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## **Editorial Review**

#### Review

"It's every mother's nightmare: the disappearance of a child. But in *The Daughter*, what appears to be a simple abduction soon turns into something far more complex and baffling. Jane Shemilt builds layer upon layer of tension in a thriller you won't be able to put down." (Tess Gerritsen, bestselling author of *Last to Die*)

"Shemilt injects a great deal of suspense into her narrative in both time frames, even as her fluid prose eloquently captures a mother's grief and painful journey to self-awareness." (Booklist)

"Jenny is a strong believable character...[her] journey is a memorable one." (Publishers Weekly)

#### From the Back Cover

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Jenny knows she'll never be able to find Naomi unless she uncovers the whole truth about her daughter—a twisting, painful journey into the past that will lead to an almost unthinkable revelation....

#### About the Author

While working as a GP, Jane Shemilt completed a post graduate diploma in Creative Writing at Bristol university and went on to study for the M.A in Creative writing at Bath Spa, gaining both with distinction. She was shortlisted for the Janklow and Nesbitt award and the Lucy Cavendish fiction prize for Daughter, which is her first novel.

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