

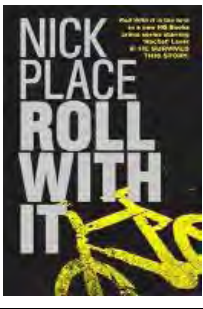
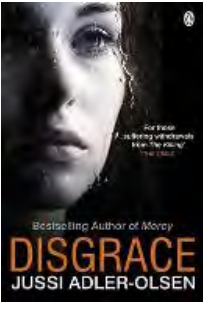

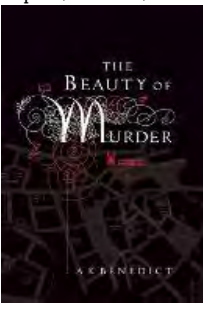


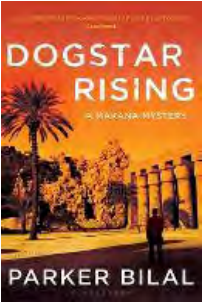
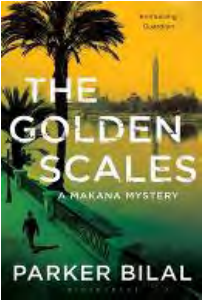
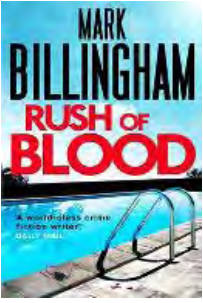

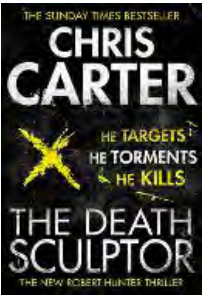
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Title	Author	Bind	RRP	Price	Description
ABBEY'S CHOICE					
Andrea Camilleri	The Dance of the Seagull: Inspector Montalbano #15	Pb	\$27.95	\$24.95	 <p>Inspector Montalbano is awake at dawn, sitting on his porch, when his attention is caught by a seagull which falls from the sky, performing a strange dance, before lying down to die. Montalbano is perplexed by what he has witnessed and the scene hangs over him like an omen. About to depart for a holiday with his girlfriend Livia, Montalbano makes a quick trip to the police station to tie up loose ends. But when his dear colleague Fazio is discovered missing - and it transpires that the policeman has been involved in his own secret investigations - Montalbano instead launches a desperate search for his lost friend, as time begins to run out... Navigating a shadowy maze of smuggling, blackmail and the darkest murder, and moving from the docks of Vigata to its deep, dry wells where the mafia hide their terrible crimes, Inspector Montalbano must have his wits about him to unravel this tangled mystery.</p>
Richard Crompton	The Honey Guide: Mollel #1	Tp	\$29.99	\$24.99	 <p>Meet Mollel, a former Maasai warrior whose beloved wife died in the bombing of the US embassy in Nairobi. Mollel has been assigned to the investigation of the brutal murder of a local sex worker. Despite the resistance of his colleagues, Mollel soon begins to uncover something more far-reaching. But are his warrior's instincts, which have always served him so well, correct? Or will his convictions about the case be turned on their head? The investigation will become more personal to him than he could have possibly imagined...</p>
Maggie Groff	Good News, Bad News: Scout Davis #2	Pb	\$27.95	\$24.95	 <p>Intrepid investigative journalist Scout Davis has given herself a holiday, but when Hermione Longfellow floats towards her in the supermarket, wanting to engage her services, she stops to listen. Most people in Byron Bay are aware of the eccentric Anemone sisters. Always dressed in black, they rarely leave their home nestled in the hills. When Hermione asks Scout to track down sister Nemomy's AWOL husband, believed to have died at sea, but recently popped up again on the Great Barrier Reef, Scout jumps at the chance. Another source of intrigue falls close to home when Scout's sister Harper despairs over her husband's odd behaviour. And if that weren't enough, Scout's journalist boyfriend is finally coming home from Afghanistan.</p>
AUSTRALIAN CRIME					
Tony Cavanaugh	Dead Girl Sing: Darian Richards #2	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	 <p>Darian Richards knew he should have let the phone keep ringing. But more than two decades as a cop leaves you with a certain outlook on life. No matter how much he tried to walk away, something, or someone, kept bringing him back to his gun. One phone call. Two dead girls in a shallow water grave. And a missing cop to deal with. Something bad is happening on the Gold Coast glitter strip. Amongst the thousands of schoolies and the usual suspects, someone is preying on beautiful young women. No one has noticed. No one knows why. Darian looked into the eyes of those two dead girls. The last person to do that was their killer. He can't walk away. He will find out why.</p>
Mari Hannah	Deadly Deceit	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	 <p>Four a.m on a wet stretch of the A1 and a driver skids out of control. Quick on the scene, Senior Investigating Officer Kate Daniels and partner DS Hank Gormley are presented with a horrifying image of carnage and mayhem that quickly becomes one of the worst road traffic accidents in Northumberland's history. But as the casualties mount up, they soon realise that not all deaths were as a result of the accident... On the other side of town a house goes up in flames, turning its two inhabitants into charred corpses. Seemingly unconnected with the traffic accident, Kate sets about investigating both incidences separately. But it soon becomes apparent that all is not what it seems, and Kate and her colleagues are one always step behind a ruthless killer who will stop at nothing to get what they want.</p>


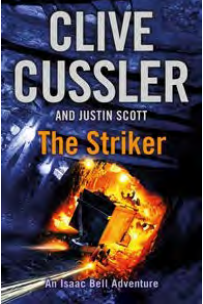

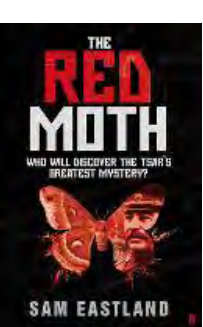
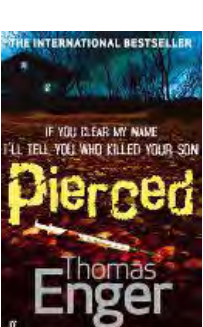
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<p>Nick Place</p>	<p>Roll With It</p>	<p>Pb \$24.95 \$22.45</p> 	<p>Sure, he may have been returning fire, but the fact remains that Laver is the sixth Victorian policeman to shoot a suspect in four months, and that's all the politicians need to get involved. While the circus of an inquiry begins, Laver is moved from Major Crime to the Mobile Public Interaction Squad aka the mountain bike police. Bitter, struggling to cope with the fatal shooting u not to mention his flailing relationship, Rocket is now wearing lycra and getting a sore butt on his bike seat. Laver's friends and bosses in the force tell him to keep his head down until the storm blows over, but that doesn't factor in Stig and the Wild Man, two genuine bad guys Laver encounters on Smith Street, Collingwood. In inner-city and outer-suburban Melbourne, major crime is in the air. Lives might be in danger but nobody will listen to a cop on the outer.</p>
<p>Sue Williams</p>	<p>Murder with the Lot</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>Cass Tuplin's takeaway isn't the last shop left in Rusty Bore. There's also Vern's General Store. But it's true the town's not exactly overflowing with residents, and a stranger in Cass's shop is quite an event. Especially one like Clarence: suspicious, bleeding, looking for a burger with the lot and somewhere quiet to stay. Cass knows just the place. Then she finds out more about Clarence and wants him out of town, but it turns out that's not as easy as it sounds. And then she finds the body. It sounds like a job for the local police. Except that the local police is Cass's son Dean, who has his doubts about Cass. And there's no way he's expending police resources on his mother's fantasy crimes, not anymore. So it looks like Cass is going to have to find the killer on her own.</p>
<p>MODERN CRIME</p>			
<p>Jussi Adler-Olsen</p>	<p>Disgrace: Department Q #2</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>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. Detective Carl Morck of Department Q, the cold cases division, has received a file concerning the brutal murder of a brother and sister twenty years earlier. A group of boarding school students were the suspects at the time - until one of their numbers confessed and was convicted. So why is the file of a closed case on Carl's desk? Who put it there? Who believes the case is not solved? A police detective wants to talk to Kimmie and someone else is asking questions about her. They know she carries secrets certain powerful people want to stay buried deep. But Kimmie has one of her own. It's the biggest secret of them all. And she can't wait to share it with them...</p>
<p>Lisa Ballantyne</p>	<p>The Guilty One</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>Daniel Hunter has spent years defending lost causes as a solicitor in London. But his life changes when he is introduced to Sebastian, an eleven-year-old accused of murdering an innocent young boy. As he plunges into the muddy depths of Sebastian's troubled home life, Daniel thinks back to his own childhood in foster care - and to Minnie, the woman whose love saved him, until she, too, betrayed him so badly that he cut her out of his life. But what crime did Minnie commit that made Daniel disregard her for fifteen years? And will Daniel's identification with a child on trial for murder make him question everything he ever believed in?</p>
<p>A K Benedict</p>	<p>The Beauty of Murder</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>Stephen Killigan has been cold since the day he came to Cambridge as a junior lecturer. Something about the seven hundred years of history staining the stones of the university has given him a chill he can't shake. When he stumbles across the body of a missing beauty queen, he thinks he's found the reason. But when the police go to retrieve the body and find no trace, Killigan has found a problem - and a killer - that is the very opposite of reason. Killigan's unwitting entry into Jackamore Grass's sinister world will lead him on a trail of tattooists, philosophers, cadavers and scholars of a deadly beauty. As Killigan traces a path between our age and seventeenth century Cambridge, he must work out how a corpse can be found before someone goes missing, and whether he's at the edge of madness or an astonishing discovery.</p>

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<p>Parker Bilal</p>	<p>Dogstar Rising: Makana #2</p>	<p>Pb \$24.99 \$22.50</p> 	<p>It is the summer of 2001 and the heat is rising in Cairo's crowded streets. Makana has been hired to investigate threats that have been made to a hapless travel agent and he finds himself drawn to Meera, a woman who knows what it is like to lose everything and needs his help. Meanwhile, the brutal unsolved murders of a number of young homeless boys are fanning the embers of religious hatred. The finger of blame is being pointed at the Coptic community and as tensions start to mount Makana has a premonition that history may be about to repeat itself. It is ten years since Makana fled his home in Sudan and yet the past seems to be trying to lay claim to him again, this time in the form of Mo Damazeen, a dubious businessman who claims to be in possession of a powerful secret. When Makana witnesses a brutal killing he finds himself attracting the attention of both the state security services and an old and dangerous gangster family. His search for answers takes him from the labyrinth of Cairo to the ancient city of Luxor and an abandoned monastery in the desert, into a web of intrigue and violence.</p>
<p>Parker Bilal</p>	<p>The Golden Scales: Makana #1</p>	<p>Pb \$14.99 \$13.50</p> 	<p>Former police inspector Makana, in exile from his native Sudan, lives on a rickety Nile houseboat in Cairo, scratching out a living as a private investigator. When he receives a call from the notorious and powerful Saad Hanafi, he is thrust into a dangerous and glittering world. Hanafi is the owner of a star-studded football team and their most valuable player has vanished. His disappearance threatens to bring down not only the businessman's private empire but also the entire country. Makana encounters Muslim extremists, Russian gangsters and a desperate mother hunting for her missing daughter, as his search stirs up painful memories, leading him back into the sights of an old and dangerous enemy...</p>
<p>Mark Billingham</p>	<p>Rush of Blood</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>Three couples meet around the pool on their Florida holiday and become fast friends. But on their last night, their perfect holiday takes a tragic twist: the teenage daughter of another holidaymaker goes missing, and her body is later found floating in the mangroves. When the shocked couples return home, they remain in contact, and over the course of three increasingly fraught dinner parties they come to know one another better. But they don't always like what they find: buried beneath these apparently normal exteriors are some dark secrets, hidden kinks, ugly vices. Then, a second girl goes missing. Could it be that one of these six has a secret far darker than anybody can imagine?</p>
<p>Lawrence Block</p>	<p>Hit Me: Keller #5</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>Keller has found himself living in a big old house in post-Katrina New Orleans, with a new name, a new wife, and a baby on the way. It certainly looks as though he was done killing people for money. But old habits die hard, and when the economic downturn knocked out the construction business, a phone call from Dot draws him back into the old game. His work takes him to Dallas, to settle a domestic dispute; to Florida, where he joins a government witness on a West Indies cruise; to Wyoming, where a house has burned down; and to New York, where he lived for so many years, and where people might remember him.</p>
<p>Chris Carter</p>	<p>The Death Sculptor: Robert Hunter #4</p>	<p>Pb \$16.99 \$15.30</p> 	<p>A student nurse has the shock of her life when she discovers her patient, prosecutor Derek Nicholson, brutally murdered in his bed. The act seems senseless - Nicholson was terminally ill with only weeks to live. But what most shocks Detective Robert Hunter of the Los Angeles Robbery Homicide Division is the calling card the killer left behind. For Hunter, there is no doubt that the killer is trying to communicate with the police, but the method is unlike anything he's ever seen before. And what could the hidden message be? Just as Hunter and his partner Garcia reckon they've found a lead, a new body is found - and a new calling card. But with no apparent link between the first and second victims, all the progress they've made so far goes out of the window. Pushed into an uncomfortable alliance with confident investigator Alice Beaumont, Hunter must race to put together the pieces of the puzzle...</p>



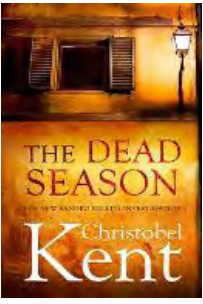
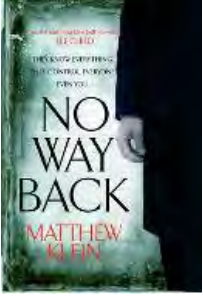

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<p>Lincoln Child & Douglas Preston</p>	<p>Gideon's Corpse: Gideon Crew #2</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>A top nuclear scientist goes mad and takes an innocent family hostage at gunpoint, killing one and causing a massive standoff. A plume of radiation above New York City leads to a warehouse where, it seems, a powerful nuclear bomb was assembled just hours before. Sifting through the evidence, authorities determine that the unthinkable is about to happen: In ten days, a major American city will be vaporized by a terrorist attack. Ten days. And Gideon Crew, tracking the mysterious terrorist cell from the suburbs of New York to the mountains of New Mexico, learns the end may be something worse - far worse - than mere Armageddon.</p>
<p>Clive Cussler</p>	<p>The Striker: Isaac Bell #6</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>It is 1902, and a bright, inexperienced young man named Isaac Bell, only two years out of his apprenticeship at the Van Dorn Detective Agency, has an urgent message for his boss. Hired to hunt for radical unionist saboteurs in the coal mines, he is witness to a terrible accident that makes him think that something else is going on, that provocateurs are at work and bigger stakes are in play. Little does he know just how big they are. Given exactly one week to prove his case, Bell quickly finds himself pitted against two of the most ruthless opponents he has ever known, men of staggering ambition and cold-bloodedness... who are not about to let some wet-behind-the-ears detective stand in their way.</p>
<p>Peter Dexter</p>	<p>The Paperboy [film tie-in]</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>The sun was rising over Moat County, Florida, when Sheriff Call was found killed on the highway. A local redneck was convicted and set to fry. Then Ward James, a hotshot investigative reporter, returns to his hometown with a death row femme fatale who promises him the story of the decade. She's armed with explosive evidence and aims to free and meether convicted fianc. With Ward's disillusioned younger brother Jack as their driver, they barrel down Florida's back roads and seamy places in search of the Story, racing flat out into a shocking head-on collision between character and fate as truth takes a backseat to headline news.</p>
<p>Sam Eastland</p>	<p>The Red Moth: Inspector Pekkala #4</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>As Hitler's forces smash into Soviet territory, annihilating the Red Army divisions in its path, a lone German scout plane is forced down. Contained within the briefcase of its passenger is the painting of a hyalophilia cecropia, otherwise known as a red moth. Military Intelligence dismisses the picture as insignificant, but in the state of emergency Stalin suspects a German plot. He summons his old adversary, Inspector Pekkala - the elusive Finn who was once Tsar Nicholas II's personal detective - to discover the significance of this strange wartime cargo. As the storm gathers around them, Pekkala soon finds himself on the path of the most formidable art thieves in history. The real target is a secret and prized possession of the Romanovs, once considered to be the eighth wonder of the world. But as the Soviet Union crumbles in the face of the advancing cataclysm, Pekkala realizes that to protect the Tsar's treasure he must break through enemy lines. His desperate mission is to outfox the German invaders, or face the wrath of Stalin himself.</p>
<p>Thomas Enger</p>	<p>Pierced: Henning Juul #2</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>Oslo's top investigative crime reporter Henning Juul is still haunted by the death of his son. Every time he looks in the mirror, he sees the scars from the horrible fire that killed his six-year-old boy. So when he receives a message from convicted murderer Tore Pulli, he can't stop himself from following up... Pierced follows Henning Juul to Tore Pulli's prison cell, where the felon sends the reporter on a quest to find the real killer behind his false conviction. Juul knows the murders pinned to Pulli don't bear his signature, but when Pulli is found dead of an apparent suicide, Juul begins to realize there's much more at stake. As he digs deeper, he strikes up a fragile partnership with Iver Gundersen, a journalist now living with Juul's ex-wife. Together, the two men rush headlong into a gangland power struggle, delving into an impenetrable world. Uncovering more questions than answers, Juul soon comes to understand that he has to find not one, but several killers - money-hungry men more dangerous than any he has encountered before...</p>

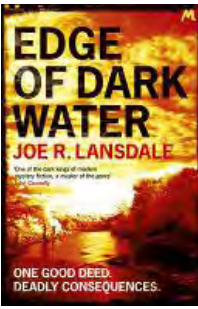
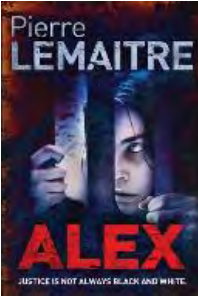

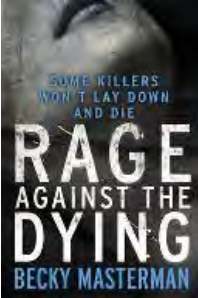
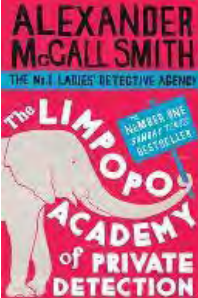

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<p>Nicci French</p>	<p>Tuesday's Gone: Frieda Klein #2</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>The rotting, naked corpse of a man is found amidst swarms of flies in the living room of a confused woman. Who is he? Why is Michelle Doyce trying to serve him afternoon tea? And how did the dead body find its way into her flat? DCI Karlsson needs an expert to delve inside Michelle's mind for answers and turns to former colleague, psychiatrist Frieda Klein. Eventually Michelle's ramblings lead to a vital clue that in turn leads to a possible identity. Robert Poole. Jack of all trades and master conman. The deeper Frieda and Karlsson dig, the more of Poole's victims they encounter... and the more motives they uncover for his murder. But is anyone telling them the truth except for poor, confused Michelle? And when the past returns to haunt Frieda's present, she finds herself in danger. Whoever set out to destroy Poole also seems determined to destroy Frieda Klein.</p>
<p>Sue Grafton</p>	<p>Kinsey and Me: Stories</p>	<p>Tp \$34.99 \$31.50</p> 	<p>This book has two parts: nine Kinsey stories (1986-93), each a gem of detection; and the 'And Me' stories, written in the decade after Sue Grafton's mother died. Together, they show just how much of Kinsey is a distillation of her creator's past even as they reveal a child who, free of parental interventions, read everything and roamed everywhere. But the dark side of such freedom was that very parental distance. The same feisty voice and witty apercus readers fell in love with in A Is for Alibi permeate the Kinsey stories. Those in the And Me section trace a remarkable voyage, from anger to understanding, from pain to forgiveness. They take us into a troubled family, dysfunctional as most families are, each in their own way, but Grafton's telling is sensitive, delicate, and ultimately, loving. Enriching the way we see Kinsey and know Sue, these stories are deeply affecting.</p>
<p>Dashiell Hammett</p>	<p>The Return of the Thin Man</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>Although characters and stories like Sam Spade and The Maltese Falcon are famous the world over, despite the New York Times' description of him as the 'dean of the school of hard-boiled noir', Dashiell Hammett wrote only five full-length novels in his career. The Thin Man was the last of these, published in 1934. But Hammett wrote two other 'treatments' for investigator Nick Charles and his nemesis Charles Wynant; the 'thin man' of the title. Lost when Hammett retired as a novelist, together those treatments form the continuing story of The Thin Man, which is now being published for the first time. Dashiell Hammett died in 1961. He his influence lives on in generations of writers as diverse as Raymond Chandler and William Burroughs.</p>
<p>Marie Hermanson</p>	<p>The Devil's Sanctuary</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>Estranged identical twins Daniel and Max have a complex relationship, so when Daniel goes to visit his bi-polar brother in a remote and expensive Swiss 'recovery' clinic, he has no idea what really lies in wait for him. Lulled by the routine and peacefulness of the clinic, Daniel finds himself unquestioningly accepting Max's plea for help in taking care of some business, and the brothers swap places for a few days. But soon Daniel realises Max isn't coming back, and that the clinic is far from a place of recovery. Struggling to get anyone to believe who he really is, Daniel finds himself trapped in a cruel and highly secretive prison: this is no sanctuary, it's a living nightmare...</p>
<p>Matt Hilton</p>	<p>Rules of Honour: Joe Hunter #8</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>When Rink's father is brutally murdered, Joe has to stop his friend rushing headlong for vengeance. Because Rink's mother witnessed the crime and Yukiko isn't telling everything she knows. Her silence is governed by the Japanese tradition of giri, or moral obligation. But when there are more vicious deaths - all of them elderly men known to Yukiko - it becomes a matter of honour to uncover the shameful secret that lies behind the murders. The killer isn't playing by the rules. But some rules are made to be broken and Joe doesn't care what he breaks to ensure Rink gets his revenge.</p>
<p>Quintin Jardine</p>	<p>Funeral Note: Bob Skinner #22</p>	<p>Pb \$22.99 \$20.70</p> 	<p>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. Can he win out, or will his life implode?</p>

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<p>Jesse Kellerman</p>	<p>I'll Catch You</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>When the world's bestselling thriller writer, William de Vallee, disappears from his luxury yacht while sailing off the LA coast, his best friend and fellow writer Arthur Pfefferkorn decides to pick up where he left off. But little does Arthur know that this impulsive decision is about to change his life for ever... We want to tell you more about this novel. We wish we could explain how spectacular and absolutely unexpected it is; how it will burn itself onto your brain for ever. But the truth is we could never do it justice... The only way you'll understand it is to read it.</p>
<p>Jonathan Kellerman</p>	<p>Guilt: Alex Delaware #28</p>	<p>Tp \$32.99 \$29.70</p> 	<p>When a young couple takes possession of their dream home, they can't wait to remodel the neglected mansion. That is until they make a gruesome discovery of a rusted metal strongbox containing two rotting leather doctor's bags. And inside each bag, swaddled in sheets of sixty-year-old newspaper, lies a tiny human skeleton. The case hits the media, and theories abound. The most likely culprit is a mysterious woman, employed as private nurse to wealthy L.A. families during World War Two and Lieutenant Milo Sturgis consults psychologist Alex Delaware for insight into the perpetrator's motives. But the horror is just beginning. Two more bags are discovered, but this time the infants inside have been dead less than a month. Is a copycat at work? Or is there a link between the two finds which goes back decades? By the time both cases close, Alex and Milo will have confronted unprecedented narcissism, cruelty, deceit and a cold but fiendish objectification of the human spirit that shakes both men to the core</p>
<p>Christobel Kent</p>	<p>The Dead Season: Sandro Cellini #3</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>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. So it is no surprise that amidst the shrubbery of a normally busy roundabout, a corpse lies unnoticed, bloating in the humid air. Sandro Cellini will not be joining the crowds of holidaymakers this year. The former policeman turned private detective has a case: a man who seems to have vanished into thin air - leaving his pregnant young wife alone in the city. Meanwhile, bankteller Roxana Delfino is also stuck in the city for the season, with nothing to do but worry for her aging mother and puzzle over the disappearance of one her regular clients. As all Florence sweats it out, Cellini attempts to grapple with his case and the complications it throws up. And when the weather finally breaks, it brings with it a shocking revelation...</p>
<p>Matthew Klein</p>	<p>No Way Back</p>	<p>Pb \$24.99 \$22.50</p> 	<p>Jimmy thinks he knows about loss, about fear, about paranoia. He should think again. Every time Jimmy Thane has been faced with a crossroad, he's taken the wrong path. But after years of drinking and womanising, he has been given one last chance to save both his career and his marriage - he has seven weeks to transform a failing company. From the moment he enters the building there's something wrong - the place is too quiet, too empty. When the police come calling about the disappearance of the former CEO, Jimmy starts to wonder what he's got himself into. Then he discovers surveillance equipment in his neighbour's house, looking straight into his front room. And his wife isn't just tired, she's terrified and trying to hide it. Nothing is at it seems. Jimmy's not living his dream - he's been plunged into the worst kind of nightmare. And when the truth comes out, it's more terrifying than he could ever imagine...</p>
<p>Camilla Lackberg</p>	<p>The Lost Boy: Patrik Hedstrom #7</p>	<p>Pb \$24.99 \$22.50</p> 	<p>Detective Patrik Hedstrom has barely stepped foot inside his office following a lengthy sick leave before he catches a murder investigation. A man has been murdered in his home: the victim, Mats Sverin, was the council's financial director, heading up a regeneration project worth millions. But when Patrik and his team start digging into the dead man's life, all they can uncover is unanswered questions. Why was Mats in such a rush to return to his home town of Fjallbacka after years in Gothenburg? And is it pure coincidence that Mats's childhood sweetheart Nathalie has also suddenly returned to the area? Mats visited Nathalie on Graskar before his death. The locals call the island 'The Ghost Isle' - they say that it's haunted, and that the dead have something to tell the living. But will anyone get close enough to uncover the dark secrets that lurk there?</p>


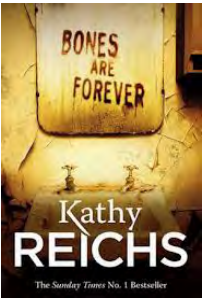
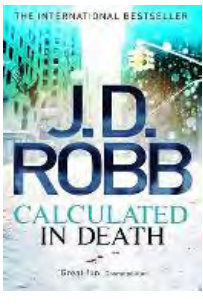
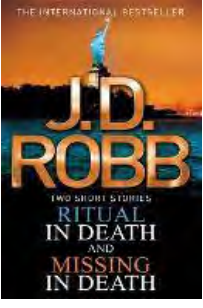
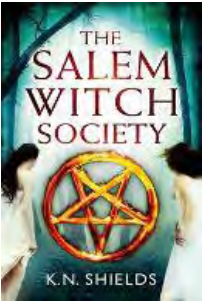

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<p>Joe R Lansdale</p>	<p>Edge of Dark Water</p>	<p>Pb \$22.99 \$20.70</p> 	<p>May Lynn was a pretty girl from a mean family who dreamed of becoming a film star. Now she's dead - her body dredged up from the Sabine River, bound with wire and weighted down. Her best friend, Sue Ellen, has a family meaner than May's and a yearning for something greater than she's been given. She thinks the least she can do for her friend is take her ashes to Hollywood, the place she'd always longed to be. But May Lynn's diary holds a secret: the location of a large sum of money. What seems like a stroke of fortune has disastrous consequences, and Sue Ellen's escape is about to get more complicated than she'd ever imagined.</p>
<p>Pierre Lemaitre</p>	<p>Alex</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>In kidnapping cases, the first few hours are vital. After that, the chances of being found alive go from slim to none. Alex Prevost is running out of time. And her abductor wants only one thing: to watch her die. Police Commandant Camille Verh ven has nothing to go on: no suspect, no leads, no hope. But as he begins to understand more about Alex, he starts to realise she is no ordinary victim. Beautiful, tough, resourceful, always two steps ahead - the enigma that is Alex will keep you guessing till the bitter, bitter end. Before long, saving her life will be the least of Verh ven's worries.</p>
<p>Charlotte Link</p>	<p>The Other Child</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>In the northern seaside town of Scarborough, a student is found murdered. For months, the investigators are in the dark, until they are faced with a copy-cat crime. The investigation continues apace, yet they are still struggling to establish a connection between the two victims. Ambitious detective Valerie Almond clings to the all too obvious: a rift within the family of the second victim. But there is far more to the case than first appears and Valerie is led towards a dark secret, inextricably linked to the evacuation of children to Scarborough during World War II. Horrified at her last minute discovery, Valerie realises that she may be too late for action...</p>
<p>Becky Masterman</p>	<p>Rage Against the Dying</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>In her hey-day, ex FBI agent, Brigid Quinn, not only worked serial killer cases but became their prize. Small and blond, from a distance she looked vulnerable and slight... the perfect bait to catch a killer. But as Quinn got older, she realised she needed to find a protege, a younger field agent to take her place. So Quinn trains a twenty-two year old and lets her loose in the field. The plan works. Until the Route 66 killer not only takes the bait, but kills the bait. Years on, Quinn is trying to move past the fact that she has a young woman's death on her conscience. She's now the perfect Stepford Wife - until she gets a knock on her door. The girl's body has finally been discovered. Quinn is pulled back into the case and the more she learns about the killer the more she comes to believe, despite the overwhelming forensic evidence to hand, that they have the wrong man.</p>
<p>Alexander McCall Smith</p>	<p>The Limpopo Academy of Private Detection: No 1 Ladies' Detective Agency #13</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>Mma Ramotswa and Mma Makutsi have always relied on the advice of the classic guide to their trade, The Principles of Private Detection. But who is the eminent author, Mr Clovis Andersen, and what if he were to come to Botswana? That seems a very unlikely possibility, and yet... When Mr Andersen visits Botswana on holiday, he is delighted and intrigued to stumble across a roadside sign that reveals the existence of the No.1 Ladies' Detective Agency. Professional courtesy suggests that he call and announce himself. Meanwhile, Mma Makutsi and Phuti Radiphuti are embarking on married life and building a new house - a tricky business under any circumstances but especially hazardous when the name of the contractor is the Joy and Light Building Company.</p>
<p>Barbara Nadel</p>	<p>Deadline: Cetin Ikmen #15</p>	<p>Tp \$32.99 \$29.70</p> 	<p>When Inspector Cetin Ikmen is invited to a murder mystery evening at Istanbul's famous Pera Palas Hotel he finds himself embroiled in a deadly game of life imitating art. Halfway through the evening, one of the actors is found actually dead in the room where Agatha Christie used to stay when she was in Istanbul. Walking in the steps of the great writer, Ikmen experiences fear and hatred which have echoes deep in his own and his country's past.</p>

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<p>Hakan Nesser</p>	<p>Hour of the Wolf: Inspector Van Veeteren #7</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>The master of Swedish crime fiction returns with the winner of the prestigious Scandinavian Glass Key Award. In the dead of night, in the pouring rain, a drunk driver smashes his car into a young man. He abandons the body at the side of the road, but the incident will set in motion a chain of events which will change his life forever. Soon Chief Inspector Van Veeteren, now retired from the Maardam police force, will face his greatest trial yet as someone close to him is, inexplicably, murdered. Van Veeteren's former colleagues, desperate for answers, struggle to decipher the clues to this appalling crime. But when another body is discovered, it gradually becomes clear that this killer is acting on their own terrifying logic...</p>
<p>Kristina Ohlsson</p>	<p>Silenced: Fredrika Bergman #2</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>Fifteen years ago, a teenage girl is assaulted and raped as she picks flowers for a Midsummer's Eve ritual. Cut to the present, and a man is killed in a hit and run. He has no identification on him, he is not reported missing nor wanted by the police. At the same time, a priest and his wife are found dead in an apparent suicide. Fredrika Bergman, along with Alex Recht's federal investigation unit, is assigned to the seemingly unconnected cases. The investigations lead to a clandestine people-smuggling network: a new player on the international human smuggling market operating out of Bangkok. As the police slowly uncover the shocking hypocrisy behind the network, they begin to find a trail that runs all the way back to the 1980s, to a crime that went unreported, but whose consequences will reach further and deeper than anyone ever expected.</p>
<p>Robert B Parker & Michael Brandman</p>	<p>Fool Me Twice: Jesse Stone #11</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>Hollywood has come to Paradise, Massachusetts. And Police Chief Jesse Stone has been distracted from his duty by a beautiful young producer. But before Jesse can get too cozy, the leading star of the movie, Marisol Hinton, approaches him for help. Her meth-addicted ex is terrorizing her, and, expecting him to turn up in town, she grows increasingly frightened for her life. Jesse, meanwhile, is waging a war against an off-the-rails teenage girl - the seemingly untouchable daughter of a local business magnate - whose reckless and dangerous driving is endangering Paradise's citizens on a daily basis. And as if he's not got enough to be dealing with, Jesse's juggling a third ongoing investigation: addressing a string of complaints from angered locals, claiming they are being charged suspiciously high fees by the local water company. Not one to give up a fight, Jesse throws himself into all three cases with his characteristic bullish vigour. But what he doesn't necessarily realize is that those that seem to present the least danger will prove to be the most deadly.</p>
<p>James Patterson</p>	<p>11th Hour: Women's Murder Club #11</p>	<p>Pb \$19.95 \$17.95</p> 	<p>Lindsay Boxer is pregnant at last! But her work doesn't slow for a second. When millionaire Chaz Smith is mercilessly gunned down, she discovers that the murder weapon is linked to the deaths of four of San Francisco's most untouchable criminals. And it was taken from her own department's evidence locker. Anyone could be the killer - even her closest friends. Lindsay is called next to the most bizarre crime scene she's ever witnessed: two bodiless heads elaborately displayed in the garden of a world-famous actor. Another head is unearthed in the garden, and Lindsay realises that the ground could hide hundreds of victims. A reporter launches a series of malicious articles about the cases and Lindsay's personal life is laid bare. But this time she has no one to turn to - especially not Joe.</p>
<p>James Patterson & Maxine Paetro</p>	<p>12th of Never: Women's Murder Club #12</p>	<p>Tp \$32.95 \$29.65</p> 	<p>A baby on the way and two killers on the loose. Will Detective Lindsay Boxer be pushed to breaking point? An eccentric professor walks into Lindsay's homicide department to report a murder that hasn't yet happened. A convicted serial killer wakes from a two-year coma. He says he's ready to tell where the bodies are buried, but does he have a much more sinister plan in mind? Lindsay doesn't have much time to stop a terrifying future from unfolding. But all the crimes in the world seem like nothing when she is suddenly faced with the possibility of the most devastating loss of her life.</p>



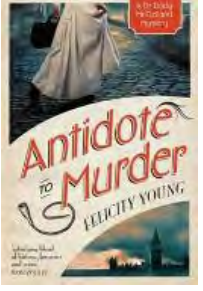
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<p>Leif G W Persson</p>	<p>Linda, As in the Linda Murder</p>	<p>Tp \$32.95 \$29.65</p> 	<p>In the middle of an unusually hot Swedish summer, a young woman studying at the Vaxjo Police Academy is brutally murdered. Police Inspector Evert Backstrom is unwillingly drafted in from Stockholm to head up the investigation. Egotistical, vain and utterly prejudiced against everything, Backstrom is a man who has no sense of duty or responsibility, thinks everyone with the exception of himself is an imbecile and is only really capable of warm feelings towards his pet goldfish and the nearest bottle of liquor. If they are to solve the case, his long suffering team must work around him, following the scant few leads which remain after Backstrom's intransigence has let the trail go cold.</p>
<p>Kathy Reichs</p>	<p>Bones Are Forever: Temperance Brennan #15</p>	<p>Pb \$14.95 \$13.45</p> 	<p>A newborn baby is found wedged in a vanity cabinet in a rundown apartment near Montreal. Dr Temperance Brennan, forensic anthropologist to the province of Quebec, is brought in to investigate. While there, she discovers the mummified remains of two more babies within the same room. Shocked and distressed, Tempe must use all her skills and inner strength to focus on the facts. But when the autopsies reveal that the children died of unnatural causes, the hunt for the mother - a young woman with a seedy past and at least three aliases - is on. The trail leads Tempe to Yellowknife, a cold, desolate diamond-mining town on the edge of the Arctic Circle, where her quest for the truth only throws up more questions, more secrets, and more dead bodies. Taking risks and working alone, Tempe refuses to give up until she has discovered why the babies died. But in such a hostile environment, can she avoid being the next victim?</p>
<p>J D Robb</p>	<p>Calculated in Death: In Death #36</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>On the steps outside an empty office in New York's financial district, a woman lies dead. It's a bitterly cold winter and her coat and other items are missing, which initially seems to point to a mugging gone wrong, but Lt Eve Dallas soon discovers that the body was dumped at the newly-renovated property. Now she has to find out why. Marta Dickenson was an auditor, so Eve has a host of suspects among those who were under her scrutiny, not ruling out the fact Marta's sister-in-law is a famous judge. With the financial wizardry of Eve's husband Roarke at her disposal and the faithful Peabody by her side - when not distracted by the upcoming premiere they're all to attend - Eve starts the process of shifting through the motives of some powerful people to catch a killer...</p>
<p>J D Robb</p>	<p>Ritual in Death and Missing in Death [short stories]</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>Dark, mystifying and powerful forces are at work in these two superb J. D. Robb short stories. Ritual When a naked, knife-wielding man who thinks he has killed someone crashes a glamorous ball she's attending, Lieutenant Eve Dallas is almost relieved. The clues point towards ritual murder, but Eve knows there is nothing supernatural about a deadly lust for power... Missing Aboard the Staten Island ferry, a tourist sees something she shouldn't have - soon no one can find her. But if she didn't jump, and she's not on board, where is she? Lieutenant Eve Dallas and her team know that all the answers lie in just what she was seen on that ferry...</p>
<p>K N Shields</p>	<p>The Salem Witch Society</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>It is a time of spells and shadows, of black magic and blood. And the most famous witch hunt in history is about to begin...Years later, a young woman is found savagely murdered, a pitchfork thrust through her neck, her body arranged in the shape of a star: the death pose of a witch. Someone - or something - is reviving the terror of the notorious Salem Witch hunts. And only one man - a brilliant, eccentric loner with a dazzling mind and a fascination with witchcraft - can keep the evils of the past at bay. Rich in history, mystery, and witchcraft, The Salem Witch Society is a twisting, terrifying thriller - a dark fairy tale for readers who loved A Discovery of Witches and The Interpretation of Murder.</p>
<p>Sean Slater</p>	<p>The Guilty: Jacob Striker #3</p>	<p>Pb \$24.99 \$22.50</p> 	<p>When Homicide Detective Jacob Striker discovers a torture chamber in a steel barn down by the river, he is propelled into an investigation that leads to two mysterious bombers. Every few hours, another victim is targeted, located - and then blown to smithereens. Very quickly, Striker realizes the attacks are not random. But one obvious question remains: Why? With people dying at an alarming rate, Striker desperately searches for an answer to this question. When he discovers it, a stark coldness fills him. For he begins to understand. The reason leads back to a police file that is now ten years old. To a dark and dangerous place across the seas. And to one of Striker's oldest mentors and dearest friends. With time running out, Striker must catch the two bombers before they finish the job and complete their kill list. Otherwise there will be little left for Jacob Striker to save. Little left, but dust and bones.</p>

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<p>Alexander Soderberg</p>	<p>The Andalucian Friend: Brinkmann #1</p>	<p>Tp \$32.95 \$29.65</p> 	<p>Living a quiet life in the suburbs, Sophie Brinkmann is captivated by the handsome and sophisticated Hector Guzman. She has no idea that beneath Hector's charm lies something far more dangerous. Hector is the head of an international crime syndicate. He is used to getting what he wants, and what he wants now is the total annihilation of his rivals. Before she can fully grasp the extent of Hector's world, Sophie is trapped within it. Her house is under surveillance, her family is at risk. Hector is at war - with Russian hit men, South American drug traffickers, German gangsters - and now Sophie is too. But who can she trust when even the people who have sworn to uphold the law are as dangerous as those dedicated to breaking it? If Sophie is to get out alive, and with her integrity intact, she will have to summon everything within her to navigate this intricate web of moral ambiguity, deadly obsession and ruthless killers.</p>
<p>Paul Sussman</p>	<p>The Labyrinth of Osiris: Yusuf Khalifa #3</p>	<p>Pb \$19.95 \$17.95</p> 	<p>A journalist is brutally murdered in Jerusalem's Armenian Cathedral and Detective Arie Ben-Roi is spoilt for leads. One, however, doesn't seem to fit with the rest of the investigation - a link with a decades-old missing persons case in Egypt. Baffled, Ben-Roi turns for help to his old friend and sparring partner, Yusuf Khalifa of the Luxor Police. Although struggling with personal troubles and immersed in a case of his own - a series of mysterious well-poisonings in the Eastern Desert - Khalifa agrees to do some digging. What he discovers will change both men's lives forever. As their investigations intertwine, the detectives are drawn ever deeper into a sinister web of violence, abuse, corporate malpractice and international terrorism. And at the heart of the web lies the labyrinth; a three-thousand year old mystery that has already taken two lives, and will soon be claiming more...</p>
<p>Johan Theorin</p>	<p>The Asylum</p>	<p>Tp \$32.95 \$29.65</p> 	<p>Dear Ivan, is it possible to write a love letter to someone you have never met? I've only seen your picture in the newspapers, below those terrible, screaming headlines. There is something about the look in your eyes, so calm and wise and yet so penetrating. I would like you to be able to look at me in reality too. I would love to meet you... An underground passage leads from the Dell nursery to Saint Patricia's asylum. Only the children enter, leaving their minds behind. On the other side are their parents - some of the most dangerous psychopaths in the country. Jan has just started working at the nursery. He is a loner with many secrets but only one goal. He must get inside the asylum. What is his connection with one of the inmates, a famous singer? What really happened when a boy in his care went missing nine years ago? Who can we trust when everyone has something to hide?</p>
<p>Fred Vargas</p>	<p>The Ghost Riders of Ordebec: Commissaire Adamsberg #7</p>	<p>Tp \$32.95 \$29.65</p> 	<p>'People will die,' says the panic-stricken woman outside police headquarters. She has been standing in blazing sunshine for more than an hour, and refuses to speak to anyone besides Commissaire Adamsberg. Her daughter has seen a vision: ghostly horsemen who target the most nefarious characters in Normandy. Since the middle ages there have been stories of murderers, rapists, those with serious crimes on their conscience, meeting a grizzly end following a visitation by the riders. Soon after the young woman's vision a notoriously cruel man disappears, and the local police dismiss the matter as superstition. Although the case is far outside his jurisdiction, Adamsberg agrees to investigate the strange happenings in a village terrorised by wild rumours and ancient feuds.</p>
<p>Joseph Wambaugh</p>	<p>Harbour Nocturne: Hollywood Station #5</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>The southernmost Los Angeles district of San Pedro, once of the world's busiest harbours. Now it is a locus for gangs, human trafficking and all manner of decadence and mayhem. The ubiquitous Croatian and Italian longshoremen have diminished in numbers and influence. One Croat, Dinko Babich, has even stooped to taxi service. But one night, driving a 19-year-old Mexican dancer to her club, he falls desperately for this sweet, sincere and endearing girl. And when she sees something she should not have, something that links her to an investigation of a shipping container filled with 13 corpses, Dinko will do all he can to protect her from the lethal and terrifying men behind it.</p>

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<p>Kerry Wilkinson</p>	<p>Think of the Children: Jessica Daniel #4</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>One boy is dead. A killer is free. Who is next? Detective Sergeant Jessica Daniel is first on the scene as a stolen car crashes on a misty, wet Manchester morning. The driver is dead, but the biggest shock awaits her when she discovers the body of a child wrapped in plastic in the boot of the car. As Jessica struggles to discover the identity of the driver, a thin trail leads her first to a set of clothes buried in the woods and then to a list of children's names abandoned in an allotment shed. With the winter chill setting in and parents looking for answers, Jessica must find out who has been watching local children, and how this connects to a case that has been unsolved for 14 years. This is book four in the Jessica Daniel series, following on from Locked In , Vigilante and The Woman In Black .</p>
<p>Charlotte Williams</p>	<p>The House on the Cliff</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>One woman's quest to discover the dark secret at the heart of a family. Actor Gwydion Morgan's dramatic appearance at Jessica Mayhew's psychotherapy practice coincides with a turbulent time in her own life - her husband has just revealed that he's spent the night with a much younger woman. Gwydion, son of the famous Evan Morgan, is good looking and talented but mentally fragile, tormented by an intriguing phobia. Jessica is determined to trace the cause of his distress. So when his mother phones to say he is suicidal, Jessica decides to make a house call. The Morgans live in a grand cliff-top mansion overlooking a rocky bay with its own private jetty. It's a remote and somewhat sinister place. On her visit, Jessica finds out that an au pair who looked after Gwydion as a child drowned in the bay in mysterious circumstances. Could it be that Gwydion witnessed her death? In her quest to help her client, Jessica finds herself becoming embroiled in the Morgans' poisonous family dynamic.</p>
<p>Felicity Young</p>	<p>Antidote to Murder: Doctor Dody McClelland #2</p>	<p>Pb \$24.99 \$22.50</p> 	<p>When an act of compassion misfires, autopsy surgeon Dody McClelland finds that she is not only fighting for her career, but for her life too. A distraught scullery maid, Esther Craddock, visits Dr Dody McClelland in her surgery in an East End Women's Clinic, begging her to terminate an unwanted pregnancy. Dody gives the girl something to 'help' and when Esther is found dead - of complications following an illegal abortion - Dody's involvement in her case comes under intense scrutiny. A series of anonymous notes accusing Dody of the crime convinces the Coroner to recommend Dody be tried for murder. Meanwhile, the one man who might be able to help her, Chief Inspector Mathew Pike, is nowhere to be found. When another woman's body is found bearing all the hallmarks of the crime that she was accused of committing, Dody suspects that a rogue doctor is on the loose.</p>
<p>COSY CRIME</p>			
<p>Victoria Abbott</p>	<p>The Christie Curse: Book Collector #1</p>	<p>Pb \$13.50 \$12.15</p> 	<p>Jordan Kelly needs a new job and a new place to live. She's back in Harrison Falls, New York, living with her not so law-abiding uncles, in debt thanks to a credit card-stealing ex and pending grad school loans. Enter the perfect job, a research position that includes room and board, which will allow her to spend her days hunting down rare mysteries for an avid book collector. There's just one problem: her employer, Vera Van Alst - the most hated citizen of Harrison Falls. Jordan's first assignment is to track down a rumored Agatha Christie play. It seems easy enough, but Jordan soon finds out that her predecessor was killed while looking for it, and there is still someone out there willing to murder to keep the play out of Vera's hands. Jordan's new job is good... but is it worth her life?</p>
<p>Ellery Adams</p>	<p>Peach Pies and Alibis: Charmed Pie Shoppe #2</p>	<p>Pb \$13.50 \$12.15</p> 	<p>Ella Mae LeFaye's Charmed Pie Shoppe is wildly popular in Havenwood, Georgia - which is not surprising since Ella Mae can lace her baked goods with enchantments. The shop's extraordinary success seems destined to continue when Ella Mae meets an engaged couple who hire her to handle the dessert buffet at their wedding. But Ella Mae has a lot on her plate. She is also searching for the origin of her magical powers - and hoping to determine if the spark of attraction she feels for the handsome Hugh Dylan is authentic or just her new abilities gone awry. Then Ella Mae discovers a high-standing member of the community dead, and a wedding guest becomes seriously ill at the event she's catering. Now she'll have to use all her sleuthing skills and culinary talents to prove her pies don't contain a killer ingredient...</p>

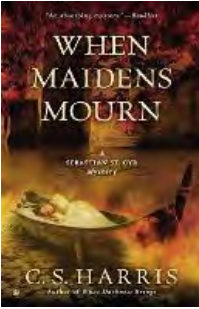
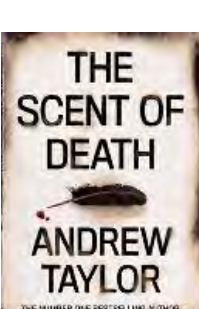
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<p>Claudia Bishop</p>	<p>A Fete Worse Than Death: Hemlock Falls #18</p>	<p>Pb \$13.50 \$12.15</p> 	<p>Sisters Meg and Sarah Quilliam make sure guests feel right at home when they visit the Inn at Hemlock Falls. Located in upstate New York, Hemlock Falls is a small town renowned for its scenic beauty - and scenes of crime. Disaster strikes a mere week before the Hemlock Falls Ladies' Auxiliary hosts the annual Spring Fete when the festival's chairwoman - the redoubtable Adela Henry - gives up her job in a huff. Who's going to judge the justly renowned Jell-O architecture contest? Or stop the members of the Craft Guild from sabotaging their rivals, the Crafty Ladies? More to the point, who's got the tact, diplomacy, and iron will necessary to organize the booths and settle quarrels over the programming? Hemlock's mayor hopes to assure the fete's success when he recruits professional organizer Linda Connally and her staff to take over Adela's duties. But when Connally's body turns up in the trunk of a used car at Peterson's Automotive, Meg and Sarah are back in the detecting business.</p>
<p>Laura Bradford</p>	<p>Assaulted Pretzel: Amish #2</p>	<p>Pb \$13.50 \$12.15</p> 	<p>Claire Weatherly found the simple life she always wanted when she opened a gift shop in Heavenly, Pennsylvania - a small town in the heart of Amish country. But when murder disrupts her Heavenly home, it's up to Claire and Detective Jakob Fisher to find the not-so-simple truth. The quiet town of Heavenly is buzzing with excitement over the latest guests at the local inn, Sleep Heavenly. Toy manufacturer Rob Karble is in town to meet the members of the Amish community who will soon be crafting a new toy line for his company. But when word gets out that Karble intends to use the Amish designs without employing the Amish to make them, someone sends the interloper to his final reward. No one wants to believe anyone from the Amish community could commit such an act, but as Claire and Detective Fisher have learned, no one is above sin - or suspicion.</p>
<p>Laura Childs</p>	<p>Agony of the Leaves: Tea Shop #13</p>	<p>Pb \$13.50 \$12.15</p> 	<p>Indigo Tea Shop owner Theodosia Browning finds herself in hot water when a body surfaces at the grand opening of Charleston's Neptune Aquarium. The opening of the aquarium is a major Charleston event, and Theodosia has been hired to cater tea, scones, and sandwiches for the private party to honor dignitaries and big buck donors. Things are going swimmingly, until Theodosia escapes the party for a momentary rest, only to discover the body of a man entangled in a net, drowned in one of the aquarium's state-of-the-art tanks. To make matters worse, the victim is Theodosia's former boyfriend Parker Scully. The EMTs on the scene think Parker's drowning was an accident, but when Theodosia notices what look like defense wounds on his hands, she realizes that someone wanted Parker dead. The local police aren't keen on hearing her theory - especially because of her ties to the victim - so Theodosia knows that if she wants Parker's killer brought to justice, she'll have to jump into the deep end and start her own investigation...</p>
<p>Lila Dare</p>	<p>Wave Good-Bye: Southern Beauty Shop #4</p>	<p>Pb \$13.50 \$12.15</p> 	<p>St. Elizabeth, Georgia, offers charm, Southern hospitality - and the occasional murder. This time, when a new hair salon tries to steal business, it's someone's life that gets cut short... Violetta's salon is up in arms. Business is dead. Snippets, a big box hair-cutting chain, has opened in St. Elizabeth, undercutting prices and luring away loyal customers. Violetta's daughter, hairdresser Grace Terhune, is shocked to discover that it's her old high school rival Lisa Butterworth who's behind the big sweep - and Grace isn't going to take this sitting down. Snippets' cold-blooded prized employee is doing wonders with Violetta's client list. According to Lisa, it's just business - until a bitter confrontation leaves Grace more than frustrated, and Lisa less than alive. Now Grace is the prime suspect in her rival's murder. And only her friends at Violetta's can save her - before the charge proves permanent.</p>
<p>Joanne Fluke</p>	<p>Cinnamon Roll Murder: Hannah Swensen #16</p>	<p>Pb \$13.50 \$12.15</p> 	<p>April is a busy time for Hannah Swensen and her bakery; the warm weather makes folks in Lake Eden, Minnesota go wild for something sweet. When Hannah hears that the Cinnamon Roll Six jazz band will be playing at the town's Weekend Jazz Festival, she's more than happy to bake up a generous supply of their namesake confections to welcome the band to town. Before the festival even begins, tragedy strikes when the tour bus overturns. Among those injured is Buddy Neiman, the band's beloved keyboard player. Buddy's injuries appear minor, until his condition suddenly takes a turn for the worse - as in dead. Hannah's no doctor, but she suspects that the surgical scissors someone plunged into Buddy's chest may have something to do with it. Hannah isn't sure just how she'll unravel the mystery, but one thing's for sure: nothing's sweeter than bringing a killer to justice.</p>

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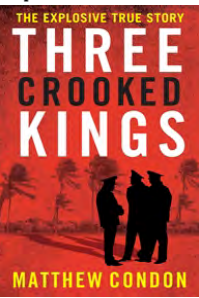
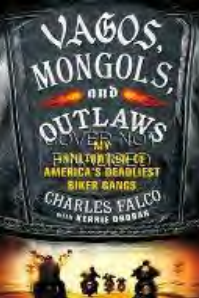

<p>Annelise Ryan</p>	<p>Lucky Stiff: Mattie Winston #4</p>	<p>Pb \$13.50 \$12.15</p> 	<p>It's Christmas Day in the sleepy town of Sorenson, Wisconsin, but instead of unwrapping presents, deputy coroner Mattie Winston is at the burnt remains of a house where a charred body has been found. The victim is none other than Jack Allen - a paraplegic who recently won a huge casino jackpot. Upon closer inspection, Mattie and detective Steve Hurley are convinced Jack was murdered to steal his winnings, giving the phrase Black Jack a whole new meaning. But as Mattie investigates, even her cutting-edge forensic skills keep coming up short in a case with as many suspects as twists. After her odds-on-favourite turns up dead, Mattie and Hurley must race to find a killer before another victim cashes in his chips.</p>
<p>Denise Swanson</p>	<p>Nickeled-and-Dimed to Death: Devereaux Dime Store #2</p>	<p>Pb \$13.50 \$12.15</p> 	<p>Devereaux Sinclair loves running her old-fashioned store in her small Missouri hometown. If only murder didn't keep landing on her doorstep... Dev's five-and-dime may be doing well, but her love life is in turmoil. She's torn between Deputy U.S. Marshal Jake Del Vecchio, who is on an undercover assignment, and her ex-beau Noah Underwood, the local doctor from a high-society family. So she welcomes the distraction when Elise Whitmore offers her a great deal on antique chocolate molds that would be perfect for her Easter gift baskets. But do the molds actually belong to Elise's soon-to-be ex-husband? In buying them, has Dev committed a felony? When Elise is found shot to death, the mystery deepens - and Dev's good friend Boone, who discovered the body, is taken into custody. With the help of her best buds, Dev must clear Boone's name and find the real killer. Good thing that when it comes to amateur sleuths, they broke the mold with Dev Sinclair.</p>
<p>Kari Lee Townsend</p>	<p>Trouble in the Tarot: Fortune Teller #3</p>	<p>Pb \$13.50 \$12.15</p> 	<p>For psychic Sunshine Meadows, sometimes fortunes can be deceiving. Lately Sunny has been experiencing a period of big opportunity: her business in Divinity, New York, is thriving, and Detective Mitch Stone has finally agreed to take Sunny on a date. But thanks to her clairvoyant abilities, Sunny knows better than anyone that life deals out bad cards along with the good. When Sunny agrees to read tarot cards at the annual Summer Solstice Carnival, she meets her Granny Gert's arch nemesis Fiona Atwater, and is overcome by a vision of Fiona in a violent argument. Sunny knows trouble is brewing when Granny and Fiona start having squabbles all over town. But the fighting comes to a head when a local baker gets run over by a big white Cadillac - and Granny and Fiona are found at the crime scene. Sunny knows she should step aside and let Mitch handle the investigating, but she's not about to ignore her visions and leave her granny's life in fate's hands...</p>
<p>HISTORICAL CRIME</p>			
<p>Giles Brandreth</p>	<p>Oscar Wilde and the Murders of Reading Gaol: Oscar Wilde #6</p>	<p>Pb \$22.99 \$20.70</p> 	<p>1897, Dieppe. Oscar Wilde, poet, playwright, novelist, raconteur and ex-convict, has fled the country after his release from Reading Gaol. Tonight he is sharing a drink and the story of his cruel imprisonment with a mysterious stranger. He has endured a harsh regime: the treadmill, solitary confinement, censored letters, no writing materials. Yet even in the midst of such deprivation, Oscar's astonishing detective powers remain undiminished - and when first a brutal warder and then the prison chaplain are found murdered, who else should the governor turn to for help other than Reading Gaol's most celebrated inmate?</p>
<p>Alex Grecian</p>	<p>The Yard: Murder Squad #1</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>A year after Jack the Ripper claimed his last victim, Victorian London is in the grip of a wave of crime and murder, with its citizens no longer able to trust the police to protect them. The newly formed Murder Squad of Scotland Yard, made up of just twelve detectives, battles in vain against the tide of violence and cruelty. When the body of a Yard detective is found in a suitcase, his lips sewn together and his eyes sewn shut, it becomes clear that not even the police are safe from attack. Has the Ripper returned - or is a new killer at large? Walter Day, the squad's newest recruit, is assigned the case and finds a strange ally in the Yard's first forensic pathologist, Dr Bernard Kingsley. Kingsley, a pioneer of groundbreaking forensic science, is convinced that strange new techniques such as finger printing are the key to finding the person responsible. With Kingsley's help, will Day find the murderer before it's too late? Or are the police once again helpless to stop a serial killer whose brutality knows no limits?</p>

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<p>C S Harris</p>	<p>When Maidens Mourn: Sebastian St Cyr #7</p>	<p>Pb \$13.50 \$12.15</p> 	<p>Regency England, August 1812: Sebastian St. Cyr's plans to escape the heat of London for a honeymoon with his new bride, Hero Jarvis, are shattered when the murdered body of Hero's good friend Gabrielle Tennyson is discovered drifting in a battered boat at the site of a long-vanished castle known as Camlet Moat. Missing and also presumed dead are Gabrielle's two young cousins. Still struggling to define the nature of their new marriage, Sebastian and Hero find themselves occasionally working at cross-purposes as their investigation uncovers dark secrets at the heart of the Tennyson family and an enigmatic young French lieutenant who is concealing mysteries of his own. Sebastian and Hero's race to unmask a ruthless killer and unravel the puzzle of the missing children puts both their lives and their growing love for each other at risk as they're threatened by powerful men in high places... and by a tall, dark stranger who may hold the key to Sebastian's own parentage.</p>
<p>Bruce Macbain</p>	<p>The Bull Slayer: Plinius Secundus #2</p>	<p>Pb \$23.95 \$21.55</p> 	<p>Pliny is the newly appointed governor of a turbulent and corrupt frontier province seething with hatred of Rome. When a high Roman official is found murdered on a desolate hillside, Pliny must investigate the devotees of a barbarian god whose ranks may include a murderer, an unscrupulous faith healer who knows everyone's secrets, and a boy who struggles toward manhood though stricken with the sacred disease. As Pliny pursues one lead after another, he is betrayed where he least expects it: his beautiful wife has fallen in love with a handsome young provincial, and the affair threatens to bring not only pain but ruin to Pliny's career.</p>
<p>Andrew Martin</p>	<p>The Baghdad Railway Club: Jim Stringer #8</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>Baghdad 1917. Captain Jim Stringer, invalidated from the Western Front, has been dispatched to investigate what looks like a nasty case of treason. He arrives to find a city on the point of insurrection, his cover apparently blown - and his only contact lying dead with flies in his eyes. As Baghdad swelters in a particularly torrid summer, the heat alone threatens the lives of the British soldiers who occupy the city. The recently ejected Turks are still a danger - and many of the local Arabs are none too friendly either. For Jim, who is not particularly good in warm weather, the situation grows pricklier by the day. Aside from his investigation, he is working on the railways around the city. His boss is the charming, enigmatic Lieutenant-Colonel Shepherd, who presides over the gracious dining society called The Baghdad Railway Club - and who may or may not be a Turkish agent. Jim's search for the truth brings him up against murderous violence in a heat-dazed, labyrinthine city where an enemy awaits around every corner.</p>
<p>Lloyd Shepherd</p>	<p>The Poisoned Island</p>	<p>Pb \$24.99 \$22.50</p> 	<p>London 1812. The arrival of the Solander is something of an event among the social and cultural cognoscenti of the metropolis. After all, what could be more romantic than a restaging of Captain Cook's first voyage on the Endeavour? For according to Sir Joseph Banks, President of the Royal Society, it is by owning and adapting the natural world to its own ends that Britain will shape the future of the world. Banks has asked that John Harriott, magistrate of the Thames river police, take a personal interest in the ship's security. When, one by one, members of the Solander crew are found dead in their beds, their faces twisted into hideous expressions, their sea chests ransacked, Hopkins puts detective Charles Horton in charge of the investigation. As Horton and his wife, Abigail, are drawn deeper into the twisting streets of riverside Wapping, it becomes clear that this is a story that began far from the London docks, near the foot of great Tahiti Nui, in the shadow of the dead volcano and beneath the hungry eyes of unforgiving ancient gods.</p>
<p>Andrew Taylor</p>	<p>The Scent of Death</p>	<p>Tp \$27.99 \$25.20</p> 	<p>Manhattan, 1778 - the last part of America to remain under British rule. It is a city of secrets, profiteers, loyalists and double agents, and home to a swelling tide of refugees fleeing the forces of Congress and seeking justice from the British crown. Edward Savill has been sent by London's American Department to look into the claims of dispossessed 'loyalists'. No sooner does he land, though, than he is taken to view the body of a gentleman found in Manhattan's notorious Canvas Town. While the military authorities hang an escaped slave for the murder, Savill becomes convinced there has been a miscarriage of justice. But he finds a deeper mystery closer to home. Taking lodgings with the respected Wintour family, he becomes aware of strange tensions running beneath the household's surface. What becomes clear to Savill is that the secrets within the Wintour home are dangerously entwined with the interests of the two warring countries, and that the killing in Canvas Town is just the start of a trail of murder that will touch those closest to him.</p>

TRUE CRIME

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<p>Matthew Condon</p>	<p>Three Crooked Kings</p>	<p>Tp \$35.00 \$31.50</p> 	<p>Terence Murray Lewis lifted himself out of poverty and emotional neglect to reach the pinnacle of power as the knighted Commissioner of Police in Queensland. Then, with the advent of the Fitzgerald Inquiry into Police Corruption in 1987, his life and that of his family fell apart overnight. He served ten years in prison for official corruption. At 84, he now lives a spartan life in a north Brisbane suburb. Here, Lewis speaks for the first time and offers his version of the narrative. Also, with unprecedented access to Lewis' personal papers that cover everything from his induction as a constable in 1949, his complete official police diaries and previously confidential police documents to his private prison diaries, this is the definitive account of an era that changed Queensland society.</p>
<p>Charles Falco</p>	<p>Vagos, Mongols, and Outlaws: My Infiltration of America's Deadliest Gangs</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>The gripping account from an ex-con who went undercover to help the ATF infiltrate three of America's most violent biker gangs. In exchange for a reduced sentence on drug smuggling charges, Charles Falco infiltrated three of America's most violent biker gangs: the Vagos, Mongols and Outlaws. In separate investigations that spanned years and ranged across the USA, Falco risked his life every day, working deep undercover to bring violent sociopaths to justice. His dedication was profound. He recorded confessions of gangland-style killings and nearly became a target himself before he sought refuge in the Witness Protection Program.</p>
<p>Andy Muir</p>	<p>Underbelly: Squizzy</p>	<p>Pb \$22.99 \$20.70</p> 	<p>In the 1920s, the notorious gangster Squizzy Taylor, one of Melbourne's most colourful underworld figures, evaded imprisonment by witness intimidation and jury fixing. Renowned for dressing loudly, the diminutive criminal was also a pickpocket, pimp, armed robber, fraudster, extortionist, race fixer, sly grogger, drug dealer and sometime actor and poet who modelled himself on the American bootleggers and manipulated the media. Between 1913 and 1916, Squizzy was linked to several violent crimes, including murder and armed robbery, and in 1919 he was one of the main figures in the Fitzroy Vendetta, a series of gangland shootings where rival racketeers fought for territory. In his wake Squizzy left a trail of misery and heartache but in the end he got what he wanted. People still remember his name.</p>

