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Review

"The novel is at once contemporary and timeless. Its unwavering feminism is resolutely modern, resonating with a range of texts from Ursula Le Guin's 2001 *Tales from Earthsea* to Disney's *Frozen*. At the same time, it feels authentically ancient and mythic."

(The Guardian (UK))

"It's hard not to be impressed with Turtchaninoff's magical world."

(The Times (UK))

"Where YA fantasy can start to feel a little same-y, Maresi stands out for its startling originality, and for the frightening plausibility of the dangerous world it creates."

(Telegraph (UK))

STARRED REVIEW

"Utterly satisfying and completely different from standard YA fantasy, this Finnish import seems primed to win over American readers."

(Booklist)

"Turtchaninoff puts traditional elements of female magic to effective dramatic use, especially in the climactic (and climatic) conflict between Jai's

father and the Sisters. But what's more impressive about this fantasy is the subtlety with which the serenity of the island and its way of life is established—through the calls of birds, the sounds of the lapping sea, the smoothness of driftwood."

(The Horn Book)

"Readers seeking a fresh, unusual fantasy setting and voice will likely appreciate this haunting literary detour."

(Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books)

About the Author

Maria Turtchaninoff has been writing fairy tales since the age of five. She has been awarded the Finlandia Junior Prize, the Swedish YLE Literature Prize, and the Society of Swedish Literature Prize, the latter on two occasions. She has also been nominated for the Astrid Lindgren Memorial Award. Among her favorite authors are Diana Wynne Jones, Lloyd Alexander, Philip Pullman, Ursula K. Le Guin, and C.S. Lewis. Maria has a Master of Arts in human ecology and works full-time as a writer. She lives in Finland.

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