

# Satantango - George Krasznahorkai, Lj3|szirtes

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At long last, twenty-five years after the Hungarian genius Lj3|szirtes Krasznahorkai burst onto the scene with his first novel, Satantango dances into English in a beautiful translation by George Szirtes. Already famous as the inspiration for the filmmaker B3|la Tarr's six-hour masterpiece, Satantango is proof, as the spellbinding, bleak, and hauntingly beautiful book has it, that "the devil has all the good times." The story of Satantango, spread over a couple of days of endless rain, focuses on the dozen remaining inhabitants of an unnamed isolated hamlet: failures stuck in the middle of nowhere. Schemes, crimes, infidelities, hopes of escape, and above all trust and its constant betrayal are Krasznahorkai's meat. "At the center of Satantango," George Szirtes has said, "is the eponymous drunken dance, referred to here sometimes as a tango and sometimes as a csardas. It takes place at the local inn where everyone is drunk. . . . Their world is rough and ready, lost somewhere between the comic and tragic, in one small insignificant corner of the cosmos. Theirs is the dance of death." "You know," Mrs. Schmidt, a pivotal character, tipsily confides, "dance is my one weakness." Author: Krasznahorkai, Lj3|szirtes, George Publisher: New Directions Illustration: N Language: ENG Title: Satantango Pages: 00000 (Encrypted EPUB) On Sale: 2012-03-05 SKU-13/ISBN: 9780811217347 Category: Fiction : Literary

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