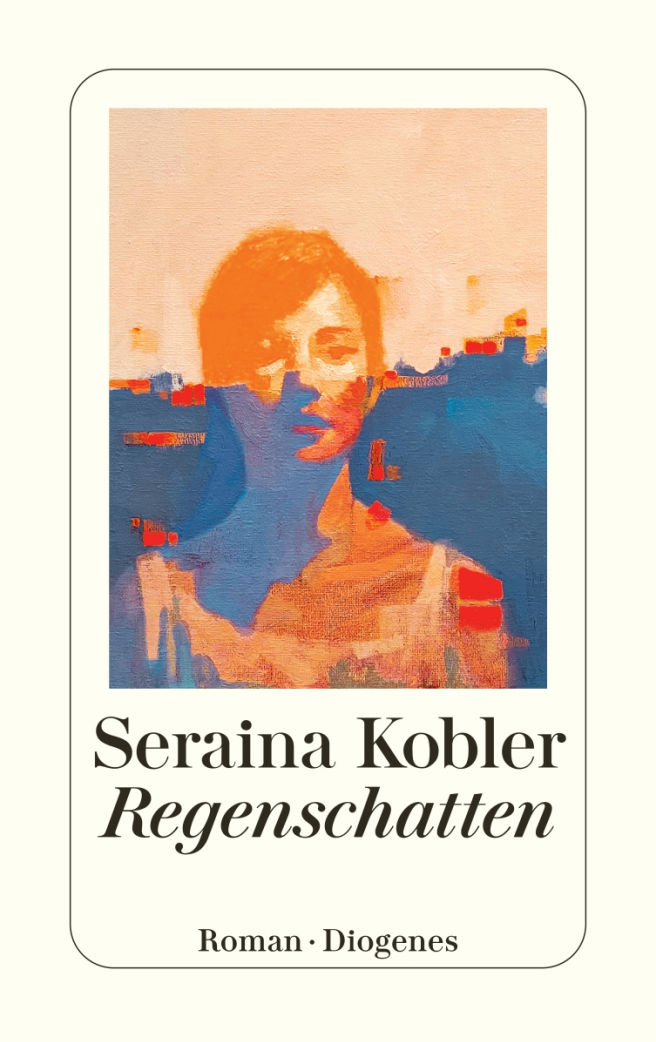
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Book factsheet

Seraina Kobler
Rain Shadow

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



Anna and David want to live together, but Anna discovers she is pregnant and knows that David is not the father. When David suddenly disappears, Anna finds herself alone, a young woman in a world utterly out of joint. As birds on fire fall from the sky and dust storms swirl through the countryside, she must decide about her child's future.

Contemporary Literature, Novel
208 pages
11.3 × 18 × 1.3 cm
June 2026

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Awards

2023 *Nachtschein* auf der Shortlist des ›Zürcher Krimipreises‹
2022 ›1. Genuss Buch Award‹ im Rahmen des 8. Genuss Film Festivals, Zug, für *Tiefes, dunkles Blau*
2020 ›*Der Bund*-Essaypreis‹ für ihren Text zum Thema *Erbgut besser am besten: Willkommen im Menschenpark!*

Praise

Rain Shadow

»A debut novel that enables us to sense the impending climate change.« – SRF, Zurich

»A hot summer, Zurich ablaze: Seraina Kobler paints a gloomy future.« – Neue Zürcher Zeitung, Zurich

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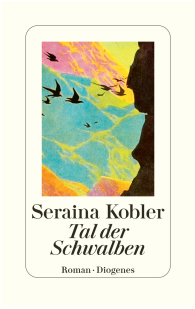
»Seraina Kobler knows how to build tension.« – Bernd Noack / Neue Zürcher Zeitung, Zurich

»Seraina Kobler describes, observes and unmasks things in a stellar manner.« – Buchjournal, Frankfurt



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Seraina Kobler, born in Locarno in 1982 and grown up in Basel, studied linguistic and cultural studies before working as a journalist for publications including the *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*. Eventually setting up as a freelance author, in 2020 she published her debut novel, *Rain Shadow*. Her first Zurich-based crime novel featuring officer Rosa Zambrano, *Deep Dark Blue,* spent months on the Swiss bestseller list. Seraina Kobler lives with her family in Zurich.



Valley of Swallows
352 pages
2026



Bright Night
288 pages
2023
Award winner
Bestseller



Deep Dark Blue
272 pages
2022
Award winner
Bestseller