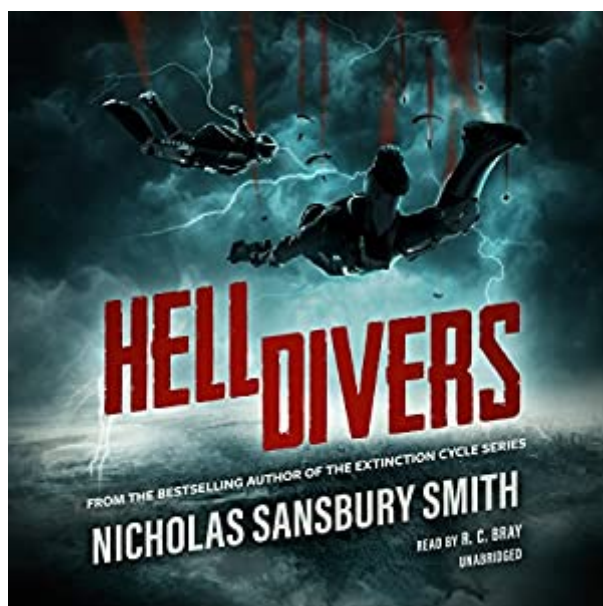


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# Hell Divers: The Hell Divers Trilogy, Book 1



## Synopsis

An Audible Editor's Pick of 2016 and An Audible Best of 2016 Science Fiction. More than two centuries after World War III poisoned the planet, the final bastion of humanity lives on massive airships circling the globe in search of a habitable area to call home. Aging and outdated, most of the ships plummeted back to Earth long ago. The only thing keeping the two surviving lifeboats in the sky are Hell Divers - men and women who risk their lives by diving to the surface to scavenge for parts the ships desperately need. When one of the remaining airships is damaged in an electrical storm, a Hell Diver team is deployed to a hostile zone called Hades. But there's something down there that's far worse than the mutated creatures discovered on dives in the past - something that threatens the fragile future of humanity. Narrator Interview: [vimeo.com/188195570/ad4a958906](https://vimeo.com/188195570/ad4a958906)

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## Customer Reviews

I enjoyed this book, but there were a couple of things here and there that caused me to question the plausibility of the story. Before I explain I will say that I generally do not read sci fi, fantasy, or apocalyptic fiction. I'm much more into spy/political thrillers or Christian literature. As for my questions, I wondered if the airships could really last for over 200 years in the air. Maybe they could, but it was a doubt that I had. I also wondered about there only being around 500 people on ship. It seems that everyone would know everyone in that situation - or at least know about everyone and be in everyone else's business. It seems that with a couple of thousand people it may be more likely that there would be the separation that is described in the book. Then again I could be completely

wrong and the author based his ideas on research. I definitely liked the concept and the overall story. The HDs reminded me of the Spartans in Halo. I will read the second book and see if any of my questions are answered. I commend the author on his works. I'm interested in reading some of his other books/series.

There are only two left in the world. Large flying war machines that are part helium airship and, hover craft with the ability to fly and they are powered with nuclear power packs. They are hundreds of years old and they survived through the efforts of the hell divers. The brave men and women that are shot out of the craft to dive down to the war torn and demolished Earth to find the parts necessary to repair the craft and keep them flying. The two craft contain all of the remaining living human beings on earth. One of the ships is catastrophically damaged by a storm and the hell divers they send down are all dead but one. They are killed by falling through the massive storms or from being attacked by the mutant monsters that roam the earth and fly in the sky. The aircraft named "The Hive" gets the distress call and rushes to try to help rescue their sister craft. Can they arrive in time to save half the human race or will they meet with disaster also? I am a huge fan of the author Nicholas Smith. I have read all of his series of books of the Extinction series and enjoyed them all. This book, Hell Divers, is the first book of a new series. It is about a post apocalyptic world where life is rough and barely surviving is a daily challenge. Hell Divers as the bravest of the brave and their life expectancy is only about 15 dives. Horrible electrical storms, nuclear winter, radiation and mutant killers combine to take their toll on the Hell Divers. The author has the skill to take you 250 years into the future and show you what life would be like after mankind has destroyed themselves and their planet. He also builds strong characters that you like and want to survive. This is a good book and it is full of action and suspense. I rated it 5 stars. I am already hooked on this new series and I am waiting for the next book to be released. The next book in the series is released and it is an excellent book also. Great series to read and enjoy! The books are full of action and I like reading them a lot. This author is becoming one of my favorites. His books are entertaining and I just enjoy reading them! Hell Divers II is released and it is a very good story, Hell Divers III will be released soon and I believe this series of stories is getting better with each new book release. This series is well worth reading.

By the cover, I could tell that this would be an epic adventure. The synopsis also intrigued me enough to purchase and read. I did not want for it to end. I promised myself to read it in chunks so that when I finished it the second installment would be out, but I couldn't hold off. It was that good. A

creative story held in the future were our world was destroyed by war. The sun is rarely visible, and the heat that comes from it is rarely felt. Like the ice age, the bombs left the sky to rot, blocking the sun and leaving the ground in cold climate. The Hell Divers do everything they can to save the people inside the airships, and if it wasn't for their braveness, they would all die rather quickly. It creative and entertaining. A movie of this would be wonderful!

Hell Divers is one of the best books I have read in recent years. This book is filled with great action and fully realized characters and was an absolute joy to read. The author has created a variety of characters that are fully realized and make you care about all of their fates. There are characters that represent the lower classes in the air ship as well as more privileged people. The author has created the world so well that I felt I was living the story instead of reading it. This story is a great mixture is dystopia, sci fi, thriller and monster movie. The action is very well drawn and is very tense but the slower parts on the ship are just as riveting. No part of the book was boring in any way. I just found this to be a wonderful story that I read through very quickly. I am excited to read the next book in the series and I highly recommend it.

One thing about books, you can go anywhere. In HELL DIVERS I managed to ride one of two helium filled ships with what's left of the human race. As in real life, there is a hierarchy. The haves and have nots. The men and women who dive thru the poisonous atmosphere to retrieve materials to keep the ships running deal with the new predator that has surfaced after radiation does its dirty makeover of Mother Nature. I love the storyline and I can't wait to see where the next book in the series takes me to.

Not your run-of-the-mill post-apocalyptic thriller. Great characters and premise of the last and lonely remnants of civilization. They don't even know the why of the long-forgotten war that put them there and survive floating above an infected planet day-to-day. Throw in some politics and desperation and you've got another imaginative story by a polished author. Refreshing to see someone not just rehashing well-beaten plots. Read a lot by N.S. Smith, definitely added to my watch list for his next book/series.

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