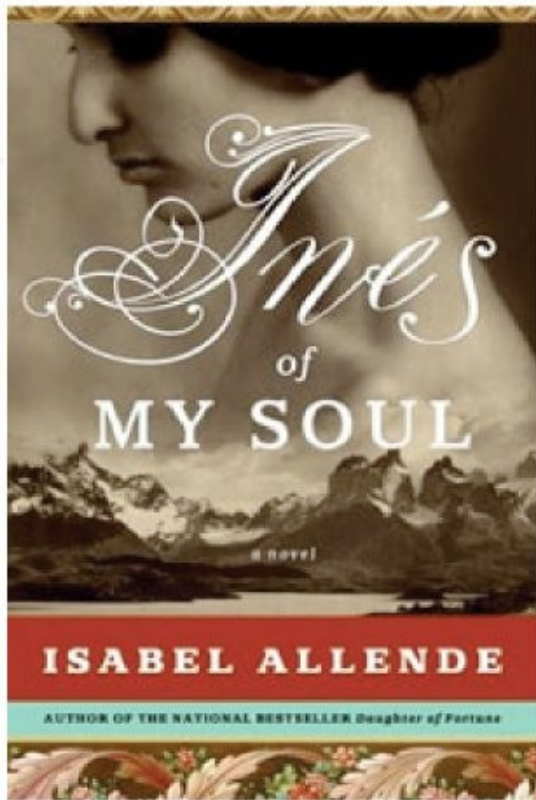




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## **Inés of My Soul**

*by Isabel Allende*

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