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Splintered

Happy and Sad

The summer after tenth grade stretches out before Mia and her group of friends, long and free. Soon they'll be going to high school and will be split up, scattering in different directions. But they have this summer together, here and now. During the vacation, Mia and Are grow close in a new way, and it's difficult to tell the difference between friendship and what may be love. Autumn arrives and Mia moves into dorm. She blossoms in her new environment on the music programme, throwing herself into musicals and concerts, dorm life, parties and new friends.

Then Are gets ill. Very ill.

Splintered is a vibrant novel about friendship, about how it's possible to be both happy and sad when something really wonderful and something really awful happen at the same time. Hilde Myklebust has created an intimate, rich story about intense emotions.

Hilde Myklebust

Hilde Myklebust (b. 1979) is well-established as one of the most important young poets in Norway. In May 2020 she was awarded with "Diktartavla" ("The Poet's Writing Desk"), a prize given to a significant Neo-Norwegian poet. This prize was funded by the international recognized poet Olav H. Hauge. Myklebust has written three critically regarded collections of poetry. She has also made some picture books, most recently *Ylva and the wild Goats* (Ylva og villgeitene), 2020.



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