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Jan-Erik Fjell

The Shadow Room

Darker in tone than his previous novel, *Shadow Room* tackles such difficult subjects as trafficking and child abuse. Critics have applauded Jan-Erik for his meticulous research skills.

Petty criminal Bernandas Mielkos is driving sealed cargo through the December snow heading from Lithuania to Sarpsborg, Norway. Bernandas believes he's smuggling drugs, but when his contact fails to show up he finds himself involved in something much more sinister. The next morning a respected Sarpsborg school teacher is found brutally stabbed. Bernandas' situation soon grows desperate. In hiding in a foreign country, threatened by his employers, with an ongoing murder investigation close by, he finds himself with a horrifying moral choice to make.

His signature humour is still there, but even that has an edge as distracted superintendent Anton Brekke is put on the Sarpsborg case. Obsessed with pinning a crime on the man who's marrying his ex-wife, Anton is not helping the murder investigation. Or is he?

Once again, the author provides no easy solutions – neither for Bernandas Mielkos, for Anton Brekke or for the reader trying to solve the murder puzzle.

“He delivers the goods. Intense suspense all the way through.

★★★★★”

- Fyens Stiftstidende / Denmark

“The story is – no matter how sickening the scenes – of nail biting quality. As always with a good crime novel, the reader almost feels ashamed of being so splendidly entertained.”

- Jyllands-Posten / Denmark

“The Master of crime subplots. He never forgets any threads, not ever lets them get lost. After just the right number of pages, the important little details or the crucial clues reappear, and just a little closer to each other.”

- Trelleborgs Allehanda/Ystads Allehanda

Jan-Erik Fjell

Jan-Erik Fjell was brought up in Gressvik, outside Fredrikstad on the west side of Oslofjord. He made his crime debut in 2010 with *The Snitch*, which won the Norwegian Booksellers' Award. At the age of 28 he was the youngest recipient of the prestigious prize, and the first installment of the Anton Brekke-series was highly praised among both critics and readers. Jan-Erik Fjell has been writing full time since,



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and has written five titles in the series about the Norwegian superintendent Anton Brekke this far.

The Anton Brekke-series is convincing, credible and exciting crime novels with 450,000 copies sold just in Norway.



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