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#### **Editorial Review**

#### From Publishers Weekly

Starred Review. Forensic blood-spatter analyst Dexter Morgan is a nice guy who enjoys his job, but what he'd rather be doing is killing people. In this follow-up to 2001's Darkly Dreaming Dexter, Dexter is kept from his games of "slice the slasher" (he kills only murderers and pedophiles) by a suspicious Sergeant Doakes. Luckily for listeners, Dexter still finds a way to engage in his grim specialty when a fiendish "doctor" comes to town and leaves his victims brutally butchered, yet alive and crippled. Landrum, who is also an accomplished songwriter, hits all the right notes in this superb audio production, flawlessly matching the sarcastic and sinister tones of the novel. At times lighthearted and good-natured, Landrum's first-person narration of Dexter truly makes the character come alive. His transitions between character voices are perfectly consistent—he handles cocky men, grizzled veterans, tough female cops and demure women with equal flair, including a wonderfully quirky and disturbing voice for the novel's villain. Dexter is the most darkly charming and compelling serial killer since Hannibal Lecter, and this production is a sure-fire candidate for audiobook of the year.

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#### From Booklist

\*Starred Review\* Dexter, your friendly neighborhood serial killer, is a police department blood-spatter expert who, in his spare time, kills people. Not just anyone, you understand--he only kills other killers, people whom he believes deserve it. Is this because Dexter really has a heart of gold? No, he's a monster (he is the first to admit it), but at least he tries to steer his evil into productive channels. In the second of Lindsay's alliteratively titled thrillers (following last year's *Darkly Dreaming Dexter*), Dexter's nemesis, Sergeant Doakes, is getting a little too close for comfort, and there is also the matter of a psychopath on the loose. When Dexter's two problems eventually link up . . . well, what's a well-meaning homicidal maniac to do? Dexter, the cheerfully sociopathic crime fighter, is one of mystery fiction's most original, compelling, and oddly endearing heroes. Lindsay digs a little deeper under Dexter's surface this time, showing us a little more about what makes him tick, but readers shouldn't worry. There are volumes still to be written about this gruesomely fascinating character. *David Pitt* 

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#### Review

"A macabre work of art." — The Miami Herald" The first serial killer who unabashedly solicits our love." — Entertainment Weekly "Morbidly funny."—Marilyn Stasio, The New York Times Book Review "Creepily over the top. . . Snappier than ever."—The Oregonian Like a breath of fresh air blowing across all of crime-novel conventions, there is Dexter."—The Denver PostDearly Devoted Dexter is fascinating, entertaining, and brilliant. Let Jeff Lindsay introduce you to the serial killer next door—Dexter (and his Dark Passenger) are the freshest, most terrifying creations you are ever likely to meet . . . and live to tell about."—New York Times bestselling author Robert CraisPraise for award-winning Darkly Dreaming Dexter: "A dark and devious novel about Dexter Morgan, the serial killer with a heart . . . Lindsay's tale is daring and unexpectedly comedic."—USA Today "A macabre tour de force . . . so snappy and smart."—The New York Times "It's [the] human touches, including self-pity, that make Dexter come to life and Lindsay's book so enjoyable."—Chicago Tribune Fascinating, entertaining, and brilliant."—Robert Crais

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