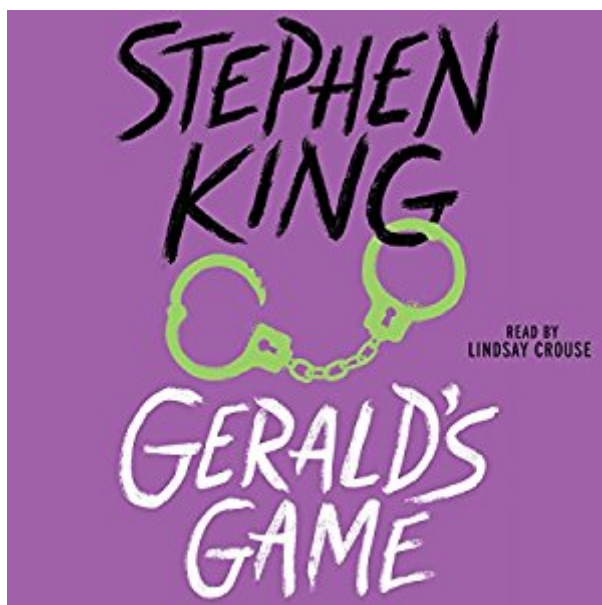


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# Gerald's Game



## Synopsis

When a game of seduction between a husband and wife ends in death, the nightmare has only just begun in this sinister twist on a bedtime story - a number-one national best seller and "one of Stephen King's best" (USA Today). Gerald and Jessie Burlingame have gone to their summer home on a warm weekday in October for a romantic getaway. After being handcuffed to her bedposts, Jessie tires of her husband's games, but when Gerald refuses to stop, the evening ends with deadly consequences. Still handcuffed, Jessie is trapped and alone. Over the next 28 hours, in the lakeside house that has become a prison, Jessie will come face to face with all the things she has ever feared. Her only company is a hungry stray dog and the various voices that fill her mind. As night comes, she is unsure whether it is her imagination or if she has another companion: someone watching her from the corner of her dark bedroom. A master of his craft, Stephen King's novels haunt in many different ways. Gerald's Game "kept us up half the night, we couldn't put it down" (Newsweek).

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

Book before, maybe 20 years ago, but I wanted to read it again in anticipation of the Great American Eclipse 2017. I liked it very much, and as with all of Stephen King's work, I found myself unable to put it down, even on my second reading.

This is the best book I have ever read. I am reading it for the fourth time. It holds you captivated the entire book. Each time I read it I find something I have missed. Definitely worth buying.

Books don't keep my attention unless I can read the first 20 pages or so and can visualize everything described in the text: characters, their voices, their motions, scenery, etc. This book had me seeing everything from the start; how Jessie and Gerald looked, how the cabin looked (and felt).. everything in this book from start to start to finish was going through my eyes as though it were being projected on a movie screen. The last quarter of the book takes the story in a very different direction than the first 75 percent, but is still mesmerizing to read. The last quarter of the last quarter, however (if that makes sense), veers off in a totally different direction than the rest of the book, which is neither good nor bad, it's just a bit of a twist. Anyway, I loved this book, and if you love Stephen King and/or psychological suspense, you'll love this book. Trust Me.

Not bad. Very scary part in the middle.

This book is hard to put down once it get's you hooked..I kept reading to see what would happen next..I bought 2..One for me and One for my sister..This is the second time I have read it and only remembered the plot,so it was just like reading it the first time! Wonderful story line.

I have read almost all of King's books. One of the missing novels was Gerald's Game. I thought it would be like Misery 2, so was really never interested in reading. While it wasn't close to his best novels, it was an excellent page turner. I read it in 4 sittings and it really just flew by. If you like King, you will enjoy.

While this is not one of King 's typical horror stories, I absolutely love the way he makes his characters so 3 dimensional. This book does not disappoint and I can see small parts of my own marriage in theirs. He always captures the human element, even in the inhuman.

I am reviewing this based on the content of the book and the narrator of the audio book. I have to point out that the tones between each chapter (I assume they were between chapters, as the chapter numbers were never announced) were beyond annoying. They reminded me of those old cell phone tones that were sometime piercing. There are various tones, some less annoying than others.From reading the synopsis readers know that Jessie gets handcuffed to the bed and eventually escapes. No spoilers there. She is alone and stuck in what at times is an impossible predicament and other times has you yelling at the CD player as to why she does some of the

things that she does. I enjoyed her inner voices. She has twenty-eight hours where she is alone without any assistance. I enjoyed the content that took place in the present. While cuffed to the bed she does some remembering of her past. Some of those memories got tiresome and made the story drag. There are reasons for the memories and they do assist her in her escape. The chapters immediately following her escape from the handcuffs is mind boggling. This is where both the Hub and I were talking to the CD player. I think my favorite part of the book was "Part 3." This is where she begins Brandon's tale. It explained much of the unexplained. Overall I felt the book moved at a choppy pace. When I was enjoying the content it moved fast, then there would come a section that would leave me wanting Jessie to get back to the present or wanting Jessie to get out of her head. So there was fast paced, then a dragging section, then it picked back up again to what I felt was the more fascinating content. The narrator was great. She voiced Jessie and all of the other characters well. There was never any confusion as to which character was speaking. Lindsay Crouse is an actress who has been in numerous television shows. She read Gerald's Game excellently.

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