

"It's a Shakespearean beginning to an epic tale that spans lives lived across two continents amid political upheavals, where dreams wilt before they bud and where a search for a child inally makes a coward into a man...rich and soul-searching...his world is a patchwork of the beautiful and the horrific, and the book a sharp, unforgettable taste of the trauma and tumult experience by the Afghanis as their country buckled".

OBSERVER

"His desciption of Amir's relationship with Hassan is beautifully nuanced, and the moment of Amir's ultimate betrayal is genuinely shocking. It is a passionate story".

LITERARY REVIEW

"A beautiful novel...it ranks among the best-written and most provocative stories of the year...*The Kite Runner* is a song in a new key. Hosseini is an exhilaratingly original writer with a gift for irony and gentle, perceptive heart. His canvas might be a place and time Americans are only beginning to understand, but he paints his art on the page, where it is intimate and poignant".

DENVER POST

"Told in a cool, detached voice that provides a counter point to the growing sense of tension which is frequently stretched to the breaking point as the story unfolds".

TIMES LITERARY SUPPLEMENT

"If you like *The God Of Small Things*, then you'll love *The Kite Runner*...it is fable-like and deals in picturesque absolutes...compelling".

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