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## A Collection of *Unusual* Short Stories

**“Brilliant! Above all, Cohen is a masterful storyteller.”**

Mark Mitchell, former editorial page writer  
for the *Wall Street Journal* (5 Stars)

## *The Road Less Taken*

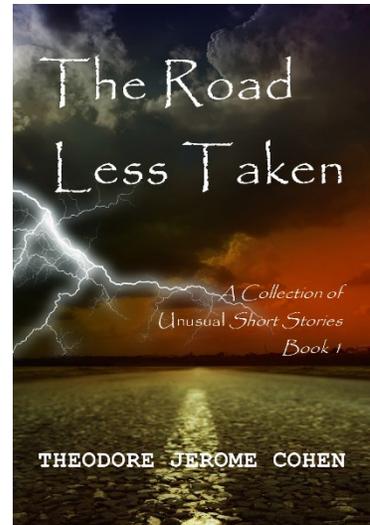
Theodore Jerome Cohen’s first serious attempt to write a short story for publication was in 1962 while he was working in Antarctica. The story he penned—about a man killed by a pod of orcas—was lost during his return to the United States. It wasn’t until 2009, when he resurrected the tale and incorporated it into his post-modern novel, *Frozen in Time, Murder at the Bottom of the World*, that the horror of the episode, which was based on a real encounter by three Chilean Army enlisted men with a pod of orcas, appeared in print. Time did not dim the horror of what happened at sea that day! Now, this story and others—*unusual* stories about Ted’s life as a violinist, about a woman who seeks the help of a fortune teller to divine the future of her daughter, and about a university professor obsessed with the making of coffee—are vividly brought to life in the collection of short stories found in this book.



“This collection of short stories is like a Whitman Sample—small, bite-sized morsels of literary ecstasy, so tasty and easily digested in one sitting that we’re often tempted to gobble them up, one after the other, in pursuit of a reading ‘high,’ ” said Cohen. “What you’ll find here, in some cases, are excerpts adapted from some of my novels, as in the case of “Requiem for Solly” or “And Then There Were Two, which is the tale from Antarctica.” In another case, the material is based on an idea I used in a Young Adult (YA) novel I wrote under the pen name ‘Alyssa Devine.’ The storylines in both cases involve a fortune teller and the use of tarot cards. I’m particularly proud of ‘Unforgiven,’ the story of a man who was asked by his dying father to seek out and thank his World War II Army sergeant for the privilege of having served under him at Normandy and in the Battle of the Bulge. Using some insightful suggestions from the editorial board of the literary magazine *CARVE*, I resubmitted the story to *Glimmer Train*, where it won Honorable Mention in

that magazine's September, 2015, Family Matters competition. Given that *Glimmer Train* receives between 2,000 and 3,000 submissions a month, I'll take it!"

Other books by Theodore Jerome Cohen include the Detective Louis Martelli, NYPD, mystery/thriller series, which includes *Wheel of Fortune*, a book about New York City mob influence in southeastern Pennsylvania; *Eighth Circle: A Special Place in Hell*, which deals with mob-driven corruption at the highest levels in New York City government; and *Night Shadows*, which addresses the subjects of child abuse, teenage rape, and teen suicide. Other Martelli novels include *Lilith: Demon of the Night*, a novel about a New York City vampire cult; *House of Cards: Dead Men Tell No Tales*, which is based on real events related to the 2008 financial crisis precipitated by the housing bubble; and *Death by Wall Street: Rampage of the Bulls*, which focused on corruption within the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the incompetence of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). Dr. Cohen's Antarctic Murders Trilogy describes what happened following a robbery of the Banco Central de Chile in Talcahuano in May, 1960. The trilogy comprises *Frozen in Time: Murder at the Bottom of the World* (Book I), *Unfinished Business: Pursuit of an Antarctic Killer* (Book II), and *End Game: Irrational Acts, Tragic Consequences* (Book III). The Trilogy now is available in one (Kindle) eBook edition, *Cold Blood*. Dr. Cohen's first novel, *Full Circle: A Dream Denied, A Vision Fulfilled*, which is based on his life as a violinist, was published in 2009. Screenplays written by Dr. Cohen include *Death by Wall Street*, based on his novel by the same name, and *Beware Those Closest*, based on his novel *House of Cards*. Dr. Cohen also is the author of the Young Adult novel *The Hypnotist*, which he wrote under the pen name "Alyssa Devine." Finally, Dr. Cohen has published more than 450 papers, articles, columns, essays, and interviews, and is a co-author of *The NEW Shortwave Propagation Handbook* (from CQ Communications). The author's financial writings may be found on the Website *SeekingAlpha.com*.



Dr. Cohen's novels are available from your favorite online retailers. *The Road Less Taken* is available in paperback and Kindle formats.

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