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A millennium into the future.
In a galaxy far from Earth.
We were not prepared for the Terminal War.

Billions of lives are at risk as enemy forces mass on the frontier of the Commonwealth. If the planet Terminus, the center of all the Commonwealth's technology, falls, we will lose everything, and there will be no way back.

The Axis Combine's fleet is overwhelming in number, and their firepower is superior.

Unless one man and his crew can save Terminus, the galaxy will never be the same again. They must find a way to give the Commonwealth an edge or we'll face complete annihilation.

There is but one hope: Carson Mach and his motley crew of rogues on the starship *Intrepid*.

The #1 bestselling Carson Mach Adventures can be read in any order.

"Great intrigue on the planet, and space battles on a grand scale! A.C. Hadfield has managed to suck me in again with this wild ride. -- T.J. Romero."

"I really enjoyed this new Carson Mach adventure. The Terminal War combines the best of Star Wars and Battlestar. I can't wait for the next one! -- Joseph Chipperfield."

The Terminal War Details

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From Reader Review The Terminal War for online ebook

Mike Meredith says

I recently finished reading this series and I read all three back to back. The main character created in the series, Carson Mach is a maverick, almost Han Solo like captain who is forced to cobble together a crew from scratch in order to take on some of the most dangerous jobs that the government would never officially sanction. What follows is a brilliantly paced series which give the reader a vivid impression of the universe that has been created (or the vision of the future that has been created). Recommended.

Bluecobras09 says

Carson Mach is back with another job. Hired by the President to assist their new allies, but Carson is not told it is a one way mission, once the job is done he will never be allowed to leave. There is also trouble with old enemies as they look to take what turns out to be the source of advanced knowledge.

Recommended read.

Dennis says

This was another great book in the Carson Mach series. It was hard to put down so only took a couple of days to read. If you like a good space adventure give this series a try.

Heathermomo says

By the time I got to the third one I was actually enjoying the books. I was getting to know the characters, the plot was nice and snappy, and it was fun.

Burt Md says

Another Carson Mach sci fi thriller

Gotta love this guy Carson Mach who seems to find trouble in simple pursuits: freelance gun for hire! Terminal war was well written and has great action on the ground and out in space. I can't wait for the next novel. Strong work!

Ted Driver says

"Old-School-Space-Opera lives!"

A good read. Action in two places at once kept me flipping pages. I'm looking forward to the next installment.

David Rose says

Lots of action, tense plot, fair SF. Very good entertainment if you are willing to overlook a few flaws. Some isolated logical inconsistencies in the interpretation of the SF premises, and occasional editing lapses and typos. Great story, though, and worth the read. 3.5 rounded up to four stars.

S says

Got to the end of this entertaining story. Guess what, another book to look forward to.

Craig Cooper says

Fun Adventure Story

Fun adventure story. Good adventure in a space environment. Recommend to anyone who loves a good adventure. This is the third book in the series and by this time you really get to know the characters and feel a part of their lives.

J. _(?)_/_ says

I seriously listened to the intro four times and I still don't know what was going on. Was it the dull writing or the mediocre narration?

I love sci-fi, even bad sci-fi, but these books are just bad. I can't put my finger on what it is I don't like. I've given all three of the Carson Mach books a shot and I quit.

Do not recommend books or narrator.

George S. Wilson says

a good summer type read. enjoyed the characters and read it as a continuation from his earlier work with the same cast.

John Tangen says

Good series

Funny lite read. Relatable characters. Action that keeps you going. Carson Mach is a good bad guy. Can not wait for more.

Trevor says

Carson Mach and his team return in there third outing, as President Morgan again calls upon Mach and his teams abilities to get the most difficult jobs done! Mach and Adira had to Terminus to help the Vestans, leaving Babcock and the rest of the crew trying to prevent another war with the AXIS. The book moves along at a good pace following both teams, before they regroup for the final space battle above Terminus. The team dynamic continues to grow and rivals Joshua Dalzelle's Omega Force.

Wolf Mc says

Be prepared for a well paced story, Be prepared for a well paced story, written like an action movie with not much time wasted in 'padding'. At the same time the part of the story line which provide background on the characters and show them changing and developing is handled well and without taking you out of the action.

In this story the crew split up to an Away Team and a Ship Team which then follows both teams on the ground and in space well while creating suspense at the end of each chapter. We also get some insights into the Commonwealth's new allies, The Vestians, and their past.

In previous reviews of the Carson Mach Adventures, I mention that the main story premises is a bit cliche but well handled. This time I was not thinking 'this story reminds me of X', however there were some plots points which are 'traditionally' handled in a certain way, and which I was expecting to see here in the same way. I was impressed and relieved when Hadfield wasn't tempted to use these 'tired old twists and cliches' and left things like the escapes as 'done, now let's get on with the story.'

The opening wasn't as catching as the last book, however that could have been my current state of mind. What you need to remember though is that I was so excited to read this book that I put aside the another book that I was currently reading, which is about some of my favourite topics, Dinosaurs and Knights, to start this one.

All Carson Mach stories are standalone adventures and can be read in any order, and I from my perspective (someone who started at book one and enjoying the whole series) I would agree, but other reviewers who have started the Carson Mach Adventures at this book do say that this not so. All while all the books are great and well written, there is some character development and background revels which happens over the series so my recommendation would be to grab them all and read from the start. with not much time wasted in 'padding'. At the same time the part of the story line which provide background on the characters and show them changing and developing is handled well and without taking you out of the action.

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Jim says

This is the kind of science fiction writing that got me into reading science fiction. I have read three Cason Mach Space Operas now and each one was a thrilling ride with weird aliens, fantastic pseudo-science, fighting, being smart-aleck, humorous and just downright fun!

In this story, Carson and his crew aboard the Intrepid are conned into a most dangerous mission by none other than the President Morgan of the Salus Sphere. Now, if you've read these books before, Morgan isn't exactly a best friend of Mach. They did work together while in the Common Wealth Defense Force (CWDF), but Carson left under less than stellar circumstances and Morgan went on to become President of the Salus Sphere. Morgan knows that this mission in which he's recruited Carson is a one-way mission regardless of how much money Mach and his crew would make. They are going to be working for the Vestans which have some very peculiar and ancient traditions.

It turns out that even knowing about these ancient traditions will be a death sentence on any non-Vestian! So, nothing new in what Caron Mach has to do. He's supposed to land on a planet (Terminus) that doesn't exist and find a Vestan Guardian, either his body or him alive, and get back out, although there are plans not to let him ever leave the planet.

The story kind of splits into two different actions with Carson and two of his crew investigating the disappearance of the Vestan Guardian and his ship with Babcock as the temporary Captain of the Intrepid. Both go there separate ways and as usual, both get into lots of trouble. Now you have some great space warfare and some exciting ground fighting in one story; can't get much better than that.

If you haven't started reading Carson Mach Space Opera books, then I encourage you to do so. They are well written, well edited and fun to read.

