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UK Pub: October 2019

UK Editor: Kimberley Atkins

MS available April 2019

THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY Sophie Claire

From an exciting new voice in women's fiction, a charming and cosy Christmas story...sometimes love can be found in the most unexpected places.

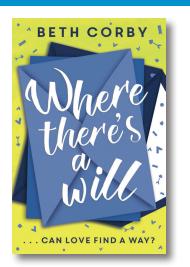
After a bad break-up, eternal optimist Evie Miller has moved to the small village of Chipton to finally pursue her dream of opening a craft shop. Unfortunately, with money worries and an exboyfriend determined to track her down, her fresh start isn't going entirely to plan.

Jake Hartwood is also looking to escape his past. Haunted by the loss of his wife, he's determined not to get close to anyone again. But the last thing he needs is to be alone over Christmas.

In need of a break, Evie and Jake agree to spend Christmas together as friends in a private villa in Provence. But can they avoid the magic of the season from changing things between them? And what happens if one of them starts to feel something more?

About the Author:

Sophie Claire, born to a French mother and Scottish father, grew up in Manchester where she still lives with her husband and two sons. She writes stories centred around sunny Provence, where she spent her summers as a child.



Hodder & Stoughton

UK Pub: September 2019

UK Editor: Thorne Ryan

MS Available / 90,000 words

WHERE THERE'S A WILL Beth Corby

A feisty, funny and uplifting commercial women's fiction novel with plenty of romance, perfect for fans of Sophie Kinsella.

Would you take the chance that could change everything?

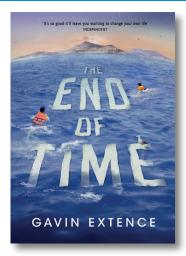
After leaving university with two degrees and no idea what to do with her life, twenty-five-yearold Hannah is stunned when she is left a mystery bequest by her rich, estranged great-uncle Donald.

But there's a catch: before she can find out what she's inherited, she must undertake a series of unknown tasks alongside Alec, Donald's reluctant (but rather gorgeous) PA.

As the tasks progress and she and Alec grow closer, Hannah begins to think that Donald's real gift might have more to do with love than money...

About the Author:

Beth Corby lives in Wales with her husband and children. Where There's a Will is her debut novel.



UK Pub: July 2019

UK Editor: Emma Herdman

PDF Available / 328pp

Rights Sold in Previous Titles:

Bulgaria (Gnezdoto) Czech Republic (Argo Spol)

THE END OF TIME Gavin Extence

An unforgettable new novel from literary sensation Gavin Extence that brings to life the human condition, with insight, tenderness and humour.

"Beneath the stars, on a stony beach, stand two brothers. They are wearing lifejackets that are too big for them and their most precious belongings are sealed in waterproof bags tucked inside the rucksacks on their backs.

Turkey is behind them. Two or three kilometres' swim away is the Greek island of Samos, now only a smudge in the moonlight.

Their feet are blistered from walking, their energy is failing. They wade forward into the Aegean Sea and count one, two, three."

This is the story of what happens next. This is the story of Mohammed and Zain. Brothers. Sons. Refugees.

Praise for Gavin Extence:

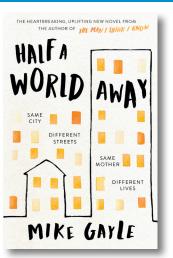
'Extence has such a dry, witty style of writing' Marie Claire

'Rich, insightful, darkly serious yet also upliftingly funny' **Jasper Fforde**

'Delightful, written in a warm, engaging voice . . . It's so good it 'll leave you wanting to change your own life' **Independent**

About the Author:

Gavin Extence lives in Sheffield with his wife, children and cat. He has written three previous novels, The Universe Versus Alex Woods, The Mirror World of Melody Black and The Empathy Problem. His fourth novel, The End of Time publishes in July 2019.



Hodder & Stoughton

UK Pub: June 2019

UK Editor: Nick Sayers

PDF Available / 342pp

Rights sold:

Sweden (Norstedts)

Rights sold in previous title:

Czech Republic (Albatros) Portugal (Presenca) Slovakia (Albatros)

HALF A WORLD AWAY Mike Gayle

The stunningly heartfelt new novel from the author of The Man I Think I Know.

Kerry Hayes knows exactly who she is: a single mum, a cleaner and Mariah Carey's biggest fan.

Noah Martineau thinks he knows who he is: a successful barrister, with a wife, daughter and big house in Primrose Hill.

Strangers with nothing in common.

Strangers living worlds apart.

But it wasn't always this way...and Noah and Kerry are about to discover just who they really are.

Praise for The Man I Think I Know:

'Mike is always wise and wonderful, but this is a whole new departure for him – read it!' **Jenny Colgan**

'That rarest of things; a moving, beautifully written novel about male friendship . . . I absolutely loved it' **Lisa Jewell**

About the Author:

Mike Gayle was born and raised in Birmingham. He has written for a variety of publications including The Sunday Times, the Guardian and Cosmopolitan.

Mike became a full time novelist in 1997 following the publication of his Sunday Times top ten bestseller My Legendary Girlfriend. Since then he has written thirteen novels including Mr Commitment, Turning Thirty and Wish You Were Here. His books have been translated into more than thirty languages.



UK Pub: October 2019

UK Editor: Melissa Cox

MS available March 2019

A GIFT IN DECEMBER Jenny Gladwell

Love can grow anywhere in this cosy, romantic tale inspired by London's most famous Christmas tree.

Journalist Jane Brooke is getting over a career high... and love life low. When her editor nominates her to join some glamorous bloggers and cynical journalists on a trip to Norway for a feature on the story behind the famous Norwegian Christmas tree, dubbed the Queen of the Forest, which the country gifts each year to the UK to be displayed in Trafalgar Square, she feels only annoyance.

But Jane hasn't anticipated discovering a moving story behind this historic gift, and she certainly isn't expecting to find love amidst all that snow, but this trip could turn out to be the perfect Christmas present.

About the Author:

Jenny Gladwell is a pen name for Genevieve Herr. Genevieve was born and grew up in London and began working in publishing after university. She studied for a Creative Writing MA alongside her job as a children's book editor at Scholastic, and her dissertation was awarded the Sophie Warne Memorial essay prize for outstanding emerging writer. Genevieve lives in Scotland with her family.



Hodder & Stoughton

UK Pub: June 2020

UK Editor: Kimberley Atkins

MS available / 100,000 words

Rights sold:

Italy (HarperCollins) Auction in Germany.

THE SIGHT OF YOU Holly Miller

An unforgettable and life-affirming love story with a high-concept twist – a cross between Me Before You and The Time Traveler's Wife.

Joel is afraid of the future. Callie can't let go of the past.

Joel has a secret. He has dreams, about the people he loves. He knows what's going to happen - the good and the bad. And every day since he was seven years old, he's prayed for the dreams to stop. He drinks to forget the future. But the only way he can really see to save himself from the pain is never to fall in love again.

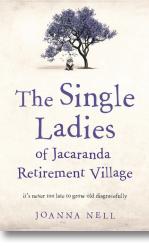
When Callie's best friend died, she promised herself she'd do more with her life, be more spontaneous, make the most of every moment. She knows Joel's life is messy - she's seen the bottles - but she also knows that you don't have to be flawless to be loveable.

And maybe Joel is all the reminder she needs that the time is now. Perhaps, together, they can find a way to start living for today...

About the Author:

Holly Miller was born and grew up in Bedfordshire. Since university she has worked as a marketer, editor and copywriter. Holly currently lives in Norfolk with her partner and their dog.

General Fiction



Hodder & Stoughton

UK Pub: January 2019

UK Editor: Kimberley Atkins

PDF Available / 350pp

Rights sold:

Germany (Rowohlt)

THE SINGLE LADIES OF JACARANDA RETIREMENT VILLAGE Joanna Nell

A moving, funny, heartwarming tale of love and friendship, for anyone who loved The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry, The Keeper of Lost Things and Three Things about Elsie.

It's never too late to grow old disgracefully ...

The life of 79-year-old pensioner Peggy Smart is as beige as the décor in her retirement village. Her week revolves around aqua aerobics and appointments with her doctor. The highlight of Peggy's day is watching her neighbour Brian head out for his morning swim.

Peggy dreams of inviting the handsome widowertreasurer of the Residents' Committee and one of the few eligible men in the village – to an intimate dinner. But why would an educated man like Brian, a chartered accountant no less, look twice at Peggy? As a woman of a certain age, she fears she has become invisible, even to men in their eighties.

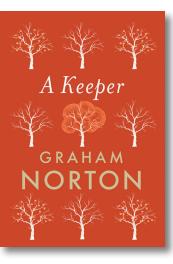
But a chance encounter with an old school friend she hasn't seen in five decades – the glamorous fashionista Angie Valentine – sets Peggy on an unexpected journey of self-discovery.

Can she channel her 'inner Helen Mirren' and find love and friendship in her twilight years?

About the Author:

Joanna Nell was born in the Midlands and graduated from Oxford University with a medical degree in 1991.

She moved to Australia in 2003 where she now works as a GP with a passion for women's health and care of the elderly.



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UK Editor: Hannah Black

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Rights sold:

China (People's Oriental) Germany (Rowohlt) Norway (Juritzen) US (Atria Books)

Rights sold in Previous Title:

Bulgaria (Colibri) China (People's Oriental) France (Bragelonne) Germany (Rowohlt) Netherlands (The House of Books) Norway (Juritzen) US (Atria Books)

A KEEPER Graham Norton

From the bestselling author of *Holding* comes a masterly tale of secrets and ill-fated loves set on the coast of Ireland.

"The truth drifts out to sea, riding the waves out of sight. And then the tide turns."

Elizabeth Keane returns to Ireland after her mother's death, intent only on wrapping up that dismal part of her life. There is nothing here for her; she wonders if there ever was. The house of her childhood is stuffed full of useless things, her mother's presence already fading. And perhaps, had she not found the small stash of letters, the truth would never have come to light.

40 years earlier, a young woman stumbles from a remote stone house, the night quiet but for the tireless wind that circles her as she hurries further into the darkness away from the cliffs and the sea. She has no sense of where she is going, only that she must keep on.

Praise for A Keeper:

'Magnificent . . . his writing is evocative and perfect. His grasp of human loneliness and longing is beautiful and comforting.' **Marian Keyes**

'I raved about *Holding* two years ago . . . A *Keeper* is even better. A powerful, very sad story, beautiful writing, two time frames that are perfectly balanced. Outstanding. Will easily be one of my books of 2018.' **John Boyne**

About the Author:

Graham Norton is one of the UK's best loved broadcasters. He presents The Graham Norton Show on BBC1, has a weekly show on BBC Radio 2, and writes a column for the Telegraph. He is the winner of eight BAFTA awards. IN HER

EYES

COVER TO BE REVEALED

UK Pub: November 2019

MS available March 2019

Germany (Goldmann)

Mulholland Books

UK Editor: Ruth Tross

Rights Sold:

IN HER EYES Sarah Alderson

A gripping thriller about secrets in a seemingly perfect family, from the author of the equally twisty psychological thriller *Friends Like These*.

You're at home with your family. You think you're safe. You're wrong...

Ava's life is the kind other people envy: loving husband; great kids; beautiful house. Until the night that a violent home invasion plunges her world into chaos.

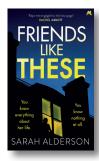
In the aftermath of the attack, Ava needs answers to two questions. Who has targeted her family? And why? But things aren't adding up. She is starting to suspect that someone knows more than they are letting on. That everything she thought she knew about the people closest to her was a lie.

Ava needs to know what happened that night. And to do that she must decide who she can really trust. Because she's about to discover that her family is in more danger than she ever imagined...

Praise for Friends Like These:

'This cleverly plotted, well written book kept me engaged to the last page.' **Rachel Abbott**

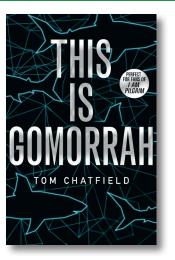
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'Absolutely loved this' Claire McGowan

About the Author:

Sarah is a British born, LA based author and screenwriter. She has published her memoir Can We Live Here? and seven young adult books. Sarah now balances screenwriting for TV and films with writing novels. She also has a successful career as a romance author under the pen name Mila Gray.



Hodder & Stoughton

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Rights Sold:

Czech Republic (Euromedia) Finland (Bazar) France (Hugo & Cie) Germany (Rowohlt) Netherlands (Luitingh-Sijthoff) Norway (Aschehoug) Portugal (Editora 2020) Slovakia (Ikar) Sweden (Bazar) US (Mulholland Books)

THIS IS GOMORRAH Tom Chatfield

Set in the technological underbelly of the 21st century, an ultra-modern thriller for fans of *I* AM *PILGRIM* and James Swallow.

Control the Internet, Control the World.

If you know what you're doing, you can find anything on the internet. Drugs, guns, porn, ideologies, elections, even lives and deaths are all up for sale . . . and everything must go. Elite hacker Azi Bello lives his life in the technological underbelly of the 21st century. A loner, charmer, and lover of grey areas, he works for himself and answers to no one - until his online existence crashes violently into the real world.

The secretive but intriguing Munira has reached out to Azi for help, and her story has sparked his interest: Munira's cousin has been recruited by terrorists and, in her attempts to find out more, she has attracted the attention of some very dangerous people.

Now forced to go on the run, Azi and Munira are drawn into a conspiracy, at the heart of which is Gomorrah: an exclusive online marketplace where anything can be acquired, and where the world's worst individuals lurk. As he throws himself into uncovering Gomorrah's dark secrets, it isn't long before Azi realises that the stakes are high and the risks even higher when you're not behind a screen.

About the Author:

Tom Chatfield took a doctorate and taught at St John's College, Oxford, before beginning work as a writer and editor. His first book, on the culture of video games, *Fun Inc.*, was published worldwide in 2010, followed by further books exploring digital culture. He is an associate editor at *Prospect* magazine, Fellow at The School of Life and a columnist for the BBC. His work is published in over two dozen languages.



UK Pub: February 2020

UK Editor: Carolyn Mays

MS Available / 90,000 words

Rights Sold in Previous Title:

Brazil (Rocco) Czech Republic (Euromedia) Estonia (Ersen) Netherlands (House of Books) US (William Morrow)



HAVEN'T THEY GROWN Sophie Hannah

The new standalone from the 'Queen of psychological suspense' with a disturbingly impossible situation.

All Beth has to do is drive her son to his Under-14s away match, watch him play, and bring him home. Just because she knows her ex-best friend lives near the football ground, that doesn't mean she has to drive past her house and try to catch a glimpse of her.

Why would Beth do that, and risk dredging up painful memories? She hasn't seen Flora for twelve years. She doesn't want to see her today, or ever again. But she can't resist. She parks outside the open gates, watches from across the road as Flora and her children Thomas and Emily step out of the car.

Except... There's something terribly wrong. Flora looks the same, only older. As Beth would have expected. It's the children. There's something wrong with the children. Twelve years ago, Thomas and Emily were five and three years old. Today, they look precisely as they did then.

They are still five and three. They are Thomas and Emily without a doubt - Beth hears Flora call them by their names – but they haven't changed at all. They are no taller, no older . . .WHY HAVEN'T THEY GROWN?

About the Author:

Sophie Hannah is an internationally bestselling crime fiction writer. Her crime novels have been translated into 34 languages and published in 51 countries. Sophie is also a bestselling poet who has been shortlisted for the TS Eliot award. Sophie is an Honorary Fellow of Lucy Cavendish College, Cambridge. She lives in Cambridge with her husband, two children and dog.



Hodder & Stoughton

UK Pub: December 2019

UK Editor: Eve Hall

MS available April 2019

NEVER HAVE I EVER L. V. Hay

A teenage truth and dare game led to a crime she thought was buried in the past. But it looks like the game was never over ...

Sam is doing well in her career, she has a husband and a baby and life is going well. That is until she gets the note through her door that stops her heart in her chest. Never Have I Ever Been Punished For What I Have Done.

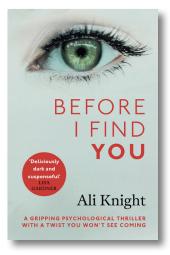
Sam is catapulted back to those teenage years spent with her best friends, teasing out each other's secrets by announcing things they had Never, ever done. Pushing each other's boundaries, growing closer and growing up.

If only they had stopped there. But they added their own rules. They went from sharing secrets to sharing firsts. First kisses, first drinks, first fake IDs. And that was before it all went spiralling out of control. Before that day in the woods ended it all.

Because no matter how far it goes, you have to obey the rules of the game. Even if what you've never done should stay that way. And now Sam is about to discover that the game isn't over . . .

About the Author:

L.V. Hay is a novelist, script editor, producer and head reader for the London Screenwriters' Festival. She has also written two non-fiction books, *Writing & Selling Thriller Screenplays*, plus its follow-up Drama Screenplays. She lives in Devon.



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UK Editor: Eve Hall

PDF Available / 350pp

Rights Sold in Previous Title:

Norway (Cappelen Damm)

BEFORE I FIND YOU Ali Knight

A thrilling new psychological suspense novel from the author of *Wink Murder*, perfect for fans of Friend Request, *Close to Home* and *The Guilty Wife*.

Maggie is a husband watcher. A snooper, a marriage doctor, a destroyer of dreams, a killer of happy-ever-afters. She runs her own private detective agency specialising in catching out in those who cheat. And she is bloody good at it.

Helene is a husband catcher. A beautiful wife, a doting step-mother, a perfect home maker and a dazzling presence at parties. She has landed herself with one of the most eligible bachelors in town – handsome property developer Gabe Moreau.

Alice is just a teenager. A perfect daughter to Gabe, a kind stepchild to Helene, a tragic girl to a dead mother. She lives a sheltered but happy life, until she finds that handwritten note 'You owe me. I'm not going away.'

All three women suspect Gabe Moreau of keeping secrets and telling lies. But not one of them suspects that these lies could end in cold-blooded murder

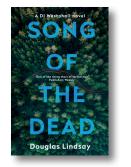
Praise for Ali Knight:

'A suspenseful Hitchcockian tale . . . [one of the] top ten crime books to take on holiday' **Telegraph**

'Pacey and disquieting, Knight's debut hints she might be a successor to Sophie Hannah's queen of suspense crown' **Stylist**

About the Author:

Ali Knight has worked as a journalist and sub-editor at the BBC, Guardian and Observer and helped to launch some of the Daily Mail and Evening Standard's most successful websites. She lives with her family in London.



SONG OF THE DEAD Douglas Lindsay

A dead man walks into a police station. He tells a tale – bizarre as it is grotesque – of kidnap and organ harvesting. John Baden's story of being held prisoner for twelve years sounds far-fetched – but it's all about to get much, much stranger.

DI Ben Westphall is no ordinary detective and this is no

ordinary case. When his suspects start dying, Westphall

realises someone is killing to cover up the truth. But what

exactly is the truth? To find out, he'll have to question

everything he's been told, before there's no one left to ask.

Mulholland Books

UK Pub: Feb 2019

UK Editor: Cicely Aspinall



BOY IN THE WELL

events taking place in the present.

The body of a young boy is discovered at the bottom of a well that has been sealed for two hundred years. Yet the corpse is only days old . . .

No one comes forward to identify #Boy9, and DI Ben Westphall's only suspects are the farmers on whose land the well sits. They certainly seem as though they have something to hide. But it might not be what he thinks.

Soon, similarities from an old crime emerge and Westphall must look to the past to piece together the dark and twisted

UK Pub: May 2019



UK Pub: August 2019

THE ART OF DYING

When businessman Thomas Peterson is killed outside a football ground in the Highlands, there are several witnesses. Yet the hunt for the killer is proving as futile as the search for a motive.

Possible connections to Russian money and an eerie retirement home are soon thrown into the mix. To further complicate things, DI Westphall's MI6 past is coming back to haunt him. Guilt stalks his dreams, but could there be a message in these nightmares?



UK Pub: September 2019

UK Editor: Oliver Johnson

MS available / 100,000 words

Rights Sold: US (Little, Brown)

MISSING PERSON Sarah Lotz

The unputdownable new thriller from Sarah Lotz, author of The Three and The White Road.

They are a group of misfits who go online for fun. Their hobby is giving names to the missing dead. But a killer is online with them, and his game is in deadly earnest...

Missing-linc.com comprises a group of misfit sleuths scattered across the States. Their macabre passion is giving names to the unidentified dead. When Ellie Caine starts investigating the corpse known as the Boy in the Dress, the Boy's killer decides to join the group. The closer they get to the truth, the closer he will get to them.

The Boy was Teddy Ryan. He was meant to have been killed in a car crash in the west of Ireland in 1989. Only he wasn't. There is no grave in Galway and Teddy was writing letters from New York a year after he supposedly died. But one night he met a man in a Minnesota bar and vanished.

Teddy's nephew, Shaun, is no hero, but he is determined to solve the thirty-year-old mystery. He joins forces with the disparate members of Missinglinc to hunt down the killer. The only problem: the killer will be with them every step of the way...

Praise for Sarah Lotz:

'The finest thriller I've read in years . . . completely unputdownable' **Sarah Pinborough**

'Hard to put down and vastly entertaining' Stephen King

About the Author:

Sarah Lotz is a screenwriter and novelist who pens novels under the name S.L Grey with author Louis Greenberg; YA novels with her daughter, as Lily Herne; and is one third of pseudonymous author Helena S. Paige.



Hodder & Stoughton

UK Pub: February 2020

UK Editor: Eve Hall

MS available March 2019

CRACKED Louise McCreesh

Seven patients. One dark secret.

Jenny Nilson's past is blown open when she gets news that her former psychiatrist, Phillip Walton, has been brutally murdered. Even more so when she discovers that she is implicated in the crime.

Phillip knew her darkest secrets, and the circumstances of his murder suggest that someone else out there knows them too.

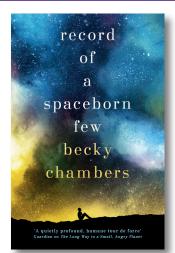
Jenny needs to speak to old friends, and old enemies, from her dark years spent at Hillside Psychiatric Hospital. Because they are the only ones who know what really happened at Hillside, about the secret that Phil kept for them all, and that this is not the first murder...

About the Author:

Louise McCreesh is a freelance journalist working in London. She is an alumnus of the Curtis Brown Creative Writing Course, where she was offered a scholarship to continue work on this novel.

Cracked is her debut novel.

Fantasy & Sci Fi



Hodder & Stoughton

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UK Editor: Sam Bradbury

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Rights Sold in Previous Titles:

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RECORD OF A SPACEBORN FEW (Wayfarers #3) Becky Chambers

From the ground, we stand. From our ship, we live. By the stars, we hope: The incredible new novel by Becky Chambers, author of the beloved The Long Way to a Small, Angry Planet.

Centuries after the last humans left Earth, the Exodus Fleet is a living relic, a place many are from but few outsiders have seen. Humanity has finally been accepted into the galactic community, but while this has opened doors for many, those who have not yet left for alien cities fear that their carefully cultivated way of life is under threat.

Tessa chose to stay home when her brother Ashby left for the stars, but has to question that decision when her position in the Fleet is threatened.

Kip, a reluctant young apprentice, itches for change but doesn't know where to find it.

Sawyer, a lost and lonely newcomer, is just looking for a place to belong.

And when a disaster rocks this already fragile community, those Exodans who still call the Fleet their home can no longer avoid the inescapable question:

What is the purpose of a ship that has reached its destination?

About the Author:

Becky Chambers is the author of the Wayfarers books, which currently include *The Long Way to a Small, Angry Planet, A Closed and Common Orbit,* and *Record of a Spaceborn Few.* Her books have been nominated for the Hugo Award, the Arthur C. Clarke Award, and the Bailey's Women's Prize for Fiction, among others, and won the Prix Julia Verlanger in 2017.



Hodder & Stoughton

UK Pub: February 2019

UK Editor: Thorne Ryan

Page Extent: 401pp

Rights Sold in Previous Titles:

US (Candlewick Press)

THE ORPHANAGE OF GODS Helena Coggan

In the glass city of Amareth, on a hill above a river, is an orphanage patrolled by armed guards. Inside are the children left behind by the long-ago war in which humans all but wiped out their gods.

Until they grow up, no one will know which are human, and which are not. Children who reveal hidden powers vanish from their beds. The Guardsmen discover every god, in the end. No one has ever escaped – until now.

One day Hero, a seventeen-year-old half-god, breaks out of the orphanage and flees north with her brother Joshua. But the murderous Guard are on their tail, and they have something Hero wants desperately: her sister Kestrel, held captive in a towering stone prison in the northern sea.

To survive and rescue Kestrel, Hero must outwit more than just the Guard. Lying in wait for them are a ragged band of gods-in-hiding, who promise help in exchange for eternal loyalty. Hero does not want to trust them – but as winter draws in and even Joshua begins to turn against her, her world starts to feel impossibly dangerous . . .

About the Author:

Helena Coggan wrote the first draft of her debut novel, The Catalyst, when she was thirteen. It was published two years later and was named as one of 2015's Debuts of the Year by the Guardian and Amazon, and featured by The Sunday Times, the Observer, the Daily Mail, the Sun, the Daily Metro, the Sunday Express, Radio 4, NBC, and BBC Breakfast. This is her third novel.

Also Available



EARWIG **Brian Catlina**

A masterly tale of feline evile by iconic artist and author of cult bestseller. The Vorrh

Earwig is a strange man employed as carer to a strange girl in a flat in the city of Liege.

On one of his rare trips out of the flat he becomes engaged in conversation with a man calling himself Tyre, who turns out to have supernatural powers. He propels Earwig into a terrible accident, in the course of which he maims one of the waitresses.

When a black cat is delivered to their flat, unasked for, the girl forms an immediate bond with it. But Earwig finds himself drawn into a web of evil coincidences spun by the devilish Tyre and the cat who is his avatar.

Not since Edgar Allan Poe and the Bulgakov's The Master and Margarita has there been such a masterly tale of feline evil.



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THE MUMMY LESSONS Helen Wallen

The award winning 'Just A Normal Mummy' blogger returns with another frank and hilarious novel on those first twelve months of motherhood.

After a tough pregnancy, Emily is determined to tackle motherhood like a pro. But she quickly learns that Insta-Perfect-Parenting (and sleep) is hard to come by, no matter how much money you spend in Mothercare.

Celebrating female friendship, the highs and lows of Kimberley Atkins / 464pp motherhood, and the lifesaving power of a jumperoo, The Mummy Lessons follows a year of highs and lows for Emily and her friends Molly and Liz as they learn the hardest lesson of all; that life doesn't always follow the rules...



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LAST MAN STANDING **Stephen Leather**

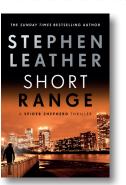
The next explosive standalone thriller from Sunday Times bestselling author Stephen Leather

Friendships forged in the heat of combat can be stronger than anything. So when SAS trooper Matt Standing is told that the former Navy SEAL who saved his life is in trouble, he doesn't hesitate to go to his aid.

Navy SEAL-turned-bodyguard Bobby-Ray Barnes has been accused of killing the man he was supposed to be protecting. Three other bodyguards were also killed and now Bobby-Ray is on the run.

The dead client was a Russian oligarch with connections to the Kremlin. But who wanted him dead? And if Bobby-Ray wasn't the killer, who carried out the assassination? Standing is the only man who can answer those questions - providing he can stay alive long enough.

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SHORT RANGE **Stephen Leather**

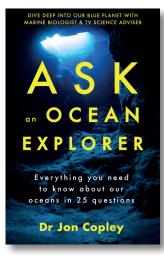
The explosive new thriller in the Spider Shepherd series.

Dan 'Spider' Shepherd's career path - soldier, policeman, MI5 officer - has always put a strain on his family. So he is far from happy to learn that MI5 is using teenagers as informants. Parents are being kept in the dark and Shepherd fears that the children are being exploited.

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As an undercover specialist, Shepherd is tasked with protecting a 15-year-old schoolboy who is being used Oliver Johnson / 400pp to gather evidence against violent drug dealers and a right-wing terrorist group. But when the boy's life is threatened, Shepherd has no choice but to step in and take the heat.

> And while Shepherd's problems mount up at work, he has even greater problems closer to home. His son Liam has fallen foul of the Serbian Mafia and if Shepherd doesn't intervene, Liam will die.



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UK Editor: Briony Gowlett

Page Extent: 189pp

ASK AN OCEAN EXPLORER Dr Jon Copley

In Ask An Ocean Explorer marine biologist of over 20 years and advisor for the BBC's *Blue Planet II*, Dr Jon Copley, explains the science and wonder of the deep ocean.

How deep do sharks swim? Have more people been into space than the deep ocean? And what effect are we having on the health of our seas?

Between these pages is everything you need to know about our oceans, explained in 25 questions.

Combining untold history of ocean exploration and personal account of what it's like to be a 'bathynaut' diving in a mini-submarine, Ask An Ocean Explorer will bring to light weird and wonderful deep-sea creatures that we find down there and how the oceans and their health is connected to our everyday lives.

About the Author:

Dr Jon Copley has more than twenty years of experience in exploring the deep ocean and was the scientific advisor for *Blue Planet II*. He frequently talks about exploring the deep ocean to public audiences ranging from local schools and community groups to major events and festivals. This is his first book.



Hodder & Stoughton

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UK Editor: Rupert Lancaster

MS available May 2019

Rights sold in previous title:

Armenia (Olympus Business) France (Editions JC Lattes) Idonesia (PT Pustaja Alvabet) Japan (Akashi Shoten Co) Poland (Zysk I S-KA) Russia (Olympus Business) US (Random House)

THE FIRST GHOSTS Dr Irving Finkel

Irving Finkel, curator at the British Museum, explains why the belief in ghosts is what makes us human.

Ghosts, the spirits of the dead, have walked by our side since time immemorial.

In The First Ghosts, author Irving Finkel looks at ghosts from a standpoint quite different to that of most spectral literature. Drawing on evidence from the very earliest pre-human archaeology and the very earliest writing and literature, Finkel suggests that belief in and experience of ghosts emerges as a central component of humanity since its inception.

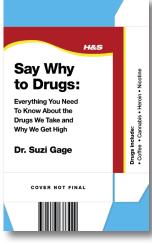
Praise for The Ark Before Noah: Decoding the Story of the Flood:

"A serious book, but rarely a heavy one: in a sprightly, good-humoured way, Finkel communicates the thrill of true scholarship...it feels fresh and exciting here." **The Sunday Times**

"A gem of a book" The New Yorker

About the Author:

Dr Irving Finkel is Assistant Keeper of Ancient Mesopotamian (i.e. Sumerian, Babylonian and Assyrian) script, languages and cultures Department: Middle East at the British Museum, headquartered in London's Bloomsbury. He is the curator in charge of cuneiform inscriptions on tablets of clay from ancient Mesopotamia, of which the Middle East Department has the largest collection - some 130,000 pieces - of any modern museum. This work involves reading and translating all sorts of inscriptions, sometimes working on ancient archives to identify manuscripts that belong together, or even join to one another.



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UK Editor: Huw Armstrong

Proposal Available. MS due March 2019

SAY WHY TO DRUGS Dr Suzie Gage

Enlightening, entertaining, and thought-provoking, a definitive and authoritative guide to drugs and why we're all hooked, from the presenter of the top-rated podcast Say Why to Drugs.

Drugs. We've all done them. Whether it's a cup of coffee or a glass of wine, a cigarette or a sleeping pill. But how well do we understand the effects of the drugs we take – legal or illegal?

Say Why to Drugs investigates the science behind recreational drugs – debunking common myths and misconceptions, as well as containing the most recent scientific research. Looking at a range of drugs, this book provides a clear understanding of how drugs work and what they're really doing to your mind and body.

Along the way you will find out why ketamine is on the WHO's list of essential medicines, why some researchers hope MDMA could treat PTSD, and much more.

About the Author:

Dr Suzi Gage is a psychologist and epidemiologist at the University of Liverpool, investigating associations between recreational drug use and mental health.

In 2016 she began her Say Why to Drugs podcast alongside Scroobius Pip. Each episode discusses a different recreational drug, with no hyperbole, no spin and no judgment.

This is her first book.

When the Dogs Don't Bark A Forensic Scientist's Search for the Truth

Hodder & Stoughton

UK Pub: February 2019

UK Editor: Huw Armstrong

Page Extent: 356pp

WHEN THE DOGS DON'T BARK Angela Gallop

Kathy Reichs meets *Fragile Lives* in this compelling memoir from the UK's most eminent forensic scientist, Professor Angela Gallop, on some of the most fascinating criminal investigations she has worked on.

Never before has criminal justice rested so heavily on scientific evidence. With ever-more sophisticated and powerful techniques at their disposal, forensic scientists have an unprecedented ability to help solve even the most complex cases.

From the crime scene to the courtroom, When the Dogs Don't Bark is the remarkable story of a life spent searching for the truth.

About the Author:

Professor Angela Gallop is one of the world's most eminent forensic scientists. A specialist in coldcase investigations, Angela has led forensic teams to find vital evidence in many of the UK's most challenging cases, including the deaths of Stephen Lawrence, Damilolo Taylor, Rachel Nickell, Roberto Calvi and many others.

In 2015, Angela was awarded a CBE for her services to forensic science. This is her first book.

General Non-Fiction

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Sceptre

UK Pub: April 2020

UK Editor: Juliet Brooke

Proposal available. MS due November 2019.

Rights Sold:

Netherlands (Het Spectrum / pre-empt) Sweden (Natur & Kultur / pre-empt) Portugal (Tomas e Debates/pre-empt) Romania (Humanitas)

THE LONELY CENTURY: How Isolation Imperils our Future Noreena Hertz

Lead title for Sceptre in 2020. A provocative, smartthinking, big ideas book about the most pressing issue of our time, loneliness, by 'one of the world's leading thinkers' (*Observer*).

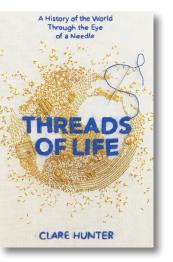
We are more connected than ever, but we are also lonelier than ever. From the rise of the far-right to courtesy to robots, from the elderly in Japan to postmillennials in Sweden, *The Lonely Century* takes an intimate issue and shows how the political, economic and technological forces of our world colour our most private emotions.

Tackling the loneliness crisis from a global perspective, Noreena Hertz travels the world to explore the epidemic first hand. She 'rents a friend' in Japan and visits co-habitation spaces in Israel and meets small business owners in San Francisco.

In The Lonely Century Noreena Hertz shares a bold new vision for what we must do at an individual, government and business level if we are to reconnect society, repair its fractures and alleviate our collective loneliness. It is a bold, game-changing book that has the power to change how we behave.

About the Author:

Portugal (Tomas e Debates/pre-empt) Romania (Humanitas) Noreena Hertz has an impressive track record in predicting global trends. Having graduated from university aged just 19, Noreena went on to complete a PhD from Cambridge University and has an MBA from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. She advises a select group of the world's leading business and political figures on strategy, economic and geo-political risk, artificial intelligence, digital transformation, millennials and post-millennials. After 10 years at the University of Cambridge as Associate Director of the Centre for International Business and Management, in 2014 she moved to University College London where she is an Honorary Professor.



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THREADS OF LIFE Clare Hunter

An eloquent history of the language of sewing over centuries and across continents: The Hare with Amber Eyes meets The History of the World in 100 Objects.

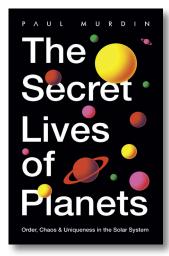
Threads of Life is a history of sewing and embroidery, told through the stories of the men and women, over centuries and across continents, who have used the language of sewing to make their voices heard, even in the most desperate of circumstances.

From the political storytelling of the Bayeux tapestry's anonymous embroiderers and Mary, Queen of Scots' treasonous stitching, to the sewing of First World War soldiers suffering from PTSD and the banner-makers at Greenham Common, Threads of Life stretches from medieval France to 1980s America, from a Second World War POW camp in Singapore to a family attic in Scotland. It is as much about identity, protest, memory and politics as craft and artistry.

In an eloquent blend of history and memoir with a unique understanding of craft, Clare Hunter's *Threads of Life* is an evocative and moving book about the need we all have to tell our story.

About the Author:

Clare Hunter has sewn since she was a child. She has been a banner-maker, community textile artist and textile curator for over twenty years and established the community enterprise NeedleWorks in Glasgow. She was a finalist of the Aesthetica Creative Writing Award with a story published in its 2017 Annual. She was also a recipient of a Creative Scotland Award in 2016. She lives near Stirling in Scotland. Threads of Life is her first book.



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THE SECRET LIVES OF PLANETS Paul Murdin

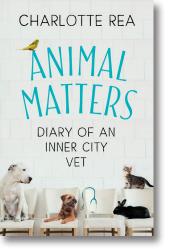
The Secret Lives of Planets brings together the most surprising and unforgettable truths about our solar system.

We have the impression that the solar system is perfectly regular like a clock, or a planetarium instrument. On a short timescale it is. But, seen in a longer perspective, the planets, and their satellites, have exciting lives, full of event . . . For example, did you know that Saturn's moon, Titan, boasts lakes which contain liquid methane surrounded by soaring hills and valleys – exactly as the earth did before life evolved on our fragile planet? Or that Mars' biggest volcano is 100 times the size of earth's; its biggest canyon is 10 times the depth of the Grand Canyon, and that it wasn't always red, but blue?

The culmination of a lifetime of astronomy and wonder, Paul Murdin's enchanting new book reveals everything you ever wanted to know about the planets, their satellites, and our place in the solar system.

About the Author:

Paul Murdin has worked as an astronomer in the USA, Australia, England, Scotland and Spain. Since 1963, he has been a research scientist, an observatory administrator and a science policy maker for the government and the Royal Astronomical Society in the UK. He works emeritus at the Institute of Astronomy in the University of Cambridge. He has had a secondary career as a broadcaster and commentator for the BBC and CNN, and is identified as the co-discoverer of the first stellar black hole found in our Galaxy, Cygnus X-1. He has been honoured by the Queen with an OBE for his work in international astronomy and for helping make astronomy accessible to everyone.



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UK Editor: Fiona Rose

Page Extent: 256pp

ANIMAL MATTERS: Diary of an Inner City Vet Charlotte Rea

Animal Matters is a moving and heartwarming book about the unconditional love between animals and humans, and how deep the bond can be.

Animal Matters is a diary of real-life cases written during a year of Charlotte's career working as a veterinary surgeon in a 24-hour inner-city London animal charity hospital. The book provides readers with a revealing, honest, emotional experience, with deeply sad moments followed by amusing and unimaginable ones. Charlotte writes both short amusing diary entries along with more detailed accounts and reflections back on my training and the experiences and difficulties she have come up against over the decade since she graduated.

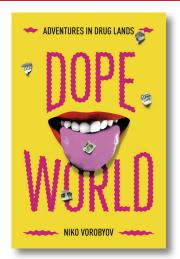
Throughout the book you will get to know both the animals and the people and how close the bond between us can be. Charlotte also discusses contemporary issues in veterinary medicine such as animal euthanasia, mental health issues within the veterinary profession, ethical concerns around pedigree dog breeding and the laws on dangerous dogs.

About the Author:

Charlotte Rea is a veterinary surgeon currently working in a large London animal charity hospital. She graduated from vet school in 2008 and has since gone on to post-graduate certificate in small animal medicine.

She has spent several stints abroad working with various animal charities including in Nairobi for Kenya Wildlife Services and Worldwide Veterinary Service projects in Lisbon and on the Greek island of Samos.

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Hodder & Stoughton

UK Pub: July 2019

UK Editor: Huw Armstrong

MS available March 2019

Rights Sold:

Netherlands (VOLT) Russia (Individuum) DOPEWORLD: Adventures in Drug Lands Niko Vorobyov

A definitive and global exploration into the war on drugs and the effect it's having on humanity.

Ecstasy dealing in London, crack talking in Los Angeles, LSD dropping in Tokyo, heroin smoking in Sofia, cocaine cooking in Medellin, bounty hunting in Manila, opium taking in Tehran.

This is your next fix. This is DOPEWORLD.

DOPEWORLD is a bold and eye-opening exploration into the world of drugs. Taking us on an unforgettable journey around the world, we trace the emergence of psychoactive substances and our relationship with them. Exploring the murky criminal underworld, the author has unparalleled access to drug lords, cartel leaders, hitmen and government officials.

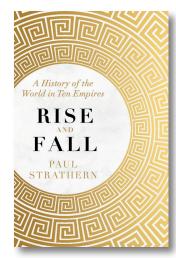
This is a deeply personal journey into the heartland of the war on drugs and the devastating effect it's having on humanity.

About the Author:

Niko Vorobyov was born in Leningrad, Russia, before moving to Great Britain. From 2013-2014 he served a two-and-a-half-year sentence for Possession with Intent to Supply.

Upon his release, he graduated from UCL and began working at Russian news outlet, Russia Today, before putting together his media, academic and underthe-counter expertise in writing a book.

DOPEWORLD is his first book.



Hodder & Stoughton

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RISE AND FALL: A History of the World in Ten Empires Paul Strathern

A dazzling new history of the world through ten major empires.

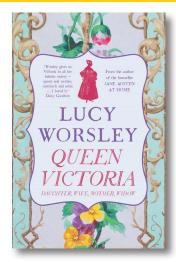
Rise and Fall opens with the Akkadian Empire, which ruled over a vast expanse of the region of ancient Mesopotamia, then turns to the immense Roman Empire, where we trace back our western and eastern roots. Next Strathern describes how a great deal of western classical culture was developed in the Abbasid and Umayyid Caliphates. Then, while Europe was beginning to emerge from a period of cultural stagnation, it almost fell to a whirlwind invasion from the East, at which point we meet the Emperors of the Mongol Empire ...

Combining breathtaking scope with masterful concision, Paul Strathern traces connections across four millennia and sheds new light on these major civilizations – from the Mongol Empire and the Yuan Dynasty to the Aztec and Ottoman, through to the most recent and biggest Empires: the British, Russo-Soviet and American.

Tracing 4,000 years of global history in ten succinct chapters, *Rise and Fall* makes comprehensive and inspiring reading to anyone fascinated by the history of the world.

About the Author:

Paul Strathern is an award-winning British writer and academic. He has written numerous books on science, philosophy, history, literature and economics. His history titles include Godfathers of the Renaissance (Jonathan Cape) and A Brief History of Medicine (Constable and Robinson), and his Philosophers in 90 Minutes series has sold in 18 languages.



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UK Editor: Maddy Price

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Bulgaria (List 2016) China (The Commercial Press) Czech Republic (Slovart Publishing) Estonia (Tanapaev) Italy (Neri Pozza) Poland (Swiat Ksiazki) Russia (Sindbad) Slovakia (Slovart) US (St Martin's Press)

QUEEN VICTORIA Lucy Worsley

Historian, author and TV presenter Lucy Worsley delves into the detail of Queen Victoria's life in this major new biography published to celebrate the 200th anniversary of her birth.

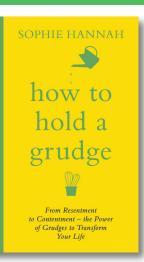
Who was Queen Victoria? A little old lady, potatolike in appearance, dressed in everlasting black? Or a passionate young princess, a romantic heroine with a love of dancing? There is also a third Victoria – a woman who was also a remarkably successful queen. She found a way of being a respected sovereign in an age when people were deeply uncomfortable with having a woman on the throne.

As well as a queen, Victoria was a daughter, a wife, a mother and a widow, and at each of these steps she was expected to conform to what society demanded of a woman. On the face of it, she was deeply conservative. But if you look at her actions rather than her words, she was in fact tearing up the rule book for how to be female.

By looking at the detail of twenty-four days of her life, through diaries, letters and more, we can see Victoria up close and personal, allowing us to see, and to celebrate, the contradictions at the heart of British history's most recognisable woman.

About the Author:

Lucy Worsley is an historian, author, curator and television presenter. Lucy read history at New College, Oxford and worked for English Heritage before becoming Chief Curator at the charity Historic Royal Palaces. She also presents history programmes for the BBC, and her bestselling books include Jane Austen at Home, A Very British Murder: The Curious Story of how Crime was Turned into Art, If Walls Could Talk: An Intimate History of the Home, Courtiers: the Secret History of the Georgian Court and Cavalier: The Story of a 17th century Playboy.



Hodder & Stoughton

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UK Editor: Carolyn Mays

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Germany (Goldmann) Russia (AST) US (Scribner)

HOW TO HOLD A GRUDGE Sophie Hannah

The ultimate guide on how to use grudges to be your happiest, most optimistic and most forgiving self!

Being someone who holds grudges is seen by many as a bad thing, but what if our grudges, when managed correctly, are good for us?

What if they can act as a series of stepping stones, pointing us in the right direction?

What if they can ward off danger, like charms on a charm bracelet?

Look no further for the ultimate guide on how we need to acknowledge, examine and sometimes embrace our grudges in order to live our best possible lives.

About the Author:

Sophie Hannah is an internationally bestselling crime fiction writer. Her crime novels have been translated into 34 languages and published in 51 countries. Sophie is also a bestselling poet who has been shortlisted for the TS Eliot award. Her poetry is studied at GCSE and A-level throughout the UK. Sophie is an Honorary Fellow of Lucy Cavendish College, Cambridge. She lives in Cambridge with her husband, two children and dog.



Yellow Kite

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UK Editor: Roweng Webb

MS available April 2019

A CAT'S GUIDE TO HUMANS Celia Haddon

An hilarious cat's eye view of humans by George, the blogging cat, owner of bestselling author and pet agony aunt Celia Haddon

'Do you need a human in the first place? If you do, do not adopt a human on impulse. You may not get the right one for your lifestyle.'

George the Cat is the feline world's favourite agony aunt. Now he brings us his irresistible, hilarious A-Z guide for fellow felines to help them navigate the human world, understand their sometimes weird and idiotic behaviour, and help turn human failings to feline advantages. Includes advice on how to move a sleeping human to the very edge of their bed, enjoy the use of their empty boxes before they're thrown out, and to get doors opened for you whether or not you have a private catflap.

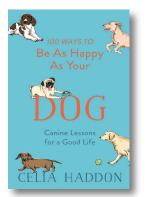
George also has a word of advice for humans: 'Don't let your cat get his paws on this book!'

About the Authors: George the Cat

I am a qualified agony aunt for cats worried about or irritated by their humans. I have a degree in applied human behaviour and have studied this inferior species for many years. I am, I suppose, a human whisperer. I don't think much of humans but what cat does? Still, they make auite aareeable pets if they are correctly trained.

Celia Haddon

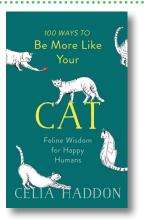
Celia Haddon is a bestselling anthologist whose books have sold well over 1,000,000 copies worldwide. She was the Daily Telegraph's pet agony aunt and is a reputed lover and worshipper of cats, having lived with them and loved them since she was a child. She has compiled a number of anthologies in their honour. She is also compiler of the best-selling 100 Hundred Ways series and a qualified cat behaviourist.



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100 WAYS TO BE AS HAPPY AS YOUR DOG Celia Haddon

In 100 Ways to Be As Happy As Your Dog, animal behaviour expert Celia Haddon shows you 100 ways in which you, too, can master the art of being happy by learning from your favourite canine companions.

Curious, affectionate and always full of energy, dogs have always been a source of joy for us no matter what we are going through in life. Whether you've got a Labrador, a poodle or a shih tzu, your dog is always there, ready to play fetch or offer a cuddle or go for long walks on the beach when you need it.

So let animal behaviour expert and bestselling author Celia Haddon show you how you, too, can live a good life as a human by learning the art of happiness from our best animal friend.

100 WAYS TO BE MORE LIKE YOUR CAT Celia Haddon

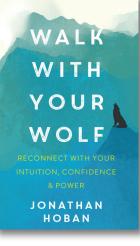
From the bestselling author of One Hundred Ways For a Cat To Train Its Human comes a new guide on how to improve your own life by learning from your cat.

Content, living in the moment, finding pleasure in small things - your cat knows exactly how to get the best out of life.

So let your cat be your guru as Celia Haddon shows in 100 ways how adopting their outlook can lead to our own happiness.

Stretch out, relax, find a warm spot – and enjoy purrfection.

Rights Sold: Japan (Diamond Inc), Sweden (Bokforlaget **UK Editor:** Roweng Webb Lind & Co) and Taiwan (Sharp Point)



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UK Editor: Liz Gough

PDF Available / 214pp

Rights sold:

Germany (Droemer Knaur) Lithuania (Alma Littera)

WALK WITH YOUR WOLF Jonathan Hoban

Written by a London-based therapist, *Walk with* your Wolf is part memoir, part self-help and part reflection on the connection we must re-establish with our natural, intuitive selves if we are to live healthy, fulfilling lives.

When did you last take a walk? Not a stroll to the shops, or to the pub, but a walk that got you energised, stimulated your senses, allowing you to de-stress? If the answer is that you'd love to walk, but don't have the time, there really are more reasons to get outside than you might think.

When we walk we find the space to process our feelings and we begin to have the courage to be vulnerable and honest with ourselves. Walking awakens the intuition that helps us face up to our difficulties and walk alongside them, enabling us to find positive solutions to our problems. Our ancestors knew all about movement – they walked across the planet, understanding nature and learning to respect and work in harmony with it.

Offering practical advice and exercises on how to walk and think as a method of confronting difficult emotions, this book will allow you to reconnect with your intuition, confidence and power.

About the Author:

Jonathan Hoban is an Integrative Psychotherapist and Founding Director of central London practice Creative Counselling London Ltd.

Jonathan developed the concept of what he and others refer to as 'Walking Therapy' as an alternative method of therapy, and then went on to launch his 'Walking Therapy London' practice in 2014. His work has been featured in the The Telegraph, The Independent, Readers' Digest, Stylist Magazine, Stella Magazine, You Magazine, The Daily Mail, Women's Health, BACP Therapy Today Magazine, and Contemporary Psychotherapy.



Yellow Kite

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UK Editor: Liz Gough

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100 BELLS FOR MINDFULNESS Padraig O'Morain

Build a positive meditation habit with 100 Bells for Mindfulness.

The Daily Bell is a mindfulness reminder – a sort of 'thought of the day' – that mindfulness expert Padraig O'Morain sends out to his thousands of subscribers every morning at 5.30am, and he has done so for the last 5 years.

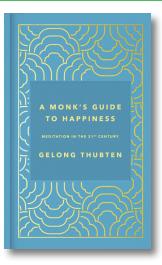
Following on from the success of this, Padraig has compiled 100 brand new bells and exercises into 100 Bells for Mindfulness. By picking up the book and dipping into the short exercises, you will learn to integrate mindfulness into your life and build up a regular mindfulness habit.

As a psychotherapist, trained counsellor and mindfulness teacher with over 25 years' experience, Padraig understands the importance of taking time out of your busy day to find moments of calm.

About the Author:

Padraig O'Morain is a psychotherapist, trained counsellor and mindfulness teacher based in Dublin with over 25 years' experience and has taught mindfulness for more than a decade.

MBS, Health, Self-Help



Yellow Kite

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MS Available / 47,000 words

A MONK'S GUIDE TO HAPPINESS: Meditation in the 21st Century Gelong Thubten

A guide to meditation and mindfulness written by Buddhist monk Gelong Thubten.

If you feel as though you are being driven by your thoughts or emotions, are constantly lurching from one 'buzz' to the next or are distracted and never able to fully be in the moment, meditation can help you live in a more meaningful way and unlock the true happiness that lies within you.

Discover the meaning of true happiness and how to find it in this timely book. Thubten's practical exercises will help meditation become something you can turn to again and again whenever you need it, and enable you to feel more at peace with yourself and your life.

Gelong Thubten works as a monk and teacher of mindfulness all over the world. Dubbed 'the Silicon Valley monk' in the US, he has taught meditation courses in blue-chip and tech companies globally, including Google and LinkedIn, and in schools, prisons and workplaces. He has a deep understanding of the kinds of issues around stress and overwhelm that people have in the 21st century, and how meditation can help them.

About the Author:

Gelong Thubten is a Buddhist monk, meditation trainer and author. In 1993, at the age of 21, he ordained as a Tibetan Buddhist monk at Samye Ling Monastery in Scotland. He has spent over six years in intensive meditation retreats. Thubten is a world pioneer in mindfulness meditation teaching, with over 20 years' experience working with businesses, hospitals, schools, universities, prisons and addiction counselling centres. Thubten and a neuroscientist collaborated with Ruby Wax on How to be Human.



Yellow Kite

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UK Editor: Lauren Whelan

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COSY: The British Art of Comfort Laura Weir

Cosy is a celebratory guide to living your cosiest life in true British style, what it stands for and why it is more important than ever.

The language of cosy is part of the English lexicon – 'cosy up', 'cosy down', 'tea cosy', 'cosy toes'; cosy is a concept intrinsically connected to British culture; think cups of warm tea, crunchy toast, a great book, open fires, cosy clothes, wet and windy wrapped up walks, rain trickling on the window – it speaks to people who value comfort and tucking in, and never globally, have we been looking to feel more reassured.

With Brexit looming, A.I developing, social media draining and a sense of community dissipating, the public are looking for permission to hunker down with those closest to them in a warm, safe and cosy environment. As the world gets bigger and more intimidating we are seeing value in the small things that make us feel good and matter to us in the UK. The Book of Cosy is a celebratory guide to living your cosiest life and Laura will decipher why it is that that the notion of cosiness is having a moment and how reconnecting with a simple, cosy life is replacing the hassle of adventure and costly material pleasures.

About the Author:

Laura Weir is the Editor of London's lifestyle *ES* Magazine, which reaches 1.5 million readers every week. She is a daily columnist for the *Evening Standard* and formally of *British* Vogue and *The Sunday Times*. She is Co-Founder of We Are Moody and Member of the British Fashion Council Press Committee.



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HOW TO BUILD A HEALTHY BRAIN Kimberley Wilson

How to Build a Healthy Brain draws on the latest research to give practical advice on how you can build a healthy brain through lifestyle choices.

The rise of the wellness industry and the accessibility of health information on social media means that the public are increasingly aware of and interested in health, especially lifestyle medicine.

Young, expert author and Chartered Psychologist Kimberley Wilson has written an empowering guide on what you can do to improve your mental health resilience and protect your brain health for the long term.

With chapters on sleep, nutrition, exercise, meditation and more, this book will be an authoritative voice for people looking for ways to improve their mental health resilience and protect their brain health for the long term, a Four Pillar Plan for the brain!

How to Build a Healthy Brain integrates psychological therapy with evidence-based nutrition and lifestyle advice.

About the Author:

Kimberley Wilson is a Chartered Psychologist specialising in Whole Body Mental Health.

A former finalist on *The Great British Bake Off*, Kimberley is is a trained nutritionist as well as a Psychologist and is also a food writer and contributor to radio, print and online media on food, psychology and the interaction of the two. Everybody died, so I got a dog. Emily Dean

Hodder & Stoughton

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UK Editor: Rowena Webb

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EVERYBODY DIED, SO I GOT A DOG Emily Dean

The funny, heart-breaking memoir of love, family and overwhelming loss which led Emily Dean to find hope and healing in the dog she always wanted.

Emily Dean had a mad, bohemian childhood growing up with her actor mother and broadcaster father in a rented Gothic folly wreathed in cigarette smoke where final demand invoices were coasters for champagne flutes and the Sex Pistols filmed in her room upstairs. She craved a dog – and a normal life. But it wasn't until the tragic death of her sister Rachael, at only 43 – and the help of Rachael's dog Giggle – that Emily began to believe that she really could have a dog of her own. Losing both her parents within three short years of her sister left Emily devastated. Emerging from grief, she finally granted herself the lifelong wish of owning a puppy – an adorable shih tzu called Ray.

A memoir of loss and grief, Everybody Died, So I Got a Dog is also about discovering laughter, hope and healing in the smallest of places.

About the Author:

Emily Dean is a radio presenter, podcaster and journalist. She is co-presenter with Frank Skinner on his immensely popular Absolute Radio show on Saturday mornings, and also the host of The Times' highly successful Walking the Dog podcast. As a journalist, Emily has been Deputy Editor of InStyle and has also written for the Times, Sunday Times, Evening Standard and Glamour magazine. She has also produced entertainment shows for TV, such as The Big Fat Quiz of the Year with Jimmy Carr.



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UK Editor: Hannah Black

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A CURE FOR HEARTACHE Mary Jane Grant

A story of a fifty-something woman's recovery from the sudden end of her marriage, told through a beautifully succinct narrative, as she applies six simple strategies to her life, with life-changing results.

When her husband of twenty five years suddenly announces he's leaving her, writer Mary Jane Grant runs away to London to immerse herself in any reality but her own. Reeling from the shock and loss of her marriage and the life she's known, she begins to discover that if she can just focus on the moment she's in, take notice of the people, the sights and smells around her, that her pain and grief start to recede.

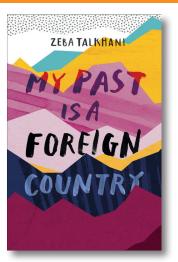
From the bustling cafes of Camden and the pastelcoloured streets of Notting Hill, to the sun soaked vineyards of the south of France, her journey leads her to rich new experiences that she could never have imagined in her old life. Real connections are made, she lets go of the things she no longer needs, and takes pleasure in the good, generous and beautiful parts of life that she encounters every day.

Beautifully and succinctly told, this is a story about what happens when you embrace life, whatever it may bring, with surprising - and joyful - results.

'A tale of loss and hope, of strength drawn from truly inhabiting the moment.' - **Raynor Winn, author of The Salt Path**

About the Author:

Mary Jane is a professor of creative thinking, and a consultant in marketing and student of mindfulness. She divides her time between Canada and London.



Sceptre

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UK Editor: Francine Toon

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MY PAST IS A FOREIGN COUNTRY Zeba Talkhani

A journey of faith, feminism and self-discovery in the age of #MeToo.

27-year-old Zeba Talkhani charts her experiences growing up in Saudi Arabia amid patriarchal customs reminiscent of The Handmaid's Tale, and her journey to find freedom abroad in India, Germany and the UK as a young woman.

Talkhani offers a fresh perspective on living as an outsider and examines her relationship with her mother and the challenges she faced when she experienced hair loss at a young age. Rejecting the traditional path her culture had chosen for her, Talkhani became financially independent and married on her own terms in the UK. Drawing on her personal experiences Talkhani shows how she fought for the right to her individuality as a feminist Muslim and refused to let negative experiences define her.

About the Author:

Zeba Talkhani has a BA in Journalism and Communication from Manipal University (India) and an MA in Publishing from Anglia Ruskin University (UK). She has written for Saudi Gazette, The Manipal Journal, Femsplain, gal-dem, Wasafiri, Doll Hospital and the Nasty Women anthology. She is a passionate advocate for BAME voices in the publishing industry and works as production editor for academic books. She was born in Sirsi, a small town in South India, in 1991. She currently lives in Reading, UK, with her husband. In 2016 she organised a micro-festival called Muslim Women Speak at Waterstones Gower Street to over 100 people. HODDER &

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THE LOST HOMESTEAD: Mahatma Gandhi, my family and the legacy of empire Marina Wheeler

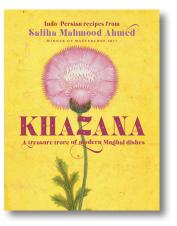
Marina Wheeler's mother, Dip, lost her home aged 14 when she and her Sikh family were forced to flee their home during Partition of the Indian subcontinent in 1947. Some years after Partition, Dip was again 'displaced', this time by choice, when she married Marina's English father (BBC journalist Charles Wheeler) and left India for good. But she had always yearned for the homestead to which she never returned.

In The Lost Homestead Wheeler delves deep into the past, drawing on the oral history recounted by her mother to learn about the world that was left behind, painting a detailed picture of the end of the Raj, the struggle for independence, and the legacy of India's great leaders.

Being Anglo-Indian, the hild of an English father and Sikh mother, she s well-placed to explore the themes of cultural duality and ambivalence she herself has struggled with, and crucially seeks to explain why, after Partition, her mother never really felt she belonged.

About the Author:

Marina Wheeler is a London-based barrister specialising in constitutional and human rights law. She was made Queen's Counsel in 2016 and also teaches mediation and conflict resolution. She writes regularly for the UK Human Rights Blog as well as national newspapers, usually on legal subjects.



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KHAZANA Saliha Mahmood Ahmed

From winner of MasterChef 2017, Saliha Mahmood Ahmed, comes the next chapter in our love affair with the food of the Indian sub-continent.

Steeped in Persian flavours, *Khazana*, which means treasure trove, is a cookbook that promises to be the next step in our on-going love affair with the Indian sub-continent, introducing recipes like Smokey Chicken and Basil Kebabs with Buttermilk Riata, Moghul Fish Korma with Almond Rice and Sandlewood Ice Cream with Toasted Almond Brittle.

Author Saliha Mahmood Ahmed, who won over the MasterChef judges with her fusion of Indo-Persian food, has written a book that will delight. Steeped in the rich culinary heritage of the region and Saliha's own travels in modern day India and Pakistan, the recipes are bang up-to-date and will inspire 21st century food lovers.

'Delving into this book feels like taking a leap back into an exotic, saffron-scented past – with her beautiful writing and delicious recipes, Saliha takes you on a culinary journey of discovery into this fascinating time.' **Thomasina Miers**

About the Author:

After facing off competition from 63 other determined contestants, through seven gruelling weeks of culinary challenges and an exhilarating final cook-off, Saliha became the thirteenth amateur cook to lift the MasterChef trophy in 2017. She is also a junior doctor working in the NHS, training to specialise in Gastroenterology, married to fellow doctor Usman and mum of one boy. In the future, she hopes to combine her work as a doctor with her passion for gastronomy to help drive the country towards healthier meals and work on national campaigns to tackle obesity, particularly in children.



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Taiwan (Sharp Point) France (Hachette Pratique) Germany (Sudwest) Russia (Azbooka-Atticus) Spanish (Lectura Colaborativa) US (Grand Central) GOOD FOOD FAST Gordon Ramsay

30-minute home-cooked meals transformed by Michelin-starred expertise.

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With unlimited access to recipes, why does anyone need another cookbook? Because not all recipes are born equal. Not all of them have been created by a global superstar chef who has built his reputation on delivering the very best food - whether that's the ultimate ine dining experience at his 3 Michelin-star Restaurant Gordon Ramsay or the perfectly crafted burger from his Las Vegas burger joint.

Over the course of his stellar career, Gordon has learnt every trick in the trade to create dishes that taste fantastic and that can be produced without fail during even the most busy service. Armed with that knowledge, he has written an inspired collection of recipes or the time-pressed home cook who doesn't want to compromise on taste or flavour.

The result is 100 tried and tested recipes that you'll find yourself using time and again. All the recipes take 30 minutes or less and use readily available ingredients that are transformed into something special with Gordon's expertise.

About the Author:

Internationally renowned, multi-Michelin starred chef Gordon Ramsay has opened a string of successful restaurants across the globe. Gordon has also become a star of the small screen both in the UK and internationally, with shows such as *Kitchen Nightmares, Hell's Kitchen, Hotel Hell* and *MasterChef US*.



Hodder & Stoughton

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DONAL'S SUPER FOOD IN MINUTES Donal Skehan

Delicious healthy meals in under 30 minutes made with 10 ingredients or less from Irish TV and Saturday Kitchen host Donal Skehan.

Easy recipes, fast food, all healthy.

Super Food in Minutes is all about real, fast and delicious family food that just so happens to be good for you! Donal's latest book includes 90 delicious recipes, and tips and tricks, for healthy home cooks that will change the way you cook.

Using 10 ingredients or less, each recipe uses streamlined, quick cooking methods with minimal effort and maximum results that help you make the most of your time spent in the kitchen. There are clear nutritional breakdowns, vegan, vegetarian and paleo options for each recipe, and a clean cook-friendly design.

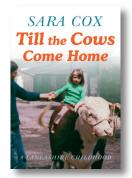
With Super Food in Minutes, you'll have exciting everyday dinners, made with healthy ingredients at the core, on the table in less than 30 minutes.

About the Author:

Donal Skehan has been cooking since age four when he flipped his first pancake! Inspired by a family of passionate foodies, cooking and eating hearty home-cooked food has always been a way of life.

Donal is the author of seven cookbooks; Fresh was named as one of Good Food magazine's Top 10 cookbooks of the year. He's the host of Saturday Kitchen, star of cookery shows on RTE and The Food Network, and has his own hit YouTube channel with over 700k subscribers. Donal was born and raised in Dublin and is currently living in LA.

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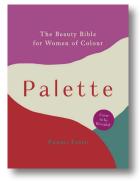


TILL THE COWS COME HOME Sara Cox

A wonderfully written, funny coming of age memoir of growing up in 1980s Lancashire, by best loved DJ and broadcaster Sara Cox.

The youngest of five siblings, Sara grew up on her father's cattle farm surrounded by dogs, cows, horses, fields and lots of 'cack'. The lanky kid sister - half girl, half forehead - a nuisance to the older kids, the farm was her very own dangerous adventure playground, 'a Bolton version of Narnia'.

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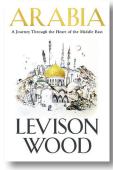


PALETTE: THE BEAUTY BIBLE FOR WOMEN OF COLOUR Funmi Fetto

Written by Vogue Contributing Beauty Editor Funmi Fetto, Palette is the beauty bible aimed at women of colour who are often left out of beauty coverage in mainstream publications.

'This ground-breaking, first-of-its-kind book is not only destined to become the beauty bible for women of colour everywhere, it is also a significant, relevant and influential voice in the conversation around inclusivity. Essential reading' Edward Enninful, Editor-in-Chief, Vogue UK

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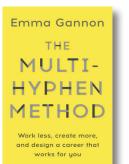
ARABIA Levison Wood

The award-winning TV adventurer and travel writer's enthralling account of his 5,000-mile expedition around the Arabian Peninsula, from Irag to Lebanon.

Following in the footsteps of Lawrence of Arabia and Wilfred Thesiger, Arabia is an insight into Levison Wood's most complex and daring expedition yet: an epic and unprecedented 5000-mile journey through 13 countries, circumnavigating the Arabian Peninsula.

Shortlisted for the 2019 Edward Stanford Award

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BEDTIME STORIES FOR STRESSED OUT ADULTS Introduced by Lucy Mangan

Tales to soothe tired souls. A night time companion for frazzled adults, including calming stories and poems for a good night's sleep.

A good night's sleep is essential for our well being and our health, but in our busy lives sleep is often poor and overlooked. Now is the time to stop a while and find consolation and wonder in other worlds where all is well and sleep just a page or two away.

From classic stories by Oscar Wilde, Guy de Maupassant and Katherine Mansfield, to friendly tales of our childhoods, to poetry that reminds us of the simple joys of life, this lovingly curated book will soothe a tired mind and gently carry you to the peaceful land of sleep.

So switch off, snugale down and allow yourself to escape into new worlds and old; magical, mysterious and tender realms that will accompany you to your own sweet dreams.

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