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RAGING BEAR

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A body lies in the frozen wastes on Svalbard, slowly becoming part of the landscape. It will lie here preserved until spring, when it will then thaw, decay, and feed the animals.

Climate scientist Njål was married to Sol for a long time. They wanted children, but only had miscarriages. Njål leaves her for Nina, his student at the Center for Climate Change. They have a daughter, Lotta, before their relationship falls apart. As Nina suffered from postpartum depression, Njål made her establish him as the main custodian, and she now sues him for joint custody. They both keep secrets about the dramatic events that lead to their breakup, secrets that can harm them both in this battle for custody. The couple is also rivals for research credit and a seat in a climate expedition to Svalbard. Sol watches them from afar, enviously stalking Njål and his child as well as mourning her loss.

The novel is dark, expressed with the narrative power of tense stories and the sophistication of good literature.

Solo Libri, Italy



An intense psychological thriller.

Bergens Tidende



The excitement in this book is mostly on a psychological level... in a crescendo of action with blizzards, Arctic cold and polar bears.

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***Raging Bear* is a burning hot thriller that effectively tackles thorny issues such as motherhood, parenting, professional competition between men and women, environmental issues, and leaves us various food for thought long after closing the book. Yet another confirmation that Scandinavian writers rarely disappoint.**

Thriller Nord, Italy

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Ingebjørg Berg Holm (b. 1980) was nominated for the prestigious Riverton Prize for her debut thriller *Stars Over, Darkness Below* in 2016. *Raging Bear* is her third book.

