an assassination. In the center of this maelstrom is Rio, a feisty schoolgirl who will grow up to live in America and look back with longing on the land of her youth.

“Entertaining and compelling. . . . At the end, you emerge from its intense, dreamlike world feeling as if you’ve been to the Philippines.”—*The Philadelphia Inquirer*

“Hagedorn transcends social strata, gender, culture, and politics in this exuberant, witty, and telling portrait of Philippine society.”—*The San Diego Union*

 [Download Dogeaters \(Contemporary American Fiction\) ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online Dogeaters \(Contemporary American Fiction\) ...pdf](#)

Dogeaters (Contemporary American Fiction)

By Jessica Hagedorn

Dogeaters (Contemporary American Fiction) By Jessica Hagedorn

“As sharp and fast as a street boy’s razor . . . a rich small feast of a book.”—*The New York Times Book Review*

Welcome to Manila in the turbulent period of the Philippines’ late dictator. It is a world in which American pop culture and local Filipino tradition mix flamboyantly, and gossip, storytelling, and extravagant behavior thrive.

A wildly disparate group of characters—from movie stars to waiters, from a young junkie to the richest man in the Philippines—becomes caught up in a spiral of events culminating in a beauty pageant, a film festival, and an assassination. In the center of this maelstrom is Rio, a feisty schoolgirl who will grow up to live in America and look back with longing on the land of her youth.

“Entertaining and compelling. . . . At the end, you emerge from its intense, dreamlike world feeling as if you’ve been to the Philippines.”—*The Philadelphia Inquirer*

“Hagedorn transcends social strata, gender, culture, and politics in this exuberant, witty, and telling portrait of Philippine society.”—*The San Diego Union*

Dogeaters (Contemporary American Fiction) By Jessica Hagedorn Bibliography

- Sales Rank: #274091 in Books
- Published on: 1991-07-01
- Released on: 1991-07-01
- Original language: English
- Number of items: 1
- Dimensions: 7.70" h x .57" w x 5.10" l, .42 pounds
- Binding: Paperback
- 272 pages

 [Download Dogeaters \(Contemporary American Fiction\) ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online Dogeaters \(Contemporary American Fiction\) ...pdf](#)

Editorial Review

From Publishers Weekly

This novel, set in the politically volatile Philippines of the recent past, offers the diverse impressions of a well-to-do Manilan schoolgirl, a DJ/male prostitute and the Philippines's candid First Lady, among others. "Although in many respects a thinly disguised roman à clef, the book succeeds on the strength of its characterization," said PW. "Hagedorn's unflinching view of Manila . . . is leavened by ironic, often humorous observations."

Copyright 1991 Reed Business Information, Inc.

From Library Journal

This jazzy, sardonic novel depicts the nightmare world that was the Philippines of the Marcoses. Its terrain is familiar to us from the writings of Gabriel Garcia Marquez and Manuel Puig: a lush, fantastical, overheated landscape, where the fractured lives of the poor are rendered palatable solely by dreams. Rich and poor, everyone sells something here; everyone has a price. The common dream of a myriad group of characters--bored teenagers, timid shop girls, male prostitutes on the make--is that hollowest of all modern apotheoses, "stardom." A visiting filmmaker, a German degenerate, buys the services of a pretty boy, who soliloquizes: "I'll have it all worked out, soon. I know I will. I have to. I'll hit the jackpot with one of these guys. Leave town. Get lucky Soon." This is a novel about the death of the good life of the soul: of all virtue, meaning, and hope. Exceptionally well written and emotionally wrenching. Recommended.

- David Keymer, SUNY Inst. of Technology, Utica

Copyright 1990 Reed Business Information, Inc.

Review

Dogeaters presents a montage of Filipino people during the Marcos era and the circumstances that define their motivations. It is a metaphoric album of raw snapshots: Joey Sands, the classic victim, son of a prostitute and an African-American soldier; the adolescent Rio Gonzaga, who reassesses the dynamics of her well-to-do family and concludes that she will be different; the military henchmen, the movie stars, the obscenely wealthy; and, of course, the sacrificial opposition leaders. Jessica Hagedorn gives voice to those disinherited and powerful individuals who were casualties of a deluded, self-proclaimed aristocracy, chronicling the lives of people who are much more than the political periphery which has engulfed them. The pictures are graphic and conflicting, sometimes brutal, sometimes shimmering with the intoxicating, seductive mood of American movies that seem to be the only means of momentary escape. Joey describes the river where his mother committed suicide: "a watery grave black with human shit, every dead thing and piece of garbage imaginable." Rio writes of her mother's "mysterious, mauve rooms": "Wherever she looks in any of her mirrors it is always night and she is always beautiful." Out of the fragmentary confusion and the preoccupation with appearances that characterized the Marcos era, Jessica Hagedorn sets out to resurrect a country's cultural identity. -- *For great reviews of books for girls, check out Let's Hear It for the Girls: 375 Great Books for Readers 2-14.* -- *From 500 Great Books by Women; review by Mary J*

Users Review

From reader reviews:

Ronald Fowler:

Do you have favorite book? Should you have, what is your favorite's book? Book is very important thing for

us to learn everything in the world. Each guide has different aim or goal; it means that publication has different type. Some people feel enjoy to spend their time to read a book. They can be reading whatever they take because their hobby is actually reading a book. Consider the person who don't like examining a book? Sometime, man feel need book when they found difficult problem or perhaps exercise. Well, probably you will need this Dogeaters (Contemporary American Fiction).

William Oden:

The knowledge that you get from Dogeaters (Contemporary American Fiction) will be the more deep you rooting the information that hide inside words the more you get interested in reading it. It does not mean that this book is hard to comprehend but Dogeaters (Contemporary American Fiction) giving you buzz feeling of reading. The author conveys their point in a number of way that can be understood simply by anyone who read that because the author of this e-book is well-known enough. This specific book also makes your vocabulary increase well. Therefore it is easy to understand then can go to you, both in printed or e-book style are available. We propose you for having this specific Dogeaters (Contemporary American Fiction) instantly.

Curt Hall:

Reading a reserve tends to be new life style on this era globalization. With reading through you can get a lot of information that may give you benefit in your life. Along with book everyone in this world could share their idea. Ebooks can also inspire a lot of people. A great deal of author can inspire their reader with their story or perhaps their experience. Not only the storyplot that share in the books. But also they write about the ability about something that you need example. How to get the good score toefl, or how to teach your kids, there are many kinds of book that exist now. The authors on earth always try to improve their skill in writing, they also doing some exploration before they write for their book. One of them is this Dogeaters (Contemporary American Fiction).

Richard Ault:

This Dogeaters (Contemporary American Fiction) is fresh way for you who has intense curiosity to look for some information since it relief your hunger associated with. Getting deeper you into it getting knowledge more you know otherwise you who still having small amount of digest in reading this Dogeaters (Contemporary American Fiction) can be the light food for you personally because the information inside this kind of book is easy to get simply by anyone. These books acquire itself in the form which can be reachable by anyone, sure I mean in the e-book application form. People who think that in e-book form make them feel tired even dizzy this e-book is the answer. So there is absolutely no in reading a reserve especially this one. You can find what you are looking for. It should be here for anyone. So , don't miss the item! Just read this e-book kind for your better life along with knowledge.

Download and Read Online Dogeaters (Contemporary American Fiction) By Jessica Hagedorn #K7Q29JSXVUT

Read Dogeaters (Contemporary American Fiction) By Jessica Hagedorn for online ebook

Dogeaters (Contemporary American Fiction) By Jessica Hagedorn Free PDF d0wnl0ad, audio books, books to read, good books to read, cheap books, good books, online books, books online, book reviews epub, read books online, books to read online, online library, greatbooks to read, PDF best books to read, top books to read Dogeaters (Contemporary American Fiction) By Jessica Hagedorn books to read online.

Online Dogeaters (Contemporary American Fiction) By Jessica Hagedorn ebook PDF download

Dogeaters (Contemporary American Fiction) By Jessica Hagedorn Doc

Dogeaters (Contemporary American Fiction) By Jessica Hagedorn Mobipocket

Dogeaters (Contemporary American Fiction) By Jessica Hagedorn EPub

K7Q29JSXVUT: Dogeaters (Contemporary American Fiction) By Jessica Hagedorn