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Stuart Maconie is a writer, broadcaster, and journalist familiar to millions from his work in print, on radio, and on TV. His previous bestsellers have included *Cider with Roadies*, *Pies and Prejudice*, and *Adventures on the High Seas*, and he currently hosts the afternoon show on BBC 6music with Mark Radcliffe as well as weekly show *The Freak Zone*.

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