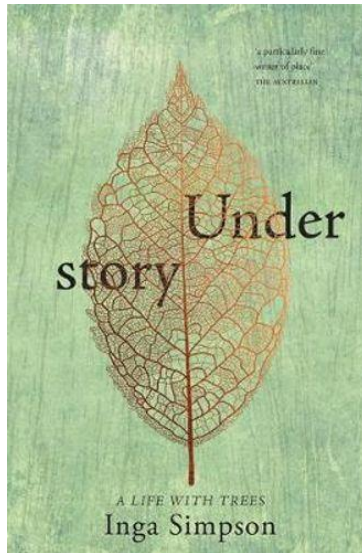


Bookology – Opinion and Reflection

Under Story by Inga Simpson

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“The understory is where I live, alongside these plants and creatures. I tend the forest, stand at the foot of trees and look up, gather what has fallen.”

Inga Simpson

A book that if you surrender completely, you can allow Inga to touch your heart. Her writing impresses by its simplicity, accuracy, boldness and in a compelling way of how she observes nature. A crossover through her life story, living around trees and love breakdowns. Her fluidity takes creative writing to another level.

“Under Story” is the perfect enchant to follow in love with nature if you are the one still in doubt. Her accuracy and spot-on eyes when describing trees can make any plant lover astounded. Apart from lack of jargon, a simple mind can find beautiful ways to describe plants’ beauty.

After reading this book, you realise how amazing it is to observe simple details in the landscape - birds flying in flocks near your property or even plants hidden behind large bushes never before observed. Inga demonstrates how easy it is to spend hours staring at nature, watching its movements, chatting with the wind and feeling its breeze. Just then, you may feel alive amongst other creatures that are also struggling to survive.

Throughout the read, I often found her voice being overpassed by the pages, with an activist tone and a blurry idea that the world could be better. She brings hope amid the mayhem of anyone’s life. The final pages may bring you to silence and deep reflection of a beautiful experience of reading this book if you are into nature.