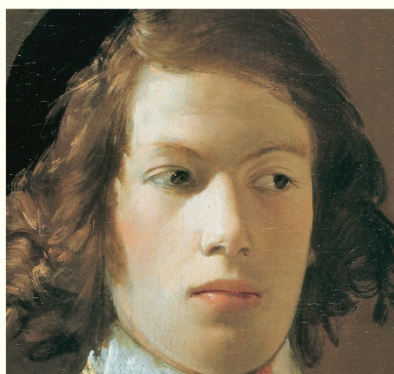


Ingrid Noll *Word of Honour*

Published by Diogenes as *Ehrenwort*
Original title: *Ehrenwort*



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A treacherous tumble and Willy Knobel, almost ninety-years-old, is hospital-bound. The prognosis is bad: the doctors expect he has only a few weeks left. In spite of his son Harald's loud protests, his daughter-in-law Petra insists that the old man be cared for by them in their home. It will not be for long anyway. Who could have foreseen Max's vanilla pudding regime making his grandfather fighting fit again. The better the patient feels, however, the more Harald and Petra's life begins to unravel. While the pair of them ponder how they can decently get rid of the disturber of their peace, Max flirts with the carer, Jenny. She, however, has a dark secret. In this bitter-sweet comedy, Ingrid Noll shows that ideal families are as rare as any holy family. But also that there are beautiful moments to be had in human encounters, regardless of age.

Book factsheet

Crime fiction, General Fiction
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Spanish/world (Circe)

Bestseller

Spiegel Bestseller

Movie adaptations

2009: Ladylike. Jetzt ers recht!
Director: Vanessa Jopp
Screenplay: Christian Schnalke
Cast: Monika Bleibtreu, Gisela Schneeberger,
Günther Maria Halmer

2000: Kalt ist der Abendhauch
Director: Rainer Kaufmann
Screenplay: Ralf Hertwig
Cast: Fritz Haberland, August Diehl, Heinz
Bennent, Gisela Trowe

1999: Der Hahn ist tot
Director: Hermine Hunthgebur
Cast: Gisela Schneeberger, August Zirner

1999: Die Häupter meiner Lieben
Director: Hans-Günther Bücking
Cast: Heike Makatsch, Christiane Paul

1997: Die Apothekerin
Director: Rainer Kaufmann
Cast: Katja Riemann, August Zirner, Jürgen
Vogel

1993: Bommels Billigflüge
Director: Claus-Michael Rohne
Screenplay: Ingrid Noll
Cast: Rosemarie Fendel, Dominique Horwitz,
Tina Ruland

Awards

2023 Ehrenbürgerin von Weinheim
2019 Ehrenkriminalhauptkommissarin der
Mannheimer Polizei
2016 Ehrenkommissarin der Bonner Polizei
2005 ›Friedrich-Glauser-Preis – Ehrenpreis der
Autoren‹ für das Gesamtwerk
2002 Verleihung der ›Verdienstmedaille des
Landes Baden-Württemberg‹ durch
Ministerpräsident Erwin Teufel
1994 ›Friedrich-Glauser-Preis‹ für *Die
Häupter meiner Lieben*



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Ingrid Noll, born in Shanghai in 1935, studied German philology and art history in Bonn. She has three children and four grandchildren. After her children left home, she began writing crime stories, which all became instant bestsellers. In 2005 she received the ›Glaser Prize of Honour‹ for her oeuvre.

Praise

Word of Honour

»Ingrid Noll writes books that inhabit a deceptive no-man's land between crime and family drama, between women's literature and homely horror.« – Der Spiegel, Hamburg

Ingrid Noll

»Ingrid Noll is one of the best German storytellers.« – Angela Gatterburg / Der Spiegel, Hamburg

»Ingrid Noll has a distinct talent for finding the horror in day-to-day life.« – Karin Oehmigen / SonntagsZeitung, Zürich

»Ingrid Noll is often referred to as Germany's ›Queen of Crime‹, and she fully deserves this title.« – The Sunday Times, London

»Riveting reading – we are captivated precisely because it is all so familiar.« – Dieter Hildebrandt / Sender Freies Berlin

»Still the most original crime writer in the German language.« – Christel Freitag / NDR Kultur, Hamburg

»Ingrid Noll has truly mastered the art of the comic crime novel.« – Ulli Wagner / SR3, Saarbrücken



Greetings from the Kitchen
304 pages
2024
🏆 Bestseller



Tea Time
320 pages
2022
🏆 Bestseller



Fickle Flames
304 pages
2021
🏆 Bestseller



With Love, Karl
336 pages
2020
🏆 Bestseller



Good as Gold
368 pages
2019
🏆 Bestseller



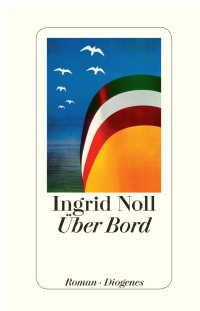
Tally-Ho
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2017
🏆 Bestseller



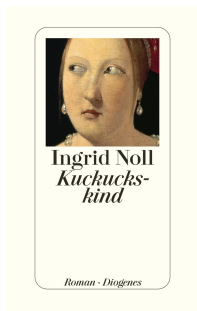
Lunchtime
224 pages
2015
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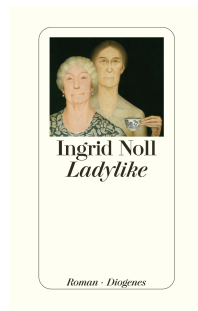
Till Greed Do Us Part
256 pages
2014
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Overboard
336 pages
2012
🏆 **Bestseller**



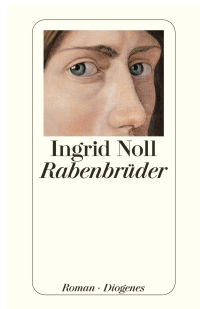
Cuckoo's Child
352 pages
2008
🏆 **Bestseller**



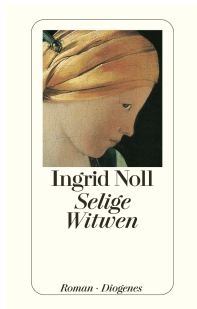
Ladylike
336 pages
2006
📺 **Movie Adaptation**
🏆 **Bestseller**



False Tongues
256 pages
2004
🏆 **Bestseller**



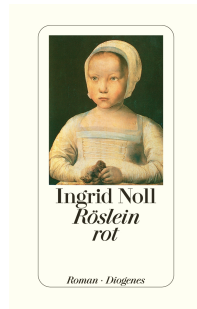
Rabenbrüder
288 pages
2003
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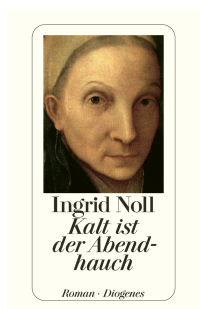
Blissfully Widowed
272 pages
2001
🏆 **Bestseller**



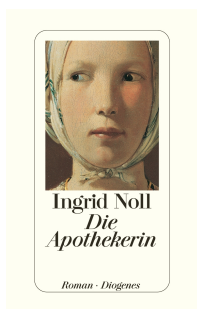
The Secretary
96 pages
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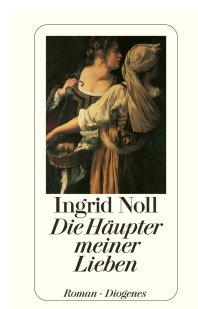
Red Rose
288 pages
1998
🏆 **Bestseller**



Cold is the Evening's Breeze
256 pages
1996
📺 **Movie Adaptation**
🏆 **Bestseller**



The Pharmacist
256 pages
1994
📺 **Movie Adaptation**
🏆 **Bestseller**



Head Count
288 pages
1993
📺 **Movie Adaptation**
🏆 **Bestseller**



Hell Hath No Fury
272 pages
1991
📺 **Movie Adaptation**
🏆 **Bestseller**