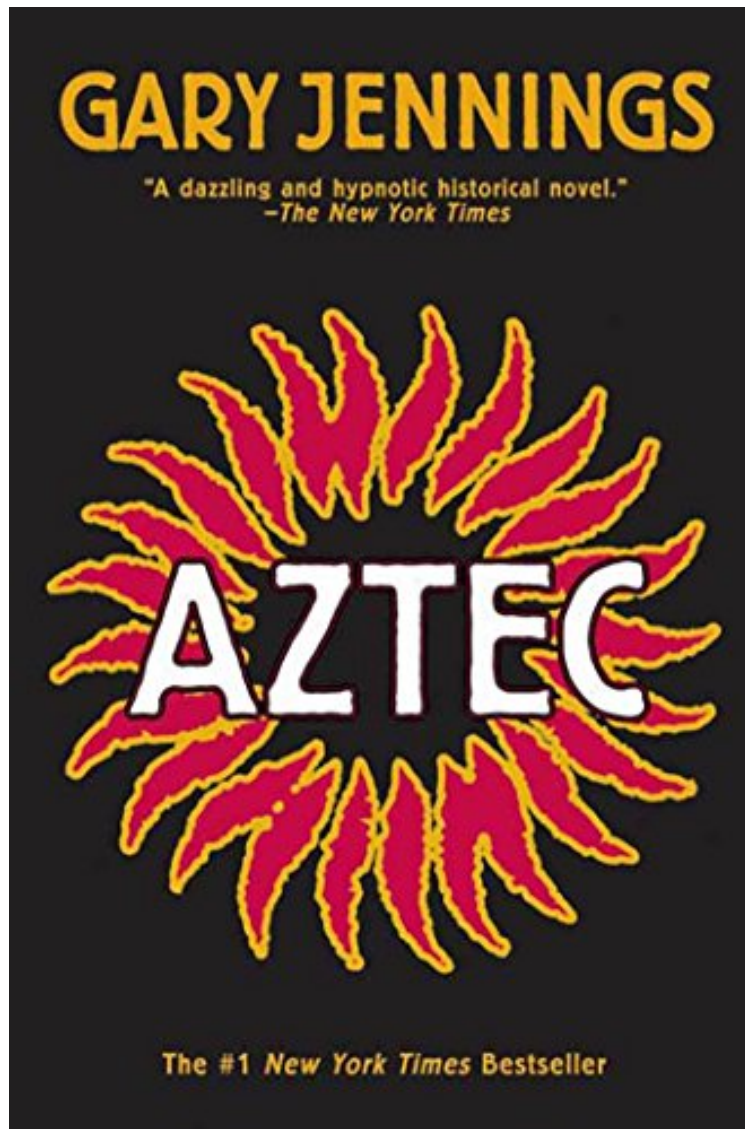


## Aztec

Von Gary Jennings

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**Von Gary Jennings : Aztec** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Aztec:

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. The best 1000 pages around!Von Michael A. NewmanThis book was about 1000 pages long and I wish it didn't end. It was so good. Considering that the history of Mexico is something many Americans know or care little about, I would highly recommend this book to change those perceptions.Had a man like Mixtli been in charge, perhaps Spanish would not

have been the language of Mexico today. The main character Mixtli is so deep and his perceptions of things around him are so engrossing. What he accomplished during his lifetime (if he were not fictionalized) would be greater than anyone in history. I have read *The Journeyer and Raptor* (both phenomenal in their own right) also by Mr. Jennings and see a lot of recurring themes. His main character is a wanderer that meets all the great people of the era and experiences all of life's pleasures and horrors from human sacrifice to incest to homosexuality. Most of these topics can make us cringe but Mr. Jennings has a way of making these things sound provocative and compelling. His descriptions of events seem to always consist of just the right number of words.

1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. The Rise and Fall of a great Empire a captivating tale told by a born storyteller Von Peter Berlin This is the second novel I have read by Gary Jennings. I enjoy reading but I came across this author by mere chance. I am sorry that I have not read his novels before. The first novel that got me hooked on the author is *The Journeyer* his take on the travels of Marco Polo. That I thought was one of the best historical novels I have ever read. If you enjoy Ken Follett's better novel and enjoy historical fiction, you should definitely give *The Journeyer* a try. Or try this one. This is just as excellent. It is the story of Mixtli, an Aztec and his rise from humble beginnings to the very top of society and down again mirrors the rise and fall of the Aztec Empire. Only the last fifth of the novel tells how it all came down because of the Spanish conquistadores. The bulk of the novel tells Mixtli's meteoric rise to the top level of this society and the author comes up with an excellent story to tell Mixtli's rise and tell the reader about life in the Aztec empire. At the end of his life Mixtli is the only one left to tell King Carlos of Spain about the Aztec Empire before the Spanish arrived. King Carlos orders someone to be found who can tell about this period. There is only one person left, anyone else is either dead because of the small pox or killed in battle against the Spanish. So Mixtli is more than happy to tell his story so the Spanish King knows more about that Empire that was destroyed in his name and which consequently made Spain so rich. So the background is quite dramatic how did the mighty empire come into existence and how could it crumble so fast? Mixtli tells King Carlos and thus the reader about life and culture before the Spanish. It is a great story, wonderfully told, that kept constantly surprising me. The Aztecs are presented with all their foibles, including the human sacrifices, but then the Spanish inquisition was just as efficient and just as cruel killing people. Not to mention the cruelties and atrocities committed by the Spanish in the name of the Lord and Virgin Mary. And once they were done with the Aztec Empire, there was hardly any left to tell the story. This is an amazing novel, so much worth-reading. A page-turner in the best sense of the word cleverly written, with a fascinating plot and rich on insights in human nature. 5 stars do this novel hardly enough credit it towers so much above all the mediocre novels I have read recently. Run, don't walk to get hold of this novel. I admire the style the novel is written in and I highly recommend this book to anyone who likes an excellent read. I am more than curious to read more by this great author. If you found my review helpful, please click on the button below. Thank you for your help.

1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. incredibly written novel, surpasses any other in its genre Von Ein Kunde The almost endless adventures of a man and his people, from his point of view. Mixtli starts out fairly low on the strata of Aztec society and through lucky events throughout his life, reached a high social standing usually unattainable by a person of his beginnings. Everything about this book is perfect if you like or even dislike reading (I used to hate reading until I read this novel). It will take you to another world, another reality and leave you there for a time afterward. You can't help thinking about it at least once a day even after years. The characters are rich, they almost become your friends rather than some fictional person. The book is so vivid it's as if you're watching a three-dimensional movie in full color using tech. not even dreamed of today. Love, violence, lots of humor and tragedy are omnipotent, a book you will read over and over again

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