

Stevan Paul - *The big Glander*

Novel

»Ladies and gentlemen, please welcome: *The big Glander!*«

It's New York, it's the 1990s: Young artist Gustav Glander is the rising star of the *eat-art*-movement. His artwork and his happenings, influenced by the culinary art, are the talk of the town; critics and collectors are impressed by the oeuvre of the quiet German.

But Glander feels uncomfortable with his success. He realises that the real work of art does not lie in the images of food, but the trade behind it: cooking. So, from one day to the next, the big Glander disappears without a trace.

Twelve years later, in a restaurant in Hamburg, Germany: It is peak period, the kitchen is very busy. The well-known art critic Gerd Mönninghaus is sitting in the dining area. Suddenly, one of the other guests seems strangely familiar to him. Mönninghaus wonders: Wasn't that the big Glander? But it's too late, the other guest is gone. However, a little while later, previously unknown sketches by the lost artist appear in his editorial office, and the dedicated journalist starts researching. His journey leads Mönninghaus from Hamburg to New York, to St. Moritz, to the lake Constance and into the Allgäu – where he finally makes a surprising discovery.

In his first novel *The big Glander* author Stevan Paul tells us, how food can become art. His story is also one about love, coming home and the freedom of being able to always reinvent ourselves. The result is a passionate declaration of love for cooking – and a lot of fun.

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