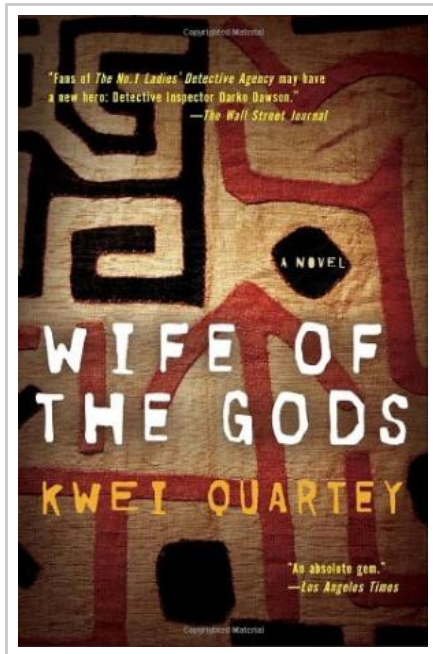




Wife of the Gods

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Random House. 1 Paperback(s), 2009. soft. Book Condition: New. Used to investigating cases in Ghana's capital city Accra, Detective Inspector Darko Dawson is sent to the small town of Ketanua place he left behind 25 years earlier, after his mother's mysterious disappearance to investigate the suspicious death of a young woman who was a promising medical student. "[Kwei] Quartey's crisp, engrossing debut introduces readers to Darko Dawson, a talented and temperamental detective inspector in Accra, capital city of Ghana. As the novel opens, DI Dawson is called out to the remote village of Ketanu to investigate the suspicious death of Gladys Mensah, a medical student and passionate AIDS worker. Was Gladys killed for her professional ambition (she had a run-in with a local healer who was convinced she was stealing his potions) or because of an unrequited romance with a married man? Returning to Ketanu is a deeply emotional experience for DI Dawson, whose mother disappeared there more than two decades before. He immediately senses the hostility of the Ketanu police, who resent having a big-city officer in their midst. He is also unsettled by the area's tolerance of the custom of trokosi, in which beleaguered families atone for sins by marrying...



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