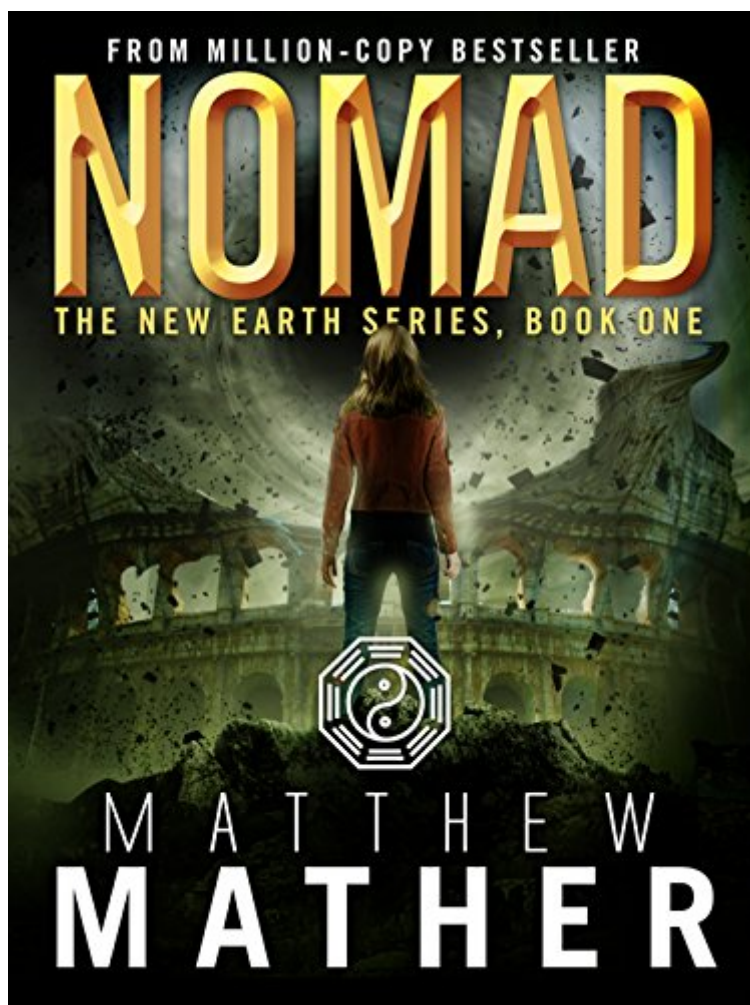


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Customer Reviews

An interesting and believable book. The idea of something hitting the earth is very, very real. Can you imagine what would happen if something big and heavy gets close to Earth, and the majority - but not all of the Earth's population goes away?... It is also great to see technology and Sci Fi authors ideas become a reality! The concept of recording gravitational waves was only a concept when this was written. This just shows the in depth research Matthew Mather puts into his work.

Matt did a great job at setting the scene for Armageddon. His way of positioning the characters, the global arena of the characters and the sequence of events that will follow the act of annihilation the heavens will create. His attention to detail is self-evident with his research with astrophysicists, astronomers and most of the agencies that play in this arena. If you really want to get a real-life feeling for what could happen, I suggest reading Nomad. Enjoy, I did!

Engrossing natural disaster story with some fully fleshed characters. Science is solid and interesting. That said I'm only mildly tempted to read the next novel in the series. A trek through a ruined earth is just not my cup of tea. Too many coincidences mar this first volume with no promise of diminishing. Mather is a good writer and I will look at his other books.

I often feel that books that are so invested in the actual science do so at the risk of characterization, and that seems true here. At the same time, the characters aren't two dimensional, so the book still

reads alright. A bit more investment in the characters and their inner workings would make this story one I'd be more likely to be motivated to continue reading into a second book. As it stands, I feel as if I've had a science lecture (not a bad thing) and watched an ok made for tv movie.

Reading this book made me ignore other things I like to do. I just wanted to read. I wasn't afraid but had a need to know what happens next. This story was set in Romania and was basically about the fight between good and evil with Nazis, forbidden books and a keep in the middle. If you read it, I hope you like it too. Happy Reading.

A very interesting and technical story line starting in Rome Italy about an astrophysicist, Ben Rollins, being called in to help other astrophysicists, astronomers and scientist to help identify and track an unidentified object approaching our solar system. The object, which they had named Nomad, was not visible because it is approaching from the other side of the sun. But apparently it is very large and moving very fast and is just beginning to perturb the orbits of the outer planets. This is scenario number one. Many authors use the technique of multiple seemingly unrelated scenarios occurring simultaneously to introduce the characters in the story and the author, Matthew Mather, does the same here. Chapter two introduces the characters in scenario two who are a mother and daughter, Celeste and Jessica, enjoying a tour of a Tuscany Italy castle and grounds. I don't want to give away the plot or compromise the story line, but the two scenarios continue where the characters are identified as husband, wife and daughter and they try to get together before the anticipated end of the world occurs. There are many twist and turns in the story where husband Ben Rollins and wife and daughter, Celeste and Jess, try to get back together. Both parties run into many obstacles that hamper their progress, but they always persevere and then move on to the next obstacle. There are many other characters introduced into the plot that initially are portrayed in one light but are later shown to be someone else with an entirely differently motive. (Toward the end, the story keeps you a bit off balance with the shift in character motives and character objectives.) I guess that this is all part of trying to be a good story teller. But with a 76 year old reader, it is a little hard sometimes to keep up with who are the good guys. Jess ends up being the hero of the story by defeating the bad guys. Jess has background of service in the Marines, astronomy and mountain climbing. And she does this even though her left leg has been amputated below the knee. This book is science fiction but it is still difficult to picture her defeating so many able bodied men to save her family etc. I gave this book a five rating because of the technical details and the good story line. I particularly liked the author's notes at the end inviting the reader to

a link as to where he got the data, via a software simulation program, to support his technical descriptions. My suggestion is that you read the story first and then look at the software simulation.

I recommend *Nomad* to hard-core sci-fi lovers and anyone who loves a good apocalypse disaster story. The vivid imagery throughout brought me into the story and the plot moved forward with unexpected twists and turns as I have come to expect from this author. I can visualize the story in my mind as a movie and, quite frankly, I wouldn't be surprised to see it optioned. The characters didn't resonate with me, however, as I couldn't relate to their situations very well. Without giving spoilers, the main character, Jess, lives with one of my greatest personal fears, so I think this impacted my ability to bond with her. My favorite character was probably the father, Ben. I love all things science, so he fits right in. The author did an extraordinary amount of research to prove out the viability of the disaster scenario, giving the book a realistic feel, but I'm very glad this story is fiction! There is a coolness factor of having a story linked to the astronomy simulation tool "Universe Sandbox". I'm such a geek I read all the trailing info in the book and the related video. I fell short of downloading the app, though. The book is heavy on astronomy science and I may have actually learned a few things from reading *Nomad*. While I enjoy science and it's written in easily understandable language, it is a tough read in spots.

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