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Eagle In Exile: The Clash Of Eagles Trilogy Book II



Synopsis

Perfect for fans of Bernard Cornwell, Steve Berry, Naomi Novik, and Harry Turtledove, Alan Smale's gripping alternate history series imagines a world in which the Roman Empire has survived long enough to invade North America in 1218. Now the stunning story carries hero Gaius Marcellinus deeper into the culture of an extraordinary people "whose humanity, bravery, love, and ingenuity forever change his life and destiny." In A.D. 1218, Praetor Gaius Marcellinus is ordered to conquer North America and turning it into a Roman province. But outside the walls of the great city of Cahokia, his legion is destroyed outright; Marcellinus is the only one spared. In the months and years that follow, Marcellinus comes to see North America as his home and the Cahokians as his kin. He vows to defend these proud people from any threat, Roman or native. After successfully repelling an invasion by the fearsome Iroqua tribes, Marcellinus realizes that a weak and fractured North America won't stand a chance against the returning Roman army. Worse, rival factions from within threaten to tear Cahokia apart just when it needs to be most united and strong. Marcellinus is determined to save the civilization that has come to mean more to him than the empire he once served. But to survive the swords of Roma, he first must avert another Iroqua attack and bring Cahokia together. Only with the hearts and souls of a nation at his back can Marcellinus hope to know triumph.

Praise for Alan Smale and *Eagle in Exile*

"In Alan Smale, speculative fiction has been dealt a winning hand. Part historian, part anthropologist, part scientist, Smale is a Renaissance man with a storyteller's gift for letting tireless research inform the narrative without overwhelming it. Smale entertains, educates, and enraptures."

—Myke Cole, author of *Javelin Rain*

"[*Eagle in Exile*] has the pace and scope of a Michener or Uris epic. . . . Smale's action scenes slash across page after page, intense and bloody. . . . Grab your dagger and sword, for the battle continues."

—Kirkus Reviews (starred review)

"Warfare, political conflict, family strife—these are all presented in an epic scope where any decision or wrong move can forever change society."

—Tech Times

"Thoroughly believable . . . Marcellinus is a complicated man, a hero we can all get behind."

—Historical Novels Review

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Alternative History

Customer Reviews

I loved the first entry in the trilogy, but I'm a huge Roman history buff so I'm pretty bias. Like some others have said this one starts a little slow, in fact I remember thinking maybe I wouldn't be able to get into it and was a little disapoinrted. However after the first few chapters it drew me in and I couldn't put it down, there are some nice twists here and there and this book sets up the third one nicely. Really looking forward to that one! It will be off the wall.

This is one of my favorite alternate history story. Once you accept flying Indians everything else is plausible. Even the flying Indians Isn't to far fetched.The idea of the Roman empire still in existence and affecting North America is a unique story.

This is the second book in the series: it tells a little more about the "Hesperians," the name the Romans give the Native Americans. It's not quite as interesting, action-wise, as the first book, but it's very interesting in its way. I really liked it, and am looking forward to book three!

I like alternate history and this series is a bit innovative as it focuses on the middle American First Nations as protagonists. I'd say this like Turtledove and Card collaborated.

It started slightly slow for the first 20 or 30 pages, but was very needed to set the tone for the rest of

the book as it is a continuation from the first book, but what a huge unexpected surprise soon as I got past that and it is a page turner onward. Not disappointed and cannot wait for the third book coming out May 2017.

Really different but interesting and exciting alternate history-type book and series. I really loved the whole concept and all the books. I hope there are more to come!

A great read. Makes you feel like your right there with the characters through their trail and tribulations. Should read the first book in the series Clash of the Eagles before reading this one. Look forward to the third book.

Giving the nature of the book - historical fiction - there is no lack of feelings and emotions that connect everything together swiftly and harmoniously. If, and only if, you like history there is no doubt you will enjoy this book. The mind creates a map, faces and personalities well beyond anything you have read before. Highly recommend this book and can't wait for the final one.

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