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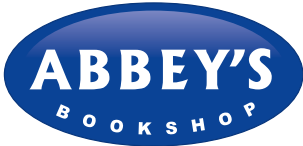
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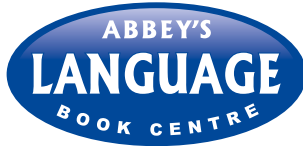
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Title	Author	RRP	Price	Bind	Description
Fatal Frost: Frost #2 ABBEY'S CHOICE	James Henry	\$32.95	\$27.95	Pb	ABBEY'S CHOICE JULY 2012 Jack Frost returns in this gripping sequel to bestseller First Frost. May, 1982. Britain celebrates the sinking of the Belgrano, Jimmy Savile has the run of the airwaves and Denton Police Division welcomes its first black policeman, DC Waters - recently relocated from Bethnal Green. While the force is busy dealing with a spate of local burglaries, the body of fifteen-year-old Samantha Evans is discovered in woodland next to the nearby railway track. Then a fifteen-year-old boy is found dead on Denton's golf course, his organs removed. Detective Sergeant Jack Frost is sent to investigate - a welcome distraction from troubles at home. And when the murdered boy's sister goes missing, Frost and Waters must work together to find her... before it's too late.
As the Pig Turns	M. C. Beaton	\$16.99	\$15.30	Pb	Winter Parva, a traditional Cotswolds village next door to Carsely, has decided to throw a celebratory hog roast to mark the beginning of the winter holiday festivities and Agatha Raisin has arrived with friend and rival in the sleuthing business, Toni, to enjoy the merriment. But as the spit pig is carried towards the bed of fiery charcoal Agatha - and the rest of the village - realise that things aren't as they seem... Very quickly it transpires that the spit pig is in fact Gary Beech, a policeman not much loved in Winter Parva. And although Agatha has every intention of leaving the affair to the police, she rapidly changes her mind when she finds out Gary's ex-wife has hired Toni to investigate. Cantankerous and competitive as Agatha is, she has to now join the fray and try and solve the case herself.
The Bull of Mithros	Anne Zouroudi	\$29.99	\$27.00	Pb	It is summer, and as tourists, drawn by the legend of a priceless missing artifact, disembark on the sun-drenched quay of Mithros, the languid calm of the island is broken by the unorthodox arrival of a stranger who has been thrown overboard in the bay. Lacking money or identification, he is forced for a while to remain on Mithros. But is he truly a stranger? To some, his face seems familiar. The arrival of the investigator Hermes Diaktoros, intrigued himself by the island's fabled bull, coincides with a violent and mysterious death. This violence has an echo in Mithros's recent past: in a brutal unsolved crime committed several years before, which, although apparently forgotten may not yet have been forgiven. As Hermes sets about solving the complex puzzle of who is guilty and who is innocent, he discovers a web of secrets and unspoken loyalties, and it soon becomes clear that the bull of Mithros may only be the least of the island's shadowy mysteries.
The Whispers of Nemesis	Anne Zouroudi	\$14.99	\$13.50	Pb	It is winter in the mountains of Greece and as the snow falls in the tiny village of Vrissi a coffin is unearthed and broken open, revealing some unexpected remains to the astonished mourners gathered at the graveside. In a village where gossip flows like ouzo, the discovery in the grave sets tongues wagging and heads shaking. But when a body is found buried beneath the fallen snow in the shadow of the shrine of St Fanourios (the patron saint of lost things), it seems the truth, behind both the body and the coffin may be far stranger than the villagers' wildest imaginings. Hermes Diaktoros, drawn to the mountains on an affair of the heart, finds himself embroiled in the mysteries of Vrissi, as well as the enigmatic last will and testament of Greece's most admired modern poet. The Whispers of Nemesis is a story of desperate measures and dark secrets, of murder and immortality, and of pride coming before the steepest of falls.
Pies and Prejudice	Ellery Adams	\$13.50	\$12.15	Pb	When the going gets tough, Ella Mae LaFaye bakes pies. So when she catches her husband cheating in New York, she heads back home to Havenwood, Georgia, where she can drown her sorrows in fresh fruit filling and flakey crust. But her pies aren't just delicious. They're having magical effects on the people who eat them--and the public is hungry for more. Discovering her hidden talent for enchantment, Ella Mae makes her own wish come true by opening the Charmed Pie Shoppe. But with her old nemesis Loralyn Gaynor making trouble, and her old crush Hugh Dylan making nice, she has more than pie on her plate. and when Loralyn's fiance is found dead--killed with Ella Mae's rolling pin--it'll take all her sweet magic to clear her name.
Disgrace	Jussi Adler-Olsen	\$29.95	\$26.95	Pb	Kimmie's home is on the streets of Copenhagen. To live she must steal. She has learned to avoid the police and never to stay in one place for long. But now others are trying to find her. And they won't rest until she has stopped moving - for good.
Plotting at the PTA	Laura Alden	\$13.50	\$12.15	Pb	Bookstore owner, PTA secretary, and single mom Beth Kennedy has to fit a murder investigation or two into her schedule in Alden's enjoyable if padded third PTA mystery (after 2011's Foul Play at the PTA). When Beth discovers that a favored customer at her Rynwood, Wis., bookstore, Amy Jacobson, has died from shock after multiple bee stings, she believes Amy's death was not the freak accident the police claim. Meanwhile, Beth promises an elderly friend to look into the death of her great-niece, Kelly, more than 20 years earlier, an apparent suicide by drowning. When Beth realizes that Kelly and Amy were close friends, she risks her own life to prove that neither the drowning nor the anaphylactic shock was anything short of cold-blooded murder. Digressions involving supporting characters mean the school year is almost over before amateur sleuth Beth is able to connect all the dots.
Stick A Fork in it: Poppy Markham, Culinary Cop: Book Two	Robin Allen	\$23.95	\$21.55	Pb	As a health inspector and former chef, Poppy Markham thought she'd seen it all - until she stepped into Capital Punishment. The restaurant's twisted concept, last meals of famous death row inmates, just might be a hit in Austin, Texas. The macabre theme becomes all too real when co-owner Troy Sharp - a hard-drinking ex-jock and all around jerk - is found dangling from a hangman's noose in the cinderblock dining room. So who sent Troy to that big end zone in the sky: his fed-up wife, the restaurant manager he once bullied, or his resentful twin brother?
Zero Day	David Baldacci	\$17.99	\$16.20	Pb	From David Baldacci - the modern master of the thriller and #1 worldwide bestselling novelist-comes a new hero: a lone Army Special Agent taking on the toughest crimes facing the nation. And Zero Day is where it all begins.... John Puller is a combat veteran and the best military investigator in the U.S. Army's Criminal Investigation Division. His father was an Army fighting legend, and his brother is serving a life sentence for treason in a federal military prison. Puller has an indomitable spirit and an unstoppable drive to find the truth. Now, Puller is called out on a case in a remote, rural area in West Virginia coal country far from any military outpost. Someone has stumbled onto a brutal crime scene, a family slaughtered. The local homicide detective, a headstrong woman with personal demons of her own, joins forces with Puller in the investigation. As Puller digs through deception after deception, he realizes that absolutely nothing he's seen in this small town, and no one in it, are what they seem. Facing a potential conspiracy that reaches far beyond the hills of West Virginia, he is one man on the hunt for justice against an overwhelming force.

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The Mandrake File: A Novel	Cedric Bannel	\$32.95	\$29.65	Pb	In a Kabul ravaged by violence and corruption, Murder Squad boss Osama Kandar still believes in integrity, a code of honour, and loyalty to old friends. But the apparent suicide of a businessman called Wali Wadi changes everything. As Kandar's routine investigation starts to suggest murder, the Minister for Security attempts to foil his every move, motivating him even more to solve the alleged crime. Meanwhile, a Swiss-based secret organisation known as The Entity is doing everything in its power to terminate Kandar's investigation, even if it means putting an end to his life and those of innocent civilians. Wali Wadi's murderer must not be found, whatever the cost. At the same time, Entity analyst Nick Snee is looking for a man named Leonard Mandrake, who has information that The Entity is desperate for. When Snee Nick discovers that Mandrake's information is related to Wali Wadi's death, he joins forces with Kandar to find out what everybody is after, and why so many innocent lives are being destroyed in the wake of the Mandrake Affair. What they discover is far more important than either could have possibly imagined.
The Accident	Linwood Barclay	\$19.99	\$18.00	Pb	Glen Garber's life has just spiralled out of control. His wife's car is found at the scene of a drunk-driving accident that took three lives. Not only is she dead, but it appears she was the cause of the accident. Suddenly Glen has to deal with a potent mixture of emotions: grief at the loss of his wife, along with anger at her reckless behaviour that leaves their young daughter motherless. If only he could convince himself that Sheila wasn't responsible for the tragedy. But as more and more secrets begin to surface, Glen may have to face something much, much worse...
Rotten Gods	Greg Barron	\$29.99	\$27.00	Pb	A new wave of terror threatens a world torn by inequality, conflict, economic disaster and environmental chaos. Heads of state gather in Dubai in an attempt to bring society back from the brink of global catastrophe. But when extremists hijack the conference centre, the clock starts ticking: seven days until certain death for presidents and prime ministers alike, unless the terrorists' radical demands are met. A treasonous British diplomat, an Australian intelligence officer, an airline pilot searching for his missing daughters, a mysterious Somali agent, and a disillusioned UN official are all forced to examine their motives, faith and beliefs as they attempt to stave off disaster, hurtling towards the deadline and a shattering climax. Rotten Gods is both an imaginative tour de force and a dire warning, holding the reader spellbound until the last breathtaking page.
The Bones of Avignon: A Body Farm Thriller	Jefferson Bass	\$24.99	\$22.50	Pb	Miranda Lovelady, Dr Bill Brockton's protege, is spending the summer helping excavate a newly discovered chamber beneath the spectacular Palace of the Popes in Avignon, France. There she discovers a stone chest inscribed with a stunning claim: inside lie the bones of none other than Jesus of Nazareth. Faced with the case of the millennium, Miranda summons Brockton for help proving or refuting the claim. Both scientists are sceptical - after all, fake relics abounded during the Middle Ages - but the evidence for authenticity soon grows. Brockton and Miranda link the bones to the haunting image on the Shroud of Turin, revered by millions as the burial cloth of Christ and a laboratory test finds that the bones are 2,000 years old. The finding triggers a deadly tug of war between the anthropologists, the Vatican and a deadly zealot who hopes to use the bones to bring about the Second Coming ...and trigger the end of time. Set against an international landscape, and weaving a rich tapestry of religion, history, art and science, The Bones of Avignon takes Jefferson Bass to an exciting new level of suspense.
Nine Inches	Bateman	\$22.99	\$20.70	Pb	Dan Starkey, the ducking and diving hapless investigator, takes centre stage again in this brilliant new novel by the master of comic crime. Radio shock-jock and self-styled people's champion Jack Caramac is used to courting controversy - but when his four-year-old son is kidnapped for just one hour, and then sent back with a warning note, he knows he may have finally gone too far. Jack has no choice but to turn to Dan Starkey for help. Recently chucked by his long-suffering wife Patricia, Dan has finally given up on journalism and is now providing a boutique, bespoke service for important people with difficult problems. Dan resolves to catch whoever kidnapped Jack's son - and very soon finds himself in the middle of a violent feud between rival drug gangs, pursued by jealous husbands, unscrupulous property developers and vicious killers as the case spirals ever more out of his control...
Talking to the Dead	Harry Bingham	\$29.99	\$27.00	Pb	For rookie detective constable Fiona Griffiths, her first major investigation promises to be a tough initiation into Cardiff's dark underbelly. A young woman and her six-year-old daughter have been found brutally murdered in a squalid flat, the single clue a platinum credit card belonging to a millionaire businessman who died in a plane crash six months before. For her fellow cops, it's just another case of a low-rent prostitute meeting the wrong kind of client and coming to a nasty end, but Fiona is convinced that the tragic lives and cruel deaths of this mother and daughter are part of a deeper, darker mystery. Fiona, however, has secrets of her own. She is still recovering from a crushing psychological breakdown, and the feelings which haunt her are constantly threatening to undermine the mask of normality she has learned to wear. As she begins to piece together a bizarre and terrifying conspiracy, Fiona finds that what makes her vulnerable also gives her a unique insight into the secrets of the dead, and in solving the murders of Janet and April Mancini she can begin to start solving the riddles of her own past.
In A Witch's Wardrobe: A Witchcraft Mystery	Juliet Blackwell	\$13.50	\$12.15	Pb	Taking a night off from running her successful San Francisco clothing store, Lily attends a local art deco ball where vintage fashions steal the show. But when a young woman at the event falls under a mysterious sleeping sickness, Lily senses that a curse was placed on the woman's corsage. Before Lily can solve the woman's magical ailment, she's asked to assist in investigating a string of poisonings in the Bay Area Witchcraft community. She's gained the trust of the local covens by supporting women's charities through her clothing store. But soon, Lily suspects that one of her new acquaintances might not be so well intentioned and could be dabbling in dark magic and deadly botany...
Cloaked in Malice	Annette Blair	\$13.50	\$12.15	Pb	There's nothing Maddie loves more than fabulous vintage clothes, but the visions she gets while touching them are starting to wear her down. Even so, when a beautifully dressed girl comes to Vintage Magic in search of her past, Maddie isn't about to turn her away, especially since she bears a striking resemblance to her good friend Dolly Sweet. When Maddie touches Paisley Skye's exquisitely crafted child's cloak, the vision she receives is of the ugliest sort: a decades-old case of kidnapping and murder. To give herself more time to investigate, Maddie enlists the help of her FBI Agent boyfriend Nick and takes Paisley into her home. But when Dolly suddenly skips town, Maddie realizes that uncovering the folds of Paisley's past will reveal more than one vintage crime...

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When the Devil Drives	Christopher Brookmyre	\$29.99	\$27.00	Pb	Is the devil merely the name we give the worst in ourselves? When private investigator Jasmine Sharp is hired to find Tessa Garrion, a young woman who has vanished without trace, it becomes increasingly clear that there are those who want her to stay that way. What begins as a simple search awakens a malevolence that has lain dormant for three decades, putting Jasmine in the crosshairs of those who would stop at nothing to keep their secrets buried. Uncovering a hidden history of sex, drugs, ritualism and murder, Jasmine realises she may need a little help from dark places herself if she's going to get to the truth. But then needs must...
Devil's Gate	Clive Cussler	\$29.95	\$26.95	Pb	A Japanese cargo ship cruises the eastern Atlantic near the Azores - when it bursts into flames. A gang of pirates speeds to take advantage of the disaster - when their boat explodes. What is happening in that part of the world? As Kurt Austin, Joe Zavala, and the rest of NUMA's Special Assignments Team rush to investigate, they find themselves drawn into the extraordinary ambitions of an African dictator, the creation of a weapon of almost mythical power, and an unimaginably audacious plan to extort the world's major nations. Their penalty for refusal? The destruction of their greatest cities.
The Lost Girls of Rome	Donato Carrisi	\$29.99	\$27.00	Pb	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...A spellbinding literary thriller from the author of The Whisperer, this novel offers a window onto the hidden secrets of Rome. Beautifully capturing the atmosphere of the city, it blends a page-turning plot with fascinating historical fact.
Murder for Choir	Joelle Charbonneau	\$13.50	\$12.15	Pb	Even as a struggling opera singer, Paige Marshall has never seen anything like the cutthroat competition of the Prospect Glen High School show choir. Coaching these championship-hungry students may be her toughest gig yet... Especially when her best young male singer is suspected of killing the arrogant coach of Prospect Glen's fiercest rival. To clear his name, Paige will have to sort through a chorus of suspects, and go note-for-note with a killer who wants her out of the spotlight for good.
The Burning Soul: The Tenth Charlie Parker Thriller	John Connolly	\$19.99	\$18.00	Pb	Randall Haight has a secret: when he was a teenager, he and his friend killed a 14-year-old girl. Randall did his time and built a new life in the small Maine town of Pastor's Bay, but somebody has discovered the truth about Randall. He is being tormented by anonymous messages, haunting reminders of his past crime, and he wants private detective Charlie Parker to make it stop. But another 14-year-old girl has gone missing, this time from Pastor's Bay, and the missing girl's family has its own secrets to protect. Now Parker must unravel a web of deceit involving the police, the FBI, a doomed mobster named Tommy Morris, and Randall Haight himself. Because Randall Haight is telling lies ...
The Woman Before Me	Ruth Dugdall	\$29.99	\$27.00	Pb	Rose Wilks' life is shattered when her new-born baby Joel is admitted to intensive care. Emma Hatcher has all that Rose lacks. Beauty. A loving husband. A healthy son. Until tragedy strikes and Rose is the only suspect. Now, after nearly five years behind bars, Rose is just weeks away from freedom. Her probation officer Cate must decide whether Rose is remorseful for Luke's death, or whether she remains a threat to society. As Cate is drawn in, she doubts her own judgement. Where is the line between love and obsession, can justice be served and, if so...by what means?
Deity	Steven Dunne	\$29.99	\$27.00	Pb	A brilliant new serial killer thriller from a hugely talented British author to rival the best from Mark Billingham, Peter James and Peter Robinson. When four Derby College students are reported missing, few in Derby CID, least of all DI Damen Brook, pay much attention. But then a film on the internet is discovered purporting to show the students committing mass suicide. If it's real, why did they kill themselves when they had such bright futures ahead of them? If the suicides are faked, why the set up and where are the students? And if they're dead and have been murdered, who on earth could have planned such a bizarre and tragic end to their promising lives? Combining intricate forensics with meticulous detection and the warped psychology of a psychopath, DEITY is a serial killer thriller of the highest order to rival the very best of Mark Billingham, Peter James and Peter Robinson.
The Wrong Man	David Ellis	\$29.99	\$27.00	Pb	A young girl is murdered with a single bullet through her skull. A homeless man is arrested, and as the evidence against him stacks up, everyone thinks he's guilty - except lawyer Jason Kolarich. Jason can't resist the urge to dig deeper, and begins to uncover a much darker reason for her death. What he finds will crack the case wide open. An army is training for a war against the government. Everyone is going to pay for what they did.
Burned	Thomas Enger	\$19.99	\$18.00	Pb	A Brutalised Victim in the Wilds: A solitary tent is found to contain the body of a half-buried woman. She's been stoned to death. There are lash marks across her back. One of her hands has been cut off. A Lone Voice: Two years earlier internet reporter Henning Juul lost his son, Jonas, in a domestic fire. As he returns to work, physically and emotionally scarred, Henning struggles to escape this past and to be taken seriously again as a reporter - by his colleagues, his ex-wife and the police. A Mystery Ignited: Told to cover the story of the woman in the tent, he finds an increasingly dangerous trail and, despite an early arrest, he is convinced that the story is more complex than the police think...
The Killer in My Eyes	Giorgio Faletti	\$29.99	\$27.00	Pb	New York Mayor Marsalis's son is found dead in his studio loft, his bloodied body arranged like the Peanut comic-strip character Linus - a blanket next to his ear and his thumb in his mouth. Grief-stricken, Marsalis asks his ex-cop brother Jordan to investigate. Together with help from Italian detective Maureen Martini, Jordan tries to track down the killer, but then there are two, then three more victims. When will the killing stop?
Harry Lipkin, P.I.: The World's Oldest Detective	Barry Fantoni	\$63.51	\$35.95	Hb	He might not be the fastest PI in Miami, but Harry Lipkin is definitely the oldest. Harry's specialty is taking on the cases the police just aren't interested in - and his latest case is a doozy. Someone on the staff of wealthy widow Norma Weinberger is stealing from her. Nothing fancy, no diamond encrusted teapots or anything, but enough to rattle her. Harry takes on the case, navigating his way - gingerly - through a twilight world of boxing, gambling and gangs to find the truth. Elegantly written and illustrated throughout by the author, Harry Lipkin is a life-affirming tale of ageing and mortality as well as a laugh-out-loud whodunit. The fact that the guy keeps his gun next to his false teeth should tell you a lot.

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Cold Grave	Kathryn Fox	\$27.99	\$25.20	Pb	Forensic physician Dr Anya Crichton is cocooned from the world aboard a luxury cruise ship, nothing can interrupt time with her precious six-year-old son. Peace is shattered when the body of a teenage girl is discovered shoved in a cupboard. With no obvious cause of death, Anya volunteers her forensic expertise. She quickly uncovers a sordid pattern of assaults, unchecked drug use and mysterious disappearances. With crew too afraid to talk, she is drawn into the underbelly of the cruise line and its dangerous secrets. In international waters, problems with jurisdiction mean it's possible to get away with murder. Anya can trust no one. Her family's life depends on what she does next. One thing is for certain. The killer is still on board.
The Silent Girl	Tess Gerritsen	\$14.95	\$13.45	Pb	In the murky shadows of an alley in Boston's Chinatown a hand has been discovered. On the rooftop above lies a woman's severed head. Two strands of silver hair - not human - cling to the body that lies nearby. These are Detective Jane Rizzoli's only clues, but they are enough for her and Dr Maura Isles to make a startling discovery: that this violent death had a chilling prequel. Seventeen years early a horrifying attack in a Boston restaurant left five people dead. Only one woman connected to the massacre is now still alive - a mysterious martial arts master who knows a secret she dare not tell. A secret that lives and breathes in the shadows of the city. A secret that may not even be human. It soon becomes clear than an ancient evil is stirring in Chinatown: an evil that has killed before, and will kill again - unless Jane and Maura can track it down, and defeat it.
The Governor's Wife	Mark Gimenez	\$29.99	\$27.00	Pb	Bode Bonner is the Republican governor of Texas. He has everything he ever wanted: money, power, influence. But something isn't right in his life - everything feels too settled and easy. He longs for one more moment of excitement, one more challenge. Lindsay Bonner is Bode's wife, and she's bored too. Bored of Bode's womanising, bored of the endless cocktail parties and receptions. She is desperate to break free of her bland, wealthy Texan lifestyle. And that moment comes when she saves a poor Hispanic boy's life. From that moment on, nothing will be the same for Bode and Lindsay Bonner. Their lives are about to change in ways they could never have predicted...Filled with dramatic and ingenious twists and turns, this is an addictively readable novel that delves deep into the dark heart of Texas.
V is for Vengeance	Sue Grafton	\$19.99	\$18.00	Pb	A spiderweb of dangerous relationships lies at the heart of V is for Vengeance, Sue Grafton's daring new Kinsey Millhone novel. A woman with a murky past who kills herself-or was it murder? A spoiled kid awash in gambling debt who thinks he can beat the system. A lovely woman whose life is about to splinter into a thousand fragments. A professional shoplifting ring working for the Mob, racking up millions from stolen goods. A wandering husband, rich and ruthless. A dirty cop so entrenched on the force he is immune to exposure. A sinister gangster, conscienceless and brutal. A lonely widower mourning the death of his lover, desperate for answers, which may be worse than the pain of his loss. A private detective, Kinsey Millhone, whose thirty-eighth-birthday gift is a punch in the face that leaves her with two black eyes and a busted nose. And an elegant and powerful businessman whose dealings are definitely outside the law: the magus at the center of the web. V: Victim. Violence. Vengeance.
The Richmond Conspiracy	Andrew Grimes	\$29.99	\$27.00	Pb	Victor Radcliffe, prominent Melbourne businessman, on the committee of the Carlton Football Club, lies murdered in a deserted warehouse-the bayonet wound suggests a trained killer, but Police Inspector James Maclaine, and his smart-talking sidekick Harry Devlin, are having trouble tracking down the killer. Why do the members of Radcliffe's household seem strangely offhand about his murder? Was there a woman on the scene of the crime? As for the woman in Maclaine's life, his marriage is on the skids and he can't keep his nightmares away. The Praetorian Guard, a shadowy group of WWI army veterans, keep showing up, as does the charming step-daughter of the deceased. Set in the summer of the Bodyline cricket series The Richmond Conspiracy is a crime mystery about men who have returned after war and are refugees in their own land-old certainties have vanished, betrayal is in the air, and Maclaine has to determine exactly where justice lies.
The Deadly Touch of the Tigress	Ian Hamilton	\$22.99	\$20.70	Pb	Petite Chinese-Canadian accountant Ava Lee is not quite what she seems. Ava is a specialist at recovering stolen money - through any means necessary. With razor-sharp intelligence and unorthodox rules of engagement, Ava works for a Hong Kong-based 'Uncle'. She's also the person the impossibly wealthy turn to when their money goes missing. Employed to track down \$5 million for a family friend, Ava's investigation begins a journey that takes her to the US, Hong Kong, Bangkok, the British Virgin Islands and Guyana - a place where Ava may finally have met her match. For anyone missing Lisbeth Salander, meet the very brilliant Ava Lee - a heroine for our times.
A Necessary End	Hazel Holt	\$39.95	\$35.95	Hb	When Sheila Malory reluctantly agrees to help out in one of Taviscombe's charity shops for a few weeks, her friend Rosemary warns her that about the 'control freak' manager Desmond Barlow, and wonders why she couldn't have said 'no'. Sheila does seem to find it difficult to let people down and it is not without some trepidation that she begins her volunteer work. Before too long, she begins to get the measure of her fellow volunteers including the bossy and strident Norma Stanley; no-nonsense and cheerful Jean; and Desmond's mousey and put-upon wife Wendy. It's clear there's a clash of personalities but surely no-one would wish Desmond harm? When his lifeless body is discovered in the shop after an apparent botched robbery, Sheila finds herself at the heart of the investigation as Inspector Bob Morris seeks her help - unofficially, of course. As Sheila delves deeper into the lives of her fellow charity-shop workers, she discovers long-held secrets and hitherto unknown connections - and perhaps a motive for murder exists after all? As Shakespeare put it so eloquently in Julius Caesar, 'death, a necessary end, will come when it will come' but for Desmond Barlow it came somewhat sooner than nature intended...

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Black Skies	Arnaldur Indridason	\$32.95	\$29.65	Pb	A man is making a crude leather mask with slits for eyes and mouth, and an iron spike fixed in the middle of the forehead. It is a 'death mask', once used by Icelandic farmers to slaughter calves. He has revenge in mind. Meanwhile, with Detective Erlendur absent, his colleague Sigurdur Oli is in the spotlight. A school reunion has left Sigurdur Oli dissatisfied with life in the police force. Iceland is enjoying an economic boom and young tycoons are busy partying with the international jet set. In contrast, Sigurdur Oli's relationship is on the rocks and soon even his position in the CID is compromised: when he agrees to visit a couple of blackmailers as a favour to a friend he walks in just as a woman is beaten unconscious. When she dies, Sigurdur Oli has a murder investigation on his hands. The evidence leads to debt collectors, extortionists, wild parties. But when a chance link connects these enquiries to the activities of a group of young bankers, Sigurdur Oli finds himself investigating the very elite he had envied. Moving from the villas of Reykjavik's banking elite to a sordid basement flat, Black Skies is a superb story of greed, pride and murder from one of Europe's most successful crime writers.
Afraid to Die	Lisa Jackson	\$16.99	\$15.30	Pb	The town of Grizzly Falls is on edge, and Detective Selena Alvarez is no exception. A string of terrifying murders has been solved, but a new nightmare is about to unfold. Two women are missing ? both of whom Selena knew. In a small town like Grizzly Falls, that's no surprise. But when their bodies are found, frozen solid and deliberately displayed, Selena is shocked to the core. Each victim wears a piece of her jewellery. Selena's partner, Detective Regan Pescoli, and the entire department are on the case, as is P.I. Dylan O'Keefe ? a man Selena got too close to once before. But this killer already knows too much about the mistakes Selena has tried to outrun. The secrets of her past are coming to the surface, one by one. And soon a madman bent on revenge will show her just how much she has to lose?
Funeral Note (#22 Bob Skinner)	Quintin Jardine	\$32.99	\$29.70	Pb	The brilliant new Bob Skinner mystery by the master of crime fiction, his most ambitious ever. After a tip-off, a man's body is exhumed from a shallow grave in Edinburgh. Murder surely, yet he died from natural causes, so, case closed? Indeed was there ever a case? But Chief Constable Skinner and his people keep on digging. Who was the man, why was he buried so reverentially, and by whom? Meanwhile corruption is discovered within the force, and an investigation launched. Immersed in crises, his marriage heading for the rocks, Skinner finds his very career hanging in the balance, its fate beyond his control. In a tale seen through the eyes of each of its leading players, Quintin Jardine, the Crimemaster, lays mystery upon mystery until the greatest threat of all those facing the Chief is revealed, and a deadly race begins. Can he win out, or will his life implode?
Hunt the Wolf	Don Mann	\$29.99	\$27.00	Pb	Mulholland Books presents...HUNT THE WOLF Navy SEAL commander Thomas Crocker doesn't do downtime. In the aftermath of a gruelling mission, he and his team decide to wind down...by climbing K2. But the world is a dangerous place wherever you go. On the mountain slopes Crocker meets a man with an appalling story - all over Europe, young girls are going missing. The authorities suspect a terrorist group is involved, but cannot prove it. Crocker and his men are sent to investigate. Their aim: to track down the ruthless men behind the kidnappings before their victims pay the ultimate price. But as they follow the trail from Scandinavia to the Middle East, they find themselves facing a web of terrorist cells with more terrifying ambitions than they could have imagined.
Death, Taxes and Extra Hold Hairspray: A Tara Holloway Novel	Diane Kelly	\$13.50	\$12.15	Pb	Tara Holloway might be having a bad hair day. Or month. But she's got eyes in the back of her head...and when it comes to taxes, no one's going to leap through a loophole on her watch! When you're an agent for the IRS, it's always tax time. And this season, Tara is up to her neck in work with two very knotty cases. One involves a charismatic minister who's using his mega-church as a tax shelter. The other is a crazy militant who's trying to turn Texas into a separate country. With her boyfriend out of town and her partner reassigned, Tara is on her own-and things are getting hairy. If dealing with the Lone Star State isn't enough, Tara has other new issues to take into account: There's a sexy new agent named Nick, who's got her head in the clouds...and Tara's boss, Lu, who's having a hair problem of epic proportions: not even her Chinese contraband industrial-strength hairspray is enough to keep her signature strawberry blonde beehive from falling flat. Can Tara help Lu find a wig-and keep from wiggling out over Nick? Love, updos, taxes-this time, Tara's got a whole lot of kinks to iron out...
A Fine and Private Place: Sandro Cellini #2	Christobel Kent	\$19.99	\$18.00	Pb	As Sandro gets to grips with the dispiriting realities of life as a private detective, touting for business among old contacts and following errant teenagers, an old case comes back to haunt him...Once the subject of a routine investigation back in Sandro's early days as an investigator, Loni Meadows - the glamorous, charming and ruthless director of an artistic Trust based in a castle in the hills outside Florence - is found dead in circumstances Sandro cannot convince himself are accidental. However inconvenient his suspicions might be, both to Sandro - whose marriage appears to be disintegrating - and to Meadows's erstwhile employers at the Trust, he presses ahead with the case. And as Sandro attempts to uncover the truth of Loni Meadows's violent and lonely death, he finds himself drawn into the lives of the castle's highly strung community and the closed world they inhabit in the Casentino's isolated hills.
The Dead Season	Christobel Kent	\$29.99	\$27.00	Pb	Florence is deserted. The sluggish Arno and the Ponte Vecchio shimmer in the summer haze. A corpse lies on the roadside, waiting for discovery...This is a new Sandro Cellini mystery. Every August, Florence shimmers in the summer heat. But this year the heatwave is fiercer than usual, and the city's inhabitants have fled to the cool of the hills and beaches of the surrounding countryside. But former policeman turned private detective Sandro Cellini will not be joining them, and nor will the manager of a branch of a small, failing provincial bank. Sandro has a case: a man who seems to have vanished into thin air leaving his pregnant wife behind him. But the bank manager lies amidst the shrubbery of a busy roundabout, his corpse bloating in the humid air. Meanwhile, bank-teller Roxana Delfino is both worried by her mother's state of mind - is her memory failing? Has she imagined an intruder onto their property, and puzzled by the disappearance of one her regular clients? And just what does the old porn cinema near Roxana's bank have to do with these three separate mysteries? As all Florence sweats it out, Sandro, his assistant Guili, wife Luisa and former police partner Pietro attempt as best they can to grapple with the case and the complications it throws up along the way. And when the weather finally breaks, it brings with it a shocking revelation...This title is suitable for readers of Michael Dibdin's Aurelio Zen Mysteries, Donna Leon and Tobias Jones.

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A Sinister Sense	Allison Kingsley	\$13.50	\$12.15	Pb	Visions of the future and turning into people's thoughts come naturally to Clara Quinn thanks to her inherited Quinn Sense. Unfortunately, it offers no insight into her love life - or lack thereof - especially where hardware store owner Rick Sanders is concerned. But even though she's still nursing a broken heart, Clara offers Rick a home for his troublesome dog, Tatters. But Tatters is the least of Rick's problems when a dead body is discovered in the back of his truck. The victim was seen in the hardware store - and bludgeoned to death with a hammer stolen from there. Clara believes Rick is innocent, but she's not sure whether that belief comes from the Quinn Sense in her head or simply from a desire in her heart...
A Lily of the Field	John Lawton	\$19.99	\$18.00	Pb	Observe in what an original world we are now living: how many men can you find in Europe who have never killed; or whom somebody does not wish to kill? Vienna, 1934. Ten-year-old cello prodigy Meret Voytek becomes a pupil of concert pianist Viktor Rosen, a Jew in exile from Germany. The Isle of Man, 1940. An interned Hungarian physicist is recruited for the Manhattan Project in Los Alamos, building the atom bomb for the Americans. Auschwitz, 1944. Meret is imprisoned but is saved from certain death to play the cello in the camp orchestra. She is playing for her life. London, 1948. Viktor Rosen wants to relinquish his Communist Party membership after thirty years. His comrade and friend reminds him that he committed for life...These seemingly unconnected strands all collide forcefully with a brazen murder on a London Underground platform, revealing an intricate web of secrecy and deception. The ensuing events have personal significance for Scotland Yard Detective Frederick Troy. He finds himself pursuing a case with deadly and far-reaching consequences that ultimately threaten the balance of power in Europe. Moving seamlessly from Vienna and Auschwitz to the deserts of New Mexico and the rubble-strewn streets of London, A Lily of the Field is a fast-paced, thrilling addition for fans of the series and a captivating introduction for new readers of Lawton's work.
Double Dexter: A Novel	Jeff Lindsay	\$19.99	\$18.00	Pb	A witness. Such a simple concept - and yet for Dexter Morgan, a perfectly well-disguised serial killer, the possibility of a witness is terrifying. As an upstanding blood-spatter analyst for the Miami Police, Dexter has always managed to keep the darker side of his life out of the spotlight. An expert at finding truly bad people - murderers who've long escaped justice - Dexter has long been giving them his own special brand of attention. But now someone has seen him in the act. Dexter is being followed, manipulated and mimicked, leading him to realise that no one likes to have a double - especially when his double's goal is to kill him. Dexter is not one to tolerate such displeasure ...in fact, he has a knack for extricating himself from trouble in his own pleasurable way.
Beef Stolen-Off	Liz Lipperman	\$13.50	\$12.15	Pb	As the food columnist for The Ranchero Globe, Jordan McAllister catches the eye of cattle baron Lucas Santana, who invites her to the Cattleman's Ball, hoping a positive review from the ball might boost the county's sagging beef sales. To ensure Jordan enjoys herself, Santana sets her up with a prime cowboy companion for the event - Rusty Morales. Jordan's delighted to go with him and two-step the night away. But instead, she winds up in the emergency room where her date is DOA. When Rusty's mother begs her for help, Jordan knows she needs to grab the bull by the horns and get to the bottom of this mystery before she corrals herself into trouble... And it INCLUDES RECIPES! What more could you ask for in a book. What? A new kitchen? There's just no pleasing some people...
Chelsea Mansions	Barry Maitland	\$19.99	\$18.00	Pb	The annual Chelsea Flower Show is one of the tourist highlights of London. But this year, the event is tainted by the murder of an American tourist in a random act of violence. But when DCI David Brock's Serious Crime division of Scotland Yard investigates, they quickly discover that the killer somehow avoided having both his face and his escape captured on any of the many closed circuit cameras in the area. The conclusion is inescapable - what seemed a senseless, but random, event was in fact a carefully planned murder. But how could the victim- a retired widow traveling with a long time family friend - be worth the trouble and expense of such an elaborate killing? When a very wealthy Russian oligarch is killed in the garden of his palatial estate not far from the hotel where the murdered tourist was staying, Brock and Kolla suspect that something more complicated is going on and that the two killings are somehow related. In a case that takes Brock and his team all the way to the States and back, secrets from a long forgotten past are the key to a string of bloody murders that are just beginning...
The Nameless Dead	Brian McGilloway	\$29.99	\$27.00	Pb	You can't investigate the baby, Inspector. It's the law.' Declan Cleary's body has never been found, but everyone believes he was killed for informing on a friend over thirty years ago. Now the Commission for Location of Victims' Remains is following a tip-off that he was buried on the small isle of Islandmore, in the middle of the River Foyle. Instead, the dig uncovers a baby's skeleton, and it doesn't look like death by natural causes. But evidence revealed by the Commission's activities cannot lead to prosecution. Inspector Devlin is torn. He has no desire to resurrect the violent divisions of the recent past. Neither can he let a suspected murderer go unpunished. Now the secret is out, more deaths follow. Devlin must trust his conscience even when that puts those closest to him at terrible risk ...
Some Kind of Peace	Camilla Grebe	\$29.99	\$27.00	Hb	34-year-old psychotherapist Siri Bergman is terrified of the dark. Living alone in a picturesque, but isolated area east of Stockholm, she has tried hard to convince herself that she has moved on since her husband, Stefan, died in a diving accident several years ago. But when she goes to bed, Siri leaves all the lights on unable to shake the feeling that someone is watching her at night. So when one night she wakes up to find that the house is pitch black, and the torch she keeps by her bed for back-up is not where she thought she'd left it, it seems that Siri's worst fears have been realized. And when the lifeless body of Sara Matteus, one of her patients, is found floating in the water near Siri's house, events quickly spiral. It is clear that Siri is in great danger, and she is thrown headlong into the centre of a murder investigation which will put each of her closest friends under the spotlight and force her to relive her troubled past.

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Red Velvet Revenge	Jenn McKinlay	\$13.50	\$12.15	Pb	From the New York Times bestselling author... It may be summertime, but sales at Fairy Tale Cupcakes are below zero - and owners Melanie Cooper and Angie DeLaura are willing to try anything to heat things up. So when local legend Slim Hazard offers them the chance to sell cupcakes at the annual Juniper Pass rodeo, they're determined to rope in a pretty payday! But not everyone at the Juniper Pass is as sweet for Fairy Tale Cupcakes as Slim - including star bull-rider Ty Stokes. Mel and Angie try to steer clear of the cowboy's short fuse, but when his dead body is found face down in the hay, it's a whole different rodeo. With a vengeful murderer on the loose, the ladies are quickly realizing that while they came to save their business, they may have to save themselves - and that's no bull. INCLUDES SCRUMPTIOUS RECIPES. Groceries not included.
Going Organic Can Kill You	Staci McLaughlin	\$13.50	\$12.15	Pb	As Dana readjusts to life back home with her recently widowed mother, her latest career move isn't exactly a piece of cake. In fact, it's all tofu fish sticks, stuffed squash blossoms, and enough wheat grass shots to scream bloody murder - especially when Dana discovers the body of Maxwell Mendelsohn, Hollywood producer and opening weekend guest, deader than a yoga corpse pose. While Dana pens the Spa's blog and balances the attentions of the local police and reporter Jason Forrester, her escalating job duties now include finding clues, motives and suspects. One thing's for certain, she better act fast before all this healthy living kills her.
Gods and Beasts	Denise Mina	\$29.99	\$27.00	Pb	A Glasgow post office one week before Christmas. Martin Pavel cowers on the floor, his eyes locked on those of a terrified child. Above them a masked gunman wields an AK47 while the boy's grandfather calmly volunteers to help the robber gather the money. Then the old man stands passively, hands by his sides, while the gunman raises the barrel and shoots him to shreds. Recently returned to work after the birth of her twins, DS Alex Morrow is called in to head the investigation. Why did the grandfather offer his help? Was it a moment of madness, a noble act of self-sacrifice, or did the old man and his killer share a dark past? Morrow's enquiries lead her to the door of Kenny Gallagher, a politician fighting for his political life - and his marriage - after he's publicly accused of having an affair with a young employee. And unknown to Morrow a temptation too great to resist leads two of her colleagues, DCs Leonard and Wilder, to make a rash decision and leaves them at the mercy of a ruthless blackmailer. The complicity of an old man in his own death, a promiscuous politician and a bag of untraceable money - one city, three crimes and a powerful connection that runs from Glasgow's dark criminal underworld to the international spheres of the super rich.
When the Thrill is Gone	Walter Mosley	\$22.99	\$20.70	Pb	The economy has hit the PI business hard, and Leonid McGill is getting job offers only from the criminals he's worked so hard to leave behind. So how can he say no to the beautiful young woman who walks into his office with a stack of cash? She's an artist, she tells him, who's escaped poverty via marriage to a rich collector. A rich collector with two ex-wives whose deaths are shrouded in mystery. She says she fears for her life, and needs Leonid's help. Though Leonid knows better, this isn't a job he can afford to turn away. Meanwhile, Leonid's personal life grows ever more chequered: his favourite stepson, Twill, drops out of school for mysteriously lucrative pursuits; his wife takes a new lover, infuriating the old one and endangering the whole family; and Leonid's girlfriend, Aura, is back but intent on some serious conversations...Is the client at his door who she seems and - if his family's misadventures don't kill him first - will sorting out the woman's crooked tale bring Leonid straight to death's door?
The Unlucky Lottery	Hakan Nesser	\$18.99	\$17.10	Pb	This is a dark family mystery from Hakan Nesser. in the front rank of Swedish crime writers . (The Times). Four pensioners celebrate the fact that they have won 20,000 kronor in the lottery. Just hours later, one of them - Waldemar Leverkuhn - is found in his home, stabbed to death. With Chief Inspector Van Veeteren on sabbatical, working in a second hand bookshop, the case is assigned to Inspector Munster. But when another member of the lottery group disappears, as well as Leverkuhn's neighbour, Munster appeals to Van Veeteren for assistance. Soon Munster will find himself interviewing the Leverkuhn family, including the eldest - Irene - a resident of a psychiatric clinic. And as he delves deeper into the family's history, he will discover dark secrets and startling twists, which not only threaten the clarity of the case - but also his life...
Agent of the State	Roger Pearce	\$29.99	\$27.00	Pb	A Groundbreaking new thriller by the former Commander of Special BranchA suspected terrorist is frisked for explosives on the Embankment. Operators do this so skilfully he remains completely unaware...In New Scotland Yard a new brand of manager fails to deal with escalating threats - 'aggressive indecision' is what Detective Chief Inspector John Kerr calls it...He discovers that cocaine-fuelled sex parties in Knightsbridge are pulling in businessmen, Russian diplomats and senior members of the British government...When Kerr's investigations are blocked by his bosses in Scotland Yard, he decides to go it alone and begins to expose a cover-up that extends to all levels of the British Establishment. Agent of the State is the first novel by Roger Pearce, a former Special Branch officer at New Scotland Yard who rose to become its Commander and a key player in Whitehall's intelligence network. It is an authentic account of the way the British intelligence services work at all levels and of the hypocrisy of the British establishment.
Cut	George Pelecanos	\$19.99	\$18.00	Pb	Since he got home from Iraq, Spero Lucas has carved out a good life for himself, enjoying his youth and his independence, and making a name as the kind of person who gets jobs done quietly and effectively, usually just on the right side of the law. A quick case for a criminal defense attorney leads him into the world of a high-profile marijuana dealer, currently in prison but with a long reach, who wants to find out who's been stealing from his dealers. Soon Lucas uncovers a tangle of connections that lead dangerously close to some people in high places - and to Lucas's own family.
Crossbones Yard	Kate Rhodes	\$29.99	\$27.00	Pb	Mulholland Books presents...CROSSBONES YARD Ray and Marie Benson killed 13 women before they were caught, tried and imprisoned. Five of their victims were never found. Six years later, psychologist Alice Quentin discovers a woman's body on the waste ground at Crossbones Yard. The wounds are horrifyingly similar to the Bensons' signature style. But who would want to copy their crimes? When Alice is called in to consult, her first instinct is to say no. She wants to focus on treating her patients, not analysing the mind of a murderer. But the body at Crossbones Yard is just the start, and the killer may already be closer than Alice knows.

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Cold Grave	Craig Robertson	\$29.99	\$27.00	Pb	Even the coldest case will eventually crack. November 1993. Scotland is in the grip of the coldest winter in living memory and the Lake of Menteith is frozen over. A young man and woman walk across the ice to the historic island of Inchmahome which lies in the middle of the lake. Only the man comes back. In the spring, as staff prepare the abbey ruins for summer visitors, they discover the unidentifiable remains of the body of a girl, her skull violently crushed. Twenty years later, present day. Retired detective Alan Narey is still haunted by the unsolved crime. Desperate to relieve her father's conscience DS Rachel Narey returns to the Lake of Menteith and unofficially reopens the cold case. With the help of police photographer Tony Winter, Rachel discovers that the one man her father had always suspected was the killer has recently died. Risking her job and reputation, Narey prepares a dangerous gambit to uncover the killer's identity - little knowing who that truly is. Despite the freezing temperatures the ice cold case begins to thaw, and with it a tide of secrets long frozen in time are suddenly and shockingly unleashed.
The Hunted Hare: The First Volume in the Aidan Mysteries	Fay Sampson	\$43.95	\$24.95	Pb	Pennant Melangell lies at the head of a mountain valley in North Wales. It consists of a church, with the medieval shrine and pilgrimage site of St Melangell, a few cottages - and a newly constructed hotel, The House of the Hare, built by its imposing director Thaddeus Brown. To the House of the Hare come Aidan and Jenny Davison, with their seven-year-old daughter Melangell. Jenny is dying of cancer, but is determined to live life to the full while she can. She looks forward to using the hotel's archery range. Thaddeus Brown's new centre has provoked fierce opposition. When Brown is found dead, an arrow in his eye, suspicion falls first upon Lorna, his vulnerable young niece, and then upon an eccentric and passionate local man. Then young Melangell goes missing - The first of a series of new mysteries featuring Aidan and Melangell and set in what Fay Sampson describes as the 'thin' places of the Celtic world.
Outsiders	Gerald Seymour	\$68.40	\$37.95	Pb	They used to meet for a smoke behind the MI5 building. They were disbanded after the death of the youngest member of their team at the hands of a Russian gangster. Now, suddenly, the Graveyard Team is being called back together. Word is that the ganster is staying at a villa in Spain - the Costa del Sol being a multi-billion dollar hub in the worldwide drug trade. Winnie Monks has never forgotten - or forgiven - the murder of her agent. Now she asks permission to put a photo surveillance unit in the empty house next door to the villa, not mentioning that she is also sending one of the Graveyard Team - Sparky the sniper. In another part of London, likeable young man Jonno is starting a relationship with a girl called Polly. They are offered the chance to spend a week in a little house belonging to family friends on the Costa del Sol. A house that MI5 thinks is empty ...The Graveyard Team is vintage Seymour: action, suspense, brilliant characterisation and fascinating insight into a full-scale war - the war against organised crime, which is happening all around us. every day.
Criminal	Karin Slaughter	\$32.95	\$29.65	Pb	The past will always find you. A woman is found brutally murdered in a sordid Atlanta apartment. Her blood-soaked body bears a startling similarity to a woman found dead almost 40 years earlier. Soon Special Agent Will Trent finds himself returning to the home he grew up in. And a past that could hold the clue to the killings...
The Terror of Living	Urban Waite	\$19.99	\$18.00	Pb	Phil Hunt is a good man whose life has led him to do bad things. In the twenty years since the worst mistake he ever made, he has done his time and been saved by the love of a woman who has always kept the faith in him. But try as he might to lead a quiet life, Hunt still needs to make a living, and sometimes that involves a return to the wrong side of the law. So it is that, during a foiled drug deal in the mountains, Hunt's path crosses with that of deputy sheriff Bobby Drake. Determined to prove his own worth and escape the shadow of his corrupt father, Drake is never off duty. Against the advice of his superiors, he sets out to capture Hunt, who must risk his life more than once for the sake of all he holds dear. As the chase closes in and loyalties are tested, Hunt and Drake will be changed irrevocably, and each must face a terrible choice...
The Girl in Berlin	Elizabeth Wilson	\$29.99	\$27.00	Pb	Which side are you on? This is a novel about spies, lies and unearthing the truth. Summer 1951. The Cold War is at its height. Burgess and Maclean have just disappeared, and the nation is obsessed with the story of their probable defection. Colin Harris, a member of the Communist Party, who has been exiled in Germany for several years, arrives back in England with news: he has fallen in love with a girl in Berlin and plans to return to the UK permanently with his bride-to-be. Then Konrad Ebershardt, a German scientist, living in England for the past two decades, is found dead, and it emerges that Harris was one of the last people to see him alive. What does Harris know about Burgess and Maclean? Was he involved in Ebershardt's murder? And who is this girl in Berlin? A novel about secrets and spies, about making choices and living with the consequences, The Girl In Berlin is a reminder that when nothing is as it seems, no-one can be trusted - even, sometimes, those you think you know best.
Night Watch	Linda A. Fairstein	\$63.51	\$35.95	Pb	Linda Fairstein follows up her 13th bestselling Alexandra Cooper thriller with another taut, fascinating foray into the dark side of New York City, this time centred around the city's most glamorous and storied restaurants. With the help of NYPD's Mike Chapman, Alex is set to uncover the shocking secrets that have lurked just beneath the surface of the bustling metropolis for centuries - only to come screaming to light in the present day.
A Willing Victim	Laura Wilson	\$27.99	\$25.20	Pb	London, November, 1956. DI Ted Stratton is tasked with investigating the murder of Jeremy Lloyd, a strange young man with a taste for esoteric religion. Stratton's enquiries lead him to Suffolk, where the mysterious Mr Roth has founded a Foundation for Spiritual Understanding. Apparently Lloyd had believed himself marked out for great things. But at the Foundation, Stratton meets twelve-year-old Michael who is proclaimed as the next incarnation in a long line of spiritual leaders that stretches back to Christ and Buddha. He is rumoured amongst Roth's disciples to have been immaculately conceived, but the woman who is said to be his mother, and whose photograph was cherished by Lloyd, has disappeared. When a woman's body is found in woods nearby, Stratton initially assumes he has found 'the mother', but the reality turns out to be far stranger and far more terrifying...

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Title	Author	RRP	Price	Bind	Description
Death Comes to Pemberley	P. D. James	\$19.99	\$18.00	Pb	The year is 1803, and Darcy and Elizabeth have been married for six years. There are now two handsome and healthy sons in the Pemberley nursery, Elizabeth's beloved sister Jane and her husband, Bingley, live within seventeen miles, the ordered and secure life of Pemberley seems unassailable, and Elizabeth's happiness in her marriage is complete. But their peace is threatened and old sins and misunderstandings are rekindled on the eve of the annual autumn ball. The Darcys and their guests are preparing to retire for the night when a chaise appears, rocking down the path from Pemberley's wild woodland, and as it pulls up, Lydia Wickham, an uninvited guest, tumbles out, screaming that her husband has been murdered. In a pitch-perfect recreation of the world of <i>Pride and Prejudice</i> , P.D. James elegantly fuses her lifelong passion for the work of Jane Austen with her talent for writing detective fiction. She weaves a compelling story, combining a sensitive insight into the happy but threatened marriage of the Darcys and the excitement and suspense of a brilliantly crafted detective story. <i>Death Comes to Pemberley</i> enshrines the qualities her readers have come to expect: psychological and emotional richness of characterisation, vivid evocation of place, and a credible and superbly structured plot, in a powerful and distinguished work of fiction.
Death at the Wedding Feast	Deryn Lake	\$24.95	\$22.45	Pb	An Apothecary John Rawlings Georgian mystery - Apothecary John Rawlings has travelled to Devon to be by the side of his mistress, Elizabeth di Lorenzi, who is due to give birth to their child. Leaving his shop - and his new carbonated water business - in good hands, John is presented with a surprise on his arrival at Sidmouth Bay. While Elizabeth is recuperating, he learns that Lady Sidmouth's daughter, Miranda, is to marry the elderly Earl of St Austell, who is fifty-four years her senior and has a cruel reputation. As the wedding day approaches, John feels increasingly uneasy, and before too long his worst forebodings are realized . . .
City of Fiends	Michael Jecks	\$29.99	\$27.00	Pb	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...
An Evil Eye	Jason Goodwin	\$19.99	\$18.00	Pb	When the body of a Russian agent is found down a monastery well, Yashim knows exactly who to blame. Fevzi Ahmet Pasha, commander of the Ottoman fleet. Years ago, when Yashim first entered the sultan's service, Fevzi Ahmet was his mentor. Ruthless, cruel, and - in Yashim's eyes - ultimately ineffective, he is the only man who makes him afraid. And now Yashim must confront the secret that Fevzi Pasha has been keeping all these years, a secret whose roots lie deep in the tortured atmosphere of the sultan's harem, where normal rules are suspended, and women can simply disappear. Once again, Yashim and his friends encounter treachery and politics, played out against the backdrop of 1840s Istanbul.
The Midnight Man	Paul Doherty	\$39.95	\$35.95	Hb	A 'Canterbury Tales' medieval mystery - As Chaucer's pilgrims shelter for the night, it's the physician's turn to enthral his fellow travellers with a terrifying tale. When Brother Anselm and his novice Stephen are summoned to the Church of St Michael's, Candlewick, to perform an exorcism, the demons that plague the church appear to have been summoned by an infamous sorcerer known as the Midnight Man. But what has he unwittingly unleashed - and why? Is there any link to the disappearance of young women in the area? Before Anselm can get to the truth, he must first uncover the identity of the mysterious Midnight Man.
The Murderer's Tale	Margaret Frazer	\$39.95	\$35.95	Hb	Caught under the tyrannical thumb of her new prioress, Dame Frevisse finds welcome relief in leaving St Frideswide nunnery on a pilgrimage. But the road brings with it unwelcome company: the wealthy Lionel Knyvet has been possessed by a foul demon. Seeking relief from the horrific terrors visited upon his body each fortnight, Lionel has dragged his entire household on an endless pilgrimage across the length and breadth of England. Frevisse wants nothing more than the peaceful bliss of travel, but must instead endure the incessant chattering of a mob. Lionel's possession, however, may only mask a darker sin. When the pilgrims make their way to the manor house at Minster Lovell, Frevisse begins to unwind the bitter poisons of jealousy and betrayal eating at the hearts of both Lionel and his brother Giles. Against her will, the innocent nun is drawn into the vilest depths of the human soul and there she unlocks the mysteries of a blackened heart. But even when the truth comes out, can justice be done? The pure of heart will find no peace when murder and death come knocking at the manor's door...
The Secrets of Mary Bowser	Lois Leveen	\$19.99	\$18.00	Pb	I spy with my little eye, where the bird goes when he doesn't fly,' Mama said one mid-day, her words floating on the Richmond heat as we carried empty cookpots through the yard to the kitchen. Mama, your little girl is all grown up, and still playing our best game. I am a spy ... Mary Bowser was born a slave. She was freed and educated. Then she willingly went back into slavery... As the American Civil War looms, Mary gives up her independence and returns to her home state. There she poses as an illiterate slave in the Confederate White House and spies on President Jefferson Davis. But as the death and destruction of war take their toll, Mary discovers that everything comes at a cost - even freedom. Based on a true story, <i>The Secrets of Mary Bowser</i> is an extraordinary and inspiring tale of injustice and courage, friendship and conflict - and of one woman willing to sacrifice her own liberty to change the course of history.

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The Mammoth Book of New CSI: Forensic Science in Over Thirty Real-life Crime Scene Investigations	Nigel Cawthorne	\$12.99	\$11.70	Pb	This book features detailed accounts of over 30 contemporary cases, or older cases reopened as a result of advances in forensic science. Crime scene investigations draw on a wide range of cutting-edge technology including genetic fingerprinting, blood splatter analysis, laser ablation, toxicology and ballistics analysis. Cases covered here include: the abduction of Madeleine McCann; the vindication of Colin Stagg, convicted of having murdered Rachel Nickell; Hadden Clark who killed and ate a six-year-old child in Maryland; Robert Pickton, the Vancouver farmer who fed his female victims to his pigs; the murder of Meredith Kercher in Perugia (was Amanda Knox guilty?) Lindsay Hawker's gruesome death in Japan; and, Josef Fritzl and the cellar in which he imprisoned and raped his daughter.
Vendetta: The Mafia, Judge Falcone and the Quest for Justice	John Follain	\$29.99	\$27.00	Pb	On 23 May 1992 the Mafia assassinated its 'Number One Enemy', the legendary prosecutor Judge Falcone, with a motorway bomb that also killed his wife Francesca and three bodyguards. Fifty-seven days later, the Mafia killed Falcone's friend and colleague, Judge Paolo Borsellino, with a car bomb outside his mother's home that also killed five bodyguards. These two murders changed forever how Italy viewed the Mafia. This book tells the inside story of the assassination plots and the investigation that followed. Follain reveals Borsellino's desperate race against time to find out who killed his friend while knowing he was next on the list and reveals the daring undercover police mission which unmasked the killers. Based on new and exclusive interviews and the testimony of investigators, Mafia supergrasses, survivors, relatives and friends, Vendetta recounts the events hour-by-hour, minute-by-minute as the Mafiosi plan and carry out the murders, and as the police hunt them down.