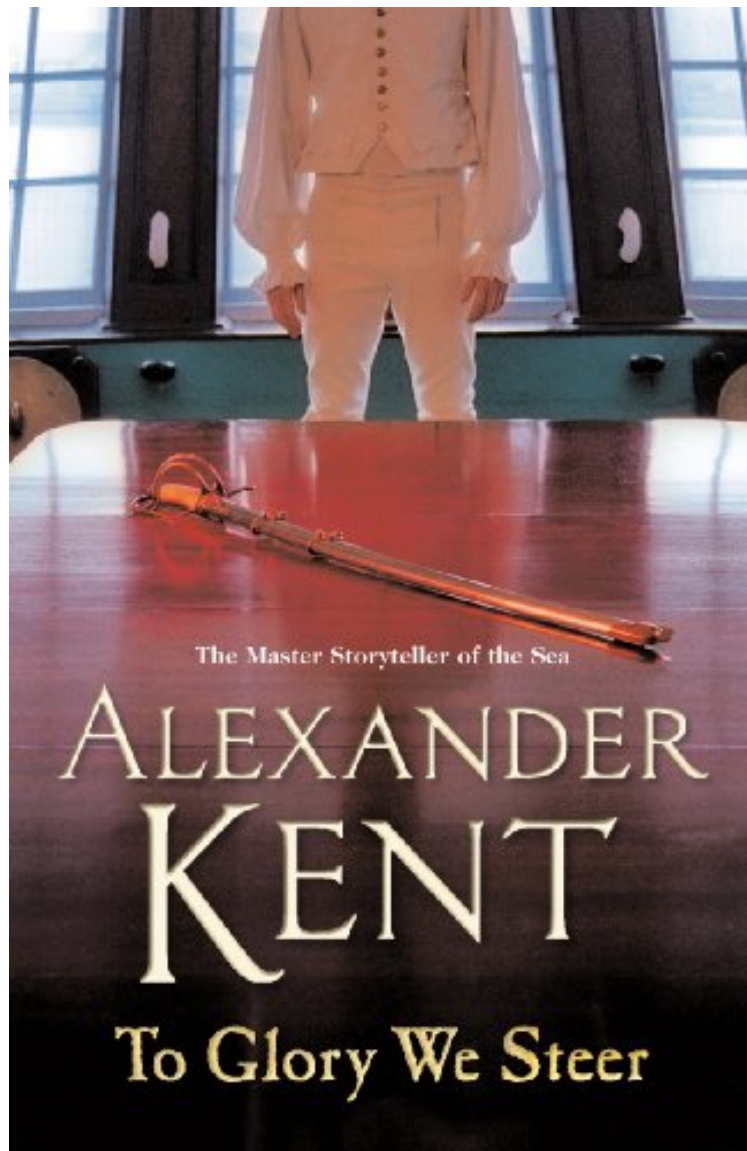


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. On the Uproll, Fire!Von Kevin F. KileyI have read the Alexander Kent bolitho series since I was in college. I personally think them superior to the Hornblower series, and they undoubtedly are the best of the genre. Exciting, accurate, well-

written, and full of adventure against enemy and sea, they give a superb picture of life and warfare at sea in the age of sail. This volume is my favorite. Kent knows his business regarding both seamanship and ships, and leadership, both routine and in combat. He has created a world that encompasses heroes and villains, veterans and neophytes, graceful frigates and ponderous ships of the line, and the darting sloops and brigs that did most of the dirty work. The characters are unforgettable, from Richard Bolitho, Thomas Herrick who becomes his friend and loyal 1st Lieutenant, to Captain Rennie of the ship's marine detachment. And of course, there is John Allday, veteran seaman, pressed man, and who becomes perhaps Bolitho's closest friend. The ship herself is a main character, and no one who ever reads this book will forget the frigate HMS Phalarope. To those who 'go down to the sea in ships' the vessels themselves are alive, which undoubtedly they are, and this frigate is unforgettable, gallant, and as enduring as her crew. This novel is superb, a tale of high deeds, mutiny, loyalty, friendship, and the horror of combat. Read in conjunction with Robert Gardiner's factual, well illustrated books on the age of sail, they are an unbeatable combination. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Mutiny, betrayal and battle in the West Indies in the 1780's Von Donal A. O'Neill Though Richard Bolitho is old enough and experienced enough to be taking on his first frigate command as this book opens, it is in fact the first of the Bolitho novels to have been published. A tyrannical previous captain has driven the crew to the edge of mutiny and as Bolitho sails for the West Indies for the closing stages of the American War of Independence his own crew is as much a threat to him as is the enemy. A skilfully handled American Privateer almost brings Bolitho's career to a premature end and the identity of its captain is such as to rub salt in the wound. Despite all, Bolitho battles back with courage, indomitability and humane leadership and forges his crew and ship into a single weapon that comes victoriously through the decisive Battle of the Saintes, the last of the war. One stalwart supporter of Bolitho makes his exit in glory while another, Allday, makes his first appearance in a most dramatic way. All the best features of the other novels in the series - convincing characterisation, absorbing technical detail, exciting action sequences and a strong plot line - are apparent in this earliest-published adventure. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Another outstanding seafaring adventure Von Ironmike Mr Kent delivers another classic account of Richard Bolitho and his adventures. A well written and detailed tale of sea battles, workings of the British ship at war, the customs, the dangers. The characters are great and the plot is superb. I recommend all of Kent's Bolitho series, you won't be disappointed.

Kurzbeschreibung The time is January 1782, and British Captain Richard Bolitho is ordered to take the frigate Phalarope to the Caribbean, where the hard-pressed royal squadrons are fighting for their lives against the combined fleets of France and Spain and the upstart American privateers. It should have been a proud moment for so young and junior a captain - but the Phalarope has already been driven to near mutiny and she is regarded with shame and suspicion. But Bolitho is no ordinary man. His determination is blended with humanity, and his efforts to give the ship back her pride mark him apart from his contemporaries. As the little frigate sails under the blazing sun and fights her inner battles as well as faces the bloody broadsides of the enemy, Bolitho spares neither himself nor his men - and in the final great battle of the Saintes the chance comes to prove what both he and the Phalarope can achieve. From Library Journal This trio, published in 1972, 1973, and 1968, respectively, offer more of the briny adventures of Richard Bolitho as he sails the seas during the late 18th century. LJ's reviewers found *Sloop* to be a "rousing novel" (LJ 12/1/72), while Kent himself was praised as the "worthy successor to C.S. Forester" (LJ 7/68). For all collections that like their adventure stories served with a pinch of salt. Copyright 1998 Reed Business Information, Inc. Pressestimmen One of our foremost writers of naval fiction. Sunday Times