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Without Me, You Can't Live!

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Without me, your life has no meaning! You belong to me...

To start with, Louisa thought those anonymous love-letters quite sweet. However, it has since become clear that the person sending them is mentally disturbed and dangerous. Every new message serves to heighten the sense of menace. Then a young woman is found in the neighbourhood; she has been raped and brutally murdered – and she could be Louisa's twin, she looks so like her. The police think they are dealing with a serial killer, and Louisa seems to be next on the list. She is still not aware of how close the murderer really is.

Heike Schwandt's first novel *Without me, you can't live!* combines a nerve-jangling narrative with a tingling romantic feel. A thriller that gets under the skin, and tackles the important and relevant subject of stalking. Just the right combination for girl readers aged 13 and upwards.

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Heike Schwandt grew up in Hanau, and studied geo-ecology before working as a journalist and author. She lives with her husband, daughter and four cats in the romantic little town of Thurnau in Upper Frankonia. Beautiful sleepy places often seem to inspire angry and thrilling stories; consequently, Heike Schwandt has been inspired to write detective stories from early on. "Without me, you can't live" is her first teen thriller.