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## The Argonauts

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"This series pushes past appearances and prejudices to the heart of its characters, revealing their secrets, flaws, impulses in discreet, moving ways. Gentle, subtle, an ode to friendship, lending voice to underprivileged youth."

The Argonauts is a 5-volume saga that follows 5 teens through 5 years, an odyssey through an urban housing development where innocence and laughter sit uneasily with racism, violence, and revolt. In Volume #3, school is good, but vacation is even better, and this year Bounégueux, Jeanne, Medi, Erwan, and Maya are all staying home at the Argonauts housing project. The neighborhood may not be the beach, but there are plenty of things to do: hunting for fruit in the orchard, a soccer tournament... In the sun, the concrete is as hot as the sand. But balmy as the weather may be, the clouds are never far away. What if this summer marked the end of their innocence?

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Adaptations: Each volume is linked to a series of songs

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