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This series presents a somewhat different view of the Civil War, in that it is that of a nasty war as seen by young officers on both sides who manage to keep themselves at several foci while serving as junior aides to significant commanders. They do have moments of action on their own, the two
principals, young cousins from a small Kentucky town who end up on opposite sides are observers of such notables as Lee, Jackson. Grant, Sheridan, and others, participating in major battles.The facts don't always agree with the historic books but unless you're a real stickler, it's close enough. The book hits the larger campaigns, and is informative. The writing, however, is sophomoric; I would expect it from a high school student. The characters are too pat, and there are far too many coincidences. I would give it a higher rating save for that.

As one book rather than several volumes, it is a great read, giving insight into the American Civil War. Based on fact makes it believable. A series of books to take to that I could not put down through literally hours of reading. interesting way of writing - each volume relates to the opposite side - North and South - until the last where it switches back and forth. with a series of this magnitude there has to be some repletion of plot and there is but not enough to kill the interest of the reader.
this is a story in 8 wonderful books about the lives of those in the north and those in the south who fought for the union and the confederacy from 1861 to 1865 . it is written with vivid detail and deep thought and the men are realistic and multi-dimensional. I look forward to reading other books by this author, and would recommend this series highly to anyone who loves great historical fiction.

Easy to read. Brings the characters to life. If you like historical fiction this is a good one. As an avid reader this is a good civil war novel

I read a lot of civil war books and this series ranks up with the best of them. Moves you through the whole war from the eyes of both north and south A good read for sure

The actual history seemed to be very accurate. The historical characters were portrayed accurately. The fictional characters and content added to the stories and allowed for the flow of events.

Excellent and historically correct series I read as an adolescent and reread just now. Highly recommended for anyone who loves history.

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