

CRIME Chronicle

"Where a good crime can be had by all"

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CRIME SCENE BIG GUNS

Harlan Coben Caught

17-year-old Haley McWaid never gave her parents a moment's worry... until she goes missing. Three months quickly pass without a word, and everyone assumes the worst. Wendy Tynes is a reporter on a mission: to

identify and bring down sexual predators via televised sting operations. Her latest target is Dan Mercer, a social worker known as a friend to troubled teens. But his story soon becomes more complicated than Wendy could have imagined... (American, Journalistic)



400pp Pb \$22.99

Mari Jungstedt The Killer's Art

Chief Inspector Anders Knutas #4. The naked body of art dealer Egon Wallin is found in the picturesque port town of Visby. As Inspector Knutas begins his investigation, Wallin's secrets come to the surface. He died on the eve of leaving his wife, so is his death a spurned lover's revenge? As the police piece together the clues, one scandal is followed by another and Knutas will discover that beneath the high-society world of art collecting, there are secrets worth killing for... (Swedish, Police Procedural)

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Alexander McCall Smith The Saturday Big Tent Wedding Party

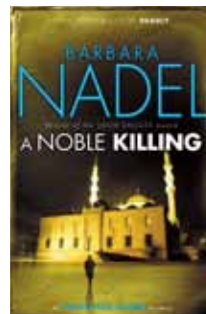
No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency #12. As the countdown to Mma Makutsi's wedding begins, apprentice mechanic Charlie seems to be avoiding certain important responsibilities. And as Mma Makutsi's big day approaches, her nemesis Violet Sepotho casts her net wider: by standing for election, possibly spelling trouble for the entire nation! But as friends and family gather under starry African night skies, it turns out that even the most perplexing of apparitions may yield to rational explanation. (Scottish, Private Eye)



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Barbara Nadel A Noble Killing

Ikmen #13. In Turkey, the police are called to the scene of what seems to be the honour killing of a young girl. Further investigations by Inspectors Cetin Ikmen and Mehmet Suleyman reveal the girl had a secret boyfriend who has now disappeared. He and the girl's family are prime suspects, even though forensic evidence is scant. And Mehmet Suleyman is on the verge of making a mistake that could ruin his career... (English, Police Procedural)



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Don Winslow Satori

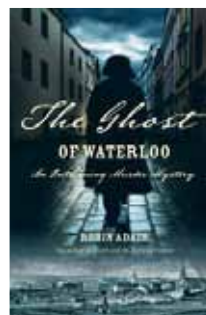
Japan, 1951. Nicholai Hel has spent three years in solitary confinement for the murder of his mentor. A formidable assassin as well as a master of hoda korosu, or 'naked kill', he has developed a keen awareness of the presence of danger. Suddenly offered the chance of freedom, he must go to Beijing and kill the Soviet Union's commissioner to China. In a landscape primed for war, this is a suicide mission he has no choice but to accept... (American, Suspense)



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Robin Adair The Ghost of Waterloo

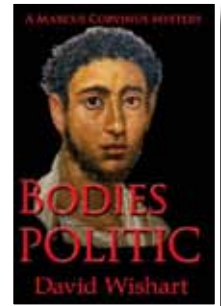
Sydney, 1828. A daring bank robbery and a spate of murders have shaken Sydney. At the Governor's command, Nicodemus Dunne – a disgraced London thief-taker who is now the Running Patterer, a news-hawker roaming the streets of Sydney – sets out to discover the truth... and the evidence points to none other than Napoleon Bonaparte! But who is aiding this phantom? And how can he be stopped? (Australian, Historical)



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David Wishart Bodies Politic

A Marcus Corvinus Mystery. When Corvinus is given a letter from Sertorius Macro - the Emperor Caligula's adviser who was forced into suicide for plotting against him - imploring Corvinus to clear his name, he isn't keen on the job at all. But when the inconsistencies mount up, he is hooked. It'll take him two near-death experiences, a lot of fancy footwork in avoiding the fatal attentions of Rome's great and not so good, and some serious riot-dodging in Alexandria before he works it all out! (Scottish, Historical)



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John Maddox Roberts The Year of Confusion

SPQR #13. Roman dictator Caius Julius Caesar has decided to revise the Roman calendar, bringing in astronomers and astrologers from Egypt, Greece, India and Persia. Decius is appointed to oversee this project, which he knows angers the Roman public. Not long after the project begins, two of the foreigners are murdered. Decius begins his investigations and, as the body count increases, it seems a fraudulent Indian fortune-teller, popular with the Roman ladies, is also involved! (American, Historical)



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Robert Graysmith The Girl in Alfred Hitchcock's Shower

Marli Renfro was Janet Leigh's body double in the Hitchcock classic *Psycho*. When she disappeared in 1988, it was believed she was the victim of a rapist and serial killer. It was a mystery that took decades to solve... and a crime that could surely only have happened in Hollywood! (American, True Crime)



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as well as politics.

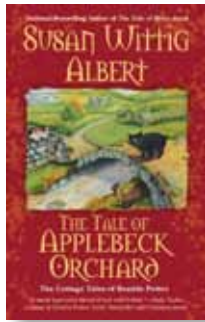
Alfred E Newman



Susan Wittig Albert
The Tale of Applebeck Orchard

307pp Pb \$13.95

Cottage Tales of Beatrix Potter #6. Miss Potter and her friends take matters into their own hands when Mr Harmsworth barricades a common path that runs through his orchard - in retaliation for the arson of his haystacks. But witnesses - both human and animal - claim a ghost has perpetrated the deed. And the ghost has a message that Miss Potter hopes to figure out! (American, Cosy)



Suzanne Arruda
The Serpent's Daughter

336pp Pb \$22.99

Jade del Cameron #3. Leaving British East Africa for a holiday in Morocco, Jade del Cameron is embroiled in a desperate bid to save her kidnapped mother's life and clear her name of the crime! To complicate matters, she learns of her connection to a legendary line of powerful women and a plot initiated by an ancient foe known as the 'serpent's daughter' - intended to bring about Jade's destruction...(American, Archaeological)

Belinda Bauer
Darkside

352pp Tp \$32.95

When an elderly woman is murdered in the close knit community of Shipcott, village policeman Jonas Holly is taunted by someone who claims that Jonas is guilty. And when the killer claims another victim, these taunts become sinister threats. Blinded by rising paranoia and fear for his own invalid wife, Jonas strikes out alone on a mystifying hunt. But the threats don't stop - and neither do the murders... (English, Psychological)



Sydney Bauer
Matter of Trust

517pp Pb \$19.99

David Cavanaugh #5. Cavanaugh offers to help his old friend Chris Kincaid - now a US Senator - concerning the disappearance of their childhood friend Marilyn Maloney. So when Chris is confirmed as Marilyn's lover and is arrested for her murder, he engages David as his attorney. Plagued with uncertainty, the situation worsens when David's older brother, Sean, returns home with long-held grudge to settle... (Australian, Legal)

M C Beaton
Death of a Chimney Sweep

256pp Hb \$39.35

Hamish Macbeth #27. When a body is found stuffed inside a chimney, the entire town of Lochdubh believe the chimney sweep, Pete Ray, is guilty. But Police Constable Hamish Macbeth is doubtful. So when Pete's body is found on the Scottish moors, the mystery deepens. Once again, it's up to Hamish to discover who is responsible for the dirty deed... and this time, the murderer may be closer than he realises! (Scottish, Police Procedural)



Donato Carrisi
The Whisperer

480pp Pb \$22.99

When six severed arms are discovered in a forest clearing, criminologist Goran Gavila is given the case, along with female police officer Mila Vasquez. But Mila has a tragic history of her own which has left emotionally scarred. Goran and Mila is a fiery, but strangely affecting, working relationship. And as they uncover more secrets about the murders in the forest, their lives move increasingly into each other's hands... (Italian, Romantic Suspense)

Lee Child
Worth Dying For

512pp Pb \$14.95

Jack Reacher #15. In the wilds of Nebraska, Jack Reacher falls foul of the Duncans, a local clan that's terrified the county into submission. But it's the unsolved case of a missing eight-year-old girl that Reacher can't let go. The Duncans want Reacher dead; they're awaiting a secret shipment that's late, and they don't want to annoy their customers. As dangerous as the Duncans are, they're only the bottom of a criminal food chain... (English, Suspense)



Mary Higgins Clark
The Shadow of Your Smile

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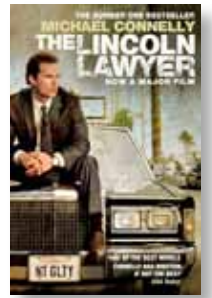
83-year-old Olivia Morrow faces a momentous choice: to expose a long-held family secret that will place Monica Farrell as the rightful heir to the Gannon fortune; or to take it with her to her grave. As the pressure mounts, little does she realise that those who are exploiting the Gannon inheritance will stop at nothing to silence Olivia's secret... (American, Suspense)



Michael Connelly
The Lincoln Lawyer [Film Tie-in]

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Mickey Haller is a criminal defence attorney who travels between the far-flung courthouses of LA to defend clients of every kind. When a Beverly Hills playboy - arrested for attacking a woman he met at a bar - asks Haller to defend him, Haller believes this may be the easiest case of his career. Then someone close to him is murdered and Haller comes face-to-face with evil as pure as a flame... (American, Legal)



Simon Conway
A Loyal Spy

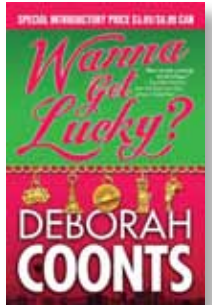
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Jonah is an undercover operative for one of Britain's most secret agencies. Nor is the agent Jonah befriended, recruited, and then left for dead. Miranda is the woman he thought he loved enough to sacrifice everything. How far can loyalty be stretched before it reaches a limit? Millions of lives depend on the answer, as a road of betrayal and revenge leads from the mountains of Afghanistan to the heart of London... and a ticking bomb. (American, Spy)

Deborah Coonts
Wanna Get Lucky?

452pp Pb \$10.95

Lucky O'Toole Las Vegas Adventures #1. When a young woman falls to her death from a Vegas sightseeing helicopter, casino 'fixer' Lucky O'Toole smells a rat. When she discovers that one of her exes may be involved, the case is further complicated by cutthroat business stakes and her relationship with a female impersonator. Lucky finds herself solving a murder - all the while keeping her balance in six inch heels! (American, Suspense)



Cleo Coyle
Holiday Grind

367pp Pb \$13.95

Coffeehouse Mystery #8. When Clare Cosi - manager of coffeehouse Village Blend - and her NYPD detective boyfriend discover a red-suited body in the snow, she adds solving Santa's slaying to her coffeehouse menu. She is convinced the death was more than a mugging gone awry and that the jolly old soul had a list he was checking twice - and the folks on it were not very nice! (American, Cosy)



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- Crime genre

Julia Crouch**Cuckoo****416pp Tp \$29.99**

Rose has it all: the gorgeous children, the husband, the beautiful home. But then her best friend Polly comes to stay. Very soon, Rose's cosy world starts falling apart at the seams. Her baby falls dangerously ill and her husband is distracted... Is Polly behind it all? It appears that once you invite Polly into your home, it's very difficult to get her out again... (English, Psychological)

Clive Cussler**The Jungle****400pp Tp \$32.95**

Oregon Files #8. To pull off their latest mission, Cabrillo and his remarkable men and women must survive a devastating new weapon unleashed in 13th-century China; a rescue mission in the snowbound mountains along the Afghanistan and Pakistan border; and a woman missing in the jungles of Northern Thailand and Myanmar. A convergence of these events will result in the greatest threat against security that the US has ever known! (American, Military)

**David Downing****Potsdam Station****320pp Pb \$19.95**

John Russell #4. April 1945. On the Oder front line, John Russell's 18-year-old son Paul awaits the Soviet's final onslaught. Inside Berlin, Russell's girlfriend Effi must care for a Jewish orphan, with the Gestapo on her trail. Russell is in Moscow. To find and save his son and girlfriend, he must reach Berlin no later than the Red Army. But only the Soviets can get him there and the price of their help threaten the world's post-war future... (English, Suspense)

**Michael Duffy****The Tower****480pp Pb \$22.99**

Young homicidal detective Nicholas Troy is a good man. But when a woman falls from the construction site for the world's tallest skyscraper, the tortured course of the murder investigation that follows threatens his vocation. When the predator that Troy has been chasing turns and comes for him and his family, Troy is forced to defend himself with actions he'd never have considered before... (Australian, Police Procedural)

**Sam Eastland****The Red Coffin****368pp Tp \$32.99**

Pekkala #2. 1939. The Soviet Union is unprepared to face the onslaught of Nazi Germany. For the coming battles, Stalin has placed his hopes on a not-yet-completed 30-ton steel monster, known the 'Red Coffin'. And when Colonel Nagorski, the weapon's architect, is found murdered, Stalin sends for Pekkala to track down a sinister group called the 'White Guild' - intent on instigating a German invasion before the Red Coffin is ready... (British, Spy)

**Linda Fairstein****Silent Mercy****400pp Tp \$32.99**

Alex Cooper #12. NYPD cops Alex Cooper and Mike Chapman must investigate the headless body of a young woman found on the steps of a Baptist Church in Harlem. Before long another woman is slaughtered and found on the steps of a Catholic church in Little Italy. It becomes clear there is a serial killer on the loose, and Alex and Mike must keep one step ahead of this religious fanatic before anyone is killed... (American, Police Procedural)

Jessica Fletcher & Donald Bain**A Fatal Feast****281pp Pb \$11.95**

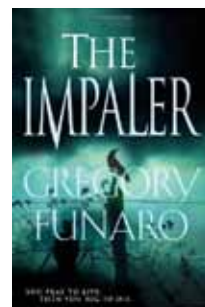
Murder, She Wrote #32. Suffering from writer's block despite her novel's deadline approaching, Jessica Fletcher would like to relax as Thanksgiving comes to Cabot Cove... but she's hosting a bountiful dinner for an ever-growing guest list! She couldn't be happier with the results - until she and her friend, Scotland Yard Inspector George Sutherland, stumble upon a body with a carving knife stuck in its chest... (American, Cosy)

**Jaye Ford****Beyond Fear****295pp Tp \$32.95**

At age 17, Jodie Cramer survived an assault at the hands of three strangers. Now 35 years old, Jodie's past is a horror she's buried deep. When she sets out for a weekend in the country with three friends, all she has in mind is a break from routine. But their secluded cabin holds a dark secret... When Jodie finds evidence of prowlers at the cabin, none of her friends believe her. And then two men come knocking at their door... (Australian, Psychological)

**Gregory Funaro****The Impaler****352pp Pb \$13.95**

Sam Markham #2. The victims are found in desolate rural areas, naked and impaled on long wooden stakes. FBI Agent Sam Markham's last investigation ended with a serial killer's death and Sam's promotion. This time, the killer's methods are evolving too fast, his bloodlust growing too swiftly. This time, no one is safe. And as the clues finally slip into place, Sam will discover just how easy it is to cross the line from hunter... to hunted. (American, Suspense)

**Lisa Gardner****Live to Tell****464pp Pb \$12.99**

Danielle often thinks about the night her childhood ended: the night her father shot her mother and brother, before turning the gun on himself. Danielle has always wondered why her father didn't kill her too. Years later, Danielle is working in a hospital that deals with the most violent and damaged of children. But someone there knows something about her past - and is prepared to kill to keep it quiet... (American, Psychological)

Lisa Gardner**Love You More****368pp Tp \$32.99**

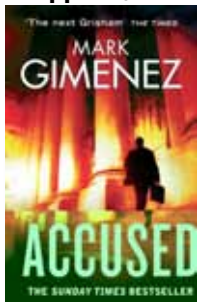
State police trooper Tessa Leoni claims to have shot her husband in self-defence, bearing bruises to back up her tale. For veteran detective D D Warren it should be an open-and-shut case. But where is Tessa's six-year-old daughter? As the homicide investigation becomes a search for a missing child, Warren must partner with former lover Bobby Dodge to pin down a trooper who will use every ounce of her training to do what must be done... (American, Suspense)

**Julie Garwood****Sizzle****374pp Pb \$13.95**

Buchanan-Renard #8. LA film student Lyra Prescott is working on her final filmmaking assignment. During the project, a series of sinister incidents convince Lyra that she's trapped in a scenario headed for a violent ending. She turns to her best friend, Sidney Buchanan, whose connections bring handsome FBI agent Sam Kincaid into Lyra's life, not expecting that the passion between them will escalate with dangerous intensity... (American, Romantic Suspense)

Mark Gimenez**Accused**

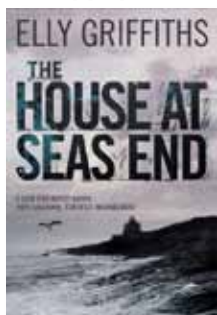
After years of silence, Texan lawyer Scott Fenney receives a phone call from his ex-wife. Rebecca has been accused of murdering her boyfriend, Trey - the man she left Scott for. Now she is begging Scott to defend her. If Rebecca is found guilty, she will be sentenced to life imprisonment. Her future lies in Scott's hands, and Scott finds himself questioning everything he believes to save the life of the ex-wife he still loves... (American, Legal)

576pp Pb \$19.99**Alex Gray****Five Ways to Kill a Man 432pp Pb \$19.99**

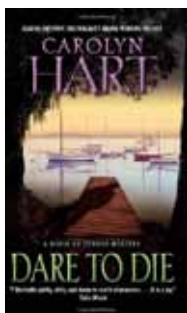
A killer is loose on the streets of Glasgow, experimenting with death. Faced with a string of unconnected victims, DCI Lorimer turns to psychologist and friend Solomon Brightman for his insights. Lorimer is also assigned to review the case of a fatal house fire. His suspicions are raised by shocking omissions in the original investigation. Some uncomfortable questions have been buried but Lorimer is the man to ask them! (Scottish, Police Procedural)

Elly Griffiths**The House at Sea's End 352pp Tp \$32.99**

Ruth Galloway. When a team from the University of North Norfolk, investigating coastal erosion, finds six bodies buried at the foot of the cliff, Ruth Galloway is put on the case. Forensic tests prove that the bodies are from Southern Europe, killed 60 years ago. When a visiting German reporter is killed, Ruth realises that someone is still alive who will resort to murder, to keep this mystery unsolved. Can Ruth discover the truth in time? (English, Police Procedural)

**Carolyn Hart****Dare to Die**

Death On Demand #19. Years ago Iris Tilford disappeared after a fatal high school tragedy. Now that she's back in Broward's Rock, Annie and Max Darling are extending the hand of friendship by inviting the beautiful and mysterious stranger to their party. Suddenly Max and Annie find themselves in the middle of a devastating storm of rage and secrets. Someone is trying to kill them - and it's someone they call their friend... (American, Suspense)

307pp Pb \$13.95**David Hewson****The Fallen Angel**

Nic Costa #9. When British academic Malise Gabriel falls to his death from a Rome apartment, detective Nic Costa realises there is much more to the accident. As the investigation deepens, Rome's dark and seedy side is uncovered, revealing a web of deceit, treachery and corruption. Malise's family may also be withholding vital information. Why are they so unwilling to co-operate, and what is the reason for their silence? (English, Police Procedural)

400pp Tp \$32.99**Graham Hurley****Beyond Reach**

When a mutilated body is discovered on a road in Portsmouth, evidently killed in a hit and run, there are few regrets; the victim had been terrorising an entire estate. DI Joe Faraday unpicks the dead man's life, uncovering a world of hurt. Meanwhile, ex-cop Paul Winter has been sucked into even deeper water. Drug lord Bazza Mackenzie's married daughter is having an affair... and it's Winter's job to rein her in. (English, Police Procedural)

400pp Pb \$22.99**Michael Koryta****So Cold the River**

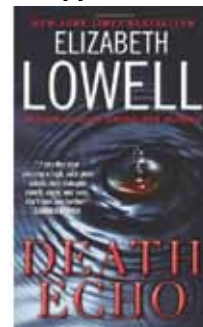
The beautiful Alyssa Bradford approaches Eric Shaw to unearth the life story of her father-in-law, Campbell Bradford, a mysterious 95-year-old billionaire. Eric grabs the job. In Bradford's hometown, Eric discovers an extraordinary past - a glorious recently-restored hotel where movie stars, presidents, athletes and mobsters once intermingled. But something else has been restored: an evil that will stop at nothing to settle a decades-old score... (American, Suspense)

528pp Pb \$22.99**Simon Lelic****The Facility**

Henry Graves has been tasked with managing a government facility hidden in the countryside, finding himself tested by the frightened prisoners, the sinister Dr Silk... and his conscience. Meanwhile, journalist Tom Clarke's career is shaken by Julia Priestley, who seeks his help in locating her husband Arthur, who has been arrested under strict anti-terrorism legislation. And so begins a quest to discover the truth of Arthur's incarceration... (American, Suspense)

272pp Tp \$32.99**Elizabeth Lowell****Death Echo**

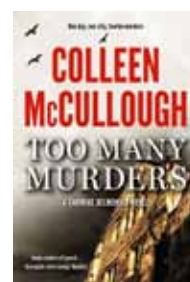
St Kilda #5. Ex-CIA agent Emma Cross is tracking the yacht *Blackbird*, believed to be carrying a lethal cargo that will destroy a major American city in seven days. Former Special Forces member MacKenzie Durand is also tracking the yacht. Emma and Mac find they must put their differences aside to form an alliance that could take down a formidable international crime network. The race is on, and there's no telling who will win! (American, Spy)

400pp Pb \$13.95**Phillip Margolin****Supreme Justice**

When a justice is attacked, private investigator Dana Cutler is called in. Her investigation leads her to a shoot-out that took place years ago on a small freighter docked in Oregon, containing a dead crew and illegal drugs. With the help of attorney Brad Miller and FBI agent Keith Evans, Dana uncovers a plot by a rogue element in the American intelligence community - involving the president's nominee to the US Supreme Court! (American, Suspense)

388pp Pb \$16.95**Colleen McCullough****Too Many Murders**

1967. The world teeters on the brink of nuclear holocaust as the Cold War persists. In Holloman, Connecticut, 12 murders have taken place in one day, and chief of detectives Captain Carmine Delmonico is drawn into a gruesome web of secrets and lies. To complicate matters, Carmine soon finds himself pitted against the mysterious Ulysses - a spy who is providing an armaments company secret to the Russians. (Australian, Political)

448pp Pb \$24.99**Cate Noble****Deadly Games**

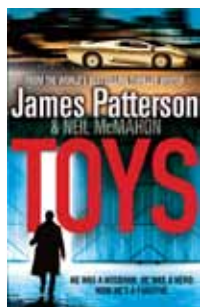
Rocco Taylor can't stand waiting, while an innocent woman pays the price. He knows that the last thing Gena wants is a hero - or him. Rocco made the mistake of letting her go once, putting the assignment ahead of the attraction between them. Since then, Gena has survived things Rocco can only imagine - but no one can escape a death agent alone. Rocco has one last chance to win Gena's trust... Game on! (American, Romantic Suspense)

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James Patterson & Neil McMahon**Toys** 400pp Tp \$32.95

'Elites' are modified and enhanced versions of humankind, who have slowly usurped humans from leadership. Hays Baker is a high-ranking agent in the Elite forces and at the forefront of keeping rebellious humans under control. But Hays is unknowingly hiding a secret that makes him a threat to the Elite regime.

Now hunted by the people he used to work alongside, Hays must search for the truth of his identity... (American, Suspense)

**Michael Robotham****Bleed for Me** 480pp Pb \$19.99

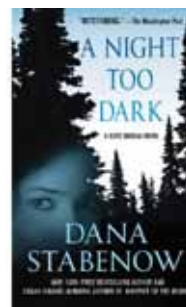
Ray Hegarty, a highly respected former detective, lies dead in his daughter Sienna's bedroom. 14-year-old Sienna is found covered in his blood. Everything points to her guilt, but psychologist Joe O'Loughlin isn't convinced. Against police advice, he launches his own investigation, embarking upon a hunt that will lead him to a predatory schoolteacher; a conspiracy of silence and a race-hate trial that is captivating the nation. (Australian, Psychological)

David Rosenfelt**Down to the Wire** 384pp Pb \$16.95

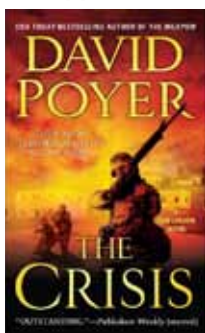
Small-time reporter Chris Turley could never measure up to his father, a famous investigative journalist. One day, while waiting to meet a source, a giant explosion takes out half of an office building next door. Chris' firsthand account in the next day's paper makes him a celebrity. But it seems that an anonymous source has a plan laid out for Chris, and what seemed like a reporter's dream becomes an inescapable nightmare... (American, Journalistic)

**Dana Stabenow****A Night Too Dark** 352pp Pb \$13.95

Kate Shugak #17. In Aleut, Alaska, people are going missing. And Kate Shugak's and state trooper Jim Chopin think it's related to the recent discovery of the world's second-largest gold mine in their very own backyard. Then Kate finally finds a body – but the identity of the body vanishes too. It's up to Kate and Jim to dig deeper into the mining controversy and find the truth about what's going on in her homeland... (American, Police Procedural)

**David Poyer****The Crisis** 544pp Pb \$13.95

Dan Lenson #12. Navy Commander Dan Lenson and his SEALs are assigned an urgent mission in a war-torn, famine-plagued country on the brink of collapse. But the situation is worse than intelligence suggests. A charismatic Islamic warlord is winning a village-by-village battle with a hit-and-run battle strategy. With thousands of lives at stake, Dan and his team must scour the forbidding desert for a man whose name they don't even know. (American, Military)

**Mary Stewart****Madam, Will You Talk? [1955]** 298pp Pb \$19.99

Charity had been greatly looking forward to her road trip through France with her old friend Louise... long, leisurely days under the hot sun, enjoying the beauty of the parched Provençal landscape. But very soon, Charity's dreams turn into a nightmare, as she becomes enmeshed in the schemes of a gang of murderers - one of them a man with whom she is rapidly falling in love... (English, Suspense)

Mary Stewart**My Brother Michael [1959]** 360pp Pb \$19.99

Camilla Haven is on holiday alone, and wishes for some excitement. No sooner has she written to her friend Elizabeth in England, than her life suddenly begins to take off... and she finds herself in the midst of an exciting, intriguing, yet dangerous adventure as she sets out on a mysterious car journey to Delphi! (English, Suspense)

**Spencer Quinn****To Fetch a Thief** 324pp Pb \$23.99

Dog On It #3. When a valuable circus elephant and his trainer go missing, Chet and Bernie are hired to investigate. Have Peanuts and his trainer been lured away by animal rights activists? Or have they been kidnapped by someone with a grudge? Soon, Chet and Bernie discover that their disappearance is much more sinister than an animal rights stunt, involving the huge illegal international trade in exotic animals! (American, Canine)

Mark Sanderson**Snow Hill** 352pp Pb \$24.99

London, 1930s. John Steadman is an ambitious young journalist in London. When he gets a tip-off about a murdered policeman, he thinks he's found his scoop. Problem is, when John finally finds someone willing to talk, they end up dead. John's on the verge of a front-page scandal that will make or break his career. But to get to the heart of this story, he must first go undercover. Six feet undercover, to be precise! (English, Journalistic)

**J D Robb****Treachery in Death** 384pp Tp \$32.99

In Death #32. Detective Eve Dallas and her partner, Peabody, are following up a senseless crime - an elderly grocery owner killed by three stoned punks for nothing more than kicks. But Peabody soon stumbles upon a trickier situation, when she overhears two fellow officers, Garnet and Oberman, arguing. Peabody realises they're both guilty of corruption... and murder. And the two crooked cops will kill to keep their secret. (American, Police Procedural)

**Jeffrey Siger****An Aegean Prophecy** 320pp Pb \$19.99

Andreas Kaldis #3. St John wrote the 'Book of Revelation' over 1900 years ago in a cave on the Greek Aegean island of Patmos. When a revered monk from that holy island's 1,000-year-old monastery is murdered in Patmos's town square during Easter Week, Chief Inspector Andreas Kaldis is called upon to find the killer - bringing him face-to-face with a scandal haunting the world's oldest surviving monastic community! (American, Police Procedural)

**Mary Stewart****Nine Coaches Waiting [1958]** 456pp Pb \$19.99

After a rather drab existence in an English orphanage, Linda Martin is appointed governess to the nine-year-old owner of the Chateau Valmy in the French Alps. During little Philippe's minority, the estates are being managed by his crippled uncle Leon, and Leon's handsome son Raoul. All seems delightful, but there are tensions below the smooth surface. And then one sunny afternoon a bullet is fired in the beechwoods... (English, Suspense)



Mary Stewart**Thunder on the Right [1957]****296pp Pb \$19.99**

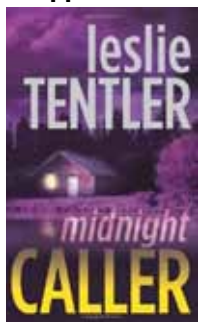
Perturbed by a letter from her cousin Gillian, Jenny Silver has travelled to Gavarnie in the Pyrenees to discover why Gill has entered a convent. On arrival, however, she finds herself caught up in a mesh of intrigue. Her cousin has vanished, and there is evidence that she is dead. Refusing all explanations, Jenny throws herself into a dramatic and dangerous search! (English, Suspense)

**Mary Stewart****Wildfire at Midnight [1956]****262pp Pb \$19.99**

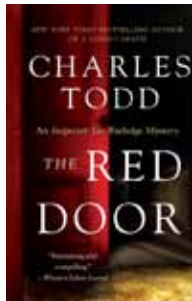
A young crofter's daughter is cruelly and ritually murdered on the bleak Scottish mountainside. Very soon Gianetta Brooke, a guest at the deceptively idyllic Camasunary Hotel nearby, finds herself tangled in a web of rising fear and suspicion. When she discovers that her ex-husband has booked into the same hotel, the peaceful holiday for which she had hoped takes on quite another complexion! (English, Suspense)

Leslie Tentler**Midnight Caller****410pp Pb \$13.95**

Late-night radio-show psychologist Rain Sommers is chilled by one caller's disturbing obsession with her long-ago murdered mother. Now a sadistic serial killer known as 'the Vampire' is prowling New Orleans. FBI agent Trevor Rivette is convinced that Rain's midnight caller and the serial killer are one and the same. And soon it becomes disturbingly clear that the Vampire has a sick bloodlust only Rain can satisfy... (American, Suspense)

**Charles Todd****The Red Door****368pp Pb \$24.99**

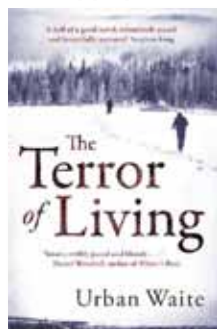
Inspector Rutledge. In the English summer of 1920, a war-widow is savagely bludgeoned to death. In London, a man suffering from a mysterious illness goes missing. Then, suddenly, he reappears, miraculously recovered. Inspector Ian Rutledge, still haunted by the battlefield's horrors, must solve two possibly connected mysteries: uncovering the family secret that drove a man mad, and bringing a ruthless killer to justice. (American, Police Procedural)

**Dan Vyleta****The Quiet Twin****384pp Tp \$32.99**

Vienna, 1939. Professor Speckstein's dog has been brutally killed and he wants to know why. Does one of Speckstein's enigmatic neighbours have blood on their hands? After a house visit to Speckstein's home, Doctor Beer - who has his own reasons for keeping his private life hidden from public scrutiny - finds himself becoming reluctantly embroiled in an enquiry that forces him to face the dark realities of Nazi rule. (Czech, Psychological)

Urban Waite**The Terror of Living****320pp Tp \$32.99**

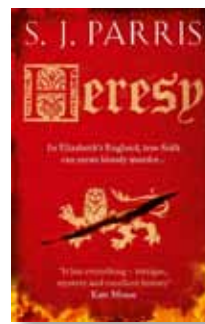
Hunt, an ex-convict, has spent the past 20 years on a small ranch with his wife, supplementing his income with the odd drug smuggling job. Drake, a deputy sheriff, has almost escaped the shadow of his father, who was also a sheriff... and no stranger to the drug trade himself. Drake is on Hunt's trail when a big drug deal in the mountains goes awry - sparking a race against time. But soon, Hunt must face a terrible choice... (American, Suspense)

**Graham Moore****The Holmes Affair****300pp Tp \$32.95**

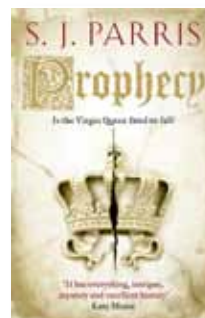
Modern-day New York. When the world's leading Doylean scholar is found murdered in his hotel room, only literary researcher Harold White is familiar enough with the Holmes novels to recognise the killer's clues - leading him not only to a murderer prepared to stop at nothing, but also to the mystery of Conan Doyle's missing diary... and the secret that Conan Doyle, 100 years earlier, risked everything to expose... (American)

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Giordano Bruno #1. England, 1583. Radical monk Giordano Bruno, with his theories of astronomy and extraterrestrial life, has fled the Inquisition for the court of Elizabeth I, attracting the attention of spymaster Francis Walsingham. When Bruno is sent undercover to Oxford - a hotbed of French dissent - he finds himself drawn into college intrigues, investigating a series of murders - each linked by a letter offering clues. But is Bruno the next target? (English)

**S J Parris****Prophecy****416pp Tp \$32.99**

Giordano Bruno #2. England, 1583. England's tentative peace is under threat when one of the Queen Elizabeth's young maids is found murdered inside the palace walls. Meanwhile, Giordano Bruno - working for spymaster Francis Walsingham at the French Embassy - closely monitors a Catholic conspiracy funded by King Philip of Spain. Bruno soon believes there's a connection between the murdered girl and the conspirators at the embassy. (English)

**CRIME HISTORICAL****Susanna Gregory****A Murder on London Bridge****464pp Pb \$24.99**

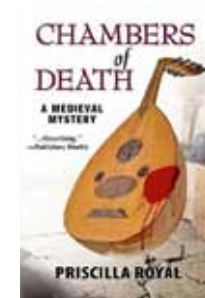
Thomas Chaloner #5. London, 1664. The streets and coffee houses are thick with rumours and anger at the new laws governing church attendance. When infamous church-smasher Dick Culmer is killed near London Bridge, the investigations of Thomas Chaloner - spy to the Lord Chancellor, the Earl of Clarendon - link the dead man to a group of puritan conspirators who are planning an explosive climax to achieve their rebellion... (English)

Michael Jecks**The Oath****544pp Pb \$22.99**

Knights Templar #29. England, 1326. Although England is rife with conflict under the reign of Edward II, even in such times the brutal slaughter of an entire family - right down to a babe in arms - still has the power to shock. Three further murders follow, and bailiff Simon Puttock is drawn into a web of intrigue, vengeance, power and greed as Roger Mortimer charges him to investigate the killings. (English)

**Priscilla Royal****Chambers of Death****250pp Pb \$24.95**

Medieval Mystery #6. When one of her company falls ill on a return journey to Tyndal, Prioress Eleanor accepts lodging at a nearby manor. There, the master's wife is having an affair with the groom, his eldest son is obsessed with religion, and his youngest son, bound for the Church, shows more interest in lute playing. It is no surprise when someone's throat is cut. Can Eleanor unravel the murder before the killer strikes again? (American)

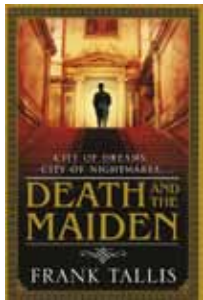


Frank Tallis

Death and the Maiden 384pp Tp \$32.95

Dr Max Liebermann #6. Vienna, 1903. An opera diva, Ida Rosenkrantz, is found dead in her luxurious villa – supposedly overdosed on morphine, though an autopsy suggests sinister possibilities.

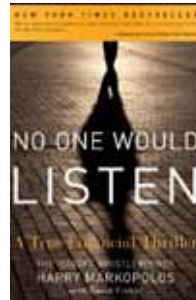
Detective Inspector Oskar Rheinhardt seeks the assistance of his friend, psychoanalyst Dr Max Liebermann. Their investigations will soon pit the Mayor of Vienna, Karl Lueger, as the prime suspect. With elections only months away, the case becomes politically explosive! (English)



Harry Markopolos

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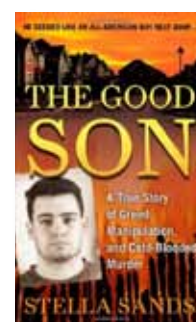
The story of how the Harry Markopolos - a little-known number cruncher from a Boston equity derivatives firm - uncovered Bernie Madoff's scam years before it made headlines, and how they desperately tried to warn the government, the industry, and the financial press. Page by page, Markopolos details his pursuit of the greatest financial criminal in history, revealing the massive fraud and governmental incompetence that changed thousands of lives. (American)



Stella Sands

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This volume details the brutal murder of Rick and Suzanna Wamsley, who - after giving their children everything they ever wanted - were both killed by their son Andrew and his teenage girlfriend, Chelsea Richardson. Although Rick and Suzanna disapproved of Chelsea - who was from the 'wrong side of the tracks' - Andrew also stood to inherit two million dollars in the event of his parents' deaths. (American)



CRIME NON-FICTION



Rachael Jane Chin

Nice Girl 305pp Tp \$29.99

This is the story of Australian Keli Lane - water polo champion and elite private school teacher - who did not want children, yet became pregnant five times in seven years! She had two abortions and three births. At no time did her family, friends or lovers know she was pregnant. Two babies were adopted and one, Tegan Lane, went missing. Since Tegan's disappearance, Keli has been charged with her murder. (Australian)

Owen Dudley Edwards
Burke and Hare

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In a boarding house in West Port, an old army pensioner dies of natural causes. Instead of burying the body, the landlord William Hare, and his friend William Burke, fill the coffin with bark and sell the corpse to Dr Robert Knox, an ambitious Edinburgh anatomist.

After making a profit, Burke and Hare decide to suffocate another tenant. So begins the criminal career of the most notorious double act in serial killing: the infamous Burke and Hare murders. (Irish)



James Morton

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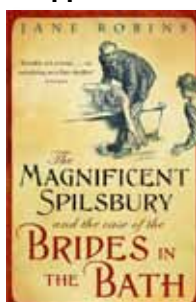
In this volume, Morton and Lobez look at the careers of the highly talented swindlers and their tricks, including schemes such as changing paper into banknotes; selling Melbourne's Tramway sheds; horse and dog doping; fixing fights and athletic races; faking deaths; forging paintings; impersonating aristocracy... In fact, anything necessary to separate the unwary from their money over the course of the last 150 years! (English)

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Based on never-before-published family, police and court records, photographs, interviews with people who knew him - including criminals, football colleagues and police officers - this is the biography of Frank 'Bumper' Farrell. He was a gambler, a hard drinker, a devoted husband and father, a devout Catholic, a staunch friend... but he is most renowned as a deadly enemy. (Australian)



Colin Evans

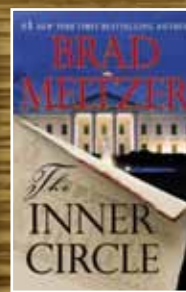
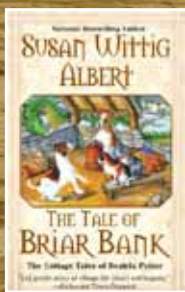
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New York, 1916. Charles Frederick Stielow, a 37-year-old farmhand with the mind of an infant, is just minutes away from the electric chair for a double murder he didn't commit. With a vengeful legal system baying for blood, his situation looks hopeless. Evans presents a nail-biting true story of wrongful conviction in an age of bare-knuckle politics, forever changing the face of American justice. (American)



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