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# Closed for Winter

The Wisting Quartet #1

A heavy autumn fog covers the coastal landscape of Norway like a blanket, hiding alternately revealing the summer cottages of Vestfold. Ove Bakkerud, newly separated and in need of a secluded place to gather his thoughts, arrives at the now empty summer retreat only to find his cabin ransacked. Going next door, he sees something even worse: the body of one of his burglars, beaten to death.

Police Inspector William Wisting has witnessed his share of bloody crime scenes, but this particular one echoes with a frantic desperation new to him. His unease deepens when his daughter Line decides to temporarily relocate to a cottage near the murder scene. On a break from her work as a journalist and her boyfriend, Line is plunged into the investigation when she discovers the presence of a second body. Worse yet, the evidence points to her boyfriend's involvement in the murder.

Painstaking and swift, Closed for Winter is a piece of quality craftsmanship, with Horst meticulously bringing together an unexpectedly windy plot, highly intelligent characterizations and a delectably subtle 'noir' mood to create a very engrossing crime novel. - Edinburgh Book Review, UK

First-class crime fiction.

- Verdens Gang, Norway

A classic police procedural from an author who knows what he's talking about /.../ I would recommend anyone who likes crime fiction to devote some time to Jørn Lier Horst's authorship. Do begin with "Closed for Winter."

- Dagbladet, Norway

Crime lovers: read!

- Fædrelandsvennen, Norway

Horst delivers all the way. He possesses a language filled with momentum and he surprises the reader time and time again.

- Trønder-Avisa, Norway



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## Jørn Lier Horst

Jørn Lier Horst (b. 1970) has with his award-winning novels about William Wisting joined the elite of Nordic crime fiction writers. Having worked as a head of investigations before becoming a full-time author, Horst brings a unique brand of suspense and realism to the table. Besides his novels for grown readers, Horst has gained recognition for his unparalleled ability to thrill also young readers with charming mysteries. His standing as the Norwegian king of crime fiction for all ages was cemented



when he created the Detective Agency No. 2 and CLUE series, both the most popular children's book series in their respective age categories.

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