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Russia's Big Books:
OBLOMOV by Ivan Goncharov
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No other novel has been used to describe the "Russian mentality" or "Russian soul" as frequently as Ivan Goncharov's Oblomov. It was the favorite novel of both Leo Tolstoy and Samuel Beckett, while Anton Chekhov claimed that Goncharov stood "10 heads above me in talent." Find out for yourselves why this epic of laziness is so highly esteemed by so many.

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