

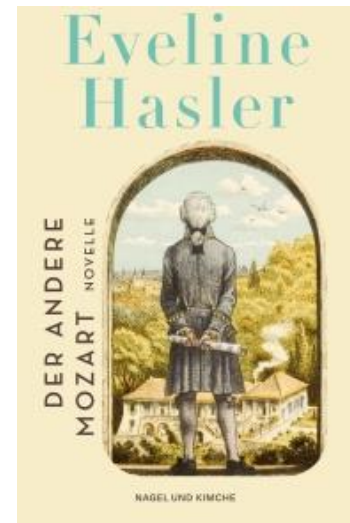
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Uta Seeburg

# The real Krampus

Christmas with special investigator Wilhelm Freiherr von Grysinski

### About the book

In a snow-covered farmhouse in the Upper Bavarian countryside, Grysinski and his family look forward to a contemplative Christmas. The village is the scene of astonishing rural Christmas traditions and mythical mountain tales. But the cosy atmosphere comes to an abrupt end: During the traditional Krampus run, a stabbing occurs in front of the assembled community. Shortly afterwards, the victim of the scuffle is dead- and lies in Grysinski's smokehouse. The Major is now faced with an unusual challenge: twenty Krampuses are both witnesses and suspects. Which mask hides the real devil?

- ‘The fact that author Uta Seeburg has a doctorate in literature is evident in her elegant, multi-layered novels. Especially her crime series [...] enchants with Seeburg's special language.’ NDR Kultur
- Suspense in the snowy Bavaria of the late 19th century



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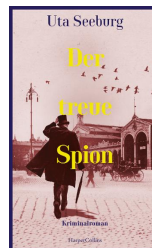
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Uta Seeburg is from Berlin and lives in Munich. She has worked as a copywriter, screenwriter and editor, but now devotes herself exclusively to writing. She has a doctorate in literature and lives in Haidhausen with her husband and young daughter.

Kira Mohn

## Night of the Bear

Bestselling author Kira Mohn shows a whole new side

### About the book

Twenty-six-year-old Jule flees from the flat she shares with her boyfriend after a violent argument. What happened should never have happened. At her parents' house, she wants to decide in peace what to do next. Then she receives the news of her grandmother's death, which opens up abysses. Why did Jules' mother never talk about her or her own childhood?

As they go through her grandmother's estate together in the house on the edge of the forest, Jule finds traces of events from long ago that continue to unfold their destructive power right up to the present day.

- **A gripping, visually stunning story that won't let you go**
- **A nuanced look at the question 'Where does violence begin?'**



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Kira Mohn, born in 1972, is a German bestselling author. Before working as a freelance journalist and copywriter, she studied psychology and education. Today she devotes herself entirely to her work as a writer and lives in Munich with her children. 'Die Nacht der Bärin' is her most personal work to date.

Ellen Martin

## The Blossom Friends

The adventure of 'life' never ends

### About the book

It is by chance that Kristin, Lena and Nicole cross paths. They wait in vain at Munich station for the train that is supposed to take them to Hamburg. In the end, the three of them join forces and head north in a hire car. What begins as a spontaneous partnership of convenience develops into an unexpected friendship that reaches its temporary climax in the picturesque Lüneburg Heath, where Nicole's sister-in-law Antonia lives. After a painful separation, she needs moral support. With her, the trio becomes an unbeatable quartet.

When Antonia learns that her unfaithful ex-boyfriend has won the lottery, she hatches a bold plan. She decides to pocket the winnings for herself. Will it work?

A novel about friendship, courage and the unpredictable twists and turns of life.

- **Successful author Frieda Lamberti launches her new series as Ellen Martin**



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Ellen Martin is the pseudonym of a native of Hamburg. The author lives in the Lüneburg Heath with her golden retriever dog Lotte. Ellen Martin came to writing late in life and published her debut at the age of 50. She has now successfully published more than fifty novels.



Anne Barns, Susanne Oswald

## East Frisian bliss

### A wool café by the coast

#### About the book

The East Frisian harbour town of Fenjesiel has everything your heart desires: a postman who is always the first to find out the villagers' secrets, a village community that sticks together and small shops where you can get everything you need. Only Anneke doesn't know what she needs at the moment. After the tragic death of her parents a few weeks ago, the young woman lives in seclusion and can hardly think about the future. This changes abruptly when the boisterous and fun-loving Nora turns up in the village. Nora manages to pull Anneke out of her thoughts and to befriend her. And Nora, who is on holiday in Fenjesiel, also needs the distraction, as another of her relationships has just fallen apart. She just doesn't seem to have any luck with men, but she manages to make even the most difficult cake at the first attempt.

- **Bestselling authors Susanne Oswald and Anne Barns embark on an adventure together**
- **A book like a holiday by the sea, refreshing, invigorating and full of great memories**



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Anne Barns is a pseudonym of the author Andrea Russo. She gave up her job as a teacher a few years ago so that she could concentrate fully on her books. She loves reading, cake and the sea. Her favourite place to write is on an island, if possible near a good bakery. Susanne Oswald is a bestselling author - her dream has come true. Born in Freiburg, she loves the sea. Going for a walk on the beach with her husband and ending the evening in front of the fireplace with knitting on her lap is her favourite thing to do. Her head is almost always with her heroes and heroines, and it makes her happy to turn her imagination into reality and letters into stories.

Susanne Oswald

# The scent of pine in a small knitting shop in the Highlands

Cosy wool, old friends and new courage in the Scottish winter

## About the book

Amely is looking forward to the wedding celebration of her friends Maighread and Joshua. Callwell Castle is resplendent in festive splendour and full of visitors, including one of Amely's oldest friends who has arrived as a photographer. He lives on a boathouse on the nearby lake. But during the party, an accident occurs on Amely's alpaca farm. Unsettled by the events and doubting her decision to leave Edinburgh, Amely flees to Paul. This not only upsets her new love Peter. Her friends from Callwell do everything they can to help Amely get back on her feet and show her that her place is with them.

Christmas is not far away - the scent of pine is in the air and a lovely surprise awaits Amely ...

- Includes knitting instructions
- Winter, wool and alpacas - the new novel by Susanne Oswald



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Vivien Gilland

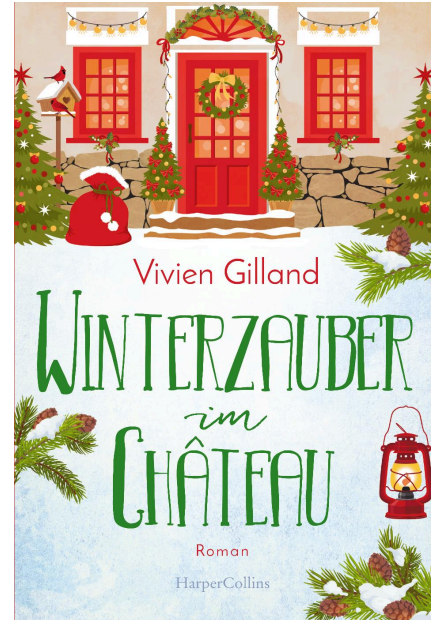
## Winter magic at the Chateau

### Christmas romance in the Swiss Alps

#### About the book

Livia hates Christmas and therefore plans to bury herself in work over the holidays. When her best friend Nane asks her to help her older brother save the family's favourite hotel from ruin, she can't help but agree. Marco, with whom Livia has a strong love-hate relationship, has devised a romantic package for couples in love and now needs someone to test it out with him. She reluctantly agrees, even though she has lost faith in love since her ex-boyfriend cheated on her and no longer has much to do with romance. The whole thing seems doomed to failure, because every time the two of them are in the same room, heated arguments arise - but there's also that very special tingling sensation in the air ...

- **Enemies to Lovers under the mistletoe**
- **Perfect for getting into the Christmas spirit**



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Vivien Gilland loves to write stories about real-life characters who are looking for a way to realise their dreams. Deep, romantic feelings take centre stage, rewarding her characters for having the courage to face their own fears. When she's not at her desk, she can be found roaming the woods with her dog Malia or tormenting her pupils with scales and Italian verbs.

Petra Schier

## Four paws and two Christmas miracles

### Four squabblers and a furry nose for Christmas

#### About the book

Lena could explode: Of all people, her father hires the most annoying and arrogant computer security specialist on the planet for the family security company. This can't go well, she thinks, and she seems to be right, because Martin Liebrecht has barely entered the shared office when the sparks fly. The atmosphere at Securifant becomes increasingly tense, not least because there is another new arrival: Maria, who looks back on a shared past with Lena's father, but the two don't want to talk about it.

It is only when Lena and Martin accidentally find the abandoned and seriously injured Havanese Buddy that the arguments fade into the background. But then Lena realises that Martin has concealed an important detail from his past. Disappointed and hurt, she withdraws, and Arndt and Maria are also increasingly struggling with demons from the past. Meanwhile, Father Christmas is in a bit of a pickle: he can only take action if there is an official Christmas wish. When he finally receives two, it's almost too late. Can he save Christmas for four people with Buddy's help?

- **The perfect novel for the festive season**
- **Love, dogs and a happy Christmas ending**



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Petra Schier has been working as a freelance author since completing her distance learning degree in history and literature in 2003. In addition to her enchanting romance novels with dogs, she also writes historical novels. She now lives with her husband and a German shepherd dog in a small town in the Eifel region.

Tanja Janz

## Frisian sea magic

Winter magic in the small fisherman's cottage by the sea

### About the book

When young Malin buys an old suitcase at an auction, she doesn't realise that its contents will give her life a completely new direction. A key and a touching letter from an old lady lead her to a small fisherman's cottage in St Peter-Ording. Malin only knows that the old lady's daughter wants to sell it to a hotel chain and that it would break the woman's heart. The letter does not have a return address. So Malin sets off on a search for clues. She has to track down the owner before Christmas, and in order to convince her, she wants to turn the fisherman's cottage into a cosy home. She gets help from the attractive Carl from the beach chair hire, and Malin soon realises that she doesn't want to give up the soothing magic of the North Sea ...

- **Sometimes you need a place as much as you need air to breathe**
- **Total German circulation over 350,000 copies!**



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Tanja Janz wanted to write books even as a child and drew her first stories on a piece 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 for the local football club, she is passionate about St. Peter-Ording, the unique place on the North Sea coast.

Anne Sanders

## Love and All that Drama

Big love always deserves an encore!

### About the book

The theatre scene in Brighton is turning upside down: Viktor de Ruiter is making his comeback on one of the most prestigious stages in his home town. At the very first press conference, he meets journalist Hannah, who would prefer never to meet him again.

Because the two of them have a not exactly happy past. Although it happened years ago, Hannah hasn't forgotten anything. And now she is supposed to accompany the rehearsals for the cultural event of the year - actually the career opportunity she has been eagerly waiting for. The more time she spends with Viktor, the more she feels drawn to him again. Will there be a happy ending for them after all?

- **Bestselling author Anne Sanders enchants with the second instalment of her new RomCom series**
- **Volumes can be read independently of each other**
- **For readers of Mhairi McFarlane**



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Anne Sanders worked as a journalist for the Süddeutsche Zeitung newspaper, among others, before deciding to pursue writing full-time in 2014. Her love of the British Isles runs through almost all of her novels - including the books for young people, which she writes under a different name. The bestselling author lives in the Munich area with her husband and cats.



Clara Schönberg

## Geysir Nebula

### Reindeer in the fog

#### About the book

In 2024, Lia leaves her home in Hamburg for love and dares to make a new start in Iceland - but things don't go as planned: she has to move to Per's family's reindeer farm for her new job at the museum. Country life in the small artists' village of Seyðisfjörður brings its difficulties, and Per is also behaving strangely. When a volcanic eruption threatens the existence of the village and Per suddenly disappears, Lia does everything she can to save her love. She gets caught up in a maelstrom of past and present.

1771: Young Alva lives with her family on a farm in the south of Iceland. When the Danish crown sends a reindeer transport to the island to support the starving Icelanders, Alva meets the Sami reindeer herder Máhtu, and a forbidden love blossoms between them. But nothing turns out as it should and it seems that Alva is miles away from her happy ending ...

Great emotions against the dreamlike backdrop of Iceland  
Longing, love and secrets with references to Iceland's historical past



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Clara Schönberg lives on the Baltic coast of Holstein. She is inspired by her travels and is particularly fond of Iceland's multi-faceted nature. When she is not writing a manuscript, she also enjoys life by the sea in northern Germany, on foot and on horseback.



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Frieda Mohn

## Death is served cold

Come in, there have been worse in here!

### About the book

Rosa is a passionate Berlin restaurateur and is happy to have nothing to do with the criminal cases her daughter is investigating with the homicide squad. But when her organic meat supplier is found dead in the cold store and Rosa's bearish father, a retired detective chief inspector, starts asking around, Rosa suddenly finds herself in the middle of the case. Rarely at a loss for an answer and with the unerring knowledge of human nature of an old Berlin landlady, Rosa tracks down the culprit ...

- **Only professionals around her, but restaurateur Rosa listens to her heart and solves the case!**
- **A witty crime thriller with lovingly drawn characters and Berlin originals**



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Frieda Mohn is the pseudonym of a German author. Born and raised in Berlin, she trained as a hotelier and studied journalism. She spends her free time writing humorous novels, preferably set in the state capital. When she is not reading or writing, she is passionate about trying out new recipes and sharing them on her food blog.

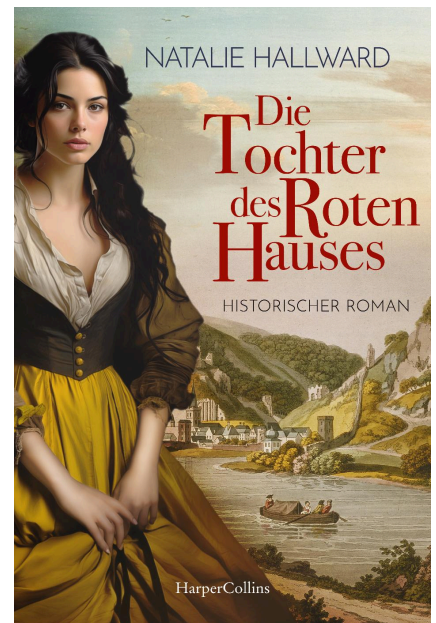
Natalie Hallward

## Daughter of the red house

‘The past is not forgotten. But I have to live today. No one can take that away from me.’

### About the book

Eifel, 1803: The French occupy the left bank of the Rhine under Napoleon. In these difficult times, Anne, a young woman from a humble background, leaves everything behind and sets off in search of the man responsible for the death of a beloved friend. Left to her own devices, she finds accommodation in the ‘Red House’, a boarding house in Coblenz. There she meets Sophie von La Roche, Germany's first female travel writer. This unusual friendship enables Anne to follow the murderer's treacherous trail: a poem that he writes on walls all over the country. At the same time, she meets the ceramics dealer Georg and falls in love with him. When the man she is looking for suddenly turns up, events spiral out of control. Anne has to make a decision, because if she doesn't renounce her revenge she risks losing everything.



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Natalie Hallward lives in Langen, Hesse. Regardless of the era in which her novels are set, she is fascinated by women who confidently pursue their goals without losing their humorous and emotional nature. Natalie Hallward is a pseudonym.

Frieda Lamberti

## The pen pal from Svealand

A journey to Sweden and to yourself

### About the book

Ana is devastated after suffering a serious setback. She takes the opportunity to visit her former schoolmate Tjorben in wintry Sweden, with whom she has been pen pals for decades. But when she arrives, she is not greeted by him, but by a woman. She tells Ana that Tjorben is staying at his country house. Nevertheless, she does not send Ana away, but offers her a guest room. Days pass and Ana discovers that Tjorben is not the one behind the letters of the past few years. She tries to shed some light on the matter and embarks on a search that will change her life

- **A heart-warming novel about a special pen pal friendship**
- **A story about friendship and family, perfect for winter**



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Rahel Urech

## Power, murder and garden gnomes

### Cosy Crime on Lake Zurich

#### About the book

A twitching leg on the torso of a frozen man, an accident that isn't an accident, the town planner cemented in the allotment garden. This is just the beginning of a series of mysterious incidents that shake the town of Rapperswil.

Detective Andy Lutz and his overzealous colleague Ruben Schmidt soon find themselves knee-deep in a swamp of seduction, intrigue and blackmail. And in the midst of it all lurks Horst, the dwarf with the axe - ready to drive his victims mad.

With humour and a twinkle in her eye, Rahel Urech paints a picture of an idyllic small town where nothing is as it seems.

- **The new Swiss crime thriller by author Rahel Urech**
- **Another wonderful mixture of suspense and humour**



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Petra Schier

## The Guardian of Cologne

### From prostitute to mastermind

#### About the book

Cologne 1396/97: Elsbeth is naive and charming when she starts working in the brothel 'Zur schönen Frau' at the age of sixteen. Soon afterwards, one of her clients, the councillor van Kneyart, is found poisoned and she is targeted by the authorities. Her half-brother also becomes aware of her and saves her from the gallows. The two become close friends, and with the help of Elsbeth, who gathers information for him in the harlots' house, he becomes the most powerful man in the world, much to his wife's liking, and Elsbeth the skilful mastermind of the underworld. When she is able to help save a wrongly convicted woman from being sentenced, the young executioner Jörg begins to appreciate her foresight, and feelings begin to flare up between the adversaries.

- **Petra Schier's new historical novel about love, intrigue and betrayal**
- **A must-read for lovers of well-researched, atmospheric historical novels**



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Since Petra Schier completed her correspondence course in history and literature in 2003, she has been working 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 dog in a small village in the Eifel region

Harry Kämmerer

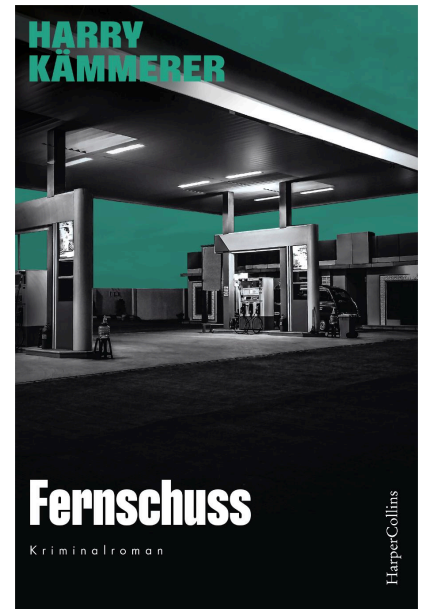
## Long-range shot

The start of a new crime series by Harry Kämmerer

### About the book

Happening to be live at the crime scene is actually Hummel's speciality. This time he also meets his new colleague Andrea Mangfall there. She wants to refuel her car after her holiday in Italy and also witnesses the ongoing hostage-taking. The SEK is on the scene, shots are fired and finally a petrol tank explodes. The result: devastation and three dead. 'You've made a good start,' says Hummel to Andrea, who, like Chief Inspector Christine Pulver, is a new member of Mader's team following a reorganisation at the police station. Mader has to see how he can get this new team together. Andrea expresses her doubts about the supposedly clear-cut course of the hostage-taking and her unconventional thoughts on the crime are not met with enthusiasm by everyone. Dosi reacts jealously, and Zankl has problems with self-confident women anyway. But when Christine suddenly disappears without a trace during the investigation, everyone does their best.

- **An exciting new team in action**
- **Action and humour with popular sidekick Grief counsellor Miller**



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Harry Kämmerer, born in 1967, lives in Munich and works in a book publishing house. He is the author of numerous short stories and has written and produced two radio play series for radio. His crime novels include the volumes featuring the team of investigators centred around Munich detective Karl-Maria Mader, which begin with 'Isartod'. There is also the crime series 'Mangfall ermittelt' and the novels 'Drachenfliegen' and 'Oh, Mama!' Harry Kämmerer's love of music and cabaret characterises his books and his readings with live music.



Jona Thomsen

## Dark Ashes

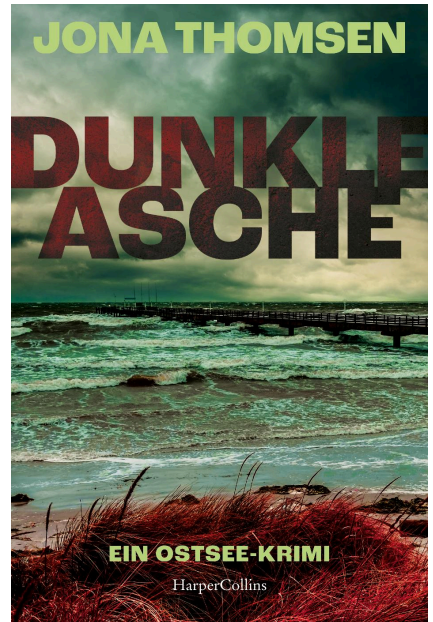
Murder is never time-barred ...

### About the book

Summer 1992 on the Baltic Sea: a night of partying in the seaside resort ends in a brutal murder. A young woman is killed in a holiday home with twelve stab wounds and the body is then set on fire. A murderer cannot be found. Thirty years later, Gudrun Möller and her new colleague Judith Engster from the state criminal investigation department's cold case unit are called to a hospice in Kiel. A witness wants to make a statement in order to find peace before his imminent death. The former owner of a beach bar accuses his own daughter - who until then had never been in the investigators' sights.

The detectives retrieve the case from the archives, the Cold Case Unit resumes its usual work and, with new, more modern research methods, a new lead quickly emerges. But the perpetrator from back then is keeping a close eye on the investigation - and he knows that the net is getting tighter and tighter ...

- **Exciting and atmospheric crime thriller on the rugged Baltic Sea**



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Jona Thomsen is the pseudonym of a successful German author who grew up on a farm in northern Germany and has lived as a freelance author in Berlin for many years. He writes light novels, biographies, historical novels and crime novels under various pseudonyms.

Leyla Bektaş

## How my family learnt to speak

"Leyla Bektaş tells the story of a family between Istanbul and Cologne, Hacibektaş and Heidelberg. She tells of her life between persecution and departure, memory and future. Please all read it!" Ronya Othmann

### About the book

"Keep what you have seen to yourself and don't talk about things you haven't seen," says an Alevi proverb. When 29-year-old Alev realises that her family, members of the oppressed Alevi religious minority in Turkey, have long lived by this proverb, she wants to break the silence - and begins to ask questions. Why did her father migrate to Cologne as a left-wing activist student in the 1970s? What destroyed her uncle Cem's successful textile company in Istanbul?

Alev, who lives in Cologne as a journalist and until a few years back spent every summer in Turkey, is asked to comment on political events in Turkey. But instead she looks back and collects the sound bites of her relatives, while at the same time the political situation in Turkey after the failed coup attempt in 2016 comes to a head.

"How my family learnt to speak" is proof that the unspeakable can be described. Leyla Bektaş enters the empty spaces, the questions, the pain and the riddles. Her language is clear and takes the necessary space for a story that needs to be told.

- **The most political exploration of origin and identity since Fatma Aydemir's "Jinns"**
- **An impressive novel that takes us through Alevi history**



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Leyla Bektaş was born in 1988 and grew up in Bremen. She studied Roman languages and literature and later at the German Literature Institute in Leipzig. She now writes prose and essays, and her short stories have appeared in magazines (including Tippgemeinschaft and poetin) and in the anthology "Flexen. Flaneusen schreiben Städte" (2019, Verbrecher Verlag).



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Eveline Hasler

## The other Mozart

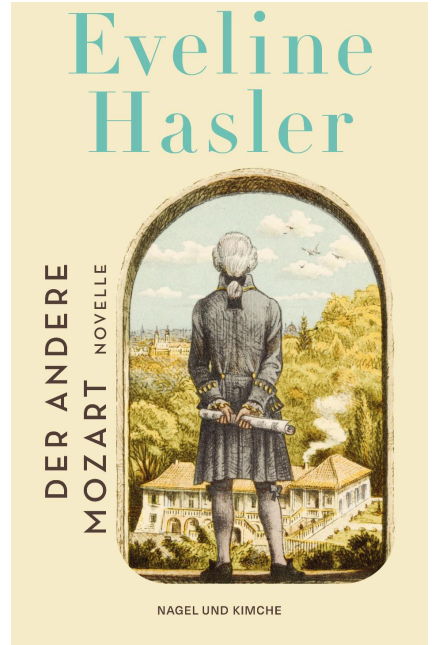
"Eveline Hasler doesn't tell us anything new, but she tells it in a way that we have never read before." *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*

### About the book

In her new novel, Eveline Hasler brings us as close to Mozart's life as an artist and his struggle for existence as hardly anyone before her. She also brings Mozart and the giant Melchior Thut together, because these two, who at first glance could not be more different, did not only have their points of contact in life - they also mirrored each other at one time or another. In a literary concise and reduced form, the story is told between money worries and the equally desperate search for recognition. Life becomes a metaphor for artistic existence itself.

"The giant was combed at the castle for the latest hairstyle: a light-coloured curl in the shape of a cone above each ear over each ear, his cheeks clean-shaven. In the evening he stood tall and erect under the gilded candlestick next to the singing Bonafini."

- **An ode to Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart as the man behind the art**
- **From the Swiss grande dame of the historical novel**



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Dagmar Schifferli

## Even Fish Can Drown

When life takes your breath away

### About the book

Katharina is at a turning point. The successful doctor has been happily married for many years. For some time, however, she has been troubled by a growing mistrust of her husband. At the same time, old wounds from her childhood and youth are opening up. Her emotional problems lead to physical symptoms. Breathing problems are troubling her. She is also plagued by tormenting thoughts spinning in her head like a merry-go-round. A time-out at the Swiss health resort D. is supposed to give her clarity and relief. But she can only succeed if she manages a challenging path to herself.

- **The new novel by Dagmar Schifferli**
- **About a woman in the middle of her life who, despite many breaks in her past, does not give up**



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Hermann Burger

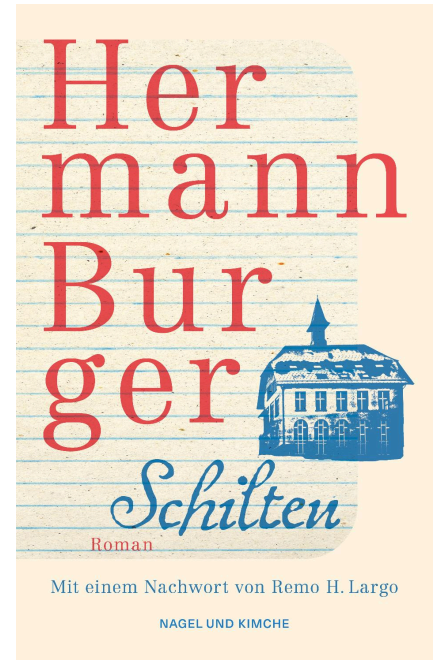
## Schilten

‘An incendiary speech against the authorities.’ Die Zeit

### About the book

Under the pedagogical pseudonym Armin Schildknecht, thirty-year-old Peter Stirner works as a teacher in the remote village of Schilten in the canton of Aargau. However, he no longer teaches what is on the curriculum. As the school is located next to the cemetery, he replaces ‘local history’ with ‘death studies’ and teaches the gradations of death, apparent death and disappearance. In order to justify his unconventional approach to the school authorities, he has been working for years on a report that he expands into a grand concept of identity and life. In his debut novel from 1976, one of the most important Swiss novels of the post-war period, Hermann Burger meticulously sketches an obsession and, at the same time, the absurdity of an ailing education system in a ludicrous and merciless way.

- **Hermann Burger's debut ‘Schilten’ is one of the most important novels of German-language post-war literature**
- **With an afterword by Remo H. Largo**



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Hermann Burger, born in 1942 in Aarau/Switzerland, was a publicist, private lecturer in modern German literature and feature editor. After publishing a volume of poetry and short stories, the publication of the novel ‘Schilten’ in 1976 helped him achieve his international breakthrough. He received his first major award for the novel, the Swiss Schiller Foundation Prize, which was later awarded to him again for his complete works; this was followed by the C. F. Meyer Prize in 1980, the Hölderlin Prize in 1983 and the Ingeborg Bachmann Prize in 1985. Hermann Burger died at Brunegg Castle in 1989.



Flurin Jecker

## Ultraviolet

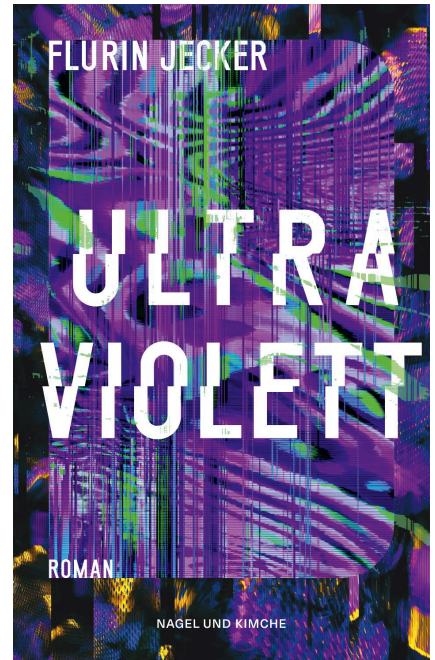
You're off the beat, but is that why you stop dancing?

### About the book

Bass vibrates from the soles of your feet and ears to your very core, deep inside, where the warm feeling lives. Faces, arms, hair come closer, move away again. Colours in the air, heat, goose bumps. Held has been dancing his way through nights and days in the clubs for several years now. But ever since his mate Eule left, the promise of the big city has been tarnished. Eule who christened him Held after his arrival in Berlin. And who now lives in Lapland 'with Father Christmas', as he called it in his farewell letter. Then Mira appears among the dancing bodies.

A novel like a frenzy and a swan song to the old narrative of growing up as a leap into another world.

- **Flurin Jecker's second novel takes us to the metropolis**
- **A Berlin novel worthy of the name**



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Flurin Jecker, born in Bern in 1990, studied biology and literary writing. His debut novel 'Lanz' was published in 2017, for which he received several awards. He now works as a mentor and gives workshops in literary writing. He is father of one child and lives as a freelance writer in Bern.



Ulrich Knellwolf

## Death in Sils Maria

A classic of Swiss crime fiction now reissued

### About the book

A not-so-successful writer finds the idyll of his annual hotel holiday disturbed by an unpleasant critic who keeps crossing his path. Slowly, disaster is brewing. But who is actually pulling the strings in this game? A rich hotel guest disappears in the trickling snow. A ski instructor is on the trail of a poacher he doesn't want to let escape, but he only suspects half the truth. A group of cross-country skiers is forced off the trail - all that remains is a dark hole in the snow. All this happens in the vicinity of a luxury hotel in Sils Maria, the peaceful Swiss winter sports resort in the Engadine. The tracks are silently covered, the bodies are inconspicuously removed from the hotels so that the skiing fun can continue in the best weather. But a dangerous flask is already waiting to be used in the hotel kitchen, and another waiter with a dubious past is already waiting in the foyer for his next opportunity ...

- **These entertaining crime stories sparkle with intelligent humour and surprising punchlines**
- **Winter stories from the popular holiday resort of Sils Maria in the Swiss Engadine**



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Ulrich Knellwolf, born in 1942, grew up in Zurich and Olten. He studied Protestant theology. He worked as a pastor at the Predigerkirche in Zurich until 1996, and since then as an employee of the Stiftung Diakoniewerk Neumünster, Zollikon. He has received numerous awards for his novels and short stories.

Eveline Hasler

## The wax wing woman

The life of a woman who was not intended by her time

### About the book

Emily Kempin-Spyri (1853-1901) was the first female lawyer in Switzerland. However, as she was not allowed to practise as a lawyer there, she emigrated to the USA, where she founded a law school for women and taught there. After a few more stations and a broken marriage, Emily Kempin-Spyri applied for a job as a maid to a pastor in 1888, having failed in her life plan. Although she was unable to achieve what she had dreamed of in her life, she paved the way for many women to come. In this gripping novel, Eveline Hasler uncovers a piece of hidden history. 'Die Wachsflügel Frau' is more than just a novel about an early emancipation that ended tragically. As in all of Eveline Hasler's novels, there is something everlasting in this book that can also be applied to the present day.



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Dagmar Schifferli

## For my sake

‘There's one thing you need to know: you must never interrupt me, never.’

### About the book

In the early 1970s, seventeen-year-old Katharina is placed in a closed institution for young people. She had committed a criminal offence. She has to speak to a psychiatrist at least once a week to find out the reasons behind her offence. Surprisingly, she manages to impose ‘her’ rules of dialogue on the doctor. The ‘delinquent’ becomes the ‘director’. He is not allowed to ask anything, not even to clear his throat. That would ‘drive Katharina away’ from herself too much. The psychiatrist agrees. Later, he is given permission to enter into a dialogue with cards he has labelled himself. Bit by bit, we learn what Katharina has experienced.

- **A fascinating novel with psychological depth**
- **Who is the victim here? Who is pulling the strings?**



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