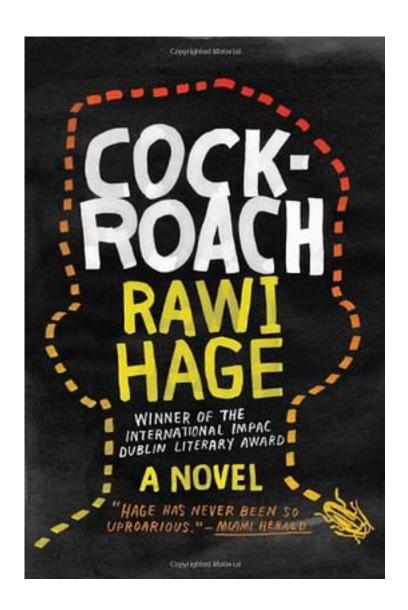
## Cockroach



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One of the most highly anticipated novels of the year, Cockroach is as urgent, unsettling, and brilliant as Rawi Hage's critically acclaimed first book, De Niro's Game. The novel takes place during one month of a bitterly cold winter in Montreal's restless immigrant community, where a self-described thief has just tried but failed to commit suicide by hanging himself from a tree in a local park. Rescued against his will, the narrator is obliged to attend sessions with a well-intentioned but naive therapist. This sets the story in motion, leading us back to the narrator's violent childhood in a war-torn country, forward into his current life in the smoky emigre cafes where everyone has a tale, and out into the frozen nighttime streets of Montreal, where the thief survives on the edge, imagining himself to be a cockroach invading the lives of the privileged, but willfully blind, citizens who surround him. Cockroach combines an uncompromising vision of humanity with razor-sharp portraits of society's outsiders, and a startling, poetic sensibility with bracing jolts of dark humor.

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拉维・哈吉(Rawi Hage),1964年生于贝鲁特,在九年的黎巴嫩内战中长大。1984年移居纽约,并于199 1年定居加拿大蒙特利尔,先后在道森学院和康考迪亚大学学习摄影和美术,还当过出 租车司机。

2006年,出版第一部长篇小说《德·尼罗的游戏》,先后入围加拿大最重要的两大文学图书奖吉勒奖和总督奖,并荣获2008年度IMPAC都柏林国际文学奖。《异乡变形记》是他的第二部小说,于2008年出版,同样入围吉勒奖和总督奖,并获得魁北克作家联合会休·麦克莱南小说奖。2012年,出版第三部小说《狂欢节》,入围加拿大作家信任奖(Writers'Trust Award),并获得休·麦克莱南小说奖。2013年,被温哥华公共图书馆选为第九位常驻作家。

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