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# IMPRINTS



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# Our Darkest Night

## JENNIFER ROBSON



05/01/2021

Headline Review

9781472280688

Paperback Original | £9.99



**TO SAVE THOSE SHE LOVES, SHE MUST MAKE THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE.**

In *Our Darkest Night*, internationally bestselling author of *The Gown*, Jennifer Robson, tells an unforgettable story of terror, hope, love, and sacrifice, that vividly evokes the most perilous days of World War II. Inspired by true events.

It is the autumn of 1943, and life is becoming increasingly perilous for Italian Jews like the Mazin family. With Nazi Germany now occupying most of her beloved homeland, and the threat of imprisonment and deportation growing ever more certain, Antonina Mazin has but one hope to survive - to leave Venice and her beloved parents and hide in the countryside with a man she has only just met.

Nico Gerardi was studying for the priesthood until circumstances forced him to leave the seminary to run his family's farm. A moral and just man, he could not stand by when the fascists and Nazis began taking innocent lives. Rather than risk a perilous escape across the mountains, Nina will pose as his new bride. And to keep her safe and protect secrets of his own, Nico and Nina must convince prying eyes they are happily married and in love.

As Nina and Nico come to know each other, their feelings deepen, transforming their relationship into much more than a charade. Yet both fear that every passing day brings them closer to being torn apart...

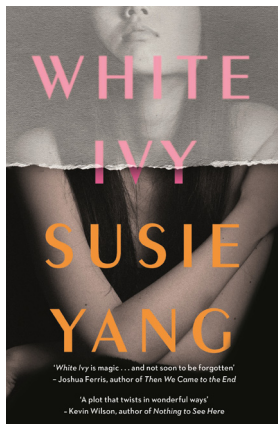


**Jennifer Robson** is the *USA Today* and No. 1 *Toronto Globe & Mail* bestselling author of historical novels, including *The Gown*. She studied French literature and modern history as an undergraduate at the University of Western Ontario-King's College, then obtained her doctorate in British economic and social history at St. Antony's College at the University of Oxford, England.

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# White Ivy

## SUSIE YANG



07/01/2021  
Wildfire  
9781472281777  
Hardback | £18.99



'White Ivy is magic' JOSHUA FERRIS, author of *Then We Came to the End*

'Ivy Lin eviscerates the model minority stereotype with a smile on her lips and boot on your neck' LUCY TAN, author of *What We Were Promised*

Ivy Lin was a thief. But you'd never know it to look at her...

Ivy Lin, a Chinese immigrant growing up in a low-income apartment complex outside Boston, is desperate to assimilate with her American peers. Her parents disapprove, berating her for her mediocre grades and what they see as her lazy, entitled attitude. But Ivy has a secret weapon, her grandmother Meifeng, from whom she learns to shoplift to get the things she needs to fit in.

Ivy develops a taste for winning and for wealth. As an adult, she reconnects with the blond-haired golden boy of a prominent political family, and thinks it's fate. But just as Ivy is about to have everything she's ever wanted, a ghost from her past resurfaces, threatening the almost-perfect life she's worked so hard to build.

Filled with surprising twists, and offering sharp insights into the immigrant experience, *White Ivy* is both a love triangle and a coming-of-age story - as well as a dark glimpse at what can happen when we yearn for success at any cost.

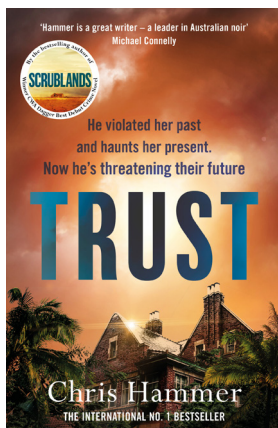


**Susie Yang** was born in China and came to the United States as a child. After receiving her doctorate of pharmacy from Rutgers University, she launched a tech startup in San Francisco that has taught twenty thousand people how to code. She has studied creative writing at Tin House and Sackett Street. She has lived across the United States, Europe, and Asia, and now resides in the UK. *White Ivy* is her first novel.

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# Trust

## CHRIS HAMMER



07/01/2021

Wildfire

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Hardback | £16.99



The stunning new novel from the John Creasey (New Blood) Dagger winning and bestselling author of *Scrublands* and 'master of Australian noir' Chris Hammer.

On a bright sunny day in Port Silver, ex-journalist Martin Scarsden misses a call from his girlfriend Mandy. Checking his voicemail later, all he hears is her terrified scream before the phone cuts off.

Back at the house, he finds a policeman unconscious on the floor, and Mandy gone.

So starts a twisting tale of intrigue and danger, as Martin probes the past of the woman he loves, a woman who has buried her former life deep.

And for the first time, Mandy finds denial impossible, now the body of a man has been discovered - a man to whom she was engaged to marry. It's time to face her demons once and for all; it's time she learned how to trust.

**'Hammer is a great writer - a leader in Australian noir'**  
**MICHAEL CONNELLY**

**Chris Hammer** was a journalist for more than thirty years, dividing his career between covering Australian federal politics and international affairs. For many years he was a roving foreign correspondent for SBS TV's flagship current affairs program Dateline. He has reported from more than thirty countries on six continents.

Chris's non-fiction book, *The River*, published in 2010 to critical acclaim, was the recipient of the ACT Book of the Year Award and was shortlisted for the Walkley Book Award. *Scrublands*, his first novel, was published in 2018 and won the John Creasey (New Blood) Dagger Award, as well as being shortlisted for Best Debut Fiction at the Indie Book Awards, and Best General Fiction at the ABIA Awards. It has also been longlisted for the Ned Kelly Best Crime Novel of the Year. *Scrublands* was optioned for television by Easy Tiger (a FremantleMedia company).

Canberra



# How the One-Armed Sister Sweeps Her House

## CHERIE JONES



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Tinder Press  
9781472268778  
Hardback | £16.99



**'A hard-hitting and unflinching novel from a bold new writer' BERNARDINE EVARISTO**

**'A bright new star. Cherie Jones draws us with skill, delicacy and glorious style into a vortex of Bajan lives on the edge' DIANA EVANS**

In Baxter's Beach, Barbados, Lala's grandmother Wilma tells the story of the one-armed sister, a cautionary tale about what happens to girls who disobey their mothers.

For Wilma, it's the story of a wilful adventurer, who ignores the warnings of those around her, and suffers as a result.

When Lala grows up, she sees it offers hope - of life after losing a baby in the most terrible of circumstances and marrying the wrong man.

And Mira Whalen? It's about keeping alive, trying to make sense of the fact that her husband has been murdered, and she didn't get the chance to tell him that she loved him after all.

*How the One-Armed Sister Sweeps her House* is the powerful, intense story of three marriages, and of a beautiful island paradise where, beyond the white sand beaches and the wealthy tourists, lies poverty, menacing violence and the story of the sacrifices some women make to survive.

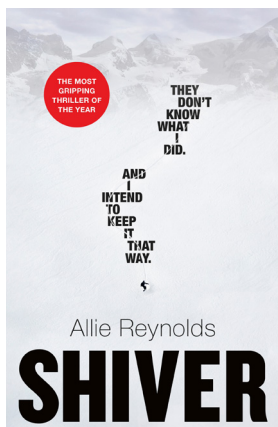


**Cherie Jones** is a lawyer based in Barbados. She won the Commonwealth Short Story Prize in 1999. She then studied Creative Writing at Sheffield Hallam in 2015, where she won both the Archie Markham Award and the A.M. Heath Prize. In 2015 she was also awarded a full fellowship from the Vermont Studio Centre. A collection of inter-connected stories set in a different small community in Barbados won the third prize in the Frank Collymore Endowment Awards in 2016.

🐦 @csajthewriter | Barbados

# Shiver

## ALLIE REYNOLDS



21/01/2021

Headline

9781472270245

Hardback | £12.99



**They don't know what I did. And I intend to keep it that way.**

How far would you go to win? Hyper-competitive people, mind games and a dangerous natural environment combine to make the must-read thriller of the year. Fans of Lucy Foley and Lisa Jewell will be gripped by spectacular debut novel *Shiver*.

When Milla is invited to a reunion in the French Alps resort that saw the peak of her snowboarding career, she drops everything to go. While she would rather forget the events of that winter, the invitation comes from Curtis, the one person she can't seem to let go.

The five friends haven't seen each other for ten years, since the disappearance of the beautiful and enigmatic Saskia. But when an icebreaker game turns menacing, they realise they don't know who has really gathered them there and how far they will go to find the truth.

In a deserted lodge high up a mountain, the secrets of the past are about to come to light.



British-born **Allie Reynolds** is a former freestyle snowboarder who spent five winters in the mountains of France, Switzerland, Austria, and Canada. Her short fiction has been published in women's magazines in the UK, Australia, Sweden, and South Africa. She lives by the beach in Queensland, Australia. *Shiver* is her debut novel.

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# And Now You're Back

## JILL MANSELL



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 Headline Review  
 9781472248541  
 Hardback | £14.99



'One of my favourite writers' KATIE FFORDE

'Jill Mansell is the queen of witty, heart-warming, feel-good love stories' RED

One magical winter's night in Venice, Didi fell in love. But it ended - and he left without even saying goodbye.

Now, thirteen years on, Shay Mason is back.

Of course the old spark is still there, but that's as far as it goes. Didi won't let the past unsettle her present: as manager of one of the most stunning hotels in the Cotswolds, she's happy at last and soon to be married. Anyway, Shay isn't staying. He's made a promise to his wayward father, that's all. He's going to keep it. And then he'll be gone.

But Shay's return stirs up long-forgotten emotions in idyllic Elliscombe, and the scandal that led him to leave raises its head once again. More than one person isn't telling the whole truth. The time has come for buried secrets to come to light. And it seems that this was someone's intention all along . . .

From the beloved and bestselling author of *Maybe This Time* and *Three Amazing Things About You* comes a fabulous new novel about love, friendship and finding the way to your best life.



**Jill Mansell** started writing fiction while working in the NHS, after she read a magazine article that inspired her to join a local creative writing class. She has since written over twenty Sunday Times bestsellers, including *It Started With A Secret*, *Maybe This Time*, *This Could Change Everything*, *The One You Really Want* and *You And Me, Always*, and her books have sold over 11 million copies around the world.

Jill's hobbies include buying stationery, particularly magical new colours of ink for the fountain pen she uses to write all her books. She lives in Bristol with her family.

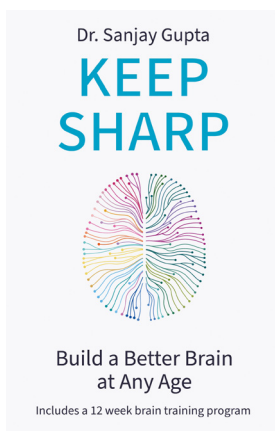
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# Keep Sharp

Build a Better Brain at Any Age

DR SANJAY GUPTA



05/01/2021

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9781472274212

Trade Paperback | £14.99



**An exciting new science-driven guide to protecting your mind from decline.**

Throughout our lives, we are always looking for ways to keep our mind sharp and effortlessly productive. In this book, globetrotting neurosurgeon Dr Sanjay Gupta offers insights from top scientists all over the world, whose cutting edge research can help you heighten and protect brain function and maintain cognitive health at any age.

*Keep Sharp* debunks common myths about ageing and cognitive decline, explores whether there's a 'best' diet or exercise regimen for the brain, and explains whether it's healthier to play video games that test memory and processing speed, or to engage in more social interaction.

Discover what we can learn from 'super-brained' people who are in their eighties and nineties but showing no signs of slowing down - and whether there are truly any benefits to drugs, supplements and vitamins. Dr Gupta also addresses brain disease, particularly Alzheimer's, answers all your questions about signs and symptoms, and shows you both how to ward against it and how to care for a partner in cognitive decline.

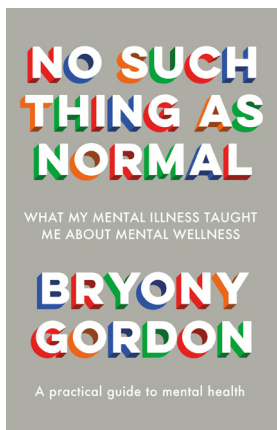
The book also provides readers with a personalized twelve-week programme featuring practical strategies to strengthen your brain every day.

**Dr Gupta** is the multiple Emmy® award winning chief medical correspondent for CNN. Gupta, a practicing neurosurgeon, plays an integral role in CNN's reporting on health and medical news for all of CNN's shows domestically and internationally. His bestselling book *Chasing Life: New Discoveries in the Search for Immortality to Help You Age Less* was made into a 6-part documentary on CNN and focused on Dr. Gupta's travels to Japan, India, Bolivia, Norway, Italy, and Turkey to uncover secrets to living a longer and better life.

🐦 @drsanjaygupta

# No Such Thing As Normal

## BRYONY GORDON



07/01/2021

Headline

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Hardback | £14.99



As one of the UK's leading mental health spokeswomen, Bryony Gordon has become an expert on how to get better and sustain mental wellbeing. From discussing mental health with everyone from Prince Harry to those in the global peer support network - Mental Health Mates - that she founded, to battling her own issues with alcoholism and OCD, Bryony Gordon understands the complex journey back to mental wellbeing.

*No Such Thing As Normal* will be a mental health guide that offers sensible, practical advice that cuts through the instagram-wellness bubble to talk about what people really need to change - and how - in order to feel stronger, better and just a little bit less alone.

Discussing issues such as diet, sleep, addiction, meditation, self image, suicide prevention, self harm, mindfulness and, of course, as the founder of Mental Health Mates, the power of walking and talking, this is a mental health guide like no other.

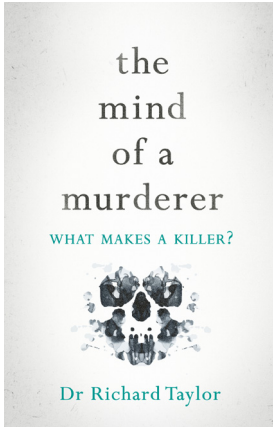


In the 18 years that she has worked for the *Telegraph*, **Bryony Gordon** has become one of the paper's best-loved writers. She is the author of the bestselling *The Wrong Knickers* plus *The Sunday Times* Number One bestseller *Mad Girl* which was nominated for a British Book Award. Her weekly column in the *Sunday Telegraph* has won her an army of fans who have followed her journey from single girl about town to - finally! - settled mum. Bryony is now 37 and lives in Nappy Valley (Clapham) with her daughter Edie and her husband, a financial journalist. The last sentence is one she never thought she would see written down on paper.

[@bryony\\_gordon](#) | London

# The Mind of a Murderer

## RICHARD TAYLOR



21/01/2021

Wildfire

9781472268198

Hardback | £20.00



**'Whodunnit' doesn't matter so much, not to a forensic psychiatrist. We're more interested in the 'why'.**

In his twenty-six years in the field, Richard Taylor has worked on well over a hundred murder cases, with victims and perpetrators from all walks of life. In this fascinating memoir, Taylor draws on some of the most tragic, horrific and illuminating of these cases - as well as dark secrets from his own family's past - to explore some of the questions he grapples with every day:

Why do people kill?

Does committing a monstrous act make someone a monster?

Could any of us, in the wrong circumstances, become a killer?

As Taylor helps us understand what lies inside the minds of those charged with murder - both prisoners he has assessed and patients he has treated - he presents us with the most important challenge of all: how can we even begin to comprehend the darkest of human deeds, and why it is so vital that we try?

*The Mind of a Murderer* is a fascinating exploration into the psyche of killers, as well as a unique insight into the life and mind of the doctor who treats them. For fans of *Unnatural Causes*, *The Examined Life* and *All That Remains*.

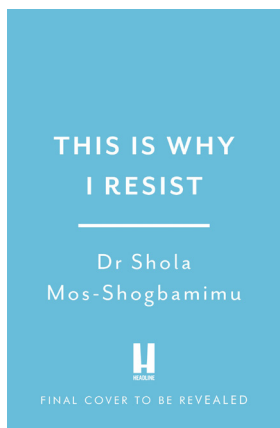


**Richard Taylor** was born in Singapore and grew up in the south of England. He trained as a doctor at University College London, and was inspired to move into psychiatry, and then forensic psychiatry, by some of the stabbing victims he treated in A&E as a junior doctor; long after the life-threatening injuries had been dealt with, he would find himself wondering about the narrative behind the crime - who attacked whom, and why?



# This is Why I Resist

## DR SHOLA MOS-SHOGBAMIMU



21/01/2021

Headline

9781472280763

Hardback | £16.99



**This book is the hard conversation we must have.**

Black people are still fighting for the right to be judged by the content of their character and not the colour of their skin, and in the words of the author, "there is no freedom without rights and no rights without the freedom to exercise those rights."

This book demands change, because black people are done waiting.

In *This Is Why I Resist* activist and political commentator, Dr Shola Mos-Shogbamimu digs down into the deep roots of racism and anti-blackness in the UK and the US. Using real life examples from the modern day, Dr Shola shows how the racism that manifests in our day-to-day lives is a product of a long history of white supremacy and oppression.

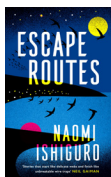
This book is an unfettered call to anti-racist action.

**It's time for a conscious revolution.**



**Dr Shola Mos-Shogbamimu** is a political and women's rights activist, qualified New York Attorney and Solicitor of England & Wales. She is the founder of the Women in Leadership publication. She is a public speaker and political commentator in mainstream and online media, routinely making appearances on Sky News, This Morning, Good Morning Britain and CNN. *This Is Why I Resist* is her first book.

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## Escape Routes

NAOMI ISHIGURO

Fiction • Tinder Press • 21/01/2021 • £9.99 • ISBN: 9781472264862

A delightfully speculative, quirky and magical debut story collection, for fans of David Mitchell and Angela Carter.



## All My Lies Are True

DOROTHY KOOMSON

Fiction • Headline Review • 21/01/2021 • £7.99 • ISBN: 9781472260420

From the bestselling author of *The Ice Cream Girls* comes a gripping emotional thriller of love and obsession and the nature of coercive control.



## A Mother's Sacrifice

JENNIE FELTON

Fiction • Headline • 07/01/2021 • £7.99 • ISBN: 9781472256485

A heartrending standalone saga, filled with romance, tragedy, drama, secrets and triumph in adversity from the author of the *Families of Fairley Terrace* series.



## No Bad Deed

HEATHER CHAVEZ

Fiction • Headline • 08/01/2021 • £8.99 • ISBN: 9781472264749

A split-second decision puts your family in danger. A gripping new thriller that fans of Harlan Coben and Linwood Barclay will read in one sitting.



## Black Wave

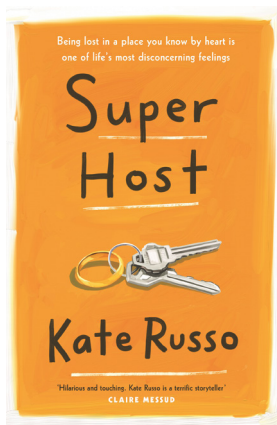
KIM GHATTAS

Non Fiction • Wildfire • 21/01/2021 • £10.99 • ISBN: 9781472271136

A timely and unprecedented examination of how the modern Middle East unravelled, and why it started with the pivotal year of 1979.

# Super Host

## KATE RUSSO



09/02/2021

Tinder Press

9781472270016

Hardback | £18.99



**Being lost in a place you know by heart is one of life's most disconcerting feelings.**

Bennett Driscoll is a Turner Prize nominated artist who was a Bright Young Thing. Now, aged 55, his wife has left him, the reviews have dried up, and his gallery wants to stop selling his paintings, saying they'll have more value retrospectively...when he's dead. So, left with a large West London home and no income, he moves into his painting studio in the back garden and rents out the house, soon reaching status as a Super Host on AirBed.

At last, the money is coming in, but he's loveless and, well, lonely. Turns out his house guests are as quirky, lost and entertaining as Bennett himself, unwittingly unlocking the parts of Bennett's life that have been forgotten to him for too long, but can they help him feel less lost in the place he knows best?

Wry, rueful and rich in observation, *Super Host* provides a delicious portrait of middle-age, marriage, and the underlying fears and loneliness that colour so many lives.



**Kate Russo** grew up in Maine in the US and now divides her time between there and the UK. She has an M.F.A. in painting from the Slade School of Fine Art and exhibits in both the UK and US.



# Run for Cover

## MICHAEL LEDWIDGE



02/02/2021

Headline

9781472283061

Hardback | £20



**'A gloriously pulpy, no-nonsense adventure.'** *The Times*

In this latest pulse-pounding instalment, Michael Gannon is faced with a deadly new mystery that may just be his last . . .

Having escaped a shadowy cabal of the world's most powerful and dangerous men, Gannon seeks refuge in the wilds of Utah on the ranch of one of his oldest and closest friends.

But then his friend's brother is found dead in the rocky foothills of Grand Teton and he soon finds himself teamed up with the FBI on the trail of a dangerous mystery and a head-on collision course with a ruthless killer whose skills at war are as deadly as they come.

From the number one bestselling co-author of James Patterson's Michael Bennett series, this explosive and twisting thriller will grip fans of Lee Child, David Baldacci and Gregg Hurwitz.

**Readers loved *Stop At Nothing*:**

**'Michael Ledwidge is a pro at writing pacy, in-the-moment prose...I was HOOKED.'** \*\*\*\*\* Goodreads review

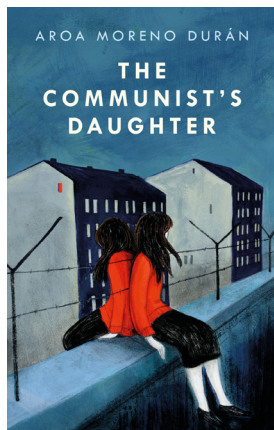
**'You will be on the edge of your seat flipping pages as fast you can.'** \*\*\*\*\* Goodreads review

**'A non-stop adventure guaranteed to entertain.'** \*\*\*\*\* Goodreads review

**Michael Ledwidge** is the author of *The Narrowback*, *Bad Connection*, and most recently the coauthor, with James Patterson, of *The Quickie*, *Step on a Crack*, and *Worst Case*. He has coauthored several *New York Times* bestsellers.

# The Communist's Daughter

## AROA MORENO DURÁN



04/02/2021  
Tinder Press  
9781472268983  
Trade Paperback | £12.99



**'A fascinating story of personal and political uprootedness. . . written with the delicacy that touches the reader's heart' MANUEL VILAS**

**Winner of the Premio Ojo Crítico**

Katia has spent her childhood in the eastern shadow of the Berlin Wall. For her father, refugee of the civil war in Spain, the communist side of Germany represents everything he fought and suffered for. Katia knows no other way of life, until a chance encounter with a young man from the West leaves her to wonder what the other side might offer. It's only after she's made the perilous journey that Katia understands all she has left behind, and years until she will finally know the devastating consequences it had on her family.

Translated for the first time in English, this exquisite and powerful novel punches right to the heart of how one choice can change a whole future.

**'A perfect novel' ALMUDENA GRANDES**

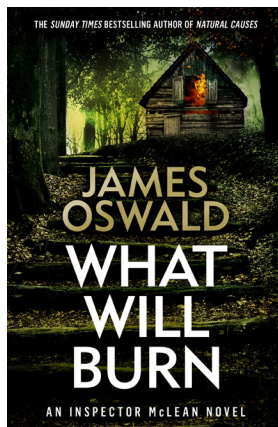


**Aroa Moreno Durán** is the author of the critically acclaimed debut novel *The Communist's Daughter*, winner of the Premio Ojo Crítico for Best Fiction of the Year. She studied journalism in Madrid, has a Masters in Publishing, and a Masters degree in Radio and TV. She is the author of two poetry collections, and author of two biographies on Frida Kahlo and Federico García Lorca. She has taught journalism workshops in Mexico and now writes for Infolibre, La Marea and other media.

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# What Will Burn

## JAMES OSWALD



18/02/2021

Wildfire

9781472276148

Hardback | £16.99



The eleventh book in the *Sunday Times*-bestselling *Inspector McLean* series, from one of Scotland's most celebrated crime writers.

The charred remains of an elderly woman are discovered in a burned-out game-keepers cottage, hidden away in woodland to the west of Edinburgh. Clearly no accidental fire, Detective Inspector Tony McLean suspects that neither is this simply a grim arson attack. There is far more to the victim than her humble surroundings might suggest, and something ritualistic to her horrific murder.

Nor will it be the only case of death by fire that Tony and his team will be faced with. This is only the beginning, and with such evil clouding the air, Tony begins to wonder what else will burn...



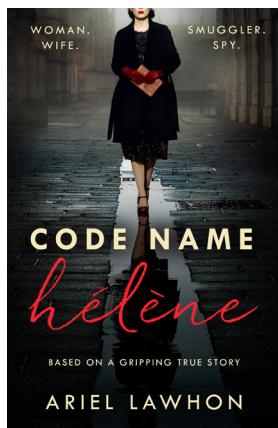
**James Oswald** is the author of the *Sunday Times* bestselling *Inspector McLean* series of detective mysteries, as well as the new *DC Constance Fairchild* series. James's first two books, *Natural Causes* and *The Book of Souls*, were both short-listed for the prestigious CWA Debut Dagger Award. *Bury Them Deep* is the tenth book in the *Inspector McLean* Series.

James farms Highland cows and Romney sheep by day, writes disturbing fiction by night.

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# Code Name Hélène

## ARIEL LAWHON



02/02/2021

Headline Review

9781472275363

Paperback Original | £8.99



Woman. Wife. Smuggler. Spy . . .

TV SERIES IN DEVELOPMENT STARRING ELIZABETH DEBICKI (TENET, THE CROWN) AS NANCY WAKE

A thrilling and heart-wrenching novel inspired by the astonishing real life story of Nancy Wake. Perfect for fans of Suzanne Goldring's *My Name is Eva*, Kate Quinn's *The Alice Network* and Imogen Kealey's *Liberation*, soon to be a blockbuster movie.

'Lawhon breathes new life into Nancy Wake's extraordinary story. Rich and thoroughly researched, an exciting, well-written account of wartime valour and the protagonist's qualities shine through' THE TIMES

In 1936, foreign correspondent, Nancy Wake, witnesses firsthand the terror of Hitler's rise in Europe. No sooner has Nancy met, fallen in love with and agreed to marry French industrialist Henri Fiocca, than the Germans invade France and force her to take on her first code name of many. The Gestapo call her the White Mouse for her remarkable ability to evade capture when smuggling Allied soldiers across borders. She becomes Hélène when she leaves France to train in espionage with an elite special forces group in London. Then, when she returns to France, she is the deadly Madame Andrée. But the closer France gets to liberation, the more exposed Nancy - and the people she loves - will become.

Inspired by true wartime events, *Code Name Hélène* is a gripping and moving story of extraordinary courage, unfaltering resolve, remarkable sacrifice - and enduring love.

**Ariel Lawhon**, author of *I Was Anastasia* (2018), *Flight of Dreams* (2016) and *The Wife, The Maid And The Mistress* (2014), is a critically acclaimed writer of historical fiction. She lives with her family in the rolling hills outside Nashville, Tennessee.

🐦 @ArielLawhon | Nashville

# Finlay Donovan Is Killing It

## ELLE COSIMANO



02/02/2021

Headline Review

9781472282248

Paperback | £8.99



When struggling crime writer Finlay Donovan takes on a life of crime normally reserved for her characters, she finds herself entangled in a real-life murder investigation. Witty and fast-paced, this murder mystery is perfect for fans of Janet Evanovich and Maria Semple.

**'Proves you only need to get mistaken once for a contract killer to solve all your problems' LISA GARDNER**

Finlay Donovan, single mum and floundering crime writer, is having a hard time. Her ex-husband went behind her back to fire the nanny, and this morning she sent her four-year-old to school with hair duct-taped to her head after an unfortunate incident with scissors.

Making it to lunch with her literary agent is a minor victory but, as she's discussing the plot of her latest crime novel, the conversation is misinterpreted by a woman sitting nearby as that of a hit-woman offering her services to dispose of a 'problem' husband.

And when the woman slips Finlay a name and a promise of a large sum of cash, Finlay finds herself plotting something much bigger than her novel.

And, after all, they do always say: write what you know. . .

Finlay Donovan really is killing it . . .

**'Funny and smart, twisty and surprising - Finlay Donovan is a character to root for. This suspenseful romp made me laugh but also kept me on the edge of my seat with its many surprises. I can't wait for the next book!' MEGAN MIRANDA**



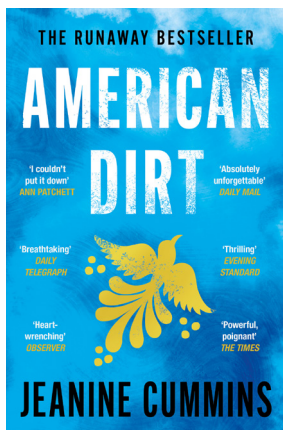
**ELLE COSIMANO** is an award-winning author. Her YA debut, *Nearly Gone*, was an Edgar Award finalist and winner of the International Thriller Award. Her novel *Holding Smoke* was a finalist for the International Thriller Award and the Bram Stoker Award. Her essays have appeared in *The Huffington Post* and *Time*. Elle lives in the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia with her husband, two sons, and her dog. *Finlay Donovan Is Killing It* is her adult debut.

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# American Dirt

## JEANINE CUMMINS



18/02/2021  
Tinder Press  
9781472261403  
Paperback | £8.99



**'I haven't been so entirely consumed by a book for years'**  
**DAILY TELEGRAPH**

Lydia Pérez owns a bookshop in Acapulco and is married to a fearless journalist – Luca, their eight-year-old son, completes the family.

But it only takes a bullet to rip them apart.

In a city in the grip of a drug cartel, friends become enemies overnight and Lydia has no choice but to flee with Luca at her side. North for the border... whatever it takes to stay alive.

The journey is dangerous – not only for them, but for those they encounter along the way. Who can be trusted? And what sacrifices is Lydia prepared to make?

*American Dirt* shines a beam of light into a world where a mother's love for her son – and the kindness of strangers – might just triumph. This extraordinary novel has sold over a million copies since publication: it's time to read what you've been missing.



**Jeanine Cummins** is the author of three previous books, the novels *The Outside Boy* and *The Crooked Branch*, and one true crime work, *A Rip In Heaven*. She lives in New York with her husband and two children.

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# Changing Gear

Creating the Life You Want After a Full On Career

JAN HALL AND JON STOKES



18/02/2020

Headline Home

9781472277008

Trade Paperback | £16.99



**'Changes occur all the time. They can be identifiable and dramatic, or they can emerge imperceptibly, creeping up on you until one day you realise your foundations are less solid than you imagined. At this point in your life you need to find a new path.'**

*Changing Gear* looks at why work is such an important part of a person's identity. The book will be filled with case studies of people who have transitioned from one career to another, or stepped back from work to embrace retirement, and will shine a light on the underlying, and sometimes unconscious, psychological and social dynamics involved.

The book will offer insight, advice and a practical 7-Step Transition Plan to help the reader make decisions and take account of their domestic and professional situations, looking at what's important and how to cope with change, and providing a road map for the future and all the different opportunities it may bring.

Now, more than ever, our working lives have changed and we are all getting used to a new way of doing business. Coping with transition is hard and this book will help the reader to navigate new ways of working, by tapping into the current issues being faced by all workers.

**Jan Hall** ran a number of businesses before becoming one of the UK's top headhunters working regularly with the chairmen and CEOs of some of the world's biggest companies. During her career as a headhunter, CEO and executive coach, she has supported hundreds of professional people in their work transitions and this has also inevitably crossed into their home lives too.

**Jon Stokes** is a Senior Fellow in Management Practice at Saïd Business School, University of Oxford and a chartered clinical psychologist. He has advised a wide range of commercial and public sector organisations including investment banks, professional service firms and the prison service. Today he is a director of Stokes & Jolly and teaches at Oxford University.

# Explosive

The key forensic investigator of Britain's most catastrophic bombing attacks during the course of three turbulent decades

CLIFF TODD



25/02/2021

Headline

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Hardback | £20.00

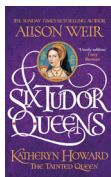


This is life at the front line, or fractionally behind it, of an explosive expert who played a pivotal role in the investigation of the most significant bombings in mainland Britain and elsewhere during the course of three turbulent decades. For 15 years, Cliff Todd was the principal forensic investigator at the UK's Forensic Explosives Laboratory, a clandestine agency whose role is to support the police and the security services in their investigations into bombings of any kind - whether it be the IRA, ISIS, or political extremists. Now, for the first time, he lifts the lid on his specialist world, guiding us through the process by which he and his colleagues worked out how bombs were built, what made them unique, and which clues led to their creators.

Among the cases threaded through his memoir will be the device concealed in a radio cassette player that brought down Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie, the IRA attacks on Warrington in Cheshire and Staples Corner and St Mary Axe in London, the Bali nightclub bombings of 2002, and the 7/7 onslaught in Central London that claimed 56 lives and injured 784 others in 2005. Cliff takes us step by step through the investigations, explaining the chemistry, the forensic work and the emotional toll on him, his family life and his staff as they sought to recreate and understand what had happened at some of the most shocking tragedies in modern peacetime history.

**Cliff Todd** was the principal forensic investigator at the UK's Forensic Explosives Laboratory. He is now retired.





## Six Tudor Queens: Katheryn Howard, The Tainted Queen

ALISON WEIR

Fiction • Headline Review • 04/02/2021 • £8.99 • ISBN: 9781472227812

Alison Weir, historian and author of the *Sunday Times*-bestselling *Six Tudor Queens* series, relates one of the most tragic stories in English history: Katheryn Howard, Henry VIII's fifth queen.



## Catherine House

ELIZABETH THOMAS

Fiction • Tinder Press • 25/02/2021 • £8.99 • ISBN: 9781472262448

'Gothic horror provides the architecture for an arrestingly strange melange of speculative fiction and teen trauma in this atmospheric debut novel.' *The Observer*



## Operative 66

ANDY McDERMOTT

Fiction • Headline • 04/02/2021 • £8.99 • ISBN: 9781472263797

A gripping, action-packed thriller about a deadly government assassin framed as a traitor - with the explosive action of Lee Child, David Baldacci, Gregg Hurwitz, Frank Gardner and James Swallow.



## Say No More

KAREN ROSE

Fiction • Headline • 04/02/2021 • £8.99 • ISBN: 9781472265715

The second novel in the captivating *Sacramento* series from *Sunday Times* bestselling author Karen Rose.



## Emperor's Exile

SIMON SCARROW

Fiction • Headline • 18/02/2021 • £8.99 • ISBN: 9781472258458

The thrilling new Macro and Cato Roman army drama from the *Sunday Times* bestselling author of the *Eagles of the Empire* series, Simon Scarrow.

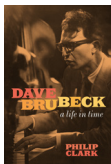


## Honest Secrets

MUNA SHEHADI

Fiction • Headline Review • 04/02/2021 • £8.99 • ISBN: 9781472258755

Utterly enthralling, *Honest Secrets* is a compelling read of family secrets, romance, and self-discovery, perfect for fans of Lucinda Riley and Santa Montefiore.



## Dave Brubeck: A Life in Time

PHILIP CLARK

Non Fiction • Headline • 09/02/2021 • £10.99 • ISBN: 9781472272508

The definitive, investigative biography of jazz legend Dave Brubeck based on first-hand information.

# Who is Maud Dixon?

## ALEXANDRA ANDREWS



04/03/2021

Tinder Press

9781472274670

Hardback | £16.99



### Celebrated, bestselling, elusive...who is Maud Dixon?

Florence Darrow wants to be a writer. Correction: Florence Darrow IS going to be a writer. Fired from her first proper job in publishing, she jumps at the chance to be assistant to the celebrated Maud Dixon, the anonymous bestselling novelist.

The arrangement comes with conditions - high secrecy, endless NDAs, living in an isolated house in the countryside. Before long, the two of them are on a research trip to Morocco, to inspire and help along the much-promised second novel. Beach walks, delicious food, red sunsets and long, whisky-filled evening discussions...win-win, surely? Until Florence wakes up in a hospital, having narrowly survived a car crash. How did it happen - and where is Maud Dixon, who was in the car with her? Florence feels she may have been played, but wait, if Maud is no longer around, maybe Florence can make her mark as a writer after all...



**Alexandra Andrews** has written for ProPublica, New York Magazine and Huffington Post, been a commercial copy writer, and even interned at The Paris Review. She lives in New York with her family.

New York



# While Paris Slept

## RUTH DRUART



04/03/2021

Headline Review

9781472267962

Hardback | £14.99



**Beautiful. Powerful. Unforgettable.** A stunning portrait of the brutality of war and the tenacity of love. In the tradition of Virginia Baily's *Early One Morning* and M. L. Stedman's *The Light Between Oceans*.

Santa Cruz 1953. Jean-Luc thought he had left it all behind. The scar on his face a small price to pay for surviving the horrors of Nazi occupation. Now, he has a new life in California, a family. He never expected the past to come knocking on his door.

Paris 1944. A young woman's future is torn away in a heartbeat. Herded on to a train bound for Auschwitz, in an act of desperation she entrusts her most precious possession to a stranger. All she has left now is hope.

On a darkened platform two destinies become entangled. Their choice will change the future in ways neither could have imagined.

Beginning on an ordinary day and ending on an extraordinary one, *While Paris Slept* is an unforgettable read.

**'A heartbreaking debut that delves into eternal questions: How far will we go to protect our child? Is love holding tightly or letting go?'** JANET SKESLIEN CHARLES, author of *The Paris Library*

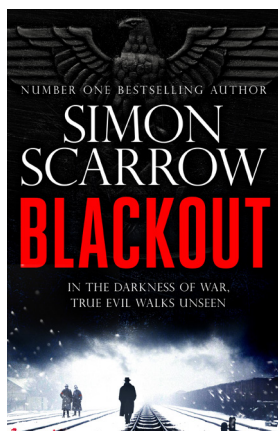


**Ruth Druart** grew up on the Isle of Wight, moving away at the age of eighteen to study psychology at Leicester University. She has lived in Paris since 1993, where she has followed a career in teaching. She has recently taken a sabbatical, so that she can follow her dream of writing full-time.

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# Blackout

## SIMON SCARROW



18/03/2021

Headline

9781472258540

Hardback | £20.00



### Berlin, December 1939

As Germany goes to war, the Nazis tighten their terrifying grip. Paranoia in the capital is intensified by a rigidly enforced blackout that plunges the city into oppressive darkness every night, as the bleak winter sun sets.

When a young woman is found brutally murdered, Criminal Inspector Horst Schenke is under immense pressure to solve the case, swiftly. Treated with suspicion by his superiors for his failure to join the Nazi Party, Schenke walks a perilous line - for disloyalty is a death sentence.

The discovery of a second victim confirms Schenke's worst fears. He must uncover the truth before evil strikes again.

As the investigation takes him closer to the sinister heart of the regime, Schenke realises there is danger everywhere - and the warring factions of the Reich can be as deadly as a killer stalking the streets . . .

**Praise for Simon Scarrow's novels:**

**'A great read' BERNARD CORNWELL**

**'What an amazing roller-coaster of a ride' MANDA SCOTT**

**'Scarrow's rank with the best' INDEPENDENT**

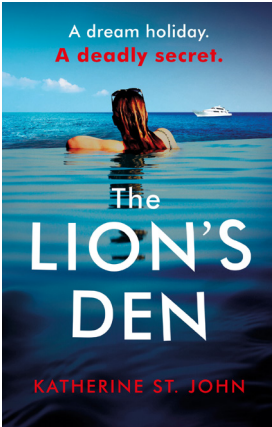
**'Gripping' SUNDAY TIMES**

**Simon Scarrow** is a Sunday Times No. 1 bestselling author. His many successful books include his Eagles of the Empire novels featuring Roman soldiers Macro and Cato, most recently *Traitors of Rome*, *The Blood of Rome*, *Day of the Caesars*, *Invictus* and *Britannia*, as well as *Hearts of Stone*, set in Greece during the Second World War, *Sword and Scimitar*, about the 1565 Siege of Malta, and a quartet about Wellington and Napoleon including the No. 1 *Sunday Times* bestseller *The Fields of Death*. He is the author with T. J. Andrews of the bestselling novels *Arena*, *Invader* and *Pirata*.

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# The Lion's Den

## KATHERINE ST. JOHN



18/03/2021  
 Headline  
 9781472276445  
 Paperback Original | £8.99



The guest list is small and exclusive. But there's blood in the water...

A dream vacation for six friends turns deadly in this pulse-pounding, twisting thriller of secrets and revenge...

'Clever twists abound . . . Fans of Liane Moriarty and Jessica Knoll will devour this' **BOOKLIST**

'A very juicy thriller' **COSMOPOLITAN**

Dare to step on board *The Lion's Den*?

When Belle is invited by her old friend Summer on a luxurious girls' getaway to the Mediterranean aboard her billionaire boyfriend's yacht, the only answer is yes.

But once aboard the opulent *Lion's Den*, the dream holiday quickly turns into a nightmare. Belle and the other six women Summer has invited are treated more like prisoners than guests by their powerful host, locked into their cabins at night, their every move controlled - and Belle finds Summer herself is no longer the girl she once knew.

It soon becomes clear someone has a dark secret. Pulled into a dangerous game of cat and mouse, Belle realizes she must keep her wits about her if she is to make it off the yacht alive...

**Katherine St. John** is a native of Mississippi and graduate of the University of Southern California. Over the years she has worked as an actress, screenwriter, director, photographer, producer, singer-songwriter, legal assistant, bartender-waitress, yoga instructor, real estate agent, and travel coordinator . . . but finds she likes writing novels best. Katherine currently lives in Los Angeles with her husband and children.

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# Future Perfect

## FELICIA YAP



18/03/2021

Wildfire

9781472242303

Hardback | £18.99



### What if today was your last day...

A bomb has exploded during a fashion show, killing a beautiful model on the catwalk. The murderer is still at large... and he may strike again. Yet this is the least of Police Commissioner Christian Verger's worries. His fiancée Viola has left him. He has to keep his tumultuous past a secret. To make things worse, his voice assistant Alexa is 99.74% sure he will die tomorrow.

Moving from snowy 1980s Montana to chic 1990s Manhattan to a drone-filled 2030s Britain, *Future Perfect* is an electrifying race to solve a murder before it's too late. Yet it is also a love story, a riveting portrait of a couple torn apart by secrets, grief and guilt. A twisted tale of how the past can haunt a person's future and be used to predict if he will die... or kill.

**Felicia Yap brings you the hotly anticipated prequel to *Yesterday*, the high-concept thriller sensation of 2017.**

**'Yap is a phenomenon' GUARDIAN**

**'A thrilling new voice' RED**

**'The one that everyone is talking about . . . Enthralling' WOMAN & HOME**

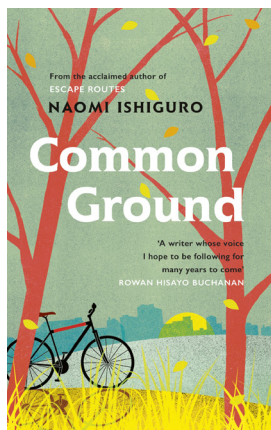


**Felicia Yap** grew up in Kuala Lumpur. She read biochemistry at Imperial College London, before achieving a doctorate in history (and a half-blue in competitive ballroom dancing) at Cambridge University. She has written for The Economist and The Business Times. She has also worked as a radioactive-cell biologist, a war historian, a Cambridge lecturer, a technology journalist, a theatre critic, a flea-market trader and a catwalk model. *Yesterday* was her first novel, *Future Perfect* is her second.

@FeliciaMYap | London

# Common Ground

## NAOMI ISHIGURO



25/03/2021  
Tinder Press  
9781472273291  
Hardback | £16.99



It's a lonely life for Stan, at school where his face doesn't fit, and at home where he and his mother struggle to break the silence after his father's death. When he encounters loud, clever Charlie on the common, all of that begins to change. Charlie teaches Stan for the first time to stand up for himself. But why are others convinced that the friendship spells disaster for Stan?

The friends part, seemingly permanently, until they meet again by chance at a London party. Now Stan is the one revelling in all the city has to offer, while Charlie seems to have hit a brick wall. He needs Stan's help, and above all his friendship, but is Stan really there for the friend who taught him to believe in himself?

*Common Ground* is a classic story of coming of age and of a friendship that defines two lives, for readers of *Black Swan* or *Tin Man*.

### Praise for *Escape Routes*:

'Stories that start like delicate webs and finish like unbreakable wire traps' NEIL GAIMAN

'Naomi Ishiguro's crystal clear prose delights and intrigues' SHARLENE TEO

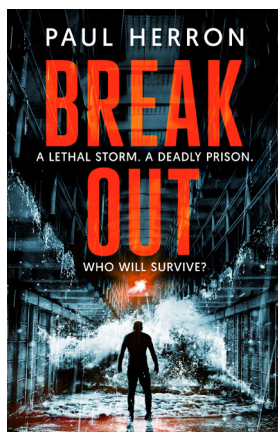
'Winsomely written and engagingly quirky, these are inventive tales that favour imagination over gritty realism.' THE SUNDAY TIMES

**Naomi Ishiguro** is the author of the acclaimed story collection, *Escape Routes*. A former bookseller and Bibliotherapist at Mr B's Emporium in Bath, she now lives and writes in London. *Common Ground* is her first novel.

🐦 @NaomiIshiguro | London

# Breakout

## PAUL HERRON



04/03/2021

Headline

9781472274830

Trade Paperback | £14.99



### A LETHAL STORM. THE MOST DEADLY PRISON. WHO WILL SURVIVE THE NIGHT?

Jack Constantine - a former cop who killed one of his wife's murderers in an act of vengeance - is serving his time in Ravenhill penitentiary, a notorious 'supermax' home to the most dangerous convicts in the country.

When an apocalyptic superstorm wreaks havoc across the USA, the correctional officers flee the prison...but not before opening every cell door. The inmates must fend for themselves as lethal floodwaters rise and violent anarchy is unleashed.

Teaming up with Kiera Sawyer, a Correctional Officer left behind on her first day of work, Constantine has one chance of survival - he must break out of a maximum security prison. But with the building on the verge of collapse, and deadly chaos around him, time is running out...

**Breathless, exhilarating and brilliantly original, this high-octane thriller is perfect for fans of Gregg Hurwitz, Lee Child and David Baldacci - and blockbuster action movies like John Wick.**



**Paul Herron** is a Scotsman living in South Africa and has been writing professionally for the past 20 years. In that time, he has worked on over twenty-seven television shows as a writer, script-editor, and story-liner. One of the shows was nominated for an international Emmy award. Paul was also nominated for a South African Film and Television award for writing.

South Africa





## The Women Who Ran Away

SHEILA O'FLANAGAN

Fiction • Headline Review • 04/03/2021 • £8.99 • ISBN: 9781472254818

The intriguing and life-affirming new novel from the author of the No. 1 best-sellers *Her Husband's Mistake*, *The Missing Wife* and *The Hideaway*.

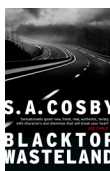


## The Book of Longings

SUE MONK KIDD

Fiction • Tinder Press • 18/03/2021 • £8.99 • ISBN: 9781472232519

'I am Ana. I was the wife of Jesus.' So begins the exquisitely written new novel from the No. 1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Secret Life of Bees* and *The Invention of Wings*.



## Blacktop Wasteland

S.A. Cosby

Fiction • Headline • 18/03/2021 • £8.99 • ISBN: 9781472273758

A searing, stylish and compulsive crime novel perfect for fans of Don Winslow, Attica Locke and Bill Beverly.



## A Good Neighbourhood

Therese Anne Fowler

Fiction • Headline Review • 04/03/2021 • £8.99 • ISBN: 9781472269362

This provocative, powerful novel explores class, race and star-crossed love in modern, small-town America.



## The Operator

GRETCHEN BERG

Fiction • Headline Review • 04/03/2021 • £8.99 • ISBN: 9781472264138

A delightful, uplifting and moving novel about a 1950s switchboard operator who learns a shocking secret when she eavesdrops on a phone conversation.



## The Paper Mill Girl

GLENDA YOUNG

Fiction • Headline • 18/03/2021 • £6.99 • ISBN: 9781472268563

A compelling saga filled with romance, drama and tragedy, ideal for lovers of Dilly Court and Rosie Goodwin.

# The Best Things

## MEL GIEDROYC



01/04/2021  
 Headline Review  
 9781472256218  
 Hardback | £12.99



### INTRODUCING A GLORIOUS NEW VOICE IN FICTION

The joyous debut novel from much-loved comedian, writer, actor and presenter **Mel Giedroyc**.

Sally Parker is struggling to find the hero inside herself.

All she wants to do is lie down.

Her husband Frank has lost his business, their home and their savings, in one fell swoop. Their bank cards are being declined. The children have gone feral. And now the bailiffs are at the door.

What does an ordinary woman do when the bottom falls out?

Sally Parker is about to surprise everybody.

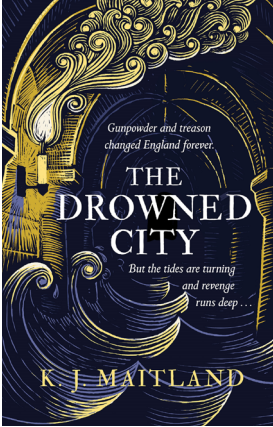
Most of all herself.

**Funny, warm, life-affirming and true, *The Best Things* is a big-hearted tale of failing, falling and finding a way back up.**

**Mel Giedroyc** has been entertaining the nation for nearly thirty years. A comedian, writer, actor and presenter, Mel is best 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, most notably in Stephen Sondheim's Olivier Award-winning *Company* in the West End. Mel and Sue reunited recently in comedy drama *Hitmen* for Sky TV. Mel lives in London with her husband and two daughters. *The Best Things* is Mel Giedroyc's debut novel.

# The Drowned City

## K.J. MAITLAND



01/04/2021

Headline Review

9781472235947

Hardback | £16.99



'A dark and enthralling historical novel with a powerful narrative. The mysterious Daniel Pursglove has all the qualifications for a memorable series hero' **ANDREW TAYLOR**

'Spies, thieves, murderers and King James I? Brilliant' **CONN IGGULDEN**

Gunpowder and treason changed England forever. But the tides are turning and revenge runs deep in this compelling historical thriller for fans of C.J. Sansom, Andrew Taylor's Ashes of London, Kate Mosse and Blood & Sugar.

1606. A year to the day men were executed for conspiring to blow up parliament, a towering wave devastates the Bristol Channel. Some proclaim God's vengeance. Others seek to take advantage.

In London, Daniel Pursglove sits shackled in prison and waits to die. But Charles FitzAlan, close adviser to King James I, has his eye on Daniel - and a job in mind that will free a man of his skills from the horrors of Newgate. If he succeeds.

For Bristol is a hotbed of Catholic spies, and where better for the lone conspirator who evaded arrest, one Spero Pettingar, to rally his supporters than in the chaos of a drowned city? Daniel journeys there to investigate the lead, but soon finds himself embroiled in a dark Jesuit conspiracy - and a string of brutal murders.

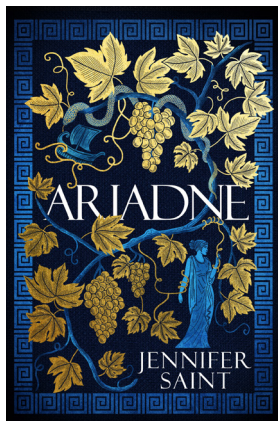
**K. J. Maitland** is an historical novelist, lecturer and teacher of Creative Writing, with over twenty books to her name. She grew up in Malta, which inspired her passion for history, and travelled and worked all over the world before settling in the United Kingdom. She has a doctorate in psycholinguistics, and now lives on the edge of Dartmoor in Devon.

Devon UK



# Ariadne

## JENNIFER SAINT



29/04/2021

Wildfire

9781472273864

Hardback | £14.99



**A mesmerising retelling of the ancient Greek myth of Ariadne, Minos, Theseus and the Minotaur. Perfect for fans of *Circe* and *The Silence of the Girls*.**

As Princesses of Crete and daughters of the fearsome King Minos, Ariadne and her sister Phaedra grow up hearing the hoofbeats and bellows of the Minotaur echo from the Labyrinth beneath the palace. The Minotaur - Minos's greatest shame and Ariadne's brother - demands blood every year.

When Theseus, Prince of Athens, arrives in Crete as a sacrifice to the beast, Ariadne falls in love with him. But helping Theseus kill the monster means betraying her family and country, and Ariadne knows only too well that in a world ruled by mercurial gods - drawing their attention can cost you everything.

In a world where women are nothing more than the pawns of powerful men, will Ariadne's decision to betray Crete for Theseus ensure her happy ending? Or will she find herself sacrificed for her lover's ambition?

Ariadne gives a voice to the forgotten women of one of the most famous Greek myths, and speaks to their strength in the face of angry, petulant Gods. Beautifully written and completely immersive, this is an exceptional debut novel.

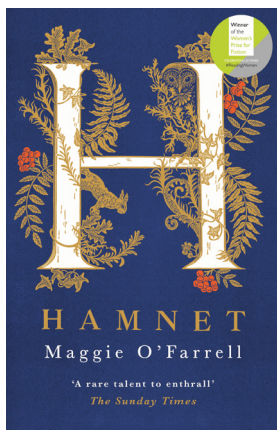


Due to a lifelong fascination with Ancient Greek mythology, **Jennifer Saint** read Classical Studies at King's College, London. She spent the next thirteen years as an English teacher, sharing a love of literature and creative writing with her students. *Ariadne* is her first novel and she is working on another retelling of ancient myth for her second.

 @jennysaint | UK

# Hamnet

## MAGGIE O'FARRELL



01/04/2021  
Tinder Press  
9781472223821  
Paperback | £8.99



### WINNER OF THE WOMEN'S PRIZE FOR FICTION

\*As featured on Newsnight, Front Row, Radio 5 Live and Open Book\*

A BBC Best Book of 2020

A 2020 Book to Look Out For in *Stylist*, *The Sunday Times*, *The Times*, *Observer*, *Cosmopolitan*, *Daily Mail* and more

THE SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER

'Immersive, at times shockingly intimate... ought to win prizes' **GUARDIAN**

'A thing of shimmering wonder' **DAVID MITCHELL**

**TWO EXTRAORDINARY PEOPLE. A LOVE THAT DRAWS THEM TOGETHER. A LOSS THAT THREATENS TO TEAR THEM APART.**

*Hamnet* is a novel inspired by the son of a famous playwright. It is a story of the bond between twins, and of a marriage pushed to the brink by grief. It is also the story of a kestrel and its mistress; flea that boards a ship in Alexandria; and a glovemaker's son who flouts convention in pursuit of the woman he loves. Above all, it is a tender and unforgettable reimagining of a boy whose life has been all but forgotten, but whose name was given to one of the most celebrated plays ever written.

**Maggie O'Farrell** is the author of the Sunday Times no. 1 bestselling memoir *I Am, I Am, I Am*, and eight novels: *After You'd Gone*, *My Lover's Lover*, *The Distance Between Us*, which won a Somerset Maugham Award, *The Vanishing Act of Esme Lennox*, *The Hand That First Held Mine*, which won the 2010 Costa Novel Award, *Instructions for a Heatwave*, which was shortlisted for the 2013 Costa Novel Award, *This Must Be the Place*, which was shortlisted for the 2016 Costa Novel Award, and *Hamnet*. She lives in Edinburgh.

Edinburgh

# Another Time, Another Place

## JODI TAYLOR



15/04/2021

Headline

9781472273208

Paperback Original | £8.99



**The twelfth book in the bestselling *Chronicles of St Mary's* series. If you love Jasper Fforde, Ben Aaronovitch or Doctor Who, you won't be able to resist Jodi Taylor.**

At long last it's all over. Job done. Max has her life back and everything is set for the traditional happy ending. Except, this is St Mary's and if something can go wrong it will.

Disaster is piled upon catastrophe. A new Head of Security. A new Director of St Mary's. Historians lost in time. And Max dishonourably discharged.

Jobless and homeless, she receives an offer she cannot refuse and suddenly finds herself in another time and another place. Just a way to pass the weeks until she can reunite with Leon - or so she thinks. Because events are on the move and, as usual, St Mary's is at the centre of the storm.

**Jodi Taylor** is the internationally bestselling author of the *Chronicles of St Mary's* series, the story of 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* series - a St Mary's spinoff and gateway into the world of an all-powerful, international organisation who are NOTHING like St Mary's. Except, when they are.

Alongside these, Jodi is known for her gripping supernatural thrillers featuring Elizabeth Cage together with the enchanting *Frogmorton Farm* series - a fairy story for adults.

Born in Bristol and now living in Gloucester (facts both cities vigorously deny), she spent many years with her head somewhere else, much to the dismay of family, teachers and employers, before finally deciding to put all that daydreaming to good use and write a novel. Nearly twenty books later, she still has no idea what she wants to do when she grows up.

[@joditaylorbooks](#) | Gloucester



# The Kindness Project

## SAM BINNIE



29/04/2021

Headline Review

9781472270153

Paperback Original | £8.99



It takes a lot of courage to be kind ...

### THE KINDNESS PROJECT:

Step 1. Help the baker's widow find the way back from her loss

Step 2. Find the true calling of the overworked, exhausted single mum who runs the grocer's

Step 3. Finally call a truce on the decades old feud between two local fishermen

Step 4. Unlock your clamped-shut heart

Step 5. Forgive me ...?

The locals of a Cornish beach-side town are grieving the sudden loss of Bea Adlington who - loved or loathed - was the beating heart of their hard-working, tight-knit community.

Now her reclusive estranged daughter has turned up, keen to tie up her affairs and move on.

But Bea has bequeathed her daughter a mission - a collection of unfinished tasks to help out those most in need of it. She knew Alice would not refuse her challenge.

Each little act will bring Alice closer to understanding why her mother left her; it might help her find the courage to open her clamped-shut heart and, maybe, 'The Kindness Project' will be the key that unlocks the powerful secrets that both women had been keeping ...

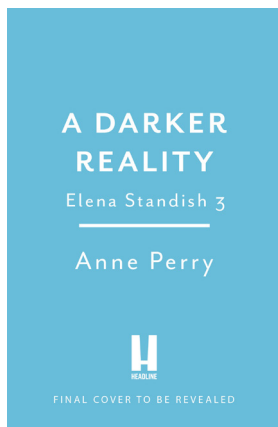
*The Kindness Project* will draw you deep into the lives of two lonely and compelling women who should have had the chance to say goodbye. It will break your heart then tenderly piece it back together again, stronger than it was before ...

**Sam Binnie** was the 2005 winner of the Harper's/Orange Prize Short Story Competition, and lives with her husband and three children. She is still embarrassed that she forced people to camp at her wedding and that she never even saw the faces of the paramedics who half-delivered her first child, and is terrified that any future home she buys will be on the site of an old plague pit.

[@thesambinnie](#) | Bedford

# A Darker Reality

## ANNE PERRY



01/04/2021

Headline

9781472275202

Hardback | £20.99



The third novel in Anne Perry's breathtaking new spy thriller series, featuring young British photographer and secret agent Elena Standish and set in the turbulent times of 1930s' Europe.

**'Masterful! I guarantee you'll love Elena Standish! Brava!'**  
**JEFFREY DEAVER**

The threat of a second world war means no one is safe...

Elena Standish, a young English photographer working for MI5, is on holiday in America, attending her grandparents' golden wedding anniversary party in Washington DC, when one of the guests is murdered. It is a hit and run by a car that belongs to Elena's grandfather and he is immediately arrested. With connections to many political circles, including a close link to the President, Elena's grandfather is convinced that his enemies are trying to frame him. And with the help of handsome British spy James Allenby, Elena must uncover the truth before it is too late...



**Anne Perry** is a New York Times bestselling author noted for her memorable characters, historical accuracy and exploration of social and ethical issues. Her two series, one featuring Thomas Pitt and one featuring William Monk, have been published in multiple languages. Anne Perry has also published a successful series based around World War One and the Reavley family, and the recent standalone novel *The Sheen on the Silk*. Anne Perry was selected by The *Times* as one of the twentieth century's '100 Masters of Crime'.

 @AnnePerryWriter | California

# The Third Pole

## MARK SYNNOTT

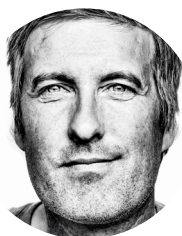


13/04/2021

Headline

9781472273666

Hardback | £20.00



**Veteran climber Mark Synnott never planned on climbing Mount Everest, but a hundred-year mystery lured him into an expedition--and an awesome history of passionate adventure, chilling tragedy, and human aspiration unfolded.**

On June 8, 1924, George Mallory and "Sandy" Irvine set out to stand on the roof of the world, where no one had stood before. They were last seen eight hundred feet shy of Everest's summit. A century later, we still don't know whether they achieved their goal, decades before Sir Edmund Hillary and Tensing Norgay did, in 1953. Irvine carried a Kodak camera with him to record their attempt, but it, along with his body, had never been found. Did Mallory and Irvine reach the summit and take a photograph before they fell to their deaths?

Mark Synnott made his own ascent up the infamous North Face along with a filmmaker using drone technology higher than any had previously flown. His goal: to find Irvine's body and the camera he carried that might have held a summit photo on its still-viable film. Synnott's quest led him from oxygen-deprivation training to archives and museums in England, to Kathmandu, the Tibetan High Plateau, and up the North Face into a storm during a season described as the one that broke Everest. An awful traffic jam of climbers at the very summit resulted in tragic deaths. Sherpas revolted. Chinese government agents turned adversarial. An Indian woman crawled her way to safety and survival. Synnott himself went off the safety rope--if he had slipped, no one would have been able to save him--desperate to solve the mystery.

A magnificent story a la *The Lost City of Z*, *The Third Pole* conveys the miracle of a mountain the world wants to own, and the first explorers who may have done so.

# Light in the Darkness

Unveiling the Secrets of Black Holes and the Nature of the Human Spirit

PROFESSOR HEINO FALCKE AND JÖRG RÖMER

## LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS

Professor Heino Falcke  
& Jörg Römer



FINAL COVER TO BE REVEALED

15/04/2021

Wildfire

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**For readers of Stephen Hawking, a fascinating account of the universe from the perspective of world-leading astrophysicist Heino Falcke, who took the first ever picture of a black hole.**

10th April 2019: a global sensation. Heino Falcke, a man “working at the boundaries of his discipline and therefore at the limits of the universe” had used a network of telescopes spanning the entire planet to take the first picture of a black hole.

Black Hole examines how mankind has always looked to the skies, mapping the journey from millennia ago when we turned our gaze to the heavens, to modern astrophysics. Heino Falcke and Jörg Römer entertainingly and compellingly chart the breakthrough research of Falcke’s team, an unprecedented global community of international colleagues developing a telescope complex enough to look directly into a black hole - a hole where light vanishes, and time stops.

What does this development mean? Is this the beginning of a new physics? What can we learn from this about God, the world, and ourselves? For Falcke, astrophysics and metaphysics, science and faith, do not exclude one another. Black Hole is both a plea for curiosity and humility; it’s interested in both what we know, and the mysteries that remain unsolved.

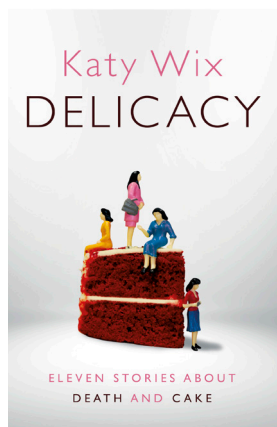
**Professor Heino Falcke** is one of the world’s leading astrophysicists and professor at the Radboud University in Nijmegen (Holland). He also led the scientific advisory board of the Event Horizon Telescope Project which managed to take the first ever pictures of a blackhole on 10th April 2019; and for which is was awarded the 2020 Breakthrough Prize for Fundamental Physics. He received the Spinoza Prize, the highest scientific award in the Netherlands, and the Academy Award of the Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities.



# Delicacy

## Eleven Stories about Death and Cake

KATY WIX



15/04/2021

Headline

9781472261199

Hardback | £16.99



From award-winning comedian and writer Katy Wix comes **Delicacy** - a different kind of memoir from an astonishing new voice.

Eleven snapshots of a life - some staccato, raw and shocking, some expansive, meditative, and profound, underpinned with moments of startling humour that shatter the darkness - all beginning with a single memory. A memory of cake.

The sickly royal icing marked the moment Katy found her voice. The madeira cake was the sun her group therapy sessions orbited. The 'missing cake' from a lost holiday has never let go. The Bara brith eaten in hospital after a life-altering car crash was as tough as the metal that hit her. The supermarket rock cake was where she 'practised wanting'.

Shocking, raw, darkly funny and deeply humane, Katy Wix's exploration of trauma, grief, addiction, love, loss, memory and hope is truly unforgettable.



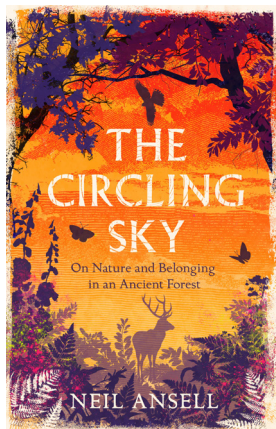
**Katy Wix** is a Welsh actress and comedian best known for her roles as Daisy in six series of *Not Going Out*, Gemma in *Agatha Raisin*, Carole in Channel 4 comedy *Stath Lets Flats*, her turn as Fergie in the Channel 4 show *The Windsors* and as herself in *Taskmaster*.

 @WixKaty | London

# The Circling Sky

On Nature and Belonging in an Ancient Forest

NEIL ANSELL



15/04/2021

Tinder Press

9781472272362

Hardback | £16.99



From a 2018 Wainwright Prize shortlisted author, *The Circling Sky* is part childhood memoir, blended with exquisite nature observation, and the story of one man's journey over a year to one of the UK's key natural habitats, the New Forest of Hampshire.

In the form of several journeys, beginning in January 2019, Neil Ansell returns for solitary walks to the New Forest in Hampshire, close to where he was born. With beautiful sightings and observations of birds, trees, butterflies, insects and landscape, this is also a reflective memoir on childhood, on the history of one of the most ancient and important natural habitats in the United Kingdom, and on the Gypsies who lived there for centuries - and were subsequently expelled to neighbouring cities. It is also part polemic on our collective and individual responsibility for the land and world in which we live, and how we care for it.

As Neil Ansell concludes so eloquently, 'Evolution has no choice in what it does, but we do, as a species, if not always as individuals'.



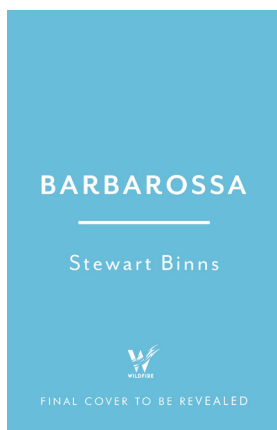
**Neil Ansell** was an award-winning television journalist with the BBC and a long standing newspaper journalist. He is the author of *Deep Country*, *Deer Island* and *The Last Wilderness* which was shortlisted for the 2018 Wainwright Golden Beer and Highland Book Prizes. He has two daughters and lives in Brighton.

Brighton



# Barbarossa

## STEWART BINNS



29/04/2021

Wildfire

9781472276261

Hardback | £20.00



**Drawing on remarkable and never-before-seen material, *Barbarossa* is the extraordinary story of one of the most horrific and devastating encounters in military history.**

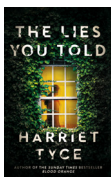
Sunday June 22nd 1941: 6 million Nazi troops marched on Moscow, with a brutal scorched-earth tactic that saw millions of Soviet citizens massacred. A level of brutality only paralleled after the Soviet's triumphed at Stalingrad, and took mindless revenge as they marched back into Berlin.

Beginning with Operation Barbarossa, the German invasion of the Soviet Union in June 1941, to the appalling circumstances of the Fall of Berlin in April 1945 and told from the perspective of the people of Russia and Eastern Europe, *Barbarossa* is a heartrending story of tragedy, suffering and heroism.

Stewart Binns draws on Russian archives to paint a uniquely intimate picture of the war from the Soviet side of this terrible conflict - presenting this dark moment in history in panoramic detail, matching sweeping accounts of tactical manoeuvres with harrowing personal stories of civilian hardship and bravery.



**Stewart Binns** began his professional life as an academic before becoming a teacher and a soldier. Later in life, he trained at the BBC and began a successful career in television, during which he won many awards, including a BAFTA for his 'in-colour' documentary series, 'Britain at War'. His scriptwriting for television led him towards writing, both fiction and non-fiction. *Barabossa* is his thirteenth book and fifth work of non-fiction.



## The Lies You Told

HARRIET TYCE

Fiction • Wildfire • 01/04/2021 • £8.99 • ISBN: 9781472252791

The new psychological thriller from *Sunday Times* bestselling author of *Blood Orange* – ‘An insightful look at the realities of motherhood and work, and competitive parenting, *The Lies You Told* is gratifyingly sinister.’ *The Observer*



## Love in Colour

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Love stories that truly represent the world we live in; celebrated and retold in this unique collection, by debut author Bolu Babalola.



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A fun and practical guide to changing the way you shop, from a popular journalist who was The Pool's 'Wardrobe Stories' columnist.

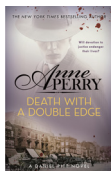


## Hermit

S.R. WHITE

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Will devotion to justice endanger their lives? *New York Times* bestselling author Anne Perry returns with the fourth enthralling mystery in the thrilling new generation of Pitt novels.



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The riveting full-career autobiography of Barry Geraghty, one of the most successful jump jockeys in the sport's history.



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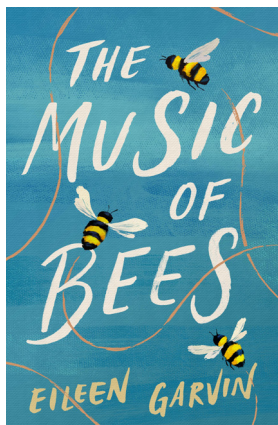
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The world's bestselling cricket annual.

The indispensable pocket guide to the cricket season.

# The Music of Bees

## EILEEN GARVIN



04/05/2021

Headline Review

9781472277817

Hardback | £18.99



Set in the gorgeous, sprawling countryside of the Pacific Northwest, Eileen Garvin's *The Music of Bees* is about finding friendship in the most unlikely of places, and the families we choose for ourselves. Heartwarming, inspirational and redemptive, it is perfect for fans of *The Language of the Flowers* and Rachel Joyce.

After the sudden death of her husband, Alice Holtzman finds herself a social pariah. Unfashionable, middle-aged, childless, and with only 120,000 honeybees for company.

On the other side of town, Jake Stevenson and his enormous blue mohawk had a bright future in front of them studying music, all until an accident at a high school party leaves him with a broken spine.

But when Alice crashes her pick-up truck, packed with thousands of restless honeybees, into Jake, knocking him from his wheelchair, it is the start of an unlikely friendship that will pull both of them through the darkest stages of their grief. As these new friends begin to heal one another, Alice realises that Jake has a gift - not only is he a natural with her bees, but he can hear their buzzing as a form of music. . .

All seems right with their world - until the buzzing stops. With a pesticide company threatening the local honeybee population, and everything Alice and Jake have worked for, these friends must unite to defend their bees.

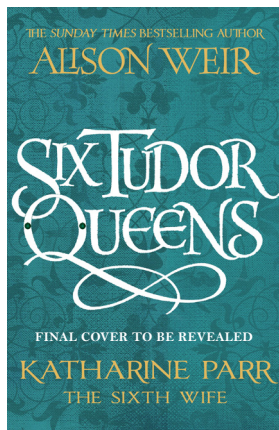


**Eileen Garvin** lives in Oregon, USA, and writes personal essays, memoir and travel stories. She wrote a non-fiction title in 2010 titled *How to Be a Sister: A Love Story with a Twist of Autism*, which was published by independent publisher The Experiment, and based on her real-life experience of living with her sister who was diagnosed with severe autism at age three.

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# Six Tudor Queens: Katharine Parr, The Sixth Wife

## ALISON WEIR



13/05/2021

Headline Review

9781472227829

Hardback | £20.00



**'This six-book series looks likely to become a landmark in historical fiction' THE TIMES**

**'Alison Weir makes history come alive as no one else' BARBARA ERSKINE**

Alison Weir, historian and author of the *Sunday Times* bestselling *Six Tudor Queens* series, recounts the story of Henry VIII's last wife - Katharine Parr, the queen who survived him.

### A WOMAN TORN BETWEEN LOVE AND DUTY.

Two husbands dead, a boy and a sick man. And now Katharine is free to make her own choice.

The ageing King's eye falls upon her. She cannot refuse him... or betray that she wanted another.

She becomes the sixth wife – a queen and a friend. Henry loves and trusts her. But Katharine is hiding another secret in her heart, a deeply held faith that could see her burn...

### KATHARINE PARR. HENRY'S FINAL QUEEN. HER STORY.

Renowned, bestselling historian Alison Weir reveals a warm, clever woman of great fortitude who rose boldly to every turn her life took.

History tells us she survived.

This extraordinary novel shows us that she truly lived.

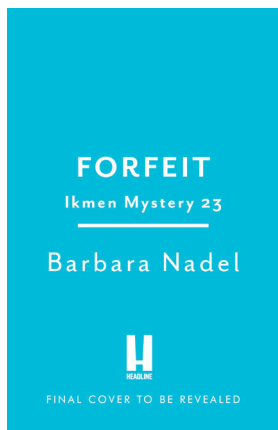
### SIX TUDOR QUEENS. SIX NOVELS. SIX YEARS.

**Alison Weir** is the top-selling female historian in the United Kingdom, and has sold over 3 million books worldwide. She has published eighteen history books. *Katheryn Howard, The Tainted Queen* was Alison's tenth published novel and the fifth in the *Six Tudor Queens* series about the wives of Henry VIII, which was launched in 2016 to great critical acclaim. All five books in the series are *Sunday Times* bestsellers.

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# Forfeit

## BARBARA NADEL



13/05/2021

Headline Review

9781472273482

Hardback | £21.99



The gripping new mystery in the bestselling Ikmen series by Barbara Nadel, the Silver Dagger Award-winning author of *Blood Business* and *A Knife to the Heart*.

**Double murder. Dark secrets. Bitter betrayal.**

It is the early hours of the morning when Turkish TV star Erol Gencer and Syrian refugee Wael Al Hussain are found dead at a house on the outskirts of Istanbul, but it is unclear whether Erol killed Wael before committing suicide or if it was a double murder. Inspector Mehmet Suleyman is on leave, as his teenage son is visiting from Ireland, but when Detective Kemil Gursel's transsexual ex-lover, Pembe, is also murdered shortly after confessing that Wael had been one of her clients, Suleyman knows he must step in to help Kemil solve this complex case. Meanwhile, retired inspector Cetin Ikmen is pursuing the truth behind Wael's wife's story that she and Erol's wife, Betul, had met over a year ago and plotted to kill each other's husbands. From different directions, Ikmen and Suleyman close in on a killer whose double life has led to greed, betrayal and murder...

**Praise for Barbara Nadel's novels...**

**'Intelligent and captivating' SUNDAY TIMES**

**'Impeccable mystery plotting, exotic and atmospheric' GUARDIAN**



Trained as an actress, **Barbara Nadel** used to work in mental health services. Born in the East End of London, she now writes full time and has been a visitor to Turkey for over twenty years. She received the Crime Writers' Association Silver Dagger for her novel *Deadly Web*, and the Swedish Flintax Prize for historical crime fiction for her first Francis Hancock novel, *Last Rights*.

 @BarbaraNadel | Essex

# City of Ice

## BRIAN KLINGBORG



13/05/2021

Headline

9781472281845

Hardback | £18.99



**A compelling, twisting and evocative crime thriller set in China, perfect for fans of acclaimed writers such as Will Dean, Abir Mukherjee and D.B. John.**

Inspector Lu Fei is a weary cop in a remote, northern Chinese town where the theft of a few chickens counts as a major crime. But when a young woman is brutally murdered - with her heart, lungs and liver removed - he suddenly finds himself under intense scrutiny from the ruling party in Beijing.

Determined to find her killer, Lu Fei must navigate a society where politics can be deadly, corruption is rife, and the powerful are protected. As evidence connects the case a string of unsolved murders, Lu must decide what he is prepared to risk in search of justice.



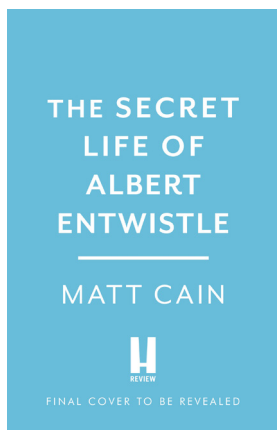
**Brian Klingborg** has an MA from Harvard University where his major field of concentration was Chinese Cultural Anthropology. He lived and worked in China for several years.

 @BrianKlingborg | New York



# The Secret Life of Albert Entwistle

MATT CAIN



25/05/2021

Headline Review

9781472275059

Hardback | £16.99



**It's never too late to start your life's big adventure . . .**

Albert Entwistle was a postman. It was one of the few things everyone knew about him. And it was one of the few things he was comfortable with people knowing.

64-year-old Albert Entwistle has been a postie in a quiet town in Northern England for all his life, living alone since the death of his mam 18 years ago. He keeps himself to himself. He always has. But he's just learned he'll be forced to retire at his next birthday. With no friends and nothing to look forward to, the lonely future he faces terrifies him. He realises it's finally time to be honest about who he is. He must learn to ask for what he wants. And he must find the courage to look for George, the man that, many years ago, he lost - but has never forgotten . . .

Join Albert as he sets out to find the long-lost love of his life, and has an unforgettable and completely life-affirming adventure on the way . . . This is a love story the like of which you have never read before!

**Matt Cain** is an author, journalist, producer and LGBTQ+ rights activist. He has been a producer for ITV, he was Channel 4's first Culture Editor, he was Editor In Chief of ATTITUDE magazine 2016-18 and has written for *The Times*, *Guardian*, *Observer*, *Independent*, *Daily Mail*, *Telegraph* and the *Express*. He has been a judge for the Costa Book Awards, the Polari First Novel Prize, and continues to judge the South Bank Sky Arts Awards. He has been nominated for Stonewall Writer of The Year and won Diversity In Media Journalist of the Year Award in 2017. He is an ambassador for both Manchester Pride and the Albert Kennedy Trust and is a patron of LGBT History Month. Bolton-born, he now lives in London.

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# Mother Mother

## ANNIE MACMANUS



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 Hardback | £16.99



*Mother Mother* is a powerful coming of age novel and an intimate family study. It's about finding light in dark places, and it examines the cost of unconditional love.

Mary McConnell has lived in the same house her whole life. She's never left Belfast. She is thirty-five years old and she has a son, Joe, who's about to turn eighteen.

One Saturday morning, Joe wakes up to find his mother gone. He doesn't know where - or why - but he's the only one who can help find her.

Mary grew up longing for information about the mother she never knew - who died suddenly when Mary was only a baby. Her brother Sean was barely old enough to remember and their father numbed his pain with drink.

*Mother Mother* takes us down the challenging road of Mary's life, whilst following Joe's increasingly desperate search for his mother, as he begins to understand what has led her to this point.

This is a gritty, affecting novel about family, grief, addiction, and motherhood. And it asks the question - if you spend your life giving everything to the ones you love; do you risk losing yourself along the way?

**Annie MacManus** is an internationally renowned DJ, broadcaster, events curator and more. Annie presents the most influential show on *BBC Radio 1* and can be seen on the biggest stages of music festivals around the UK and the world.

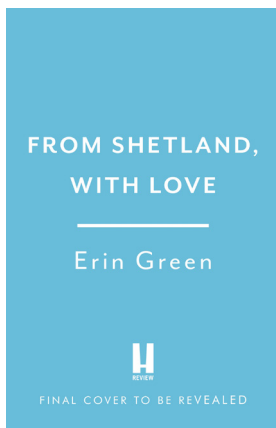
She also produces her own podcast, *Finding Annie*, 'recorded in a shed at the bottom of her garden', a collection of interviews with friends such as: Sara Cox, Sharon Horgan, Jess Phillips MP, and Nick Grimshaw.

She grew up in Ireland, but now lives in London.

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# From Shetland with Love

## ERIN GREEN



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Headline Review

9781472281500

Paperback Original | £8.99



**'Utterly charming...an uplifting and optimistic story'**  
HOT BRANDS COOL PLACES on *New Beginnings at Rose Cottage*

**If you love Lucy Diamond, Phillipa Ashley, Sue Moorcroft and Holly Martin, you'll LOVE Erin Green's novels of love, life and laughter!**

Friendship can blossom in the most unexpected places...

When Jemima loses her beloved grandfather, keeping his allotment alive seems like ideal way to feel close to him. She's never fitted in before - is this her chance to find where she really belongs?

Finally Melissa has the allotment she's been longing for to distract her while her husband works away - even if it is chest-high in weeds. But when she looks for help in the wrong place, she finds she's the hottest topic of gossip.

For Dottie, her allotment and part-time job of 'a little light dusting' at Lerwick Manor keeps a spring in her eighty-year-old step - and her ears open for secrets.

Though generations apart, these three women are about to find a common bond in a new-found passion and that true friendship can grow anywhere.

Erin was born and raised in Warwickshire, where she resides with her husband. An avid reader since childhood, her imagination was instinctively drawn to creative writing as she grew older. Erin has two Hons degrees: BA English literature and another BSc Psychology - her previous careers have ranged from part-time waitress, the retail industry, fitness industry and education.

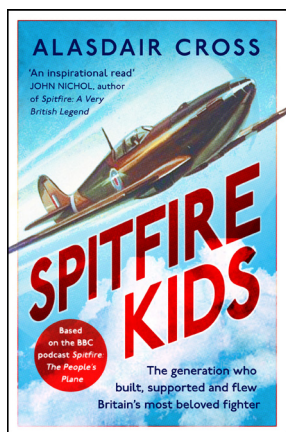
She has an obsession about time, owns several tortoises and an infectious laugh! Erin writes contemporary novels focusing on love, life and laughter. Erin is an active member of the Romantic Novelists' Association and was delighted to be awarded The Katie Fforde Bursary in 2017.



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# Spitfire Kids

## ALASDAIR CROSS



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Headline

9781472281968

Hardback | £20.00



**'An inspirational read celebrating the incredible young people who gave so much for this iconic British aircraft'. John Nichol, bestselling author of *Spitfire: A Very British Love Story***

Despite the many films and television programmes over the decades since the end of the Second World War that portrays our allied heroes as grown-up men and women, the Battle of Britain was in the main actually fought and won by teenagers. The average age of an RAF fighter pilot was just twenty years old. Many of the men and women who designed and built their planes were even younger.

Based on the hit BBC Radio podcast *Spitfire: The People's Story*, we use contemporary diaries and memoirs, many of them previously unpublished, to tell the story of the Spitfire through the voices of the teenagers who risked everything to design, build and fly her. This isn't a story of stiff-upper lips, stoical moustaches and aerial heroics; it's a story of love and loss, a story of young people tested to the very limits of their endurance. Young people who won a battle that turned a war.



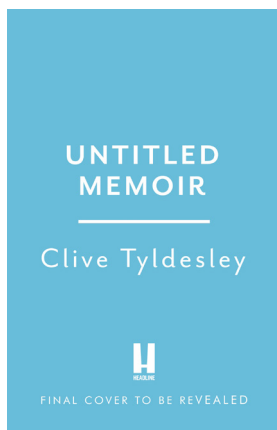
**Alasdair Cross** is a radio and TV producer who researched and co-scripted the BBC Radio podcast series *Spitfire: The People's Plane*.

Historical Advisor: David Key runs the Supermariners website which researches and reconstructs the stories of the men and women who designed and built the Spitfire.

Bristol

# Untitled Memoir

## CLIVE TYLDESLEY



13/05/2021

Headline

9781472281289

Hardback | £20.00



### Football changes everything.

It changes how we feel, how we think, how we behave. It turns you into someone else.

I loved the idea of commentating on my team, on every team. It was a crush. Something to fall ever deeper in love with the idea of. A romance, an ambition, a calling.

Like all true romances, it was irrational and intoxicating, it was tangled and foolish, it became addictive and occasionally heart-breaking.

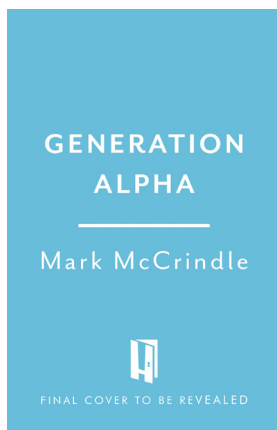
Spending time in the company of the 'greats' of football like Sir Alex Ferguson, Bill Shankly, Brian Clough and Sir Kenny Dalglish has changed everything for me, and probably for you too if you've got this far. Read on.

**Clive Tyldesley** was ITV's senior football commentator from 1998 until 2020. He led the ITV commentary team at four World Cups, four European Championships and the last 17 Champions League finals. Clive is one of the most iconic voices in British sports broadcasting. The video, explaining his feelings about recently being replaced at ITV, has now been viewed 6.5 million times.

 @CliveTyldesley | London

# Generation Alpha

## MARK McCRINDLE



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Trade Paperback | £16.99



**Everything you need to know about how to best raise, educate and guide Generation Alpha (born 2010-24) - the most materially endowed and technologically literate generation ever - to help them live their best life.**

Renowned social demographer Mark McCrindle shares everything we need to know about Generation Alpha in this accessible, fascinating book for parents and educators on how the most globally connected generation ever (born 2010-2024) will grow up, how we should parent them, what we should teach them and what we need to be aware of to ensure that we get the best out of them.

Discussing the impacts of the recent Coronavirus pandemic as an educational, world health and economic crisis with a unique set of problems presented to this first-ever remote-learning generation, Mark will help parents understand how complex the life experiences of today's children truly are. From looking at digital anxieties around social media to the unprecedented rise of environmental and social consciousness at a young age, Mark McCrindle will help parents and teachers to create the best possible framework for a child's development right the way through into adulthood.

**Mark McCrindle** is a social researcher and futurist with an international following. He is recognised as a leader in tracking emerging issues and researching social trends.

As an award-winning social researcher Mark has appeared across many Australian television networks. He is a best-selling author, an influential thought leader, TEDx speaker and Principal of McCrindle Research. Mark sits on a number of government, charity and industry boards, and is the author of three books on emerging trends and social change. *The ABC of XYZ: Understanding the Global Generations*, *Word Up: A Lexicon and Guide To Communication in the 21st Century* and *The Power of Good*.

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# Make it Easy: Just One Pan

## JANE LOVETT



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Hardback | £25.00



**Jane Lovett is known and loved for her delicious, original recipes that are always reassuringly fool-proof and deceptively straightforward.**

*Make It Easy: Just One Pan* is no exception - packed with over 100 exciting yet totally fuss-free recipes for everything from quick dinners to weekend lunches. This cookbook is bursting with bakes, casseroles, gratins, dhals, hearty salads and frittatas of every description, all of which are made using just one pan, pot or dish.

You'll be sure to find inspiration whatever you are in the mood for, from a quick and creamy pea and ham risotto to roasted duck legs boulangère, asparagus, anchovy and Taleggio tart or chicken, fennel & potato tray bake. There's also recipes for effortless puddings, such as toffee baked peaches or blackberry clafoutis.

No more endless washing up, or unnecessary hassle, just quick, achievable yet always impressive recipes to get fantastic and flavourful home-cooked food on the table, whatever the occasion.



Jane is an experienced cook who runs popular cookery demonstrations from her home and around the country. Having trained at Le Cordon Bleu in London, she has taught at Leiths School of Food & Wine, contributed and produced recipes and food for cookery books and magazines as a food stylist, and run her own successful London catering business. Jane sends seasonal recipes via a newsletter from her website [www.janelovett.com](http://www.janelovett.com) and you can follow her at [@janelovettcookery](https://www.instagram.com/janelovettcookery) on Instagram.

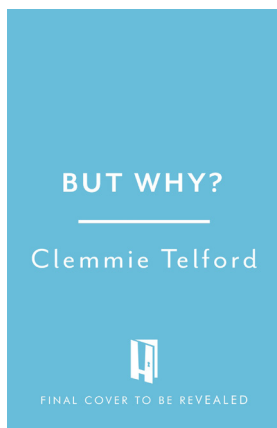
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# But Why?

How to answer tricky questions from your kids and have an honest conversation with yourself while you are at it

## CLEMMIE TELFORD



27/05/2021

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Hardback | £18.99



*But Why?* aims to help parents tackle those awkward questions that can floor the best of us, and covers a wide range of topics including bodies, bullying, mental health, sexuality, money, social media and anxiety.

Imagine the scene: you're trying to put the kids to bed, your brain has checked out for the day and suddenly, all manner of unrelated questions are flung into the night-time routine:

Whose fault is all the plastic?

What does racist mean?

Is being skinny good?

What do you mean when you are stressed?

Why is the moon called the moon?

With a foreword by leading psychologist Anna Mathur (author of *Mind Over Mother*) and with input from hundreds of Clemmie's diverse, informed and professional followers, this is the book parents have been waiting for. It offers a wealth of experience to draw upon, along with tips on how to explore the topics mindfully, pointers on where to seek more information and a reminder of what you absolutely should avoid saying to your kids even if you have been caught off-guard.



**Clemmie Telford** is the influencer behind the 'Mother of all Lists' instagram account and the 'Honestly' podcast. Her platform is based on having open conversations on all sorts of subjects, particularly those relevant to parents. She spent the first 13 years of her career in top ad agencies and, most recently, at Facebook's Creative Shop.

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## The Glorious Guinness Girls

EMILY HOURICAN

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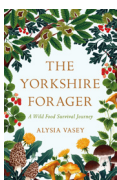


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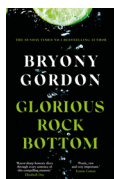


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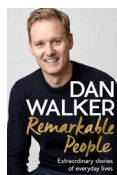


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CODY CASSIDY

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The Extraordinary People Behind the Greatest Firsts in History.

# Long Island Compromise

## TAFFY BRODESSER-AKNER



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From the *Sunday Times* and *New York Times* bestselling author of *Fleishman Is in Trouble* comes *Long Island Compromise*, a darkly exhilarating novel about an American Jewish family and its inheritance - the safety and wealth that they fought for, and the trauma, the fear, and the precariousness of their survival that is their legacy.

In 1982, wealthy businessman Carl Fletcher is kidnapped from his driveway in the nicest part of the nicest part of Long Island. He is brutalised, held for ransom and then, a week later, returned to his family. Carl, his wife and his kids all try to move on with their lives and resume their prized places in the ongoing saga of the American dream.

But nearly 40 years later, when Carl's mother dies, the trauma that has been bubbling beneath the Fletchers' lives all this time finally surfaces for the entire family: Carl, the still-terrified father, desperately seeking closure to the matter of his kidnapping, but too trapped in the mire of his trauma to ask for it; his wife, Ruth, who has spent her potential protecting Carl's emotional health to the detriment of her children's; and their three grown children: Nathan, a walking panic attack trying to get promoted at his law firm; Beamer, a Hollywood producer numbing his perpetual terror with food, drugs and women; and Jenny, the wanderer, who has spent her life so bent on proving she is not a product of the family's pathology that she comes to define it.

Once Carl's mother is gone, he finally allows himself to acknowledge what happened to him all those years ago, and face the question that's been idling in his mind for a quarter of a century: where did the ransom go? And if he were ever to find the money, would it finally give him and his family the relief and comfort they've so needed all these years?

**Taffy Brodesser-Akner** is a staff writer for *The New York Times Magazine*. She has also written for *GQ*, *ESPN* the Magazine, and many other publications.

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# Voyeur

## FRANCESCA REECE



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**WRITER SEEKS ASSISTANT TO HELP WITH ARCHIVING/RESEARCH FOR A NEW NOVEL.** Don't bother to apply if your name is Shakespearean or classical.

### PARIS AND SOUTH. PART-TIME.

Leah, a young woman who has found herself 'ambitioned' out of London, is now aimlessly adrift in Paris. Tired of odd jobs in cafés and teaching English to unresponsive social media influencers, her heart skips a beat when she spots an advert for a writer seeking an assistant.

Michael was once the bright young star of the London literary scene, now a washed-up author with writer's block. He doesn't place much hope in the advert, but after meeting Leah is filled with an inspiration he hasn't felt in years.

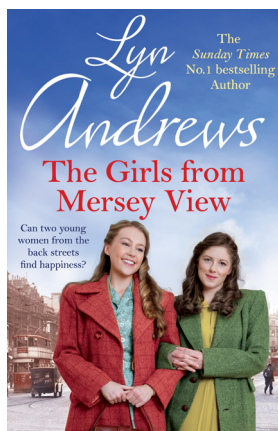
When Michael offers Leah the opportunity to join him and his family in their rambling but glorious property in the south of France for the summer, she finally feels her luck is turning. But as she begins to transcribe the diaries from his debauched life in 1960s Soho, something begins to nag at Leah's sense of fulfilment; that there might be more to Michael than meets the eye.

**Francesca Reece** grew up in Wales and having spent most of her twenties in Paris, now lives in London. She was the 2019 recipient of the Desperate Literature Prize for her short story 'So Long Sarajevo/They Miss You So Badly'.

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# The Girls From Mersey View

## LYN ANDREWS



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Paperback Original | £7.99



In her nostalgic and heart-warming new saga, *Sunday Times* bestselling author Lyn Andrews evokes the ups and downs of life in the back streets of 1930s Liverpool.

Liverpool, 1935. Monica Savage is delighted when new neighbours move in next door, and she and Joan Copperfield quickly become firm friends. While Monica's father has a good job as a guard on the railway, Joan's family are harder up, with her sailor dad Billy mostly off at sea, and restless when he's home - Mersey View is no substitute for the exotic places he sails to. Though money's tight, the Copperfield women are spirited and independent, and it's her friendship with the more confident Joan that gives Monica the courage to challenge her parents and pursue her dream of becoming a hairdresser. Joan is lucky enough to get a job at Crawford's biscuit factory, where she's even allowed to buy broken biscuits cheaply as a perk.

But there are dark secrets lurking. When an abandoned child arrives unexpectedly on the Copperfields' doorstep, her arrival will change everything. As war clouds gather, can the girls make their back street dreams reality, or will the families of Mersey View be torn apart?

**Lyn Andrews** was born in Liverpool in 1944; her father Joseph was killed on D-Day just nine months later. Lyn was brought up in Liverpool and became a secretary before she married and gave birth to triplets. Once the children had gone to school Lyn began writing, and her first novel was quickly accepted for publication. She has since written over thirty books, many of them *Sunday Times* bestsellers.

Lyn lives on the Isle of Man, but spends many weeks of the year back on Merseyside, seeing her children and grandchildren.

Isle of Man

# Whispers of the Runes

## CHRISTINA COURTENAY



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From the bestselling author of *Echoes of the Runes* comes a thrilling and epic new timeslip novel, filled with adventure and romance, perfect for fans of Barbara Erskine, Diana Gabaldon's *Outlander* and *Vikings*.

Time is no barrier for a love that is destined to be.

When jewellery designer Sara Mattsson is propelled back to the ninth century, after cutting herself on a Viking knife she uncovers at an archaeological dig, she is quick to accept what has happened to her. For this is not the first Sara has heard of time travel.

Although acutely aware of the danger she faces when she loses the knife - and with it her way to return to her own time - this is also the opportunity of a lifetime. What better way to add authenticity to the Viking and Anglo-Saxon motifs used in her designs?

As luck has it, the first person Sara encounters is Rurik Eskilsson, a fellow silversmith, who is also no stranger to the concept of time travel. Agreeing that Sara can accompany him to Jorvik, they embark on a journey even more perilous than one through time. But Fate has brought these two kindred spirits together across the ages for a reason...

**Christina Courtenay** is an award-winning author of historical romance and time slip (dual time) stories. She started writing so that she could be a stay-at-home mum to her two daughters, but didn't get published until daughter number one left home aged twenty-one, so that didn't quite go to plan! Since then, however, she's made up for it by having eleven novels published and winning the RNA's Romantic Novel of the Year Award for Best Historical Romantic Novel twice with *Highland Storms* (2012) and *The Gilded Fan* (2014), both published by Choc Lit.

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# Will This House Last Forever?

## XANTHI BARKER

WILL THIS  
HOUSE LAST  
FOREVER?

Xanthi Barker



FINAL COVER TO BE REVEALED

24/06/2021

Tinder Press

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Hardback | £16.99



**'A delicate and engaging story of love and grief... honest and really beautifully written' Cathy Rentzenbrink**

When Xanthi Barker's father died when she was in her mid twenties, she could make no sense of her grief for a man who had been absent for most of her life. Her father, Sebastian Barker, had left Xanthi, her mother and her brother to pursue poetry and a new relationship, when Xanthi was a baby. Growing up she had always struggled to reconcile his extravagant affection - the house he built for the family in Greece, rocking horses crafted by hand, an endless stream of poems and drawings and letters - with the fact that he could not be relied upon to show up at parents' evening or to answer the phone sober after 6pm. Though theirs was a relationship defined by departures, he always returned, so why should this farewell be any different, or more final?

*Will This House Last Forever?* is a heartfelt and wholly original memoir about the pain of having to come to terms with a parent's mortality, the way grief so utterly defies logic, and about learning to see the flaws in those that we love, and let them go.

**Xanthi Barker** was born in London where she still lives. Her fiction has been published in various magazines and anthologies and shortlisted for the Fish Prize. *Will This House Last Forever?* is her first book.

@xanthibarker



# The Memory Box

## KATHRYN HUGHES



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 Headline Review  
 9781472265982  
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A heartbreakingly beautiful novel, *The Memory Box* unlocks an unforgettable epic story of love and war, from the million-copy-selling author of *The Letter*, Kathryn Hughes. If you adored *The Nightingale*, *The Tuscan Contessa* or *My Name is Eva*, this is the book for you.

She had locked away her story for decades. It was time to set the past free...

2019. On her one-hundredth birthday, Jenny Turner opens the beautifully carved wooden box beside her bed, the box she was given by the man who loved her, which holds only three items - an old pebble, a carving and a newspaper cutting. Picking up the cutting, she knows the time is finally here. There is one last goodbye she needs to say, and to do this she must find a way to return to the mountainside village in Italy, where seventy-five years ago, at a time of war, she fought for love and for freedom, experienced great loss...and left behind a piece of her heart.

**Kathryn Hughes** was born in Altrincham, near Manchester. After completing a secretarial course, Kathryn met her husband and they married in Canada. For twenty-nine years they ran a business together, raised two children and travelled when they could to places such as India, Singapore, South Africa and New Zealand. Kathryn and her family now make their home in a village near Manchester.

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