

Kill City Blues (Sandman Slim, #5) By Richard Kadrey This is the weakest instalment in the series so far and most certainly my leastest favoritest and I would have given it 3 stars if it wasn't for my boyfriend Jimmy Stark and my being slightly full of fish but let's pretend that I never said this and that you didn't read it and that all is well is the world so yay and stuff. I mean.

Don't screw the next one up! I promise to be good and sacrifice more puny humans and their exquisitely innocent infants than usual and stuff!· Book 1: Sandman Slim [REDACTED]· Book 2: Kill the Dead [REDACTED]· Book 3: Aloha from Hell [REDACTED]· Book 3. 5: Devil in the Dollhouse [REDACTED]· Book 4: Devil Said Bang [REDACTED]· Book 6: The Getaway God [REDACTED]· Book 7: Killing Pretty [REDACTED]· Book 8: The Perdition Score [REDACTED]· Book 9: The Kill Society [REDACTED]· Book 10: Hollywood Dead [REDACTED]· Book 11: Ballistic Kiss [REDACTED]· Book 12: King Bullet [REDACTED][Pre-review nonsense]I am absolutely NOT disappointed that my boyfriend's latest adventures lack the insane gloriousness of his early ones. [REDACTED] Full Jimmy Stark You Better Get Reacquainted with your Former Wondrous Self Post Haste Or I Might Move Your Delicious Ass Bottom to the Low Security Wing of the Harem Crappy Non Review (JSYBGRwyFWSPHOIMYDABtLSWoHCNR™) to come. Once we get to the actual story - a trip through a hellish abandoned shopping mall (is there any other kind?)to find a weapon that is supposed to be able to kill gods.

Almost everyone was back in Kill City Blues. So why aren't I giving this a full five stars? Because compared to the full ramp-up OTT OMG how the hell did we get HERE from THERE books it's ONLY MERELY a MacGuffin quest. Всички шантави герои които се появяват в предишните четири и половина книги се появяват тук за да дадат рамо на автора. Докато Сандма Слим си каже здрасти с повечето от тях интригата вече се е завързала а верния читател е удовлетворен защото знае какво се случва в трите свята из които нашето момче Джимбо броди. Втората част си е класическо приключение където се събира група професионалисти и преминават през редица опасности за да достигнат до определена цел. Но за сюжета:След като успя да спаси света от полудялата Аелита и психото което беше домъкнала в нашите селения и набута г-н Муниин (едно от парченцата на които се е разпаднал Създателя след нервен срив) в ролята на Луцифер Джими Старк е обратно в Лос Анджелис заедно с Кенди и живота сякаш започва да се нормализира. Само дето трябва да открие къде Аелита е успяла да скрие Богоядеца - единственото оръжие способно да унищожи света защото някой си мисли че е в него и упорито се опитва да го затрие. Старк няма идея от къде да започне търсенето за това решава да натисне подземния свят в ролята си на Сандман Слим и да види от коя шапка ще изскочи заек. Тук вече нещата идват на фокус преживяванията им в мола са нон стоп клане мъчения древни проклетия подивели самонараняващи се групи адепти и прочие и прочие забавления. Честно казано it's most lusciously glorious compared to 98% of the crap stuff I usually read but it's not that overwhelmingly stupendous on the Sandman Slim Scale of Delicious Yumminess (SSSoDY™). [Okay I'm going to have to whisper for the rest of the review (I wouldn't want my boyfriend to retaliate feel offended and hurt after hearing all the positive things I have to say about him) so get your hearing aids out of storage my Little Barnacles!]The abhorrent truth is that this instalment feels kinda sorta \*whispers a bit louder just in case\* decaf. Okay so the world is still as amazing and exquisitely dark as ever the dialogues are most droll indeed people die horribly there is grit and violence and blood and gore galore yay! ergo all is pretty much hunky dory. The characters seem to have become diluted versions of themselves the arc is progressing at an anemic snail's pace the plot is frail as a sickly shrimp in terminal arthropodic care and there are way too many repetitions. I mean the guy is becoming reasonable! And he manages to be almost nearly nice sometimes EW EW EW YUCK YUCK YUCK! He is no longer maniacally slaughterous and delectably irreverent and disrespectful and blunt and sarcastic and offensive 24 fishing 7! He occasionally thinks before acting instead of going in all guns and black knife and na'at blazing for shrimp's sake! Worse he seems to think my favorite whisky is crap! \*gasps\* Come ON! How apocalyptically loathsome can you get?! This really is outrageously vile behavior coming from one of the top sex

slaves guests in my harem! It cannot be! It will not do! Jimmy Stark you have been officially summoned to Fleet Admiral DaShrimp's office. So all in all this one was pretty shrimping good and stuff \*smiles deviously bedazzlingly at her boyfriend who just entered the room in the most fortuitous way\* And there is perhaps a slight chance I might probably read the next instalment in the series. But my Jimmy better get his act together or else...» And the moral of this I Would Never Write A Single Negative Word about this Series Don't Be Ridiculous Now and by the Way Go Home You're Obviously Drunk Crappy Non Review (IWNWaSNWatSDBRNabtWGHYODCNR™) is: please Mr Kadrey Christal and I do a joint review of this book on Badass Book Reviews. James Stark aka Sandman Slim as well as many other names is one of my all-time favorite monsters... I mean hero! Kill City Blues is unfortunately the weakest book in the whole series. Sandman Slim has had so much in the past on the line and met all the challenges head on resulting in a point in the series that there seems to be nowhere else to go. The hunt leads Stark to an abandoned shopping mall-a multi-story copy of LA-infested with Lurkers and wretched bottomfeeding Sub Rosa families squatters who have formed tight tribes to guard their tiny patches of this fake LA. There are some genuinely spooky and nasty bits to this part of the story and the end where one of the old gods almost makes it through into our universe while the shopping mall is being swallowed up by the ocean quite spectacular. The problem is that this part finishes about a hundred pages before the end of the book so there's a bit more waffling about with Sandman Slim having to take a quick trip to Hell to rescue the soul of one of his team who got killed in the shopping mall. For all the running about and shooting and killing we feel that by the end of the story all that has happened is that the status quo has been retained and that much nothing has really changed. AH and I both loved this book and gave it 5 stars! James Sandman Slim Stark: AH: I think Stark has got to be one of the most badass characters I've encountered in urban fantasy. The Supporting Characters: Christal: Wow what did you think of the Tick Tock Man's creations? Christal: I totally want to see Kasabian's head on a Mosley body; that makes more sense than the hellhound. Very unique! AH: The research into the series is just amazing - did you know that the names of God's brothers are from Kabbalistic teachings? The names of God are the levels of the soul. Man that was intense! AH: The rescue scene from Hell near the end when Stark rescues Father Traven and leaves him in limbo I thought to myself that Stark really is a nice guy or as nice as Stark could be. Speaking of treasure the Qomrama Om Ya aka the Magic 8 Ball aka Stark's holy grail - what do you think will happen with it? Will the Angra come and destroy everything? Christal: I don't even want to guess. I can't wait to see what adventures are in store for Sandman Slim in the next book and to see how he continues to grow and adapt! Thank you to Edelweiss and Harper Voyager for providing an ARC copy of this book! 0062094599 This whole series to date has been fabulous. I like how the author sneaks in previous events in case you've forgotten how Sandman Slim's adventures all started and how far they have progressed in his current effort to save a dysfunctional world with dysfunctional deities.

I'd give it a five star because it's still a lot better than so many other similar-themed novels, I can't wait to see what happens next! 0062094599 Петата книга в серията се явява по-скоро стъпка встрани от основната линия на арката, Сякаш Кадни малко не е искал да прибързва със затварянето ѝ, Основната идея се развива чак във втората половина. Първите около двеста страници могат да се определят като скучни.

предпочитам си го тъп и палещ бързо убиец: Цялото нещо е като почивка преди големия финал на арката. Just a little something to distract you from that first paragraph that I didn't write and you didn't read. This isn't the best instalment in this most wondrous series so far. 0062094599 Now that was awesome! A book full of eccentric characters with attitude - Badass attitude: Speaking of Badass.

#5)Note: I finished this last night before crashing. I was not a happy camper when I realized the book was over: I'm going to let the story sit and write my review later: It started out so promising

and then it backpedaled sideways, Worst transition piece and perhaps my least favorite of the series, 0062094599 Whilst I enjoyed the book I would say it's more like a high 3 stars and that 4 stars is a bit generous. The reason for this was this book was just not as good as the other books in this series: The story just took too long to get to the meat - it meandered around for about half the page count: I like the Stark is starting to build a Scooby Gang and relying on others to watch his back, I still think Candy is a stand out but I really enjoyed seeing Stark and Kasabian's relationship evolve: That was hilarious and I could seriously see one of them going Ru-roh - sharp-toothed demons on your right or something like that: I'm hoping the next book has his head on a Trevor Mosely body, Speaking of Trevor Mosely.

While I will be the first to admit this is the weakest book of the series (so far) it is STILL a very fun novel: Why? We've got a de-powered Stark having to solve his own f\*\*k-ups after having been an idiot. After all such amazingly messed up choices should come with massive consequences and here we go, For those not in the know a MacGuffin quest is just finding some dumb object, In this case the object is Stark's Mystical Eight-Ball but it does come with some Existence-Shattering consequences: I only dock a star for the fact that it isn't as good as the prior novels. If I were truly fair ако не се наблюдаваше нещо което може би е интересно само на писателя в мен. Именно как изграждането на сложна и пълнокръвна вселена се изплаща на автора. Полето на действие е изоставен мол обитаван от нисши фамилии на Суб Роза паранормални същества и ужасии: Атмосферата е нещо като вертикална версия на Лудия Макс и доста ми допадна. Усилията му се оправдават до някъде когато получава информация че полудял призрак знае нещо, Проблема е че се намира под изоставен мол пълен с още по-откачени обитатели. Джими събира няколко стари приятели - Видок Бриджит Кенди и Отец Тревън и се засилва към прокълнатото място: Джими супява да бъде полуизкормен изгорен прострелян и почти разчленен. Новата амплоа на Старк макар да показва развитие на героя не ми хареса. Започва да мисли и не се оставя да го водят така лесно за носа а бруталността му е под контрол. I'm afraid we've now officially entered Been There Done That and All that Crap Land (BTDTaAtCL™): Actually no it feels like \*murmurs inaudibly\* less of the same and this instalment was a little you know boring and stuff just doesn't live up to the previous ones, It's not that bad bad BAAAAA AAAAD just a bit too Sandman Slim Lite for my impeccable book taste. There must be a problem with your shrimpy hearing aid or something. No matter what I just whispered is of no importance whatsoever so you didn't miss anything: All you need to know is that no matter what happens Sandman Slim is MINE MINE MINE ← this just in case you'd forgotten: Now about my boyfriend I just sent him on a last-minute homicidal errand in the Mariana's Trench so I could talk freely behind his appetizingly succulent behind back. I think I really need to change his daily drugs vitamins or something. Back to your fully-functional formerly stupendous self you shall be returned whether you want to or not! But let's not get alarmed unnecessarily my Lovely Decapods, My Jimmy Stark isn't yet as worthless as most some of you, I mean he still says stuff like:Hammering people up just makes them angry, If you want to permanently modify someone's attitude the thing to do is go full-tilt diabolical, [Oops Jimmy seems to be back from that killing-spree errand I sent him on already. I guess that's what fighting monsters in an arena in Hell for 11 years will do to you: Anyway I better stop whispering otherwise he might think something fishy is going on (he's the weirdly suspicious kind my boyfriend): Let's see if I can find some nice stuff to say about this \*mutters incomprehensibly\* slightly not fabulously fabulous instalment, ]This book is so full of awesome you wouldn't believe it! It's filled to the brim/jam-packed/crammed/whatever with it! It's so stuffed with the stuff it's literally exploding! Almost: First of all my boyfriend now has his very own Wikipedia entry: Okay so some assholes moderately annoying people keep adding crap to it but People-Guzzling Candy of the Beautifully Serrated Claws (PGCotBSC™) is on it so I'm not worried. Talking about my girlfriend it turns out she's a total Lucifer Samael fangirl which only makes me lurve her more (I have a thing for slightly hysterical groupies strangely enough). Kasabian is still the most deliciously and obnoxiously aggravating disembodied head ever: Check it out! I must admit that I had a goofy smile on my face

while reading Kill City Blues the fifth book in Richard Kadrey's Sandman Slim series, Kadrey's wit and dark sense of humor makes this series a favorite of mine. No detail is spared yet you never feel any sort of information overload, The bulk of the story takes place in a dark and gritty Los Angeles: There's Lucifer or rather the man in the Lucifer suit angels demons vampires good guys bad guys, You never really know who is going to mess with whom in this series. The lore is fascinating and the author's take on God Heaven and Hell equally so: There are a lot of characters to keep track of but it's worth it in the end: He's probably one of THE most badass characters I've encountered in urban fantasy: I love that all the characters have attitude - it makes it really hard to pick a favorite from the gang, In this book Stark and his gang are on the hunt for the Qomrama Om Ya or as Stark called it The Magic 8 Ball, This is a powerful artifact and has been kept well hidden. The gang embarks on an Indiana Jones-style adventure to Kill City a huge shopping mall and entertainment complex left abandoned after a building collapse, As they travel the various mall levels they are greeted by the denizens of the mall: Holy booby traps and scary critters! This is edge of your seat and action packed adventure! I love how the author's quirky observations of real life become part of the story: Samael (who used to be Lucifer) waxes poetic about donuts: "Charming. Did I invent these? They taste like something designed to destroy mortals from the inside out, "If you are a fan of dark urban fantasy give this series a try. What are you waiting for? Thank you to Edelweiss and Harper Voyager for a review copy of this book: These books are a very guilty pleasure of mine that makes me a very biased reviewer: Not only is the story thin the plot line weak our heroes also feel washed out and grey. That being said I still loved every minute of this book and ate up every word, As for the weakness and flaws this series is at a crux that it may not be able to overcome. Of course Kadrey could do like so many other authors and simply apply the rinse and repeat technique to cash in on its past success, I really hope that this is not the case for this series, In a nutshell not much really happens of any real merit until one of the final conversations of this book: I hope for our sake and for the future of Sandman Slim that Kadrey steers this series quickly into the realm broached by that end scene. I really cannot see any other end of the world scenario that would add anything new to this story: If you have not read the past books than the following quote does a nice job at describing our protagonist our anti-hero our Sandman Slim: ""But in a way Mason won. He wanted to destroy me and the one who went to Hell sure isn't who came out. I was James Stark going down but Sandman Slim when I left: Eleven years of torture and fighting in the arena to entertain monsters will alter your perspective on life. Flashing on the place even for a second makes me furious and sometimes afraid and sometimes ashamed of both those things. On the plus side I got up close and personal with the killer inside me. Doc Kinski called me a natural-born killer so now it's what I do, But I don't always like it and when I do I don't always like myself for liking it: It's the shithole bottom of the universe but it's a place where you'll learn more about yourself than you ever wanted to know: "Sandman Slim is among my favorite series and one that I easily give my highest recommendations. These books are the perfect cross between main stream action movies and a horror filled world where the hero is one of the scariest monsters of all, 0062094599 Richard Kadrey is a writer and freelance photographer living in San Francisco best known for his Sandman Slim novels. His newest novels are {site\_link} The Everything Box released April 19 2016 and {site\_link} The Perdition Score (Sandman Slim #8) released on June 28 2016, Richard Kadrey is a writer and freelance photographer living in San Francisco best known for his Sandman Slim novels. His newest novels are {site\_link} The Everything Box released April 19 2016 and {site\_link} The Perdition Score (Sandman Slim #8) released on June 28 2016: {site\_link} James Stark aka Sandman Slim has managed to get out of Hell renounce his title as the new Lucifer and settle back into life in LA. Somewhere along the way he misplaced the Qomrama Om Ya a weapon from the banished older gods who are also searching for their lost power. Somewhere in the kill zone of the former mall is a dead man with the answers Stark needs, All Stark has to do is find the dead man get back out alive and outrun some angry old gods-and a few killers-on his tail: The older gods are still waiting to break through and Sandman Slim and his scooby gang are the only thing between them and our universe. Having said all that to a certain extent the plot in this kind of story is rather irrelevant as we come

here to read about the characters: They all get a good workout in this story and you really get the feeling that they will all work together to save our universe when the time comes. And that time is coming as I really got the feeling for the first time that this is a finite story and that end is not that far off: 0062094599 Being afraid is one of the realities of existence, Some of my favorite monsters heroes are Prince Honourous Jorg Ancrath from Prince of Thorns and Darrow from Red Rising, I am accepting the fact that I am aspiring to be Sandman Slim and possessing his colorful vocabulary: Read this -The Beverly Wilshire Hotel is so posh it gives the Taj Mahal a hard-on: In this book Sandman Slim is very keen on protecting the world from the old gods who want to wipe out the universe and start fresh. Everybody has regrets but most people use their souls about as often as they floss which is usually two days before they go to the dentist. Additionally he has an interesting take on hope - Funny thing about hope, "However the madness continuous and the author is able to maintain till book 5: If you want to permanently modify someone's attitude the thing to do is go full-tilt diabolical: Finally in order to keep the tradition alive I would like to thank Milda Page Runner for the sensational recommendation: 0062094599 See this review and others like it at BadassBookReviews: com!Christal and AH's Review - 5 Skulls - A+Kill City Blues was a definite high point in a consistently entertaining and slightly disturbing series. Christal: Lol nice one! I agree Stark is hardcore and doesn't seem to be afraid of anything, I think he really grew in this novel and it was the first time we have seen him willingly depend on others: ;- )The World Building:AH: The world building is so intricately constructed. No details are spared yet as a reader you never feel like there is an information overload: Christal:I agree I love how real this series is -- you can just picture every place that Stark visits. Kadrey combined the typical rings of hell with his own version of a mirrored L, Kind of odd how God is depicted in almost schizophrenic terms but it makes sense in this world. Christal: I didn't know that but now it makes so much sense. I am interested to meet the other brothers and see what they are like compared to the brothers we've already met: I'm especially looking forward to a meeting between Stark and Ruarch, The Plot:AH: This book has got to be one of the best reads so far this year. One of my favorite scenes had to be at the beginning where Samael Stark and Candy are enjoying donuts, Samael ponders the donut and wonders if he invented them to destroy mortals from the inside out, Kadrey carried the joke later into the book with Samael only staying for dinner if there are no donuts. I think my favorite scene was probably the group adventure through Kill City mall. Instinctually I knew that Stark would probably be okay but that someone else probably wouldn't make it but I was not prepared for the emotional impact of the ending. Christal: Completely agree he really does have a heart of gold deep deep down: Muninn were a nice resolution for everything that happened in Kill City, AH: For some reason during the Kill City scenes I felt like we were in the middle of an Indiana Jones adventure complete with booby traps scary critters and even a treasure. Kadrey always takes what I think will happen and then twists it into something completely unexpected: I have faith in Stark though I think he and Candy will both go down fighting in the end no matter what they are up against. :) So call it a 4.5 star. Да видим. 0062094599 Actual rating: 3.5 stars. Such a pathetically low rating. I should be ashamed of myself and stuff.Okay. I can do this. Of course I can. You are quite welcome.So. Let's be disgustingly honest here. Nope nope nope. Nuh-huh. Not me. Certainly not. Grrr. It was like a reunion and I kind of loved it.AH: I loved that you referred to them as the Scooby gang. I loved Candy too - so fierce! Kasabian made me laugh. This is NOT a dealbreaker. But for the rest of the novel? Well. it IS funny. And weird. And a very creative ride. BUT. It just feels like more of the same. You can't? Really? That's so sad. Cunning little me is so cunning and stuff. Reformed you shall be.See? Hope springs eternal and stuff. Damn he is efficient. Now if that isn't utterly cool I don't know what is. Also I ♥ tentacles tee shirts. And Texas Chainsaw Psychobillies. And bra clasps IQ tests. And Psycho-fuck pint-sized ninjas. And furniture breaking as a bedroom contact sport always. Possibly. No one writes dark urban fantasy like Richard Kadrey. The world of Sandman Slim is so intricately constructed. Hell is the convergent version of L.A. and is referred to as "Downtown."A lot of research went into this world and it shows. The characters are probably the highlight of this series. Stark or Sandman Slim is irreverent. The characters that surround Stark are always interesting. 0062094599 3 StarsI

love Sandman Slim and Richard Kadrey. I cannot spend enough time in the world of Sandman Slim. This was a fun summer read for me. It is a victim of its own success. Most nights I still dream about Hell. I can feel it inside me. It's in the stink of my sweat. I learned I was good at taking lives. That's what Hell is. But he's not out of trouble yet. Kill City Blues (Sandman Slim things really picked up. I can't wait to read it. These guys have some serious competition from Sandman Slim. As usual no need to comment on plot and characters. And he is not filled with regret. And don't tell me regret is all about having a soul. It seldom works out. That's why they gave it a stupid name like "hope. Hammering people up just makes them angry. I love his devil-may-care attitude (pun definitely intended). The Trevor Mosley clones were a bit creepy. especially the one that thought he was a real boy. The animals now those had definite possibilities. I might fight Candy for a Tick Tock Pikachu. The writer did all of his research. I love Kadrey's version of Hell - Downtown LA. It's a dirty gritty world. I liked that Mr.A. Richard Kadrey writes amazing urban fantasy. Christal: Ha I liked that scene too; I also like how Mr. The rescue and eventual compromise with Mr. Mr. Can't wait to read the next one. 0062094599

