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- New York Times Book Review, US

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- Entertainment Weekly, US

A complex utterly captivating story.

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



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