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**A SEAWIND OF OLD-FASHIONED ADVENTURE,  
GLORIOUSLY ILLUSTRATED:  
THE FORBIDDEN HARBOR**

NBM Graphic Novels, in its forty plus years of existence, has always been known for bringing in some of the best European comics, mostly from the French language. This fall, the company is proud to bring in a discovery from Italy.

The story of *The Forbidden Harbor* sweeps you away like an old-fashioned book by Melville or Stephenson. It is about a captain of a ship a couple centuries ago, the daughters he left running an inn, a confounding accusation of him absconding with a captured treasure off the exotic coast of Southeast Asia, and a mysterious appearance of the main character, a shipwrecked young boy who's lost his memory except for his name, Abel -which happens to be the same as the Captain's- who is brought back to the Captain's home.

It's seafaring adventure with gun battles, hearty old shanties sung by a hard-working crew, apparent treachery, heart-warming love, a family rent apart seeking redemption, even ghosts and some magic.

It's from the married couple of Teresa Radice and Sefano Turconi who have weaved many a Mickey Mouse tale for Disney, including an adaptation of *Treasure Island* (the spark for this!). She writes lyrically, he draws sumptuously and even if this book is 'only' in black and white, it is grand, sweeping, sure to absorb you completely. In fact, the B&W art makes it look like those old movies adapting such seafaring sweeping adventures.

You will breathe the bracing sea air, be a guest at the table of the girls running the inn, be perplexed along with Abel of the discoveries he makes. "This was a *coup de coeur* for me," says NBM founder Terry Nantier. "I believe it will transport you too."

Not much more should be revealed about this book full of mysteries, named after a harbor one can barely perceive and from which, sailor legend has it, one never returns...

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