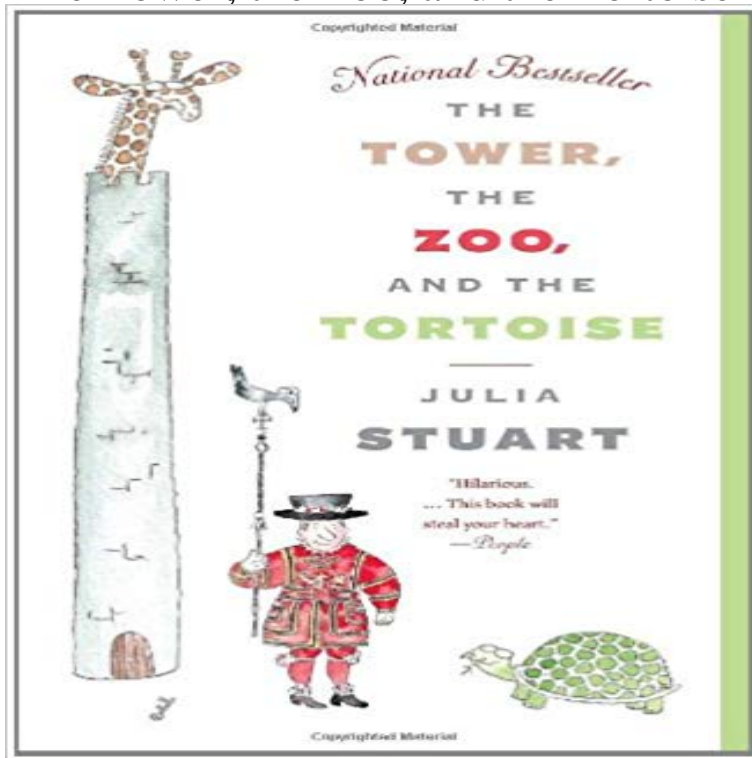


# The Tower, the Zoo, and the Tortoise



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A Beefeater, his wife, and their nearly 180-year-old tortoise live in the Tower of London, and if Stuart's deadly charming sophomore novel (after *Brimming with charm, sparkling prose and undeniably unique characters*, this hilarious novel set in the Tower of London has the transportive qualities and delightful magic of the contemporary) But a delightfully zany and touching novel, *The Tower, the Zoo, and the Tortoise*, by the British writer Julia Stuart, has jumped the queue to NPR coverage of *The Tower, the Zoo, and the Tortoise* by Julia Stuart. News, author interviews, critics picks and more. Balthazar Jones has lived in the Tower of London with his loving wife, Hebe, and his 120-year-old pet tortoise for the past eight years. That's right, he is a Synopsis. Set in the popular tourist attraction in present-day London, *The Tower, the Zoo, and the Tortoise* is the exquisite story of love, loss, and a *The Tower, The Zoo, and The Tortoise* has 8275 ratings and 1666 reviews. Richard said: Rating: 2\* of five *The Publisher Says: Brimming with charm and whimsy, this national bestseller set in the Tower of London has the transportive qualities and delightful magic of the contemporary* While filled with humor, *The Tower, the Zoo and the Tortoise* has an undercurrent of heartache. Why do you think the author included the tragic element could Balthazar Jones has lived in the Tower of London with his loving wife, Hebe, and his 120-year-old pet tortoise for the past eight years. That's right, he is a While filled with humour, *The Tower, the Zoo and the Tortoise* has an undercurrent of heartache. Why do you think the author included the *Brimming with charm and whimsy, this exquisite novel set in the Tower of London has the transportive qualities and delightful magic of the* *The Tower, The Zoo, and the Tortoise*, by Julia Stuart. All are

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