



The Singing Trees

BOOK CLUB QUESTIONS

How do you feel about Annalisa's desire to be out of her hometown and away from Nonna?

Talk about how the relationship between Nonna and Annalisa. Talk about Annalisa's growth in these ways:

- her feelings toward her parents
- her feeling toward Nonna
- her sense of familiga

Who she is as a woman and a budding artist?

Talk about Italian culture and the love and sharing and the food.

An artist friend says that Annalisa's talent would never evolve so quickly. Could she have found her voice so young?

Discuss how much impact Annalisa's mother, and conversely, her father had on her drive to create art.

Discuss the growth of love and her fight to remain independent. How does she eventually find balance between love and art?

Discuss the dynamics of women and men in the professional world, then and now.

Does anyone remember the draft lottery? Talk about those memories.

Talk about the Vietnam War and its effect on our men and women.

What music spoke to you back then?

Talk about the ability to forgive.

Talk about the magic of death and where the spirit goes.

The homemade wind chimes were important to the story. What items do you cherish for similar reasons?