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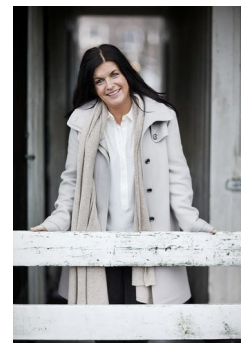
*“Matre writes trustworthy and nuanced about how gambling fever leads to ruin families and desperate actions.”*

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## Agnes Lovise Matre

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was born and raised in a small village in Norway and moved to Haugesund, a town on the west-coast of Norway. She has been working as a teacher in secondary school since 1995. She published two novels on her own. With Major publishing house Gyldendal Matre signed a two-book-deal in 2017 and right now she works on the next book in the series.



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