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Hansjörg Schneider
The Owl over the Rhine

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Hansjörg Schneider is a master of the short form. *The Owl over the Rhine* collates the most wonderful of his texts from the last 20 years: a homage to his chosen home of Basel appears alongside memories of his childhood in rural Aargau, together with observations of people and everyday scenes, texts about nature and jazz, about dialect as a secret language and the perils of technology, about actors, artists, the literati and his own writing.

Book factsheet

General Fiction
288 pages
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Bestseller

Swiss Bestseller

Movie adaptations

2011: *Silberkiesel. Hunkeler tritt ab*

Director: Markus Fischer
Screenplay: Dominik Bernet
Cast: Mathias Gnädinger, Gilles Tschudi, Charlotte Heinemann, Cynthia Coray und Ercan Durmaz.

2011: *Hunkeler und die Augen des Ödipus. TV-Verfilmung SF 1*

Director: Christian von Castelberg
Screenplay: Dominik Bernet
Cast: Mathias Gnädinger, Axel Milberg, Marie Leuenberger

2009: *Hunkeler und der Fall Livius*

Director: Stefan Jäger
Screenplay: Dominik Bernet
Cast: Matthias Gnädinger, Klaus Henner Russius, Gilles Tschudi, Jean Pierre Gos

2008: *Hunkeler macht Sachen*

Director: Markus Fischer
Screenplay: Dominik Bernet
Cast: Mathias Gnädinger, Charlotte Heinemann, Oliver Tobias

2005: *Tod einer Ärztin*

Director: Markus Fischer
Screenplay: Markus Fischer
Cast: Mathias Gnädinger, Charlotte Heinemann, André Jung

2004: *Das Paar im Kahn*

Director: Marie-Louise Bless
Cast: Mathias Gnädinger, Gilles Tschudi, Andrea Bettini

1981: *Sennentuntschi. Fernsehspiel*

Director: Hansjörg Schneider
Cast: Joseph Arnold, Walo Lüönd, Hanspeter Müller-Drossart, Maja Stolle

Awards

- 2018 >Ehrendoktor< der Philosophisch-Historischen Fakultät der Universität Basel
- 2016 >Ehrenpreis Burgdorfer Krimitage< für *Hunkeler-Reihe*
- 2005 >Friedrich-Glauser-Preis< für *Hunkeler macht Sachen*
- 2003 Schweizer Schillerpreis

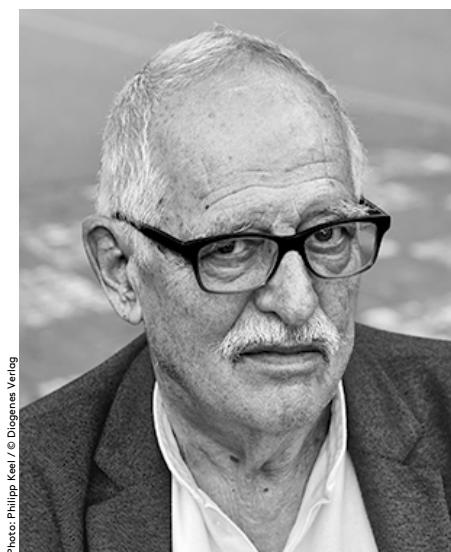


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Hansjörg Schneider, born in Aarau, Switzerland, in 1938, worked as a teacher and journalist. For a long time, he was one of the most performed playwrights in the German language and his *Hunkeler* crime novels are regularly on the Swiss Bestseller list. Hansjörg Schneider has received numerous awards, among them the »Friedrich Glauser Prize« in 2005. He lives and writes in Basel.

❖ Awards (cont'd)

- 1998 Wetzlarer Phantastikpreis
- 1986 Aargauer Literaturpreis
- 1986 Literaturpreis der Stadt Basel
- 1981 Werkjahr des Kantons Zürich
- 1979 Werkjahr der Pro Helvetia
- 1977 Stipendiat des Berliner Künstlerprogramms (DAAD)
- 1976 »Preis der Welti-Stiftung für das Drama «*Der Erfinder*«

Praise

The Owl over the Rhine

»Hansjörg Schneider is a master of the short form just as much as the long form.« – Markus Wüest / Basler Zeitung, Basel

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»Hansjörg Schneider has created a wonderful protagonist: rugged, awkward and likeable.« – Volker Albers / Hamburger Abendblatt

»Hansjörg Schneider's crime stories will have you hooked. As soon as a murderer is caught, you are already longing for the next one to appear.« – Benedikt Scherer / Tages-Anzeiger, Zurich

»Hansjörg Schneider is very addictive! Definitely one of the greatest German speaking authors.« – Jochen Schmoldt / Plärrer, Nürnberg

»Hansjörg Schneider is a talented and conscientious storyteller.« – Sabine Brandt / Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung



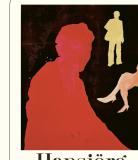
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Hunkeler in der Wildnis
Der zehnte Fall
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Hansjörg Schneider
Im Café und auf der Straße
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Hansjörg Schneider
Kind der Aare
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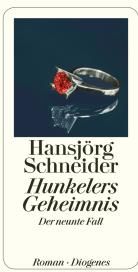
Hansjörg Schneider
Lieber Leo
Roman · Diogenes

Hunkeler in the
Wilderness
224 pages
2020
❖ Bestseller

In the Café and on the
Street
240 pages
2019

Child of the Aare
352 pages
2018
❖ Bestseller

Dear Leo
304 pages
2016



Hunkeler's Secret
208 pages
2015
❖ Bestseller



Hunkeler and the
Golden Hand
240 pages
2013



The Murder of Anton
Livius
256 pages
2013
❖ Movie Adaptation
❖ Bestseller



The Basel Killings
288 pages
2013
❖ Award winner
❖ Movie Adaptation



Hansjörg Schneider
Das Wasserzeichen

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The Watermark
304 pages
2013



Hansjörg Schneider
Nilpferde unter dem Haus

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Hippos under the House
224 pages
2012



Hansjörg Schneider
Nachtbuch für Astrid
Von der Liebe, von Sterben, von Freundschaft und darüber, den geliebten Menschen verlor zu haben

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Night Book for Astrid
128 pages
2012



Hansjörg Schneider
Tod einer Ärztin
Hunkelers vierter Fall

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Death of a Doctor
240 pages
2011

Movie Adaptation
Bestseller



Hansjörg Schneider
Das Paar im Kahn
Hunkelers dritter Fall

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Hansjörg Schneider
Flattermann

Hunkelers zweiter Fall

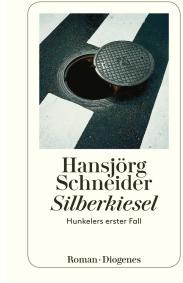
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The Couple on the Barge
224 pages
2011

Movie Adaptation
Bestseller

The Fluttering Man
160 pages
2011

Movie Adaptation
Bestseller



Hansjörg Schneider
Silberkiesel

Hunkelers erster Fall

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Silver Pebbles
240 pages
2011

Movie Adaptation
Bestseller



Hansjörg Schneider
Hunkeler und die Augen des Oedipus

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Hunkeler and the Eyes of Oedipus
240 pages
2010

Movie Adaptation
Bestseller