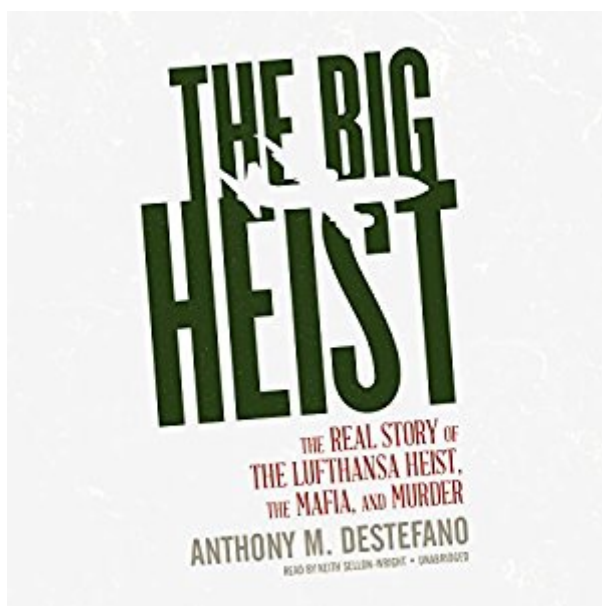


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The Big Heist: The Real Story Of The Lufthansa Heist, The Mafia, And Murder



Synopsis

One of the biggest scores in Mafia history, the Lufthansa Airlines heist of 1978 has become the stuff of Mafia legend - and a decades-long investigation that continues to this day. Pulitzer Prize-winning reporter Anthony DeStefano sheds new light on this legendary unsolved case using recent evidence from the 2015 trial of 80-year-old Mafia don Vincent Asaro, who for the first time speaks out on his role in the fateful Lufthansa heist. This blistering you-are-there account takes you behind the headlines and inside the ranks of America's infamous crime families - with never-before-told stories, late-breaking news, and bombshell revelations. An invaluable addition to any crime library, this is the most complete, thorough, and up-to-date account of the Lufthansa heist currently available. Pulitzer Prize winner Anthony DeStefano draws from his years of experience reporting on the mob for New York Newsday - as well as his firsthand coverage of the Asaro indictment and attendance at the trial - to expose the all-too-human heart of organized crime in America. The Big Heist is thrilling, shocking, and impossible to pause.

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Terrific Book by a great author.. Good read..

great product

Anthony DeStefano is the best. I always look forward to his next book.

Good read

Definitive read on the heist of Luthansa. It is also a book about the Mafia and some going on within the organization. The book is precise, very well written and a fountain of information. I think it is worth noting that the movie "Goodfellas" was based on this book. The information regarding the trial was a welcome addition as well as other things that went on during the time of the heist, gives the reader a very good idea of what went into the heist as well as what was going on behind the scenes. If you enjoyed the movie that this book is based on, or just want to learn more about the heist and other things, please read this book. I truly enjoyed this book. Thanks to NetGalley, the author and the publisher for the ARC of this book in return for my honest review.

This book is probably the final word in the story of the 1978 Lufthansa Heist, along with a good history of some of the things that went on with the mob families from even before then, right up through 2016. All put together by author DeStefano from his years of covering the mob for New York Newsday. He also covered the trial of a suspect in the heist, mob don Vincent Asaro in 2015 for that and many other dirty deeds after being brought up on charges. This is the crime that the movie Goodfellas was made from. But it goes behind the scenes and tells much more, along with what's happened since. This is for anyone who likes mob related media or has always been curious about the real story behind that heist and not the Hollywood version of it. My thanks to NetGalley, Citadel and the author for providing me with an ARC for review purposes.

The infamous Lufthansa Airline (the "Goodfellas" heist) took place almost 40 years ago, but the full story hasn't been told until now. Few reporters are as knowledgeable about the legendary Mob families of New York as Anthony DeStefano and none of them write as well and as vividly. But this book goes well beyond its Mafia protagonists to delve deeply into their legal foes and allies as well as the corruption that helped them thrive. Like many of the great Mafia novels, DeStefano's compelling book is horrifying and addictive at the same time. But unlike them, it's all true and deeply reported.

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