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Haunted Savannah: America's Most Spectral City



Synopsis

Why is Savannah, Georgia the most haunted city in America? Historian and tour guide James Caskey answers this question and many more. This fully-revised and updated book details over forty of Savannah's most infamous ghost stories, resulting in a paranormal compilation unlike any other. Discover the truth about Savannah's haunted history as you explore spine-chilling tales about the Hostess City's shadowy "Other Side," as told by a master storyteller. This volume combines exhaustive searches of historical archives, detailed analysis, and engaging first-hand accounts of spectral activity as experienced by eyewitnesses, even by the author! Haunted Savannah: America's Most Spectral City is not a collection of dry facts, dates and folklore; it is an enlightening and entertaining journey for anyone interested in the paranormal, from magical mystery tourist to serious ghost hunter. Containing over 50 photos and a detailed map of Savannah's Historic District, this book is the perfect "pocket tour guide" for the do-it-yourself ghost seeker.

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Customer Reviews

This book was delightful! The author created a great balance between documented historical facts

and intriguing anecdotes from folks who had ghostly experiences. He even shoots down a few of the popular but fake tales passed on by some local tour guides. I really enjoyed the conversational tone - it was like James was standing with me telling the backgrounds and hauntings of more than two dozen buildings in Savannah, Georgia. The subject matter was far ranging. Not only was there the expected topics like architecture, military battles, slavery, family fortunes and cemeteries, but also secret tunnels, romance, duels, privateering vs. piracy, murder and Voodoo. There were even tales about a few of the buildings mentioned in the bestselling book "Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil" by John Berendt.

I first discovered this book through Facebook. I had posted some photos from a recent trip to Savannah and low and behold Facebook picked up on my tags and listed this book as "something I would be interested in." When I saw the title, I knew I had to check it out. Hearing about the periodic updates via the Facebook page, I knew this was a book I had to get my hands on once it was published. I had taken a Ghost Tour on my last visit to Savannah and was intrigued with the possibility of knowing more about the history and facts behind the stories I'd heard. James Caskey strikes the perfect balance between story telling and historical fact. Along with backing up stories and legends that have evolved over the years, he intertwines his own experiences into each chapter. This, even if you're not a believer, will make you a believer. It's one thing to hear an account of what someone else experienced, it's another to hear it from the author himself. Savannah is one of those city's who has become famous for it's stories. But James puts all those stories into historical perspective. This to me, it makes the city that much more appealing because those stories and legends have now become fact and not just fiction. Even if you have never been to Savannah or taken one the ghost tours, you will find this book a pleasure to read. And if you do find yourself in Savannah I urge you to take a ghost tour. The city has a magical way of getting a hold on you once you've spent any length of time there.

Having been to Savannah many times, I had often wondered about the old houses and businesses. When I saw the postings on Facebook that the book was being released soon, I couldn't wait to read it. I have not been disappointed at all. I can picture myself in those places as I read. I bought it to read on my Kindle at a great price. Haunted Savannah: America's Most Spectral City

I absolutely loved this book, and it was hard for me to put it down! Savannah, GA is one of my favorite cities. It's history, and sheer beauty, are captivating. During my last visit I took one of it's

famous "ghost tours", and was left wanting to know more. I did not want to just know the legends, I wanted to know the truths, and this book did an outstanding job of giving them to me in a format that kept me interested at the turn of each page. One of the book's best assets - in my opinion - is that in a few short pages per chapter every major landmark throughout the historical district is covered. I would highly recommend it to anyone who has an interest in those things that go bump in the night throughout Georgia's most beautiful city. Fantastic job James Caskey! I look forward to your future publications.

Enjoyed this book immensely. James Caskey is an excellent researcher, writer, and storyteller. He separates the falsehoods of Savannah's many, many ghost stories with that of accurate research-based evidence and honesty. Thank you for such an incredible effort to set the record straight!

I have family living in Savannah now and so I've visited it a few times. The sense that the trees have centuries worth of stories to tell is palpable, and this author mentions it is the one thing that everyone always says to him when describing their time in Savannah. I love a good storyteller, and this author is one of them. He is a history buff, and a local, and so you get the facts and tidbits that he has dug up for you. He also responsibly debunks the myths and rumors, even clearing a name or two. I will look for his business, Cobblestone Tours (I think?) the next time I'm in Savannah. I think his would be a really good tour, fun and informative. This book also has a good picture of each place he is referencing, I really appreciate that. When reading a good ghost story, as a bit of a history buff and architectural fan, myself, I like to see the structure that I'm hearing about. Actually, I'd like a ton more detailed photos of the woodwork, furniture, doors, ceilings/crowne moulding, etc. but, that seems to be a pipe dream - nobody does that! :) Great book though. I will look into his other ones.

I love visiting Savannah and have taken a couple of different tours that have ghost stories told. I wanted to separate facts from fiction and the author does that very well. Clearly, James Caskey knows this wonderful city well.

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