

The Red Address Book by Sofia Lundberg

5 stars

A story of loss, love and generosity.

Born in Sweden before the Second World War the life of Doris is dramatic and compelling.

The Red Address Book describes the people in the charismatic life of Doris from the time she is sent at the age of thirteen, from Sweden to Paris by her widowed mother.

She acquires a red address book that travels with her from Paris to America, England and finally back to Sweden where the current story is of Doris at 96 years old. Doris has a niece she adores, and before she dies, she wants her incredible story to be told. This is a story of loss, love, loss - war including unbelievable hardship and trauma. Doris's life and those whose stories she tells were never easy. However, the compassion, love and generosity Doris has and experiences - oozes through the pages as she describes the characters who fill her life with fabulous and dramatic experiences.

It is also a love story that could never be - due to the war, yet at the end, the love Doris always had in her heart is neatly tied up in a beautiful gift before she dies.

Fast-paced, fascinating and compelling absolutely must read!

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