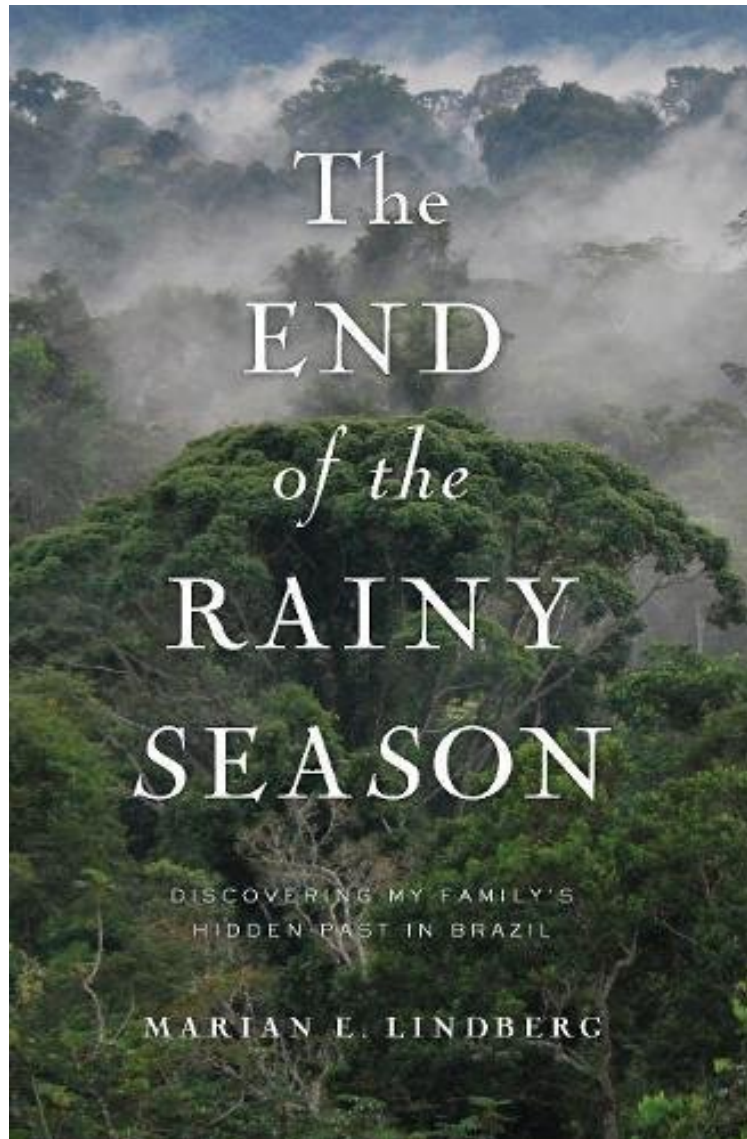


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I agree with all the favorable comments about this book. Like most of its readers, I knew nothing about the author but was curious about the mystery surrounding her step-grandfather's apparent long-ago disappearance somewhere in the backlands of Brazil. The premise drew me in, but Marian Lindberg's skills as a writer and investigator (her background in journalism and as a practicing attorney figure heavily in the narrative) made this book thoroughly absorbing. Like the best travel writing, this is above all a memoir of self-discovery that transcends the author's quest to discover the truth about Walter Lindberg, her namesake. Never dull, the book really takes off when, years after this family mystery had taken root in her psyche, she finally sets foot in Brazil to retrace his steps and nail down details of his life undiscoverable at home. But home and family remain at its center, the present is the lens through which the past -- New York and Brazil in the twenties and thirties -- is seen, and the quest is ultimately more important than whatever details she discovered about someone who lived and died in near total obscurity. Through vivid, psychologically astute writing, her home and family have become ours.

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Marian Lindberg takes us along on her personal journey of intrigue as she unwinds the mystery of the grandfather she never met, Walter Lindberg. Long guarded family secrets, ripened with the passage of time, are brought to light as the reader learns much about her family relationships, and in turn their own, and that the "truth" is often more a product of memory than reality. Over the course of her journey she encounters many interesting and selfless people from New York to Brazil, they are soon infected with Ms Lindberg's passion and enthusiasm and provide her with invaluable assistance. A real page turner! "

Marian Lindberg grew up being told that Walter Lindberg, the man who raised her father, was a brave explorer who had been murdered in the Amazon. She took her father's claims at face value, basking in her exotic roots, until she started to notice things. The unverified legend became a riddle she couldn't solve. As Lindberg moved from journalism to law, fell in love, and sought a family of her own, her father repeatedly interfered. He had a closed vision of his family, and she unlike the silent Walter was breaking out. Yet her father's story of the past haunted Lindberg. Long after her father's death, Lindberg set off for the Amazon, determined to find out the truth about Walter. Aided by generous Brazilians who adopted her search as if it were their own, she discovered as much about herself and her family as about Walter, whose true role in Brazil's history turned out to be unexpected and deeply troubling. Sharply observant, wrought with honesty, and sweeping in its ambitions, *The End of the Rainy Season* is a powerful examination of identity and human relationships with nature, and between one another.

"A beautifully written, moving, and distinct work." *Library Journal*
"This intriguing journey of self-discovery reads as an exotic travel memoir as well."
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"This ruminative family mystery brims with incident, from tropical trail-tracing to personal health crises, and, ultimately, both some disturbing revelations and a hard-won peace of mind."
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