



The Highest Tide: A Novel

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New York, New York, U.S.A.: Bloomsbury Pub Plc USA, 2005. Hardcover. Book Condition: New. Dust Jacket Condition: New. 1st Edition. Book Description: Miles O'Malley steps off the page and inhabits the reader's mind through the course of this novel and for a long time thereafter. Like Holden Caulfield or the teenage narrator of *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time*, Miles' voice is wholly original and dead-on true. Miles lives on Puget Sound and is enthralled by the sea and its creatures. When he becomes the first person to sight a live giant squid he is hailed as some sort of prophet. The media descend and everyone wants to hear what Miles has to say. But Miles is just a kid, a self-described "increasingly horny, speed-reading thirteen-year-old insomniac" who's in love with the girl next door and obsessed with the writings of Rachel Carson. Over the course of a magical summer a dramatic sea change will occur, both for Miles and the coastline he loves, culminating in the highest tide in 100 years. This beautifully written first novel is more than a coming-of-age story. It's an environmental allegory as powerful as *Life of Pi* and the perfect book...



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