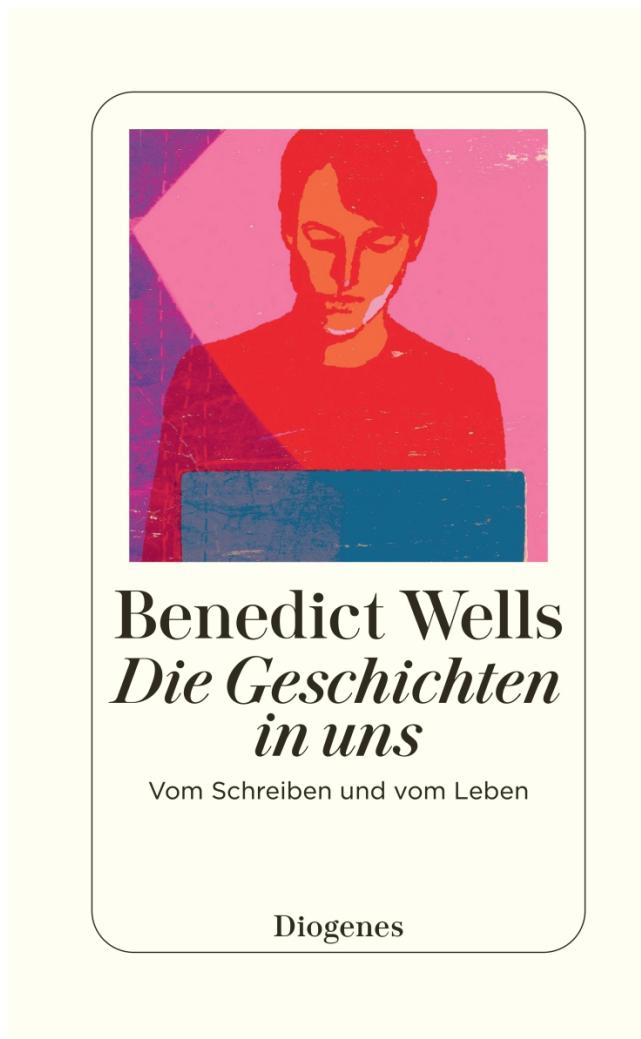


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Benedict Wells
The Stories Inside Us.

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How does a novel come into being? How do characters become lifelike and alive? What does 'to condense one's style' mean? And how do you tackle crises? Using his own work, and other well-known works as examples, Benedict Wells tells of the magic and fascination of writing. But *The Stories Inside Us* is also a personal foray from his childhood to his first publications. A wise and moving book.

Book factsheet

General Fiction
416 pages
11.6 x 18.4 cm
August 2024

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🎬 Movie adaptation

Becks letzter Sommer

Director: Frieder Wittich
Screenplay: Oliver Ziegenbalg
Cast: Christian Ulmen, Nahuel Pérez Biscayart, Eugene Boateng, Friederike Becht, Fabian Hinrichs

🏅 Awards

- 2022 >Deutscher Jugendliteraturpreis< in der Kategorie *Preis der Jugendjury für Hard Land*
- 2022 Platz 3 für *Hard Land* beim >LovelyBooks-Leserpreis< in der Kategorie *Literatur*
- 2022 Benedict Wells wurde neu in das PEN-Zentrum Deutschland aufgenommen.
- 2021 *Hard Land* ist >Das Lieblingsbuch< des Deutschschweizer Buchhandels
- 2021 *Hard Land* für >Lieblingsbuch der Unabhängigen< nominiert
- 2020 *Die Wahrheit über das Lügen* auf der Shortlist für den Literaturpreis >Text & Sprache< des Kulturreises deutsche Wirtschaft
- 2018 >Euregio-Schüler-Literaturpreis< für *Vom Ende der Einsamkeit*
- 2016 >Literaturpreis der Europäischen Union< Deutschland an Benedict Wells für *Vom Ende der Einsamkeit*
- 2016 >Buchpreis Familienroman< der Stiftung Ravensburger Verlag für *Vom Ende der Einsamkeit*
- 2016 >Lieblingsbuch der Unabhängigen< anlässlich der Woche unabhängiger Buchhandlungen (WUB) in Deutschland für *Vom Ende der Einsamkeit*
- 2016 >DER LESERPREIS< Bronze-Auszeichnung bei Lovelybooks.de für *Vom Ende der Einsamkeit*
- 2016 >Bronze-< Auszeichnung in der Kategorie >Buch des Jahres< für *Vom Ende der Einsamkeit*, gewählt von den Buchmarkt-Lesern
- 2009 >Bayerischer Kunstmöderpreis< in der Sparte Literatur u. a. an Benedict Wells für seinen Debütroman *Becks letzter Sommer*

Praise

Benedict Wells

»This 23-year-old Berliner is the shooting star in Germany's young literary scene: a multi-talented virtuoso with a touch of madness.« – Jan Drees / 1Live, Cologne

Praise (cont'd)

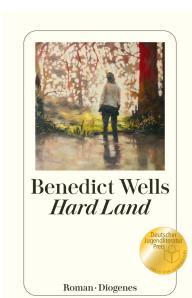
»Benedict Wells is probably the biggest talent our country has seen in the past few years.« – Kester Schlenz / Stern, Hamburg

»The German Wunderkind« – Paula Cocozza / The Guardian, London

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Benedict Wells, born in Munich in 1984, moved to Berlin after completing school and focused on his writing, earning a living with various jobs. His fourth novel, *The End of Loneliness*, spent more than a year and a half on the Spiegel Bestseller list, was awarded the 2016 »European Union Prize for Literature«, among other awards, and has been published in 38 languages. His latest novel *Hard Land* was awarded the independent young adult jury's »German Youth Literature Award« in 2022. After several years in Barcelona, Benedict Wells now lives in Zurich.

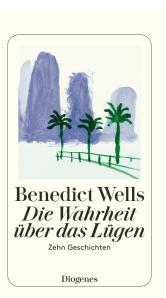


Benedict Wells
Hard Land



Hard Land
352 pages
2021

award winner
Bestseller

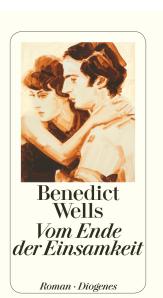


Benedict Wells
Die Wahrheit über das Lügen
Zehn Geschichten

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The Truth About Lying
256 pages
2018

award winner
Bestseller

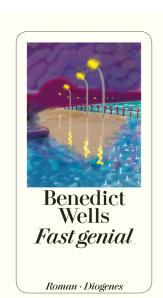


Benedict Wells
Vom Ende der Einsamkeit

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The End of Loneliness
368 pages
2016

award winner
Bestseller

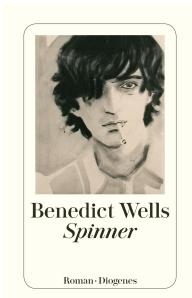


Benedict Wells
Fast genial

Roman · Diogenes

Almost Ingenious
336 pages
2011

Bestseller



Benedict Wells
Spinner

Roman · Diogenes

Spinner
320 pages
2009



Benedict Wells
Beck's letzter Sommer

Roman · Diogenes

Beck's Last Summer
464 pages
2008

award winner
Movie Adaptation