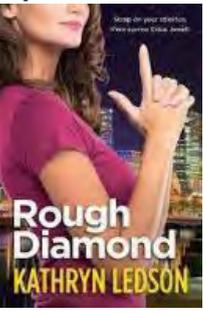
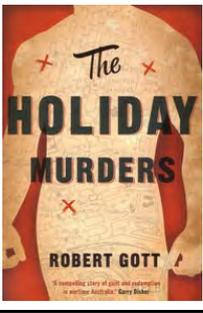
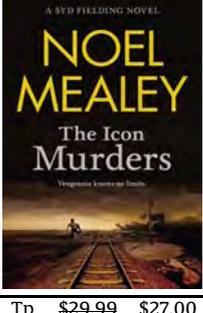
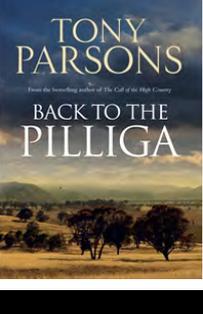
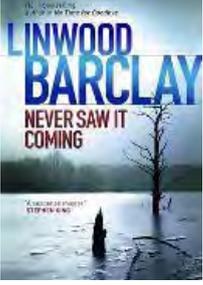


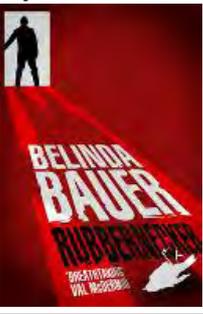
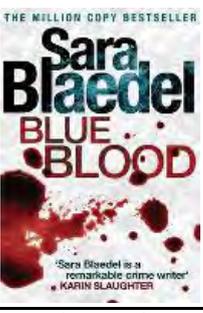
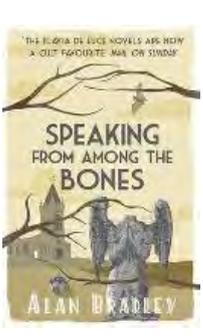
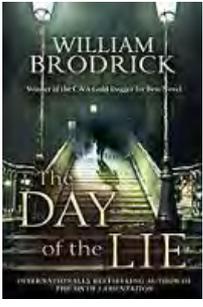
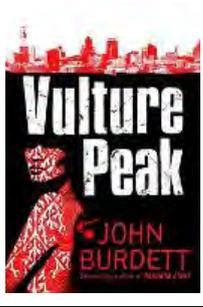
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Title	Author	Bind	RRP	Price	Description
<b>ABBEY'S CHOICE</b>					
<b>Robert Crais</b>	Suspect	Tp	\$29.99	\$25.99	On the streets of LA, Officer Max Kent and his partner of eight years, Allie Baker, respond to what they think is a routine collision incident. But when the occupants of one car emerge with automatic rifles and gun down the men in the other, Allie is killed in the crossfire and Max is left severely wounded. Eight months later, the case remains unsolved and Homicide chalk it up as a robbery gone wrong. Max is furious, determined to avenge the murder of his partner. When he struggles to return to his old position in the LAPD, he re-trains as a K9 dog handler and is paired with Maggie, a German shepherd who lost her handler in Afghanistan. With Maggie at his side, and unbeknownst to his employers, it's down to Max to investigate the shooting and find those responsible for Allie's death. But as he digs deeper, he unearths a web of lies, corruption and treachery that threatens to leave Max himself as the prime suspect.
<b>Elly Griffiths</b>	A Dying Fall: Ruth Galloway #5	Tp	\$29.99	\$25.99	Ruth's old friend Dan Golding thinks he has made a discovery that will change archaeology forever - but he needs Ruth's help. Then, Dan is killed in a fire, leaving Ruth with one clue: the tomb of the Raven King. DCI Nelson is also rediscovering the past. He meets his friend Sandy Macleod, now at Blackpool CID, who tells him there are mysterious circumstances surrounding Dan's death. A Neo-Nazi group at Dan's University has been making threats and could be involved. Many of Dan's colleagues seem fearful and have secrets to hide. Ruth is drawn into the mystery, and where she goes, so does her daughter, Kate. This time, it's not just Ruth's life at risk.
<b>Katherine Howell</b>	Web of Deceit: Detective Ella Marconi #6	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	When paramedics Jane and Alex encounter a man refusing to get out of his crashed car with bystanders saying he deliberately drove into a pole, it looks like a desperate cry for help. His frantic claim that someone is out to get him adds to their thinking that he is delusional. Later that day he is found dead under a train in what might be a suicide, but Jane is no longer so sure... Detective Ella Marconi shares Jane's doubts, which are only compounded when the case becomes increasingly tangled. Then, just when she thinks she's closing in on the right person, a shocking turn of events puts more people in danger and might just see the killer slip through her hands.
<b>AUSTRALIAN CRIME</b>					
<b>Tony Cavanaugh</b>	Promise	Pb	\$19.99	\$18.00	Top Homicide cop Darian Richards has promised one too many victim's families he'd find the answers they need, and it's taken its toll. After surviving a gunshot wound to the head he calls it quits and retires to the Sunshine Coast. But now a serial killer is prowling the area and Darian struggles to ignore the fact that girls from the area have been vanishing over the past fourteen months. All blonde and pretty. Youngest: 13. Oldest: 16. He knows they are all dead but the cops were saying 'missing' or 'vanished'. Jenny Brown was the first, and the cops allowed a good two or three minutes before arriving to the conclusion that she was just a runaway. But now others have disappeared and they can't all be runaways. Darian can't sit idly by and he decides he is going to find the killer and deal with him... his way.
<b>Poppy Gee</b>	Bay of Fires	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	Deep in a national park on the east coast of Tasmania, the Bay of Fires is an idyllic holiday community. There are no more than a dozen shacks beside the lagoon - and secrets are hard to keep; the intimacy of other people's lives is their nourishment. The fact that Sarah Avery has returned, having left her boyfriend and her job, is cause for gossip in itself. Then, the bikini-clad body of a young girl is found washed up on the beach; a year after another teenage girl went missing. Journalist Hall Flynn is sent to the coast to investigate, and all too quickly the close-knit community turns in on itself. As he uncovers long-buried secrets, the delicate balance of their fragile lives is threatened...

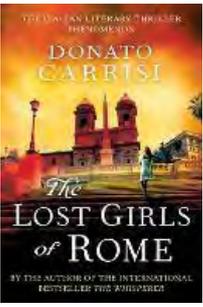
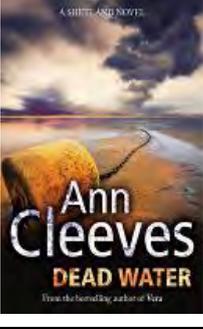
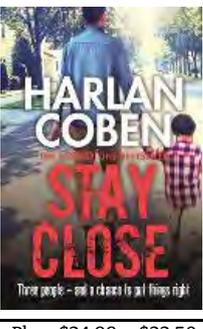
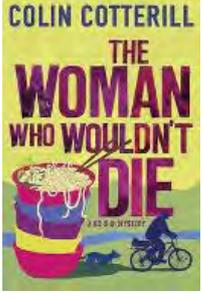
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<p><b>Kathryn Ledson</b></p>	<p>Rough Diamond</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>The shock ending to Erica Jewell's marriage left a huge hole in her bank balance and a bigger one in her heart. And now her life goals make a very short list: no surprises, no debt and, definitely, no men. That is, until she finds one bleeding to death in her Melbourne garden one stormy Friday night. Jack Jones is a man whose emotional wounds are more life-threatening than the bullet in his shoulder. Under orders, he recruits Erica to his secret team of vigilantes, and Erica suspects her safe, predictable world is about to be turned upside down. And she's absolutely right.</p>
<p><b>Fiona McIntosh</b></p>	<p>The Holiday Murders</p>	<p>Tp \$29.95 \$26.95</p> 	<p>On Christmas Eve, 1943, the newly formed but undermanned Homicide division of the Melbourne police force is called to investigate the vicious double murder of a father and son. When Military Intelligence becomes involved, Homicide's Inspector Titus Lambert must unravel the personal from the political. If only the killings had stopped at two. The police are desperate to come to grips with an extraordinary and disquieting upsurge of violence. For Constable Helen Lord, it is an opportunity to make her mark in a male-dominated world where she is patronised as a novelty. For Detective Joe Sable, the investigation forces a reassessment of his indifference to his Jewish heritage. Racing against the clock, the police uncover simmering tensions among secretive local Nazi sympathisers as a psychopathic fascist usurper makes his move.</p>
<p><b>Noel Mealey</b></p>	<p>The Icon Murders</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>A spate of vicious, brutal murders around Australia has police puzzled, until Detective Syd Fielding, now head of a national drug prevention squad, finds the link that draws them together. The problem is, the link appears to be him. Syd's always been a loose cannon, with a very personal sense of justice and this time even his closest friends and allies cannot be sure of his innocence. Could he be hunting down and killing his childhood abusers, or is he being framed? And by whom? As the evidence mounts against him, Syd is lured into a dangerous web of drugs, sex and politics as he fights to clear his name.</p>
<p><b>Tony Parsons</b></p>	<p>Back to the Pilliga</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>It was always expected that Lachie Sinclair and his brothers would one day take over the family property, Kamilaroi. But when tragedy strikes, Lachlan blames his father and angrily renounces any future for him at Kamilaroi. Moving to the city, Lachie joins the police force and quickly rises through the ranks. But after being injured in a gunfight he decides to go out on his own as a private investigator. When a wealthy society woman asks Lachie to lead the search for her missing daughter, he reluctantly agrees. Early indications are that the woman's captors are hiding her in the Pilliga region, meaning Lachie must return to his roots in order to try and save her life.</p>
<p><b>MODERN CRIME</b></p>			
<p><b>Linwood Barclay</b></p>	<p>Never Saw It Coming</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>Keisha Ceylon is a psychic. At least, that's what she passes herself off as. The truth is, Keisha's real powers have more to do with separating troubled families from their money than actually seeing into the netherworld. Keisha watches the news for stories of missing family members. She gives it a few days, then moves in, tells these families she's had a vision, that she may have some clue to where these missing people are. And by the way, she charges for this service, and likes to see the money up front. Keisha's latest mark is a man whose wife disappeared a week ago. She's seen him on TV, pleading for his wife to come home, or, if she's been abducted, pleading with whoever took her to let her go. Keisha knows a payoff when she sees one. So she pays a visit to our troubled husband and tells him her vision. The trouble is, her vision just happens to be close enough to the truth that it leaves this man rattled. And it may very well leave Keisha dead...</p>

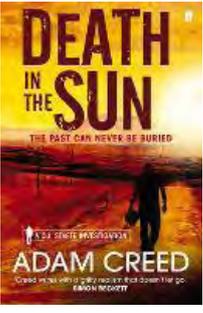
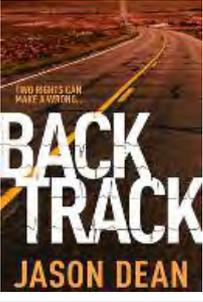
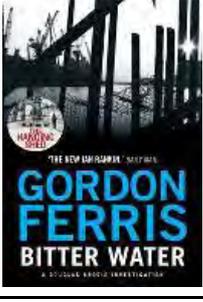
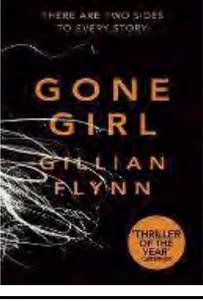
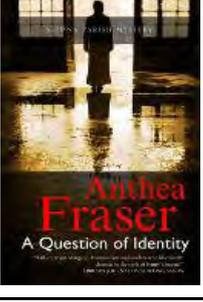
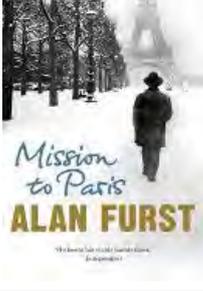
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<p><b>Belinda Bauer</b></p>	<p>Rubbernecker</p>	<p>Tp \$32.95 \$29.65</p> 	<p>The dead can't speak to us,' Professor Madoc had said. But that was a lie. Sometimes, only an outsider can get to the truth. Patrick has been on the outside all his life. Thoughtful, but different, infuriating even to his own mother, his life changes when he follows an obsession with death to study anatomy at university. When he uncovers a crime that everybody else was too close to see, he proves finally that he has been right all along: nothing is exactly as it seems. And that there have been many more lies closer to home...</p>
<p><b>Sara Blaedel</b></p>	<p>Blue Blood</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>In an idyllic neighbourhood of Copenhagen, a young woman, Susanne Hansson, is discovered in her apartment bound and gagged, the victim of an extraordinarily brutal rape attack. Detective Inspector Louise Rick soon learns that Susanne met the rapist on a popular online dating site, something Susanne shamefully tries to hide. Events quickly spiral out of control as a horrified Louise realises that the rapist is using the website to target specific women for future attacks. But as she soon finds out, he has no intention of leaving these other victims alive. Undercover and in danger in this world of faceless dating, Louise must try and stop a murderer who has shocked Copenhagen to its core. But how much is she willing to risk in order to catch a killer?</p>
<p><b>Alan Bradley</b></p>	<p>Speaking from Among the Bones: Flavia de Luce #5</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>It is almost Easter in Bishop's Lacey, and the villagers are holding their collective breath as the tomb of St Tancred in the church that bears his name is about to be opened after five hundred years. And as luck would have it, it's inveterate eleven-year-old sleuth Flavia de Luce who is first at the scene. But the body she finds lying there is clearly not that of a dessicated saint. For a start there's the pool of fresh blood, and then there's the gasmask, from under which an unmistakable shock of golden hair identifies the corpse as that of Mr Collicutt, St Tancred's celebrated organist. Despite her tender years, Flavia is no stranger to murder - but even she is baffled by the peculiar circumstances of Collicutt's death. Especially when soon after, an effigy of St Tancred appears to be weeping blood onto the church floor. Determined to get to the bottom of the mystery, Flavia soon finds herself exploring a secret maze of underground passages beneath the church - and is drawn into the equally dark and fetid world of one of Bishop's Lacey's most peculiar families.</p>
<p><b>William Brodric</b></p>	<p>The Day of the Lie: Father Anselm #4</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>Cambridge, the present day. And out of the past, a cry for help: Father Anselm, the brilliant Benedictine, receives a visit from an old friend with a dangerous story to tell - the story of a woman betrayed by time, fate, and someone close to her... someone still unknown. As a young woman, Roza Mojeska was part of an underground resistance group in Communist Poland. But after her arrest, a Stasi officer makes her a devil's bargain - and in the dark of a government prison, a terrible choice is made. Now, fifty years later, Anselm is called upon to investigate both Roza's story and a mystery dating back to the early 1980s, in the icy grip of the Cold War. And as he peels back years of history, decades of secrets, a half-century of lies, he exposes a truth that an entire generation was killed to keep hidden.</p>
<p><b>John Burdett</b></p>	<p>Vulture Peak: Sonchai Jitpleecheep #5</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>Nobody knows Bangkok like Royal Thai Police Detective Sonchai Jitpleecheep, and there is no one quite like Sonchai: a police officer who has kept his Buddhist soul intact - more or less - despite the fact that his job shoves him face-to-face with some of the most vile and outrageous crimes and criminals in Bangkok. His newest assignment sees him in charge of the highest-profile criminal case in Thailand - an attempt to bring an end to trafficking in human organs. He sets in motion a massive sting operation, traveling to Phuket, Hong Kong, Dubai, Shanghai, and Monte Carlo. He draws in a host of unwitting players that includes an aging rock star wearing out his second liver and the mysterious, diabolical, albeit gorgeous co-queenpins of the international body-parts trade: the Chinese twins known as the Vultures...</p>

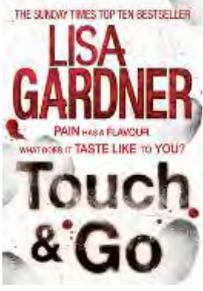
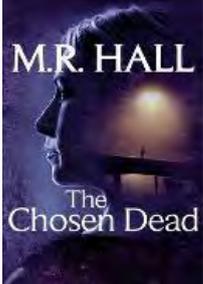
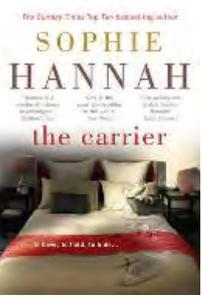
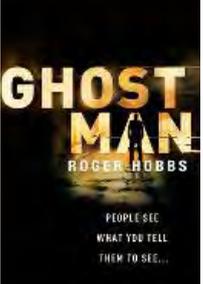
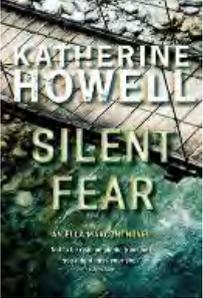
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<p><b>Donato Carrisi</b></p>	<p>The Lost Girls of Rome</p>	<p>Pb <del>\$19.99</del> \$18.00</p> 	<p>A young girl has mysteriously disappeared in Rome. As rain lashes the ancient streets, two men, Clemente and Marcus, sit in a cafe near the Piazza Navona and pore over the details of the case. They are members of the ancient Penitenzeri - a unique Italian team, linked to the Vatican, and trained in the detection of true evil. But they are not alone. Sandra - a brilliant forensics expert with a tragic past - is also working on the case. When her path crosses theirs, not only do they make headway in the case of the missing girl, but they also uncover a terrible secret world, hidden in the dark recesses of Rome. A world that is as perfect as it is evil...</p>
<p><b>Vera Caspary</b></p>	<p>Laura</p>	<p>Pb <del>\$12.95</del> \$11.65</p> 	<p>Laura Hunt was the ideal modern woman: beautiful, elegant, highly ambitious, and utterly mysterious. No man could resist her charms - not even the hardboiled NYPD detective sent to find out who turned her into a faceless corpse. As this tough cop probes the mystery of Laura's death, he becomes obsessed with her strange power. Soon he realises he's been seduced by a dead woman - or has he? Laura won lasting renown as an Academy Award-nominated 1944 film, the greatest noir romance of all time. Vera Caspary's equally haunting novel is remarkable for its stylish, hardboiled writing, its electrifying plot twists, and its darkly complex characters - including a woman who stands as the ultimate femme fatale.</p>
<p><b>Ann Cleeves</b></p>	<p>Dead Water: Shetland Island #5</p>	<p>Tp <del>\$29.99</del> \$27.00</p> 	<p>When the body of journalist Jerry Markham is found in a traditional Shetland boat, outside the house of the Fiscal down at the Marina, young Detective Inspector Willow Reeves is drafted in from the Hebrides to head up the investigation. Since the death of his fiancée, Inspector Jimmy Perez has been out of the loop, but his interest in this new case is stirred and he decides to help the inquiry - for Willow, his local knowledge is invaluable as the close-knit community holds many secrets. Markham - originally a Shetlander - had left the islands years before to pursue his burgeoning writing career. In his wake, he left a scandal involving a young girl, Evie Watt. He had few friends there, so why was he back in Shetland? Willow and Jimmy are soon led to Sullum Voe, the heart of Shetland's North Sea oil and gas industry. In a community where traditional values are held very dear by some, the advent of new energies, even renewables, is not always welcome. It emerges that Markham was chasing a story in his final days. One that must have been - for someone - significant enough to warrant his death...</p>
<p><b>Harlan Coben</b></p>	<p>Stay Close</p>	<p>Pb <del>\$19.99</del> \$18.00</p> 	<p>Megan is a suburban soccer mom who once upon a time walked on the wild side. Now she's got two kids, a perfect husband, a picket fence, and a growing sense of dissatisfaction. Ray used to be a talented documentary photographer, but at age forty he finds himself in a dead-end job posing as a paparazzo pandering to celebrity-obsessed rich kids. Jack is a detective who can't let go of a cold case - a local husband and father disappeared seventeen years ago, and Jack spends the anniversary every year visiting a house frozen in time, the missing man's family still waiting, his slippers left by the recliner as if he might show up any moment to step into them. Three people living lives they never wanted, hiding secrets that even those closest to them would never suspect, will find that the past doesn't recede. Even as the terrible consequences of long-ago events crash together in the present and threaten to ruin lives, they will come to the startling realization that they may not want to forget the past at all...</p>
<p><b>Colin Cotterill</b></p>	<p>The Woman Who Wouldnt Die: Dr Siri Paiboun #9</p>	<p>Pb <del>\$24.99</del> \$22.50</p> 	<p>Until the French government declassified documents concerning their ignominious defeat at Dien Bien Phu, Madam Daeng's past had been a well-kept secret. Now Dr Siri's wife is vulnerable and being stalked by a killer. But when Dr Siri whisks her away for a romantic working weekend, they encounter an even greater threat. For Dr Siri falls under the spell of a beautiful witch they call the Used-To-Be Woman.</p>

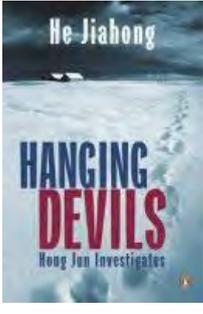
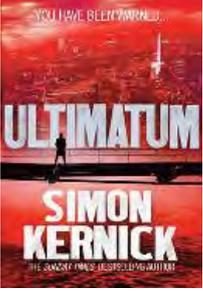
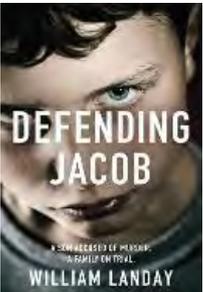
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<p><b>Adam Creed</b></p>	<p>Death in the Sun: DI Staffe #4</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>In Almagén, a small village in the Andalucian mountains, Staffe nurses himself back from the brink of death. One day his friend, Manolo, takes Staffe to visit Almeria and tells him about a body that has been found buried in an old greenhouse by the Mediterranean. Staffe becomes inexorably drawn to the case and befriends a journalist, Raul, who presents the killing as a simple case of drug-trafficking gone wrong, but it soon emerges that this murder mirrors the methods of torture used during Spain's brutal civil war. When Raul plunges to his death in a drunken car crash, Almagén's own secret past slowly rises to the surface...</p>
<p><b>Jason Dean</b></p>	<p>Backtrack: James Bishop #2</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>In a small, sleepy Pennsylvania town, the staff of a loan store find themselves at the mercy of a gunman who demands they hand over the store's entire cash reserves. But when the sound of police sirens shatters the silence sooner than expected, the robber is forced to take a young female customer hostage in order to make his escape. Former Marine James Bishop is no stranger to being on the wrong side of the law. Finally a free man, with his name cleared, he has the chance to get his life back on track. But as he flees the scene of the hold-up with his terrified hostage, he once again finds himself a wanted man. Prison can change some people. But has it changed James Bishop?</p>
<p><b>Gordon Ferris</b></p>	<p>Bitter Water: Douglas Brodie #2</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>For Douglas Brodie, Glasgow's outbreak of murder and mayhem begins simply enough. A typical Saturday night brawl adds a splash of colour to the morning edition of the Gazette. But Brodie's piece receives a hot-blooded reply - the declaration of a new war upon petty crime signed by a group of vigilantes: The Glasgow Marshals. When a man is murdered, suspicion automatically falls on the Marshals, and the police are quick to agree. But for Brodie, this crime is all wrong. Amid the heated clash of populace and police, a calculated killing has been ignored. Enlisting the help of advocate Samantha Campbell, Brodie begins to investigate the death himself, finding that of course the old saying always holds true: still waters do run deep.</p>
<p><b>Gillian Flynn</b></p>	<p>Gone Girl</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>Just how well can you ever know the person you love? This is the question that Nick Dunne must ask himself on the morning of his fifth wedding anniversary, when his wife Amy suddenly disappears. The police immediately suspect Nick. Amy's friends reveal that she was afraid of him, that she kept secrets from him. He swears it isn't true. A police examination of his computer shows strange searches. He says they aren't his. And then there are the persistent calls on his mobile phone. So what did really happen to Nick's beautiful wife? And what was left in that half-wrapped box left so casually on their marital bed? In this novel, marriage truly is the art of war...</p>
<p><b>Anthea Fraser</b></p>	<p>A Question of Identity: Roan Parish #7</p>	<p>Pb \$24.95 \$22.45</p> 	<p>An old school photograph in which someone has been deliberately blacked out marks the start of a new case for Rona Parish. Who was this person and why would someone want to hide his or her identity? Rona sets out to uncover the secret and soon finds that the school in question closed down many years ago due, it was rumoured, to a long-forgotten scandal. Could this be the link that will solve the mystery? Meanwhile, a visit to a stage hypnotist results in more than Rona and her friends bargained for...</p>
<p><b>Alan Furst</b></p>	<p>Mission to Paris: Night Soldiers #12</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>Frederic Stahl, born of Viennese intelligentsia, ran away to sea at the age of seventeen. Embarking in America, his matinee idol looks and Old-World charm took him to Hollywood, and a life of movies and women. But by autumn 1939, the unease in Europe has spread even to Stahl's glamorous enclave. War has been declared, and though bullets and bombs are yet to fly, his decision to shoot a film in Paris seems ill-advised. The Parisians know this is their last spring, and a time to be passionate. Soon after his arrival, Stahl is drawn into a clandestine world of foreign correspondents, exiled Spanish republicans, and of course, spies of every sort. For as a celebrity from neutral America - who can travel across the continent freely - Stahl could be very useful indeed...</p>

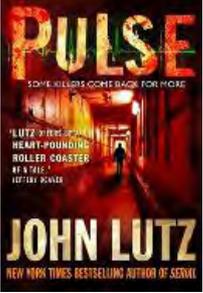
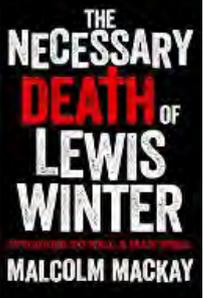
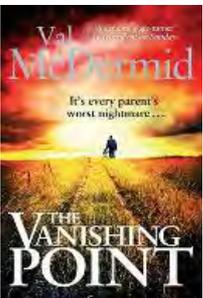
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<p><b>Lisa Gardner</b></p>	<p>Touch and Go</p>	<p>Tp \$32.99 \$29.70</p> 	<p>Justin and Libby Denbe have it all: a beautiful daughter; a gorgeous house; a great marriage, admired by all. Arriving at the crime scene of their home, investigator Tessa Leoni finds no witnesses, no ransom demands or motive - just a perfect little family, gone. But Tessa knows that flawless fronts can hide the darkest secrets. Now, she must race against the clock to uncover the truth. Who would want to kidnap such a family? And how far would they be willing to go?</p>
<p><b>M R Hall</b></p>	<p>Chosen Dead</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>When Bristol Coroner Jenny Cooper investigates the fatal plunge of a man from a motorway bridge, she little suspects that it has any connection with the sudden death of a friend's thirteen year old daughter from a deadly strain of meningitis. But as Jenny pieces together the dead man's last days, she's drawn into a mystery whose dark ripples stretch across continents and back through decades. In an investigation which will take her into the sinister realms of unbridled human ambition and corrupt scientific endeavour, Jenny is soon forced to risk the love and lives of those closest to her, as a deadly race to uncover the truth begins ...</p>
<p><b>Sophie Hannah</b></p>	<p>The Carrier</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>When her plane is delayed overnight and the stop-gap accommodation provided by the airline proves to be seriously lacking, Gaby Struthers finds herself forced to share a hotel room with a stranger: a terrified young woman named Lauren Cookson - but why is Lauren scared of Gaby in particular? She won't explain. After blurting out something about an innocent man going to prison for a murder he didn't commit, Lauren clams up and refuses to say any more. Unwilling to let it drop, Gaby does an internet search for Lauren's name, and finds that her strange roommate is indeed linked to a murder case. That's when Gaby realises that Lauren's presence on her flight can't be a coincidence. Because the murder victim is Francine Barry, wife of Tim Barry, the only man Gaby has ever really loved. Tim has confessed to killing Francine and even provided the police with evidence. There's only one problem: he claims to have no idea why he did it...</p>
<p><b>Roger Hobbs</b></p>	<p>Ghostman</p>	<p>Tp \$29.95 \$26.95</p> 	<p>When a casino robbery in Atlantic City goes awry, the man who orchestrated it is obliged to call in a favour from Jack. Only thirty or so people are sure this man exists, some believe he's dead, and none know anything at all about his true identity. Those are closely guarded trade secrets for an exceptionally trained, experienced, and talented criminal. But as he cleans up the mess left in the wake of the bungled Atlantic City heist, he finds himself increasingly more visible as he's pursued simultaneously by the FBI and other interested parties - a situation that requires every gram of his skill, ingenuity, and self-protective instincts, especially when offense and defense become meaningless terms...</p>
<p><b>Katherine Howell</b></p>	<p>Silent Fear: Ella Marconi #5</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>On a searing summer's day, paramedic Holly Garland rushes to an emergency to find a man collapsed with a bullet wound in the back of his head, CPR being performed by two bystanders, and her long-estranged brother Seth watching it all unfold. Seth claims to be the dying man's best friend, but Holly knows better than to believe anything he says and fears that his reappearance will reveal the bleak secrets of her past. Detective Ella Marconi suspects Seth too, but she's also sure the dead man's wife is lying, and the deceased's boss seems just too helpful. But then a shocking double homicide makes Ella realise that her investigations are both getting closer to the killer and increasing the risk of an even higher body count.</p>

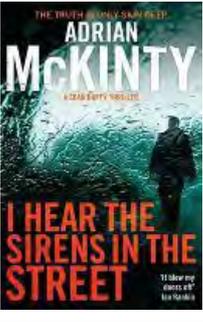
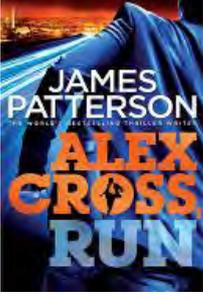
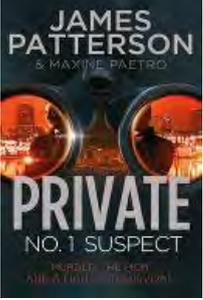
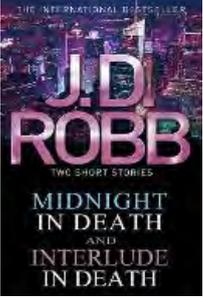
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<p><b>He Jiahong</b></p>	<p>Hanging Devils: Hong Jun Investigates</p>	<p>Pb \$25.99 \$23.40</p> 	<p>In 1984, on a state farm in the brutally icy, rural northeast of China, local beauty Li Hongmei was raped and murdered. There were two suspects and whilst one disappeared, the other confessed making it a seemingly open and shut case. But now it looks like the wrong man may have been sent down for the crime. His newly-rich brother is prepared to pay whatever it takes to clear his name and he thinks Hong Jun is the right man for the job. In a quest for justice, Hong Jun returns to the sins of the past and delves deep into the sleazy underbelly of China's corrupt legal system. When he stumbles upon what appears to be official complicity in a cover-up he must challenge those who hold the rule of law secondary to personal ambition and the whims of local officials to solve a case shrouded in both mystery and treachery and one that ambiguously alludes to the ancient legends of the Heilongjiang Mountains where the murder took place.</p>
<p><b>Chris Morgan Jones</b></p>	<p>The Jackal's Share</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>When an Iranian billionaire asks Ben Webster to investigate his business affairs - it isn't long before the private spy is convinced that there is something very wrong with his quarry. What is Qazai's real motive for contacting Webster? And what - beneath his generous, honourable image - does he have to hide? Soon Webster will discover that the billionaire's secret is far bigger and more dangerous than he could have imagined, and that his new enemy will think nothing of destroying him, or his family... In a breathless journey which will take readers from London to Marrakech, from Italy to Dubai, Chris Morgan Jones once again asserts himself as the spy thriller writer for a new generation.</p>
<p><b>Simon Kernick</b></p>	<p>Ultimatum</p>	<p>Tp \$32.95 \$29.65</p> 	<p>A threat has been made. An ultimatum delivered. Innocent people are in mortal danger. It is the gripping new bestseller from the master of the race-against-time thriller. 8am: an explosion blasts through a cafe in central London. Minutes later a call is made to a local radio station: 'We've just detonated a bomb. Another will explode shortly. The British Government has until midnight tonight to meet all our demands, or a far greater attack will take place somewhere in the country that will bring fire down on all your heads. You have been warned...' DC Tina Boyd and DI Mike Bolt have just hours to stop the terrorists - before it's too late...</p>
<p><b>William Landay</b></p>	<p>Defending Jacob</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>Andy Barber's job is to put killers behind bars. And when a boy from his son Jacob's school is found stabbed to death, Andy is doubly determined to find and prosecute the perpetrator. Until a crucial piece of evidence turns up linking Jacob to the murder. And suddenly Andy and his wife find their son accused of being a cold-blooded killer. In the face of every parent's worst nightmare, they will do anything to defend their child. Because, deep down, they know him better than anyone. Don't they?</p>
<p><b>Jens Lapidus</b></p>	<p>Easy Money</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>JW is a student having trouble keeping up appearances in the rich party crowd he has involved himself with. He's desperate for money, and when he's offered a job dealing drugs to the very crowd he's vying for a place in, he accepts it. Meanwhile, Jorge, a young Latino drug dealer, has just broken out of jail and is itching for revenge. When JW's supplier gets wind of Jorge's escape, he suggests JW track him down and attempt to win his trust in order to cover more area in the drug circuit. But JW's not the only one on Jorge's trail: Mrado, the brutal muscle behind the Yugoslavian mob boss whose goons were the ones who ratted Jorge out to the cops, is also on the hunt. But like everyone else, he's tired of being a mere pawn in an impossibly risky game, and he's seeking to carve out a niche of his own. As the paths of these antiheroes intertwine further, they find themselves mercilessly pitted against one another in a world where allegiances are hard-won, revenge is hard-fought, and a way out of it all is even harder to come by.</p>

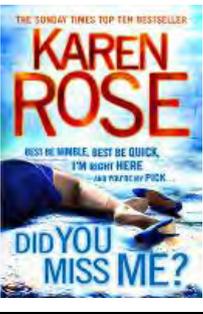
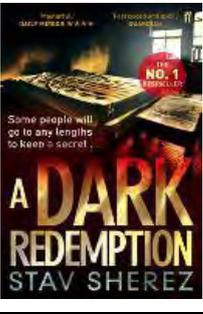
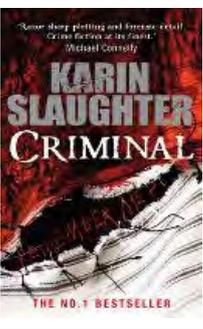
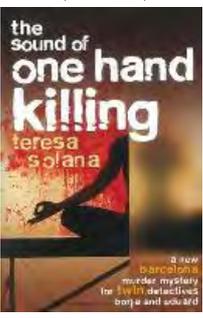
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<p><b>Asa Larsson</b></p>	<p>Until Thy Wrath Be Past: Rebecka Martinsson #4</p>	<p>Pb \$17.99 \$16.20</p> 	<p>In the first thaw of spring the body of a young woman surfaces in the River Thorne. Rebecka Martinsson is working as a prosecutor in nearby Kiruna. Her sleep has been disturbed by haunting visions of a shadowy, accusing figure. Could the body belong to the ghost in her dreams? Joining forces once again with Police Inspector Anna-Maria Mella, Martinsson is drawn into an investigation that focuses on old rumours about the disappearance of a plane carrying supplies for the Wehrmacht in 1943. Shame and secrecy shroud the locals' memories of the war, with Sweden's early collaboration with the Germans still a raw wound. And on the windswept shore of a frozen lake waits a killer who will kill again to keep the past buried forever beneath half a century of silent ice and snow.</p>
<p><b>John Lutz</b></p>	<p>Pulse: Frank Quinn #7</p>	<p>Pb \$16.99 \$15.30</p> 	<p>The infamous transsexual serial killer known as Daniel Danielle escapes from prison during a Florida hurricane and Frank Quinn fears he has returned and is wreaking havoc as the body count rises. Or it could be a copy cat killer working with stunning originality but whoever it is, this evil force must be stopped before another victim is claimed.</p>
<p><b>Malcolm MacKay</b></p>	<p>The Necessary Death of Lewis Winter</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>A twenty-nine-year-old man lives alone in his Glasgow flat. The telephone rings; a casual conversation, but behind this a job offer. The clues are there if you know to look for them. He is an expert. A loner. Freelance. Another job is another job, but what if this organisation wants more? A meeting at a club. An offer. A brief. A target: Lewis Winter. It's hard to kill a man well. People who do it well know this. People who do it badly find out the hard way. The hard way has consequences. An arresting, gripping novel of dark relationships and even darker moralities, The Necessary Death of Lewis Winter introduces a remarkable new voice in crime fiction. The sequel How A Gunman Says Goodbye will follow soon ...</p>
<p><b>Liza Marklund</b></p>	<p>Vanished: Annika Bengtzon #1</p>	<p>Pb \$19.95 \$17.95</p> 	<p>At a derelict port in Stockholm, two brutally murdered men are found by a security guard. In the same area a young woman, Aida, is on the run from a deranged gunman. Meanwhile, journalist Annika Bengtzon is approached by a woman wanting her story published in the Evening Post. She claims to have founded an organization to erase people's pasts - giving vulnerable individuals a completely new identity. Annika helps Aida to get in touch with the foundation. But as she begins to investigate this woman's story, more bodies turn up and she finds herself getting dangerously close to the truth - that all is not as it seems...</p>
<p><b>Val McDermid</b></p>	<p>The Vanishing Point</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>Stephanie Harker is travelling through the security gates at O'Hare airport, on her way to an idyllic holiday. Five-year-old Jimmy goes through the metal detector ahead of her. But then, in panic and disbelief, Stephanie watches as a uniformed agent leads her boy away - and she's stuck the other side of Security, hysterical with worry. The authorities, unaware of Jimmy's existence, just see a woman behaving erratically; Stephanie is brutally wrestled to the ground and blasted with a taser gun to restrain her. And by the time she can tell them what has happened, Jimmy is long gone. But as Stephanie tells her story to the FBI, it becomes clear that everything is not as it seems with this seemingly normal family. What is Jimmy's background? Why would someone want to abduct him? And, with time running out, how can Stephanie get him back?</p>

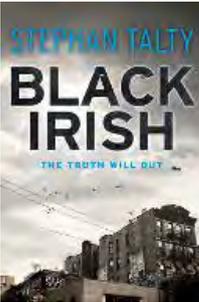
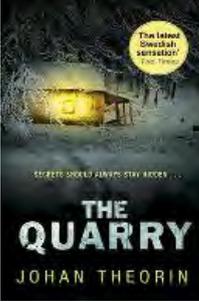
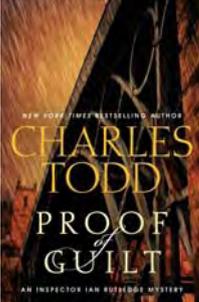
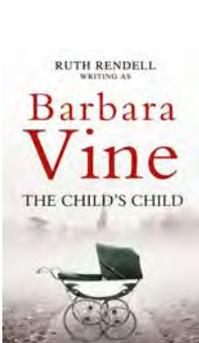
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<p><b>Adrian McKinty</b></p>	<p>I Hear the Sirens in the Street: Sean Duffy #2</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>Sean Duffy knows there's no such thing as a perfect crime. But a torso in a suitcase pretty close. Still, one tiny clue is all it takes, and there it is. A tattoo. So Duffy, fully fit and back at work after the severe trauma of his last case, is ready to follow the trail of blood - however faint - that always, always connects a body to its killer. A legendarily stubborn man, Duffy becomes obsessed with this mystery as a distraction from the ruins of his love life, and to push down the seed of self-doubt that he seems to have traded for his youthful arrogance. So from country lanes to city streets, Duffy works every angle. And wherever he goes, he smells a rat...</p>
<p><b>Katherine Hall Page</b></p>	<p>Body in the Boudoir: Faith Fairchild #20</p>	<p>Pb \$13.50 \$12.15</p> 	<p>Flashback to 1990: Faith Sibley is a young single woman leading a glamorous life in New York City. Then she meets handsome, charming Reverend Thomas Fairchild - and it's love at first sight. Now Faith is preparing for both her wedding and a move to chilly New England. But a series of baffling mysteries is making her path to the altar rocky. What family secret is her new assistant, Francesca, hiding? Who is trying to derail Faith's sister's financial career? Why is there a body in her great-uncle's Long Island mansion? And who's determined to sabotage Faith's special day... by eliminating the bride?</p>
<p><b>James Patterson</b></p>	<p>Alex Cross, Run: Alex Cross #20</p>	<p>Tp \$32.95 \$29.65</p> 	<p>Detective Alex Cross arrests renowned plastic surgeon Elijah Creem for sleeping with teenage girls. Now, his life ruined, Creem is out of jail, and he's made sure that no one will recognize him - by giving himself a new face. A young woman is found hanging from a sixth-floor window, and Alex is called to the scene. The victim recently gave birth, but the baby is nowhere to be found. Before Alex can begin searching for the missing newborn and killer, he's called to investigate a second crime. All of Washington DC is in a panic, and when a third body is discovered, rumours of three serial killers send the city into an all-out frenzy. Alex's investigations are going nowhere, and he's too focused on the cases to notice that someone has been watching him - and will stop at nothing until he's dead.</p>
<p><b>James Patterson</b></p>	<p>Private Number One Suspect</p>	<p>Pb \$19.95 \$17.95</p> 	<p>Since former US Marine Jack Morgan started Private, it has become the world's most effective investigation firm - sought out by the famous and the powerful to discreetly handle their most intimate problems. Private's investigators are the smartest, the fastest, and the most technologically advanced in the world - and they always uncover the truth. When his former lover is found murdered in Jack's bed, he is instantly the number one suspect. While Jack is under police investigation and fighting to clear his name, the mob strong-arms him into recovering \$30 million in stolen pharmaceuticals for them. And the beautiful owner of a chain of luxury hotels persuades him to quietly investigate a string of murders at her high-class establishments. With Jack and his team stretched to breaking point, one of his most trusted colleagues threatens to leave Private, and Jack realises he is facing his biggest challenge yet.</p>
<p><b>J D Robb</b></p>	<p>Midnight in Death and Interlude in Death: Two Short Stories [Eve Dallas]</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>Revenge, courage and murky pasts collide in these two exclusive J. D. Robb short stories. Midnight in Death: Eve's name has made a Christmas list, but it's not for being naughty or nice. It's for putting a serial killer behind bars. Now he's escaped and has her in his sights. With her husband, Roarke, at her side, Eve must stop this madman from exacting his bloody revenge - or die trying. Interlude in Death: When respected Commander Skinner offers Lieutenant Eve Dallas a promotion if she'll give her husband Roarke up to custody, she reacts badly. Roarke's Irish past is murky, but he's a changed man - so what is the Commander after? With Eve and Skinner at one of Roarke's holiday resorts for a police convention, Skinner's thwarted vengeance soon brings death to their luxury surroundings.</p>

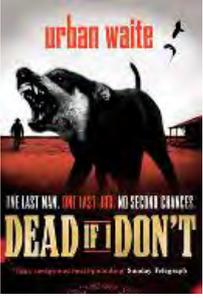
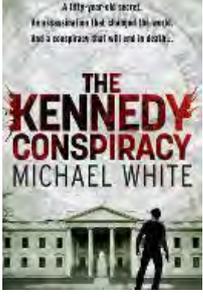
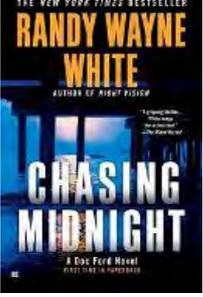
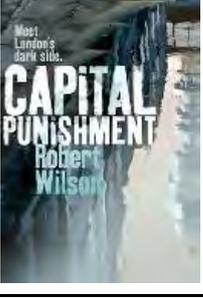
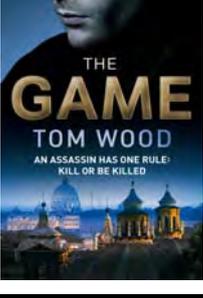
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<p><b>Peter Robinson</b></p>	<p>Watching the Dark: Inspector Banks #20</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>Banks is back - and this time he's investigating the murder of one of his own. Detective Inspector Bill Reid is killed by a crossbow in the tranquil grounds of a police rehabilitation centre, and compromising photos are found in his room. DCI Banks, brought in to investigate, is assailed on all sides. By Joanna Passero, the Professional Standards inspector who insists on shadowing the investigation in case of police corruption. By his own conviction that a policeman shouldn't be deemed guilty without evidence. By Annie Cabbot, back at work after six months' recuperation, and beset by her own doubts and demons. And by an English girl who disappeared in Estonia six years ago, who seems to hold the secret at the heart of this case...</p>
<p><b>Karen Rose</b></p>	<p>Did You Miss Me</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>Best be nimble, best be quick, I'm right here and you're my pick... The last thing Ford Elkhart remembers is walking his girlfriend back to her university dormitory. Now he's lying tied and gagged on a cold, dark floor, with only one chance to escape before he ends up like the bones surrounding him... Assistant State's Attorney Daphne Montgomery is devastated by her son's disappearance, and is immediately convinced that his kidnapping is connected to the white supremacist she's just had jailed for murder. FBI Special Agent Joseph Carter isn't so sure - especially when he learns that Ford's girlfriend is also missing. Is Ford's abduction payback for Daphne's courtroom victory? Or is he a pawn in an even more dangerous game?</p>
<p><b>Stav Sherez</b></p>	<p>A Dark Redemption: Carrigan &amp; Miller #1</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>A Dark Redemption introduces DI Jack Carrigan and DS Geneva Miller as they investigate the brutal rape and murder of a young Ugandan student. Plunged into an underworld of illegal immigrant communities, they discover that the murdered girl's studies at a London College may have threatened to reveal things that some people will go to any lengths to keep secret... Unflinching, inventive and intelligent, A Dark Redemption explores a sinister case that will force DI Carrigan to face up to his past and DS Miller to confront what path she wants her future to follow.</p>
<p><b>Karin Slaughter</b></p>	<p>Criminal: Will Trent #7</p>	<p>Pb \$14.95 \$13.45</p> 	<p>Will Trent is a brilliant agent with the Georgia Bureau of Investigation. Newly in love, he is beginning to put a difficult past behind him. Then a local college student goes missing, and Will is inexplicably kept off the case by his supervisor and mentor, deputy director Amanda Wagner. Will cannot fathom Amanda's motivation until the two of them literally collide in an abandoned orphanage they have both been drawn to for different reasons. Decades before - when Will's father was imprisoned for murder - this was his home. Flashback nearly forty years. In the summer Will Trent was born, Amanda Wagner is going to college, making Sunday dinners for her father, taking her first steps in the boys' club that is the Atlanta Police Department. One of her first cases is to investigate a brutal crime in one of the city's worst neighborhoods. Amanda and her partner, Evelyn, are the only ones who seem to care if an arrest is ever made.</p>
<p><b>Teresa Solana</b></p>	<p>The Sound of One Hand Killing: Borja &amp; Eduard #3</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>On assignment Eduard and Borja check out an exclusive meditation centre in the ritziest part of Barcelona, only to discover the director murdered, whacked in the head with a statuette of the Buddha. The violent death of a neighbour - who happens to be a CIA agent - simultaneously drags them into an international conspiracy complicated by Borja's attempt to smuggle a priceless Assyrian figurine, the Lioness of Baghdad.</p>

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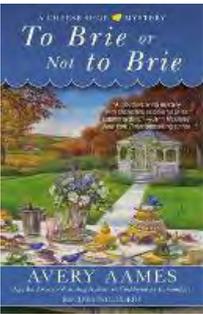
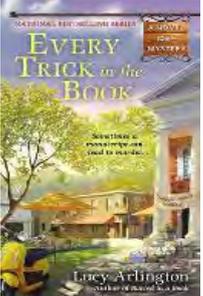
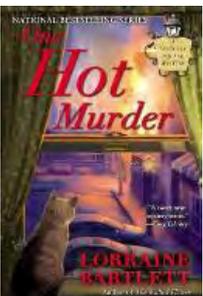
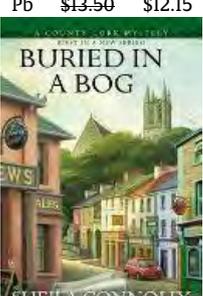
Stephan Talty	Black Irish	Pb \$27.99 \$25.20 	Harvard-educated Detective Absalom 'Abbie' Kearney has returned to The County - an Irish enclave in Buffalo, NY - to take care of her ageing father, legendary former cop John Kearney. In one of America's most deprived and dilapidated cities, tensions run high and Abbie's day job is never easy. But when it becomes apparent that a relentless and merciless killer has set to work, it's about to get a lot harder. Faced with scenes of inconceivable violence, Abbie's investigation takes her to the heart of this fiercely closed community. And the darkness she finds there will affect her life in ways she could never have imagined...
Johan Theorin	The Quarry: A-Land #1	Pb \$19.95 \$17.95 	As the last snow melts on the Swedish island of Oland, Per Morner is preparing for his children's Easter visit. But his plans are disrupted when he receives a phone call from his estranged father, Jerry, begging for help. Per finds Jerry close to death in his blazing woodland studio. He's been stabbed, and two dead bodies are later discovered in the burnt-out building. The only suspect, Jerry's work partner, is confirmed as one of the dead. But why does Jerry insist his colleague is still alive? And why does he think he's still a threat to his life? When Jerry dies in hospital a few days later, Per becomes determined to find out what really happened. But the closer he gets to the truth, the more danger he finds himself in. And nowhere is more dangerous than the nearby quarry...
Charles Todd	Proof of Guilt: Ian Rutledge #15	Pb \$19.99 \$18.00 	An unidentified body appears to have been run down by a motorcar and Ian Rutledge is leading the investigation to uncover what happened. While signs point to murder, vital questions remain. Who is the victim? And where, exactly, was he killed? One small clue leads the Inspector to a firm built by two families, famous for producing and selling the world's best Madeira wine. Lewis French, the current head of the English enterprise is missing. But is he the dead man? And do either his fiancée or his jilted former lover have anything to do with his disappearance? The experienced Rutledge knows that suspicion and circumstantial evidence are not proof of guilt, and he's going to keep digging for answers. But that perseverance will pit him against his supervisor, the new Acting Chief Superintendent. When Rutledge discovers a link to an incident in the family's past, the superintendent dismisses it, claiming the information isn't vital. He's determined to place blame on one of French's women despite Rutledge's objections. Alone in a no man's land rife with mystery and danger, Rutledge must tread very carefully...
Antti Tuomainen	The Healer	Tp \$29.95 \$26.95 	It's two days before Christmas and Helsinki is battling ruthless climate catastrophe: subway tunnels are flooded; abandoned vehicles are left burning in the streets; the authorities have issued warnings of malaria, tuberculosis, Ebola, and the plague. People are fleeing to the far north of Finland and Norway where conditions are still tolerable. Social order is crumbling and private security firms have undermined the police force. Tapani Lehtinen, a struggling poet, is among the few still able and willing to live in the city. When Tapani's beloved wife Johanna, a newspaper journalist, goes missing he embarks on a frantic hunt for her. Johanna's disappearance seems to be connected to a story she was researching about a politically motivated serial killer known as The Healer. Desperate to find Johanna, Tapani's search leads him to uncover secrets from her past. Secrets that connect her to the very murders she was investigating...
Barbara Vine	The Child's Child	Pb \$29.99 \$27.00 	When Grace and her brother Andrew inherit their grandmother's house in Hampstead, they decide to move in together. It seems the obvious thing to do: they've always got on well, the house is large enough to split down the middle, and neither of them likes partying or loud music. There's one thing they've forgotten though: what if one of them wants to bring a lover into the house? When Andrew's partner James moves in, it alters the balance - with almost fatal consequences. Grace tries to concentrate on writing her thesis, on illegitimacy in English fiction. During the day she ponders the fate of Hardy's Tess and the unfortunate Hetty Sorrell. So she's happy to oblige a friend when he asks her to read an unpublished manuscript about a young unmarried mother in Devon between the wars. Except the book begins to seem remarkably, and uncomfortably, close to home. Set in London and in Devon now and more than half a century ago, it shows vividly how society's attitudes and mores have changed in many respects - yet stubbornly remain the same in others.

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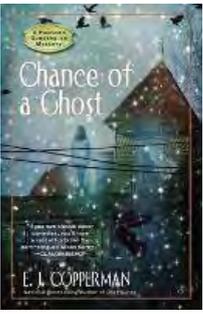
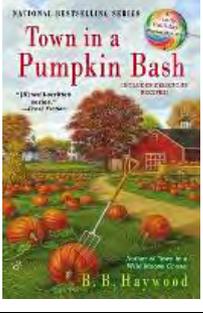
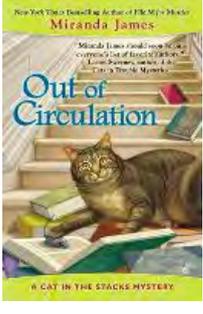
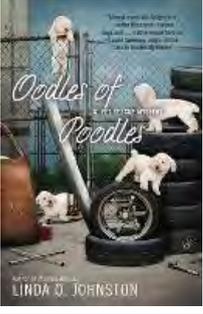
Urban Waite	Dead If I Do	Pb \$24.99 \$22.50 	Life hasn't worked out the way Ray had planned it would. Ten years ago he had a wife, a job, a child. Now he has nothing. And nothing to lose. And so he is back in his hometown of Coronado for one last job. One small job and that will be the end. But in the past ten years the rules have changed. Now nothing is the same. And this one last job soon turns into a nightmare he cannot escape.
Michael White	The Kennedy Conspiracy	Pb \$19.95 \$17.95 	When journalist Mark Bretton is asked to write an article on Professor Abigail Marchant, who has been denounced by the American Psychology Association for her belief that rebirth is a genuine phenomenon, he's more than a little sceptical about the assignment. An ambitious journalist, Mark would much rather be writing about current affairs but, once he meets the beautiful Professor and hears her theories, he can't help but be won over. Eventually persuaded to undergo regressive hypnosis himself, Mark is shocked and horrified by what he sees. He is returned to the early '60s when he worked for the Kennedy administration and not only does he learn the truth about the conspiracy that led to JFK's assassination but also his own murder. Struggling to make sense of it all, Mark turns to Abi for help but someone is watching Mark's every move and will stop at nothing to ensure that the truth about JFK's murder never comes to light...
Randy Wayne White	Chasing Midnight: Doc Ford #19	Pb \$15.95 \$14.35 	On one of Florida's private islands, a notorious Russian black marketer is hosting a reception. Doc Ford only wanted to get an underwater look at the billionaire's yacht. But when he surfaces, he gets a look at something he'd rather not see. A group of violent, armed men have taken control of the island, their true identity unknown. Whatever the motive, they threaten to kill the hostages one by one unless their demands are met - after which they might kill everyone anyway. Communications from the island have been cut off, and Ford knows he has to act. Luckily, the militants do not know Ford's capabilities, or that he is still on the loose. But that situation won't last for long... and the clock is ticking.
Robert Wilson	Capital Punishment	Tp \$29.99 \$27.00 	Alyshia D'Cruz, daughter of Indian tycoon Frank D'Cruz, has grown up in London and Mumbai wanting for nothing. But one night, after a boozy evening out, she gets in the wrong cab home. Charles Boxer, ex-army, ex-police, has found his niche in private security. His specialty: kidnap and recovery. When D'Cruz hires Boxer to find Alyshia, Boxer knows Frank's crooked business empire has made him plenty of enemies. MI6 officers in India follow Boxer's leads and soon it seems more lives than Alyshia's are at stake, as the trail crosses paths with a terrorist plot on British soil. To save Alyshia, Boxer must dodge religious fanatics, Indian mobsters, and London's homegrown crime lords.
Tom Wood	The Game: Victor the Assassin #3	Tp \$29.99 \$27.00 	Victor is the perfect killer. He has no past. He will stop at nothing. And he can find you anywhere. In sweltering Algiers, ultra-efficient hitman Victor executes a fellow assassin. But when the CIA comes calling, Victor must pose as his victim to identify the dead man's next mark, a mission that takes him across Europe to the bloody streets of Rome. Working alongside a group of vicious mercenaries, Victor faces an impossible choice: to do what's right, or to sacrifice the only thing he cares about... his life.

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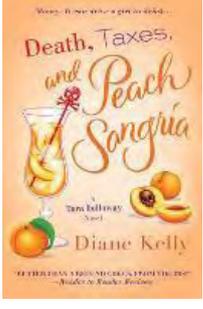
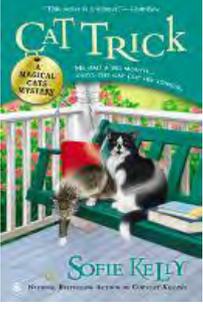
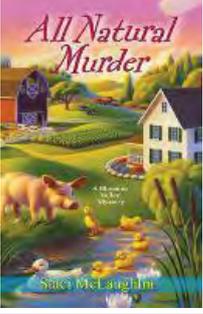
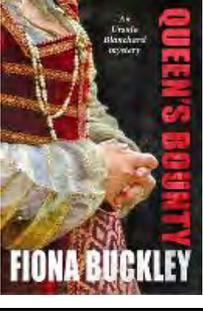
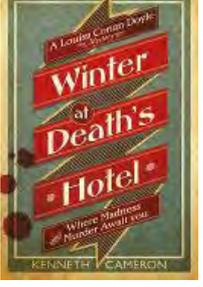
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<p><b>Avery Aames</b></p>	<p>To Brie or Not to Brie: Cheese Shop #4</p>	<p>Pb \$13.50 \$12.15</p> 	<p>Charlotte Bessette - owner of Fromagerie Bessette, known by locals as The Cheese Shop - has a lot on her plate: setting a date with her fiance, feeding the actors in her grandmother's production of Hamlet, and planning the menu for her best friend and cousin's upcoming wedding. At least her new creation - sinfully delicious Brie blueberry ice cream - has turned out perfectly. Just days before the wedding, a stranger turns up dead in the Igloo Ice Cream Parlor's freezer, his head bashed with a container of Charlotte's signature ice cream. But this stranger turns out to be more than he seems, and his death threatens to unravel all that Charlotte has worked for. She has no choice but to add one more thing to her to-do list: find the killer before the villain destroys all that she loves.</p>
<p><b>Lucy Arlington</b></p>	<p>Every Trick in the Book: Novel Idea #2</p>	<p>Pb \$13.50 \$12.15</p> 	<p>Lila Wilkins has it all: the home of her dreams in the charming town of Inspiration Valley, North Carolina; a perfect police officer boyfriend; and a new job she absolutely loves. At the Book and Author Festival, which is sponsored by the Novel Idea Literary Agency, Lila expects to discover some talented new authors, but what she finds instead is the body of an editor to whom she bears an eerie resemblance. Trouble is, the editor's death isn't the only literary murder taking place. Soon a blossoming author is also killed, and Lila has a gut feeling that the two murders are linked. Now she must hunt down the dark figure who killed these women - and to her surprise, she just might find the clues hidden in a manuscript...</p>
<p><b>Lorraine Bartlett</b></p>	<p>One Hot Murder: Victoria Square #3</p>	<p>Pb \$13.50 \$12.15</p> 	<p>Katie Bonner, the reluctant manager of Artisans Alley in the quaint shopping district of Victoria Square, is no stranger to ambivalence. Things have been going hot and heavy with pizza maker Andy Rust - so much so that Katie has moved in over his pizza parlor. But now that summer's ushered in a heat wave, an apartment above pizza ovens without an air conditioner is making Katie hot and bothered. At the height of the heat wave, a tragic fire strikes Victoria Square. Wood U, a small store selling wooden gifts and small furniture, is destroyed. But the fire may just be a smoke screen - for murder. A body is found among the charred wreckage, and the victim didn't die from smoke inhalation. He was shot. Now - despite making Detective Ray Davenport hot under the collar - Katie is determined to smoke out a coldhearted killer...</p>
<p><b>Ellen Byerrum</b></p>	<p>Veiled Revenge: Crime of Fashion #9</p>	<p>Pb \$13.50 \$12.15</p> 	<p>Washington DC fashion reporter Lacey Smithsonian has always believed clothes can be magical, but she's never thought they can be cursed. Until now. Lacey's best friend, Stella, is finally getting married, and at her bachelorette party, fellow bridesmaid - and fortune-teller - Marie Largesse arrives with a stunning Russian shawl. A shawl, Marie warns, that can either bless or curse the wearer. When a party crasher who mocks the shawl is found dead the next day, the other guests fear the curse has been unleashed. But Lacey has her doubts, and she must employ all her Extra-Fashionary Perception to capture a villain who has vowed that nobody at this wedding will live happily ever after...</p>
<p><b>Sheila Connolly</b></p>	<p>Buried in a Bog: County Cork #1</p>	<p>Pb \$13.50 \$12.15</p> 	<p>Honoring the wish of her late grandmother, Maura Donovan visits the small Irish village where her Gran was born - though she never expected to get bogged down in a murder mystery. Nor had she planned to take a job in one of the local pubs, but she finds herself excited to get to know the people who knew her Gran. In the pub, she's swamped with drink orders as everyone in town gathers to talk about the recent discovery of a nearly one-hundred-year-old body in a nearby bog. When Maura realizes she may know something about the dead man - and that the body's connected to another, more recent, death - she fears she's about to become mired in a homicide investigation. After she discovers the death is connected to another from almost a century earlier, Maura has a sinking feeling she may really be getting in over her head...</p>

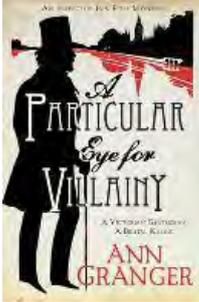
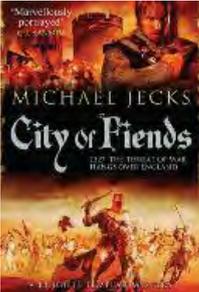
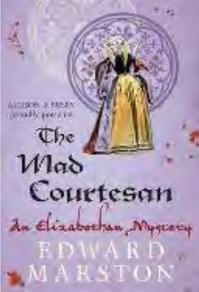
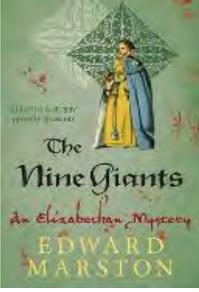
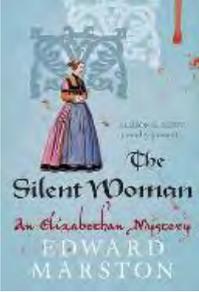
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<p><b>E J Copperman</b></p>	<p>Chance of a Ghost: Haunted Guesthouse #4</p>	<p>Pb \$13.50 \$12.15</p> 	<p>Alison Kerby's guesthouse is haunted all year round. Surviving the dead of winter, though? That's a spooky proposition. Even with a blizzard bearing down on New Jersey, Alison can count on at least two guests - Paul and Maxie, the stubborn ghosts who share her shore town inn. Then there's her widowed mother, who hasn't just been seeing ghosts, she's been secretly dating one: Alison's father. But when he stands her up three times in a row, something's wrong. Is he a lost soul... or a missing apparition? Their only lead is an over-dramatic spirit - stage name Lawrence Laurentz - who doesn't take direction well and won't talk until they find his killer. Alison will reluctantly play the part of PI, but when the clues take a sinister turn, the writing is on the wall: If Alison can't keep a level head, this will be her father's final act - and maybe her own.</p>
<p><b>Elizabeth Craig</b></p>	<p>Knot What It Seams: Southern Quilting #2</p>	<p>Pb \$13.50 \$12.15</p> 	<p>Dwindling membership has the Village Quilters hanging by a thread, and group leader Meadow Downey is desperate to recruit some new folks. With Beatrice's blessing, she attempts to weave frequent quilt show judge Jo Paxton into their fold. As the town's irascible mail carrier, Jo delivers trouble wherever she goes. And with all that mail at her fingertips, she knows everyone's business. Soon Beatrice wonders if they've made the right choice. After a car accident sends Jo to meet her Maker, it's discovered someone tampered with her brakes. Meadow believes someone's out to eradicate the Village Quilters, but Beatrice isn't so sure. Now she and her fellow quilters will have to piece together the clues, or a deadly killer might strike again...</p>
<p><b>B B Haywood</b></p>	<p>Town in a Pumpkin Bash: Candy Holliday #4</p>	<p>Pb \$13.50 \$12.15</p> 	<p>Halloween is fast approaching, and preparations for the Pumpkin Bash, Cape Willington's annual autumn festival, are well underway. Candy is running this year's haunted hayride, in the hopes of making some extra cash. But when she discovers a real dead body near some fake tombstones, Candy's side job becomes a full-blown investigation to find out who turned a holiday attraction into a real horror show. Will Candy's keen eye for detail unearth buried town secrets? As her search leads her through old graveyards and a haunted house, Candy will discover that not all of the skeletons hidden in this small town's closets are Halloween decorations...</p>
<p><b>Miranda James</b></p>	<p>Out of Circulation: Cat in the Stacks #4</p>	<p>Pb \$13.50 \$12.15</p> 	<p>Everyone in Athena, Mississippi, knows Charlie Harris, the librarian with a rescued Maine coon cat named Diesel. He's returned to his hometown to immerse himself in books, but when a feud erupts between the town's richest ladies, the writing on the wall spells murder. The Ducote sisters are in a tiff with Vera Cassity over the location of this year's library fundraising gala, and Charlie would rather curl up in a corner than get into the fray. It seems everyone - even his housekeeper Azalea - has it in for Vera. And at the gala, she gives them good reason, with a public display of rancor aimed at anyone who gets in her way. But those bitter words wind up being her last. When Charlie discovers Azalea standing over Vera's dead body, it's up to him - with a little help from Diesel - to clear Azalea's name, and catch a killer before his last chapter is finished.</p>
<p><b>Linda Johnston</b></p>	<p>Oodles of Poodles: Pet Rescue #4</p>	<p>Pb \$13.50 \$12.15</p> 	<p>Has Hollywood gone to the dogs? Pet rescuer Lauren Vancouver is observing production on a new movie called Sheba's Story. The title character - a white Miniature poodle - is played by many similar-looking poodles, and to make sure no animals are harmed, Lauren's friend, veterinarian Carlie Stellan, and Grant, a handsome representative from the American Humane Association, are on location. But when the film's director is killed in a suspicious hit-and-run after arguing with Carlie about animal safety, it's up to Lauren to clear her friend's name and catch a killer before someone else ends up in oodles of deadly trouble.</p>

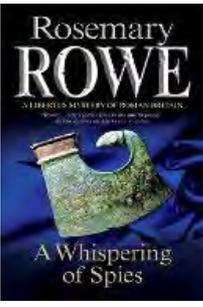
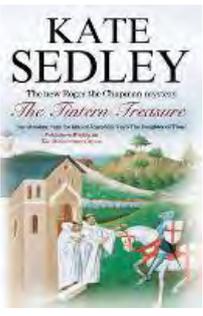
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<p><b>Diane Kelly</b></p>	<p>Death, Taxes, and Peach Sangria: Tara Holloway #4</p>	<p>Pb <del>\$13.50</del> \$12.15</p> 	<p>When it comes to exposing tax fraud, Tara and her partner Eddie are really cleaning up. From their brilliant takedown of the disappearing Tax Wizard to their perfectly planned downfall of the Deduction Diva, they've earned the respect of their peers at Criminal Investigations. Now Tara's ready to celebrate with an ice-cold pitcher of peach sangria - even if her next case is totally the pits. Tara's looking forward to a challenge but, back at the office, everyone's looking for love. Her boss Lu Lobozinski and office virgin Josh Schmidt are signing up for an online dating service, and - to Tara's dismay - so is her crush, Special Agent Nick Pratt. Tara's trying to act chill. But when she learns that her next case involves cash-funneling to terrorists, it's not just her love life that's on the rocks. It's her life, period.</p>
<p><b>Sofie Kelly</b></p>	<p>Cat Trick: Magical Cats #4</p>	<p>Pb <del>\$13.50</del> \$12.15</p> 	<p>Kathleen Paulson enjoys her life as a small-town librarian with two extraordinary cats, Owen and Hercules, who provide companionship during the quiet times and have a remarkable talent for sleuthing when murder disturbs the peace... The local businesses of Mayville Heights hope to convince Chicago-based company Legacy Tours to sell a vacation package for their town. Legacy Tours partner Mike Glazer grew up in Mayville Heights, but he's no longer the small-town boy people once knew. Even the local bootlegger has an issue with the bossy loudmouth Mike has become - until someone shuts him up for good. When Kathleen discovers Mike's body on the boardwalk, she can't help but get involved in the investigation - even if her beau, Detective Marcus Gordon, would rather she didn't. Now, with a little help from Owen and Hercules, it's up to Kathleen to make sure the killer is booked for an extended stay in prison before someone else takes a permanent vacation.</p>
<p><b>Staci McLaughlin</b></p>	<p>All Natural Murder: Blossom Valley #2</p>	<p>Pb <del>\$13.50</del> \$12.15</p> 	<p>As Dana Lewis settles into a quiet life of tofu this and tofu that, murder a la carte is the last thing she wants on her plate. But when she learns about the death of Monster Truck driver Bobby Joe Jones, frequent philanderer and boyfriend to Dana's sister, Ashlee, she has no choice but to wipe up the mess. Especially when witnesses last saw Ashlee angrily up in Bobby Joe's grill at the fairgrounds. With dizzying speed, Dana's life skids out of control. What else can she do but go into overdrive to save Ashlee's soy bacon, and stop a deadly killer in his tracks.</p>
<p><b>HISTORICAL CRIME</b></p>			
<p><b>Fiona Buckley</b></p>	<p>Queen's Bounty: Ursula Blanchard #10</p>	<p>Pb <del>\$24.95</del> \$22.45</p> 	<p>Happily married to her third husband, Ursula Blanchard is rudely shaken on receipt of a threatening letter from the exiled Anne Percy, Countess of Northumberland, whose treasonous plot against Elizabeth I, Ursula helped foil a few months previously. Ursula dismisses the Countess's letter as idle threats, but then a series of strange events rocks Ursula's household - and Ursula herself is accused of witchcraft. Could Anne Percy really be orchestrating a plot against Ursula from her exile in the Netherlands? And, if so, how can Ursula prove it before she is hanged as a witch?</p>
<p><b>Kenneth Cameron</b></p>	<p>Winter at Death's Hotel</p>	<p>Pb <del>\$19.99</del> \$18.00</p> 	<p>New York, January 1896. Arthur Conan Doyle arrives at the Britannic Hotel with his wife, Louisa, ready to begin his first American tour. While he prepares his lectures, Louisa is stunned by the vibrant and dangerous city. Especially when a brutally butchered corpse is found and Louisa becomes convinced that the police artist's sketch is the likeness of a woman she's seen at the hotel. When Louisa sprains her ankle and is forced to remain at the hotel while Arthur goes on tour, she cannot resist pursuing her intuitions. And when more bodies appear, she starts to piece together an extraordinary story. A story that leads inexorably back to the hotel itself - and a madman who is watching her every move...</p>

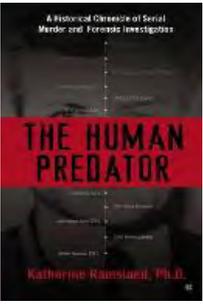
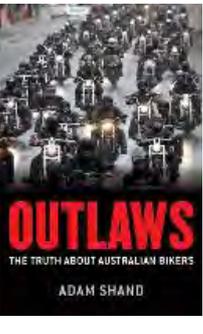
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<p><b>Ann Granger</b></p>	<p>A Particular Eye for Villainy: Lizzie Martin #4</p>	<p>Pb \$22.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>When Mr Thomas Tapley is found bludgeoned to death in his sitting room, his neighbour Inspector Benjamin Ross of Scotland Yard is immediately summoned. Little is known about the elusive gentleman until Mr Jonathan Tapley, QC, hears of the news and the truth about his cousin's tragic past slowly begins to emerge. Meanwhile, Ben's wife Lizzie is convinced she saw someone following Thomas Tapley on the day he died and she discovers that he received a mysterious visitor a few days before his death. As the list of suspects begins to mount, Ben must unearth who would benefit most from Tapley's unfortunate demise.</p>
<p><b>Michael Jecks</b></p>	<p>City of Fiends: Medieval West Country #31</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>It's 1327 and England is in turmoil. King Edward II has been removed from the throne and his son installed in his place. The old man's rule had proved a disaster for the realm and many hope that his removal may mean the return of peace to England's cities. Keeper of the King's Peace Sir Baldwin de Furnhill and his friend Bailiff Simon Puttock had been tasked with guarding Edward II, but they have failed in their task and now ride fast to Exeter to inform the sheriff of the old king's escape. In Exeter, the sheriff has problems of his own. Overnight the body of a young maid has been discovered, lying bloodied and abandoned in a dirty alleyway. The city's gates had been shut against the lawlessness outside, so the perpetrator must still lie within the sanctuary of the town. When Baldwin de Furnhill arrives, along with Sir Richard de Welles, a companion of old, he is tasked with uncovering the truth behind this gruesome murder. But, in a city where every man hides a secret, his task will be far from easy...</p>
<p><b>Edward Marston</b></p>	<p>The Mad Courtesan: Bracewell #5 [1992]</p>	<p>Pb \$17.99 \$16.20</p> 	<p>Butchery outside a London brothel leaves Westfield's Men in disarray While England is brought low by rumours of Queen Elizabeth's declining health, celebrated theatre company Lord Westfield's Men suffer their own bitter blows. A vicious feud between players causes chaos; a rival company launches a new production; a mysterious beauty reduces their leading actor to a lovelorn wreck; and a brutal murder leaves the group of actors reeling. With matters so fraught, even a performing horse becomes a threat. Stage manager Nicholas Bracewell, accustomed to damage control, is the only man with the wit to keep the company afloat. As the Queen sinks towards death, Nicholas begins to discern the connections between the company's misfortunes and the larger shadow falling over England...</p>
<p><b>Edward Marston</b></p>	<p>The Nine Giants: Bracewell #4 [1991]</p>	<p>Pb \$17.99 \$16.20</p> 	<p>Who could enact such a deadly design, lurking behind the scenes? As book holder and stage manager of theatrical company Lord Westfield's Men, Nicholas Bracewell is accustomed to solving problems. So when he discovers the naked corpse of a man while crossing the Thames by boat one night, he becomes determined to unravel its mystery. After several attacks on the company's members, Nicholas begins to suspect a connection - could these apparently accidental events be part of some hidden design? When Lord Westfield's Men are asked to stage one of their comedies at the Nine Giants in Richmond, Nicholas must put aside his worries and focus on the play. But as the attacks become more sinister, culminating in a grisly death, Nicholas is under increasing pressure to prevent more disaster ...</p>
<p><b>Edward Marston</b></p>	<p>The Silent Woman: Bracewell #6 [1992]</p>	<p>Pb \$17.99 \$16.20</p> 	<p>When fire destroys their London theatre, Lord Westfield's players must seek out humbler venues in the countryside. But stage manager Nicholas Bracewell is distracted by a shocking tragedy - a mysterious messenger from his native Devon, murdered by poison. Though the messenger is silenced, Nicholas understands what he must do: return to his birthplace and conclude some unfinished business from his past. The rest of Westfield's Men, penniless and dejected, ride forth with him on a tour that will perhaps become their valedictory, dogged as they are by plague, poverty, rogues and thieves. And among the sinister shadows that glide silently with them towards Devon is one who means Nicholas never to arrive...</p>

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