

CRIME Chronicle

"Where a good crime can be had by all"

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NEW AUSTRALIAN CRIME! PETER MILNE RECOMMENDS...

P M Newton The Old School

Not every member of the NSW police force has welcomed the half-Vietnamese Nhu 'Ned' Kelly into a job where the old school make the rules. When two bodies are discovered in an old Bankstown building, Ned is drawn into Sydney's dirty past - and the murky history of her own family. Bit by bit she gains ground on the murderer - just as he gains ground on her. Soon Ned must decide who is on her side - and who wants her dead.

[*Australian, Police Procedural*] 372pp Pb \$24.95



Jennifer Rowe Love, Honour and O'Brien

Holly Love swears to track down the cheating swine who ripped her life apart, and make him pay. But as she tries to keep her head in the face of a bizarre mystery, a gloomy old house, a hearse-driving Elvis impersonator and a gang of vengeful thugs - not to mention a possibly possessed parrot - Holly is forced to come to terms with the truth. However bad things seem, they can always get worse...

[*Australian, Suspense*] 360pp Pb \$22.99



Catherine Aird Past Tense

DCI Sloan Mystery #22 Janet Wakefield is shocked by a call from the Berebury Nursing Home, informing her that her husband's estranged great-aunt, Josephine Short, has passed away. Janet is sure that her husband Bill was the last of Josephine's close family, so she is taken aback when a handsome young man introduces himself at the funeral as Josephine's grandson. Meanwhile detectives Sloan and Crosby find themselves two rather puzzling cases. First, there's the young woman's body which has been discovered in the River Alm. And then there's the mysterious break-in at Berebury Nursing Home, Josephine's room to be precise. It becomes apparent to Sloan and Crosby that the two cases are connected... but who can the killer be? To quote The Times: "Never less than elegant and mischievously sharp".

[*English, Police Procedural*] 352pp Pb \$17.99



Gillian Galbraith No Sorrow to Die

Alice Rice #4 As Heather Brodie kisses her lover goodnight, her disabled husband lies dead, his throat cut from ear to ear. Who wanted Gavin Brodie dead? Many people, including Gavin Brodie. Crushed by an incurable illness, he pleaded to be allowed to die. When Alice Rice is brought in to investigate another terminally-ill man is found murdered. Is it just a coincidence? Or is there a serial killer with a mission to get rid of the sick and infirm? And Alice has more worries when she suspects her partner, Ian Melville, is lying to her. What secret is he hiding? This atmospheric thriller builds on the success of the first three Alice Rice mysteries, and is a passionate tale.

[*Scottish, Police Procedural*] 224pp Pb \$19.95

SPECIAL PRICE: Alice Rice #1, #2 and #3, *Blood in the Water*, *Where the Shadow Falls*, and *Dying of the Light* (Pb \$12.95 each)



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REVIEW BY PETER SMITH

John le Carré Our Kind of Traitor

This is the sort of book you read in one sitting! British couple Perry and Gail, holidaying in Antigua, meet the aggressive, charismatic Dima - a Russian of huge wealth who dreams of settling his family in England and is prepared to betray his fellow oligarchs by divulging illegalities involving the UK banking and political establishment. Tension builds relentlessly as Perry and Gail become entangled in Dima's plans. Le Carré gives Dima an original and authentic voice - the best dialogue since Mark Dapin's *King of the Cross* (Pb \$22.99). Venturing behind the headlines, the story is immediate, compulsively readable and disturbing in its implications.

[*English, Suspense*] 320pp Pb \$24.95



PHILIP KERR FIELD GREY

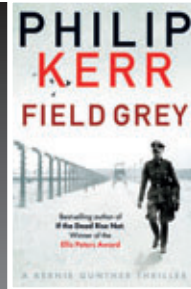
Bernard Gunther #7 Gunther finds himself working for French intelligence (or he'll hang) to locate a French war criminal.

[*Scottish, Spy*] 384pp \$21.99

SPECIAL

Bernie Gunther #4 *The One from the Other* & #5 *A Quiet Flame* Pb

~~\$24.95~~ now \$9.95



Janet Evanovich Smokin' Seventeen

Stephanie Plum #17 New Jersey bounty hunter Stephanie Plum knows that where there's smoke, there's fire. The bail bonds office has burned to the ground - forcing Stephanie to work out of a motor home. And just when Stephanie decides it might be time to choose between the two men in her life - Morelli and Ranger - a third man from Stephanie's past moves back to Trenton...

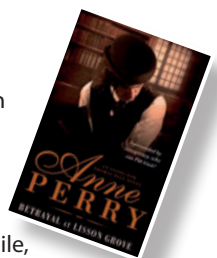
[*American, Romantic Suspense*] 320pp Tp \$32.99



Anne Perry Betrayal at Lisson Grove

Thomas Pitt #26 1895, England. Reformists threaten to overthrow England's government. But Inspector Thomas Pitt finds himself in France, in pursuit of a suspected terrorist. Meanwhile, Pitt's superior, Narraway, is accused of involvement in the death of an Irish informant and removed from office. It soon becomes clear that outside forces have conspired to separate Pitt and Narraway.

[*Scottish, Historical*] 448pp Pb \$19.99





Jeff Abbott

The Last Minute

Sam Capra #2 Sam Capra is an ex-CIA agent and devoted father to a child stolen from him by Novem Soles, a mysterious and powerful international intelligence agency. In exchange for his abducted son, the group commands Sam to commit a high-profile assassination. Teaming up with an equally desperate woman, Sam must unravel a deadly conspiracy if he's to rescue the only thing in the world that matters to him.

[American, Spy] 512pp Tp \$32.99

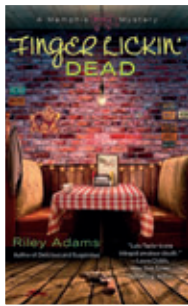


Riley Adams

Finger Lickin' Dead

Memphis BBQ #2 When an anonymous food critic blasts several local restaurants – including the restaurant owned by Aunt Pat - Lulu Taylor and her customers are biting mad, especially when they learn that Eppie Currian is the pen name of their friend Evelyn's cheating boyfriend. When 'Eppie' gets his own fatal review, the list of suspects is longer than the list of specials at the best BBQ place in Memphis!

[American, Cosy] 272pp Pb \$11.95



Robin Allen

If You Can't Stand the Heat

Poppy Markham #1

Poppy Markham's not sure if her dad will ever forgive her for leaving the family restaurant, Markham's Grille, to become a public health inspector. Yet Poppy agrees to help at the restaurant's grand re-opening, featuring Michelin-rated chef Evariste Bontecou. When Evariste is found stabbed to death, interrogating the kitchen crew propels Poppy out of the frying pan and into the fire!

[American, Cosy] 288pp Pb \$24.95



LEGEND

Pb Paperback

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(a tad larger than Paperback)

Hb Hardback

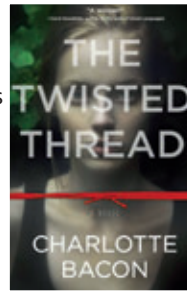
[Nationality of author, genre]

Charlotte Bacon

The Twisted Thread

A haunting thriller, taking readers inside the world of boarding schools and the privileges and hierarchies they enshrine... When beautiful senior Claire Harkness is found dead ten days before graduation, everyone at the prestigious Armitage Academy finds their lives upended, especially a local police detective and an intern in the English department, as both teachers and students emerge as suspects.

[American, Suspense] 384pp Pb \$24.95



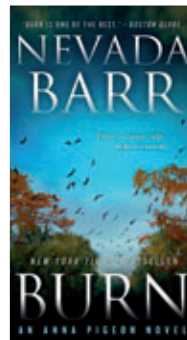
Nevada Barr

Burn

Anna Pigeon #16

Anna Pigeon is on leave from her job after a traumatic past couple of months. It seems like the perfect time to pay a visit to her old colleague Geneva, who now works as a jazz singer in the Big Easy. But Anna isn't in town long before she crosses paths with Geneva's neighbour, Jordan, who unnerves her. Then Anna discovers a gruesomely killed pigeon marked with runic symbols.

[American, Suspense] 480pp Pb \$16.95



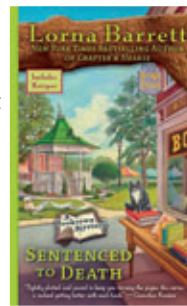
Lorna Barrett

Sentenced to Death

Booktown Mystery #5

When Tricia Miles friend Deborah is killed in a freak accident, Tricia must use her sleuthing skills to solve a murder mystery that promises to be much more sinister than the books on her shelves.

[American, Cosy] 352pp Pb \$13.95



Steve Berry

The Jefferson Key

Cotton Malone #9

Cotton Malone has been called on to use his knowledge of history to unravel conspiracies stretching back centuries. Cotton must battle an extraordinary group of families whose unseen influence dates back to the pages of the US Constitution - and whose thirst for power is about to be satisfied by the cracking of a code devised by Thomas Jefferson himself.

[American, Suspense] 480pp Tp \$32.99

Also available: Cotton Malone #8, The Emperor's Tomb [Pb \$19.99]



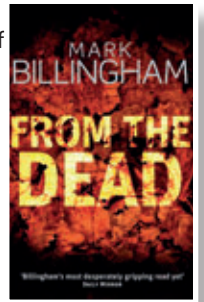
Mark Billingham

From the Dead

Tom Thorne #9

Donna was found guilty of conspiracy to murder her husband Alan Langford, serving ten years in prison. But just before she is released, Donna receives an anonymous letter containing a photo of her husband. The man she hates seems very much alive and well. Soon, DI Tom Thorne becomes involved in a case that will take him further from his London beat than he has ever been before.

[English, Police Procedural] 496pp Pb \$19.99



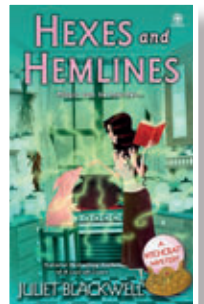
Juliet Blackwell

Hexes and Hemlines

Witchcraft Mystery #3

When the leader of a rationalist society, devoted to discrediting superstitions, is found stabbed to death next to a broken mirror, a black cat and the number 13, all evidence points to dark witchcraft. Lily Ivory - witch and vintage clothing store owner - is called in by the police to assist the investigation. Lily is determined to use magic of her own to find the murderer, before everyone's luck runs out!

[American, Cosy] 336pp Pb \$13.95



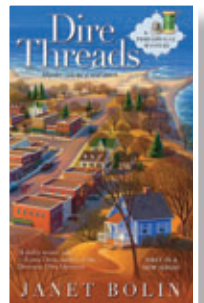
Janet Bolin

Dire Threads

Threadville Mystery

#1 Threadville's newest outspoken resident Willow Vanderling's new embroidery shop is not a hit with the local zoning commissioner - the corrupt Mike Krawbach. When Mike is murdered and the body found in Willow's yard, the evidence is stacked against her. Soon, Willow becomes the prime suspect in the murder case, and must unravel a tangled mystery to clear her name!

[American, Cosy] 336pp Pb \$13.95



S J Bolton

Blood Harvest

12-year-old Tom and his family have moved to a small town, but troubles begin when Tom sees a mysterious child lurking around the nearby churchyard. Meanwhile, psychiatrist Evi is trying to treat a woman haunted by the disappearance of her little girl. This odd little town harbours a terrifying secret.

[English, Suspense] 432pp Pb \$19.95



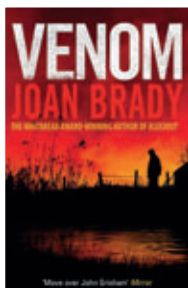
Stephen Booth**Lost River***Cooper & Fry #10 DC*

Ben Cooper is witness to the drowning of an eight-year-old, leading him to become involved in the tangled lives of the dead girl's family. As he gets to know them, Cooper suspects that one of them is harbouring a secret. Meanwhile, DS Diane Fry is drawn into an investigation among the inner-city streets of Birmingham, and Cooper is the only person who can provide the help she needs.

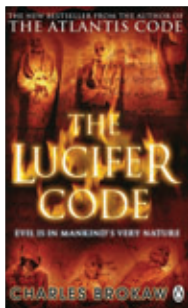
[English, Police Procedural] 368pp Pb \$24.99

**Joan Brady****Venom**

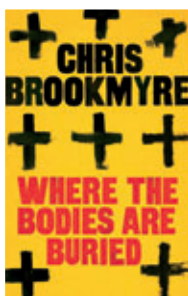
Recently released from prison, and warned that a powerful organisation is after him, David Marion may lay low. Meanwhile, physicist Helen Freyl accepts a job offer from a giant pharmaceutical company. But the death of a colleague followed by another causes Helen to suspect her own life is also in danger. Against a backdrop of industrial espionage and corporate greed, David and Helen fates are entwined. [English, Suspense] 480pp Pb \$19.99

**Charles Brokaw****The Lucifer Code***Thomas Lourds #2*

A secret scroll remains hidden in an ancient sanctuary, guarded by a sacred order waiting to inflict its power upon mankind. Only Thomas Lourds, the world's foremost scholar of ancient languages, can bring this scroll to its rightful place in history. Lourds soon becomes the focus of a manhunt, taking him right to the heart of the Vatican, where the forces of good and evil will collide. [American, Archaeological] 528pp Pb \$19.95

**Chris Brookmyre****Where the Bodies are Buried**

For Detective Catherine McLeod, the discovery of a dead drug-dealer in a Glasgow back alley is a sign of further deaths to come. Meanwhile, Jasmine Sharp works for her uncle Jim's PI business. When Jim goes missing, Jasmine's only lead points to the assassin Glen Fallon - dead for 20 years. Tracing an accomplished killer's footsteps, Jasmine stumbles into a web of corruption and secrets that could tear apart an entire police force. [English, Police Procedural] 304pp Tp \$32.99

**Kenneth Cameron****The Second Woman**

Denton #3 Denton is drawn into a complex web of intrigue when a mysterious Polish woman is found dead in the house adjoining his. While the police are baffled, Denton suspects she is the victim of a political conspiracy. But involving himself in the life and death of Lydia Alken proves dangerous, as he falls victim to the fledgling British Intelligence Service and discovers what the exact price of freedom is.

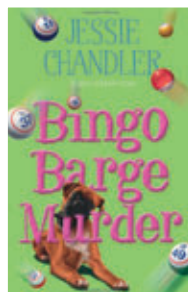
[American, Suspense] 320pp Pb \$22.99

**Linda Castillo****Breaking Silence**

Kate Burkholder #3 Chief of Police, Kate Burkholder, is called in to the Amish community of Painter's Creek to investigate the deaths of Solly and Rachel Slabaugh, and his brother Abel. Agent John Tomasetti and Kate have worked together before, and John rejoins Kate to help investigate what appear to be serious hate crimes against the Amish. But Kate will find this is something far more shocking. [American, Police Procedural] 368pp Tp \$32.99

**Jessie Chandler****Bingo Barge Murder**

Shay O'Hanlon #1 Shay O'Hanlon is co-owner of Minneapolis coffee shop The Rabbit Hole, and his lifelong friend Coop has become suspect in a murder case. Someone's killed the owner of The Bingo Barge, a sleazy gambling boat on the Mississippi River. When Shay's friend is kidnapped, it's up to Shay to rescue her without help from the police. Yet brushing off the relentless Detective Bordeaux won't be easy! [American, Cosy] 240pp Pb \$24.95

**Sam Christer****The Stonehenge Legacy**

Eight days before the summer solstice, a man is butchered on the ancient site of Stonehenge. Young archaeologist Gideon Chase must expose a secret society devoted to Stonehenge. With a ruthless leader at the helm, the cult is now performing ritual human sacrifices in a terrifying bid to unlock the secret of the stone.

[English, Archaeological] 496pp Pb \$19.99

**Harlan Coben****Miracle Cure**

Sara and Michael are the ideal celebrity couple - until their lives are shattered by a mysterious illness. Dr Harvey Riker has found the miracle cure that millions seek. One-by-one his patients are getting well. One-by-one they are targeted by a serial killer more fatal than the disease. Lieutenant Bernstein must track a killer who will do anything to prevent the desperately needed cure - making him the perfect victim.

[American, Suspense] 480pp Tp \$32.99

**J D Cregan****The Wonder of Seldom Seen**

Miles Jordon is wanted by the police, as is the renegade ASIO agent Robert Wilson. So is Greg Sweeney, a violent man whose wife Miles can't resist. Only a few weeks earlier, Miles had driven up the Gippsland Highway in search of a new life, before ending up in Seldom Seen. This may appear to be a quiet hamlet in Victoria's High Country - but it harbours secrets that are deeper than could ever be imagined. [Australian, Suspense] 304pp Tp \$32.95

**Clive Cussler****The Kingdom**

The husband-and-wife team of Sam and Remi Fargo are used to hunting for treasure promise to search for their missing friend. What they find is beyond imagination. On a journey that will take them across the world, the Fargos find themselves embroiled with black market fossils, an ancient Tibetan kingdom, a lost landmass in the North Sea... and a skeleton that could turn the history of human evolution on its head! [American, Archaeological] 512pp Tp \$32.95

**Jeffery Deaver****Carte Blanche**

A James Bond Novel. Ian Fleming Publications Ltd has chosen international bestselling thriller writer, Jeffery Deaver, to write the newest James Bond adventure! Returning in a contemporary new thriller which takes place in the present day and over a short period of time, Bond must visit four exotic locations around the globe, one of which is Dubai. [American, Spy] 448pp Tp \$32.99



Alex Dryden
The Blind Spy

Russia's Kremlin is threatening to invade Ukraine, a country vital to the West's oil and gas supplies. In Odessa, two top secret agents must prevent invasion and war. Ex-KGB Anna Resnikov and Logan Patterson need information. The CIA and MI6 are exerting muscle, with assassins also on their tail. Will they get to them before uncovering the identity of the Blind Spy, who seems to have all the answers?
[English, Spy] 480pp Pb \$22.99



Carola Dunn
Anthem for Doomed Youth
Daisy Dalrymple #19

Alec Fletcher is sent to investigate the discovery of three bodies buried in Epping Forest, where his team are hindered by uncooperative Essex policeman, DI Gant. But a bigger problem is identifying the victims and establishing a link between them. When Daisy Dalrymple uncovers the fact that one of the victims was a colonel, it would seem this case has roots from the Great War.
[English, Cosy] 256pp Pb \$19.95



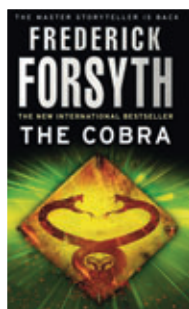
Geraldine Evans
Death Dance

Rafferty & Llewellyn #13
DI Joseph Rafferty has just left his wedding rehearsal when Sergeant Dafyd Llewellyn calls to say a local man has discovered his wife strangled on the kitchen floor. Adrienne Staveley is soon revealed to be a woman with many secrets - and lovers - and there is no shortage of suspects. But to Rafferty's horror, his fiancée Abra's fingerprints are among those found in the dead woman's house.
[English, Police Procedural] 192pp Tp \$27.95



Frederic Forsyth
The Cobra

Ex-CIA special ops Paul Devereaux is given the impossible task of putting a halt to the cocaine industry. The drug trade has been accustomed to world governments attempting to prevent them plying their trade. Those governments have played by the rules. But now the rules no longer apply and a dirty war is about to get dirtier.
[English, Spy] 448pp Pb \$22.99



Kathryn Fox
Death Mask

In the US, sexual assaults are reported against players in the Jersey Bombers football team. Management bring in the Australian Dr Anya Crichton, an expert in sexual violence relating to male sporting teams. Anya must balance her responsibilities to the Bombers' management with her desire to see the perpetrators brought to justice.
[Australian, Forensic] 320pp Pb \$22.99



Brian Freeman
The Bone House

A year ago, accusations of an affair with a pupil cost Mark Bradley his teaching job. Now the student's sister is dead, and Mark faces a hostile town convinced of his guilt. Hilary Bradley is determined to protect her husband, and her only ally is detective Cab Bolton. Cab suspects that others are involved in her death. But there are people willing to kill to keep the truth hidden - and to ensure Mark pays the ultimate price.
[American, Suspense] 448pp Pb \$22.99



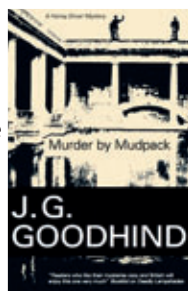
Sulari Gentill
A Few Right Thinking Men

In 1930s Australia's, the influential Sinclair family's youngest son Rowland - an artist - has a talent for scandal. Even with the unemployed lining the streets, Rowland uses the family fortune to indulge his artistic passions. Mounting political tensions fuelled by the Great Depression take Australia to the brink of revolution. Rowland is indifferent to the politics - until a brutal murder exposes an extraordinary conspiracy
[Australian, Suspense] 288pp Pb \$22.99



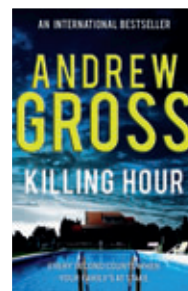
J G Goodhind
Murder by Mudpack
Honey Driver #6

When Lady Macrottie is found submerged in what should have been a therapeutic mud bath, the finger of suspicion points to the Beauty Spot Health and Beauty Clinic. Bath Hotelier Honey Driver books herself in for Botox, beautifying... and a little snooping on the side. Daughter Lindsey is left to manage the hotel, when the Hotel Inspector arrives... and dies!
[English, Cosy] 208pp Pb \$27.95



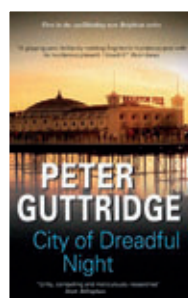
Andrew Gross
Killing Hour

Dr Jay Handler's perfect life is disrupted by a call that changes everything. His troubled nephew, Evan, has killed himself and Jay's brother is in despair. Jay flies to California, and is soon convinced Evan's death was no suicide. The police want him to leave the matter alone, but his investigation takes him on a journey into his brother's shady past, where Jay gets embroiled in a world of dangerous secrets and ruthless killers.
[American, Suspense] 528pp Tp \$29.99



Peter Guttridge
City of Dreadful Night
Brighton Trilogy #1

1934. A woman's torso is found in a trunk at Brighton railway station's luggage office. Her identity is unknown, her killer never caught. But someone is keeping a diary... 2009. Journalist Kate Simpson hopes to solve the notorious Brighton Trunk Murder, enlisting the help of ex-Chief Constable Robert Watts. But it's only a matter of time before past and present collide.
[English, Journalistic] 256pp Tp \$27.95



Jack Higgins
The President's Daughter

The President's daughter has been seized by Jewish zealots, and unless the President complies with their demands, her execution is certain. Yet if he gives in, the Middle East will ignite. He calls in Sean Dillon and Blake Johnson, who will do whatever it takes to find the President's daughter. But with time running out, can they find her before a desperate father makes a momentous decision - one the whole world will regret?
[English, Political] 400pp Pb \$19.99



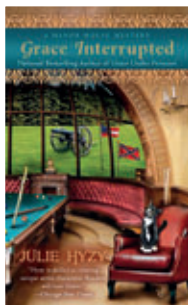
David Hosp
Next of Kin

When Boston attorney Scott Finn agrees to defend Kevin McDougal, son of mobster Eaman McDougal, he knows he's putting his reputation on the line. BPD Detective Zachary Long, who has problems of his own, is called to a murder scene. When the victim is identified, Finn is brought to a place he thought he'd never have to visit, following a trail of murder and revenge.
[American, Legal] 400pp Tp \$32.99



Julie Hyzy
Grace Interrupted
Manor of Murder #2

On the grounds of Marshfield Manor, Civil War re-enactors have set up camp. And what a dedicated troupe: one of them has really been murdered! But soon Marshfield Manor caretaker, Grace Wheaton, must put herself in harm's way after Jack Embers, the groundskeeper, stands accused of the crime. Grace is determined to prove his innocence. *[American, Cosy]* 288pp Pb \$13.95



David Ignatius
Blood Money

The war of intelligence between Pakistan and the USA is raging, and Howard Egan disappears on his latest mission. US officer Sophie Marx is tasked with investigating the incident, but when several of Egan's 'invisible' agents are murdered, it seems there are darker forces at work. Embarking on a game of cat and mouse in LA, Karachi, and the financial heart of London, Sophie must try to plug the leak before it's too late. *[American, Spy]* 416pp Tp \$32.99



Quintin Jardine
The Loner

Xavi Aislado is half Spanish, half Scottish, brought up in Edinburgh by his ferocious grandmother Paloma Puig. His emergence into manhood is eventful. After a short career as a professional footballer, he turns to journalism. Xavi's life and his love become entwined with his work, and he is immersed in tragedy, loss and betrayal, going halfway round the world in search of a truth that may destroy him. *[Scottish, Suspense]* 448pp Tp \$32.99



Mari Jungstedt
The Dead of Summer
Inspector Anders Knutas #5

The murder of a jogger on the beach at Faro is an opportunity for Anders Knutas' newly-appointed deputy, Karin Jacobsson, to prove her worth while her boss is on holiday. But when a second body is discovered murdered in the same style, Jacobsson's investigations point to a horrifying conclusion. Comparable to Henning Mankell's Wallander series! *[Swedish, Police Procedural]* 288pp Tp \$32.95



Jesse Kellerman
The Executor

Joseph Geist is broke, and ready to give up hope until an ad for a 'conversationalist' in the local paper catches his eye. The woman behind the ad is the perfect employer: brilliant, generous and willing to pay him for making conversation. Before long Joseph has moved in with her and feels comfortable in her beautiful house. So comfortable that he would do anything to stay there - forever. *[American, Psychological]* 496pp Pb \$22.99



NEW FROM THE ANTHONY AWARD WINNER FOR BEST CRIME!

Sophie Littlefield
A Bad Day for Pretty
Stella Hardesty #2

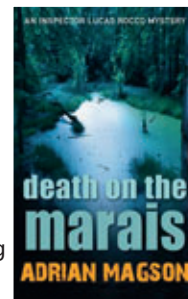
Stella Hardesty, avenger of wronged women, is getting cozy with Sheriff 'Goat' Jones when a tornado blows Goat's scheming ex-wife, Brandy, through the front door... as well as unearthing a woman's body. The main suspect for the dumping is Neb Donovan. But Stella doesn't believe the gentle man is a killer, and she promises his frantic wife that she'll look into it. *[American, Cosy]* 304pp Pb \$22.95



Also: *Stella Hardesty #1, A Bad Day for Sorry* [Pb \$22.95]

Adrian Magson
Death on the Marais
Inspector Lucas Rocco #1

France, 1963. Inspector Lucas Rocco has been moved from the Paris metropolis to a small village. Despite the rural locale, he discovers a murdered woman wearing a Gestapo uniform in a British military cemetery. When the body is removed by order of a magistrate from the police mortuary before Rocco can finish his investigation, he realises he's up against a formidable enemy. *[English, Police Procedural]* 416pp Pb \$17.99



Also by Magson: *Harry Tate #1, Red Station* [Tp \$27.95]



Liza Marklund
Exposed

Inexperienced Annika Bengtzon has taken a work placement at Stockholm's biggest tabloid newspaper. When she receives a call informing her that a woman's body has been found, she is determined to be involved in the story. Piecing together details of the young woman's life, Annika becomes exposed to the harsh realities of journalism, discovering just how far people will go to protect their secrets. *[Swedish, Journalistic]* 560pp Tp \$32.95



Brian McGilloway
Little Girl Lost

During a winter blizzard a small girl is found wandering half-naked at the edge of a woodland. Her hands are covered in blood, but it is not her own. Unwilling or unable to speak, the only person she trusts is the officer who rescued her, Detective Sergeant Lucy Black struggles to identify the unclaimed child and begins to realise that this case is linked to events that also defined her own girlhood. *[North Irish, Police Procedural]* 304pp Tp \$32.99



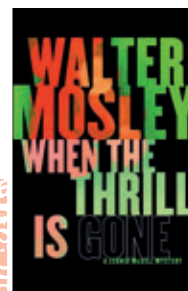
Deon Meyer
Thirteen Hours

In Cape Town, they killed her best friend, and now they are after Rachel Anderson. The young tourist doesn't dare trust anyone - except her father in America. When he puts pressure on the politicians, they know that to protect their country's image, they must find Rachel's hiding place before the killers do. Maverick detective Benny Griessel has just 13 hours to crack a conspiracy threatening the whole country! *[South African, Police Procedural]* 416pp Pb \$19.99



Walter Mosley
When the Thrill is Gone

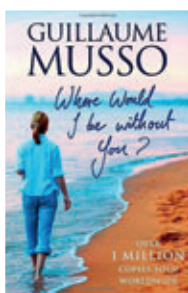
PI Leonid McGill gets a job offer from a beautiful woman who walks into his office with a stack of cash and claiming to be married to a rich collector with two ex-wives whose deaths are shrouded in mystery. She says she fears for her life, but he is suspicious. Will sorting out the woman's crooked tale bring Leonid straight to death's door? *[American, Private Eye]* 368pp Tp \$32.99



Guillaume Musso**Where Would I be without You?**

Parisian cop Martin Beaumont never got over his first love, Gabrielle. Their brief, intense affair in San Francisco still haunts him years later. Now he's a detective - and tonight he plans to arrest the legendary art thief, Archibald Maclean, when he raids the Musee d'Orsay for a priceless Van Gogh. But Martin finds his pursuit of the criminal is the first step back to San Francisco - to love and life itself.

[French, Romantic Suspense] 352pp Pb \$19.95

**Hakan Nesser****The Inspector and Silence****Inspector Van Veeteren #5**

A girl has gone missing from the summer camp of The Pure Life, a secluded religious sect. Chief Inspector Van Veeteren is called to investigate, and is hindered by the sect's leader - Oscar Yellineck - who refuses to admit anyone is missing. When a young girl's body is discovered, raped and strangled, Yellineck himself disappears, and Van Veeteren realises he only has his intuition to rely on.

[Swedish, Police Procedural] 288pp Pb \$22.99

**Clare O'Donohue****Missing Persons****Kate Conway #1 TV**

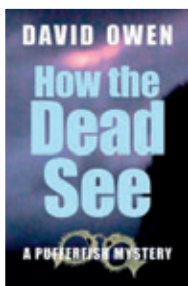
producer Kate Conway is the main suspect after her soon-to-be ex-husband, Frank, is found dead. Needing distraction, Kate throws herself into a new work assignment for the TV program 'Missing Persons' - the story of Theresa Moretti, who disappeared a year earlier. All Kate wants is a cliché story, but when the two cases overlap, Kate needs to work fast before another body turns up - her own!

[American, Suspense] 288pp Pb \$22.95

**David Owen****How the Dead See**

At the end of a hot Tassie summer, Detective Franz Heineken - aka 'Pufferfish' - must investigate the apparent suicide of Rory Stillrock, a former Hollywood star, party animal and sex addict. Meanwhile, Pufferfish knows who nicked a diamond necklace valued at over \$200,000, from a stately Hobart home. But it's not easy when you're up against master thief Fink Mountgarrett.

[Australian, Police Procedural] 234pp Pb \$24.95

**Sharon Pape****To Sketch a Thief**

Portrait of Crime #2 Rory McCain is a former police sketch artist-turned-paranormal private eye, who finds herself involved in yet another homicide case. When a stray dog named Hobo leads her to his owner's murdered corpse, Rory and her partner in investigations, Zeke (the ghost of a lawman shot down in 1878!) find themselves on the trail of deadly dog-nappers!

[American, Private Eye] 304pp Pb \$13.95

**James Patterson & Mark Pearson****Private London****Jack Morgan #2**

Dan Carter, head of the London office of 'Private' - the world's most advanced investigation agency - is entrusted with the case of the wealthy Hannah Shapiro, who was kidnapped when she was 13 years old. When Hannah is kidnapped again with no word from the kidnappers, fears for her safety mount. There has been a string of unsolved murders involving young women. Is Hannah linked to this chain?

[American, Private Eye] 368pp Tp \$32.99



Also available: *Jack Morgan #1, Private* [Pb \$19.95]

Richard North Patterson**The Devil's Light**

August, 2011. Terrorist Amer Al Zaroor masterminds and executes the theft of a Pakistani WMD. A chilling transmission is then broadcast to the world by Osama Bin Laden who pledges to attack a major US city. In Washington, agent Brooke Chandler suspects the bomb's destination is Tel Aviv. Before finding and disabling the bomb, he must convince his superiors - or it's too late.

[American, Spy] 352pp Tp \$32.99

**Sarah Payne****What Lies Beneath**

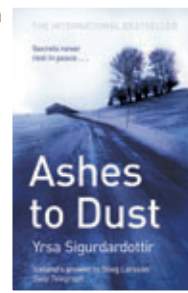
In the 1950s, the village of Priors Bramley was shut off for chemical weapons-testing during the Cold War. 60 years later, the village is declared safe again. When the village is reopened, Ella Haywood is haunted by the discovery of two bodies. Decades before, she and two friends had a violent encounter with a stranger. And now, Ella must resort to drastic measures to hide the truth of what really happened all those years ago.

[English, Psychological] 576pp Tp \$29.99

Yrsa Sigurdardottir**Ashes to Dust**

Bodies are discovered at a volcanic tourist attraction dubbed 'The Pompeii of the North'. Markus Magnusson, who was only a teenager when the volcano erupted, falls under suspicion and hires attorney Thora Gudmundsdottir to defend him. But when his childhood sweetheart is murdered, his case looks more difficult, and the locals grow increasingly reluctant to back him up.

[Icelandic, Suspense] 464pp Pb \$19.99

**Sean Slater****The Survivor**

Detective Jacob Striker is at his daughter's school for barely five minutes when he encounters an Active Shooter situation. Three men wearing hockey masks have stormed the school with firearms, killing indiscriminately. Striker takes immediate action. Within minutes, two of the gunmen are dead - but the last gunman escapes. As Striker's investigation takes him closer to the truth, he discovers the violence will follow him home.

Karin Slaughter**Fallen**

Special Agent Faith Mitchell returns home expecting her mother to be minding her new baby daughter, but instead discovers a scene of carnage - and two intruders who she shoots in self-defence. When the Atlanta police force turns up, Faith has difficult questions to answer. Faith's partner, Will, must unpick all the threads, and tread very carefully indeed.

[American, Police Procedural] 416pp Tp \$32.99

**Peter Turnbull****Deliver Us from Evil****Hennessy & Yellich**

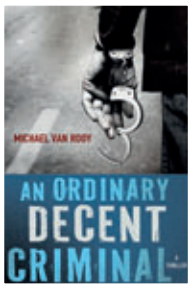
Mystery #20 When a woman's body is found frozen on a bench one winter's morning, it appears to be a simple case of death by misadventure. On closer inspection, however, marks on her neck - and a piece of paper hidden inside her shoe - point towards foul play. As Hennessy and Yellich investigate, they discover that the victim may not have been all she seemed.

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Michael Van Rooy
An Ordinary Decent Criminal

For a man who's never held down a legitimate job, settling down to a quiet life with his wife and baby isn't going to be easy. When recovering addict and reformed thief Montgomery Haaviko foils a robbery in his home and kills the intruders, he finds there are those who don't want him to forget what he was. Detective Sergeant Enzo Walsh knows all about Monty's history and is determined to put Monty away for murder.
[Canadian, Suspense] 288pp Pb \$24.95



Fred Vargas
An Uncertain Place

Chief Insp. Adamsberg #6
 Commissaire Adamsberg leaves Paris for a three day conference in London. It's a welcome change, until a macabre case comes to the attention of their colleague in Scotland Yard: a pile of shoes are found, containing severed feet. As Scotland Yard's investigation begins, Adamsberg is drawn in to a trail of vampires, leading him all the way to Serbia - where old certainties don't apply.
[French, Police Procedural] 416pp Tp \$32.95



Domingo Villar
Death on a Galician Shore

In a quiet fishing port in northwest Spain, the body of a sailor washes up. Detective Inspector Leo Caldas is called in to sign off on a suicide, but the case soon becomes a complex murder investigation. The villagers are suspicious of outsiders, as Caldas delves into maritime village life, finding a decade-old case of a shipwreck and two disappearances.
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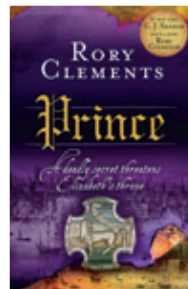
Simon Beaufort
The Bloodstained Throne

Sir Geoffrey Mappestone #7
 When former crusader knight Geoffrey Mappestone and friend Roger of Durham slip out of England to the Holy Land, a storm destroys their ship, casting them ashore. The knights are thrust into the company of other shipwrecked passengers, and become embroiled in a plot to overthrow the King and return England to Saxon rule
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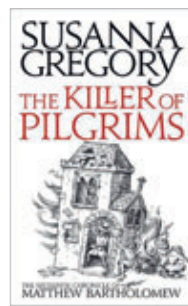
Rory Clements
Prince

John Shakespeare #3
 England, 1593. Elizabeth's Golden Age is tarnished, and Spain plots. A small cart clatters through London - carrying a deadly load. It is the first in a wave of bombing attacks on the Dutch immigrant community, changing John Shakespeare's life for ever. Driven by cold rage, his investigations uncovers layers of deception that threaten the realm.
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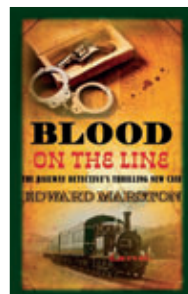
Susanna Gregory
The Killer of Pilgrims

Matthew Bartholomew #16
 When a wealthy benefactor is murdered, Brother Michael and Matthew Bartholomew must find the culprit. Meanwhile, Cambridge is plagued by a thief, and pranksters are staging practical jokes that are growing increasingly dangerous. When Bartholomew and Michael learn these mysteries are connected, they must catch the killer-thief before the University explodes into conflict.
[English] 448pp Pb \$24.99



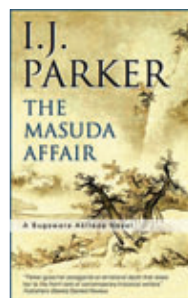
Edward Marston
Blood on the Line

Inspector Robert Colbeck #8
 London, 1855. When Inspector Robert Colbeck learns that Jeremy Oxley, his nemesis, has once again escaped, he has no choice but to bring him to justice once and for all. But Oxley knows the law is on his trail and retreats to his favourite hunting ground: the complex web of railways, where he can stalk his prey. It spells peril for the famous Railway Detective - who has finally met his match.
[English] 352pp Hb \$45



I J Parker

The Masuda Affair
Sugawara Akitada #7
 Japan, 11th century. Government official Sugawara Akitada finds a mute boy on a deserted road, and determines to find the boy's parents. Meanwhile, Akitada's servant Tora has lost his new bride to a powerful man. These two cases lead Akitada and Tora to the entertainers and sex workers of the amusement quarter, even as murder follows them.
[German/American] 240pp Pb \$27.95



CRIME NON-FICTION



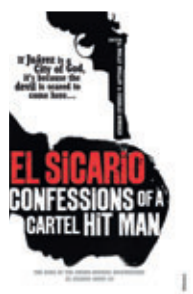
Hugh Anderson
The Rise and Fall of Squizzy Taylor

Melbourne, 1920s
 Gangs operated in hotels and brothels, gunshots were fired in the streets of Fitzroy, and sly grog shops, armed robbery and protection rackets were rife. Through it all strode the notorious Squizzy Taylor, always one step ahead of the police. The press eagerly reported his crimes, marvelling at his daring, but was he really anything more than a bloody-minded criminal who would one day get what he deserved?
[Australian] 288pp Pb \$19.99



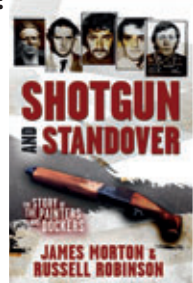
Charles Bowden & Molloy, Molly
El Sicario: Confessions of a Cartel Hit Man

El Sicario is the hidden face of America's war on drugs. He is a contract killer who functioned as a commandante in the Chihuahuan State police, trained in the US by the FBI, and who for 20 years kidnapped, tortured and murdered people at the behest of Mexican drug cartels. He is a hit man who came off the killing fields alive. He left the business and turned to Christ. This is his story.
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James Morton & Russell Robinson
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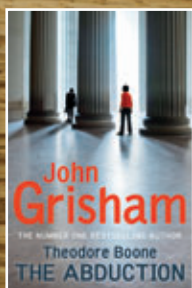
The Story of the Painters and Dockers
 Few names in Australian criminal history are as redolent as the Painters and Dockers - a union gone bad. From the early years of the 20th century, they attracted shady waterfront characters, and by the 1980s, they became a fully fledged criminal fraternity. From Squizzy Taylor to recent gangland wars in Melbourne, their story touches almost every part of our underworld history.
[Australian] Pb \$24.99



Tony Reeves
The Real George Freeman

Welcome to the world of George Freeman - often portrayed as a charming celebrity gangster, but actually a calculated criminal motivated by greed and a lust for power and influence. One of Sydney's most notorious men, Freeman dominated the city's underworld, controlling an illegal gambling empire with top cops, judges and politicians in his pocket.
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