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**The seventh book in Nicholas Sansbury Smith's propulsive post-apocalyptic series about a soldier's mission to save the world.**

An army advances...

In Europe, Master Sergeant Joe Fitzpatrick and Team Ghost return from a mission deep into enemy territory only to find that the Variant army has grown stronger, and they are advancing toward the EUF's stronghold in Paris.

**On the brink of Civil War...**

Back in the United States, President Ringgold and Dr. Kate Lovato are on the run. The Safe Zone Territories continue to rally behind the ROT flag, leaving Ringgold more enemies than allies. But there are still those who will stand and fight for America. Captain Rachel Davis and Captain Reed Beckham will risk everything to defeat ROT and save the country from collapsing into Civil War.

**Humanity may be its own worst enemy...**

## Extinction War Details

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## Jim says

Loved this book!! My favorite Extinction Cycle read yet. Non-stop action and a fantastic story line. This is one you don't want to put down it's so good. Technically accurate and the flow is awesome. I highly recommend this series for those that enjoy military action, post apocalypse, and zombie-esque apocalypse action series. Very well written, I can't say this enough times.

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## Scott Pratt says

The Extinction series was my first exposure to the work of Nick Smith. It hooked me from the start. With War, a great series comes to a dramatic end. This book has all the action of the earlier installments, and the climactic final scenes make it hard to put down. I particularly liked the Piero Angaran storyline; the humanity in this brave Italian soldier's friendship with a mouse, while the world crashes down around both of them, is an unexpected pleasure in an otherwise intense novel. I highly recommend this whole series, as well as the Trackers and Hell Divers series also from Nick. Post-apocalyptic fiction is in very good hands.

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## Lisa Omstead says

War has gone global!

Of all the books in the Extinction Cycle series, this story was hands-down the most stressful for me to read in terms of its unrelenting suspense. Fierce battles are being waged. Humans are on the ragged edge in this fight for survival against the evolving Variants AND a power hungry human psychopath.

From prologue to epilogue, Extinction War is a brilliantly crafted, 5 star page-turner. It is also not a book you want to start near the end of your day. Highly recommended!

\*I was given an ARC from the publisher in exchange for an honest review.

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## Cheryl says

"All it takes is all you got, Marines."

This seventh book in the EXTINCTION CYCLE series was non-stop action from page one to the very end. And this book is quite a doorstopper of a tale at 450+ pages.

The Hemorrhage Virus has spread worldwide, leaving monstrous Variants in its path. The remaining humans have divided into two camps - those loyal to the U.S. President and those those following a sadistic psychopath.

Fitz and Team Ghost are in Europe trying to put an end to the Variants there and Dr. Kate Lovato is stressed to the max, trying to protect her unborn child and worrying about whether the child will grow up without a father.

It is my understanding that this is author Nick Smith's last book in this series and I felt totally satisfied with the whole story and the ending. I know there are other authors out there that have written about the EXTINCTION CYCLE world so maybe we will see some more stories from them.

Great series, talented author, and I am excited to see what new adventures he will take us on in the future.

I received this book from Orbit Books in exchange for my unbiased review but as with all of this author's books, I have pre-ordered the book from Amazon for my library and to support this talented writer.

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### **Cynthia Terrones says**

#### **WHAT A WAY TO END A SERIES. THIS IS NICHOLAS SANSBURY SMITH AT HIS BEST.**

WOW. Hats off to Nicholas Sansbury Smith, what a way to end a series. This had been by far my most favorite series in all of kindle by one of the best Authors around. With Gunnery Sergeant Fitzpatrick and Team Ghost fighting for their lives in Europe and trying to make it safe over there, they have no idea what is happening with their friends and loved ones back in the United States. Beckham is doing his best to get back to Kate and their unborn child, but even he's not sure he'll make it this time around as he's dropped into a place even worse than hell. With big Horn also doing all he can to protect his girls, Kate and the President of the United States from one madman, Andrew Wood, who seems hell bent on wiping out Fitz, Team Ghost, Beckham, Kate, President Ringgold and everyone else who opposes him around the world he makes one last attempt to end his enemies once and for all. But the one thing he doesn't count on is the love these people have for each other and their Country. Nick as done one awesome job with this series and I for one am devastated that this series has come to an end. I've followed this series from book #1 "Extinction Horizon" and I've counted each day until the release of the next book and this was well worth waiting for. This is one series I recommend to all and will continue to do so for a long, long time. Now to wait and see where Nicholas takes us after this.

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### **Erik Vesper says**

I need to start this review with some honesty. This is the first Extinction Cycle book that I've read... You see, I've happily enjoyed the performance of Bronson Pinchot throughout the first 6 installments--- so this was a new experience for me. (I found myself trying to do Mr. Pinchot's voices in my head while reading and it made me appreciate him even more). Back to Extinction War-this book is the best piece of art Nicholas Sansbury Smith has produced to date. There are so many examples throughout this story that had me reacting out loud, but it felt like War produced that effect every other page! I've spoke in other reviews about NSS' amazing ability to develop characters but I now see this is where he truly shines. These characters felt like family far before this point, and Smith beautifully (and painfully!) keeps the reader's heart in a constant state of frenzy regarding their fate. When I realized I was nearing the end of the book, I slowed my pace to a crawl, not wanting the story to to end. This proved fruitless-I needed this story more than Flathmann needs his booze. The last several chapters of the story provided tears, fist pumps, and a desire for more. Thank you

for this story, Mr Smith. It was a HELL of a ride!

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### **Debbie Winfield says**

Wow!!! What a ride this series has been. From reading the very first book I knew I was on to a different style of an apocalyptic series. Definitely not your usual run of the mill monsters and this was completely refreshing to me. So I was hooked and quickly devoured the first 3 books in the series. Then I've had to wait not so patiently for the rest to be released but with each book the wait was worth it. Waiting for book 7 was no exception and to be completely honest, I wasn't sure what to expect with War. It didn't let me down. Straight back into the fight and I knew I was in for an amazing read. Fast paced, tense, exciting, edge of your seat reading for all of the book. No spoilers here but anyone who's read these books knows that nobody is safe and the worst can happen. All of my favourite characters faced their worst nightmares and by the end of the book I felt like I'd ridden a rollercoaster of emotions. An excellent way to end the series but hopefully we might get some more stand alone stories set in this world. I highly recommend this book, series and anything else the amazing author has written.

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### **Christine E Butler says**

I literally read this in one day. I just couldn't stop once I started. This book is a perfect addition to the ECycle. As much as I'd like there to be more to the story, this feels like a perfect way to end it. I don't want to give anything away, but I found myself cheering, and crying, angry and happy, frustrated and joyful while reading War. I love this series, and I can't wait to see what NSS writes next.

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### **BookLoversLife says**

I don't know what to say about this book to do this justice!!! It was phenomenal. Everything I wanted and more.

It's all out war, both with the Variants and ROT! The battle for Europe is still going strong and Fitz and Apollo are knee deep in it. The Variants there are bigger, badder and harder to destroy than what they had in America, and it's all Fitz can do to keep Team Ghost alive. Meanwhile, in America, Beckham is battered and bruised but still fighting, well just about!! Horn is trying to keep Kate safe, President Ringgold is trying to hold onto her country, safe zones are allying with ROT and things look grim, especially with the Hemorrhage Virus being used against them, but nobody will go out without a fight!!!

This book just about broke me!! I was on the edge of my seat throughout and had such a hard time putting it down, but I also didn't want to keep reading because that meant that the series would end!! I wanted to devour it, but I didn't, I took my time reading it and just immersed myself in the War. I felt everything these characters felt, I cried with them and I laughed with them. I gasped, I was tense and I was terrified for them, I was completely captivated by these characters and their journeys. I'm sad to see it end, but also happy with the way it ended!! Not all the characters made it, and those that did were changed completely, but that's what makes it so good, so real!! That's what gives this series it's heart... the amazingly written characters!

The plot of this was extremely fast paced and intense!! Right from the start, we are thrown into the action of

fighting the enemy, both in Europe and America. And boy does it get tense!! So many times had me gasping and going, no, no, no, NOOOO!! Then there were times where I was biting my nails and waiting to see what would happen next, and what happened next would break my heart, but other times would leave me smiling and going, yes!!!! It was an emotional rollercoaster, but so, so worth it! I want to talk about Piero, but I can't, I want to talk about Davis, but I can't, I want to talk about Beckham, but I can't!! There is so much I want to say, but I can't because it will spoil things.

In all, this book was phenomenal. As I said already, it was all I wanted and more! It even surpassed what I was expecting!! It was action packed, intense, an edge of your seat ride, emotional, and absolutely brilliant!! My heart has been captured by these characters and I do hope we see more from them, but if the author feels that their story has come to an end, then I'm ok with that!! Horn, Beckham and Fitz have come a long way and deserve a break ;)

Seriously guys, there are very, very few books that I recommend as passionately as I do this series. Go give them a go, you won't be sorry!!!

I received an advanced copy of this, but have also pre-ordered the audio and paperback!! It will remain firmly on my favourite shelves.

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### **Jonathan Monnich says**

War is a fantastic culmination of the preceding books in the series. I do not even remember why I began reading the Extinction Cycle books, but with the first book all the way to War #7, the action, the attention to details combined with the genius of the imagination are absolutely astounding. Where most books about the post apocalyptic world do not directly define how it all started, Extinction Horizon (the first book in the cycle) pinpoints the cause, and continues to expand on possible mutations that continue. The Variants created is just the beginning. For me "War" is not the ending of the series but it could be. Thank you Nicholas Smith for beginning this series and creating such a collection along the way that has created a book #7 that we have all been waiting for. You are an amazing author and I want to thank you for sharing your knowledge and incredible imagination with us, your readers.

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### **andrew jackson says**

The end of the war is at hand. A civil war is at hand in the U.S. And Team Ghost, the Marines and the rest of the European forces are trying to find victory in Europe. Beckman is down but not out and Fitz is trying to live up to his role as the new leader of Team Ghost fighting in Europe. Reading this last chapter in A Great Series, I found myself going back to the first book and reliving Team Ghost's story again, their up and downs, losses, heart aches and the little boys they found almost the way. That this is the last is a hard and sad thing to accept but that Nicholas Smith gave us all a series to love was a gift. Now if you want to know if we win or lose in the end, well take the time to read and find out for yourself. I don't want to spoil it for you. And Nick, you can write more later on this if you want.

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## **Nikki "The Crazie Betty" V. says**

I've read about a dozen of NSS's books at this point, but this is the first completed series of his that I've finished. I must say, that at 7 books, this series hits my limit for how many books in a series I'm willing to commit to. And that magic # for me is actually 7. Fortunately, NSS knows just how to finish up a series without making me feel let down. Not everything is perfectly tied up, not everyone lives, and not everyone gets an HEA. The threat of the variants are still there, but the human villain of the story has finally been dealt with. As scary as the variants were, that man was a series piece of work and really gave the variants a run for their money on who the most threatening predator was.

I experienced every myriad of emotion in this book. From such a great amount of anger I would have to put the book aside, to coming undone and crying, to smiling like a goof. The characters are well drawn, and very real, and NSS really knows how to allow the natural growth of character development throughout the series. Pedro and Ringo will stay with me mind and heart for a long time to come. For such a hard-core, action filled, post-apocalyptic thriller, NSS also gave us many heart-string pulling moments, and very human and sensitive moments. I simply cannot recommend this series enough. By far one of the best stories I've read in a long time, and one I know I will gladly come back to in the future for a re-read.

**HIGHLY RECOMMENDED!!**

*Many thanks to Netgalley for providing a copy of this book in exchange for my honest review.*

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## **Michael Hicks says**

In case the threat of the monstrous Variants and the pending extinction of the human race wasn't enough, Nicholas Sansbury Smith adds in some extra tension with the possibility of another civil war. Rogue, fanatical soldier Andrew Wood and his Resistance of Tyranny (ROT, an acronym that feels a bit too on-the-nose for this vicious homegrown squadron of terrorists) are attempting to undermine President Ringgold by unleashing the infectious Hemorrhage Virus bioweapon upon the nation's Safe Zone Territories, while executing some grand-scale revenge against the members of Ghost Team. The bulk of Ghost Team's Delta operators, however, are waging war against the Variants in France and seeking to save Europe.

Smith weaves a strong sci-fi-military-horror narrative using multiple plot threads and presenting shifting viewpoints from a handful of characters. Opening with a battle for survival, Wounded Warrior Reed Beckham fights his way through a Safe Zone now overrun with horrors, catapulting the story from one violent and dangerous encounter to the next. *Extinction War* hits the ground running, hardly pausing to allow readers or the book's characters a chance to catch their breath. This is a guns-ablazing, pedal to the metal post-apocalyptic actioner that speeds its way through the end of the world.

While there's plenty of alpha male mayhem, it's Smith's presentation of the women that I enjoy the most. They're not only smart and capable characters in position of power, but function as a necessary counterbalance to the horrors of this world, oftentimes inhabiting the roles of humanity's saviors. Both Dr. Kate Lovato and President Ringgold are tough go-getters, but they're also determined to fix the egregious and deliberate actions made by men. Men created the Hemorrhage Virus and destroyed humanity, but it's ultimately up to the women to save the world while a lot of the men run assist. Cool beans.

*Extinction War* looks to be the big finish to The Extinction Cycle series, and Smith ties up the dangling plot threads pretty nicely. Not all of the characters we've grown to love and admire over the course of seven novels make it through unscathed, but the story resolves itself in a satisfactory way. Smith, of course, has kept his bases covered should his publisher and fans demand a book eight. Never count out Team Ghost, after all. But if this is indeed the series finale, it goes out on a good note. I really wouldn't mind this being the last book though, and am savoring the idea of the survivors finally having a chance to unwind and relax for a bit. They've more than earned a rest.

[Note: I received an advanced copy of this title from the publisher via NetGalley.]

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## **R L says**

I'm excited about this book- call me trigger happy..... ; )

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## **Felicia says**

Nicholas Sansbury Smith does not disappoint in the book...the “end” of the series. The action continues with Team Ghost. Fitz leading the team into the jaws of war with a multitude of beasts. Dr. Kate is continuing to do research and Beckham is supposedly retired, but of course that won't last. The action in Europe is vicious and in the U.S. traitors are attempting to overthrow what little stability there is. This book will take you on another action packed ride. Enjoy it.

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