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BOOK RESUME: BURN OUR BODIES DOWN

BOOK SYNOPSIS

It's always just been Margot and her mother, struggling to get along. But Margot wants more. She wants family. She wants a past. And she may have just found a clue: an old photograph of her mother's, pointing Margot to a town called Phalene.

Yet when Margot gets there, she feels it in her gut—there's something not right about Phalene. The towering fields of dying corn, odd looks from the locals . . . Then a mysterious girl who could be Margot's twin is pulled from a fire, and Margot realizes that her mother left this town for a reason. But was it to hide her past? Or to protect Margot from what's still here?

The only thing Margot knows for sure is there's poison in her family tree, and its roots are dug so deeply into Phalene that now that she's here, she might never escape.

REVIEWS AND PRAISE

★ "Gritty and strange, this sophomore novel is utterly compelling." —*Booklist* starred review

★ "Creates a vivid world with a gothic horror-like setting. . . . A riveting, often frightening read." —*Publishers Weekly* starred review

★ "Strong, suspenseful writing and pitch-perfect touches of horror." —*Shelf Awareness* starred review

"A creepy mystery recommended for readers who enjoy character-driven stories with elements of horror." —*School Library Journal* starred review

"*Burn Our Bodies Down* is a tightly woven tale . . . that will leave readers unsettled in the best way." —*BookPage*

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