

## MEDIA RELEASE

# HOW I BECAME THE MR BIG OF PEOPLE SMUGGLING

**MARTIN CHAMBERS**

*I never planned to be the Mr Big of people smuggling. That's what they call me. The Mr Big of People Smuggling. Trafficker in human misery. Well, my father always told me if you are going to do something, do it well.*

### ABOUT THE BOOK

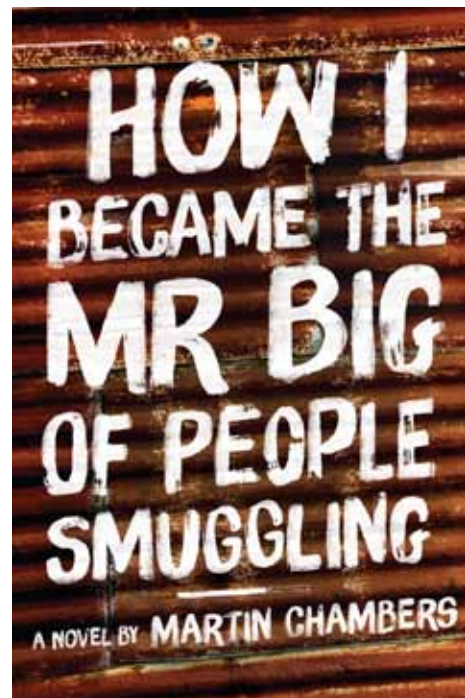
Nick Smart is fresh out of school, a wet-behind-the-ears jackaroo on a gap year. But at Palmenter Station, nothing is what it seems. Nick is about to discover there's a lot of grey between black and white, between legal and illegal and between right and wrong.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Martin Chambers was born in Perth, the son of two journalists. He is married and has two adult daughters. He has worked as a biologist, a tour guide, a whitewater rafting guide, a lab assistant, a publican, a kayak designer, a ferry skipper and in mineral exploration. Between episodes of cycling, kayaking, sailing or travel, he writes.

### MEDIA NOTES

- *How I became the Mr Big of People Smuggling* was shortlisted for the T.A.G. Hungerford award in 2012.
- Martin Chambers is the author of four novels and two non-fiction books, and his poetry and short stories have been published in various anthologies.
- The novel is a topical thriller inspired, in part, by the author's chance meeting with people smugglers in Indonesia.



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