

A stunning, powerful debut novel set against the backdrop of the Cambodian War, perfect for fans of Chris Cleave and Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie. For seven-year-old Raami, the shattering end of childhood begins with the footsteps of her father returning home in the early dawn hours bringing details of the civil war that has overwhelmed the streets of Phnom Penh, Cambodia's capital. Soon the family's world of carefully guarded royal privilege is swept up in the chaos of revolution and forced exodus. Over the next four years, as she endures the deaths of family members, starvation, and brutal forced labour, Raami clings to the only remaining vestige of childhood - the mythical legends and poems told to her by her father. In a climate of systematic violence where memory is sickness and justification for execution, Raami fights for her improbable survival. Displaying the author's extraordinary gift for language, *In the Shadow of the Banyan* is a testament to the transcendent power of narrative and a brilliantly wrought tale of human resilience. In the Shadow of the Banyan is one of the most extraordinary and beautiful acts of storytelling I have ever encountered. Chris Cleave, author of *The Other Hand*. Ratner is a fearless writer, and the novel explores important themes such as power, the relationship between love and guilt, and class. Most remarkably, it depicts the lives of characters forced to live in extreme circumstances, and investigates how that changes them. To read *In the Shadow of the Banyan* is to be left with a profound sense of being witness to a tragedy of history. Guardian. This is an extraordinary debut ... as beautiful as it is heartbreaking. Mail on Sunday.

Discuss *In the Shadow of the Banyan* by Vaddey Ratner: What does it mean to know? Knowing comes from learning, finding from seeking., We are all echoes of one another, Raami, and words, you see, he said, *In the Shadow of the Banyan* eBook by Vaddey Ratner. Official *In the Shadow of the Banyan*. PEN/Hemingway Award Finalist New York Times Bestseller Book of the Year Indies Choice Award Finalist New York Times Book Fiction Book Review: *In the Shadow of the Banyan* by Vaddey Ratner - A beautiful celebration of the power of hope, this New York Times bestselling novel tells the story of a girl who grows up in the shadow of the banyan tree. *In the Shadow of the Banyan* Book by Vaddey Ratner. Official. Told from the tender perspective of a young girl who comes of age amid the Cambodian killing fields, this searing first novel - based on the author's personal experience - is a masterpiece. Amazon. *In the Shadow of the Banyan* by Vaddey Ratner - ????. *In the Shadow of the Banyan* is a novel, but it is closely based on the author's family's experience in Cambodia during the genocide perpetrated by the Khmer Rouge. *In the Shadow of the Banyan* by Vaddey Ratner. "In the Shadow of the Banyan," Vaddey Ratner's first novel, tells the story of Raami's struggle to survive under the Khmer Rouge. During its publication, *In the Shadow of the Banyan* Audiobook by Vaddey Ratner, Greta Her critically acclaimed bestselling debut novel, *In the Shadow of the Banyan*, was a Finalist for the PEN/Hemingway Award and has been translated into 15 languages. Vaddey Ratner Quotes (Author of *In the Shadow of the Banyan*) "There will remain only so many of us at rest in the shadow of the banyan tree." Thus is an ancient prophecy about Cambodia artfully imparted. *In the Shadow of the Banyan* — Vaddey Ratner. *In the Shadow of the Banyan* by Vaddey Ratner – review. Krys Lee on a debut novel that offers a lesson in pain and endurance. Krys Lee. *In the Shadow of the Banyan*. By Vaddey Ratner (2013). My purpose is to honor the lives lost, and I wanted to do so by endeavoring to transform suffering into something meaningful. *In the Shadow of the Banyan* by Vaddey Ratner - Goodreads. *In the Shadow of the Banyan* is a work of autobiographical fiction depicting one young girl's experience of the Cambodian genocide. *In the Shadow of the Banyan: A Novel*: : Vaddey Ratner. *In the Shadow of the Banyan* draws on her childhood experiences under the brutal Khmer Rouge regime in

Cambodia. In The Shadow Of The Banyan: Summary and Book Review Now living in Potomac, Ratner tells the story of her survival in her gorgeous, tormenting first novel, In the Shadow of the Banyan. Through the