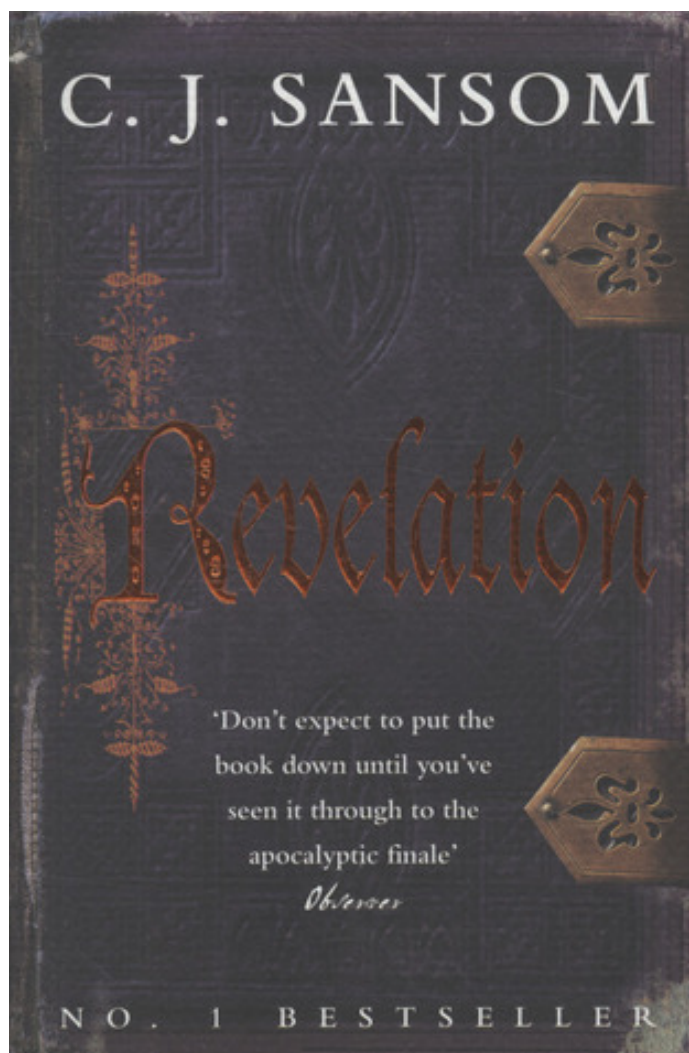

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Description

Spring, 1543. King Henry VIII is wooing Lady Catherine Parr, whom he wants for his sixth wife. Archbishop Cranmer and the embattled Protestant faction at court are watching keenly, for Lady Catherine is known to have reformist sympathies.

Matthew Shardlake, meanwhile, is working on the case of a teenage boy who has been placed in the Bedlam insane asylum, before his terrifying religious mania leads to him being burned as a heretic.

When an old friend is horrifically murdered Shardlake vows to bring the killer to justice. His search leads him to Cranmer and Catherine Parr - and to the dark prophecies of the Book of Revelation.

As London's Bishop Bonner prepares a purge of Protestants Shardlake, together with his assistant, Jack Barak, and his friend, Guy Malton, investigate a series of horrific murders which are already bringing frenzied talk of witchcraft and demonic possession - for what else would the Tudor mind make of a serial killer . . . ?

Insightful reviews

Isset:

I feel like I've stumbled on a real treasure with C J Sansom's Shardlake series. *Revelation* was absolutely delightful. It engaged my attention straight away and held it gripped from the very first page to the last! This is classic mystery-unravelling and crime writing in the tradition of Agatha Christie, Arthur Conan Doyle, and Edith Pargeter. Every single scene advances the plot, there's no unnecessary fluff, the story is well-constructed and thoughtful. Moreover, Sansom's writing is subtle, intelligent, and compelling – and so is his protagonist, Matthew Shardlake. I was not able to predict what would happen, or who the murderer was, and the book definitely kept me on my toes. I definitely have to describe *Revelation* as a page-turner, as I really could barely put it down over the couple of days that I read it. The attention to historical detail is marvellous, but it definitely takes second place to the spurring mystery plot. This is the fourth book in the series but I had no problems whatsoever jumping in at this point; past events are mentioned but they are not crucial at all to know about in order to thoroughly enjoy *Revelation*.

Don't really have anything else to say about this one! Short but sweet review from me. I definitely want to read the other books in the series.

8 out of 10

Martin Belcher: It's Spring 1543 and in London an increasingly disabled and despotic King Henry VIII is trying his best to gain the hand of marriage from Lady Catherine Parr. Religious fervour and fanaticism continues to effect everyone's lives in Tudor England. We welcome back our enigmatic hunchback lawyer, Matthew Shardlake and his very able assistant Jack Barak for

the fourth book in C.J.Sansom's excellent Shardlake series.

In Revelation, Shardlake takes up the case of a young man called Adam Kite who has been locked up in Bedlam an early asylum for the insane in London with a fearsome reputation, his madness leads him to shout obscenities and religious texts aloud in public leading him to be locked up. Shardlake is doing his best to support Adam's parents and to prevent Adam from being burned at the stake as a heretic.

Without warning Matthew's good friend Roger Elliard is discovered horrifically murdered, a promise to Roger's widow to investigate leads him into a case of gruesome murders by a Tudor serial killer based on the Book of Revelation.

Can Matthew Shardlake along with his assistant Jack and his physician friend Guy discover the identity of the killer before more innocent people are murdered and why does his investigation lead to the doors of Lady Catherine Parr herself?

Part of the enjoyment of these books are the wonderful characters especially Matthew Shardlake, you feel like you know him after a few chapters. The Tudor setting is very detailed and historically accurate. Sansom has definitely done his research on a period of English history that is most often misinterpreted.

A great read once again, I love these books, I have to give it four stars rather than five as it did seem to wander a little in places and I kept thinking to myself "will you get to the point" but overall I enjoyed it and look forward to reading book five Heartstone.

Susanna - Censored by GoodReads: Book four in my favorite historical mystery series.

For a further review: <http://susannag.booklikes.com/post/60...> .

Jeanne: For CJ Samson fanatics like myself who eagerly wait for his books i used to be dissatisfied by means of Revelation. the most protagonist, Matthew Shardlake the criminal again legal professional is still the same, and different familiar characters (Guy the previous Monk, Jack Barak and Tamasin)are all developed. However, I felt Revelation lacked the extent of suspense of Dissolution, darkish hearth and Sovereign. It used to be gripping yet now not as gripping as Sansom's past works. Shardlake is introduced again into political intrigue back opposed to his inclination and is pushed through a promise to the widow of a murdered friend. he's keen on monitoring down a brutal serial assassin who looks to pick his sufferers at the foundation in their spiritual beliefs. on the finish he elects to come back to his "ordinary" existence which he does at the finishing touch of every story... even if while the plot appeared to persist with a forumla the descriptions of Tudor London remain intriguing. The smells, the people, the constructions are all delivered to life. The sub plots concerning man and his assistant and a tender boy in Bedlam additionally upload to the richness of the story. Had this been the 1st novel I had learn by means of CJ Sansom i'd most likely were extremely joyful yet because it is my 5th, my excessive expectancies weren't absolutely met.

Jamie: a really great read. it truly is lengthy and rambling, yet I loved the surroundings lots that i did not brain the sluggish pace. the writer remains to be now not at his top with motion scenes,

yet there are usually not many during this booklet so it does not distract. The inclusion of recognized historic characters (Catherine Parr, Thomas Cranmer and the Seymours) appeared extra ordinary than in earlier books. The tale includes a serial killer and the killings are very grotesque and disturbing, extra so than you discover in a regular homicide mystery.

Terri: i'll regularly supply those C.J. Sansom books four out of five stars (with the exception of the 3rd within the series, Sovereign, which I gave five stars to), yet I do completely take pleasure in them. For me they're the right vacation read, or windy rainy climate read. sit down in a nook with a cup of tea, curl up below a thick cover in bed, lock your self away or break out each night to its pages. C.J Sansom recreates the Tudor international with an ease that each one ancient fiction authors should still aspire to. The tales will not be continually fast-paced or addictive, yet for me it's not particularly the facility of the tale or plot that retains me coming again back and again, it's the strength of the writer to open a window in time during which i think and spot and scent Tudor England. It occurs everytime I choose up the sort of books. they're gold standard in that respect. In this fourth instalment of the Matthew Shardlake series, our window is into 1543 London. Henry VIII is dating Catherine Parr, the Parliament has introduced in debatable anti-reformist laws - the laws that comes with prohibiting girls and the operating periods from interpreting the bible - and non secular radicals and conservatives are pulling aside the cultural and social cloth of the city. Within this maelstrom, Matthew and Barak are faced with an all new horror. ugly deaths the like of which they've got by no means seen. The like of which town hasn't ever seen. Orchestrated with the methodical crafty and pathological cruelty that we relate now to being the aptitude handiwork of serial killers. yet within the 16th Century, a time of severe spiritual fervour, a few can in simple terms fathom it as demonic possession. Running parallel to those killings is the tale of a tender man, Adam Kite. His unusual and determined behaviour having landed him within the Bedlam, Shardlake is appointed to the men case and he needs to remedy the riddle of this younger man's brain ahead of the conservative powers might have him burned or a few such different grisly fate. If there's whatever i will be able to element to as a destructive with this booklet - a adverse for me at the very least - it'd be the quantity of non secular dialogue inserted into the story. For different readers it'd be acceptable and interesting, and whereas I do consider its appropriateness (as the rustic used to be alive with spiritual debate) i wouldn't trust it being interesting. i'd have shaved it again a level because it obtained within the approach of the semi exciting hunt for a killer or killers.

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