

# CRIME Chronicle

"Where a good crime can be had by all"

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## AUSTRALIAN TRUE CRIME



**John SILVESTER & Andrew RULE**  
**Underbelly: The Golden Mile**

**374pp Pb \$24.99**

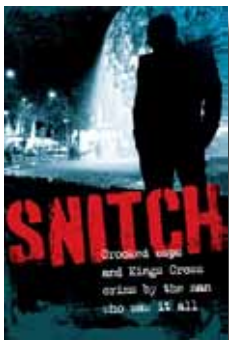
The events which inspired the current TV series! This is the story of Kings Cross gangland personalities, including Johnny Ibrahim, the Bayeh Brothers, Trevor Haken and Chook Fowler - their rise and their demise at the hands of Sydney police.



**Jimmy THOMSON**  
**Snitch**

**276pp Pb \$24.99**

This is the true story of 'The Inspector' - the man in the thick of the scams and rorts, the power struggles and the gang wars, the betting rings and illegal gambling, and the rise of the Ibrahim empire. He was also recently the technical adviser to the current TV series *Underbelly*.

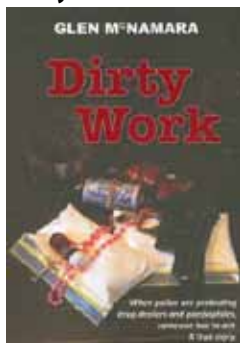


**Glen McNAMARA**  
**Dirty Work**

**320pp Pb \$29.95**

As a NSW Police detective, Glen McNamara tracked the notorious Warren Lanfranchi, who was dealing drugs with Neddy Smith, and disgraced cop Roger Rogerson, who was making deals in Redfern.

This is Inner Sydney's corrupt underbelly in the heat of the 1980s - with the cash and drugs flowing freely!

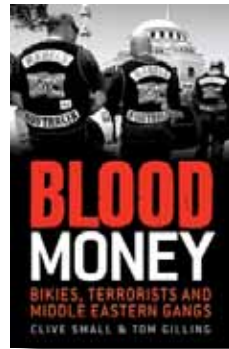


**Clive SMALL & Tom GILLING**

**Blood Money**

**336pp Tp \$35.00**

An insight into Australian organised crime, focusing on Middle Eastern gangs whose core business is drugs, the sale and stockpiling of dangerous weapons, extortion and large-scale



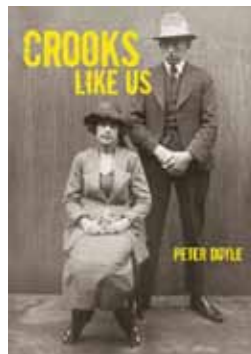
fraud; outlaw motorcycle gangs with their fortified clubhouses and amphetamine labs; and the Calabrian Mafia, always dangerous and opportunistic...

**Peter DOYLE**

**Crooks Like Us**

**320pp Pb \$49.95**

In the 1920s, Sydney police began quietly assembling a gallery of the city's most intriguing criminals. These images resurfaced in the 1980s, long after the original



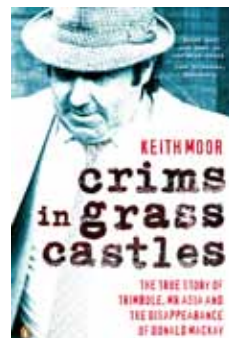
paperwork had been lost and the crooks and cops had passed on. Based on years of research, this offers a glimpse into the lives of these fugitive souls.

**Keith MOOR**

**Criminals in Grass Castles**

**334pp Pb \$24.95**

Featuring never-before-published material, this is the true story of Robert Trimbole: race fixer, drug boss, Mafia powerbroker, murder contractor and arms dealer.



In the 1970s, Trimbole and the Calabrian Mafia ruled Australia's marijuana trade from their 'castles' in Griffith, NSW - dream homes built with drug money.

**WIN A DOUBLE PASS TO ANIMAL KINGDOM**

The new Australian crime film, *Animal Kingdom*, is due for release on 3 June. Courtesy of Madman Cinema we have 25 double passes to this highly-acclaimed film.

Simply purchase any book or DVD on this page before 27 May to go in the draw to win a double pass.

So get in quick!



**AUSTRALIAN CRIME DVDs from Madman on special**

**Chopper**

**\$19.95 \$14.95**

Starring Eric Bana as the infamous 'Chopper' Reid, this film examines the pathology of a complex, violent - yet darkly humorous - man.

**The Boys**

**\$19.95 \$14.95**

Starring David Wenham, this is a powerful and disturbing portrait of three brothers and the women in their lives.

**Noise**

**\$34.95 \$14.95**

Brendan Cowell plays a self-centred, doubt-ridden cop afflicted with tinnitus, who is challenged by violent murders that rock his community.

**The Bank**

**\$19.95 \$14.95**

David Wenham and Anthony LaPaglia star in a thriller about a mathematician who must struggle with ruthless corporate greed.

**Shane Maloney (Box Set)**

**\$49.95 \$34.95**

Adaptation of the popular Murray Whelan crime novels - *Stiff* and *The Brush Off* - plus a disc of extras!

**Carla Cametti PD**

**\$29.95 \$19.95**

TV drama about the sassy and determined Carla, who challenges her traditional Italian upbringing to pursue a career as a PI.

**Acolytes**

**\$29.95 \$14.95**

A sinister tale about three teens who try to outwit a serial killer after stumbling upon a fresh grave in the woods of their peaceful suburb.

## MODERN CRIME

### **Jeff ABBOTT** **Adrenaline**

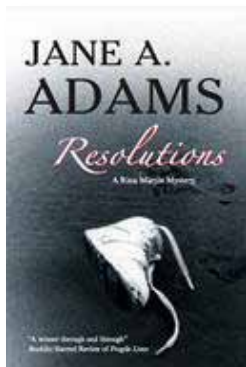
**480pp Tp \$32.99**

*Sam Capra #1.* Sam Capra – brilliant CIA agent – loses everything that matters to him in a horrifying moment in London. An unknown enemy has set him up as a traitor. But that enemy has targeted the wrong man. Escaping from the CIA, Sam goes on a desperate hunt for the killer who kidnapped wife and child. But the destruction of Sam's life is only the first step in an extraordinary plot. (American) *Due May*

### **Jane ADAMS** **Resolutions**

**224pp Hb \$49.95**

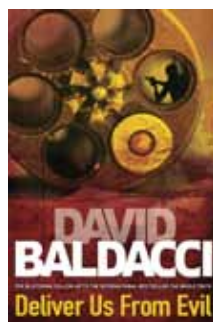
*Rina Martin #4.* When DI 'Mac' McGregor came to Frantham, he was a broken man – guilt-ridden at the death of a child he had tried to save from a killer had escaped. But he found friendship there, in the shape of Rina Martin's strange little household, and romance with CSI Miriam Hasting. But now his past is catching up with him. There are new leads in the child-killer case, and Mac rejoins the hunt – only to become the hunted... (English) *Due May*



### **David BALDACCI** **Deliver Us From Evil**

**400pp Tp \$32.99**

In South America, a wealthy 96-year-old man dies, leaving a trail of secrets behind him. Six months later in Provence, Shaw witnesses a murder and barely escapes the incident himself. Then he realises that there is another rival secret organisation at work.



Meanwhile, half a world away, journalist Katie James is working on a new story. But shortly after meeting with a potential inside source, she's unconscious and on a plane to an unknown destination... (American) *Due May*

### **Robert BARNARD** **The Graveyard Position**

**288pp Pb \$19.99**

After a 20-year absence, Merlyn Cantelo returns to Leeds to attend his late Aunt Clarissa's funeral. He is unwelcome, especially since his reappearance has thwarted the prospect of a tidy inheritance. To complicate matters, the teenage Merlyn only fled his home at the insistence of his clairvoyant aunt, who foresaw his life blighted by violence and death. To discover whether his aunt's fears were justified, Merlyn must delve into the murky history of the Cantelo family... (English)

### **William Peter BLATTY** **Dimiter**

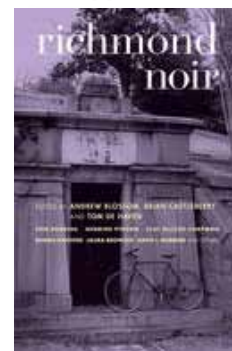
**304pp Tp \$32.99**

It is the 1970s. When American agent Dimiter escapes from torture in an Albanian prison to complete a mysterious mission, the scene shifts to Hadassah Hospital in Jerusalem. There we meet the Christian-Arab police detective Peter Meral, the troubled but humorous neurologist Dr Mayo, the attractive and sharp-tongued nurse Samia, and an assortment of American and Israeli functionaries and hospital staff – all who become enmeshed in a series of unexplainable deaths. (American)

### **Andrew BLOSSOM (Ed)** **Richmond Noir**

**290pp Pb \$29.99**

*Akashic Noir.* The River City emerges as a hot spot for unseemly noir. This volume includes brand-new stories by Dean King, Laura Browder, Howard Owen, Yazmina Beverly, Tom De Haven, X C Atkins, Meagan Saunders, Anne Thomas Soffee, Clint McCown, Conrad Ashley Persons, Clay McLeod Chapman, Pir Rothenberg, David Robbins, Hermine Pinson, and Dennis Danvers. (American) *Due May*



### **S J BOLTON** **Blood Harvest**

**432pp Tp \$32.95**

12-year-old Tom and his family have just moved to a small town, and Tom begins seeing a mysterious child lurking around the nearby churchyard. Psychiatrist Evi is trying to treat a young woman haunted by the disappearance of her daughter. A devastating fire burned down their home, but she is convinced her daughter survived. Harry is the town's new vicar, quickly befriended by the locals. But unusual events around the church suggest he isn't entirely welcome – and that this odd little town harbours a terrifying secret. (English) *Due May*



## KEY to crime genres

 **Suspense Thriller**

 **Feline Detectives**

 **Forensic**

 **Political/Legal**

 **Military**

 **Spy**

 **Banking**

 **Canine**

 **Culinary/Food**

 **Sport**

 **Romantic Suspense**

 **Police Procedural**

 **FBI**

 **Cosy/Malice Domestic**

 **Journalists**

 **Private Eye**

 **Psychological**

 **Clerical**

 **Medical**

 **Horse Racing**

**Pb = Paperback**

**Hb = Hardback**

**Tp = Trade Paperback** (slightly larger)

### **Stephen BOOTH** **The Kill Call**

**544pp Pb \$24.99**

On a rain-swept Derbyshire moor, the body of a well-dressed man is discovered by hounds from the local foxhunt. Called in to investigate, detectives DS Diane Fry and DC Ben Cooper are entangled in the world of hunting, horse theft and a little-known sector of the meat trade. As Fry tries to unravel the shady business interests of the murder victim, Cooper realises that the answer to the case might lie deep in the past... (English) *Due May*



**f Alan BRADLEY**  
**The Weed that Strings the Hangman's Bag** 368pp Tp \$32.99

When a grisly murder transpires during a travelling puppeteer's performance of *Jack and the Beanstalk* in the village hall, it reaches back to an earlier crime centring on an ancient, rotting gibbet that has lain like a shadow over the village of Bishop's Lacey for years. For Flavia, undoing the complex knot tying these strands together will test her precocious powers of deduction to the limit! (English) *Due May*



**f Joan BRADY**  
**Venom** 480pp Tp \$32.99

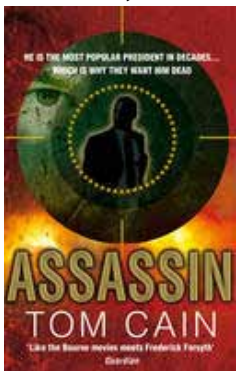
Recently released from prison, David Marion averts death from a hit-man and – forewarned that a secret organisation is after him – goes into hiding. Meanwhile, physicist Helen Freyl accepts a job offer from a giant pharmaceutical company that seeks a cure for radiation poisoning. But she soon doubts her employers' motives, after the mysterious and sudden death of a colleague is followed by another. David and Helen are brought together as they fight for their lives against a backdrop of industrial espionage, corporate greed and human tragedy. (English) *Due May*

**Alafair BURKE**  
**City of Lies** 448pp Tp \$32.99

When New York University student Megan Gunther is murdered after receiving threats on a campus website, NYPD Detective Ellie Hatcher suspects the girl's murder was more than just cyber obsession. Then phone records reveal a link between Megan and a murdered real-estate agent who was leading a double life – and even more suspiciously, who was connected to a celebrity mogul whose bodyguard was killed a few months earlier. Then Megan's roommate disappears, and she must be found before it's too late... (American) *Due May*

**f Tom CAIN**  
**Assassin** 528pp Pb \$21.95

*Samuel Carver #3*. When a people-trafficker and a money-launderer are violently killed, both incidents bear the hallmarks of Sam Carver. But someone is setting Carver up. And now his old paymasters at MI6 want him stopped. A copycat killer wants to beat Carver at his own game, by hitting the world's most prominent target: the President of the United States. Alone and on the run, Carver will have to use all his cunning and tradecraft to stop his deadly opponent. (English) *Due May*



**Elizabeth Lynn CASEY**  
**Death Threads** 288pp Pb \$12.95

*Southern Sewing Circle Mystery #2*. Yankee librarian Tori Sinclair is basking in the warmth of her new circle of friends from South Carolina's 'Sweet Briar Ladies Society' sewing circle. That is until local author Colby Calhoun reveals an unflattering secret about the town's historic past – and then disappears, leaving a bloody trail behind him. So when Tori detects a pattern of the townsfolk's age-old Southern pride standing in the way of justice, she knows it's time to unravel the mystery. (American) *Due May*



**f J CHASE**  
**Bargain with the Devil** 320pp Pb \$14.95

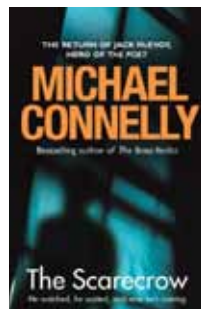
*Peter Avakian #2*. Security consultant and Special Forces-trained Peter Avakian becomes snarled in a complex plot to stage a political coup in central Africa. He turns to the CIA for help – and is forced to become their mole inside the conspiracy. It's all Avakian can do to stay alive, in a world where nations battle over oil supplies, drug dealers finance revolutions, and gunrunners sell themselves to the highest bidder. (American) *Due May*

**Barbara CLEVERLY**  
**Strange Images of Death** 320pp Hb \$46.95

*Joe Sandilands #8*. Provence, 1926. Scotland Yard detective Joe Sandilands is on leave, driving south to the Riviera while dropping off his niece at an ancient chateau in the Luberon hills. But a crime has been committed at the chateau, and Joe stays on to root out the murderer. Despite Joe's vigilance, a child goes missing and an artist's beautiful young model is murdered in circumstances eerily recreating a 600-year-old crime of passion. To solve the murder, Joe must delve into a horror story from the past. (English) *Due May*

**NEWS Michael CONNELLY**  
**The Scarecrow** 428pp Pb \$22.99

Forced out of the *Los Angeles Times* amid the latest budget cuts, newspaperman Jack McEvoy decides to use his final days at the paper to write the definitive murder story of his career. He focuses on Alonzo Winslow, a 16-year-old drug dealer in jail after confessing to murder. Jack soon realises that Winslow's so-called confession is bogus. Jack is soon running with his biggest story yet, and now he must track a killer who operates completely below police radar. (American) *Due May*



**Exit of Big Crime Boss, Peter Milne**

Having turned 70 in April, our treasured crime expert Peter Milne has reluctantly scaled back his indispensable activities here at Abbey's to two days per week.

On 2 February next year, Peter will have been with Abbey's Bookshop for 40 years – and there have been times when Abbey's would have fallen over if not for his invaluable efforts!

Peter is a Life Member of the Australian Bookseller's Association and will continue to attend bookseller meetings, and spread his enormous bookselling knowledge and experience.

*Eve Abbey*



Peter Milne, our esteemed crime bookseller (right), with bestselling crime author Lee Child during his recent tour of Australia.

**PETER'S TOP 10**

After much deliberation, Peter chose the following (alphabetical by author):

- The Winter Queen** (*Erast Fandorin #1*) by Boris Akunin (Pb \$22.99)
- Cocaine Blues** (*Phryne Fisher Mystery #1*) by Kerry Greenwood (Pb \$22.95)
- Death at la Fenice** (*Guido Brunetti #1*) by Donna Leon (Pb \$24.95)
- Belshazzar's Daughter** (*Inspector Ikmen #1*) by Barbara Nadel (Pb \$19.99)
- The No.1 Ladies' Detective Agency** (*Precious Ramotswe #1*) by Alexander McCall Smith (Pb \$22.99)
- The Broken Shore** by Peter Temple (Pb \$23.95)
- A Presumption of Death** (*Return of Lord Peter Wimsey #2*) by Jill Paton Walsh & Dorothy Sayers (Pb \$19.99)
- The Ice House** by Minette Walters (Pb \$19.95)
- Maisie Dobbs** (*Maisie Dobbs #1*) by Jacqueline Winspear (Pb \$22.99)
- The Taint of Midas** (*Hermes Diaktoros #2*) by Anne Zouroudi (Pb \$23.99)

Of course Peter also added that he was forced to leave out many other favourites, including Stieg Larsson, Robert B Parker, Kathy Reichs.... the list goes on!



**David CRISTOFANO**  
**The Girl She Used to Be**

**288pp Pb \$22.99**

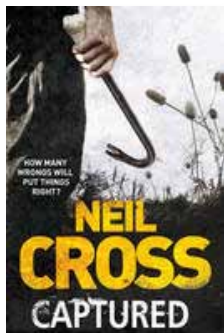
When Melody was six, she and her parents witnessed an act of violence so brutal that the federal government lured them into the Witness Protection Program. 20 years later and still on the run, she's stunned when a Mafioso man named Jonathan Bovaro accosts her and calls her by her real name. Feeling safer in the hands of the mob than the Justice Department, can Melody trust her life and identity to this stranger whose acts of violence are legendary? (American) *Due May*



**Neil CROSS**  
**Captured**

**256pp Tp \$32.99**

With only weeks to live, Kenny wants to find his childhood friend Callie Barton and say goodbye. But when Kenny begins his search, he realises that Callie has gone missing. Although cleared of any involvement, her husband Jonathan seems to be hiding something. Kenny has no choice but to take matters into his own hands. And he's prepared to do whatever it takes... (English) *Due May*



**Lila DARE**  
**Tressed to Kill**

**304pp Pb \$14.95**

*Southern Beauty Shop Mystery #1.* St Elizabeth, Georgia, offers charm, Southern hospitality and – most recently – murder. When hairdresser Grace Terhune and her mother, Violetta, gussy up all the high-society ladies attending the town meeting, they find their snobbiest client dead. The police believe the mother-daughter duo did her in. But before things get snarled beyond repair, Grace sets out to clear their names. (American) *Due May*



**Elizabeth DARRELL**  
**French Leave**

**224pp Pb \$27.95**

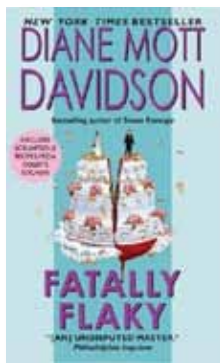
*Max Rydal Military Mystery.* During an intense heatwave, the West Wiltshire Regiment engages in a military exercise – but at its conclusion, Private John Smith goes missing. Smith's sergeant is adamant he's gone AWOL, but then the Special Investigation Branch receive a chilling anonymous phone call. Military detectives Max Rydal and Tom Black are called in to investigate – and then Dan Farley, the new Platoon Commander, also disappears... (English) *Due May*



**Diane Mott DAVIDSON**  
**Fatally Flaky**

**432pp Pb \$14.95**

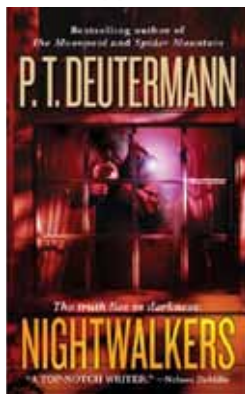
*Goldy Schulz #5.* When local physician Doc Finn dies in a tragic car accident, Goldy Schulz and her father Jack suspect that Doc was murdered because of the research he was doing at the local spa – allegations that are confirmed when Jack himself is attacked. Goldy must don chef's whites to go undercover at the spa, and find the clever killer who's watching her every move. (American)



**P.T. DEUTERMANN**  
**Nightwalkers**

**336pp Pb \$14.95**

Following an eventful detective career, Cam searches for peaceful pastures in the North Carolina countryside – only to uncover mischievous pranks upon his 700 acre land – once the site of a Civil War-era massacre. When the pranks turn hostile, Cam realises he's being targeted by a killer who holds him responsible for a crime he did not commit. Now Cam must draw upon all of his resources to stay alive as he becomes entangled in a place suddenly alive with its bloody past... (American) *Due May*



**Gary DISHER**  
**The Wyatt Butterfly:**  
**Port Vila Blues (1995) /**  
**The Fallout (1997)**

**480pp Tp \$32.95**

*Port Vila Blues:* Wyatt snatches the cash easily enough. He bypasses the alarm system, eludes the cops, but can he make it safely back to his bolthole in Hobart?

*The Fallout:* Wyatt is stranded on a boat with policewoman Liz Redding and a fortune in stolen gems. After his escape, he triggers a manhunt... but who exactly is hunting him? (Australian) *Due May*



**Vicki DOUDERA**  
**A House to Die For**

**336pp Pb \$27.00**

*Darby Farr Mystery #1.* Realtor Darby Farr escaped her stifling hometown to build a new life, but a phone-call sends her back to the small Maine island to close a multimillion-dollar sale. It all seems like a simple deal until a local scuttles the sale and one buyer is found hacked to death. Facing a huge storm, a desperate buyer and a dangerous former Navy SEAL, Darby must piece together the puzzle and stay alive. (American)



**Patricia DUNCKER**  
**The Strange Case of the Composer and His Judge**

**272pp Tp \$29.99**

New Year's Day, 2000. Hunters on their way home through a forest in the Jura stumble upon a half-circle of dead bodies lying in the snow... and a leather-bound book, written in code, containing maps of the stars. The Judge, Dominique Carpentier, leads the investigation and has encountered this suicide sect before. The pursuit begins. But has Carpentier met her match in the Composer? (Jamaican) *Due May*



**Barry EISLER**  
**Fault Line**

**352pp Pb \$14.95**

Alex Treven has sacrificed a lot to become a partner in his high-tech law firm. So when the inventor of a technology that Alex is banking on is murdered – and when Alex himself barely escapes an attack in his own home – he turns to his estranged brother Ben, an undercover soldier paid to eliminate targets in the US 'war on terror'. To survive the forces arrayed against them, they will need to survive one another... (American) *Due May*



**Conor FITZGERALD**  
**The Dogs of Rome**

**400pp Tp \$29.99**

When an animal rights activist is brutally killed, the victim's widow is an elected member of the Senate, and the case is given special priority. Chief Inspector Blume, well acquainted with the Rome's underworld, knows from experience that even a murder enquiry must bow to the rules of political expediency. But when he uncovers disturbing procedural shortcuts sanctioned by his superior, Blume takes matters into his own hands, risking life to see justice done. (English) *Due May*



**Helen FITZGERALD**  
**The Devil's Staircase**

**224pp Pb \$19.95**

Bronny – a young Australian – finds herself down and out in London. She's a sheltered girl, who has spent her teenage years in a fearful bubble. She's never taken drugs, had sex or killed anyone. Within six weeks she's done all three. A group of backpackers break into an abandoned London townhouse seeking a rent-free life of debauchery. They don't realise someone's already there: a terrified woman bound and gagged in the basement... (Australian)





**Brian FREEMAN**  
**The Burying Place**

**416pp Pb \$19.99**

*Jonathan Stride #5.* In a quiet town in Minnesota, a baby vanishes from her bedroom. It looks like abduction, but Lieutenant Jonathan Stride suspects that the baby's father has a great deal to hide. That same night, a young policewoman stumbles into the middle of a horrific crime – an encounter that will draw a sadistic killer right into her midst. Meanwhile, deep in the woods, a shallow grave conceals a secret that Stride and his team must unearth before time runs out... (American) *Due May*

**Barbara FREETHY**  
**In Shelter Cove 384pp Pb \$14.95**

The theft of three priceless paintings sent Derek Kane to prison and destroyed the dreams of his wife, Brianna. When Derek dies just weeks before his release, Brianna returns to Angel's Bay, determined to prove her husband's innocence and find the missing paintings. Her efforts are stymied by Jason Marlow, the police officer who sent Derek to jail. When unexpected passion flares between Brianna and Jason, she must choose between truth and lies... (American) *Due May*

**Elizabeth GEORGE**  
**This Body of Death**  
**608pp Tp \$32.99**

*#16.* DI Thomas Lynley is on leave after his wife's murder, and Isabelle Ardery is brought into the Met as his temporary replacement. When the discovery of a dead body offers Isabelle the chance to make her mark, persuading Lynley back to work seems the best way to guarantee a result; Lynley's team is loyal to him and she will need them on side. However, operating under the scrutiny of the media, Isabelle is quick to pin the murder on a convenient suspect... (American) *Due May*



**Mark GIMENEZ**  
**Accused**  
**448pp Tp \$32.99**

Texan lawyer Scott Fenney receives a phone call from his ex-wife, who stands accused of murdering her boyfriend and implores Scott to defend her. If Rebecca is found guilty, she will be sentenced to death under Texan law. Scott must question everything he believes to find the truth and save the life of the ex-wife he still loves... (American) *Due May*



**Carol GOODMAN**  
**Arcadia Falls**  
**400pp Tp \$32.99**

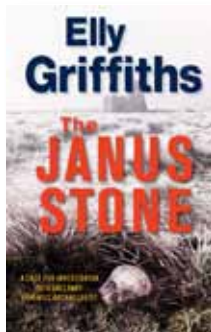
For 200 years, painters, poets and musicians have come to the mountain village of Arcadia Falls to pursue their artistic visions. When Meg Rosenthal gets an offer to teach at Arcadia College, it seems a godsend, and she hopes Arcadia Falls will be a place where she and her daughter can find peace. But the college conceals deceit, betrayal, and murder. And Meg begins to fear that Arcadia Falls has put herself and her daughter in danger. (American) *Due May*

**Mitchell GRAHAM**  
**Dead Docket**  
**432pp Pb \$14.95**

*Adams & Delaney #2.* Katherine Adams and John Delaney have settled into a long-distance relationship. He's a streetwise ex-NYPD detective turned lawyer, and she's a hotshot Atlanta lawyer. When a policeman's daughter is killed in a horrific accident in Atlanta, John goes to settle her affairs and get some much-needed time with Katherine. But the dead woman's past is disturbing, and her death was far from accidental. (American) *Due May*

**Elly GRIFFITHS**  
**The Janus Stone**  
**320pp Tp \$32.95**

Forensic archaeologist Ruth Galloway is called in to investigate the discovery of a child's skeleton – minus the skull – during a building demolition. Was it a ritual sacrifice? When it turns out the building was once a children's home and that two children went missing 40 years earlier, Ruth is drawn ever more deeply into the case... But someone is trying very hard to put her off the scent. (English)



**Andrew GROSS**  
**Reckless**  
**416pp Tp \$32.99**

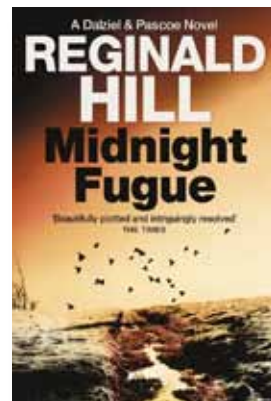
Ty Hauck has left law enforcement, to work for a private security firm. When a successful trader at one of Wall Street's largest firms is murdered with his family, it seems a case of burglary gone wrong. Then another financial executive is found dead in a suspicious suicide. As Hauck digs deeper, he uncovers a financial conspiracy that stretches from New York to Central Europe to London. And the masterminds behind it are ruthless... (American) *Due May*

**Danielle HERMANS**  
**The Tulip Virus**  
**288pp Tp \$32.99**

Holland, 1636: The body of Wouter Winckel – a well respected tulip-trader and collector in the United Republic of the Low Countries – is found slaughtered in an inn. London, 2007: Dutchman Frank Schoeller is found in his home by his nephew Alec. Just before he dies, he points Alec to a rare 17th century book about tulips – a clue to his murder. With the help of Damien Vanlint, an antiques dealer from Amsterdam, Alec sets out to solve the mystery. (Dutch) *Due May*

**Reginald HILL**  
**Midnight Fugue**  
**400pp Pb \$24.99**

*Dalziel & Pascoe #22.* Gina Wolfe is searching for her missing husband, and thinks Superintendent Dalziel can help. What neither realise is that others are on the same trail: a tabloid hack; an MP's secretary; a ruthless entrepreneur; and two henchmen. Four stories, two mismatched detectives, and 24 hours in which to figure it out! (English) *Due May*

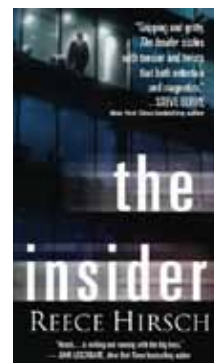


**Matt HILTON**  
**Slash and Burn**  
**368pp Pb \$24.99**

*Joe Hunter #3.* When Kate Piers asks Joe Hunter to help find her missing sister, Joe is obliged to assist when he realises that she is his former comrade-in-arms' sister. During their search, Joe and Kate are attacked by thugs, acting on behalf of local businessman Robert Huffman – who is linked to organised crime and a deadly reputation with a blade. Huffman is also looking for Kate's sister, and kidnaps Kate to act as bait. Looks like Joe is in trouble again... (English)

**Reece HIRSCH**  
**The Insider**  
**336pp Pb \$14.95**

The colleague of corporate attorney Will Connelly hurtles to his death outside his office window, and within days, Will is a prime suspect in a murder, the target of an SEC insider trading investigation, and a pawn in a complex criminal scheme involving the Russian mafia. And, to top things off, he must ensure a deadly enemy doesn't gain access to the nation's most sensitive and confidential information... (American) *Due May*



**Declan HUGHES**  
**City of Lost Girls**  
**320pp Tp \$32.99**

*Ed Loy #5.* There's a killer on the loose in LA, killing young girls and always in threes. Meanwhile, Ed Loy is reunited with Jack Donovan, an LA film director. When the third young female extra fails to show for work on Jack's movie, Loy grows suspicious. And when the previous victims of the 'Three-in-One Killer' are discovered at locations that Jack used for his movies, Loy liaises with the LAPD on their investigation. He must find something in his and Jack's shared past that can point to the killer – and away from Jack. (Irish) *Due May*



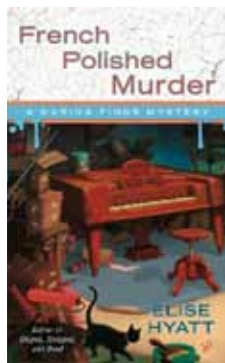
**James HUSTON**  
**Marine One 528pp Pb \$18.95**

On his way to a secret meeting at Camp David, the US President's helicopter *Marine One* crashes into a ravine, killing all aboard. The US government accuses the French helicopter manufacturer of killing the President. Accusations multiply as Mike Nolan – a trial attorney and Marine Corps reserve helicopter pilot – is hired to defend the company against a wrongful death lawsuit brought by the First Lady. (American) *Due May*



**Elise HYATT**  
**French Polished Murder 304pp Pb \$12.95**

*Daring Finds Mystery #2.* Divorced mum, Candyce Dare is the owner of the furniture refinishing store called Daring Finds. When she discovers decades-old letters inside an antique piano that she's renovating, she becomes distracted by an investigation that puts her at odds with the letter-writer's very powerful local family... (American) *Due May*



 **Pam JENOFF**  
**The Officer's Lover 416pp Pb \$29.99**

When intelligence officer Jordan Weiss discovers her best friend Sarah is terminally ill, she transfers to the State Department's London office to be close to her. Whilst there, she and rakish agent Sebastian Hodges are assigned to investigate mafia activities, quickly throwing Jordan into a whirlwind drama of lies, cover-ups and corruption. (American) *Due May*



**Iris JOHANSEN**  
**Blood Game Pb \$14.95**

*Eve Duncan Forensic Mystery #8.* When a senator's daughter is found dead, Eve is drawn into the world of a psychopath – a man whose name appears on Eve's shortlist of killers connected to her own missing daughter. Then Eve receives a terrifying trophy, and the games have begun. Eve believes this psychopath holds the answers to the questions that have tormented her for years. (American)



**Paul JOHNSTON**  
**Maps of Hell 416pp Pb \$14.95**

*Matt Wells #3.* Crime writer Matt Wells could never have conjured a plot this twisted – a secretive militia running sick brainwashing experiments in the Maine wilderness, with himself as a subject. He knows they've been subconsciously feeding him instructions... but for what? Taunted by maddening snatches of a life he can't trust as his own, Matt must piece it together... (Scottish) *Due May*



**Bruce Kennedy JONES & Eric ALLISON**  
**Fat Blackmail 376pp Pb \$19.95**

The anonymous anti-hero of *The Last Straight Face* (Pb \$19.95) returns to farewell his friend, the South London armed robber Monty. But Monty has one last request. There's money owing on a job, and he needs someone he trusts to make sure his soon-to-be widow Noriko gets it. It looks like a simple enough favour... except that Noriko has been kidnapped and the only person who can help is a corrupt copper locked up in Strangeways prison. (English) *Due May*



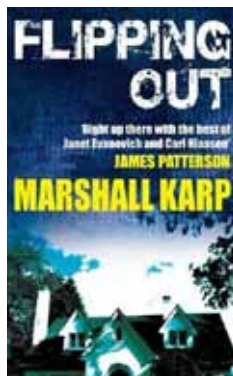
**Mari JUNGSTEDT**  
**The Killer's Art 320pp Tp \$32.95**

*Chief Inspector Anders Knutas #4.* Inspector Knutas is called to investigate the murder of art dealer Egon Wallins. Recently divorced and with a new mistress, is Egon's death a spurned lover's revenge? And when a painting is stolen from his gallery in Stockholm, more questions are raised; are the death and the theft connected? (Swedish) *Due May*



**Marshall KARP**  
**Flipping Out 384pp Pb \$19.99**

Mystery author Nora Bannister buys a run-down house in LA – and while her business partners turn it into a show-home, Nora makes it the scene of a grisly murder in her latest bestseller. But, much to the horror of Nora and her pals, a series of real murders start taking place – and Detectives Mike Lomax and Terry Biggs have to track down the killer before he murders Terry's wife, Marilyn. (American)



**Jim KELLY**  
**Death Watch 456pp Pb \$24.95**

*Shaw & Valentine #2.* 15-year-old Norma Jean Judd disappeared from her home, and exactly 18 years later, Bryan – Norma Jean's twin – is found murdered in a hospital incinerator. As DI Peter Shaw and DS George Valentine begin their investigation into Bryan's life, they uncover a secret world of criminal activity in Bryan's neighbourhood and the hospital where he died. (English) *Due May*



**Michael KORYTA**  
**The Silent Hour 304pp Pb \$23.99**

Uninhabited for 12 years, the mansion 'Whisper Ridge' once housed Alexandra Sanabria's unique program for paroled murderers. Parker Harrison, a former parolee at Whisper Ridge, has asked PI Lincoln Perry to find Alexandra, who disappeared with her husband after the program failed. Reluctantly, Perry agrees to take on the case. But when the skeletal remains of Alexandra's husband are discovered, Perry is confronted with a mystery that will challenge his abilities as a detective... (American) *Due May*



**Camilla LACKBERG**  
**The Stonecutter 480pp Tp \$32.99**

When a little girl is found in a fisherman's net in the remote resort of Fjällbacka, the post-mortem confirms the incident as murder. It becomes the grim task of recent father and local detective Patrik Hedström to discover who could be behind the methodical murder of a child that both he and his partner knew well. (Swedish) *Due May*



**Deryn LAKE**  
**The Mills of God 208pp Hb \$49.95**

The sleepy, eccentric Sussex village of Lakehurst suddenly becomes a place of terror. After dark, it is hardly safe to go out, to the consternation of the newly arrived Vicar, trendy young Nick Lawrence, and Inspector Dominic Tennant of the Sussex Police Force. A serial killer is on the loose: one who leaves notes at the scene of his crimes, signed 'The Acting Light of the World'... (English) *Due May*



**Joyce LAVENE & Jim LAVENE**  
**A Timely Vision 304pp Pb \$14.95**

Dae O'Donnell is the mayor of Duck, North Carolina – and the person everyone turns to when they've lost something, because missing pieces seem to find their way to her, whether she wants them to or not. When Miss Mildred asks Dae to find her missing watch, Dae finds herself looking for more than mislaid jewellery – she must prove that the town matriarch isn't a cold-blooded killer! (American) *Due May*



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**Donna LEON**  
**About Face**

336pp Pb \$24.95

*Commissario Brunetti #18.* Commissario Brunetti is visited by Carabinieri Maggior Filippo Guarino, who – as part of an investigation into Mafia business networks – wants information about the murdered owner of a trucking company, believing the man's death is connected to the transportation of illegal material. Then Guarino is killed, and Brunetti must investigate why. (American) *Due May*



**Donna LEON**  
**A Question of Belief**

272pp Tp \$32.95

*Commissario Brunetti #19.* Ispettore Vianello's aunt has become obsessed with horoscopes and has been withdrawing large amounts of money from the family business. He consults Commissario Brunetti, requesting permission to unofficially trail her, which leads to the flat of Stefano Gorini. But who is this man? And why is Vianello's aunt giving him money? (American) *Due May*



**Elmore LEONARD**  
**Be Cool (2000)** 272pp Pb \$22.99

The sequel to Chili Palmer's hit movie tanked and Chili is itching for a comeback. But where others see danger, Chili sees possibilities. So when Chili agrees to manage the ambitious singer Linda Moon, he enters the world of rock stars, pop divas and hip-hop gangsters – winging his way to success, and all the while basing the plot of his new film on the action that results. (American) *Due May*

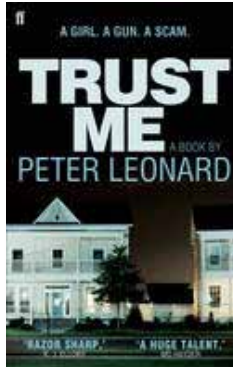
**Elmore LEONARD**  
**Tishomingo Blues (2003)**  
288pp Pb \$22.99

Daredevil Dennis Lenahan has brought his act to the Tishomingo Lodge in Mississippi – diving off an 80 ft ladder into nine feet of water for the amusement of gamblers and gangsters. Yet his riskiest feat was witnessing a Dixie-style mob execution while atop his diving platform. Detroit hustler, Robert Taylor, also saw the hit – and wants Dennis in on the game. Dennis may just dive harder than he ever thought possible. (American) *Due May*

**Peter LEONARD**  
**Trust Me**

352pp Pb \$19.99

When Bobby and Lloyd decide to rob the home of local restaurant owner Lou Starr, they don't reckon on being propositioned about an even bigger scam by Lou's so-called girlfriend Karen. After yet another bad decision in her life, Karen has been looking for a way out – and a way to recover her life's savings, stolen from her by the treacherous Samir. A plan is set in motion, which sounds all too simple... (American) *Due May*



**Jon LOOMIS**  
**Mating Season** 320pp Pb \$14.95

*Frank Coffin Mystery #2.* The heir to a tremendous fortune, beautiful Kenji Sole, has been found stabbed to death on the floor of her bedroom. But this was a woman with a very active love life. Since she never cared much about her lovers' marital status, Frank Coffin and his partner Officer Lola Winters have their work cut out for them – interviewing all of her lovers... and their jealous wives! (American) *Due May*

**Merline LOVELACE**  
**Now You See Her** 240pp Pb \$14.95

*Samantha Spade Mystery #2.* When military gadget girl USAF Lieutenant Samantha Spade tests the latest experimental goggles, she spots a sniper aiming for Sergeant Diane Roth. The assailant is taken out – but the high-level investigation is just beginning! (American) *Due May*



**Peter MARAVELIS (Ed)**  
**San Francisco Noir 2: The Classics**  
300pp Pb \$29.99

*Akashic Noir.* The past meets the present, as Ambrose Bierce, Frank Norris, Mark Twain, Jack London and more, present powerfully noir short stories based in and around San Francisco. A stellar sequel to the original smash hit noir anthology! (American) *Due May*

**Jeff MARIOTTE**  
**Blood Quantum** 336pp Pb \$14.99

*CSI: Crime Scene Investigation.* CSIs Ray Langston and Nick Stokes must investigate the vengeful murder of the chairman of the Grey Rock Paiute Tribe, after his night in a Las Vegas nightclub. Meanwhile, Catherine Willows and Greg Sanders investigate the shooting of a homeless man on the estate of Helena Cameron – the widow of one of Vegas' first casino tycoons. Surprisingly, it is a tragedy connected to family secrets as old as Vegas. (American) *Due May*

**Steve MARTINI**  
**Guardian of Lies**

608pp Pb \$18.95

*Paul Madriani #10.* Fate has bound attorney Paul Madriani to a young Costa Rican woman accused of a horrific crime, ensnaring them in a conspiracy ranging beyond US borders. A Cold War nightmare is being reshaped for a new century, leading Madriani, his partner Harry Hinds, and the fugitive Katia directly into the path of an unstoppable assassin. (American) *Due May*



**Aurelien MASSON (Ed)**  
**Paris Noir** 300pp Pb \$29.99

*Akashic Noir.* Take a ride through the old medieval centre of town with its winding streets, its ghosts, and its secrets buried in history. Includes brand-new stories from Marc Villard, Didier Daeninckx, Jean-Bernard Pouy, Salim Bachi, Christophe Mercier, Jerome Leroy, Laurent Martin, Herve Prudon, Patrick Pecherot, Dominique Mainard, and Chantal Pelletier. (French) *Due May*

**Peter MAY**  
**Blacklight Blue** 326pp Pb \$27.00

*Enzo Files #3.* Forensics teacher Enzo MacLeod wagered that he could use his expertise to crack seven murders described in a book about cold cases, written by the Parisian journalist Roger Raffin. Enzo has solved the first two crimes. But the third is far from his mind. He's just been diagnosed with a terminal illness, and it appears he's the target of someone intent on destroying his livelihood and framing him for murder. (Scottish) *Due May*

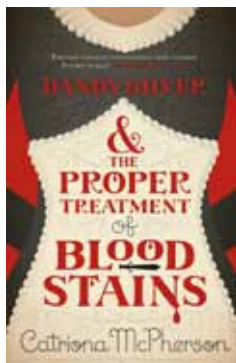
**Peter MAY**  
**Freeze Frame** 400pp Pb \$27.00

*Enzo Files #4.* Forensics expert, Enzo MacLeod, must examine a dead man's study – where several clues have been left to reveal his killer's identity. So begins the fourth of seven cold cases, described in a book by Parisian journalist Roger Raffin. The case leads Enzo to a tiny island off the coast of Brittany in France, where he must confront the hostility of locals who have no desire to see the infamous murder back in the headlines... (Scottish)




**Catriona McPHERSON**  
**Dandy Gilver and the Proper Treatment of Bloodstains**  
**300pp Pb \$22.99**

Edinburgh, 1926. Amidst workers' strikes and riots, Dandy Gilver has gone undercover as Mrs Balfour's new maid. Mrs Balfour thinks her husband is going to kill her, and the more that Dandy hears about Mr Balfour from the butler, the cook and the boot-boy, the more that Dandy is inclined to agree. So Dandy sets about, bent upon foiling the nice young Mr Balfour's plans! (Scottish) *Due May*



 **Deon MEYER**  
**Thirteen Hours** 416pp Pb \$32.99

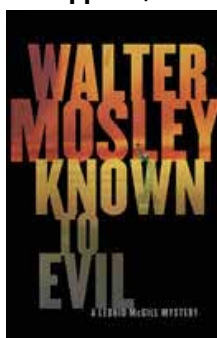
Detective Benny Griessel is a legend... or a drunk who concentrates on staying sober and mentoring the new generation of crime fighters – mixed race, Xhosa and Zulu. But when an American backpacker disappears in Capetown, panicked politicians give Benny only 13 hours to save the girl, save his career – and crack open a conspiracy which threatens the whole country! (South African) *Due May*

 **G J MOFFAT**  
**Fallout** 416pp Hb \$49.99

Logan Finch has made a new life for himself with his daughter Ellie. But a blossoming relationship with DC Rebecca Irvine is about to be put to the test when Rebecca's old flame – drug-addicted rock-star Roddy Hale – enters her life again. And there's the small matter of a professional killer following her every move. For Logan, there are impossible choices to be made: between his best friend and the woman he loves. (Scottish) *Due May*

 **Walter MOSLEY**  
**Known to Evil** 336pp Pb \$32.99

Leonid McGill is sent uptown 'just to check a girl's okay'. There's no explanation, just the name 'Angelique', a reward and the knowledge that he's working for Rinaldo Alphonse, the most feared man in New York. Leonid finds a dead girl and her assassin, felled by a knife. But the dead girl isn't Angelique, and her killer's injuries don't make sense. Soon, Leonid will have to draw upon all his street know-how to survive what unfolds. (American) *Due May*



 **Jo NESBO**  
**The Snowman** 464pp Pb \$32.95

*Harry Hole #5.* When a young boy awakes to find his mother gone, inspector Harry Hole is convinced there is a link between her disappearance and a menacing letter he received some months earlier. As Harry and his team delve into unsolved case files, they discover that an alarming number of wives and mothers have gone missing over the years. When a second woman disappears, Harry is drawn into a deadly game... (Norwegian) *Due May*



 **Margie ORFORD**  
**Blood Rose** 352pp Pb \$29.99

Dr Clare Hart is sent to profile a possible serial killer in Namibia. Working with Tamar Damases, the woman who heads up the town's Murder Unit, the two investigate the savage killings. But the more they discover, the more they realise that nothing is as it first seemed. Their lives – and the lives of everybody around them – are in great danger. (English) *Due May*

 **Margie ORFORD**  
**Like Clockwork** 320pp Pb \$29.99

When a young woman is found murdered on Cape Town's Seapoint promenade, journalist and part-time police profiler Dr Clare Hart is drawn into the web of a brutal serial killer. As more bodies are discovered, Clare is forced to revisit memories of the brutal rape of her twin sister and the gang ties that bind Cape Town's crime rings. (English) *Due May*

 **Alan ORLOFF**  
**Diamonds for the Dead** 336pp Pb \$27.00

When Josh Handleman returns to his boyhood home to mourn his estranged father, he gets the shock of his life: his frugal dad was a diamond collector worth millions. Now the gems are missing and Josh suspects his father's death might have been murder, not an accident. Josh resolves to find his dad's diamond stash. (American)

 **Robert B PARKER**  
**Split Image** 288pp Tp \$32.95

A murder investigation takes Jesse Stone to the neighbouring homes of two retired gangsters. But it isn't the mobsters who fascinate Jesse – it's their wives: two completely identical twin sisters, whom not even their husbands can tell apart. And when one of the mobsters is found with a bullet in his skull, Jesse is forced to start digging into the twins' past. (American)



 **P J PARRISH**  
**The Little Death** 432pp Pb \$22.99

When the headless body of a male escort is found in the aptly-named 'Devil's Garden', PI Louis Kincaid's client is in the frame. Determined to clear his name, Louis is forced to delve behind the bedroom doors of the wealthiest women in Palm Beach, as he uncovers a series of similar murders. (American) *Due May*

 **Louise PENNY**  
**The Brutal Telling** 480pp Pb \$22.99

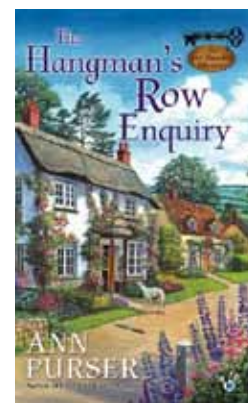
When CI Gamache is called to investigate a murder, he finds a village in chaos. An unidentified man has been found, bludgeoned to death, with no sign of a weapon or motive. Gamache and his colleagues, Inspector Beauvoir and Agent Lacoste, dig under the skin of this peaceful haven for clues, uncovering a trail of stolen treasure, mysterious codes and a shameful history that sheds light on the victim's identity. (Canadian) *Due May*

 **Scott PRATT**  
**Injustice for All** 368pp Pb \$14.95

*Joe Dillard #3.* Prosecutor Joe Dillard watched in shock, as friend and fellow lawyer Ray Miller was pushed to the brink of suicide in the court of Judge Leonard Green. So when Joe arrives at a crime scene to see Green swinging from a tree, it is merely duty that drives him to catch the killer. But soon the investigation takes Joe away from the halls of justice into his own home... (American) *Due May*

 **Ann PURSER**  
**The Hangman's Row Enquiry** 320pp Pb \$14.95

*Ivy Beasley Mystery #1.* Ivy Beasley teams up with Gus, a mysterious newcomer to the small English village of Barrington, who can't resist a little excitement – even as he strives to keep his past a secret, and her own cousin, a widow with time on her hands and money in her purse.



Together they're determined to solve the murder of Gus's elderly neighbour. (English) *Due May*

 **Matt REES**  
**The Fourth Assassin** 272pp Tp \$29.99

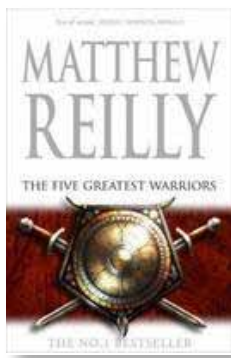
*Omar Yussef Mystery #4.* When Omar Yussef travels to New York for a UN conference, he is eager to see his youngest son, Ala. But the discovery of a decapitated corpse in his son's empty apartment catapults him into a police enquiry full of contradictions. In his desperation to clear Ala's name, Omar's investigations place him at the heart of a deadly international conspiracy. (English)



**Matthew REILLY**  
**The Five Greatest Warriors**

**480pp Tp \$32.99**

Jack West and his loyal team are in disarray. After surviving the fall into an abyss, Jack must race against his enemies to locate the remaining pieces of 'The Machine' before Armageddon strikes. As the world teeters on the brink of destruction, he will learn of the Five Warriors, the individuals throughout history who have been connected to his quest... (Australian)



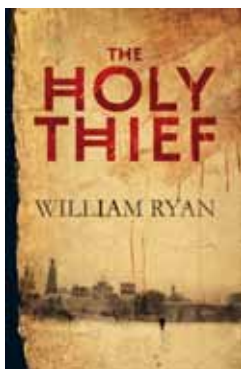
**Pauline ROWSON**  
**Dead Man's Wharf**

**224pp Pb \$27.95**

*A DI Horton Marine Mystery.* Horton and Cantelli are called to a nursing home where a resident claims she's been attacked by an intruder. Ready to dismiss it as senile ramblings, Horton then discovers that her room-mate has died, the dead woman's belongings are missing and her son – convicted for armed robbery – has been found dead in his cell. So begins a complex investigation that has far-reaching international implications. (English) *Due May*

**William RYAN**  
**The Holy Thief** **320pp Pb \$25.00**

*Captain Alexei Dimitrevich Korolev.* Moscow, 1936 – and Stalin's Great Terror is beginning. Captain Alexei Dimitrevich Korolev – finally enjoying the benefits of his success with Moscow Militia's Criminal Investigation Division – is asked to investigate the torture and death of a woman found in a deconsecrated church. But when he discovers the victim is an American citizen, Russia's most feared organisation – the NKVD – gets involved. And Korolev's every move is under close scrutiny... (Irish) *Due May*



**Jonathan SANTLOFER & S J ROZAN (Eds)**  
**The Dark End of the Street: New Stories of Sex and Crime by Today's Top Authors**  
**304pp Pb \$29.00**

There is more to this collection than dark-haired vixens and crimes of passion. Some stories are brooding, some twisted; some bring righteous satisfaction, some linger in the back of your mind. What is truly on display is an impressive collection of literary talent: a group of some of the best writers as they weave fresh and memorable stories from classic themes. (American) *Due May*

**Meryl SAWYER**  
**Play Dead** **384pp Pb \$14.95**

Newport Beach heiress Hayley Fordham has no idea she's narrowly escaped an assassin's car bomb, before her step-siblings have arranged her funeral and redivided the family trust. Only FBI investigator Ryan Hollister knows she is alive. And there's something about the complex Hayley that sets his blood racing. And he's prepared to risk anything to stop her from being killed... again. (American) *Due May*

**Lisa SCOTTLINE**  
**Think Twice** **400pp Tp \$32.99**

*Rosato & Associates #13.* Unbeknownst to her identical twin Bennie Rosato, Alice Connelly is on the run from drug-dealing confederates. So Alice usurps Bennie's life, warning the police that her evil twin is out to get her. And when Bennie emerges to fight back, everyone thinks she's Alice – including the police. Bennie is fighting for her life. Is blood thicker than water, and can an ordinary, law-abiding woman be driven to evil? (American) *Due May*

**John SHANNON**  
**On the Nickel** **272pp Hb \$49.95**

*Jack Liffey Mystery #12.* PI Jack Liffey has been confined to a wheelchair, unable to walk or speak, for more than a month, due to a freak accident that may have damaged his spine. So when an old friend calls asking for help in finding his missing 16-year-old son, Jack's teenage daughter Maeve intercepts the call and decides to take on the case. (American) *Due May*

**Chris SIMMS**  
**The Edge** **304pp Pb \$22.99**

DI Jon Spicer's wild drug-addicted younger brother has been found murdered, so Jon goes to the town where Dave's body was discovered, bent on finding the killer. Meanwhile, Dave's young girlfriend, Zoe, is destitute and alone – and she is being hunted by the criminal whom Dave owed money to. Soon, Jon realises the truth of his brother's death lies with a frightened girl trapped somewhere among Manchester's tower-blocks. (English) *Due May*

**Clea SIMON**  
**Shades of Grey** **224pp Pb \$27.95**

*Dulcie Schwartz #1.* Dulcie's having an awful summer. Her beloved cat Mr Grey's been put to sleep, and her new room-mate Tim is a jerk. Walking home, she sees a cat the spitting image of Mr Grey, and hears a voice warning her not to go inside. When she enters, she finds Tim dead – stabbed with her own knife. Dulcie's in the frame for murder – and she hasn't seen the last of Mr Grey, either... (American) *Due May*



**Martin SOLARES**  
**The Black Minutes** **288pp Pb \$24.95**

When journalist Bernardo Blanco is killed in the fictional Mexican port city of Paracuan, investigation into his murder reveals missing links in a disturbing multiple homicide case from 20 years earlier. Police officer Ramon Cabrera discovers that Blanco had been writing a book about a 1970s case, involving the murder of several young schoolgirls by a man known as el Chacal. Whoever killed Blanco wanted to keep the truth about el Chacal quiet. (Mexican) *Due May*

**Chiara STRANGALINO & Maxim JAKUBOWSKI (Eds)**  
**Rome Noir** **300pp Pb \$29.99**

*Akashic Noir.* This is the real city of Fellini, Pasolini, and countless other major artists who devoted their lives to depicting its grandeur and decadence. Includes brand-new stories from Antonio Scurati, C D Formetta, Diego De Silva, Enrico Franceschini, Francesca Mazzucato, Marcello Fois, Gianrico Carofiglio, Carlo Lucarelli, Maxim Jakubowski, Evelina Santangelo, Nicola LaGioia, Tommaso Pincio, Antonio Pascale, Nicoletta Vallorani, Giuseppe Genna, and others. (Italian) *Due May*

**Jennifer STANLEY**  
**Path of the Wicked** **352pp Pb \$14.95**

*Hope Street Church Mystery #2.* Cooper Lee and the Sunrise Bible Study Group have just volunteered for a local charity, 'Door-2-Door Dinners'. So when an elderly Door-2-Door recipient is murdered, the prime suspects are the volunteers. Someone in the flock is a wolf in sheep's clothing. But the Lord works in miraculous ways – and so do the sleuths of the Sunrise Bible Study Group! (American) *Due May*



**Oliver STARK**  
**American Devil** **464pp Pb \$29.99**

Young New York socialites are being targeted by a gruesome killer, and the top brass know that Detective Tom Harper is the only one who can stop the newly-dubbed 'American Devil' before he strikes again. With Harper already on the edge, they appoint psychiatrist and new profiler, Denise Levene, to oversee his return. As the murders escalate, Harper and Levene must work together if they are to find the killer. (American) *Due May*

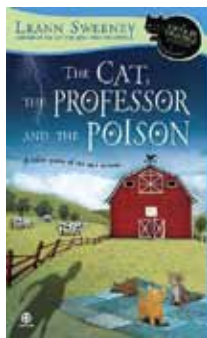


**Olen STEINHAUER**  
**The Tourist** 464pp Pb \$24.99

In today's CIA, wherever there's trouble, there's a 'Tourist': those who do the CIA's dirty work. And until he burnt out, Milo Weaver was the best Tourist of all. Milo has spent the last four years behind a desk, tracking the elusive killer known as 'the Tiger'. But when the Tiger unexpectedly gives himself up, it's because he wants revenge. Soon Milo is back in the world of skewed politics and extreme violence. And he's about to learn the toughest lesson of all... (American) *Due May*

**Leann SWEENEY**  
**The Cat, the Professor and the Poison** 288pp Pb \$12.95

*Cats in Trouble Mystery #2.* Between her kitty quilt-making business and her three beloved cats, Jill has her hands full. That doesn't stop her from wanting to solve the mystery of the milk cow that's gone missing from her friend's farm. But imagine her surprise when a stolen cow leads to the discovery of 50 stray cats and one dead body – the victim of cold-blooded murder... (American) *Due May*

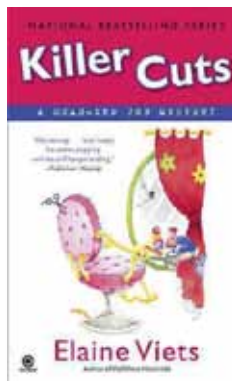


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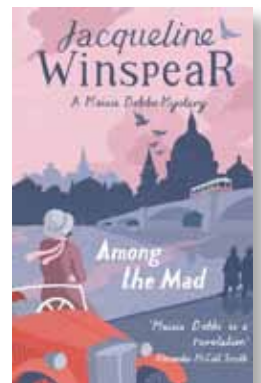


**Shirley WELLS**  
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*Kennedy & Trentham Mystery #4.* When Bradley Johnson is found murdered, forensic psychologist Jill Kennedy and DCI Max Trentham must hunt his killer. Local residents are wary of newcomers to the Lancashire village, but one in particular – Jack Taylor – seems determined to hinder the investigation. Then another name crops up: that of Max's adversary Thomas McQueen. Can he really be as innocent as he claims? (English) *Due May*

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*Maisie Dobbs #6.* Christmas Eve, 1931. Maisie Dobbs witnesses a man commit suicide on a busy London street, and the following day the Home Secretary receives a letter, threatening a massive loss of life if certain demands are not met. Maisie is invited into Scotland Yard's Special Branch as an adviser on the case, and becomes involved in a race against time to find a man who proves he has the will to murder thousands of innocent people... (English) *Due May*



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Mary Towne's son, Alex, went missing six years ago. Now he's finally turned up – as a corpse in a car wreck. Missing persons' investigator David Raker doesn't want the work, but he reluctantly agrees, and as he digs deeper, he discovers that Alex's life was far from innocent. And there are dangerous men willing to kill to protect his secrets... (English) *Due May*

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*Holly Barker #6.* Taking a sabbatical in the Florida town where she was once a police chief, Special Agent Holly Barker remembers her unsuccessful charges against a commanding officer who attempted to rape her and considers leaving the CIA to challenge the corrupt man for control of the police department. (American) *Due May*

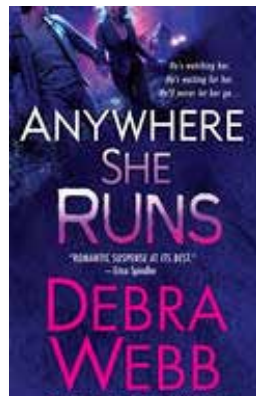
**Peter TURNBULL**  
**Informed Consent** 192pp Pb \$27.95

*Hennessey & Yellich Mystery #18.* A badly injured man is found lying in a street, and dies without regaining consciousness. When Hennessey and Yellich are brought in to investigate, their inquiries reveal that the man was looking into the death of his brother – and the trail leads them to a vindictive divorcée, who is involved with a deeply suspect finance company with connections to other unsolved murders... (English) *Due May*



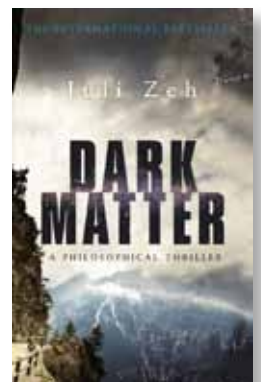
**Debra WEBB**  
**Anywhere She Runs** 352pp Pb \$14.95

The first note is a warning – a bone-chilling reminder that Alabama Police Detective Adeline Cooper can never escape a killer's wrath. The second note is a threat. The first victim disappeared near Adeline's hometown in Mississippi, and she won't be the last. Believing she is the killer's ultimate target, Adeline must meet face-to-face a killer who obsessively craves her death... (American) *Due May*



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Sebastian and Oskar have been friends since studying physics at university. But their lives took divergent paths, and it doesn't help that Oskar feels Sebastian has not lived up to his intellectual capacities – having chosen marriage and fatherhood over science. When Sebastian's son is kidnapped, his life unravels and the only person he can reach out to is Oskar. Then Detective Schilf comes along, with a most unorthodox method of uncovering the truth. (German) *Due May*





## CRIME HISTORICAL

**Boris AKUNIN**

**The Coronation**

*Erast Fandorin*

#7. When Grand

Duke Georgii

Alexandrovich and

his family arrive

in Moscow for the

coronation, his

daughter Xenia is

dragged away by

bandits, only to be

rescued by Fandorin

and Masa. Panic

ensues when they

realise that four-year-old Mikhail has been

snatched in the confusion. A ransom letter

arrives from international criminal Dr Lind,

demanding the handover of the Count Orlov

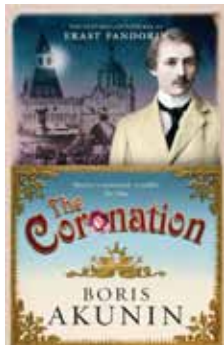
– an enormous diamond on the royal sceptre,

which is due to play a part in the coronation.

But can Fandorin find Mikhail in time?

(Russian) *Due May*

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**Paul DOHERTY**

**The Mysterium**

*Hugh Corbett #17.* London, 1304. The city

must come to terms with the fall from power

of Walter Evesham, Chief Justice in the

Court of the King's Bench. When Evesham

is discovered dead in his cell at the Abbey

of Sion, it appears that the 'Mysterium'

– a cunning killer brought to justice by

Evesham – has returned to wreak havoc, and

once again Sir Hugh Corbett is ordered to

investigate the murder. (English) *Due May*

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**Paul DOHERTY**

**The Templar Magician**

*De Payens #2.* 1152.

Jerusalem is in the

hands of the Crusaders,

whilst in England,

King Stephen wages

bloody war against

Henry Fitzempress. The

Templar Order, now 50

years old, is glittering

with tempting riches.

Robert de Payens –

grandson of Eleanor,

one of the co-founders of the Temple – finds

himself embroiled in a murder mystery, when

the Count of Tripoli is brutally assassinated.

Is it possible that the answer lies within the

Templar order itself? (English) *Due May*



**Nick DRAKE**

**Tutankhamun**

*Rai Rahotep #2.* Tutankhamun has inherited

an empire that should be at the height

of power and glory. But the 18-years-old

King faces the political conspiracies of the

Court. When his security is threatened by an

intruder in the palace, he needs an outsider

he can trust to track down the traitor.

Rahotep receives a mysterious invitation to

the labyrinthine halls of the Royal Palace.

But what he discovers at the dark heart of

power will put his life and his family in grave

danger... (English) *Due May*

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**Michael GREGORIO**

**A Visible Darkness**

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*Hanno Stiffeniis #3.* The magistrate Hanno

Stiffeniis is called to Prussia's Baltic coast,

where the naked and mutilated body of a

young woman has been found by the shore.

This is an area rich in amber, harvested mostly

by women, to be transformed into priceless

jewellery. The occupying French army has

taken over this lucrative trade to finance the

battle against the Russian invasion – but

as more women are killed, the Prussian

resistance movement is suspected. (Italian)

**Laurie KING**

**The Language of Bees**

**464pp Pb \$29.95**

*Mary Russell Holmes #9.* Mary Russell had met

Damian Adler only once before, when the

promising painter had been charged with

– and exonerated from – murder. Now the

troubled young man was enlisting Mary and

her husband Sherlock Holmes' help again –

this time in a search for his missing wife and

child. Before this case is solved, Mary will find

herself on the trail of a killer more dangerous

than any she's faced. (American) *Due May*

**Deryn LAKE**

**Death and the Black Pyramid**

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*John Rawlinson Mystery*

#13. Apothecary John

Rawlings is summoned

to Devon by his beautiful,

unpredictable mistress.

Leaving his daughter

in the good care of her

grandfather, Rawlings

sets off for Exeter,

in the company of a

talkative German lady,

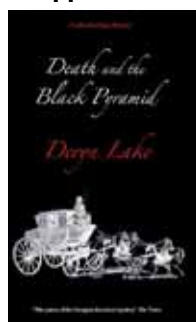
a dance-master, and a

bare-knuckle fighter called the 'Black Pyramid'.

Before the journey's end a man is found

brutally murdered, and Rawlings is drawn into

a complex, dangerous intrigue. (English)



**S J PARRIS**

**Heresy**

**Tp \$32.99**

England, 1583. With his theories of astronomy

and extraterrestrial life, Giordano Bruno

has fled the Inquisition for the court of

Elizabeth I. He attracts the attention of Francis

Walsingham, chief spymaster and sworn

enemy of Catholic plotters. Bruno is sent

undercover to Oxford University, believed to

be a hotbed of French dissent. Before long,

Bruno is investigating a series of murders,

each linked by a letter suggesting that the

victim was guilty of heresy. (English)

**Anne PERRY**

**The Sheen on the Silk**

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Byzantium, 1273. Only an alliance with the

Church of Rome will stop the crusading

fervour of the Italian and French troops on

its borders, determined to strike through

Byzantium to reach Jerusalem. Meanwhile,

Anna has recently arrived in Byzantium to

discover why her brother has been exiled for

a murder she believes he did not commit –

landing her in the middle of intrigues that

may also determine the fate of Byzantium

itself. (English) *Due May*

**Imogen ROBERTSON**

**Instruments of Darkness**

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Thornleigh Hall, seat of the Earl of Sussex,

dominates its surroundings. Its heir is missing,

and the once vigorous family is reduced to a

cripple, his mistress, and his alcoholic second

son. Impulsive Harriet Westerman has felt the

Hall's menace long before she happens upon

a dead man bearing the Thornleigh arms.

Harriet persuades reclusive anatomist Gabriel

Crowther to join her in her quest for justice,

much against his better judgement. (English)

*Due May*

**Marilyn TODD**

**Still Waters**

**224pp Hb \$49.95**

*High Priestess Iliona*

*Mystery #3.* For High

Priestess Iliona,

happiness means

remaining in Sparta

– but Lysander, head

of the secret police,

needs her help to

track down stolen

gold. The trail leads

to a new lakeside

posting station, which

proves to be a hotbed

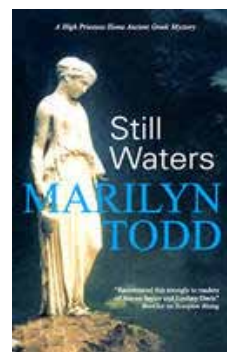
of adultery and lies. Iliona's arrival coincides

with the seemingly accidental death of an

Olympic wrestler. But she soon discovers

that a secret shared means a death warrant

signed. (English) *Due May*



## CRIME AUDIO

**Margery ALLINGHAM**

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Fact catches up with fiction when the secret

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But the device at the centre of the mystery

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a challenge as any in his career. (English)

*Due May*

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(English) *Due May*

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Michael was a successful entrepreneur with a six-figure income. Two years later, he gave it up to run away with 16-year-old Janeen Snyder to indulge a dark obsession - luring girls into their twisted world of sex, mind control, violence and depravity. For many years they were not caught, until police uncovered the body of a Las Vegas teen. One by one, detectives found other victims... (American) *Due May*

**Lindy CAMERON & Ruth WYKES**

**Women Who Kill 304pp Pb \$29.95**

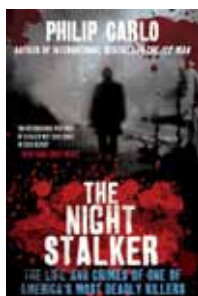
This volume explores high-profile cases that dominated the Australian media for extended periods, as people struggled to understand the motives behind brutal murderesses including Catherine Birnie, Valerie Parashumti and Tania Herman. (Australian) *Due May*

**Philip CARLO**

**The Night Stalker**

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When this book was first published, thousands of women around the world began contacting the author, begging to be put in touch with Richard Ramirez, remembered for the horrific murder of 13 people. In this new edition, Carlo presents these women's stories and the sexual desires that drove them to this brutal murderer. In an exclusive death row interview, the killer himself gives his thoughts on the Ramirez Groupies and what he thinks they really want. (American) *Due May*



**Candace DEMPSEY**

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Italy, 2007. When police discover the body of a British uni student stabbed to death in her bedroom, the prosecutor alleges the murder occurred during a drug-fuelled sex game. Her housemate, an American student, soon becomes the prime suspect and the star of a sensational international story. Here is the real story behind the media frenzy. (American)

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**Kevin FLYNN**

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For 20 years, Daniel Paquette's murder in New Hampshire went unsolved. It remained a secret between two high school friends until Eric Windhurst's arrest in 2005. What was revealed was a crime borne of adolescent passion between Eric and Daniel's stepdaughter, Melanie, redefining the meaning of loyalty, justice and revenge. (American) *Due May*

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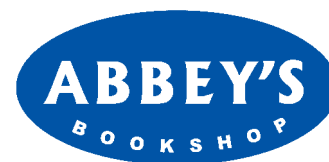
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The disturbing account of 27-year-old Kendall Francois, a middle-school hall monitor - known as 'Stinky' due to his apparent disregard for hygiene - who murdered eight sex workers and hid their decomposing bodies in his house. (American) *Due May*

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