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Editorial Review

Review

“Nonstop adventure that includes time-shifting, shape-shifting, and Lovecraft-like horrors ... Ruff, a cult favorite for his mind-bending fiction, vividly portrays racism as a horror worse than anything conceived by Lovecraft in this provocative, chimerical novel” (*Booklist* (starred review))

“Another ‘only Matt Ruff could do this’ production. *Lovecraft Country* takes the unlikeliest of premises and spins it into a funny, fast, exciting and affecting read.” (Neal Stephenson, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Seveneves* and *Anathem*)

“*Lovecraft Country* is a genre-bending attempt to address the severe problem of race in modern America, skewering the prejudices of older pulp works while maintaining their flavor, but it’s also a compulsively readable horror-fantasy in its own right: timely, terrifying, and hilarious.” (*Barnes & Noble Sci-Fi & Fantasy Blog*)

“*Lovecraft Country* is bound to appeal to any reader who wants to delve into the strangeness of our land’s racial legacy.” (*Seattle Times*)

“Ruff takes us back to the USA of the 1950s, when racism reigned almost unquestioned, and conflates Lovecraftian tropes with piercing dissections of ethics and morals and inequality, thereby confronting Lovecraft’s now well-known prejudices through the lens of Ruff’s own brilliant imagination and artistry.” (*Barnes & Noble Review*)

“*Lovecraft Country* rubs the pervasive, eldritch dread of Lovecraft’s universe against the very real, historical dread of Jim Crow America and sparks fly. . . . Ruff renders a very high-concept, imaginary world with such vividness that you can’t help but feel it’s disturbingly real.” (Christopher Moore, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Lamb* and *A Dirty Job*)

“Ruff shows with great cleverness how it’s possible for a group of victims to appropriate the very methods used to victimize them, master those methods, and bend them to serve their own purposes.” (*Locus*)

“I’ve heard amazing things about *Lovecraft Country* by Matt Ruff, and on the strength of his previous books, I’m inclined to expect greatness from him.” (Charlie Jane Anders, *The Amazon Book Review*)

“I enjoyed every ounce of Ruff’s book.” (Tor.com)

“...this newer book rewards patience, and nowhere more so than in the passages where it heartbreakingly weaves Hippolyta into the actual events that surrounded Pluto’s discovery and naming. Once Ruff took me there, I would’ve followed him anywhere in *Lovecraft Country*.” (*Seattle Review of Books*)

From the Back Cover

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About the Author

Matt Ruff is the author of *The Mirage*, *Bad Monkeys*, *Set This House in Order*, *Fool on the Hill*, and *Sewer, Gas & Electric*. He lives in Seattle.

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Charles Massie:

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