

## THE SNOWMAKER

### Description

One of the most isolated places in the U.S. is a stretch of Northern Montana wilderness that locals refer to as “Fugitive Mile.” Harper, a teenage girl, hasn’t seen her father Declan, in 10 years. When he shows up abruptly after her mother’s funeral and takes her to a secluded cabin on fugitive mile, she is left with many questions and no answers.

Declan’s behavior alarms Harper: he carries a sawed-off shotgun, abandons their car, and won’t answer questions about his past. Harper sees her father carrying a duffle bag that he hides underneath the floorboards of the cabin. When Declan tells her of his plan to sneak across the Canadian border, Harper is uncertain if Declan is suffering from paranoia, or legitimately in danger.

Thinking they are alone, Harper is shocked to be confronted by a man in the wilderness. Having tracked Declan and his daughter across the country, the man tells Harper that Declan is being searched for by mercenaries.

Harper begins to learn the truth about her father: Declan was a military contractor in Iraq and Afghanistan for 10 years until he went AWOL. Committed for psychiatric treatment, Declan escaped when doctors tried to take the duffle bag he was carrying. The man tells Harper that her help is needed to safely capture her father. Harper is left not knowing whom to believe.

When Harper finds and opens the duffle bag that her father has hidden, she finds what he has been carrying all these years: A petticoat she wore as a child, that she wore when she visited him on the a ski-hill, where he worked nights as a snowmaker.

Fearing she might be suffering the same paranoia that haunts her father, Harper is left with a choice. Harper must choose whether to help her father escape, or turn him into the authorities.