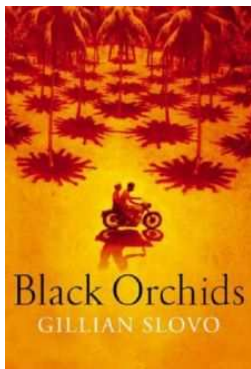


Black Orchids by Gillian Slova



When the genteelly impoverished and rebellious English Evelyn marries the charming Emil, the son of a privileged Sinhalese family, she thinks that her dream of a life in England can now at last come true. So the family travel, with their young son Milton, from Ceylon to England. But this is England in the 1950s and, no matter how hard Evelyn wishes that it would; this is a country that does not always welcome strangers. This is not simply a novel of racial tensions, but a fast paced story with vibrant characters set in a London which is about to change for ever.