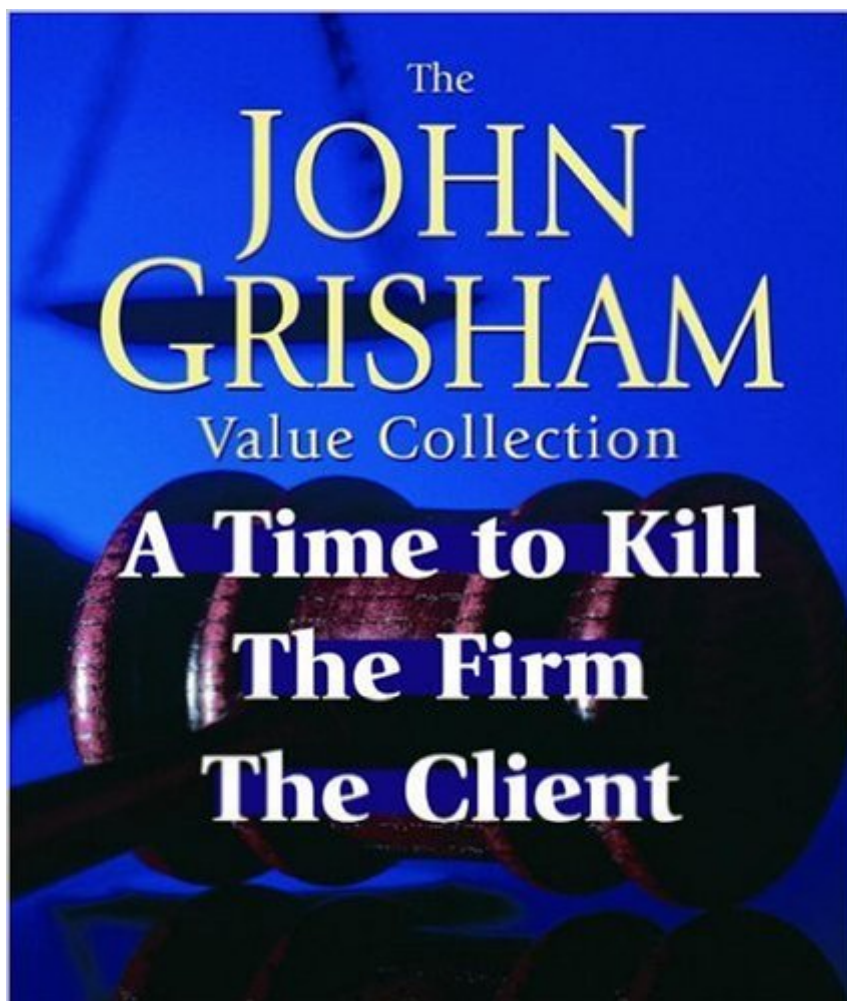


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Customer Reviews

John Grisham is of course my favorite author, and this is the perfect collector's item of sorts because it gives you all of his best books...in audio! If you listen to all his books, it just makes them come more alive and real, and it's just terrific.

NICK FRANCISCO PERIOD 2 "A Time to Kill" is John Grisham's first novel. His fluid, detailed storytelling is unlike the choppy first attempts of many modern authors. In a small town in the Deep South, two redneck hooligans rape and maim a ten-year-old black girl. Enraged, the girl's father,

Carl Lee Hailey, takes justice into his own hands, killing the two rapists in a courthouse shooting. He seeks the help of defense lawyer Jake Brigance to save him from the gas chamber. Brigance, a young but sharp lawyer, has to find a way to win an impossible case: a black man is on trial for killing two white men, and his case is being heard by an all-white jury. Adding to the mix are violence between the Ku Klux Klan and the black community, and the fact that, during the shooting, Carl Lee had injured a sheriff's deputy. When I first read this novel, I was angered and irritated by the depth of hatred that exists within racism. I was angered that had Carl Lee been a white man bent on avenging his daughter's suffering, he would never have had to face trial. The rape of ten year old Tanya, Carl Lee's daughter, by Billy Ray and Pete, *A Time to Kill* is a disturbing novel, aside from the raping and killing that opens the tale. It is not possible to look at our justice system the same way, especially from the viewpoint of the black community in the South.

EDIT 1-13-15 I listened to the first 3 CD's "A Time to Kill". It seemed really, really short so I looked into the next 3 CD's, "The Firm". The complete book, *The Firm*, is on 17 CD's. The "Value Collection" version is on 3 CD's. WHAT KIND OF VALUE IS CUTTING OUT 82% OF THE BOOK! I don't even know how they could tell the story in that little time. They should call it the "Horribly, mutilated slightly longer than a summary version." I bought the longer version of *The Firm* to enjoy and now the "Value Collection" is a paperweight. ORIGINAL REVIEW: I am enjoying the stories and the narration very much, but there are only 3 CD's for each title. Other similar books, including some from John Grisham have been on more disks and also seemed to have more details. I got suspicious and checked the product description carefully. It says "Abridged edition." They don't specify what was abridged, by how much or why. It just makes the very compelling stories (All made into major motion pictures right?) seem short and have less depth. I thought I was getting a deal getting 3 different books for one "low" price, but maybe not.

I haven't finished this book yet, but in style and content it goes beyond Grisham's previous works: Even more of the good stuff. Grisham's main character engages in some classic self-destructive behavior, right up front. The portrayal of these life-changing events nudge the reader's sympathy for the man, without actually elbowing it off the table entirely. I will not reveal more of the story or action at this point, but the character lands on his feet and follows his curiosity early on. While that seems like a losing proposition at first, Grisham leads the reader farther and farther along the character's path, while he, the actor, begins to wander into some of the most interesting, intriguing and possibly fertile fields in the country. Grisham's inside knowledge of the world of lawyers, courtrooms and

judges cradles the reader in a nest with an incomparable vantage point. One can almost see oneself in the scenario. Co-experience that of the characters as they adventure themselves into the (to them) new, dangerous, exciting and possibly lucrative world of tort law and the trial lawyers' eye-opening courtroom methodology for winning.

He always has great books. I love the audio books and some times find it hard to stop listening before it is finished. I like that I can listen as I am driving also.....hard to do with a book. Anyone who has a hard time reading, for whatever reason, would benefit greatly with an audio book (especially, John Grisham's books.)

John Grisham is a great novelist. I don't have a lot of time to read anymore, but I drive a lot a lot during the course of my work day so I listen to a lot of books on CD. This collection has three of the authors earlier works packaged together at a great price.

I always enjoy Grisham's way with words & a story, even if they're dated, & the three readers plus the fade out music are enthralling, however, RandomHouse Audio made a booboo with the packaging I received. The Firm discs (4-6) are correctly labeled & slotted, while A Time to Kill (discs 1-3) & The Client (discs 7-11) are mislabeled & mis-slotted. Bummer, especially if you're driving while listening.

I am just finishing up The Client and I'm sorry it's coming to the end. Got a great deal with 3 books in one set. All of my favorites put together just for me! The people who did the narration actually sounded like the actors who portrayed the main characters in the movies! Exceptional narration!

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