



The Siege

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Random House. 1 Cloth(s), 2013. hard. Book Condition: New. (Winner of the 2014 CWA International Dagger Award) Cádiz 1811: The Spanish port city has been surrounded by Napoleon's army for a year, enduring routine bombardments and living in constant fear of a French invasion. Yet another evil has loosed itself in the city, and the bodies of random women have begun to turn up throughout Cádizvictims of a shadowy killer. The author of *The Club Dumas* and the *Captain Alatriste* series introduces us to Police Comisario Rogelio Tizón, whose inquiry into the murders reveals that each victim has been found where a French bomb exploded. In his mind, the city itself has become a living chess game, with himself and the killer as the players. Also on the board are a Spanish taxidermist who doubles as a French spy; the young woman who uses her father's mercantile business to run the enemy blockade; the rough-edged corsair who tries to resist her charms; and the brilliant academic furiously trying to perfect the French army's artillery and bring Cádiz to its knees once and for all. "A genre-bending literary thriller. Pirates; serial killings; steamy, unrequited love: [Arturo] Pérez-Reverte imbues the sensational with..."



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