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## **From Reader Review Arctic Gold for online ebook**

### **Sia McKye says**

A lot about the movement of the Arctic cap.

I really enjoyed the action, the premise was realistic, I loved his 'secret' government agency and loved the director of it. Wouldn't it be something if all this was possible?

His characters are well drawn and realistic and what I really liked is you see bad guys as more than cardboard figures, he gives some insight into them.

I hadn't read Steve's other Deep Black series, this was my first one. However this book stands alone just fine and he feeds you enough background as the story moves so you can fill in the blanks.

The book is well paced, good build up of tension, good conflict. It was a good read, I'd recommend it. In fact I'm already reading another Deep Black and will be looking at his other books to add to my library.

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### **Pete says**

Pure escapism here with the story being part Mission Impossible and James Bond adventure. Character development is razor thin but the action is fast paced with no dead spots. Worth reading.

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### **w1ndsor says**

It was good for what it was: a spy novel. I'm just not into spy novels that much.

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### **Leo says**

Action starts early and it is packed with intrigue and unexpect cold thrill. It is mostly related to oil drilling in the Arctic Ice Cap. The USA has a Ice Cap observation post that gets invaded by the Russians and taken hostage in a submarine. The hostages are rescued by Navy Seals and a NSA Agent. One of the hostages is held back and the NSA Agent is captured. They are take to a underwater station where they escape later on. The USA has two submarines in the are and ther is constant chater "Beneth the Arctic Ice Cap, 82degrees 34 minutes north; 177 degrees 26 minutes east 11:22hour GMT minus 12" I keeps going almost minute after minute with a narration of the action.

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### **Dee says**

This book was so interesting. I have always known that I would never want to be in a sub and now I am very, very sure of it. But, the suspense of the water crushing them kept me on the edge of the seat. A little slow in the gate but a rush ride and finish that was unbelievable.

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### **Roysart says**

It was a great adventure story of several agents against the russian mafia.

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### **Felicia says**

America vs those sneaky Russians. Submarine battles. Navy SEALs. Dean saves the day. Not much of Lia, which I preferred. Interesting take on global warming. Better than last Deep Black, but I found the constant GPS location and time read outs annoying.

But WHY kill one of the main characters?? I assume to bring in new members to Desk Three, not to mention a potential new love interest for Dean. (Where can I order my own Charlie Dean?)

Phil Gigante does a much better narration, so Rubbins no longer sounds like a poor imitation of Thurston Howell. And my ears aren't bleeding, yeah!

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### **Doug says**

Lots of technical writing, and a bit wishy-washy on the plot beyond "They're bad and we're good." I would like to get to know more about a couple of these characters, though, and will read another in this series.

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### **Elyse says**

Really enjoyed this Deep Black novel. Refreshing to find an author who realizes there is more than one political threat in the world. And always a treat to see how Coonts will use high-tech to complement human intelligence.

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### **Nadinastiti says**

Turns out it is a part of Deep Black series. Well, I got this book from "Blind Date" package at Books and Beyond, so I can't expect to get all of them, right. The series tell us the story of Deep Black, a high-tech National Security Agency operations team covering many cases, such as Al Qaeda, threatening e-mail in Vietnam, etc. In this book, it focuses on global warming issues, Russian mafia, and oil in Arctic. The action and storytelling reminds me of Robert Langdon series: clear, concise, and full of cliffhanger. No wonder, because the author was a Navy. The problem is that I am not really familiar with submarine's stuff and I am so lazy to open the dictionary and I just assume the new vocabularies' meaning lol.

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## **Rob & Liz says**

Rob

Quite a treat to read in the various players and how a prior event can catch with you. Shows where people must make a moral stand

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## **Lee says**

This Deep Black book finds them locking horns with the Russian Mafia. As Deep Black tries to uncover who is seeking to kill a climatologist a assassination attempt that results in the death of agent Tommy Karr, it leads them into a confrontation with the Mafia and Russian Navy at the arctic circle.

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## **Lee says**

Excellent read.

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## **Mark Easter says**

Review

**“Coonts knows how to write and build suspense. . . a natural storyteller.” —\_The New York Times Book Review\_**

**“The master of the techno-thriller.”—\_Publishers Weekly\_**

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**Mjoneill says**

An OK read for a book you pick up at the check-out aisle of the grocery store when you are stocking up on medicine for the flu the is kicking your butt. Nothing inspirational or memorable about it though.

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