



## The Eye Of Jade

By Wei Liang, Diane

Pan Macmillan, Sydney, 2008. Paperback. Book Condition: New. Reprint. 361 pages. Multiple copies of this title available. Mei Wang is a modern, independent Chinese woman. She runs her own business in Beijing, working as a private investigator; she owns a car; she even has that most modern of commodities, a male secretary. One day, "Uncle" Chen asks her to find the Eye of Jade, a priceless Han dynasty artefact taken from its museum during the years of the Cultural Revolution when Red Guards swarmed the streets, destroying many remnants of the past. Mei's investigations reveal a story that has far more to do with the past, and her own family history, than she could ever have expected. She must delve into that brutal part of China's history, Mao's labour camps and the countless deaths for which no one was ever held responsible. It exposes the agonising choices made during the Revolution, to kill or be killed, to love or to live. The Eye of Jade is a fascinating glimpse of city life in modern China. Liang captures vividly Beijing's bustle and noise, from seedy gambling dens and cheap noodle bars, to the splendour of the Forbidden City. With a rich...



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