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From Publishers Weekly

Treachery is the subject of *My Silent War: The Autobiography of a Spy*, the 1968 memoir of Kim Philby, the double agent who headed the Cambridge Five spy ring that fed British and American WWII and Cold War intelligence to the Soviet Union. Philby became a communist and Soviet agent in the 1930s, then easily joined MI6 and rose to be head of British Counterintelligence before seeking asylum in Moscow in 1963 (where he lived until his death in 1988). Back in print after 12 years, Philby's riveting, psychologically acute tale of spycraft offers a rather unflattering picture of the British secret service, and also addresses why he remained committed to communism even after revelations of Stalin's crimes.

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Review

“Far more gripping than any novel of espionage I can remember.” —Graham Greene

“To this day I am convinced that he was not an ideologue. Spying was just his way of being above lesser mortals.” —Nigel West

“Addictive . . . highly polished . . . written with style and a feline sense of irony, making it a much better read than any of the other Philby literature.” —*The Guardian*

“Philby has no home, no women, no faith. Behind the inbred upper-class arrogance, the taste for adventure, lies the self-hate of a vain misfit for whom nothing will ever be worthy of his loyalty. In the last instance, Philby is driven by the incurable drug of deceit itself.” —John le Carré

From the Inside Flap

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