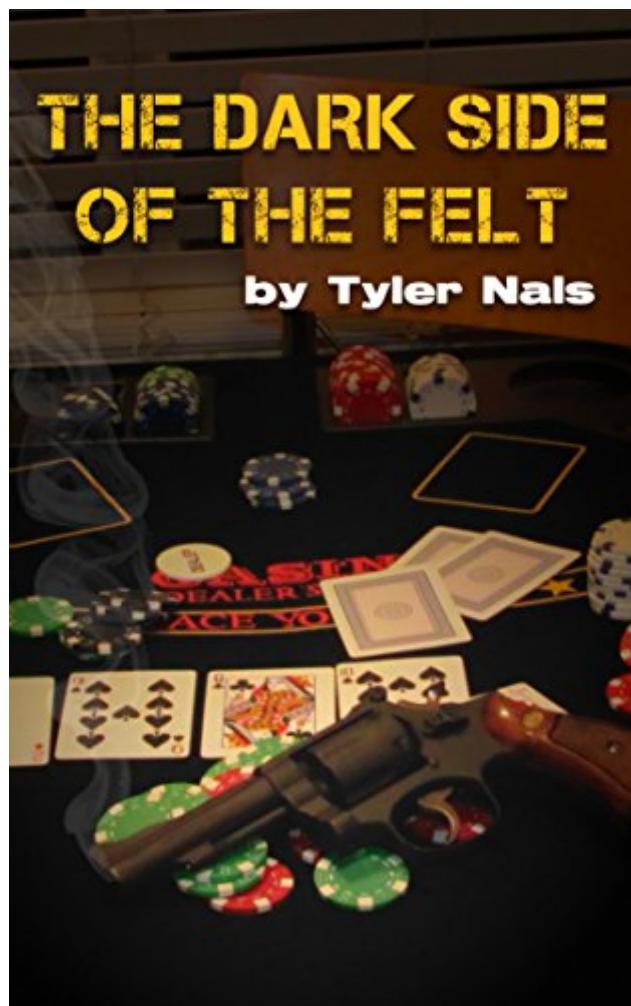


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# The Dark Side Of The Felt



## **Synopsis**

You know those guys who play poker for millions of dollars on television? I'm not one of those guys. Instead, I risked my life on a nightly basis playing in underground poker games on Long Island and in Charlotte. This story is about how I managed to survive, but just barely. NOTE: The second installment of this trilogy is now available: A Darker Side of the Felt.Â Â

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## **Customer Reviews**

I have never gone to a casino or gambled on anything more than a lottery ticket every week. I never understood the draw to a casino was so big for other people, then I read this book. I'd say that there is an adrenaline rush that makes a person looking for a new rush. The Dark Side of the felt explained uses humor and drama to paint the life of an underground gambler, and draw the reader into the story. The twists came quickly and made me want to read more waiting and waiting for another twist, another resolution. As a non poker player, I didn't relate well, but I think someone who knows poker will appreciate this book. There was good story behind the poker story, I was just

interested in the poker long enough to see how it fed the next scenario. If your a poker player you'll enjoy this book, but if not the poker doesn't take away from the rest of the story, the drama, the humor will engage you.

This suspenseful novel is a fiction but it is based on the author's experiences. Not sure how much he embellished but it all seems in the realm of possibility, sometimes fact is stranger than fiction! I really enjoyed the first person narrative as it gets you into the head of the character and helps add a realness to the situations. I've read a few other books by Mr. Nals and one thing I've come to expect and enjoy is his philosophical and introspective views on people and also the world around the characters. I was not disappointed with this book as it brought that same contemplative viewpoint I was hoping for. The world of underground poker is not for the faint hearted but definitely for the risk takers and gamblers. For now I'll just enjoy reading about it in books like this.

The Dark side of the felt was the kind of book every poker playing degenerate can relate to and we all have been there to certain extent. Even though Tyler's books about poker may not be atypical of a poker book they for me are just right. I learned so much from reading two of his books than I have playing poker for years. I am positive if anyone reads this book they will come away wanting more and know Tyler has mad skills at writing unlike some of us(me). Yet another book I read cover to cover without putting down I am on a roll ;) I could get used to this whole reading thing.

"The Dark Side of the Felt" is about a man's journey through the world of underground poker. The main character details his many experiences playing underground games, including a game held in a twenty-something's parent's garage as everyone smoked weed (it became a factor during the game). The author has a knack for writing in a way that transfers the humor of the situation to the reader, and I found myself laughing out loud a number of times. The stories are engaging, and the author does a good job of capturing the suspense of the game. It's clear he knows poker like the back of his hand. Recommended if you want a fun, humorous book about the life of an underground poker player!

Great writing. You really feel immersed in the story. The author exposes a side of poker that most of us are aware of, but never experience for ourselves. Tyler, Great job. How much of this is fact vs. fiction?

This book was thrilling and had me on the edge of my seat quite a few times while reading! Edgy and well written, this story takes you on a rollercoaster ride from beginning to end. Tyler Nals has completely blown me away once again and I'm definitely excited for more out of this versatile and all the way around incredible author! If you're looking for a new read that's exciting and edgy, I highly recommend you get this book!

What a great read! This is the second book I have read by author and poker player Tyler Nals. The story is about a players experiences in underground poker games. As a poker player I found the story very enlightening. Thank you Tyler for the story. Makes me all the more thankful I did not have to go this route to play...I'm anxious to read Twisted Sick. My next purchased book. Hmm. Three of Tyler Nals books in less than three weeks. He is definitely doing something right.

This is not just for poker players! Let me make that clear. Poker players will love it, yes! But, you don't have to be a poker player to enjoy the harrowing tales in this book. Some things in life are just compelling in life and we pursue them. If there is anything in life you have a passion for, you will relate to this book completely. And, by the way, if your passion happens to be poker, this is the perfect book for you!

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