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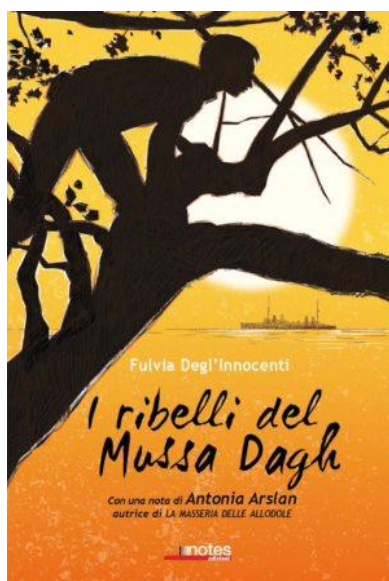
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The Freedom Fighters of Musa Dagh

Narek, fourteen years old, is studying in Antioch with brilliant success. For him, the son of farmers, a different future is on the horizon. When he is marginalised for no apparent reason and then expelled from school, he begins to understand. His mistake? Being Armenian. We are in Turkey, in 1915, and one of the most horrific genocides in history is about to take place.

Narek returns to his village and shortly afterwards follows his family as they flee to Mount Mussa Dagh, where around five thousand Armenians gather to resist and fight against the Turkish army. They managed to fend off the Turkish attacks for forty days before being rescued by a French warship Warship crossing the Gulf of Antioch for war reasons.

We follow the story of Narek, the days of resistance, the growing fear of the approaching danger, the spirit of rebellion, the love of one's own identity, even the desire to live in spite of everything and enjoy the little things.

He will flee, together with his loved ones. He will leave his homeland, he will become a refugee.

Between 1915 and 1916, one and a half million Armenians were murdered in Turkey. More than a hundred years after the massacre, Turkey still rejects the definition of genocide.

The characters in the story are set in a real and well-documented context. The events of the past have a strong meaning for the present. This book wants to make its small contribution to ensuring that no one forgets.



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Other titles: I ribelli del Mussa Dagh - Il primo voto di Matilde - Sottovoce - Un attimo, tutta la vita - Cattive memorie - Sopravvissuta - Un mondo di ragazzi e ragazze, and many other books for young people and children.