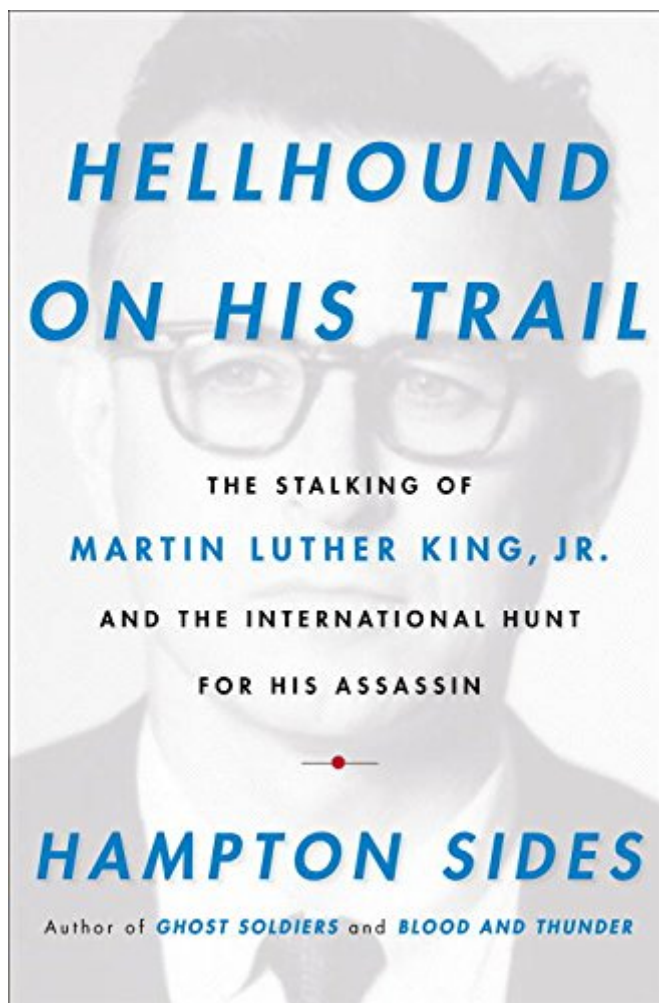


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# Hellhound On His Trail



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All throughout school I intensely disliked history classes - they were so boring! Although I had heard that Hampton Sides is a great writer, I've resisted reading his books because they sounded like "history class" (a big turn-off to me). I enjoy reading and didn't want to ruin a good day with what I thought would be boring history. Well I am so glad I finally dared to read "Hellhound" - what an excellent book! What an excellent writer! Hampton sides makes history come alive as an exciting story, with more twists and turns than a fictional story, and definitely more than I ever got from newspapers (and more truth, too!). I am already reading his earlier book, "Americana", and that too is excellent. Hampton, please keep doing "that thing you do" because it enhances our lives.

Very detailed and factual history of the life of James Earl Ray and his pursuit and killing of Martin Luther King. The author did a good job of not creating a caricature of either person. I had to force myself not to read too much at a time.

This may be one of the best books I have read within the past 5 years. I have read all of Hampton Side's books. This is the very best. Looking forward to his next book.

CD REVIEW--BOUGHT USED, SO FAR DISCS ARE IN EXCELLENT CONDITION THOUGH HAVE NOT FINISHED USING THEM--NARRATION IS EXCELLENT, NON FICTION STORY IS INTERESTING

This non-fiction book reads just like fiction. I simply could not put this down. An amazing book, a must read.

This book was good, but at times a little slow going. I learned so much about Marin Luther King and his killer that I didn't know. Glad I stuck with it!

Another fantastic book by Hampton Sides!!! I thoroughly enjoyed this book. In my opinion it gives the reader an honest look at MLK Jr., as well as going into great detail about James Earl Ray, the assassination and the ensuing manhunt. I would highly recommend this book to anyone interested in this subject, or American history in general. It's a great read.

This was a fascinating book. The author weaves together the social, psychological, political and the malicious intent of Ray. My uncle was the warden of the Missouri prison from which Ray escaped,

so this historical analysis of a tragic event is all the more chilling. A great read. Page turner

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