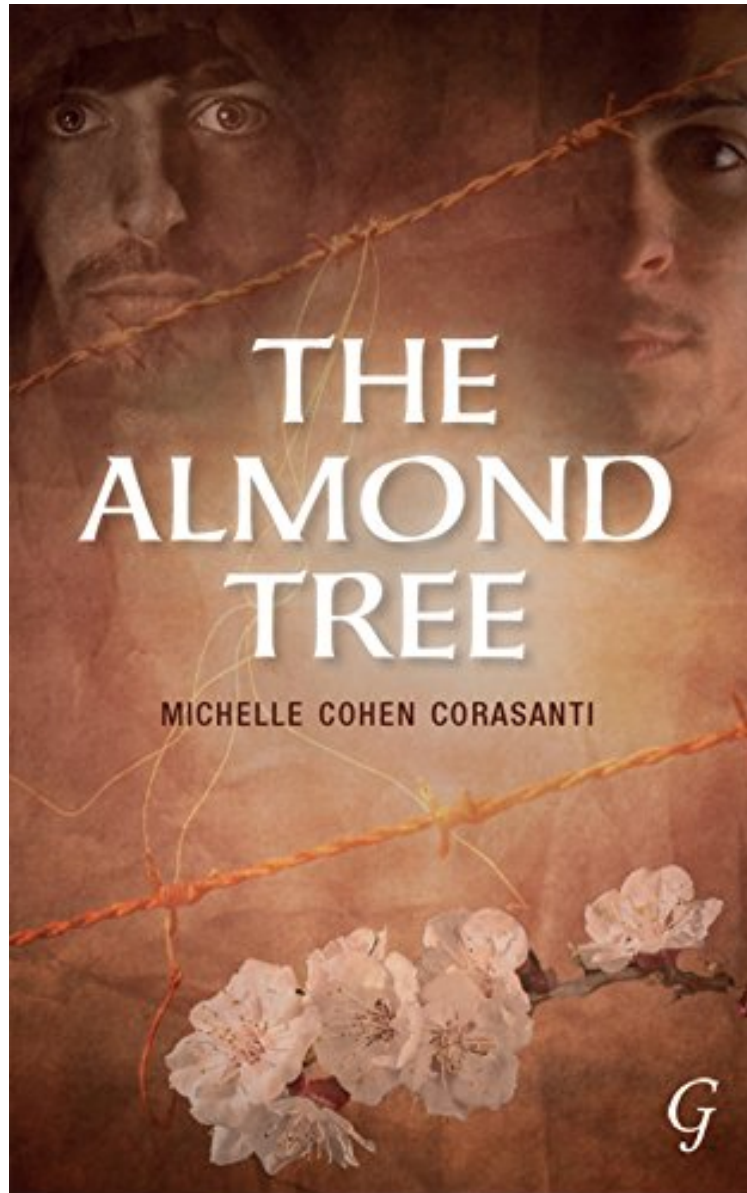


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favorite novel in 2012! Von Patrick The Almond tree features the biography of a young Arab boy, who grows up in the heat of the swelling Arab-Israel Conflict in the 1950s. This book is probably the best novel I read in 2012. I liked it for these reasons: \* It contains a lot of historical details, that are, to the extent that I know of, correctly described and amplified with a lot of love and sensitivity, to create a story as whole but not changing the historical backgrounds. \* It is a story of peace. \* The story also shows some biographic background of others, like the brother, who had an accident and now sees the Israelis as being responsible for all bads that happen. I could feel with him and understand his hate, and realize that it is not easy to overcome such hate. \* It is fascinating to read, I think I read the whole book in a few days, since it is just so well written. \* It is written by a Jewish lady, and she draws the view of this Palestinian family. In the beginning I feared that this would be bad for the story, but the Israelis are sometimes depicted as really cruel, which they for sure were during these wars.\* It also includes a little romance, which dramatically has to end, and some cultural details from the mid-east, about arranged marriage, and how this might sometimes not be so bad, but just very different from how it is done in the west now. What I did not like about it, was the end of it, the time gap is just too large, and I feel kind of missing some things. Also the end, of him trying to save his brother and magically getting into Gaza, where no one is able to get it, just seems a little overdrawn. Finally, I think that religion per se is not a bad thing, but just like so many things, it is being abused to create hate and seperation, where it should create love and unity. Thank you for this fascinating book!

Kurzbeschreibung Gifted with a mind that continues to impress the elders in his village, Ichmad Hamid struggles with the knowledge that he can do nothing to save his friends and family. Living on Occupied land, his entire village operates in constant fear of losing their homes, jobs and belongings. But more importantly, they fear losing each other. On Ichmad's twelfth birthday, that fear becomes reality. With his father imprisoned, his family's home and possessions confiscated, and his siblings quickly succumbing to hatred in the face of conflict. Ichmad begins an inspiring journey using his intellect to save his poor and dying family. In doing so he reclaims a love for others that was lost through a childhood rife with violence, and discovers a new hope for the future. Pressestimmen