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# ASHTHORNE

BY APRIL YATES

## BOOK DETAILS:

In the aftermath of World War One, Adelaide Frost is on the run from a family who do not understand her. Hoping to do some good, she signs up to become a nurse at Ashthorne, a manor house newly designated as a convalescence home for injured soldiers. She quickly falls in love with the owner's daughter, Evelyn, who hides a warm heart beneath a chilly exterior. But Evelyn has her suspicions about what's really happening at the hospital, and as Adelaide helps her investigate, it soon becomes apparent that there are more inhabitants residing at Ashthorne than first thought.

A romantic Gothic treat perfect for fans of Sarah Waters and *The Haunting of Bly Manor*, ASHTHORNE is the debut novella by Derbyshire author April Yates, who was inspired to tell this story by the Ice Age art carved into the walls of local caves.

## PRAISE FOR ASHTHORNE:

"Lush, powerfully written, elegiac and disquieting, ASHTHORNE confirms April Yates as one of the brightest and most talented new stars in the queer horror firmament. It's grisly, it's gothic and it's gay as hell: you're going to love it."

— T.C. Parker, author of *Hummingbird*

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APRIL YATES is an author of sapphic horror and Gothic fiction, based in Derbyshire, UK. Her short stories have appeared in *A Quaint and Curious Volume of Gothic Tales* by Brigid's Gate Press, and *Blood & Bone: An Anthology of Body Horror by Women* by Ghost Orchid Press, amongst others.

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