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WHO WILL BUY THIS BOOK?	Those interested in literary/noir fiction.

Stephen Marling thought he knew his aunt Flora. But when he inherits her house in a quiet south London square a series of discoveries among her papers brings to light another person entirely. Who, for example, is Mr Magenta and what part did he play in her life?

In the process of uncovering the secrets of one life, Stephen is forced to re-evaluate his own and decide what he really wants. Was he right to turn his back on Nancy Steiner, the young actress he met in New York, when he came home to take up his inheritance?

Interweaving past and present, the story takes him from a Brooklyn bookshop to a theatre in Marseille to a cottage on the east coast of England where the truth about Mr Magenta is finally revealed.

Delicately crafted *noir* fiction at its best.

“A very original writer.”

Charles Harris, best-selling author of *Room 15*

Of *The Green Door*: “Draws the reader in immediately and has all the elements of an intriguing mystery. í some lovely idiosyncratic touches and descriptions.ö *Shena Mackay, shortlisted for the Booker Prize*

Of *The Yellow Room*: öí a rare glimpse into our recent history, far too rarely plundered by modern novelists, and deftly done.ö *Andrew Marr*

Of *The Red House*: öVery entertaining, cleverly constructed and expertly paced. I thoroughly enjoyed it.ö *Sir Derek Jacobi*

ABOUT THE AUTHOR: Christopher Bowden lives in south London. His six previous novels are *The Red House*, *The Blue Book*, *The Yellow Room*, *The Green Door*, *The Purple Shadow*, and *The Amber Maze*, the first published in 2007

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