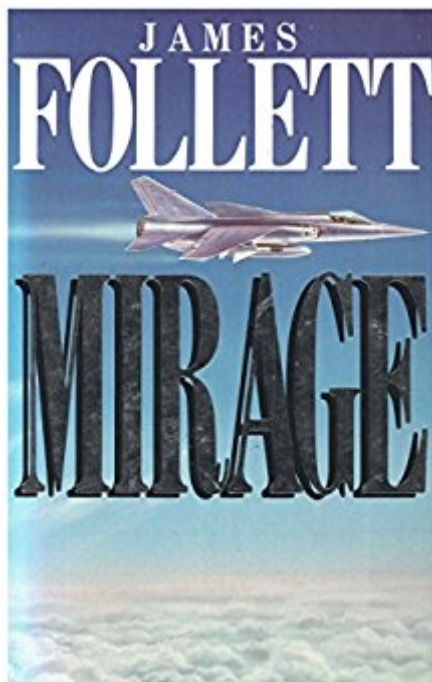


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# Mirage



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When you reach the end of any Kindle book you are expected, there and then, to award stars for what you have just read. As a rule I will give an enjoyable work of fiction 4 stars. Later, when considering the book's merit further, one sometimes spots a weakness in the story or in the author's general argument and want to revise. This story starts after The Six Day War when Israel faced a combined attack by forces of neighboring Arab countries which had it been successful would have been the end of that country. In the last moments of the War, the pilot of a Mirage fighter is shot down and suffers serious injury to his foot. He is unfit to fly and is sent to London to work for the National Israeli airline. An intelligent but unconventional American girl is persuaded by a shadowy American figure to discover what he is doing and it just so happens he's trying to find a way of

obtaining the drawings for the Mirage fighter currently in service with the Israeli Airforce. Whilst the story is credible you tend to read it as fiction, however well written, because that is what it is, Disbelief is suspended, at least until something arises to change that state of mind. And that did not happen prior to the end. So it got 5 stars for being an enjoyable and exciting read. There was a small resume of events prior to the ending which was a mix of fact and fiction which added further enjoyment and credibility. So, now that I've had time to reflect and consider, do I want to mark it as a 4? No, it was a good read and informative about events about which I knew little. Hope you enjoy this excellent story!

If you are an avid reader of historical novels, *Mirage* is a must read. Beginning shortly after WWII the lead characters arrive in the British Mandate of Palestine. What follows is the history of the birth of the State of Israel. Even with the sanctions of major countries and their refusal to supply this newly emerging state the necessary weapons & machinery to defend herself, Israel's clandestine service, Mossad develops an intriguing plot to secure technical drawings to build her own. Though the characters are fictional, the writer makes them real and believable. It's fast paced action, intrigue, dangerous and exhilarating and best of all, a very satisfying read.

I guess the book was mesmerizing but got weaker by the end of the book, maybe mixing the facts and the novel part has some effect on my judgement, specially were it was describing the escape of the boats from Cherbourg during the fog, or the relation of Patterson with Leonara and the departure of Daniel sweetheart. Still, I couldn't leave the book aside.

This is one of his better books. It tells the story of the predicament Israel faced when France put an arms embargo on their war materials. Fast attack boats and the Mirage Jet and parts for same. The book described the creative way in which Israel circumvented the problem. Of course, as with so many of his books, the first thing you do is go to the computer and research how much of it is true.

Great read, a factual and spellbinding account of a part of the history of Israel! Loved it and look forward to more by this author.

*Mirage* is a fast paced exciting book crammed with historical facts. I really enjoyed it. It did not have the ending I expected but it was as it should have been.

This historical novel has everything that an espionage story could wish for. It is suspenseful and exciting. It is also very hard to put down.

The story is compelling in itself, but to realize much is based on actual events and people it becomes awe inspiring. Truly amazing how the people of a new country, against so many odds, could successfully complete such espionage.

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