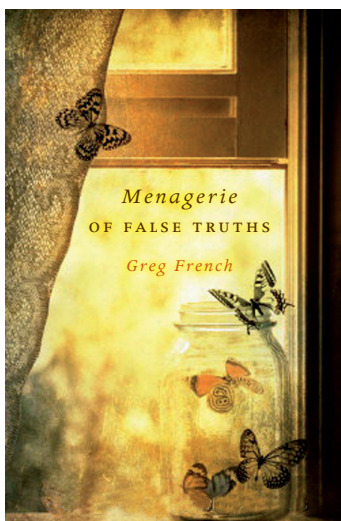


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'...If I have misled you, it's been more through matters of omission than outright lies.'

Cherry is like no one Jack has ever met. Yet she is very much like him.

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At every page the reader is exposed to alternative ways of viewing the world, often disturbing, sometimes strangely liberating. *Menagerie of False Truths* is an unforgettable work of genius that will leave you reeling.

AUTHOR

Greg French was born in 1962 and currently lives with his wife and their two teenage children on a large bush block near New Norfolk in Tasmania's Derwent Valley. His life is centred on wilderness activities, and he is well known in Australasian fly-fishing and bushwalking circles. In addition to natural history, Greg's other passions include language, literature, travel, physics and philosophy, all of which inspired his writing in *Menagerie of False Truths*. He has written several books, including the much-loved *Frog Call*, and contributes regular articles and columns to various magazines, including *FlyLife*.

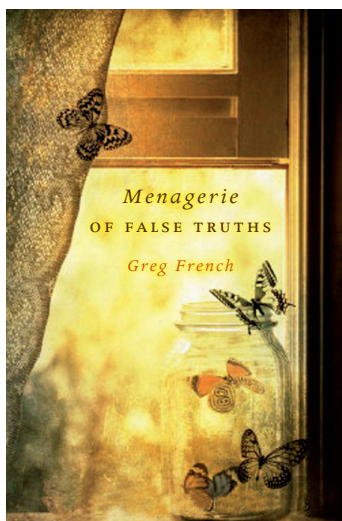
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Praise for Greg French:

If Greg spins his lures as well as he spins his yarns, it's no wonder that he is a good fisherman.

—*Sunday Tasmanian*

...It seems to me that those who have a deep knowledge and love of the particular are often able to use it to comprehend the general. *Frog Call* suggests that French may be one such.

—*The Age*

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—*The Advertiser* (Adelaide)

An ode to the natural environment and all it offers.

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—*The Australian Women's Weekly*

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