

CANVAS SUNSETS NEVER FADE

A STORY OF LOVE, DECEIT, AND A CONSPIRACY THAT COULD CHANGE THE ENTIRE MIDDLE EAST

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It was a burglary of epic proportions. An ambassador's wife lay dead and the famous *Desert Lights* paintings had vanished. As the incident sends shockwaves through Washington D.C.'s diplomatic community, the authorities, under pressure to solve the crime but unable to make any progress, become desperate. In their haste, they are forced to seek the help of one man—Richard Nash.

Nash, an editor of a New York art journal, is recruited by the FBI for an outrageous and risky mission: to become a confidant of their lead suspect, Sara Mundhir. To the investigators, her motives were clear: to reclaim her father's paintings and settle a score with the House of Saud. But without Nash's help there is no way to pin her to the crime. For more than a year Sara becomes his world, his obsession, his constant vigil . . . *until* he breaks a cardinal rule. Consequently, she is abducted, and all chances of finding the paintings are gone.

Now, six years after the failed investigation, Nash stumbles on a new clue that could help him find Sara and the answers to a haunting past. Instead, he becomes entangled in a web of deceit and murder, at the heart of which lies a conspiracy so sinister that the entire Middle East could be thrown into turmoil.

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