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Description:

The Pulitzer Prize-winning, *New York Times* bestselling novel of North Korea: an epic journey into the heart of the world's most mysterious dictatorship.

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Pak Jun Do is the haunted son of a lost mother—a singer “stolen” to Pyongyang—and an influential father who runs a work camp for orphans. Superiors in the North Korean state soon recognize the boy’s loyalty and keen instincts. Considering himself “a humble citizen of the greatest nation in the world,” Jun Do rises in the ranks. He becomes a professional kidnapper who must navigate the shifting rules, arbitrary violence, and baffling demands of his overlords in order to stay alive. Driven to the absolute limit of what any human being could endure, he boldly takes on the treacherous role of rival to Kim Jong Il in an attempt to save the woman he loves, Sun Moon, a legendary actress “so pure, she didn’t know what starving people looked like.”

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“This is a novel worth getting excited about.”—**The Washington Post**

“[A] ripping piece of fiction that is also an astute commentary on the nature of freedom, sacrifice, and glory.”—**Elle**

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