

# Stilton Literary Agency



## The same river

Original title: Den samme elva  
Publisher: Kagge Forlag 2007  
Fiction / Novel

A fly-fisher-novel -- that would perhaps be the most precise label to put on Lars Lenth's beautiful literary debut from 2007. «The same river» tells the story of a young man who runs off from his girl friend, his student life to go fishing in a river called Skrukkedalsrenna in Skrapdalen. His friend Biff has told him a secret. This river is possibly the best for trout fishing in the whole country. The young man is obsessed with the thought of the river, and decides to spend a whole season – from May till October – all by himself and to try to unveil the twists and codes of the mystic river.

A slow novel, many would think, but the narrator's many subtle confessions and new insights during the months by the river, tells of a deeper understanding of himself and his surroundings, and makes this both an amusing and challenging story to read.

### Foreign rights

Gyldendal Forlag, Denmark

## Lars Lenth

Lars Lenth (b. 1966) is Norway's undisputed number one when it comes to fly fishing for trout. His literary debut came with the novel *The same river* in 2007, a fly fishing novel following a young man's experiences through a season of fishing. *The Norwegian patient* introduced the lawyer Leonard Vangen and the criminal Rino Gulliksen, two characters who readers have grown fond of. Leo and Rino reappear in Lenth's next novels, *The Vega Brothers*, *Men who hate wolves* and now in *Gimme Shelter*. In all four novels there's a deep felt tension between man and nature. Lenth names Elmore Leonard, James Lee Burke, Carl Hiassen, Nick Hornby, Knut Hamsun and the Coen-brothers as his main influences.

- \* 2008 The Flyfisherman's handbook
- \* 2008 Fly Patterns
- \* 2007 Trouthead
- \* 2003 Fishing Bliss
- \* 2001 Flow
- \* 1998 Looking for Mr. Trout

### Other titles

The King of Lofoten (2023)  
Gimme Shelter (2020)  
Men Who Hate Wolves (2017)  
The Vega Brothers (2015)  
The Norwegian patient (2011)