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From the acclaimed author of *How to Be Lost* and *Close Your Eyes* comes a beautiful and heartrending novel about motherhood, resilience, and faith—a ripped-from-the-headlines story of two families on both sides of the American border.

Look for special features inside. Join the Random House Reader's Circle for author chats and more.

Alice and her husband, Jake, own a barbecue restaurant in Austin, Texas. Hardworking and popular in their community, they have a loving marriage and thriving business, but Alice still feels that something is missing, lying just beyond reach.

Carla is a strong-willed young girl who's had to grow up fast, acting as caretaker to her six-year-old brother Junior. Years ago, her mother left the family behind in Honduras to make the arduous, illegal journey to Texas. But when Carla's grandmother dies and violence in the city escalates, Carla takes fate into her own hands—and with Junior, she joins the thousands of children making their way across Mexico to America, facing great peril for the chance at a better life.

In this elegant novel, the lives of Alice and Carla will intersect in a profound and surprising way. Poignant and arresting, *The Same Sky* is about finding courage through struggle, hope amid heartache, and summoning the strength—no matter what dangers await—to find the place where you belong.

Praise for *The Same Sky*

"*The Same Sky* is the timeliest book you will read this year—a wrenching, honest, painstakingly researched novel that puts a human face to the story of undocumented youth desperately seeking their dreams in America. This one's going to haunt me for a long time—and it's going to define the brilliant Amanda Eyre Ward as a leading author of socially conscious fiction."—**Jodi Picoult, author of *Leaving Time***

"Riveting, heartrending, and beautifully written, *The Same Sky* pulled me in on the first page and held my attention all the way to its perfect conclusion. I devoured this book."—**Christina Baker Kline, author of *Orphan Train***

"Ward is deeply sympathetic to her characters, and this affecting novel is sure to provoke conversations about immigration and adoption."—***The New York Times Book Review***

"A deeply affecting look at the contrast between middle-class U.S. life and the brutal reality of Central American children so desperate they'll risk everything."—***People***

"After reading *The Same Sky*, you just might view the world a little differently. And isn't that the goal of all great art?"—***Bookreporter***

"Emotionally gripping . . . a novel that brilliantly attaches us to broader perspectives. It is a needed respite from the angry politics surrounding border issues that, instead of dividing us, connects us to our humanity."—***The Dallas Morning News***

“It takes a skilled, compassionate writer to craft an authentic, moving page-turner from a complex social issue like immigration, but Ward nails it.”—*Good Housekeeping*

“Poignant and bittersweet . . . Eyre’s wrenching fifth novel is a study in contrasts. . . . Carla’s journey is powerfully rendered and will stick with readers long after they close the book.”—*Publishers Weekly*

“Ward writes with great empathy. . . . Earnest and well-told. Heartstrings will be pulled.”—*Kirkus Reviews*

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