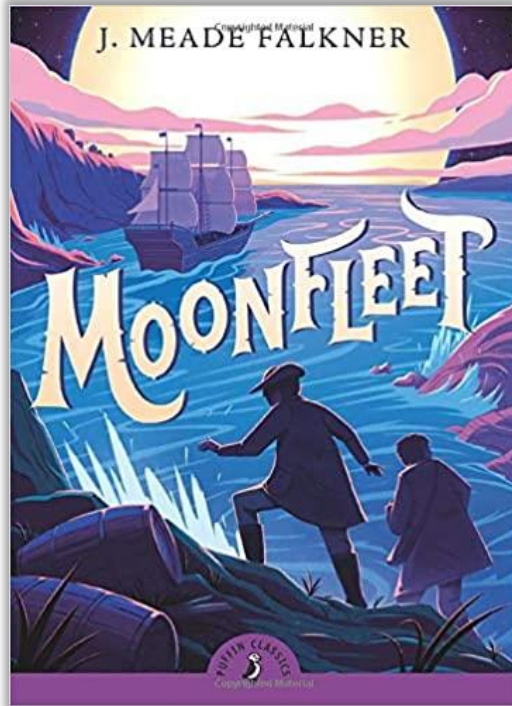


Moonfleet

J. Meade Falkner (1858 - 1932)



- Written in 1898, this is a tale of smuggling set among the cliffs, caves, and downs of Dorset.
- Everyone in the tiny village of Moonfleet lives by the sea one way or another, so it's no surprise when fifteen-year-old orphan John Trenchard gets involved in the smuggling trade. Banished by his Aunt Jane, he goes to live at the local inn with the mysterious Elzevir Block, who becomes like a father to him.
- John comes to learn the reasons for the noises in the graveyard at night, of 'Blackbeard' Mohune's lost treasure and Elzevir Block's secret. Forced to flee England with a price on his head, John little guesses the adventures and trials he will have before he sees Moonfleet again.

[Moonfleet Launch - Official Pick Trailer - YouTube](#)

	Historical Interest
	Cultural Messages
	Sexual Content
	Violence
	Language
	Controversial Issues

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- **John Meade Falkner** (8 May 1858 – 22 July 1932) was the son of a country clergyman. He was an English novelist and poet, best known for his 1898 novel, *Moonfleet*. An extremely successful businessman as well, he became chairman of the arms manufacturer Armstrong Whitworth during World War I. Meade Falkner was a great collector of books, and an expert palaeographer, (which means he was expert in reading ancient and old handwriting). He even received a medal from the Pope for this.
- **He said:** “We thought there was no more behind but such a day tomorrow as today. And to be a boy eternal.”
- **Did you know?** He wrote four novels but only published three as he lost one while on a train! Of these, *Moonfleet*, his best adventure story, was made into a feature film.

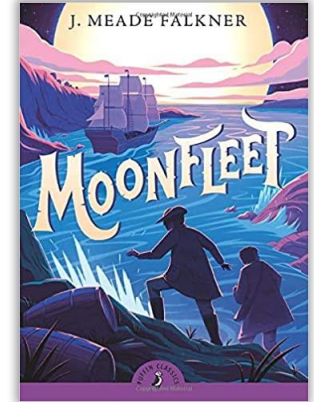


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