

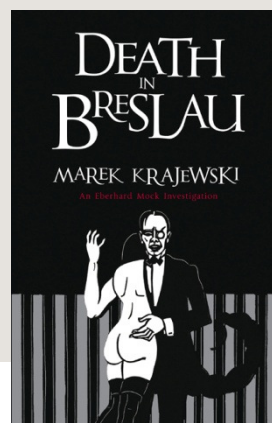


Death in Breslau

Marek Krajewski

Translated from the Polish by Danusia Stok

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Description

Breslau was a German city on the border of Czechoslovakia. It is now, since World War II, Wrocław, in Poland. Marek Krajewski has written a quartet of novels, featuring Inspector Eberhard Mock, which unfold the history of this exceptional city that stood on the fault-line and crossroads of 20th century Europe.

Krajewski's depiction of the sinister, beautiful, corrupt city of Breslau is not only the vehicle for his dark and gripping stories but a notable literary achievement in itself. He conjures a powerfully stifling atmosphere of a city in the grip of the Gestapo.

Sales Points

- *Death in Breslau's* English language release has attracted rave reviews:
- 'Sinister and often bizarre, this is not a crime novel for the faint-hearted but it's one to relish, not least for the setting' – *The Spectator*
- 'Cracking novel ... it echoes Isherwood but threading through the terror, torture and sexual orgies is a terrific detective story ... Krajewski's characters are brilliantly realised – rendered even more authentic by a curious prose that evokes Bulgakov ... I await the next translation with anticipation (4 stars)' – *The RTE Guide*
- 'It is the convincing and tantalising creation of a time and place that makes this an engrossing, intriguing and intelligent example of the genre' – *The Canberra Times*
- 'Historical whodunits are all the rage these days Rarely though, are the characters as interesting – or the books as well-written – as those in *Death in Breslau* ... Danusia Stok (the translator) does a splendid job ... There are three more Mocks to come in English – and I, for one, can't wait' – *The Tribune*
- 'The city of Breslau is as much a character in this thriller as the parade of gothic loons that inhabit it ... This addictive soup has an air of the burlesque about it' – *The Daily Telegraph*
- 'Unusual atmospheric thriller ... Danusia Stok's austere translation adds to the claustrophobia of an original novel that's part Gothic potboiler and part stark political horror' – *Metro*
- 'I found this dark, sinister novel disconcerting and fascinating' – *Literary Review*
- 'Krajewski has Mankell's sharp eye for detail, but he has, too, a more sophisticated frame of reference that may intrigue fans of Umberto Eco and Boris Akunin ... a stylish, intelligent and original addition to the canon' – *Financial Times*

Author Profile

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