

Nathan's Run: A Novel *by* John Gilstrap



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Twelve-year-old Nathan, an escapee from a juvenile detention center who has been accused of killing a guard, becomes the center of a national dialogue on violent youth crime, the object of a nationwide manhunt, and the target of a professional killer. A first novel. 100,000 first printing. \$200,000 ad/promo. Tour.



Reviews of the *Nathan's Run: A Novel* *by* John Gilstrap

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Fun, quick read that kept my interest and had me rooting for Nathan to evade the folks who were trying to capture him. He was such a sweet kid, and I liked his interactions with Denise, the radio host. What I didn't like was the abrupt ending. I went to the author's website and read the alternate ending, but wasn't crazy about that one either, although I am glad that Nathan ended up with the 'good guy,' since that was what I was hoping would happen. I also wish there was more detail about the destruction of the career of that idiot politician, Petrelli.

Fenrikree

After reading all of John Gilstrap's Jonathan Grave novels and now reading Nathan's Run it was easy to recognize the author's development of characters and style right from the beginning of his writing career. This book was definitely not a disappointment nor a second rate novel compared to his others written since. First rate writing right from the beginning!

Kare

**** BEWARE, SPOILERS AHEAD ****

What a page-turning, heart-thumping thrill ride this book was! My empathy factor was off the charts as I read about poor Nathan and the trials that seemed to constantly befall him. By the end (and a reminder that this is a big spoiler so stop reading now if you don't want to know... Seriously, stop now... Still reading?? Okay, but you were warned), I was crying right along with Warren and Nathan as they sat on the kerb. This was an exceedingly well-written thriller, and I have come to realise that this is obviously the norm for Mr Gilstrap! Definite 5 star book!!!

Dagdarad

Decent plot, well written, good character development. A little long for the amount of events in the story. For me, a small plot story like this needs to be believable which, for the most part, this one was. Some of the killings and the final shoot out stretched believability to the max. Otherwise, i thought it was a very well written and enjoyable read.

Andromakus

A roller coaster ride with an unusual premise. A 12 year old murderer is on the run, but was his killing justified? And what was the rationale behind his initial imprisonment in juvenile detention? John Gilstrap does a great job in his first best seller.

Mr.mclav

This is a suspenseful story of a kid on the run, and when the story sticks to Nathan it's first-rate, but not so much when it focuses on the antics of the story's adults. The long ending and eventual resolution of the "good guys vs. the bad guys" was not anywhere as strong as the earlier telling of Nathan's original dilemma or when the developing plot was detailing his efforts to evade capture while on the run - from Nathan's perspective. All in all a good read and I especially loved reading the story in "Nathan's voice", which the author did brilliantly.

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Uste

I had not heard of the author before picking up Hostage Zero a few weeks ago, but after reading it I was hooked. So I immediately started looking for the author's early works. I ordered Nathan's Run not knowing what to expect from review -- a book about a 12 year old kid? Hmmm, okay I'll give it a try. It drew me in from the first page and wound up finishing the book in two days. Absolutely loved it. A different story than most of the suspense/mystery book. No traditional terrorists to battle, but the bad guys were even worse because they were picking on a little kid. Now off to find a few more books from John Gilstrap,

I gave just discovered John Gilstrap in the last six months. Thanks, Amazon, for making the suggestion. His books are well written, tightly plotted, and populated with believable characters, I have bought all of his books and have rationed them out, keeping myself from reading them all at once! Thanks, Amazon, for making it possible to find old works.

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