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# SUMMER IN EPHEBUS

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**First love and buried hopes: the summer that changed everything.**

As a seventeen year-old, Anastasia spends an entire summer in Ephesus instead of accompanying her mother, a dancer, and her constantly changing lovers on a trip through the United States. During the dig she learns more about her father's lifelong obsession, which destroyed more than her parents' marriage – Ephesus, the city that had only existed in her dreams and in the books her father, a famous archeologist, had written. She also meets Hubert again, her first love and her father's favorite student, who once upon a time was a permanent fixture in her parents' home. That summer, Anastasia still believes that her future is just beginning, but then the season ends in disaster... When she hears of her father's death many years later, she finds out what actually happened that summer and before. ...

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