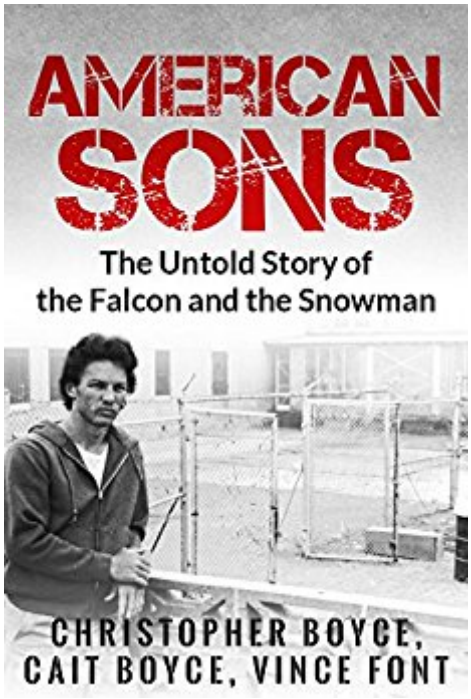
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Synopsis

A gritty, heart-breaking true story of three people who overcame insurmountable odds. This is the untold story of the Falcon and the Snowman that chronicles the subsequent events in the lives of convicted American spies Christopher Boyce and Andrew Daulton Lee.In 1977, Christopher Boyce and Andrew Daulton Lee were convicted of selling U.S. secrets to the Soviet Union. Boyce was sentenced to 40 yearsÃ¢â ¬â„¢ imprisonment.Lee received a life sentence. The story of their crime, as told in the book and movie The Falcon and the Snowman, starring Sean Penn, was only the beginning of their ordeal. This book picks up where The Falcon and the Snowman left off, chronicling Boyce's daring 1980 prison escape and recapture. An epic crime memoir, American Sons recounts how two of America's youngest convicted spies survived numerous murder attempts and spent decades of their lives in solitary confinement. That was until a young, idealistic and brilliant para-legal named Cait Mills put them on the path to freedom. Diagnosed with an aggressive form of breast cancer, MillsÃ¢â ¬â„¢ stoic determination to conquer her illness and continue her work was the catalyst that would ultimately transform all three of their lives. Written by Christopher Boyce, Cait Boyce and Vince Font, American Sons: The Untold Story of the Falcon and the Snowman takes readers on a twenty-five-year odyssey through the trials and tribulations of three individuals whose refusal to give up helped them survive the impossible. Above all, it is an inspiring story of survival and redemption, in which courage, humanity and love triumph when all hope was lost. American Sons:The Untold Story of the Falcon and the Snowman beautifully captures both Chris and CaitÃ¢â ¬â„¢s voices and is crafted in a cinematic style which adds to the drama of this unbelievable tale. Chris and Cait Boyce both live in Oregon. Cait is a practising legal professional with over 35 years' experience. She specializes in prisoner rights, is an advocate for LGBQT rights and is still fighting for the parole of non-violent criminal offenders. Chris remains an avid falconer and splits his time between flying his falcons, enjoying his freedom, and his house flipping business. Vince Font recently founded his own editing and publishing service located in Ogden, Utah called Get My Story Published. He has also published several short stories and one novella, and is working on his second novel.Chris, Cait and Vince remain close friends and have an official website for the book, which includes blogs and many articles about their story.

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Customer Reviews

I had originally been seeking the book "Flight of the Falcon" but came across this instead and am so incredibly glad that occurred.This book is a fabulous read, and more importantly a true piece of wisdom, thanks in large part to Cait who is not only Boyce'ssavior but the one who sparked this book's creation and is a literary beam throughout many chapters. It is her sense of humor,her candidness and her incredible insights into others that really puts this effort over the top. Her wisdom continues to resonatewithin me every day. The true story is adventure enough but the combination of Boyce's daring and intellect keep the readerliterally pasted to the narrative. And the totally unexpected twists just keep coming as if the author is writing fiction, but it is alltrue. I was blindsided only a few chapters from the end by the brief mention of one character who I thought had quickly passedthrough. There is simply not another more poignant tale of a brilliant individual who makes a mistake yet is saved by one whoreally never had the true rescue effort in mind to begin with. I am recommending this book to everyone I know. Bravo!

I really like this book. It makes for a fitting end of the other two books about ÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã Å“The Falcon & the Snowman.ÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã Â• Actually I doubt if this is ÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã Ëœthe End.ÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢ Christopher Boyce, Cait Boyce & Vince Font narrate a compelling personal history of their social and personal lives. While some have stated that the book jumps around I

found it to be a multi-layered story of then and now. ItÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢s his personal story of the young Chris Boyce and the older Chris Boyce. Interweaved with that is his wife Cait Boyce and her tenacity to seek some measure of justice for her clients Andrew Daulton Lee and Christopher Boyce. Subsequently it melds into a type of love story between Chris and Cait with many forward and backward events carrying their lives in a mixed tangle of troubles and triumphs. To those that donÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢t forgive and forget, donÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢t read the book, but for those that believe in redemption and absolution (including yours truly) I highly recommend this book. Our society shouldnÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢t take a purely punitive stance for the wrongdoings of others but should seek a finer measure of Truth and Justice in our dealings with the world. P. S. I do not personally know Chrisopher Boyce at this time.

American Sons: The Untold Story of The Falcon and The Snowman should be on everyoneÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢s reading list this year. The book was excellently written by three talented authors ÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â œ Boyce and his wife Cait and Vince Font. It was, as everyone seems to agree, almost impossible to put down. My review is written with some bit of prejudicial insight, as I grew up with both Boyce and Lee and I have practiced criminal law for well over 35 years. I had heard about the book from many people and put off reading it because I had my own version of memories - admiration for the Boyce I remember from school and well, something far less than admiration for Lee. I was not certain what to expect when I saw that there were three authors, but the book came alive for me through their words, the weave of past and present and the emotions bared raw by Chris and Cait. How hard must it have been to relive those memories!.I for one, and I’m sure there are many more, don’t really care to read anything further on Daulton. I believe, after reading Cait’s chapters regarding Daulton, she was overly-polite and took kindness to a whole new level. What’s the old saying, the high road? She took it. Daulton Lee was and remains, a quick buck man who would trade his own mother for a starring role. Daulton did walk free from prison and I can tell you as an attorney, had it not been for Ms. Boyce, this would not have happened. She did not merely "put together a resume", this woman wrote an entire story line and presented it to a sentencing judge who despised Lee. This is no easy fete and just reading LeeÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢s accomplishments in prison was never going to be enough to sway Kelleher. I argued many cases before the Honorable Robert Kelleher and, from experience, can tell you that he was no push-over.American Sons tells a brief story of Cait Mills representing an inmate at Termial Island FCI and I could not stop laughing! I had the pleasure of meeting Ms. Boyce one time back in 1990 (long before she married Boyce). The woman that I met (at TI in San Pedro) was educated,

affable, smart and sharp beyond most levels of sharpness and she had a great sense of humor (not to mention being really pretty - this is what caused me to look). I remember her as a woman who was completely and utterly dedicated to each individual inmate that she represented. On this particular day (and maybe she will remember me if she reads this) she was at TI to represent two inmates at their hearings and I was there with my client. It was hard to miss her, tall and willowy with red hair. She was really beautiful both outside and, as I learned through the day, inside as well. While I was not allowed to be in on her presentation before the Board, I know that both of her inmate clients were over the moon happy about her representation of them. We all sat in the same room waiting for the parole decisions by the Board. One by one, we were called in to hear the results - I had failed in my bid for my client and she had been successful in both of hers. I remember that she was emotional when she congratulated her clients on their freedom. I remember it because it's such a rare occurrence in my line of work to feel compassion for the people you represent. Later I heard from my client that one of her clients said that she was the only way out of prison. I think he may have been right and certainly was right in the case of Boyce and Lee.It is my fervent hope that this book makes its way to Hollywood because, while a lot has been said and written about Christopher Boyce and Andrew Daulton Lee, a smart producer should put the focus where it belongs ÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â œ firmly on Cait Boyce!Buy the book, read the book and pass it on!

What a wonderful love story! Yes, I know it was all about the federal prison system too, not so much about the "why" Christoper Boyce was in prison, what he did before he was in the system. The prison sentencing guidelines are not in proportion to the crime, and this is pointed out in the story. The story is about the federal prison system and how tough it is behind bars. I know I could never have done the solitude Christopher without trying to find a way to end my life. His tough, pugnacious legal aid-lawyer (now his wife) was never going to give up ... not on him, not on his partner, and definitely not on the medical issues she had to deal with. I admire them, and wish them only the best. Don't you just love it when something good comes to good people?

I'm only on the fourth chapter, but must say this is a captivating and mesmerizing story. It has it all, drama, tension, and it's a love story to boot. I've followed the saga of the Falcon and the Snowman since 1981, but it is SO refreshing to hear firsthand from those who have lived this tale tell us what it's been like from their perspective. Well written, even in the first few chapters you'd better have some Kleenex ready. When reading of Chris's Dad Charlie reading the letter that he just received from Chris, two weeks after Chris had escaped from Lompoc, that was a very emotional chapter. He

had no idea where Chris was, or if he was even alive. I cannot imagine that same scenario with my own child and the worry that must have filled his heart. I'll be blazing through the rest of it as time allows, but rest assured I will finish it soon.

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