

LOS BESOS EN EL PAN

Kissing the Bread



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A moving ensemble novel that follows a year in the lives of families, neighbours, parents, children, the young and the elderly, ordinary people who have the courage to keep going. Some are helped by the unexpected solidarity of acquaintances, others create new opportunities for themselves, they all keep going with the same tenacity as those who, in the past, used to kiss the bread as a sign of gratitude. Within these strands, the novel weaves bitter-sweet moments, glimmers of solidarity in the big city, subtle stories of friendship and love in an intersection of destinies that becomes a moving portrait of the recent past. As the author herself says, "it's the story of many stories, the story of a Madrid neighbourhood that makes every attempt to go on seeming itself in the eye of the storm, that crisis which threatens to turn it upside down, but still hasn't done so."

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