

# **Special Topics in Calamity Physics**

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## Reviews

*It in a single of my personal favorite publication. It usually fails to charge an excessive amount of. Once you begin to read the book, it is extremely difficult to leave it before concluding. (Mr. David Friesen IV)* 

## SPECIAL TOPICS IN CALAMITY PHYSICS



Paperback. Book Condition: New. Not Signed; Marisha Pessl's Special Topics in Calamity Physics is an unforgettable debut novel that combines the storytelling gifts of Donna Tartt and the suspense of Alfred Hitchcock: a darkly hilarious coming-of-age tale and a richly plotted suspense story, told with dazzling intelligence and wit. 'I wrote this account one year after I'd found Hannah Dead. I thought I'd managed to erase all traces of that night within myself. But I was wrong. Every night when I tried to sleep, I'd close my eyes and see her again, exactly as I found her, hanging from a pine tree by an orange electrical cord, her neck twisted like a tulip stem, her eyes seeing nothing. Or else that was the problem. They'd seen everything.' Special Topics in Calamity Physics is a mesmerizing debut. As teenager Blue van Meer tells her story we are hurled into a dizzying world of murder and butterflies, womanizing and wandering, American McCulture, The Western Canon, political radicalism and juvenile crushisms. Structured around a syllabus for a Great Works of Literature class (with hand-drawn Visual Aids), Blue's wickedly funny yet poignant tale reveals how the imagination finds meaning in the most bewildering times, the ways people of all ages strive for connection, and how the darkest of secrets can set us free. Beneath the foam of this exuberant debut is a dark, strong drink. (Jonathan Franzen, author of, The Corrections ). Any [Donna] Tartt fan disappointed that her second novel had little in common with her debut should rush out and buy this book immediately.It's a brilliant debut, guaranteed to join the ranks of The Secret History and The Virgin Suicides as one of those rare books to become a cult hit and instant classic . (Sunday Telegraph). One of...

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