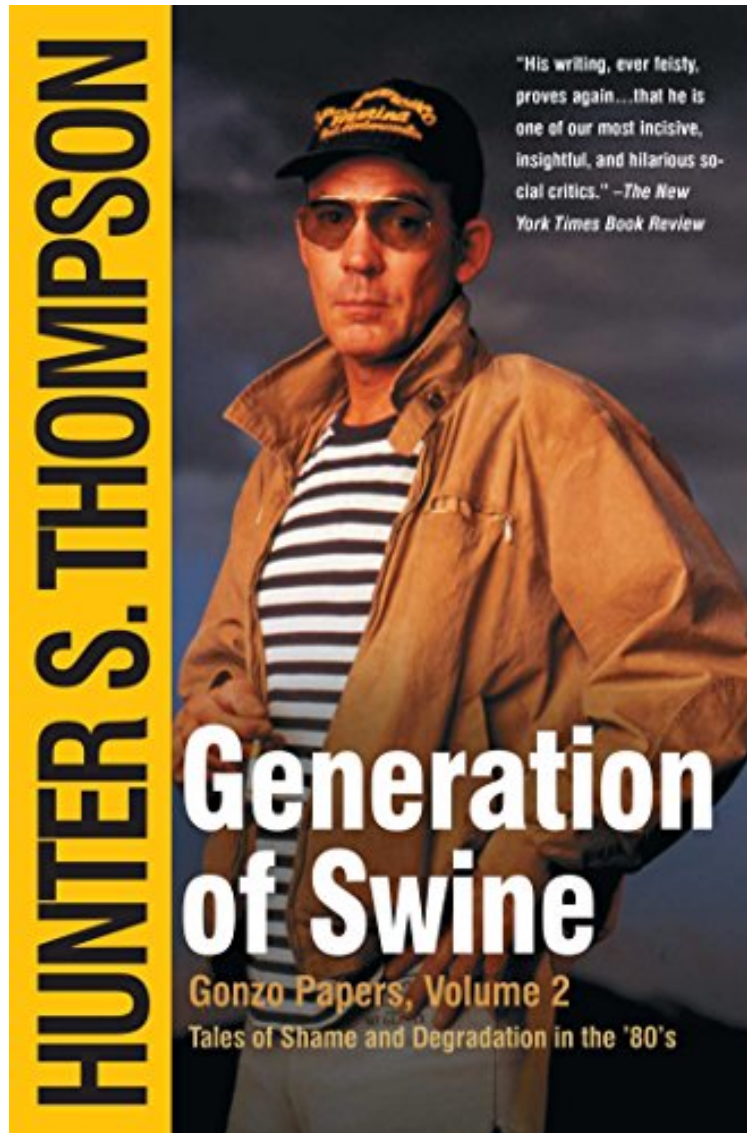


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Von Hunter S. Thompson : Generation of Swine: The Brutal Odyssey of an Outlaw Journalist (The Gonzo Papers Series) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Generation of Swine: The Brutal Odyssey of an Outlaw Journalist (The Gonzo Papers Series):

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good place to start, but a fine place to continue. Von Ein Kunde Fear Loathing on the campaign trail is probably the good doctor's masterpiece but pretty much any of the gonzo papers books are well worth a read. It might have been interesting if a younger, angrier HST had been unleashed on the 1980s but this is a mellowed Thompson. But not too mellow. What you get is often hilariously funny stuff about Reagan, drugs, gambling, Iran and inevitably, Richard Nixon. Not a major work and it is slightly inconsistent, but every so often the doc's depraved mind slips into a higher gear and you're glad that the old bugger isn't dead yet. In fact, when he does finally peg out, someone should white the last few paragraphs of the introduction on his tombstone: Hunter's almost serious take on heaven and hell which is worth the price of admission alone. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. What a long, strange trip it's been Von Brian D. Rubenall Before he burned himself out on drugs, Hunter Thompson was perhaps the best and certainly most vicious humor writer in America. Unfortunately, by the time the 1980s rolled around, Thompson had lost a few miles-an-hour off his fastball and could no longer knock 'em dead like he used to. Though you can still delight at the occasional potshot at those in power (like his description of George Bush senior as "the mean, preppie vice president"), overall he fails to consistently produce the kind of cutting satire that he could in his prime. It was almost as if he had come to personify the "Uncle Duke" character by which Gary Trudeau had been lampooning him for all these years. Sadly, we must use his own words to report that the master has "cashed his check." 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Sums up the 80's Von Ein Kunde Dr. Thompson has done it again. He has taken the 80's decade and showed us what it really was. From Reagan being elected, to the Iran-Contra hearings, no stone is left unturned. Dr. Thompson's social commentaries continue to show the reader the truth instead of what other "mainstream" commentators would.

Kurzbeschreibung From the bestselling author of Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas, the legendary Hunter S. Thompson's second volume of the Gonzo Papers is back. Generation of Swine collects hundreds of columns from the infamous journalist's 1980s tenure at the San Francisco Examiner. Here, against a backdrop of late-night tattoo sessions and soldier-of-fortune trade shows, Dr. Thompson is at his apocalyptic best covering emblematic events such as the 1987-88 presidential campaign, with Vice President George Bush, Sr., fighting for his life against Republican competitors like Alexander Haig, Pat Buchanan, and Pat Robertson; detailing the GOP's obsession with drugs and drug abuse; while at the same time capturing momentous social phenomena as they occurred, like the rise of cable, satellite TV, and CNN 24 hours of mainline news. Showcasing his inimitable talent for social and political analysis, Generation of Swine is vintage Thompson: eerily prescient, incisive, and enduring. From Publishers Weekly Thompson may be correct in assuming that the greed and immorality pervading the American social landscape are obscene, but his surreal, half-demented style has hardened into a pose. These columns from the San Francisco Examiner prove only that journalism can become dated quickly. The author of Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas calls Colonel Khadafy smarter than Ronald Reagan and takes potshots at television news, Gary Hart, Ed Meese, evangelists, Michael Dukakis, Pat Robertson and the Iran-contra hearings. He predicts that the Democrats will self-destruct in the 1988 presidential campaign. People he dislikes are described as "money-sucking animals," "brainless freaks," "geeks," "greed-crazed lunatics" and so on. Thompson's flaccid diatribes seem designed to instill a sense of smug superiority in the reader. Copyright 1988 Reed Business Information, Inc. From Library Journal Thompson's outrageous reporting style, called "Gonzo journalism," was the rage in the early 1970s. The protest generation cleaved to his Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas (LJ 8/72) and Fear and Loathing on the Campaign Trail '72 (LJ 6/1/73), both genuinely funny and often perceptive social and political commentaries. This new effort, a collection of 100 short pieces originally published as a column in the San Francisco Examiner over the past two years, tries to recapture the old ebullience, but much of it falls flat. Still, Thompson's fans there are many will savor his wild words on Ted Kennedy, Gary Hart, Al Haig, Ollie North, George Bush, TV preachers, et al. Kenneth F. Kister, Pinellas Park P.L., Fla. Copyright 1988 Reed Business Information, Inc.