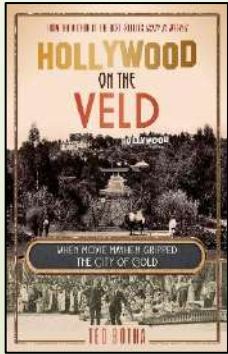


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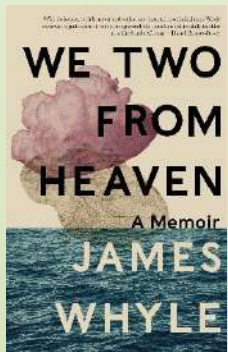
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Hollywood On The Veld by Ted Botha

9781776194681 | Jonathan Ball Publishers | TPB | R320

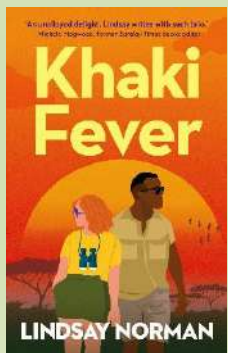
In 1913, a secretive American millionaire, who lived on the top floor of the famous Carlton Hotel, had a crazy idea: to make movies in Johannesburg. And not just any movies but the biggest in the world, huge spectacles with elaborate sets, thousands of extras and epic story lines. Isidore Schlesinger, better known as 'IW', built a studio on a farm called Killarney, where he set out to challenge a place in America that was in its infancy: Hollywood. The glamour, gossip and high drama of IW's studio fit perfectly into a city experiencing an intoxicating golden age. There was as much action on the movie sets as there was on screen: from political intrigue and the clashing of massive egos to public outbursts, fiery judicial inquiries, disaster and death. Behind this mad enterprise was a maverick, a tycoon, a recluse, a friend of the famed and the connected. IW could have held his own in California but he chose as his base the City of Gold, and his indomitable ambition saw his '*Hollywood on the Veld*' soar.



We Two From Heaven: A Memoir by James Whyte


9781776193844 | Jonathan Ball Publishers | PB | R315

We Two from Heaven is a singular memoir, a four-part fugue on the tricks and traps of memory, a shuffling of the cards of time. Episodes from the early life of writer James Whyte are interwoven with the letters of his father from the Western Front during the First World War. Their formative experiences, war, conscription, injury, desertion, flash by, juxtaposed, as if in counterpoint. How do we know who we are? Upending the reader's expectations of a memoir, Whyte then explores the violence and madness of apartheid society as the narrator passes through boarding school and university and takes his first steps to become a writer. Raw and rhythmic, lyrical and caustic, this is an unsparing, formally inventive dissection of human vanities and illusions.

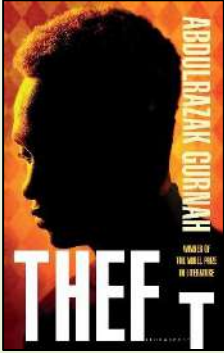


Khaki Fever by Lindsay Norman

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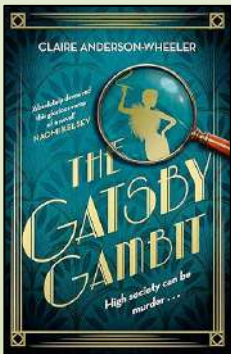
Game guide Alexandra Carnell-Ellis is principled, doesn't suffer fools, and is generally not too fond of ordinary people either. When she's fired from The Plains, a commercial 'Ferrari Safari'-type game reserve in the Karoo for being rude to guests, she's determined to make a fresh start. She lands a dream job at an exclusive game reserve in Mpumalanga, but Alex's new beginning appears to be doomed from the start as she arrives at the lodge with attitude, a few facts about her that aren't strictly true, and a stolen dog in tow. For one, she had pretended to be a man in her application, because she is convinced that khaki fever gives male guides an advantage. Alex struggles to control her unruly tongue and almost immediately makes enemies with the camp manager and the owner's terrifyingly scary girlfriend, who can't wait to expose Alex's deepest darkest secrets. She finds love in the form of the level-headed and attractive head guide, but it's not long before everything goes wrong. 

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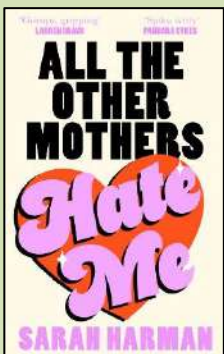
Theft by Abdulrazak Gurnah
9781526680105 | Bloomsbury | TPB | R395

It is the 1990s. Growing up in Zanzibar, three very different young people; Karim, Fauzia and Badar are coming of age, and dreaming of great possibilities in their young nation. But for Badar, an uneducated servant boy who has never known his parents, it seems as if all doors are closed. Brought into a lowly position in a great house in Dar es Salaam, Badar finds the first true home of his life and the friendship of Karim, the young man of the house. Even when a shattering false accusation sees Badar sent away, Karim and Fauzia refuse to turn away from their friend. But as the three of them take their first steps in love, infatuation, work and parenthood, their bond is tested and Karim is tempted into a betrayal that will change all of their lives forever.



The Gatsby Gambit by Claire Anderson-Wheeler
9781408748503 | Little Brown | TPB | R425

Freshly twenty-one and sporting a daring new bob, Greta Gatsby, younger sister to the infamous Jay, is finally free of finishing school. An idyllic summer stretches ahead of her at the Gatsby Mansion, the jewel of West Egg. But when Greta arrives at the secluded white-stone estate bathed in the late-afternoon light, she finds she isn't the only visitor. Jay is hosting an intimate gathering of New York's fashionable set: Daisy and Tom Buchanan, along with his brother Edgar, Nick Carraway and Jordan Baker. That evening, the guests enjoy a candelabra-lit dinner party. That night, they dance to the lilt of the gramophone. The next morning, one of them is missing. Murder has come to West Egg, the warm breeze tainted by scandal, betrayal and secrets. Turning sleuth isn't how Greta meant to spend her summer but what choice does she have when one of them could be next?



All The Other Mothers Hate Me by Sarah Harman
9780008698003 | HarperCollins | TPB | R410

Florence knows all about failure. After a dismal end to her 2000s girlband career, she's moping around West London, single, broke and unfulfilled. The only things she's proud of are her increasingly elaborate nail art choices and her ten-year-old son, Dylan. But when Alfie Risby, Dylan's bitter class rival and the child heir to a frozen foods empire, mysteriously vanishes on a school trip, Dylan becomes a prime suspect. Florence has to get her act together, find the missing boy and clear her son's name or risk losing him forever. The only problem? She doesn't have any detective skills, she's not exactly popular at the school gates and she's just found Alfie's backpack hidden under Dylan's bed...

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Bad Blood by Sarah Hornsley

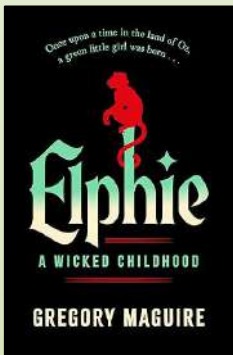
9781399725866 | Hodder & Stoughton | TPB | R425

Justine Stone left her small, claustrophobic hometown in Essex eighteen years ago, turning her back on her family and what happened that terrible night.

But when her childhood sweetheart, Jake, is accused of a horrific double murder, Justine's world begins to crumble.

And when her brother disappears in the wake of the deaths, Justine is forced to open the door to the past again, a door that she's kept shut for years.

What has her mother been hiding all this time? Why does nobody ever talk about the death of her father? And what did her brother know about the couple Jake is accused of killing?



Elphie by Gregory Maguire

9781035416400 | Headline | TPB | R440

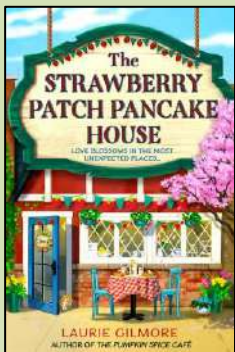
Young Elphaba is destined to be a witch, she bears the markings from childhood. But what happened before her powers took hold?

Elphie is a girl like any other and no other. Nothing like her parents, one beautiful, the other pious, nor her saintly sister, Nessarose. Her skin is green, her mind is cunning.

One day she will command this strange and wonderful world. For now, her journey is just beginning.

The road ahead is full of lessons and heartbreak, the first bruising attempts at friendship and tantalising whispers of magic.

It will lead *Elphie* to the doors of Shiz University, and to the girl who will change her life forever...



The Strawberry Patch Pancake House by Laurie Gilmore

9780008713348 | HarperCollins | PBO | R295

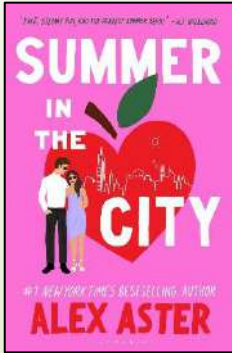
As a world-renowned chef, single dad Archer never planned on moving to a small town, let alone running a pancake restaurant. But Dream Harbor needs a new chef, and Archer needs a community to help raise his daughter, Olive.

Iris has never managed to hold down a job for more than a few months. So when it's suggested that Archer is looking for a live-in nanny, she almost runs in the opposite direction.

Now, Iris finds herself in a whole new world. One where her gorgeous new boss lives right across the hall and likes to cook toppers...

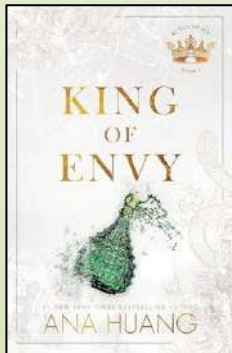
Keeping everything strictly professional should be easy, right?

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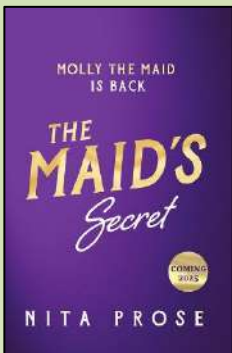
Summer in the City by Alex Aster
9781526686930 | Bloomsbury | TPB | R355

Twenty-seven-year-old screenwriter, Elle, has the chance of a lifetime to write a big-budget movie set in New York City. The only problem? She's had writer's block for months, and her screenplay is due by the end of the summer. Desperate for inspiration, Elle returns to NYC, the city she hates and tries to throw herself into her writing. But then she meets her new neighbour: Parker Warren. He's the city's favourite handsome tech billionaire and he's also the guy Elle hooked up with in a stairwell two years ago. When seeing him again turns into a night of hate-fuelled writing, Elle realises Parker might just be her twisted muse. So, when Parker needs to fake a steady relationship during his company's precarious acquisition and Elle needs to research a list of classic date spots in the city for her screenplay, they suddenly find they might just be exactly what each other needs.



King of Envy by Ana Huang
9780349436395 | Little Brown | PBO | R280

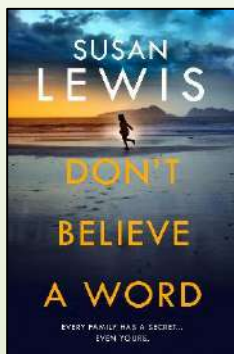
Vuk Markovic is notorious for shunning human interactions. The scarred billionaire rarely talks, and he has no interest in relationships outside his small but trusted circle. His only exception? Her. The beauty to his beast, the object of his obsession. He saw her first. He wanted her first. But now, she's engaged to his oldest friend-and the closer the wedding looms, the more he's torn between loyalty and desire. To the world, supermodel Ayana Kidane leads the perfect life. Her career has skyrocketed, and she's engaged to one of New York's most eligible bachelors. What people don't know is that the engagement is only a business arrangement. He gets his inheritance when they marry; she gets the money she needs to leave her abusive agency. Pretending to be in love should be easy-until ...



The Maid's Secret by Nita Prose
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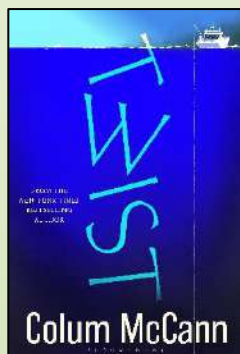
Molly the maid is no stranger to secrets... She sees everything behind closed doors at the Regency Grand hotel: wiping away the dust and grime of guests passing through. But one secret lies much closer to home. An old trinket, a faux Fabergé egg is revealed to be a precious antique during an appraisal at the hotel, making Molly a rags-to-riches sensation. But no sooner has the egg shown its value than it's stolen: vanishing without a trace. Determined to crack the case of the missing Fabergé, Molly begins dusting for clues, uncovering a mystery that stretches deep into the past. For in the pages of a long-forgotten diary, written by her late gran, lie the secrets that could unlock all others and only Molly holds the key...

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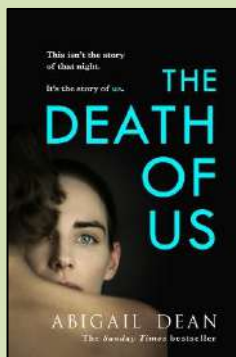
Don't Believe A Word by Susan Lewis
9780008472078 | HarperCollins | TPB | R390

Sadie's childhood has always been shrouded in mystery. But there are three things she knows. She was raised by two aunts. She never knew her parents. She is convinced she was stolen. Cristy Ward, podcast host, is gripped by Sadie's story. It's perfect for her next true-crime investigation. Yet Sadie's aunt claims it's all a fantasy.



Twist by Colum McCann
9781526656957 | Bloomsbury | TPB | R405

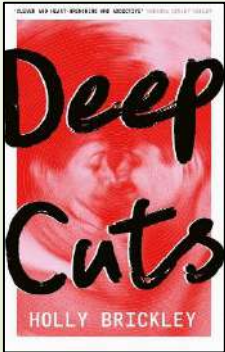
Anthony Fennell, a journalist, is in pursuit of a story buried at the bottom of the sea: the network of tiny fibre-optic tubes that carry the world's information across the ocean floor and what happens when they break. So, he has travelled to Cape Town to board the *George Leconte*, a cable repair vessel captained by Chief of Mission John Conway. Conway is a talented engineer and fearless freediver and Fennell is quickly captivated by this mysterious, unnerving man and his beautiful partner, Zanele. As the boat embarks along the west coast of Africa, Fennell learns the rhythms of life at sea and finds his place among the band of drifters who make up the crew. But as the mission falters, tensions simmer and Conway is thrown into crisis. A terrible, violent tragedy is unfolding in the life he has left behind on land; and, trapped out at sea, it seems as if the vast expanse of the ocean is closing in.



The Death of Us by Abigail Dean
9780008625627 | HarperCollins | TPB | R390

It's the story everyone wants to hear. That spring night in South London, when Isabel and Edward's lives were torn apart. The night Isabel learned that the worst things wait, just outside the door. The night Edward learned that he was powerless to stop them. The night they never talk about. When their attacker is caught, it's finally time to tell the story of that night. Not to the world. Or to the man who did it. But to each other. This is a story of murder. This is a story of survival. But most of all, this is a story of love.

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Deep Cuts by Holly Brickley

9780008695835 | HarperCollins | TPB | R410

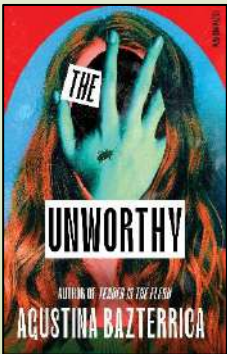
The first time Joe plays Percy one of his songs in his college room in 2000, she instantly realises three things:

One, she is watching a star in the making.

Two, she can shape his music into something extraordinary.

Three, she will always be on the sidelines.

She swallows her jealousy and throws herself into collaboration, transforming Joe's songs into indie hits with her blistering critiques. But there's an undercurrent to the music they're making, something undeniably electric, hurtling towards love. And then, almost inevitably, towards heartbreak. As Joe steps into the spotlight, can Percy bear to watch on in silence? And can he exist there without her?



The Unworthy by Agustina Bazterrica

9781805333142 | Pushkin Press | TPB | R350

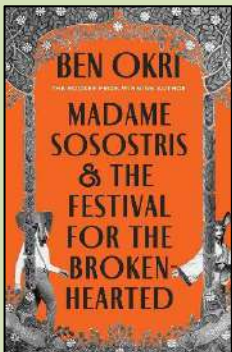
In the House of the Sacred Sisterhood, the unworthy live in fear of the Superior Sister's whip.

Seething with resentment, they plot against each other and await who will ascend to the level of the Enlightened and who will suffer the next exemplary punishment.

Risking her life, one of the unworthy keeps a diary in secret. Slowly, memories surface from a time before the world collapsed, before the Sacred Sisterhood became the only refuge.

Then Lucía arrives.

She, too, is unworthy but she is different. And her presence brings a single spark of hope to a world of darkness.

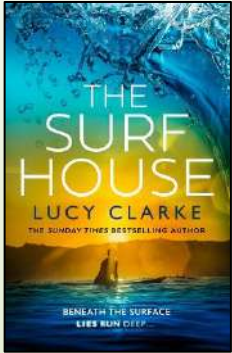


Madame Sosostris & the Festival for the Broken-Hearted by Ben Okri

9781035910755 | Head of Zeus | HB | R350

Viv, who's in the House of Lords, had the idea for the festival on the twentieth anniversary of the day her first husband left her. Six months later, crowds descend on the grounds of a dreamlike chateau in the South of France, avidly awaiting the experience of a lifetime, Viv's inaugural Festival for the Broken-Hearted. Everyone is in fancy dress. No one knows who anyone is. A very special guest is expected: world-renowned clairvoyant and fortune-teller Madame Sosostris, known as the wisest woman in Europe, will attend for one night only. But will she actually appear at all, or will Viv's carefully orchestrated festival fall to pieces? Will Viv and her husband make it through the night? Will anyone else?

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The Surf House by Lucy Clarke
9780008639396 | HarperCollins | TPB | R410

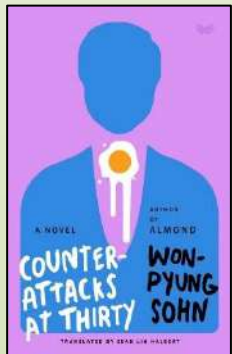
Welcome to *The Surf House* where everyone's escaping something...

High on the cliffs of Morocco, far from the city lights and the souks, stands *The Surf House*: a sanctuary for travellers chasing sunshine and waves.

But the idyll hides a dark mystery.

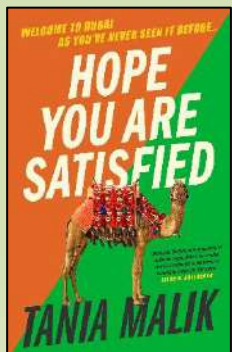
And when Bea washes in, seeking refuge after a dangerous encounter in Marrakesh, she soon gets caught in the current.

A woman her age, who stayed in the same area, walked the same beaches, met the same guests, disappeared one year earlier, vanishing without trace. Somewhere inside *The Surf House* lies the truth but there'll be a price for uncovering it...



Counterattacks at Thirty: A Novel by Won-pyung Sohn
9780063424784 | HarperCollins | TPB | R360

Jihye is an ordinary woman who has never been extraordinary. In her administrative job at the Academy, she silently tolerates office politics and the absurdities of Korean bureaucracy. Forever only one misplaced email away from career catastrophe, she effectively becomes a master of the silent eye-roll and the tactical coffee run. But all her efforts to endure her superiors and the semi-hostile work environment they create are upended when a new intern, Gyuok Lee, arrives. Like a pacifist version of V in V for Vendetta, Gyuok recruits a trio of office allies to carry out plans for minor revenge. Together, these four "rebels" commit tiny protests against those in more powerful but as their attacks increase, the initial joy they felt at the release becomes something more and Jihye and the others will discover the beauty of friendship and the extraordinary power of unity against adversity.

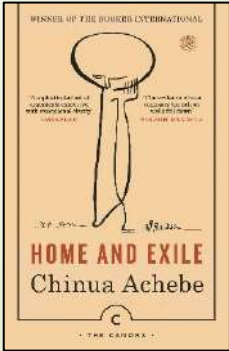


Hope You Are Satisfied by Tania Malik
9780857308917 | Oldcastle | PBO | R305

1990. Twenty-five-year-old Riya works for Discover Arabia, a tour guide company in the far-flung outpost of Dubai. In the months leading up to the first Gulf War, the city's iconic skyline and global reputation are just a gleam in developers' eyes. For Riya, it's a desert purgatory that spreads out between her family back home in India and her unknown future.

As political tensions run high, international arms dealers, American soldiers, CIA consultants, corrupt bosses and wayward vacationers all compete for Discover Arabia's attention. Meanwhile, Riya and her colleagues begin to plan their exit strategies. Will a favour from Dubai's most notorious fixer offer Riya the chance to fulfil her financial obligations and escape to the United States?

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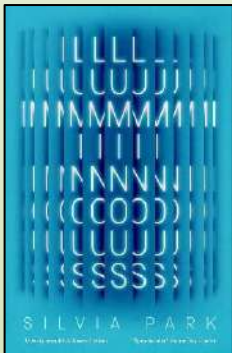
Home and Exile by Chinua Achebe
9781786896131 | Canongate | TPB | R300

"*Home and Exile*" is a moving account of an exceptional life.

Achebe reveals the inner workings of the human conscience through the predicament of Africa and his own intellectual life.

It is a story of the triumph of the mind, told in words of one of the twentieth century's most gifted writers.

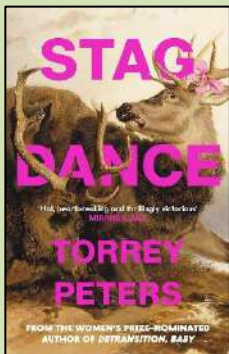
Marked by a passionate commitment to political justice, "*Home and Exile*" brings to life Africa's first fraught encounters with Europe and the rest of the world while unflinchingly depicting the dark side of contemporary African political life.



Luminous by Silvia Park
9781836430469 | One World | TPB | R415

In a recently reunified Korea, robots have integrated seamlessly into society. They are our teachers, our bus drivers and policemen. They are our lovers. They are even our children.

Eleven-year-old Ruijie sifts through scrap metal in a Seoul junkyard, searching for anything that might repair her failing body. There amongst the piles of junk she happens across a robot boy: lifelike, strange and unlike anything she's seen before. Across the city, estranged siblings Jun and Morgan Cho haven't spoken since the abrupt disappearance of their robot brother Yoyo, which shattered their childhoods and left a gaping hole in their lives. But Ruijie's discovery is about to bring the lives of brother and sister hurtling back together, forcing them to confront the reality of Yoyo's true nature, and the dark purpose their father never revealed.

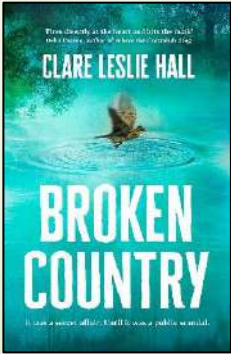


Stag Dance by Torrey Peters
9781805225829 | Profile | TPB | R410

Deep in the forest, a group of restless lumberjacks working an illegal logging outfit plan a winter dance that some will volunteer to attend as women; the broadest, strongest axeman finds himself caught in a rivalry with a pretty, young jack that culminates in jealousy, betrayal and an astonishing spectacle of transition.

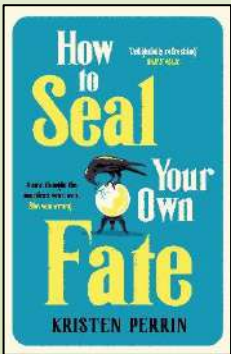
Meanwhile, in other times and places, the gender apocalypse is brought about by an unstable ex-girlfriend; an illicit boarding-school romance surfaces intrigue and cruelty; and a Las Vegas party weekend turns dark when a young crossdresser must choose between a thrilling mystery man or a veteran trans woman offering unglamorous sisterhood.

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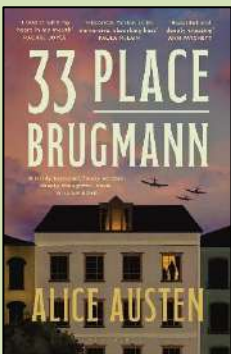
Broken Country by Clare Leslie Hall
9781399820424 | John Murray | TPB | R395

Beth was seventeen when she first met Gabriel. Over that heady, intense summer, he made her think and feel and see differently. She thought it was the start of her great love story. When Gabriel left to become the person his mother expected him to be, she was broken. It was Frank who picked up the pieces and together they built a home very different from the one she'd imagined with Gabriel. Watching her husband and son, she remembered feeling so sure that, after everything, this was the life she was supposed to be leading. But when Gabriel comes back, all Beth's certainty about who she is and what she wants crumbles. Even after ten years, their connection is instant. She knows it's wrong and she knows people could get hurt. But how can she resist a second chance at first love?



How To Seal Your Own Fate by Kristen Perrin
9781529430110 | Quercus | TPB | R440

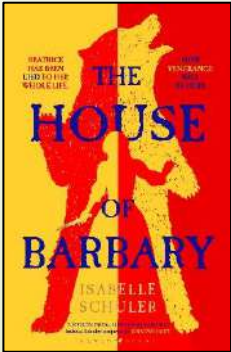
It is autumn in Castle Knoll and Annie Adams is busy settling into her new home. She doesn't find Gravesdown Hall particularly cosy, especially since she found two dead bodies there over the summer. What's more, ever since she arrived in the village, Annie has had the creeping sense she's being watched. Lonely, and desperate for some company, Annie starts talking to a stranger she meets in the grounds of the estate. The striking old woman introduces herself as Peony Lane, the fortune-teller who predicted Great Aunt Frances' murder all those years ago. And now she has a fortune to tell Annie. Desperate not to fall into the same trap as Frances, Annie flees Peony Lane, refusing to hear any of her grim predictions. But she can't outrun Peony for long, as hours later she finds her, dead on the floor of Gravesdown Hall, a ruby-hilted dagger plunged into her back.



33 Place Brugmann by Alice Austen
9781526678737 | Bloomsbury | TPB | R450

Charlotte Sauvín has always seen the world differently. At home on *33 Place Brugmann*, in the heart of Brussels, her father and her closest friends and neighbours, the Raphaëls from the fourth floor, and Masha from the fifth, have ensured her secret is safe. But when the Nazis invade Belgium, and Masha and the Raphaëls disappear, Charlotte must navigate her new world alone. Over the border and across the sea, in occupied Paris and battered Blitz London, Masha and the Raphaëls are reinventing themselves as refugees, nurses, soldiers, heroes. Though scattered far and wide, they dream of only one place, one home: *33 Place Brugmann*. But back at Place Brugmann, Charlotte feels impending danger closing in. Who can she trust in this world where everyone is watching and everyone is harbouring their own secrets?

Fiction



The House of Barbary by Isabelle Schuler
9781526647313 | Bloomsbury | TPB | R450

Beatrice has been lied to her whole life.

She has been raised to believe that while education will set her mind free, there are some questions better left unanswered.

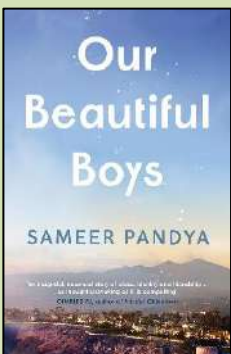
But when her father, one of the most powerful men in Bern, is brutally murdered in their own home, she is left reeling, unprotected and vulnerable.

Plunging head first into the mysteries surrounding her father and her own upbringing, Beatrice discovers The Order of St. Eve and the violent secrets they have been hiding her entire life. Will she be able to right the wrongs of her father, or will the Order silence her first?



10 Marchfield Square by Nicola Whyte
9781526673107 | Bloomsbury | TPB | R420

Marchfield Square was meant to be a haven from the outside world. A place for those who need somewhere safe from their pasts, or who could otherwise not afford to stay in the city they call home. That was Celeste Van Duren's plan. One of her tenants being murdered in his own kitchen, and the police trying to pin it on his long-suffering wife, was not. So, Celeste does what anyone with a lot of money, a strong sense of justice and a bad hip would do: she recruits some help to track down the real murderer. Her cleaner, Audrey, knows everyone in the square and is liked by all, while failed crime writer, Lewis, is known by no one. He hates his job, hates his life, and he's not that fond of Audrey either, but Celeste is persuasive. In theory his knowledge of police procedure and her way with people should help them find the killer, if they don't kill each other first...

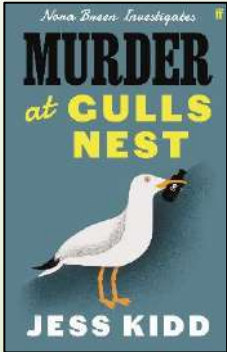


Our Beautiful Boys by Sameer Pandya
9781526676917 | Bloomsbury | TPB | R420

Revelling in the triumph of a high school football win, MJ, Vikram and Diego find themselves at an ill-fated party, on a night that ends with the school bully in hospital.

When no one comes forward with the truth of what actually happened, all three teenage "all stars" are suspended for the rest of the season, their futures suddenly uncertain. In the aftermath, the families gather to assess the damage to their children's prospects, their reputations and their own relationships. As other secrets begin to bubble to the surface, each parent attempts to navigate the crisis at hand, confronted with their own inner turmoil and the question none of them want to face: how well can you ever truly know your own child?

Fiction



Murder at Gulls Nest by Jess Kidd
9780571378951 | Faber & Faber | TPB | R430

After thirty years in a convent, Nora Breen has thrown off her habit. Her fellow sister Frieda has gone missing and it's up to Nora to find her. Nora's only clue is that Frieda was last seen at Gulls Nest boarding house. So, she travels down to the seaside town of Gore-on-Sea, takes a room and settles in to watch and listen. Over dubious and sometimes downright inedible dinners, Nora gathers evidence about the other lodgers. At long last, she has found an outlet for her powers of observation and, well, nosiness. When one of the lodgers is found dead, Nora decides she must find the murderer. Not least because she suspects the victim knew Frieda. Could solving this mystery help her to understand what has happened to her friend?



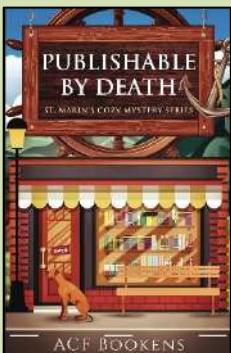
Universality by Natasha Brown
9780571389025 | Faber & Faber | TPB | R350

On a Yorkshire farm, a man is brutally bludgeoned with a solid gold bar.

A plucky young journalist sets out to uncover the truth surrounding the attack, connecting the dots between an amoral banker landlord, an iconoclastic columnist, and a radical anarchist movement. She solves the mystery, but her viral longread exposé raises more questions than it answers.

Universality is a twisty, slippery descent into the rhetoric of truth and power.

Through a voyeuristic lens, it focuses in on words: what we say, how we say it, and what we really mean.

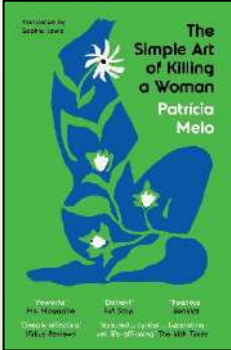


Publishable By Death: 1 (St. Marin's Cozy Mystery Series) by ACF Bookens
9781036702656 | Vinci Books | PB | R280

A bookstore, a grumpy newspaper woman, and a murder. Quiet St. Marin's has just gotten a little more lively . . . and a little less alive.

All Harvey Beckett wants to do is read books, help the residents of St. Marin's find the perfect book for that moment, and snuggle with her hound dog Mayhem. But when the small, waterside town's newest resident discovers the body of the community's persnickety reporter in her bookshop storeroom on opening day, Harvey finds herself bound and determined to figure out the crime. Her task won't be easy, though, since the town is flooded with visitors for the first annual Harriet Tubman Festival to honor the community's most famous resident. Plus, a quiet but charming mechanic named Daniel isn't helping with her concentration at all.

Fiction



The Simple Art of Killing a Woman by Patricia Melo
9781917378086 | Indigo Press | BPB | R305

To escape an overprotective family and an abusive partner, a young lawyer accepts an assignment in the Amazonian border town of Cruzeiro do Sul. There, she meets Carla, a local prosecutor, and Marcos, the son of an indigenous woman, and learns about an epidemic of violence against women that seems beyond comprehension. What she finds in the jungle is not only relentless oppression, but a deep longing for answers to an unsolved crime from her past. Through the ritual use of ayahuasca, she meets a chorus of warrior women on a path of revenge and recovers the painful details of her mother's death.



What's for Dinner? by N Gray
9781036702540 | Vinci Books | PB | R280

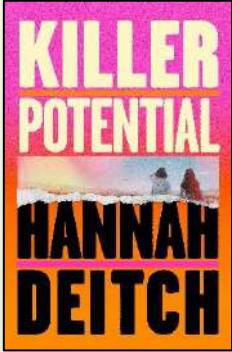
Indulge in a chilling feast, a gastronomic journey into the darkest corners of the mind. With a masterful blend of psychological depth and sensory detail, N Gray presents a menu of four tantalizing tales that will leave you both unsettled and satisfied. Each story is a unique dish crafted to challenge perceptions and immerse the reader in obsession, discovery and death, proving that the truth can be far more disturbing than the unknown. An irresistible invitation to the darker aspects of the human experience, one bite at a time. Just remember, every course comes at a price.



Lady Killer by N Gray
9781036702557 | Vinci Books | PB | R280

Ophelia cleaned crime scenes for a living and unfortunately business was booming. But when she discovered something the killer left behind at one of the scenes, it put her and her daughter's lives in danger. Now the killer had her in his sights. When a man asked her out on a date, she couldn't help but wonder whether he's the killer they'd been looking for or if his intentions were pure. *Lady Killer* is a stand-alone thriller, exploring parts of South Africa you've never read before, and promises to keep you on edge.

Fiction



Killer Potential by Hannah Deitch
9781399619578 | Orion | TPB | R395

A scholarship kid with straight As and big dreams, Evie Gordon always thought she was special, that she'd be someone. But after graduating from an elite university, she finds herself drowning in debt and working as an SAT tutor for the super-rich of Los Angeles. Everything changes one Sunday, when she arrives for a weekly lesson at the Victors' Beverly Hills mansion to discover pure carnage: the bloody remains of Mr. and Mrs. Victor sullying their beautiful back garden, and a woman crying for help from within the walls of the family's estate. Within moments, Evie and the woman go from bystanders to suspects to fugitives. Anointed the new Charles Manson by the press, a bloodthirsty ninety-nine percenter hoping to spark a class war, Evie is finally someone. At the heart of a nationwide manhunt, Evie is desperate to clear her name.



Tilt by Emma Pattee
9780008667719 | HarperCollins | TPB | R410

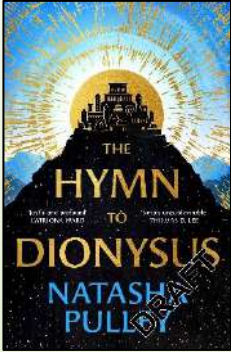
Annie is 37 weeks pregnant, standing in IKEA, finally about to take home the crib she should have bought months ago. That's when it happens—the long-anticipated Cascadia Earthquake, dismantling the East Coast of America in a matter of minutes. Propulsive, disruptive, funny, terrifying, *Tilt* is a novel about how the foundations of our lives are built and shaken. About a woman trying to walk back to the husband she's long been pushing away. About put-off dreams and inevitability and what makes us keep moving forward.



Before We Hit the Ground by Selali Fiamanya
9780008509576 | HarperCollins | TPB | R410

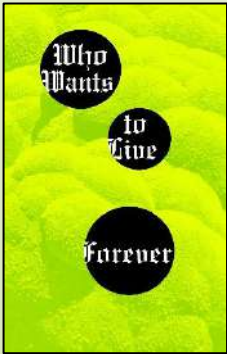
Love was a tightrope between freedom and control. He didn't know how others seemed to walk it with ease. Elom can't make sense of love. It's like a language he can't speak, though he's heard the words before. He wants to feel understood by his well-meaning yet misapprehending family, his self-assured partner Ben, and his boisterous friends but he never knows the right thing to say. How can you know yourself, in a world that's constantly changing? Set across Ghana and Scotland, this is an intimate portrait of one man's search for belonging, a family's attempt to love, and the choices that make a life.

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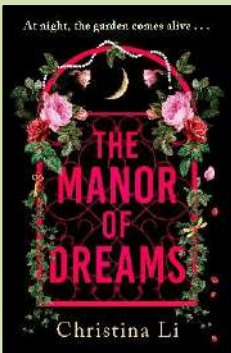
The Hymn to Dionysus by Natasha Pulley
9781399618663 | Orion | TPB | R450

Raised in a Greek legion, Phaidros has been taught to fight for the homeland he's never seen and to follow his commander's orders at all costs. But when he rescues a baby from a fire at Thebes's palace, his commander's orders cease to make sense: Phaidros is forced to abandon the blue-eyed boy at a temple, and to keep the baby's existence a secret. Years later, after a strange encounter that led to the death of his battalion, Phaidros has become a training master for young soldiers. He struggles with panic attacks and flashbacks, and he is not the only one: all around him, his fellow veterans are losing their minds. When the prince vanishes, Phaidros is drawn into the search for him—a search that leads him to a blue-eyed witch named Dionysus...



Who Wants to Live Forever by Hanna Thomas Uose
9781840918465 | Octopus | TPB | R395

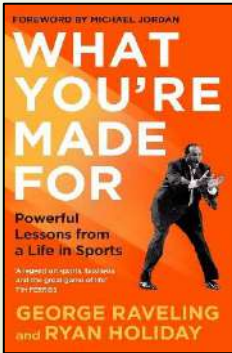
Yuki and Sam are soulmates. They are destined to spend the rest of their lives together. They are supposed to love one another, forever. But when a miracle drug is released which can extend a human's life indefinitely, Sam chooses to live forever, instead of loving Yuki forever - and the world they know is spun inside out. *WHO WANTS TO LIVE FOREVER* plunges into a parallel universe where forever is on sale to the highest bidder. What comes next is a world-building epic narrated by an intersecting cast of characters that will drive you to the edge of reality and leave you to answer biggest questions of all: What is life without death? What is life without love?



The Manor of Dreams by Christina Li
9781408748923 | Little Brown | TPB | R425

Vivian Yin is dead. The trailblazing starlet was the first Chinese actress to win an Oscar but at what should have been the peak of her career, she became a recluse. The rest of her life was shrouded in mystery... Now, her daughters gather for the reading of her will. They expect to inherit their childhood home: a grand Southern California manor house with a sprawling, labyrinthine garden. But due to a last-minute change to the will, the house is passed on to another family instead. The two families haven't seen each other for decades - not since the tragedy that fractured all of their lives. Vying for the estate, both families move into the crumbling, vine-covered manor. As Vivian's daughters race to piece together what happened in the last weeks of their mother's life, they soon discover they are being haunted by something far more sinister and vengeful than just their memories.

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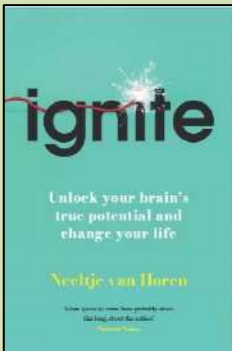
What You're Made For by Ryan Holiday & George Raveling
9781805224013 | Profile | HB | R475

George Raveling knows all about beating the odds. A living legend, he has been a game-changing basketball coach, stood at the side of Martin Luther King Jr, mentored Michael Jordan and shaped the world of sports as a Director at Nike. But his life began in the shadow of segregation, death and mental illness. Here, he teams up with bestselling author Ryan Holiday to share the lessons drawn from his extraordinary life and career. This is not a memoir, but a blueprint for anyone who wants to overcome obstacles and achieve success on their own terms. You'll find strategies for discovering purpose, insights on how to keep evolving and growing, advice for building meaningful connections, and tactics to compound daily victories into your greatest achievements. This book provides tools to not just navigate life, but to live it with intention and impact.



Yoko by David Sheff
9781398543232 | Simon & Schuster | TPB | R440

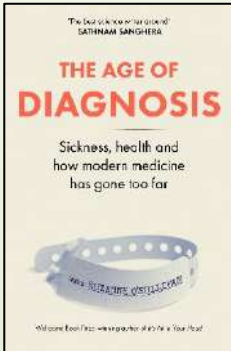
John Lennon once described Yoko Ono as the world's most famous unknown artist. 'Everybody knows her name, but no one knows what she does.' She has only been important to history insofar as she impacted Lennon. Throughout her life, Yoko has been a caricature, curiosity and, often, a villain, an inscrutable seductress, manipulating con artist and caterwauling fraud. The Lennon/Beatles saga is one of the greatest stories ever told, but Yoko's part has been missing, hidden in the Beatles' formidable shadow, further obscured by flagrant misogyny and racism. This definitive biography of Yoko Ono's life will change that. In this book, Yoko Ono takes centre stage. Yoko's life, independent of Lennon, was an amazing journey. Yoko spans from her birth to wealthy parents in pre-war Tokyo, her harrowing experience as a child during the war er arrival in avant-garde art scene in London, Tokyo and New York City.



Ignite by Neeltje van Horen
9781835010761 | Bedford Square | TPB | R430

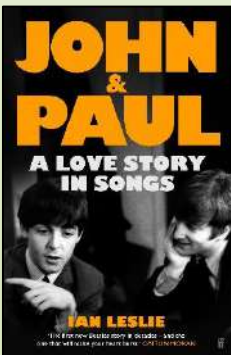
As a professor of financial economics Neeltje van Horen excelled in a demanding career but constant self-doubt and stress left her feeling stuck. Seeking a way out, she turned to neuroscience and psychology and discovered how retraining her brain, one small habit at a time transformed her life., Blending relatable stories, cutting-edge research and practical strategies, the author reveals how small, intentional changes can deliver meaningful results. Recognizing that everyone's path is unique, she offers a range of techniques, helping you discover what aligns best with your needs and aspirations. Whether you're looking to boost mental performance, break free from negative thought patterns or restore balance in your life, Ignite gives you the tools to unlock your brain's potential and change your life.

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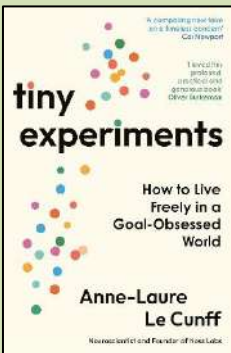
The Age of Diagnosis by Suzanne O'Sullivan
9781399727655 | Hodder & Stoughton | TPB | R470

The boundaries between sickness and health are being redrawn. Mental health categories are shifting and expanding all the time, radically altering what we consider to be 'normal'. Genetic tests can now detect pathologies decades before people experience symptoms, and sometimes before they're even born. And increased health screening draws more and more people into believing they are unwell. An accurate diagnosis can bring greater understanding and of course improved treatment. But many diagnoses aren't as definitive as we think. And in some cases they risk turning healthy people into patients. Drawing on the stories of real people, as well as decades of clinical practice and the latest medical research, Dr Suzanne O'Sullivan overturns long held assumptions and reframes how we think about illness and health.



John and Paul: A Love Story in Songs by Ian Leslie
9780571376124 | Faber & Faber | TPB | R430

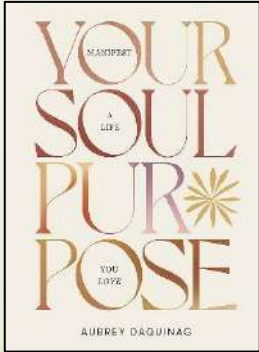
John & Paul begins in 1957, when two teenagers in suburban Liverpool meet and decide to play rock n'roll together. It ends twenty-three years later, when one of them is murdered. In between, we see them become global stars, create countless indelible songs, and play a central role in shaping the modern world. Lennon and McCartney were more than friends, rivals or collaborators. They were intimates who both had the fabric of their world ruptured at a young age, and who longed to make emotional connections; with each other, and with audiences. The pop song was a vessel into which they poured feelings of grief and euphoria and everything in between. When they couldn't speak what they felt, they sang it. After the break-up of their group, they maintained a musical dialogue at a distance, in songs full of recrimination, regret, and affection.



Tiny Experiments by Anne-Laure Le Cunff
9781800819153 | Profile | TPB | R450

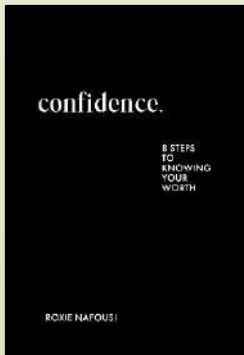
We're told productivity is all about single-minded focus, hard grind and big goals. Deviating from the linear path means failure. The problem: it's not true. In this transformative book, neuroscientist and entrepreneur Anne-Laure Le Cunff reveals the easier, proven method to achieve our ambitions: an experimental mindset. Ditching out-dated notions of chasing success, she demonstrates the joyful power of 'tiny experiments' in which goals are discovered, pursued and adapted on your own terms. Rooted in science and real-world success stories, *Tiny Experiments* is packed with tools to help you break free from limiting beliefs, harness the power of imperfection and apply your curiosity to create a meaningful, productive life in an ever-changing world.

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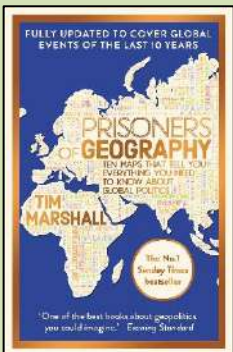
Your Soul Purpose by Aubrey Daquinag
9781743799901 | Hardie Grant | HB | R410

Have you ever felt like you were meant for more? Or wanted to make your dreams a reality but felt like something was holding you back? In *Your Soul Purpose*, certified life and success coach Aubrey Daquinag guides you through the process of navigating your inner world to manifest your dreams. Using self-discovery exercises and techniques, learn how to tap into the power of your subconscious mind, connect with the deeper meaning behind your desires, trust your intuition, and set clear intentions to create soul-aligned success. Along the way, Aubrey shares relatable stories and deep-dives into psychology and neuroscience to help you get out of your own way and create a life that makes you truly feel alive. *Your Soul Purpose* is full of insights on how to stop wondering and start walking on a new, and more meaningful, life path.



Confidence by Roxie Nafousi
9781399734837 | Hodder & Stoughton | TPB | R470

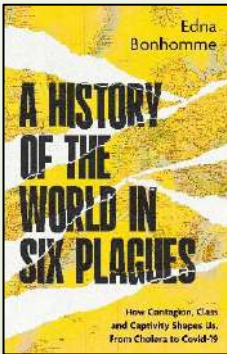
Confidence is at the foundation of everything we do. It's the invisible power that propels you to dream bigger, take bold risks, and create a life you truly love. But for too many of us, it feels out of reach, reserved for those who seem to have it all together. In this brand-new guide, globally acclaimed self-development coach Roxie Nafousi teaches us that *confidence* isn't something you're born with, it's a skill you can build. With her trademark warmth, wisdom and research-backed insights, Roxie will teach you how to transform your mindset and step into your most empowered self. *Confidence* isn't just a feeling, it's a way of being. Whether you're struggling with self-doubt, navigating tough times or simply ready to unleash your potential, *Confidence* is your roadmap to knowing your worth and living as your boldest, most authentic self.



Prisoners of Geography by Tim Marshall
9781783968596 | Elliott & Thompson | PB | R330

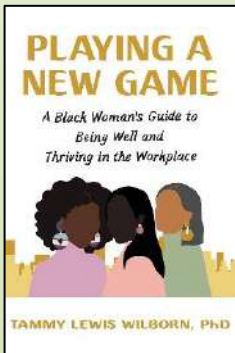
Prisoners of Geography looks at the past, present and future to offer crucial insights into one of the major factors that determines world history because, if you don't know geography, you'll never have the full picture. Originally published in 2015, this completely revised and updated edition brings it up to date with the events and trends of the past decade, with new material including: the Russia–Ukraine conflict and Moscow's alliances with authoritarian states; the Israel/Gaza war; China's growing military and strategic power, and its stance on Taiwan; American global power and pivot to the Pacific; Europe's leaning towards more extreme politics, increased defence spending, and the new 'Iron Curtain'; Japan's remilitarisation and increasing power; great power play in Africa; and the growth of Indian economic and military power.

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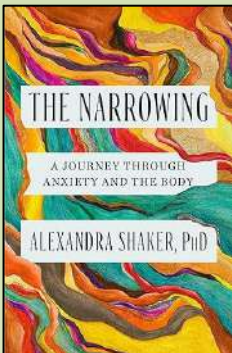
A History of the World in Six Plagues by Edna Bonhomme
9780349704371 | Little Brown | TPB | R470

In this groundbreaking work, Bonhomme explores how six pivotal diseases-Cholera, HIV/AIDS, the Spanish Flu, Sleeping Sickness, Ebola, and COVID-19-have shaped the trajectory of human history. With vivid storytelling and rigorous research, she reveals how pandemics have consistently widened the gaps in racial, economic, and sociopolitical divides, from the slave ships of the Atlantic to today's fractured healthcare systems. How did a colonial obsession with sugar amplify the devastation of Cholera? Why did sleeping sickness become a weapon of empire in Tanzania? And how has COVID-19 magnified inequities in our modern, interconnected world? Bonhomme's incisive analysis transforms our understanding of public health, not as a neutral force but as a stage where power, policy, and prejudice collide.



Playing a New Game by Tammy L Wilborn PhD
9781538708354 | Hachette | TPB | R430

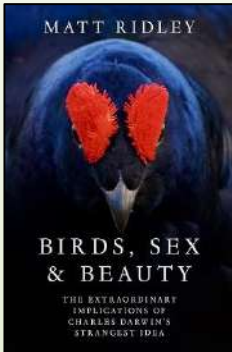
Black and brown women have been making profound strides in leadership and professional achievement, despite facing the added hurdles of both sexism and racism in the workplace. But so often, excelling at work comes at the expense of their wellness: the chronic stressors and demands on Black women can result in negative physical health outcomes such as sleep disturbance, hypertension, and diabetes, and negative mental health outcomes including anxiety and depression. We cannot talk about career advancement for Black and brown women without talking about strategies that promote their total wellbeing. *Playing a New Game* offers women a new way forward, in which ambition and wellness can not only coexist, but bolster each other.



The Narrowing by Dr Alexandra Shaker
9781472295651 | Headline | TPB | R470

Most of us are intimately familiar with anxiety, and with its increasing hold on our minds, our hopes and plans, and our bodies. But how well do we really understand it, and what can we do to transform it into something new, into resilience, or courage, or creativity? In this extraordinary book, Dr. Alexandra Shaker, a clinical psychologist, takes us on a journey through the body, from brain to blood to heart to guts, to examine the connections between our emotional, psychological, and physical lives. She unravels what the body can teach us about anxiety, and what we can learn from our long cultural history of the anxious impulse. Melding psychology, neuroscience, history, and literature, she considers why-despite all the checklists and scientific advancements-we are still struggling to outrun our oldest terrors...

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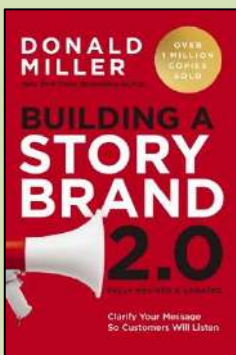
Birds, Sex and Beauty by Matt Ridley
9780008645533 | HarperCollins | TPB | R480

Animals rarely treat sex as a simple or mutually beneficial transaction. Choosing a mate is often a transcendent event to be approached with reverence, suspicion, angst and quite a bit of violence. For Matt Ridley, nowhere is this more acute than in birds. From a freezing hide on the Pennine moors at dawn, Ridley closely studies the rare Black Grouse. He is there for the lek, an elaborate courtship ritual of squabbling and strutting males. They dance and sing for hours each day to attract a mate over several months. With most males leaving exhausted and unsuccessful, Ridley looks at how females make their choice to cast fresh light on how such rituals have evolved and why. His pursuit follows five generations of biologists from Darwin and Wallace to the present day, uncovering how they have grappled with the implications of sexual selection as an eccentric, gonzo form of evolution.



Logging Off by Adele Zeynep Walton
9781398722934 | Orion | TPB | R470

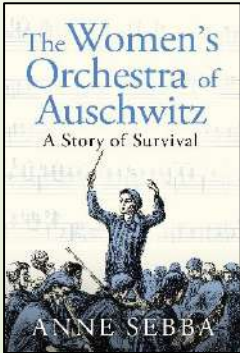
Growing up as a Gen Z, Adele spent endless hours as a teenager on social media, shaping her view of herself and the world. As a freelance journalist, she has used her social media platforms and digital technology to develop a career in an unfamiliar and competitive industry, benefitting from the opportunities that these spaces can offer. But after losing her sister to online harms, she realised that our current digital world is failing us. We are an anxious and discontent generation. Our lived realities and our online vulnerabilities are inextricably linked, and this means big business for social media tycoons who want us to stay scrolling at any cost. As Big Tech barons make their billions, capitalising on our emotions, instincts, insecurities and desires, everyday people are losing out.



Building a StoryBrand 2.0 by Donald Miller
9781400251308 | HarperCollins Focus | TPB | R400

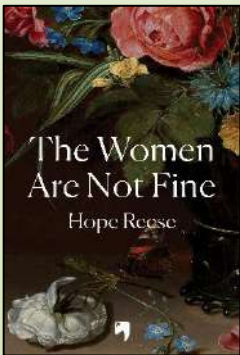
Since the original publication of *Building a StoryBrand*, over one million business leaders have discovered Donald Miller's powerful StoryBrand framework, and their businesses are growing. Now, the classic resource for connecting with customers has been fully revised and updated, making it an even more powerful tool to prepare you to engage customers. In a world filled with constant, on-demand distractions, it has become very hard for business owners to effectively cut through the noise to reach their customers. Without a clear, distinct message, customers will not understand what you can do for them and won't engage.

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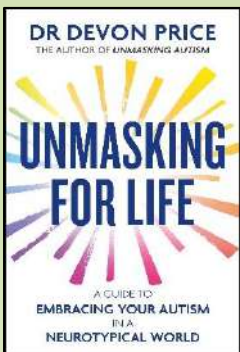
The Women's Orchestra of Auschwitz by Anne Sebba
9781399610742 | Orion | TPB | R470

In 1943, German SS officers in charge of Auschwitz-Birkenau ordered that an orchestra should be formed among the female prisoners. Almost fifty women and girls from eleven nations were assembled to play marching music to other inmates, forced labourers who left each morning and returned, exhausted and often broken, at the end of the day and give weekly concerts for Nazi officers. Individual members were sometimes summoned to give solo performances of an officer's favourite piece of music. It was the only entirely female orchestra in any of the Nazi prison camps and, for almost all of the musicians chosen to take part, being in the orchestra was to save their lives. In *The Women's Orchestra of Auschwitz*, award-winning historian Anne Sebba tells their astonishing story with sensitivity and care.



The Women Are Not Fine by Hope Reese
9781840918410 | Octopus | TPB | R470

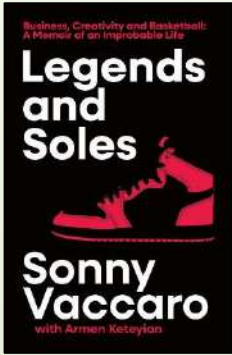
The women in Nagyrév are desperate. They are suffering. They are being abused by their husbands. They are feeding their newborns to livestock. Midwife Zsuzsanna Fazekas first arrived at the village of Nagyrév, Hungary in 1911 to assist the impoverished women with abortions. She offered them a solution: arsenic, made of kitchen larder flypaper boiled with vinegar. But when they told her of the violence they were suffering at the hands of their husbands, she concluded, "Why put up with them?" Nearly twenty years later, it had spiralled into an epidemic and the greatest mass poisoning event of the 20th century. But it wasn't murder of their unborn children. It was the murder of their husbands.



Unmasking for Life by Devon Price
9781800962927 | Octopus | TPB | R470

Most masked Autistics have spent a lifetime being told how to perform neurotypically: how to behave, how to carry themselves, what to feel, and how to live. With his previous book, *Unmasking Autism*, Dr. Devon Price has given them the space and confidence to unmask and embrace their neurodiversity. But no matter where you are in the unmasking process, there is still work to be done. Because Autistic people often fear change, struggle to process unfamiliar situations, and have trauma histories that have conditioned them to avoid conflict, they don't always know how to transform their inner revelations into outer realities. They need more than internal healing, they need practical tools to translate acceptance into assertiveness and interpersonal effectiveness.

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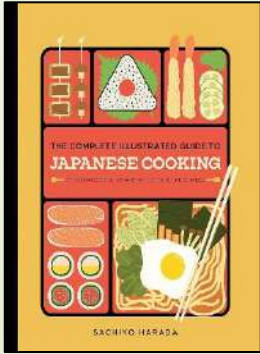


Legends and Soles by Sonny Vaccaro

9780008738969 | HarperCollins | TPB | R440

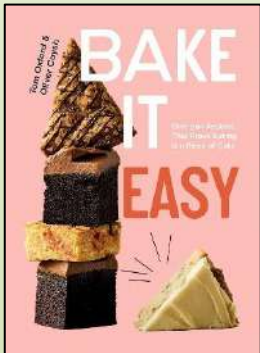
Vaccaro's pivotal role in the never-before-told story of the courting and signing of Michael Jordan. How Nike, at the behest of an embittered Knight, went as far as having the Portland FBI investigate Vaccaro who was working for archival Adidas on a RICO charge of corporate espionage. His close relationships with NBA superstars Kobe Bryant, LeBron James, Kevin Garnett and Tracy McGrady and Hall of Fame coaches Jerry Tarkanian of UNLV and John Thompson of Georgetown. The high stakes drama behind the O'Bannon lawsuit that changed the entire landscape in college sports. Filled with in-depth stories and photos illuminating some of Sonny's most treasured career memories, *Legends and Soles* is the long-awaited memoir of a giant in the story of American sports.

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The Complete Illustrated Guide to Japanese Cooking by Sachiyo Harada
9781958417911 | Hardie Grant | HB | R720

The Complete Illustrated Guide to Japanese Cooking breaks down 100 classic recipes, demystifying ingredients and techniques, and inspiring home cooks of all levels. Broken down into three parts: Essentials, Recipes, and Illustrated Glossary, *The Complete Illustrated Guide to Japanese Cooking* teaches essential techniques like how to cut up fish and chicken, wash and cook rice; how to make favourite dishes like okonomiyaki, tempura, onigiri, donburi, as well as desserts like matcha roll cake and black sesame ice cream; and finally how to shop for essential ingredients confidently. Step-by-step photos and annotated illustrations help readers understand unique methods, and clear instruction makes the recipes achievable. This is a comprehensive book for all lovers of Japanese cuisine.



Bake It Easy by Tom Oxford & Oliver Coysh
9781837832606 | Hardie Grant | HB | R410

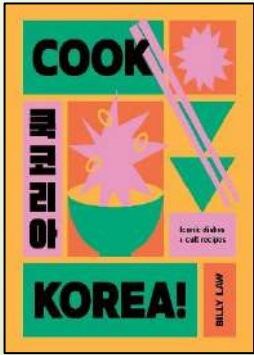
Bake It Easy is a celebration of good, honest baking, with 50 seriously impressive one-pan bakes. The boys behind The Exploding Bakery are back with a bang. This time, they're here to show you that low-cost, low-effort baking doesn't have to be boring. From no-weigh cakes to make-ahead bakes, through store cupboard heroes and seasonal stars, *Bake It Easy* takes the humblest of ingredients and transforms them into extraordinary tastes and textures. With clear instructions, minimal equipment and vegan and gluten-free options, *Bake It Easy* contains unbeatable one-pan recipes, each accompanied by a photo that can be made in ANY home kitchen, by any baker. Discover recipes for Treacle Pudding Loaf and Toffee Apple Cake, plus PB&J Blondies, Tiramisu and Maple and Pecan Friand Cake, and so much more.



One Pan Pulses by Claire Thomson
9781837832675 | Hardie Grant | HB | R480

Pulses are so versatile, you can roast, bake, fry, stew them, or make salads, soups, dips and snacks from them and reap the rewards of their nutritious goodness. Pulses: namely beans, peas, chickpeas and lentils, are full to bursting with protein and fibre, iron, potassium and folate. Drawing inspiration from across the globe, Claire showcases recipes that will inspire you to choose pulses as your budget-friendly midweek go-to ingredient. From Turkish Lentil Tomato Soup and Pasta e Fagioli to Pork Belly with Butter Beans and Sage, *One Pan Pulses* is a practical and dynamic source of kitchen inspiration.

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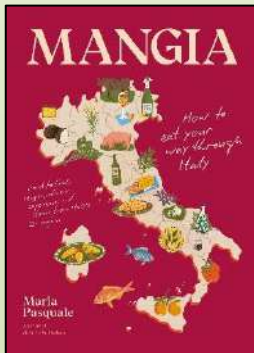


Cook Korea! by Billy Law

9781923049918 | Thames & Hudson | HB | R925

This is food with a singular mission: to deliver maximum flavour in an approachable way. From the nourishing home-cooked meals served to generations gathered around the family table to the indulgent street eats that line the city sidewalks, Korean food is undeniably delicious. Learn to cook your favourite Korean dishes in this neon tribute to a country overflowing with culinary delights.

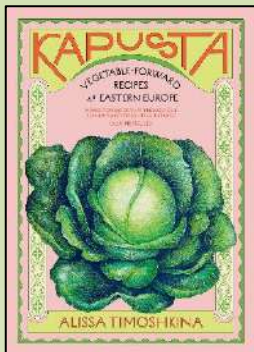
With more than 70 classics, such as tteokbokki, japchae, and the famous bulgogi and bibimbap, to much-loved Korean barbecue and, of course, kimchi, *Cook Korea!* is your guide to the Korean kitchen.



Mangia: How to eat your way through Italy by Maria Pasquale

9781922754899 | Thames & Hudson | HB | R895

Travelling Italy isn't just about the sights, it's also about the food. For centuries, Italy has cultivated some of the world's finest produce, from plump tomatoes to nutty parmesan and velvety bottles of wine. It's a country that revolves around mealtimes, and no visit is complete without experiencing these culinary traditions. *Mangia* guides us through Italy's 20 regions, sharing the cuisine that defines each. Learn about their food histories and produce, discover what dishes to try (along with what drinks to pair them with), and learn about culinary festivals and experiences. You don't have to travel to the boot to try its food, though: Every chapter includes a recipe for readers to experience a bite of Italy in their own kitchens, written by chefs who run some of the world's best kitchens.

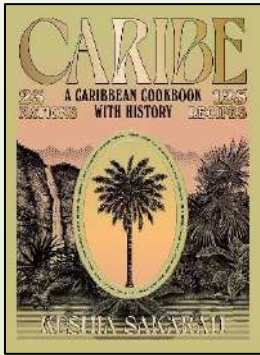


Kapusta: Vegetable-Forward Recipes from Eastern Europe by Alissa Timoshkina

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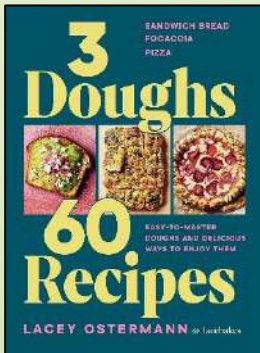
A culinary journey across Eastern Europe, *Kapusta* celebrates the humble vegetables that have shaped some of the most vibrant culinary traditions in the world. Focusing on five key vegetables to the region: cabbage, beetroot, potato, carrot and mushrooms, it honours a philosophy of cooking that has affordability, seasonality, sustainability and, above all, great flavour at its heart. With chapters on dumplings and pickles and ferments as well, you'll find a diversity of dishes which exemplify the Eastern European culinary DNA. Recipes are accompanied by beautiful photography and include a range of both meat-based and vegetarian. *Kapusta* bursts with original recipes and shines a spotlight on the whole kaleidoscope of little-known culinary cultures and history from across the extensive region.

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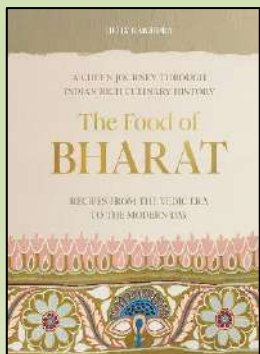
Caribe: A Caribbean Cookbook with History by Keshia Sakarah
9781784886837 | Hardie Grant | HB | R720

Caribe is the first cookbook to explore Caribbean food culture of the entire region: Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Petite Martinique and the Carriacou, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Puerto Rico, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, The French Caribbean, The Dutch West Indies and Trinidad and Tobago. Through years-long research including collaborations with historians and extensive travel to the islands, food writer and chef Keshia Sakarah explores the complicated and varied stories of each nation through its beloved dishes, addressing difficult truths while at the same time creating a joyful collection of the most celebrated recipes. Including stunning location photography, essays and recipes for breakfast, lunch, dinner and everything in between.



3 Doughs, 60 Recipes by Lacey Ostermann
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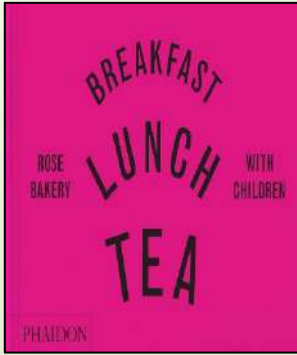
Lacey presents 20 creative yet easily achievable recipes for each dough, whether you're baking, topping, using up leftover bread or reworking the doughs into a variety of bread products. Every dough also has practical step-by-step instructions, detailed photography and QR codes to video tutorials that will fill you with confidence as you learn to make bread. Bonus recipes for toppings, dips and sauces are included within the recipes to elevate your bakes. Lacey has taken her most-asked questions and feedback from home bakers and streamlined techniques to give you confidence and excitement about making and baking dough. There are even timelines to make sure you know how to make the bread work for you, so you don't have to work for the bread.



The Food of Bharat by Helly Raichura
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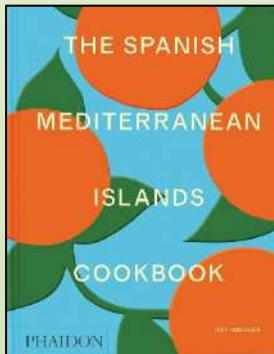
From the importance of ghee to the adopted flavours of tomato and chilli, Helly shows a different side to the foods of India and challenges the idea of what Indian cuisine is. Bharat is the oldest-known name of the subcontinent we now call India, and *The Food of Bharat* charts a course through thousands of years of culinary history. The 68 recipes include Marron head rassam, Abalone with tomato and lemon gum broth, and Helly's famous 'I am not pasta' dish, Khandavi. In *The Food of Bharat*, India's diverse cultures, cuisines and people are brought to life through colourful photographs and Helly's incredible recipes, which marry authentic techniques with native and seasonal Australian produce.

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Breakfast, Lunch, Tea with Children by Rose Carrarini & Marissa-Catherine Carrarini
9781838663766 | Phaidon | HB | R835

More than 50 simple, elegant, and delicious recipes to prepare with children, from Rose Carrarini, founder of the iconic Rose Bakery in Paris. In this inspiring new recipe collection, Rose Carrarini, author of the acclaimed best-seller *Breakfast, Lunch, Tea*, celebrates the rituals of family cooking. Carrarini, whose iconic Rose Bakery cafés attract a loyal following around the world, shares the knowledge she’s gathered through the years cooking both professionally and at home with her own extended family, offering practical advice and clear, step-by-step instructions for home cooks of all ages and skill levels. Featuring high-quality ingredients and sophisticated global inspirations, the recipes include gluten-free, vegan, and vegetarian options to suit a variety of palates and preferences.



The Spanish Mediterranean Islands Cookbook by Jeff Koehler
9781838669492 | Phaidon | HB | R995

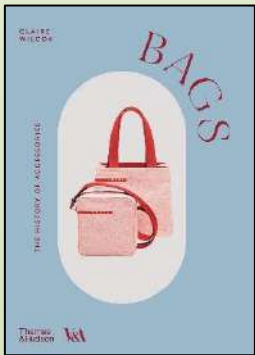
The islands’ most beloved dishes celebrate local produce, familiar Mediterranean ingredients – olive oil and garlic, rice and fresh fish and resourceful cooking methods passed down for generations. Alongside the bounty of delicious dishes, acclaimed author Jeff Koehler presents vivid short essays highlighting culinary traditions, such as weekly village markets and St Martin’s Day festivities; local ingredients, including cured sausages and tomato preserves; and essential techniques, such as preparing a perfect sofregit. Illustrated with gorgeous photography of the food and local landscapes, *The Spanish Mediterranean Islands Cookbook* captures the essence of one of the world’s most enchanting destinations.

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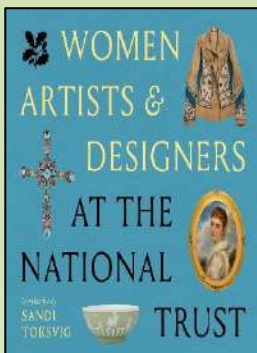
Black Ancient Futures by Camila Maissune
9783777445175 | Thames & Hudson | PB | R1230

This book brings together a significant group of voices from the vast African diaspora that offers dense visual and philosophical thought rich in references to African history, mysticism, mythology, ecology and fictions. Through visual and textual proposals, these voices challenge the dominant aesthetic representations of Africa through languages that propose and reimagine a past, a present and a future for the black artistic experience in a transcontinental reality.



Bags (Victoria and Albert Museum) by Claire Wilcox
9780500298022 | Thames & Hudson | PB | R520

From the hand-stitched embroidered purses of the 16th century, to the 'make-do-and-mend' bags of the war years and the rise of the 'It' bag in the 2000s, bags reflect the needs and desires of their users, as well as the changing attitudes to fashion. Focusing on the V&A's world-famous collection, *Bags* tells the story of the bag from the earliest leather pouches through to today's covetable, luxury pieces.



Women Artists & Designers of the National Trust by Rachel Conroy
9780707804699 | Thames & Hudson | HB | R515

Spanning six centuries, this book takes a closer look at some of the many women artists and designers whose lives are connected to National Trust places or whose work is represented in its vast collections. The selection features both talented amateur artists and professionals who have shaped the art-historical canon (such as Eileen Agar, Elisabeth Vigee Le Brun, Rosalba Carriera and Barbara Hepworth), focusing on their unique contributions and achievements across a range of disciplines, including garden and interior design, photography, illustration, enamelling, fine art, studio pottery and textiles.

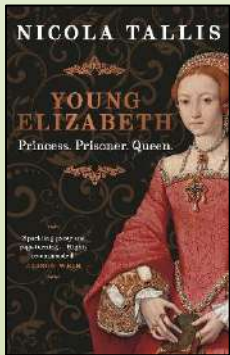
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World of Guinness by Rory Guinness
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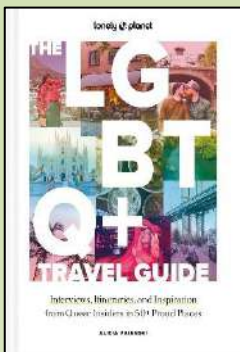
Rory Guinness, scion of the famous brewing family, has written the insider's guide to the world of Guinness. He surveys the family history, the unique brewing process, the brewery's distinctive industrial architecture and the beer's legendary advertising, revealing how Guinness and its people became interwoven into the fabric of Dublin life and created a brewing legacy that continues to evolve. This is also the story of a remarkable resurgence, because Guinness is now the bestselling beer in the UK, while Guinness Zero is reaching new markets.

It is the official beer of the English Premier League, and a long-term partner of rugby's men's and women's Six Nations Championship.



Young Elizabeth: Princess. Prisoner. Queen by Nicola Tallis
9781789297492 | Michael O'Mara | HB | R310

Elizabeth I is one of England's most famous monarchs, whose story as the 'Virgin Queen' is well known. But queenship was by no means a certain path for Henry VIII's younger daughter, who spent the majority of her early years as a girl with an uncertain future. When Elizabeth became queen, she had already endured more tumult than many monarchs experienced in a lifetime. This colourful and immensely detailed biography charts Elizabeth's turbulent and unstable upbringing, exploring the dangers and tragedies that plagued her early life. Nicola Tallis draws on primary sources written by Elizabeth herself and her contemporaries, providing an extensive and thorough study of an exceptionally resilient youngster whose early life would shape the queen she later became. The heart racing story of Elizabeth's youth as she steered her way through perilous waters towards England's throne is one of the most sensational of its time.



The LGBTQ+ Travel Guide by Alicia Valenski
9781837582716 | Lonely Planet | HB | R815

Packed with insights, itineraries, and inspiration, this panoramic compendium will introduce you to LGBTQ+ locals who share, in their own words, the things that make their destination sparkle - with lesser-known attractions and off-the-beaten-path destinations that are inclusive and welcoming to LGBTQ+ travellers.

Discover personal portraits of what it means to be a queer person around the world with *The LGBTQ+ Travel Guide*. Packed with unique and surprising travel experiences, this book makes the perfect self purchase treat or thoughtful gift for the queer traveller in your life.

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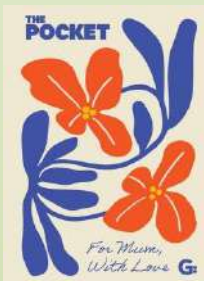
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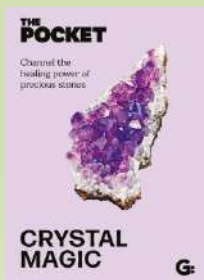
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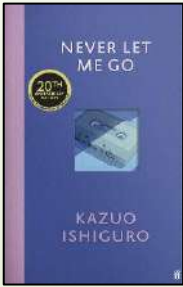
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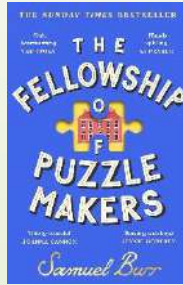
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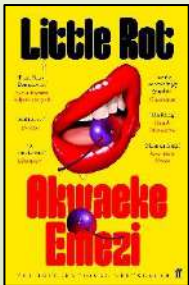
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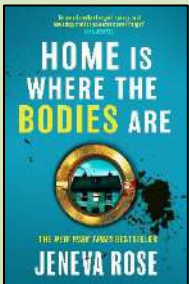
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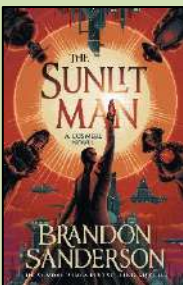
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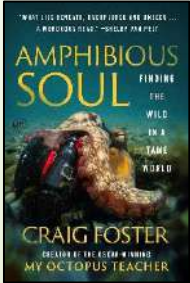
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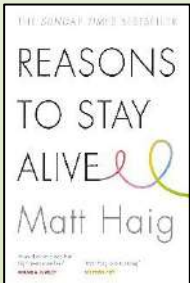
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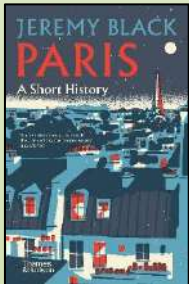
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