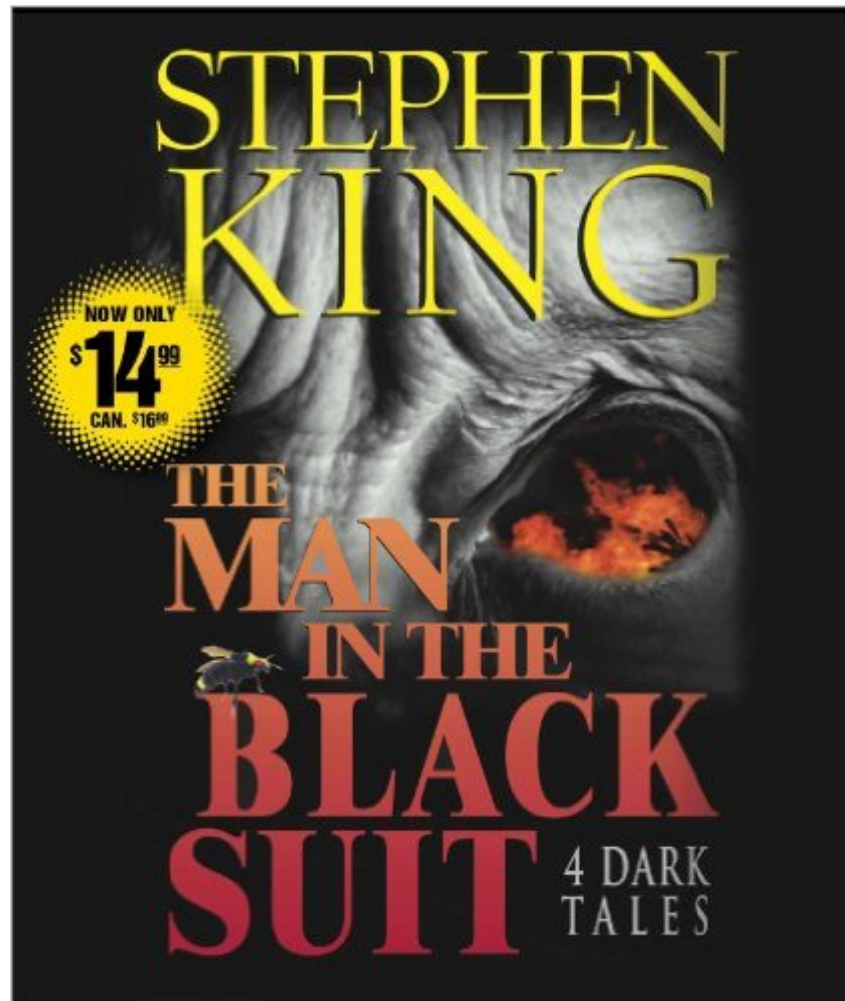


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The Man In The Black Suit : 4 Dark Tales



Synopsis

An intense, eerie, and instantly compelling collection of unabridged stories from Stephen Kingânow available from Encore for a great value!"The face of the man in the black suit grows ever clearer, ever closer, and I remember every word he said. I don't want to think of him, but I can't help it, and sometimes at night my old heart beats so hard and so fast I think it will tear itself right clear of my chest." A haunting recollection of a mysterious boyhood event, *The Man in Black Suit* read by John Cullum, leads off this masterful collection from Stephen King. Other dark tales include: *All That You Love Will Be Carried Away* read by Peter Gerety, in which a man checks into a Lincoln, Nebraska Motel 6 to find meaning in his life; *That Feeling, You Can Only Say What It Is* in French read by Becky Ann Baker presents the ultimate case of dÃ©jÃ vu; and *The Death of Jack Hamilton* read by Arliss Howardâa blistering tale of Depression-era outlaws on the run. Whether about encounters with the dead, the near dead, or about the mundane drudgery of lifeâStephen King's *The Man In The Black Suit: Four Dark Tales* is not to be missed.

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Customer Reviews

The first story "The Man In The Black Suit" tells a dark edged tale laced with grief and centers around a young boy and his fear of losing his Mom. Out fishing one day a boy has a run-in with the devil who attempts to take advantage of his fear. It manages to be creepy, funny, and heartbreaking and the characters come to vivid life. This is a story I'll be rereading before passing along. Next up is "All That You Love Will Be Carried Away" about a suicidal traveling salesman with a quirky habit of collecting little snippets of bathroom graffiti in a notebook. As he contemplates suicide and the

trauma it (and the discovery of his odd collection) will have on his wife and young daughter (he has no clue . . .) he reviews his favorites for what may or may not be the last time. This was a downright gloomy story filled with despair and near hopelessness about a lonely life spent on the road. There's an itty bitsy glimmer of hope at the very end and the emotion felt very real but I wish I hadn't "read" this one in such an intimate format. I can deal with gloominess, darkness and all the grossness you can splatter at me but a suicidal father is something I never, ever wish to read about if I can avoid it. "The Death of Jack Hamilton" takes a step back in time. It's all about a gang of bank robbers, one who is gravely wounded, running from the law. I'm not a big fan of this sort of thing but King's writing voice managed to hold my attention. His characters are full of color and wit even when facing down death. It's also very gruesome. It's a good thing I have a cast iron stomach because I not so brilliantly insisted upon listening to the bullet removal scene while eating lunch. E[...] . .

Stephen King's 'The Man in the Black Suit' is a collection of 4 short stories from his book 'Everything's Eventual'. As with all Stephen King audio books, these stories are unabridged. The first story, 'The Man in the Black Suit', tells the tale from an elder man's perspective of his encounter with the devil when he was a young child. The story is well told. At 9 years of age, he sets out on a fishing trip by himself, John Cullum does wonderful voice work in this audio book. The second story, 'All That You Love Will Be Carried Away', is about a traveling salesman by the name of Alfie. Alfie is a man obsessed with the graffiti he reads in rest area bathroom stalls. Much of the story is poems you would find there. At times it seems as if this work may be Stephen King's excuse to show off his prowess in these toilet poems. The story premise is of a man's world as he contemplates his final thoughts on his upcoming motel room suicide and how it will reflect on him and his loved ones. The third story, and perhaps the most engaging one, is about John Dillinger and his friend, Jack Hamilton. In 'The Death of Jack Hamilton', Dillinger and his gang are on the run from the FBI, when Jack Hamilton is shot and wounded. What follows is the continued adventure of their attempted escape and nurturing of Dillinger's close friend, Jack, in his final days. I am not sure how historically accurate the story is, or whether the author intended it to be, but the story does a good job with it's entertaining details. The fourth story was one I had trouble with. While the story telling was good, it still disappointed. Carol and Bill are on their way to their second honeymoon. Carol encounters an incredible amount of dÃ©jÃ vu's.

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