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From Publishers Weekly Starred Review. This astounding memoir by Sudanese doctor Bashir relates the harrowing account of Janjaweed Arab militias that attacked her Zaghawa village of in 2004 and raped 42 school girls and their teachers. Bashir was left with the unimaginable task of treating every young girl and woman while trying to keep her anger in check for fear of retaliation. Bashir's stories are heartbreaking, and Rosalyn Landor captures the Sudanese dialect perfectly as well as the melancholy that abounds in Bashir's written account. Landor brilliantly steps into Bashir's shoes and assumes her identity so seamlessly that listeners will believe they are hearing it from the author herself. *A One World hardcover (Reviews, June 6).(Sept.)*

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From Bashir's story of her life in Darfur is difficult to read largely because so much of it is ordinary. She recounts growing up in a loving family, attending school, and, with the strong support of her father, becoming a doctor. After she enters professional life, civil war comes to her doorstep, and her life is torn apart. She witnesses horrible suffering and is herself brutally treated by the Janjaweed, the armed militias fighting with the tacit approval of the Sudanese government. As a "black African," Bashir recalls years of discrimination from ruling Arab Africans, but the spreading war accelerates the violence to epic and devastating levels. After fleeing to Britain, she finds herself in a new battle to prove that the nightmare in her country is real. Bashir is now a powerful voice for the victims of Darfur, speaking out on numerous painful subjects, from her own genital mutilation to rape and the loss of her family. Harsh in its honesty, Bashir's chronicle is shocking and disturbing. An unforgettable tragedy. --Colleen Mondor --This text refers to the edition.

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