

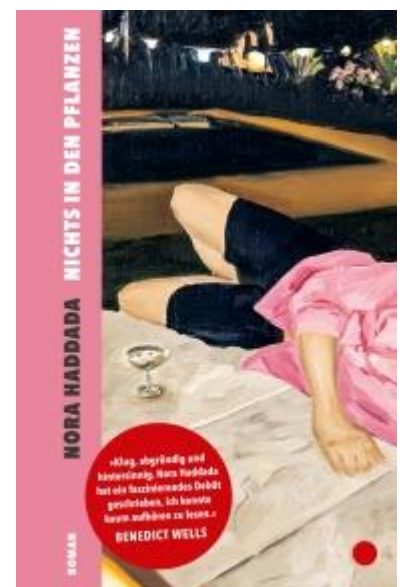
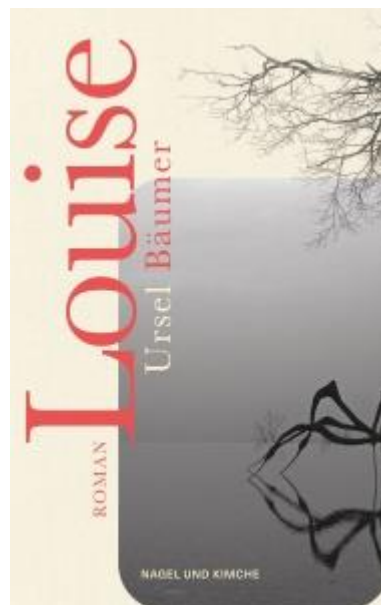
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Nora Haddada

## Nothing in the Plants

### In search of the ominous self

#### About the book

Young screenwriter Leila has signed her first contract with a major production company. She compensates for her daily and moderately successful writing routine with nights in corner bars and at dinner parties, which secretly bore her. They keep each other alive with success stories - but how do they really survive? Leila's arch-enemy Aischa, of all people, is also writing a screenplay and is becoming a serious competitor. And then Leila also discovers that her not-quite-public affair Leon has become the most important source of inspiration for her writing - wit, acts of desperation, glamour, hubris and a search for meaning in a seemingly superficial world whose shallows open up bit by bit as you read.

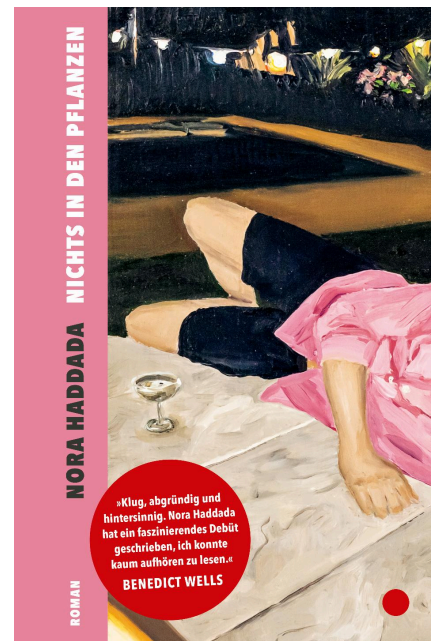
- **In the tone of Leila Slimani's *All that to lose*, with the nihilistic gesture from Ottessa Moshfegh's *My Year of Rest and Relaxation*.**
- **Nora Haddada has a sound all her own, this book thrives on its exciting language and beautiful laconicism, with which she dissects our present like nobody else**

*"Haddada succeeds with 'Nothing in the Plants,' a perceptive debut that looks not merely into artistic abysses, but into human ones as well."* FAZ 12.9.2023



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Nora Haddada, born 1998 in Neunkirchen (Saar), studied creative writing and literary studies in Hildesheim, Paris and Berlin. She has worked, among other things, as a screenwriter, a representative at the German Embassy in Paris, and an agent at the Petra Eggers Agency. Publication in magazines and anthologies, most recently Missy Magazine and Bella Triste. Invitations to festivals and conferences, to the "Insert Female Artist Festival" and "The Power(s) of Language" (Stockholm). She lives in Berlin.



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Ursel Bäumer

## Louise

### The literary portrait of the artist of the century Louise Bourgeois

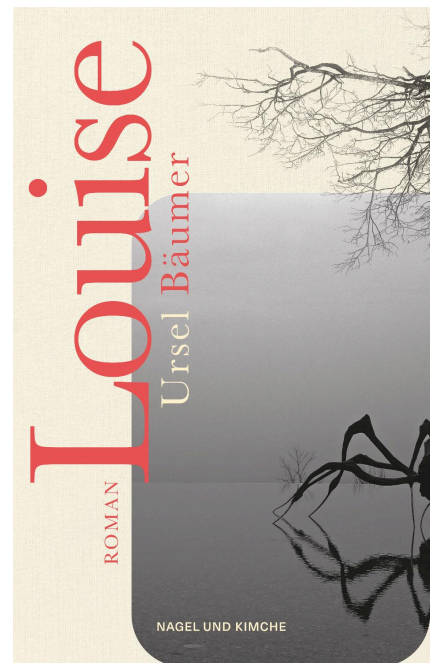
#### About the book

The life of the young Louise Bourgeois is characterized by work and the fulfillment of duty. From an early age, she draws motifs for the tapestries in her parents' workshop, cares for her seriously ill mother and looks after the household, while her despotic father leaves her to do everything on her own. Years later, the brokenness of childhood will take shape in her artworks. As in the spider sculpture Maman, named after her mother, who throughout her life reliably repaired and renewed damaged things.

A novel that gently interweaves a woman's life with its time and art, and a book about female self-empowerment through the power of art.

- **Louise Bourgeois is one of the most important artists of our time**
- **Major solo exhibition of Louise Bourgeois, Belvedere Vienna in fall 2023**

*"In her novel, Ursel Bäumer beautifully interweaves historical expertise, worlds of longing and emotion, and fascinating art installations."*  
*From the jury's statement on the award of the project grant of the "Bremer Autor\*innenstipendium" 2021.*



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Ursel Bäumer, born in Münster, lives in Bremen as a freelance author after studying German and cultural studies and teaching at various institutions. In 2022, she was a guest in Berlin with a project grant from the "Bremer Autor\*innenstipendium". Her novel "Zeit der Habichte" was published by Dörlemann Verlag in 2011.

Nina Blazon

## I dreamed of a Beast

A riveting novel about an extraordinary woman and the demons of her past

### About the book

Fleur's life is the Internet. This place, unlike the real world, offers the data forensics expert a sense of security. When Fleur inherits her hated French grandmother's apartment, she is confronted with her unresolved family history. On the trail of her ancestors, Fleur travels to France's Auvergne region. There she comes across a dark secret that goes back to the time of the Enlightenment. In the process, she also comes face to face with a beast that has overshadowed the fate of her family for generations. After this encounter, Fleur will be someone else forever.

- **After the surprise success "We loved" finally the new novel by Nina Blazon.**
- **A captivating novel about an extraordinary woman and the demons of her past**
- **The Beast of Gévaudan: the well-known French legend told in a new and modern way**



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Nina Blazon, born in 1969, studied Slavic and German studies in Würzburg and taught for several years as a lecturer at the universities of Tübingen and Saarbrücken. She then completed an editorial traineeship and wrote for the Süddeutsche and Stuttgarter Zeitung, among others. The author lives in Stuttgart, where she also works as a freelance journalist and trainer for creative and therapeutic writing. Nina Blazon is the author of numerous novels for young people, which have been on the SPIEGEL bestseller list several times. Her major successes include "Faunblut", "Totenbraut" and "Der Winter der schwarzen Rosen". Her novel "Liebten wir" received rave reviews from the press.



Thomas Zwerina

## A Fingertip of Freedom

An atmospheric novel about the life of an impressive man whose invention opened the world to so many: Louis Braille

### About the book

Paris 1821, at the Institut National des Jeunes Aveugles, France's national institution for the blind: It is the "night writing" of a certain Charles Barbier that causes blind Louis Braille to ponder deeply. Fascinated, the boy strokes his fingertips over the sublime characters and asks himself one question: Is this script, which was originally conceived as a secret script for the military, the vehicle to freedom? And lo and behold - after initial difficulties, he arrives at six simple raised dots. They are - so he realizes - the key to all the knowledge that slumbers in the books of the sighted and for which he thirsts endlessly.

- **How does one comprehend the world when it always remains dark?**
- **With his great debut novel, Zwerina delves into French history and devotes himself to the one whose writing opened up the world to him: Louis Braille**
- **An impressive life, told in impressive as well as surprising pictures**
- **Additional edition in Braille**



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Thomas Zwerina's love of literature and language led him to study English and German at J. L. U. Giessen. Over the years, the busy author and composer has gained stage experience in the fields of literature, theater and music. Together with Evi Lerch, Zwerina forms the musical duo Cellular Fools. In 2018 Thomas Zwerina went completely blind, but this does not let him tire as an artist.

Michelle Marly

## The Glamour of the Future. Loulou de la Falaise and Yves Saint Laurent

The story of Yves Saint-Laurent's greatest inspiration - a woman who risks everything for love

### About the book

Paris, 1968: when young Loulou is invited to a tea party in illustrious company, she couldn't imagine anything more boring - and in general, the London-born young woman finds it hard to arrive in France. Having finally managed to step out of her famous mother's shadow, everything in her resists turning away from her colorful, sprawling style and adapting to the cool elegance that prevails here. But this afternoon is not to be without consequences: An encounter changes her life forever, for it is here that she meets Yves Saint Laurent. He is fascinated by the young woman, who herself prefers to wear flea market clothes, but loves nothing in the world like fashion. Loulou and Yves become good friends, and eventually he makes her the offer of a lifetime - but she never wanted to be just a "muse" ...



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Behind Michelle Marly is bestselling German author Micaela Jary, who grew up in the world of cinema and music. Through her father, the composer Michael Jary, she discovered her love of France at an early age; her mother, a former mannequin, shaped her sense of fashion. She lived in Paris for a long time and now lives in Berlin and Munich with her husband and dog; she has a grown daughter and is a very happy grandma to twins.

Susanne Oswald

## Snow Magic in the Little Knitting Shop in the Highlands (5)

A pub, a blizzard, and a knitting store story that couldn't be more magical

### About the book

Maighread is having a baby shower for Chloe with her friends. For weeks they have planned and invited violinist Vivian. Maighread not only wants to please Chloe, but also to get Jason out of his reclusive life. After a stroke of fate, he has sold his belongings and opened a pub away from the village. Just before Christmas, the party gets underway. The snow-covered world high above Loch Lomond appears as if enchanted. The mood is boisterous and cheerful when a storm breaks loose. It roars around the house, and in no time at all the snow piles up meters high. The pub is cut off from the world. The friends have to hold out until the weather calms down. At first they take it with humor and enjoy the warm spot by the fireplace. Violinist Vivian provides music. But when the power also goes out, things get uncomfortable. Enchanted slowly but surely becomes bewitched ...

- Finally a new novel by Susanne Oswald
- For wonderful reading hours including knitting instructions



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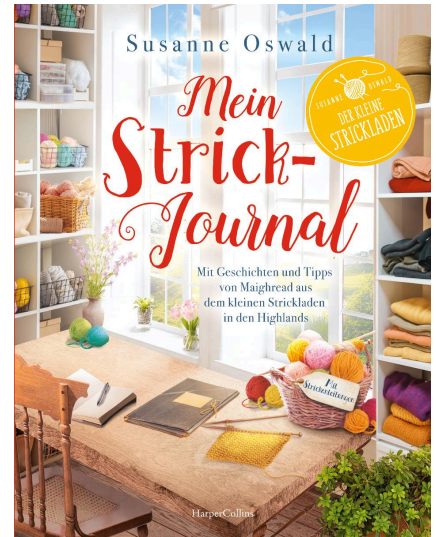
## My Knitting Journal

Nothing makes life more beautiful than knitting - with this book every project succeeds!

### About the book

Just like Maighread from the little knitting store in the Highlands, with this ultimate knitting bullet journal you can perfectly organize your knitting projects and capture all your ideas instantly. Plus, this journal includes handy tips and tricks from Maighread as well as trackers that will add to your knitting enthusiasm.

- The perfect knitting journal not only for fans of the "Kleiner Strickladen Reihe"



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Chantal Schreiber

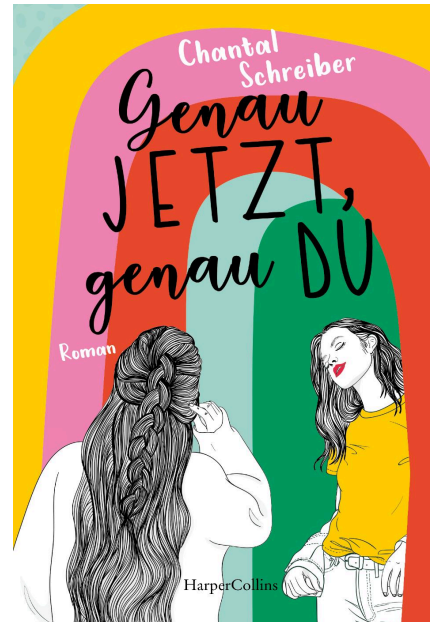
## Exactly You, Exactly Now

A sizzling kiss, great love and the whole world in between

### About the book

Jemma and Tara - two who seem destined for each other but couldn't be more different - fall in love at first sight. And happiness feels so right. But while Tara is in the media spotlight as a climate activist and completely dedicated to the cause, Jemma works in a kindergarten and sometimes doesn't go to the protest or misses a date because she wants to help a little neglected boy. Always doing the right thing is difficult. Will Jemma and Tara manage to stay together despite all the challenges?

- **Emotional, queer, and delightfully romantic**
- **A love that will charm not only fans of Becky Albertalli and Casey McQuiston**
- **Fighting for your ideals, living up to your friends and your great love - sometimes it all seems too much, and yet happiness lies in the very moment you feel alive**



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Chantal Schreiber's real name and she writes books for kids, teens and adults. She loves animals (all of them!), thrift stores (treasure hunt!), cooking and baking (vegan), books, movies and being outdoors. She lives and works near Vienna.

Bianca Nawrath

## First, it comes differently

Is there a cure for weltschmerz?

### About the book

When Maggie, a senior citizen, knocks on the door of their shared apartment in Berlin, student Carla and her roommates think it's a mistake. But it soon turns out that Maggie is the landlady of the apartment, who has decided to move into the vacant room in the shared apartment herself. The students have no choice but to comply with the senior's wishes, and so they are at the mercy of the sprightly lady's demands. Maggie comes from a different generation, and some of the things that go on in the shared apartment are beyond her. Why do you have to stream your everyday life on Instagram, why is it important to demonstrate for climate protection, and why do young people feel so lost? And while Carla and her friends are looking for their way in life, Maggie is looking for a way to let go of the past.

- **Humorous, warm-hearted and in tune with the times**
- **There is more in common between Generation Z and sprightly pensioners than one might think**



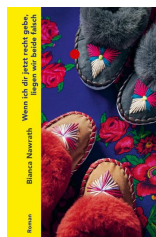
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### Further Titles



Bianca Nawrath  
Eat this now if you love me  
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Bianca Nawrath  
If I Tell You You're Right, We're Both Wrong  
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Bianca Nawrath has borrowed one or two anecdotes from her novels from her own life (but she doesn't reveal which ones): Born and raised in Berlin in 1997, she has also spent numerous vacations with extended family in Poland throughout her life. Nawrath is a freelance journalist and actress - she has appeared on camera with Jürgen Vogel and Til Schweiger, among others - and is studying journalism in Berlin.



Wilfried Meichtry

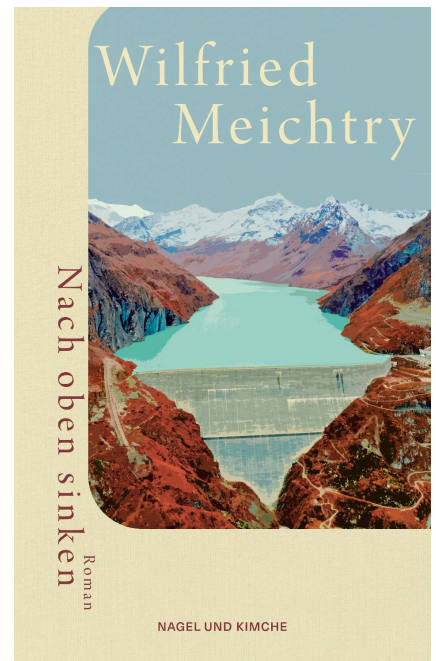
## Sink Upwards

"It is not a misfortune to be born here. But it is not a special luck either."

### About the book

This novel tells of an imaginative adolescent who suffers from the raw confinement of the Catholic village world of the 1970s and 1980s, struggling against an aloof adult world that has forgotten words for the sake of silence. More and more, the boy, searching for closeness and affection, withdraws into the world of his imagination and becomes an outsider in the village. When he discovers by chance that he has an uncle who disappeared without a trace decades ago, he is convinced that he has found his only true relative in him. In his investigations, however, he once again runs up against a wall of silence.

- **You have to know where you come from to know where you are going: a very poetic, clear and concentrated novel about the silence that characterizes many families and the speechless search for one's identity**



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Wilfried Meichtry, born in Leuk-Susten in the Valais, is a writer and screenwriter. His books published by Nagel und Kimche include "Enemies in Love. Iris and Peter von Roten" (2012, filmed 2013), "Mani Matter. Eine Biographie" (2015) and "Die Welt ist verkehrt, nicht wir. Katharina von Arx and Freddy Drilhon" (2015, filmed 2018). Meichtry's work has won many awards.

Carlo Leone Spiller

## In Truth it was Beautiful

How we became what we are

### About the book

The protagonist C. is born into a Zurich artist family at the beginning of the nineties. He slithers down Kirchgasse, quarrels with his parents, practices telepathy, discovers love and - writing. But several years are to pass before C. actually studies at the Swiss Literature Institute. Wild years in Buenos Aires, Zurich and Berlin are the background against which C. becomes what is called a writer. How much personal work is behind it and how much writers draw on their lives as material is told in this epic book with much passion and vulnerable openness.

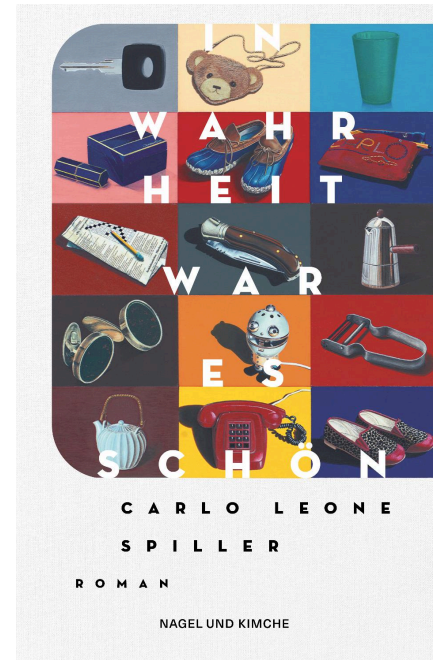
- **The new literary voice from Switzerland**
- **This adventurous journey is also a journey through language itself**
- **A personal overview of economic and social developments in Switzerland over the last thirty years**

*"How does one become what one is meant to be for a lifetime? C. is a thrown one, a threaded one and one whom the language finds. There-upon he can face it. That is how C. becomes and became in fact: a writer."*  
Nora Gomringer



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Carlo Leone Spiller studied literary writing in Biel, German linguistics and literature, and philosophy in Zurich and Berlin. His work has been published in the literary magazines Edit, entwürfe, and Delirium, among others, as well as in the anthology "Ansicht der leuchtenden Wurzeln von unten". "In Truth It Was Beautiful" is his first novel. He co-founded the bookstore for independent publishing MATERIAL and is co-organizer of the event series "Zürcher Werkstattgespräche".



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Thomas Letocha

## Tulip

Some have no conscience, and some have one on four paws

### About the book

Kallemann makes life difficult for other people, whether in his allotment garden or elsewhere. One day, the dog Tulpe runs up to him. No ordinary dog, he is the man's four-legged conscience. And as we all know, you can't shake your conscience - even if the old man initially wants to get rid of the dog at any cost. Eleven-year-old Lina completes the unusual trio, which experiences both comic and dramatic situations. Bit by bit, Kallemann reconciles with those he has hurt. He finds his way to a happier life. Lina and her mother, newly moved to the city, become at home there.

- **Your new favorite light novel: inspiring, touching and cheerful**



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Thomas Letocha is a screenwriter, novelist and playwright. He has written over 250 scripts for German television, all together with Andreas Föhr. His "Oma Else" novels were published by Goldmann.

Rahel Urech

## And Where Do We Put the Body Now?

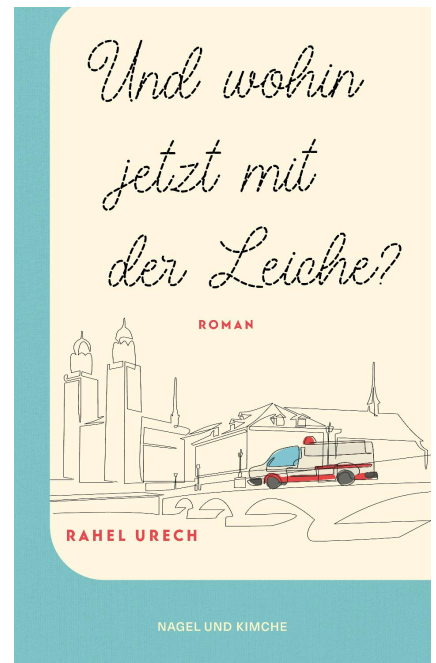
### A road trip of a different kind

#### About the book

A runaway cat gives a decisive turn to the dreary life of the young accountant Skara. Together with Anton, a fired ice cream salesman, and the idealistic lawyer Jonas, she finds herself on a revenge trip. They travel from Zurich across eastern Switzerland and torch all the ice cream parlors of their common enemy. In addition to a flamethrower, they also have a corpse in their luggage. The corpse is Skara's hated boss, who, both alive and accidentally run over, causes nothing but trouble.

Hot on the trio's heels are detective Andy Lutz and his overzealous partner Ruben Schmidt.

- **Light and heavy at the same time: Rahel Urech tells the story of a very special road trip in an amusing, exciting and touching way.**
- **An entertaining debut by Swiss author Rahel Urech**



#### Specifications

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Rahel Urech, born in 1977, studied biology at the University of Zurich and journalism at the Swiss School of Journalism MAZ. She worked as an editor for various daily newspapers for twelve years before setting up her own communications office in 2018. Today, she writes on behalf of agencies and the event industry.



Aja Leuthner

## Felicità!

Happiness is greatest when you can share it

### About the book

Elli, Marie, Giovanna and Antonella were once inseparable, and have been since their first turbulent encounter in the playground of a Munich elementary school. Thirty years later, things look different. School was followed by husbands, children, shattered dreams, affairs and Antonella's death, which her sister Giovanna has never gotten over. When Gio decides to buy an accordion in her native Italy, Elli unceremoniously accompanies her, because it is time for a reunion with Marie, who, far from them, has built a new life in a small village in central Italy. For the three women it is about more than their friendship, they have to find out what really counts in their lives - and only together can they get a little closer to happiness.

- A wonderful novel about four great women and a lifelong friendship that takes us to Italy.



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Aja Leuthner  
Via Torino  
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Aja Leuthner works as an editor for the *Süddeutsche Zeitung*, which she stole from her father's breakfast table when she was just twelve years old. Her mother's bookcase shaped her love of literature. Her studies in political science, sociology and Italian studies sprang from a passion for political debate and an enthusiasm for Mediterranean life and Romance culture. The impetus to write herself came from John-Boy Walton - and the great moment when his first book was delivered to the house by mail in the 1970s series. The author lives with her family near Munich.

Birgit Zimmermann

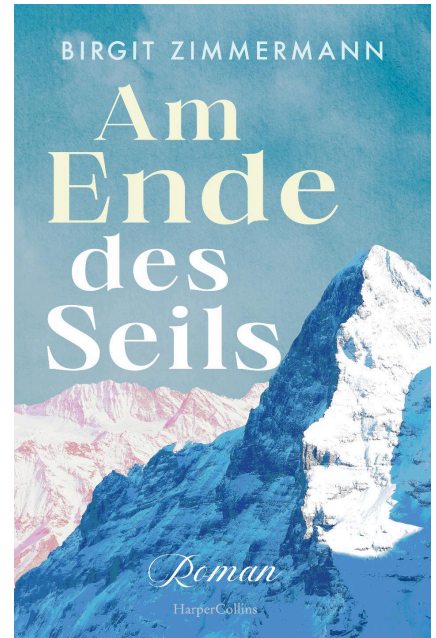
## At the End of the Rope

Love and death on the north face of the Eiger - and an extraordinary woman ahead of her time

### About the book

Upper Bavaria, 1936: The young teacher Hedi has inherited the passion for mountaineering from her late father. Together with him and her two brothers Thomas and Anderl, the sons of a good friend of her father, Hedi has already conquered many peaks and walls of the Alps. When she reads in the newspaper one morning that a French rope team, all male of course, is planning to climb the North Face of the Eiger for the first time in July 1936, known in expert circles as the "last problem of the Alps", she is electrified. She sees the chance to show the world that a female mountaineer can do no less than her male colleagues. Together with Anderl, Thomas and their acquaintance Hias, she takes up the challenge - but it is not only the mountain that holds many dangers. The political climate in the country is tense, and when Hedi and Thomas finally get closer, their happiness seems to be short-lived ...

- **An extraordinary woman and mountaineer ahead of her time**
- **For readers by Katharina Fuchs, Eva Völler and Stephanie Schuster**



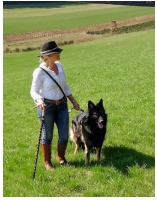
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Birgit Zimmermann  
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Birgit Zimmermann lives in the Eifel region and has already published numerous successful novels under pseudonyms. Her specialty is strong women characters who fight against the conventions of their day and fall in love while so doing. When Birgit Zimmermann doesn't happen to be writing novels she's outside in the world of nature. When she's in the mountains hiking with her dog or taking long walks at the seaside, she finds inspiration for new stories.

Tanja Janz

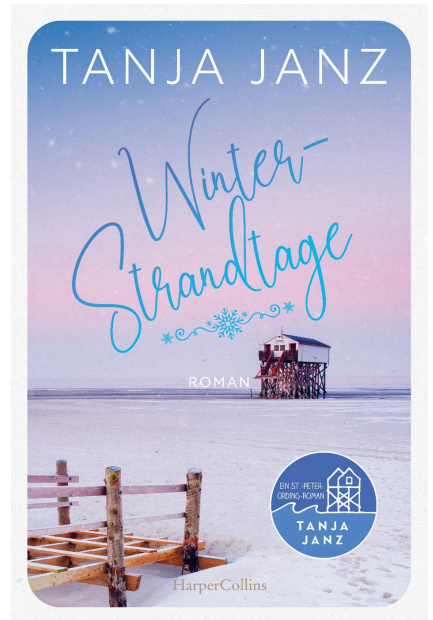
## Winter Beach Days

### Winter miracle in St. Peter-Ording

#### About the book

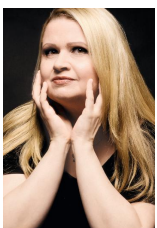
A forgotten candle on the Advent wreath means disaster for Leni: less than 24 hours later, she finds herself without a place to stay and is abandoned by her partner. Leni had wanted to take the next step in her relationship in the coming year. To regroup, she travels to Grandma Elga in St. Peter-Ording and moves into her pretty Frisian cottage. In the silence between the years, she takes in the wintry landscape and enjoys Grandma Elga's warm apple strudel. Day by day, Leni gradually regains hope. It seems that the Rauhnächte on the Frisian coast show her the way to a future - with a new profession and a man at her side whom she had almost forgotten.

- **300.000 books sold of the author in total in Germany!**



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Tanja Janz wanted to write books as a child and drew her first stories on a sheet of paper. Today she is a writer and lives with her family and two cats in the Ruhr area. In addition to writing and her love of her local soccer club, she has a passion for St. Peter-Ording, the unique place on the North Sea coast.



Tanja Janz

## What the Dunes Promise (2)

Between wanderlust and a sense of duty

### About the book

St. Peter-Ording, 1978: While her brother Achim wants to take over the management of their parents' beach hotel and get married, Julia can hardly come to terms with the fact that she is to take over the beach café in Ording. She dreams of leaving North Frisia and traveling the world as a stewardess. For this reason, she applies to Lufthansa without her parents' consent. While waiting for an answer, she meets the photographer Björn Hegerland. At a disco party at the roller skating rink, they become closer - and soon Julia catches herself wishing their happiness would never end. Then she is invited by the airline. Which wish of her heart should she follow, which one must she bury?

- **Volume 2 of the St.-Peter-Ording saga by SPIEGEL bestselling author Tanja Janz**
- **A touching love story set on the North Frisian coast of the 1970s.**



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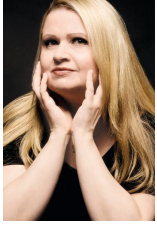
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Even as a child, Tanja Janz wanted to write books and drew her first stories on a sheet of paper. Today she is an author and lives with her family and two cats in the Ruhr Valley. In addition to writing, she's a great fan of her hometown soccer team and St. Peter-Ording, the unique town on the North Sea Coast.

Kati Stephan

## Wall Dreams

Her dreams can't even be stopped by a wall

### About the book

Summer 1975 in East Berlin. Anni and her family live in the GDR. When Anni accompanies her aunt Gundula to the border crossing at the Tränenpalast, as she often does, she loses her beloved notebook. The finder of the little book is Emil, a young man from the West who occasionally travels to East Berlin on business. In order to get her notebook back, Anni agrees to an appointment with him. She has vowed never to become the kind of woman who throws herself at a West German. Meanwhile, Anni's sister Paula, whose greatest wish is to graduate from high school, begins to have a crush on her teacher. When she receives an immoral offer from the Stasi, she finds herself in a quandary. After Aunt Gundula falls seriously ill and her feelings for Emil grow stronger despite her resolution, Anni's desire for a life in the West grows. But how can she overcome the Wall? And is she even willing to leave her family and especially her sister behind?

- **A gripping book about a life in the East and the desire for one in the West**
- **Book 1 of a trilogy**



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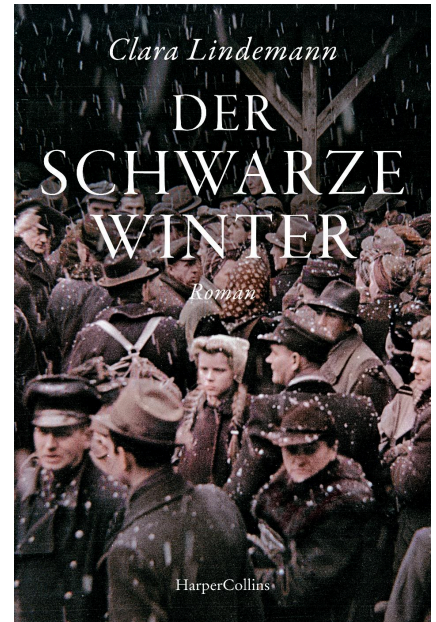
Clara Lindemann

## The Black Winter

In the “hunger winter” of 1946/47, two sisters fight for survival

### About the book

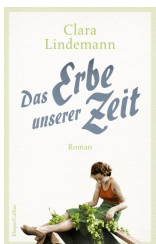
An icy-cold winter has Germany in its grip, and Silke Bensdorf and her sister Rosemarie must flee from the farmstead where they'd been housed. The two young women make their way to Hamburg in the hope of finding work there. But the city lies in ruins and the British have placed a ban on further immigration – a place to live and food ration stamps can be had only on the black market. They quickly realize that life here is just as harsh – it's every man for himself. They barely manage to scrounge up enough food to keep from starving to death – until the sisters become successful in black-market dealings and Silke opens a bar for the British soldiers. But their fragile success threatens to topple when the sisters run into traders for whom their business is a thorn in the side ...



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Clara Lindemann was born in Munich in 1967. The stories she heard as a child – of dictatorship and persecution, of forced laborers, bombs and cities in ruin – made a lasting impression on her. When she was 20 she left Germany for college and a life elsewhere, convinced that the best protection against national socialism was a deep understanding of other countries and cultures. She has since moved back to Germany and is involved in the fight for equal rights and diversity when she doesn't happen to be working on a novel. She lives with her family in Munich.



Julie Larsen

## Lights Falling from the Sky

Where the night is darkest, the stars shine brightest

### About the book

After a heated argument with her manager, the young musician Orla is forced to turn her back on the stage world. She sets off to visit her grandmother in Ireland, where her ten-year-old son Shay also lives. How things will go from there is anyone's guess, because there's not much for a single singer with a failed music career to do in rural Kerry. Then a €100,000 prize for the most innovative vacation accommodation gives her an idea: her Nan's aging campsite is to be turned into a glamping site where guests can relax and recharge their batteries in harmony with the cosmos. But it's not just the renovation that presents Orla with ever new obstacles. Reconciling with her past in the place of her childhood demands all her attention - and then Aidan also enters her life, who sees the night sky with completely different eyes. Will the starry wishes of the two finally become reality?

- A subtle love story in the most romantic place in the world: the "Dark Sky Reserve" of County Kerry at the southwesternmost tip of Ireland, the only inhabited light reserve in the entire world.
- Here the trend themes astrology and glamping really go to the heart



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Julie Larsen, born in 1979, loves her family, dogs, cats, birds, children and the sea. She lives and works near Munich, but dreams herself to the far north to Scandinavia with her romantic stories, where sky and sea meet, the summer days seem long and the winter nights endless.

Clara Schönberg

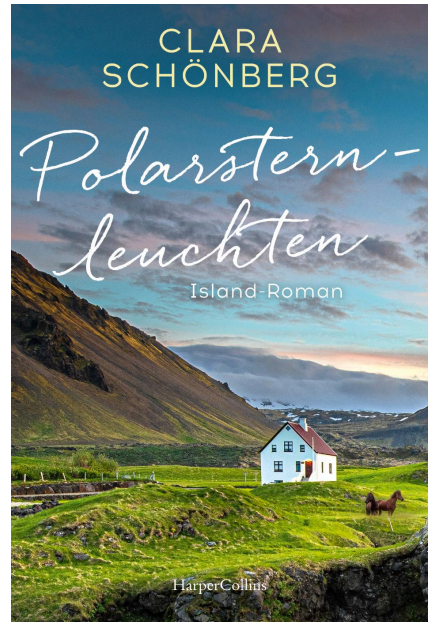
## Polar Star Lights

Follow the polar star to happiness

### About the book

Anna can't believe her ears when her best friend surprises her with a trip to Iceland. She has always felt a connection to the island, after all, her grandfather grew up there. But he strictly refuses to talk about his past. She is fascinated by the beauty of Iceland's rugged nature and, while researching her family, meets two equally fascinating men - the editor Kristján and the farmer Aron. Little by little, she learns more about her grandfather, his long, lonely nights at the lighthouse, and about the beautiful Hekla, who galloped across the beach at Skarðsvík every day with her Icelandic horse. But the more she discovers, the more clearly Anna senses that her grandfather's secret still has an influence today. And then there are Kristján and Aron, who really upset Anna's own emotional world ...

- **Great feelings in front of the dreamlike scenery of Iceland - rough cliffs, wild Icelandic horses and the breathtaking wide sea.**
- **A novel full of secrets, betrayal and the really great love**



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Clara Schönberg lives in a historic villa on the Baltic coast of Holstein. After studying English literature, she dared to realize her dream and write her first novel. Her inspiration comes from the journeys that have taken her from the beaches of Northern Europe to the volcanoes of the Canary Islands. She is particularly drawn to the multi-layered nature of Iceland. When she is not writing a manuscript, she also enjoys life by the sea in northern Germany, on foot and on horseback.

Frieda Lamberti

## The Ice Fisherwoman from Lake Helgasjön

New start for the soul in the Swedish winter

### About the book

After a seven-year relationship, Rieke and Marco take their first vacation apart. While he goes skiing in the mountains with friends, Rieke fulfills a childhood dream and travels to Lapland to relax in the endless expanse. An unexpected reunion with her former fellow student Theo not only leaves deep traces in the snow, but also shakes up her emotional world tremendously. Under the magical glow of the northern lights, Rieke begins to question her life so far. What was planned as a short trip turns into an emotional journey through wintry Sweden, which ends differently than everyone assumed.

- **The perfect book for warm hours on the couch**
- **Long ice runs in the Swedish nature, which unfolds its magic in the snow**



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Frieda Lamberti is the pseudonym of a native of Hamburg. The author lives together with her golden retriever dog Lotte in the Lüneburg Heath. Frieda Lamberti came to writing late in life and published her debut at the age of 50. In the meantime, she has successfully published more than fifty novels.

Lena Hofmeister

## The Goldsmith in the Star Way

Everything is better together than alone

### About the book

In Sternenweg, Paula discovers the old blacksmith's shop and is immediately enchanted. But the neighborhood challenges Paula's nerves. The children next door place filled water buckets in front of her door, the former miner won't stop chatting, and the gingerbread baker wants to pile more and more pastries into her bag. It seems Paula is in the wrong place at the right time. But when the whole village is snowed in and her old radio is the only link to the outside world, she realizes that she is gladly needed and that behind the sometimes unaccustomed facade of the neighbors live very kind souls.

- **As heartwarming as a Christmas poem and as loving as a New Year's wish - the new novel by Lena Hofmeister is here!**
- **For readers of Jenny Colgan and Manuela Inusa**



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Lena Hofmeister  
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Lena Hofmeister was born in 1985 and lives in Frankfurt. In addition to her work as an editor and author, for years she raised a whole forest of houseplants – until she decided to give five soil-digging cats a home.

Petra Schier

## Christmas Magic and Dog Paws

### A brave boxer lady saves Christmas

#### About the book

Ever since Melissa left her violent ex-husband, she has lived in constant fear. So when she meets security expert Lennart and his young boxer lady Sissy, her instinct is to keep her distance. Melissa's fear of closeness is too great, and she has sworn to protect her young son Andy from any danger, no matter what the cost. But Lennart is so very different from her ex and gently does everything he can to get to know her better. Soon she can barely contain her feelings for him. But then events come to a head, and Santa Claus and his crew have their hands full trying to make Christmas a celebration of love after all.

- **Over 500,000 copies sold by the author in Germany**
- **No Christmas without a Christmas dog by Petra Schier**
- **Romantic, cuddly and simply to melt away - this reading sweetens the Advent season**



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Since Petra Schier completed her correspondence course in history and literature in 2003, she has worked as a freelance author. In addition to her enchanting romance novels with dogs, she also writes historical novels. She now lives with her husband and a German shepherd in a small town in the Eifel.

Katharina Schendel

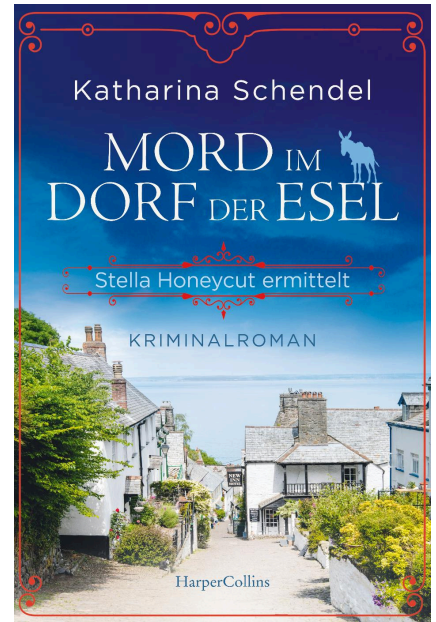
## Murder in the Village of Donkeys. Stella Honeycut investigates

### Murderers have long ears

#### About the book

Agatha Christie expert Stella Honeycut travels to Hillbrush, a picturesque town in the south of England, to help out her Aunt Jane. What she didn't expect, however, are the many donkeys that are used as beasts of burden and mounts due to the steep incline in the town. Aunt Jane, who experiments with poisonous plants to cure the villagers' ailments, also puzzles her. When Edna Inglethorpe, the vicar's housekeeper, is poisoned and Jane falls under suspicion, Stella does everything she can to solve the case ...

- **Adorably quirky and charmingly British: Stella Honeycut investigates against an extraordinary backdrop in the steepest place in Britain, based on the real-life village of Clovelly**



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Katharina Schendel was born in a tiny village on the coast and has been infatuated with donkeys since childhood. After leaving school, she spent several years in metropolises such as Tokyo and London. She loves trips to Devon and Cornwall as well as long walks with her beagle.

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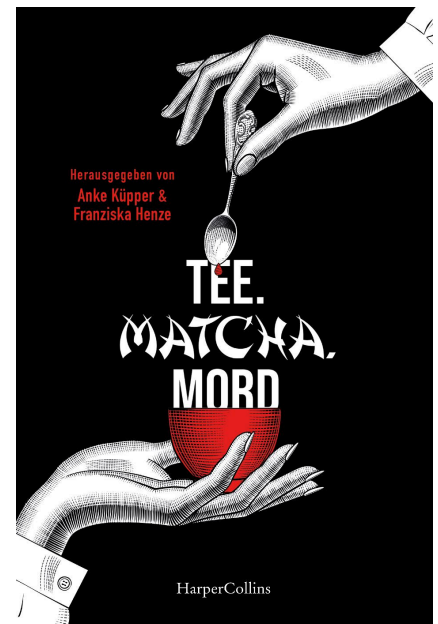
## Tea. Matcha. Murder

Around the world, tea and murder are sometimes just a cup apart

### About the book

Earl Grey with shot to encourage before the deed. Heather tea to calm you down afterwards. Intrigue at tea time. Poisonous machinations at the tea ceremony. Whether hot or cold, black or green, matcha or mugicha, loose or in a bag - hardly any other beverage enjoys such great popularity worldwide. As diverse as its flavors and preparation methods are the stories of our mystery authors and the places where they are set. With short crime stories by Mary Ann Fox, Cornelius Hartz, Arnd Rüska, Oliver Buslau, Eva Jensen, Kathrin Hanke, Sabine Weiß, Claudia Wenk Santana, Henrik Siebold, Eberhard Michaely, Sandra Åslund, Leo Hansen, Ricarda Oertel, Eric Niemann, Peter Gerdes, Charlotte Richter-Peill, Hartmut Pospiech, Till Raether, Franziska Henze and Anke Küpper.

- **Whether in a small cottage in Cornwall, a garden in Provence or in the Japanese provinces, the anthology has a new favorite story in store for every crime (and tea) fan**



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Peter Orontes

## The Monkess

The deceptive splendor of the Middle Ages, the power of the church and the certainty that with courage you can also achieve the impossible

### About the book

Adrian von Bitterstedt, a young Benedictine monk and a renowned scholar of ancient Greek and theology, is sent by notable scholars from the University of Vienna to Garsten to study ancient texts stored in a local Benedictine monastery. The official reason is to find an apocryphal script of the New Testament, a fifth gospel, which is said to be capable of causing great harm to the Church. However, the true intention of Professor Albert von Kranten is to discredit the Trinity doctrine. He is actually searching for a lost letter by Athanasius the Great that allegedly proves that the central doctrine of the Church is a "diabolical" teaching. Adrian von Bitterstedt will search for this document. Guillermo de Toledo, a scholarly Benedictine monk from the Catalan monastery of Sant Pere de Rodes and a secret supporter of von Kranten's theory, will also arrive to assist Adrian. However, Adrian's mission is especially dangerous because he is actually a woman named Adriana von Bronnen, disguised as a monk, who is embarking on the most dangerous adventure of her life.

- **Grippingly written and meticulously researched**
- **A young woman in search of the dangerous truth ...**
- **For all fans of Dana Cross and Daniel Wolf**



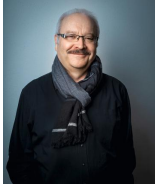
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Peter Orontes was born in Venezuela. Son of a Hungarian and an East Prussian, he grew up on Lake Constance, studied communication design and worked as an art director for various media- and ad agencies. He's been a free-lance communication designer for many years and lives near Augsburg with his family.

Manuela Schörghofer

## The Shrine and the Forgotten Daughter

Two brave young people on the way to the truth

### About the book

The Alps in the 12th century

A friar is found dead in the church and the most precious relic of the mountain monastery Tannhöhe has disappeared. The former friar Ansgar receives the order from the abbot to recover the relic. Together with Laya, who finds refuge in the monastery, he follows the trail to Milan. Once there, Ansgar and Laya discover that the secret surrounding the relic is bigger and more dangerous than they thought.

- Manuela Schörghofer brings the adventures of the Middle Ages to life again in her novels
- The second part of the Bergkloster dilogy



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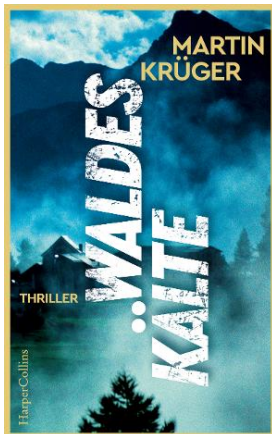


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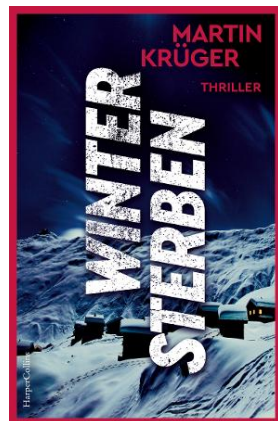


Manuela Schörghofer is a Rhinelander through and through and therefore likes to make her home the setting for her stories. Since her childhood, her passion has been writing stories from past times.

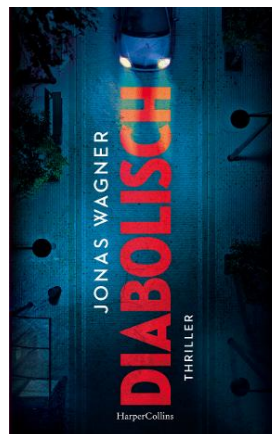




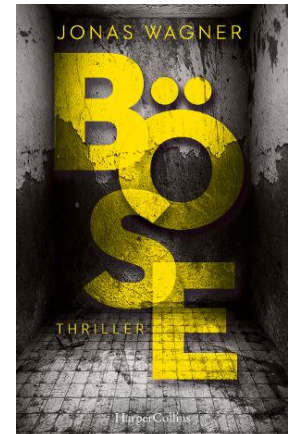
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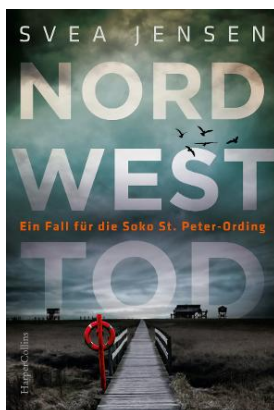
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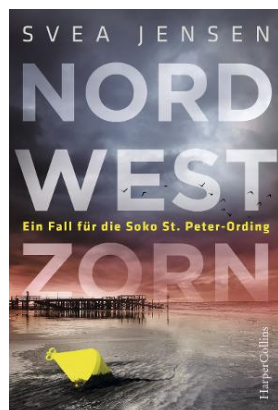
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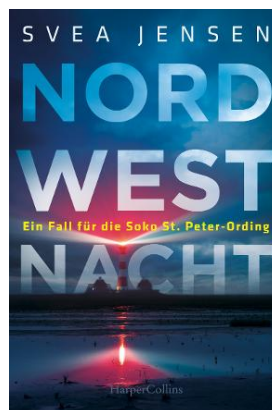
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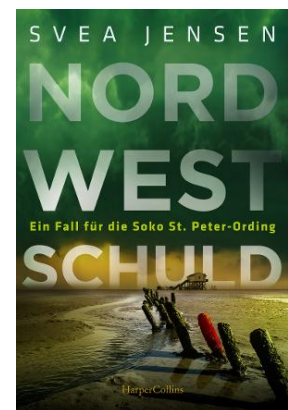
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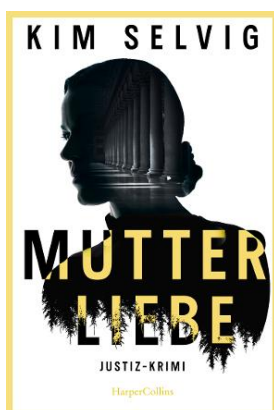
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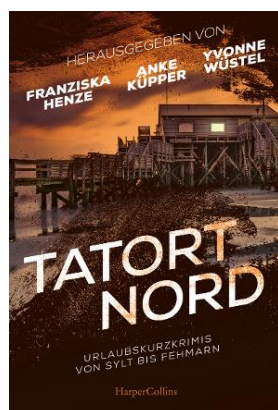
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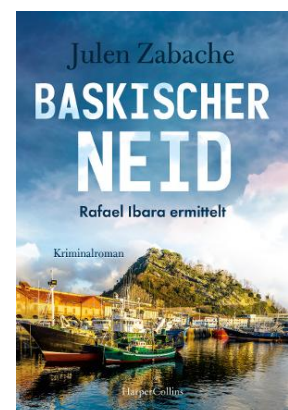
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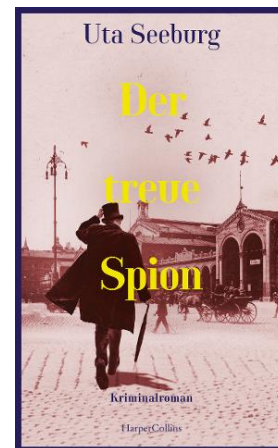
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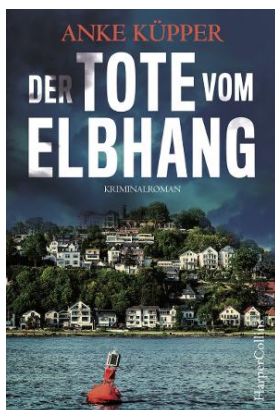
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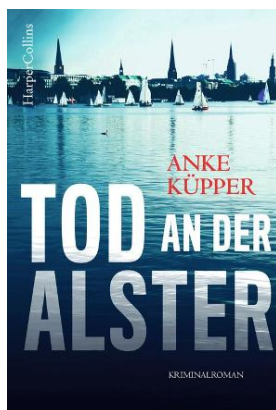
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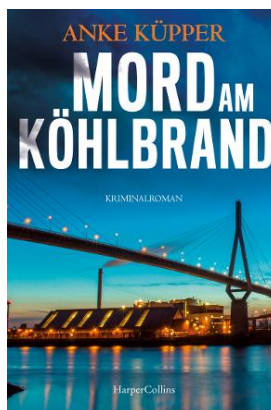
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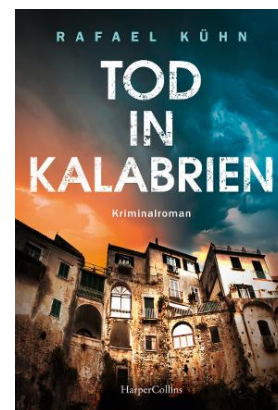
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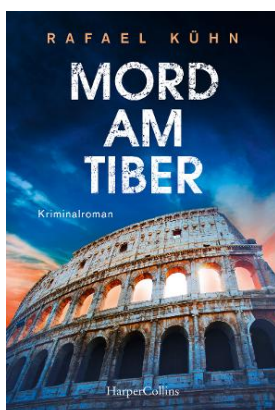
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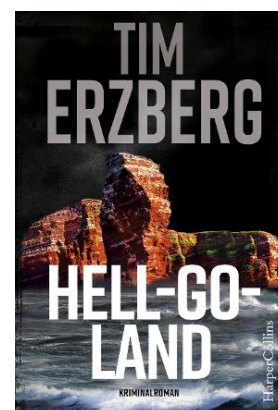
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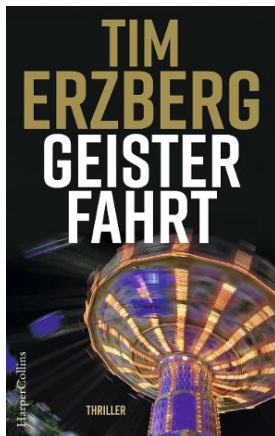


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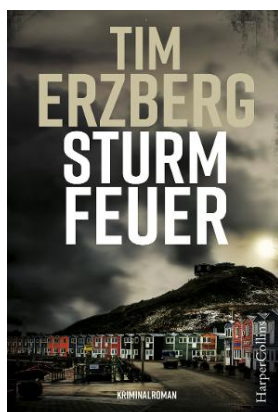


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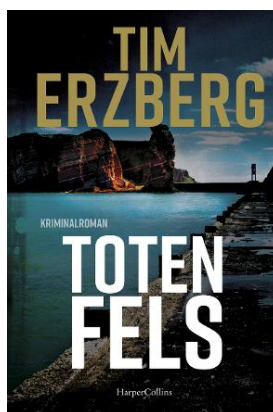




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