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Twilight

-Mount Batukaru, Tabanan, Bali

Tree against dusky sky is shadow.

Creatures wind-carried by oncoming darkness. Seed-light, bat-eyed.

Birds beehive towards branches.

I like the way I smell in the forest. Different. Stink & sap & mulch. I rouse myself.

Meanwhile my father has wormed farther into his grave.

Do I belong in a field, too? I've been beholden enough.

When I leave this earth, let me disappear fully.

Quicker than vesper.

Lightning-sharp.