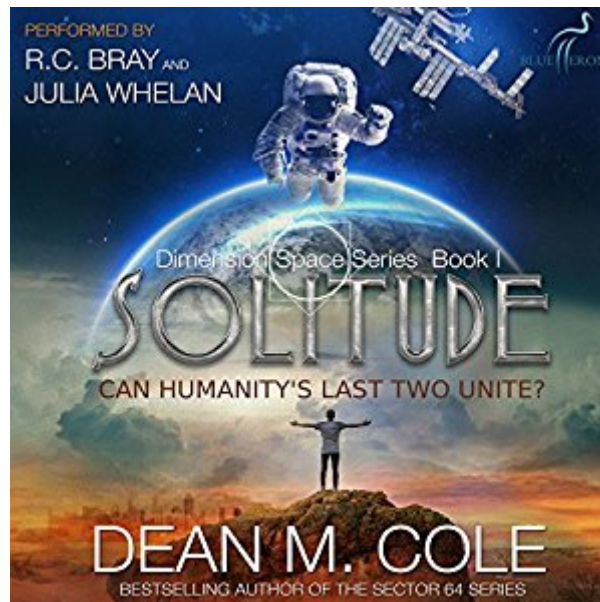




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Synopsis

From the best-selling author of the Sector 64 Series! Earth's last man discovers that the last woman is stranded alone aboard the International Space Station. If you like action-packed novels, you'll love the electrifying action in this apocalyptic thriller. Can humanity's last two unite? Separated by the gulf of space, the last man and woman of the human race struggle against astronomical odds to survive and unite. Army Aviator Vaughn Singleton is a highly intelligent, lazy man. After a last-ditch effort to reignite his failing military career ends horribly, Vaughn becomes the only human left on Earth. Stranded alone on the International Space Station, Commander Angela Brown watches an odd wave of light sweep across the planet. Over the next weeks and then months, Angela struggles to contact someone on the surface, but as she fights to survive aboard a deteriorating space station, the commander glimpses the dark underpinnings of humanity's demise. After months alone, Vaughn discovers there is another. Racing against time, he must cross a land ravaged by the consequences of humankind's sudden departure. Can Vaughn find a path to space and back? Can Angela - the only person with clues to the mystery behind humanity's disappearance - survive until he does?

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Customer Reviews

Tense and compelling, very quick read...obviously more to come. One thing really annoyed me, and that was the author's inability to settle for the common pronoun "he", or even just the main male character's name. He seemed to feel it was repetitious and resorted to calling him (the only male left in the world!) (not a spoiler, this is revealed in the synopsis) "the man" or "the astronaut" or "the

pilot". It got very tiresome and pretentious, just a clumsy distraction. The story was gripping...a "little" far fetched, to say the least...but still fascinating, just had to put credibility on the shelf while reading and go along for the ride. It was fun....and fast.

As with his previous works, Dean M. Cole does not disappoint! I flew through his Sector 64 books, and when I was presented with the opportunity to read Solitude, I had to jump on it. The last man on earth is struggling to survive utterly alone, only to find that the last woman alive is barely hanging on while marooned on the ISS, kicking off the rescue mission of a lifetime. Helicopter aviation, near-future developing technologies, NASA - what's not to love?! The author's description of the book as "'The Martian' meets 'I am Legend' and 'Gravity'" is accurate. The story is fast-paced but not rushed. The characters are well-developed but not overly so. The reader is dropped right in to the action and it runs all the way to the end...hopefully with more to come!! I really enjoy the present-day apocalyptic sci-fi niche that Dean has carved out for himself and I'm chomping at the bit for more from him in this world of Solitude, Sector 64, or any other world that he creates. Disclaimer - I was provided an advance copy of this book for editorial and review purposes. That said, I did purchase the book at launch and intend to also purchase the audiobook once it has been completed. I can't wait to hear the talented voices of R.C Bray ("The Martian") and Julia Whelan ("Gone Girl") bring these characters to life. So far I have been very happy with everything I've read of Dean's and am a fan!

I honestly didn't even see the comparison to The Martian and I Am Legend (I try to not read the synopsis of a book that I'm pretty sure I'm going to love) -- but that is a great combination of exactly what this story was. I hate copying exactly what is written in the description on , but when it's right, it's right. Dean M. Cole can write! Every time I thought "okay, this is it, he's got it!" or "she's got it!" he continued to throw everything at the two main characters. It got to the point where I was pretty sure that both of them were going to give up numerous times. A story about what could potentially be the last two people in the world and one of them is stuck on the International Space Station is already a story that I would read in a heartbeat. Then you throw in that R.C. Bray and Julia Whelan are going to dual narrate it? Okay, now I'm salivating. Oh, and it's funny and heartbreaking at the same time like The Martian? Jesus, okay, I bought the book, let's go! We're almost at the half-way point of the year and I believe that I may have found my audiobook of the year already. Ironically it follows a similar type story as last years -- but this one has even fewer people in it. There was a part of the book where I was a little worried around R.C. Bray narrating it -- not because of him or his narration

at all (he's seriously one of the best in the world and is the sole reason you're reading this blog today). It was because there was a character named Mark. And I couldn't get "Whatney" out of my head every time he would say his name. I was seriously concerned, but my concern didn't last as long as I'd expected. There was even a line that made me pause the audiobook: "...duck tape... Oh right, you're Mark Whatney and this is The Martian". I honestly don't even have to go into Bray and Whelan's narration of this because it was spot on and perfect. One of the best audiobooks I've ever listened to. Definitely up there with The Martian as Bray's best performance. Overall, Solitude is easily one of the best books I've read in 2017 and will be in my memory for years to come. I will gladly be recommending this to all of my friends and family -- especially those who loved The Martian (or enjoyed I Am Legend). Dean M. Cole has shot himself up to the top of my 'to-read' list and I will be eagerly awaiting the next book in this series. I was given a free copy of this which has not affected my review at all. If you enjoyed my review, please vote for it! If you'd like to see more like this you can check out BriansBookBlog DOT com.

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