

House of Stone: The True Story of a Family Divided in War-Torn Zimbabwe

By Christina Lamb

Chicago Review Press, United States, 2009. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 206 x 124 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. Blue mountains, golden fields, gin and tonics on the terrace-once it had seemed the most idyllic place on earth. But by August 2002, Marondera, in eastern Zimbabwe, had been turned into a bloody battleground, the center of a violent campaign. One bright morning, Nigel Hough, one of the few remaining white farmers, received the news he had been dreading. A crowd of war veterans was at his gates, demanding he hand over his homestead. The mob started a fire and dragged him to an outhouse. To his shock, the leader of the invaders was his family s much-loved nanny Aqui. Get out or well kill you, she said. There is no place for whites in this country. Christina Lamb uncovered the astonishing saga she tells in House of Stone while traveling back and forth to report clandestinely on Zimbabwe. Her powerful narrative traces the history of the brutal civil war, independence, and the Mugabe years, all through the lives of two people on opposing sides. Although born within a few miles of each other, their experience growing up could...





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