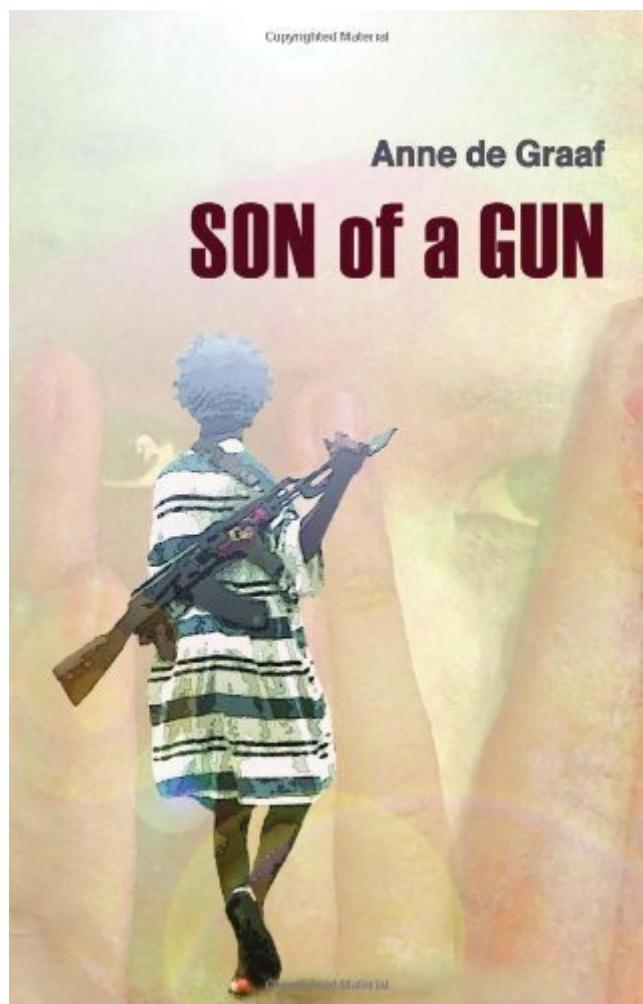


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# Son Of A Gun



## **Synopsis**

I was crazy. Crazy mad. That's how I felt when I turned in my AK-47 rifle. The commanding officer's growl still haunts me: "This gun is your god. You listen to the voice of your god and go where your gun tells you." This powerful and gripping story describes the journey of a brother and sister, eight-year-old Lucky and ten-year-old Nopi, who are kidnapped from school and forced to become child soldiers in Liberia's fourteen-year-long civil war. Lucky and Nopi manage to escape, but must continue fleeing. Even after they are reunited with their parents, they both know the pieces of their lives will never fit together like they used to. When will the war really be over, and when will they get to have the childhood they still dream about? This sensitive and compelling narrative is based on true stories of former child soldiers interviewed by the author. Son of a Gun also includes a section of notes and further information about Liberia.

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## **Customer Reviews**

This book is so slight, yet it says so much about feelings. Young people are forced to take up arms in civil wars in parts of Africa. You would think they would be harmed forever, but there is hope of rehabilitation---if they don't die first. The writing is so insightful and lyrical, that it is a pleasure to

read, even though the subject matter is dark and foreboding. We read it for a book club selection and I highly recommend it. Anne de Graaf is a talented and special person, who just happens to be a writer!

Good read for my 12 year old son

My daughter read this book as a summer assignment for school and found the story to be quite interesting. It gave her a new perspective on how to look at life.

Great price for a great book.

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