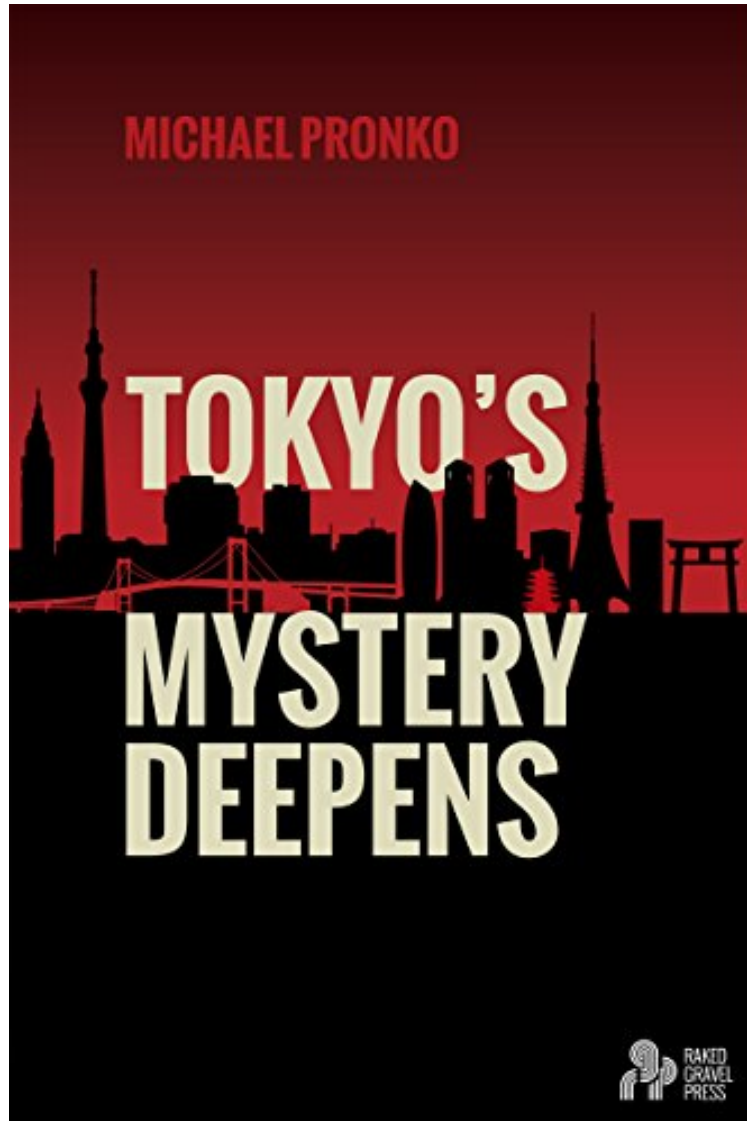


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small aspect of Tokyo through the author's eyes. Overall it paints a picture of what living in Tokyo is like for the author. Traveling to a place is one way to view it. Quick views from cradled within the touristic infrastructure. Looking at a place as an outsider resident is a different, deeper view. One that can actually be more perspective because of the objectivity that a true native doesn't have. The essays show this perspective. Worth a read to get this perspective on an interesting city. Occasionally while reading I had the feeling of watching a timelapse of the city with soothing music. Not sure if that is a good or bad thing, but definitely interesting.

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