Book Information



Still Waters

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Synopsis:

Still Waters is a story of two inter-generational women who at first glance have little in common, but in fact share a surprising connection from their past trauma.

Set in Singapore from the late 1960s to the 2000s, the story begins with the protagonist, Mercy Ann Williams, a 40-year-old teacher who lives alone in an old bungalow. One day, a family of four with two teenaged daughters, moves in next door. Her curiosity about the family escalates into a protective obsession with the couple's 10-year-old daughter, Anna, who bears the brunt of her mother's frustrations. When the family suddenly leaves in the middle of the night, Mercy is beset with guilt and fear for Anna's life. Things come to a head when the two women meet many years later.

In Still Waters by Anita Othman, we see how two women deal with their circumstances differently, changing the course of their lives as a result.

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Marketing Notes: Domestic violence is a topic that is often not talked about especially in Singapore and Southeast Asia. Parents often dismiss it as an essential component of discipline. However, the emotional and physical scars inflicted on children usually take years to overcome. And some never do. Worse, it may even affect their parenting skills when they become parents themselves. My book will resonate with many people who have had this experience and may break this taboo of not speaking out about their parents.



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