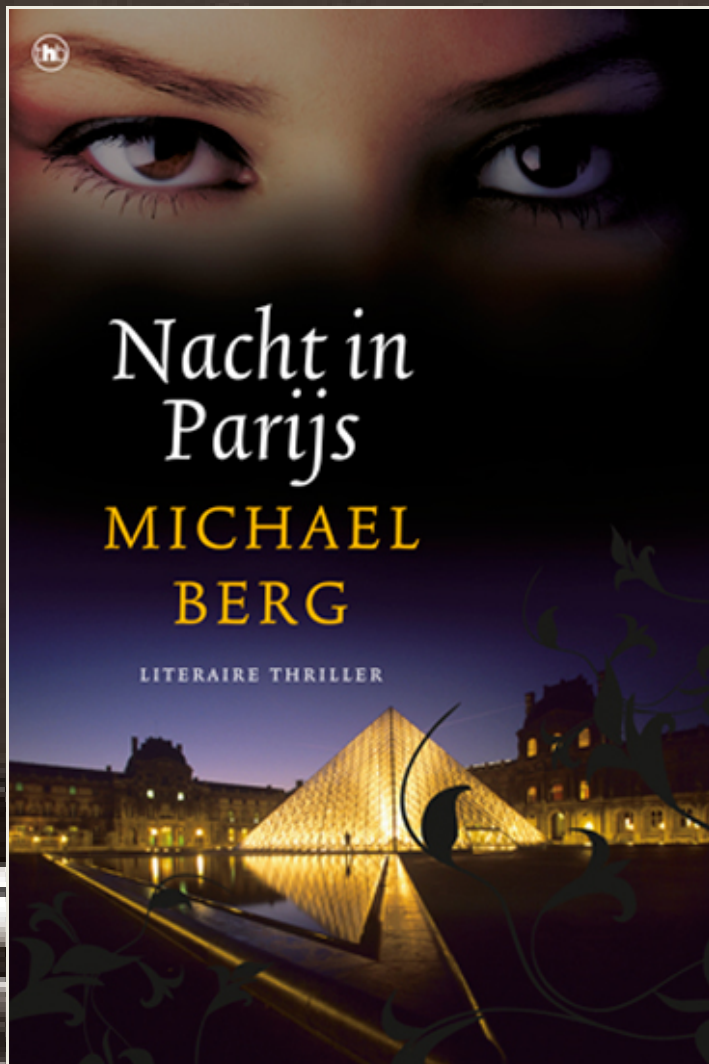


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NIGHT
IN PARIS

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Chantal Zwart is enjoying Paris and the freedom life offers her as a freelance journalist.

But then, in the middle of the night, she receives an unsettling phone call from Naomi, an acquaintance from the Netherlands, begging her for help.

The young woman got herself picked up in Paris by an attractive Frenchman, but the man died in bed under her hands. Panic-stricken, she has done a runner.

When Chantal discovers that the man is a well-known French politician, her ears prick up. This is news, and here's the scoop handed to her on a silver platter.

She finds the house where the man is supposed to be, but no body.

In her search for the truth, Chantal gets caught up in a web of intrigue, lies and serious crime.

The press



- ▶ Michael Berg has written a highly complex novel with lots of intersecting plot lines, a rapid succession of intrigues and potential suspects and a persuasive depiction of the social and political problems in present-day France. *Night in Paris* has a powerful plot and a whole raft of ingenious plot twists. Intriguing from start to finish and incredibly well written.

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- ▶ Love stories in all shapes and sizes. Children in and out of wedlock. But let's get one thing straight: the character of Guy Lavillier was conceived before the Dominique Strauss-Kahn case. And what a thrill to see all those social and personal, main and subsidiary storylines merging so beautifully after an explosive finale. It's no surprise that at the end of this novel Paris is full of billboards proclaiming *Night in Paris*.

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- ▶ You'd better watch out when Chantal Zwart turns up. You end up in a furiously spinning merry-go-round from which there is no escape! This book grabs you and doesn't let go.

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- ▶ The political engagement gives this fast-paced narrative a lot of depth. The end result is a great book, a must-read for the summer holidays.

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- ▶ Very topical and absolutely thrilling.

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- ▶ Chantal Zwart finds herself caught up in an affair in which the police, politics, the underworld, sex, Romani gypsies and rich French families take centre stage. In other words: France in 2012. Berg's fifth thriller is a real page-turner.

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- ▶ Halfway through *Night in Paris* you're still in the dark as a reader. And that's how it should be in a good thriller. Author Michael Berg throws us quite a few red herrings, making this a very persuasive "whodunnit".



- ▶ A great holiday read. Suspense, depth and seduction. In short, the right ingredients for a perfect thriller.

The author



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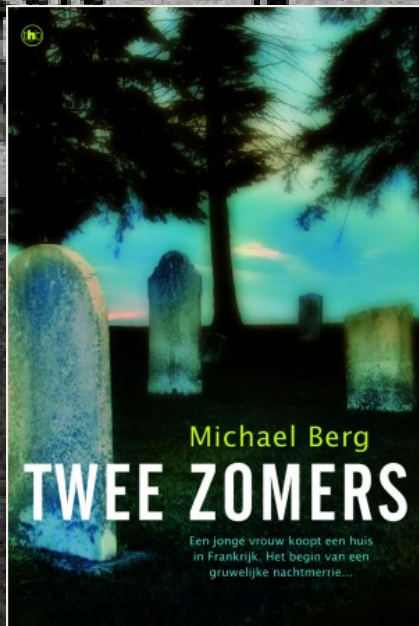
In 2004 he left his job and moved to France, where he and his wife live on an old farm in the Limousin. **Michael Berg** is a writer, as well as composer and freelance journalist.

Michael Berg has written songs for theatre, radio, TV and various performing artists, composed a children's musical and written the music and lyrics for a children's television series. He has also been involved in the production of various CDs as a producer/composer and has written cabaret texts. Among his various radio credits are columns, a soap opera and plays.

The House of Books has published the thrillers **Two Summers** (2008), **Blind Faith** (2009), **A Real Woman** (2010) and **Hôtel du Lac** (2011).

A Real Woman received a nomination for the 'Best Dutch Thriller for Women of 2010'. **Hôtel du Lac** was nominated for The Diamond Bullet 2011 and made the shortlist of Crimezone's Thriller Award and Thrillerboek.nl as 'Best Dutch Thriller of 2011'. **Nacht in Parijs** was published in April 2012.

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