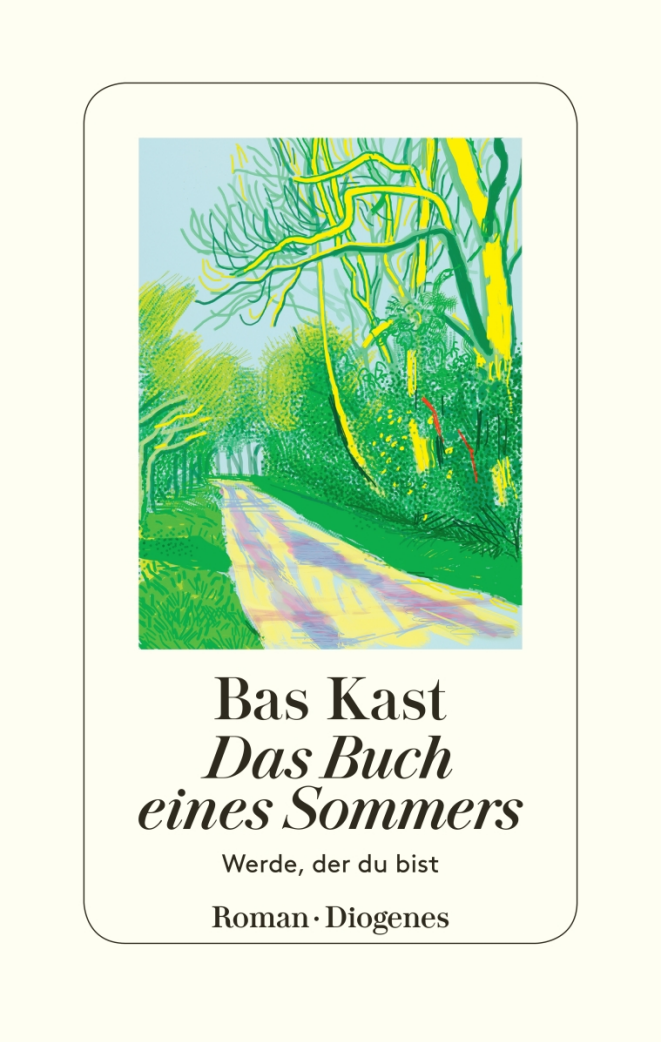
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## Bas Kast
## *A Summer's Tale*

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In what was meant to be the best summer of his life, Nicolas had a dream. He wanted to become a writer, like his uncle. Then life got in the way - as did his father's company, responsibility, meetings and all sorts of obligations. When his uncle died, Nicolas lost the only person who believed in him. But then, in the most unlikely of places, he found the key which helped him to become who he really is.
»Why do so many of us stumble at the task which should actually be the most important one of our lives — to become who we are?«
Bas Kast

Philosophy, Contemporary Literature
240 pages
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*A Summer's Tale*

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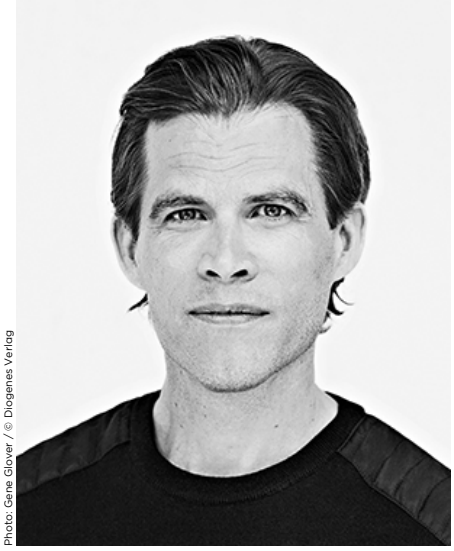


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