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"Redmond...successfully captures the spirit and ethos of the place while telling an emotionally resonant, page-turning story."

--Booklist

"A gay murder mystery that takes readers from Miami Beach, Florida to Fort Sackville, Indiana, as Grey Daniels 'struggles to live his authentic, openly gay life' amidst the fundamentalist Christians in his hometown."

--Bay Area Reporter

"Redmond's fiction isn't an attempt to recap historical events. The fictional news reports of character Robbie Palmer's alleged murder interspersed between chapters, and the "homophobia" that engulfs the fictional town of Fort Sackville, is a platform from which the author can express his sincere concern regarding real-life situations that occur in our modern world."

--Boomer Magazine

"Patrick Redmond has filled his first novel with passion-the passion to tell a story that resonates far beyond the confines of the small Indiana town where it is set. Some Go Hungry tells an important tale that in some ways is timeless, and in other ways could have been ripped from today's headlines."

-- Mark Childress, author of Crazy in Alabama

"J. Patrick Redmond's Some Go Hungry is a story of reckoning. Like so many young gay men, Grey Daniels has to leave home to find himself--and he has to return home to rural Fort Sackville, Indiana, to confront a past of fear, homophobia, and murder. Redmond deftly weaves together Grey's return to his hometown and the family restaurant with the long-unsolved murder of a young gay man and the secrets and religious hypocrisy buried with it. Some Go Hungry will have you staying up late turning the pages."

-- Taylor M. Polites, author of The Rebel Wife

"Patrick Redmond weaves an intriguing tale of bigotry, religion, murder, and personal redemption in small-town America. He has the authentic voice of a born storyteller."

--Jonathan Odell, author of Miss Hazel and the Rosa Parks League

"Some Go Hungry is a charming, well-paced, and thoroughly humane love story about a young gay man coming to terms with himself, his family, and the insular community in which the family's restaurant has been central for more than forty years."

--Susan Scarf Merrell, author of Shirley

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Some Go Hungry is a fictional account drawn from the author's own experiences working in his family's provincial Indiana restaurant--and wrestling with his sexual orientation--in a town that was rocked by the scandalous murder of his gay high school classmate in the 1980s.

Now a young man who has embraced his sexuality, Grey Daniels returns from Miami Beach, Florida, to

Fort Sackville, Indiana, to run Daniels' Family Buffet for his ailing father. Understanding that knowledge of his sexuality may reap disastrous results on his family's half-century-old restaurant legacy--a popular Sunday dinner spot for the after-church crowd--Grey struggles to live his authentic, openly gay life. He is put to the test when his former high school lover--and fellow classmate of the murdered student--returns to town as the youth pastor and choir director of the local fundamentalist Christian church.

Some Go Hungry is the story of a man forced to choose between the happiness of others and his own joy, all the while realizing that compromising oneself--sacrificing your soul for the sake of others--is not living, but death.



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