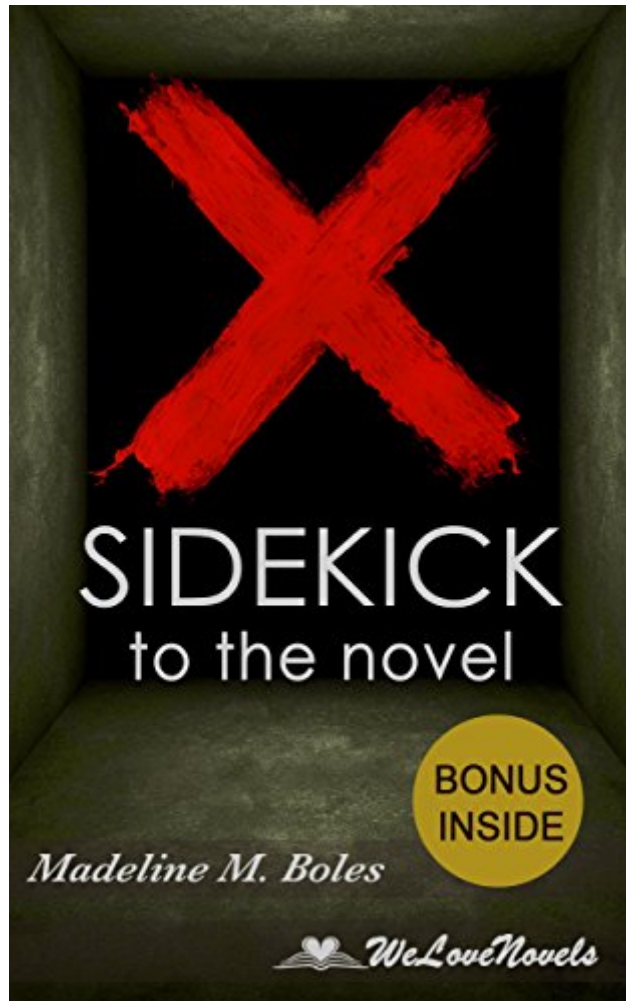


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Analysis Of X (Kinsey Millhone Book 24): Sidekick To The Sue Grafton Novel



Synopsis

Canâ™ get enough of Sue Graftonâ™s X? Dive a little deeper into her world, discover hidden treasures, and hang out with Kinsey Millhone just a little longer with this Sidekick. Warning: This is an independent companion to X, meant to enhance your experience of the novel. If you have not yet bought Sue Graftonâ™s novel, make sure to purchase it before buying this unofficial Sidekick. The job was supposed to be a piece of cake: track down a wealthy society ladyâ™s errant son, enjoy the extra cash, and help a friend out with some IRS troubles on the side. All in a dayâ™s work for private investigator Kinsey Millhone. But it turns out thereâ™s a bit more to the cases than she signed up forâ™and if she doesnâ™t act fast, she might not get out of them alive. X is the twenty-fourth novel in the bestselling Kinsey Millhone alphabet mystery series, which begins with A is for Alibi. Sue Graftonâ™s numerous accolades include three Anthony Best Novel Awards and three Shamus Awards. With this Sidekick, youâ™ll:â€¢ Learn what you might have missed on your first read of Graftonâ™s novelâ€¢ Discover some of the bookâ™s secret gems and underlying themesâ€¢ Explore possible alternate endings and imagine ideas for a sequelâ€¢ Spend some more time with the characters youâ™ve come to know and love, delving deep into their psyches and hidden motives Sidekicks are entertaining and insightful reading companions, filled with delightful commentary and thought-provoking questions. Readers have raved that they "really put you in touch with the many layers of the novel," "keep you entertained even longer," and are "perfect if you want a vivid understanding of the story." Designed to be read side by side with the novels they complement, theyâ™ll give you even more reasons to love some of todayâ™s best books.

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Customer Reviews

X (Kinsey Millhone Book 24): A Sidekick to the Sue Grafton Novel is an absolute must if you are reading or have read X or are just looking for a resource to the novel. The Sidekick includes secret meanings, underlying themes, alternate endings and a possible sequel. Literally everything you need to fully understand the novel and so much more. It was so great to spend more time with Kinsey Millhone (one of my favorite private investigators), and explore her motives. The Sidekick is like having your own book club in your living room. I highly recommend X: A Sidekick to the Sue Grafton Novel.

Always been a fan of the Alphabet novels but I must admit it can be a bit hard to follow sometimes, especially the protagonist's growth in between novels (as is the case with any series even half as long as this). I started reading Sue Grafton's books quite a few years ago so I thought I'd grab this sidekick before starting X, just to make sure that I could have a little refresher in an attempt to avoid finding myself stumbling over any important parts (the last time I read a book in the series before X was many months ago). In that regard, it definitely does the job. Plenty of explanations and a deep, thoughtful analysis of the plot, characters, major themes, and writing style but, and most importantly for me, it's also written in a way that doesn't spoil it for the reader while staying consistent and linear. Overall, very happy.

The best way I can think of to describe this book is that reading it is similar to the effect that you get when you watch HD instead of regular broadcasting - the picture is that much sharper, the colours are that much deeper - and this book helps to make an already good book by Grafton into a great one.

I was happy to find this sidekick for "X", a wonderful companion to the exciting novel. This guide will be very helpful in my book discussion group. The format it is laid out in is perfect for all around

conversation about each character, chapter and the story in general. I especially like the possible alternate endings that make you think even deeper about what could possibly have happened. The themes and symbols are very thought provoking as well. A great analysis and summary.

Glaring error on the very first page. Kinsey hangs out at Rosie's Bar, NOT Ruthie's Restaurant.

It's been a while since I have read any of Sue Grafton's novels. In this case, I wanted to get back on track with the characters before I read the book. This Sidekick is the perfect accessory to Sue Grafton's "X." The Sidekick offers a more in-depth look into the novel, the characters, themes, symbols, etc. that a reader could have missed when reading the book. If using the Sidekick before reading the book, it helps to prepare for the book without giving away the main thrust of the plot. In this way, you get the full effect of the novel without missing anything. If you are looking to see what you missed when you read the novel, or if you are looking to prepare yourself for the novel, this Sidekick is for you. All Sidekicks are worth your time, and this one is no different.

Great addition to the novel, X. Brought a lot of new thoughts to my attention. Sometimes I get carried away and drift off reading long novels, so this was a good added read. Pretty short, so I got through with it fast. Overall, if you need a quick read for a book report or something, this is perfect as it gives you the sense of what's going on.

This sidekick by Madeline M. Boles tells early on which sections to read before, during, and after reading the novel, *X*™ by Sue Grafton. This way I did not read too far into the sidekick prior to actually reading the book. Alerts are given that spoilers will be included, so these sections were definitely best read after reading the novel. Their inclusion is beneficial, however, for further explanation. It also extends the reading enjoyment of the novel. I very much appreciated the historical background information that was provided. I would not ever have thought of some of the concepts mentioned in the sidekick – even if I read the book multiple times! The Character Guide is short but very helpful in getting to know the characters early and for keeping them straight – especially the wives. It would be nice to have a bit more on some of the characters, but this is not a big deal. The chapter divisions are nice for a quick way to sort out what is happening in the story. I would imagine that it might also be nice to have a quick update for those who cannot read the novel in one sitting and must try to recall what they read prior!

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