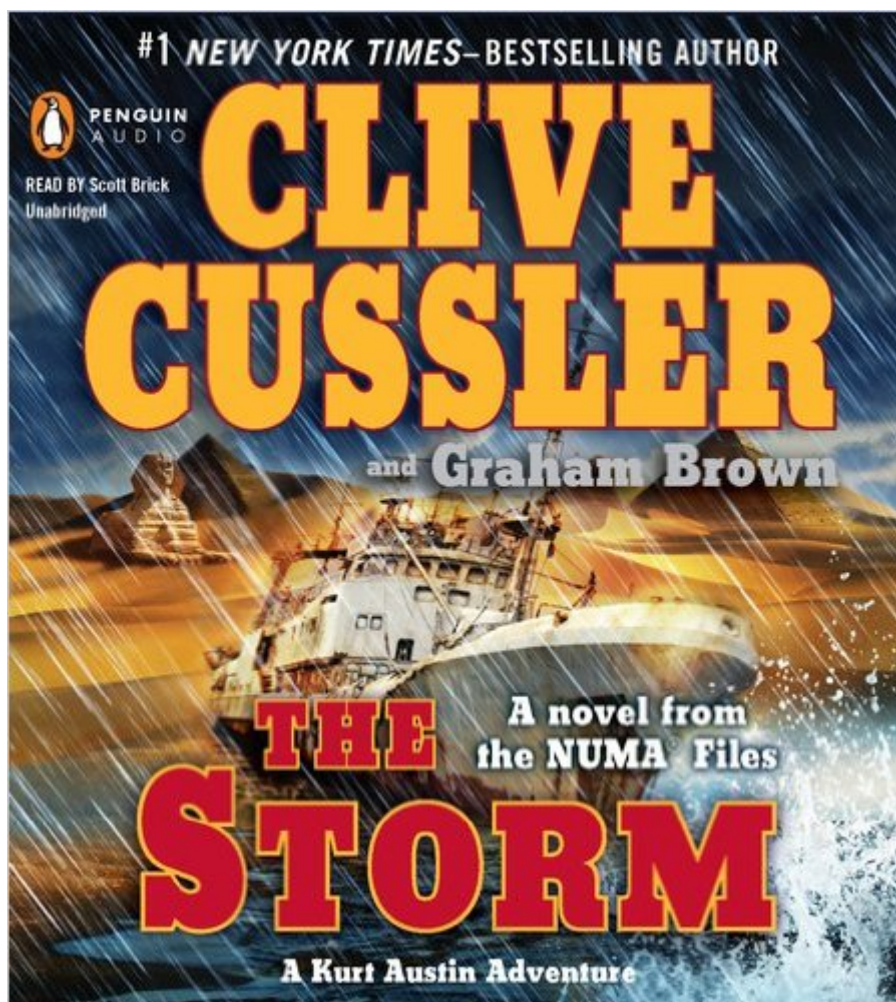


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## The Storm (The Numa Files)



## Synopsis

The thrilling new novel in the New York Times bestselling Kurt Austin Adventures | In the middle of the Indian Ocean, a NUMA research vessel is taking water samples when a crew member spots a patch of black oil ahead of them. But the substance is not oil. Like a horde of army ants, a swarm of black particles from the spoiled sea suddenly attacks, killing everyone aboard while the ship goes up in flames. A few hours later, Kurt Austin and Joe Zavala are on their way to the Indian Ocean. What they find on the smoldering hulk of the ship will eventually lead them to discover the most audacious scheme they have ever encountered: a plan to permanently alter the weather on a global scale. The insidious plot will kill millions and it has already begun. --This text refers to the Paperback edition.

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The Storm by Clive Cussler and Graham Brown is a tedious novel containing little suspense, no character development, and an improbable storyline, even for a supposed Cussler novel. It also reads as an extended outline for a novel, which should never have gotten past a sharp-eyed editor. Unfortunately, Mr. Cussler is at the point in his career where he seems to care more about the number of books under his name rather than the quality of the works. He is also at the point where his volume of success may intimidate any editor attempting to enhance his novels. Beginning with the apparent loss of the SS John Bury in 1943, in the Indian Ocean, The Storm moves to Yemen in 1967, where we are introduced to the villain, Jinn. After his mother and brothers are murdered in a

brutal attack, Jinn is forced by his father to kill the last of those who had killed Jinn's family. Thus begins, we are led to believe, the shaping of the young Jinn into an international terrorist. The novel then moves to 2012, where the plot thickens as three young members of NUMA are attacked on their sailboat by a mysterious swarm in the Indian Ocean; two of the three are killed by this force. To destroy that swarm, the survivor sets fire to the boat and kills himself in the process. Kurt Austin and Joe Zavala are sent by Dirk Pitt, now the head of NUMA, since Admiral Sandecker became Vice-President of the United States, to learn why and how the three NUMA researchers died. Thus begins a tedious story which has no life, no character development, and no emotion. Kurt Austin and Joe Zavala show none of the camaraderie and joy of living seen in earlier novels; they are merely character types who methodically go through the paces of tracking down the villainous Jinn and his cohorts.

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