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Wild Harmonies



Synopsis

Success as a classically trained pianist came early for Helene Grimaud, who made her first recording at age fifteen. But in the following years, despite sellout concerts around the world, she still felt as if something was missing-until an extraordinary meeting with a she-wolf changed her perspective and her world.

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The reader must decide whether Grimaud is stubbornly egocentric, or simply intent on pursuing her own vision (both artistic zoological). For many, what will be most maddening here will be what is NOT included: more detail on her musical development, especially discussion of her interpretive philosophies--though that's not to say that such points are completely absent. But Grimaud is completely open about her intentions for this book: it's half about wolves, and half about her musicianship, and, therefore, not a straightforward autobiography. The narrative framework flip-flops back and forth between passages about wolves and their sociological impact (and personal impact on her), and passages about her growth as a person and pianist. But eventually this structure grows boring and repetitive. Grimaud makes a great case for wolves as interesting beasts, but I guess I wanted just a bit more about what kind of creature Helene is.

It's a beautiful book for anyone who cares about wolves and wildlife preservation. She writes in an almost poetic style. Very inspiring

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