

# Map of the Invisible World

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From the author of the internationally acclaimed, award-winning *The Harmony Silk Factory* comes an enthralling new novel that evokes an exotic yet turbulent and often frightening time and place. *Map of the Invisible World* is the masterly, psychologically rich tale of three lives indelibly marked by the past—their own and Indonesia's.

Sixteen-year-old Adam is an orphan three times over. He and his brother, Johan, were abandoned by their mother as children; then Adam watched as Johan was adopted and taken away by a wealthy couple; and now Adam is hiding because Karl, the man who raised him—and who is Dutch but long ago turned his back on the country of his ancestors—has been arrested by soldiers during Sukarno's drive to purge 1960s Indonesia of its colonial past.

All Adam has to guide him in his quest to find Karl are some old photos and letters, which send him to the colorful, dangerous capital, Jakarta, and to Margaret, an American whose own past is bound up with Karl's. Soon both have embarked on journeys of discovery that seem destined to turn tragic.

Woven hauntingly into this page-turning story is the voice of Johan, who is living a seemingly carefree, privileged life in Malaysia, but one that is careening out of control as he struggles to forget his long-ago betrayal of his helpless, trusting brother.

*Map of the Invisible World* confirms Tash Aw as one of the most exciting young voices on the international literary scene.

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评论

借机了解了很多印尼和马来西亚的历史。Tash Aw是一个比较易读的作者，故事性很强。

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书评

东印度群岛，大航海时代在亚洲的目的地，经由这里，殖民的轨迹后来又拓展至中国，导致沿海大批通商口岸的产生。欧大旭这部英语虚构作品虽然写的是上世纪六十年代的印度尼西亚和马来西亚，但他强烈的去殖努力必然要追溯到这样的历史大背景。两个离散的孤儿，分别在雅加达和吉隆...

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