

# We Don't Die of Love

Stephen May

## ABOUT THIS BOOK

**She loves you. She respects you. She just can't stay married to you.**

Luke Greenwood is in crisis. His wife of 32 years, Selena, is leaving him for a much younger man. Then local gangsters set their sights on his café and take an interest in what's left of his family.

## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Stephen May's first novel *TAG* was longlisted for Wales Book of The Year and won the Media Wales Reader's Prize. His second, *Life! Death! Prizes!* was shortlisted for the 2012 Costa Novel Award and The Guardian Not The Booker Prize. He also collaborates on performance pieces with theatre-makers, artists, film-makers, musicians and dancers.

## AUTHOR LOCATION

West Yorkshire

## PRAISE FOR WE DON'T DIE OF LOVE

'A slim, emotionally intelligent novel, with a cast of sympathetic characters, reminiscent of David Nicholls' *Us* but seen through a grittier, working class lens. Exposing vulnerabilities, but never self-indulgent, it's ultimately a hopeful story of transformation: how do you move on when love is dead but you are not?'  
-Claire King, author of *The Night Rainbow*

'We Don't Die of Love is a sharply observed account of the worst few days of one man's life. Wry, entertaining, and ultimately hopeful, it shows how friendship and community can defeat the everyday forces - and the non-everyday! - that try to weaken us.'  
-Emylia Hall

'I flew through this novel, which is vintage Stephen May: compellingly-written, compassionate, funny. He writes about masculinity like no-one else, laying bare the vulnerabilities of a man who might just become better than he is - if only he can get over himself for long enough. I loved it.'  
-Shelley Harris, author of *Jubilee*

'Funny, sad, tender and wise. A gorgeous, bittersweet novel about love, separation and the infinite possibilities for human disappointment that families can yield.'  
-Helen Walsh author of *The Lemon Grove*

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