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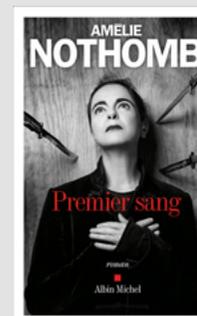
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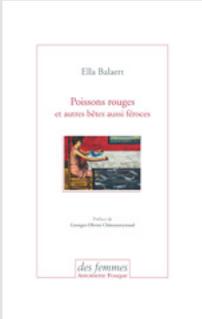


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*A timeless, yet highly topical story.*

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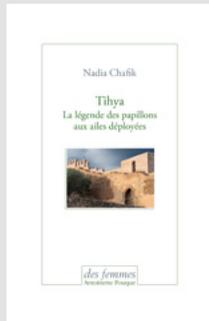
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the warrior queen  
of the Aures Mountains.*

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AUX AILES DÉPLOYÉES

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UPRIGHT

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triviality and gravity.*

JACQUELINE  
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Once upon a time there was a young man, a second-rate tailor who became an actor, then an overwhelmingly successful author. His muse was made of light tobacco. Mistress of all adversities, she embraced him passionately all night long then read his plays as he slept. 58 years after their first kiss, she flew up into the sky, like the smoke from her two daily packs of gold-tip filters. Since then, the inconsolable widower has been building a fragile monument made of paper, upon which her name is written twice.

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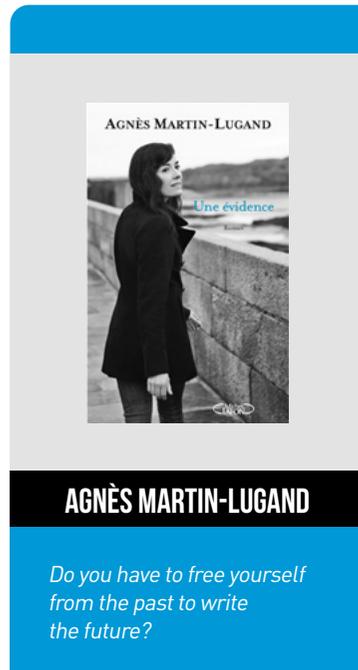
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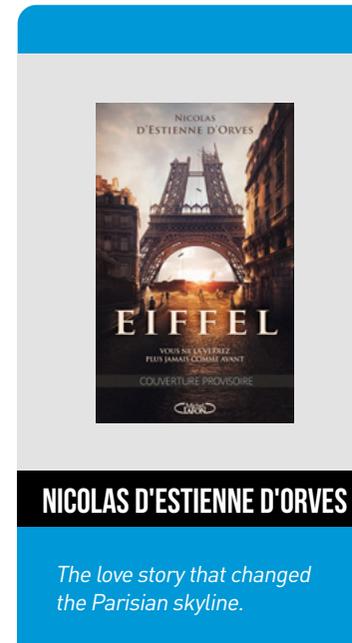
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Reine, a design consultant, lives with Noé, her beloved 17-year-old son that she has raised on her own. As Noé is about to fly the nest, Reine realizes that she needs to reconsider her life. The new clients signed by her agency seem to be a godsend: an up-and-coming import company in Saint Malo, the city of sea merchants and buccaneers. Reine travels to Brittany to meet Pacôme, all rugged good looks and the soul of a traveler, and a mysterious second partner who will turn her life upside down.

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EIFFEL

## EIFFEL

Not long after finishing his work on the Statue of Liberty, at the height of his career, Gustave Eiffel is invited by the French government to design something spectacular for the Universal Exhibition, to be held in Paris in 1889. Eiffel is focused on the project to build the metropolitan underground train system. But everything changes after a chance encounter with his childhood love, the beautiful Adrienne Bourgès. Their forbidden relationship gives him the inspiration that will alter the Parisian skyline forever.

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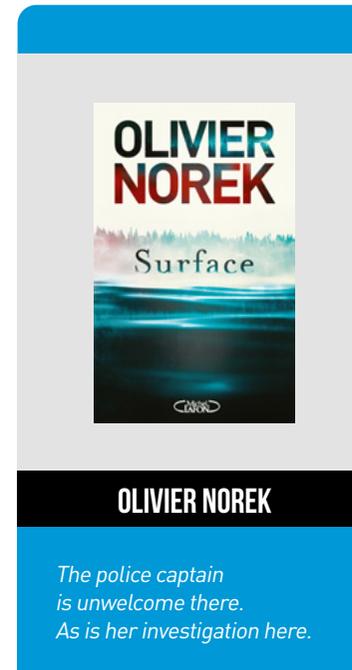
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LISENT ET BOIVENT DU CAFÉ

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SURFACE

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A Paris suburb. A police operation goes wrong and Captain Noémie Chastain is shot in the head. She will survive, disfigured, a living reminder for her colleagues of the dangerous nature of their job. Months later in rural France, the tiniest and quietest precinct in the country, where Noémie has been sent "to recover." Her secret mission: write a report for the closure of the local police station. One morning, a keg is found in the lake near the village. Inside it, the body of a child that went missing 25 years ago...

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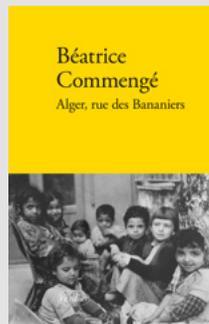
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BÉATRICE COMMENGÉ

Through the destiny of one family, this radiant story, free of nostalgia, covers 132 years of conquest and colonization.

ALGIERS,  
RUE DES  
BANANIERS

"As fate would have it, I was born on a bit of land whose history fits between two dates: 1830-1962. Like a body, French Algeria was born, lived, and died." By retracing the course of a family's history over 4 generations, Commengé subtly blends the memory of childhood and the history of French Algeria. As close as possible to the spirit of the places, she manages to give singular depth to the story of this episode from the past that is still so present.

9782378560836 | 2020 | 128 PAGES  
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ANNE PAULY

"My corpse, my one-legged thug, my misanthropic king, my old carcass of a father..."

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I FORGET

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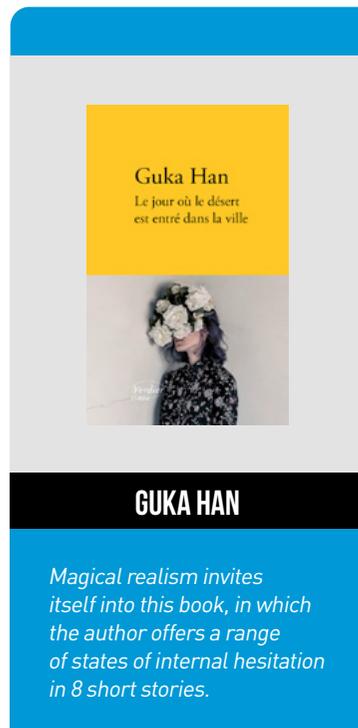
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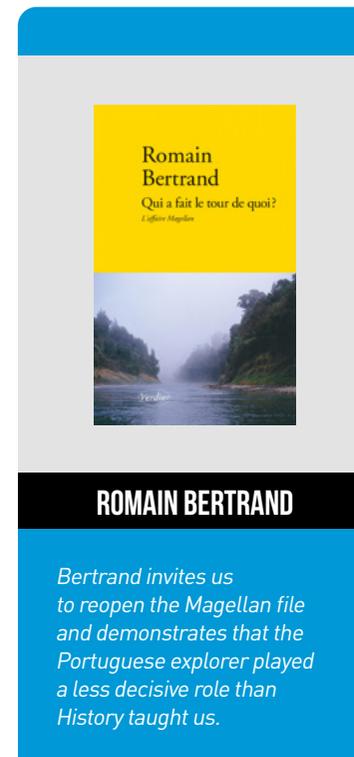
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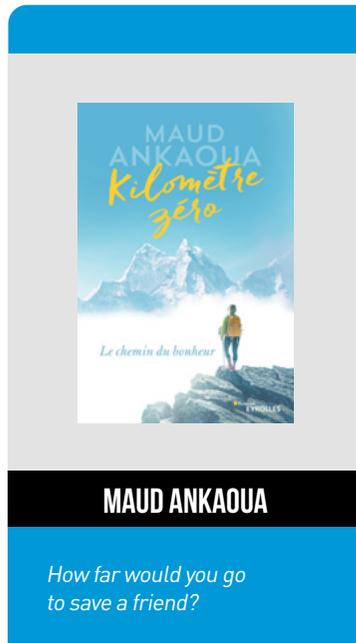
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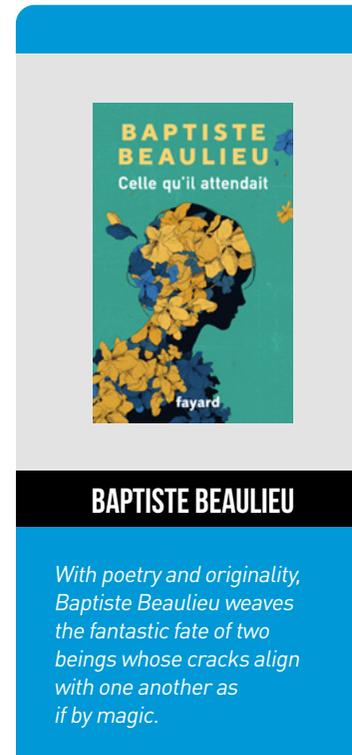
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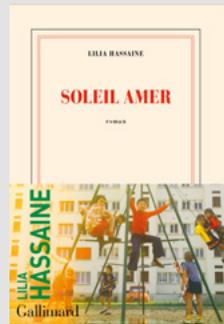
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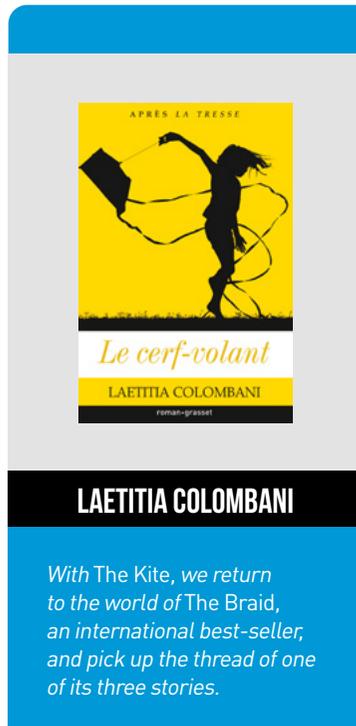
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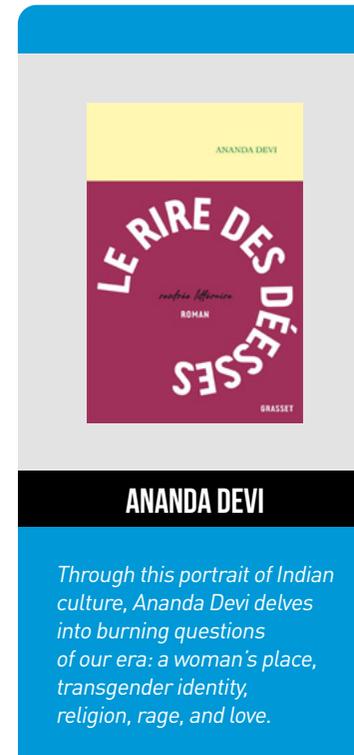
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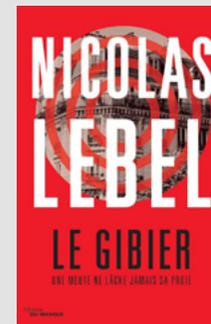
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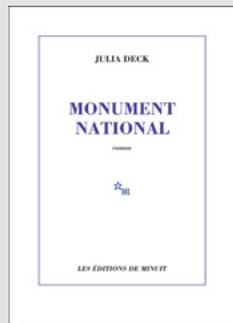
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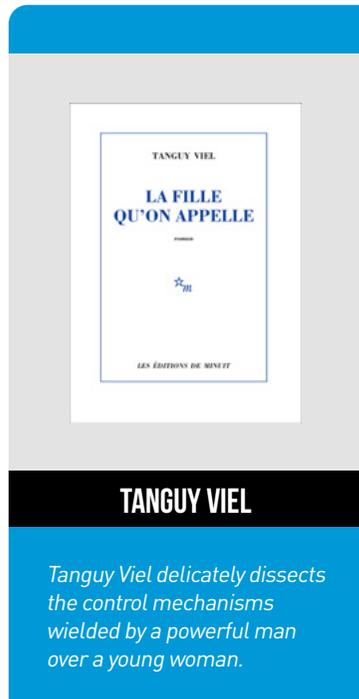
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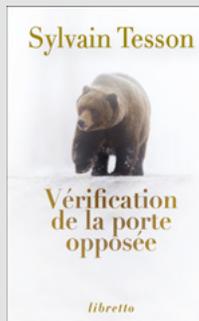
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SYLVAIN TESSON

*Clash of Eastern  
and Western cultures.*

VÉRIFICATION DE LA PORTE OPPOSÉE

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THE OPPOSITE  
DOOR

This book brings together two collections of short stories published as "Short Stories from the East" and "Allah's Gardens." Whether the author is describing post-Soviet Russia or the ravages of Islamic fanaticism, he is actually talking – indulgently, melancholically, and humorously – about the lack of comprehension between the East and West in particular, and different cultures in general. The previously unpublished short story, "The E19 Castaways," a dire Christmas tale, reveals the cynicism of our world.

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*A young woman against  
barbaric brutality.*

MIARKA

## MIARKA

Denise Jacob / Miarka was 19 when she joined the Resistance movement. She was arrested in Lyon in June 1944 and submitted to torture, but wouldn't talk. She was first sent to Ravensbrück and then to Mathausen as her whole family (and her young sister Simone Veil) was plunged into the darkness of the Holocaust. Miarka tells us the story of a family torn by the tragedy of History. De Meaux worked closely with Denise Vernay-Jacob (Miarka) until her death.

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HISTOIRE DU FILS

## STORY OF THE SON

André has a happy childhood in his aunt's family with his beloved cousins. But deep inside, he still feels the pain of being the son of a distant woman and an unknown father. When André is about to get married, his mother gives him a name. Little by little, the young man discovers the ambiguous figure of his father, who bears an unspeakable secret. Set in 20<sup>th</sup>-century rural France, this is also the story of three generations struggling with the weight of family secrets.

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LA PETITE DERNIÈRE

## THE YOUNGEST

My name is Fatima. I'm the *mazozija*, the baby of the family. The one no one was expecting. I'm French. With Algerian roots. A Muslim. I live in a working-class suburb, but I observe Parisian mentalities and behavior. I'm a liar and a sinner. As a teen, I was a disruptive student. As an adult, I'm seriously maladjusted. I write about other people's lives to avoid living my own. At home, love was taboo. So was sexuality. I spent four years in therapy. It was the longest relationship I've ever had.

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SOPHIE AVON

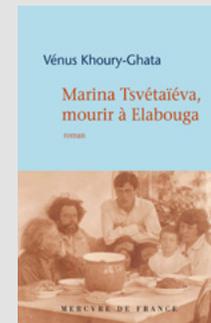
*A saga from the 1930s, this novel tells of a luminous Algeria and the journey of a strong woman, an endearing figure in a family's mythology.*

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REMARKABLE  
WOMAN

In the joyful echo of the Roaring Twenties, Mime and Marius are young and in love. They have everything to be happy. When their little girl suddenly dies, the couple is devastated. But despite the sorrow, Mime moves forward, going through the 1940s, the vagaries of her marriage, the unfulfilled dreams, and this world war that is devastating, exhausting and starving all the way to Algeria. Having become a teacher, she instills the values of fraternity and equality in her students. Freedom comes from knowledge!

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## MARINA TSVÉTAÏÉVA, MOURIR À ELABOUGA



VÉNUS KHOURY-GHATA

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MARINA  
TSVÉTAÏÉVA: TO  
DIE IN ELABOUGA

Full of passion, but haunted by family tragedies (the loss of a child, her husband Serge Efron far away for so long that she believed he had died), tossed about by the vagaries of history (October Revolution), Marina Tsvétaïeva embodies a strong woman fighting against fate. In spite of the everyday harshness of life and successive exiles, her faith in poetry remains intact.

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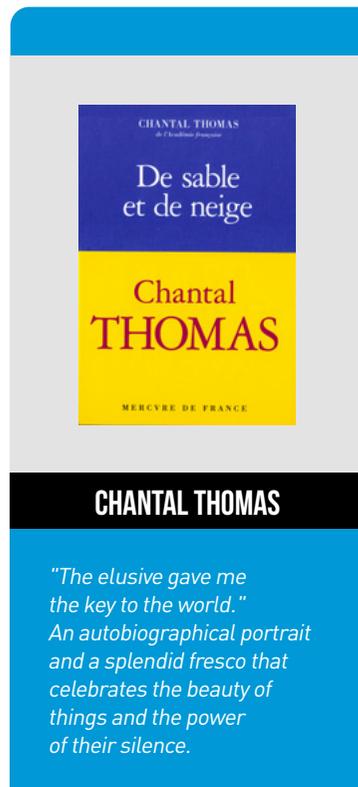
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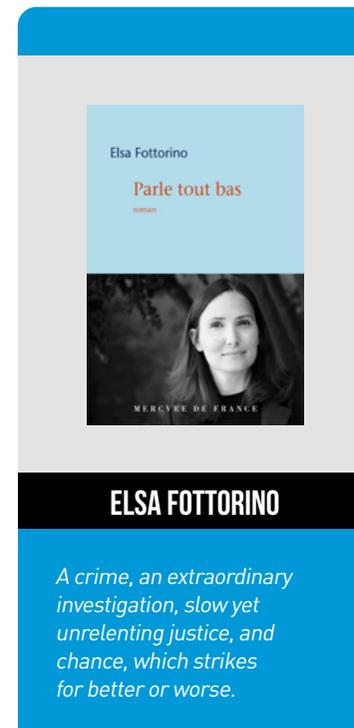
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RAPHAËL CONFIA NT

*Actress or prostitute, muse  
or she-devil, who really was  
the woman who enchanted  
the pen of the poet  
and plunged him into  
the torments of passion?*

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*The portrait of four generations of an endearing, uprooted family whose terrible dilemmas, caused by the blows of history, reveal their deep humanity.*

## } TRAVERSER LA NUIT

## INTO THE NIGHT

Louise is in her 30s. After her parents died, she sank into alcoholism and drugs. Now she lives alone with her 8-year-old son, Sam, the only bright spot in her life. She is being stalked by her former boyfriend, who nearly beats her to death one day. The investigation is handed to Jourdan, who isn't indifferent to Louise. Meanwhile, a compulsive, unpredictable, and disturbed serial killer is on the loose. At the intersection of both cases is Jourdan, a downbeat police captain hoping to regain his zest for life.

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BLUES

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LOUIS-PHILIPPE DALEMBERT

Since dialing 911, the manager of a convenience store in Milwaukee, hasn't slept: his nightmares are filled with black faces screaming, "I can't breathe!"

} L'AMI

## THE FRIEND

It is an ordinary Saturday morning. Thierry is about to go to the river when he hears a commotion outside: police cars, an ambulance, men in helmets dashing out of the forest. In a state of shock, Thierry and his wife learn that their neighbors have been arrested. The same neighbors that are so helpful, with whom they've shared so many happy moments? How could he not have known that his only friend was the embodiment of evil? Thierry has no choice but to break open his shell and face his own long-buried past.

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TIFFANY TAVERNIER

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} SOUS LE CIEL DES HOMMES

UNDER A  
SHARED SUN

It seems like nothing can disturb the peace in the Grand Duchy of Éponne. Taking in a migrant and writing a book about his experiences strikes the high-profile journalist Jean-Jean-Marc Féron as a great idea: he just has to select the ideal candidate. Elsewhere in town, a few friends get together for a group writing session. Their lampoon is intended to spice up the public debate. Diane Meur excels in studying the byways of human minds and lives, revealing surprising truths and connections between her characters.

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DIANE MEUR

*Under a sun shared  
by all men, does humanity  
not constantly have a choice  
between better and worse?*

} MAUVAISES HERBES

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of her ongoing battle with  
memories of a childhood  
blown to ruins.*

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This is the story of an eternal baby, a maladjusted child who creates an invisible boundary between his family and others. It is the story of his place within this deeply shaken family. The eldest child connects with him, and loses himself in the process. His sister develops feelings of disgust and anger. And lastly, the baby of the family who comes later, after his disabled brother has died and the older two have left, lives in the shadow of family ghosts, but brings the hope of reconciliation.

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} ARTIFICES

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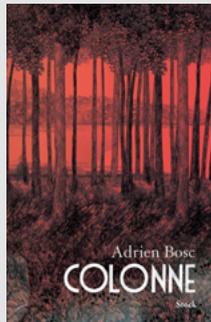
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} COLONNE



ADRIEN BOSCO

*Simone Weil's battle  
in the Spanish Civil War.*

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