Chasing Ivan (Kyle Achilles Book 0)
Europe’s smartest criminal, versus America’s best spy. And then there's poor Emily, stuck in between. Rumor has it there’s a Russian you can turn to if you’re very rich, and need dirty deeds done without a trace. The CIA calls him Ivan the Ghost because he operated for years without leaving a trail or revealing his face. Until now. For the first time in history, Ivan appears to have slipped. The CIA's new director sets Agent Kyle Achilles on an intercept course, surveilling the daughter of a British politician. Then Ivan pulls off a masterful con, and Emily vanishes. With Emily's life, his career, and America’s reputation at stake, Achilles partners with an unlikely new agent he meets in France. Together they attempt to get one step ahead of the legendary Russian, while rubbing elbows with the ultra-rich in a high-tech international chase.

PLEASE NOTE: WITH 28 CHAPTERS, THIS NOVELLA IS ABOUT 1/3 THE SIZE OF THE AUTHOR’S OTHER THRILLERS

"I loved this novella. It started out fast and never stopped." --Margaret Lovett
"Fans of Ludlum and Lee Child will delight at the magical web Tim Tigner weaves." --Leslie O'Brien
"A page turner comparable to my favorite Vince Flynn books." --Slaven Tomasi, USMC

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Customer Reviews

This is my first read by Mr. Tigner and am absolutely delighted to discover his talents. I was browsing through the Kindle Unlimited books today and found this one. Looks interesting, I thought. Little did I know that I would be caught up in the world of a CIA Special Ops man - ‘Achilles’ and his partner Jo Monfort, an operative just out of training at The Farm. The tactics used by both of the main characters were outstanding. I will admit to being somewhat frightened by both of them in their climbing escapades, however. The plot is undeniably rich and the characters are well developed. Most of the action occurs in Monaco and at the scene of a Yacht Show. The reader will be privy to the opulence of the setting and the people in attendance. Toss in an added mystery for that extra something to keep you turning the pages quickly. Nothing like a phone app to get one’s attention and hold it raptly. The author utilizes females as two of the main characters in his novella which I always appreciate. Now, I am wondering where I have been to have just discovered this new author. Merde is all I can say. Now, I will go and see what else I have missed that he has written previously. Most highly recommended.

Just finished reading Tim Tigner’s new book. I’m not an expert on novellas per se, but I did enjoy it as a short read. It fit well in the format of the novella, but the story was intriguing enough that I would have preferred it to have been a full length novel on a par with Tim’s other books. All in all, a good read for a short day!

Having read Betrayal and thoroughly enjoyed it, I decided to read Chasing Ivan (CI) prior to the new release, Pushing Brilliance (PB), as CI is the precursor to PB, introducing us to Achilles. Good characters in CI. Our hero, Achilles, will be interesting to follow as I hope will be Jo Montfort. As for worthwhile adversaries, Ivan the Ghost and his subordinate, Michael, and their approach of ‘creative coercions™’, would certainly fill the role of very worthy adversaries if they appear later in PB or other follow-ons. As for dolts, the new CIA Director Rider and his sub-par political appointment within the CIA, Oscar Pincus, would always add well placed frustration. The plot moves fast and is well written with rich technical detail. I certainly agree with author’s™s apparent less than
positive view of the nature of most politicians.

This was a fast-paced romp through an espionage fantasy. I enjoyed the surprising twist at the end. I wonder what will happen to Kyle now, if he'll find a new career. I was interested to read the references to rock climbing because my own daughter is a rock climber in Colorado. The only reason I didn't give this book 5 stars was because there were misspellings and grammatical mistakes. The author could have used a professional editor.

A trip through the light fantastic if all you want is reading entertainment without the need for any psychological mumbo jumbo with ever changing twists and turns in the plot. It met the entertainment criteria.

Fast paced, an extremely exciting read! I enjoyed immensely! Achilles, is an extremely talented individual, not military trained. His mission to find a ghost.....is the CIA duped, or part of the problem! Did I enjoy this book? I've already ordered the sequel!

This short novel kept me riveted! Unexpected twists, good plot, and I especially enjoyed having the two protagonists each speak in their own "voice" as the story progressed. A must read for spy/counter-espionage/counter-terror fans.

Loved this book, it is a short read but very interesting. No vulgar language, very clean book. Thank-you Mr. Tigner for this. I'll be looking forward to read more of your books and I know I will enjoy them too.

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