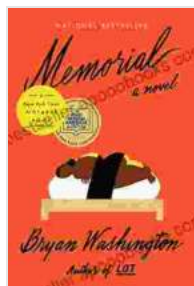


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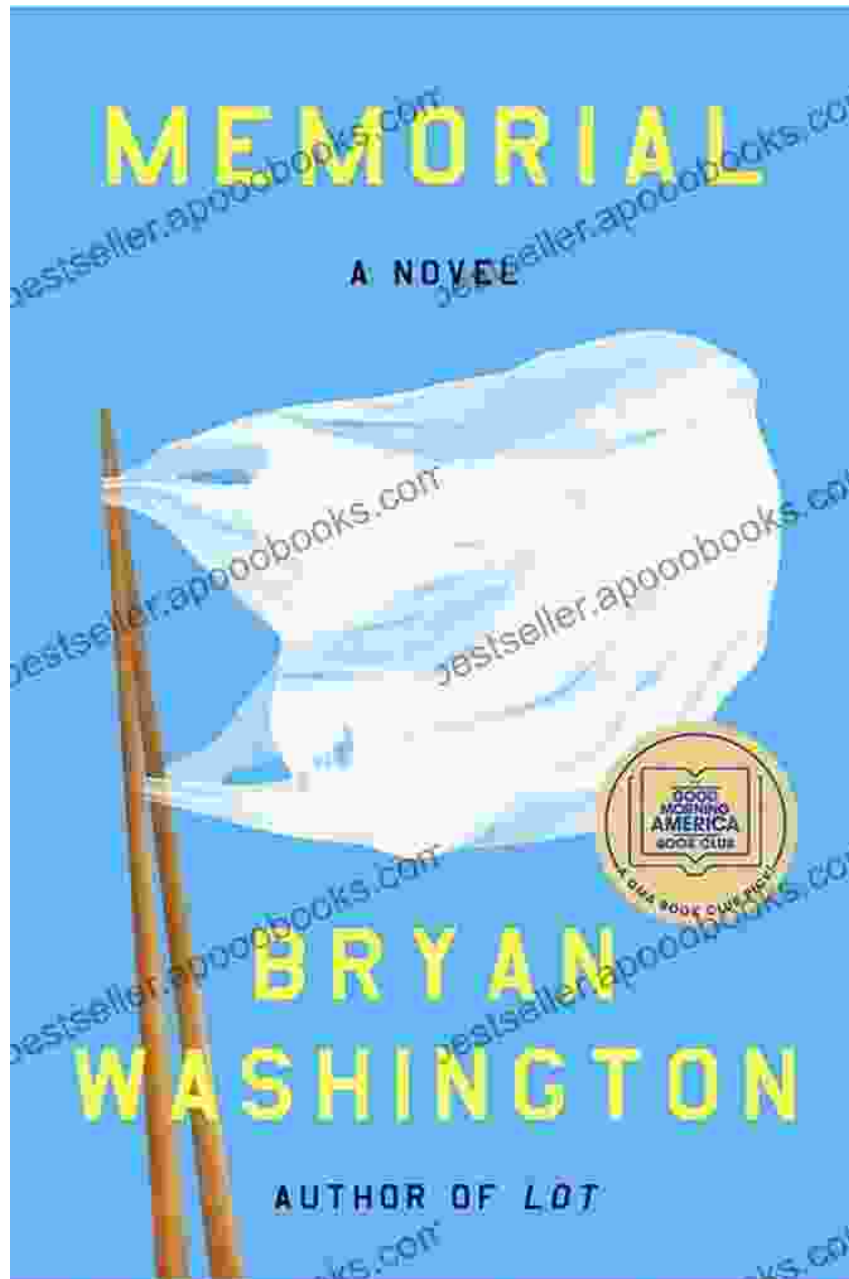
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they navigate the complexities of grief, memory, and the ever-changing nature of relationships.

Benson, a young Japanese-American chef, is reeling from the recent death of his father. As he grapples with his loss, he finds himself drawn to Mike, a black nurse who works at the hospital where Benson's father passed away. Mike, too, is haunted by a past loss: the death of his partner, Chris. In the midst of their shared grief, Benson and Mike embark on a tentative and tender relationship, seeking solace and connection.

Exploring the Complexities of Love and Grief

Through Benson and Mike's journey, Washington masterfully explores the messy and multifaceted nature of love and grief. The novel captures the rawness and pain of loss while simultaneously revealing the transformative power of human connection. Benson and Mike's relationship is both fragile and resilient, a testament to the strength of human resilience in the face of adversity.

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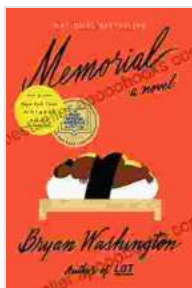
and joys of being LGBTQ+ in contemporary America. Washington also explores the importance of community and support, as Benson and Mike find solace and understanding among their friends and chosen family.

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Bryan Washington's "Memorial" has garnered widespread critical acclaim and recognition. It was named one of the best books of the year by publications such as The New York Times, Time Magazine, and NPR. Washington has also received numerous awards for the novel, including the 2020 Whiting Award and the 2021 Lambda Literary Award for Gay Fiction.

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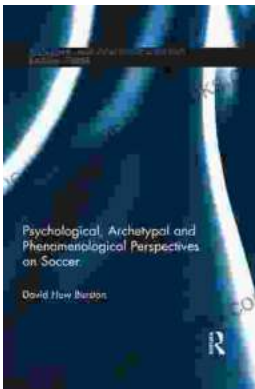
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