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Jo Nesbø

The Leopard

Two women are found murdered in Oslo – both of whom have drowned in their own blood. What further mystifies the police is that the puncture wounds on the victims' faces appears to have been caused from inside their own mouths.

Kaja Solness from Homicide is sent to Hong Kong to track down the man who is the Oslo Police Department's only specialist on serial killers – a severely addicted detective, trying to disappear in the vast, anonymous city. He is on the run and haunted by his last case, the woman he loves, and creditors alike. His name is Harry Hole.

The Leopard was awarded with The Danish Academy of Crime Writers' Award (Palle Rosenkrantz Prisen) 2009 for 'Best Crime Novel of the Year', with the motivation: "Jo Nesbø has, with the anarchic and alcoholic Harry Hole, revitalized the classic Chandler-esque investigator, who with self-destructive honesty gets in with the ladies and out with nearly everyone else. Especially serial killers and superiors. *The Leopard* is the latest example of Jo Nesbø's exceptionally skillful and ebullient writing."

This dark thriller reminds readers why Nesbo is often favorably compared to Sweden's Stieg Larsson. Nesbo's novels are a great find for fans of The Millennium Trilogy looking to expand into other Scandinavian thrillers.

- Hollywood Reporter, US

[Nesbø] can spin a good tale. The Leopard is meaty, gripping, full of tantalizing twists

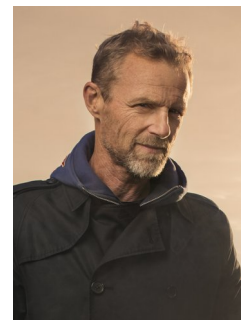
- Lincoln Journal Star, US

[The Leopard] contains real pleasures, with three fantastic twists and a final 150 pages that run by at a blistering pace.

- USA Today, US

Jo Nesbø

Jo Nesbø (b. 1960) is a musician, songwriter, and economist, as well as one of the leading crime writers in the world. He is recognized for having widened the scope of the thriller with his unusual literary qualities and ambitions, his psychological insights and his in-depth knowledge of life in a modern, globalized world. His books have garnered countless international awards, sold 36 million copies, and been translated into 50 languages. In addition to the Harry Hole series he is the author of stand-alone novels *Headhunters*, *The Son*, *Blood on Snow* and *Midnight Sun*, as



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well as several children's books in the Doctor Proctor's Fat Powder series.

AWARDS

Nordic Noir Thriller of the Year Award,
Sweden, 2017
Shortlisted for the Book of the Year Award,
Sweden, 2017
Shortlisted for The European Crime Fiction
Star Award, Germany, 2016
The Riverton Honor Prize, Norway, 2016
The IcePick Award (Best Translated Crime
Novel), Iceland, 2015
Boréales Honorary Award (for his entire
literary work), France, 2017
Shortlisted for the Ark's Book of the Year
Award, Norway, 2015
Shortlisted for LovelyBooks' Der Leserpreis
(Best Crime & Thriller of 2015), Germany,
2017
Shortlisted for the Brage Prize (Best Crime
Novel), Norway, 2017
St. Petersburg Reads Award (Best
International Author of the Year), Russia, 2014

Shortlisted for The IcePick Award (Best
Translated Crime Novel of the Year), Iceland,
2014
Martinus Readers' Choice Award (Best
Foreign Author of the Year), Slovakia, 2014
Martinus Readers' Choice Award (Best Novel
of the Year), Slovakia, 2014
The Peer Gynt Prize (for his international
success and for putting Norway on the map of
international literature), Norway, 2013
Shortlisted for the Specsavers Crime Thriller
Awards (The Bestseller Dagger), UK, 2012
Shortlisted for the CWA International Dagger
(Best Translated Crime Novel of the Year), UK,
2012
Shortlisted for the Edgar Award (Best Novel of
the Year), US, 2010
Shortlisted for the Macavity Awards (Best
Mystery Novel), US, 2010
The Great Caliber Award of Honour (for his
entire authorship), Poland, 2010
The Danish Academy of Crime Writers' Award

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UK, 2009
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the Year), Norway, 2008
Shortlisted for the Ark's Children's Book
Award (Best Children's Book), Norway, 2008
The Norwegian Booksellers' Prize (Best Novel
of the Year), Norway, 2007
The Norwegian Book Club Prize (Best Novel of
the Year), Norway, 2007
Shortlisted for the CWA International Dagger,
UK, 2007
The Finnish Academy of Crime Writers'
Special Commendation (Excellence in Foreign
Crime Writing), Finland, 2007
Shortlisted for the Ark's Children's Book
Award (Best Children's Book), Norway, 2007
Best Norwegian Crime Novel Ever Written
(Awarded by the Norwegian Book Clubs),
Norway, 2004
William Nygaard Bursary, Norway, 2002
The Norwegian Booksellers' Prize (Best Novel
of the Year), Norway, 2000
The Glass Key (Best Nordic Crime Novel of the
Year), The Nordic Countries, 1998
The Riverton Prize (Best Norwegian Crime
Novel of the Year), Norway, 1997

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