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Going home *På vei hjem*

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Thale and Magnus have been a couple for more than ten years, and their relationship is getting a bit worn at the edges. Magnus wants them to have a child together, a longing not shared by Thale, who has a 16-year-old son from before. A weekend at the cabin in the mountains is abruptly interrupted when they receive a phone call. Thales son has fallen ill in training and is sent to the hospital. The son's condition is becoming increasingly critical, and the journey home becomes a race for time.

While the panic rises inside the car, it turns out that Thale and Magnus have much more to talk about than they were aware of. Parallel to their ride to the hospital, we follow their history back in time until they first met.

Going home is a novel that questions how well we really know each other, whether it is a human right to have children, what it means to be a father, and what happens if the price of loving someone begins to feel too high?



FICTION NOVEL



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