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AUTHORS AT ABBEY'S



PETER CORRIS
AT ABBEY'S 27 OCTOBER

We are thrilled to have Peter joining us on **Thursday 27 October**.

6pm for 6.30pm

Light refreshments served.



Peter's latest book is **Mad Dog: William Cyril Moxley and the Moorebank Killings** (page 14)

STUART LITTLEMORE
AT ABBEY'S 13 OCTOBER

Following the release of his very well received novel **Harry Curry: Counsel of Choice** (\$29.99 Pb), we are delighted to have Stuart appearing at Abbey's on **Thursday 13 October**.

6pm for 6.30pm start.

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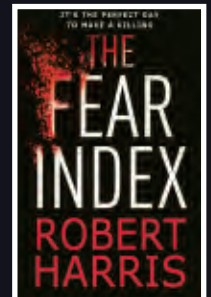


SCAREMONGERS

Robert Harris
The Fear Index

Dr Max Hoffman is a legend. A physicist once employed on the Large Hadron Collider, he now uses a revolutionary and highly secret system of computer algorithms to trade on the world's financial markets. None of his rivals is sure how he does it, but somehow Hoffman's hedge fund generates astonishing returns for his investors. Late one night, an intruder disturbs Hoffman and his wife while they are sleeping. Over the next 48 hours, Hoffman's world disintegrates. But who is trying to destroy him?

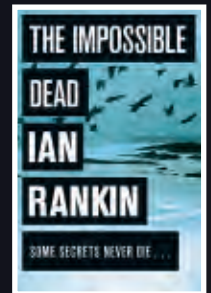
[English, Suspense] 464pp Tp \$32.95



Ian Rankin
The Impossible Dead Malcolm Fox #2

Malcolm Fox and his team from Internal Affairs have been sent to Fife to investigate cops suspected of covering up for a corrupt colleague, Detective Paul Carter. But what should be a simple job is soon complicated by a brutal murder committed with a weapon that should not even exist. The spiralling investigation takes Fox back in time to 1985, a year of turmoil in British political life. But Fox has a duty to find the truth, even as the body count rises, the clock starts ticking and he fights for his life.

[Scottish, Police Procedural] 384pp Tp \$32.99



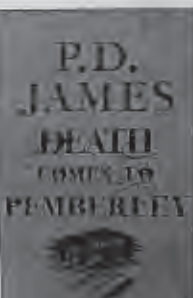
Lee Child
The Affair Jack Reacher #16

When a soldier's girlfriend is found with her throat cut from ear to ear, Reacher must go undercover to monitor the investigation. The local sheriff is Elizabeth Deveraux, a skilled ex-Marine MP who is seemingly making no progress. Is there a reason she doesn't want the killer identified? Eventually the army's investigation produces a prime suspect - and so does Reacher's undercover search. But Reacher's answer is not the same as the army's. If he keeps quiet, will he be able to live with himself?

[English, Suspense] 432pp Tp \$32.95



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P.D. James masterfully recreates the world of Jane Austen's best-loved novel, *Pride and Prejudice*, combining it with the excitement and suspense brilliantly-crafted detective story.

The year is 1805, and Darcy and Elizabeth have been married for a year. With two handsome and heady sons in the household, Darcy and Elizabeth's happiness is complete, but their peace is threatened on the eve of the anniversary ball. Elizabeth's sister, Lydia, is an unruly, spoiled, and reckless girl, and her husband has been murdered.

NEW P D James is on the way.

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Kerry Greenwood
Cooking the Books
Corinna Chapman #6

While on holidays, talented baker Corinna Chapman accepts an offer from a caterer friend to help with the baking for the film set of the new soapie in which her friends Kylie and Goss have parts. Twists and turns and complications that could only happen to Corinna ensue, involving nursery rhymes and a tiger named Tabitha. Meanwhile, on the other side of town a young woman is being unmercifully bullied by her corporate employers - employers who spend a lot of time cooking the books.

[Australian, Private Eye] 288pp Pb \$22.99



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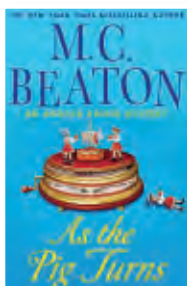
Mignon F Ballard
Miss Dimple Disappears
Miss Dimple Kilpatrick #1

Young schoolmistress Charlie Carr and her fellow teachers are startled to find the school custodian Wilson Malone dead in a broom closet, the apparent victim of a heart attack. But when the dependable Miss Dimple Kilpatrick disappears the following day, town residents are shaken. Knowing that Miss Dimple would never willingly abandon her students, Charlie and her friend Annie begin sleuthing... and uncover danger surprisingly close to home!
 [American, Cosy] 272pp Pb \$23.95



M C Beaton
As the Pig Turns
Agatha Raisin #22

Organising an outing to an annual pig roast in post-holiday season Cotwold, Agatha Raisin is horrified to discover the murdered body of an unpopular local policeman and agrees to investigate on behalf of the victim's ex-wife, who is also subsequently killed. [Scottish, Cosy] 304pp Hb \$37.95



Jennie Bentley
Flipped Out
DIY Mystery #5

Avery and her hunky handyman boyfriend are renovating a house belonging to a local news anchor who's thrilled to be filmed as part of a home renovation show. But cable television fame proves fleeting when the man is murdered and Avery faces the task of nailing the killer.
 [American, Cosy] 304pp Pb \$13.50



Tony Black
Truth Lies Bleeding

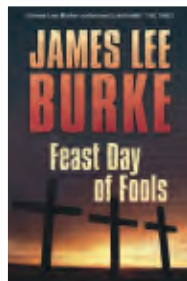
Four teenagers find the mutilated corpse of a young girl stuffed into a dumpster in an Edinburgh alleyway. But where is the baby that she has obviously recently given birth? Inspector Rob Brennan, back from psychiatric leave, is still shocked by the shooting of his only brother. His superiors think that the case of the dumpster girl will be perfect to get him back on track. But what Rob discovers about the murdered girl will blow the case - and his life - wide open...

Abbey's reader comment: "Believable and chilling - interesting characters with loads of personal problems; keeps you hooked and guessing all the way through."
 [English, Police Procedural] 384pp Pb \$24.95



James Lee Burke
Feast Day of Fools
Hackberry Holland #2

Still mourning the loss of his cherished wife, Sheriff Hackberry Holland keeps his demons at bay. When alcoholic ex-boxer Danny Boy Lorca witnesses a man tortured to death in the desert, Hack's investigation leads him to the home of Anton Ling, who is known for sheltering illegals. Ling denies having seen the victims or perpetrators, but there is something in her steely demeanour and aristocratic beauty that compels Hackberry to return to her home again and again as the investigation unfolds...
 [American, Police Proc.] 480pp Tp \$32.99



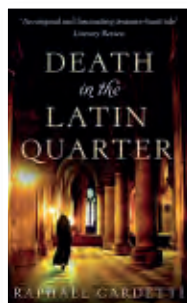
Andrea Camilleri
The Potter's Field
Insp. Montalbano #13

An unidentified corpse is found near Vigta, a town known for soil rich with potter's clay. Meanwhile, a woman reports the disappearance of her husband, a Colombian man with Sicilian origins who turns out to be related to a local mobster. Slowly and through myriad betrayals, Inspector Montalbano must find his way to the solution of the crime...
 [Italian, Police Procedural] 288pp Pb \$23.95



Raphael Cardetti
Death in the Latin Quarter

In Sorbonne, professor of medieval literature Albert Cadas kills himself. Meanwhile in another part of Paris, young restorer Valentine Savi is commissioned to restore a priceless and mysterious medieval palimpsest. When Valentine learns that the shadowy figures who seek to possess the secrets of the manuscript are far darker and more ruthless than she could have imagined, she soon finds herself on a terrifying adventure through the narrow streets of the Latin Quarter.
 [Italian, Archaeological] 320pp Pb \$22.99



Grace Carroll
Shoe Done It

Rita Jewel has a dream job selling fabulous clothes and accessories to the socialites of San Francisco at Dolce's Boutique. But when a pair of heels becomes a clue in a murder, Rita finds herself engaged in a high-end crime of fashion!



[American, Cosy] 288pp Pb \$11.50

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Michael Cordy
The Colour of Death

In a residential neighborhood of Portland, a young woman uncovers a shocking crime scene by inexplicably sensing the evil within its walls. Unable to recall her own name, the police christen her Jane Doe. Suffering terrifying hallucinations, Jane is assigned to Nathan Fox, a forensic psychiatrist. Together they must piece together the jigsaw that is Jane's identity. Then a sequence of brutal killings terrorises the city and Fox realises that Jane is the only link between the unrelated victims.
 [English, Forensic] 384pp Tp \$32.95



Nelson DeMille
The Lion
John Corey #5

Asad Khalil - aka 'The Lion' - is the most dangerous man alive. A ruthless Libyan terrorist with an agenda of death and destruction, he has come to the US to seek out his number one enemy, ex-NYPD homicide detective John Corey. But Corey is equally intelligent, equally ruthless... and equally determined to wipe Khalil off the face of the earth!
 [American, Suspense] 496pp Pb \$19.99



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JoAnna Carl
The Chocolate Pirate Plot
Chocoholic Mystery #10

When Lee McKinney Woodyard and her husband take their boat out on Lake Michigan, they're stunned when a mischievous band of pirates hops on board. Lee's boat is the first boarded that summer and the town couldn't be more amused by the mysterious buccaneers. But when a body washes up on shore, the pirates' antics stop being so entertaining...
 [American, Cosy] 256pp Pb \$13.50



Carole Nelson Douglas
Cat in an Ultramarine Scheme
Midnight Louie #22

Preparing to launch a high-risk Las Vegas mob museum and casino, publicist Temple Barr uncovers a buried safe and a recently murdered body during a live event. She soon finds herself turning to Midnight Louie's cat posse to stave off mafia threats on her life.
 [American, Cosy] 416pp Pb \$13.50



James Douglas
The Domsday Testament

When art recovery expert Jamie Saintclair stumbles upon his grandfather's diary, he's astonished to find that the gentle Anglican clergyman was a decorated hero who had served in the Special Air Service in WWII. And sewn in to the journal is a strange piece of Nazi symbolism. This simple discovery will launch him on a breathless chase across Europe and into Germany's dark past. There are some who will kill to find what is lost... and although he doesn't yet know it, Saintclair holds the key to its hiding place.
[Scottish, Archaeological] 512pp Pb \$24.95



Linda Fairstein
Silent Mercy
Alex Cooper #13

Assistant DA Alexandra Cooper has seen some gruesome crimes committed in New York - but the barbarity of a young woman's body found on the steps of a Baptist Church in Harlem leaves her nauseous. With NYPD cop Mike Chapman, Alex begins to investigate, but before long another woman is slaughtered and it becomes clear a zealous serial killer on the loose. Now Alex and Mike must keep one step ahead of a religious fanatic - before he kills anyone else.
[American, Police Proc.] 464pp Pb \$19.99



Elly Griffiths
The House at Sea's End
Ruth Galloway #3

A team of archaeologists unearth six bodies buried at the foot of a cliff. Forensics expert Ruth Galloway and DCI Nelson are drawn together again to unravel the past. Tests reveal that the bodies have been preserved in the sand for 60 years. The mystery of their deaths stretches back to WWII, a time when Great Britain was threatened by invasion. But someone wants the truth of the past to stay buried and will go to any lengths to keep it that way. Even murder...
[English, Police Procedural] 352pp Pb \$22.99



Kaitlyn Dunnitt
The Corpse Wore Tartan
Lisa MacCrimmon #4

When Moosetookalok's finest hotel reopens in time to host an annual celebration of Scotland's most beloved poet, the Scottish Heritage Appreciation Society arrives on the scene, bringing along their share of long held grudges. Then a fierce blizzard hits, trapping everyone - angry Scotsmen, hapless hotel staff and Liss herself - indoors. It isn't long before a body is discovered in a storage room, covered in tartan - and blood. Liss must work fast to solve this crime while cooped up with a killer!
[American, Cosy] 304pp Pb \$13.50



Jessica Fletcher & Donald Bain
The Queen's Jewels
Murder, She Wrote #34

Jessica Fletcher has always wanted to take a transatlantic voyage on the legendary *Queen Mary II*. Now she's finally getting her chance! But when the investigation of a stolen diamond follows her up the gangplank, she must try to enjoy the sumptuous seaborne surroundings while searching for a priceless diamond... and the person desperate enough to take a life for it!
[American, Cosy] 292pp Pb \$13.50



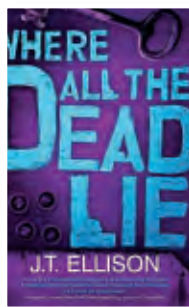
Ian Hamilton
The Deadly Touch of the Tigress

Ava Lee is a petite young Chinese-Canadian forensic accountant who works for an elderly Hong Kong-based 'Uncle'. In tracking millions of dollars across continents, the stakes are often high - sometimes violent and always shady - but Ava Lee's razor-sharp intelligence and unorthodox rules of engagement allow her to succeed where traditional methods have failed. This is a novel full of suspense, with an equally fascinating heroine!
[Canadian, Suspense] 416pp Tp \$29.99



JT Ellison
Where All the Dead Lie
Taylor Jackson #7

Trapped in silence after a run-in with the murderous Pretender, Nashville homicide detective Taylor Jackson - desperate to get away accepts a friend's offer to use his home in the Scottish highlands to recuperate. But a dark presence in the idyllic castle causes her to lose her grip on reality...
[American, Suspense] 400pp Pb \$23.95



Joanne Fluke
Gingerbread Cookie Murder
Lucy Stone #17

Hannah Swensen finds her neighbour Ernie Kusak with his head bashed in and sprawled on the floor of his condo next to an upended box of Hannah's highly-esteemed Gingerbread Cookies... only to discover a flurry of murder suspects that is as long as her holiday shopping list!
[American, Cosy] 304pp Pb \$13.50



Sophie Hannah
Lasting Damage

Connie Bowskill should be asleep. Instead, she's logging on to a property website in search of a particular house: 11 Bentley Grove, Cambridge. She finds herself looking at a scene from a nightmare. In the living room, in the middle of the carpet, there's a woman lying face down in a pool of blood. In shock, Connie wakes her husband Kit. But when Kit sits down at the computer to take a look, he sees no dead body - only a pristine beige carpet in a perfectly ordinary room...
[English, Suspense] 464pp Pb \$19.99



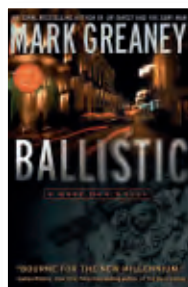
Kjell Eriksson
The Princess of Burundi [2006]
Ann Lindell #1

When the mutilated body of tropical fish collector John Jonsson is discovered in Uppsala the police are baffled. Inspector Ann Lindell is convinced the killer has been identified. But sinister events unfold and Jonsson's family get involved, Lindell and her team must unravel the complex clues and stop the killer... before it's too late!
[Swedish, Police Procedural] 416pp Pb \$17.99



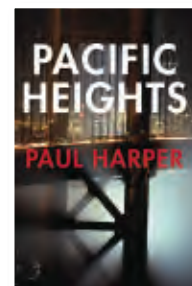
Mark Greaney
Ballistic
Court Gentry #3

Ex-CIA assassin Court Gentry thought he could find refuge in the Amazon rain forest, but his bloody past finds him when a vengeful Russian crime lord forces him to go on the run once again. Court makes his way to the only man in the world he can trust... only to find his friend is dead. Years before, Eddie Gamboa had saved Court's life. Now Eddie has been murdered by the notorious Mexican drug cartel he fought to take down. Court will find himself drawn into a war he never wanted...
[American, Suspense] 480pp Pb \$23.95



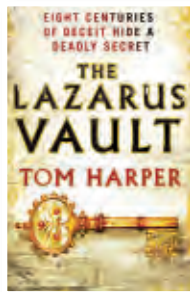
Paul Harper
Pacific Heights
Marten Fane #1

Psychiatrist Vera List discovers two of her clients are both having an affair with a suave mystery man who insists on anonymity and who appears to be using both women's intimate secrets to push them to their mental limit. Fearing for their sanity, Vera seeks the help of intelligence operative for hire, Marten Fane. As Fane delves into the world of his target, he realises he is dealing with a calculated professional conducting a disturbing psychological experiment that will end in death - unless Fane can stop it.
[American, Private Eye] 352pp Tp \$27.99



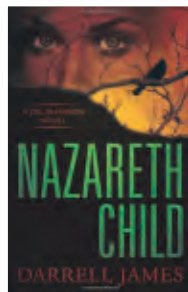
Tom Harper
The Lazarus Vault

Deep in the heart of London, the Monsalvat Bank is small and secretive. When impoverished graduate student Ellie Stanton is unexpectedly invited to join the firm, Ellie soon realises her employers are watching her every move. For buried in the bank's medieval vault lies a closely-guarded treasure of immeasurable power - one inextricably bound up with Ellie's own history. Ellie will find herself in a race against time, hunted by the bank and pursued by her past...
[English, Archaeological] 480pp Pb \$24.95



Darrell James
Nazareth Child
Del Shannon #1

Field Operative Del Shannon has never been able to locate her mother. Feds are investigating a religious compound run by Silas Rule in the Kentucky hills. One agent is already missing and Del is recruited when the FBI discovers that her father owns property in the area. Partnering with ATFE agent Frank Falconet, they go undercover. But Del has another agenda: to discover if Silas Rule and the secretive Nazareth Church hold the key to her mother's past.
[American, Espionage] 384pp Pb \$23.95



Louise Levene
Ghastly Business

London, 1929. Dora Strang is a doctor's daughter with an unmaidenly passion for anatomy. Denied her own medical career, she begins life as filing clerk to the country's pre-eminent pathologist, Alfred Kemble. Dora is thrilled by the grisly post-mortems and the pathologist himself - the embodiment of all her girlish fantasies. But Dora's job holds more than a few surprises. Can the impressionable Miss Strang emerge unscathed?
[English, Suspense] 288pp Tp \$29.99



Casey Hill
Taboo
Reilly Steel #1

Quantico-trained forensic investigator Reilly Steel has arrived in Ireland from California to drag the Irish crime lab into the 21st century. When a man and woman are found dead in an apartment, the gunshot wounds on their naked bodies suggest a suicide pact. But Reilly's instincts suggest otherwise and as more bodies are discovered, the team realises a twisted murderer is at work - one who seeks to upset society's norms in the most sickening way imaginable...
[Irish, Forensic] 432pp Pb \$19.99



Quintin Jardine
The Loner

Xavier Aislado is a half Spanish, half Scottish gentle giant, brought up in Edinburgh by his ferocious grandmother Paloma Puig. Xavi's emergence into manhood is eventful. After a short career as a professional footballer, he turns to journalism, where his first assignment ends in violent death. As his autobiography unfolds, Xavi's life and his love become entwined with his work, as he goes halfway round the world in search of a truth that may destroy him.
[Scottish, Psychological] 544pp Pb \$22.99



Liz Lipperman
Liver Let Die
Clueless Cook Mystery #1

Jordan McAllister can't cook her way out of a macaroni and cheese box, but filling in for the culinary reporter at The Rancharo Globe is better than writing personal ads. Her first assignment to review the new steakhouse in town is a disaster that ends with her waiter murdered outside her door - with her name and number in his pocket. Now Jordan is the prime suspect... as well as the main course on the murder menu!
[American, Cosy] 288pp Pb \$13.50



Katherine Howell
Violent Exposure
Detective Ella Marconi #4

When Suzanne Crawford is found stabbed to death and her husband Connor is missing, Detective Ella Marconi suspects a straightforward case of domestic homicide. But why is there no record of Connor Crawford beyond a few years ago? As Ella builds a picture of the Crawfords' fractured life, her own life is deteriorating. But Ella only has time for the job she loves and she knows she must see her way through the tangled web of deceit and lies to get at the truth... before it's too late.
[Australian, Police Proc.] 336pp Pb \$22.99



Linda Johnston
The More the Terrier
Pet Rescue #2

When shelter manager Lauren Vancouver discovers that her old mentor Mamie Spelling is an animal hoarder, she is shocked. Lauren jumps in to help re-home the cramped critters. But Mamie's troubles don't end there. She's accused of murder when the CEO of a pet shelter network is found dead. And Lauren's dogged determination to clear her former friend of murder may put a killer on her tail.
[American, Cosy] 304pp Pb \$13.50



Laura Lippman
The Most Dangerous Thing

Years ago, they were the best of friends before they grew apart and forgot about each other. But suddenly they are thrust back together when Gordon dies. That's when the revelations start. This is no typical group of friends. They all share a terrible secret from years ago. A secret which could be the reason for their troubles today. Now each member of each group wonders if they've finally been found out - and if someone within the circle has betrayed their long-held secrets.
[American, Suspense] 352pp Pb \$24.99



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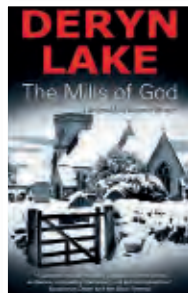
Arnaldur Indridason
Operation Napoleon

Mid-winter, 1999. The US Army is secretly trying to remove an aeroplane from the Vatnajökull glacier. By coincidence two young Icelanders become involved - but will pay with their lives. Before they are captured, one of the two contacts his sister, Kristin, who will not rest until she discovers the truth of her brother's fate. Her pursuit puts her in great danger, leading her on a long and hazardous journey in search of the key to the riddle of 'Operation Napoleon'...
[Icelandic, Suspense] 400pp Pb \$24.95



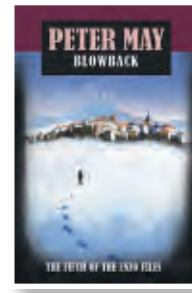
Deryn Lake
The Mills of God
Rev Nick Lawrence #1

The sleepy, eccentric Sussex village of Lakehurst suddenly becomes a place of terror and night shadows. After dark, it is hardly safe to go out, to the consternation of the newly arrived Vicar, trendy young Nick Lawrence, and Inspector Dominic Tennant of the Sussex Police Force. For a serial killer is on the loose: one who leaves notes at the scene of his crimes signed: 'The Acting Light of the World'...
[English, Police Proc.] 208pp Pb \$27.95



Peter May
Blowback
Enzo Files #5

Enzo Macleod takes on his fifth cold case, delving into the big business and high stakes of French haute cuisine seven years after France's top chef, Marc Fraysse, was murdered. But unravelling the complex web of relationships that surrounded the brilliant and mercurial chef - a spurned lover, a jealous wife, an estranged brother, an embittered food critic - also leads to strange parallels with his own life. And in opening up this celebrated cold case, he finds himself reopening old wounds from his past...
[Scottish, Police Proc.] 277pp Pb \$23.95



Jenn McKinlay
Death by the Dozen
Cupcake Bakery Mystery #3

Melanie and Angie are determined to win the Challenge to the Chef to promote their Fairy Tale Cupcakes bakery. Mel's mentor from culinary school, Vic Mazzotta, may be one of the judges, but Mel and Angie will have to win fair and square. So when Vic's dead body is found inside a freezer truck, Mel and Angie will need to use their best judgment to find the cold-blooded killer... or they may lose a lot more than the contest!
[American, Cosy] 304pp Pb \$11.95



Margaret Millar
Beast in View [1955]

At age 30 Helen Clarvoe is alone: her only visitors are the staff at the hotel where she lives and her only phone calls come from a stranger. Until that stranger, with a quiet, compelling voice, lures the aloof and financially secure Miss Clarvoe into a world of extortion, pornography, vengeance, madness and murder. But who is the hunter and who is the victim?
[Canadian, Suspense] 176pp Pb \$22.99



Hakan Nesser
The Unlucky Lottery
Inspector Van Veeteren #6

Four pensioners celebrate the fact that they have won 20,000 kronor in the lottery. Just hours later, one of them is found in his home, stabbed to death. Chief Inspector Van Veeteren is on sabbatical, so the case is assigned to Inspector Munster. But then another member of the lottery group disappears and Munster appeals to Van Veeteren for assistance. As Munster delves deeper into the case, he will discover dark secrets which not only threaten the clarity of the case, but also his life.
[Swedish, Police Procedural] 256pp Tp \$29.99



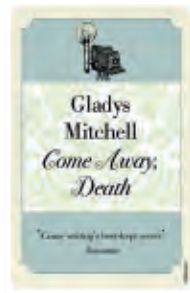
Andy McNab
Dead Centre
Nick Stone #14

Semi-retired but restless, Nick Stone finds himself at the centre of an extraordinary encounter which turns his world upside down. An oligarch's young son has been snatched from aboard a luxury yacht in the Seychelles. The fuse is lit and Stone is hurtled into a mission that leads him from the Alpine enclaves of the super-rich to the savage underbelly of war-torn Somalia. There, Stone's principal objective turns remorselessly from liberation to vengeance...
[American, Espionage] 416pp Tp \$32.95



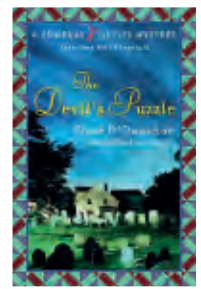
Gladys Mitchell
Come Away, Death
[1937]

Beatrice Lestrangle Bradley
 Sir Rudri Hopkinson, an eccentric amateur archaeologist, is determined to recreate ancient rituals at the temple of Eleusis in Greece in the hope of summoning the goddess Demeter. He gathers together a motley collection of people to assist in the experiment, including a rival scholar, a handsome photographer and a trio of mischievous children. But when one of the group disappears and a severed head turns up in a box of snakes, Mrs Bradley is called upon to investigate...
[English, Private Eye] 320pp Pb \$24.95



Clare O'Donohue
The Devil's Puzzle
Someday Quilts #4

After their quilting retreat upstate, the Someday Quilts ladies return to Archers Rest to prepare for the town's big anniversary celebration. But their plans are derailed by the discovery of a human skeleton in Nell's grandmother's backyard - making Eleanor the prime suspect. But when a wave of vandalism raises fears that the town's bygone history of witchcraft has been reawakened, secrets are unearthed that could change life in Archers Rest forever!
[American, Cosy] 288pp Pb \$21.95



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Glenn Meade
The Second Messiah

For 2,000 years, wars have been fought, dynasties founded and great empires built on the message at the heart of Christianity: that Jesus Christ is the one true messiah. But in modern-day Jerusalem, archaeologist Jack Cane makes a shocking discovery. A discovery that not only threatens to destroy the charismatic new Pope, but one that could shatter 2,000 years of faith and challenging the very foundations of the Western world!
[Irish, Archaeological] 496pp Pb \$24.95



Marcia Muller
Coming Back
Sharon McCone #27

As she tries to recover from a debilitating injury, Sharon McCone seeks to discover the truth behind the disappearance of one of the friends she made at physical therapy - a missing-persons case that could have a powerful effect on national security...
[American, Private Eye] 304pp Pb \$13.50



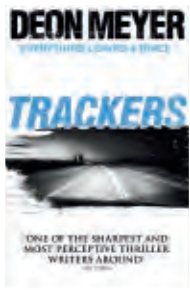
Robert B Parker
Painted Ladies
Spenser #39

Art professor Ashton Prince has hired PI Spenser to help recover a stolen painting. The thieves will return it in exchange for a ransom and all Spenser must do is accompany Prince - just in case. And collect his fee. But as Prince walks away from the exchange towards Spenser's car carrying the wrapped painting, it explodes. Prince is gone and so is Spenser's cash. Spenser soon discovers Prince's past is far from squeaky clean, but who killed him and why?
[American, Private Eye] 304pp Pb \$22.99



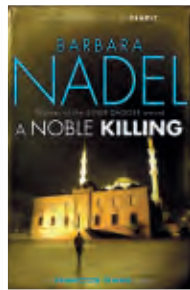
Deon Meyer
Trackers

A housewife running from years of domestic abuse. A bodyguard hired to escort a smuggled rhinoceros. A group of Islamic terrorists based in a quiet residential street. A secret government agency threatened with amalgamation within a bigger department. A retired policeman trying to get used to his new career in the private sector. Each strand of this brilliant narrative is populated with superbly-drawn characters and woven into a fabulous kaleidoscope of South African society.
[South African, Suspense] 496pp Tp \$32.99



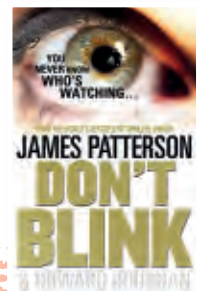
Barbara Nadel
A Noble Killing
Cetin Ikmen #13

In Istanbul, police are called to the scene of an honour killing of a young girl. Further investigations by Inspectors Cetin Ikmen and Mehmet Suleyman reveal the girl had a secret boyfriend who has now disappeared. He and the girl's family are prime suspects, even though forensic evidence is scant. Religion, organised crime and social conformity come together in a story of violence in a divided and changing society. And Mehmet Suleyman is on the verge of making a mistake that could ruin his career...
[English, Police Procedural] 416pp Pb \$22.99



James Patterson
Don't Blink

Reporter Nick Daniels is conducting a once-in-a-lifetime interview with a reclusive celebrity in a renowned New York restaurant. But the interview is cut short by a murder that takes place just yards from their table. As Nick reviews the tapes from his interview, he stumbles upon evidence that could be crucial to the murder investigation. But someone is watching his every move... and they will stop at nothing to prevent Nick from discovering the truth.
[American, Journalistic] 496pp Pb \$14.95



Malcolm Pryce
The Day Aberystwyth Stood Still
Louie Knight #6

Aberystwyth's only PI, Louie Knight, receives a visit from a stranger called Raspiwtin, who asks him to track down a dead man. 25 years ago, Lestyn Probert was hanged for his part in the raid on the Coliseum cinema, but shortly afterwards he was seen alive and well. Is there substance to the rumours that he was resuscitated by aliens? As strange lights are spotted in the sky above Aberystwyth, Lestyn Probert has been sighted once again. But what does Raspiwtin want with him? *[English, Private Eye] 256pp Tp \$29.99*



Anders Roslund & Borge Hellström
Cell 8
Ewert Grens #4

John Schwarz earns his daily crust on a ferry between Finland and Sweden. One night he sees a drunkard harassing several women and beats the man so badly he ends up in hospital. The incident would normally be dismissed as a drunken brawl, but Detective Inspector Ewert Grens is suspicious of certain details of the case and investigates further. His findings not only shock him to the core, but blows apart the worldwide debate on the death penalty! *[Swedish, Police Procedural] 384pp Tp \$27.99*



Daniel Silva
The Rembrandt Affair
Gabriel Allon #10

Glastonbury, an art restorer, has been brutally murdered and the newly discovered Rembrandt he was working on has disappeared. This unspeakable act of violence once again draws spy turned art restorer Gabriel Allon into a dangerous world he thought he'd left behind forever. Allon is persuaded to use his unique skills to trace the painting and those responsible for the crimes. But as he investigates, he will undertake a journey throughout some of the 20th century's darkest history... *[American, Private Eye] 480pp Pb \$19.95*



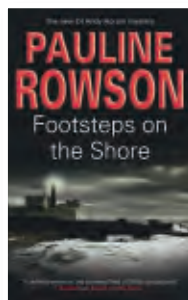
Matthew Reilly
Scarecrow and the Army of Thieves
Scarecrow #5

A long-forgotten relic of the Cold War, Dragon Island is a top-secret base housing a weapon that has just been re-activated. When Dragon Island is seized by a brutal terrorist force, the fate of the world hangs in the balance. Only Marine captain Schofield, aka Scarecrow, can stop them. He doesn't lead a strike force - just a handful of Marines and civilians. It's not equipped to attack a fortified island held by a vicious army. But Scarecrow will lead the team in anyway, because someone has to! *[Australian, Suspense] 576pp Hb \$44.99*



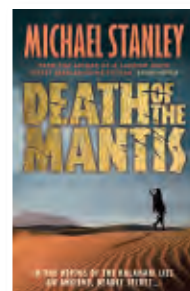
Pauline Rowson
Footsteps on the Shore
DI Andy Horton #6

Friday the 13th starts badly for DI Andy Horton. Convicted murderer Luke Felton goes missing just as a decomposed corpse is washed up in Portsmouth harbour. But before Horton can get to grips with either case, he is called to the house of a woman he had met only the day before, to find her brutally murdered. Is Luke Felton the prime suspect, or is his body in the mud of the harbour? Horton is under pressure and little does he suspect that things are about to get a whole lot worse! *[English, Police Procedural] 224pp Pb \$24.95*



Michael Stanley
Death of the Mantis
Detective Kubu #3

When a ranger named Monzo is found dead in a dry ravine surrounded by three Bushmen, the local police arrest the nomads. Detective 'Kubu' Bengu is on the case, reuniting him with his old school friend Khumanego, a Bushman and advocate for his people who believes the arrests were motivated by racist antagonism from the police. Soon after Monzo's death, Detective 'Kubu' learns of another case involving two botany students who were poisoned at a campground. Are the deaths connected? *[South African, Police Proc.] 416pp Tp \$29.99*



Luis Miguel Rocha
The Papal Decree

The Qumran Valley, 1947. Ancient scrolls are discovered, which the Vatican tries to suppress. Only five men know of their existence. And four of the men have been found dead. Priest and double agent, Rafael, is sent to investigate. The evidence he discovers may implicate journalist Sarah Monteiro, who already knows too many of the Church's secrets. Finding themselves dangerously entangled in a life-threatening conspiracy, Rafael and Sarah must uncover the truth... before the killers do! *[Portugese, Archaeological] 320pp Pb \$19.95*



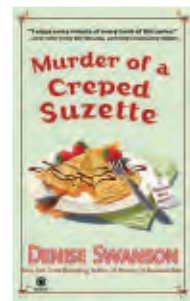
Eduardo Sacheri
The Secret in Their Eyes

Criminal investigator Benjamin Chaparro determines to end his obsession with the decades-old rape and murder of a beautiful young married woman in Buenos Aires, by writing a book. As Chaparro sifts through the evidence of the investigation, he revisits the lives of those who became entangled in the murder: Morales, the murdered woman's husband; Pablo Sandoval, Chaparro's gifted but unpredictable partner; and Irene Menendez Hastings, the judge's assistant who provoked unintended consequences... *[Argentinian, Police Proc.] 256pp Tp \$29.99*



Denise Swanson
Murder of a Creped Suzette
Scumble River #14

In Scumble River, plans to build a country music theatre fall into disarray and school psychologist Skye Denison becomes immersed in honky-tonk murder and mayhem, when rising country star Suzette Neal is murdered after asking to investigate the suspicious death of her mother which occurred 27 years earlier. *[American, Cosy] 272pp Pb \$13.50*



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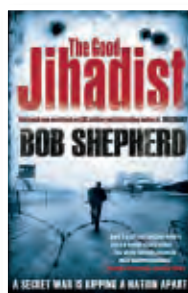
Delia Rosen
One Foot in the Gravy
Deadly Deli #2

Gwen Katz has been asked to cater for social butterfly Lolo Baker's audience-participation mystery party. Gwen, who is now the owner of her late uncle's kosher deli, discovers that murder is on the menu when a dead body comes crashing through the ceiling! *[American, Cosy] 256pp Pb \$13.50*



Bob Shepherd
The Good Jihadist

Disillusioned SAS veteran Matt Logan is struggling on civvy street. But when a seemingly random act of terror destroys everything Matt holds dear, he returns to the murky world of Black Ops where he must go undercover in Pakistan to single-handedly unravel a jihadist network. Stalked by fundamentalists and Pakistani intelligence, Matt is a pawn in a conspiracy to redraw the boundaries of global power; a secret war that is ripping a nation apart. But not the one he thinks... *[English, Espionage] 384pp Tp \$29.99*



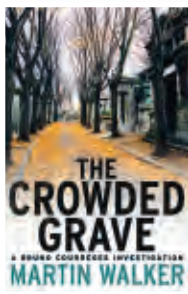
Gayle Trent
Killer Sweet Tooth
Daphne Martin #3

Wrongly implicated when she stumbles on the murdered body of a local dentist, cake decorator Daphne Martin's efforts to solve the mystery and clear her name is complicated by rumours about an affair... and a travelling convention of Elvis impersonators! *[American, Cosy] 272pp Pb \$23.95*



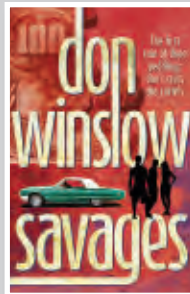
Martin Walker
The Crowded Grave
Bruno #4

In south-west rural France, local duck and goose farms are being attacked by animal rights protestors. A senior policeman is shot by terrorists believed to be the Basque Separatists of ETA. And a group of students have unearthed a 'modern' skeleton during a dig at an ancient site, bringing an influx of foreigners to the Dordogne. It is up to Chief of Police Bruno Courreges to get to the bottom of these seemingly unrelated events!
 [English, Police Procedural] 320pp Tp \$27.99



Don Winslow
Savages

Part-time environmentalist and philanthropist Ben and his ex-mercenary buddy Chon run a Laguna Beach-based marijuana operation, reaping significant profits from their loyal clientele. In the past when their turf was challenged, Chon took care of eliminating the threat. But now they may have come up against something they can't handle - the Mexican Baja Cartel wants in. When they refuse to back down, the cartel escalates its threat, kidnapping Ophelia, the boys' playmate and confidante.
 [American, Suspense] 320pp Pb \$24.95



Gyles Brandreth
Oscar Wilde and the Vatican Murders
Oscar Wilde #5

Exhausted by his creation of Sherlock Holmes, Arthur Conan Doyle retires to the spa at Bad Homburg. The first person he encounters is Oscar Wilde, where the friends make a series of macabre discoveries that lead them to Rome and the Vatican itself. Pope Pius IX has just died. These are uncertain times. To uncover the mystery and why the creator of Sherlock Holmes has been summoned in this way, Oscar and Conan Doyle must penetrate the innermost circle of the Catholic Church.
 [English, Historical] 352pp Tp \$29.99



Penny Warner
How to Party with a Killer Vampire
Party-Planning Mystery #4

While hosting a lavish party in a graveyard for big-time producer Lucas Cruz, event planner Presley Parker finds her reputation on the line when an entertainment reporter crashes the party and winds up dead.



[American, Cosy] 320pp Pb \$13.50

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HISTORICAL CRIME

Carol Carr
India Black and the Widow of Windsor
India Black #2

When Queen Victoria attends a seance, the spirit of her departed husband, Prince Albert, insists she spend Christmas at their Scottish home in Balmoral. Prime Minister Disraeli suspects that the Scottish nationalists plan to assassinate the Queen and sends the ever resourceful India Black and the handsome British spy, French, to the Scottish Highlands. India is certain that someone at Balmoral is determined to make this Her Majesty's last Christmas!
 [American] 304pp Pb \$21.95



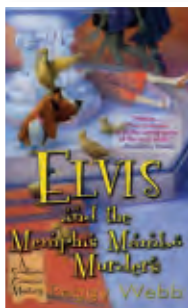
Barbara Hamilton
Sup with the Devil
Abigail Adams Mystery #3

After an attempt on the life of her young nephew Horace, Abigail Adams travels to Harvard to investigate. It seems a mysterious woman hired Horace to translate some Arabic, then left him at the mercy of her henchmen. He survived with a tale of pirate treasure. Meanwhile one of Horace's fellow students - loyal to the King - is murdered. The Sons of Liberty are desperate to find the rumoured gold, but Abigail wants the truth. For the Devil's treasure comes with a curse...
 [American] 336pp Pb \$21.95



Peggy Webb
Elvis and the Memphis Mambo Murders
Southern Cousins #3

When Callie Valentine Jones and the gang head to Memphis to keep Mama out of trouble at the regional dance competition, Elvis - the king of sleuthing basset hounds - is not about to miss his chance to return to Graceland. But Elvis and his human family get all shook up when somebody starts knocking off the dancers.
 [American, Cosy] 296pp Pb \$13.50



Nick Drake
Egypt: The Book of Chaos
Rai Rahotep #3

Left with no heirs, Tutankhamun's widow writes a letter to her enemy, the King of the Hittites, begging him to send her one of his son's so that they can form an alliance. Rahotep is sent on a dangerous mission with the Royal envoy to deliver the Queen's letter and bring her back a King. It is a mission from which Rahotep may never return. If he succeeds Rahotep is promised the elite position of Head of the Thebes police. If he fails, his family will perish and so too will the Queen...
 [English] 459pp Tp \$32.95



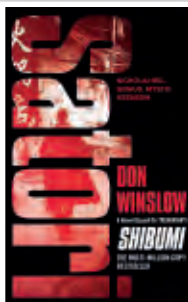
Laurie R King & Leslie S Klinger [eds]
A Study in Sherlock

Neil Gaiman. Laura Lippman. Lee Child. These are just three of 18 superstar authors who provide fascinating, thrilling and utterly original perspectives on Sherlock Holmes in this one-of-a-kind book! These modern masters place the sleuth in suspenseful new situations, create characters who solve Holmesian mysteries, contemplate Holmes in his later years, fill gaps in the Sherlock Holmes Canon and reveal their own personal obsessions with the Great Detective.
 [American] 400pp Pb \$23.95



Don Winslow
Satori

Sugamo Prison, Japan, 1951. Nicholai Hel has spent the last three years in solitary confinement for the murder of his mentor. Suddenly offered the chance of freedom, Nicholai feels danger as never before. Overseen by Haverford, his American spymaster, he must go to Beijing and kill the Soviet Union's commissioner to China. In a landscape primed for war, this is a suicide mission that he has no choice but to accept. Can Hel succeed in winning his freedom? And if so, at what cost?
 [American, Espionage] 544pp Pb \$22.99



Ariana Franklin
The Assassin's Prayer
Mistress of the Art of Death #4

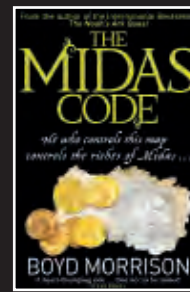
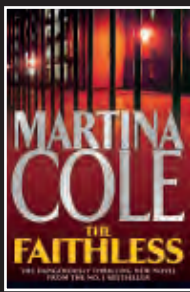
Adelia Aguilar is to accompany 10-year-old Princess Joanna on her 1,000-mile journey to marry the King of Sicily. Along with a lavish procession of nobles, musicians, servants, laundresses, grooms, luggage and treasure, they must also take with them the legendary sword Excalibur. But when members of the procession begin to die, there are dangerous accusations of witchcraft against Adelia. Meanwhile one traveller, armed with a personal vendetta, has been watching Adelia closely. He wants Adelia dead. But he wants her to suffer first...
 [English] 432pp Pb \$24.95



Edward Marston
A Bespoke Murder
Marmion & Keedy #1

London, 1915. The sinking of the Lusitania sparks an unprecedented wave of anti-German riots. Among the victims are the immigrant tailor Jacob Stein, found dead in his burnt-out shop. Initially Jacob's killing appears to be the tragic excess of wartime hysteria, but when it transpires that Jacob had been stabbed amidst the flames, his safe ransacked and his daughter Ruth raped, DI Harvey Marmion and Sergeant Joe Keedy must take on this case of cover-ups and contradictions and track down the perpetrators.
 [English] 320pp Hb \$45





OTHER TITLES IN OCTOBER...

CRIME NON-FICTION



Peter Corris

Mad Dog

William Cyril Moxley and the Moorebank Killings

William Cyril Moxley was hanged at Sydney's Long Bay Gaol in 1932, the first execution in NSW for eight years. His crime was the brutal rape and murder of 21-year-old Dorothy Ruth Denzel and the vicious beating and killing of her boyfriend, Frank Barnby Wilkinson. How did this WWI army deserter, small-time thief, conman and police informer come to be the infamous murderer 'Mad Dog Moxley'? Was it simply a robbery gone wrong? Was he really the monstrous sociopath described by the lawyers and tabloids? [Australian] 256pp Hb \$29.95



Andrew Moore

Mr Big of Bankstown

The Scandalous Fitzpatrick and Browne Affair

Raymond Fitzpatrick - a rough-hewn Sydney businessman known as 'Mr Big of Bankstown' - and Frank Browne - a journalist with a bent for verbal attacks on politicians - joined forces in 1955 to teach the troublesome MP Charles Morgan a lesson he would not forget. However, it was Fitzpatrick and Browne who ended up learning the lesson. Colourful personalities and personal animosities intersect in this true story about two individuals who were imprisoned on a vote of the Commonwealth House of Representatives. [Australian] 246pp Tp \$34.95



Mark 'Chopper' Read

Road to Nowhere

23 Years and 9 Months in the Australian Prison System

Mark 'Chopper' Read is over 50 years old and has spent almost half that time in prison. He is a man who knows the Australian prison system better than any other. He knows how the definitive school of hard knocks turns juvenile delinquents into hardened criminals. How it feels to be thrust into a world of violent psychopaths and be transformed into the worst of their number. This book is Chopper's redemption. It is the real story of the man, the criminal and the prisoner, told with black humour and surprising insight. [Australian] 272pp Tp \$34.99



MODERN CRIME

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Susan Wittig Albert [American, Cosy] Hb \$37.95

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Tom Cain [English, Suspense] Pb \$21.95

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Lee Child [ed] [English, Anthology] Pb \$19.99

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