



### The Polyglot Lovers

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### Awards

The August Prize 2016

Svenska Dagbladet's Literature Prize  
2016

## *The Polyglot Lovers*

Ellinor is thirty-six. She wears soft black sweatpants and a Michelin Man jacket. She fights. Smart and unsentimental, she tries her hand at online dating, only to be stranded by a snowstorm with a literary critic. Cut to Max Lamas, an author who dreams of a polyglot lover, a woman who will understand him—in every tongue. His search takes him to Italy, where he befriends a marchesa whose old Roman family is on the brink of ruin. At the heart of this literary intrigue is a handwritten manuscript that leaves no one unaffected.

*The Polyglot Lovers* is a fiercely witty and nuanced contribution to feminism in the #metoo era. Pleasure is an elusive thing, love even more so.

### Lina Wolff

Lina Wolff was born in Lund, Sweden, and lived for several years in Spain and Italy, where she worked as a translator. She arrived on the literary stage in 2009 with the publication of *Many People Die Like You*, a collection of short stories set in Spain and the south of Sweden. In 2012, her debut novel, *Bret Easton Ellis and the Other Dogs*, won the Vi Magazine Literature Prize. In 2016, her second novel, *The Polyglot Lovers*, won Sweden's most esteemed literary award, the August Prize for Fiction, and has been translated into seventeen languages. *Carnality* was awarded the prestigious Aftonbladet Literature Prize in 2019.



**Lina Wolff**