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A German Collector

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1940, Paris: Ludwig is in charge of confiscating the finest works of art, but his job is complicated by Lucette, "the beautiful Florentine."

Ludwig is an art fanatic. Art is why he gets out of bed in the morning. Stationed in Paris during World War II, he heads a unit tasked with Hitler's campaign to confiscate works of art. Under Goering's protection, Ludwig works miracles in Occupied France, turning up priceless pieces. His reputation precedes him, stirring jealousy, but Ludwig doesn't mind. In his mind, he's carrying out his mission with conviction. But in doing so, he find himself becoming lonelier than ever before. Yet something in him shifts the day he meets Lucette, a French woman with close ties to the Resistance. For the first time, he is filled with emotion... for another person.

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