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Title	Author	Bind	RRP	Price	Description
MODERN CRIME					
Paul Anderson	The Robbers	Pb	\$24.95	\$22.45	The Victoria Police Armed Robbery Squad has long been considered the hardest and most feared group of Victorian detectives. They operate without fear or favour. Newspaper journalist Ian Malone, new to the city crime beat, has assigned himself a story: uncover the truth about the enigmatic squad. Have the men from 'The Robbers' been demonised or is their hard-arm reputation deserved? It is a time of disruption and change. Force command and a new police ethics commission want the Armed Robbery Squad disbanded. Apart from political enemies, the squad has a new nemesis on the street: a vicious bandit prepared to shoot robbery victims - and detectives. The Armed Robbery Squad men, for so long the hunters, have become the hunted. As Malone builds a unique and unexpected bond with the squad he is enticed into a sometimes dark, seedy and seductive world where right can be wrong and wrong can often be right: a grey world of honour versus politics.
Lisa Ballantyne	The Guilty One	Pb	\$24.99	\$22.50	A little boy was found dead in a children's playground...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?
Linwood Barclay	Trust Your Eyes	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	A schizophrenic man spends his days and nights on website called Whirl360, believing he's employed by the CIA to store the details of every town and city in the world in his head. Then one day, he sees something that shouldn't be there: a woman being murdered behind a window on a New York street. Suddenly Thomas has more to deal with than just his delusions, as he gets drawn into a deadly conspiracy.
Mark Billingham	Rush of Blood	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	Perfect strangers. A perfect holiday. The perfect murder...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? A brilliantly plotted, utterly gripping thriller about the danger of making friends on holiday, <i>Rush of Blood</i> is Mark Billingham's most ambitious and accomplished work to date.
Benjamin Black	Vengeance: Quirke #5	Tp	\$27.99	\$25.20	A bizarre suicide leads to a scandal and then still more blood, as one of our most brilliant crime novelists reveals a world where money and sex trump everything! It's a fine day for a sail, and Victor Delahaye, one of Ireland's most successful businessmen, takes his boat far out to sea. With him is his partner's son who becomes the sole witness when Delahaye produces a pistol, points it at his own chest, and fires. This mysterious death immediately engages the attention of Detective Inspector Hackett, who in turn calls upon the services of his sometime partner Quirke, consultant pathologist at the Hospital of the Holy Family. The stakes are high: Delahaye's prominence in business circles means that Hackett and Quirke must proceed very carefully.
C J Box	Cold Wind: Joe Pickett #11	Pb	\$19.99	\$18.00	A body hangs from a wind turbine, a bullet hole in his chest: Earl Alden, millionaire property developer. His wife, Missy, is the prime suspect. It wouldn't be a problem for Joe Pickett, if Missy weren't his mother-in-law. Missy claims she's innocent, and for his wife's sake, Joe would like to believe her... but all the early signs point to her being as guilty as sin. With his wife on one side and the law on the other, Joe needs to get to the truth before his family is ripped apart.
William Brodrick	The Day of the Lie: Father Anselm #4	Pb	\$19.99	\$18.00	Father Anselm, the brilliant Benedictine, receives a visit from an old friend with a dangerous story to tell - the story of a woman betrayed by time, fate, and someone close to her... someone still unknown. As a young woman, Roza Mojeska was part of an underground resistance group in Communist Poland. But after her arrest, a Stasi officer makes her a devil's bargain - and in the dark of a government prison, a terrible choice is made. Now, fifty years later, Anselm is called upon to investigate both Roza's story and a mystery dating back to the early 1980s, in the icy grip of the Cold War. And as he peels back years of history, decades of secrets, a half-century of lies, he exposes a truth that an entire generation was killed to keep hidden.
Honey Brown	After the Darkness	Pb	\$19.99	\$18.00	It's only by chance that Trudy and Bruce Harrison notice the isolated ocean view gallery on their way home from holiday. It's not listed on any tourist pamphlet. There are no other visitors. Within the maze of rooms the couple begins to feel uneasy. They are right to. The next few hours will rip them from their safe, comfortable existence forever. Bruce and Trudy escape from the gallery, bruised and brutalised. But a man is dead. Was someone else there that day? Did the attack even happen the way they remember it? Their doubts grow until they can no longer trust anyone, not even each other. There is no return from the dark places their fear will push them.
Linda Castillo	Gone Missing: Kate Burkholder #4	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	Rumspringa is the time when Amish teens are allowed to experience life without the rules. It's an exciting time of personal discovery and growth before committing to the church. But when a young teen disappears without a trace, the carefree fun comes to an abrupt and sinister end, and fear spreads through the community like a contagion. A missing child is a nightmare to all parents, and never more so than in the Amish community, where family ties run deep. When the search for the presumed runaway turns up a dead body, the case quickly becomes a murder investigation. And chief of Police Kate Burkholder knows that in order to solve this case she will have to call upon everything she has to give not only as a cop, but as a woman whose own Amish roots run deep.

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Lee Child	A Wanted Man: Jack Reacher #17	Tp	\$32.95	\$29.65	Nebraska - and Jack Reacher, huge, hulking and with a freshly busted nose, is still trying to hitch a ride east to Virginia. He's picked up by three strangers - two men and a woman. Immediately he knows they're all lying about something - and then they run into a police roadblock on the highway. But they get through. Because the three are innocent? Or because the three are now four? Is Reacher a decoy?
John Connolly	The Wrath of Angels: Charlie Parker #11	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	In the depths of the Maine woods, the wreckage of an aeroplane is discovered. There are no bodies, and no such plane has ever been reported missing, but men both good and evil have been seeking it for a long, long time. What the wreckage conceals is more important than money: it is power. Hidden in the plane is a list of names, a record of those who have struck a deal with the Devil. Now a battle is about to commence between those who want the list to remain secret and those who believe that it represents a crucial weapon in the struggle against the forces of darkness. The race to secure the prize draws in private detective Charlie Parker, a man who knows more than most about the nature of the terrible evil that seeks to impose itself on the world, and who fears that his own name may be on the list...
Andrew Croome	Midnight Empire	Tp	\$29.99	\$25.20	Las Vegas, Nevada. Young Australian computer programmer Daniel Carter has arrived at the heart of the American war machine - the drone program at Creech AirForce Base, Indian Springs. Naive, untested, but keen to make a difference, he is plunged headlong into America's surreal battle against its enemies in the Middle East - a battle fought at a distance of 7,000 miles from a city where nothing is real. As geographic and political boundaries blur, Daniel enters into an unlikely romance with a professional poker player, Ania. But when the hunt for an Al Qaeda master-mind ramps up in the skies over Peshawar, and American pilots begin to die in the suburbs of Las Vegas, events take a devastating turn. A novel of a new kind of war, of love and connection in the modern age, Midnight Empire is a powerful thriller that takes us to the troubling epicentre of a foreshortening world. It is a taut and at times terrifying vision of a world without frontiers, a novel about dangerous new realities and how they threaten to transform us.
Clive Cussler & Justin Scott	The Race: Isaac Bell #4	Pb	\$19.99	\$18.00	Newspaper magnate Preston Whiteway is offering a big prize for the first aviator to cross America in under fifty days. He wants Josephine Frost - the country's leading as well as most glamorous pilot - to win. Which is why he's hired Isaac Bell of the Van Dorn Detective Agency. Josephine saw her husband Harry Frost kill a man. Now he wants her dead. And with underworld contacts ready to help in every city en route, he'll do anything, go after anyone who gets in his way - including Whiteway and Bell. Packed with brilliant twists and turns, The Race sees the intrepid Private Investigator locked in a deadly cat-and-mouse game with a killer whose resources are matched only by his willingness to cause mayhem during the race of a lifetime.
Arne Dahl	The Blinded Man: Intercrime #1	Pb	\$19.95	\$17.95	Two of Sweden's most powerful businessmen have been murdered. In the face of mounting panic amongst the financial elite, a task force has been created to catch the culprit before he kills again. To his surprise, Detective Paul Hjelm, currently under investigation for misconduct after shooting a man who took a immigration office hostage, is summoned to join the team. But the killer has left no clues - even removing the bullets from the crime scenes - and Hjelm and his new teammates face a daunting challenge if they are to uncover the connection between the murdered men and identify any potential victims before he strikes again.
A M Dean	The Lost Library	Tp	\$27.99	\$25.20	Arno Holmstrand is about to die, his life cut short by an organisation intent on taking all of his secrets about the one thing he has spent a lifetime guarding: the whereabouts and vast knowledge of the Library of Alexandria. She will inherit his legacy - Emily Wess is about to have her life change beyond all recognition. One minute she is a professor of history, the next she is flying around the world deciphering clues left by her mentor Arno Holmstrand. Is she being tested? They will kill for control - They are the Council and crave power and position. Their corruption spreads from the highest points of government to the assassins they hire to commit their crimes. They will kill for the ancient knowledge contained in the Library. And Emily Wess has exactly what they want.
Alex Dryden	Death in Siberia: Finn #4	Pb	\$19.99	\$18.00	The Cold War is dead but Russia's ambitions continue to rage...The Kremlin is holding its leading nuclear physicist prisoner at a military facility above the Arctic Circle. The reason? Professor Kryuchkov's ground-breaking discovery could save the world...and destroy Russia's economy. Former KGB agent Anna Resnikov is sent from America to confirm or deny rumours of Kryuchkov's breakthrough. But the physicist has already taken action. And when police detective Alexei Petrov discovers the formula hidden on a corpse, he is desperate to decipher its meaning. Following Anna Resnikov to the Arctic city of Norilsk, their linked fates end in a thrilling, terrifying climax in the icy wastes of Russia's northernmost territories...
Elsbeth Egholm	Life and Limb: Dicte Svendsen #2	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	There is no beauty in death, thinks crime journalist Dicte Svendsen. And so it would appear as she arrives at her next murder scene. A young woman has been found in the carpark next to the sports stadium. Dressed in jeans and a pink T-shirt with 'I love U' written on it, in she sits propped up against a car. The words 'rag doll' come to mind as she seems to be held together by skin and hair alone; as if someone had removed the skeleton. Not only that, her eye sockets were empty. This was the work of a very particular killer.
Thomas Enger	Pierced: Henning Juul #2	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	Despite always maintaining his innocence, Tori Pulli, once a powerful player on Oslo's underground crime scene, has been found guilty of murder. Scarred reporter, Henning Juul, is contacted by Pulli, who claims that if Henning can help clear his name he can give him details of who was responsible for the fire which killed his six-year-old son, Jonas. Desperate to continue his own search for justice, Henning realises that the information Pulli promises is life threatening, to both of them and to others. As events take a deadly turn, Henning finds himself on the trail of two killers for whom the stakes have never been higher...

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Chris Ewan	Safe House	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	When Rob Hale wakes up in hospital after a motorcycle crash he is told that Lena, the woman he claims was travelling with him, doesn't exist. The woman he describes bears a striking resemblance to his recently deceased sister, Laura, but has he really only imagined her? Rob sets out to find the answers to who Lena is and where she has gone. He is aided by Rebecca Lewis, a London-based PI, who has come to the Isle of Man at the behest of his parents to investigate his sister's suicide. But who is Rebecca really and how did she know his sister? Together Rob and Rebecca follow the clues to discover who took Lena. In doing so they discover that even on an island where most people know each other, everyone hides a secret, and that sometimes your best option isn't to hide but to stay and fight.
Elizabeth George	The Edge of Nowhere: Saratoga Woods #1	Pb	\$19.99	\$18.00	Becca King and her mother are on the run from her stepfather who has used Becca's talent for hearing 'whispers' to make a large and illegal sum of money. Now their options for safety are running out. In the town of Langley on Whidbey Island, Becca finds refuge in the home of her mother's childhood friend while her mother continues on to Canada in search of safety. But on her first day in town Becca meets sixteen years old Derric Mathieson, a Ugandan orphan who was adopted as a ten-year-old by the town's Deputy Sheriff. Derric has a secret that no one on Whidbey Island knows. Derric and Becca form an un-severable bond. Becca is convinced that she's the only person who can truly help him, and just maybe Derric can convince Becca that life is too short to live on the run.
Elizabeth George	Believing the Lie: Inspector Lynley #17	Pb	\$19.99	\$18.00	Detective Inspector Lynley is approached by business magnate Bernard Fairclough for a confidential review - not a formal investigation - of the circumstances of his nephew's demise. The coroner's verdict is accidental death. Recovering from the murder of his wife, Lynley has personal reasons for welcoming a spell away from London. He heads to the wild beauty of the Lake District, with Deborah and Simon St James to provide cover for his inquiries. Barbara Havers, back at base, makes her own unique contribution to the case, distracted only by Isabelle's ambitions to improve her Detective Sergeant's appearance. When he comes to know the various members of the extended Fairclough dynasty, Lynley finds many possible motives for murder, and uncovers layers of deceit and betrayal that expose the lies at the heart of the Cumbrian community.
Sergios Ghakas	Ashes: Colonel Halkidis #1	Pb	\$19.99	\$18.00	When Sonia Varika is pulled from the fire, her body is burned almost beyond recognition. For her ex-lovers, Police Colonel Chronis Halkidis and Simeon Piertzovanis, the landlord of the gutted property, her fate is a heavy reckoning. Fuelled by their twin addictions to cocaine and alcohol, they are gripped by a fanatical desire to uncover the truth behind the blaze and hold those responsible to account.
Elly Griffiths	A Room Full of Bones: Ruth Galloway #4	Pb	\$19.99	\$18.00	It is Halloween night, and the local museum in King's Lynn is preparing for an unusual event - the opening of a coffin containing the bones of a medieval bishop. But when Ruth Galloway arrives, she finds the museum's curator lying dead beside the coffin. Soon the museum's wealthy owner lies dead in his stables too. These two deaths could be from natural causes but when he is called in to investigate, Nelson isn't convinced, and it is only a matter of time before Ruth and DI Nelson cross paths once more. When threatening letters come to light, events take an even more sinister turn. But as Ruth's friends become involved, where will her loyalties lie? As her convictions are tested, she and Nelson must discover how Aboriginal skulls, drug smuggling and the mystery of The Dreaming may hold the answer to these deaths, and their own survival.
Sophie Hannah	Kind of Cruel	Pb	\$19.99	\$18.00	When Amber Hewardine consults a hypnotherapist as a desperate last resort, she doesn't expect that anything much will change. She doesn't expect it to help with her chronic insomnia. She doesn't expect to hear herself, under hypnosis, saying words that mean nothing to her: 'Kind, cruel, kind of cruel' - words she has seen somewhere before, if only she could remember where. She doesn't expect to be arrested two hours later, as a result of having spoken those words out loud, in connection with the brutal murder of Katharine Allen, a woman she's never heard of...
Julia Heaberlin	Playing Dead	Pb	\$19.99	\$18.00	The Letter: A few weeks after her father's death, Tommie McCloud receives a letter in the post from Rosalina Marchetti in Chicago. Rosalina claims that Tommie is her biological daughter, who was kidnapped over thirty years ago. The Lies: As she begins to investigate Rosalina's allegation, she discovers that her biological father may be violent mobster Anthony Marchetti, imprisoned for thirty years for the brutal murder of an FBI agent and his family, and now up for parole in Texas. She is offered a helping hand by journalist Jack Smith, who claims to know about her past. But is he really who he says he is? The Truth: Not sure who to trust, Tommie sets out to discover the truth about her identity and in doing so uncovers explosive secrets that threaten not only her life, but also the lives of those she holds dear.
Anne Holt	Fear Not: Vik & Stubo #4	Pb	\$19.99	\$18.00	The silent, snow-covered streets of Oslo are a perfect scene of Christmas tranquillity. But over the tolling of bells for the last Sunday of Advent, a black note sounds. A boy's body washes up near the shoreline of the city's Aker Bridge. His corpse is bloated by the water, almost unrecognisable. Nobody has even bothered to report him missing. One week later, the bishop of Bergen is found stabbed to death on a deserted street. Eva Karin Lysgaard is a popular public figure, a sixty-two year-old grandmother: why was she on a lone errand in the deserted city, on the night before Christmas? Johanne Vik, criminal researcher and police profiler, is called in to untangle the motivation behind the bishop's murder. But with her husband at the head of this increasingly high-profile investigation, Vik's association with the case is under intense scrutiny. And why does Lysgaard's shocking death lead her towards the sad death of an unknown boy?
Manu Joseph	The Illicit Happiness of Other People	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	17-year-old Gabriel has done something terrible. The only clue to his actions lies in a comic strip he has drawn, which has fallen into the hands of his father Ousep - a drunken anarchist and nuclear spy. Ousep begins investigating the extraordinary life of his son, blissfully unaware that his long-suffering wife is plotting to kill him through the perfect murder. Set in Madras in the 1980s, The Illicit Happiness of Other People is a darkly comic story involving an alcoholic's probe into the minds of the sober, the space and weapons programme of an impoverished nation, the plots of a brilliant housewife to finish off her husband, and the pure love of a boy for a beautiful girl.

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Jessie Keane	Nameless: Ruby Darke #1	Tp	\$27.99	\$25.20	Jessie Keane returns with another tale of crime and vengeance in London's East End...In 1941, mixed race Ruby Darke is born into a family that seem to hate her, but why? While her two brothers dive into a life of gangland violence, Ruby has to work in their family store. As she blossoms into a beautiful young woman she crosses paths with aristocrat Cornelius Bray, a chance meeting that will change her life forever. When she finds herself pregnant, and then has twins, she is forced to give her children away. At that point she vows never to trust another man again. As the years pass, Ruby never forgets her babies, and as the family store turns into a retail empire, Ruby wants her children back. But secrets were whispered and bargains made, and if Ruby wants to stay alive she needs to forget the past, or the past will come back and kill her.
Julia Keller	A Killing in the Hills: Bell Elkins #1	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	What's happening in Acker's Gap, West Virginia? Three elderly men are gunned down over their coffee at a local diner, and seemingly half the town is there to witness the act. Still, it happened so fast, and no one seems to have gotten a good look at the shooter. Was it random? Was it connected to the spate of drug violence plaguing poor areas of the country just like Acker's Gap? Or were Dean Streeter, Shorty McClurg, and Lee Rader targeted somehow? One of the witnesses to the brutal incident was Carla Elkins, teenaged daughter of Bell Elkins, the prosecuting attorney for Raythune County, West Virginia. Carla was shocked and horrified by what she saw, but after a few days, she begins to recover enough to believe that she might be uniquely placed to help her mother do her job. After all, what better way to repair their fragile, damaged relationship? But could Carla also end up doing more harm than good - in fact, putting her own life in danger?
G W Kent	One Blood: Kella & Conchita #2	Pb	\$19.99	\$18.00	1960. Sister Conchita, the young nun with a flair for detection, has been forced to leave her beloved Malaita and assume reluctant command of a run-down mission in the lush, primitive Western District of the Solomon Islands. The group of three elderly sisters currently there are rumoured to have 'gone native' and Conchita tries to grapple with these eccentric, tough-minded insurgents and the secrets they are keeping when an American tourist is murdered in their mission church but perplexingly, the colonial authorities want nothing to do with this bizarre crime. Help is at hand for Sister Conchita in the shape of her friend Sergeant Ben Kella, the local police officer but also the aofia, the traditional law-bringer of the islands. Together, the idealistic young nun and practical witch doctor set out to solve the mystery.
Michael Koryta	The Prophet	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	Two brothers with a shared tragic past, caused by a two-second decision that haunts them both. One decides to avenge it. The other, to forgive. Both will pay for their choices - more than they could ever imagine. When he was a teenager, Adam Austin made a decision that led to the death of his little sister. His brother Kent learned to forgive her murderer but he never forgave Adam. Twenty years later, Kent is the coach of the successful high school football team in Chambers, Ohio and Adam is the town's bail bondsman - someone people turn to when they need help. When the girlfriend of one of Kent's star players asks Adam to track down her father who has just been released from prison, Adam agrees. Days later, she is murdered at the address he gave her. Overwhelmed by guilt in this horrifying echo of the past - Adam is determined to atone for his mistakes. But this is a game outside of the brothers' control. And every decision they make is matter of life and death...
Camilla Lackberg	The Drowning: Patrik Hedstrom #6	Pb	\$19.99	\$18.00	Christian Thydell's dream has come true: his debut novel, The Mermaid, is published to rave reviews. So why is he as distant and unhappy as ever? When crime writer Erica Falck, who discovered Christian's talents, learns he has been receiving anonymous threats, she investigates not just the messages but also the author's mysterious past! Meanwhile, one of Christian's closest friends is missing. Erica's husband, Detective Patrik Hedstrom, has his worst suspicions confirmed as the mind-games aimed at Christian and those around him become a disturbing reality. But, with the victims themselves concealing evidence, the investigation is going nowhere. Is their silence driven by fear or guilt? And what is the secret they would rather die to protect than live to see revealed?
Simon Lelic	The Child Who	Pb	\$19.99	\$18.00	A chance phone call throws the biggest murder case in southern England into the hands of provincial attorney Leo Curtice. Twelve-year-old Daniel Blake stands accused of murdering an eleven-year-old girl. But who is truly responsible when one child kills another? As Curtice sets out to defend the indefensible, he soon finds himself pitted against an enraged community calling for blood. When the buildup of pressure takes a sinister turn, he fears for his wife and young daughter's safety. Must he choose between his family and the life of a damaged child? With piercing psychological insight, Lelic examines a community's response to a hideous crime.
Gabrielle Lord	Death by Beauty: Gemma Lincoln #5	Tp	\$32.99	\$29.70	A young woman is attacked, she claims, by a vampire. Two more are found dead and hideously disfigured. A journalist goes missing after visiting Sapphire Springs Spa. And it's up to Gemma Lincoln, PI, to find out what is going on. In her first week back on the job after maternity leave, finding a balance between investigating brutal crimes, caring for baby Rafi and making time for herself and Mike is all too much. Something has to give, but not while a third woman's life is in danger. As she moves closer to tying the crimes together, Rafi disappears. Facing a mother's worst nightmare, Gemma discovers what she is prepared to do to save her son.
Zane Lovitt	The Midnight Promise: A Detective's Story In Ten Cases	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	John Dorn is a private investigator. Just like his father used to be. It says 'private inquiry agent' in John's yellow pages ad because that's what his old man called himself, back before his business folded, his wife left him and he drank himself to death. But John's not going to end up like his father. He doesn't have a wife, or much business. He doesn't really drink, either. Not yet. In each of these ten delicious stories Zane Lovitt presents an intriguing investigation filled with humour and complex, beautifully observed characters. At their centre is John Dorn, solving not so much crimes as funny human puzzles; but the crimes, and the criminals, are forever lurking nearby, taunting him from the city's cold underworld.

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Val McDermid	The Vanishing Point	Tp	\$32.99	\$29.70	Stephanie Harker is travelling through the security gates at O'Hare airport, on her way to an idyllic holiday. Five-year-old Jimmy goes through the metal detector ahead of her. But then, in panic and disbelief, Stephanie watches as a uniformed agent leads her boy away - and she's stuck on the other side of Security, hysterical with worry. The authorities, unaware of Jimmy's existence, just see a woman behaving erratically; Stephanie is brutally wrestled to the ground and blasted with a taser gun to restrain her. And by the time she can tell them what has happened, Jimmy is long gone. But as Stephanie tells her story to the FBI, it becomes clear that everything is not as it seems with this seemingly normal family. What is Jimmy's background? Why would someone want to abduct him? And, with time running out, how can Stephanie get him back?
Adrian McKinty	The Cold Cold Ground: Sean Duffy #1	Pb	\$19.99	\$18.00	Northern Ireland. Spring 1981. Hunger strikes. Bombings. Assassinations. Sky high unemployment. Endemic rioting. Everyone who can is getting out. This is a society teetering on the edge of chaos and the brink of civil war. Amid the madness, Detective Sergeant Duffy is dealing with two cases: what may be Northern Ireland's first ever serial killer and a young woman's suicide that may yet turn out to be murder. It's no easy job - especially when it turns out that one of the victims was involved in the IRA, but last seen discussing business with one of their sworn enemies in the UVF. For Duffy, though, there's no question of which side he's on - because as a Catholic policeman, nobody trusts him. Fast-paced, evocative and brutal, The Cold, Cold Ground is a brilliant depiction of Belfast at the height of the Troubles - and a cop treading a thin, thin line.
Thomas Mogford	Shadow of the Rock: Spike Sanguinetti #1	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	A humid summer night in Gibraltar. Lawyer Spike Sanguinetti arrives home to find an old friend, Solomon Hassan, waiting on his doorstep. Solomon is on the run. A Spanish girl has been found with her throat cut on a beach in Tangiers and he is accused of her murder. He has managed to skip across the Straits but the Moroccan authorities want him back. Spike travels to Tangiers to try to delay Solomon's extradition, and there meets a beautiful Bedouin girl. Zahra is investigating the disappearance of her father, a trail which leads mysteriously back to Solomon. Questioning how well he really knows his friend, Spike finds himself drawn into a dangerous game of secrets, corruption and murderous lies.
Tara Moss	Assassin	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	Former model turned forensic psychologist and PI Mak Vanderwall returns in this sixth novel in the series. Only this time she is missing, presumed dead in Paris. By hiring a hit man to kill her, the powerful and corrupt Cavanagh family aimed to silence her for good. But after narrowly escaping death, Mak has taken over her would-be killer's world. She is very much alive. And transformed... Back in Sydney Mak's former flame, criminal profiler Andy Flynn is on the trail of a rapist and murderer with possible ties to the infamous 'Stiletto Killer'. He may have struck before and will certainly do so again. And while Andy struggles to cope in a world without Mak, little does he realise she is on her way back. And this time she's ready to make her own justice.
Barbara Nadel	A Private Business: Hakim & Arnold #1	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	2012: London is hosting the Olympics and the East End is at the centre of the world. Yet surrounding the glamorous Olympic Park are some of the most deprived areas of the city. PI Lee Arnold and his assistant, Mumtaz Hakim, work in these streets, in a community fraught with tensions. When Arnold is hired by a controversial stand-up comedian, he already knows that her routine could make her a target. Arnold and Hakim's new client is being followed. Are her fears justified? As they delve deeper, they discover that this investigation is more complex and sinister than a simple, straightforward case of stalking.
Barbara Nadel	Dead of Night: Cetin Ikmen #14	Pb	\$19.99	\$18.00	Inner city murder crosses two continents. Inspectors Cetin Ikmen and Mehmet Suleyman from Istanbul are sent to a policing conference in Detroit, but little can prepare them for the corruption that lies at its heart. When Ezekial Goins, an elderly man of Turkish descent approaches them to crack the long-unsolved murder of his son, a quiet trip takes a far more sinister turn. As they delve deeper into the case, the pair find themselves immersed in a terrifying world of inter-gang drug war and racial prejudice that puts them in mortal danger, and forces Ikmen to confront some demons of his own...
Kristina Ohlsson	Silenced	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	15 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.
Robert B Parker	Killing the Blues: Jesse Stone #10	Pb	\$19.99	\$18.00	Paradise, Massachusetts, is preparing for the summer tourist season when a string of car thefts disturbs what is usually a quiet time in town. In a sudden escalation of violence, the thefts become murder, and chief of police Jesse Stone finds himself facing one of the toughest cases of his career. Pressure from the town politicians only increases when another crime wave puts residents on edge. Jesse confronts a personal dilemma as well: a burgeoning relationship with a young PR executive, whose plans to turn Paradise into a summertime concert destination may have her running afoul of the law. When a mysterious figure from Jesse's past arrives in town, memories of his last troubled days as a cop in L.A. threaten his ability to keep order in Paradise-especially when it appears that the stranger is out for revenge.
Stef Penney	The Invisible Ones	Pb	\$18.99	\$17.10	Rose Janko is missing. It has been seven years since she disappeared, and nobody said a word. Now, following the death of his wife, her father Leon feels compelled to find her. Rumour had it she ran off when her baby boy was born with the family's genetic disorder. Leon is not so sure. He wants to know the truth and he hires a private investigator to discover it - Ray Lovell. Ray starts to delve deeper, but his investigation is hampered by the very people who ought to be helping him - the Jankos. He cannot understand their reluctance to help. Why don't they want to find Rose Janko?

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Louise Penny	The Beautiful Mystery: Inspector Gamache #8	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	On a remote island in Quebec, a monastery stands. The monks there are one of the last surviving groups to sing and keep alive original Gregorian chants, handed down to them from generations before. But now the outside world has affected their peaceful, self-sufficient existence. A body is found in the abbot's garden. One of the monks has been killed, and presumably by someone within the monastery. So Chief Inspector Gamache and Inspector Beauvoir come to the island to investigate and question. They have no choice but to stay in the lonely, silent monastery until the murderer is brought to light - which soon brings to the surface their own inner turmoil...
Edwina Preston	The Inheritance of Ivorie Hammer	Tp	\$29.95	\$26.95	When brothers Arcadia and Otto Cirque arrive in a fading gold-mining town with their travelling circus, Saturnalia, the town and the life of young Mary Ann Ward will never be the same. Months later, the flamboyant Arcadia Cirque is found dead, a pregnant Mary Ann Ward goes missing and Otto Cirque sets off in pursuit of her. These dramatic events echo down the decades to Mrs Ivorie Hammer, who is dealing with her own problems. Pregnant and vexed by recent catastrophic events in her home town, she discovers that her own origins are not as she thought. As the small community of Pitch is scandalized by several mysterious deaths and disappearances, it is Ivorie's secret history that holds the key to the truth.
Kathy Reichs	Bones are Forever: Temperance Brennan #15	Tp	\$32.95	\$29.65	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?
Stella Rimington	The Geneva Trap: Liz Carlyle #7	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	Geneva, 2012. When a Russian intelligence officer approaches MI6 with vital information about the imminent cyber-sabotage of an Anglo-American Defence programme, he refuses to talk to anyone but Liz Carlyle of MI5. But who is he, and what is his connection to the British intelligence officer? At a tracking station in Nevada, US Navy officers watch in horror as one of their unmanned drones plummets out of the sky, and panic spreads through the British and American Intelligence services. Is this a Russian plot to disable the West's defences? Or is the threat coming from elsewhere? As Liz and her team hunt for a mole inside the MOD, the trail leads them from Geneva, to Marseilles and into a labyrinth of international intrigue, in a race against time to stop the Cold War heating up once again...
J D Robb	Delusion in Death: In Death #35	Tp	\$32.99	\$29.70	The scene that greets Lieutenant Eve Dallas and her team one terrible evening in New York is more shocking than any of them have ever witnessed. The usually comfortable downtown bar is strewn with bodies - office workers who have been sliced, bludgeoned or hacked to death with the nearest weapon available. It appears they all turned on each other in a desperate blinding rage. As Eve and her husband Roarke - who owned the bar among his many properties - investigate the big-business workers of the city, they link the attacks back to the Urban Wars and the chemical warfare used all those years ago. With another slaughter imminent, Eve must turn to unexpected sources in order to stop a killer who is getting revenge by creating mass carnage...
Zoe Sharp	Fifth Victim: Charlie Fox #9	Pb	\$17.99	\$16.20	On Long Island, the playground of New York 's wealthy and privileged, Charlie Fox is tasked with protecting the wayward daughter of rich businesswoman Caroline Willner. It seems that an alarming number of the girl 's circle of friends have been through kidnap ordeals, and Charlie quickly discovers that the girl herself, Dina, is fascinated by the clique formed by these former victims. Charlie worries that Dina's thrill-seeking tendencies will put both of them in real danger. But just as her worst fears are realized, Charlie receives devastating personal news. The man who put her partner Sean Meyer in his coma is on the loose. She is faced with the choice between her loyalties to her client and avenging Sean, but the two goals are soon inextricably linked. The decisions Charlie makes now, and the path she chooses to follow, will have far-reaching consequences.
Paul Sussman	The Labyrinth of Osiris: Yusuf Khalifa #3	Tp	\$29.95	\$26.95	A journalist is brutally murdered in Jerusalem's Armenian Cathedral and Detective Arieh 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 3,000-year-old mystery that has already taken two lives, and will soon be claiming more...
Dustin Thomason	12-21	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	In Central America, a treasure hunter discovers a Maya relic - a mysterious and ornate codex - but when he smuggles it into the US, he brings with him an old and deadly secret. Early in December 2012, the codex comes to Chel Manu, a Maya world authority. She is torn between the chance to translate the codex herself and her duty to alert the authorities. Meanwhile, in an LA hospital, an unknown man is dying of a rare, contagious disease. When Dr Gabriel Stanton is called in, he realises that this is no ordinary infection - and it will spread uncontrollably. Stanton and Chel must race to decipher the codex's secrets and prevent the prophesised apocalypse...

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Marco Vichi	Death and the Olive Grove: Inspector Bordelli #2	Pb	\$19.99	\$18.00	April 1964, but spring hasn't quite sprung. The bad weather seems suited to nothing but bad news. And bad news is coming to the police station. First, Bordelli's friend Casimiro, who insists he's discovered the body of a man in a field above Fiesole. Bordelli races to the scene, but doesn't find any sign of a corpse. Only a couple of days later, a little girl is found at Villa Ventaglio. She has been strangled, and there is a horrible bite mark on her belly. Then another little girl is found murdered, with the same macabre signature. And meanwhile Casimiro has disappeared without a trace. The investigation marks the start of one of the darkest periods of Bordelli's life: a nightmare without end, as black as the sky above Florence.
Marco Vichi	Death in Sardinia: Inspector Bordelli #3	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	Florence, 1965. A man is found murdered, a pair of scissors stuck through his throat. Only one thing is known about him - he was a loan shark, who ruined and blackmailed the vulnerable men and women who would come to him for help. Inspector Bordelli prepares to launch a murder investigation. But the case will be a tough one for him, arousing mixed emotions: the desire for justice conflicting with a deep hostility for the victim. And he is missing his young police sidekick, Piras, who is convalescing at his parents' home in Sardinia. But Piras hasn't been recuperating for long before he too has a mysterious death to deal with...
Don Winslow	Savages [film tie-in]	Pb	\$19.95	\$17.95	Part-time environmentalist and philanthropist Ben and his ex-mercenary buddy Chon run a Laguna Beach-based marijuana operation, reaping significant profits from their loyal clientele. In the past when their turf was challenged, Chon took care of eliminating the threat. But now they may have come up against something that they can't handle - the Mexican Baja Cartel wants in, sending them the message that a no is unacceptable. When they refuse to back down, the cartel escalates its threat, kidnapping Ophelia, the boys' playmate and confidante. O's abduction sets off a dizzying array of ingenious negotiations and gripping plot twists that will captivate readers eager to learn the costs of freedom. Savages is an adrenaline-fuelled novel by a master thriller writer at the very top of his game.
COSY CRIME					
Jeffrey Allen	Popped Off: Stay at Home Dad #2	Pb	\$13.50	\$12.15	For stay-at-home dad Deuce Winters, the cutthroat world of suburban kiddie sports leagues is unavoidable. In his small town, Moises Huber is known as the King of Soccer. But it seems the king may have fallen from his throne when he disappears--along with \$73,000 of the youth soccer association's registration fees.
M C Beaton	Hiss and Hers: Agatha Raisin #23	Hb	\$37.95	\$34.15	Agatha has fallen head over heels in love - again. This time, she has her eye on the local gardener, George Marston, but so do other women in their little Cotswold village. Shamelessly determined, Agatha will do anything to get her man--including footing the bill for a charity ball just for the chance to dance with him. And then George doesn't even show up. Only partly deterred, Agatha goes looking for him, and finds his dead body in a compost heap. Murder is definitely afoot, but this killer chose no ordinary weapon: A poisonous snake delivered the fatal strike. Rising to the occasion, Agatha rallies her little detective agency to find the killer, only to learn that George had quite a complicated love life. But murderously complicated? Well, if she can't have George, at least Agatha can have the satisfaction of confronting the other women and solving the crime.
Jennie Bentley	Wall-to-Wall Dead: Do-It-Yourself #6	Pb	\$13.50	\$12.15	Avery Baker never thought she'd leave Manhattan, until she inherited her aunt's old Maine cottage and found her true calling--home renovation. But when Avery goes to work restoring a condominium, she discovers it's another condo owner who's been condemned... Avery and her partner, Derek, are fixing up a cute little condo in homey Waterfield, Maine, hoping for a quick turnaround and some extra money. It seems like a simple project - and Avery is looking forward to using her big-city experience with small spaces. But they didn't expect to have their every move watched by the resident busybody in the condo, Hilda Shaw, who loves snooping on everyone's comings and goings. When the busybody becomes a dead body, Avery suspects foul play. Soon she's doing some snooping of her own - and it seems everyone in the complex has a secret. Could one of them be worth killing for? Avery needs to work fast, before someone decides to fix her... for good.
Lucy Burdette	Death in Four Courses: Key West Food Critic #2	Pb	\$13.50	\$12.15	As the new food critic for Key Zest magazine, Hayley Snow went from being a culinary groupie to one of Florida's cutting-edge tastemakers. But as always, when life serves Haley a dream come true, it comes paired with a most exquisite murder.... The annual Key West literary conference is drawing the biggest names in food writing from all over the country, and Haley is there to catch a few fresh morsels of insider gossip. Superstar restaurant critic Jonah Barrows has already ruffled a few foodie feathers with his recent tell-all memoir, and as keynote speaker, he promises more of the same jaw-dropping honesty. But when Hayley discovers Jonah's body in a nearby dipping pool, the cocktail-hour buzz takes a sour turn, and Hayley finds herself at the center of attention - especially with the police. Now it's up to her to catch the killer before she comes to her own bitter finish.
Grace Carroll	Died with a Bow: Accessories #2	Pb	\$13.50	\$12.15	Things have been less than pretty for Rita lately. There's her lacklustre love life. Then Dolce hires a new salesgirl. Fast-talking fashionista Vienna Fairchild is young, confident, and horribly entitled. She's rearranged the store and relegates Rita to answering her phone - and the men are ringing for Vienna as though it were going out of style. Lucky for Rita, Dolce has tickets to a charity bachelor auction - but what to wear? While Rita opts for something simple, Vienna stuns the crowd in a breathtaking black dress with a pink bow on the back. Rita is even more stunned when she sees Vienna in that same dress the following day - dead on the sales floor of Dolce's. With Rita's fingerprints all over the scene and a believable motive, she's going to need to find some clues and throw together the perfect outfit that says: I'm innocent.

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Shelley Freydon	Foul Play at the Fair: Celebration Bay #1	Pb	\$13.50	\$12.15	Every day is a holiday in Celebration Bay... but unfortunately death doesn't take a holiday. As more and more tourists flock to Celebration Bay, New York, to enjoy their seasonal festivals, the town is in need of a professional coordinator. Enter Manhattan event planner Liv Montgomery, tired of big-city stress and looking for an idyllic spot where she and her Westie terrier, Whiskey, can put down roots. The Harvest by the Bay Festival is Liv's first chance to prove herself, and everything from apple bobbing to pumpkin painting goes perfectly - until the body of an itinerant juggler is discovered stuffed into an antique apple press. With a murderer on the loose, town leaders threaten to shut down the upcoming Halloween and Christmas festivals. But the town's livelihood is at stake, and there is no way Liv is going to let that happen, even if she has to solve the murder herself. No matter how many balls she needs to keep in the air, Liv is determined to find a killer who's rotten to the core...
Meg London	Murder Unmentionable: Sweet Nothings Lingerie #1	Pb	\$13.50	\$12.15	Sweet Nothings has it all: silk ribbon, Venetian lace, the best bra fitter in town...and two unsolved murders. Emma Taylor thought she knew what to expect when she abandoned life as a big-city fashionista to help her aunt, Arabella, breathe new style into Sweet Nothings, her waning lingerie boutique. As Emma settles back in to Paris, Tennessee - a world where pie is served with a parable and a pitcher of sweet tea is the cure for most of life's ills - her escape seems smooth as silk. But when the town acquires a touch of unneeded je ne sais quoi with the arrival of Emma's philandering ex, an unseemly murder turns her world inside out. As the police's top suspect, Emma is going to need more than fishnets to snare the real killer. And when she and Arabella refuse to let death threats wrapped in knifed nighties stall Sweet Nothings' vintage lingerie fashion show, it becomes increasingly clear that any garter may hide a gun and that bullet bras might have to live up to their name...
Molly MacRae	Last Wool and Testament: Haunted Yarn Shop #1	Pb	\$13.50	\$12.15	Kath Rutledge is about to learn the true meaning of TGIF - Thank Goodness It's Fiber... That's the name of the spunky group of fiber and needlework artists founded by Ivy McClellan, Kath's beloved grandmother. Though Ivy has recently passed on, the ladies still meet regularly at her fabric and fiber shop, The Weaver's Cat, which Kath has now inherited. But that's only the first in a series of surprises when Kath returns to the small town of Blue Plum, Tennessee, to settle her grandmother's affairs. There's been a murder, and it turns out her grandmother was the prime suspect. Before she can begin to clear Ivy's name, Kath encounters a looming presence in the form of a gloomy ghost. It turns out the specter has just as much interest in solving the murder as Kath. So, with a little help from the ladies of TGIF - and a stubborn spirit from beyond - she sets out to unravel the clues and hook the real killer...
Cynthia Robinson	The Barbary Dogs: Max Bravo #2	Pb	\$23.95	\$21.55	Max Bravo is ready for some rest and relaxation. But when an old friend takes a leap off the Golden Gate Bridge, Max realizes that rest and relaxation simply aren't in the cards. The jumper, Frank Kelly, was a failed writer and an accomplished hothead. Max acquires Frank's journal, and is soon following the dead man through a foggy landscape of artistic manias and romantic intrigues. Along the way, he encounters a motley crew of crackpots, bohemians, and wily ghosts that refuse to be buried in San Francisco's Barbary Coast past.
Denise Swanson	Murder of the Cat's Meow: Scumble River #15	Pb	\$13.50	\$12.15	When ex-Vegas showgirl and local business owner Bunny Reid starts an online dating service called Cupid's Cat's Meow, out-of-town visitors flock to her bowling alley for the speed dating and cat show events that she hosts to bring in extra cash. Bunny's scheme sounds harmless enough, but school psychologist Skye Denison knows all too well that an influx of strangers in Scumble River always spells trouble. Meanwhile, Skye is convinced that her house is haunted and is afraid her fiancé, police chief Wally Boyd, won't move in until the ghost moves out. But ghost-hunting takes a back seat when Skye is called to the bowling alley, where a riled up contestant is choking a cat show judge for insulting his feline. Skye breaks up the scuffle, but the next morning the judge's dead body is found, strangled with a cat toy. Now Skye must solve this purrplexing mystery, and show a devious killer that her sleuthing skills are the cat's meow.
HISTORICAL CRIME					
Charles Finch	A Burial at Sea: Charles Lenox #5	Pb	\$23.95	\$21.55	Charles Lenox, Member of Parliament, sets sail on a clandestine mission for the government. When an officer is savagely murdered, however, Lenox is drawn toward his old profession, determined to capture another killer. 1873 is a perilous time in the relationship between France and England. When a string of English spies is found dead on French soil, the threat of all-out war prompts government officials to ask Charles Lenox to visit the newly-dug Suez Canal on a secret mission. Once he is on board the Lucy, however, Lenox finds himself using not his new skills of diplomacy but his old ones: the ship's second lieutenant is found dead on the voyage's first night, his body cruelly abused. The ship's captain begs the temporarily retired detective to join in the hunt for a criminal. Lenox finds the trail, but in the claustrophobic atmosphere on board, where nobody can come or go and everyone is a suspect, he has to race against the next crime - and also hope he won't be the victim.
Anthony Horowitz	The House of Silk: The New Sherlock Holmes Novel	Pb	\$19.99	\$18.00	It is November 1890 and London is gripped by a merciless winter. Sherlock Holmes and Dr Watson are enjoying tea by the fire when an agitated gentleman arrives unannounced at 221b Baker Street. He begs Holmes for help, telling the unnerving story of a scar-faced man with piercing eyes who has stalked him in recent weeks. Intrigued, Holmes and Watson find themselves swiftly drawn into a series of puzzling and sinister events, stretching from the gas-lit streets of London to the teeming criminal underworld of Boston and the mysterious 'House of Silk'...
John O'Connell	Baskerville: The Mysterious Tale of Sherlock's Return	Pb	\$19.99	\$18.00	Dartmoor, 1900: two friends are roaming the moors. Arthur Conan Doyle - the most famous novelist of his age - who has recently killed off his most popular creation, Sherlock Holmes. And Bertram Fletcher Robinson - Holmes aficionado and editor of the Daily Express. They are researching a detective novel - a collaboration starring a new hero, set in the eerie stillness of ancient West Country moorland, and featuring a monstrous dog. They already have a title - London, 1902: The Hound of the Baskervilles is published - but it stars Sherlock Holmes, and is credited to just one author. Conan Doyle and Fletcher Robinson have not spoken for two years. It will become one of the most famous novels ever written. But who really wrote it? Why has Sherlock come back from the dead? And what really happened on those moors, to drive two friends apart?

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Matt Rees	A Name in Blood	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	Italy, 1605. For the ruling Borgia family, Rome is a place of grand palazzos and frescoed cathedrals. For the lowly artist Caravaggio, it is a place of rough bars, knife fights, and grubby whores. Until he is commissioned to paint the Pope...Soon, Caravaggio has gained entry into the Borgia family's inner circle, and becomes the most celebrated artist in Rome. But when he falls for Lena, a low-born fruit-seller, and paints her into his Madonna series as a simple peasant woman, Italian society is outraged. Discredited as an artist, but unwilling to retract his vision of the woman he loves, Caravaggio is forced into a duel - and murders a nobleman. Even his powerful patrons cannot protect him from a death sentence. So Caravaggio flees to Malta, where, before he can be pardoned, he must undergo the rigorous training of the Knights of Malta. His paintings continue to speak of his love for Lena. But before he can return to her, as a Knight and a noble, Caravaggio, the most famous artist in Italy - simply disappears.
June Thomson	Holmes and Watson	Pb	\$17.99	\$16.20	Sherlock Holmes and Dr John Watson, famous for their crime-solving capabilities, are mysterious figures themselves. What is known about their pasts, and the reasons behind their very different personalities? What led two strikingly different individuals to form a relationship which would last for over 46 years? This detailed and enthralling account ponders answers to the many uncertainties and enigmas which surround the pair. And there are other puzzles to be solved. When did the case of the Hound of the Baskervilles actually occur? Who was John Watson's mysterious second wife? And what is the real location of the legendary 221B Baker Street? A thorough investigation commences as Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's most famous creations are placed under the magnifying glass...
June Thomson	The Secret Notebooks of Sherlock Holmes	Pb	\$17.99	\$16.20	In Sherlock Holmes's London, reputations are fragile and scandal can be ruinous. In order to protect the names of the good (and not-so-good), Dr Watson comes to the decision that his accounts of some of his friend's most brilliant cases must never see the light of day. And so he conceals the manuscripts in an old despatch box, deep in the vaults of a Charing Cross bank. Now, outlasting the memories of those they could have harmed, these mysteries finally come to light. An aluminium crutch betrays the criminal who relies upon it for support. An Italian Cardinal lies dead in a muddy yard in Spitalfields ...What do a pair of suspiciously successful gamblers have in common with the Transylvanian mind-reader, Count Rakoczi? And can Holmes and Watson outwit the jewel thief who has the nerve to steal from the King of Scandinavia?
TRUE CRIME					
Ken Crispin	The Chamberlain Case: The Legal Saga That Transfixed the Nation	Tp	\$29.95	\$26.95	A baby disappears from a tent near Uluru in the sandy desert of central Australia. The Aboriginal trackers say she has been taken by a dingo. But amidst a melange of sinister rumours, suspicion falls on the parents, Lindy and Michael Chamberlain. There are no eyewitnesses, no body, no confession, no motive - and, apparently, credible evidence of their innocence. Yet the mother is convicted of murder; her husband, of concealing her crime. Ken Crispin QC appeared for the Chamberlains at the royal commission. In The Chamberlain Case, he provides an authoritative account of this saga. He examines the case against them at the trial, and the evidence that subsequently emerged - blood, dingoes, clothing, tracks - and he asks disturbing questions. Why were so many people convinced they were guilty? How could our legal system have failed? And could any of us fall victim to a similar miscarriage of justice?
Michael Duffy	Bad: The True Story of the Perish brothers and Australia's Biggest Ever Murder Investigation	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	When Terry Falconer's dismembered body turned up in the Hastings River in 2001, detective Gary Jubelin was given the investigation to lead. Falconer had been a violent criminal, a police informer, and possibly a murderer. The suspect list quickly grew to 70 of the state's most hardened criminals, all of whom had wanted him dead. After a year Jubelin had a name. Anthony Perish believed Falconer had carried out a contract killing on his grandparents back in 1993. Perish was almost unknown to police, but as Jubelin and his team dug deeper, they discovered he was one of Australia's most successful drug manufacturers, with strong links to the Rebels bikie gang and a reputation for violence and professionalism. Author Michael Duffy was given almost unprecedented access to police force files, resulting in a chilling forensic account of an Australian criminal empire that dwarfs all others and a meticulous and enthralling chronicle of an extraordinary police investigation.
Andrew Fraser	In Any Case: True Stories from Australia's Most Notorious Criminal Lawyer	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	Andrew Fraser has made mistakes in his life. Big mistakes. And he has paid a hefty penalty for them. A flash, arrogant and highly successful criminal lawyer, he made a great deal of money defending a huge range of clients before a spectacular fall from grace in the late 1990s through his cocaine addiction. In Any Case is the compelling blue-chip collection of Fraser's fascinating stories of people he has defended over the years as well as his own battles with the law, and himself.
David King	Death in the City of Light: The True Story of the Serial Killer Who Terrorised Wartime Paris	Pb	\$22.99	\$20.70	A swastika crowns the Eiffel Tower. Nazis march through the streets. And in the dark heart of the city, a madman is at work. At a chic Right Bank address, a horrific pile of dismembered bodies is discovered. The property's owner, well-to-do Dr Petiot, immediately becomes the prime suspect, but he has vanished without a trace. As the police delve into the doctor's past, a disturbing history of violence and corruption is uncovered. It seems like a cut-and-dried case, but the investigation soon takes a surprising turn. Is Petiot a sadistic serial killer or a hero of the Resistance? Who are his victims? In this fascinating true account of a case that gripped wartime Paris, David King draws extensively on new sources to paint a chilling portrait of a murderer whose crimes devastated a city already in the grip of evil.

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Steve Lillebuen	The Devil's Cinema: The Untold Story Behind the 'Dexter Killer'	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	In 2008, Johnny Altinger, 38 and single, was heading to his first date with a woman he had met online. Soon after, Johnny's friends received strange emails and computer messages from him, boasting of his new girlfriend and her plans to treat him to an extended tropical holiday. Two weeks earlier, aspiring filmmaker Mark Twitchell, a young father with a devotion to the TV series Dexter, began a three-day shoot for his latest short film. His horror story featured a serial killer who impersonates women on an online dating site to lure unsuspecting men to his suburban kill room. But was his script actually the blueprint for a real-life murder? And what of Twitchell's other writings, including the elaborate and shocking document titled S.K. Confessions? Was it a diary detailing his dark transformation into a would-be serial killer? Combining sharp journalistic insight, meticulous research, and a powerfully gripping narrative, The Devil's Cinema is the definitive account of the notorious 'Dexter Killer,' a case and trial that captured the world's attention.
Mike Richards	Wakool Crossing: A Modern-day Investigation into the Mysterious Death of a Young Woman in 1916	Tp	\$27.95	\$25.15	In 1916, just a few years after federation and while Australia was at war in Europe, Hazel Hood, the 18-year-old daughter of a Riverina grazier, went to a local dance and never came home. Her mysterious disappearance caused a sensation in the district around the pioneer settlement of Wakool Crossing near the Victorian - NSW border. The mystery further intensified when, a week later, Hazel's body - still clothed in her white party dress - was recovered from the Wakool river with a mark of violence upon her head and her silk scarf tied tightly around her neck. Her disappearance was reported in major daily newspapers as far afield as Sydney, Melbourne and Adelaide, but the mystery of what happened to her was never fully explained. As a child in the Mallee in the 1950s, Mike Richards was told the story of Hazel Hood's tragic disappearance by his grandmother, Now, almost 100 years after her death, the author unravels the mystery of what happened to Hazel Hood - an unassuming, fun-loving, caring girl who was a favourite in the district.
Mark Tedeschi	Eugenia Falleni	Tp	\$29.99	\$27.00	In 1920, a woman named Eugenia Falleni was charged with the murder of her wife. Eugenia had lived in Australia for 22 years as a man and during that time officially married twice. She lived a full married life with her first wife, Annie, for four years before Annie realised that her husband was a woman. Even after Annie knew, they lived together for eight months before they went on a bush picnic, when Annie mysteriously died. Her body was not identified for almost three years, and during this time Eugenia married again, this time to Lizzie. When Eugenia was finally arrested and charged with Annie's murder, the police attempted to tell Lizzie that her husband was a man. She laughed at them - she was so convinced that her husband was a man that she thought she was pregnant to him! This is the story of one of the most extraordinary criminal trials in legal history anywhere in the world. The book traces Eugenia's history: from her early years in an Italian immigrant family in New Zealand, to her brutal treatment when she first tried living as a man.