

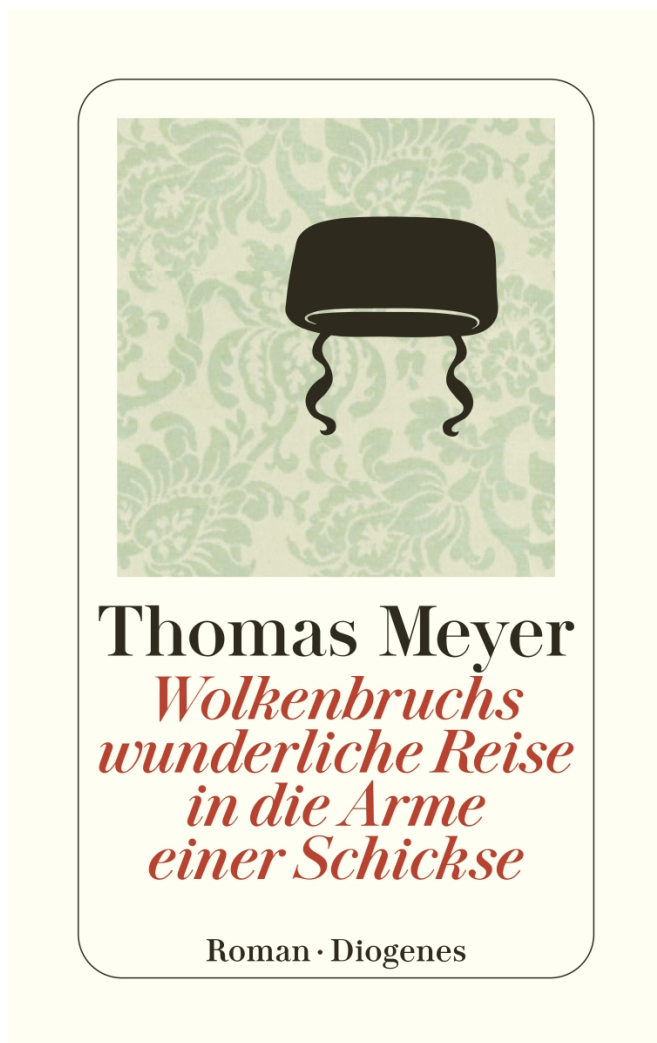
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Wolkenbruch's Weird and Wonderful Journey into the Arms of a Shiksa

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Everyone loves Wolkenbruch – over 140 live readings, and more than 150'000 copies sold.

An insight into an unknown world, a touching and mischievous story, sprinkled with Yiddish wit and irresistible humour.

The young orthodox Jew Mordechai Wolkenbruch, Motti for short, has a problem: the women his *mame* presents as marriage candidates all look exactly like her. Not at all like Laura, his pretty fellow student at the University of Zurich. Sadly, though, she's a *shiksa*: she wears trousers, has a well-formed backside (or *tuches*, as Motti's *mame* would call it), drinks gin and tonic and uses unseemly expressions. Motti is riddled with doubt: is the path laid out for him really the right one? His obedience to his *mame* and her disturbing matchmaking methods starts to wane while his passion for Laura grows. Things take their course, and Motti soon comes to a preliminary conclusion: even *shiksas* have lost their marbles.

Book factsheet

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Praise

Wolkenbruch's Weird and Wonderful Journey into the Arms of a Shiksa

»Thomas Meyer's coming-of-age novel in the style of Woody Allen is a story of religious emancipation – with reliably funny punchlines.«

– Beate Tröger / Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung

»Language itself becomes an event in this novel, as it should in all good literature. It is lightness in writing.«

– Thomas Widmer / Tages-Anzeiger, Zurich

»Thomas Meyer's novel is an effervescent, dizzying and bold read, like non-kosher champagne.« – Alexandra Stäheli / Neue Zürcher Zeitung



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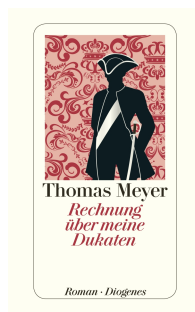
Thomas Meyer, born in Zurich in 1974, quit his legal studies to work as a journalist and as a copywriter in the advertising industry. In 2007, he went freelance as an author and copywriter. His novel *Volkenbruch's Weird and Wonderful Journey into the Arms of a Shiksa* became a bestseller and its movie adaptation was a big hit in Swiss cinemas in 2018. Thomas Meyer lives in Zurich.



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