

Daphne du Maurier

Daphne du Maurier, the second of three daughters, was born in London in 1907. Most of her stories are moody; many resonate with a sense of suspense. Du Maurier's strength lay in her ability to establish a sense of place. Her novel *Rebecca* (1938), adapted to both the stage and screen, is probably Du Maurier's finest work. Several other of her novels, such as *Jamaica Inn* (1939) and *Frenchman's Creek* (1944), were also tailored to the cinema.

Most literary critics categorize Du Maurier as a 'romantic novelist', although she herself detested the term. For one thing, her novels rarely have a happy ending; for another, they often contain sinister overtones. Du Maurier used her short stories to satisfy her dark side. Alfred Hitchcock's film *The Birds* (1963), for example, is based on one of them. Her final novels reveal a fully developed writing style, and usually blend a variety of themes. *The House on the Strand* (1969), for instance, commingles the elements of mental time-travel, a tragic love affair in 14th century Cornwall, and the hazards of mind-altering drugs. Her last book, *Rule Britannia* (1972), touches on Great Britain's resentment of America's emergent global role.

Du Maurier also wrote three plays. Her first, an adaptation of *Rebecca*, opened at London's Queen's Theatre in 1940. Her somewhat autobiographical *The Years Between* (1946) centers on the unexpected return of a senior army officer thought to have been killed in action. Du Maurier's final drama, *September Tide* (1950), tells of a middle-aged woman who falls in love with her Bohemian son-in-law.

Daphne du Maurier died at Fowney, Cornwall in 1989.

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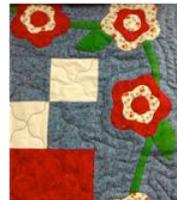
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