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### About the Author

English / Spanish Marcos Chicot was born in Madrid, Spain, in 1971. He has a BA in clinical and occupational psychology as well as in economics. He wrote his first novel, Oscar, in 1997. In 1998, he wrote Gordon's Diary, which won the Francisco Umbral Award. Two years later, he wrote a novel for young readers that won the Rotary Club International Literary Award. He has been a finalist in short story and novel contests such as the Max Aub Award, the City of Badajoz Prize, the Juan Pablo Forner Award, and the Planeta Prize. His novel Killing Pythagoras was the best-selling ebook in the Spanish speaking world in 2013. In 2015 Killing Pythagoras was singled out for the acclaimed Mediterranean Culture Award. He donates ten percent of the profits from his books to NGOs for people with intellectual disabilities, and he is profoundly grateful to his readers for making this possible. He has been married since 2007 and has two children: Lucía (2009) and Daniel (2012). Find out more about the years he spent researching and writing Killing Pythagoras at "The Story Behind the Novel": <http://www.marcoschicot.com/en/killing-pythagoras> You can also find out more about Marcos Chicot at: [www.marcoschicot.com](http://www.marcoschicot.com) Marcos Chicot nació en Madrid, España, en 1971. Es licenciado en Psicología Clínica, así como en Económicas y en Psicología Laboral. Escribió su primera novela -Óscar- en 1997. En 1998 escribió Diario de Gordon, con la que ganaría el Premio de Novela Francisco Umbral. Dos años más tarde escribió una novela juvenil que fue reconocida con el Premio Internacional Literario Rotary Club. Ha quedado finalista en premios de relato y de novela como el Max Aub, el Ciudad de Badajoz, el Juan Pablo Forner y el Premio Planeta. Su novela El asesinato de Pitágoras fue el ebook en español más vendido del mundo en el año 2013. En 2015 ha sido galardonada con el prestigioso "Premio per la Cultura Mediterranea". Destina el 10% de lo que obtiene con sus libros a ONGs para personas con discapacidad intelectual (y está profundamente agradecido a todos sus lectores por hacerlo posible). Está casado desde el año 2007 y tiene dos hijos -Lucía (2009) y Daniel (2012)-. Para más información relacionada con los años dedicados a El asesinato de Pitágoras, se puede leer "La historia detrás de la novela" aquí: <http://www.marcoschicot.com/es/el-asesinato-de-pitagoras> Puedes leer más sobre Marcos Chicot o contactar con él en: [www.marcoschicot.com](http://www.marcoschicot.com)

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