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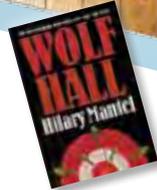
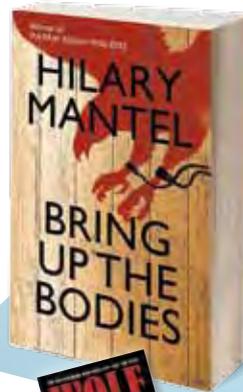
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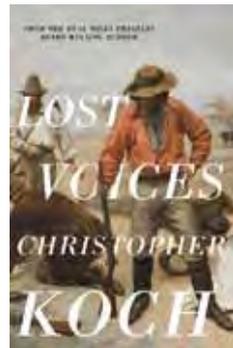


Bring Up the Bodies

Hilary Mantel

Following on from **Wolf Hall** (\$19.99), which won this same award in 2009, here is the next instalment in a planned trilogy. I recommended this unreservedly when it first came out in May, so it's nice that the *Man Booker* judges agreed with me! All jokes aside, this novel is a worthy winner and a fabulous read. Thomas Cromwell is playing the dangerous game of managing Henry VIII's capricious whims, navigating through the slippery politics of the court and pandering to Henry's desire for Jane Seymour. After all, Anne Boleyn and her faction are no friends of Cromwell's... Immediate, involving and brilliant writing!! *Lindy* Pb \$32.99

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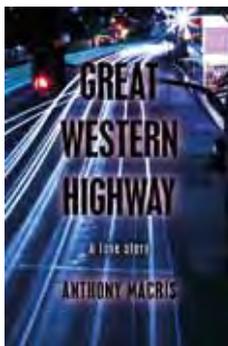
Christopher Koch

This richly rewarding novel is set in Hobart in the 1950s and the 1850s. Hugh Dixon has approached an estranged uncle, Walter, to avert his father's disgrace. Impressed by Hugh, Walter encourages him in his desire to be an artist, and instructs him in the family history. Walter's father Martin participated in a notorious bushranger's Utopian settlement. Parallels exist: history repeats. This is a multi-layered book with a slowly unfolding, beautifully textured, style. It will be on all the literary award lists – read it before it wins! *Lindy* Pb \$32.99

Trieste

Daša Drndić

Haya Tedeschi surrounds herself with memories and photographs, reflecting on the past and the absence of her child, who was stolen during WWII. This novel constantly blurs the line between fact and fiction. Voices interject into the narrative, crying out to be heard, whether it's the Lebersborn children, transcripts from war-crimes trials or the distant echo of so many lost souls. Although at times not a comfortable read, this is a deeply engaging one. I found myself pausing, taking time to reflect upon the enormity of what I had read. For me, this is easily the book of the year. *Greg* Pb \$32.99



Great Western Highway

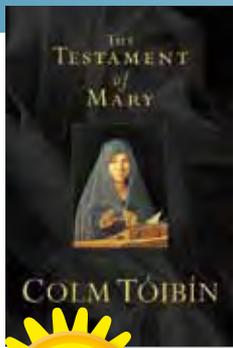
A Love Story

Anthony Macris

Parramatta Road at peak hour and Nick is trudging along to see his ex-girlfriend Penny for the first time since they agreed to be just friends. Their romance was awkward because he could never quite fully concentrate on just her. Too many distractions got in the way: not just his past, but all the noise of contemporary society and consumerism. In a world of media saturation and constant demands, what happens to the basic human need for belonging? A thoroughly modern love story. Pb \$29.95

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The Testament of Mary Colm Tóibín

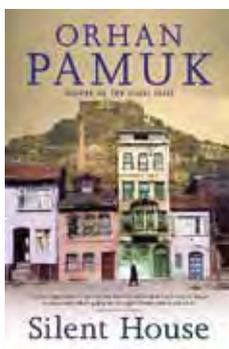
This beautifully written novella brings a human voice to Mary not heard before. Reflecting on her son's crucifixion, the unease she feels when witnessing his miracles and the growing menace of the authorities, Tóibín strips away the religious dogma, leaving an exposed, vulnerable woman who is both concerned and bewildered by what she is seeing. A truly moving work. *Greg* Hb \$19.99



Comes with a FREE copy of **Beware of God** by Shalom Auslander (\$28) while stocks last. An irreverent, hilarious and at times crude collection of short stories. Two completely different books, but both hugely enjoyable!

Silent House Orhan Pamuk

Pamuk's second novel (now translated into English for the first time) is the moving story of a family gathering just before the Turkish military coup of 1980. In a crumbling mansion, the old widow Fatma awaits the annual summer visit of her grandchildren, attended by her faithful servant Recep. It is Recep's cousin, Hassan, a fervent right-wing nationalist, who will draw the family into the growing political cataclysm. Pb \$29.99



The One Hundred Year Old Man Who Climbed Out the Window and Disappeared

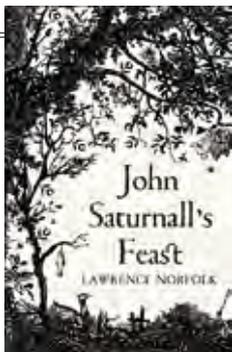
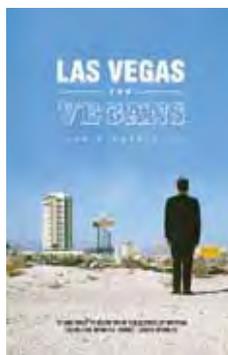
Jonas Jonasson

This is one of my favourite books of the year – and it's sold millions in Europe, so I'm not alone! It also shows that Swedish writers aren't all focused on dark and ugly crime! Allan Karlsson doesn't want to be 100 and he certainly doesn't want to have a birthday party, especially if there isn't any vodka! So he escapes from his nursing home, steals a suitcase from a thug at the local bus station and embarks on an adventure. But as we find out, Allan has had many adventures in his century of living; his expertise in explosives and his extraordinary ability to meet the most interesting people of the 20th century have contributed to a remarkable life. Funny, ebullient, immensely diverting – a truly charming read! *Lindy* Pb \$29.99



Las Vegas for Vegans A S Patric

From Las Vegas to Melbourne, from a doomed airplane in mid-flight to a seedy outback motel, these stories are all truly set in the workings of the human heart. The characters are searching for possibilities, truth and lies, the revelations of shadows, and the strange light that shines between tall buildings. An original collection of assured, beautiful storytelling of exceptional craft, brimming with humour and compassion. Pb \$29.95



John Saturnall's Feast Lawrence Norfolk

This is my favourite historical novel of the year, along with Hilary Mantel's **Bring Up the Bodies**. It is 17th century England and John has the extraordinary ability to identify the ingredients of any dish. When he and his mother, the village wise woman, are driven out by religious bigots, he gains refuge after her death in Buckland Manor. His talents see him

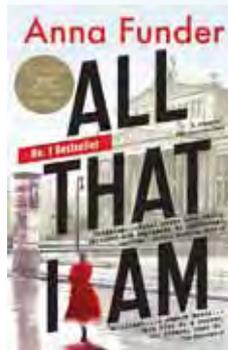
rise from scullery boy to head cook, but he is driven by the need to fulfil his mother's vision and create a Grand Feast, no matter how long it takes... His recipes (for which Heston Blumenthal was consulted!) are interspersed throughout the book. A story of love and redemption, and a colourful recreation of the times, this is a fine feast for any reader of delicious prose! *Lindy* Hb \$32.99

After Love Subhash Jaireth

An Indian architecture student arrives in Moscow in the 1960s and falls in love with an archaeologist. His idealism about communism clashes with her experience and they part. Later he returns, having been unable to forget her, and they marry. They decide to move to Venice, but once in Italy she disappears without a trace. Eventually he discovers something painful, but at the same time wonderful... An evocative, lyrically written novel. Pb \$29.95



Miles Franklin Award Indie Award Book of the Year



All that I Am Anna Funder

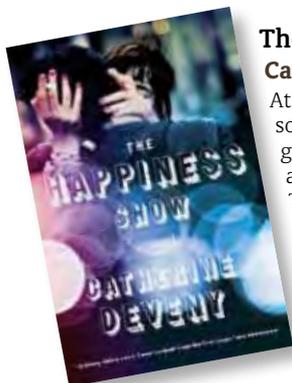
Everyone who read Anna Funder's **Stasiland** (\$24.95), about the East German Secret Police, will enjoy her wonderful first novel, set in Germany, London and Sydney. Although the main characters are taken from life, Funder has imagined their lives of bravery and sacrifice during the last days of the Weimar Republic in fiction that is just as exciting as any derring-do. It's been a long time since I read a novel I didn't want to end, like

when I read Steinbeck's **East of Eden** (\$22.95), but this is one of those rare books. Anna Funder can really write! *Eve Abbey* Pb \$22.95



The Happiness Show Catherine Deveny

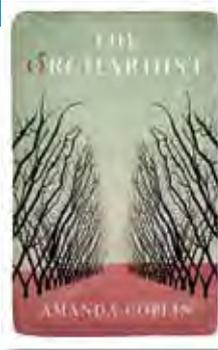
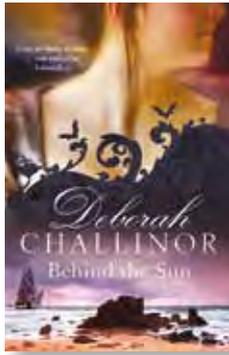
At 38, Lizzie Quealy thinks she has things sorted: a happy relationship, a couple of gorgeous kids, a steadfast best friend and a job she loves. But when she bumps into Tom, an old flame from her globe-trotting 20s, her predictable life is turned on its head. Set in Melbourne, London and Bali, this is a refreshingly honest story of love, fidelity and the messiness of second chances. Pb \$29.99





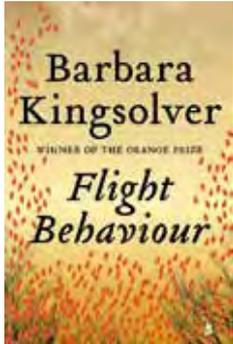
Behind the Sun Deborah Challinor

Four women are transported to Sydney in 1829. Friday, a whore with a temperament to match her copper hair; Sarah, a mistrustful, talented jeweller and pickpocket; kind-hearted Harrie, who made one dreadful mistake; and Rachel, beautiful, naive and wronged. This unlikely quartet bond in Newgate Prison and on the convict ship, but once in Sydney they will be separated. I really enjoyed this, as much for the deep historical research as for the characters, and it was satisfying to learn there will be a sequel... *Lindy* Pb \$29.99



The Orchardist Amanda Coplin

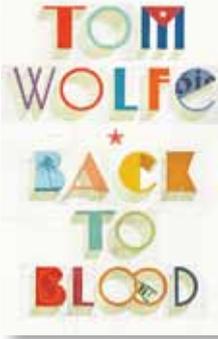
Early in the 20th century in an isolated corner of the Pacific Northwest, a fruit grower finds his solitude disturbed by two young - and pregnant - runaway girls. Gradually he wins their trust, but their tenuous peace is shattered and tragedy strikes. Already scarred by the disappearance of his only sister many years before, the farmer must disrupt the order of his life to heal and make amends. A lyrical and assured novel of great depth. *Lindy* Pb \$29.99



Flight Behaviour Barbara Kingsolver

Dellarobia is a young mother so discontented with her poverty-stricken life on a failing farm in the Appalachian Mountains that she impulsively decides to have an affair. On her way to consummate it, she stumbles across something so impossible as to be a miracle. But is it? Or is it a sign of something more disturbing - a freak of nature that indicates how far out of whack the world really is? With the Christians of her community celebrating it as one, and visiting researchers treating it as the other, Dellarobia finds her

life totally transformed. Thoughtful, powerful and quietly compulsive reading - highly recommended. *Lindy* Pb \$32.99



Back to Blood Tom Wolfe

The long-awaited return of one of America's grand masters! This big, panoramic story of the new America centres on growing racial anxieties in Miami and overflows with diverse characters: a muckraking journalist, a sex-addiction psychiatrist and his Latina nurse, a billionaire porn addict, crack dealers in the hoods, spectators at the annual regatta looking only for that night's orgy and a nest of shady Russians. A brilliant, spot-on and often hilarious reckoning of our times. Pb \$32.95

Telegraph Avenue Michael Chabon

This is the story of two friends, Nat and Archy (owners of Brokeland Records), and their wives, Gwen and Aviva (midwives). It is an epic tale of friendship and betrayal, and though there are numerous tangents, it always comes back to the essential core - the friendship of Nat and Archy. When a proposed offer of a music megastore comes into play, both friends' loyalties are pushed to the limit, as are their wives' after a near disaster with a pregnancy.

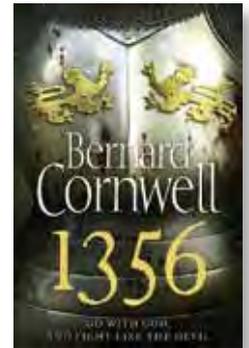
A cross between **High Fidelity** and TV's *The Wire*, this multi-layered read will have you rushing out to listen to those jazz funk classics of the 70s. *Greg* Pb \$29.99



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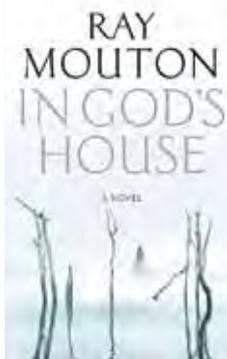
Bernard Cornwell

Thomas of Hookton - a veteran of Crecy and other battles - is the leader of a mercenary band ravaging eastern Gascony. Edward, Prince of Wales, later to be known as the Black Prince, is assembling an army to fight the French. Before Thomas will join the Prince, he must search for a legendary sword supposed to bestow victory upon its owner. Culminating in the Battle of Poitiers in 1356, this sweeping novel is meticulously researched and richly compelling. Pb \$29.99



In God's House Ray Mouton

In 1985, a promising Catholic lawyer wanting publicity and money agrees to defend a priest accused of child molestation. His research uncovers a conspiracy that reaches to the highest levels of the church, and so his quest for justice begins - not for the priest, but for the thousands of children whose lives were destroyed by the ultimate breach of faith. His own beliefs, career and family will be bitterly affected. This is a thinly-veiled story of the author's own life. Pb \$29.99



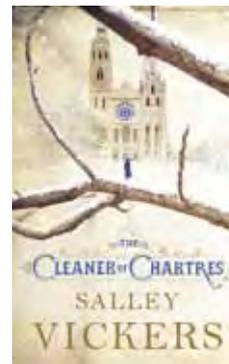
Sufficient Grace Amy Espeseth

Ruth and her cousin Naomi live in rural Wisconsin, part of an isolated religious community. Struggling with a horrifying secret, Ruth escapes her own disturbing reality by taking refuge in the beauty of the natural world. A story of lost innocence and the unflinching bond between two young women, this is devastating yet beautiful, and ultimately transcendent. Pb \$29.95



The Cleaner of Chartres Salley Vickers

There is something special about the ancient cathedral in Chartres. And there is something special too about Agnes Morel, the mysterious woman who cleans it each morning. After a chance meeting in the cathedral, Agnes is forced to confront her history, and the mystery of her origin finally unfolds. Told with sparkling wit and beguiling charm, and infused throughout with deeper truths, this story speaks of the power of love and mercy to transform the tragedies of the past. Pb \$29.99



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The Girl from Snowy River Jackie French

Set in a community devastated by the influenza epidemic and the losses of WWI. Flinty McAlpine disguises herself as a boy to earn money on the brumby muster headed by Clancy of the Overflow. Seeing a colt's potential, she buys him; it will be the catalyst for her future as well. A stirring historical novel from one of our best writers for young readers. *Lindy* Pb \$19.99



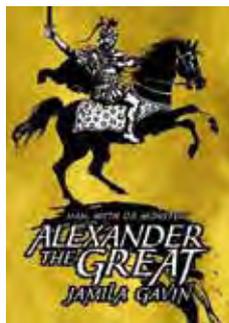
Robin Hood David Calcutt & Grahame Baker-Smith

Robin Hood, champion of the downtrodden and destitute, is a hero for all times, and this lavishly illustrated volume introduces his daring feats and his band of Merry Men to a new generation of readers. From how Robin became an outlaw to his last battle, this graceful retelling is enhanced by finely rendered illustrations from *Greenaway Prize-winner* Baker-Smith. Ages 8-12 *Lindy* Hb \$34.99



Alexander the Great Man, Myth or Monster? Jamila Gavin

The Alexander the Great exhibition at the Australian Museum runs from 24 November and this is the perfect book to accompany it! It tells of Alexander's exciting life and achievements, and interleaves the biographical and historical details with myths and legends that resonated for Alexander himself. It also relates stories that sprang up in his wake as he conquered a fair chunk of his world. A bold and stirring story, enhanced by decorated pages and energetic illustrations. *Lindy* Hb \$32.95



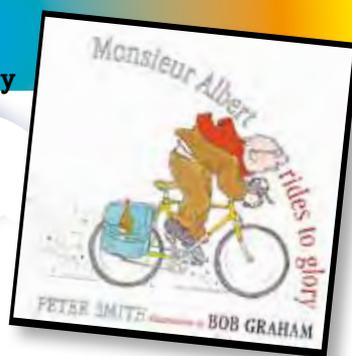
Truly Tan Jen Storer

Tan is a Great Detective and she's not convinced about her family's relocation to the country. Starting a new school and making friends isn't easy. But then she and her sisters discover the neighbouring kids have a fabulous cubby house, and when a photograph of it reveals a ghostly figure, and strange things start happening, Tan knows her detecting skills will come in handy! A really delightful story with a sassy, good-hearted character. Highly recommended for ages 8-11. *Lindy* Pb \$16.99



Monsieur Albert Rides to Glory Peter Smith & Bob Graham

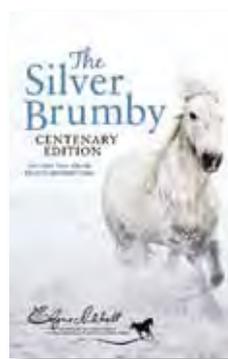
Albert decides that even if he is 60, he will compete in the bike race from Paris to Nice. After all, he's fit and has a good bike, so why not? Although not the fastest cyclist, with perseverance and a bit of *bonne chance*, Albert does ride to glory! Told in rhyme which reads out loud beautifully, and with delightfully witty illustrations by Bob Graham (look out for his ever-charming trademark vignettes), this is a book made to share. *Lindy* Hb \$24.99



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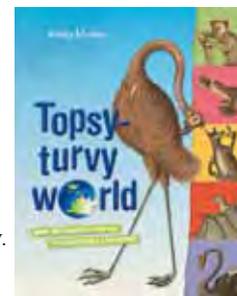
The Silver Brumby Centenary Edition Elyne Mitchell

As a youngster, I adored the *Silver Brumby* books, in which Thowra, a magnificent stallion, struggles to remain free and wild in the Australian Alps. This very fine edition contains all four original stories (*Silver Brumby* / *Silver Brumby's Daughter* / *Silver Brumbies of the South* / *Silver Brumby Kingdom*), as well as a biography of the author, born in 1913. Full of glorious descriptions of the country and its animals, with a strong environmental message, these are timeless tales. *Lindy* Pb \$32.99



Topsy-Turvy World How Australian Animals Puzzled Early Explorers Kirsty Murray

The first Europeans in Australia were mightily puzzled by the weird animals they found here: the water creature with a duck's bill at one end and a beaver's tail at the other; the greyhound hopping on its back legs; the bird that brayed like a donkey. Trying to make sense of such oddities by comparing them to more familiar animals led to any number of misunderstandings! This colourful and lively book presents 15 animals and is full of fascinating stories and facts. Perfect for the young naturalist in your life. *Lindy* Hb \$29.95



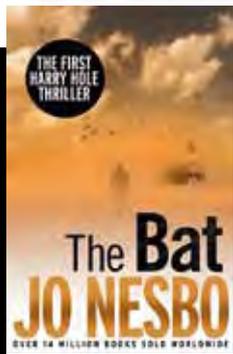
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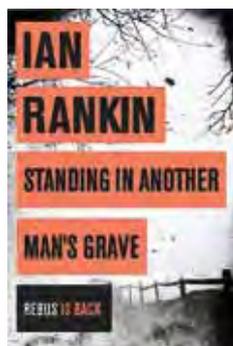
The Bat #1 Harry Hole Jo Nesbo

Harry Hole is sent to Sydney to investigate the murder of Inger Holter, a Norwegian girl who was working in a bar. Initially sidelined as an outsider, he becomes central to the Australian police investigation when they start to notice a number of unsolved rape and murder cases around the country. Now in English for the first time, this is the legendary first novel from the worldwide phenomenon that is Jo Nesbo. Pb \$32.95



Live by Night Dennis Lehane

Joe Coughlin, a small-time crook in the 1920s, embarks on a dizzying journey up the ladder of organised crime to become one of the most feared gangsters in America. His journey takes him from the flash of Jazz Age Boston to the sensual shimmer of Tampa's Latin Quarter to the sizzling streets of Cuba. A sweeping love story and a compelling saga of betrayal and revenge, this is a powerful stand-alone novel from a master. Pb \$29.99



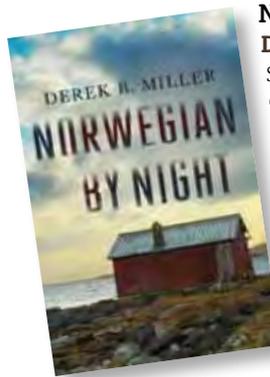
Standing in Another Man's Grave Ian Rankin

John Rebus is working as a civilian in a cold case unit. When he is contacted by a missing girl's mother who is obsessed with similar disappearances, he realises there is something to her theory, and in his maverick fashion sets off to uncover the truth. Siobhan Clarke gets roped in (mostly willingly) and Malcolm Fox of the Complaints has his suspicions about Rebus: why is he seemingly good friends with the criminals running Edinburgh's less salubrious activities? Welcome back Rebus, your fans have missed you! Lindy Pb \$32.99

The Jewels of Paradise

Donna Leon

Caterina Pellegrini is a young Venetian music researcher hired to find the true heir to an alleged treasure devised by a once-famous composer. She can only solve the mystery by reading through the papers contained in two antique chests left behind by the composer which detail every thread of information on his life. A gripping tale of intrigue, music, history and greed, this is Leon's first stand-alone novel. Pb \$29.95



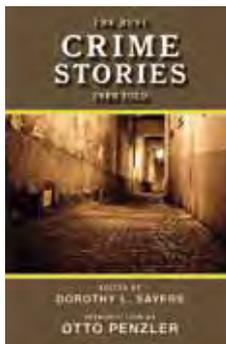
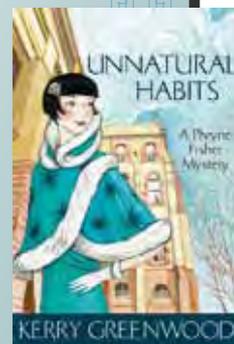
Norwegian by Night Derek Miller

Sheldon Horowitz is an irascible octogenarian who moves to Norway to live with his granddaughter and her husband. He is a man filled with regret and remorse, having lost both his son and wife. When a mother is murdered, he rescues her young son and makes it his mission to protect the boy from a pursuing gang. The tension is beautifully mounted and, through the use of flashback, we become immersed in Sheldon's quest and his many mistakes. A fast-paced thriller, rich in characterisation and garnished with dry humour. Highly recommended. Greg Pb \$32.95



Unnatural Habits Kerry Greenwood

Phryne's back! Pretty, golden-haired girls are disappearing in Melbourne and there seems to be a common thread: Magdalen Laundry, the place for poor, pregnant, unwed women. When a Girl Reporter who is investigating the mystery also goes missing, Phryne Fisher starts her own enquiries. Helped by Dot, a blonde disguise and her no-nonsense (but elegantly charming!) ways, Phryne stars in this tale of piracy, dark cellars, convents, murder and mystery. Pb \$22.99

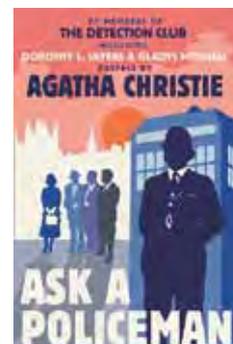


The Best Crime Stories Ever Told Dorothy L Sayers (Ed)

When acclaimed mystery writer Dorothy L Sayers first began compiling anthologies of the best crime stories in the 1920s and 30s, the genre was in the flush of its first golden age. Here is a handpicked collection of over 30 of the most outstanding stories from that era. Authors include Edgar Allan Poe, H G Wells, Wilkie Collins, Stephen Crane and J S Le Fanu. Pb \$17.95

Ask a Policeman The Detection Club

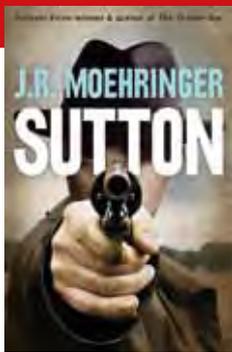
The authors of this charming collaborative 1933 whodunit - including Dorothy L Sayers, Gladys Mitchell and Anthony Berkeley - all had great fun exchanging their fictional detectives and pitting their wits against their readers. A nasty newspaper baron is murdered and suspicion falls on an archbishop, a politician, a police commissioner and a mysterious woman. Who better to solve the matter discreetly than a group of amateur detectives? With a preface by Agatha Christie, this is sure to delight all fans of classic crime fiction. Pb \$19.99



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Sutton
J R Moehringer

The fictionalised life and exploits of Willie Sutton, a notorious New York bank robber who was on the FBI's first Most Wanted List, and yet was loved by the public. From 1925 to 1950, he robbed 100 banks without ever firing a shot, and broke out of three supposedly escape-proof prisons. He was also driven by lost love. A riveting and colourful novel by the Pulitzer Prize-winning author. Pb \$29.99

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Wakool Crossing

A Modern-Day Investigation into the Mysterious Death of a Young Woman in 1916

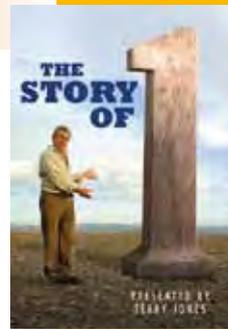
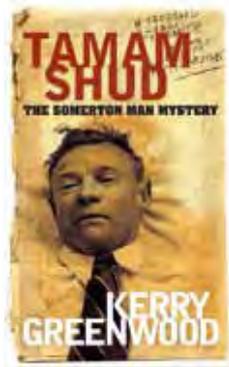
Mike Richards

In November 1916, beautiful 18-year-old Hazel Hood went to a local dance and never came home. A week later, her body was recovered from a local river. As a child, Richards was told the story by his grandmother, Hazel's elder sister. Now, almost 100 years after Hazel's death, he takes us with him as he seeks to unravel the mystery and reveal the truth about what happened. Pb \$27.95



Tamam Shud
The Somerton Man Mystery
Kerry Greenwood

In 1948, an unknown man was found dead on an Adelaide beach. A piece of paper torn from *The Rubaiyat* is found in his pocket containing the words "tamam shud", meaning "the end", and an indecipherable code is etched inside the matching book. To this day, the man has never been identified, nor the message decoded... A highly personal investigation into Adelaide's most mysterious crime by the popular author of the Phryne Fisher and Corinna Chapman series. Pb \$27.99



The Story of 1

Ex-Monty Python member Terry Jones presents a fun-filled documentary on the history of the number 1, using computer graphics to bring '1' to life in all its various guises, while also revealing where our modern numbers come from and how the most celebrated civilisations in history came about. DVD \$24.95

DVD

Gun for Hire

Classic Western Collection

Dad will love these 22 classic westerns starring all the great gunslingers! Films include *Day of the Outlaw*, *Navajo Joe*, *Hour of the Gun* and *Duel at Diablo*. 22 DVDs \$99.95



Comic-Con Episode IV

A Fan's Hope

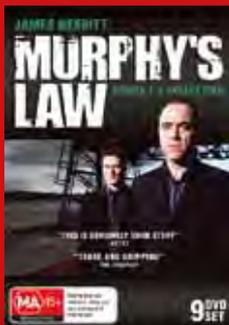
Comic-Con San Diego started out as a fringe comic book convention for 500 diehard fans. Now with over 140,000 attendees, it has become a huge cultural event. This documentary by Morgan Spurlock follows the lives of five dedicated fans in 2010 as they descend upon the ultimate geek mecca. DVD \$29.95



The War of the Buttons

Adapted from Louis Pergaud's classic 1912 novel, yet set in the 1960s against the backdrop of the Algerian War, this is the cheeky story of the rivalry between two gangs of young boys from neighbouring villages. The battle has been kept alive for generations and no tactic is too extreme. But how do you wage a war without getting caught by mum or dad?! DVD \$29.95

DVD



Murphy's Law Series 1-5

James Nesbitt (*Cold Feet*, *Match Point*) stars as Detective Tommy Murphy in this action-packed crime drama. Adapted from the successful novels penned by award-winning author Colin Bateman, this is a moody, aesthetically dark series set in the seedy underbelly of England's criminal world. 9 DVDs \$69.95

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Into the Abyss

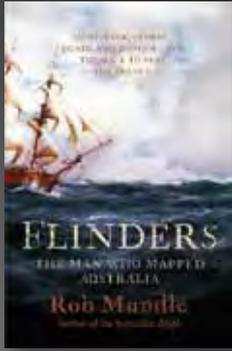
A Tale of Death, A Tale of Life

Internationally acclaimed film-maker Werner Herzog turns a keen and understanding eye to the fate of two men who destroyed their lives, and the lives of others, by a senseless triple murder. He gazes into the abyss of the human soul as he lets the two men - one of whom will be executed eight days after the interview - tell their version of the events. 2 DVDs \$34.95

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Flinders
The Man Who Mapped Australia
Rob Mundle

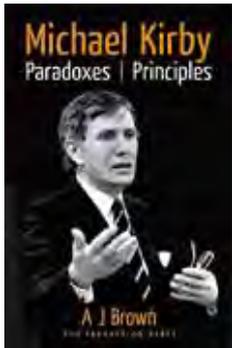
Matthew Flinders, Mundle asserts, belongs to a glorious triumvirate of heroic seafarers alongside Cook and Bligh. If you don't already agree, by the time you've finished this stirring account of Flinders' life and achievements, you certainly will! Much of Flinders' work was done in poorly-equipped, almost unseaworthy, vessels and his personal life was tragically affected by his ill-fortune in being wrecked on unfriendly shores. Narrative history at its best! *Lindy* Hb \$49.99

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A True Story of Life, Love and Larrikinism on the Western Front

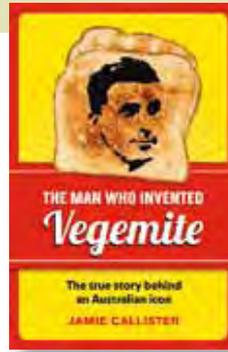
Joe Maxwell

Originally released in the 1930s, this is Maxwell's classic account of the role of the 18th Battalion AIF in WWI. A larrikin who fought in Gallipoli before being transferred to the Western Front, Maxwell was highly decorated: the DCM, Military Cross and Bar, and the Victoria Cross. This is his graphic depiction of warfare and of the diggers' adventures off the battlefield. Includes a new afterword detailing his post-war life in Australia. Hb \$24.99



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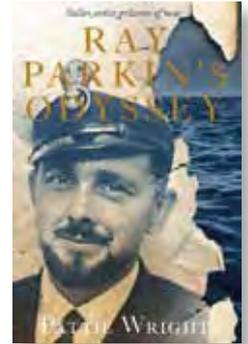


The Man Who Invented Vegemite
The True Story Behind an Australian Icon
Jamie Callister

That deliciously pungent, salty, oil-slick black paste – someone had to dream it up! That person was Cyril Callister. The grandson of a Ballarat gold miner, the son of a widower who brought up a tribe of kids, and the first in his family to go to university, Cyril was charged with creating the spread which became Vegemite. The fascinating tale of an (almost) ordinary man who created an enduring icon. Pb \$29.99

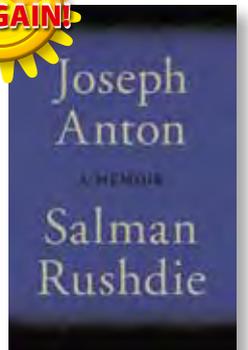
Ray Parkin's Odyssey
Pattie Wright

Ray Parkin was on board *HMAS Perth* when it was sunk in 1942, but survived and became a prisoner of war. The horrors and privations of those years saw some of his most memorable artwork, which documented the beauty of the natural world and the savagery of his wartime experiences. He died in 2005, acclaimed for his art, his wartime trilogy and his prize-winning masterpiece *H M Bark Endeavour*. This extraordinary biography, illustrated with 100 of his paintings and sketches, is a powerful and moving account of a remarkable life. Hb \$49.99



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Salman Rushdie

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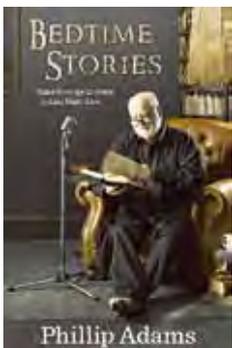
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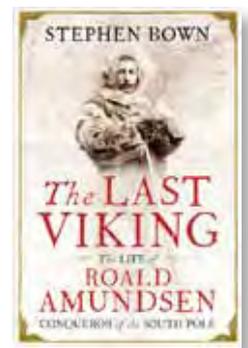


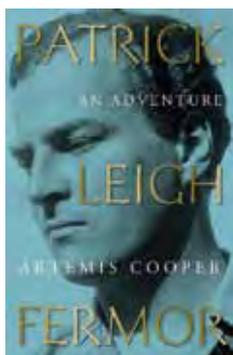
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Tales from My 21 Years at Late Night Live
Phillip Adams

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The Life of Roald Amundsen, Conqueror of the South Pole
Stephen Bown

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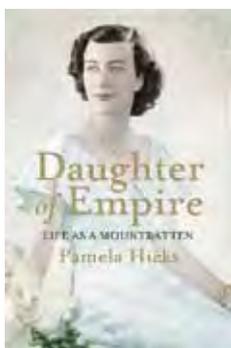


Patrick Leigh Fermor
An Adventure
Artemis Cooper

Adventurer, war hero, polymath, Hellenophile – Patrick Leigh Fermor (1915-2011) is also celebrated as one of the finest travel writers of his generation. This wonderful biography is based on unrestricted access to his private papers and years of conversations with him. It is a lovingly crafted portrait of his life, from a young boy who didn't quite fit in, through his reckless adolescence and wartime service, to his long life of travel, learning and friendship. *Lindy* Hb \$49.99

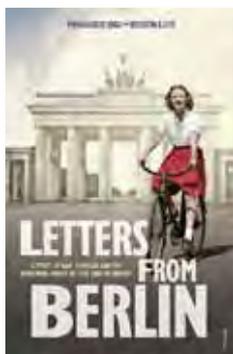
Daughter of Empire
Life as a Mountbatten
Pamela Hicks

There's something rather delicious about reading tales of the British upper class and this sparkling memoir is a delightful way of being amused (and slightly horrified) by life at those rarefied levels. Hicks is matter-of-fact about her unconventional upbringing and her eccentric family and their vast social circle (taking in royalty, military, politicians, writers, film stars and assorted bounders, both male and female). Evocative and colourful, this is a peek into a glamorous world now vanished. *Lindy* Pb \$35



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A Young Schoolteacher's Wartime Diaries
May Smith

May Smith was a schoolteacher in Derby during WWII. Her diaries record life on the home front; and while the war is mentioned, and her horror at it all, mostly she writes about day-to-day life. Going to the flicks, the difficulties of dressing nicely, reading books, family doings, the chores of teaching, balancing two beaus: all describe her determination not to let war totally blight all pleasure and joy. Sometimes droll, sometimes acerbic, her voice is clear and strong. A charming book that will appeal to anyone who loved **The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society** (\$23.99). *Lindy* Hb \$29.99



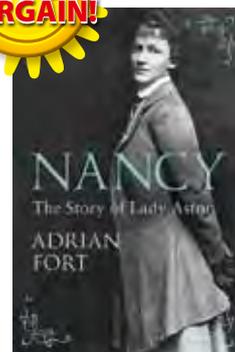
Letters from Berlin
Margarete Dos & Kerstin Lief

Six years before Margarete died, her daughter Kerstin asked her to describe her life during and just after WWII. When going through Margaret's effects after her death, Kerstin came upon an extraordinary collection of letters her mother had written. They were love letters, addressed to a young soldier at the front, but never mailed. These beautiful letters form a coda to a book that provides a vivid picture of coming of age in wartime Germany. Pb \$34.95

Nancy The Story of Lady Astor
Adrian Fort

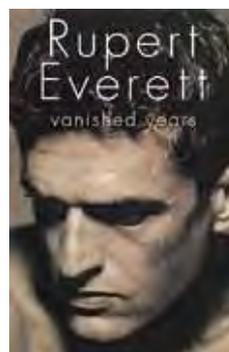
In 1919, Nancy Astor became the first woman to be elected to Parliament. She was not what had been expected. This new biography charts her incredible story, from penury in the American South, to a lifestyle of the most immense riches, from the luxury of Edwardian England, through the Jazz Age and on towards WWII. Fort brings to life this restless, unforgettable woman who left a deep and lasting imprint on political life. Hb \$49.95

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Marmee & Louisa
The Untold Story of Louisa May Alcott and Her Mother
Eve LaPlante

This riveting dual biography, based on recently uncovered family papers, contends that the author of **Little Women** (\$9.95) was not exclusively inspired by her father, as previously maintained, but by her mother, Abigail, who gave Louisa the courage and support to write, and was the major source and influence of her progressive thinking and remarkable independence. A fascinating study of two women formed by their times. Hb \$29.99

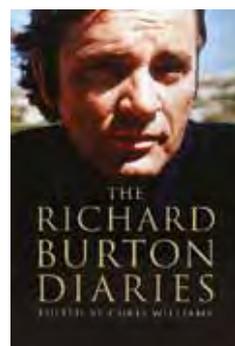


Vanished Years
Rupert Everett

With a wry and self-deprecating eye to his own faults and failings, Everett takes the reader for a tour through some of the chapters of his life. As he showed in **Red Carpets and Other Banana Skins** (\$27.99), he is as gifted and entertaining a writer as he is an actor, and a charming, if somewhat louche, narrator who is able to observe his skewed world with warmth and wicked wit. *Lindy* Pb \$32.99

The Richard Burton Diaries
Chris Williams (Ed)

Written during the 44 years until 1983 and comprising over 700 pages, here are the diaries in their entirety of one of the world's greatest actors. Burton was a complicated man and his diaries expose a part of him that has often been well hidden. Forthright and articulate in his opinions of himself and others, he constantly questioned the validity of his chosen career, was often concerned about his weight and his drinking, and had a voracious appetite for books. Greg Hb \$49.95



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Richard Burton, from the 1968 film classic *Escape to Abbey's*

Australian History



"I was desirous of ascertaining the position of this island before going to Port Jackson, more especially as it had escaped the observation of Captain Baudin."

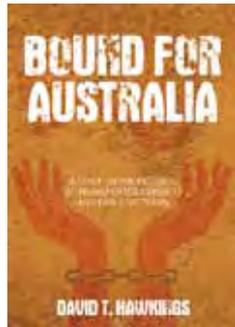
Matthew Flinders, from **Terra Australis** (\$12.95 Text Classics)

The Great Race

The Race Between the English and the French to Complete the Map of Australia
David Hill



Written from diaries and other firsthand accounts, this is the thrilling story of the three-year voyages of Frenchman Nicolas Baudin and Englishman Matthew Flinders to find out whether the west and east coasts of Australia - 4,000 km apart - were part of the same island. The drawings from their expeditions also recorded countless previously unknown species and turned mythical creatures into real ones, while their skill and determination enabled Terra Australis Incognita to become Australia. Pb \$34.95



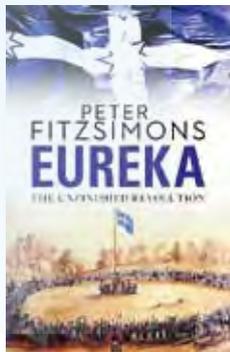
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A Guide to the Records of Transported Convicts and Early Settlers
David Hawkings

From the arrival in 1787 of the First Fleet - which brought 1,500 convicts and marines to establish a penal colony - to the end of transportation in 1868, over 165,000 criminals were sent from Britain to Australia. In addition there were thousands of guards, administrators and free settlers. Mostly because of the vast distance involved, few returned. An invaluable tool for any family historian. Pb \$39.99



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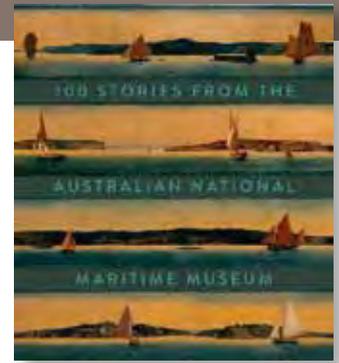


The Kelly Gang Unmasked
Ian MacFarlane

Ned Kelly was a dangerous man, part of a network of violent and crazed men, and his gang participated in stock theft and a reign of terror in north-east Victoria. This controversial book - by an author with decades of experience at the Victorian State Archives - re-examines the story of Ned Kelly in great detail, drawing upon archival records and hitherto missing official documents. It unravels the pro-Kelly mythology with fascinating new insights. Pb \$29.95

100 Stories from the Australian National Maritime Museum

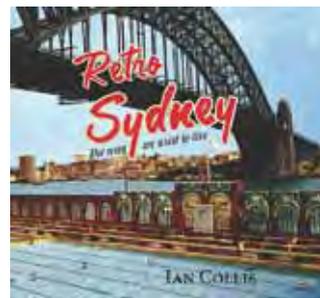
There are thousands of stories contained within our National Maritime Museum and many of the best are included in this superb book. Divided into sections such as First Mariners, Explorers & Settlers, Migrants & Refugees, Sail & Steam, Sport & Play, each chapter presents various objects and their attached history. Clean, crisp layout, full-colour photos and fascinating information makes this a special gift for anyone interested in our history, maritime or not! Lindy Pb \$39.95



Capturing Time

Panoramas of Old Australia
Edwin Barnard

Panoramas were a popular 19th century way of showing off locations, whether painted or photographed. Wide-angled depictions of landscapes could give viewers a wonderful sense of place, and that still holds true in modern times. This splendid, beautifully-produced book has 20 fold-out panoramas and many full-colour illustrations of our capital cities, major towns and localities, as well as excellent background to the creators of the panoramas and fascinating historical information. An absolute must for anyone interested in our history! Lindy Hb \$49.99



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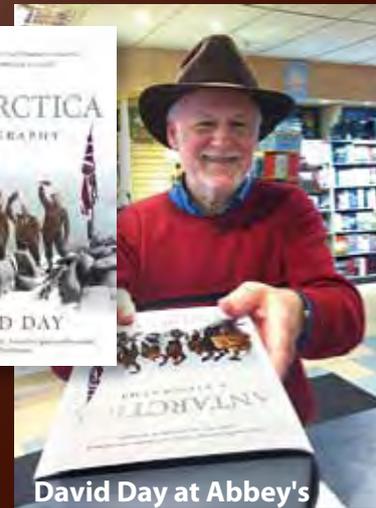
Ian Collis

This is an incredible collection of photographs taken in and around Sydney in the 40s, 50s and 60s. The images are remarkable not so much for their photographic quality as for how they have captured moments in the life of an ever-changing city and its surrounding areas. The picture of George Street - with shops long gone - is priceless. This is the sort of book that will trigger many memories and recollections for a lot of people, while for others it is an invaluable document of times past. Greg Hb \$45

Antarctica

David Day

Drawing upon archives from around the world, this is the first large-scale history of Antarctica. It is the story of explorers battling the elements in the most hostile place on earth, striving for personal triumph, national glory or commercial gain. It is also the story of nations seeking to incorporate the Antarctic into their national narratives and to claim its frozen wastes as their own. Hb \$45



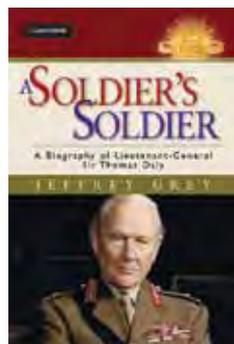
David Day at Abbey's

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Treasures from a Century of Collecting

Nola Anderson

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A Soldier's Soldier

A Biography of Lieutenant-General Sir Thomas Daly

Jeffrey Grey

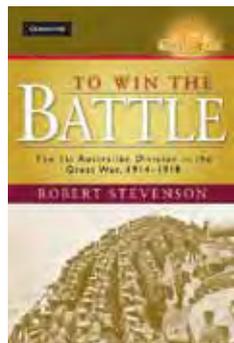
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Robert Stevenson

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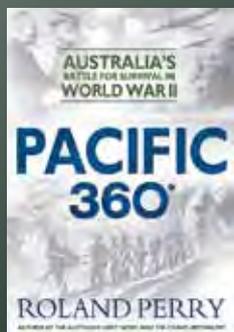


Pacific 360°

Australia's Battle for Survival in World War II

Roland Perry

It's hard for those of us who weren't there to imagine what it was like in Australia in early 1942. After Pearl Harbour, the fall of Singapore and the attacks on Darwin, Australia was virtually defenceless. This extremely readable book tells the whole story of Australia's Pacific war, from Prime Minister Curtin and his dealings with Churchill and Roosevelt to the diggers who stopped, then pushed back, the Japanese army. *Dave* Hb \$50

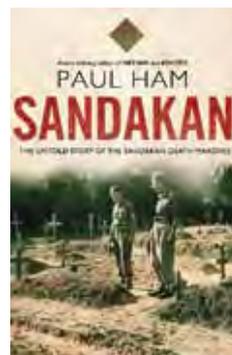


The Lost Diggers

Ross Coulthart

Louis and Antoinette Thuillier had a photographic studio in Vignacourt during WWI where soldiers would have photos taken as souvenirs. 4,000 glass plates from this time were recently discovered in a farmhouse attic and a massive exercise is now under way to identify the men portrayed. Often battle-weary, the soldiers show camaraderie and

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Paul Ham

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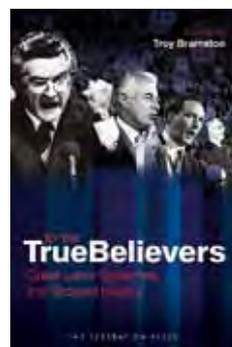
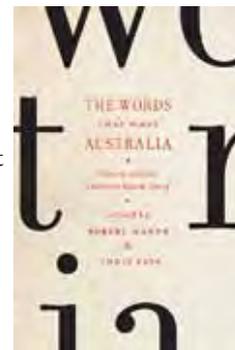


The Words that Made Australia

How a Nation Came to Know Itself

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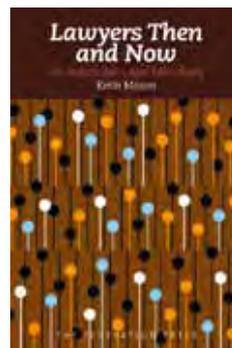


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An Australian Legal Miscellany

Keith Mason

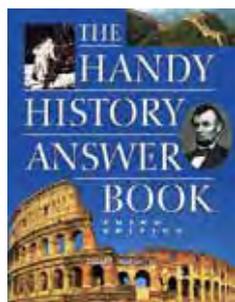
True stories from our legal history, focusing on the quiriness of the law and the people involved, including amusing instances of how the law has affected areas such as religion, art, sport, gambling and literature. The final chapter reinforces the theme that, while lawyers may try to perform at their best, they are far from perfect. Hb \$59.95

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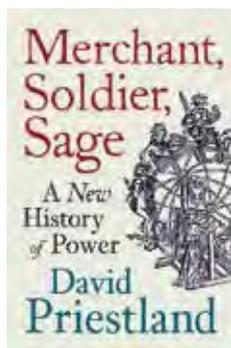


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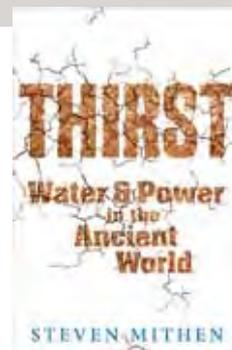
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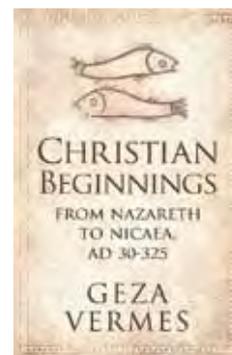
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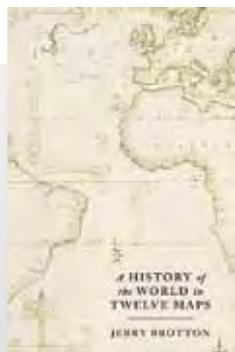
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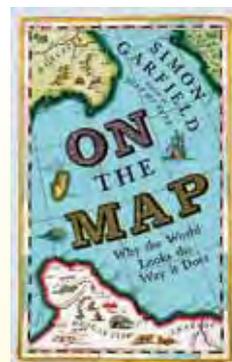
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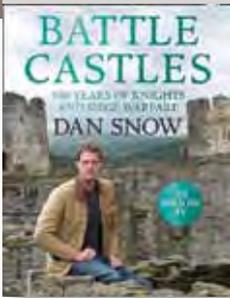
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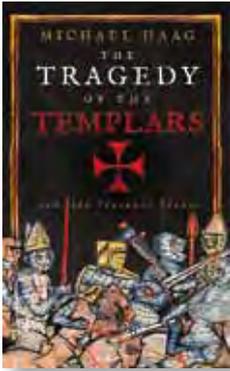




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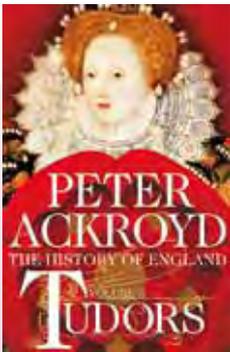
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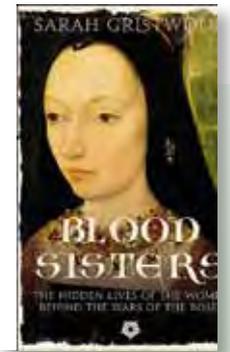
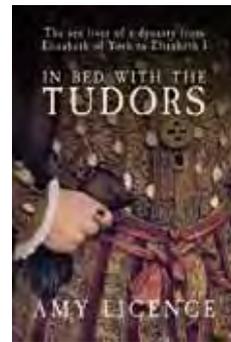
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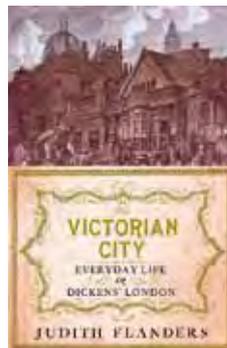
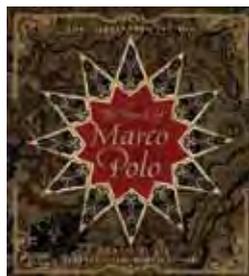
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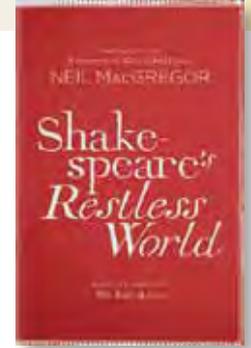


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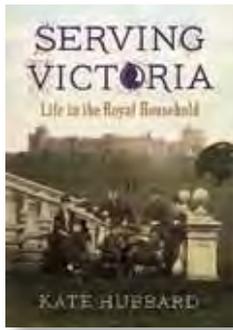
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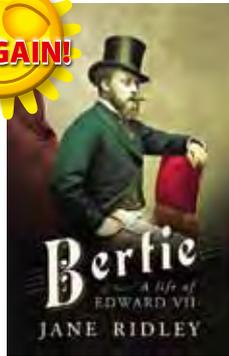
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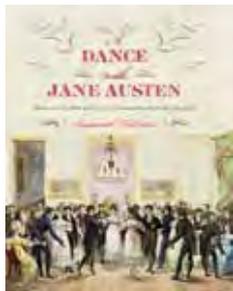
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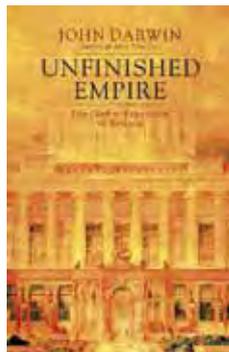
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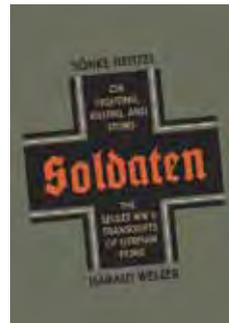


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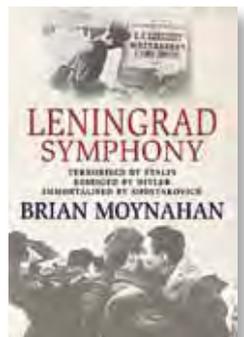
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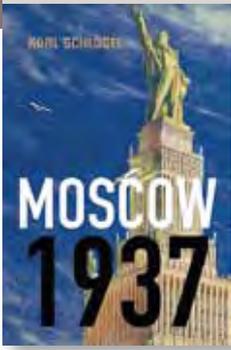
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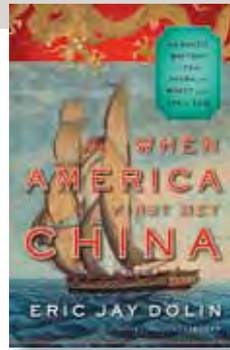
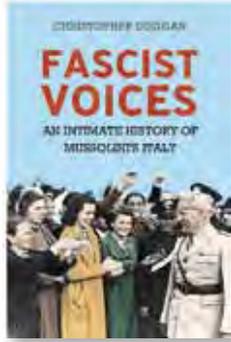
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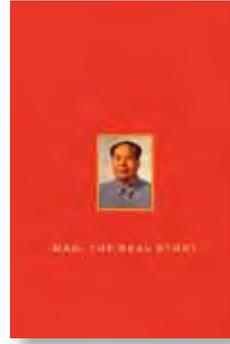
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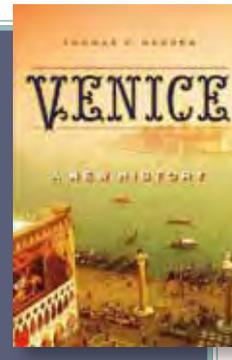


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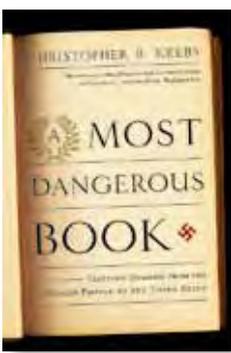
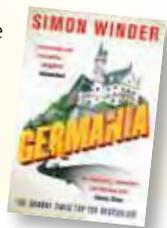
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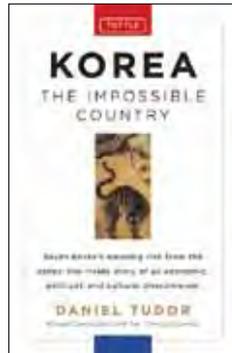


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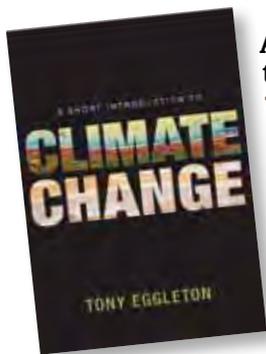
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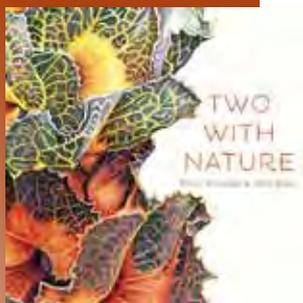
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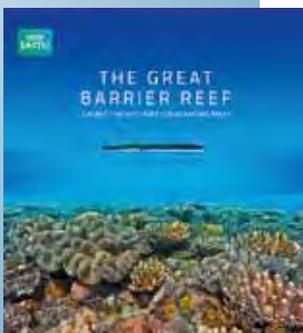


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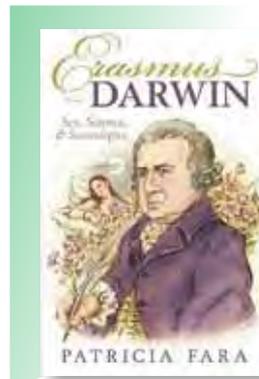
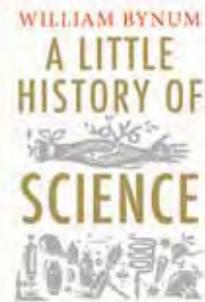
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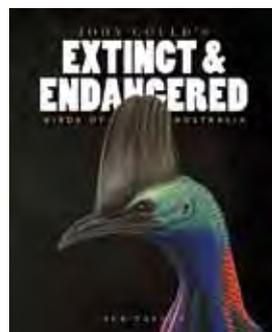
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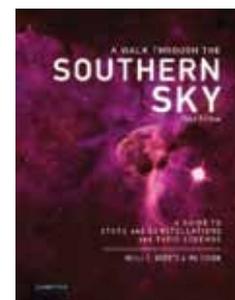
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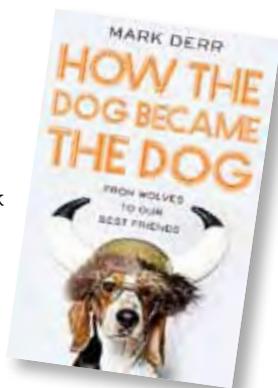
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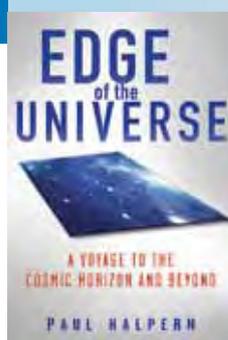
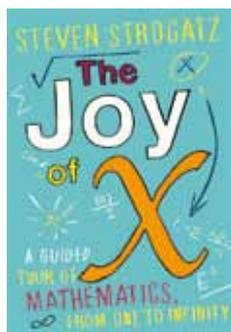


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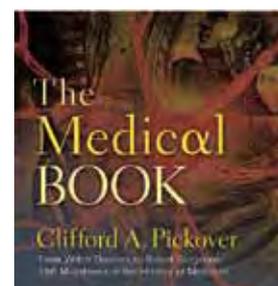
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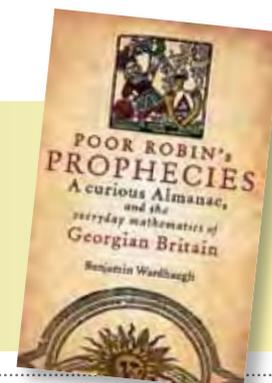
Elizabeth Finkel (Ed)

This second annual anthology of excellent science writing covers topics such as the identification of Ned Kelly's bones, the resilience of the cockroach, the possibility that some obscure bacteria could finally rid the world of dengue fever, and the discovery of a planet made from one huge diamond. Stimulating, exhilarating or witty, these pieces are always informed by honest and rigorous research. Pb \$29.99



Poor Robin's Prophecies A Curious Almanac and the Everyday Mathematics of Georgian England
Benjamin Wardhaugh

Mathematics was the key to Georgian England's commercial success and maths education took place in many ways. The most popular was the annual almanac of Poor Robin of Saffron Walden, an invented author, astrologer, journalist and satirist. The almanac - first published in 1663 and last published in 1828 - was a splendid mishmash of calendar, information, ready reckoner, self-instruction, mock predictions and political satire. This richly fascinating history reclaims the practical, creative and popular mathematics as used by ordinary people. Hb \$28.95





Mullahs Without Mercy
Geoffrey Robertson

Robertson shows that within a few years a weapon of monstrous destructive capability may be in the hands of a regime run by international criminals. He argues that acquiring the bomb is contrary to the international law of human rights, but that the hypothetical mushroom cloud might yet have a silver lining if it forces the world to assert the rule of law over a weapon with the potential to destroy us all. Pb \$34.95

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Murdoch's Pirates
Before the Phone Hacking there was Rupert's Pay TV Skullduggery
Neil Chenoweth

The award-winning Chenoweth tells a dark and scary tale of a secret division of Murdoch's News Corp, a unit that promoted high-tech piracy in Australia at a time when News was angling to take control of the pay-TV industry. Was it coincidence that its rivals were damaged by sabotage, hacking, and shady legal and business dealings? This book illuminates some very murky areas indeed... Hb \$45

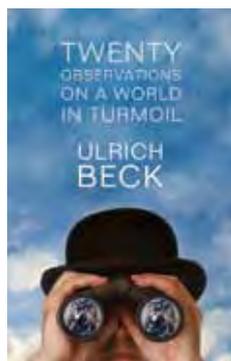
People on Country
Vital Landscapes | Indigenous Futures
Jon Altman & Sean Kerins (Eds)

Over the past four decades, Aboriginal people in remote and regional Australia have been empowered by land rights and native title laws to claim back large tracts of ancestral lands. Today the Indigenous estate covers over 20% of the continent and includes areas of significant biodiversity and cultural value, but this land is not in its pre-colonial condition and faces many environmental threats. Pb \$39.95



Futurevision
Scenarios for the World in 2040
Richard Watson & Oliver Freeman

This book discusses the political, social, economic and environmental factors confronting us in the 21st century. The authors reveal the methodology of strategic thinking, empowering us to examine and adapt to what might happen, and to shape our future and generate change. It's impossible to know for certain what the future holds, but we can remove some of its surprises by engaging in a meaningful debate about the choices we now face. Pb \$29.95



Twenty Observations on a World in Turmoil
Ulrich Beck

This new book by one of the world's leading sociologists reflects on the major events of our time: from the financial crisis to the chaos of the Eurozone and the Arab uprisings to protests in Athens, Barcelona and elsewhere. This clear and accessible work is written for a wide readership interested in the big changes taking place in our world today. Pb \$24.95

Rural Australian Homes
Leta Keens

I'm the first to admit my idea of interior decoration is a wall full of books, but this splendid production had me turning the pages in rapt attention and dreaming of finding somewhere as special as the homes featured. And they are homes, not sterile and uncomfortable showcases, although some are certainly excellent examples of the architect's vision. From an artist's studio to a sheep station, a shed-by-any-other-name to a house of connected pavilions, these rural residences all invoke a beautiful way of living. Lindy Hb \$89.95



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Philosophy in the Garden
Damon Young

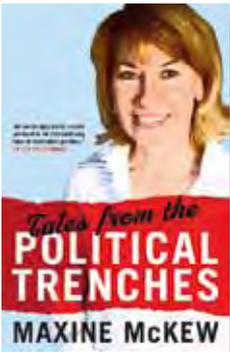
Why did Marcel Proust have bonsai beside his bed? What was Jane Austen doing in Chawton, coveting an apricot? This book reveals one of literature's most intimate relationships: authors and their gardens. For some, the garden provided a retreat from their work; for others, solitude's quiet counsel. A philosophical companion to the garden's labours and joys. Pb \$24.99



Underwater Dogs
Seth Casteel

Playing with his new underwater camera in the pool one day, Casteel took photos of his dog, who had jumped into the pool to see what was happening. Result? The idea for this book! With more than 80 photographs of many different dogs of all shapes and forms as they dive,

swim and frolic in the water, this is a delightful gift for anyone who enjoys the company of canines! Lindy Hb \$29.99

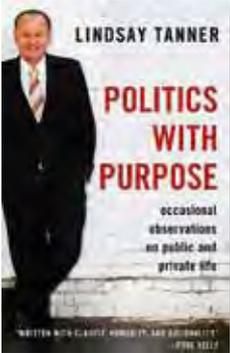
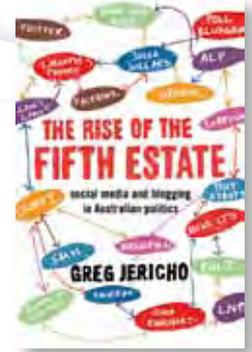


Tales from the Political Trenches
Maxine McKew

At the 2007 federal election, former journalist Maxine McKew won a spectacular victory against John Howard and wrote herself into Australian political history as only the second candidate to have ever defeated a sitting prime minister in his constituency seat. This story combines a personal tale of change, as well as an up-close account of one of the most tumultuous periods in modern Australian politics. Pb \$29.99

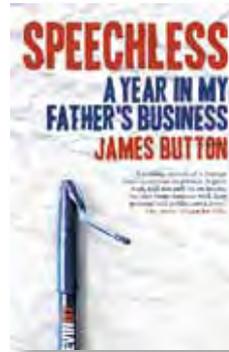
The Rise of the Fifth Estate
Social Media and Blogging in Australian Politics
Greg Jericho

This is the first book to examine the emergence of social media as a new force in the coverage of Australian politics. Jericho reveals who makes up the political blogosphere and tackles some of its key developments - the way journalists and federal politicians use social media and digital news, the motivations of bloggers and tweeters, the treatment of female participants and the eruption of Twitter wars. Pb \$29.95



Politics with Purpose
Occasional Observations on Public and Private Life
Lindsay Tanner

In this selection of press articles, speeches and essays from 1990 to 2012, Tanner discusses a range of subjects such as globalisation, the family ties that bind, facing up to important values and lessons from his own life. His thoughtfulness and humanity shine through on every page. Pb \$32.95



Speechless
James Button

James Button spent a year writing speeches for Kevin Rudd. Before that, he reported on politics for Fairfax. His father was Senator John Button, a minister in the Hawke and Keating governments. This is a highly personal account seen from both the inside and the outside, reflecting on how far the Labor Party has moved from the idealism and pragmatism of his father's generation. Pb \$32.99



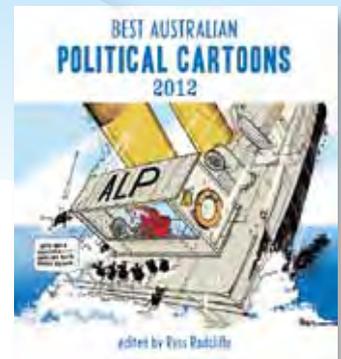
On Politics
A History of Political Thought from Herodotus to the Present
Alan Ryan

This epic work of scholarship is both a history, and an examination, of human thought and behaviour spanning 25 centuries. Book 1 traces the origins of political philosophy from the ancient Greeks to Machiavelli, while Book 2 moves from Hobbes to the present age. Whether examining Lord Acton's dictum that "absolute power corrupts absolutely" or explicating John Stuart Mill's contention that "it is better to be a human dissatisfied than a pig satisfied", Ryan brilliantly evokes the lives and minds of our greatest thinkers. Hb 2-Vol Boxed Set \$105

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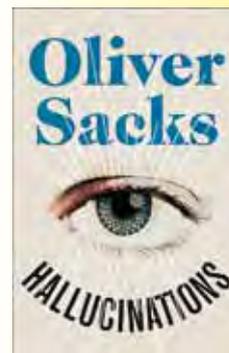
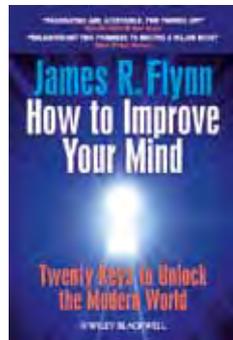
Best Australian Political Cartoons 2012
Russ Radcliffe (Ed)

The year in review as witnessed in full colour by our funniest and most subversive political cartoonists. This 10th edition features the work of Peter Broelman, Warren Brown, Matt Davidson, Andrew Dyson, Firstdogonthemoon, Matt Golding, cFiona Katauskas, Mark Knight, Jon Kudelka, Bill Leak, Alan Moir, Peter Nicholson and Vince O'Farrell. Pb \$29.95



How to Improve Your Mind
20 Keys to Unlock the Modern World
James Flynn

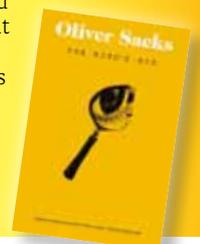
A renowned psychologist presents 20 key concepts to aid critical thinking and empower individuals to analyse what they see, hear and read in today's information society. Written in a clear and lucid style, this book explores topics such as race, IQ and the current economic crisis to help readers improve their critical thinking skills. Pb \$29.95

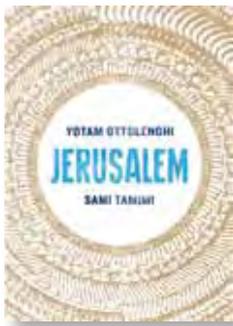


Hallucinations
Oliver Sacks

Hallucinations, for most people, imply madness. But there are many different types of non-psychotic hallucination caused by various illnesses or injuries, intoxication or even by falling asleep. Sacks investigates the fundamental differences and similarities of these different types and explains why the potential for hallucination is present in us all. Pb \$29.99

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Jerusalem Yotam Ottolenghi & Sami Tamimi

Yotam and Sami have worked together in London for nearly 30 years. In this new book, they go back to their roots - Jerusalem, a city full of culinary inspiration. They confess that at times this book was an excursion in nostalgia, but the city is a never-ending source of influence on their cooking, whether it be Jewish, Muslim or Christian. Beautifully designed and illustrated, with a brief history of the city and littered with anecdotes, this book stands out in a very crowded genre. *Greg Hb \$49.95*

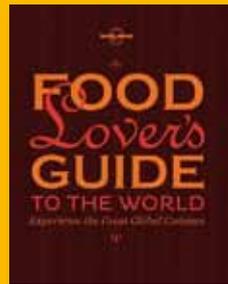
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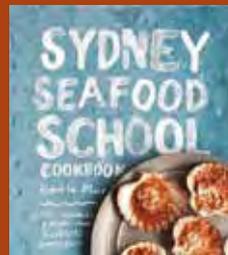
Petrea King

Petrea King is well-known for her Quest for Life Foundation and this full-colour cookbook reinforces the many benefits of eating seasonal, local and organic food. From nutritious juices and healthy salads to guilt-free sweet treats, the 100 recipes are easy to prepare, delicious and proof that eating a healthy diet does not mean foregoing the pleasures of taste! *Pb \$35*



The Food Lover's Guide to the World Lonely Planet

Travelling the world is a wonderful idea, but journeying through its cuisines? Even better! Culinary regions, cities and countries are featured, and there are usable basic recipes scattered throughout to give you a taste for the regional specialties. This fabulous book is good enough to eat: the irresistible photographs will have you salivating and booking your next trip! *Lindy Hb \$49.99*

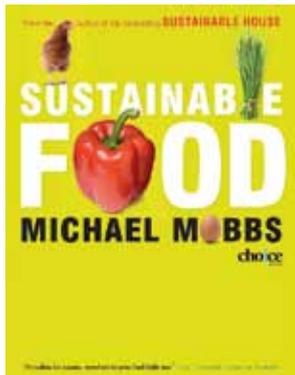


Sydney Seafood School Cookbook

Roberta Muir

Not just a regular cookbook, this includes tips on how to choose and store fish, plus step-by-step photos showing how to prepare prawns and crabs, fillet fish, clean squid and many other techniques. Chefs represented include David Thompson, Christine

Manfield, Peter Doyle and Neil Perry. Includes over 80 recipes with one recipe per page accompanied by a photo of the completed dish. *Greg Hb \$49.99*



Sustainable Food Michael Mobbs

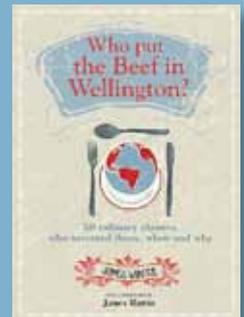
Best known for his pioneering forays into energy, waste and water self-sufficiency in *Sustainable House* (\$45), Mobbs realised that although his house was sustainable, he wasn't. He turned his attention to reducing carbon emissions associated with growing, processing, transporting, selling and disposing of food, along the way discovering the delights of compost and chooks! This fully illustrated book contains practical advice to help everyone participate in sustainability, no matter where they live. *Pb \$45*

Who Put the Beef in Wellington?

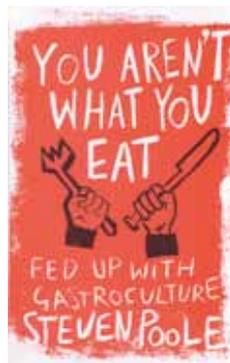
50 Culinary Classics

James Winter

Why associate beef with Wellington? Or Benedict with eggs, ham with hollandaise sauce, chicken with Kiev, or peaches with Melba? What on earth possessed the originators to blend different ingredients and name them after places and celebrated people? This sparkling history, with photographs throughout, delves into these mysteries and more. Includes quintessential recipes for these classic mains, desserts and drinks. *Hb \$29.99*

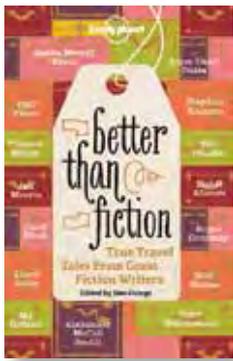


Lantern Cookery Classics In this wonderful little series, each book is littered with colour pictures and easy-to-follow recipes, including starters, mains and desserts, plus serving suggestions. All the chefs have done their own cookbooks, but the beauty of these is they are like 'best of' collections, designed to help novices like myself. *Greg Pb \$19.95*



You Aren't What You Eat *Fed Up with Gastroculture* Steven Poole

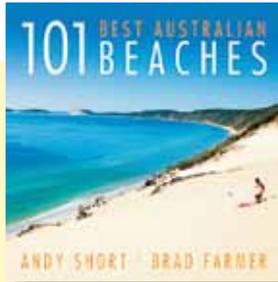
We have become obsessed by food: where it comes from, where to buy it, how to cook it and how to eat it. In this masterful polemic, Poole argues that we're trying to fill more than just our bellies when we pick up our knives and forks. Maybe we'd be happier if we just opened a tin of beans?! *Pb \$19.95*



Better than Fiction
True Travel Tales from Great Fiction Writers
Don George (Ed)
 Settle in to your favourite armchair and enjoy these true tales of travel by writers better known for their fiction: Alexander McCall Smith, D B C Pierre, Lloyd Jones, Isabel Allende, Tea Obreht, Keri Hulme, Peter Matthiessen, Bryce Courtenay, Joyce Carol Oates – the list goes on, showing that fact is sometimes better than fiction! Pb \$24.99

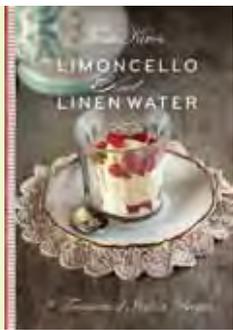
101 Best Australian Beaches
Andy Short & Brad Farmer

One of the things I loved about this book is it doesn't include my favourite beach! But if you're looking for ideas, or confirmation that your best beach is included, then you will have other reasons to love this glorious book. It has something for everyone, from locality to best beaches for shells, waves, geological features and more. Complementing the fascinating text are photographs that will make you want to go, and go now - or just make you breathe deeply and relax... Lindy Pb \$39.99



Adventures of a Compulsive Traveller
Dominic Dunne

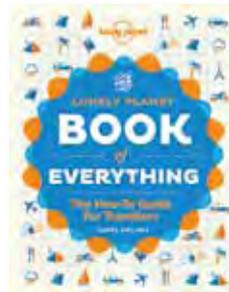
That's Dominic Dunne the journalist, not Dominick Dunne the author (although they do meet and become good friends). Dominic's insatiable appetite for travelling has taken him to many wonderful and sometimes dangerous places, where he has met all manner of people, from Nana Mouskouri backstage in Greece, to shopping with Janette Howard in a US mall, to searching for ghosts of Elvis in Mississippi. This funny, sometimes gossipy, account is travel writing at its most entertaining! Pb \$29.95



Limoncello and Linen Water
A Trousseau of Italian Recipes
Tessa Kiros
 Tessa is well known for her gorgeous, evocative cookbooks and this does not disappoint. Paying homage to her Italian mother-in-law, it is redolent of family gatherings around the table. Full of superb photographs, the true beauty of this book is that the recipes are for food you not only want to eat, but can also cook quite easily! Lindy Hb \$59.95



On the Trail of the Silver Brumby
Elyne Mitchell
 This is one of the most gorgeous books you'll see this year! There are archival images and glorious photographs of the high country taken by Mitchell's grandson, James Auchinleck, to complement a fine selection of her non-fiction writings. Mitchell, a committed conservationist and champion skier, knew the Australian Alps like few others could. Best known for her *Silver Brumby* books, this shows another side to a remarkable writer. Lindy Hb \$49.99



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The How-to Guide for Travellers
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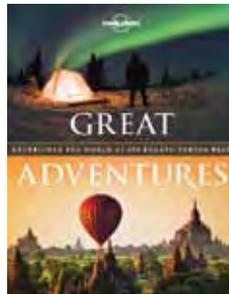
Best in Travel 2013
Lonely Planet

The handiest little guide to all the biggest trends in travel in 2013. The best regions, cities and countries, plus all the brightest experiences - festivals, happenings, things to eat and accommodation options. Includes lots of colourful photographs to whet your appetite. Pb \$24.99



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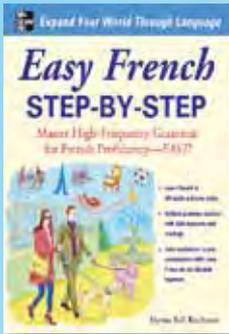
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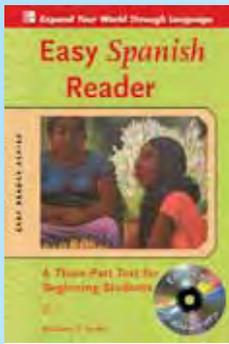
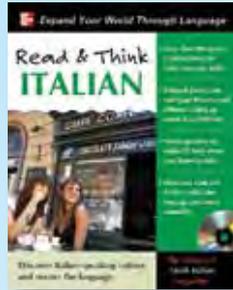


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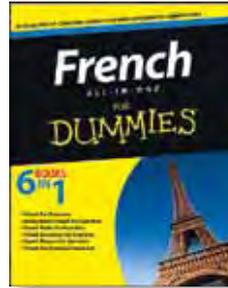
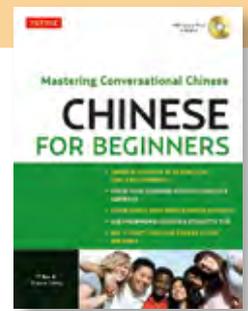
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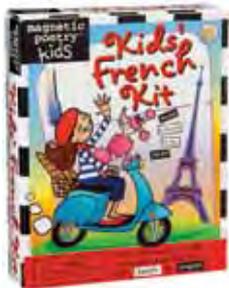
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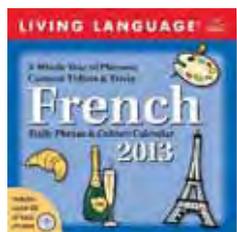


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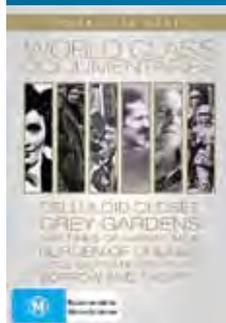


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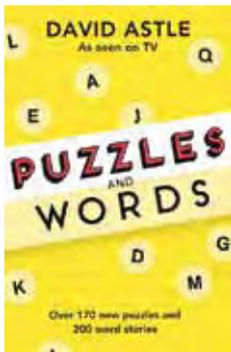
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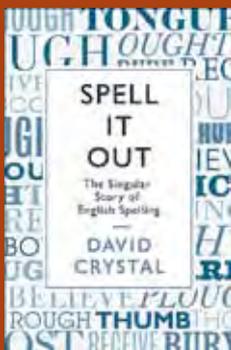


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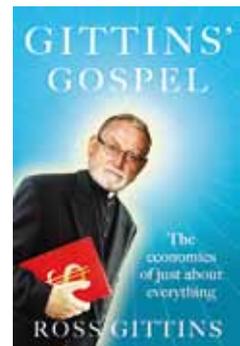
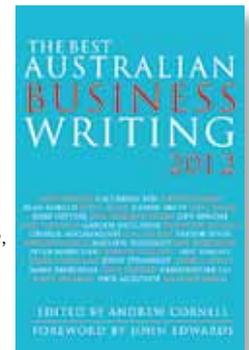
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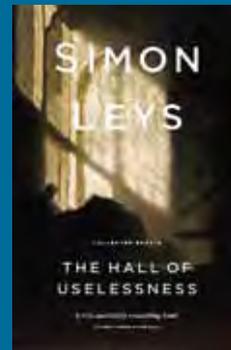


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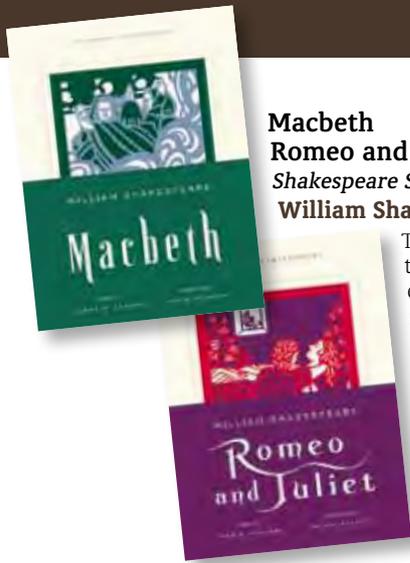


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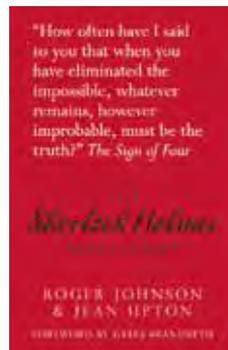
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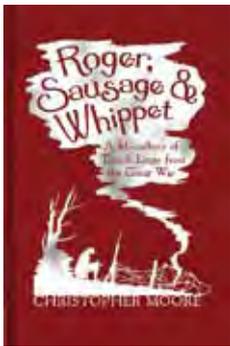
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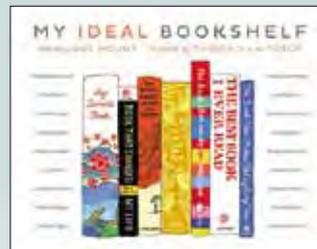
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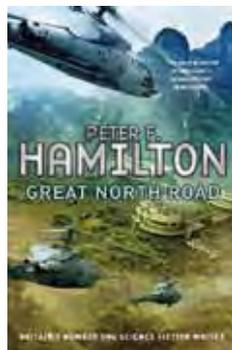
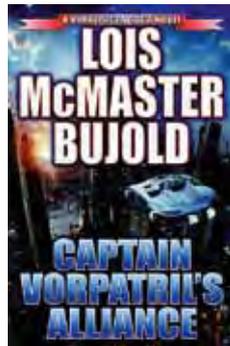
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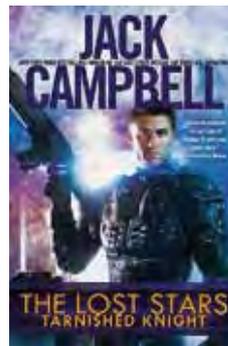
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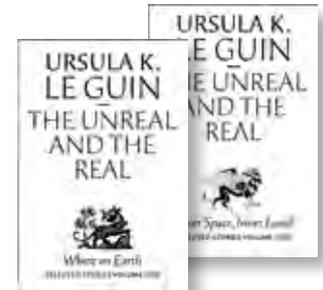
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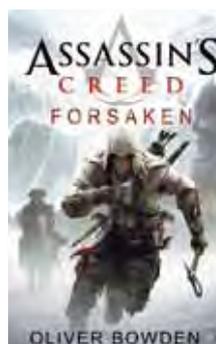
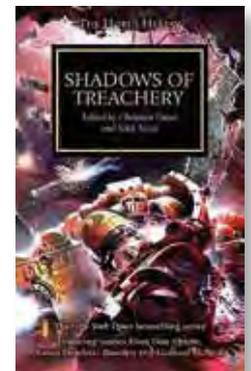
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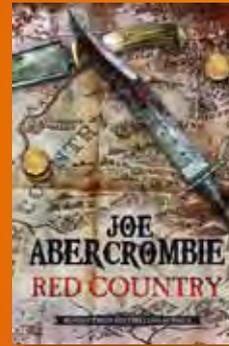
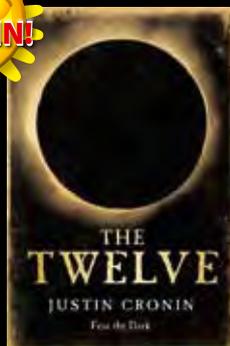
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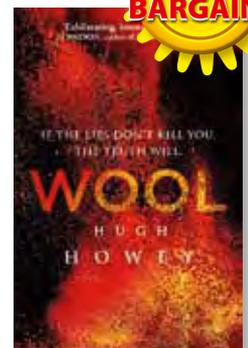
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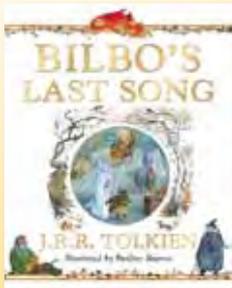


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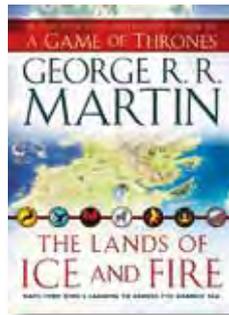
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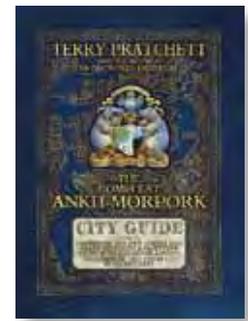
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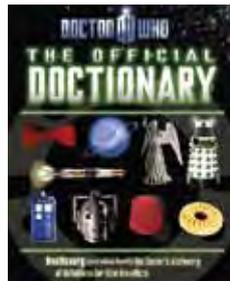


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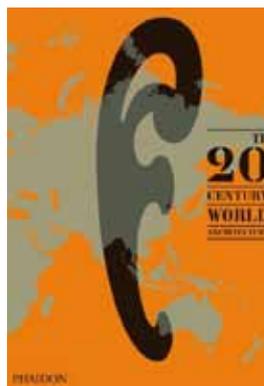
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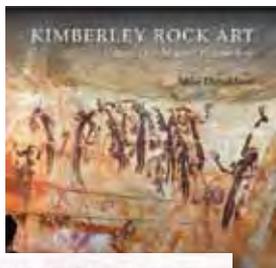


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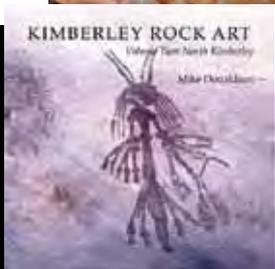
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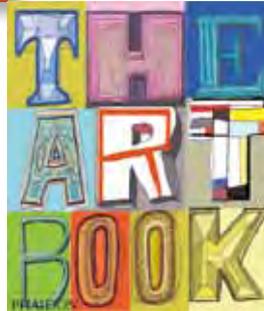
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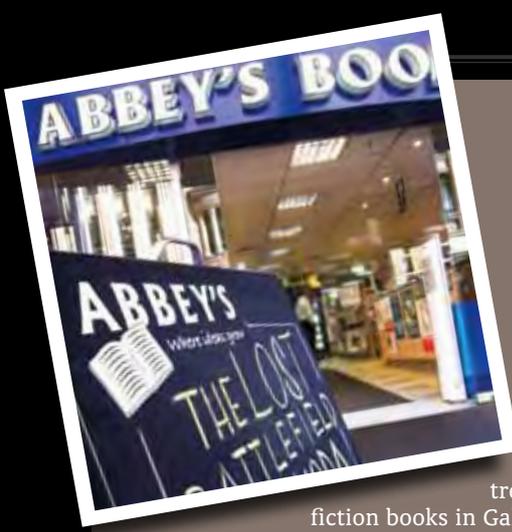
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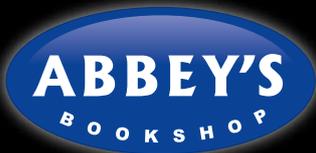
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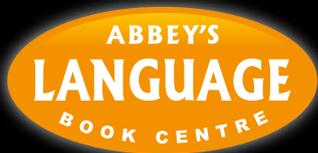
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