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Editorial Review

Amazon.com Review

Writing under the pseudonym Barbara Vine, Ruth Rendell departs from her famous detective team of Wexford and Burden to tell a gripping tale of family madness. Vera Hillyard is a domineering and possessive woman who strives for obsessive control over a malicious older son, a youngest son who is--or isn't--illegitimate, and her younger sister, Eden, who secretly seeks to escape Vera's grasp and instead provokes a murder. This winner of the 1986 Edgar Award for best mystery novel belongs to the genre of old murders reconsidered and the question of who did what to whom and why is teasingly left unresolved.

Review

No other living mystery writer complains more openly about the burden of fans expecting her to bring back series characters when she has other pursuits in mind. In **A Dark-Adopted Eye** . . . Rendell does what Conan Doyle never could: proves she has something far greater to offer. -- *Publishers Weekly*

About the Author

Barbara Vine is the pen-name of Ruth Rendell. Viking have published all of her novels, including most recently *The Minotaur*. Ruth Rendell sits in the House of Lords as a Labour peer. She lives in Maida Vale, London.

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