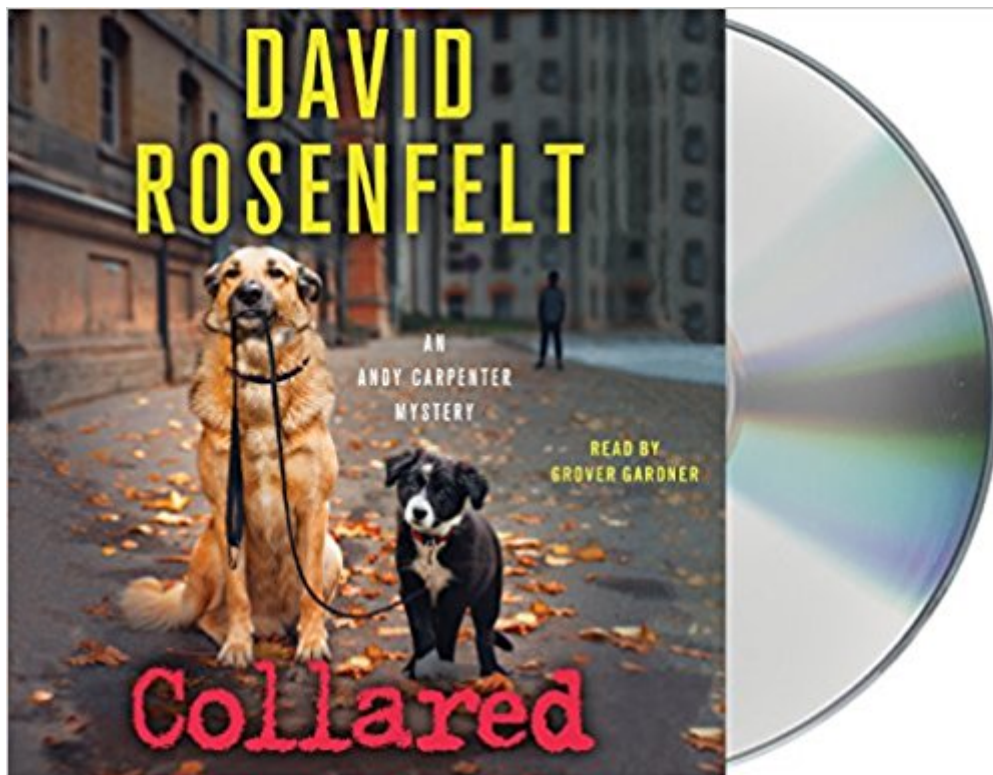


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Collared: An Andy Carpenter Novel



Synopsis

David Rosenfelt's *Collared* is read by Andy Carpenter series narrator Grover Gardner. Lawyer Andy Carpenter's true passion is the Tara Foundation, the dog rescue organization he runs with his friend Willie Miller. All kinds of dogs make their way to the foundation, and it isn't that surprising to find a dog abandoned at the shelter one morning, though it was accompanied by a mysterious anonymous note. But they are quite surprised when they scan the dog's embedded chip, and discover that they know this dog. He is the "DNA dog." Two and a half years ago, Jill Hickman was a single mother of an adopted baby. Her baby and dog were kidnapped in broad daylight in Eastside Park, and they haven't been seen since. A tip came in that ID'd a former boyfriend of Hickman's, Keith Wachtel, as the kidnapper. A search of his house showed no sign of the child but did uncover more incriminating evidence, and the clincher that generated Wachtel's arrest was some dog hair, notable since Wachtel did not have a dog. DNA tests showed conclusively that the hair belonged to Hickman's dog. Wachtel was convicted of kidnapping, but the dog and baby were never found. Now, with the reappearance of the dog, the case is brought back to light, and the search for the child renewed. Goaded by his wife's desire to help a friend and fellow mother and Andy's desire to make sure the real kidnapper is in jail, Andy and his team enter the case. But what they start to uncover is far more complicated and dangerous than they ever expected.

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"Grover Gardner returns to narrate Rosenfelt's latest Andy Carpenter mystery for dog lovers." AudioFile, Editors' Pick "With neighborly ease and a sly wit, one of audio's true originals, Grover Gardner, again gives voice to David Rosenfelt's bestselling amateur sleuth and dog lover, Andy Carpenter...There are lots of wisecracks and self-deprecating asides, and Gardner's wonderful combination of the rhythms of Sam Spade and the irreverent tones of Mark Twain make this diverting whodunit a listening treasure." -AudioFile, Earphones Award "Narrator Grover Gardner is once again perfect as the cocky, headstrong lawyer. With a fitting regional accent, he captures Carpenter's intellect, hilarious and biting sarcasm, and ability to remain cool under pressure." -AudioFile on Earphones Award Winner Who Let the Dog Out? "David Rosenfelt deftly works in wry humor, a love of dogs and New Jersey gangsters in Hounded, his highly entertaining 12th legal thriller. [Rosenfelt] continues to explore Andy's personality, allowing him to change and grow in each novel." -Associated Press "Terrific" -How does Rosenfelt manage to construct such clever and complex plots, tie them all together, make you love Andy more with every novel, and bombard you with non-stop humor, all at the same time? Only Rosenfelt can pull off that kind of quadruple-play. His is an absolutely unique mystery/comedy talent." -Examiner.com on Unleashed

DAVID ROSENFELT is the Edgar and Shamus Award-nominated author of several stand-alones and more than a dozen Andy Carpenter novels, including Outfoxed. He and his wife live in Maine with the twenty-seven golden retrievers that they've rescued.

Canines and animal shelters enhance any story. Here comes a lost dog who becomes the clue to a missing child, and a link to keeping a good person out of prison. The finale includes assassination and family life for the child and canine. Andy tells the story in first person, with endless snarky commentary. Always nice when people offer generous funding to help others.

We love "Andy Carpenter" and all the characters in this series. The story keeps the reader's attention and thinking "Just one more chapter then I'll go to bed". Plots tend to be similar but that's Andy. Tara doesn't seem to have as much of a role anymore. I miss her. A good, fun, suspenseful read.

I love all of David Rosenfelt's mysteries that start off with "The Dog." Rosenfelt's books contain a mystery full of twists and turns, nail biting drama, and humor. I just finished "Collared" and I am

eagerly awaiting Rosenfelt's next book.

My husband and I both read this series. We always look forward to the next book. This book was very good, so go ahead and give it a try. There have been a few books that weren't up to par but you can't hit a homerun every time.

I love the Andy Carpenter series and have read all the novels, plus "Dogtripping" and "Lessons From Tara". The action was fast paced as usual, but I missed more time with Tara. His conversations with her and walks are what make the series unique. I will still anxiously await the next book.

I love this book so much that I dread finishing it. That's why I'm taking time out to review it. Now I'm going to read a chapter then I'm going to clean my closet, read a chapter etc. BTW I laughed out loud six times in the first hundred pages.

Rosenfelt is my favorite author. I had been waiting for this book to come out and was not disappointed. An easy read that is easy to submerge ur self into. Didn't want the book to end because I was enjoying it. Guess I'll have to wait for his next release now.

Rosenfelt's main character has a humorous, self deprecating manner that is engaging. The plots are unique and intricately woven to hold your interest. His books are a fun read. I would suggest reading them in order, though.

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