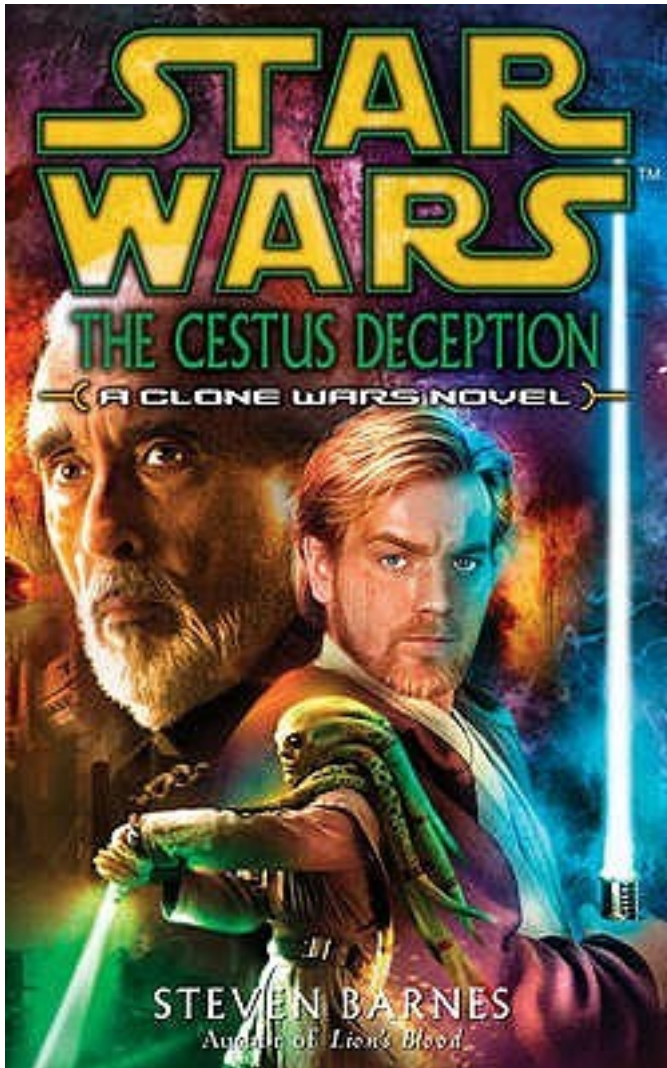

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Description

Ord Cestus, a planet mostly barren and inhospitable to life, was first colonized as a prison world—until a handful of hardy pioneers discovered its rich ore deposits and managed to build up a successful droid-manufacturing industry. But when the Clone Wars erupted, bringing severe rationing of imported resources and a Republic ban on the production of battle droids, Ord Cestus was threatened with imminent economic collapse.

Enter the Confederacy of Independent Systems—the Separatists—with a life-saving offer to purchase a generous quantity of the planet’s most lucrative export: bio-droids. Possessed of tactical capabilities that rival the fighting abilities of even the most advanced Jedi, these sophisticated, techno-organic hybrid units would prove a most formidable weapon if ever deployed for military use. And now the Confederacy’s intention to invest in what amounts to an army of bio-droids has sent ripples of alarm through the highest echelons of the Republic government.

Determined to halt the bio-droid sale—but fearing a show of force will result in a political backlash—Supreme Chancellor Palpatine dispatches a team of envoys, led by Jedi Master Obi-Wan Kenobi. Their mission: persuade Ord Cestus’s government to abandon its dealings with the Confederacy . . . while secretly stirring up revolution among the planet’s struggling underclass. Diplomacy is paramount. But if all else fails, the Republic will not hesitate to launch a full-scale attack—and wipe out not only the means of bio-droid production, but countless lives as well, to demonstrate the consequences of disloyalty.

For Obi-Wan, the prospect of such wholesale slaughter only serves to fuel his growing suspicions about the sinister path the Republic seems to be taking. But the brash Jedi Master Kit Fisto and the detachment of clone soldiers assigned to the mission are ready and willing to do the Supreme Chancellor’s bidding. As the leaders of Ord Cestus refuse to capitulate and Palpatine rapidly loses patience, Obi-Wan’s hopes of a peaceful resolution are dwindling. Now, facing a crisis of conscience, Obi-Wan must find the wisdom and strength to prevent a bloodbath and safeguard the Republic— while abiding by the ancient code to which he has pledged his life.

Features a bonus section following the novel that includes a primer on the *Star Wars* expanded universe, and over half a dozen excerpts from some of the most popular *Star Wars* books of the last thirty years!

Insightful reviews

Karen: I remember listening to this one on audio but the details are sketchy. One of the first audios of *Star Wars* books I tried and liked. I am going to re-read this one since I am going through a bunch of the Clone Wars Novels right now. This is the era I like the best in the series.

Sara: Although this was not the best *Star Wars* novel I have read, it was enjoyable. and interesting concept, although not executed the best way. I have to say I didn't really like the

sections with Nate near the end as much as I liked the sections in the beginning. It was a character development that, again, wasn't executed the best. I would not call this a wasted read, but it certainly isn't a must.

Walt: This is one of the better Star Wars books I have read. The plot is clever and the storyline is not too predictable.

The best part about the book was the descriptive writing. So many Star Wars authors offer odd names and poor description of alien worlds, technologies, and species. Steven Barnes shows the reader what his characters look like, where they are, and how they are interacting in their environment. Even the action scenes were shown to the reader instead of dictated in a dull/inexperienced penmanship. It made reading the novel so much more enjoyable.

Brian: so, i listened to this in a few hours. it used to be on 2x velocity and that didnt detract from the excitement of it.the factor is, i've got listened to possibly 15 megastar wars books now and they're lovely formulaic and beautiful effortless to hear to. anakin is ditched at first - which was once surprising. obi-wan and equipment fisto visit the cestus planet and check out to prevent the construction of jedi killer droids and mend relatives among the company and the indigenous population.diplomacy fails and conflict ensues. minor characters die and the intensity of the jedi's we all know is extra explained.i am nonetheless having fun with this.

Kate K. F.: This ebook captures all i like concerning the Clone Wars; severe dialogue of what warfare capacity to a planet, who the clone are as people, investigations of the strength and Obi-Wan Kenobi being a considerate badass. i like going deeper right into a planet and the way problems with colonization, numerous races, corruption and palms production got here together. it truly is nice to discover a brand new writer and differently to examine this big name Wars era.

Brett: Sadly, the easiest a part of this booklet is the afterword, that is touching and speaks for and to so much superstar Wars fans. The publication itself is in a quick bankruptcy layout which I often love. it is not a detriment here, however it does not make up for the remainder of the books shortcomings. The plot seriously is not complicated yet attempts to be and is especially sporadic. It drags all through many of the books, and every now and then sounds like reading an overview for a television sequence tale arc. This is sensible as Mr. Barnes has event writting for TV. I keep in mind liking this publication extra the 1st move around. i believe I listened to a significant portion of it in audiobook format. I additionally belive I owe many of the prior positivity to this being the 1st booklet to accommodate the clones and their delima of being residing automatons. Sadly, i would not recomend this ebook to a person except completionists, and that i suppose this can be an instance of the way the european can cross wrong.

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