

The Devil's Star: A Harry Hole Novel (Harry Hole Series, 5)

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In the heat of a sweltering Oslo summer, a young woman is found murdered in her flat with one of her fingers cut off and a tiny red star-shaped diamond placed under her eyelid. An off-the-rails alcoholic barely holding on to his job, Detective Harry Hole is assigned the case with Tom Waaler, a hated colleague whom Harry believes is responsible for the murder of his partner. When another woman is reported missing five days later, and her severed finger turns up adorned with a red star-shaped diamond ring, Harry fears a serial killer is at work. But Hole's determination to capture a fiend and to expose Waaler's crimes is leading him into shadowy places where both investigations merge in unexpected ways, forcing him to make difficult decisions about a future he may not live to see.

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A musician, songwriter, and economist, Jo Nesbo is also one of Europe's most acclaimed crime writers, and is the winner of the Glass Key Award, northern Europe's most prestigious crime-fiction prize, for his first novel featuring Police Detective Harry Hole. Nesbo lives in Oslo.

Other Books

The Devil's Music, Anecdotes, reminiscences, first-hand reports, and appreciative commentary combine to provide a celebratory account of the blues' development from turn-of-the-century New Orleans honky-tonk and Mississippi Delta barrelhouse to today's urban blues.

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