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Maja and Cora have been friends ever since they were sixteen. They are not easily outdone by men when it comes to daring, and they do not draw too fine a line between trivial offences, murder and manslaughter. Woe betide anyone who gets in the way of their fun in Tuscany! ›Die Häupter meiner Lieben‹ is a dashing novel which describes how the two heroines solve their family problems in their own particular way. In the loveless environment in which she grew up, Maja was known as »elephant«, and the only way she could get what she needed was through petty theft - until she met the mysterious, unfathomable Cora through whose influence she gradually frees herself from her family ties. On the other hand Cora the artist works off her discomfiture on her pictures which are vaguely reminiscent of Judith and Holofernes. And it does not take long for real life to catch up with her paintings... ›Die Häupter meiner Lieben‹ is a fantastic story which is certainly not lacking in charm or chutzpah!

Book factsheet

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288 pages
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Chinese/CN (Shanghai Haolin)

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: Fritzi Haberland, August Diehl, Heinz
Bennent, Gisela Trowe

1999: Der Hahn ist tot

Director: Hermine Hunthgeburd
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

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



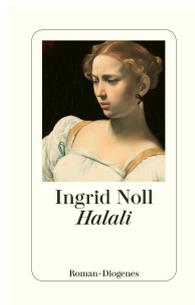
Fickle Flames
304 pages
2021
🏆 Bestseller



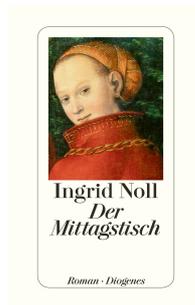
With Love, Karl
336 pages
2020
🏆 Bestseller



Good as Gold
368 pages
2019
🏆 Bestseller



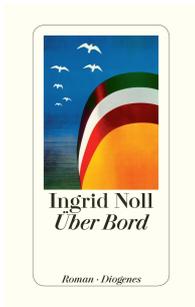
Tally-Ho
320 pages
2017
🏆 Bestseller



Lunchtime
224 pages
2015
🏆 Bestseller



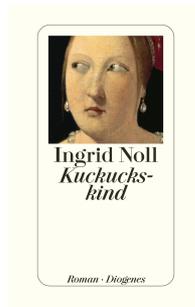
Till Greed Do Us Part
256 pages
2014
🏆 Bestseller



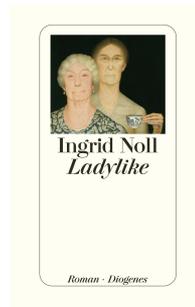
Overboard
336 pages
2012
🏆 **Bestseller**



Word of Honour
336 pages
2010
🏆 **Bestseller**



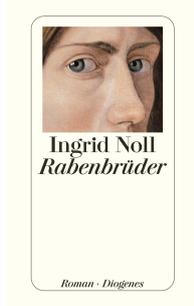
Cuckoo's Child
352 pages
2008
🏆 **Bestseller**



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



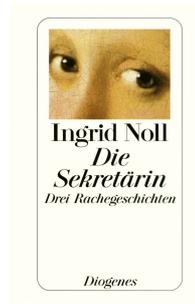
False Tongues
256 pages
2004
🏆 **Bestseller**



Rabenbrüder
288 pages
2003
🏆 **Bestseller**



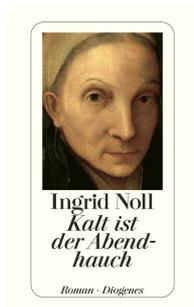
Blissfully Widowed
272 pages
2001
🏆 **Bestseller**



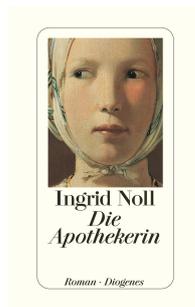
The Secretary
96 pages
2000
🏆 **Bestseller**



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**



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