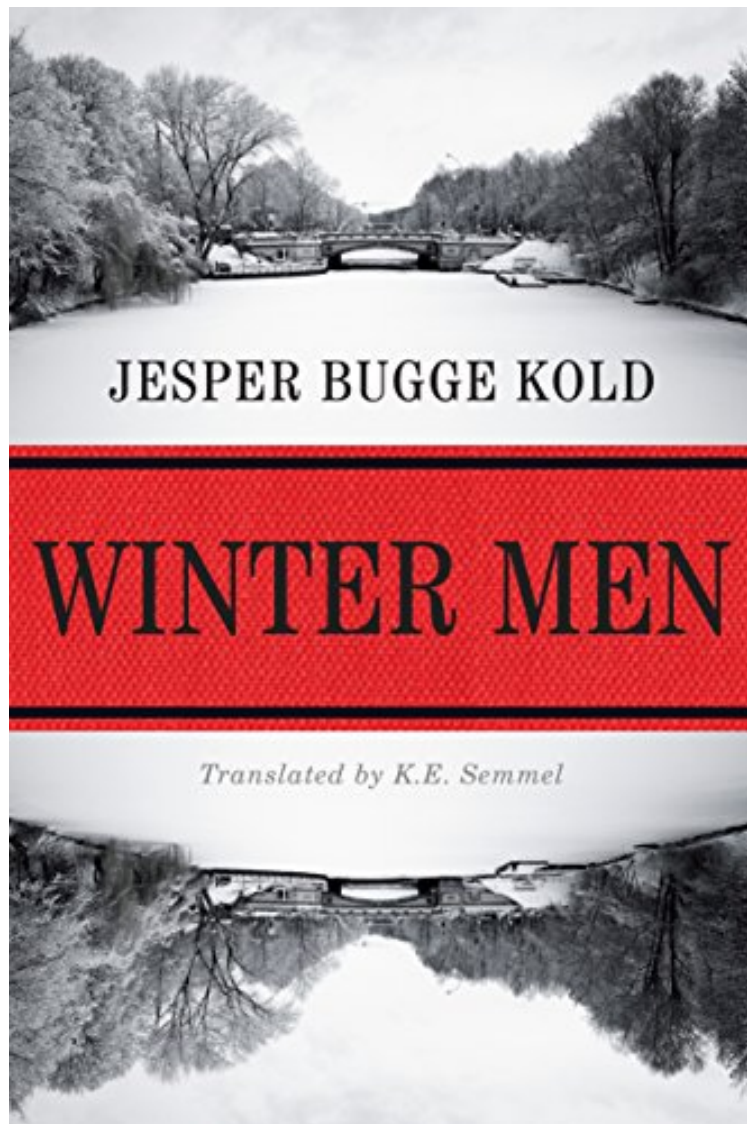


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"Winter Men". (The book was translated from Danish to English quite competently by K E Semmel). "Winter Men" is the story of Gerhard and Karl Strangl, brothers who live in Hamburg. Karl runs the family uniform company and has a wife and four children. Gerhard is a mathematics professor at the university. Both get "induced" to work for the SS at the beginning of the war and while Karl sees action on the Russian Front, Gerhard becomes a cog in the-transportation-to-the-camps system. Both go on to commit horrors they'd never have thought they'd be capable of doing. Jesper Bugge Kold has written a masterful novel of the evils of war and what they can do to mens' souls. Kold never shies away from describing life on the Russian front and the reader can feel the cold that pervades the soldiers' lives. It's a coldness of the body, and of the soul. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A great work Von John T CI like well-researched works whether it is fiction or non-fiction, especially in their account of an era that holds so much for historical truths, revelations and lessons. "Winter Men", though a historical fiction provides an insight of Nazi Germany in ways that few contemporary works do, and it does a great job of using the characters to explain the complexity of that era of political ideologies and the way twisted ideas led Europe's supposedly most civilized nation into launching the most destructive war in history and into committing the greatest mass murder in the history of humanity. Other stories like Disciples of Fortune, Night, The Night of the Generals; provide further insight into that era.

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