

Eline Vere

Louis Couperus

A classic novel about a love that was lost.

A tale of two sisters: Eline, a waif-like, elegant creature who is over-sensitive and prone to depression and Betsy, plain looking, practical and materialistic.

A tale of three main suitors: Otto, Baron van Erlevoort ter Horze, the 'perfect match' Vincent Vere, her beloved but sickly cousin, and his friend Lawrence St Clare, the dependable and sensible American. But what about her bother-in-law, her friend Paul and the new baritone from Brussels, Théo Fabrice?

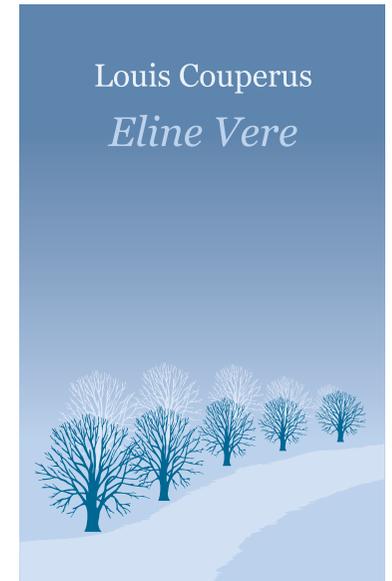
It is the tale of a girl caught into a web of her unrealistic expectations and the whispers of close-knit, small provincial society which is very much set in its ways.

'She shuddered at the very idea of a mariage de raison, because in her heart she felt a longing for love, much love, although it was a feeling which she had done her best to repress after her recent disappointment.'

Eline flees to her uncle in Brussels and then travels around Europe, but in which direction will her life be blown? What will become of her?

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Louis Couperus (1863 – 1923) is one of the most loved and widely-read Dutch authors. Eline Vere was his first novel, written in 1887 and published as a serialisation. It made his name and was so popular that the last instalment was the topic of discussion everywhere in the city – Have you heard what happened to Eline?



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