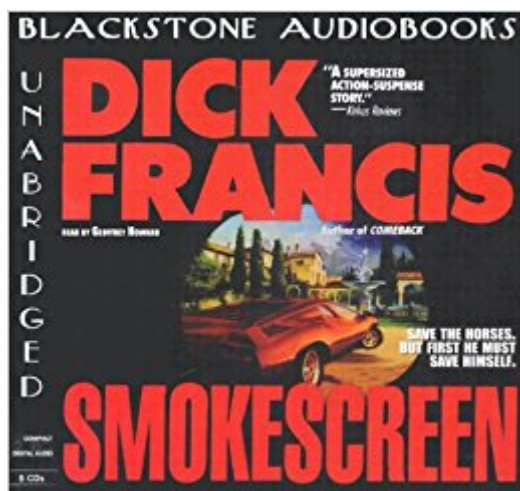


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Smokescreen



Synopsis

Edward Lincoln is a worldwide celebrity who plays impossibly daring detectives on the big screen, but in reality he is an ordinary man currently stuck in an extraordinary spot. Nerissa, his ailing godmother, had pleaded with him to travel to South Africa to investigate whether someone was tampering with her racehorses. He could not refuse her. Once there, Lincoln is overwhelmed by autograph hounds and high suspicions. And when sudden perils cross his path and murder makes a horrific appearance, Lincoln, the actor-turned-investigator, is plunged into a plot of gold, greed, and gilded lives. He ultimately realizes that the only way to uncover the killer is to give not only the performance of his life, but a performance to save his life.

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Love Dick Francis and I have most of his books and always enjoy them

This is one of my favorite Dick Francis novels. The characters are superb, the plotting as clever as it gets, the climax nightmarish, the retribution delicious. I don't normally warm to novels about actors, but Edward Lincoln (Link to friends) is a thoroughly likeable guy. He has nothing in common with the superheroes he portrays in film after film. He's not a crack shot, can't fly an airplane or dismantle bombs and doesn't speak Russian. He's happiest at home with the family between films. Link's father worked in a stable, and Link would have liked to be a jockey, but he grew too tall too quickly as a lad. Anyway, he knows horses. An old family friend who doesn't have long to live asks Link to fly to South Africa and find out why her nine racehorses never win a race anymore. She's convinced that Link is as ingenious as the larger-than-life characters he plays. Just to be kind, Link makes the trip. As it turns out, he needs to be both lucky and clever to stay alive. This is not a political novel, despite the South Africa location. It should be read purely for the adventure.

Never finished it.

A classic Francis-style mystery. This book doesn't centre on the world of horseracing but is permeated with horsey content as well as being set in the world of film and acting. The protagonist is likable and surprisingly relatable, and the plot is well-woven and enjoyable.

Love Dick Francis Love the main character and plot. Keeps you guessing why to the end. Would love to know what happened after...

Never fail to find a Dick Francis book relaxing and fun. The hero's...my sort of men!

love his writing, not the ones written with his son, or by his son. the meat just isn't there.

I do so enjoy curling up in bed with a good Dick...in fact my husband gets quite jealous. Its more than just a well researched book, its the timing and flow of the words on paper/kindle...the "cadence" to use a horsey term. Its like sitting trot on a horse that is an armchair ride

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