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MARYROSE CUSKELLY In Conversation with MARYANNE ROSS

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WEDDERBURN A TRUE TALE OF BLOOD AND DUST MARYROSE CUSKELLY

True crime at its very best. A savage triple homicide shook up the small town of Wedderburn, but like the suspenseful podcast *S-Town*, things aren't always as they seem.

In this compelling book, Maryrose Cuskelly gets to the core of Wedderburn and the people within it. The author gets to know the resident nudist farmer, the gruff ex-bikie and his hippie wife as well as the many grieving family and friends from both sides of the court room.



ABOUT MARYROSE

Maryrose Cuskelly is a freelance writer and editor. She is the author of *Original Skin: An exploration of the remarkable human hide* (2010) and *The End of Charity: Time for Social Enterprise* (2008), which she wrote with Nic Frances, and was the winner of the Iremonger Award. Her essays and articles have been published in *The Age*, *The Australian* and *The Big Issue*. In 2016, Maryrose won the Thunderbolt Prize for Crime Writing (Non-fiction) for her essay *Well Before Dark*. She lives in Melbourne.



ABOUT MARYANNE

Maryanne's writing awards include the 2016 Thunderbolt Prize for Crime Writing, the 2017 Scarlet Stiletto 'Kerry Greenwood' award, and third place in the 2017 Southern Cross Literary Competition. Her stories feature in the *2017 Award Winning Australian Writing* and *Scarlet Stiletto: Ninth Cut*. She works as a speechwriter and grant writer for a major Victorian Aboriginal organisation, and previously worked in media and communications for Parks Victoria. She is currently writing an Australian historical romance.

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