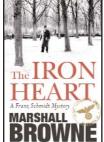


A RANDOM SELECTION

This month we're featuring six different authors from the Random House stable and six very different crime novels:

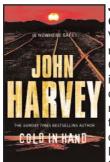


Marshall BROWNE

The Iron Heart Tp \$29.95

Franz Schmidt Mystery #2. Schmidt arrives in Berlin in January 1939 to take up the position of Chief Auditor at the Reichsbank, the financial heart of the Third Reich. After the murder of a co-worker, he is driven, to help the dead man's assistant, who is now in great danger herself. As the Gestapo's reach extends throughout the city, his brief becomes clear. He must steal a copy of the

Reich's financing blueprint to try to prevent the country's march to war. Don't miss the first in the series: **Eye of the Abyss** (290pp Pb now reissued at the special price of \$16.95.) (Australian)



John HARVEY Cold in Hand

403pp Pb \$21.95

Valentine's Day, and a dispute between rival gangs escalates into bloody violence. One teenage girl is left dead, another injured, and a police officer is caught in the crossfire. DI Charlie Resnick, nearing retirement, is hauled back to the front line to help deal with the fallout. But when the dead girl's father seeks to lay the blame on DI Lynn Kellogg, his colleague and partner, Resnick finds the line between personal

and professional dangerously blurred. Don't miss the earlier John Harvey titles: **Ash & Bone** (415pp Pb \$21.95), **Darkness & Light** (432pp Pb \$21.95), **Gone to Ground** (464pp Pb \$21.95), **Lonely Hearts** (357pp Pb \$21.95) and **Off Minor** (325pp Pb \$21.95). (English)

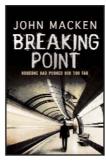


Mari JUNGSTEDT

Unknown 278pp Tp \$32.95

Inspector Knutas #3. It is summer on Gotland and an international group of archaeology students are excavating an ancient Viking site. The camaraderie of the group is shattered when a Dutch student, Martina, disappears. As Inspector Knutas investigates, echoes from Gotland's Viking past begin to trouble his search. When Martina's naked body is found hanging from

a tree, with what looks like ritualistic markings on her skin, there can be little further question. Someone is calling to the old gods of Gotland – and her death will only be the beginning. Don't miss the two earlier cases for Inspector Knutas: **Unseen** (#1) (365pp Pb \$21.95) and **Unspoken** (#2) (368pp Pb \$24.95). (Swedish)

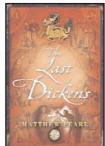


John MACKEN

Breaking Point 336pp Tp \$32.95

Reuben Maitland #3. When Reuben, a forensic scientist, discovers that his longabandoned work on Behavioural Profiling, to predict homicidal behaviour from people's DNA, is back on track at his old unit GeneCrime, he knows he has to act. Rogue elements within GeneCrime believe that prevention is better than cure, and are using Reuben's research to hunt down and incite

innocent people beyond their breaking point. Don't miss the first two books in the series: **Dirty Little Lies** (#1) 528pp Pb \$24.95 and **Trial by Blood** (#2) 528pp Pb \$21.95. (English)

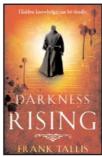


Matthew PEARL

The Last Dickens 368pp Tp \$32.95 Boston, 1870. The news of the death of

Charles Dickens reaches his American publisher. James Osgood, a junior partner, had been expecting the latest instalment of *The Mystery of Edwin Drood*, now Dickens' last work, to arrive shortly. Suspicious of New York publishers and their ruthless agents intent on stealing the novel, Osgood sends a young clerk to await its arrival. When the

clerk's body is found by the docks, with the manuscript nowhere to be found, Osgood must unearth the rest of Dickens' final mystery and solve another of his own. Don't miss Pearl's earlier titles: **The Dante Club** (367pp Pb \$24.95) and **The Poe Shadow** (364pp Pb \$24.95). (American)



Frank TALLIS

Darkness Rising 400pp Tp \$32.95

Dr Max Liebermann #4. Vienna, 1903. Outside a baroque churches the body of a monk is found. Shortly after, the remains of a councillor are discovered at another church. Both men were rabid anti-Semites and suspicions fall on the close-knit community of Hasidic Jews. DI Rheinhardt turns to the young psychoanalyst Dr Liebermann for assistance. Liebermann, a man who rejects

all forms of superstition, is forced to embrace his own cultural origins to understand the meaning of the murders. Don't miss the three earlier adventures of Dr Max Liebermann: **Mortal Mischief** (#1) 473pp Pb \$23.95, **Vienna Blood** (#2) 480pp Pb \$24.95, **Fatal Lies** (#3) 421pp Pb \$24.95. (English)

- Peter

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MODERN (RIME

Jeff ABBOTT

416pp Pb \$19.99 🎉 Run When Ben Fosberg answers the door to two Homeland Security agents, his life spirals out of control. A businessman has been killed in a hit gone wrong and Ben's card is in the dead hit man's pocket. The evidence is piling up against him when a mysterious stranger, known as Pilgrim, snatches him away and sets them both on a dangerous journey. They flee across the US with a hoard of agents and killers on their trail. As betrayal and danger dog them at every turn, Ben and Pilgrim have to uncover a deadly plan and save their own lives. Due Mar (American)

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COSY/MALICE DOMESTIC





FELINE DETECTIVES









MILITARY



NATIVE AMERICAN





PSYCHOLOGICAL



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ROMANTIC SUSPENSE





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SUSPENSE/THRILLER

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AUTHOR'S NATIONALITY AT END OF BLURB

Jeff ABBOTT

🎇 Trust Me 400pp Pb \$32.99 Luke Dantry's stepfather Henry is the only family he has left. So he's pleased to be helping Henry with his work of profiling online extremists and collecting data on them. When Luke is abducted in bizarre circumstances, he expects Henry to come through with the ransom, but Henry is in way over his head and unable to help. So Luke has to make his own escape from the fanatics on his tail, the authorities who think he's a wanted man, and various mysterious organisations who are missing 10 million dollars... Due Mar (American)

Gilbert ADAIR

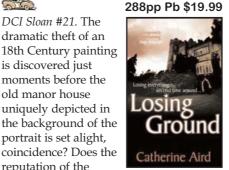
And Then There Was No One 272pp Hb \$35.00

Evadne Mount #02. The writer and professional controversialist Gustav Slavorigin is murdered in the small Swiss town of Meiringen during its annual Sherlock Holmes Festival. With a price of 10 million dollars on Slavorigin's head, almost none of the Festival's guests can be regarded as above suspicion. Except Evadne Mount, of course, the stubborn amateur sleuth and bestselling crime novelist. But she's not prepared her for the twists of this new investigation, which climaxes at Meiringen's principal tourist attraction, the Reichenbach Falls, the site of Holmes' fatal confrontation with his nemesis, Moriarty. Due Mar (Scottish)

Catherine AIRD

Losing Ground

DCI Sloan #21. The dramatic theft of an 18th Century painting is discovered just moments before the old manor house uniquely depicted in the background of the portrait is set alight,



288pp Pb \$23.95

reputation of the Baronet, the subject of the painting, have any connection to the fire? Events become decidedly more complex as a grisly spectacle is sighted in the blazing inferno moments before the roof collapses. Detective Inspector Sloan and Detective Constable Crosby have to piece together a puzzle which has its roots deep in Berebury's history. Due Mar (English)

Karin ALVTEGEN

Shadow

As darkness falls on 10 May 1975, a little boy stands alone on the steps of an amusement park. The park is about to close, and everyone is leaving, except this child. He continues to stand there, not daring to move. He has been told to stay right where he is. Only, no one is coming

Nancy ATHERTON



Aunt Dimity: Vampire Hunter 295pp Pb \$18.95

Aunt Dimity #13. This time Lori's supernatural confidante may not be the only one who's not quite dead. Could the cloaked figure Lori's twins saw in the woods near the family's English country cottage really have been a vampire? (American)

Sandi AULT

Wild Inferno 304pp Pb \$18.9 Jamaica Wild Mystery #2. Rough 304pp Pb \$18.95 and ready Bureau of Land Management agent Jamaica Wild returns, deployed to a wildfire on the Southern Ute reservation, where a puzzling plea whispered by a burning man points to a mystery more menacing than murder. Due Mar (American)

Tom BALE

★ Skin and Bones 320pp Pb \$32.95 A deranged young man goes on the rampage, shooting everyone in his path before taking his own life. It is a senseless event. At least, that's what everyone thinks. Only Julia Trent, believed to be the sole survivor, knows that there was a second man involved, but her account of the massacre is ignored. Together with Craig Walker, the journalist son of one of the victims, Julia sets out to find the truth. As they peel back the layers of a dangerous conspiracy, they discover the slaughter didn't begin on that bitter day in January. And worst of all, it won't end there. *Due Mar* (English)

Robert BARNARD

Last Post 288pp Pb \$19.99 Everyone in Crossley knew May McNabb. Upon May's retirement, her daughter Eve thought they would finally have the time to become close again. But within months of retiring May had died of the cancer she had kept secret from her daughter. Eve then finds a letter with the potential to unravel everything she thought she knew about her mother. As she reads its contents, Eve comes to realise there was a part of May's life she didn't know at all, a secret which would have shocked her family and the community she lived in if it had ever

Robert G BARRETT 🎇 High Noon in Nimbin

become known. Due Mar (English)

224pp Tp \$30.00

What could Les Norton possibly be doing in Nimbin, the hippie capital of Australia? And how did the little green tree frog in his backyard start it all? Situated at Bluey's Beach and Nimbin in NSW, this is non-stop action from go to whoa. Due Mar (Australian)



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back for him. Due Mar (Swedish)

Sydney BAUER
Alibi 512pp Pb \$19.99

Jessica Nagoshi, is being groomed, along with her brother Peter, to take control of Nagoshi Inc. That is, until she is brutally murdered. Boston criminal defence attorney David Cavanaugh is thrust into this high society case when law student James Matheson is arrested for Jessica's murder. From the outset, David is hampered by unspoken alliances, corporate malpractice, lust and a disastrous misplace of trust that will leave his case in tatters. In the end, nothing can prepare him for the diabolical lengths some will go to in order to preserve their life of privilege. Due Mar (Australian)

Sydney BAUER

Move to Strike 488pp Pb \$25.00 Dr Jeffrey Logan is TV's most loved psychiatrist. The picture is completed by a beautiful wife Stephanie, and a teenage son and daughter. Then Stephanie is killed. When 'Doctor Jeff' confesses to the murder, David Cavanaugh is appointed as his defence counsel. But Cavanaugh and Stephanie went to law school together, and from what he remembers of his friend, nothing is making sense. Then the evidence starts pointing to the son. Soon, Cavanaugh realises that though this family has a dark secret, it may not be the one Doctor Jeff insists on revealing to the world. Due Mar (Australian)

John BAZELL

Beat the Reaper 320pp Pb \$32.95 Meet Peter Brown, a hospital intern with a past that is about to catch up with him. His morning begins with the quick disarming of a mugger, a steamy encounter with a young female pharmaceutical rep, topped off by a visit with a new patient, and from there Peter's day is going to get a whole lot worse. That patient knows Peter from his other life, when he had a different name and a very different job. The only reason he's a doctor now is thanks to the Witness Protection Program, and even that can't protect him from the long reach of the New Jersey Mob. Now he's got to buy some time to do whatever it takes to keep his patient and himself alive. Due Mar (American)



Raymond BENSON

Dark Side of the Morgue 336pp Pb \$18.95

Spike Berenger Rock and Roll Hit #2. Rock musicians in Chicago are being murdered. The local police have no clues, but several of the musicians who fear they're next on the hit list claim that the killer is a woman presumed dead for over 30 years. Spike and his partner, Suzanne travel to Chicago to investigate the case, only to find that no one wants to talk. As Spike digs deeper, he begins to unearth deadly secrets involving sex, psychedelic drugs and, of course, rock 'n' roll. And it isn't long before the private detective becomes a pawn in a very dangerous game. Due Mar (American)

S J BOLTON

Sacrifice 560pp Pb \$21.95
Moving to remote Shetland has been unsettling for surgeon Tora
Hamilton, even before the gruesome discovery she makes. In her field she finds the perfectly preserved body of a young woman, a gaping hole where her heart has been removed and three rune

finds the perfectly preserved body of a young woman, a gaping hole where her heart has been removed and three rune marks etched into her skin. The marks bear an eerie resemblance to carvings Tora has seen all over the islands and she uncovers disturbing links to an ancient legend, but she is warned by the police, her boss and even her husband, to leave well enough alone. *Due Mar* (English)

C J BOX

Three Weeks to Say Goodbye 352pp Pb \$32.99

Jack and Melissa realise a dream with the adoption of their daughter Angelina, but a phone call that comes months after the adoption is devastating. The birth father never signed away his parental rights and his father, a powerful Denver judge, wants him to own up to this responsibility. There's something sinister about both of them. As Angelina's safety hangs in the balance, Jack and Melissa will stop at nothing to protect their child, and when a horrifying game of intimidation begins, it is clear this may be a battle to the death. *Due Mar* (American)

Nick BROWNLEE

Bait 336pp Pb \$32.99 Ex-cop Jake Moore's career was cut short. 10 years on, he runs a game-fishing business that is about to go to the wall. But when Mombasa detective Daniel Journa asks for his help in solving a baffling murder case, he cannot help but become involved. The mangled body of a street criminal has been washed up on the beach and a fishing boat skipper and his bait boy have blown up in the water. When Jake and Journa look closer, they discover that not only are the murders linked, but the conspiracy surrounding them stretches far beyond the reaches of Africa and has deadly implications for everyone concerned. Due Mar (English)

Claudia Mair BURNEY

Deadly Charm 320pp Tp \$32.00

Amanda Bell Brown Mystery #3.

Reluctantly attending a revival meeting featuring a former healing evangelist and his conniving wife, Bell unexpectedly falls for the man's son in spite of her suspicions that his parents are fleecing their supporters, a situation that is further complicated by a terrible accident. Due Mar (American)

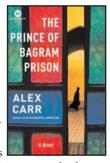
Andrea CAMILLERI

August Heat 304pp Tp \$32.00 Inspector Montalbono #10. When a colleague extends his vacation, Inspector Salvo Montalbano is forced to stay in Vigta. Montalbano's girlfriend, Livia, joins him with a friend, her husband and young son in tow. But when the boy suddenly disappears into a narrow shaft hidden under the family's beach rental, Montalbano, uncovers something terribly sinister. As the inspector spends the summer trying to solve this perplexing case, Livia refuses to answer his calls and Montalbano is left to take a plunge that will affect the rest of his life. Due Mar (Italian)

Alex CARR

The Prince of Bagram Prison 304pp Pb \$19.99

Army Intelligence reservist Kat Caldwell is teaching Arabic at a military college in Virginia when retired spy chief Dick Morrow orders her to find a CIA informant who has slipped away and may be heading to Morocco. Jamal was



a prisoner whom Kat interrogated when she worked at Bagram Airbase in Afghanistan. She is now expected to discover his whereabouts. But when a British soldier is murdered just as he is about to give testimony on the death of a Bagram detainee, Kat begins to suspect that the real story here is of the cover up of US sanctioned torture. *Due Mar* (American)

Laura CHILDS

The Silver Needle Murder 304pp Pb \$18.95

Tea Shop Mystery #9. The Charleston Film Festival has brought Theodosia Browning her staff a busy week of catering jobs. First is the opening night gala at the historic Belvedere Theatre. Tinseltown and local luminaries seem to be mingling happily in the lobby, but Theo notices that the atmosphere backstage is tense. Then famous director Jordan Cole is shot on his way to the podium, and the entire audience witnesses his death silhouetted across the scrim. Never has a festival started off with this big a bang. Due Mar (American)

Harlan COBEN

Three Great Novels

791pp Pb \$35.00

Just One Look: Grace Lawson is living a happy life with her husband and children, until she picks up a set of holiday snaps she doesn't recognise. Within 12 hours, the safe world she knows has been turned upside down... The Innocent: Matt Hunter's life has already been blown apart once, but it has made him a stronger person. Now someone is following him and Matt realises he can't trust anybody, least of all those he loves... Promise Me: The phone rings at 2am. A young, frightened girl has called Myron Bolitar, who promised to help her if she ever got into any trouble. He drops her in the suburbs, but it's the last time anyone sees her. (American)

John CONNOLLY

🎉 The Reapers 753pp Pb \$19.99

Charlie Parker #7. They are the Reapers, the elite among killers. The assassin Louis is one of them. But now he and his partner, Angel, are targets. A wealthy recluse sends them north to a town that no longer exists on a map. A town ruled by a man with very personal reasons for wanting Louis' blood spilt. There they find themselves trapped, isolated and at the mercy of the assassin of assassins, Bliss. Thanks to former detective Charlie Parker, help is on its way. But can Angel and Louis stay alive long enough for it to reach them? (Irish)

Patricia CORNWELL

The Front 240pp Pb \$19.99

Winston Garano #2. Massachusetts State Investigator Win Garano is asked to investigate the death of a young British woman murdered more than 40 years ago. Assumed to be a victim of the Boston Strangler, blind Janie Brolin died in 1962. This case will test Garano to his limits. It will take him on a journey through the archives, into the latest innovations in forensic technology, and into partnership with London's New Scotland Yard. Meanwhile his hard nosed boss is putting both their lives in jeopardy with her lust for power and success. With past and present colliding, the tension mounts... Due Mar (American).

Greg COX



342pp Pb \$14.95

A package arrives at the Anthropology Department of the University of Nevada containing a genuine shrunken head. The evidence points to the fact that it's the result of a gruesome modern day murder and suspicions run high that an unorthodox serial killer may be on the loose.... (American)

Jordan DANE

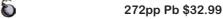
Evil Without a Face

400pp Pb \$18.95

Bounty Hunter Jessica Beckett uncovers a cyber trail for a covert operation linked to missing teens, but she's faced with an uphill battle to prove it. Infringing on her world is a man she finds impossible to resist. Former quarterback Payton Archer's niece Nikki is abducted by an online predator and the law isn't much help. In desperation, Payton makes a promise to find his niece before it's too late. But Nikki is a pawn in a deadlier game. The mysterious enterprise behind the abduction is harbouring a dark secret, a one-way ticket for anyone seduced by its web lies. (American)

Peter DE JONGE

💥 Shadows Still Remain



Francesca Pena has come to New York to reinvent herself, earning a scholarship to NYU. She is envied by her more privileged friends, but none of them knows the real Francesca. Following a night of heavy drinking, she's reported missing. Detective Darlene O'Hara and her partner Serge Karamanoukian ('K') investigate. A week later, Francesca's body is discovered severely mangled by the East River. O'Hara and K's investigation is taken over by the Homicide Unit. Frustrated, O'Hara and K continue their own investigation and just when the Homicide Unit think they have the real killer in their sights, O'Hara and K reveal their own findings, with not a minute to spare. Due Mar (American)

Hannah DENNISON

Scoop! 304pp Pb \$16.95

Vicky Hill Exclusive #2. Obit writer Vicky Hill suspects foul play when she learns of a suspicious death, a champion hedge cutter, electrocuted after accidentally slicing through a power cable. To get the real story, Vicky is willing to suffer through bad dates and mortal danger. Due Mar (American)

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Janet EVANOVICH

🔆 Plum Spooky

🕽 Stephanie Plum Between the Numbers Novel. Just when Stephanie thinks her life can't get any more complicated, in walks the mysterious Diesel. A man who seems to show up at the most inconvenient moments. This time, he's the

instigator for Stephanie's new adventure, which involves camping in the Pine Barrens with Lula, and perhaps even a sighting of the Jersey Devil... (American)

Linda FAIRSTEIN

Killer Heat 467pp Pb \$19.9

Alexandra Cooper #10. The corpse 467pp Pb \$19.99 of a young woman is found in an abandoned Ferry Terminal at the southern tip of Manhattan. The ferries from here only went to Governor's Island, also known as Ghost Island. The corpse is identified as that of a part time prostitute with a high end client list. But the list is missing and so is another girl. When another young woman disappears at an isolated site not far from Governor's Island, Alex has no hesitation in joining the desperate hunt for a singularly depraved murderer. A chase which catapults her into one of the most chilling encounters of her life. (American)

Jessica FLETCHER & Donald BAIN **Murder on Parade** 13/10

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Murder She Wrote #28. The Cabot Cove residents are pulling out all the stops for their celebration of the 4th of July this year. Joseph Lennon, a very successful businessman, has recently relocated to Cabot Cave and is funding a big fireworks show and rock concert. There are many in town that don't like him throwing his wealth and power around to get things done his way. When Mr Lennon's body is found the evening of the fireworks show, Jessica has a long list of potential suspects. Due Mar (American)

Clare FRANCIS

Unforgotten Lawyer Hugh

Gwynne's client Tom Deacon is claiming damages after he witnessed the death of his young daughter. The case is going well. Then Hugh receives an

anonymous letter. To stay on the case is unethical, to withdraw



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will threaten its success and Tom Deacon makes it clear that such treachery will not be forgiven. Hugh's dilemma is intensified by the contrast between their lives. Then one night Hugh's life changes forever and he, like Tom, must face a lifetime of troubling memories. (English)

Elizabeth GEORGE (ed)

🗱 Two of the Deadliest: New Tales of Lust, Greed and Murder from **Outstanding Women of Mystery** 560pp Tp \$32.99

Seven Deadly sins. Doesn't every major crime have one of these deadly sins at its root? This volume selects two of them, lust and greed, as the inspiration for a selection of brand new stories, chosen and edited by internationally bestselling author Elizabeth George. Due Mar (American)

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Ross GIBSON

🎇 The Summer Exercises

261pp Pb \$24.95

Gibson uses approximately 175 carefully selected black and white photographs from the collection of the Justice & Police Museum, taken after WWII. These photographs, generated by NSW Police in the course of their investigations from 1945 to 1960, form a visual reference for a richly imagined story. Anchored in the realities of 1940s Sydney police investigative procedure, the work is an artistic re-invention of history as it happened. (Australian)

Carol GOODMAN

K The Night Villa 390pp Tp \$32.99 Recovering from a shocking act of violence, Cory Chase, classicist and mythographer, decides that taking part in The Papyrus Project, which aims to restore the charred scrolls of Pompeii, might offer her a much needed escape. That is until she suspects that the Modern Pythagoreans, a cult who believe that a lost manuscript of Pythagoras may still exist, are also interested in the scrolls. Suddenly Cory finds herself following a trail that leads her through Southern Italy to Pythagoras's birthplace, where she is pulled into a conspiracy to reignite an ancient cult that once rivalled Christianity in the Roman World. (American)

Ed GORMAN

Fools Rush In 320pp Tp \$32.00 Sam McCain Mystery. It's June, 1963. Freedom Riders have been advancing the cause of civil rights in the South and in Black River Falls, Iowa, the sleepy town is showing signs of racial unease. The body of a black college student, David Leeds, has turned up. The evidence points to a scandal that could ruin the campaign of the very white Senator Lloyd Williams for reelection, if photos exist to prove a romance between the senator's daughter and Leeds. Prejudice runs deep in Sam McCain's hometown, as the amiable young attorney and sometime detective discovers. Due Mar (American)

JIII GREGORY & Karen TINTORI The Illumination 309pp Tp \$32.99

Natalie Landau, a museum curator with expertise in Mesopotamian protective amulets and magical beliefs, has received a gift from her sister Dana, a necklace with a blue evil eye pendant on it. The Evil Eye is a symbol of protection common throughout the world. When Dana is murdered, Natalie begins to think the amulet had something to do with her sister's death. As she races to discover the origin of the pendant, Natalie is sucked into an international battle between powerful religious factions, which turns out to be far more valuable, and more powerful, than she could ever imagine. (American)

Derek HAAS

The Silver Bear

272pp Pb \$19.99

Columbus, the most feared hitman in the criminal underworld, is an assassin at the top of his profession. Immune to the pressure of his chosen life, gliding silently beneath law enforcement, he is what the Russians call a Silver Bear. When Columbus takes the contract on a congressman running for President, he discovers that his quarry is tied to his own mysterious past. Soon, he's fighting to stay alive, and to make sure his target does not... Due Mar (American)

MRHALL

*** The Coroner** 422pp Tp \$32.99 When small town lawyer, Jenny Cooper is appointed Severn Vale District Coroner, she's hoping for a quiet life, but the office she inherits from the recently deceased Harry Marshall contains neglected files hiding dark secrets and a trail of buried evidence. Could the death of a young boy in custody be linked to the apparent suicide of a prostitute and the fate of Marshall himself? In the face of forces determined to keep both the truth hidden and the coroner in check, Jenny embarks on a dangerous one woman crusade for justice which threatens not only her career but also her sanity... (English)

Sophie HANNAH

The Other Half Lives

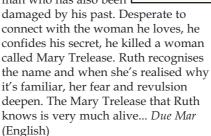
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Ruth Bussey once did something she regrets, and was punished excessively for it. Now Ruth is trying to rebuild her life and has found a love she doesn't believe she deserves. Aidan Seed is a passionate, intense man who has also been



Alice HENDERSON

Voracious 320pp Pb \$18.95

Madeline Keye's gift, to touch someone and see flashes of the past, has set her apart from family and friends. She finds sanctuary in the wilderness, until a backcountry hike in Glacier National Park turns into a hunt, with her as the prey. Because something that's not human is out there, and it's hungry. Due Mar (American)

Jack HIGGINS

Rough Justice 448pp Pb \$19.99

Sean Dillon #15 In Kosovo the US President's right hand man Blake Johnson meets Major Harry Miller, who is there doing his own checks for the British Prime Minister. When both men get involved with a group of Russian soldiers about to commit an atrocity, Miller puts and end to the scuffle with a bullet in the forehead of the ring leader. But this action has dire consequences not only for he and Johnson but their associates too, including Britain's Sean Dillon, and all the way to the top of the British, Russian and US governments. Before the chain reaction of events is over, many will be dead... Due Mar (English)

Reginald HILL

A Cure for All Diseases

624pp Pb \$20.00 Dalziel and Pascoe #22.

Superintendent Andy Dalziel settles for a few weeks' bed rest in Sandytown, a seaside resort devoted to healing. When a fellow newcomer appears in the shapely form of psychologist Charlotte Heywood, Dalziel develops an unexpected passion for alternative therapy. But Sandytown's warring landowners have grandiose plans for the resort. One of them has to go and when one of them does, in gruesome fashion, DCI Peter Pascoe is called in to investigate, with Dalziel and Charlotte providing unwelcome support. Due Mar (English)

Katherine HOWELL

The Darkest Hour 495pp Pb \$19.99

288pp Pb \$18.95

Paramedic Lauren Yates stumbles into a world of trouble when she discovers a dead man, for the killer still lurks nearby. When the murderer threatens to make her life hell if she tells the police, she believes him. He's Miles Werner, her sister's ex, and a very bad man. But when a stabbing victim tells her with his dying breath that Werner attacked him, she finds herself with blood on her hands and Detective Ella Marconi on her back. Can Lauren keep her family safe before Werner makes good on his promise...? (Australian)

Charlotte HUGHES

Nutcase

Kate Holly Case. Psychologist Kate Holly is about to get evicted from her office, and her best option may be to share space with her Jacuzzi loving exboyfriend, Dr Thad Glazer. That's not going to help her patch things up with her firefighter ex-husband. With her

oddball patients, meddling mother and eccentric secretary thrown into the mix, not to mention a spree of suspicious fires, will Kate put her life back together or wind up in a padded cell? Due Mar (American)



Lisa JACKSON

496pp Pb \$19.99 Left to Die

When Jillian Rivers opens her eyes, she's trapped in a mangled car. Then a stranger comes to her rescue, but something about him sets Jillian on edge. If she knew what is lying out there in the Montana woods, she'd be truly terrified. Four people have already died and detectives Selena Alvarez and Regan Pescoli are trying to make sense of a nightmare. With nothing but a killer's cryptic message and their unsettling conviction that there is worse to come, someone is waiting, watching, poised to strike and make Jillian the next victim. (American)

Lisa JACKSON

Lost Souls 480pp Pb \$19.99 Three girls have disappeared from a New Orleans university and the police think they are runaways. But Kristi Bentz, a cop's daughter, thinks there is a more deadly explanation. She goes back to All Saints, where she discovers a sinister death cult which she knows she must investigate. But she soon finds herself out of her depth, stalked by a killer more cunning and bloodthirsty than anyone can imagine. Due Mar

Lisa JACKSON

🎉 Malice

(American)

New Orleans detective Rick Bentz first spots his wife Jennifer when he's recovering from an accident. But Jennifer has been dead for 12 years. Bentz identified her body himself. Terrified he is losing his mind, he follows





the trail of the mystery woman to LA, and walks straight into a killer's web. People from Jennifer's past begin to die, each grisly corpse pointing to Bentz himself as the murderer. Will he be the next to die, or will the next victim be his new wife? Due Mar (American)

Lisa JACKSON

391pp Tp \$32.99 Twice Kissed Marquise Walker has vanished. Her twin sister Maggie will do anything she can to find her. Thane Walker is the only man Maggie ever loved, and is also Marquise's husband. Now he is a man she really shouldn't trust. He could be her best hope, but he could be a killer. How would you react if you found out your sister wasn't the person you thought she was? The deeper Maggie digs, the more she is drawn into her sister's past, into a family legacy of deceit, betrayal and revenge, each secret bringing her closer a killer who is closer than she could ever imagine. (American)

Jesse KELLERMAN

* The Brutal Art 416pp Pb \$22.99 Ethan Muller is struggling to establish his reputation as a contemporary art dealer when he is alerted to an opportunity. In a New York slum, an elderly tenant has disappeared, leaving behind a large trove of original drawings and paintings. Despite the fact that the artwork doesn't belong to him, Ethan takes the challenge and makes a name for the old man, and himself. But suddenly the police are interested in talking to him. It seems that the missing artist had a nasty past, and the drawings have begun to look a lot less like art and a lot more like evidence. Ethan will uncover a secret legacy of shame and death, one that will touch horrifyingly close to home, and leave him fearing for his own life. Due Mar (American)

Brad KELLN

In Tongues of the Dead B 251pp Hb \$49.95

In the Library of Yale University lies a 400 year old document that no one has been able to decipher. 20 years ago the Vatican placed a guard to watch over it. The guard, Father Ronald McCallum, is overwhelmed when an autistic child visiting the library appears to read from the manuscript. Father Benicio Valori is sent to verify the boy's ability but then the manuscript is stolen. It becomes apparent the Vatican has sent others with orders to stop the document's secrets from being exposed. Benicio flees to Canada to his friend Dr Jake Tunnel. Soon Jake and Benicio realise that the Manuscript is the bible of the Nephilim, soulless beings created by the crossbreeding of angels and humans, and despised by God. Benicio and Jake believe that Matthew must be a descendent of the Nephilim, and that the Vatican wants him and the book destroyed to protect the Church's followers from the truth of God's mistake. (American)

Lindy KELLY

Bold Blood 288pp Pb \$30 When Dr Caitlin Summerfield 288pp Pb \$30.00 took the message, her satisfying life included a rich boyfriend, an exciting career and, best of all, she was free of the emotional maelstrom that characterised her relationship with her mother. Her father and brother are both dead, so Caitlin returns home when her mother is left in a coma after a riding accident. Someone has to look after her mother's horses. But instead of the well-run training business, she finds financial chaos and a dangerous mystery. As the tension mounts, Caitlin begins to realise her mother's accident was something far more sinister. Due Mar (New Zealand)

Peter KLEIN

Punter's Turf 304pp Tp \$32.99 John Punter, professional gambler and amateur private investigator, has seen his fair share of crime and shady dealings. So when the daughter of a bookmaker friend is abducted, following hot on the heels of a gruesome murder after an abduction gone wrong, Punter's offer of help is gladly accepted. But just when everything seems to be going right, a local trainer hits a run of unusual bad luck and a young jockey dies under suspicious circumstances. With the help of a journalist friend, Kate, Punter begins to put the pieces together and finds himself drawn into a tangled web of underworld crimes that are much more sinister than he had anticipated. Due Mar (Australian)

Harely Jane KOZAK A Date You Can't Refuse 0 336pp Tp \$27.95

Wollie Shelley #3. Wollie Shelley isn't happy about taking the job as a "social coach" at MediaRex, but the FBI makes her an offer she can't refuse. If she agrees to infiltrate the company, they'll guarantee that her schizophrenic brother will have a home at the subsidised halfway house he loves. So Wollie launches into teaching foreign celebrities how to cope with the customs of Beverly Hills, improve their English, and become "Oprah" ready. When a coyote chewed corpse appears in the MediaRex compound, Wollie realises that her colleagues are concealing some serious secrets of their own. Due Mar (American)

Camilla LACKBERG

⊾ The Ice Princess400pp Pb \$24.99 Returning to her hometown writer Erica Falck finds a community on the brink of tragedy. The death of her childhood friend, Alex, is just the beginning. Her wrists slashed, it seems that she has taken her own life. Erica conceives a memoir about the beautiful but remote Alex, one that will answer questions about their lost friendship. Local detective Patrik Hedstrom is following his own suspicions about the case, but it is only when they start working together that the truth begins to emerge about the small town with a deeply disturbing past. Due Mar

Victoria LAURIE

(Swedish)

Ghouls Just Haunt to Have Fun 336pp Pb \$16.95

Ghost Hunter Mystery #3. When ghost hunter and medium MJ Holliday appears on a television show called Haunted Possessions, she encounters an evil knife that releases a demon. Now all hell has broken loose in the haunted hotel where MJ is staying, and it's up to her to give the uninvited guest an early checkout.. Due Mar (American)

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uzann LEDBETTER



Private investigator Jack McPhee has a two word business philosophy. No partners. But Jack didn't expect that a contract to nab the so-called Calendar Burglar would force him to team up with a 10 pound, hyperactive Maltese. Or that as McPhee Investigations goes to the dogs, he'd fall deeply in like with Dina Wexler, whose definition of a PI comes from watching too many detective shows. Or that his absolutely genius idea to catch a thief would make him the only suspect in a cold blooded, diabolical homicide. Due Mar (American)

608pp Pb \$19.99

Stuart MACBRIDE

Flesh House

Logan McRae #4. It's been 18 years since the Flesher, a serial killer who butchered people all over the UK was caught, and seven years since he was released from prison, his conviction overturned. But when a container of human meat turns up at Aberdeen Harbour, it kicks off a man hunt. Ken Wiseman is on the run and looking for revenge. Detective Sergeant Logan McRae is lumbered with one of the original investigation team, and trying to keep DI Insch from throwing his career away in his obsessive quest to see Wiseman behind bars again. When members of the team that put Wiseman away in 1990 start going missing, Logan knows that things aren't as straightforward as everyone

Charles MACLEAN Home Before Dark 480pp Pb \$19.99

being dragged into the light, and the only

thing that's certain is Aberdeen will never

thinks. 20 years of secrets and lies are

be the same again. Due Mar (Scottish)

Ed Lister's world changes forever the day he hears his art student daughter has been brutally murdered in Florence. A year later, frustrated with the police inquiry, Ed vows to find Sophie's killer. His quest leads to a



mysterious website, and its owner, Ward, a charming, brilliant psychopath. But as the search for Ward follows a trail of bodies across Europe to America, some of Ed's own secrets begin to emerge, and the question arises. Is Ed the hunter, or the hunted? Due Mar (Scottish)

Peg MARBERG

Fatal Slip 224pp Pb \$18.95 Interior Design Mystery #3. Everyone is looking forward to interior

designer Jean Hastings's restoration of a Victorian mansion, but the open house becomes a crime scene when a body is discovered. Due Mar (American)

Scott MARIANI

The Doomsday Prophecy Pb \$8.99 Ex-SAS operative Ben Hope is searching for missing biblical archaeologist, Zoë Bradbury. What is the ancient secret that Zoë uncovered, and just who is willing to do anything to protect it? The investigation leads Ben from Greece to the American Deep South and the holy city of Jerusalem, and he soon discovers that it's not just his and Zoë 's lives on the line, but those of millions, threatened by a fundamentalist plot to gain ultimate power. The stakes are high as Ben races to prevent a disaster that could kick start apocalyptic events as foretold by the Book of Revelation... Due Mar (Scottish)

Tom MARTIN

Kingdom 400pp Pb \$19.99 🕽 A monastery in Tibet is overrun with Chinese soldiers searching for a sacred relic. The monks seek refuge in hidden

caves, but their progress is hampered by an injured stranger. Journalist Nancy Kelly receives a parcel containing a trumpet made of bone, and hears an account of a Westerner penetrating into a hidden kingdom in Tibet, where orchids cover the earth, pagodas hug the hills and soaring cathedrals hide underground. Soon she embarks on a journey into an ancient land of myth and legend, in search of a secret older than

Robert MASELLO

time itself. Due Mar (English)

Blood and Ice 512pp Pb \$32.95 Journalist Michael Wilde takes on a commission to write a feature about a remote research station deep in Antarctica. On a diving expedition in the polar sea he discovers two bodies encased in ice. The pair, a man and a woman, their dress from the 19th century, are brought to the surface, along with a trunk containing a sinister cargo. As the ice begins to thaw, the mystery of these time bound lovers begins to unravel. Michael is drawn into a horrific story that starts in the London barracks in the 1850s and leads to the bloody battlefields of the Crimea and the tragic Charge of the Light Brigade. Now, in the Antarctic wastes, the Cavalry officer and his lover are reawakened into a world where there's nowhere to hide and no place left for the living to run... Due Mar (American)

Judy McCOY

Hounding the Pavement 336pp Pb \$16.95

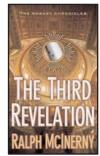
Dog Walker Mystery #1. The newest dog walker on Manhattan's Upper East Side has a talent. She can hear what her canine clientele is thinking. So when a dog's owner turns up dead, Ellie must bone up on her sleuthing, and perk up her ears to find a killer. Due Mar (American)

Ralph McINERNY

The Third Revelation

320pp Pb \$18.95

Rosary Chronicles. An astounding miracle. Two vicious murders. A secret that could change the world. Retired CIA operative Vincent Traeger spent years working undercover in Rome. But when the Vatican's Secretary of State is



brutally murdered along with a prefect of the Vatican Library, Traegar must not only solve the murders, but fight an unseen enemy and navigate a treacherous maze through history, faith, and his own path if he is ever to discover the astonishing truth. Due Mar (American)

Fiona McINTOSH

Beautiful Death 512pp Pb \$32.99
In London a grisly discovery is

made and soon DCI Jack Hawksworth is in the grip of a confounding case. Londoners have become the target of a killer, who 'trophies' the faces of his victims. Jack and his team begin their investigation, which takes them into the murky world of human organ trading. But when the murderer strikes close, the case becomes a personal crusade, and a race against time. Can the killer be brought to justice before Jack is removed from the operation? Due Mar (Australian)

H C McNEILE

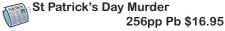
Bulldog Drummond (1920) 300pp Pb \$22.95

When Captain Hugh 'Bulldog' Drummond places an advert in the paper, he embarks on a career as the invincible protectorate of his country. He is sent off to investigate what at first looks like blackmail but turns out to be far more



complicated and dangerous. The rescue of a kidnapped millionaire, later found with his thumbs horribly mangled, leads Drummond to the discovery of a political conspiracy masterminded by the ruthless Carl Peterson. (English)

Leslie MEIER



Lucy Stone Mystery #14. Lucy Stone investigates the murder of a local bar owner. If Lucy doesn't uncover the truth before St Patrick's Day, the holiday festivities may take another murderous turn. Due Mar (American)

Eduardo MENDOZA

The Mystery of the Enchanted Crypt 192pp Pb \$26.00

Released from an asylum to help with a police enquiry, the narrator delves deep into the underworld of 1970s Barcelona to investigate the disappearance of a teenage girl from a convent school. Aided only by his ageing prostitute sister and the voluptuous nymphomaniac, Mercedes, the narrator's investigations take him deeper into a mystery involving murdered sailors, suicidal daughters, a web of organised crime and a secret, underground crypt. (Spanish)



The Red House Mystery (1922) 224pp Hb \$29.95

This is Milne's only detective story, where secret passages, uninvited guests, a sinister valet and a puzzling murder lay the foundations for a classic crime caper. When the local police prove baffled, it is up to a guest at a local inn to appoint himself 'Sherlock Holmes' and, together with his friend and loyal 'Watson', delve deeper into the mysteries of the dead man. (English)

Aly MONROE



The Maze of Cadiz

304pp Pb \$33.00

Peter Cotton #1.Peter Cotton, a young Intelligence officer is sent to Spain in 1944. Just as he arrives, reports of the death of a British agent, May, arise. Cotton is briefed and even as he begins the journey to Cadiz, it is clear that he is being watched. When he arrives Cotton has to investigate May's death and what exactly led him to sever all contacts with London in the months leading up to his death. But Cadiz is a hotbed of rumours and shifting political alliances and Cotton must navigate his way through local tensions and a bizarre expatriate community. What he discovers could tilt the emerging balance of post war power. Due Mar (English)

THE MULGRAY TWINS Under Suspicion



288pp Pb \$19.99

DJ & Gorgonzola #2. When a Customs Officer on the brink of exposing a huge money laundering outfit is murdered, there is only one team capable of ensuring Operation Canary Creeper's success. DJ Smith must use all of her cunning to trap the devious Ambrose Vanheusen. Her greatest asset comes in the shape of her Persian cat Gorgonzola, since Vanheusen's one weakness is his love of the breed. Going undercover as a PA for Vanheusen's company Exclusive, retailer of luxury homes and suspected front for darker purposes, DJ is in charge of organising excursions for the prospective purchasers. Some are innocent but some are others complicit in Vanheusen's schemes. Due Mar (English)

Gregg OLSEN

Heart of Ice 400pp Pb \$16.95

Three bodies, three different towns. Each victim was a sorority girl, and brutally murdered. There are no fingerprints, no clues. He is scrupulously careful, craving those exquisite seconds when the light fades from his victim's eyes. But the rush never lasts, and the killing won't stop. Not until one special woman has been made to suffer. Due

Robert B PARKER

Small Vices 0

Mar (American)

352pp Pb \$21.99

Spenser #24. Ellis Alves is no angel. His lawyer says he was framed for the murder of college student Melissa Henderson and asks Spenser for help. Spenser and Hawk search for suspects, including Melissa's rich kid tennis star boyfriend. But when a man with a .22 puts Spenser in a coma, the hope for justice might just die along with the detective. (American)

Douglas PRESTON

Blasphemy

416pp Pb \$19.99

Deep in an Arizona mountain, the world's largest supercollider, named Isabella, will probe what happened at the very moment of the Big Bang. Some people think it may unlock the mysteries of the universe, some think it will create a mini black hole but televangelist Don T Spates thunders that it is a satanic attempt to disprove Genesis and challenge God. He'll do anything to stop Isabella from reaching its goal. When Hazelius and his team of scientists start up Isabella, they make an extraordinary discovery, one that must be hidden from the world. Wyman Ford, ex-monk and CIA operative, is hired by the US government to wrest from the team their dark secret. A secret that will either destroy the world, or save it.. Due Mar (American)

Spencer QUINN



Dog On it 312pp Pb \$23 Chet and Bernie Mystery #1. Chet, 312pp Pb \$23.95

our canine narrator and Bernie investigate the disappearance of Madison, a teenage girl who has definitely gotten mixed up with some unsavoury characters. Bernie is quick to take the case, and he's relieved, if vaguely suspicious, when Madison turns up unharmed with a story that doesn't add up. But when she disappears for a second time in a week, Bernie and Chet aren't taking any chances. Their search for clues takes them into biker bars and other exotic locals, with Chet's highly trained nose leading the way. Both Chet and Bernie bring their own special skills to the hunt but even as the bad guys try to turn the tables, this duo is nothing if not resourceful. *Due Mar* (American)

J D ROBB



Salvation in Death 448pp Pb \$19.99

In Death #27. A priest is conducting the funeral service for a member of his congregation. But when he lifts the chalice to his lips, he dies suddenly, poisoned by the blood of Christ. Who would want to murder a parish priest in such a way, and who could get access to the communion wine? Lieutenant Eve Dallas is called in to investigate. There is something about the situation that just doesn't add up, and then she starts to uncover the evil lurking behind the ceremonial robes. The dead priest was not who he seemed to be. He harboured a dark, deadly secret that could bring Eve's own demons rushing back... Due Mar (American)

Peter ROBINSON



All the Colours of Darkness 528pp Pb \$19.99

In the Yorkshire Dales a man's body is found hanging from a tree. DI Annie Cabott learns he is Mark Hardcastle, a successful set designer for the Eastvale Theatre. Everything points to suicide, but why would such a man want to take his own life? Then Annie's investigation leads to another shattering discovery, and DCI Alan Banks is called back from the idyllic weekend he had planned. Banks soon finds himself plunged into a world where secrets and deceit are the norm and where murder is seen as the solution to a problem. The deeper he digs the more he discovers that the monster he has awakened will extend its deadly reach to his friends and family. Nobody is safe. Due Mar (English)

Sara ROSETT



Getting Away is Deadly 352pp Pb \$16.95

Mom Zone Mystery #3. Pregnant Ellie bravely joins the nation's tourists in seeing the sights in Washington, DC, but an incident at the Metro station convinces Ellie that something is rotten in the capital city. Should she do the safe thing and pack her bags? Not likely when too many people are telling lies and hiding secrets. Luckily, Ellie Avery is just the right woman to clean up the most mysterious cases of murder, even if she has to brave the most dangerous byways in the corridors of power. Due Mar (American)

Sheldon RUSCH



Separate at Death

336pp Pb \$18.95

Illinois State Special Agent Elizabeth Hewitt is plunged into a new series of crimes, each more shocking than the last. Estranged couples are being beheaded by someone with a twisted agenda, a violent secret ceremony, to which Hewitt has been invited. Due Mar (American)

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Mickey SPILLANE

(with Max Allan COLLINS)

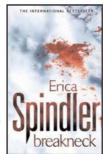
Goliath Bone 288pp Pb \$29.95

Mike Hammer #14. In the midst of a Manhattan snowstorm, Mike Hammer halts the violent robbery of a pair of college sweethearts who have stumbled onto the perfectly preserved femur of what may have been the biblical giant Goliath. Hammer postpones his marriage to his faithful girl Friday, Velda, to fight a foe deadlier than the mobsters and KGB agents of his past, Islamic terrorists and Israeli extremists bent upon recovering the relic for their own agendas. Due Mar (American)

Erica SPINDLER

Breakneck Detective MC

Riggio is about to get married. After a lot of knocks, it seems as though everything is on track for her. But then MC's cousin Tommy is murdered. A serial killer is on the loose, someone who kills cleanly and



342pp Tp \$32.99

without leaving any trace. A killer who has the potential to rip apart MC's family and her dreams. MC must use her grief to fuel the hunt to catch Tommy's killer. With her detective partner Kitt Lundgren, she embarks on a desperate race against time to unmask a killer unlike any other. *Due Mar* (American)

Richard STARK

Money Money 288pp Pb \$29.95 A Parker Novel. Previously Parker and two cohorts stole the assets of a bank in transit, but the police heat was so great they could only escape if they left the money behind. Now they plot to reclaim the loot, which they hid in an unused country church. Meanwhile, people on both sides of the law use try to grab the goods for themselves. Though Parker's new getaway van is an old Ford with "Holy Redeemer Choir" on its doors, his gang is anything but holy and Parker will do whatever it takes to redeem his prize, no matter who gets hurt in the process. Due Mar (American)



Amanda STEVENS

The Whispering Room 384pp Pb \$16.95

Work is a welcome refuge for New Orleans homicide detective Evangeline Theroux and she throws herself into a high profile murder case. Reclusive writer Lena Saunders offers Evangeline a provocative theory, it is the work of a lunatic vigilante. Lena spins the sordid story of Ruth and Rebecca Lemay, whose mother brutally murdered her male children in an effort to root out an 'evil' gene. The girls survived and grew to adulthood, but one is carrying on her mother's work. When the case takes a terrifyingly personal turn, Evangeline's whole life will depend on a crucial, impossible choice. Due Mar (American)

Rex STOUT

Rubber Band/Red Box (1936/1937) 464pp Pb \$34.00

Wolfe #3 & #4. Nero Wolfe is one of fiction's greatest detectives. Here, in Stout's third and fourth complete Wolfe mysteries, the sedentary sleuth and his trusty man about town, Archie Goodwin, solve two of their most baffling cases. Due Mar (American)

Daniel SUAREZ

Daemon 448pp Pb \$29.95

Matthew Sobol, a programming genius is dead, but his final creation lives on to execute his last will and testament. At the moment of his death, computer programs around the world burst into life, creating an entity known as the Daemon. The Daemon infiltrates our society, gathering secrets, stealing identities. Soon it has the power to change lives as well as the power to take them. The Daemon secures a growing stranglehold on the world's most precious commodity, information. And once you control information itself, how easy would it be to remake the world? It is up to an unlikely alliance, a computer illiterate detective and a white hat hacker with secrets of his own to challenge the monster that Sobol unleashed. Due Mar (American)

Aline TEMPLETON

Lamb to the Slaughter 416pp Pb \$19.99

DI Marjory Fleming #4. An old man gunned down on his doorstep. In the tranquil market town of Kirkluce, a proposed superstore development has divided the population. The low level aggression of bored youth that is generally tolerated has become sinister. When a second victim is killed in what seems a random shooting, the fear in the town becomes tangible. DI Fleming struggles to make sense of the two murders, when nothing makes sense any more and no one will believe anything. Not even the truth. Due Mar (Scottish)

Charles TODD

A Matter of Justice 336pp Pb \$30.00

Ian Rutledge #11. Business partners decide to go their separate ways. Then, one of the men is murdered, his body is strung up in an old barn on his estate. When Scotland Yard Inspector Ian Rutledge is called in to investigate, he finds a whole village full of suspects. Rutledge is lead to the one person who knows the whole truth, but by then, a secret from the past has unleashed more evil. Rutledge begins to understand the larger picture but isn't sure he can prove much of what he suspects. Is this to be the only case where Rutledge doesn't get his man? Due Mar (American)

Paul TREMBLAY

The Little Sleep

304pp Tp \$32.00

Mark Genevich is a South Boston PI with a little problem. He's narcoleptic and he suffers from the most severe symptoms, including hypnagogic hallucinations. These waking dreams wreak havoc for a guy who depends on real life clues to make his living. Clients haven't exactly been beating down the door when Mark meets Jennifer Times, daughter of the local DA, who walks into his office with an outlandish story about a man who stole her fingers. He awakes from his latest hallucination alone, but on his desk is a manila envelope containing risqué photos of Jennifer. Are the pictures real? And if so, is Mark hunting a blackmailer or worse? Due Mar (American)

Louise URE

The Fault Tree 352pp Tp \$32.00

Arizona auto mechanic Cadence

Moran was blinded in a horrific car

accident eight years ago that also took
the life of her young niece. She knows
she was only partially to blame, but that
doesn't make the loss any easier to bear.

When she is almost run down by a
speeding car on the way home from
work, she is left the only witness to the
murder of her elderly neighbour and
now the killer believes that she's seen the
getaway car... Due Mar (American)

Martin WALKER

Brun

Bruno, Chief of Police 288pp Tp \$29.95

Bruno Chief of Police #1. When the body of an old man, head of an immigrant North African family, is found in his home, eviscerated, the conclusion is that this killing must be racist. But Bruno isn't convinced and suspects this unusual crime may have its roots in a tortured period of recent French history WWII. A time of terror and betrayal that set brother against brother, it casts a very long shadow. Due Mar (English)



Donald WESTLAKE The Cutie (1960) aka The Mercenaries

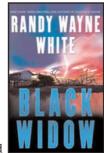
256pp Pb \$16.95

Hard Case Crime. Mavis St Paul has been murdered and Billy-Billy Cantell, a stuttering dope seller is the prime suspect. Only there's no way he could've done it. His friend and colleague Clay, following orders from their boss, gangster Ed Ganolese, is trying to clear his name. But Billy-Billy has disappeared, so Clay has to play amateur detective and discover who the 'cutie' is that killed Mavis and framed Billy-Billy. Will Clay find out who did it? Will he get any sleep? Will his girlfriend leave when she finds out what Clay does for a living? Due Mar (American)

Randy Wayne WHITE

Black Widow 496pp Pb \$23.95 When his

goddaughter, Shanay, called one day, Ford assumed it was with details of her wedding, but the news was anything but cheerful. She and her bridesmaids had thrown a wild bachelorette party and



someone had secretly taped it. Now that person was threatening to blow up her future unless she came across with enough money. Shanay wants him to make the exchange. Ford knew it was a mistake to trust the extortionist, but he agreed. The blackmailer took the money and released the tape and a panicked bridesmaid took an overdose of pills. Fuelled by guilt and an overpowering rage, Ford swears to destroy the person responsible, but she has other ideas. An agent of corruption like no one they have ever met, the black widow is just getting started... Due Mar (American)

Qui XIAOLONG

The Mao Case 304pp Pb \$32.99

Inspector Chen #6. Tucked away in Shanghai are the beautiful mansions once owned by the smartest families in 1930s China. They have since been bought by rich businessmen and members of the Communist Party. All except one. The owner is an old painter. Each day he teaches his students, all beautiful girls. Each night he holds a glittering party. But how can he afford such a lifestyle? Inspector Chen is asked to investigate. But before he can get close to anyone, one of the girls is found murdered in the garden and another is terrified she will be next. Chen's quest for answers will take him to a strange businessman, triads, Chairman Mao himself and a terrible secret the Party will go to any length to conceal. Due Mar (Chinese)

HISTORICAL CRIME

Maureen ASH

A Plague of Poison 304pp Pb \$18.95

Templar Knight Mystery #3. When a cake kills a squire, the castle governor enlists the help of Templar Bascot de Marins. But as murder spreads beyond the castle walls, he wonders if it is in fact the work of a lethal master of poisons. Due Mar (Canadian)

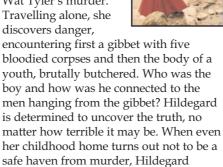
Emily BRIGHTWELL Mrs Jeffries in the Nick of Time 272pp Pb \$16.95

#25. Train enthusiast Francis Humphrey's took his last breath while relatives and neighbours visited downstairs. But if everyone was downstairs, who could have stolen into Uncle Francis's study, killed him and escaped? Mrs Jeffries will have to lend her downstairs common sense to this upstairs murder mystery. Due Mar (American)

Cassandra CLARK **Hangman Blind**

311pp Pb \$22.99

Abbess of Meaux #1. In November 1382 Abbess Hildegard rides out for York from the Abbey of Meaux. It is a time of rival popes, a boy king and a shaky peace in the savage aftermath of Wat Tyler's murder. Travelling alone, she



dark forces that threaten her friends, family and her country. (English) **Pablo DE SANTIS**

The Paris Enigma 272pp Tp \$25.00

realises she will have to summon all of

her courage and wisdom to counter the

The city of Paris marvels at a new spectacle, the Eiffel Tower. Another gathering is taking place in the city. 12 of the world's greatest sleuths have gathered to discuss their most famous cases. When one of them is found murdered, however, the symposium becomes an elite task force dedicated to solving the outrage. For a young apprentice policeman, Sigmund Salvatorio, this is the chance to realise a dream of working with some of the finest criminologists. But as more members of the committee fall prey to the mysterious killer, the dream becomes a shocking nightmare. Due Mar (Argentinian)

John GARDNER Moriarty (1974)

aka The Return of Moriarty) 298pp Tp \$29.95

Professor Moriarty #3. It is the turn of the century and Professor James Moriarty is about to realise his plans to establish crime syndicates in the United States. But he is called back to London, where his vast criminal society has been overrun by a rival concern led by the shadowy Sir Jordan Jack Idell, acting on behalf of criminal elements in Europe. As Moriarty fights back readers are thrown in among the lurkers, punishers, dippers, cracksmen and other specialised criminals of the period, as well as the professor's elite guard. (English)

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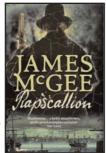


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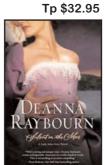
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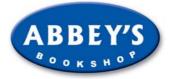
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