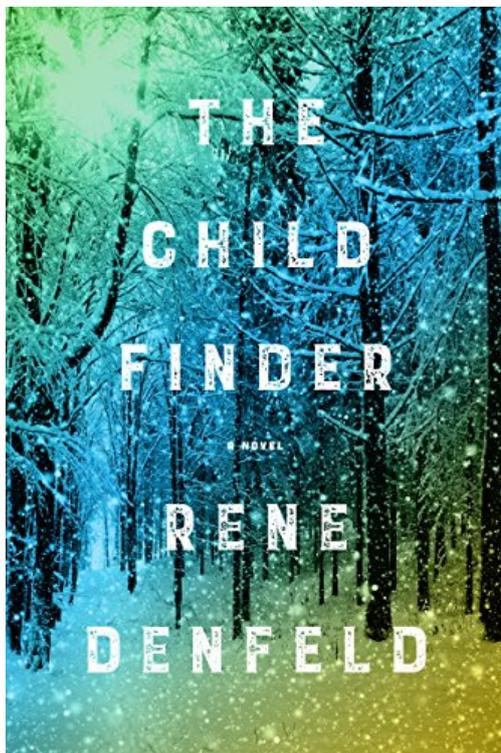


What I'm Reading: The Child Finder

I just finished up listening to the audio book [The Child Finder](#) by Rene Denfeld. I've been mostly listening through Audible lately. I've been so frustrated with my on line library. The wait for books gets longer and longer. Then once I get through the book I feel like I need to hurry as I know many more are waiting. It doesn't allow me to enjoy the book as much as I otherwise would.

This selection did come through my on line library.



The story was pretty good. I guessed the whole story early on so it was a little anti-climactic. However the story was interesting.

Here is what Amazon has to say: *“A haunting, richly atmospheric, and deeply suspenseful novel from the acclaimed author of The Enchanted about an investigator who must use her unique insights to find a missing little girl.*”

"Where are you, Madison Culver? Flying with the angels, a silver speck on a wing? Are you dreaming, buried under snow? Or—is it possible—you are still alive?"

Three years ago, Madison Culver disappeared when her family was choosing a Christmas tree in Oregon's Skookum National Forest. She would be eight-years-old now—if she has survived. Desperate to find their beloved daughter, certain someone took her, the Culvers turn to Naomi, a private investigator with an uncanny talent for locating the lost and missing. Known to the police and a select group of parents as "the Child Finder," Naomi is their last hope.

Naomi's methodical search takes her deep into the icy, mysterious forest in the Pacific Northwest, and into her own fragmented past. She understands children like Madison because once upon a time, she was a lost girl, too.

As Naomi relentlessly pursues and slowly uncovers the truth behind Madison's disappearance, shards of a dark dream pierce the defenses that have protected her, reminding her of a terrible loss she feels but cannot remember. If she finds Madison, will Naomi ultimately unlock the secrets of her own life?

Told in the alternating voices of Naomi and a deeply imaginative child, The Child Finder is a breathtaking, exquisitely rendered literary page-turner about redemption, the line between reality and memories and dreams, and the human capacity to survive."

Amazon readers give the book 4.5 stars. For me, I'd give it 4.1. I don't know if it was my reader of the audio book as she was a little clinical and dry or if I figured the story out right away...or if a few things were left hanging as there is obviously going to be a sequel...all in all...I'd say okay.