

El amigo del desierto

The Friend of the Desert



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This is the story of Pavel, a man whose life changes course dramatically pushed by a series of circumstances.

Through a strange association, called "Friends of the Desert", Pavel succumbs to the spell of a strange experience. In his frequent visits to the Sahara, at first accompanied by the Friends and then alone, he enters into the heart of the desert, that grand metaphor of the infinite. Each character and each situation invites him to undertake that most perilous of journeys: the journey within. From Zen meditation to the paintings of Rothko, from Saint John of the Cross to Master Eckhart, countless artists, philosophers and mystics like Charles de Foucauld and Edmond Jabès have contributed to the poetics of emptiness.... With pulchritude and sobriety, *El amigo del desierto* joins this tradition. Following the path of Hesse's *Siddharta*, or Zweig's *The eyes of my brother*, Pablo d'Ors, Germanic enthusiast and doctor in theology, takes with this book, a daring step into profundity. A book about silence and contemplation. A gift for those who are searching for the absolute.

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