

Vaim

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Vaim is the first of three books about the fictional small town of Vaim: *Vaim*, *Vaim Hotel*, and *The Vaim Weekly*. Each book is about different characters.

As *Vaim* opens, Jatgeir has come from Vaim to the big city, Bjørgvin, on his boat, *Eline*. He wants to buy a needle and thread but is cheated, twice. Yet strangely he finds and comes home with Eline herself, the long-lost love of his teenage years, who has left her husband Frank. The story of this triangle is a book about little boats and big boats, love and death, passive men and an unusually determined woman. It's no use trying to argue with Eline.

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Nobel Prize-winner Jon Fosse (b. 1959), is widely considered one of the most important writers of our time. For almost forty years, he has written novels, plays, poems, stories, essays, and children's books. His award-winning work has been translated into more than fifty languages and his plays have been staged over a thousand times all over the world.

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