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Black Rock White City

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Black Rock White City is novel about the damages of war, the limits of choice, and the hope of love.

During a hot Melbourne summer Jovan's cleaning work at a bayside hospital is disrupted by acts of graffiti and violence becoming increasingly malevolent. For Jovan the mysterious words that must be cleaned away dislodge the poetry of the past. He and his wife Suzana were forced to flee Sarajevo and the death of their children.

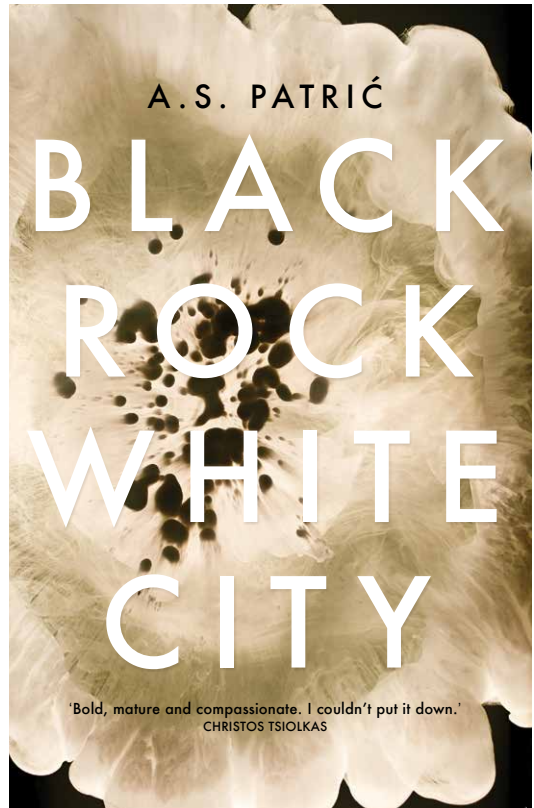
Intensely human, yet majestic in its moral vision, *Black Rock White City* is an essential story of Australia's suburbs now, of displacement and immediate threat, and the unexpected responses of two refugees as they try to reclaim their dreams. It is a breathtaking roar of energy that explores the immigrant experience with ferocity, beauty and humour.

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Praise for *Black Rock White City*

Extraordinarily powerful debut novel. *The Australian*

It is very good; it may be a classic. *The Saturday Paper*

A writer who continues Patrick White's mission to bring European modernism to the Australian suburbs. Formally rigorous and emotionally powerful, his new novel can only add to his stature as one of the most fascinating writers in this part of the world. *Sydney Morning Herald/The Age*



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