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The Norwegian patient

The once so promising law student, Leo Vangen, has placed himself on a small island called Goose Island, in Bærum – Norway's wealthiest area. Here he enjoys a safe, but limited life. When the trolling-enthusiast Trond Bast pulls up the corpse of a Pole outside the shore of Bærum, Leo Vangen is forced out of his bubble and into a world of corruption, murder, semi-successful criminals, rusty love and abused au pairs. For there's something rotten in Bærum – a place everyone loves to hate.

«The Norwegian patient» is a novel about a man who has lost his track, and about his way back. A story of five messed up guys who try to do their best — and one sensible woman who brings it all together.

Lenth is inspired by writers such as Elmore Leonard and Carl Hiaasen and shows a passion for odd dialogues and the darker ironies of life. Half realism, half cartoon-like, Lenth's characters try to cope with the bigger and smaller challenges of life as best they can.

«The Norwegian patient» is a book that is bound to make you burst into laughter – and deep thoughts.

Lars Lenth

Lars Lenth (b. 1966) is Norway's undisputed number one when it comes to fly fishing for trout. His literary debut came with the novel The same river in 2007, a fly fishing novel following a young man's experiences through a season of fishing at the river Skrukkedalsrenna. The Norwegian patient was his second novel, introducing the lawyer Leonard Vangen and the criminal Rino Gulliksen. two characters who readers have grown fond of. Leo and Rino reappear in Lenth's next novel, The Vega Brothers. In



all three novels there's a deepfelt tension between man and nature. A subject the author continues to focus on in his fresh new novel Men who hate wolves.



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