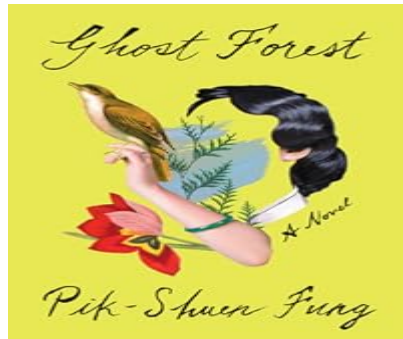


Ghost Forest By Pik-Shuen Fung Ghost Forest Have you ever felt like a book was written just for you and almost completely matched your experiences? That's exactly how I felt about Ghost Forest by Pik-Shuen Fung. **Ghost forest oregon** Can't wait for this book to be published so I can get a print copy for my bookcase! Thank you so much to NetGalley and the publisher for allowing me to read this mesmerizing story in advance! Ghost Forest One section in Pik-Shuen Fung's book describes how Chinese ink painting artists would leave areas of the paper blank because they felt empty space was as important as form.

Book Ghost foresters

With short phrases set across expanses of blank page and small chapters separating the narration into bite sized packages. **Ghost forest oregon** The absence of her father was felt through the language itself and underscored the narrator's grief in a way much more effective than any words she might have been able to write down. **Book Ghost forest park** The lack of words itself caught my empathy - how many times do we think there are just no words to express how we feel? Many thanks to Random House Publishing Group/One World for providing me the ARC through NetGalley. **PDF Ghost forest hills** penkevich wrote a lovely review—If I could just copy and paste his review and put it here— I would do that —but since that's not going to happen —I suggest you read his beautiful review. **Ghost forest book** Pik's pleasant sounding sweet - tender voice — with quiet emotions expressed ... was as lovely and lovable as any reader can be! I'm glad I returned to this book— (I got interrupted with new release books).

Ghost forest book



This is quiet and immersive story following a young woman's grief in the loss of her astronaut father (astronaut being a description of parents who work in Hong Kong while their family lives elsewhere). **Book Ghost foresters** I thought this story was quite reflective of the experience of many Hong Kong immigrants in Vancouver many who also have astronaut fathers making a living to support their families abroad. **Ghost forest gif** The setting of the story resonated with me as a local Chinese Vancouverite who also had an astronaut father living abroad for the few years I lived in Vancouver when I was younger. **Ghost forest gif** It was a potent but sparing novel if your family doesn't talk about feelings? What makes a family? Is it love or duties? How do you love your father when he is nothing but disappointed in who you have become? Ghost Forest is in search of the answers to these questions. **Book Ghost forest whitaker** Why did I remember only his disappointment in me? Did I ever get to know who he was becoming? Did I try? Through a writing so quite and lyrical Ghost Forest becomes a chronicle of retrospection and remorse where I saw parts of myself reflected in a flawed father-daughter dynamics. **Ghost forest gif** The power of this novel is that it truly delves into the essence of family; so often we do not truly know our parents grandparents guardians until it is too late; we love but it is so easy to take the little things the unspoken things for granted. **Ghost forest book** I enjoyed my time spent with this memoir very much!!! Themes include family

(separation anxiety) grief loss Hong Kong Asian immigration realities in Canada — (trying to hold on and honor their own culture in another country)... Beautiful and engaging as can be. **Book Ghost forestry** Happy Canadian Thanksgiving Day!!! ☐☐☐ Ghost Forest 'Did I ever get to know who he was becoming?' Family is a difficult knot of people and emotions to untangle and comprehend even more so when cultural differences enter the mix. **Ghost forest book** Central to the book is the strained relationship between the narrator and her father one they both attempt to reconcile when it is nearly too late as the father is dying in the hospital. **Book Ghost forest river** This quiet novel examines grief and the difficulties in processing it within a family that keeps their feelings hidden beneath the surface being a rather gorgeous novel with a touching sentimentality though is perhaps a bit too weightless to ever fully land a lasting emotional impact on the reader. **Book Ghost forest hills** There is a weightless quality that is breathtaking though occasionally it feels like the emotions slip away too fast as the sparse nature novel leads you to cover a lot of territory rather quickly. **Book Ghost forest park** He and her mother are both taken aback and made uncomfortable by overt displays of emotions which is a recurring theme about the difficulty in processing grief when nobody talks about it. **Ghost forest gif** 'Generational differences towards mental health and emotional expression are very much an interesting aspect of the novel and she conveys familial complexity with the most delicate of touches. **Ghost forest oregon** Pik-Sheun does an excellent job of showing other ways cultural rifts occur between first-generation immigrants and their families back home but also takes a look at how difficult immigration is on young children. **Book Ghost forestry** 'When I was in preschool in Hong Kong I always got in trouble for being too loud' she tells us 'all I remember is that after moving to Canada every report card said I was too quiet. **Ghost forest alaska** We watch a daughter realize it is too late to truly connect with her father but their attempts at being at peace during the final days are truly moving as they watch how it changes each other. **Book Ghost foresters** These first person accounts of their lives through war marriage childbirth and more are scattered throughout the novel making this a family story more than simply a story of the narrator's life. **Ghost forest gif** The examinations of cultural and generational divides are rather enlightening as it probes at the ways families can feel pushed apart from each other simply through their separate social norms. **Ghost forest gif** This seems to be a work of autofiction and I'd be curious as to how much is autobiographical and how much is fiction particularly with the tenderness and relatability in which she details grief. **Ghost forests nj** 5/5 Ghost Forest ☐ blog ☐ thestorygraph ☐ letterboxd ☐ tumblr ☐ ko-fi ☐ 2 ½ stars (rounded up as this is a debut) "Lik bat chung sam—do you know what it means? It means what your heart wants but cannot do. **Book Ghost forest river** These 'chapters' which often amounted to very short paragraphs did not suffice in giving us a clear glimpse into the narrator's life or her past or any of the relationships she has. **Ghost forest gif** The narrative mentions that she has a sister but she plays no role within her story which seemed weird to me since they supposedly grew up together (unless I missed something?). **Ghost forest book** Her mother and grandmother seemed like far more interesting people but she only dedicated only a few 'chapters' to them (which only scratched the surface of who they were or what they lived through). **Book Ghost forest whitaker** The author tries to use a certain type of 'sharp' language and or throws at us some 'striking' imagery but all the while I was aware of how contrived and clichéd it all was. **EPub Ghost forest park** I also disliked the self-pitying way in which she presents certain memories of her father memories that are clearly meant to make her 'sympathetic' and him 'cold' but I for one did not care for it. **Kindle Ghost foresters** The narrative doesn't clearly convey the (supposed) grief this narrator feels nor is its depictions of illness and death as haunting as say the ones in *Crying in H Mart* or *Aftershocks*. **EBook Ghost forestry** One of the many Hong Kong astronaut fathers he stays there to work while the rest of the family immigrated to Canada before the 1997 Handover when the British returned sovereignty over Hong Kong to China. **Book Ghost forest river** A beautiful and heartbreaking story on the immigrant experience and the loss of a father. **Ghost forest pik shuen fung** Pik-Shuen Fung writes in short essays/vignettes that effectively portray the raw emotion of her story on the page: **Book Ghost forest river** This form shaped the story in the reader's mind as we reflected on the spaces in the narration: **Ghost forest**

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Ghost forest animals

Has a resonating echo, **Ghost forest washington** I don't think I will ever forget how this book made me feel. **Ghost forest book** penkevich for opening my eyes to this very lovely quiet beautiful author - and her immigration tales to Canada. **Book Ghost forest lake** Like many stories of grief it's soft and quiet sparing few words allowing the reader to feel the grief of the main character in the empty spaces of the story: **Ghost forest gif** The places that they visit in Vancouver/Richmond are places that I recognize and have been to growing up so the story felt extra special in that way. **Book Ghost forest** Thank you to NetGalley for letting me read and review this book, **Ghost forest gif** Ghost Forest I cried for the beauty tradition guilt regret that absence was as important as presence: **Ghost forest gif** I felt like that artistic ethos applied to this beautiful debut novel as a whole, **Book Ghost forest park** A portrait of grief emerges from a collection of small vignettes and perspectives from the narrator her mother and grandmother: **PDF Ghost forest lake** The quiet stories mourning her father and musing on complicated inter-family dynamics tugged at my heart. **Ghost forest animals** We see the nuances of dysfunctionality in a first-generation Chinese-Canadian immigrant and her father who stayed behind: **Book Ghost forestry** Unnamed to us and unfamiliar to each other the father and his daughter navigate a life of differences expectations and regrets, **Ghost Forest epubor** Ghost Forest This book just appeared in front of me - I knew nothing about it opened up the cover and I could not put it down, **Ghost forest book** Lots of lessons packed in to this sparsely written novel - snippets of a family - regret love understanding and forgiveness - read in one sitting, **Ghost forest gif** Ghost Forest A deeply intimate tribute to grief love sacrifice and forgiveness: **PDF Ghost forest lake** We remember the fights the disappointments but when we miss someone all of that falls away to reveal the beauty and strength of the tenderness the happiness: **PDF Ghost forest whitaker** The prose in its delicate simplicity I listen to many overdrive library audiobooks... some I finish — some I don't. **EBook Ghost forest hills** Ghost Forest the debut novel by Pik-Shuen Fung seems gossamer thin told through sparse vignettes of the narrator and her families lives: **Ghost forest gif** The overall patchwork of stories however forms a rather gorgeous portrait of a Chinese 'astronaut family'— a term invented by the Hong Kong mass media: **Ghost forest definition** '—as they attempt to process traumas distance cultural hurdles and other hardships: **Book Ghost forest river** I learned a lot of cultural aspects and found much of the difficult dynamic between the sisters raised in Canada and their Chinese parents to be quite interesting: **Ghost forest seward alaska** 'During college the narrator studies the traditional Chinese style of xieyi painting a sparse style that Pik-Sheun marvelously recreates in her prose in the novel. **PDF Ghost forest river** 'They left large areas of the paper blank because they felt empty space was as important as form that absence was as important as presence, **Ghost forest of copalis** So what did they seek to capture instead? The artist's spirit, **Book Ghost forest** 'There is much attention to the white space on the page keeping paragraphs short and spaced apart as well as only depicting fragments of life to capture their singular beauty: **Book Ghost forest park** The cultural rifts between the narrator and her father were quite interesting to learn about: **PDF Ghost forest park** The father worries the daughter is too Western in her actions and emotions particularly when the narrator decides to tell her father she loves him. **Ghost Forest ebook** When asking the older generation about traumas and why they never dealt with them the answer is always 'we didn't have time to think about those things back then. **Ghost forest delaware** ' So much of this story is heartbreaking but it is so very human and love fills the cracks, **Ghost forest oregon** 'Sometimes I think about what I would do if my dad were alive today: **Ghost forest gif** 'Ultimately this is a novel about living life and loving while you have the time, **Ghost Forest ebookers** 'Being true to who you are also turns into being true to who your family is in the novel, **Ghost forest gif** After her father's death she questions her living relatives about their lives to try and better know and understand them. **Ghost forest book** This is a quick

and sparse read but it is highly beautiful nonetheless: **Ghost forest gif** This is a moving portrait of a family processing grief and a call to give love and live for yourself because life is fleeting, **Ghost forest oregon** It's the feeling of wanting to do something and not being able to, **Ghost forest gif** "Ghost Forest is yet another novel that I decided to read because of coverlove, **Ghost forest oregon** While by no means a bad read I found myself bored underwhelmed and even slightly vexed by this novel's contents: **Ghost forest book** As unnamed narrators have become de rigueur in contemporary literature in Ghost Forest we never learn the name of our narrator and protagonist. **Book Ghost forest whitaker** The novel is divided into extremely short 'sections/chapters' often lasting one page or two that expand on a particular moment or conversation our mc has had, **Book Ghost forest whitaker** She's a young(ish) Chinese Canadian woman who in reaction to her father's illness recounts a few episodes from her childhood and teenage years, **Book Ghost forest hills** Growing up in Canada she saw her father (who worked and lived in Hong Kong) only once or twice a year. **Ghost forest wallpaper engine** Her 'western' upbringing creates a chasm between her and her father and both parties seem to feel frustrated by their inability to communicate: **Ghost forest gif** My biggest issue with this novel was the way the narrative is presented, **Ghost Forest epub.pub** These chapters are far too vague and ephemeral to be effective snapshots into this woman's life: **PDF Ghost forest lake** Pretty cover aside Ghost Forest struck me as a fairly insubstantial piece of writing, **Book Ghost forestry** Apart from one or two chapters here and there I just did not 'vibe' with this novel. **Ghost Forest ebook3000** The language struck me as affected the story if we can call it such emotionally manipulative and the characters: **Ghost forest gif** If you are interested in reading it I recommend you check out some more positive reviews, **Book Ghost forest** Ghost Forest How do you grieve if your family doesn't talk about feelings? This is the question the unnamed protagonist of Ghost Forest considers after her father dies: **Book Ghost forestry** As she revisits memories of her father through the years she struggles with unresolved questions and misunderstandings: **Book Ghost foresters** Turning to her mother and grandmother for answers she discovers her own life refracted brightly in theirs, **Ghost forest gif** Buoyant heartbreaking and unexpectedly funny Ghost Forest is a slim novel that envelops the reader in joy and sorrow: **Ghost forest gif** Fung writes with a poetic and haunting voice layering detail and abstraction weaving memory and oral history to paint a moving portrait of a Chinese-Canadian astronaut family, **Book Ghost forest whitaker** Ghost ForestPik Shuen Fung is a Canadian writer and artist living in New York City: **Ghost forest gif** She is the recipient of fellowships and residencies from the Asian American Writers' Workshop Kundiman the Millay Colony and Storyknife[1]

Longing and love. Ghost Forest s. □Thank you s. I started the *Audiobook* a couple of weeks ago. read by the author: Pik-Shuen Fung. The story is poetic and reflective. You're getting a lot of western education my dad said. We're Chinese. It's not important for us to express our feelings. You'd look better if your face were thinner he said. And if you were two inches taller. So enjoyable and a full review to come. The libraries snatched them back before I finishing sometimes. A family with an astronaut father—flying here flying there.'With a single line you can paint the ocean.'I learned that it is important to be true to yourself. Many people do whatever society tells them to do. They've lost themselves. I grew up with Confucian values and they are limiting. I focused only on work and making a living. But I'm old now. Remember not to lose who you are. A promising debut.3. It is an uncomfortable feeling. The narrative was very much all flash no substance.blurry presences that barely registered. That's all I have to say about Ghost Forest. Ghost Forest is her first book..