



Blue Saltwater

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ABOUT THE BOOK

Revenge turns a homecoming celebration into tragedy, when fire kills the family of sixteen year old aboriginal Blue Saltwater, destroying his boyhood dreams and forcing his relocation from the pristine islands of Haida Gwaii to the St. Ignatius Residential School for Boys. Exiled and forgotten within this predatory cauldron of thugs and pedophiles, Blue executes a daring escape and reveals the abusive underworld of Brother Denny Boyle.

A harrowing trip through the wild back-country of British Columbia leads Blue to Vancouver where he is overwhelmed by the rush and false glitter of the notorious downtown east-side, extinguishing his desire to return home and leading to his descent into addiction. A chance encounter with a remnant of his past brings rehabilitation and a journey by sail along the rugged northwest coast to return Blue to his island home so that he may regain his ancestral birthright. Disaster strikes off the rocky shoals of Cape St. James and presents Blue with the ultimate challenge to his survival and the reclamation of the life that was stolen from him years before.

Blue Saltwater is an historical drama set in British Columbia in the late seventies that intertwines the mystic legends of Haida Gwaii with those of the Virgin of Guadalupe and traces the lives of two men- Blue Saltwater, a restless teenager from the Queen Charlotte Islands and Father Joe Murphy, a youthful priest from Ontario, whose destinies collide as they try to escape the social boundaries that bind them to lives of adversity.

"The implosion sent a starburst of cinders and glass out through the front windows. Blue wrestled to hold Ellie back from the house but she scratched and bit until she was able to twist away from him. She reached the porch at the same instant as the flames touched the dripping contents of Blue's overturned gasoline container." - page 21, *Blue Saltwater*

"Who asked you to talk?" McNabb said, choking out the words. He fumbled through the names on his chart. "Louis Lupituck. Okay, big man. If you want to be a hero you can go with him. Any more noise from the rest of you and you'll get the same." Page 67, *Blue Saltwater*

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