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Girls Love American Men In The Philippines



Synopsis

Filipinos love to party, and so does Buford Perry! This is a profane and hilarious travel tale from an aging roughneck who abandons the frozen oil fields of North Dakota to dive head-first into the tropical culture of the Philippine Islands. Meeting his teenage fiancee for the first time at Cebu Airport, the author plunges himself into a non-stop bacchanalia laced with sweet sex and Red Horse beer. With a fat paycheck in his pocket and a dozen prospective in-laws willing to participate in whatever mad folly our hero will pay for, the revelry never stops. From helping his Filipino "family" crash the pool at an exclusive resort hotel that caters to westerners, to immersing himself in the youthful night-time crowd at the Sinulog festival--where he's the only white face in sight, Buford takes the reader on a tour of the Philippines as few Americans will ever see them. Along with beautiful young women and uproarious behavior, the author gives his readers some keen observations and crude philosophy. The best quotes are too obscene to include here, but this is one of the cleaner samples, fresh from Buford's pen: "...by historical standards, my desire to wine and dine a teenage Filipina is despicable—•but not because of the age of the girl. It's despicable for not being manly enough to pass muster. What warlord ever addressed his men before the gates of a city and said, 'Okay guys, let's batter down the walls and go in there and throw some money around and see if maybe some of the girls will take their panties off for us!'" For the most part this story is a rollicking adventure. Yet on the flight over, Buford speaks of his fear that he might not like the girl when he meets her: "If I have to dump her, it will break my heart. In all my time on earth, I have always been the sexual underdog. I have always been the beggar, trying to convince a woman to accept my woo. My heart has taken 10,000 punches, yet I can't seem to deliver one." After he's been in Cebu City for a few days, he begins to feel maybe he's taking advantage of the local people. In a conversation with a British expatriate who lives there, Buford is told: "You Americans always want to do the right thing. You make yourselves miserable here. Just relax and enjoy yourself, and you'll do fine." When Buford continues to sip beer and struggle with his conscience, the expat mocks him with the opposite advice: "Then give everyone everything they want. Give them everything they ask for until you don't have any money anymore. Then you can go home feeling like a saint." Beyond the wisdom and philosophy, Buford offers the reader some twisted lessons in Filipino history. Telling the story of Magellan's death in the Philippines in 1521, he says: "...they loaded up 50 Spaniards and a couple of hundred Cebu warriors and went over to Mactan to find King Lapu-Lapu. It wasn't hard to locate the guy. He was standing around near the end of the runway of Mactan-Cebu International Airport with 1500 angry men in war-paint backing him up.

Also he was 20 feet tall and cut like Arnold Schwarzenegger in his body-building prime, according to his statue."For those who don't mind the profanity, this book is a fast-flowing amusement that leaves the reader wanting more. It's an excellent first effort by a new author, well worthy of the reader's time and attention.

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Customer Reviews

This is a coming-of-middle-age tale of an American hoping to find the Holy Grail in an island paradise. He is able to handle moral ambiguity, which is necessary in the Philippines where nothing is as it seems - not even the scammers. He delves headlong into the Filipino culture with his "go-to-hell-and-i'm-coming with-you" attitude and, wonder of wonders, he is able to deal with betrayal and understand where it's coming from. This is a rollicking, "go-to-hell-and-I'm-coming-with-you" travelogue I recommend to anyone hoping to escape the Feministas of USA. It's a hell of a ride and Buford is on the front lines. I have lived in the Philippines for two years and I assure you he is spot on.

The first book in the series... I'm on the 3rd one now and loved every one of them! Lots of great insights into Filipino culture that kept me laughing in recognition all the way through :) I've been coming to the Philippines for the last 10 years and I can tell you that Buford really nails it! GREAT BOOK!!!

Good interesting information about life and love with a young Filipina girl. Gives good highlights about how families live there and rely on vacationing men to support them.

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I have allot of respect for anyone who goes to the Philippines looking for marriage. You have to give him credit for his honesty throughout the book. It may be too raw for some, but atleast he doesn't try to hide his true feelings or intentions. He handles the breakup rather well. I've been to the Philippines three times, been married to two Filipinas. I've seen and experienced much of the same. If you've been to the Philippines and enjoy reading about other Fil/Am relationships, I would recommend this book.

Girls Love American Men in The Philippines is written as a baker's dozen of journal entries penned by the author, Buford Perry, from December 2014 to January 2015. In the first entry, we meet Buford as he is sweating bullets while being detained by the Canadian Border Patrol. At first, I was afraid the rest of the book would be written from Cell Block C of Dorchester Penitentiary, but fortunately our protagonist manages to avoid getting locked up. Next, we learn a little about the author and how he meets a young, attractive Filipino girl on the internet. While many men chat with charming young women online and let themselves fantasize about hooking up with them, Buford actually takes the step to get on a plane and go to the Philippines to meet his girl. For the men that have never taken that step, his story might seem unbelievable, but for those of us who have been there, it's not at all hard to believe. I don't want to spoil too much for the you, but from the time he arrived in the Philippines, his girl and her family sees him as their very own personal walking ATM, which in reality is a fairly standard practice for the old Western man/young Filipina scenario, but don't feel sorry for Buford. He's not some naive dummy. He knows what he wants and clearly understands what it takes to get it. I enjoyed this book and look forward to reading Buford Perry's next book.

Enjoyable read. Definitely "raw" language. I loved that tone, but some may find it off-putting. Very good writing style, easy to follow. Only criticism is that it's written in date to date diary style and leaves out a few days here and there. One day ends and you expect to read how [insert situation here] resolves itself the next day. The reader is left completely hanging this way a few times.

This is a very funny book, and I loved reading it. Every man has his own agenda, so I won't begrudge him his. He goes about things much different than I would, but that's his life and his style. His writing style is very funny, and so are the ways he looks at love, lust and life. It's funny enough that if he writes a 2nd book, I'll read that one too. He looks to marry a girl 40 years his junior (like that could be a problem), and already he is planning for the inevitable divorce; even before he meets her. Sometimes he seems like he is trying to buy an appliance, and is checking to see when the warranty will run out. The family and girl have their own agenda's, so it's no wonder they treat him like a walking wallet. I've found the Filipino people among the most hospitable happy people around. Marriage to one can be great, but requires a whole lot more respect than his agenda allows for. a marriage is a partnership, and to work, need to be based on a lot more than just sex. But I highly recommend reading this book, especially if you have been to the Philippines. You'll laugh like crazy at all the way he looks at everything, and crazy things that happens as a result.

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