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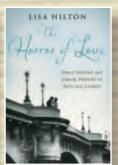




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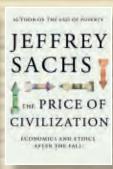
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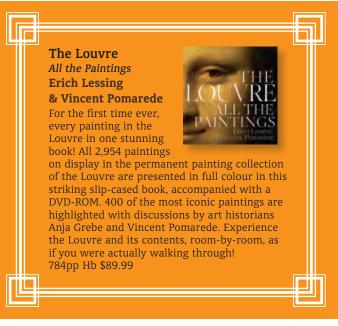
"Alice Pung is a lovely writer... The second book develops into a horrifying tale filling out her father's memories of his time in the Killing Fields of Cambodia." [read on, page 22]

THINK outside the screen

Parlour Games for Modern Families Myfanwy Jones & Spiri Tsintziras

A book for fun-lovers aged four to 104, this turns back the clock to remind you of all those games you'd forgotten... and then a whole lot more! So gather the family together and ask some friends to come over. Warm the milk for hot cocoa, play Squeak Piggy Squeak, and watch the good feeling spread. Whether you dip into it as the urge takes you, or read it from cover to cover, a very good time is guaranteed! 288pp Pb \$24.95







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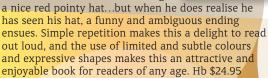
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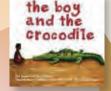
I Want My Hat Back Jon Klassen

I love this book! And so has every adult I've shown it to! Bear has lost his hat, and politely asks every animal he meets if they have seen it, and thanks them equally as politely when they say they haven't. Even the rabbit, who he doesn't notice is wearing



The Boy and the Crocodile Familia Hope Orphanage

The peoples of East Timor share a common legend about the origin of their island. A young boy helps a small crocodile get to the sea, where it might grow big and strong. The grateful crocodile promises to help the boy whenever he needs, and after fulfilling his promise years later, turns himself into an island where the boy and his future family can live. Illustrated in a naïve and colourful style by residents of the orphanage, all proceeds go towards helping



I WANT MY HAT BACK

JUST KLADUS

A Bus Called Heaven **Bob Graham**

Another beautifully rendered book from one of our best authorillustrators. One day a bus is abandoned in Stella's street, and she persuades the neighbourhood to make something of it - and they do. Everyone contributes something and it becomes the community meeting venue where all the various members can share time together. When the bus is towed away, Stella (a shy and pale child) stands up for herself and the community (and for the nestlings under the bonnet) and saves the bus from being

scrapped. Full of lovely visual vignettes, and with a gentle and affirming message. If you're quick, we have a limited number of books signed (and doodled on) by the author. Hb \$27.95



This charming and witty counting book is absolutely Australian, with the 'one little nipper dipping in the pools' and 'two straight fingers for a goal in Aussie rules' rhyming through the numbers to 'eleven bowerbird treasures, bottle tops and pegs' and 'twelve hardworking kelpie legs' with a digression to one hundred flies, big mobs of people and trillions of stars! Gorgeously bright stencil illustrations make this the sort of counting book neither child nor adult tires of! Hb \$24.99



The Penguin Book of Australian Bush Writing John Ross [editor]

A collection of beautiful and lyrical Australian writing about the bush. It includes some of our famous 'bush bards', such as Henry Lawson and Banjo Paterson, as well as some more modern writers, like Richard Flanagan and Robyn Davidson. Reading through this hugely comprehensive collection, you'll be able to smell the foliage and feel the crunch of sticks underfoot! 400pp Tp \$32.95

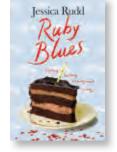


AUSTRALIAN FICTION

the children of East Timor. Pb \$19.95

Ruby Blues Jessica Rudd

Now that the balloons from the election party have sagged, Ruby is battling political and personal fires. She has a whole new To Do list scrunched at the bottom of her handbag: 1. Screw things up with Luke, 2. Turn 30, 3. Deal with



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hormonal pregnant lesbian aunt, 4. And an imploding goverment, 5. Avoid killing peppy intern. 6. Attend party after waxing accident. 7. Cosy up to Pretty Boy, 7a. Complicate things with Luke, 8. Save the government from itself, 9. Figure out who she is, 10. And who she wants! 296pp Tp \$29.95

The Freudian Slip **Marion Von Adlerstein**

Sydney, early 1960s. At an advertising agency, two talented women hold important roles. Bea is a copywriter and Desi is a TV producer. Anxious to join this starred twosome is a young secretary named Stella, who embodies all the qualities

for success... except for creative talent! In its absence, Stella relies on stealth, flattery and plagiarism to walk all over the others in realising her ambition. And she succeeds. At least for a while... 400pp Tp \$32.99 \$27.95



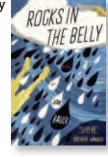
Silence **Rodney Hall**

An exquisite collection of fiction by one of Australia's finest writers and winner of the Miles Franklin Award. Each piece has its own startling imagery. This is a book that constantly surprises with its echoes of famous voices, and

how the astonishing breadth of material - historical, personal, imagined - is held together by its central theme and by a web of subtle connections. 224pp Pb \$24.99

Rocks in the Belly Jon Bauer

An eight-year-old's mother fosters boys, despite the jealous turmoil it arouses in her son. When his jealousy reaches unmanageable proportions after she fosters Robert - an amiable child she



can't help bonding with - it triggers an event that profoundly changes everyone, especially Robert. At age 28, the son returns to face his mother. He hasn't forgiven her for what happened to Robert. But now she is the dependent one and he is the dominant force... a power he can't help but abuse. 304pp Pb \$24.95

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Grand Days [1993]

On a train from Paris to Geneva, Edith meets Major Ambrose Westwood. Their early intimacy binds them together once they reach Geneva and their posts at the newly created League of Nations. Nothing seems beyond their grasp and the exuberance of the times carries over into Geneva nights: Edith is drawn into a dark and glamorous underworld where, coaxed by Ambrose, she becomes more sexually adventurous...
Pb normally \$19.95

Dark Palace [2000]

Five years have passed since Edith's arrival in Geneva and a sense of foreboding prevails as the world moves closer to another war. As certainties crumble, Edith is once again joined by Ambrose, her old friend and lover, and their reunion is joyful. But WWII advances inexorably and Edith and Ambrose must accept that their efforts are useless against the forces of the time... Pb normally \$19.95

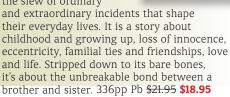




FICTION

When God was a Rabbit Sarah Winman

This is an incredibly exciting debut from an extraordinary new voice in fiction. Spanning four decades, from 1968 onwards, this is the story of a fabulous but flawed family and the slew of ordinary



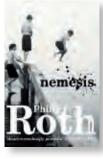


The Particular Sadness of Lemon Cake Aimee Bender

On her ninth birthday, Rose Edelstein bites into her mother's homemade lemon-chocolate cake and discovers she has a gift: she can taste her mother's emotions in

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the slice. All at once her seemingly cheerful mother tastes of despair and desperation. For the rest of Rose's life, food becomes perilous. Rose's gift forces her to confront the truth behind her mother's sadness, her father's detachment and her brother's clash with the world. But there are some secrets that Rose's taste buds cannot discern... 336pp Pb \$19.95



Nemesis Philip Roth

Summer, 1944. In the "stifling heat of equatorial Newark", a terrifying epidemic is raging, threatening the children of the New Jersey city with maiming, paralysis, life-long disability and death. Vigorous, decent,

23-year-old playground director Bucky Cantor is devoted to his charges and disappointed with himself because his weak eyes have excluded him from serving in the war. As polio ravages Bucky's playground, Roth leads us through every inch of emotion that pestilence can breed... 304pp Pb \$19.95



Alone in Berlin Hans Fallada

Berlin, 1940. When the unassuming couple Otto and Anna Quangel discover that their beloved son has been killed in the fighting in France, they begin a silent campaign of defiance. A deadly game of cat and

mouse develops between the Quangels and the ambitious Gestapo inspector Escherich. A slipcased hardback edition of the bestselling novel first published in Germany in 1947, featuring original *Penguin* artwork. 608pp Hb \$45

The Seamstress Maria Duenas

As turmoil brews in Europe, Sira Quiroga's life is thrown into chaos. Abandoned and alone, all she has are her skills as a seamstress - a talent that could save her, and influence the course of a war. When the circles of high society and the

shadowy world of espionage collide, she is confronted with a terrifying decision. From the haute couture ateliers of old Madrid to the exotic souqs of Morocco, this is the inspiring journey of a woman who risks everything for love! 624pp Tp \$32.99

Mary Ann in Autumn Armistead Maupin

20 years have passed since Mary Ann Singleton left her husband and child in San Francisco to pursue her dream of a TV career in New York. Now personal calamities have driven her back to the city of her youth and into the arms of her

oldest friend, where she licks her wounds and takes stock of her mistakes. With the help of Facebook and a few old friends, she begins to re-engage with life, only to confront fresh terrors when her past returns to haunt her in a way she could never have imagined... 368pp Pb \$19.95



Perlmann's Silence Pascal Mercier

Near Genoa, experts are gathering for a linguistics conference. One speaker, Philipp Perlmann, is recently widowed and unable to complete his keynote address. As the hour approaches, a desperate Perlmann

decides to plagiarise the work of Leskov, a Russian colleague who cannot attend. But when word reaches Perlmann that Leskov has arrived unexpectedly in Genoa, Perlmann must protect himself from exposure by constructing a maelstrom of lies and deceit, which lead him to the brink of murder... 576pp Tp \$29.99



The Weekend Bernhard Schlink

Old friends reunite for a weekend in a country home after spending decades apart. But this isn't just any old reunion. After 24 years, Joerg - a former member of the Red Army Faction and convicted murderer and terrorist - is released

from prison. His group of friends gather for his first weekend of freedom. They are invited by Christiane, Joerg's devoted sister, whose suffocating concern for her brother is matched only by the unrelenting pull of Marcko, a passionate young man intent on using Joerg to continue the cause... 240pp Pb \$19.99

Netherwood Jane Sanderson

Yorkshire, 1904. Lord Hoyland keeps his considerable cashflow ticking over with the profits from his three coal mines. The upkeep of Netherwood Hall - not to mention keeping his wife and daughters in the latest fashions and his

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son and heir out of trouble - does not come cheaply. Eve Williams is the wife of Lord Hoyland's most stalwart employee. When her existence is brought crashing down by tragedy and charity, she must look to her own talents to provide for her three children. 400pp Tp \$29.99



The Little Coffee Shop of Kabul Deborah Rodriguez

In a little coffee shop in one of the most dangerous places on earth, five very different women come together: Sunny, the proud cafe proprietor; Yazmina, a young pregnant woman stolen from her village;

Candace, a wealthy American; Isabel, a determined journalist; and Halajan, a 60-year-old mother whose love affair breaks all the rules. As these five discover, there's more to one another than meets the eye, and they form a unique bond that will change their lives... 304pp Pb \$19.95

Edible Stories A Novel About Food in Sixteen Courses Mark Kurlansky

One day, Robert Eggle finds himself standing in a hole in the sidewalk, with no memory of who he is, or his former life as a food critic.

Desperately trying not to be unknowing to people

be unknowing to people who seem to recognise him - including his wife Margaret - he survives by holding on to what he tastes. He finds his preoccupations narrowed down to his loss of taste, and the puzzling gastronomic tales people regale him with. This is a delectable tale of quirky individuals whose lives intersect in amusing, poignant ways. 320pp Pb \$22.95

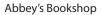


The Angel Esmeralda Nine Stories Don DeLillo

In these stories DeLillo represents the wide range of human experience in contemporary America. One man exploits the vulnerability of a woman he's just met; another finds himself deceiving his wife and beginning an



affair. A woman lives in constant fear of the earthquakes happening around her; others bear witness to the abduction of a child from a small park. Whether it's the slums of New York, or astronauts orbiting the Earth, DeLillo reveals the disquieting truth behind human interactions. 224pp Hb \$29.99



Summer Tom Darling

When Grace Hooper and her nine-year-old brother Billy are left orphaned by a freak accident at the beginning of summer, they are sent to stay with their estranged grandfather on the remote farmstead where their mother grew up.



But in the relentless heat and unnatural calm of the near-deserted farm, nature itself soon becomes both enemy and ally. As the bond between brother and sister disintegrates, Grace discovers that the farm hosts a tragic past and an uncertain future...

288pp Tp \$29.99

The Thread Victoria Hislop

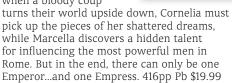
Thessaloniki, 1917. As Dimitri Komninos is born, a devastating fire sweeps through the thriving Greek city where Christians, Jews and Muslims live side by side. Five years later, Katerina Sarafoglou's home in Asia Minor is destroyed by

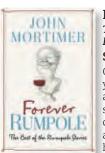


the Turkish army. Losing her mother in the chaos, she flees across the sea to an unknown destination in Greece. Soon her life will become entwined with Dimitri and the city as war, fear and persecution divide its people. 400pp Tp \$29.99

Daughters of Rome Kate Quinn

Elegant and ambitious. Cornelia embodies the perfect Roman wife. She lives to see her loyal husband become Emperor. Her sister Marcella is more aloof, content to witness history rather than make it. But when a bloody coup





Forever Rumpole The Best of the Rumpole Stories Sir John Mortimer

Over a period of 30 years, Mortimer wrote almost 80 Rumpole stories. The world changed gradually and Rumpole found himself defending huntsaboteurs and alleged

Islamic terrorists, but the old boy himself remained the same: committed to defending the apparently indefensible, trusting in the good sense of a jury, and scornful of the law's pomposities. The best of Rumpole is represented in this new selection of 14 stories, the first published in 1978, the last in 2004. 528pp Hb \$39.95

An Honourable Man Gillian Slovo

Victorian England, 1884. Slovo draws on the lives of two real men-Charles Gordon, an heroic, hubristic army man whose refusal to obey orders helped bring down the Gladstone government; and W

T Stead, editor of the Pall Mall Gazette and the father of tabloid journalism. Their story intercuts with the tale of a poor working woman in London. This is a book about destiny, heroism doomed to failure, political compromise and military mayhem. 352pp Pb \$29.99

The Scottish Prisoner Diana Gabaldon

Set in the heart of the 18th century, Lord John Grey's world is one of mystery and menace. Diana Gabaldon brilliantly weaves together the strands of Lord John's secret and public lives. Capturing the lonely,

tormented and courageous career of a man who fights for his crown, his honour and his own secrets, Gabaldon delivers breathtaking human drama, proving once again that she can bring history to life in a way few novelists ever have! 560pp Tp \$32.99



After surviving the perils of travelling halfway across the world,

Romulus and Tarquinius are press-ganged into the legions, which are under threat of annihilation by the Egyptians. Meanwhile

in Rome, Romulus' twin sister Fabiola lives in fear for her life, loved by Brutus, but wooed by his deadly enemy, Marcus Antonius. When Romulus and Tarquinius are separated in the chaos of war, Tarquinius hides in Alexandria, searching for guidance. But mortal danger awaits them both... 608pp Pb \$19.95



Hero of Rome **Douglas Jackson**

BEN KANE

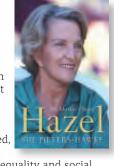
The Roman grip on Britain is weakening. The Druids are spreading seeds of rebellion among the British tribes, and the warrior queen Boudicca will lead them to war. Standing against rebellion is Roman Tribune, Gaius Valerius

Verrens, Commander of the veteran legions at Colonia. Valerius must lead the veterans in a last stand against Boudicca's army. Step by step, the bloodied survivors are forced back into the Temple of Claudius. It is here that Valerius wins lifelong fame and the accolade Hero of Rome. 480pp Pb \$14.95

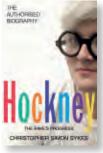
BIOGRAPHY

Hazel My Mother's Story Sue Pieters-Hawke

As the wife of a prime minister, Hazel Hawke brought a down-to-earth warmth to Canberra that influenced everyone she came into contact with. Whether it was working to help the disadvantaged, supporting the arts, or



advocating her belief in equality and social inclusion, Australians felt her energy, her practicality, her special warmth and her immense capacity for humour and enjoyment. This candid and intimate biography is written by her eldest daughter. 480pp Hb \$49.99



Hockney The Rake's Progress Christopher Simon Sykes

David Hockney's career has spanned and epitomised the art movements of the last five decades. His story is one of precocious achievement

at Bradford Art College; the Swinging 60s in London where he befriended many iconic cultural figures; California and the cool of the swimming pool series of paintings; and acclaimed set designs for countless operas. With unprecedented access, this is an honest and revelatory account of one of Britain's greatest artists. 368pp Pb \$35

[Sic] Joshua Cody

Joshua Cody was about to receive his PhD from Columbia University when he was diagnosed with cancer. He underwent six months of chemotherapy. The treatment failed and expectations for survival plummeted. In a fevered, mesmerising voice, he



chronicles his battle against cancer with breathtaking audacity, creating a book that gives readers a long glimpse into a dark, yet gorgeous, thrashing in the forecourt of death. 272pp Pb \$29.99



Instead of a Book Letters to a Friend Diana Athill

Athill's letters to the American poet Edward Field reveal a sharply intelligent woman with a brilliant sense of humour, a keen eye for the absurd, a fierce loyalty and a passionate zest for life. This intimate

correspondence spanning 30 years covers her final years as an editor at Andre Deutsch, her retirement and immersion in her own writing, her growing fame and encroaching old age. A fascinating insight into a life fully lived. 304pp Hb \$39.99



Mawson and the Ice Men of the Heroic Age Scott, Shackleton and Amundsen

Peter FitzSimons

Douglas Mawson was Australia's greatest Antarctic explorer. In 1911, he led an expedition from Hobart to explore

the virgin coastline with his companions, Belgrave Ninnis and Dr Xavier Mertz. After five weeks, tragedy struck. Ninnis was swallowed by a snow-covered crevasse, while Mertz succumbed to madness and death. Mawson found himself alone, 160 miles from safety, with almost no food. A staggering tale of survival! 320pp Hb \$49.95



The Lady and the Peacock The Life of Aung San Suu Kyi Peter Popham

Until her release in 2010, Aung San Suu Kyi - cofounder and leader of the National League for Democracy - had been under house arrest in Burma for 14 years.

Praised all over the world for her martyrdom, there is no public figure in the world today who compares to her – a woman caught in a revolutionary uprising for which she became leader, yet trapped inside the country, never to see her family. 464pp Tp \$29.95



Eva Braun Life with Hitler Heike B Görtemaker

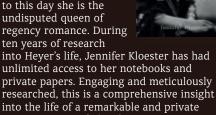
Eva Braun and Adolf Hitler were together for 14 years, a relationship that ended with their double suicide in Berlin. Eva was obsessed with sport, fashion, photography and films, and seems to have had

little interest in politics. More powerful than 'the First Ladies of the Third Reich', Eva almost never chose to use her power. Heike Gortemaker's new book is the first to take Eva's role in the Nazi hierarchy seriously, allowing her to inhabit her strange role at the heart of a terrible regime. 336pp Hb \$39.95

Georgette Heyer Biography of a Bestseller Jennifer Kloester

Despite her enormous popularity, Georgette Heyer never gave an interview or appeared in public. A phenomenon in her own lifetime, to this day she is the undisputed queen of regency romance. During ten years of research

woman. 464pp Hb \$45 \$35





Nancy Mitford and Gaston Palewski in Paris and London

Lisa Hilton

Nancy Mitford and the Free French commander Gaston Palewski conducted a less than ideal love affair in postwar France. She was one of the 20th century's most

glamorous and popular authors; he was one of the most significant European politicians of the period. He inspired and encouraged her to write one of the funniest, most painfully poignant and best-loved novels of its time, The Pursuit of Love (Pb \$21.95), and she supported him through a tumultuous political career. With discipline, gentleness and a great deal of elegance, they achieved a very adult ideal, and their story will test the reader as much as it charms. 480pp Hb \$39.99 \$34.95

Three Cups of Deceit

How Greg Mortensen, Humanitarian Hero, Lost His Way

Jon Krakauer

Nobel Peace Prize nominee Greg Mortenson has built a global reputation as a selfless humanitarian and crusader for children. But he is not all that

he appears to be. Based on wide-ranging interviews with former employees, board members, and others who have intimate knowledge of Mortenson and his charity, this biography uncovers multiple layers of deception behind Mortenson's public image. A passionately argued plea for the truth and a tragic tale of good intentions gone wrong. 96pp Pb \$14.95



Ancient Worlds

The Search for the Origins of Western Civilization

Richard Miles

Across the Middle East, the Mediterranean and the Nile Delta, awe-inspiring ruins are scattered across the landscape. Richard Miles recreates

these extraordinary cities, ranging from the Euphrates to the Roman Empire, to understand the roots of human civilisation. He challenges us to understand that the cities which define culture, religion and economic success have always been cruel, based on systems that have provided amazing opportunities and back-breaking hardship. 400pp Pb \$22.95

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City of London 1815-2000 David Kynaston

The 'Square Mile' is London's financial powerhouse, which rose to prominence with the defeat of Napoleon in 1815. David Kynaston's history brings this financial world to life in a way that we can all



understand, taking us from the railway boom of the 1830s to the 'Golden Age', when the legendary gold standard reigned supreme. Originally published in four volumes between 1994 and 2001, it has been edited into a single volume by David Milner. A story as dramatic as any novel! 704pp Hb \$65

The Rise and Fall of Ancient Egypt Toby Wilkinson

This is a story rich with extraordinary achievements and historic moments: from the building of the pyramids and the conquest of Nubia, to Alexander the Great's invasion and Cleopatra's fatal



entanglement with Rome. As the world's first nation-state, the story of Ancient Egypt is the attempt to unite a disparate realm and defend it against hostile forces. Combining grand narrative with detailed knowledge of hieroglyphs, Toby Wilkinson reveals Ancient Egypt in all its complexity! 672pp Pb \$29.99

The Penguin Book of Myths and Legends of Ancient Egypt Joyce Tyldesley

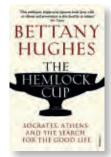
The civilisation we know as Ancient Egypt stretched for over 3,000 years. What was life like for ancient Egyptians? What were their beliefs and how different were



they from ours? This book uses Egypt's vivid narratives to create a panorama of its history, from the earliest settlers to the age of Cleopatra. Gathered from pyramid texts, archaeological finds and contemporary documents, these stories cover everything from why the Nile flooded annually to what life was really like for the rich and poor. 400pp Pb \$22.95

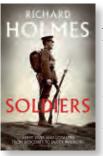
The Hemlock Cup Socrates, Athens and the Search for the Good Life Bettany Hughes

Socrates was a man of the people who philosophised neither in grand educational establishments nor the courts of kings, but in the squares and public arenas of Golden Age



Athens. For 70 years he was a vigorous citizen of one of the greatest capitals on earth, but then Athens turned on him, condemning him to death by poison. His life is a vibrant story that Athens did not want us to hear, but which deserves to be told! 544pp Pb \$29.95





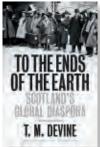
Soldiers

Army Lives and Loyalties from Redcoats to Dusty Warriors

Richard Holmes

In this scholarly yet gossipy book, Holmes presents a rich social history of the men who have been at the heart of his writing for decades. From battlefield

to barrack room, this book is filled to the brim with anecdotes and stories of British soldiers - from the army of Charles II through to modern times, conveying how soldiers throughout history are united by their common experiences. 506pp Hb \$59.99



To the Ends of the Earth Scotland's Global Diaspora, 1750-2010

T M Devine

The Scots are one of the world's greatest nations of emigrants. For centuries, untold numbers of men, women and children have sought

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their fortunes across the world in every conceivable way - from finance to industry, philosophy to politics, trade, missionary work and war. Filled with fascinating stories and an acute awareness of the poverty and social inequality that provoked so much emigration, this book compels you to think about Scotland quite differently! 416pp Hb \$49.95

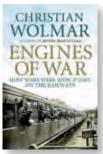
100 Notable Popes

The Most Remarkable Papal Saints, Sinners, Martyrs, Heretics, Warriors and Rulers from St Peter to the Present

Gerard Noel

There have been 264 popes since St Peter. While a spiritual institution, it also comes with vast political power.

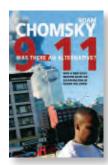
As these engaging papal biographies show, power comes with great temptations - particularly in the time up to World War II - and there has been almost any imaginable type of pope. They have been married, wicked, sex-obsessed, wanton, possessed by genius and madness, brainwashed, deposed and murdered. 304pp Hb \$39.95



Engines of War How Wars Were Won and Lost on the Railways Christian Wolmar

This is the dramatic story of how railways revolutionised the nature of warfare, ushering in an age of industrialised conflict in which wars were fought on a previously unimaginable

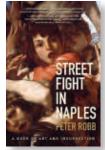
scale. Embracing every major conflict in which railways have played a part - the Crimean War, the American Civil War, the First and Second Boer Wars, the two World Wars, the Korean War and the Cold War - Christian Wolmar offers an awe-inspiring tale of industrial might and the transformative power of machinery. 336pp Tp \$32.99



9-11 Was There an Alternative? Noam Chomsky

Originally published in November 2001, Chomsky cut through the political opportunism, expedient patriotism and general conformity that choked off American discourse in the months immediately

following 9/11. Chomsky placed the attacks in context, making the critical point that the mainstream media and public intellectuals failed to make: that any escalation of violence as a response to violence will lead to further attacks on innocent people in America and around the world. 144pp Pb \$19.95



Street Fight in Naples A Book of Art and Insurrection Peter Robb

Naples is the only city in Europe whose ancient past still lives in its people. It was a European metropolis matched only by Paris

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and Istanbul, an extraordinary concentration of military power, lavish consumption, poverty and desperation. Naples was where in 1606 the greatest painter of his age fled from Rome after a fatal street fight. This book ranges across nearly 3,000 years of Neapolitan life and art, from the first Greek landings to Peter Robb's own less auspicious arrival 30-odd years ago. 416pp Tp \$32.99

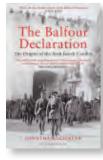
Explorers of the Nile

The Triumph and Tragedy of a Great Victorian Adventure

Tim Jeal

Between 1856 and 1876, five British explorers took on the seemingly impossible task of discovering the source of the White Nile. Richard Burton, John Hanning

Speke, Samuel Baker, David Livingstone and Henry Morton Stanley risked their lives and reputations in the name of this quest. Using new research, Jeal tells the story of these great expeditions, while also examining the tragic consequences which the Nile search has had on Uganda and Sudan to this day. 528pp Hb \$49.99



The Balfour Declaration The Origins of the Arab-Israeli Conflict

Jonathan Schneer

During WWI, the British War Cabinet issued a statement encouraging the settlement of the Jewish people in Palestine. Signed by the Foreign Secretary Arthur

Balfour, the Balfour Declaration remains one of the most important documents of the last 100 years. Its unforeseen consequences included the origin of one of the world's most damaging conflicts. 480pp Pb \$24.99

The West End Front The Wartime Secrets of London's Grand Hotels Matthew Sweet

The Ritz, the Savoy, the Dorchester and Claridge's. During WWII, they teemed with spies, con-artists, deposed royals and exiled governments of Europe.

This is an account of

the extraordinary events that unfolded under the reinforced ceilings of London's grand hotels. Using the memories of firsthand witnesses, the contents of newly declassified government files and a wealth of previously unpublished documents, Sweet has reconstructed a lost world of scandal and intrigue! 384pp Hb \$39.99



The Beauty and the Sorrow

An Intimate History of the First World War

Peter Englund

Describing the experiences of 20 ordinary people from around the world, Englund explores the everyday aspects of WWI - not only the

tragedy and horror, but also the absurdity, monotony and beauty. Two of these 20 will perish, two will become prisoners of war, two will become celebrated heroes and two will end up as physical wrecks. One of them will go mad, another will never hear a shot fired. This book brings WWI back to its smallest component: the individual. 448pp Hb \$49.99

Six Weeks

The Short and Gallant Life of the British Officer in the First World War John Lewis-Stempel

This remarkable book focuses on the forgotten men who truly won Britain's victory in WWI - the subalterns, lieutenants and captains



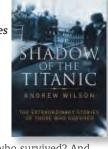
of the Army, the leaders in the trenches, the first 'over the top', the last to retreat. Basing his narrative on a huge range of first-person accounts - including the letters and diaries sent to their homes or their old schools - the author reveals the motivations behind these boy-men to act in such an extraordinary, heroic way. 384pp Pb \$24.99

Shadow of the Titanic The Extraordinary Stories

of Those Who Survived

Andrew Wilson

Although we think we know the story of the *Titanic*, little has been written about its survivors. How did the loss of the ship



affect the lives of those who survived? And what were their memories of that terrible night, a disaster that has been likened to the destruction of a small town? Timed to coincide with the 100th anniversary of the sinking, this book sheds new light on this enduringly fascinating story. 400pp Hb \$40



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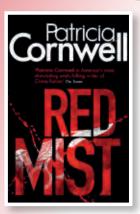
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John Le Carré Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy [Film Tie-In]

George Smiley, a troubled man of infinite compassion, is also a single-mindedly ruthless adversary as a spy. The scene which he enters is a Cold War landscape of moles and lamplighters, scalp-hunters and pavement artists, where men are turned, burned or bought for stock. Smiley's mission is to catch a Moscow Centre mole burrowed 30 years deep into the Circus itself. [English, Espionage] 432pp Pb \$22.99

See the movie on us!

We have 20 double passes to see the new film starring Gary Oldman and Colin Firth in cinemas from 19 Jan. Simply email abbeysnewsletters@abbeys.com.au with your name, address and the answer to this question: Who played George Smiley in the 1979 film adaptation of *Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy*?



Patricia Cornwell Red Mist Scarpetta #19

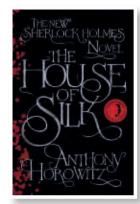
Kay Scarpetta has arranged to meet an inmate at the highsecurity Georgia Prison for Women. The prisoner is a convicted sex offender and the mother of a brilliant killer. Against advice, Scarpetta is determined to hear this woman out; she believes she may hold answers to the murder of her former deputy. But she soon finds connections to a string of killings and realises this is the beginning of something more destructive: conspiracy and terrorism on an international scale!

[American, Forensic] 512pp Hb \$39.99

Anthony Horowitz The House of Silk

London, 1890. Sherlock Holmes and Dr Watson are enjoying tea by the fire when an agitated gentleman arrives unannounced at 221b Baker Street. He begs Holmes for help, telling the unnerving story of a scar-faced man with piercing eyes who has stalked him in recent weeks. Intrigued by the man's tale, Holmes and Watson find themselves swiftly drawn into a series of puzzling and sinister events, stretching from the gas-lit streets of London to the teeming criminal underworld of Boston.

[English, Historical] 304pp Tp \$32.99



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The Untold Story Behind Schapelle Corby's Ill-Fated Drug Run

A reckless father, his dark past, an Adelaide drug trafficker and the Gold Coast beauty school dropout who kept her mouth shut. This is the explosive, untold story of Schapelle Corby and how she took the rap for her father's drug syndicate. The result of a three-year investigation, Eamonn Duff returns to the beginning of Australia's most famous drug case to shed new light on her long-held claims of innocence.

[Australian] 416pp Tp \$35

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Janet Evanovich Explosive Eighteen Stephanie Plum #18

Once Stephanie Plum steps on the plane from Hawaii to Newark, she hopes to put her hellish holiday behind her. But when her seatmate mysteriously disappears during the stopover in LA - to be found later in a



garbage can - things get worse. Only one other person has seen the missing photograph the dead man was supposed to be carrying - and it just so happens to be Stephanie Plum. Now she's the target and the last thing she wants is to end up in a garbage can...

[American, Suspense] 320pp Tp \$32.99

Sue Grafton V is for Vengeance

On her 38th birthday, Pl Kinsey Millhone receives a facial punch that leaves her with a broken nose and two black eyes, after apprehending shoplifter, Audrey Vance, in a shopping centre. Events take a darker turn when Audrey's body is

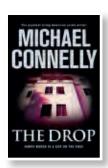


discovered beneath the Cold Spring Bridge, a local suicide spot. Unable to believe she took her own life, Audrey's fiance Marvin Striker hires Kinsey to investigate, where it soon emerges that the shoplifter was caught up in a much larger operation...

[American, Private Eye] 368pp Tp \$29.99

Michael Connelly The Drop Bosch #16

Harry Bosch is facing the end of the line. He's been put on the DROP - Deferred Retirement Option Plan - and given three years before his retirement is enforced. Seeing the end of the mission coming, he's



anxious for cases. He doesn't have to wait long. The first is a resurrected cold case, that leads to the discovery of a killer operating in the city for as many as three decades; the other to a deep political conspiracy that reaches back into the dark history of the police department...

[American, Police Proc.] 400pp Tp \$32.99

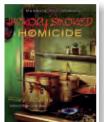
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Ellery Adams The Last Word Books by the Bay #3

Olivia Limoges and the Bayside Book Writers are excited about Oyster Bay's newest resident: bestselling novelist Nick Plumley, who's come to work on his next book. But when Olivia stops by Plumley's rental she finds that he's been strangled



to death. Her instincts tell her that something from the past came back to haunt him... but she never expects that the investigation could spell doom for one of her dearest friends! [American, Cosy] 320pp Pb \$13.50



Riley Adams Hickory Smoked Homicide Memphis BBQ #3

BBQ-joint owner Lulu Taylor knows pretty much everyone in Memphis who loves ribs. But one person she'd rather not know is Tristan Pembroke, a snooty pageant couch with a mean streak. When

she finds Tristan's dead body stuffed in a closet at a party, the police are suspicious - especially since Lulu has developed a taste for being in the wrong place at the wrong time. Caught in a situation stickier than molasses, Lulu must clear her name, or risk getting fried...
[American, Cosy] 288pp Pb \$13.50



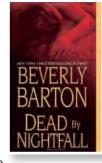
David Baldacci The Sixth Man Sean King & Michelle Maxwell #5

After alleged serial killer Edgar Roy is apprehended and locked away in a mental facility, private investigators Sean King and Michelle Maxwell are called in by Roy's lawyer an old friend of Sean King

- to look into the case. But their investigation is derailed before it begins: while en route to their first meeting with the lawyer, King and Maxwell discover his dead body. A rash of terrifying events begins to unfold and it is up to King and Maxwell to uncover the truth! [American, Police Proc.] 400pp Pb \$19.99

Beverly Barton Dead by Nightfall Dead by Mystery #3

Malcolm York is a sadistic monster, quilty of unspeakable crimes. And with his endless wealth, he's funded a series of depraved hunts. Griffin Powell knows the twisted depths of York's madness, so when Griff's wife Nicole disappears, he



must use all the resources of the Powell Agency to search for her - aware that every step propels him further into a madman's web. Because the only way to keep Nic safe is to join one last game where the winner takes all and the loser is dead by nightfall...

[American, Suspense] 416pp Pb \$13.50

Bateman Nine Inches

Radio shock-jock Jack Caramac is used to controversy, but when his four-year-old son is kidnapped for just one hour and then sent back with a warning note, he knows he has gone too far. Jack turns to Dan Starkey for help. Dan

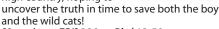


resolves to catch whoever kidnapped Jack's son... and soon finds himself in the middle of a feud between rival drug gangs, pursued by jealous husbands, unscrupulous property developers and vicious killers as the case spirals ever more out of control!

[Irish, Private Eye] 416pp Tp \$32.99

Pamela Beason **Endangered** Summer Westin #1

A child has gone missing and there's a media campaign targeting the cougars that wildlife biologist Sam Westin helped rehabilitate and release. Now she's joining FBI Agent Chase Perez on a search through the high country, hoping to



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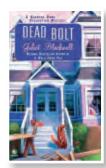


Frank Fons is a very successful crime writer. But now someone is copying his imaginary crimes. For Frank what once seemed a clever, intriguing plot twist, has suddenly become a terrifying, blood-spattered reality.



Someone is taking Franks' fiction and using it to destroy his life. The writer must become the detective. In fiction, the bad guy always gets caught, but in real life there is no such guarantee. For Frank, what had once been a game is now a matter of life and death... [Danish, Suspense] 400pp Pb \$19.95

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Juliet Blackwell Dead Bolt Haunted Home Repair #2

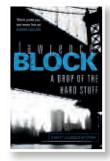
Turner Construction's latest restoration project is a historic Queen Anne Victorian in San Francisco. This time general contractor Mel Turner must contend with some ghosts that are insisting

in their own way that the work stops. The ghosts aren't the only ones standing in the way of the renovations. A neighbor, Emile Blunt, secretly wants the house and could be behind some of the disturbances. But when Emile is found dead, Mel appears guilty. And she must restore her reputation before it's too late!

[American, Cosy] 336pp Pb \$13.50

Lawrence Block A Drop of the **Hard Stuff** Matt Scudder #17

Matt Scudder and Jack Ellery went to school together. 20 years later, Scudder was a detective and Jack was standing in a police line-up. Despite taking different paths, they both shared a battle

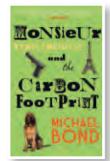


with alcohol. Now Jack is on the ninth step of the AA program and it's time to make amends to the people he's wronged over the years. But when he is killed, it's clear that stirring up the past was not a good idea. Now it's up to Scudder to find the killer...

[American, Police Proc.] 336pp Tp \$32.99

Michael Bond Monsieur Pamplemousse and the Carbon Footprint Pamplemousse #17

In an attempt to improve the lacklustre reputation of France's prestigious culinary guide in America, the director persuades Monsieur Pamplemousse to write a play for its benefit.

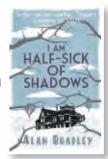


Monsieur Pamplemousse determines to impress the renowned American food-critic Jay Corby, whose positive review would revitalise the guide's credibility. But disaster strikes on opening night and once again, Pamplemousse must rely on sniffer dog Pommes Frites, who is hot on the trail!

[English, Cosy] 288pp Pb \$17.99

Alan Bradley I am Half-Sick of Shadows Flavia de Luce #4

With the family finances in a parlous state, Colonel de Luce has rented Buckshaw to a film company for a location shooting. Typically, director, crew and stars do nothing to endear



themselves to the household - until a heavy snowfall cuts off Bishop's Lacey from the rest of the world and the actors are talked into staging a benefit performance in the parish hall. But old jealousies resurface and the leading lady is murdered. Flavia finds herself up to her knees in snow - and murder!

[Canadian, Suspense] 304pp Tp \$32.99

Ali Brandon Double Booked for Death Black Cat Bookshop #1

As the new owners of Pettistone's Fine Books, Darla Pettistone is determined to prove herself a worthy successor to her late great-aunt Dee and to outwit Hamlet, the smarter-than-thou cat

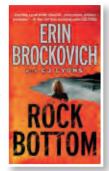


she inherited along with the shop. Darla's first store event is a real coup; the hottest bestselling author of the moment is holding a signing there. But when the author meets an untimely death, it's ruled an accident... until Hamlet digs up a clue that indicates otherwise!

[American, Cosy] 336pp Pb \$13.50

Erin Brockovich Rock Bottom

The nuclear facility
Colleton River has been
plagued by a series of
unexplained mishaps
and the plant's owner has
asked for AJ Palladino's.
AJ knows she's going to
have her hands full, buy
she doesn't foresee her
business trip turning
into disaster and her



young son disappearing. While AJ searches for her missing child, she also discovers what has caused the 'accidents' at the plant. Can AJ save her son - and prevent a nuclear meltdown before it's too late?

[American, Suspense] 304pp Pb \$13.50

Ken Bruen The Devil Jack Taylor #8

PI Jack Taylor has just been refused entry into America. Disappointed and bitter, he encounters a friendly stranger in an airport bar who seems to know more about Jack than he should. Jack thinks no more of their



meeting and resumes his old life in Galway. But when he's called to investigate a murder connected to an elusive 'Mr K', he recalls the man from the airport. After more murders and coincidental encounters, Jack believes he has found his nemesis...

[American, Private Eye] 288pp Pb \$23.95

ALTAR OF BONES

Philip Carter Altar of Bones

Siberia, 1939. Lena Orlova plans an escape from a Soviet gulag to the one place she knows is safe: a cave concealing the legendary Altar of Bones. San Francisco, present day. Zoe Dmitroff discovers she has been

entrusted with a great secret. Propelled into a dangerous quest, Zoe is soon running from those wanting to harness the Altar's powers. Only ex-Special Ops soldier Ry O'Malley can help her survive, but with time running out, Zoe has a devastating choice to make...

[American, Archaeo.] 640pp Pb \$19.99



Elizabeth Lynn Casey Dangerous Alterations Southern Sewing Circle #5

When Tori Sinclair's philandering ex - along with his great-aunt - turns up dead, the police chief believes it was murder... and that Tori may have been involved. Now, the

Yankee librarian must rely on her friends from the Sweet Briar Ladies Society sewing circle to help her prove her innocence, before everything she has worked so hard for unravels and her life falls apart at the seams!

[American, Cosy] 272pp Pb \$13.50

Camille Ceder Frozen Moment

In a small town on the Swedish coast, Inspector Christian Tell must investigate the murder of a garage owner who has been driven over repeatedly. But he has very few clues to work with. Then another murder occurs and again



the victim has been driven over. Meanwhile, Tell is becoming increasingly involved with a female reporter, but their relationship is made complicated when the murder reminds the reporter of someone she knew who went missing ten years earlier...

[Swedish, Police Proc.] 384pp Pb \$22.99

Tom Clancy Against All Enemies

Ex-Navy SEAL Maxwell Moore has worked across the Middle East for the Special Activities Division of the CIA for years. But now two of the greatest threats to US security have forged an unholy alliance. The Taliban have teamed with a vicious



Mexican drug cartel for which they will supply opium. For the cartel, it is a matter of money and power. But for the Taliban, it is an opportunity to bring terror and destruction to the streets of America. And only Moore and his team can stop them! [American, Espionage] 762pp Tp \$32.95

Mary Jane Clark To Have and to Kill Wedding Cake Mystery #1

A struggling actress with no immediate prospects, Piper Donovan moves back in with her parents to take stock of her life. She steps into the family bakery business and finds herself agreeing to make



a wedding cake for the acclaimed star of a daytime TV drama. But when someone close to the bride-to-be is murdered, Piper investigates, with the help of her former neighbour and FBI agent Jack. As she narrows in on a suspect, she discovers it's hotter in the kitchen than she can handle!

[American, Cosy] 368pp Pb \$13.50



Blaize Clement Cat Sitter Among the Pigeons Dixie Hemingway #6

A cat-sitting venture for a prickly old man turns murderous, after the client's granddaughter shows up to the house with a baby in tow - desperately seeking protection from con artists who have stolen

millions from naive investors and who are willing to kill to hold onto the money. Dixie Hemingway must investigate, where she discovers ties between the con artists and the community's most prominent citizens. [American, Cosy] 288pp Pb \$13.50



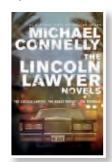
Flower shop owner Abby Knight is aglow with happiness now that she's officially engaged to her longtime beau, Marco Salvare. Nothing can possibly dampen her joy - until wealthy dowager Virginia Newport is killed and Abby's assistant



Grace Bingham is the prime suspect. The plot thickens when they stumble upon mysterious stolen art and a missing cat, all part of an elaborate heist. Before Abby can throw her bouquet, she'll have to save her friend and throw a killer and a thief in jail! [American, Cosy] 336pp Pb \$13.50

Michael Connelly The Lincoln Lawyer Novels

The Lincoln Lawyer: When he gets hired by a Beverly Hills rich boy arrested for assault, Mickey Haller sees an expensive trial with maximum billable hours, until it puts him face-to-face with



pure evil... The Brass Verdict: When a former colleague is murdered, Mickey must defend a Hollywood producer accused of killing his wife and her lover. But the killer may be coming for him next... The Reversal: Mickey is recruited to prosecute the high-profile retrial of Jason Jessup, a convicted child killer exonerated by new DNA evidence. Convinced Jessup is guilty, Haller must nail a sadistic killer before he kills again... [American, Legal] Tp \$35.00

Deborah Coonts Lucky Stiff Lucky O'Toole Las Vegas Adventures #2

After a truck spills a million honeybees on the Las Vegas Strip, Lucky O'Toole - Head of Customer Relations at The Babylon, premier mega-resort - thinks it's just another night



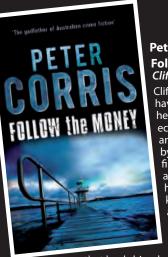
in Las Vegas. But when Lucky discovers that a prominent district attorney has been murdered during the ensuing chaos and that ace private investigator Jeremy Whitlock is being unfairly scrutinised, Lucky finds herself drawn into a deadly game where no one is what they seem... [American, Suspense] 464pp Pb \$13.50



Isis Crawford A Catered Thanksgiving Mystery with Recipes #7

Sisters Bernie and Libby Simmons have handled plenty of catering challenges with grace and aplomb. But when the beautiful Thanksgiving turkey they prepared literally blows up in Monty Field's face, their wealthy

client is sent to the great dining room in the sky. Bernie and Libby must act quickly to convince the Field family that they are not responsible for the murder and whip up the real killer! [American, Cosy] 304pp Pb \$13,50



Peter Corris Follow the Money Cliff Hardy #35

Cliff Hardy may still have the moves but he's in trouble. The economy's tanking and he's been conned by an unscrupulous financial adviser and lost everything he's got. Cliff only knows one way and that's forward, so he's following the money trail. It's a twisted road

that leads him deep into Sydney's underbelly - into the territory of big money, bent deals, big yachts and bad people. Cliff's in greater danger than ever before, but he's as tenacious as a dog with a bone!

[Australian, Private Eye] 272pp Pb \$17.99

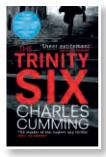
Colin Cotterill Killed at the Whim of a Hat

When crime reporter Jimm Juree is forced to follow her family from Chiang Mai to a fishing village on the Gulf of Siam, she's convinced her career is over - for what crimes could happen in such an out-of-the-



way place? But then an old Volkswagen combi containing two skeletons is unearthed from the ground and soon afterwards a monk is murdered in the nearest town. Suddenly Jimm's new life becomes somewhat more promising and a great deal more dangerous!

[English, Journalism] 384pp Pb \$22.99



Charles Cumming The Trinity Six

Russia expert Dr Sam Gaddis finally has a lead for a book that could set his career back on track. He has staggering new information about an unknown sixth member of the infamous Cambridge spy ring a man who has evaded

detection for his entire life. But when his source suddenly dies, he is left with just shreds of his investigation... and no idea that he's already in too deep - Moscow and MI6 will use everything in their power to keep their fragile peace intact... [Scottish, Espionage] 416pp Pb \$19.99

Clive Cussler & Graham Brown Devil's Gate NUMA Files #9

A Japanese cargo ship cruising the eastern Atlantic near the Azores has burst into flames. When a gang of pirates speeds to take advantage of the disaster, their boat explodes. As Kurt Austin,



Joe Zavala and the rest of NUMA's Special Assignments Team rush to investigate, they find themselves drawn into the extraordinary ambitions of an African dictator, the creation of a weapon of near-mythical power and an audacious plan to extort the world's wealthiest nations... [American, Esp.] 480pp Hb \$39.95



Zoran Drvenkar Sorry

Kris, Tamara, Wolf and Frauke are four friends with one big idea: an agency called Sorry. Unfair dismissals, the wrongly accused: everyone has a price and Sorry will find out what it is. But they didn't count on their next client

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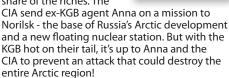
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being a killer. Standing face to face with a murdered woman, the philosophy that has brought them success sounds hollow. But who is the killer and why has he killed her? Someone is mocking them for playing God and hell is only just beginning...

[Yugoslavian, Suspense] 400pp Tp \$29.99

Alex Dryden Death in Siberia Anna Finn #4

Russia has been granted sole access to the undersea Lomonosov Ridge in the Arctic Ocean - home to oil reserves even greater than Saudi Arabia's - and the US is determined to claim a share of the riches. The



[English, Espionage] 416pp Tp \$32.99



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Sam Eastland The Red Coffin Inspector Pekkala #2

USSR, 1939. For the coming battles against Nazi Germany, Stalin has placed his hopes on a 30-ton steel tank known as the 'Red Coffin'. But the design is not yet complete. When the Red Coffin's inventor is

murdered, Stalin sends for Pekkala, his most trusted investigator. Stalin is convinced that a group calling itself the White Guild, made up of former soldiers of the Tsar, intend to bring about a German invasion before the Red Coffin is ready. And it's up to Pekkala to expose them. [English, Espionage] 368pp Pb \$19.99

Wessel Ebersohn The October Killings Yudel Gordon & Abigail Bukula #1

When Abigail Bukula was 15, her parents were killed in a massacre of anti-apartheid activists by white security forces. Because a soldier spoke in her defence, she was spared. Now she's

a lawyer with the new government. So when Leon Lourens walks into her office almost 20 years later with a story of how someone is killing off members of the team who murdered her parents, she must untangle the web of politics before the anniversary of the raid, only days away... [American, Legal] 320pp Pb \$23.95

Tom Egeland Relic The Quest for the Golden Shrine

A golden relic, containing an ancient manuscript that could change the course of history, has been hidden in a monastery. But nobody knows where. One determined man sets

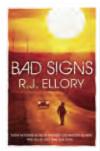


out to find this sensational artefact and to trace its origins. His quest takes him via a scientific intelligence organisation in London, a Middle Eastern outpost and a Crusaders' castle, as layer by layer he reveals the religious mysteries inside the Shrine of Sacred Secrets.

[Norwegian, Archaeo.] 432pp Pb \$19.99

R J Ellory Bad Signs

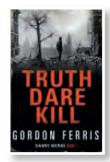
Orphaned by an act of senseless violence, half-brothers Clarence Luckman and Elliott Danziger have been raised in state institutions, unaware of the world outside. But their lives take a sudden turn when they are seized as



hostages by a convicted killer en route to death row. Earl Sheridan is a psychopath with the potential to change the boys' lives. As the trio set off on a frenetic escape from the law, the two brothers must make some very difficult choices. [English, Suspense] 448pp Tp \$29.99

Gordon Ferris Truth Dare Kill Danny McRae #1

It's 1945. The war's over. But there are no medals for Danny McRae. Just amnesia and blackouts - twin handicaps for a private investigator. So when news of a brutal killer stalking London's red light district start to



stir grisly memories, He is terrified about what he might discover if he delves deeper into his fractured mind. Danny soon finds himself running for his life across the bomb-ravaged city. The only escape is through the gap in his memory. Will his past catch up with him before his enemies?

[Scottish, Private Eye] 272pp Tp \$29.99

John Francome Storm Rider

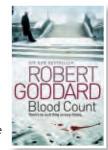
In life, horse-fancier and antiques dealer Glyn Cole caused a heap of trouble - for his airlfriends, their jealous partners and his creditors. His two-year absence from the closeknit Berkshire horse community has been something of a relief. His



disappearance has especially been a miracle for the person who killed him. But when a recordbreaking storm rips his corpse from its ingenious hiding place, it seems that, even in death, bad boy Glyn is as much trouble as he ever was... [English, Suspense] 416pp Pb \$22.99

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13 years ago, surgeon **Edward Hammond** performed a life-saving operation on Serbian gangster Dragan Gazi. Now Gazi is standing trial for war crimes at the international court in The Hague. After Hammond saved his life, Gazi's men



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[American, Private Eye] 288pp Pb \$13.50

Lucretia Grindle The Lost Daughter Alessandro Pallioti #2

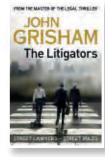
In Florence, a young American student goes missing. At first neither Alessandro Pallioti, one of the city's most senior policemen, nor Enzo Saenz, his deputy, are too concerned. But soon the men are horrified to



discover that the older man Kristen has been spending time with is Antonio Tomaselli, a member of the notorious Red Brigades. Before long Enzo finds himself enmeshed in a web of false identities, betrayed loyalties and revenge... [American, Police Proc.] 288pp Tp \$32.99

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Oscar Finley: street cop turned street lawyer. Wally Figg: expert hustler and ambulance-chaser. David Zinc: Harvard Law School graduate. This unlikely trio make up Finley & Figg, specialists in injury claims, quick divorces and DUIs. None



of them has ever faced a jury in federal court. But they are about to take on one of the biggest pharmaceutical companies in America. David gave up his lucrative career at Chicago's leading law firm for this. But he may live to regret his new choice of firm.

[American, Legal] 400pp Hb \$39.99

Carolyn Hart Ghost in Trouble Bailey Ruth #3

When Bailey Ruth Raeburn passed over into the great beyond, she was delighted that her sleuthing days would last an eternity. Joining Heaven's Department of Good Intentions, she uses her unique advantages as a ghost to help those



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22-year-old pop star Cherry Pye is attempting a comeback from her latest drug and alcohol disaster. Ann DeLusia is Cherry's 'undercover stunt double', standing in for Cherry whenever the singer is too wasted to go out in public. But one night,

Ann-as-Cherry is mistakenly kidnapped from a Miami hotel by an obsessed paparazzo. Now the challenge for Cherry's handlers is to rescue Ann while keeping her existence secret. [American, Suspense] 480pp Pb \$19.99

Susan Hill The Betrayal of Trust Simon Serrailler #6

When southern England is hit with freak weather and flash flooding, Lafferton falls underwater and there is a landslip on the Moor. As the rain slowly drains away, a shallow grave is exposed containing the remains



of Joanne Lowther, a teenager who went missing 15 years earlier. The case is re-opened and Simon Serrailler is called in as senior investigating officer. Cold cases are always tough... but this time, Serrailler is forced to confront a distressing and complex situation. [English, Police Proc.] 368pp Tp \$32.95

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Peter James Perfect People

John and Naomi Klaesson are devastated after the death of their child from a rare genetic disorder. They want another, but the chances of their next child having the same defect are high. Then they hear about Doctor Leo Dettore. He has methods

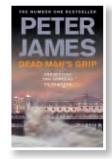


that can spare them from losing another child to disease. They should have realised something wasn't right when they saw they could 'design' their child. Now Naomi is pregnant and already something is wrong...

[English, Suspense] 400pp Tp \$27.99

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Carly Chase is traumatised after being involved in a fatal traffic accident that killed a teenage student from Brighton University. But now the drivers of the other two vehicles involved have been



murdered. Detective Superintendant Roy Grace of the Sussex Police force warns Carly that she could be next and advise her to go into hiding and change her identity. But Carly knows these people have ways of hunting you down and if the police won't stop them, then she will... [English, Suspense] 544pp Pb \$19.99

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FBI Special Agent Patrick Bowers's cutting-edge investigative techniques and impeccable logic are about to be pushed to the limit. Killers are on a bloody murder spree throughout the Northeast and each crime is a model of deadly perfection. With



nothing to link the crimes to each other, Agent Bowers faces his most difficult case yet, even as the killers hone their craft with every death... [American, FBI] 512pp Pb \$13.50

Iris Johansen Quinn Eve Duncan #13

When former Navy SEALturned-cop, Joe Quinn, first met Eve, he never expected to fall in love with a woman whose life would be defined by her dual desire to bring home her missing daughter and discover the truth of her disappearance. With



the help of CIA agent Catherine Ling, Quinn makes a shocking discovery that sheds new light on young Bonnie's abduction and puts him squarely in the crosshairs of danger... [American, Romantic Susp.] 352pp Pb \$13.50

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Detective Malin Fors is first on the scene of a man hanging from a lonely tree on a frozen plain. A 31-year-old single mother, Malin must lead the investigation while keeping her fractured life



on the rails. As she follows in the frigid wake of the killer, Malin begins to discover just how far the people in this small town are willing to go to keep their secrets buried.

[Swedish, Police Proc.] 448pp Tp \$29.99

Faye Kellerman Blood Games Decker & Lazarus #20

When 15-year-old Gregory Hesse is found dead, a single gunshot to his head, it appears to be suicide. Then six weeks later, a 16-year-old girl also commits suicide. She was a student at the same high school as



Gregory, an exclusive academy well known as a playground for the rich. As Detective Peter Decker of the LAPD probes into the lives of these privileged teenagers, he must follow a dark trail of twisted allegiances and unholy alliances.

[American, Police Proc.] 400pp Tp \$29.99

Diane Kelly Death, Taxes and a French Manicure Tara Holloway #1

Tara is an agent for the Treasury Department's Criminal Investigations Division and her latest mission finds her in hot pursuit of ice-cream vendor Joseph 'Joe Cool' Cullen. Along with frozen treats, he's selling



narcotics - and failing to report his ill-gotten gains on his tax returns. Then there's Michael Gryder, who appears to be operating a Ponzi scheme with banker Stan Shelton, whose lake house is being landscaped by Brett Ellington, who happens to be dating Tara. New love comes at a cost... but justice?

[American, Súspense] 384pp Pb \$13.50

Philip Kerr Prague Fatale Bernard Gunther #8

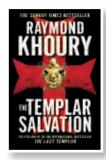
With impeccable research, Philip Kerr has created an epic series of thrillers that deserve praise. This is the character Bernie Gunther's eighth outing. Set in Prague in 1942, it delivers all the fast-paced



and quick-witted action that we have come to expect from Philip Kerr. It is an outstanding thriller by a writer at the top of his game, narrated in Gunther's wry, sardonic voice. [English, Private Eye] 416pp Pb \$24.99

Raymond Khoury The Templar Salvation Reilly & Chaykin #2

In the hidden archives of the Inquisition within the Vatican City, FBI agent Sean Reilly must violate the trust he has earned. A terrorist has kidnapped Tess Chaykin and the key to her freedom lies in an



underground crypt, where a secret could explain the real reasons for the Templars' extermination and bring devastation to our world. A manhunt takes Reilly and Tess across the world as they follow the blood-soaked trail of their enemy, a foe unlike any they have battled before... [Lebanese, Archaeo.] 496pp Pb \$19.99

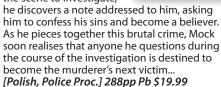
Kate Kingsbury Herald of Death Special Pennyfoot Hotel #7

The Christmas Angel is a welcome sight during the winter season, but this year a killer is afoot in Badger's End, cutting a lock of hair from his victims and sticking a gold angel on

their foreheads. Cecily Sinclair Baxter already promised her husband that she'd take a hiatus from sleuthing. But three killings have created a blizzard of bad publicity and guests are cancelling their hotel reservations. She will have to find the angel of death before he strikes again! [English, Cosy] 304pp Pb \$23.95

Marek Krajewski Phantoms of Breslau An Eberhard Mock Investigation #3

Breslau, 1919. The hideously battered bodies of four young sailors are discovered on an island in the River Oder. When Criminal Assistant Mock arrives at the scene to investigate,

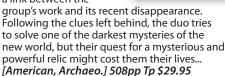


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DEATH

Chris Kuzneski The Death Relic Payne & Jones #7

When Maria Pelati's research team disappears in Mexico, Jonathon Payne and David Jones embark on a perilous mission to find the missing archaeologists. The duo quickly discover a link between the



Lynda La Plante Cold Shoulder Lorraine Page #1

Lieutenant Lorraine
Page had everything - a
devoted husband, two
beautiful daughters and
an impressive career with
the Homicide Squad.
But then she was thrown
out of the police force.
Lorraine's ex-colleagues



soon forget her, as the hunt for a serial killer spirals into an all-out search for a missing witness: a victim who escaped. Lorraine Page is that witness. Against her will she is drawn into the investigation and forced to confront her overwhelming guilt.

[English, Suspense] 496pp Pb \$19.99

Stieg Larsson The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo [Film Tie-In] Millennium #1

40 years ago, Harriet Vanger disappeared from a family gathering on the island owned by the powerful Vanger clan. Her body was never found, yet her uncle is convinced



she was murdered by a member of his own family. He employs disgraced financial journalist Mikael Blomkvist and the tattooed computer hacker Lisbeth Salander to investigate. When the pair link Harriet's disappearance to a number of grotesque murders from 40 years ago, they unravel the Vanger clan's dark history. [Swedish, Suspense] 542pp Pb \$19.99

The new film starring Rooney Mara and Daniel Craig opens next month.

Joyce Lavene & Jim Lavene A Spirited Gift Missing Pieces #3

As the mayor of Duck, North Carolina, Dae is playing host to 20 North Carolina elected officials attending her first Mayors Conference Weekend at the Blue Whale Inn. When the body of Mayor Sandi

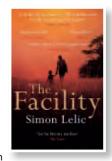


Fox is discovered the morning after a severe storm, Dae receives a vision through the mayor's ring; that there's a killer among the guests who's as deadly as any hurricane!

[American, Cosy] 304pp Pb \$13.50

Simon Lelic The Facility

Precocious but naive journalist Tom Clarke's life is turned upside down by the arrival of Julia Priestley, who seeks his help in finding her estranged husband Arthur, an innocent severe new anti-terrorism

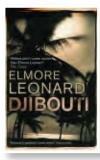


legislation. The authorities admit they have taken him, but will not say where he is being held or why. Discovering a trail that implicates those at the very top of government, Tom and Julia set out to find Arthur and the truth of his incarceration.

[English, Suspense] 272pp Pb \$21.99

Elmore Leonard Djibouti

Documentary filmmaker, Dara Barr and her right-hand-man, Xavier, head to Djibouti on the Horn of Africa to tackle modern-day pirates. But once they start filming, they get more than they bargained for. A mob of colourful characters

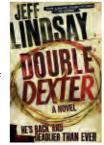


patrol the seas - including James Russell, an American al Qaeda convert who wants to blow up something big. As hijacked tankers line up like floating bombs, Dara and Xavier know it's time for a showdown...

[American, Suspense] 288pp Pb \$22.99

Jeff Lindsay Double Dexter Dexter #6

For perfectly disguised serial killer Dexter Morgan, the possibility of a witness is terrifying. As an upstanding bloodspatter analyst for the Miami Police, Dexter has always managed to keep the darker side of his



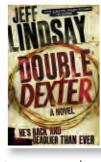
life out of the spotlight. But now someone has seen him in the act. Dexter is being followed, manipulated and mimicked, leading him to realise that no one likes to have a double especially when his double's goal is to kill him! [American, Suspense] 352pp Tp \$32.99



Virginia Lowell A Cookie Before Dying Cookie Cutter Shop #2

On a stormy night, Olivia Greyson and her Yorkie discover the body of a man stabbed to death which looks suspiciously like the intruder seen fleeing the local health food store, The Vegetable Plate. Charlene Critch,

owner of The Vegetable Plate, has a grudge against Olivia's cookie cutter shop. But could Charlene be hiding a secret serious enough to kill for? [American, Cosy] 304pp Pb \$13.50

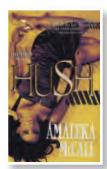


Peter May The Blackhouse Lewis Trilogy #1

A brutal killing has taken place on Scotland's most remote island and Detective Fin MacLeod is sent from Edinburgh to investigate. For Lewisborn MacLeod, the case represents a journey both home and into his

past. Something lurks beneath the close-knit, . God-fearing facade of the Lewis community. Something primal. As Fin investigates, old secrets are unearthed and soon the hunter will become the hunted...

[Scottish, Suspense] 432pp Pb \$19.99



Amaleka McCall Hush

Deidre Aponte is a beautiful, young and sexy FBI Special Agent assigned to the Washington DC office. Between a complicated affair and problems with her alcoholic mother, she thinks life can't get any more difficult - until the

daughter of a New York Senator is kidnapped and Deidre is assigned to the case. Undercover and alone, she finds her allegiance to the FBI and the US government fading fast, as she uncovers facts that thrust her into a race to save her own life. [American, FBI] 304pp Pb \$11.50



Carmine and his team of detectives must navigate the competitive world of academic publishing, fraught with politics and prestige. The stakes are high: an amazing art collection, a large inheritance, old and upstanding local families, a gold-digging wife, jealous relatives and a young couple's future! [Australian, Suspense] 416pp Tp \$32.99

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Liza Marklund The Bomber [2001] Annika Bengtzon #2

An explosion has ripped apart the Olympic Stadium and a victim has been blown to pieces. As crime reporter Annika Bengtzon delves into the details of the bombing and the background of the victim, there is



a second explosion. When her police source reveals they are hot on the heels of the bomber, she is guaranteed an exclusive with her name on it. But it soon becomes clear that she has uncovered too much, when she finds herself the target of a deranged serial killer.. [Swedish, Journalism] 528pp Tp \$32.95

Liza Marklund Red Wolf [2003] Annika Bengtzon #5

Reporter Annika Bengtzon is working on the story of a devastating crime when she hears that a journalist investigating the same incident has been killed. It appears to be a hitand-run accident. Several



brutal killings follow - all linked by handwritten letters sent to the victims' relatives. When Annika unravels a connection with the story she's writing, she is thrown on to the trail of a deadly psychopath. Will her refusal to stop pursuing the truth eventually destroy her? [Swedish, Journalism] 512pp Pb \$19.95

strange statues that were stolen from her. When Nina discovers they may be relics from the lost civilisation of Atlantis and that a

Andy McDermott

Wilde & Chase #8

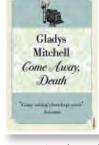
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Temple of the Gods

has been investigating

Archaeologist Nina Wilde

Japanese industrialist has obtained the statues on the black market, she immediately heads to Tokyo meet him - unaware that her fugitive husband Eddie is already on his way. Their arrival unleashes a chain of events that set Nina and Eddie on their most dangerous quest ever! [English, Archaeo.] 512pp Tp \$32.99



Gladys Mitchell Come Away Death [1937] Beatrice Lestrange 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

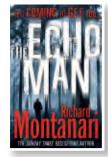
summoning the goddess Demeter. He gathers together a motley collection of people to assist in the experiment, including a rival scholar, a cruel photographer and a trio of mischievous children. But when one of the group disappears and a severed head turns up in a box of snakes, Mrs Bradley is called upon to investigate. [English, Suspense] 320pp Pb \$21.95



Aly Monroe Icelight Peter Cotton #3

London, 1947. Threadbare London endures the bleakest, coldest winter for decades. Against a background of black ice, blackouts and the black market, agent Peter Cotton is seconded to Operation Sea-snake.

MI5 is in the grip of civil war; MI6 is riddled with traitors. Unsure who to trust, Cotton must protect an atomic scientist caught up in a vicious homophobic witch-hunt, limit the damage caused by a bully MP, rely on a rent-boy informer and embark on a ruthless hunt of his own. [English, Espionage] 448pp Tp \$32.99



Richard Montanari The Echo Man Balzano & Byrne #5

The body of a man is found in one of the poorest neighbourhoods of Philadelphia. The victim has been tortured to death. When homicide detectives Kevin Byrne and Jessica Balzano investigate, they realise

that eight years ago, another body was found in the same place, in the same position, killed in the same manner. That case was never closed. As more brutalised bodies appear, it's clear that someone is recreating unsolved murders from Philadelphia's past...

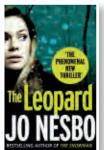
[American, Police Proc.] 528pp Pb \$19.95



J J Murphy You Might as Well Die Algonquin Round Table #2

When second-rate illustrator Frnie MacGuffin's artistic works triple in value following his apparent suicide off the Brooklyn Bridge, **Dorothy Parker smells** something fishy. Enlisting the help of magician and

skeptic Harry Houdini, she goes to a seance held by MacGuffin's mistress, where Ernie's ghostly voice seems hauntingly real. [American, Cosy] 336pp Pb \$13.50



Jo Nesbo The Leopard Harry Hole #6

Two young women are found dead, both drowned in their own blood. Inspector Harry Hole, traumatised by an investigation that threatened the lives of those he holds dear, initially wants nothing

to do with the case. But his instincts take over when a prominent MP is murdered. The victims appear completely unconnected to one another, but it's not long before Harry discovers the women both spent the night in the same isolated mountain hostel.

[Norwegian, Police Proc.] 752pp Pb \$19.95



Dennis Palumbo **Fever Dream** Daniel Rinaldi #2

When a daring bank robbery goes horribly wrong, resulting in the deaths of all the hostages except one, psychologist and trauma expert Daniel Rinaldi is called in to question lone survivor

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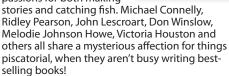
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Treva Williams. However, what seemed a simple robbery soon explodes into a series of events that plunge the investigating officers, Harry Polk and Eleanor Lowrey - as well as Rinaldi himself - into a vortex of mistaken identity and kidnapping.

[American, Police Proc.] 250pp Pb \$23.95

T Jefferson Parker [ed] Hook, Line and Sinister Mysteries to Reel You In

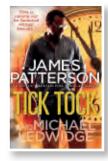
16 of America's favourite author-anglers spin tales of mystery and fishing. From the tragic to the comic with many stops in between, these stories reflect the authors' passions for both making



[American, Anthology] 320pp Pb \$22.95

James Patterson & Michael Ledwidge **Tick Tock** Michael Bennett #4

A bomb set in one of New York's busiest places is discovered before it explodes. The city calls on Detective Michael Bennett, pulling him away from a seaside vacation with his ten



adopted children and their beloved nanny, Mary Catherine. Bennett enlists the help of a former colleague, FBI Agent Emily Parker. Another horrifying crime leads Bennett to a shocking discovery that exposes the killer's pattern and the earth-shattering enormity of his plan... [American, Police Proc.] 496pp Pb \$14.95

Ann Purser Threats at Three Lois Meade #10

When a dead body is discovered in a canal, **Detective Cowgill** believes the murderer is connected to a suspicious fire and a heated dispute over saving the local village hall. Time to turn to the ever reliable Lois Meade to sort out the



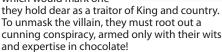
culprits and pick up the loose ends - before their village hall turns into a funeral hall! [American, Cosy] 368pp Pb \$13.50



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Andrea Penrose The Cocoa Conspiracy Lady Arianna Regency #2

Lady Arianna's gift of a rare volume of botanical engravings to her husband, the Earl of Saybrook, has something even more rare hidden inside - sensitive government documents which would mark one



[American, Cosy] 336pp Pb \$13.50



Jake Reese is an ordinary guy with an ordinary job, trying to block out the memory of his violent past by planning a future with his new wife, Diane. But the past won't stay buried. When two men attack Jake in a carpark and cut off his ring finger,

he dismisses it as an unlucky case of being in the wrong place at the wrong time. But when events take a more sinister turn and Diane goes missing, Jake is dragged back into the life he thought he'd walked away from forever... [American, Suspense] 368pp Pb \$19.99

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William Ryan The Bloody Meadow Captain Alexei Dimitrevich Korolev #2

After implicating those at the very top in Soviet Russia, Captain Alexei Korolev is hailed as an example to all Soviet workers. But Korolev's newfound knowledge is dangerous and if

discovered, he faces deportation to Siberia. But when the knock on the door comes, Colonel Rodinov of the NKVD security service asks the detective to look into the suicide of a young woman: Maria Alexandovna Lenskaya, a model citizen, where he discovers there is more to her death than meets the eye.

[Irish, Suspense] 320pp Tp \$32.99

James Sallis Drive [Film Tie-In]

Set mostly in Arizona and LA, according to James Sallis this story is about "[...] a guy who does stunt driving for movies by day and drives for criminals at night. In classic noir fashion, he is doublecrossed and, though before he has never



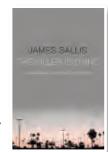
participated in the violence ('I drive. That's all.'), he goes after the ones who doublecrossed and tried to kill him."

[American, Suspense] 192pp Pb \$17.95

The new film starring Ryan Gosling and Carey Muligan opened on 27 November.

James Sallis The Killer is Dying

A hired killer on his final job; a burned-out detective whose wife is dying slowly; a young boy abandoned by his parents and living alone by his wits. Three people, disconnected from society. The detective is looking for the killer,

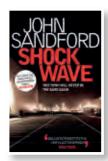


Christian, though he doesn't know that. Christian is trying to find the man who stepped in and took down his target before he had the chance. And the boy, Jimmie, is having the killer's dreams. While they never meet, they are inextricably linked...

[American, Suspense] 234pp Pb \$17.95

John Sandford **Shock Wave** Virgil Flowers #5

PyeMart, a superstore chain, is building a new store in a Minnesota river town, but two groups want to stop it: local business owners and environmentalists. The first bomb destroys the



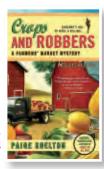
headquarters. The second one explodes at the construction site. The blasts were meant to inflict maximum damage. Who's behind the bombs and how far will they go? It's Virgil's job to find out!

[American, Police Proc.] Tp \$29.99

top floor of PyeMart's

Paige Shelton Crops and Robbers Farmer's Market #3

Bailey's Farmer's Market is all abuzz with the impending visit of the Central South Carolina Restaurant Association. Becca is excited, but when the president of the Association vetoes Becca's strawberry preserves, she finds herself reeling from



the snub. After pulling herself together, Becca discovers the president's body in her kitchen and her mother with bloody hands. Now, Becca has to use her sleuthing skills to get her mother out of this terrible jam!

[American, Cosy] 304pp Pb \$13.50





Rochelle Staab Who Do, Voodoo? Mind for Murder #1

Clinical psychologist Liz Cooper doesn't believe in ghosts. But when her best friend discovers a tarot card tacked to her front door - and is accused of murder shortly afterwards - Liz will have to find a way to embrace the

occult if she wants to outwit the real killer! [American, Suspense] 304pp Pb \$13.50

Mary Stanton Angel Condemned Beaufort and Company #5

Celestial advocate and attorney Brianna Winston-Beaufort is tasked with representing her Aunt Cissy's fiance museum curator Prosper White - in a case of fraud. Brianna hopes to settle the matter out of court,



but when Prosper is murdered and Cissy is arrested for the crime, Bree will have to solve the mystery of the Cross of Justinian - an artefact of interest in both Prosper's lawsuit and Bree's celestial case - to clear her aunt's name...

[American, Legal] 304pp Pb \$13.50

Chevy Stevens Still Missing

The open house is slow, but when her last visitor pulls up in a van as she's about to leave, 32-year-old real-estate agent Annie O'Sullivan thinks it might just be her lucky day... Interwoven with the story of the year Annie spent as the captive of a



psychopath in a remote mountain cabin, which unfolds through sessions with her psychiatrist, is a second narrative recounting events following her escape - her struggle to piece together her shattered life and the ongoing investigation into the identity of her captor.

[Canadian, Suspense] 372pp Pb \$23.99

Valerio Varesi River of Shadows Commissario Soneri #1

In the Po valley in northern Italy, a huge barge leaves its moorings. When it finally runs aground hours later, the bargeman is nowhere to be found. That same evening, Commissario Soneri is summoned to



investigate the apparent suicide of a man in Parma. He and the bargeman were brothers, both serving together in the fascist militia 50 years earlier. As the flood waters ebb, the river yields up its secrets of the past: civil strife between Facists and Partisans, bitter rivalry and revenge...

[Italian, Police Proc.] 272pp Pb \$19.99

Elaine Viets Death on a Platter Josie Marcus Mystery Shopper #7

Josie Marcus plans to savor sampling the local St Louis cuisine for a City Eats food tour. But her appetite is ruined at Tillie's Off the Hill Italian Restaurant when another customer is poisoned. Was the victim the real



target - or is someone trying to ruin Tillie's reputation? It's up to Josie to find a killer who has no reservations about preparing a dish to die for! [American, Cosy] 304pp Pb \$13.50

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Livia J Washburn The Pumpkin Muffin Murder Fresh Baked #5

It's Thanksgiving in Weatherford, Texas and Phyllis is taking her grandson Bobby to the first annual Harvest Festival with hopes of winning the baking contest - especially now that her friendly

competitor, Carolyn, is judging and not competing. But when a decorative scarecrow turns out to be a dead body in disguise, Phyllis must dish out some justice!

[American, Cosy] 272pp Tp\$13.50

Livia J Washburn Killer on a Hot Tin Roof Delilah Dickinson #3

Delilah Dickinson is looking forward to a relaxing getaway leading her literary travel agency's latest tour at the annual Tennessee Williams Literary Festival in New Orleans. But a group of low-key English professors waste little time flexing



their claws, especially when one of them claims he can prove Williams didn't even write 'Cat on a Hot Tin Roof'. But when the supposed real author turns up dead, Delilah knows she's got to get to the bottom of things…even if the truth is as dirty as all them lies!

[American, Cosy] 304pp Pb \$13.50

Chris Womersley The Low Road

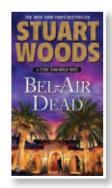
A young petty criminal, Lee, wakes in a seedy motel with a bullet in his side and a suitcase of stolen money. Soon he meets Wild, a doctor escaping his own disastrous life and



the two men set out for the safety of the countryside. Lee is haunted by a brief stint in jail, while Wild is on the run from the legacy of medical malpractice. But Lee and Wild are not alone: they are pursued by the ageing gangster Josef, who must retrieve the stolen money and deal with Lee to ensure his own survival. [Australian, Suspense] 288pp Pb \$24.95

Stuart Woods Bel-Air Dead Stone Barrington #20

Stone is no stranger to Bel-Air, nor to the beautiful and wealthy widow who needs his help to become even wealthier. At stake is the sale of her investment in - and the resulting dissolution of - Hollywood's world-famous Centurion



Studios. But when Stone arrives in Bel-Air to finalise the sale, he discovers that one of LA's most rapacious power brokers has Centurion in his sights...

[American, Suspense] 400pp Pb \$15.95

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Boris Akunin He Lover of Death Erast Fandorin #9

Senka Skorikov, orphan and urchin, has climbed the criminal ranks of Moscow's underworld. But as the bandit community balks at his success, threats on his life pour in. A dandy and his 'Chinese' sidekick



seem to be taking an inordinate interest in Senka's welfare and it becomes clear that those threatening Senka are linked to a spate of murders. Fandorin must unweave a tangled web of narcotics, false identities and organised crime! [Russian] 336pp Pb \$22.99

Maureen Ash A Deadly Penance Templar Knight #6

Templar Bascot de Marins is summoned to Lincoln Castle to learn who murdered a servant engaged in an illicit affair with a married woman. Even though the jealous husband had a motive, Bascot's investigation



uncovers a more shocking revelation about the victim - a revelation that would give him any number of potential enemies...

[English] 288pp Pb \$21.95

Mike Ashley [ed] The Mammoth Book of Historical Crime Fiction

This superb anthology of 12 novellas encompasses over 4,000 years of our criminal past - from Bronze Age Britain to the eve of WWII, with stories set in ancient Greece, Rome, the Byzantine



Empire, medieval Venice, 7th century Ireland and 1930s New York. Contributors include Deirdre Counihan, Tom Holt, Dorothy Lumley, Richard A Lupoff, Maan Meyers, Ian Morson, Anne Perry, Tony Pollard, Mary Reed and Eric Mayer, Steven Saylor, Charles Todd and Peter Tremayne. [English] 512pp Pb \$12.99

Gyles Brandreth Oscar Wilde and the Vatican Murders

In 1892 Arthur Conan Doyle, exhausted by his creation Sherlock Holmes, retires to the spa at Bad Homburg. But his rest cure does not go as planned. The first person he encounters is Oscar Wilde and when the two

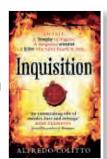


friends make a series of macabre discoveries - a severed finger, a lock of hair and finally an entire severed hand - the game is once more afoot. The trail leads to Rome and the very heart of the Vatican, where Pope Pius IX has just died and the times are uncertain...

[English] 352pp Tp \$29.99

Alfredo Colitto Inquisition

In 14th-century Italy, Mondino is a university anatomist - a man of science in a land governed by the brutal Inquisition. But the corpse brought to Mondino's laboratory defies natural law: the victim is a Templar knight and his heart has been

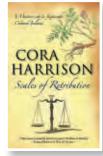


transformed into a block of iron. Is it alchemy, or the diabolical work of an ingenious killer? Aided by his student Gerardo, Mondino must outwit both ruthless Inquisitors and vengeful Templars if he's to stop a murderer who threatens Christendom.

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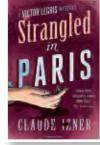
Ireland, 1510. Upon going into early labour, Mara is alerted to the disappearance of Malachy, the local physician. Shortly after the birth of her son, the body of Malachy is discovered. But who



stands to profit from this death and who are Mara's lead suspects? For starters there is Malachy's new wife and her two sons, not to mention the very daughter who helped to deliver Mara's child. But it's soon discovered that the list of people bearing a grudge against Malacy is longer that Mara anticipated! [Irish] 224pp Pb \$24.95

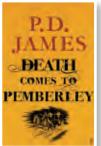
Claude Izner Strangled in Paris Victor Legris #6

Why would anyone strangle a humble seamstress with no known enemies? When newly-married bookseller Victor Legris is asked to solve the murder of Louise Fontaine in the abattoir district of La



Villette, he is initially baffled by the case. But as the investigation progresses, Victor, along with his assistant and brother-in-law Joseph, discovers that in belle-epoque Paris young girls with no money or background are as ruthlessly preyed on as they ever were...

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P D James **Death Comes** to Pemberley

The year is 1803 and Darcy and Elizabeth have been happily married for six years. But their peace is threatened and old sins and misunderstandings are rekindled on the eve of the annual autumn ball. The Darcys and their

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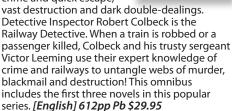
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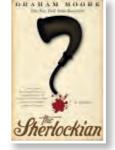
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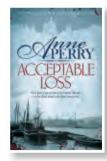
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When a young journalist, Bertram Fletcher Robinson, meets his writer hero Arthur Conan Doyle on a troop ship coming back from South Africa, he is delighted, especially when the creator of Sherlock Holmes suggests they collaborate on a 'real creeper' of a story.

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Anne Perry Acceptable Loss William Monk #17

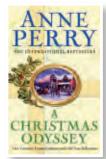
1864. William Monk and his wife Hester are caring for Scuff - a homeless boy recovering from a terrifying ordeal at the hands of Jericho Phillips, the runner of a child prostitution ring. But Scuff is certain more



children are suffering an even worse fate. Monk is determined to find the remaining children and uncover the men funding the operation. As Monk's investigation continues, the reputations of respected gentlemen are called into guestion and his task becomes fraught with unexpected danger. [English] 448pp Pb \$19.99

Anne Perry A Christmas Odyssey Christmas Novellas #8

London, 1864. In desperation, James Wentworth turns to his old friend Sir Henry Rathbone to help locate his wayward son, Lucien. Rathbone's investigations take them into a squalid world of illicit pleasures.



But as they get nearer to their quarry, tales emerge of Lucien's violent tendencies, his obsession with a dangerous young woman and the disturbing Shadow Man. Can they bring Lucien home alive? And if so, will it be a grave mistake for all concerned?

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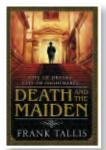
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England, 1545. A massive French armada is threatening the country and Henry VIII has plunged the country into economic crisis to finance the war. Meanwhile, an old servant of Queen Catherine Parr

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Vienna, 1903. An operatic diva, Ida Rosenkrantz, is found dead in her villa. It appears that she has taken an overdose of morphine, but her autopsy suggests more sinister possibilities. Detective Inspector Oskar

Rheinhardt seeks the assistance of his young friend, the psychoanalyst Dr Max Liebermann and they begin their inquiries at Vienna's majestic opera house. As the investigation progresses, Rheinhardt and Liebermann face danger as they expose corruption at the highest levels. [English] 384pp Pb \$19.95

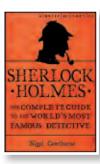


Andrew Williams To Kill a Tsar

St Petersburg, 1879. Russia is alive with revolutionaries and would-be assassins of the unpopular Tsar Alexander II. For Dr Frederick Hadfield, part of the Anglo-Russian establishment with a medical practice

dependent on the patronage of the nobility, politics is a distraction. But when he meets the passionate idealist Anna Petrovna, he finds himself drawn into a dangerous double life... [English] 448pp Pb \$19.99

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Created by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle in 1887, Sherlock Holmes appears in four novels and 56 short stories. Although Holmes was not the first literary

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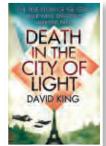
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Misha Glenny Darkmarket Cyberthieves, Cybercrime and You

The benefits of living in a digital, globalised society are enormous; so too are the dangers. We bank online, shop online, date, learn, work and live online. But have the institutions that keep



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David King Death in the City of Light The True Story of the Serial Killer Who

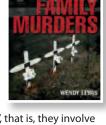
The True Story of the Serial Killer Who Terrorised Wartime Paris

Paris, 1944. The swastika raised from the top of the Eiffel Tower and the once-vibrant city is shrouded in suspicion and fear. At a chic Right Bank

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Wendy Lewis The Australian Book of Family Murders

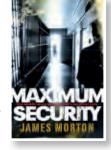
You're unlikely to be gunned down on the street by someone you've never met. But you may well be stabbed to death in the comfort of your own home! More than 50 per cent of all murders in Australia each year



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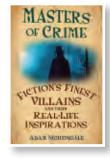
Housing Australia's worst criminals, maximum security prisons are settings of violence and despair. Just how rough are these gaols within gaols and what's it like to be incarcerated in them? From the brutal regime of colonial Norfolk Island



to the sterile cruelty of Jika Jika and Katingal, James Morton takes us through the history of these sinister places of punishment, which have been home to notorious figures like Mark 'Chopper' Read, Brenden Abbott and Russell 'Mad Dog' Cox. [English] 384pp Tp \$34.99

Adam Nightingale Masters of Crime Fiction's Finest Villains and their Real-Life Inspirations

This fascinating volume reveals the real men and women behind some of the most infamous London villains ever to appear in fiction. Fagin, Professor Moriarty, Moll



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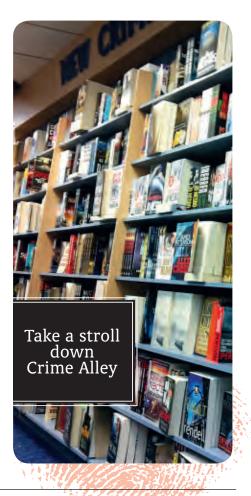
into novels, broadsides and ballads, theatre and melodrama and opera, and even puppet shows and performing dog-acts. In this meticulously researched book, Judith Flanders retells the gruesome stories of murder, both famous and obscure. From Sweeney Todd and Jack the Ripper, to Burke and Hare and Greenacre, this is history at its most readable! [English] 256pp Pb \$24.99



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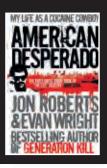












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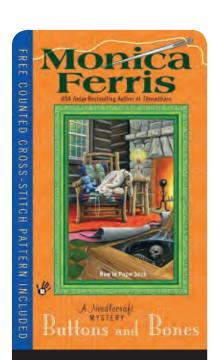
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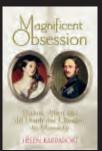
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Victoria, Albert and the Death that Changed the Monarchy

Helen Rappaport

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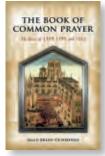
next 10 years, the Queen's single-handed mission to commemorate her husband in perpetuity initiated a range of artistic and cultural monuments that would transform the British landscape. For Albert's 150th anniversary, this book examines the circumstances leading up to his death, the rituals of his funeral and offers new theories on what killed him. 352pp Hb \$55 \$49.95



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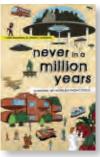
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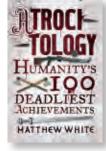
A History of Hopeless Predictions Ivor Baddiel

& Jonny Zucker

Baddiel and Zucker examine the predictions that have been made since the dawn of time on a variety of subjects, from the

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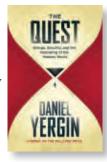
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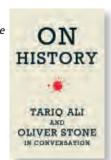
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Tariq Ali

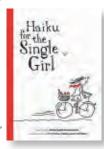
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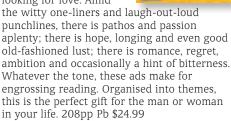
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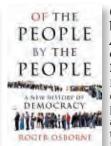
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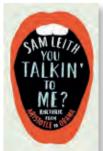
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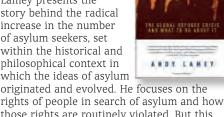
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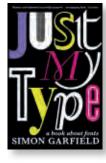
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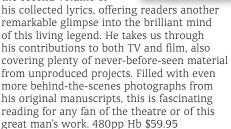


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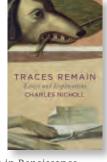
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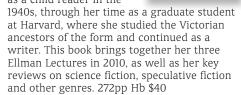
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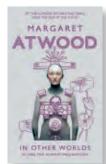
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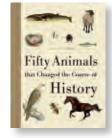
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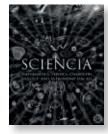


young scientist found himself plunged waistdeep into a sludge of maggot-infested faeces in search of a small bat that turned out not to be very interesting. Tim Flannery takes us on an enthralling journey through some of the most diverse and spectacular environments on earth! 288pp Tp \$32.95

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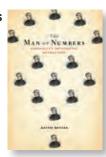
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I was glad that I re-read Patrick White's **The Eye of the Storm** (\$24.95 Pb 608pp) before I saw the new film featuring Geoffrey Rush, Judy Davis and Charlotte Rampling - what a perfect cast! The film is a thrilling evocation of the story and I am filled with admiration for Judy Morris' screenplay. It was great to see all the stalwarts of Australian theatre working their magic. Only a pity Kerry Walker wasn't in there too!

I really enjoyed Alice Pung's second memoir Her Father's Daughter (\$29.95 Pb 238pp), which continues on from her first memoir, Unpolished Gem (\$26.95 Pb 304pp), which covered her adolescence in Australia and which won several awards - and rightly so! Alice Pung is a lovely writer, as well as a clever and thoughtful young woman. The second book develops into a horrifying tale filling out her father's memories of his time in the Killing Fields of Cambodia. These are not sensationalised and are all the more telling because of this. Highly recommended. As a matter of interest, we also have some HSC Study Notes for Unpolished Gem (\$12.95 Pb 144pp).

Another book I enjoyed very much, despite the harrowing details, was Mark Dapin's **Spirit House** (\$27.95 Pb 356pp), which tells the story of thirteen-year-old David's companionship with his seventy-year-old Jewish grandfather, a survivor of the Burma-Thai Railway. It is both deeply moving and funny, in that off-hand Jewish manner. It reads as a very authentic account of a terrible time. Also highly recommended.

An interesting and upsetting book was Far to Go by Alison Pick (\$29.99 Pb 309pp), which is about the treatment of Jews in Czechoslovakia in the late 1930s and the departure of a couple's loved little boy on the Kinder Transport to England. At first it seemed very personal and real, then came a declaration it was fiction, and finally the admission it was based on real family events. It was not entirely successful as a novel, but more than a little upsetting to see how easily fellow community members can turn into enemies.

An unusual subject for a book? I recommend **The Flight Attendant's Shoe** (\$49.95 large Pb 350pp) by Prudence Black, which turns out to be history of the changing fashions and mores in the airline industry. It is packed full of illustrations and will raise many memories for anyone who's been flying in the past fifty years. Find it in Australian History, although it could also be in Fashion couldn't it?

Twice *Miles Franklin Award*-winner Alex Miller has based his latest novel **Autumn Laing** (\$39.99 Hb 452pp) on the famous relationship between Sunday Reed and Sidney Nolan. I recommend you first read the article at the end of the book, *How I Came to Write Autumn Laing*, as you do need to remember that this is fiction, and not to be read as a real life story. With this in mind, you will enjoy a novel full of passion and verve and appreciate Miller's lifelong interest in art.

Of course I had a nostalgic time reading Michael Wilding's latest book. It is called **Wild & Woolley:** *A Publishing Memoir* (\$24.95 Pb 137pp) in a nice small format called *Giramondo Shorts* from Giramondo Publishing. In the 70s American dynamo Pat Woolley and Sydney academic Michael Wilding got together to start a small publishing business which made a huge impression in Australian literary life, publishing such things as poetry and the comics of Ron Cobb. They also began distributing American alternative authors such as Bukowski

















and the Beatnik authors. Under Michael's influence they published some important literary books, not least the essays of Jack Lindsay. All gone now, in the face of constant change, but while it lasted it was great and this memoir will be of interest to many people.

A reminder about some really good Australian books this year, such as Anna Funder's **All that I Am** (\$29.95 Pb 320pp) and Kate Grenville's **Sarah Thornhill** (\$39.95 Hb 304pp), as well as Eliot Perlman's **The Street Sweeper** (\$32.95 Pb). Don't overlook Frank Moorhouse's third book in his Edith Trilogy, **Cold Light** (\$32.95 Pb 719pp), which finds Edith in Canberra wondering about her communist brother and hoping for a diplomatic post after her years at the League of Nations. This is a terrific and subtle story. There is a special offer too! If you don't have the first two books, **Grand Days** and **Dark Palace**, normally \$19.95 each, you can now get both of these for the price of one.

Of course I am going to get a copy of The Horror of Love: Nancy Mitford and Gaston Palewski in Paris and London (\$39.99 Hb 312pp) by Lisa Hilton. Everyone who has read the endless and amusing stories of, and by, the Mitford sisters will need to have this to complete the circle. Lisa Hilton has also written Queen's Consort: England's Medieval Queens (\$29.99 Pb 592pp). Take a look in biography under M for Mitford and you'll find some of the earlier books about this marvellously eccentric family. I notice one I haven't read before — Irrepressible: The Life and Times of Jessica Mitford (\$41.99 Hb 400pp). Jessica is the one who eloped with Winston Churchill's nephew to fight in the Spanish Civil War and was later a Communist Party member in America.

I am also getting a copy of **Soul of the Desert** (\$45 Pb 184pp) because the artist Philippa Nikulinsky is known to my son Donald and his partner Dorothy in Fremantle and they have given me a set of beautiful mugs and plates illustrated with bush plants by Nikulinsky. Co-author Steve Hopper is the Director of the Royal Botanic Gardens in Kew, England. It is much more than just a collection of wonderful identifying drawings. Really beautiful and very interesting.

Sad to hear that Di Gribble has died, aged only 69. She was a most influential and supportive person in the Australian publishing scene, loved and admired by many people. Remember the *Practical Puffins* which she and friend Hilary McPhee persuaded Penguin to issue? That was just the beginning. Many, many Australian writers were first published by Di. Her encouragement and support will be hard to replace.

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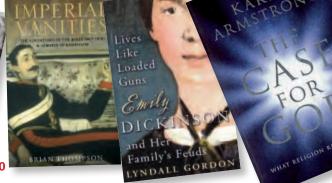
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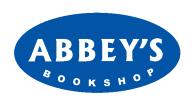
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