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Editorial Review

From Publishers Weekly

In South African author Meyer's impressive second thriller to feature Cape Town Det. Insp. Benny Griessel (after *Devil's Peak*), which spans just 13 hours in a single day, Benny lands a pair of explosive cases: the gang slaying of an American tourist and the murder of the husband of a washed-up, alcoholic popular singer. After teenager Erin Russel turns up on the street with her throat cut, her traveling companion, Rachel Anderson, goes on the run. Rachel, who fears the police are connected to her friend's slaying, is trying to stay ahead of her pursuers without the help of the authorities. A few hours later, Benny interviews Alexandra Barnard about the death of her husband, Adam, a record company owner. Alexandra was found next to Adam's body and to the firearm used to kill him. While the windup doesn't match the pulse-pounding opening scenes, this crime novel does further enhance Meyer's reputation as a deft storyteller. Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

From [Booklist](#)

Starred Review College student Rachel Anderson is running in the mountains of Cape Town. Hours earlier, she witnessed the death of her traveling companion, Erin Russel, who had her throat slit from ear to ear, and Rachel is just steps ahead of the men who did the killing. Twice she has approached strangers asking for help, and twice she has been dismissed. Inspector Benny Griessel (last seen in *Devil's Peak*, 2009) has been called to the scene of Russel's murder, and when he finds out it is a white tourist who has been killed, he knows it's going to be a very long day. He craves a drink, but he has been sober for six months, ever since his wife kicked him out of the house. What's more, he is not really in charge of the murder scene; long considered to be a drunk and a dinosaur by the department, he is supposed to be mentoring the young black detective assigned to the case, and their delicate, overly polite dealings with each other are hampering the investigation. Best-selling South African novelist Meyer delivers another exciting if brutally violent crime novel. Expertly cutting away from the politicized police investigation to the plight of a terrified young girl literally running for her life, Meyer also steeps his novel in the day-to-day life of a country still reeling in the wake of radical transition. --Joanne Wilkinson

Review

"Try picking up **Thirteen Hours** and setting it down. Try. You can't do it. I'm a pro, and I couldn't do it."
—Don Winslow, author of **The Power of the Dog** and **Satori**

"Bestselling South African novelist Meyer delivers another exciting if brutally violent crime novel."
—Joanne Wilkinson, *Atlantic Monthly* (starred review)

"Outstanding . . . edge-of-the-seat suspense."
—*The Sunday Times*

"Deon Meyer is one of the unsung masters. **Thirteen Hours** proves he should be on everyone's reading list. This book is great!"
—Michael Connelly

"**Thirteen Hours** is Cape Town today, with all its exquisite beauty, tribal conflicts, loyalties and corruptions."
—*The Globe and Mail*

"Meyer is brilliant at suspense, a skill that is coupled with beguilingly unabashed social commentary."
—*The Sunday Times*

"Deon Meyer is...one of the sharpest and most perceptive thriller writers around."
—*The Times*

"If you want a glimpse of the soul of the new South Africa in all its glory, and with all the gory details of its problems and corruption, Meyer is your man."
—*The Guardian*

"A heart-pumping yarn in an exotic locale."
—*Winnipeg Free Press*

"There have been other South African crime novelists, but none are as deft at place as Deon Meyer. . . . Meyer weaves all this into a tightly plotted story--with a twist that works beautifully--and unforgettable characters."
—Margaret Cannon, *The Globe and Mail*

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