



A Tree or a Person or a Wall: Stories (Paperback)

By Matt Bell

SOHO PRESS, United States, 2016. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 210 x 140 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. A 19th-century minister builds an elaborate motor that will bring about the Second Coming. A man with rough hands locks a boy in a room with an albino ape. An apocalyptic army falls under a veil of forgetfulness. The story of Red Riding Hood is run through a potentially endless series of iterations. A father invents an elaborate, consuming game for his hospitalized son. Indexes, maps, a checkered shirt buried beneath a blanket of snow: they are scattered through these pages as clues to mysteries that may never be solved, lingering evidence of the violence and unknowability of the world. *A Tree or a Person or a Wall* brings together Bell's previously published shorter fiction (the story collection *How They Were Found* and the acclaimed novella *Cataclysm Baby*), together with several new stories. This volume gives us Matt Bell at his most inventive and uncanny: parents and children, murderers and monsters, wild renditions of the past and acute takes on the present, all of which build to a virtuoso reimagining of the possibilities and perils of life.



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