

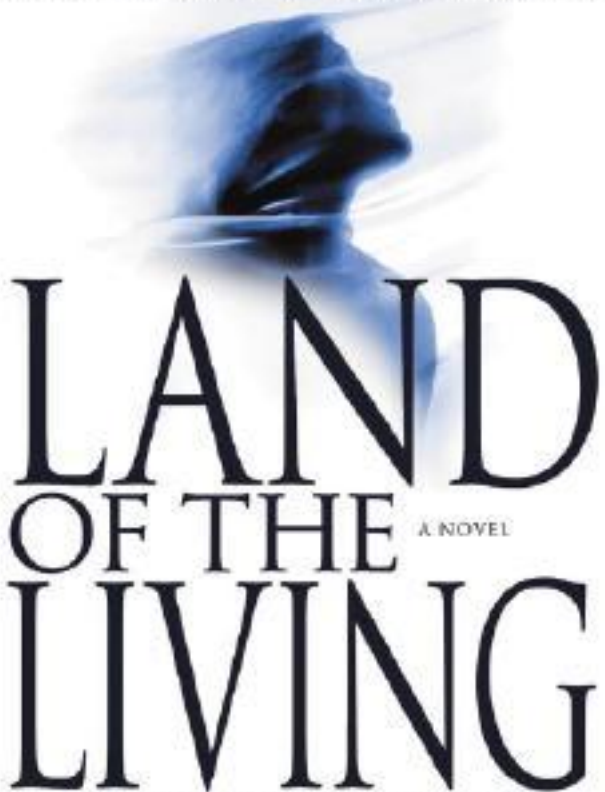
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**Land of the Living**

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## Description

Abbie Devereaux lies flat on her back, her arms and legs tied down, her head covered with a hood. She senses, but can't see, the eyes that watch her. She feels the unknown hands that touch her in the dark. She knows she has been kidnapped, even though she has little memory of her most recent past. And she knows that all she has to do is stay alive, even though everything she is experiencing tells her she won't.

Miraculously, she escapes. One nightmare is over...but another is about to begin.

No one believes her story. Not the police who find her beaten and bruised on the outskirts of London, not the psychologists who interview her at the hospital. Desperate to piece together the fragments of her life and prove she is telling the truth, she returns to a strangely familiar existence. She discovers, but cannot remember why, she moved out of her boyfriend's apartment, left her job as an office planner, and moved in with a roommate who herself has mysteriously disappeared.

Now trying to reclaim both her mind and her life -and stop a monstrous psycho-killer - she must dare to retrace her steps to the place where the horror began.

## Insightful reviews

Annelies: Mijn eerste Nicci French, ik had nog eens zin in een thriller en besloot een boek van dit schrijvend echtpaar te proberen.

Ik ben blij dat ik dat gedaan heb! Je wordt onmiddellijk in het boek gezogen: een vrouw zit opgesloten en vastgebonden. Ze weet niet waar of waarom, laat staan door wie. Het enige wat ze zich nog kan herinneren is haar naam: Abbie.

De schrijfstijl van het echtpaar French is fijn. Korte zinnen, zo heb ik het graag bij thrillers, het leest vlot en snel. Het boek bestaat uit drie delen, die een specifiek deel van het verhaal vertellen. het derde deel is het langste en vond ik zelf het interessantste. Als lezer wordt je mee in het ongewisse gelaten en begin je aan alles te twijfelen.

Er zat heel wat spanning in het verhaal, I like. Maar het einde stelde me teleur, ik had iets anders (iets geloofwaardiger?) verwacht. En ook meer uitleg over het waarom. Als een man vrouwen opsluit en wilt vermoorden wil ik weten waarom...

afgezien van het einde dat wat sterker mocht zijn is dit een thriller zoals het moet zijn: spannend, je raast er door heen door de fijne schrijfstijl. Ik heb dit boek midden in de nacht uitgelezen, dat zegt al veel.

Ik ga zeker nog een boek van Sean French en Nicci Gerard lezen. Ik vind het trouwens intrigerend dat ze als koppel samen een boek kunnen schrijven. Hun reeks over Frieda Klein wil ik dan absoluut ook eens proberen.

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Marti: Abbie Devereaux was kidnapped, brutalized, and miraculously escaped...and THEN her real trauma began. Soon nearly everyone to whom she told her story and those Abbie thought she could depend upon for help and justice was convinced that she was merely imagining everything. This well crafted thriller had lots of twists and turns and the character of Abbie was very well drawn. This is my second Nicci French books and I am very sure that I will seek out more reading adventures from her. To those who like the mystery/suspense/thriller genres, this would be a most satisfying reading experience.

faeriemyst: With a gripping start that fully captured my attention, I had a hard time putting LAND OF THE LIVING down. The suspense-filled atmosphere leapt off the pages and I found myself catching my breath and actually feeling the pressure presented within the covers. This doesn't usually happen to me, especially from a book I know is fiction. The author (or authors really) have done a fabulous job bringing the book to life and I imagine the plot does a fairly accurate job conveying a true life account of something like this. I only have a few minor quibbles. Firstly, Abbie does some dumb things, however it's still believable that she might react that way in her situation, and really, she's not a brainless twit of a victim. Although what she does later was very stupid and I wanted to smack her. Still, after the fact, I suppose I understand it now. Secondly, and I guess lastly, I do not believe for a second that the police are so inept that they could not follow-up on simple, routine leads. If Abbie can do it, surely they can too. To sum it up, the terror was evident, the environment creepy, and the overall pace was just right. A thrilling good read, if not a perfect one.

Kaethe: striking suspense, and that i suggestion The Collector used to be creepy.

Sharon : definite i am certainly giving up on Nicci French's books after Land of the Living. After the final one I learn i made a decision to come my little choice of NF books again to the op-shop, yet whereas (and this can be so common of me, lol) placing them in a bag I received distracted by means of considered one of them and inspiration "oh why not, i will test but again". I most likely do not need bothered. Land of the residing truly begins good with a few writing that makes you're feeling the stress and horror of the location the most character, Abbie, reveals herself in. despite the fact that (view spoiler)[ after she makes her get away all of it is going a piece downhill with no one quite believing her tale even though she is roofed in bruises and has misplaced an important quantity of weight - whilst I say 'nobody' i am speaking concerning the very those who she can be capable of count on, the Police and her closest friends!!! in order that was once the beginning of my irritations with the ebook and after that it simply turned increasingly more foolish e.g who may leap into mattress with somebody she cannot particularly remember, specifically as one could suppose she'd be tremendous cautious of any guy after being abducted and held hostage via an unknown male that she merely hears his voice, accordingly he should be somebody she knows. (hide spoiler)]. besides my brain is easily made up now - this time my Nicci French books are going into that bag with none moment options :)

Sridhar Babu: Author.. Nicci French..Location.. London..Character... Abbie Devereaux, Ben

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Brody, Terry, George Ronald Sheppy, Jack Cross, Sadie, and Sheila..PLOT.. Abbie Devereaux is kidnapped. Held in a cellar, with a hood over her head, gag in her mouth, and a watch of the killer looking at her in darkness. Abbie understands rather well she going to die within the palms of the killer without aid coming for her. She escapes on her own, whilst the killer used to be away. whilst she documents complaint, no body, together with Detective inspector Jack go believes her. with no shred of proof concerning the killer, his appearance.. and the site the place abduction took place, the police and her associates concludes that She has long past mad and making every thing on her own. Abbie additionally suffers a lack of reminiscence and she or he cannot take into account the previous couple of days ahead of the incident. After discharged from the hospital, Abbie retraces her "lost days", by way of assembly her acquaintances (Sadie, Sheila) her boyfriend (Terry) and reveals not anything invaluable approximately her 'missing days'. From her office, with assistance from a consumer Ben Brody she learns that she used to be searching for her lacking buddy Jonathan Cooper(Jo)prior to Abbie's abduction. With a killer looking ahead to her, being at risk everywhere again, with a dream of returning to common life, Abbie is going in look for the killer. ultimately she succeeds to find the killer and thereby. placing an finish to her trauma.My comment.. as soon as began you are going to do not anything till you end

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