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## Martina Borger & Maria Elisabeth Straub
## *Little Sister*

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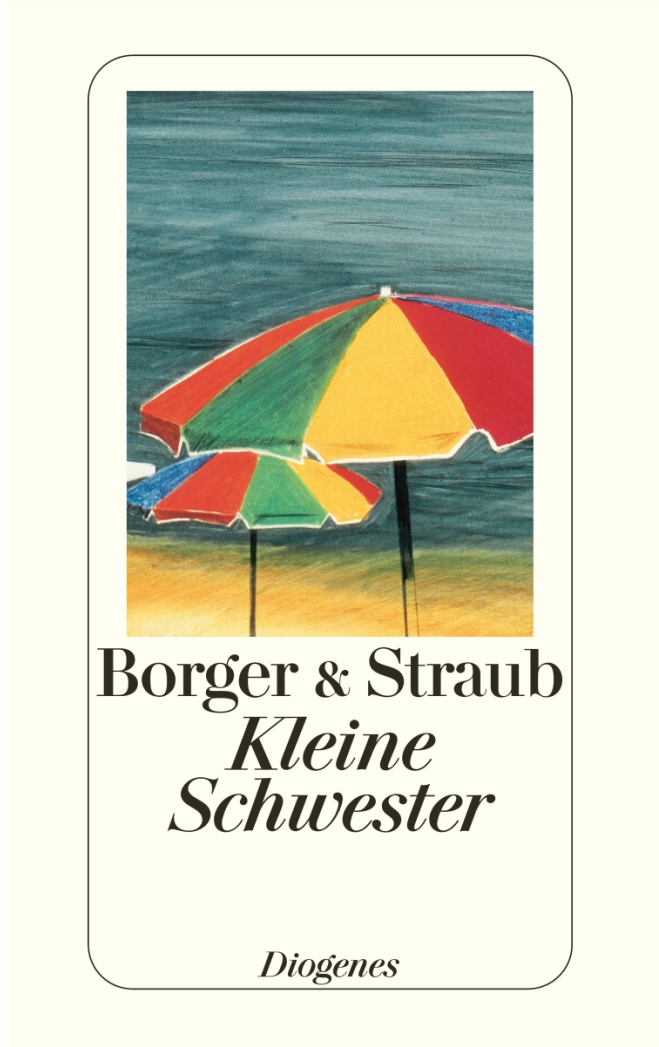


Contemporary Literature
224 pages
11.6 × 18.4 cm
September 2002

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### Awards

Martina Borger

2002 ›Frauen-Krimi-Preis‹ der Stadt Wiesbaden für *Kleine Schwester*

Maria Elisabeth Straub

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### Praise

*Little Sister*

»Borger & Straub know how to get their readers addicted.« – Tages-Anzeiger, Zurich

»Splendidly complicated, full of emotion and secrets.« – Brigitte, Hamburg

»With their elegant prose and profound understanding of the human soul, Borger & Straub are reminiscent of Patricia Highsmith.« – Spiegel Special, Hamburg

The twelve-year-old Lilly sits silently in front of the woman police officer. All attempts to make her speak fail. Lilly cannot explain the relentless chronology of unfortunate events that have pitched her family into disaster, she can only remember her childhood, which was overshadowed by disruptive events but which also contained some wonderful moments of happiness: her parents, ›the best in the world‹, and her foster sister Lotta who came from a home to make ›a real family‹ of them all – and who triggered the catastrophe which was not to end until Lilly took the hardest decision of her life …
A book that you can't put down until you have read the last sentence.



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Martina Borger, born in Bavaria in 1956, worked as a journalist, script editor and film critic, before turning to screenwriting. She has worked as a storyliner and head writer on several tv series. In collaboration with Maria Elisabeth Straub she published her first novel, *Cats' Tongues,* in 2001, followed by *Little Sister* (2002), *In the Ring* (2004) and *Summer with Emma* (2009). She is the sole author of her 2007 novel *Dear Luca.* Martina Borger lives in Munich.



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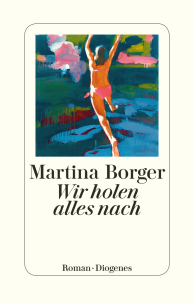
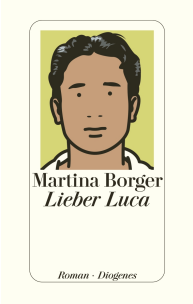
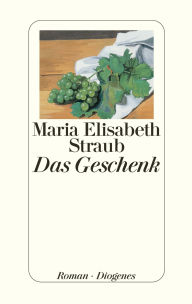
Maria Elisabeth Straub was born in 1943 in Schleswig-Holstein. She studied art history and German philology and has worked as a freelance author since 1970. Together with her co-author Martina Borger, she has published three novels so far. Maria Elisabeth Straub lives in Germany's far north.




*We'll Catch up on It Later*
304 pages
2020
**Bestseller**




*Dear Luca*
208 pages
2007




*The Gift*
336 pages
2006




*In the Ring*
384 pages
2004
**Movie Adaptation**




*Cats' Tongues*
368 pages
2001
**Movie Adaptation**