

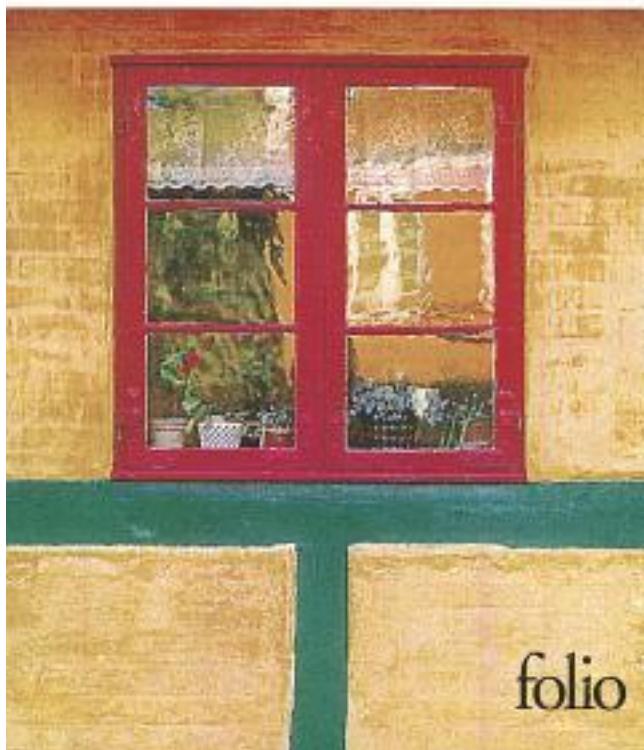
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## Description

Une maisonnette rouge flanquée d'un petit sauna en bois gris, non loin d'Helsinki. Linnea, la douce veuve du colonel Ravaska, mène une existence paisible à soigner ses violettes et son chat. Pourtant chaque mois, le jour où elle touche sa pension, un trio maudit, conduit par son neveu, s'invite sous son toit pour la détrousser. Lorsque ses visiteurs ne se contentent plus de sa maigre retraite et exigent un testament à leur avantage, c'en est trop. Elle est résolue à en finir. Comprenez : à se suicider. Mais, surprise, concocter un poison mortel se révèle une activité beaucoup plus passionnante que tricoter. Et les noirs desseins de Linnea, par une suite précipitée d'événements cocasses, se retournent en sa faveur, tandis que ses ennemis... Génie du comique de situation, Paasilinna récidive avec une vieille dame tranquille candidate au suicide. Arsenic et vieilles dentelles trempé dans l'aquavit, les rocambolesques aventures de la colonelle sont l'occasion de revisiter l'univers à la fois brut, drôle et loufoque du grand écrivain finlandais.

## Insightful reviews

Yves Bekaert: De Fin Arto Paasilinna schetst een ironisch beeld van onze moderne samenleving. Hoe overleeft een individu temidden van ontspoorde jongeren, lakse politieagenten, maatschappelijke huichelarij en ontmoedigende desinteresse? Maar Paasilinna zou Paasilinna niet zijn wanneer hij deze vraag niet had gegoten in een vertelling, waar realisme en surrealisme, tragedie en komedie naadloos in elkaar overvloeien.

Een mengsel van zwarte komedie, sprookje en avonturenroman.

Jorge: Una novela que da curiosidad desde el comienzo sobre lo que una viejecita es capaz de hacer o mas bien como el destino defiendo a esta ancianita. en definitiva es un muy buen libro, que se disfruta en todas sus paginas ya que mantiene un ritmo bastante agitado y en pocas paginas narra muchos eventos de todos los personajes que tienen cada uno su propia historia que se enlaza por medio de la anciana protagonista. Una persona vivirá lo que tenga que vivir siempre y cuando el destino decida esto, creo que es la idea central del libro. lo recomiendo y considero muy enriquecedor en cuanto a la forma d escribir de Arto, es la primer novela que leo de el y en definitiva me gusto su estilo y las maneras en las que logra meterte en la novela.  
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Ffiamma: linnea è una fragile vecchietta perseguitata dal nipote delinquente e dalla sua banda, che cercano di estorcerle soldi ed eredità. casualmente, in seguito a una notte di bagordi, la sua fuga a helsinki le fa trovare il modo di vendicarsi e neutralizzare i malintenzionati. si ride molto con questa critica alla società finlandese, per la casualità determinata con cui questa donnina dolce e indifesa riuscirà a eliminare i feroci avanzi di galera che la tormentano.

Aiedail: Quando ho iniziato a leggere questo libriccino, non avrei mai immaginato una trama del genere. I concetti di giusto e sbagliato si intrecciano e si confondono nelle coscienze dei

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personaggi. Linnea sembra los angeles solita nonnina, solitaria e affogata nei ricordi, invece riesce advert iniziare una sorta di nuova vita, abbandonando los angeles sua casa, dedicandosi advert un'attività totalmente diversa in step with raggiungere il suo principale obbiettivo: vivere in pace. Alla fine, dopo malintesi, avvelenamenti,incontri quasi casuali, tentati omicidi e omicidi andati a segno, l. a. dolce Linnea, che così dolce non è, riesce a ritagliarsi un lindo fine. los angeles profondità e talvolta los angeles superficialità dei personaggi unita a degli schizzi d'ironia qua e là, rendono l. a. lettura piacevole ed eccitante, anche se di tanto in tanto un po' lugubre.

Thorunn: Fyndin saga, bara hressandi. En ekkert meira en það. Og þýðingin ekki alveg nógu vönduð.

Louise Green: Mycket mer finskt än så här kan det nog inte bli. Helt sinnessjukt rolig bok som borde läsas av alla!

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