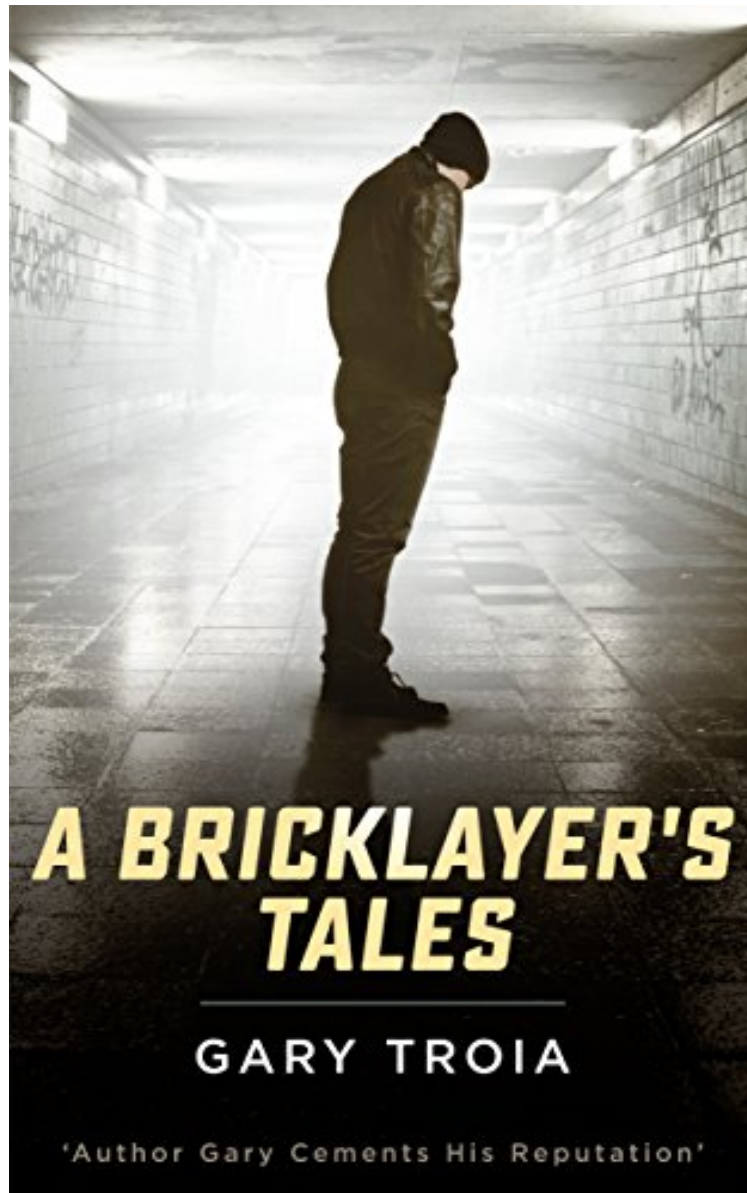


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Gollows humourVon Karl WigginsGary Troia writes with dark, gallows humour about the life of the pisshead, the druggie and, of course, the bricklayer, grafting away at a job he hates with work mates he hates in weather he hates and eating food he hates and did I mention he hates his job?I really, really enjoyed this book, yet I note one reviewer has written that he finds the world of alcoholics, drug addicts and chain smokers really depressing, Well why download the book then? For me, this book gives you exactly what it says on the tin. Troia himself describes Ray as having three expensive hobbies: drinking, drugs, and running away and also as a truly messed up person with potential, struggling to keep his messed up mind from drowning in cheap wine and self-loathing.So if he finds that depressing, perhaps this particular reviewer would be better off reading Bronts Wuthering Heights or Mitchells Gone with the Wind or Forsters Room with a View where an unexpected kiss in a field of violets would perhaps lift his spirits.I loved Bricklayers Tales. Troia captures the feelings of the British construction worker as day after day he climbs up the ladder to just one more shaky scaffold platform and reflects on an empty space that by the end of the day will be magically transformed to a wall of brick. He hates his co-workers and doesnt want to join in their banal conversations. In fact he doesnt even want to be there. But he knows its the only way to ensure he has the wine and drugs he requires to get him through the next weekend.The book takes us on a few substance-induced trips, which are catalogued with such skill that the reader truly feels the dark edge of this mans life. The pointlessness of living this kind of existence are demonstrated in such graphic detail yet without a single cry for sympathy. Troia writes it as it is.This is a low life book written with such honesty that one day once he finds his voice we may well see Gary Troia sitting besides Bukowski and Harry Crews. And I for one cant wait to read more from this author.

KurzbeschreibungIn this short story collection, Gary Troia shares his adventures, travels and memoirs from his life. "Excellent! A collection of short stories about: depression, alcoholism and drug use. Very compelling reading. I read this short story collection all in one go." (Maria, Goodreads.)"Gary manages to take the mundanities of life and elevate them to brilliance. in this short story collection" (Sara Fell)"Author, Gary cements growing reputation...A Bricklayer's Tales touches on real-life experiences in the building trade." ( Salina Patel, Hounslow Cronicle)Anyone who has ever done building work for brutal wage slavery and wondered if they were going mad, will recognise the life of Ray Dennis, (Troia's alter ego) which evokes a vision of mind-numbing, soul-destroying workplaces and workmates. His is the voice of discord for the marginally employed, the creatively frustrated working Joe, who turns to a life of drink and drugs to elevate the monotony of life.Few have brought this world to life with such despair, black humour and indifference as Gary Troia. He paints a beautifully sad portrait of a truly messed up person with potential, struggling to keep his messed up mind from drowning in cheap wine and self-loathing. Ray's spirit is trapped in a world of endless grey mundanity.A Bricklayer's Tales is the ultimate "I hate this job" story, written as a collection of short stories and memoirs, each one containing a snapshot of the life of Ray. Troia captures the tedium of working in a low paid, menial job and living hand to mouth. This book of short stories is sad and questions the reader to ask questions about their own life. This book achieves clarity without trying.Ray has three expensive hobbies: drinking, drugs, and running away. Without the income that Bricklaying provides, he would not be able to maintain his chosen lifestyle, so he compromises his principles and continues with his trade. A collection of short stories and memoirs that include:Angel Dust, the peculiar story of a man whose new life in America leads to conversations with Ancient Greek philosophersAdvert In The Art Shop Window, will a new building job in Spain be the start of a new life?Return Ticket, handcuffed and ready for deportation. A sad departure from the StatesPeyote, hippies, LSD and an idyllic refugeA Bricklayer's Tale, the story of a disillusioned, alcoholic bricklayer A collection short stories and memoirs of British dark humour.KurzbeschreibungIn this short story collection, Gary Troia shares his adventures, travels and memoirs from his life. "Excellent! A collection of short stories about: depression, alcoholism and drug use. Very compelling reading. I read this short story collection all in one go." (Maria, Goodreads.)"Gary manages to take the mundanities of life and elevate them to brilliance. in this short story collection" (Sara Fell)"Author, Gary cements growing reputation...A Bricklayer's Tales touches on real-life experiences in the building trade." ( Salina Patel, Hounslow Cronicle)Anyone who has ever done building work for brutal wage slavery and wondered if they were going mad, will recognise the life of Ray Dennis, (Troia's alter ego) which evokes a vision of mind-numbing, soul-destroying workplaces and workmates. His is the voice of discord for the marginally employed, the creatively frustrated working Joe, who turns to a life of drink and drugs to elevate the monotony of life.Few have brought this world to life with such despair, black humour and indifference as Gary Troia. He paints a beautifully sad portrait of a truly messed up person with potential, struggling to keep his messed up mind from drowning in cheap wine and self-loathing. Ray's spirit is trapped in a world of endless grey mundanity.A Bricklayer's Tales is the ultimate "I hate this job" story, written as a collection of short stories and memoirs, each one containing a snapshot of the life of Ray. Troia

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