

# Penguin Announces The Publication Of Nick Hornby's Latest Novel



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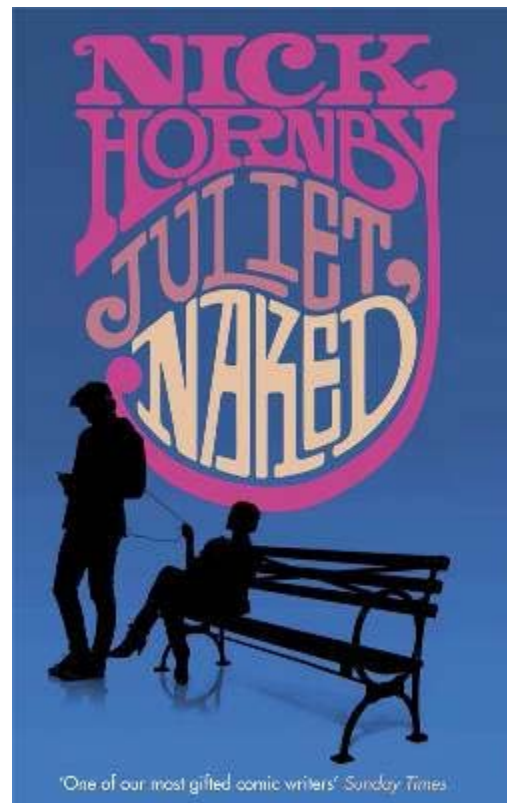
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Penguin has announced the publication of *Juliet, Naked*, the long awaited novel from Nick Hornby, which sees him return to the music world and will be released by Viking in hardback.

[Juliet, Naked](#), Nick's latest novel for adults after a four year wait since *A Long Way Down*, is about the nature of creativity and obsession, and how two lonely people can gradually find each other.

*Juliet, Naked* tells the story of Annie and Duncan, a mid-thirties couple whose shared interest in musician Tucker Crowe brings them together before ultimately splitting them apart.

Tony Lacey, Nick's editor at [Penguin](#), said: "Fans of Hornby's *High Fidelity* will doubtless be delighted to learn that his next novel takes him back into the music world, though nowhere near the north London of *Fever Pitch*. His protagonist is a reclusive 80s rock star



who is forced out of isolation when the release of a stripped-down version of his most famous album brings him into contact with some of his most passionate fans. Set in America and Lincolnshire, the novel tells the story of two lonely people finding each other across decades and continents."

[Nick Hornby](#) was born in 1957. He is the author of five previous novels, *High Fidelity*, *About a Boy*, *How To Be Good*, *A Long Way Down* (shortlisted for the Whitbread Award) and *Slam*; three works of non-fiction, *Fever Pitch* (winner of the William Hill Sports Book of the Year Award), *31 Songs* (shortlisted for the National Books Critics Circle Award) and *The Complete Polysyllabic Spree*; and a Pocket Penguin book of short stories, *Otherwise Pandemonium*. He recently wrote the screenplay for the film *An Education*, which won the Audience Award at the Sundance Film Festival and is due for release in the UK in October 2009. Nick Hornby lives and works in Highbury, north London.

Penguin will publish *Juliet, Naked* in September 2009, adding to the complete list of Nick Hornby books already available on the Penguin website, as well as the blog which Nick updates.

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