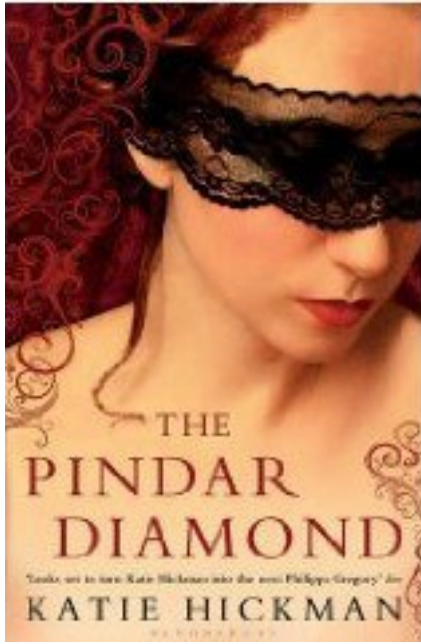


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故事发生在威尼斯，时间是1604年。谣言四起，说是有一枚罕见无价的钻石在赌徒、妓女和一个叫保罗·品达（Paul Pindar）的商人间流通。据传，这颗钻石与商人的前任情妇西莉亚·拉姆布瑞（Celia Lamprey）大有联系。当他对这颗神秘的石头起了贪婪之心，很明显还有罪恶的力量即将上演。钻石是真是假，亦或只是一个毁灭他的诱饵？《情人钻石》从威尼斯运河到达尔马提亚沿岸，从有名的物理花园到秘密走廊，讲述了一个关于性欲、爱情、贪婪、财富以及危险的17世纪早年的故事。作者文笔优美，语言精炼，写出了其标志性风格，故事很吸引人，将历史和人心深入剖析。

It's Venice, 1604. When rumours of a spectacularly rare and priceless diamond begin to circulate amongst the gamblers and courtesans of the Venetian demi-monde, the

Levant Company merchant, Paul Pindar, becomes convinced that the jewel is somehow linked to the fate of his former love, Celia Lamprey. As his obsession with the mysterious stone grows it becomes clear that there are other, more sinister forces at play. Is the diamond real, or is it just a trick to lure him to his ruin? "The Pindar Diamond" moves from the canals of Venice to the coasts of Dalmatia, from a famed physic garden in the Venetian lagoon to the secret corridors of a convent - a tale of lust, love, greed, wealth and danger set among the Levant traders in the early years of the seventeenth century. Written in the exquisitely evocative style that is Katie Hickman's trademark, this is a gripping and superbly told story that goes as deeply into history as into the human heart.

作者介绍:

凯蒂·希客梦 (Katie Hickman) 此前著有6本小说，其中两本是畅销历史小说，《妓女》(Courtesans) 和《大不列颠之女》(Daughters of Britannia)。她写有两本旅行小说，其中一本提名托马斯·库克旅行图书奖。她本人还因其小说《大咬鹃的夏天》(The Quetzal Summer) 被提名《星期天日报》年度英国青年作家奖，另外，她的《鸟舍大门》(The Aviary Gate) 远销19个国家。她和丈夫及两个孩子住在伦敦。她的丈夫是哲学家A.C.格雷林 (A. C. Grayling)。

Katie Hickman is the author of six previous titles, including two bestselling history books, Courtesans and Daughters of Britannia. She has written two travel books, one of which was shortlisted for the Thomas Cook Travel Book Award. She was shortlisted for the Sunday Times Young British Writer of the Year award for her novel The Quetzal Summer and her previous novel, The Aviary Gate, sold in nineteen countries. Katie Hickman lives in London with her two children and her husband, the philosopher A. C. Grayling.

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