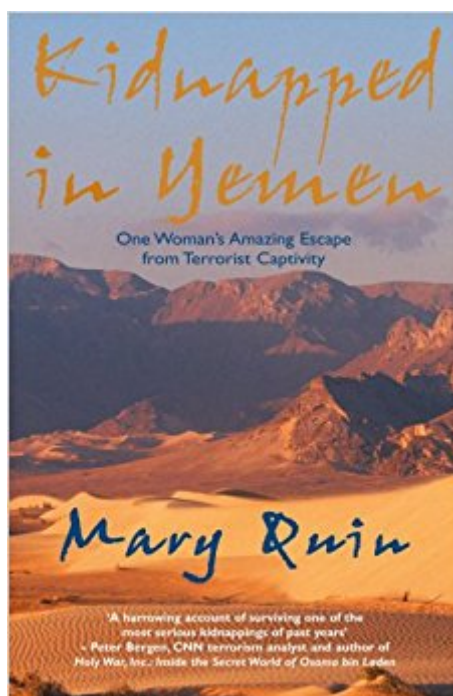


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Kidnapped In Yemen: One Woman's Amazing Escape From Terrorist Captivity



Synopsis

A groundbreaking book about a woman's kidnapping by Islamic extremists in Yemen. In Kidnapped in Yemen, Xerox executive Mary Quin details her experiences as an avid traveller and women's rights advocate — a fulfilling life that led to a tour of Yemen, one of the most conservative Islamic countries in the world. But soon after her arrival, the exotic vacation quickly turned into a nightmare of ambush and captivity, violence and imminent death. She and 15 fellow tourists had been used as human shields in a terrifying gun battle between the Aden-Abyan Islamic Army and Yemeni troops. When the shooting stopped, four hostages and three kidnappers were dead. At the moment when Quin ripped an AK-47 from the hands of a wounded kidnapper and made her escape in the Yemeni desert, she knew her life could never be the same. Mary found herself preoccupied with trying to understand why the kidnapping occurred. Her fascinating personal journey through murky militant Islam and clandestine terrorist groups led her back to Yemen to try to piece together the puzzle. Kidnapped in Yemen is the unforgettable first-hand account of this remarkable woman's unusual story of curiosity, survival and healing.

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Customer Reviews

Mary Quin holds a Ph.D. in physics from Northwestern University and an MBA from Harvard. After an 18-year career in corporate America, she is starting a new company in Anchorage, Alaska.

The author is an extremely interesting, fearless and adventuresome woman. The entire book is a

most interesting read, cover to cover.

A grand read!!

AN UPDATE to Mary Quin's (no relation) powerful story: Abu Hamza al-Masri, the London-based imam, was subsequently tried and convicted in UK courts for terrorist activity, and served a few years time (I believe the offenses were more locally-based there rather than involving Ms. Quin). Subsequently, as reported last night (Sunday, Oct. 2, 2016) on CBS' "60 Minutes" with an interview of Mary Quin, based in large measure on her post-kidnap investigations and information obtained, Abu Hamza al-Masri was extradited to the US and tried and convicted in SDNY federal court in New York and, in Jan. 2015, sentenced to life in federal prison for, inter alia, his activities in the planning and encouraging of the kidnapping of the tourists in Yemen, including Mary Quin. He resides in the Supermax prison in Florence, Colorado. Huzzah for Mary Quin!

The first few chapters of the book are gripping as Mary Quinn recounts the rescue attempt by the Yemen army, -- using no less artillery for a "surgical" rescue of several western tourists kidnapped by Islamic extremists. It also provides good advice as how one may survive a highly volatile kidnap incident; however the remainder of the book is of limited value as Mary Quinn recounts how the experience changed the direction of her personal life and the prosecution of her kidnappers.

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