



The Other

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What if a conservative girl falls in love with a secular young woman?

Esin is an attractive, happily married Turkish woman with a modern, Western-oriented outlook and a successful career hosting business meetings in Istanbul. She would normally have nothing in common with Kubra, a conservative religious girl she met at college in the States. Kubra wears the Islamist headscarf and lives with her parents.

As Esin and Kübra form an intimate friendship, the chapters of the novel open out onto each woman's emotional and sexual experience in turn. The cultural divisions of contemporary Turkey are dramatized through their personal lives and the dynamics within their families.

Each woman's curiosity about the other's mysterious world gradually takes on a boldly erotic character. At first interested in the external trappings of each other's lives, they embark on a journey of spiritual and sensual discovery whereby each woman comes to know 'The Other.'

Readership

It is contemporary literary fiction that focuses on current social and religious issues through a compelling story that bravely explores a sensitive subject and the inner thoughts of human beings with compelling characters. Inspired, informed, honest, entertaining, glamorous, intense... Readers will feel a connection with the story.

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