

# ROMAN *Books*

## Advanced Information Sheet

### THERE ARE SEVEN NOTES

#### SUDHA BALAGOPAL

'Sudha Balagopal's writing crafts quiet, compelling stories full of life's small but defining moments.'

**Martin Etchart**, author of *The Good Oak*

'Sudha Balagopal's short stories will take you along to an emotional journey to knowledge of one's irrational self.'

**Zdravka Evtimova**, author of *Miss Daniella*

Can music really communicate emotions better than words? Is a person born with music embedded in his DNA? Could two souls bound by music ever find a connection outside of it? Like a superbly arranged musical composition, *There are Seven Notes* endeavours to sing a song to reveal the unseen bonds between life and music. Eight year old Hamsa suffers through her vocal lessons to satisfy the cultural aspirations of her family—a skilled singer steps away from his professional performance to re-assess his life—and a celebrity father's musical hopes for his son are dashed. The seven stories in *There are Seven Notes* reveal the pervasiveness of classical music in Indian culture: an attempt once again to fathom the distance between life and art.

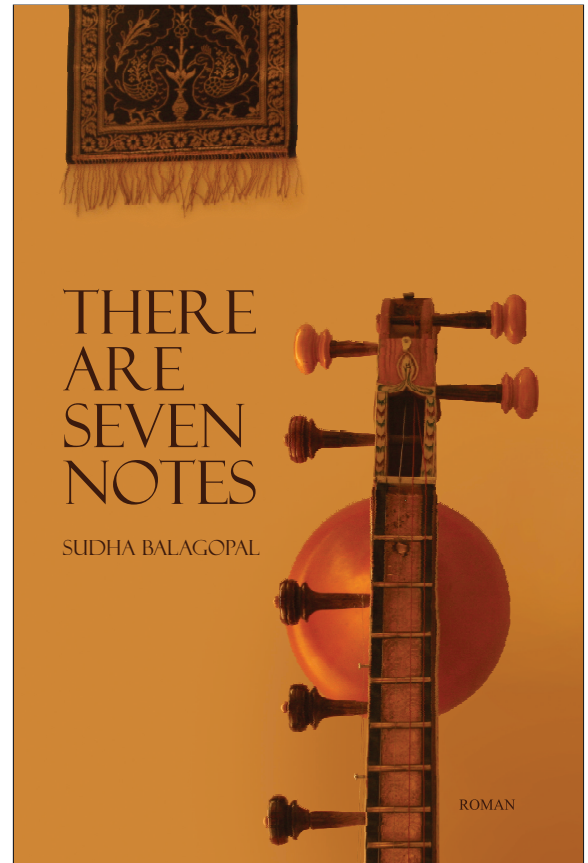
**Sudha Balagopal** was born and raised in India. Her stories have appeared in a number of magazines of international repute. An avid listener and admirer of Indian classical music, Sudha has lived in the United States for the past quarter century. *There are Seven Notes* is her first book.

#### UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- ✓ The stories unfold a different truth yet undiscovered in literature, i.e. how the music magically turns into words and words into characters that are coherent like a superbly arranged musical notation.
- ✓ The stories revolve around the world of music.
- ✓ With each tale corresponding to the seven musical notes, it blends the themes of music and cultural identity.

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- ✓ Advertisements and features in *The Bookseller*, *Buyers Notes* and *BookTime*



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