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TinderPress

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Headline Press

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Headline Eternal

Headline Eternal is Headline’s boutique, specialist romance imprint and our aim is to publish love stories for everyone. Our list is home to international bestsellers like Jasmine Guillory, Jo Watson, Lauren Layne, Jill Shalvis, and Mariana Zapata, as well as newer stars like Erin Sterling, Sarah Adams, Grace Reilly, Mazey Eddings and Amber V. Nicole. We pride ourselves on publishing a truly diverse range of authors and we’re always on the lookout for new voices in romance fiction.

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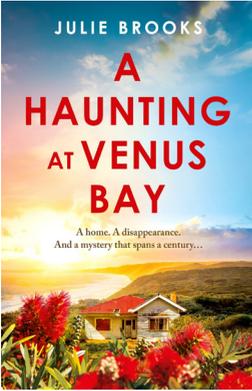
Welbeck

Welbeck is the home of illustrated publishing at Headline. We create bestselling, award-winning books that blend elegant design with commercial appeal across a host of subjects. Our list covers everything from fashion, design and lifestyle to sport, entertainment and reference. We work with talented authors and partner with the biggest brands – from FIFA to Formula 1, Chanel to Mensa, the Guardian to Gibson Guitars – to create beautiful books that enrich readers’ lives in every corner of the world.

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A Haunting at Venus Bay

Julie Brooks



A home. A disappearance. And a mystery that spans a century...

When Cass leaves London with a fractured heart, she plans to settle in Australia, specifically in the beautiful area of Victoria coastline where she spent so many happy holidays. Yet when she arrives, her house is not quite what she'd envisaged - doing a place up is one thing, living with things that go bump in the night is quite another.

Years earlier, Minna and her mother have escaped war torn Europe to join the fairgrounds. There, Minna meets Albert, a man who wants a wife - but also a full-time worker on the farm near Venus Bay. Albert has no interest in Minna, nor tolerance of her desire to become a writer. When he, and then Minna, both disappear, the mystery of what has happened to them stays buried, seemingly for ever...

It will take Cass, and the discovery of a hidden book, to unravel the secrets of a childhood and a marriage, and a story that will also help her live again.

Two women, decades apart, and a house that brings them together.

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What readers love about Julie Brooks:

'Such a wonderful story. Set across two timelines, two hundred years apart - I loved the way things wove together beautifully' (The Heirloom)
 'Beautifully written...A story which kept me hooked, with mysteries to uncover' (The Keepsake)

'A truly delightful story with fastidious attention to detail...the plot twists and redirects expectations in what makes a thrilling read' (The Secrets of Bridgewater Bay)



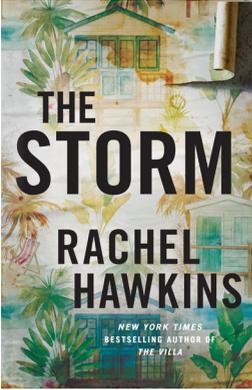
Julie Brooks was born in Brisbane, Australia, but has lived most of her life in Melbourne. She taught English and Drama in secondary schools before working as an editor of children's magazines. She has been a full-time author since 1999 and is the author of several young adult novels as well as children's fiction and non-fiction. *The Secrets of Bridgewater Bay*, *The Keepsake* and *The Heirloom* are her novels writing as Julie Brooks.

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The Storm

Rachel Hawkins



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It was the trial that swept the nation
 But her story isn't finished yet . . .

'Had me hooked from the very first page' Reader Review

'Unputdownable!' Reader Review

'I devoured it in a single day' Reader Review

St Medard's Bay, Alabama is famous for three things: the deadly hurricanes that regularly sweep into town, the century-old Rosalie Inn that has survived every one, and Lo Bailey, the local girl accused of murdering her lover in 1984.

When hotel owner Geneva hears a true crime writer is in town to research the Landon Fitzroy case, she's less interested in solving a whodunnit than the business it could bring the Rosalie Inn. But August Fletcher doesn't come alone: with him is none other than Lo Bailey herself, returned to her hometown to clear her name once and for all.

But the closer Geneva gets to Lo and August, the more she wonders if Lo is actually back to settle old scores. As another monster storm approaches, she learns that people can be just as destructive as any hurricane - and that the truth about what happened to Landon is not the only secret Lo is keeping...



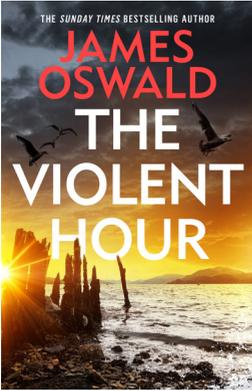
Rachel Hawkins is the *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Wife Upstairs*, *Reckless Girls*, *The Villa* and *The Heiress*. She also writes as our own Erin Sterling, author of *The Ex-Hex* and *The Kiss Curse*, and has written multiple books for young readers.

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The Violent Hour

James Oswald



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The gripping new thriller in the *Sunday Times*-bestselling phenomenon that is the Inspector McLean series, from one of Scotland's most celebrated crime writers

Festival season, the streets filled to bursting with tourists and Edinburgh is gripped in a stifling heatwave. Not the best time for one of the most violent murders the city has witnessed in years. The victim cannot be identified and the brutal nature of the killing shocks both public and the police. What could possibly have inflicted such gruesome injuries: is it a wild animal on the loose, or the start of some horrific gangland war?

Another body is found on Musselburgh Beach, naked, comatose, but this time alive. DI Tony McLean can't shake the feeling that there is a connection to the killing - but there are few leads for him and the team to go by.

The police are at a loss, and the city is on edge - will the killer strike again?

Praise for James Oswald:

'The new Ian Rankin' **Daily Record**

'Creepy, gritty and gruesome' **Sunday Mirror**

'Crime fiction's next big thing' **Sunday Telegraph**

James Oswald is the author of the *Sunday Times* bestselling Inspector McLean series of detective mysteries, the DC Constance Fairchild series and, as *J D OSWALD*, the standalone novel *BROKEN GHOSTS*. James's first book, *NATURAL CAUSES*, was shortlisted for the British Book Awards Debut Author Award. His latest book, *THE REST IS DEATH*, is the fourteenth in the Inspector Mclean series.

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Main Characters

Bobby Palmer



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If you love clever literary fiction, you will love this novel. If you love immersive commercial fiction, you will love this novel. If you love rom coms and a portrayal of London that feels like a Richard Curtis movie, you will love this novel' **Georgina Moore, author of The Garnett Girls.**

THIS IS A LOVE STORY, TOLD BY EVERYONE BUT THE MAIN CHARACTERS.

Clara and Seb are about to fall in love. They don't know it yet. But everybody else does.

When Clara and Seb meet in a quiet corner of London, it's the start of something. She wants to be a director. He's an actor, unsure what he wants from life.

Their connection is magnetic. Everyone can see that falling in love looks something like this. But when Clara casts Seb in the film that will make her name, what should be the happiest time of their lives ends with a gut-wrenching betrayal.

Some love stories are bigger than just two people. This one is told through the eyes of friends, flatmates, exes and strangers who see all the sides of Seb and Clara, from their first date to the moment they fell apart.

Everyone has their version of events. But only Clara and Seb can decide how their story ends...

PRAISE FOR BOBBY PALMER

'Unique, tender and funny' **Pandora Sykes**

'Like nothing I've ever read before' **Stylist**

'Sublime' **Bryony Gordon**

'An utter sparkler of a novel' **Sunday Independent**

'Heart-wrenching yet oddly soothing, this is utterly beautiful' **Prima**



Bobby Palmer is both an author and journalist. His critically acclaimed debut novel, *Isaac and the Egg*, was a Waterstones Paperback of the Year in 2022; his second novel *Small Hours* was published in 2024. Bobby co-hosts the podcast *Book Chat* with Pandora Sykes and his writing has appeared in *GQ*, *Esquire*, *Men's Health*, *Cosmopolitan* amongst others. He lives with his family in Sussex.

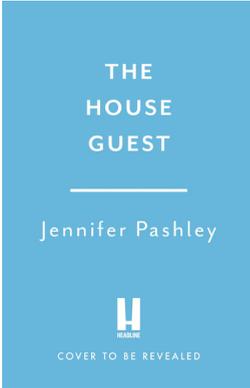
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The House Guest

Jennifer Pashley



Aspiring chef Brett Novak isn't having much luck. Living on her dad's porch and nursing a broken heart, she jumps at the chance to work at a high-end restaurant on Cape Cod.

But when Brett arrives on the Cape, she finds the position has been filled - and the only other option is a job as a personal chef to famous author Carson Smart and his glamorous wife, Vera, which she readily accepts. Sure, Carson is bit of a creep and Vera is downright terrifying - not to mention their two XL Bully dogs - but it's roof over her head, in a luxurious beach-house, and a \$20,000 payout.

Soon, though, Brett finds herself at the centre of a highly charged, potentially dangerous, situation, as both Carson and Vera compete for her attention while the tension between them mounts. It's clear that Brett is just a pawn in a twisted game she doesn't know the rules to, and that not everyone may survive...

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Jennifer Pashley is the award-winning author of two short story collections, *States*, and *The Conjurer*, as well as the novels *The Scamp* and *The Watcher*. Her stories have appeared widely in journals like PANK, Mississippi Review, and SmokeLong Quarterly, and she has been awarded the Red Hen Prize for Fiction, the Mississippi Review Prize for fiction, and the Carve Magazine Esoteric Award for LGBT Fiction. She lives in Syracuse, New York.

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The Eyewitness

Naomi Williams



Rachel Cartwright has a terrifying condition. Every 48 hours, her eyes shut tight - and stay that way for two long days. She can't work, can't go out. And, worse, when the world goes dark, she's certain someone is watching her.

She can't prove it - but I believe her. And, as her doctor, I owe it to Rachel to help. I may not understand what's happening to her, but I've made it my job to protect her. To keep watch when she can't.

But I can't help but feel there's something Rachel's not telling me. A shadow in her past she won't talk about. And now... I'm starting to feel it too.

Like someone's watching me.

A heart-stopping psychological thriller from the author of *THE WOMAN IN WARD 9*, with twists that will leave you breathless.

Praise for *THE WOMAN IN WARD 9*:

'I inhaled *The Woman in Ward 9*. Such a clever, chilling and unputdownable thriller . . . with a killer twist that made me want to read it all over again' **CLAIRE DOUGLAS**

'Wrapped itself tighter and tighter around me until I could hardly breathe' **S E LYNES**

'Dark, twisted and razor-sharp. You'll be racing towards a nail-biting ending and then you'll want to read it all over again' **LAUREN NORTH**

'Keeps you guessing right until the last word. Don't expect to sleep if you take this one to bed' **G. D. WRIGHT**

'Dark, gripping, and utterly unputdownable . . . Prepare to be hooked!' **EMILY FREUD**

'Dripping with tension and a creeping sense of unease . . . an utterly gripping, mess-with-your-mind thriller' **A A CHAUDHURI**



Originally from Yorkshire, **Naomi Williams** now lives in London with her husband and two teenage daughters. She started her career teaching English and Drama and now writes novels in a wide range of genres, including *THE MEMORY LIBRARY* (writing as Kate Storey) and *HER DAUGHTER'S SECRET* (writing as Lisa Timoney).

Naomi made her thriller debut with *THE WOMAN IN WARD 9*, which was an ebook bestseller. *THE EYEWITNESS* is her second psychological thriller.

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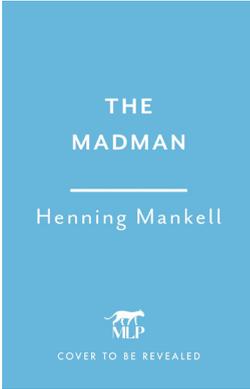
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The Madman

Henning Mankell



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'One of the most ingenious crime writers around' **Observer**

'The figurehead of Nordic noir' **Independent**

'Mankell is in the first division of crime writing' **The Times**

Extraordinary' **Ian Rankin**

One day in 1947, Bertil Kras decides to leave his modest life in Stockholm and begin again - swapping his work at a bicycle courier firm for a job at a sawmill.

He moves to a small market town in the north, where the locals are wary and divided, haunted by the memory of the internment camp that recently stood on the other side of the forest.

Branded as a communist and an outsider, Bertil struggles to integrate. The winters are cruel, and his neighbours more so.

One cold January night, the sawmill burns down. All eyes turn to Bertil: the perfect scapegoat.

And with the weight of the town's judgement upon him, what is there left for him to become, but the man they have always expected him to be?

***The Madman* is a gripping and timely novel about a small Swedish town in the shadows of war, from multi-million copy bestselling author of the Wallander series, Henning Mankell.**

'By far the best writer of police mysteries today' **Michael Ondaatje**

'A master of atmosphere and suspense' **Los Angeles Times**

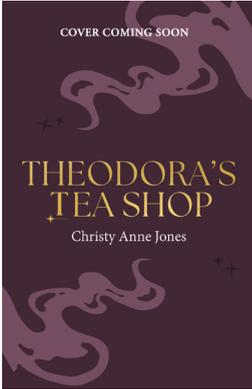
'The dean of the so-called Scandinavian noir writers' **New York Times**



Henning Mankell (1948-2015) became a worldwide phenomenon with his crime writing, gripping thrillers and atmospheric novels set in Africa. His prizewinning and critically acclaimed *Inspector Wallander Mysteries* continue to dominate bestseller lists all over the globe and his books have been translated into forty-five languages and made into numerous international film and television adaptations.

Theodora's Tea Shop

Christy Anne Jones



Perfect for fans of TJ Klune and Sarah Beth Durst, *Theodora's Tea Shop* by Christy Anne Jones is a cosy fantasy full of witchy magic, found family, self-love and lots of warm cups of tea.

Dorothy Louise Walcott should have died at fourteen. Instead she is twenty-three, timid, chronically ill, and yearning for a life she can never have. Her peers make jokes she doesn't understand. Her family ignores her. Dot's dreams of being a bright young thing of the city, studying magic and publishing her discoveries, can only ever be dreams: even if license-less magic weren't outlawed, her family would never allow it. But if Dot stays at home any longer, she will die there. And she would never forgive herself if she didn't try to live, at least once.

With nothing but a carpetbag and her ambergris tonic, Dot flees dreary Seafarthing for the capital city of Alliaster, where she tumbles headfirst into an apprenticeship with the most powerful witch in the city: Theodora.

Empress of an underground syndicate peddling magic through the quaint façade of her tea shop, Theodora is everything Dot wants to be: beautiful, witty, confident. An esteemed oil painter one day, a member of parliament the next, the many faces of Theodora have charmed power from the city's elite: spirits, daemons, and mortal gentry alike. Under her tutelage and in the company of the tea shop's eccentric staff - headstrong teenager Rupert, brooding and Byronic magician Lio, and the kindly spirit Belchambre - Dot finally has the opportunity to be her true magical self. She may even have found a place to belong.

But the dazzling and enigmatic Theodora has more secrets than she does faces. When her dark past comes calling, it threatens to drown her entire empire - and take Dot, the tea shop, and the city of Alliaster with it.

Christy Anne Jones is a writer, illustrator and content creator from Adelaide, Australia / Kaurna Land. In 2022, she released her first book, *A Year in Tōkyō: An Illustrated Guide and Memoir*, which follows her time as an English teacher and travel writer living in Japan.

She is an avid lover of fantasy and speculative literature, as well as gothic fiction, contemporary lit and Japanese fiction. While studying her post-grad with Deakin University, her research specialised in fantasy, folklore, mythology and the works of Studio Ghibli.

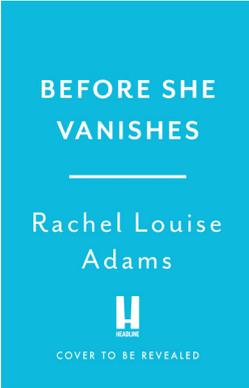
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Before She Vanishes

Rachel Louise Adams



IF YOU COULD CHANGE THE PAST...WHAT WOULD IT COST YOU?

As teenagers, Laura and Freya were inseparable. Until the night Freya disappeared at a New Year's Eve party.

Ever since, Laura has tried to bury the past. But exactly two decades after Freya vanished, Laura wakes in her childhood bedroom. She is back in the body of her seventeen-year-old self. And it's the day of the disappearance again.

The only way back to the present is to uncover the truth. As Laura replays the past, can she find Freya? Will she ever return to her own life - or has she twisted the future beyond recognition?

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Rachel Louise Adams is the author of *Little Horton* and *Before She Vanishes*. She was raised in a small town in Brittany by a French father and a North American mother. After spending most of her childhood reading and writing, she went on to study literature at university. In 2024, she completed her PhD thesis on American fast foods and meat-eating.

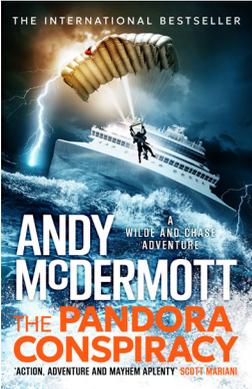
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The Pandora Conspiracy

Andy McDermott



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A THRILLING NEW WILDE & CHASE ADVENTURE FROM THE INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLING AUTHOR

Pandora's Box has long been thought a myth. But when archaeologist Nina Wilde and her husband, former SAS soldier Eddie Chase, are summoned to the White House for a secret meeting, it appears the legendary artefact is real, with the potential to bring great benefits to humanity - or unimaginable harm.

Mistrustful of the motives of those who want to find it, Nina sets out with Eddie on a mission that is the opposite of her usual goal: to ensure the ancient treasure remains undiscovered for ever.

But as more groups join the hunt - including one led by her own daughter Macy - Nina finds herself trapped in an ever more deadly race which, if she loses, could destroy the world as we know it - and if she wins will tear her family apart...

Praise for Andy McDermott:

'Action, adventure and mayhem aplenty' **SCOTT MARIANI**

'A writer of almost cinematic talent' **DAILY EXPRESS**

'Adventure stories don't get much more epic than this' **DAILY MIRROR**



Andy McDermott is the bestselling author of the *Nina Wilde & Eddie Chase* adventures, which have been sold in over 30 countries and 20 languages. His debut novel, *The Hunt For Atlantis*, was his first of several New York Times bestsellers. He has also written the explosive spy thriller *The Persona Protocol*. His latest thriller series began with *Operative 66*, about government assassin Alex Reeve, who finds himself hunted by his own side.

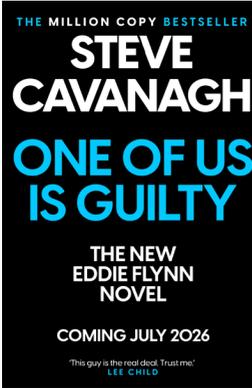
A former journalist and movie critic, Andy is now a full-time novelist. Born in Halifax, when not travelling the world researching locations for his novels he lives in Bournemouth with his wife and son.

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One of Us Is Guilty

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The award-winning, *Sunday Times* Top Five bestseller returns with a brand new thriller featuring the unforgettable Eddie Flynn.

Praise for Steve Cavanagh:

'Steve Cavanagh's twists hit you between the eyes. You never see them coming' **ANTHONY HOROWITZ**

'This guy is the real deal. Trust me' **LEE CHILD**

'An absolute page turner' **SHARI LAPENA**

'A fantastic thriller writer' **MARK BILLINGHAM**

'Unputdownable' **ALEX MICHAELIDES**

'Will keep you guessing until the very end' **IAN RANKIN**

'The ultimate treat for crime fiction fans' **JANICE HALLETT**

'Books this ingenious don't come along very often'

MICHAEL CONNELLY

'A fantastic thriller writer' **MARK BILLINGHAM**

'An absolute humdinger of a thriller - fiendishly clever and totally compelling' **TM LOGAN**

'Gripping' **THE SUN**

'If you read the first eight pages you'll be hooked' **THE TIMES**

'The real magic is in Steve Cavanagh's hypnotic storytelling power'
SUNDAY EXPRESS



Steve Cavanagh was born in Belfast, Northern Ireland, and for twenty years he practiced civil rights law. All of his novels have been nominated for major awards and many are international bestsellers. His third novel, *The Liar*, won the CWA Gold Dagger for Crime Novel of the Year 2018. *Thirteen* won the Theakston Old Peculier Crime Novel of the Year 2019. *Fifty-Fifty* was a Richard and Judy Book club choice, and was also selected for the *BBC* Between The Covers book club. *Twisted*, *Fifty-Fifty* and *The Devil's Advocate* were all *Sunday Times* Top 10 bestsellers.

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Laura Clark Is Away from Her Desk

Helen Russell



'SO witty, so entertaining, yet so moving. Countless women will identify with Laura Clark. I loved it so much!' **MARIAN KEYES**

Who is Laura Clark?

To her colleagues at the suburban head office where she works, she's an anonymous forty-something HR manager who spends her days sending emails about the maintenance of the lifts, organising snacks for work meetings and subtly managing everyone's egos so things can actually get done. To her golf-obsessed husband and selfie-obsessed teenage daughter, she's the woman who puts dinner on the table and cleans it up afterwards. To her elderly mother, she's a sounding board for her constant complaints.

But one day Laura puts on her 'out of office' message and doesn't turn up for work. Soon baffling things start happening, and everyone's formerly ordered lives quickly begin to descend into all-out chaos.

Where has Laura gone? Has something terrible happened to her? Or has she - unthinkable - decided to finally give her own life the finger?

To find out, the people in her life must realise that, maybe, they never really knew Laura Clark at all . . .

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Helen Russell is a bestselling author, journalist and speaker. Former editor of *marieclaire.co.uk* turned Scandinavia correspondent for the Guardian whose first book, *The Year of Living Danishly*, became an international bestseller, optioned for television. She's the author of six books, translated into 21 languages.

Helen now writes for magazines and newspapers globally, including *The Times* and *The Sunday Times*, *Telegraph*, *Independent*, *National Geographic*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Observer*, *Metro*, *Grazia*, *Stylist* and *Stella*. She's spent the last twelve years studying cultural approaches to emotions and speaks about her work internationally for organisations including Google, Novo Nordisk and LEGO.

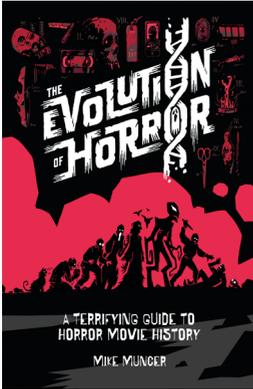
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The Evolution of Horror

Mike Muncer



Discover the terrifying history of horror cinema in this wickedly entertaining guide.

Adapted from the acclaimed podcast, *The Evolution of Horror* takes a deep dive into the history of cinema's darkest genre. Covering everything from silent films to modern masterpieces, author Mike Muncer breaks down eight key horror subgenres - including vampires, slashers, zombies and ghost stories - to explore the tropes, motifs, historical context and psychology behind why certain stories scare us so much.

Each chapter includes reviews of a host of major movies and cult classics, plus a guide to the hallmarks of the subgenre and the legendary filmmakers who have mastered it. Stylishly illustrated throughout with stills, posters and stunning artworks by artist Mike Lee-Graham, this is a must-read guide to the eclectic, enthralling and deliciously macabre world of horror.

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Mike Muncer is a London-based podcaster, presenter, journalist, producer, editor and creator and host of the award-winning *The Evolution of Horror* podcast. He produced *Film 18* with Claudia Winkleman for several years as well as the *Inside Cinema* video series, both for the *BBC*, and has also worked as for outlets such as the *BFI*, *MTV* and *Little White Lies*. In 2017 Mike launched *The Evolution of Horror* podcast, which began as a passion project and hobby, but slowly grew a life of its own to become the most successful UK horror cinema and 'Film History' podcast. By 2021 *EOH* became Mike's full time job and had expanded to include spin-off podcasts, live events, screening tours and videos.

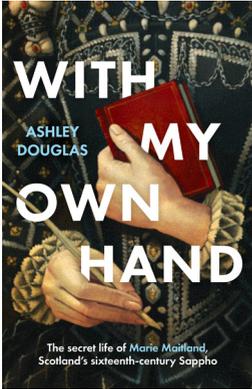
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With My Own Hand

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The youngest of the Maitland siblings, Marie had watched her elder-sisters be married off one by one, destined to take up the unavoidable path for women in sixteenth-century Scotland. However, as she neared marrying age, her father, an influential judge, poet and Keeper of the Privy Seal under Mary, Queen of Scots, went blind and suddenly needed someone to act as his scribe and secretary. In taking up this role, Marie indeed avoided the unavoidable, dedicating her life to her father's work. After his death, she put the finishing touches on the Maitland Quarto, long recognised as significant for its preservation of the poetry of the male great-and-good of sixteenth-century Scotland.

A rare feat for a woman at the time, but Marie's story doesn't stop there. For hidden in the pages of the Maitland Quarto, historian and translator Ashley Douglas discovered Marie's own secret lesbian love poetry. Penning such poetry in the hostile climate of post-Reformation Scotland, with its suffocating tightening of moral control over society, was an incredible act of bravery. Unable to sign it directly, Marie, insistent on her voice and love being known, littered the manuscript with clues to its true penmanship. Clues that, until now, have remained unseen.

Building on her initial discovery of Marie's poetry, in *With My Own Hand* Ashley Douglas draws on a vast range of newly unearthed primary historical records to tell the fascinating story of Marie and her manuscript, in full, for the very first time.

Ashley Douglas is a Scottish historian and translator. Ashley has two master's degrees - one in Scottish Historical Studies from the University of St Andrews and another in Archaeology from the University of the Highlands and Islands. Since graduating in 2016, Ashley has developed a national profile and successful freelance career as a translator, historian, speaker and consultant, specialising in LGBT history and the Scots language. She has worked with and written for a range of national heritage, literary and educational organisations, including the National Library of Scotland, Historic Environment Scotland, Time for Inclusive Education, and Scottish National Galleries. In 2023, Ashley was named as one of the '15 most influential women in culture' in Scotland in a list created to mark International Women's Day. In 2024, she consulted on *Katherine: James V*, the latest instalment in Rona Munro's acclaimed *The James Plays* series; she is currently consulting on *James VI*, which will be staged in 2027.

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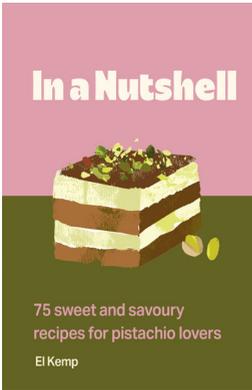
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In A Nutshell

El Kemp



The little pistachio nut has taken over the culinary world, from viral chocolate bars to jars of spread, pastries to ice cream. With 75 recipes celebrating the pistachio in sweet and savoury ways, accompanied by charming illustrations, this is a trend-led and highly giftable book for any pistachio fan.

The rise of pistachio popularity has seen it splashed all over social media and supermarket shelves in myriad forms, from Easter eggs to M&S jars of crème. The trend is still going strong, with entire Instagram accounts dedicated to pistachio recipes, and it's beginning to show the staying power of phenomena like matcha and pumpkin spice. And for good reason - the pistachio's earthy, slightly sweet flavour makes it a versatile and appetising ingredient, wrapped up in a sense of luxury and decadence.

The book will feature 75 sweet and savoury recipes that make the most of the pistachio's distinct flavour, all accompanied by charming illustrations. Whether it's a homemade-take on the Dubai chocolate, a pistachio cookie, taglioni with pistachio pesto, pork medalions with a pistachio crust, or pistachio granola, the book will satisfy every pistachio need.

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El Kemp is a popular food stylist and recipe writer. She regularly works with *The Guardian (Feast)* and recipe platform *Another Pantry*. Her brand clients include *Montezuma chocolate* and *Halen Môn Welsh salt*. El also works closely with leading chefs on recipe writing, testing, and styling for their cookbooks. In 2017 she launched Kemp Kitchen, a catering company focused on seasonal, locally sourced produce.

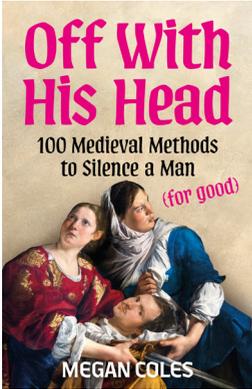
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Off With His Head

Megan Coles



Ye olde wasteman getting on your last nerve? Your new man is more interested in scrolling on OnlyWenches than spending time with you? Or your last date spent the whole time mansplaining? Hark, fear not, for I have some ways and means to end a man's antics . . . for good.

In today's world, if you don't want a man anymore, you have the option to walk away. Get the ick? End it. He's won't ever text back? Block him. He listens to those types of podcasts? Dump him. But women haven't always had it this easy. Transport yourself back to the medieval era, where divorce wasn't exactly an option. Maybe you had to get a little creative.

In *Off With His Head*, explore 100 hilarious medieval methods to get rid of a man, featuring advice on how best to dispose of someone inconspicuously, tips and tricks to orchestrate an untimely demise, and how to use a man's ego to your advantage.

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In the face of limited options, women have always found ways to persevere. This is no different. It's time to silence that man, once and for all.



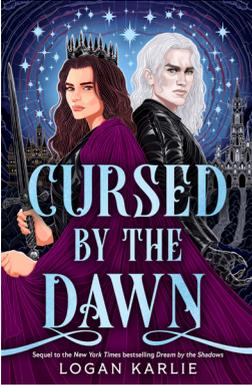
Born and raised in London, **Megan Coles's** first love was her glorious city and its morbid past. She is a prolific writer and keen historian, who has been interviewed on *BBC Radio London* and featured in both *The Mirror* and *The Express*. She graduated with a First Class Bachelor's Degree with Honours in History from Queen Mary University of London in 2021. You can find her on TikTok (@historyoflondon), where she blends her love of the metropolis with gore, true crime, and the paranormal. She is the author of the self-published *A Ghostly Guide to London*.

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Cursed by the Dawn

Logan Karlie



In the land of Noctis, to dream is to die . . .

Perfect for fans of Adalyn Grace and Powerless, the captivating sequel to the Gothic-infused, New York Times-bestselling *Dream by the Shadows* is filled with revenge, romance, and redemption!

Esmer Havenfall thought freeing Erebus from his five-hundred-year imprisonment would end her nightmare. Instead, it has only just begun. Now bound by fate and darkness, Esmer and Erebus are no longer just dreamers—they are Shadow Weavers, wielders of a power both divine and damning. And something is already clawing its way through the Dream Realm’s cracks.

Raelion, the demon king lurking within Mithras, is poised to destroy the world. His corruptive curse spreads like a plague, twisting dreams into nightmares and turning humans into monsters. If Esmer and Erebus are to survive, they must achieve the impossible: forge an army from the broken and unravel ancient horrors before it’s too late. But when Esmer and Erebus are abruptly cast from the Dream Realm into a kingdom teetering on the edge of ruin, they quickly learn that something monstrous has already slipped through—and their love might be the first thing it devours.

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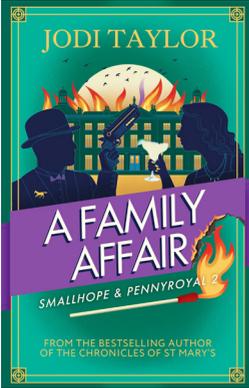
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A Family Affair

Jodi Taylor



From the internationally bestselling author of *THE CHRONICLES OF ST MARY'S*. Everyone's favourite time-travelling bounty hunters return for a whole new adventure...

With the dust finally settling after her near-fatal shooting, Lady Amelia Smallhope is looking forward to a period of rest and recuperation. A chance for her and Pennyroyal to plan their next exciting job and drink margaritas in the sun.

Yeah - like that's ever going to happen.

Because they've been targeted. By someone familiar with Pennyroyal's murky past. And suddenly they're vulnerable. Very vulnerable.

Who has done this? Who would dare?

There's only one way to find out - and the road ahead is dangerous. But as Smallhope likes to say...

WHEN THINGS ARE BAD, MAKE THEM WORSE.

Readers can't get enough of Smallhope and Pennyroyal...

'I rarely award the full 5 stars, but this book deserves them'
'An absolute rip-roaring adventure with more twists than a corkscrew'
'I laughed and cried through the book, sometimes simultaneously'
'OMG...what a ride!'

Jodi Taylor is the internationally bestselling author of over thirty novels and more short stories than you can shake a stick at.

Her *Chronicles of St Mary's* series follows a bunch of disaster-prone individuals who investigate major historical events in contemporary time. Do NOT call it time travel! She is also the author of the *Time Police* books. Set in the same world as *St Mary's*, this spinoff charts the highs and lows of an all-powerful, international organisation tasked with keeping the Timeline straight no matter what the cost. Efficient and disciplined, obviously they're nothing like *St Mary's*. Except when they are. And when a short story set in the same world accidentally grew into a full-length novel, the *Smallhope & Pennyroyal* series was born, following the adventures of two unlikely partners in crime.

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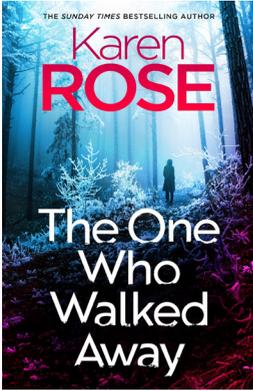


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The One Who Walked Away

Karen Rose



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A bounty hunter must outrun her past before it catches up to her in this pulse-pounding new standalone thriller from **Sunday Times bestselling author KAREN ROSE**

'Intense, complex and unforgettable' **JAMES PATTERSON**

'High-wire suspense that keeps you riveted' **LISA GARDNER**

Bounty hunter Elle Randolph is on the hunt for a fugitive in the wilderness of Mendocino County. She's also on the run from her past, and the accident she walked away from - but that killed her abusive husband.

When the manager of the inn Elle is staying in is murdered, she and her boss Sara become people of interest to local detective Ronan Clarke. He needs to know exactly what placed these strangers at the scene of the crime.

As Ronan questions Elle and Sara, he realises the fugitive they are tracking could be a suspect for the local murder. But to share information there needs to be trust. And, right now, is Ronan in a position to drop the bounty hunters from his enquiries?

When another person turns up dead, Ronan sees there could be more to this investigation than he could have imagined. And that Elle Randolph isn't telling him everything . . .

READERS LOVE KAREN ROSE:

'Karen Rose never disappoints!'

'The characters are so well described you feel as if they are real people'
 'I love this author's writing. Each book is like meeting up with old friends'
 'Her books catch you from the first page and hold your attention until the very end'

Karen Rose was introduced to suspense and horror at the tender age of eight when she accidentally read Poe's *The Pit and The Pendulum* and was afraid to go to sleep for years. She now enjoys writing books that make other people afraid to go to sleep.

Karen lives in Florida with her family, their cat, Bella, and two dogs, Loki and Freya. When she's not writing, she enjoys reading, and her new hobby - knitting.

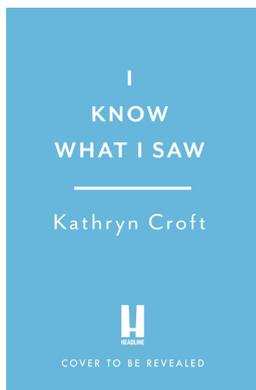
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I Know What I Saw

Kathryn Croft



You witnessed a murder.
But no one believes you.

When Ria moves with her husband to Silverleaf Heights, a lavish gated community, she tries to settle in and recover from the accident that nearly took her life. On the surface, everything is perfect; the neighbours welcome her with open arms, even though she doesn't feel she belongs, and she is safe and secure with all the security cameras and the locked gate.

Or is she?

Late one night, Ria witnesses a woman being murdered in the garden next door. When the police go to investigate, they find the neighbours away and no sign of disturbance. But Ria knows what she saw, and is determined to find out who the woman was - even if no one else believes her.

Then an anonymous WhatsApp appears on her phone - a video of another woman being murdered. When she looks closely, she quickly realises the woman is her. The message disappears, as if it never existed, but the meaning is clear: stop looking for the dead woman, or you'll be next.

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Kathryn Croft is the bestselling author of sixteen psychological thrillers, with over 2 million copies sold worldwide. Her breakout novel, *THE GIRL WITH NO PAST*, was a number one Amazon bestseller and earned her a spot on the Wall Street Journal bestsellers list. Her fourth novel, *THE GIRL YOU LOST*, has been optioned for TV.

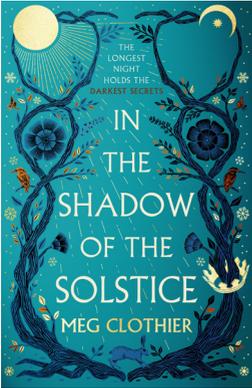
After many years living in London, Kathryn returned to her roots in Guildford, Surrey, where she lives with her husband and two young children.

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In the Shadow of the Solstice

Meg Clothier



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A devastating feminist reimagining of Arthurian legend set in the dark and dangerous years after the Romans left Britain.

Nin is joining the gilded world of her sister's husband - a powerful man known only as the Bear. It's midwinter and there's victory to feast. And where better than at the Hall high above the mists of the Lake?

Why is the Lake so unsettled?

The bonds of love and ambition once united the Family. But as night falls and the shadows lengthen dark secrets and unruly passions threaten to rip it apart.

What is the strange crying only Nin can hear?

Torn between loyalty and desire - between rage and fear - Nin must fight to the death to uncover a terrible truth.

Who will live to see the sun rise?

Praise for Meg Clothier:

'A wonderfully rich and absorbing tale' **Observer**

'Expertly crafted and beautifully told' **Jennifer Saint**

'What an extraordinary book' **Harriet Tyce**

'A ravishing, erudite feminist hijack of Renaissance Florence'
Alice Albinia

'Mysterious, bewitching and beautiful' **Elizabeth Lee**

'Brutal and haunting' **Melissa Fu**



Meg Clothier studied Classics at Cambridge, sailed from England to Alaska, and worked as a journalist in London and Moscow. She now lives and writes in Somerset.

In the *Shadow of the Solstice* is her fourth novel.

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Café. Waiting. Love.

Giddens Ko



Dreams that are laughable when said aloud are what's worth pursuing. Even if you fall, you do so with much poise.'

In a small, enigmatic café in Hsinchu, Taiwan, everyone is waiting for someone. Whether it's love, a second chance, or a sign of something greater. The café is more than just an ordinary coffee shop; it's a place for serendipitous encounters.

Si-Ying, a young woman working at the café, harbors a secret crush on the handsome Ze-Yu, who is always surrounded by a string of girlfriends. However, her life takes a turn when she befriends the quirky and earnest A-Tuo, who introduces her to a vibrant cast of characters who aren't what they seem to be, including a triad boss who is a cinephile and a laundromat boss who whips up exquisite dishes worthy of the Michelin stars.

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As Si Ying's friendship with A-Tuo deepens, she begins to realize that her true feelings may not be for Ze-Yu after all. Within the café's walls, moments of quiet reflection reveal profound truths, and amidst the wait for someone else, Si-Ying learns that sometimes the most significant journey is the one inward.



Translated from the Taiwanese by Shanna Tan



Giddens Ko is an award-winning and highly popular Taiwanese writer and filmmaker. He writes under the pseudonym JIUBADAO 'Nine Knives' and has authored more than sixty books, primarily novels spanning a diverse range of blended genres including thriller, speculative fiction, horror, fantasy, romance and more. At his peak, he published one book per month for more than a year. Since 2009, he has also become a well-known figure in the film industry, having directed, produced and wrote several blockbuster Taiwanese films, including adaptations of his novels. *You Are the Apple of My Eye*, a 2011 Taiwanese coming-of-age romance film based on the semi-autobiographical novel by Ko, was a box office hit, winning several awards, and inspiring several film and drama remakes in Thailand and South Korea.

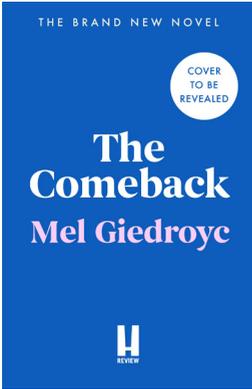
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The Comeback

Mel Giedroyc



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The show-stopping new novel from the *Sunday Times* bestselling author and beloved comedian Mel Giedroyc.

Sometimes life surprises you with an encore...

Twenty years ago, aspiring performer Gill Piper boarded a bus out of Leatherhead with a spring in her step and stars in her eyes. Things didn't quite pan out...

Back home again, Gill finds much has changed. Young Lights, the youth theatre group which coaxed her out of her shell, is no more. The theatre itself, once the heartbeat of the community, now feels like a has-been; Gill can relate.

When Gill learns the theatre is approaching its hundredth year, she decides to put on a spectacular anniversary show to give it a comeback and unite the town. She has just eight weeks, but if she can persuade some shy newcomers to step into the spotlight, it might just be possible.

But Gill hasn't counted on self-appointed Artistic Director and diva extraordinaire Carla Keswick, who declares war. Can Gill and her unlikely company of amateurs defy Carla's dirty tricks, and prove it's never too late for a curtain call?

Praise for *The Best Things*:

'I enjoyed it HUGELY. A real treat' **MARIAN KEYES**

'A brilliant cast of characters and properly funny!' **GRAHAM NORTON**

'A warm contemporary fable bursting with colourful characters and comic energy' **DAILY MAIL**

'Exactly like Mel herself: engaging, uproarious and gleeful. A stonking good read' **JO BRAND**



Mel Giedroyc has been entertaining the nation for thirty years. A comedian, writer, actor, presenter and podcaster, Mel is well known for her work with Sue Perkins in the double act Mel & Sue. They have presented many TV shows such as multi Bafta-winning *The Great British Bake Off* (BBC) and *Light Lunch* (Channel 4). Mel has written two non-fiction books and has appeared in sitcoms and panel shows, as well as on radio and on stage, in Stephen Sondheim's Olivier Award-winning *Company* in the West End and most recently in *Starter for Ten* at Bristol's Old Vic. Mel lives in London with her husband and two daughters. Her first novel *The Best Things* was a *Sunday Times* hardback bestseller.

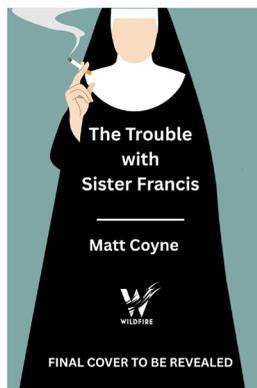
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The Trouble with Sister Francis

Matt Coyne



A brilliant, heart-warming novel from the *Sunday Times* bestselling author of *Frank and Red*, *Dummy* and *Man vs Toddler*

I'll always remember the first time I saw Sister Francis.

It's not that I have a great memory, or anything, it's just kind of hard to forget the first time you see a 60-year-old nun, barrelling along at the wheel of a decrepit 1968 Ford Transit. Especially when the nun in question has a cigarette dangling from her lips, and the minibus in question is spewing dark smoke, backfiring, and has - in ornate type - the words 'ASS VIRGIN' written along its side.

I know. This deserves explanation.

1981. Richie, Bennett, Kenny, and Stan are four best pals from the Whittle council estate, with not much to do but get up to no good. After a run-in with the local bullies, they find unexpected refuge in the crumbling boys' club at the local church.

The Blessed Assumption Boys Club is run by Sister Francis: a swearsy, chain-smoking and unlikely nun . . . and the most remarkable person any of them will ever meet.

Set against the backdrop of early '80s Britain, *The Trouble with Sister Francis* is a funny, heartwarming and heartbreaking story of unlikely heroes, quiet rebellions, fierce loyalty and unexpected hope.

And at the centre of it all, a long-forgotten journal that might just change everything.

Matt Coyne is from Sheffield, South Yorkshire. In September 2015, his life was turned upside down by the arrival of his son, Charlie. Three months into parenthood, he took to social media to write about his experience as a clueless first-time dad. Within days, his post about surviving the early months of parenthood was shared by millions around the world.

Following this, Matt created his popular blog *Man vs Baby*, which now has more than 500,000 followers. He is the author of two *Sunday Times* bestselling books - *Dummy* and *Man vs. Toddler* - both based on *Man vs Baby* and has written for the *Guardian*, *Telegraph*, *Private Eye* and *GQ*.

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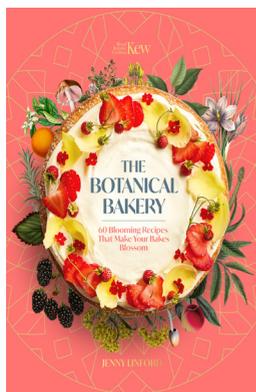


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The Botanical Bakery

Jenny Linford



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From Raspberry Madeleines to Rosemary Drizzle Cake and Chamomile Cakes to Thyme-infused tarts, **The Botanical Bakery** is packed with delicious baking ideas that draw inspiration from the rich world of culinary plants and fungi, from herbs, spices and flowers to fruits, vegetables, mushrooms and grains.

Perfect for novice and seasoned bakers alike, these scrumptious ideas blend the art of baking with the power of plants, with both savoury and sweet recipes ranging from more-ish Indian Spiced Cornbread or Za'atar Focaccia to sweet treats such as Pandan Pineapple Upside-Down Cake, Cardamom Shortbread or Tonka Bean Brownies. The book contains a combination of brand new colour food photography alongside stunning illustrations from the renowned Kew archive.

Sections include:

Biscuits and Bars
 Breads and Buns
 Pies, pizza, pasties, puffs, tarts
 Cakes, Pastries, Scones

Recipes include:

Tonka Bean Brownies, Vanilla Polenta Cookies, Star Anise Gingerbread, Tahini Biscuits, Cardamom Shortbread, Za'atar Focaccia, Dukkah flatbread, Pistachio Frangipane Tart, New Potato Parsley Pizzette, Roast Garlic Pumpkin Quiche, Pandan Pineapple Upside-down Cake, Lime Mint Drizzle Cake, Banana Miso Cake, Parsnip Pistachio Cake, Figgy Lavender Tea Cake



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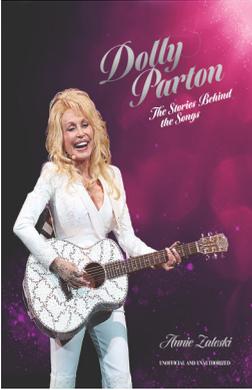
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Dolly Parton: The Stories Behind the Songs

Annie Zaleski



Discover the fascinating stories that lie behind the music.

In a career spanning 75 glorious years, Dolly Parton has written some of the greatest songs in music history. Join award-winning author Annie Zaleski (Rolling Stone, Billboard) as she uncovers the fascinating inspiration behind more than 150 of Dolly's finest compositions from across her long and hit-filled career.

From her biggest hits to hidden gems, Zaleski explores and explains the details of each song, from Jolene and 9 to 5, to Here You Come Again and the timeless I Will Always Love You.

A journey through some of the biggest songs ever written - plus some surprising, lesser-known deep cuts - this is the story of a true country legend, told through her music.

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Annie Zaleski is an award-winning, *New York Times* bestselling music author and journalist. Her work has appeared in *Rolling Stone*, *Billboard*, *the LA Times*, *Salon* and *Time* magazine. She has written several books on artists including Taylor Swift, Lady Gaga and Duran Duran. Annie lives in Cleveland, Ohio, USA.

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Godzilla: The Official Guide to the King of the Monsters (2026)

Toho Co. Ltd, Graham Skipper



Discover the complete history of *Godzilla* in this definitive, official guide to the King of the Monsters.

Godzilla: The Official Guide to the King of the Monsters celebrates more than 60 years of movie mayhem in an exceptional, fully illustrated book. An official publication in partnership with Toho Co., this must-read guide brings together every incarnation of the world's most famous creature for the first time – including all the Japanese and Western movies, as well as Godzilla's most celebrated appearances in TV, comics and video games.

Inside you'll find detailed reviews, spectacular stills and behind-the-scenes images from every *Godzilla* movie, from 1954's *Gojira* to 2021's *Godzilla vs. Kong*, along with countless insights into the making of one of cinema's most enduring, innovative and successful franchises. Packed with essential info, incredible trivia and stunning artwork, this is the ultimate illustrated reference to all things *Godzilla*.

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Toho Co. is one of Japan's largest and most iconic film studios.

Founded in 1932, it has grown into a worldwide leader in film production, distribution and exhibition. Its most famous creation is *Godzilla*, which has grown into one of the world's most successful recognisable film and media franchises.



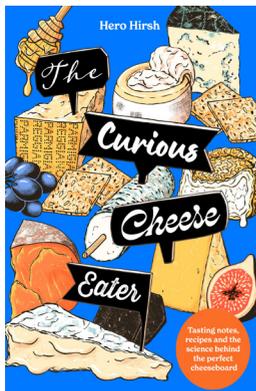
Graham Skipper is a writer, actor, director, and producer, known for writing/directing the sci-fi/horror feature film *Sequence Break*, as well as his essays on horror cinema published in *Fangoria* and *My Favourite Horror* (Black Vortex Publishing, 2018). Graham is a lifelong *Godzilla* fan, and was honoured work with Toho developing their *Godzilla Tales* series of comedic short films in 2020.

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The Curious Cheese Eater

Hero Hirsh



Curd your enthusiasm for a delicious tour of the world's best cheeses.

Join cheese connoisseur Hero Hirsh on a witty and deliciously nerdy journey through the science, stories, and stinky secrets of the planet's most moreish of morsels.

Cheese isn't just something you eat - it's something to savour, study, and obsess over. Learn how to taste like a pro, unlock the perfect pairings (yes, even with chocolate), and hunt down the world's rarest wheels and most pungent pleasures.

From 7,000-year-old cheesemaking tricks to microbial magic - this is a flavour-packed guide to the wild, weird, and wonderful world of cheese.

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Hero Hirsh is no stranger to cheese, having spent nearly 20 years working as a cheesemonger, Academy of Cheese teacher, cheese writer and running cheese conveyor belt restaurants. She has been a regular judge at the World Cheese Awards since 2012, when she won their prestigious Cheesemonger of the Year title. It's already difficult to get her to stop talking about cheese, and gets harder every day as she works toward gaining the coveted Master of Cheese accolade. With cheese knife in hand and an extreme tolerance for lactose, Hero regularly hosts classes, tastings, training sessions and cheese-centric events in London.

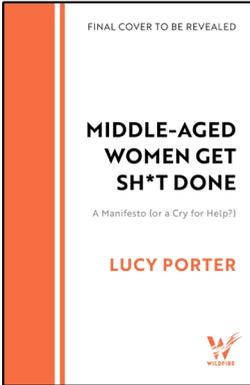
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Middle-Aged Women Get Sh*t Done

Lucy Porter



It's 8.31am and you've already responded to a dozen of your boss's deranged overnight work emails, got your kids off to school in something approximating a uniform, unblocked the shower drain with your actual bare hands and sorted out your elderly mother's supermarket order crisis.

Congratulations, you are a middle-aged woman who is getting sh*t done.

We all know it: midlife women are the glue that binds society together. We are invincible, all-powerful, and you mess with us at your peril. But we're also quite knackered and we'd like a break please. In this hilarious and irreverent manifesto, Lucy Porter steers us through the trials of being the exhausted meat in the middle of the sandwich generation with her trademark wit, warmth and a hefty dose of righteous rage.

Part celebration, part rallying cry, this is a call to arms: ladies, put down your to-do lists and let someone else take on all the crap for once.

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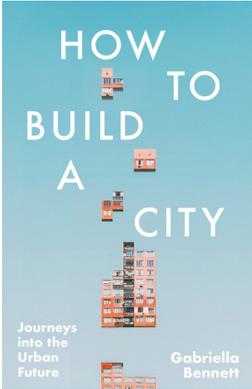
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How to Build a City: Journeys into the Urban Future

Gabriella Bennett



Home is fundamental to being human, and exploring the radical possibilities of our towns and cities has never felt more urgent than now.

More than half of the world's population live in urban areas. In towns and cities across the globe, we build our lives among the hum of streets, the glow of windows, the patter of neighbours and the endlessly evolving skylines. But at a time of great flux - from political instability to global droughts and flooding, and an increased pressure on materials and space - our metropolises are facing new obstacles that threaten our urban way of life as we know it.

From apartment blocks tackling a loneliness epidemic in Tokyo and the feminist neighbourhoods of Vienna to the underground bunkers of Helsinki, Gabriella Bennett takes readers on a globe-trotting journey to explore how towns and cities are being reimagined to embrace the challenges of contemporary life. Celebrating the ingenuity of human creativity to design and make the homes, neighbourhoods and cities of tomorrow, *How to Build a City* is a thought-provoking and hopeful insight into where we'll live and why it matters.

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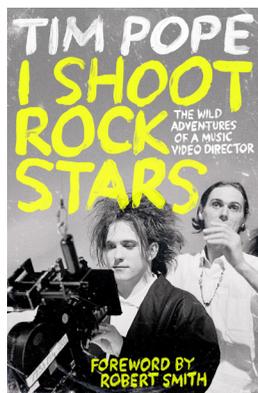
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I Shoot Rock Stars: The Wild Adventures of a Music Video Director

Tim Pope



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The 1980s saw the birth of a new medium that took the world by storm: the pop video. And Tim Pope, a music fanboy-turned-video director, was at the forefront of this wild ride.

Shooting his first performance footage at a concert after smuggling a camera inside his trousers, Tim got his break directing the video for Soft Cell's follow-up to 'Tainted Love'. Work snowballed, and he was soon jetting back and forth across the Atlantic to feed the newly launched engine of MTV, making videos for The Cure, Queen, Talk Talk, Wham!, Hall & Oates, Siouxsie & the Banshees and The Bangles, among others.

From dressing Freddie Mercury as a giant Mediterranean prawn to being called a 'funny little arsehole' by David Bowie; hanging out with Neil Young on his family ranch or locking The Cure in a wardrobe and launching it off a cliff, Tim had a front-row seat on the excesses, egos and larger-than-life characters of the era. Capturing the improvisational mood of a time when directors worked guerrilla-style, money flowed freely and no idea was too wacky to pursue, *I Shoot Rock Stars* provides a fly-on-the-wall glimpse of an extraordinary cast of personalities, capturing the fizzing energy of this unique creative moment. More than anything, it's the hilarious and frequently moving story of a music-mad kid who ended up working with his heroes, and who here chronicles his - and his industry's - creative triumphs and follies in riotous style.

'Tim Pope is a true original, a genuine maverick, and I am very lucky to have been part of his bright and beautiful, dark and dangerous and slightly preposterous on-going story.' **Robert Smith (The Cure)**

'Tim crashed the stage, camera on a fishing rod, chasing the shot he was seeing ... and the next thing I knew, he was pressing it into my forehead. The book brought that moment vividly back' **Neil Young**

'A dirty little page-turner from England's greatest music video director. Like the man himself, it made me laugh and weep — all at the same time' — **Matt Johnson (The The)**

Tim Pope has directed over 200 music videos and live performance movies since the early 1980s for artists and bands including Neil Young, David Bowie, Queen, Paul McCartney, The Pretenders, The Bangles, Siouxsie Sioux and Iggy Pop. His name is perhaps most synonymous with The Cure, for whom he has made thirty-seven videos and two concert films.

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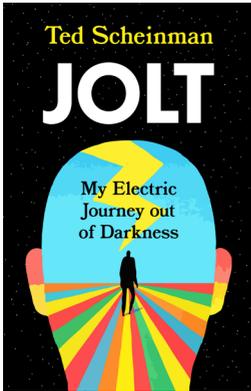
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Jolt

Ted Scheinman



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Before I can tell you about the shock treatment, I should tell you about the horse tranquilizer.

Ted Scheinman has struggled with depression through his whole life, and gone to great lengths in his search for relief. As antidepressants prove less and less effective, he turns to the powerful sedative ketamine to no avail. When his mental health continues to deteriorate, taking his relationships and quality of life with it, only one medical option remains: electroconvulsive therapy.

Like most people, Ted felt a shiver down his spine. ECT occupies a unique place in our cultural memory, with patients famously subjected to it against their will and horrifying images of it frequently appearing on our screen. Some can scarcely imagine anything worse; some would prefer to die. For Ted there is an even bigger concern beyond the fear and the pain: if this doesn't work, there's nothing else left to try.

Jolt follows Ted's descent into and emergence from major depression as he undergoes ECT. Along this journey, he investigates the medical history of this most controversial of treatment to answer one pressing question: if ECT is so horrific, why do doctors continue to recommend it today? He discovers that as well as crediting it with saving his own life, it is considered responsible for saving tens of thousands of lives each year.

Jolt is beautiful, funny, philosophical and ultimately hopeful memoir, which also raises big questions about memory, mental health, and the treatment of depression.



Ted Scheinman grew up between London and New York, and now lives in Washington DC. He is a senior editor at *Smithsonian magazine* and a contributing editor at *Los Angeles Review of Books*. His essays and reporting have appeared in the *BBC*, *The Paris Review*, *The New York Times*, *The Atlantic*, *GQ*, *The New Republic*, *Slate*, and many more.

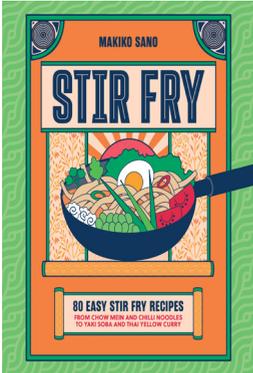
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Stir Fry

Makiko Sano



Fast, fresh and flexible - stir frying is a time-honoured technique guaranteed to make delicious meals in a matter of minutes. Written by chef and expert author Makiko Sano, *Stir Fry* shows you how to master the art of high-heat cooking, with one pan on one flame, and make mouth-watering meals for every occasion.

Celebrate sizzling ingredients, mingling flavours and fresh vegetables with this compendium of 80 delicious, easy to make recipes inspired by Japanese, Chinese, Thai, Malaysian and Korean cuisines. Whether you're a wok pro or stir fry novice, now it couldn't be easier to get fired up with lightening-fast dinners that deliver on taste and flavour every time.

Featuring:

- The fundamental principles of perfect stir frying
- The best vegetables for stir-frying and their unique characteristics
- Popular stir fry sauces
- Delicious stir fry dishes

Recipes include:

- Kung Pao Chicken, Cashew Chicken, Mongolian Beef, Beef with Broccoli
- Sweet and Sour Pork, Buddha's Delight, Chinese Water Spinach, Yaki Udon, Yakisoba, Pad Kee Mao, Japchae, Singapore Noodles, Chahan, Nasi Goreng, Egg Fried Rice, Yangzhou Fried Rice

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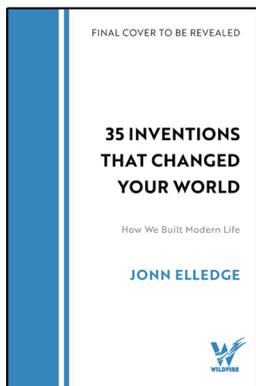
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35 Inventions that Changed Your World:

How We Built Modern Life

Jon Elledge



For over 10,000 years, the human race has been busy altering our environment and embracing 'progress', evolving seamlessly from hunter gatherers to the modern urban sophisticates we see ourselves as today.

But what are the ideas and inventions that enabled humanity to become, by the early 21st century, a majority urban species for the first time? How did the essential infrastructure of modern life - the innovations that we barely even notice, but without which our world would fall apart - happen?

With his characteristic wit and boundless curiosity, Jonn Elledge invites us to join him on a fascinating and often surprising tour of the ideas and technologies that made modernity possible. From elevators to electric lighting, street numbering to sewers, he guides us through the history of civilisation itself.

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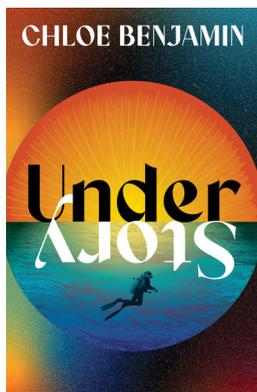
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Under Story

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The eagerly anticipated new novel from the *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Immortalists*. *Under Story* will be a major literary event for September 2026.

What if tomorrow was already written, but yesterday was yours to change?

At an isolated research station in Antarctica, biologist Laurel Salter washes dishes for a living ten hours a day, six days a week. She tells no one why she left her career, or why her marriage ended.

But even in this remote outpost, Laurel can't outrun her past. When a strange light appears across the ice and draws a group of physicists to McMurdo, her former husband, Eli, won't be far behind.

Laurel is captivated by the Arc: its surreal glow; the way it seems almost alive. And though Eli is reluctant to test her wildest theory, Laurel is convinced that the Arc leads down a rabbit hole, and into a world they can barely imagine. Can she persuade him to risk everything to fix the burden that hangs between them - to turn back the clock and live their story a second time?

'A mind-bending, head-popping sci-fi love story full of intrigue and tenderness' **Claire Fuller**, author of *Our Endless Numbered Days* and *Hunger and Thirst*

'A fiendishly clever, utterly original novel that gets to the heart of what it means to be alive. *UNDER STORY* is dazzling: it will change you.' **Emilia Hart**, *Sunday Times* bestselling author of *Weyward and Sirens*

Film rights optioned by **Warner Bros Pictures**, with **Heyday Films** attached to produce.



Chloe Benjamin is the author of *The New York Times* bestseller *The Immortalists*, and *The Anatomy of Dreams*. *The Immortalists* was a Washington Post, Entertainment Weekly and NPR Best Book of 2018. Her work has been translated into 30 languages. She lives with her husband in the San Francisco Bay area.

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The Midnight Guests

Alex Hay



From the bestselling author of *The Housekeepers* comes a glossy, dark, page-turning mystery to rival *The White Lotus* - unfolding over twenty-four fateful hours in London's most lavish hotel.

1923. Diana Gold, owner and impresario, throws open the doors to the most opulent new hotel in London. As the champagne flows and the chandeliers shimmer, millionaires and gamblers rub shoulders with film stars and royalty. Everyone who's anyone is here.

Everyone, that is, except two guests due at midnight. Powerful and dangerous, they've dragged Diana from the gutter and taught her all she knows. Her fate rests in their hands. If everything goes right, a whole new life awaits. One mistake will cost her everything.

For this is much more than a hotel - it's the heart of Diana's intricate masterplan. Over twenty-four fateful hours, her guests will learn why they're really here. And Diana will take perfect care of them - unless they take care of her first.

But when a body is found in the depths of the hotel, Diana's lavish opening night suddenly spirals out of control. . .

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Praise for Alex Hay:

'Sets a cracking pace... with plenty of twists and a great deal of fun, this is the perfect holiday read' **Guardian**

'Sheer delight from start to finish' **Janice Hallett**

'Delightfully mischievous' **The Times**

'Audacious, cunning, quick-witted' **Louise Candlish**

'Fiendishly clever' **Jennie Godfrey**

'A dangerous game... delivered with fabulous aplomb' **Daily Mail**

'A period piece, a full-throttle thriller and a masterclass in characterisation' **Erin Kelly**



Alex Hay is a bestselling author based in London. His debut novel *The Housekeepers* was a Waterstones Thriller Book of the Month and a Paperback of the Year. He is also the author of *The Queen of Fives*, which was published to great acclaim. Alex grew up in Cambridge and Cardiff and now lives near Crystal Palace with his husband. He is currently working on his next novel, *The Midnight Guests*.

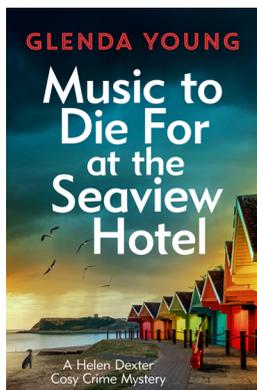
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Music to Die For at the Seaview Hotel

Glenda Young



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Eighties pop band The A64 are reuniting for the gig of a lifetime at Scarborough's Open Air Theatre, and Helen Dexter is overjoyed when they book into her Seaview Hotel.

However, as old tensions rise within the band, it's clear each musician has something to hide. Why is lead singer Starr running away from her past? Why is Pete the drummer secretive about where he's been for the last forty years? And when guitarist Dave breaks his legs in a freak window-cleaning accident, a new guitarist arrives, causing even more discord for all. Then, as the band rehearse for their comeback gig, a dead body is found.

Can Seaview Hotel landlady Helen Dexter and her rescue greyhound Suki hit the right note and solve the crime?

The Seaview Hotel mystery series was shortlisted for Best New Crime Series alongside bestselling series by Richard Osman and Val McDermid in the Dead Good Readers Awards.

Praise for the previous Helen Dexter mysteries:

'I loved Glenda's book and her characters - perfect for all fans of dance, mystery and cosy escapism. Absolutely smashing!' **ANTON DU BEKE**

'Think Richard Osman and Agatha Christie visit Scarborough . . . Cosy crime to a tee' **PETERBOROUGH TELEGRAPH**



Glenda Young credits her local library in the village of Ryhope, where she grew up, for giving her a love of books. She still lives close by in Sunderland and often gets her ideas for her stories on long bike rides along the coast. A life-long fan of Coronation Street, she runs two hugely popular fan websites.

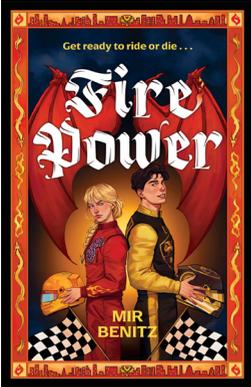
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Fire Power

Mir Benitz



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'Exhilarating, dangerous and a little bit sexy. The genre blend I didn't know I needed' **Hazel McBride, author of *A Fate Forged in Fire***

***Fourth Wing* meets *Formula 1* in this high-action, slow burn sports romantasy as two rival riders reunite at the annual dragon racing Grand Prix.**

The Silverscale Grand Prix is the national championship of dragon racing - a high-speed, often deadly, elite sport with an unimaginably big cash prize.

Asta and her dragon Carmine are unlikely competitors. No sponsors, no high-tech gear, no fans out in the stands. Not to mention that a female rider hasn't won the Prix for nearly sixty years.

The odds are stacked against them - but Asta is determined to prove everyone wrong: the training school that kicked her out for fighting a classmate, her family who wished she'd never left the farm, and, most of all, her infuriatingly arrogant childhood-best-friend-turned-rival Felix, the poster-boy heir to the Seraphin racing dynasty and reigning tournament champion.

Raw talent alone won't be enough to get Asta and Carmine through these races - and it soon becomes clear that the risks Asta has taken to get to Silverscale could have devastating consequences.

Perfect for fans of *The Irresistible Urge to Fall for Your Enemy*, *The Princess Knight*, *Divine Rivals* or *Cross the Line*.



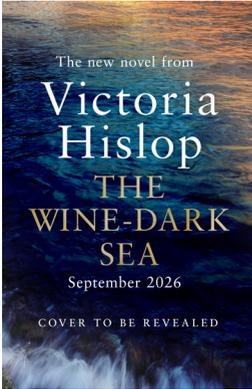
Mir Benitz writes about imperfect people adventuring into love. Also, dragons. An eclectic reader, Mir is just as comfortable curled up with obscure 19th-century short fiction as she is with the latest bestseller. When she's not doing something literary, you can probably find her hacking back the weeds in her garden or tackling a house project slightly beyond her abilities. But you will never, under any circumstances, find her playing air hockey.

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The Wine-Dark Sea

Victoria Hislop



**DISCOVER FOR YOURSELF WHY TEN MILLION READERS
WORLDWIDE LOVE THE NOVELS OF VICTORIA HISLOP**

Bestselling author Victoria Hislop explores the turbulence of the post-war era in Greece in this unforgettable and riveting new novel.

During three years of brutal civil war in Greece, thousands of children were caught in the chaos that swept across the country. Huge numbers were orphaned, many found themselves imprisoned alongside their mothers and others were left to fend for themselves. *The Wine-Dark Sea* follows the travails of a mother, searching for both a daughter who has been kidnapped and taken behind the Iron Curtain and a boy who, unbeknown to her, has been sold into adoption.

Praise for Victoria Hislop:

'Glorious Greek setting and rich historical detail' *Woman & Home*

'Fascinating and moving ... Hislop writes unforgettably' *The Times*

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She is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Literature and holds Honorary Doctorates from the Universities of Patra and Sheffield. In 2025, she was awarded the Byron Medal for Philhellenism at the Athens Academy and became the first woman to become an honorary member of the Society of Greek Writers.



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River of Words: Joni Mitchell at the BBC

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The life of an icon, in her own words.

Joni Mitchell had a unique relationship with the BBC, making appearances on 'the beeb' throughout her career. An anonymous talent, a blossoming starlet, a white-hot star and a bona fide legend: the BBC had the inside scoop on it all.

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Compiled and guided by BBC journalist Tom Hagler, *River of Words: Joni Mitchell at the BBC* is the complete story of an incredible life lived on the airwaves.

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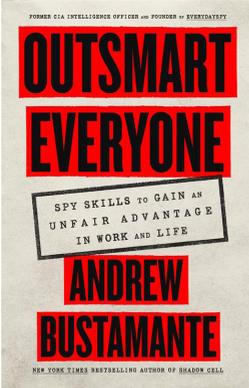
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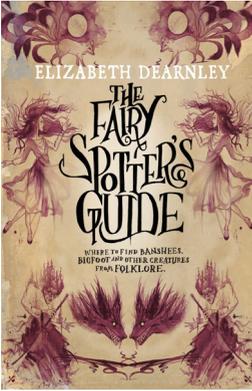
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The Fairy Spotter's Guide: Where to Find Banshees, Bigfoot and Other Creatures from Folklore

Elizabeth Dearnley



No matter where you are, you're never far from a door to the Otherworld ...

From the bloodthirsty baobhan sith of the Scottish Highlands to the mischievous trasgu creeping beneath your floorboards, the world is teeming with hidden, magical beings.

The Fairy Spotter's Guide is your essential companion for navigating the world of the uncanny. Journey across continents and cultures as you uncover the origins - both real and mythological - of 80 extraordinary folk creatures, from mermaids and bigfoot to shapeshifters and spectral hounds.

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Watch your step. Not all fairies are friendly.



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The Real Nigel Farage

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Nigel Farage is arguably the most consequential British politician of our age, and on current polling he is set to become the UK prime minister after the next general election. But aspects of his life story remain shrouded in mystery. Who is the real Nigel Farage, and does he possess the qualities to lead the country at a time of domestic turmoil and international peril?

Based on interviews and reporting in the UK and across Europe by the fearless John Sweeney, *The Real Nigel Farage* will be published just ahead of the 2026 autumn party conference season as battlelines are drawn for the next election and the contest to lead the Right intensifies.

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John Sweeney is a writer and journalist who has challenged dictators, despots, cult leaders, con artists and crooked businessmen for almost half a century. As a reporter, first for the *Observer* and then for the *BBC*, he has covered wars in around 100 countries and has been undercover in the danger zones of Chechnya, North Korea and Zimbabwe. The author of 16 books, including the *Sunday Times* bestseller *Killer in the Kremlin*, he has challenged both Donald Trump and Vladimir Putin face-to-face.

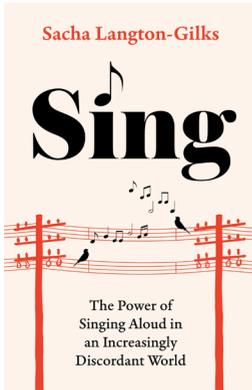
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Sing

Sacha Langton-Gilks



A celebration of the power of singing, drawing on the latest research on the many and varied health and social benefits. Perfect for fans of *Breath* by James Nestor, *Wintering* by Katherine May and *Year of Wonder* by Clemency Burton-Hill.

When was the last time you sang out loud? Singing has always been a part of Sacha' Langton Gilks's life, both personally and professionally, and has got her through some of the darkest times in her life. As a singing teacher, she has seen first-hand the power that singing has to change people's lives.

It has been proven that people who regularly sing in a group have lower rates of depression and higher levels of wellbeing and life satisfaction than others. But with fewer people attending church or other religious institutions, and music budgets being slashed in schools, group singing is on the decline.

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In this book, Sacha sets out to persuade the reader not just that everyone can sing, but also that they should. With new health benefits of singing emerging all the time, helping everything from memory loss to mood disorders, and from chronic pain to Long Covid, this book is a fascinating exploration of the power of song that will help you to find your voice again.



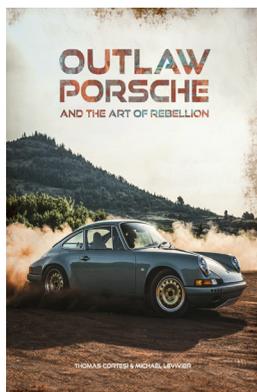
Sacha Langton-Gilks lives, works and gardens in Dorset. Trained as a choral scholar at Trinity College, Cambridge, soon after they first admitted women, she then won a place at The Guildhall School of Music and Drama, London and on several courses at The Britten-Pears School, Aldeburgh. After her three children were born, she ran the Primary School Choir in her village for twenty years and then went on to direct the secondary school choir in their local town for a decade as well as teach singing one on one. Sacha teaches singing to anyone who wants to express themselves: children of reading age upwards including one with nodules, another with brain damage, the neurodiverse and adults including actors (only one famous one!) and a dementia patient. Her husband, Toby, founded and runs The Urban Beat Shop in Guys Marsh Prison.

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Outlaw: Porsche and the Art of Rebellion

Thomas Cortesi, Michaël Levivier



An Outlaw is more than just a Porsche. It's a work of art.

Discover the passion, design, history and craftsmanship behind some of the most breathtaking cars ever created in *Outlaw: Porsche and the Art of Rebellion*. Through more than 200 stunning photographs, this beautifully illustrated volume showcases more than a dozen hot-rodded Porsches in incredible detail, telling the stories behind each and detailing the unique features, scars and personalities that have helped bring these one-of-a-kind vehicles to life.

The first Outlaws were born in the US in the 1980s. The idea: to bring abandoned Porsches back to life by breaking all the rules of original restoration. This was customisation as rebellion, and it's a subculture that has grown to span the globe. Now, there are Outlaws everywhere - each a singular, rugged fusion of engineering and art. Through exceptional photography and interviews with key players in the Outlaw scene - including the legendary Emory Motorsport - this is the definitive celebration of Porsche's premier modding scene.

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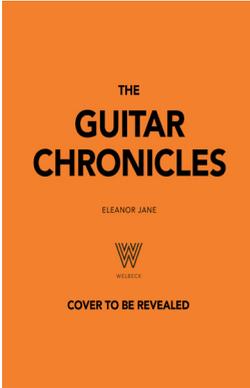


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The Guitar Chronicles

Eleanor Jane



From blazing fires to deadly hurricanes, and from years of abuse on dive bar stages to decades forgotten in dusty corners, these stunning guitars have survived storied lives to sing as sweetly as ever.

The Guitar Chronicles celebrates fifty exquisite rare and vintage guitars and shares the stories they carry within their battle-scarred shells.

Renowned photographer Eleanor Jane has travelled the world collecting breathtaking images that capture the souls of these forgotten heroes and documenting the fascinating lives they have led.

From long-lost prototypes to nicotine-stained soldiers, and from chipped Les Paul Goldtops to grubby Fender Telecasters, this glorious collection celebrates magical instruments that have lived through sweat, smoke, abuse and neglect - and emerged to tell their tales.

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With beautiful photography in a luxury package, this is essential reading for the guitar enthusiast and a heartfelt homage to the enduring spirit of the six-string.



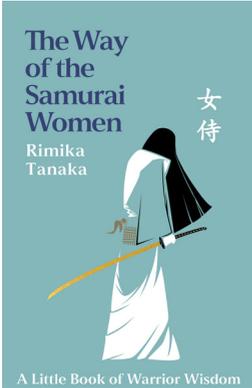
Eleanor Jane is a writer and photographer in the music industry. She specialises in photographing artist portraits and high-end vintage and culturally significant guitars. Her work has been published in various books and magazines all over the world and she is particularly known for her detailed and atmospheric photographs of iconic guitars, shot in such a way as to evoke the spirit of the instrument.

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The Way of the Samurai Women

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When Rimika Tanaka's mother Akemi died in 2021, Rimika decided to embark on an exploration of her maternal family's Samurai heritage, and what it could teach her about how to live more fully today.

In recent decades, the Samurai have been made famous by ongoing movies, comics, computer games, and even fashion - and also in the hands of businessmen looking for a skillset for productivity, resilience and other macho ideals. But some Samurai, indeed the Samurai left behind to defend the homestead, were always women. In this book, Rimika explores how we, today, can reclaim this ancient wisdom, much of it held in the great and popular philosophical tradition of Zen Buddhism, for our times and in a more inclusive and holistic way.

Readers will discover the inspirational example of historical Samurai Women, alongside contemporary women who possess the Samurai spirit.

The book delves into concepts which allowed Samurai to survive: for example, Zen meditation, nature worship, and mindful movement. Along the way, the book offers exercises to help us channel the wisdom of Samurai. *The Way of the Samurai Women* offers:

Lessons on how to live with vitality and to see beauty in the inevitable passage of time.

Understanding the power of friendship, community and support from others through the Samurai concepts of loyalty and honour.

How to develop your courage, sense of empowerment, and knowing to trust yourself through Samurai wisdom.

How creativity flows through us, like a warrior or an artist, and how this way of being allows us to live life fully.



Rimika Tanaka is a writer and researcher who works in the performing arts. She is currently based at a dance conservatoire in London with the mission to widen access and participation in ballet and contemporary dance.

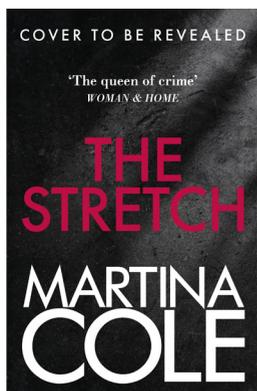
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The Stretch

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Martina Cole's first novel *Dangerous Lady* caused a sensation when it was published, and launched one of the bestselling fiction writers of her generation.

Martina has since gone on to have seventeen No. 1 bestsellers. She won the British Book Award for Crime Thriller of the Year with *The Take*, which then went on to be a hit TV series for Sky 1.

Four of her novels have made it on the screen, with more in production, and three have been adapted as stage plays. Her unique, powerful storytelling is acclaimed for its hard-hitting, true-to-life style - there is no one like Martina Cole.

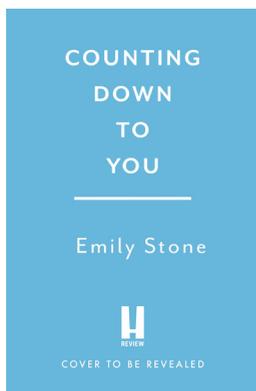


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Counting Down to You

Emily Stone



A young woman travels to the Alps to complete her best friend's last request - and finds a love that's closer to home than she realises in this gorgeous festive romance from the author of *Always, in December* and *Yours for the Season*.

Ali has always loved Christmas. She and her best friend Robyn had an annual tradition to exchange advent calendars filled, not with chocolate, but with fun challenges to complete.

Only this year, there is no Robyn, and everything has changed. Ali is dreading December, and the reminders it will bring.

But before she died, Robyn left Ali one last calendar.

The first challenge? Book a flight to Chatel, in the French Alps.

The second challenge? Post a selfie with an attractive man to make your ex jealous . . .

Determined to give Robyn's calendar her all, Ali arranges a job in a luxury hotel in Chatel, nestled in the gorgeous snowcapped mountains. But when she arrives, who does Ali run into? Leo, the unsuspecting man from her second challenge - who her coworkers now think she is dating.

As Ali attempts to embrace the remaining challenges with her surly fake-boyfriend Leo, will she be able to let go of the past and open her heart up to love again?

Your favourite authors love Emily Stone...

'Romantic and full of warmth' **SARAH MORGAN**

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'A life-affirming story that will wrap around you like a hug in any season' **JOSIE SILVER**

Emily Stone is the author of five bestselling festive romance novels, including *Always, in December*. Her novels have been translated into eleven languages. Emily has lived in many places over the years, before finally settling down in Bristol, where she spends most of her free time with her two rescue ponies. Emily Stone is the pen name for Becky Hunter, and she also writes speculative romance under her own name.

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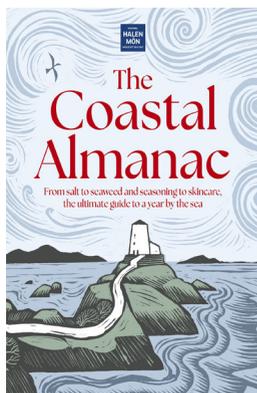
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The Coastal Almanac

Jess Lea-Wilson



The ultimate guide to year spent by, and inspired by, the sea. With recipes, crafts, spotter's guides and more, this is the complete seasonal companion to the coast.

Having started the world-renowned salt company Halen Môn, the Lea-Wilson family are skilled at making the most of the sea's rich offerings. Rooted in the beautiful coast of Anglesey, this book shows the reader how to embrace all aspects of being by the sea, physically and mentally. Featuring stunning photography and illustrations, this book will connect with anyone who recognises the restorative and inspirational power of being by the sea.

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Jess Lea-Wilson is the brand director of Halen Môn, a renowned salt company with fans including Heston Blumenthal, Gordon Ramsay and even Barack Obama. It has been served at the London 2012 Olympics, political summits and royal weddings and is a vital ingredient in Green & Blacks chocolate and Piper's Crisps. They have featured in a dizzying array of media, and have established themselves as a premier British brand, stocked in Waitrose, Ocado, and numerous other stockists. Their range has now expanded to include a wide range of food products and skincare, alongside experiences (such as seaweed baths) at their HQ. Jess lives in Anglesey, Wales.

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Stephen Sackur is one of the most respected news journalists in the country. For nearly 20 years, as the lead presenter of the BBC's HARDtalk, he deployed a fearless, forensic style of questioning as the programme's inquisitor-in-chief. In *Hard Truth* he issues a rallying cry for the vital and continuing role of investigative journalism in holding the powerful to account.

From Daniel Ellsberg's exposé of the Pentagon papers to Alexei Navalny's anti-corruption fight in Russia - via the shocking murder of Daphne Caruana who took on systemic corruption in Malta - *Hard Truth* highlights ten dramatic cases when brave journalists told truth to power, sometimes paying the ultimate price.

In a world turned toxic by disinformation, where lies are weaponised and the truth is targeted, independent journalists are increasingly on the frontline of the fight to save democracy. *Hard Truth* demonstrates that it is a fight that can still be won.



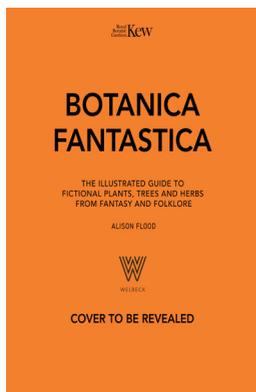
Stephen Sackur joined the BBC as a graduate trainee and spent many years as a foreign correspondent, covering the 1989 revolutions and the fall of the Berlin Wall, and the first Gulf War. He was based in Cairo from 1992 to 1995, and in Jerusalem from 1995 to 1997. He then moved to Washington where he covered the 2000 election. He presented *HARDtalk* from 2005 to the final episode in March 2025. In June 2025 Stephen joined *Times Radio* as a regular presenter of *The Times* at One.

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Botanica Fantastica

Alison Flood & Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew



Botanica Fantastica brings to life the astonishing fictional plant creations of some of the world's favourite authors and creators.

Featuring over 100 illustrations, specially drawn by artist Emma Tudor-Bloch to visualise these species as if real, this book will combine expert analysis of these iconic creations and the worlds they inhabit, as well as exploration of the real-life species that inspired the authors. From Middle Earth and Hogwarts to Buffy the Vampire Slayer and Zelda, and from red weed and cordyceps to piranha plants and triffids, every self-respecting fantasy or supernatural imagining has its own botanical world full of characterful and powerful plants.

Created with the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, and New Scientist comment and culture editor Alison Flood, *Botanica Fantastica* is a sumptuously illustrated journey into the bizarre botanical creations of some of science fiction and fantasy's most ingenious minds.

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THE ROYAL BOTANIC GARDENS, KEW is a world-famous scientific organisation, holding an unrivalled position for its outstanding collections of plants and fungi, artefacts and art, world-class Herbarium as well as its expertise in plant diversity, conservation and sustainable development. From its beginnings as a small physic garden in 1759 it has grown to become a top international visitor attraction and UNESCO World Heritage Site. Kew's 132 hectares of stunning landscaped gardens and iconic glasshouses make it one of the world's best-loved gardens, a paradise for plant lovers, offering a wealth of ideas and inspiration to all.

Alison Flood is *New Scientist's* comment and culture editor. She was previously books writer for *The Guardian*. She judged the Baillie Gifford Prize for Non-Fiction in 2024, chairs the British Book Awards' Crime and Thriller Book of the Year award and has also judged the Costa first novel award and the Orwell prize for political fiction. She has contributed essays and forewords for titles including *Poor Souls' Light*, a collection of stories inspired by Robert Aickman, and *Literary Landscapes*. She writes a monthly round-up of the best new science fiction for *New Scientist*, and also runs the New Scientist Book Club. She lives in London, UK.

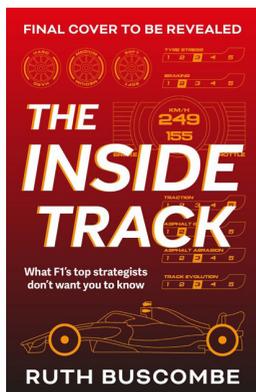


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The Inside Track: All You Need To Know to Go Racing

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Discover each of the 24 races on the F1 circuit from the driver's perspective in this short, fresh, punchy guide, breaking down each and every turn from Monaco to Abu Dhabi, and Miami to Silverstone. Top analyst and engineer Ruth Buscombe knows how to crunch the data, having guided some of the world's most successful drivers through high-stakes competitions, broadcast for the F1 channel from around the world, and consulted on F1: The Movie. Knowing what drivers prepare for, what happens behind the scenes, how to design a tyre strategy and when to watch out for Godzilla, every chapter provides unmissable racing stories alongside a trackside briefing for F1 die-hards and newcomers alike.

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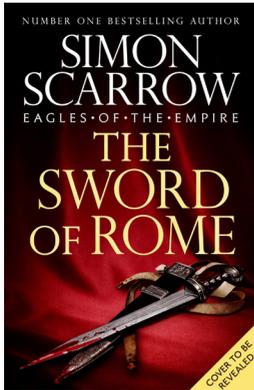
Simon Kernick is a number one bestseller and one of the UK's most popular thriller writers, with huge hits including *KILL A STRANGER*, *GOOD COP BAD COP*, *RELENTLESS*, *THE LAST 10 SECONDS*, *SIEGE* and the *BONE FIELD* series.

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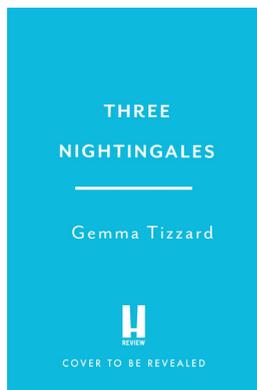
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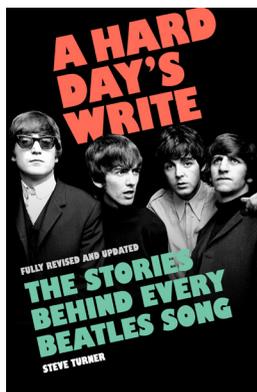
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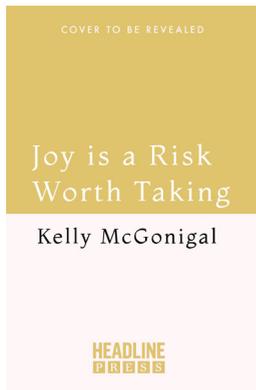
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Joy is a Risk Worth Taking

Kelly McGonigal



What if joy isn't something you have to wait for, but something you can choose?

In this paradigm-shifting book, bestselling author and renowned psychologist Kelly McGonigal reveals why joy is one of our core existential resources. Research shows that joy gives life meaning, and helps us feel hope and closeness to others. But in spite of its clear benefits, there is a tension underlying our experience of joy. We may resist joy because it feels like a warning that something bad is going to happen next. Or, we may not let ourselves embrace a moment of uplift because it feels frivolous or too fleeting to trust.

Weaving together personal storytelling with insights from psychology, neuroscience, and medicine, McGonigal offers tangible ways we can overcome these obstacles. You'll discover:

The three main functions of joy and how it works in the brain

The joyful experiences that light you up

How to counteract joy dampening, or our tendency to avoid positive emotions

20 "joy experiments" you can begin implementing into your life today

Joy is a spark people feel in small moments, but its powerful effects are long. McGonigal offers practical ways we can shift our focus toward creating joy, savouring it, sharing it, and celebrating it. Motivating and uplifting, *Joy Is a Risk Worth Taking* show that living with joy is an act of courage.

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