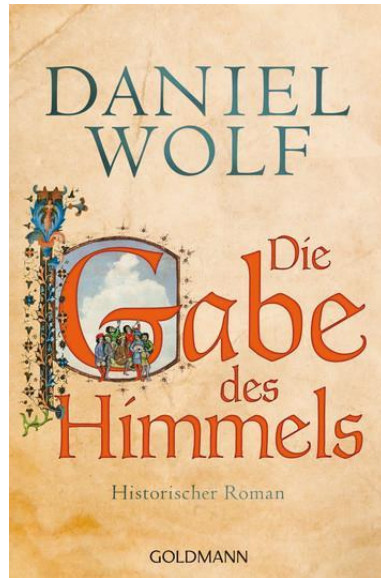


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Daniel Wolf was born in 1977. Before starting to freelance as a writer he did a variety of jobs, including teaching music, working in a chemical factory and in public service. Even as a child he was fascinated by old ruins, sagas and knights in armour; his passion for history and the Middle Ages finally took him to historical novels. With his historical novels *The Salt of the Earth* and *The Light of the World* Daniel Wolf shot into the bestseller lists.

AD 1346. The young merchant's son Adrien Fleury is studying medicine in Montpellier and is dreaming of a career as a doctor. When he returns to Varennes-Saint-Jacques he scarcely recognises his home town. Wealthy patricians are ruthlessly exercising their power as rulers. The simple people are rebelling against suppression and low wages. The Jews are suffering from hate and ostracism.

When Adrien starts his work as a surgeon he meets Léa, a Jewish girl running her father's apothecary. They fall in love, thus putting themselves in great danger. Then the Black Death comes to Varennes and rages in the town, and Adrien's skills are put to a tough test ...

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