

## Madame Bovary

## by Gustave Flaubert

Published in book form in April 1857, Flaubert's masterpiece focuses on a doctor's wife, Emma Bovary, who has adulterous affairs and lives beyond her means in order to escape the banalities and emptiness of provincial life. Though the basic plot is rather simple, even archetypal, the novel's true art lies in its details and hidden patterns. Flaubert was notoriously perfectionist about



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his writing and claimed to always be searching for *le mot juste* (the right word). (Summary from Wikipedia)

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