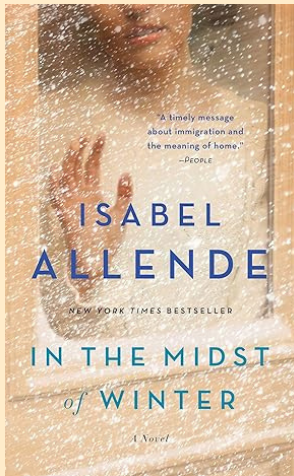


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## ABOUT THE BOOK

NEW YORK TIMES AND WORLDWIDE BESTSELLING AUTHOR ISABEL ALLENDE RETURNS WITH A SWEEPING NOVEL THAT JOURNEYS FROM PRESENT-DAY BROOKLYN TO GUATEMALA IN THE RECENT PAST TO 1970S CHILE AND BRAZIL.

DURING THE BIGGEST BROOKLYN SNOWSTORM IN LIVING MEMORY, RICHARD BOWMASTER, A LONELY UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR IN HIS SIXTIES, HITS THE CAR OF EVELYN ORTEGA, A YOUNG UNDOCUMENTED IMMIGRANT FROM GUATEMALA, AND WHAT AT FIRST SEEMS AN INCONVENIENCE TAKES A MORE SERIOUS TURN WHEN EVELYN COMES TO HIS HOUSE, SEEKING HELP. AT A LOSS, THE PROFESSOR ASKS HIS TENANT, LUCIA MARAZ, A FELLOW ACADEMIC FROM CHILE, FOR HER ADVICE.

AS THESE THREE LIVES INTERTWINE, EACH WILL DISCOVER TRUTHS ABOUT HOW THEY HAVE BEEN SHAPED BY THE TRAGEDIES THEY WITNESSED, AND RICHARD AND LUCIA WILL FIND UNEXPECTED, LONG OVERDUE LOVE. ALLENDE RETURNS HERE TO THEMES THAT HAVE PROPELLED SOME OF HER FINEST WORK: POLITICAL INJUSTICE, THE ART OF SURVIVAL, AND THE ESSENTIAL NATURE OF—AND OUR NEED FOR—LOVE.

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