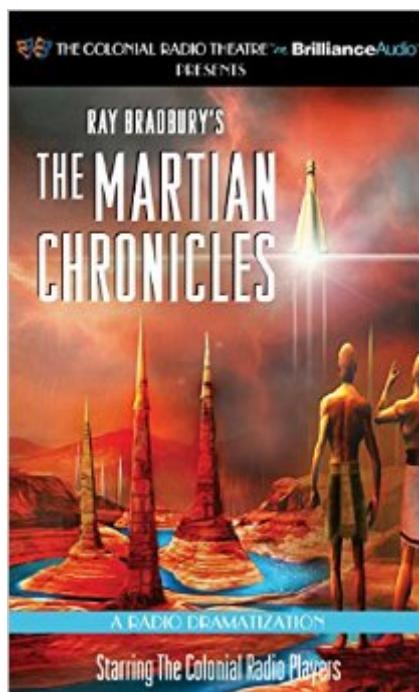


The book was found

Ray Bradbury's The Martian Chronicles: A Radio Dramatization (Colonial Radio Theatre On The Air)



Synopsis

The people of Earth are preparing for warâ •a war that could potentially destroy the planet. Explorers are sent to Mars to find a new place for humans to colonize. Bradbury's Mars is a place of hope, dreams, and metaphorâ •of crystal pillars and fossil seasâ •where a fine dust settles on the great empty cities of a silently destroyed civilization. It is here the invaders have come to despoil and commercialize, to grow and to learnâ •first a trickle, then a torrent, rushing from a world with no future toward a promise of tomorrow. The Earthman conquers Mars...and then is conquered by it, lulled by dangerous lies of comfort and familiarity, and enchanted by the lingering glamour of an ancient, mysterious native race.Ray Bradbury's The Martian Chronicles is presented here as a full cast audio production with an original music score and thousands of sound effects by the award winning Colonial Radio Theatre on the Air. It marks their fourth collaboration with one of the most celebrated fiction writers of our timeâ •Ray Bradbury.

Book Information

Series: Colonial Radio Theatre on the Air

Audio CD

Publisher: The Colonial Radio Theatre on Brilliance Audio; Unabridged edition (April 28, 2015)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 1501230212

ISBN-13: 978-1501230219

Product Dimensions: 5 x 0.8 x 5.5 inches

Shipping Weight: 4 ounces (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 4.3 out of 5 starsÂ Â See all reviewsÂ (806 customer reviews)

Best Sellers Rank: #668,741 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #5 inÂ Books > Books on CD > Authors, A-Z > (B) > Bradbury, Ray #64 inÂ Books > Books on CD > Literature & Fiction > Drama #302 inÂ Books > Books on CD > Science Fiction & Fantasy > Science Fiction

Customer Reviews

This book clearly deserves more than five stars. It is one of the most moving and important set of observations about our human issues ever written in either science fiction or science fantasy form.Ray Bradbury wrote these short stories in the late 1940s at a time when we knew almost nothing about Mars. Some scientists even thought there were probably canals and the remnants of a dead or dying Martian civilization on Mars. Written as science fiction originally by Mr. Bradbury, our growing knowledge of Mars makes these assumptions science fantasy today. But don't let that

shift rob these stories of their power over you. But Mars was just the setting for a more serious set of questions. Mr. Bradbury was concerned that the world was too full of hate, war, short-sightedness, and greed to amount to much. He despaired as to whether humans would survive the discovery of the atomic bomb. From this raw material of human excess, he stitched together a powerful vision of our choices -- to operate at our best . . . or our worst. He appeals to our better selves in a vivid way that will be unforgettable to you, if you are like me. The development of the book has an interesting history. Mr. Bradbury was in his late twenties, and had written quite a few short stories. While visiting New York, he showed his short stories to publishers who liked them. The publishers advised him that there was a market for novels, but not much of one for books of short stories. Then one night it hit him, he had the raw material for a novel about Mars if he simply wrote a few transition stories to fit with ones he had already written. He sat up late that night writing the book proposal, and sold it the next day. That concept became *The Martian Chronicles*. Mr.

There are some books that defy classification -- they slip from the clenched fists of genre's restrictive grasps, and seem almost above critique. Their sums are greater and longer lasting, more impactful than their parts. They represent some of the best of what the human mind can create, and remain strangely timeless despite the fact that science or culture may surpass their literal truths. *The Martian Chronicles* is one such book. Famously referred to by author Ray Bradbury as "a book of stories pretending to be a novel", the disparate parts somehow come together to form something more than a novel. Like Tolkien's war of the ring, this story of the settlement of Mars and its aftermath transcends genre-fiction and somehow becomes more like fictional history -- or, in this case, a cautionary fable. Throughout these stories, the reader encounters themes of xenophobia, imperialism, censorship, war, and racism (though the story dealing with this most directly, "Way in the Middle of the Air", where, back on Earth, all black people decide to emigrate to Mars, is stupidly cut from many of the later editions). Although Bradbury tends to stick to these broad strokes throughout, rather than focusing on individual characters, there are also stories that chronicle the more personal struggles of violence, fear, loneliness, and isolation. Yet somehow it never manages to get mired down in its own bleak moralizing. Bradbury knows when to apply a light touch, and it never feels as if he is lecturing or proselytizing.

[Download to continue reading...](#)

Ray Bradbury's *The Martian Chronicles*: A Radio Dramatization (Colonial Radio Theatre on the Air)
Ray Bradbury's *The Martian Chronicles*: A Radio Dramatization The *Bradbury Chronicles*: The Life of Ray Bradbury (P.S.) The *Legend of Sleepy Hollow*: A Radio Dramatization (Colonial Radio

Theatre on the Air) H. G. Wells's The War of the Worlds: A Radio Dramatization (Colonial Radio Theatre on the Air) Dandelion Wine (The Colonial Radio Theatre on the Air - Full Cast Dramatization) Warlord of Mars (The Martian-Barsoom-John Carter Series, Book 3) (Martian (Blackstone Audio)) Warlord of Mars (The Martian-Barsoom-John Carter Series, Book 3)(Library Edition) (Martian (Blackstone Audio)) Ray Bradbury: The Life of Fiction Ray Bradbury: The Last Interview: And other Conversations (The Last Interview Series) Ray Bradbury's Fahrenheit 451: The Authorized Adaptation The Screwtape Letters: First Ever Full-cast Dramatization of the Diabolical Classic (Radio Theatre) The Martian Chronicles Trucking Air Imports & Exports Freight Forwarding Style: WHAT IT TAKES TO PROVIDE TRUCKING FOR THE FREIGHT FORWARDER INDUSTRY FOR AIR EXPORT AND AIR IMPORTS Work in Colonial America (Colonial America) Four Centuries of Quilts: The Colonial Williamsburg Collection (Colonial Williamsburg Foundation) The Chronicles of Narnia Collector's Edition (Radio Theatre) The Chronicles of Narnia Complete Set (Radio Theatre) The Magician's Nephew from The Chronicles of Narnia (Focus on the Family Radio Theatre) The Magician's Nephew (Radio Theatre: Chronicles of Narnia)

[Dmca](#)