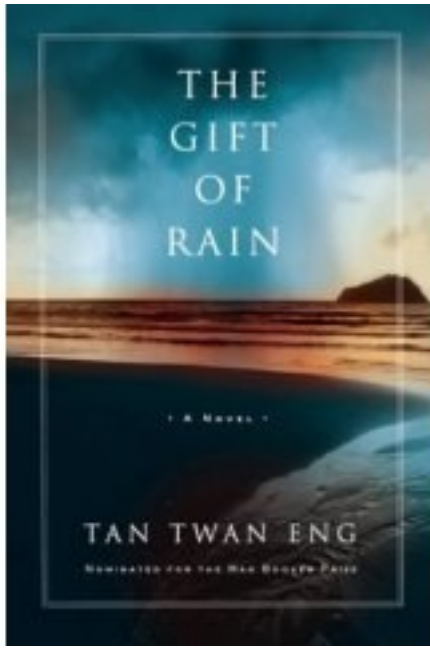


The Gift of Rain



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The recipient of extraordinary acclaim from critics and the bookselling community, Tan Twan Eng's debut novel casts a powerful spell and has garnered comparisons to celebrated wartime storytellers Somerset Maugham and Graham Greene. Set during the tumult of World War II, on the lush Malayan island of Penang, *The Gift of Rain* tells a riveting and poignant tale about a young man caught in the tangle of wartime loyalties and deceptions.

In 1939, sixteen-year-old Philip Hutton—the half-Chinese, half-English youngest

child of the head of one of Penang's great trading families—feels alienated from both the Chinese and British communities. He at last discovers a sense of belonging in his

unexpected friendship with Hayato Endo, a Japanese diplomat. Philip proudly shows his new friend around his adored island, and in return Endo teaches him about Japanese language and culture and trains him in the art and discipline of aikido. But such knowledge comes at a terrible price. When the Japanese savagely invade Malaya, Philip realizes that his mentor and sensei-to whom he owes absolute loyalty-is a Japanese spy. Young Philip has been an unwitting traitor, and must now work in secret to save as many lives as possible, even as his own family is brought to its knees.

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马来西亚小说家Tan Twan

Eng陳團英的第一部小说雨之賜。讲述槟城在二战期间被日军占领的故事。小说主人公是中英混血儿，他因为同日本人的特殊关系走上了一条不同寻常的道路。书中提到的La Maison bleue蓝屋是真实存在槟城的历史建筑，有机会一定要去看下。

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