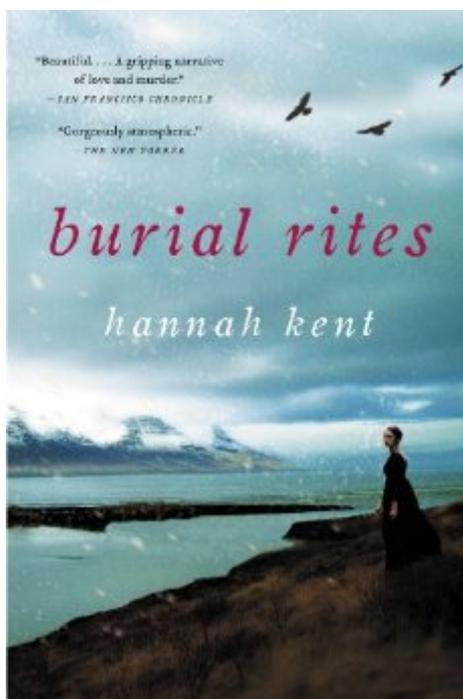


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# Burial Rites: A Novel



## Synopsis

A brilliant literary debut, inspired by a true story: the final days of a young woman accused of murder in Iceland in 1829. Set against Iceland's stark landscape, Hannah Kent brings to vivid life the story of Agnes, who, charged with the brutal murder of her former master, is sent to an isolated farm to await execution. Horrified at the prospect of housing a convicted murderer, the family at first avoids Agnes. Only T  ti, a priest Agnes has mysteriously chosen to be her spiritual guardian, seeks to understand her. But as Agnes's death looms, the farmer's wife and their daughters learn there is another side to the sensational story they've heard. Riveting and rich with lyricism, *BURIAL RITES* evokes a dramatic existence in a distant time and place, and asks the question, how can one woman hope to endure when her life depends upon the stories told by others?

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I've never known a book with such poorly-realized characters to affect me so much. There will be SPOILERS below: it's hard to spoil a book when the jacket copy tells you the ending, but I do my best. *Burial Rites* is a novel, based on a true story, about a woman awaiting execution. It's set in Iceland in 1829, which means it's always freezing and people live in squalid conditions and struggle

