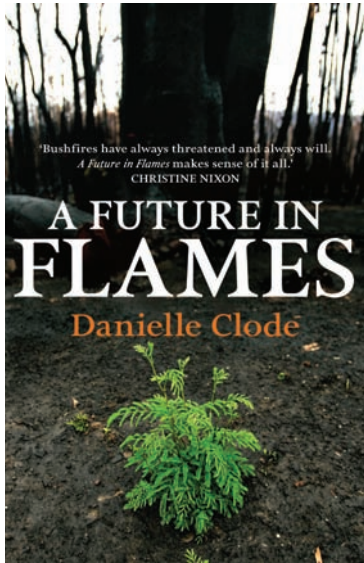


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*'Bushfires have always threatened and always will.
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Danielle Clode lives on a bush block in the fire-prone foothills of the Kinglake Ranges. As a psychologist and ecologist, she has long been fascinated by the role fire plays in the Australian bush. *A Future in Flames* is a personal journey of discovery that looks at what we have learnt from the lessons of the past and attempts to understand why, after so many years, people are still dying in bushfires.

Danielle Clode has written a number of books on Australia's natural history, including *Voyages to the South Seas*, the winner of the 2007 Victorian Premier's Literary Award for Non-fiction. She has previously been the Thomas Ramsay Science and Humanities Fellow at Museum Victoria and a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford where she completed her DPhil in zoology. Danielle wrote *A Future in Flames* while holding the Redmond Barry Fellowship at the University of Melbourne and the State Library of Victoria, and worked as a researcher in community safety for the Country Fire Authority during the Black Saturday bushfires.

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