

Joachim B. Schmidt

*Kalmann and the Sleeping Mountain*

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Kalmann is in hot water. More specifically, he's at the FBI Headquarters in Washington. All he wanted was to visit his American father – but his dad leaves him high and dry, and before Kalmann knows it, he's on a plane back to Iceland. Yet there's no rest to be found in the far north either. There's been a murder, and the clues lead back to America and the Cold War. Who is going to solve this explosive case? Correctamundo: Kalmann, the famed sheriff of Raufarhöfn.

## Book factsheet

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### 🏆 Bestseller

Swiss Bestseller

### 🏆 Awards

- 2024 ›GLAUSER-Preis‹ in der Kategorie Roman für *Kalmann und der schlafende Berg*
- 2023 ›Bündner Literaturpreis‹ für *Tell*
- 2022 *Tell* ist SBVV-›Lieblingsbuch 2022‹ des Deutschschweizer Buchhandels
- 2021 ›Crime Cologne Award‹ für *Kalmann*
- 2021 *Kalmann* auf dem 3. Platz des zum ersten Mal verliehenen ›Schweizer Krimipreises‹

### Praise

*Kalmann and the Sleeping Mountain*

»A modern Charlie Chaplin. Kalmann's naive view on the world makes readers marvel, too.«  
– Peer Teuwsen / NZZ am Sonntag, Zurich

»Once more an extremely entertaining and kind book.« – Stefan Rammer / Passauer Neue Presse, Passau

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»An incredibly vivid sense of place, and a gifted storyteller.« – Welt am Sonntag, Berlin

»Schmidt reveals himself to be an incredibly empathetic and skilled narrator with a strong sense for light humour.« – Hanspeter Eggenberger / Tages-Anzeiger, Zurich

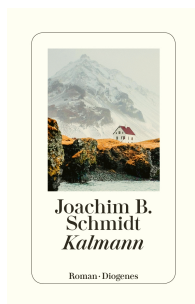


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Joachim B. Schmidt, born in 1981, grew up in the Swiss canton of Grisons before emigrating to Iceland in 2007. His novels *Tell* and *Kalmann* were bestsellers, with *Kalmann* receiving the ›Crime Cologne Award‹ and placing third for the ›Swiss Crime Fiction Prize‹. *Tell* was number one on the Swiss bestseller list and received the 2023 ›Grisons Prize for Literature‹. Schmidt, who has dual citizenship, lives with his wife and their two children in Reykjavík.



*Tell*  
288 pages  
2022  
🏆 Award winner  
📈 Bestseller



*Kalmann*  
352 pages  
2020  
🏆 Award winner  
📈 Bestseller