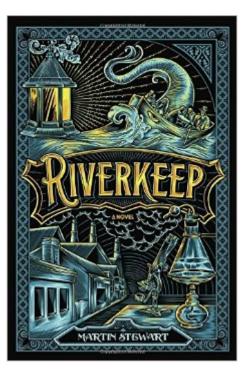
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Book Information

Hardcover: 416 pages Publisher: Viking Books for Young Readers (July 26, 2016) Language: English ISBN-10: 1101998296 ISBN-13: 978-1101998298 Product Dimensions: 5.9 x 1.3 x 8.6 inches Shipping Weight: 1.2 pounds (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 3.7 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (6 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #218,919 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #25 in Books > Teens > Literature & Fiction > Social & Family Issues > Family > Stepfamilies #60 in Books > Children's Books > Growing Up & Facts of Life > Family Life > Stepfamilies #305 in Books > Teens > Literature & Fiction > Boys & Men Age Range: 12 and up Grade Level: 7 and up

Customer Reviews

Riverkeep looked like a unique epic fantasy: magic, monsters, a heroâ ™s journey which takes place on the water. While the book is loaded with the fantastical, it has its ups and downs. On the freezing waters of the Danek river, Wulliam and his pappa, the Riverkeep, keep the river clear for travelers. When his father is overtaken by a parasitic creature, Wulliam, whoâ ™s never left home and had no other human contact besides his father and the local mortician, decides to go on a quest to save him. The cure may lie in the body of a mythical sea beast. Crazy as it may sound, this idea had me, hook, line, and sinker. (Pun intended.) The world building is cinematic. From the ice-thick river to the grimy, dangerous towns in the world of Oracco, I couldnâ [™]t help wondering what Riverkeep would look like as a movie. Itâ [™]s broad in scope, tackling several plots and weaving them into a truly epic story. Usually I shy away from comparisons to other authors, but I could feel the Neil Gaiman and Patrick Ness vibes from the bookâ ™s blurb.Martin Stewartâ ™s writing is fluid and poetic. His take on how magic works in Riverkeepâ [™]s world was fascinating; the details were well thought out. Thereâ [™]s also an overall humor in the story in spite of its not-for-the-faint-of-heart imagery of gore and violence. We are even given glimpses of the sea beastâ [™]s point of view.While on his guest, Wull reluctantly helps an eclectic cast of characters: a stowaway called Mix, a young woman named Remedie who has a strange baby, and the standout being a man called Tillinghast. He has a strange past, and heâ [™]s strange himself, but heâ [™]s bawdy and funny. Wull, while a sympathetic character, could get whiny, BUT when he had to fight, he was ready and capable of doing so.

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