

Håkon Øvreås

Brown

Brune

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136 Pages

English sample translation available

CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS
NOVEL (VOL. 1 IN A SERIES)



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A super hero for the underdog!

As long as the sun is up, Rune is merely Rune, but come night he transforms himself into Brown – a totally fearless super hero. Armed to the hilt with brushes and brown paint he sneaks out of the house. Rune can hardly be blamed if Brown chooses to paint the big bullies' bikes brown, can he?

Brown is a book about friendship, courage and retaliation. It is also a book about missing one's grandfather and just how wrong things can go when your super hero powers run out.

Illustrated by Øyvind Torseter.



'In this enormously charming book we meet three little superheroes, each equipped with a bucket of paint ... Øyvind Torseter's beautiful drawings show us what it's like to feel small and out of place in a big world. They also evoke the warmth of the friendship between the children ... Warmly recommended!'

Aftenposten

'(...) a highly charming tale of growing up, superheroes and the struggle for survival.'

Dagbladet

Håkon Øvreås has previously published two books of poetry. *Brown* is his first children's book.

Øyvind Torseter (b. 1972) made his debut as an illustrator in 1999 and illustrates his own texts as well as other authors' texts. He has received The Ministry of Education's Prize and Graffill's 'Most Beautiful Book of the Year'-Award several times. He has also been awarded the international children's book prize Bologna Ragazzi and the Deutscher Jugendliteraturpreis.

FOREIGN SALES

Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, Brazil, China, Denmark, Estonia, Faroe Islands, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Israel, Iran, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Lithuania, Macedonia, the Netherlands, Palestina, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland (French rights), Turkey, USA

AWARDS

Winner of the German LUCHS-preis 2016.
Winner of the Dutch Zilveren Griffel (Silver Pen) 2015.
Winner of the Nordic Council's Literary Prize for Children and Young Adults 2014.
Winner of the Ministry of Culture's Literature Prize 2013 (Best Children's and Young Adults Book).
Winner of the Trollkrittet Prize 2013 (Norwegian Children's/YA book Writers' debut prize).
Also nominated for the 2013 Brage Prize.

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