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Drawing on newly available documentary evidence and her own investigative research, Milton offers new insight into the complex personalities of the Lindberghs and captures the controversy, excitement, love, and tragedy that defined their 45-year marriage. Photos.

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Kynthia says

Lengthy story about Charles and Anne Morrow Lindbergh. This book reflects on the times and beginnings of the JP Morgan banking corp., the kidnapping 'truth' of baby Charles Jr. and the realities of unwanted fame in a young America. I found myself sympathizing with Charles in most of his beliefs and feeling Anne not having the freedom necessary to be more creative.

Karen says

Good but somewhat long biography of the Lindberghs. I'd certainly recommend it to people who really like history books. One thing that drives me a little crazy is that are still open questions about the kidnapping that will most likely never be answered, but that's certainly not the author's fault.

Mzfitted says

Details Details

This book begins with the Story of Charles Lindbergh parents and cover Anne Morrow Lindbergh Family then goes on to thoroughly cover their lives with not too much taken up by just the kidnapping. I found it interesting but bogged down at times with minutia of certain events.

Bill Martin says

Written too soon

An interesting read and worth the time. The biggest shortcoming, and it is huge, is that it was written before the discovery of Lindbergh's "secret" families in Europe. That would certainly have changed the narrative and the dynamics of the marriage.

Willie Latane says

A bio of a very complex man who took to the skies to make history. He and his wife were involved in many projects, many of them flying, and many that were very controversial. It was interesting to find out just who this man was who flew across the Atlantic non-stop... pretty much the way he lived his life, non-stop.

Deborah Escobar says

I learned a great deal about the Lindbergh's and the kidnapping, which I did not know prior to reading this book. Charles Lindbergh was a really complicated human - part hero, but like all humans also very flawed...but the book really makes you understand his life and what made him what he was.

I felt for Ann Lindbergh, can't imagine what it was like to lose a child in this way. It's amazing that she went on with her life, amazing they both still accomplished a great deal.

Elizabeth says

Historian Joyce Milton centers this dual biography around the 1932 Lindbergh baby kidnapping, and makes an excellent case that Bruno Hauptmann, convicted and executed for murdering Charles A. Lindbergh, Jr, did so - but not alone.

Trish says

Charles Lindbergh was an interesting man. And the woman he was married to for 45 years was quite unique in her way. But this is not a great book. The author provides a ton of information but at times it is difficult to follow.

The book could use a through editing because there are many typos (must have been rushed to print).

The author only provides a cursory section of Lindbergh's historic flight which was disappointing. I'm assuming she feels that other writers have covered this subject including Lindbergh in "Spirit of St. Louis". I guess I'll need to read that if I can find it.

I can only recommend this book if you are of the mind that you will read anything if its about your hero, Charles Lindbergh. Or you are really interested in the kidnapping. This section is where she really delves into a lot of details.

Leslie says

While it was interesting information, it was boring reading! Took me forever it seems to finish it. I read other books while I was reading this one, just to stay alive. I did like the Aviator's Wife which was a fictional account of Anne Morrow Lindbergh.....but the two stories did not jive very well which was a disappointment too. I wouldn't recommend this book. It jumped around quite a bit and I found I had to count on the fiction book to keep myself aware of what was happening in the biography.

Mcwaguespack Waguespack says

Fascinating study of two people from completely different backgrounds and their roles in shaping American history. Anne was shy and bookish and privileged, while Charles was daring and lived by the seat of his

pants. They both became pioneers of aviation and notable writers and survived the most famous kidnapping case of the century. I like reading well-written biographies not only because of the insightful psychological portraits, but also because I learn more about various periods of history.

Lynn Diane says

I started to read this book months ago but just couldn't get into it. Soooooo, I put it aside and forgot about it. Last week I watched a fascinating documentary on TV about the kidnapping I dug the book out and started again. It was fascinating! I couldn't put it down. It even brought back a childhood memory. The kidnapping happened 13 years before I was born, but my parents talked about it for years and years. As a very young girl, I was terrified that someone would get in our house, take me somewhere, and kill me. This book also left me with some serious questions about the "heroic" Charles Lindbergh. I felt great sympathy for Anne Morrow Lindbergh.

Anne Schell says

History of everybody makes it confusing

Pictures felt physically weighed down by this book. The year jumping made it hard to follow as the the entire history of everyone

Celia says

It is a good read. The early part about the life of Charles Lindbergh I found most interesting. However, I think the author failed to understand his later life.

This book was written before Berg's authorized biography and while Anne Morrow Lindbergh was still alive. The book did not seem to provide a full picture of the marriage of Anne and Charles Lindbergh and give all the reasons why the marriage failed and I think it is because Anne Lindbergh was still alive when the book was written.

The book still left me with a lot of questions about how pro-Nazi Lindbergh was. The author of this book feels that Hauptman was the kidnapper of the Lindbergh baby. I confess that part of the reason I got this book is that someone told me they saw a recent PBS show where the theory was the Lindbergh was involved in the kidnapping.

Diane Secchiaroli says

Interesting read about 2 historical figures and the people around them. Appears to be well researched. Slow going at times but I was also reading a second book at the same time which could have contributed to a "lack of interest". Would recommend the book for those who are interested in Anne and Charles Lindbergh and their writings.

Michael Harris says

APL Recycled Reads find. I have read the books written by Charles Lindbergh, other biographies and the Biography of Anne Morrow Lindbergh and found this well written but without any new information about this couple who were interesting and flawed individuals. The author did a good job covering all of the key periods in their life without bringing in any bias, a tough job given the subjects. It was a slow read but I'm glad I read it and now am done with Lindberghs.

Linda Finger says

I too had a difficult time getting into the book. Have read many others since starting and finally just gave up, and I always finish a book. I will try again.

Marilyn says

Good read as far as I went, but it certainly bogged down about 3/4 way through. At some future time will probably give the last 1/4 a try.

Sarah says

So interesting. The Lindbergh family was a fascinating one, I definitely recommend this to anyone who enjoys historic novels.

Misty says

A long time coming

a great resource for some one interested in the history of aviation industry and political influence along with personal stories of grief and loss.

Rick Wormwood says

This book isn't as indispensable on Charles as Berg's biography, but the shared focus on Anne sets it apart. An excellent book.
