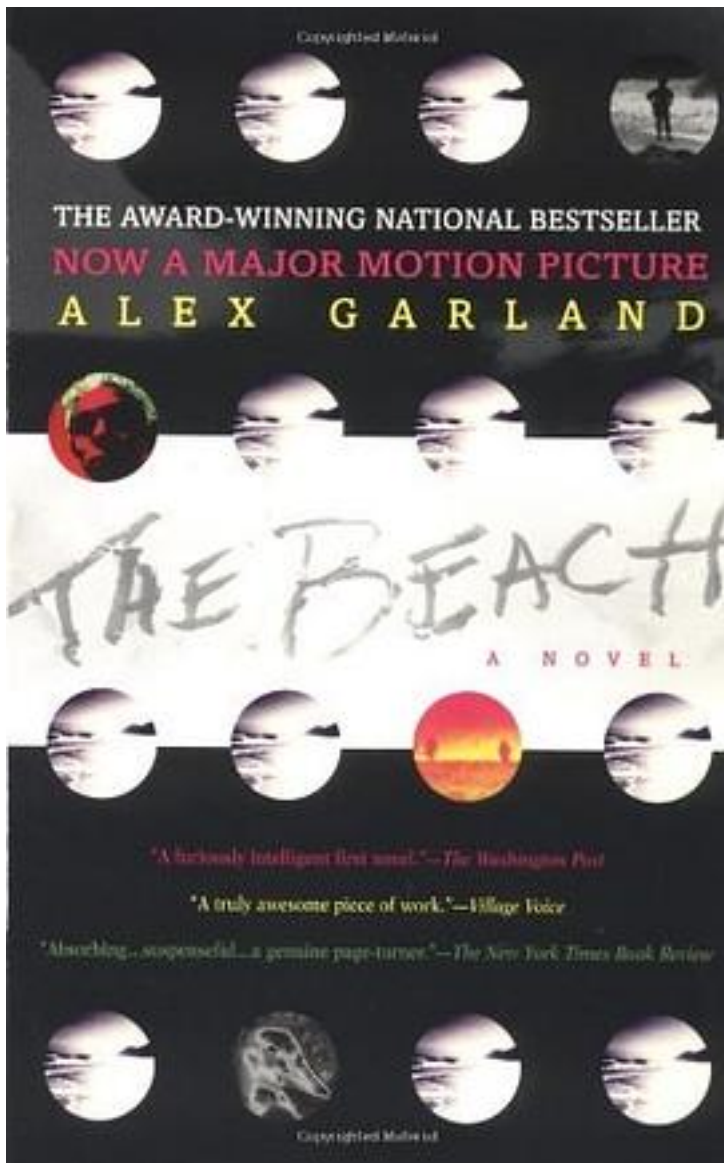


The Beach



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The Khao San Road, Bangkok--first stop for the hordes of rootless young Westerners traveling in Southeast Asia. On Richard's first night there, in a low-budget guest house, a fellow traveler slashes his wrists, bequeathing to Richard a meticulously drawn map to "the Beach."

The Beach, as Richard has come to learn, is the subject of a legend among young travelers in Asia: a lagoon hidden from the sea, with white sand and coral gardens, freshwater falls surrounded by jungle, plants untouched for a thousand years. There, it is rumored, a carefully selected international few have settled in a communal Eden.

Haunted by the figure of Mr. Duck--the name by which the Thai police have identified the dead man--and his own obsession with Vietnam movies, Richard sets off with a young French couple to an island hidden away in an archipelago forbidden to tourists. They discover the Beach, and it is as beautiful and idyllic as it is reputed to be. Yet over time it becomes clear that Beach culture, as Richard calls it, has troubling, even deadly, undercurrents.

Spellbinding and hallucinogenic, The Beach is a look at a generation in their twenties, who, burdened with the legacy of the preceding generation and saturated by popular culture, long for an unruined landscape, but find it difficult to experience the world firsthand.

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Everyone's plan was to read The Beach on the Beach(Maya Bay), or at least on any beach in Thailand.

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书是很好看的。但是苍天啊大地啊为什么！！！要不是今天Talas说我可能这辈子都不会知道Alex Garland还是惊变28天，机械姬跟Annihilation的导演，啊为什么！！！这也太过于多才多艺了吧！

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书评

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看了路卡姐姐的评价，便有心去找书来看，因为她的口味我一直是蛮认同的。

她这样写道：『看完了The

Beach，近年看过的最好的英文小说，几个星期前去安特卫普时，正深埋于post-holiday depression中，暗不见天日的时候，想念远方的海滩，在期盼中遥...

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