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Exploring the dark side of social media and the human psyche, LoveClub takes the reader on a twisted journey into the mind of a sexual predator, and the dark world of LoveClub. The streets of Hungary are being hunted...

When a string of gruesome suicides are suggested to be the work of a serial killer, Lili, a young and aspiring journalist, wants to expose the details of the case to the public after one of her friends turns up a victim. The Budapest Police Department bring on renowned criminal psychologist David Lengyel to aid their investigation, but some are wary of his presence when they learn of his past.

All of them, however, are thrust into a world of sex, drugs, and death.

They enter the digital world of LoveClub.

## **LoveClub Details**

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## From Reader Review LoveClub for online ebook

### Judit Molnár says

Exciting and interesting story. The very talented writer. I recommend to everyone who loves to read. Thank you for Levente. :-)

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### Cintia Szakó says

I love the novel Love Club, despite my youth, it is one of my favorite novels. For the beginning I found it strange and very outspoken style for a book, but it annexed my quickly .... Leventes characters are magically alive, while you are reading you feel that you're in a long-standing friendship with them. Every individual participant in the story has his own life, even across a point. If you want an eerie experience, infused with sexuality and murder, I can only recommend! But be careful! Prepare yourself that you will not be able to put it down before you have not read it through!

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### Kata Kovács says

No just no...

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### Duchess Nicole says

Review to be posted in the upcoming issue of InD'tale Magazine :D:D

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### Noémi nykyriana Molnár says

Magamat is meglepve vele 5/5... na, nem a történet miatt meglep?, hanem mert alapjában véve nem vagyok egy nagy krimi rajongó :) s?t... az én totálisan romantikusokra hangolódott pici lelkemnek ez most rendesen odavágott :) de...

Így kell ezt csinálni! :D Nagyon karakteres olvasmány. Az elejét?l a végéig leköti az olvasó figyelmét. És bár hosszabb ideig olvastam, mint ameddig általában nálam egy könyv elolvasása tart... ez is csak azért volt, mert rengeteg feldolgozni valót kaptam olvasás közben. F?leg Bloodsmoke20 történetei (Érzékek memoárja) voltak mentálisan leterhel?ek számomra.

A szerepl?k... engem aki a legjobban megfogott (gondolom nem vagyok vele egyedül), az Lengyel (ha róla volt szó, egész id? alatt valami miatt Adam Levine (Maroon5) járt a fejemben... ezek szerint, ? az én Lengyel Dávidom :D ) és Kovács. Bár az utóbbinak elég kevés szerep jutott, de valami miatt egyszer?en nem tudtam figyelmen kívül hagyni :) gondolom ez majd még a következ? részekben alakul.

Apropó következ? rész :) Úgy hallottam, a következ? még jobb lesz :D :D okés, ha ezt még lehet fokozni,

akkor ide vele!!

Végül, de nem utolsó sorban... Levente, neked üzenem:

Ilyen fantáziával rendelkezni, és azt így papírra vetni... hát, le a kalappal!!

Köszönöm, egy élmény volt! :)

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### **Agnes says**

I loved the book, although I expected for first on something else, but anyway, I am not disappointed at least, rather that. Because the most of participants have almost my age, I am able easily to imagine how they feel, handle and think, especially in the position of Lili, even though the story deals with very morbid and unusual situations. (But when I think on the daily news, is probably more common in such cases as it we would perhaps think). The character of Dr. Lengyel got surely not in vain special attention, his is really an unique and complex personality. I'm fascinated about him totally. The sex scenes are brutal but well written and of course you need a kind of spiritual maturity to understand them, so I recommend just strictly over 18 years.

<http://lapozz.wordpress.com/2013/07/1...>

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### **Nándi Dohány says**

Love Club from Levete Lakatos became immediately one of my favorite books. The content makes not just a little shocked, the storyline equates to the crimes storys from today although that is a very special, an unique tale. The character could be

selected nearly from our ordinary life, but they are very special. Levente wrote it from more points of view, therefore we have a multi-strand story. I recommend the book for anyone, who is looking for a bloody and mysterious thriller which is and remain daxcinating until to the last line.

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### **Anita Farkas says**

The author describes a world for us in his book, which we believe already to know. That is than Planet of the social sites. And more as that: the author created LoveClub, according to the other social sites to build contacts. But what is special about it, if LoveClub looks for the first sight like Facebook? Fact is, that LoveClub is a kind of a dating site-and a very, very special even. What can you do there? Anything. Whatever you want, when you want... you can live all the secret whishes you have ever imagined, and a lot more. You can turn out of yourself, you can change your personality and be someone else.

You can do in the virtual world anything-that is attractive as well as scary. The people can quickly lose control relating his actions. We talk about a date in one moment-we meet in the next one. Forget the flowers, the romantic, the candle light dinner-they are not more important. Hard sex and murder receive more and more accent.

More as usually fictional story tell us LoveClub a lot of our society, the book is a hoked mirror and Lakatos hold it before us. We are in our real life not really different as the characters in the book are, we think not that it could be a danger behind a conversation on chat. We give informationen about yourself for completly foreign persons, we trust them and await that they tell the truth and save our secrets. But they can simple push a button and clean everything...

Last but not least let me say that I recommend that book for all the people over 18 who hase strong nerves and love hardcore-pshycho-thriller with an especially Hungarian touch. Levente Lakatos demonstrate u show can be something from the virtual world very fast a nightmare in our real life.

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### **Macarena says**

I've been kindly asked by the author if I'd like to review his book, therefore, here are my thoughts about it.

There have been some strange deaths of young girls, which seem like suicides. The detectives haven't been able to solve the cases, though they know they are related. There's a *monster* out there that doesn't leave the least clue about his/her identity.

It's summer, and Lili is working as a freelance writer for a newspaper. She obviously knows about those deaths, but doesn't think that those girls have been murdered, until one of the victims is killed in Lili's apartment. Suddenly, Lili's life has turned 180 degrees. The people she thought she knew aren't exactly what they seemed to be, and the murderer is closer than she could have imagined.

The story is mainly told by an omniscient narrator, though, sometimes, we get to know more about the murderer and his crimes because of his personal notes, the *Memoire of Senses*.

Regarding the characters, I was hoping to know more about Dr. Lengyel, and what one has been assuming during the whole novel about his peculiar way of analyzing the clues, is revealed at the end. Also, I don't know if it's just me, but Dr. Lengyel reminds me a bit of *Will Graham*.

I think it's an interesting story, although, the rough sex topic is not my cup of tea, I liked the idea that it was developed in a different way from what some latest books have been showing. In this story, the *I-like-it-rough* girls and *I-only-do-it-rough* guy are portrayed as people who absolutely need help. They aren't popular, neither successful. They know there's something wrong, but they don't want to change.

The social media sites and how we can interact with anyone from anywhere, especially with those we think might be similar to us, though, in reality, we have no idea who they really are, is one of the key points in this story. It's the tool for those twisted minds and the curse for those who want to experience a different kind of *love* life.

Finally, as a very personal opinion, I think that some scenes were a little too much. I know that, sometimes, it's necessary to describe in detail certain scenes, but in this case the reader can get the idea with the first murders descriptions. However, I liked the book, and recommend it to anyone who is interested in a different kind of thriller/mystery story.

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### **Máté Brigitta says**

I can just not NOT adore Leventes writings!

The Love Club is equivalent for me with brilliancy. How he use the text, how he created a complex portrayal of the unique and very special characters-it is adorable, cute: simple fascinating. I can just recommend it for all and I can tell you: the new Hungarian edition should be stay on my bookshelve too. Very soon.

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### **Csenge says**

My favourite characters in LoveCLub are Lili and Laura. In addition the book is excellent edited and has more story lines which run parallel until the last site. I like Lili because she has two site sin herself. We could think that as a youg journalist she can calm in her private life, but that is not the case. I like Laura because she works professionell and she is in balance. And I love Dr. Lengyel, because he looks rigorous but under the surface he is a fascinating person.

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### **Thomas Edmund says**

So apparently this book is pretty big in Hungary, after reading this came as a big surprise so I've begun to suspect Lakatos may want to consider hiring a new translator and/or editor. Although it may also be a case of fame before writing talent (hey the former sells books, not necessarily the latter!)

Let me explain why I think this way about Love Club:

#### **The explicit sex**

Generally explicit sex scenes don't bother me on their own merit, what does bother me however, is when vivid, pornographic scenes take the place of genuine plot. The majority of this book is an exploration of the main villain's sexual perversions running right from childhood upwards. And this is no 'We need to talk about Kevin' each scene is essentially the author trying to outdo himself from the last with explicitly described sexual violence.

It seems to me that there is a cadre of authors out there trying to write the next 'Silence of the Lambs' by simply penning the most disgusting sexual crimes they can imagine and chucking in a little plot around them, aside from being unoriginal one finds themselves worrying about the author (rather than the characters in the story)

Most disturbingly this storyline is the best in the book, and honestly if the author cut his book down to an explicit chronology of a serial killer then this book would have some merit, rather than padding this tome out with 1-d characters

#### **The 50 Shades of Grey ripoff**

The first protagonist we are introduced to is Lili, a girl who 'likes it rough' and is next door having sex when the first murder of the book happens (in the room next door with doors open but unnoticed) she is wooing a rich heir but is also thinking about a former boyfriend, thusly the majority of her story is about her getting

bounced around in bed by Mr Gre- no Bence while thinking about someone else. Even though Bence bought her a puppy (hows that for literary tension?)

The police? investigation

This is where this book really shows its brilliance, Dr Lugubrious (real name changed for mocking purposes) is a criminal profiler helping the police. His first task is to gain the detectives trust and prove his controversial techniques are worthwhile...

The first deduction - this crime was done by a man

Bizarrely the police force take him up on this argument, despite 95% of violent crime being committed by men, and taking into account sexual violence involving penetration this number runs to 99.9%, the police still need a PhD to work this one out.

Although the Dr's reasoning is a little more solid than that - I almost fell off my chair when he stated that 'poison is the method of woman as keeping the crime scene clean will be a priority' Now in the authors defense maybe he meant that a woman would be smart enough to want to reduce the physical evidence, but in honesty the statement came across a little sexist.

Plus everyone knows that women use poison because it means they can kill easily from the kitchen (ha ha ha just kidding, its to do with physical strength)

Throw in a little handwriting analysis (little better than astrology for solving crime) the old cliche about profilers risking becoming the monster they hunt, and the character of a bunk criminal profiler is complete. Especially since this book is intended as the first in a series where this Eeyore solves more crimes.

So summarizing that rant, if I wasn't in desperate need to reach my reading goals for 2013 this would have probably been a shelve (or recycle bin on kindle) despite being politely asked to review it I feel that I've just read someone's daydream about being an author rather than a real book.

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### **Judit Rozsonits says**

The Love Club is my favorite book of the Dr. Lengyel series, I think it is because that was my first encounter with him. One of the best, most exciting book character, whom I met recently. *Young, extremely attractive man with secrets, intelligence, character and a deep, dark side-I would like choose him in my really life too.* In this book we get a **fascinating story, multi-threaded plot, psychopathic killer** who can not be hated of me because I sympathize with him... When I think about it how could look "My" David in life I think over and over again on Dave Franco...

The whole story is full of surprises, until to the last sentence, I hold my breath several times reading it. It happens to me not often that I fall almost in trance while reading and feed the lines. I love to love Dr. Lengyel, Laura, Bloodsmoke20, Simon, Krisz and hate Kovács and Farkas.

I think one of the great strengths of the book is that several generations can find figures with whom they can identify himself. Beautifully exciting, breathtaking and thought-provoking.

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**Petra Rácz says**

LoveClub is one of my favourite books. It is a very well-edited book with great characters. Personally, I really like books which have a murder-line and LoveClub is such one. I love the way how Levente write about the perspective of the killer and his character is well-developed.

I was completely sucked in the story. I could not put down. I can recommend it to everyone

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**Gillian.blancome.com says**

I love the book. It constantly makes me think. I only figured out pussycat's character in the last 300 pages. I gave it a 4 since I'm not used to reading at a third person sort of thing, or if I'm in too many people's mind. But in the end, I didn't mind. The story was captivating. Great job! ;)

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