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»What tempts me? For one thing, these monumental dimensions, this cosmos of 75 novels, divided into bite-sized volumes of a manageable 140 to 200 pages. An author who is around for so long and who finds his audience for so long must have something going for him. Secondly, I want to find out whether the sentence in which I firmly believe will still be valid a few weeks into the experiment – the sentence: After all, I can stop at any time.« – Tilman Spreckelsen



On 11 April 2008, Tilman Spreckelsen, editor of the »Frankfurter Allgemeine Sonntagszeitung«, embarked on a self-experiment: A Maigret Marathon has taken place at www.faz.net every Friday ever since. Spreckelsen reads one Maigret novel every week and in a blog reports on every stage, enriching his post with exciting rubrics such as »The plot in one sentence«, information on the setting, a list of alcoholic beverages consumed, new insights into Maigret and Madame Maigret, and one favourite sentence.



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