

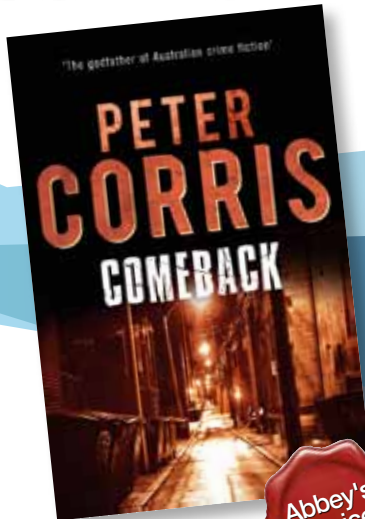
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Comeback Cliff Hardy #36

Cliff Hardy has his PI licence back and actor Bobby Forrest's case looks promising. Bobby is a nice enough guy being stalked by a hot brunette. But when Bobby is murdered, it comes as a shock. Cliff's only solid lead is a white Commodore, the most ubiquitous car around. When a surprising connection with his own past surfaces, Cliff has to somehow put it all together without losing his licence again. But in true Hardy fashion he's managing to find his way into trouble, not out of it!

[*Australian, Private Eye*] 264pp Tp



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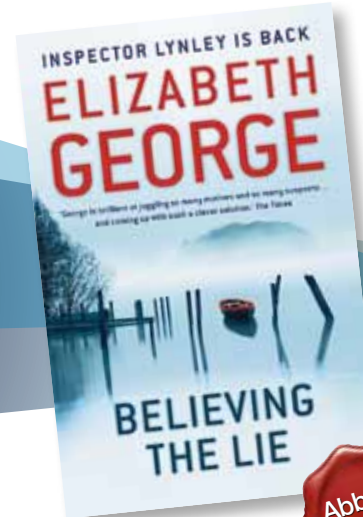
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Taken Cole & Pike #13

When the police tell a wealthy industrialist that her missing son has faked his own kidnapping, she hires Elvis Cole and Joe Pike, who soon determine it was no fake. The boy is lost in the world of professional border kidnapers, who steal and trade innocent people like commodities. Fortunately, the kidnapers don't yet know who the boy is. But when Cole goes undercover to buy him back, he himself is taken. Now it's up to Pike to retrace Cole's steps... before it's too late.

[*American, Private Eye*] 320pp Tp



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Believing the Lie Lynley #17

Detective Inspector Lynley is approached by business magnate Bernard Fairclough to discuss the circumstances of his nephew's demise 'accidental death'. Lynley heads to the Lake District with Deborah and Simon St James to provide cover for his inquiries. When he comes to know the various members of the extended Fairclough dynasty, Lynley finds many possible motives for murder and uncovers layers of deceit and betrayal that expose the lies at the heart of the Cumbrian community.

[*American, Police Proc.*] 736pp Tp

PACEMAKERS

Sara Paretsky

Breakdown VI Warshawski #15

When several Chicago tweens hold an initiation ritual in an abandoned cemetery, they stumble upon the corpse of a man staked in the heart - vampire style. The tweens include daughters of some of Chicago's most powerful figures including Sophy Durango, the Illinois Democratic candidate for Senate.

For VI Warshawski, the questions multiply faster than the answers. Is the killing linked to a hostile media campaign against Sophy Durango?

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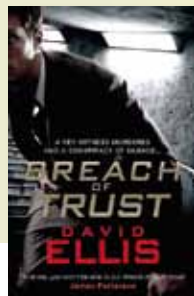


David Ellis

Breach of Trust Jason Kolarich #2

Jason Kolarich is investigating the murder of Ernesto Ramirez, a key witness in a criminal case that he tried. Jason had been pushing him for information, but all he got was the guy's death on his conscience. Who murdered Ramirez and why? When the evidence leads to an obscure agency in state government, Jason is hood-winked into being a federal informant. The feds are desperate to build their case against the government... but Jason's got his own agenda.

[*American, Police Proc.*]
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SUMMER READING

Anne Zouroudi \$14.99 each

The Messenger of Athens
The Taint of Midas
The Doctor of Thessaly
The Lady of Sorrows

Hermes Diaktoros, the Fat Man, if you haven't already made his acquaintance, is well worth meeting! Sent by 'the authorities in Athens' he always manages to turn up somewhere in Greece, just in time to solve mysteries and ensure wrongdoers don't get away with their sins. Immaculately dressed, he is never seen without his holdall, his pristine white tennis shoes, or his manners. I'm addicted to the series; or as Alexander McCall Smith says: "Lovely delicious prose and plot as tasty as one of those irresistible honey-soaked Greek confections."

Lindy (see also page 7)

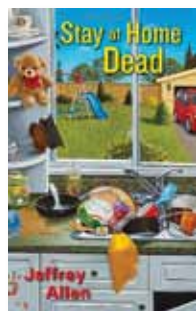


MODERN CRIME



Jeff Abbott Last Minute Sam Capra #2

Sam Capra has one reason to live: to reclaim his baby son from the people who kidnapped him. Teaming up with a young mother whose daughter went missing, he tracks his child across the country in a dangerous and desperate race against time. From the internationally bestselling author of Panic 9Pb \$19.99) comes the most heart-stopping thriller of the year!
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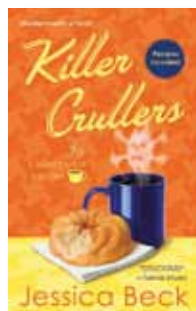
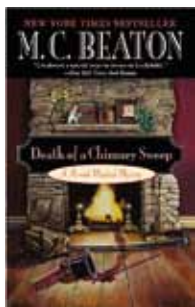
Jeffrey Allen Stay at Home Dead

When Deuce Winters, a stay-at-home dad in sleepy Rose Petal, Texas, discovers a dead body in his mini-van, his quiet life is thrown into disarray. It doesn't help that the victim ruined Deuce's high school football career and married his ex-girlfriend. As the number one

suspect in the court of public opinion, Deuce is determined to clear his name. His search for the killer leads him to a business plan gone awry and a gaggle of jilted lovers.
[American, Cosy] 304pp Pb \$13.50

M C Beaton Death of a Chimney Sweep Hamish Macbeth #27

In the isolated villages in the north of Scotland, the villagers rely on the services of the chimney sweep, Pete Ray. But when Police Constable Hamish Macbeth discovers a dead body stuffed inside a chimney, the entire town of Lochdubh believes Pete is the culprit. Hamish doesn't believe that the affable chimney sweep was capable of committing murder. So when Pete's body is found on the Scottish moors, the mystery deepens. But this time, the murderer may be closer than he realises...
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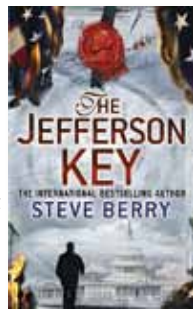
Jessica Beck Killer Crullers Donut Shop #6

Suzanne Hart - owner of April Springs's donut shop - sells a box of crullers to a stranger, who throws them one by one at her friend Gabby's storefront next door. The man claims that stolen family valuables ended up in Gabby's thrift shop. So when he turns up

dead outside of Donut Hearts, the cops come calling for her and Gabby. Can Suzanne prove that their role in the cruller-vandal killing is a cruel, albeit sugar-coated, twist of fate?
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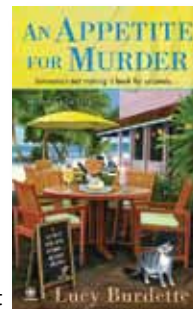
Steve Berry The Jefferson Key

Cotton Malone has been called on to defend his country's safety in many exotic locations around the world, often using his knowledge of history to get to the heart of mysteries and conspiracies stretching back for centuries. This time, Cotton must battle an extraordinary group of families whose unseen influence dates back to the US Constitution - and whose thirst for power is about to be satisfied by the cracking of a code devised by Thomas Jefferson himself!
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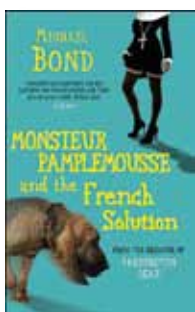


Lucy Burdette An Appetite for Murder Key West Food Critic #1

Hayley Snow's life always revolved around food. But when she applies to be a food critic for a Key West style magazine, she discovers that her would-be boss is Kristen Faulkner - the woman Hayley caught in bed with her boyfriend. Hayley thinks it can't get any worse... until Kristen is murdered by a poisoned key lime pie and Hayley becomes the prime suspect. Now Hayley must find out who used meringue to murder before she takes all the blame!
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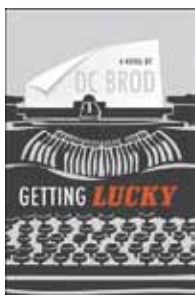
Michael Bond Monsieur Pamplemousse and the French Solution Pamplemousse #16

The last thing that Monsieur Pamplemousse and his canine companion Pommes Frites expect is trouble involving a nun, who is launching a smear campaign against Le Guide's credibility as

France's premiere restaurant and hotel guide. Someone has been spreading rumours among the staff and infiltrating the company files. Even Pommes Frites has become a victim of the assault. It could all spell the ruin for Le Guide, but Pamplemousse is on the case!
[English, Suspense] 288pp Pb \$17.99

C J Box Cold Wind Joe Pickett #11

A body hangs from a wind turbine with a bullet hole in his chest: Earl Alden, millionaire property developer. His wife Missy is the prime suspect. It wouldn't be a problem for Joe Pickett, if Missy weren't his mother-in-law. Missy claims she's innocent and for his wife's sake Joe would like to believe her. But all the early signs point to her being as guilty as sin. With his wife on one side and the law on the other, Joe needs to get to the truth before his family is ripped apart.
[American, Suspense] 400pp Pb \$24.99



D C Brod Getting Lucky Getting Even #2

Freelance writer Robyn Guthrie is taking over an unfinished story that a local reporter had been writing before his fatal hit-and-run accident. But it is an assignment that is dangerously complicated by shady land deals, an old high-school nemesis and Robyn's aging mother.
[American, Suspense] 336pp Pb \$25.95



The Detective Club The Floating Admiral [1931]

In 1931, Agatha Christie, Dorothy L Sayers and ten other crime writers from the newly-formed Detection Club collaborated in publishing a unique crime novel. In a literary game of consequences, each author writes one chapter,

leaving G K Chesterton to write a typically paradoxical prologue and Anthony Berkeley to tie up all the loose ends!
[English, Suspense] 336pp Pb \$14.99

Harlan Coben Live Wire Myron Bolitar #10

When the pregnant Suzze walks into Myron Bolitar's office, she is in tears. Lex, her rock star husband, has disappeared and Suzze fears the online rumours questioning the baby's paternity has driven him away. For Myron, questions of fatherhood couldn't hit closer to home, with his father hanging precariously onto life. Myron is soon forced to confront deep secrets in Suzze's past, his family's mortality - and his own.
[American, Private Eye] 400pp Pb \$19.99



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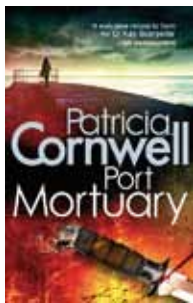
Reed Farrel Coleman Hurt Machine Moe Prager #7

At a pre-wedding party for his daughter Sarah, Moe Prager is approached by his ex-wife and former PI partner Carmella Melendez. It seems Carmella's estranged sister Alta has been murdered, but no one in New York City seems to care. Moe decides to help Carmella as a means to distract himself from his own life-and-death struggle. Chipping away at the surface, he discovers a cancer whose symptoms include bureaucratic greed, sexual harassment and blackmail...
[American, Private Eye] 320pp Pb \$25.95



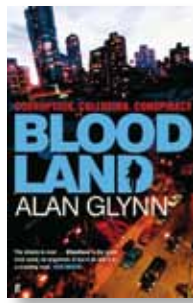
**Patricia Cornwell
Port Mortuary**

A young man drops dead, apparently from a heart condition, eerily close to Kay Scarpetta's home. But when his body is examined the next morning, it seems he may have been alive when he was zipped inside a pouch and locked in the cooler. Soon, Scarpetta realises this is a case of murder - and that she is fighting a cunning and cruel enemy. Now it's a race against time to discover who and why before more people die. But time is running out... [American, Forensic] 496pp Pb \$19.99



**Alan Glynn
Bloodland**

A tabloid star is killed in a helicopter crash and a young journalist is warned off the story. A private security contractor loses it in the Congo, with deadly consequences. In Ireland an ex-prime minister struggles to contain a dark secret. A dramatic news story breaks in Paris just as a US senator begins his campaign. A new thriller that moves from Dublin to New York, exploring corruption in big business, the West's fear of China and back room politics. [English, Espionage] 432pp Tp \$29.99



**James Henry
First Frost**

Denton, 1981. Britain is in recession, the IRA is becoming increasingly active and the country's on alert for an outbreak of rabies. Detective Sergeant Jack Frost is working under his mentor and inspiration DI Bert Williams - and coping badly with his increasingly strained marriage. But DI Williams is nowhere to be seen. So when a 12-year-old girl goes missing from a department store changing room, DS Frost is put in charge of the investigation... [English, Police Proc.] 464pp Pb \$19.95



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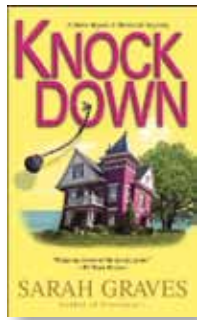
**Lila Dare
Die Job
Southern Beauty Shop #3**

While playing ghost hunter in the Rothermere mansion with her class, high school senior Rachel Whitley discovers the comatose body of her classmate Braden McCullers. Soon, she enlists the ladies of Violetta's salon to

investigate the attempt on his life, which is linked to a centuries-old crime and a very dark mystery. [American, Cosy] 304pp Pb \$13.50

**Hilary Davidson
The Damage Done**

Lily Moore fled to Spain to escape her drug-addicted younger sister, Claudia. When Claudia is found dead, Lily returns to New York to deal with the aftermath. The situation shifts from tragic to baffling when the body at the morgue turns out to be a stranger who had been using Claudia's identity. The real Claudia had vanished months earlier. As Claudia transforms from victim into suspect, Lily determines to find her before the police do. [Canadian, Suspense] 352pp Pb \$13.50



**Sarah Graves
Knockdown
Home Repair is Homicide #14**

Jacobia Tiptree is repainting the porch of her home in Eastport, Maine, when she notices a man repeatedly biking past her house, whose face is unsettlingly familiar. Then there's the anonymous email warning her to

beware the 4th of July. Jacobia recalls shady characters from her days as a hotshot financial manager, but she's baffled by her new nemesis - until she receives a photo of a murdered man. A twisted killer is slowly plotting a knockdown - for her and the entire town of Eastport! [American, Cosy] 384pp Pb \$13.50

**Elly Griffiths
A Room Full of Bones
Ruth Galloway #4**

On Halloween night, the local museum in King's Lynn is preparing for an unusual event - the opening of a coffin containing the bones of a medieval bishop. But when Ruth Galloway arrives to supervise, she finds the museum's curator lying dead beside the coffin. It is only a matter of time before she and DI Nelson cross paths once more in an investigation. Soon the museum's wealthy owner is found dead. When threatening letters come to light, events take a more sinister turn! [English, Police Proc.] 352pp Pb \$24.99



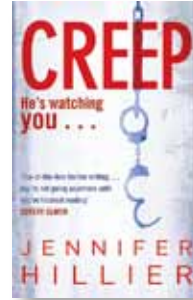
**Sara Henry
Learning to Swim**

When Troy Chance saves a small child from drowning in Lake Champlain, she assumes that the boy's frantic parents will be in touch with the police or the press. But what follows is a deafening silence. And Troy, a freelance writer, finds herself as fiercely determined to protect Paul as she investigates what happened to him. What she uncovers will take her into a world of wealth and privilege and heedless self-indulgence - a world where the murder of a child is not unthinkable... [American, Suspense] 304pp Pb \$23.95



**Jennifer Hillier
Creep**

When psychology professor Dr Sheila Tao begins an affair with graduate student Ethan Wolfe, she is consumed by lust and riddled with guilt. She ends their three month fling when she becomes engaged to a loving man who adores her. But Ethan has different plans. When a star student is stabbed to death, it's clear someone is raising the stakes on campus. Before long, Sheila is caught in a terrifying game with Ethan: the lover she couldn't resist is now the monster who won't let her go. [Canadian, Suspense] 400pp Pb \$19.99



**Bill Fitzhugh
The Exterminators
Assassin Bug #2**

After he bilks a Bolivian drug lord out of \$10 million and contracts with the government to get additional funding for his super-bug project - the goal of which is to genetically create the perfect assassin insect -

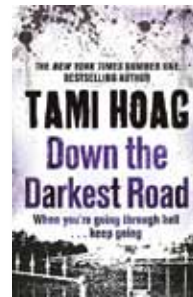
Bob Dillon finds he has a \$20 million price on his head. Soon he and his partner Klaus must dodge every contract killer known to man on the seedy streets of LA! [American, Suspense] 250pp Pb \$23.95

**Steven Havill
One Perfect Shot
Posadas County #18**

When a county employee is shot to death while sitting in his county road grader, Undersheriff Bill Gastner is faced with a puzzling investigation. In addition, Sheriff Eduardo Salcido has hired a new deputy without discussing the matter with Gastner. The new hire is the first female road patrol deputy in the history of Posadas County. Thus begins Gastner's relationship with Estelle Reyes, whose shrewd observations shed light on a crime that rattles skeletons in Posadas County closet. [American, Police Proc.] 250pp Pb \$23.95

**Tami Hoag
Down the Darkest Road
Oak Knoll #3**

Four years after the unsolved disappearance of her 16-year-old daughter, Lauren Lawton is chasing the ghosts of her perfect Santa Barbara life. Lauren knows exactly who took her oldest child, but there is no evidence against him. Even as he stalks her family, Lauren is powerless to stop him. Looking for a fresh start in a town, Lauren and her younger daughter Leah move to idyllic Oak Knoll. But when Lauren's suspect turns up in the same city, history is about to repeat itself... [American, Suspense] 448pp Tp \$29.99



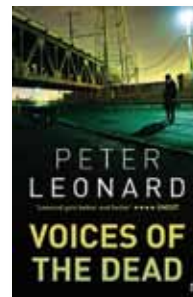
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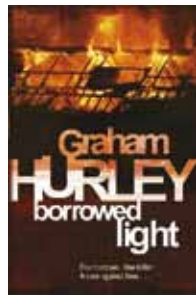
A train from Oslo to Bergen careens off the rails as the worst snowstorm in Norwegian history gathers force. Marooned in the high mountains, its passengers must abandon their train and decamp to a centuries-old mountain hotel. Come morning, one of them is murdered. With the storm showing no sign of abating, retired police inspector Hanne Wilhelmsen is asked to investigate. Meanwhile, rumours swirl about a secret cargo on board the train. Why was the last carriage sealed? What is being hidden?
[Norwegian, Police Proc.] 352pp Pb \$19.99

**G W Kent
Devil-Devil**

Sergeant Ben Kella of the Solomon Islands police force is only a few days into a routine patrol of a beautiful yet dangerous area of the South Pacific. At a local mission station, Kella discovers an independent and rebellious young American nun named Sister Conchita secretly burying a skeleton, when a mysterious gunman attempts to kill her. Kella soon links up with Sister Conchita in order to track down the perpetrators of a series of bizarre murders.
[English, Police Proc.] 320pp Pb \$19.99

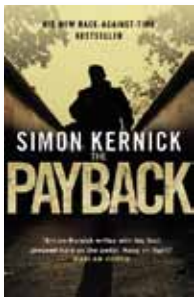
**Peter Leonard
Voices of the Dead**

It's Detroit, 1971. Harry Levin, scrap metal dealer and holocaust survivor, learns that his daughter has been killed in a car accident. Travelling to Washington DC, he's informed by Detective Taggart that the German diplomat - who was drunk - has been released and afforded immunity. He will never face charges. So Harry is left with only one option: to discover the identity of this man, follow him back to Munich and hunt him down.
[American, Suspense] 336pp Tp \$29.99

**Graham Hurley
Borrowed Light
Faraday & Winter #11**

DI Joe Faraday is convalescing after a serious injury, but four deaths in a suspicious fire drag him back to work before he's ready. Meanwhile, his partner wants to adopt a child who was badly burned in

Gaza. Both privately and professionally, Faraday is under threat. Ex-cop Paul Winter is still drug lord Bazza Mackenzie's trusted lieutenant. But his growing doubts about his new life deepen when Bazza orders him to retrieve a stash of missing cocaine... whatever the cost.
[English, Police Proc.] 368pp Pb \$19.99

**Simon Kernick
The Payback**

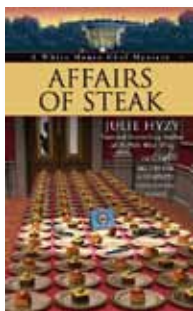
Dennis Milne is a former cop and part-time assassin. Now he's in Manila, waiting for his next target: a young woman with deadly enemies. DI Tina Boyd is in Manila hunting down the man responsible for the death of her lover. She knows he's dangerous. But she's determined to bring him to justice - even if it kills her. Two cops with pasts that haunt them... and a present that could see them both dead. They are about to meet. And when they do, it's payback time!
[English, Espionage] 464pp Pb \$19.95

Twitter @abbeybookshop**Peter Leonard
All He Saw was the Girl**

Rome: McCabe and Chip, two American exchange students, are about to become embroiled with a violent street gang, a beautiful Italian girl and a flawed kidnapping plan. Detroit: Sharon Vanelli's affair with Mafia enforcer Joey Palermo is about to be discovered by her husband Ray, a secret service agent. Brilliantly plotted and shot through with wry humour, two narratives will converge in the backstreets of Italy's oldest city!
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**Julie Hyzy
Affairs of Steak
White House Chef #5**

White House chef Olivia Paras and her arch nemesis, White House Sensitivity Director Peter Everett Sargeant, must work together to solve the double murder of one of the First Lady's assistants and the Chief of Staff... before they become the next victims of a merciless assassin with a secret agenda!
[American, Cosy] 304pp Pb \$13.50

**Raymond Khoury
The Devil's Elixir
Reilly & Tess Chaykin #3**

What if there was an herb, previously lost to history in the jungles of Central America, capable of inducing an experience so momentous it might shake the very foundations of Western civilisation? Sean Reilly and Tess Chaykin find themselves dragged into a race against the clock to merge two divergent trails. One trail is several hundred years old; the other as current as a heartbeat. And it could drag humanity to the brink of self-destruction!
[Lebanese, Archaeological] 384pp Tp \$32.99

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Sick Rich
Royal Pains #2**

The Fourth of July weekend is fast approaching and Dr Hank Lawson and his friends have been invited to the only party that matters. But when local kids start exhibit strange symptoms, Hank fears that the fireworks aren't the only things that are about to burn out...
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Also available: *First, Do No Harm Royal Pains #1*, (Pb \$13.50).

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Fatal Error
Alison Reynolds #6**

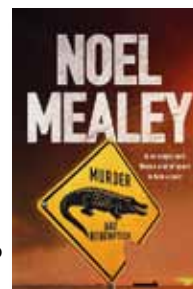
When Brenda, a colleague from Ali's old news broadcasting days, shows up with an unlikely story about a missing fiancé, Ali agrees to help. But Brenda's fiancé is revealed to be a cyber-sociopath named Richard Lowensdale. When he is viciously murdered, all the women he once victimised are considered suspects. The police focus their investigation on Brenda. Attempting to clear her friend's name, Ali is drawn into a web of online intrigue that may lead to a real-world 'fatal error'.
[American, Police Proc.] 432pp Pb \$13.50

**Hans Koppel
She's Never Coming Back**

When Ylva doesn't arrive home after work as expected, her husband Mike passes it off as a drink with a work friend. But when she's still missing the next day, he starts worrying. As Mike battles suspicion from the police and his own despair, he is unaware that Ylva is still alive, just a stone's throw from his own home. But Ylva has been drawn into a twisted plot of revenge and tragedy, leading back into the shared past between Ylva and her abductor.
[Swedish, Suspense] 336pp Pb \$19.99

**Noel Mealey
Murder and Redemption**

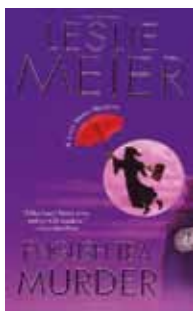
Having survived a brutal childhood in Bindoon orphanage, a tour in Vietnam and a spiral into alcoholism, Syd Fielding is now a detective sergeant in Geraldton. But when two men from the same cargo ship are murdered, he is drawn into the murky world of drug trafficking through WA's mining towns. His investigation takes him alarmingly close to home and he is forced to realise that even the people he loves may not be what they seem...
[Australian, Police Proc.] 352pp Tp \$29.99



Leslie Meier
English Tea Murder
Lucy Stone #18

Murder follows Lucy Stone across the Atlantic to England when she - while on a girls' getaway to London - investigates the murder of their tour guide, Professor George Temple, who died mid-flight after suffering a supposed asthma attack.

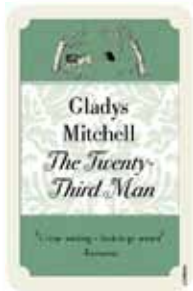
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Gladys Mitchell
The Twenty-Third Man
 [1957]

Criminologist, psychoanalyst and sardonic widow Mrs Bradley is enjoying a relaxing holiday on the island of Hombres Muertos. Then a cave high up in the mountains, containing the mummified bodies of 23 dead kings, acquires an extra corpse overnight. Delighted to be called into action, Mrs Bradley's investigations uncover that almost everyone on the island has a motive for murder and dark secrets they are desperate to conceal. But who is the real killer?

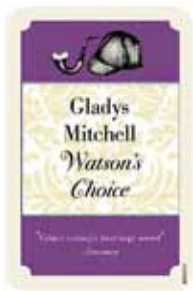
[English, Suspense] 224pp Pb \$19.95



Gladys Mitchell
Watson's Choice [1955]

One of Sir Bohun Chantrey's great passions in life are the stories of Sherlock Holmes. To celebrate the great man's anniversary, he throws a Sherlock-themed costume party. But several of the guests are more interested in Sir Bohun's money. So when he announces that he is to marry a poor governess, things take a turn for the worse, not least when the Hound of the Baskervilles turns up! Fortunately, Mrs Bradley and her secretary Laura are among the guests - and ready to investigate the mystery!

[English, Suspense] 192pp Pb \$19.95



Stuart Neville
Stolen Souls

Detective Inspector Jack Lennon wants a quiet Christmas with his daughter. When an apparent turf war between rival gangs leaves a string of bodies across the city, he knows he won't get it. As Lennon digs deeper he discovers the truth is far more threatening. Soon he is locked in a deadly race with two very different killers.

[Irish, Police Proc.] 320pp Tp \$32.95



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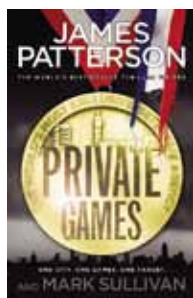
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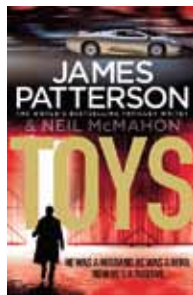
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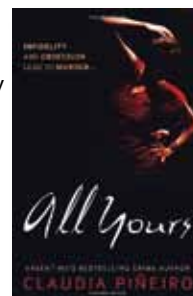
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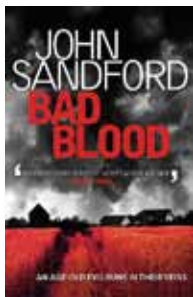


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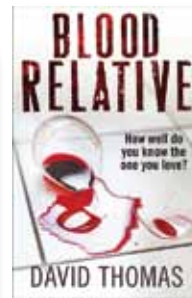
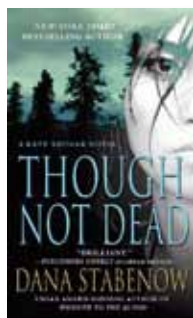
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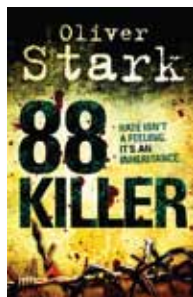
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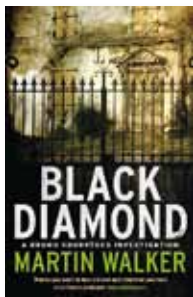
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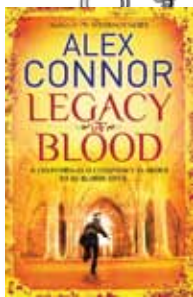
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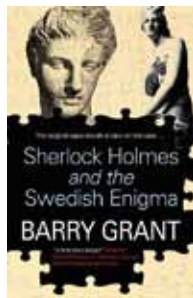
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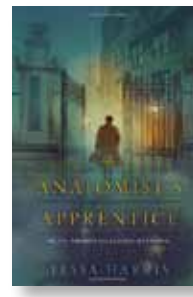
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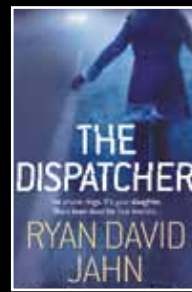
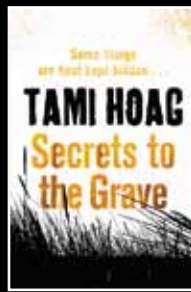
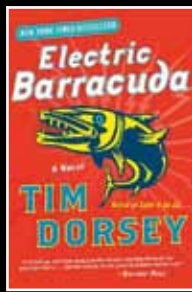
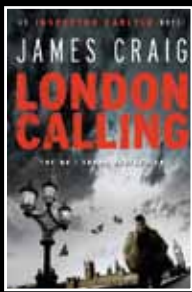
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