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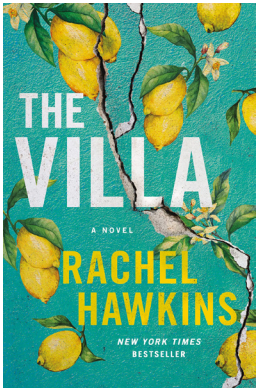
The Villa

Rachel Hawkins



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Also available as an ebook

As kids, Emily and Chess were inseparable, but their bond has been strained by the demands of their adult lives. So when Chess suggests a girls trip to Italy, Emily jumps at the chance to reconnect with her best friend.

Villa Aestas in Orvieto is breath-taking, but it has a dark past: in 1974 it was rented by a notorious rockstar, who was joined by up-and-coming musician Pierce Sheldon and his girlfriend, Mari. By the end of the holiday Pierce is dead, and Mari goes on to write one of the greatest horror novels of all time.

As Emily digs into the villa's history, she begins to think that Pierce's murder wasn't just a tale of sex, drugs, and rock & roll gone wrong, but something more sinister – and that there might be clues hidden in the now-iconic works that Mari left behind.

Yet the closer that Emily gets to the truth, the more tension she feels developing between her and Chess. As secrets from the past come to light, equally dangerous betrayals from the present also emerge – and it begins to look like the villa will claim another victim before the summer ends.

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

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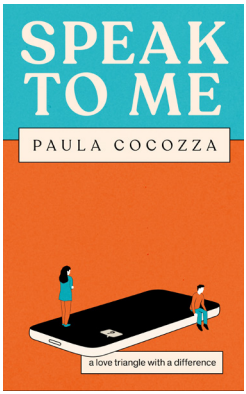
Speak to Me

Paula Cocozza



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The spiky wit of DEPT. OF SPECULATION and the ache and romance of BRIEF ENCOUNTER collide brilliantly in SPEAK TO ME: the story of a woman who feels she is losing her husband to his mobile phone - and that she might be falling out of love with modern life.

When Kurt's phone rings during sex - and he reaches to pick it up - Susan knows that their marriage has passed the point of no return. Since they swapped their family home for an 'executive' newbuild on an estate still under construction, she has felt ever more aware that there is something missing in her life: the absence of any kind of meaningful communication with Kurt, who only has Facetime for Wendy (the nickname she has given to the ubiquitous phone), or her twin boys, with whom she communicates via notes left on the middle shelf of the fridge.

This sense of loss becomes increasingly focused on a cache of handwritten letters, from her first love, Antony, mementoes of a time when devotion seemed to spill out easily onto paper. Increasingly desperate and out of synch with the contemporary world, Susan embarks on a journey of discovery that will reconnect her to her younger self, while simultaneously revealing her future.

Paula Cocozza is a Guardian features writer who has written for a wide range of publications from the TLS to Vogue. She is the author of a previous novel, HOW TO BE HUMAN, which was published by Hutchinson in 2018 and shortlisted for the Desmond Elliot Prize.

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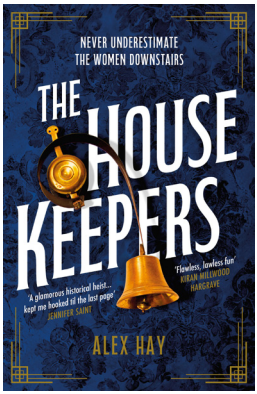
The Housekeepers

Alex Hay



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Also available as an ebook

Headline's biggest debut novel launch for 2023

'Flawless, lawless fun' **Kiran Millwood Hargrave**, bestselling author of *The Mercies*

'Imagine *Ocean's 8* had an illegitimate baby with *Fingersmith* - a big fat diamond of a book' **Erin Kelly**

UPSTAIRS, MADAM IS PLANNING THE PARTY OF THE SEASON.

DOWNSTAIRS, THE SERVANTS ARE PLOTTING THE HEIST OF THE CENTURY.

When Mrs King, housekeeper to the most illustrious home in Mayfair, is suddenly dismissed after years of loyal service, she knows just who to recruit to help her take revenge.

A black-market queen out to settle her scores. An actress desperate for a magnificent part. A seamstress dreaming of a better life. And Mrs King's predecessor, who has been keeping the dark secrets of Park Lane far too long.

Mrs King has an audacious plan in mind, one that will reunite her women in the depths of the house on the night of a magnificent ball - and play out right under the noses of her former employers...

**THEY COME FROM NOTHING.
BUT THEY'LL LEAVE WITH EVERYTHING.**

Dazzling, stylish and wildly entertaining, *The Housekeepers* lets loose an outlandish alliance of women you'll never forget.

Alex Hay grew up in Cambridge and Cardiff and has been writing as long as he can remember. He studied History at the University of York, and wrote his dissertation on female power at royal courts, combing the archives for every scrap of drama and skulduggery he could find. He has worked in magazine publishing and the charity sector, and is a graduate of the Curtis Brown Write Your Novel course. *The Housekeepers* is his debut novel and won the Caledonia Novel Award 2022. Alex lives with his husband in South East London.

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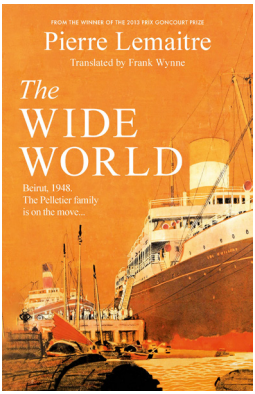
The Wide World

Pierre Lemaitre



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Also available as an ebook

'Literature with conviction; a furious talent' L'Obs

From Prix Goncourt winner Pierre Lemaitre comes the first volume in The Glorious Years quartet -a vivid and twisty epic of greed, corruption and power set in 1948 Beirut, Saigon and Paris

Beirut, 1948. The Pelletier family returns... The Pelletiers are a prominent French family living in Beirut. The patriarch, Louis, has built a successful business manufacturing and exporting artisanal soaps. He hoped to pass the business on to his eldest son, Jean, but Jean doesn't have the sharpness or aptitude for such an enterprise. After nearly running the company into the ground, Jean marries a money-grubbing young woman who quickly makes him miserable, and they emigrate to Paris. But there's another reason Jean must leave - he has committed a terrible crime...

His brother, Etienne, travels to Saigon, where he soon uncovers irregularities in the local currency office and begins investigating what he believes is a scheme to channel smuggled goods and cash to the Viet Minh. It is evidence that presents a real threat to his own life.

François, the middle Pelletier brother, has gone to Paris, ostensibly to study, but finds himself working as a journalist. His career flies when he reports on the brutal murder of an actress in a cinema ladies' room. It seems a serial killer is on the loose.

'You have the ingredients Balzac would have cooked with. And it is exactly those great 19th century novels that Lemaitre will remind you of' *Sunday Times*

Pierre Lemaitre was born in Paris in 1951. He worked for many years as a teacher of literature before becoming a novelist.

He has won the Crime Writers' Association International Dagger three times, once alongside Fred Vargas, for Alex, and twice as sole winner for *Camille* and *The Great Swindle*. In 2013 The Great Swindle (published in French as *Au revoir là-haut* won the Prix Goncourt, France's leading literary award. In addition to his Brigade Criminelle novels starring Commandant Camille Verhoeven, Lemaitre writes standalone thrillers including *Blood Wedding*.

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Someone You Know

Erin Kinsley

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'Brilliant, compelling, heart-wrenching writing.' PETER JAMES

SOMEONE KILLED YOUR DAUGHTER. SOMEONE YOU KNOW...

Your daughter isn't answering your calls.
She's not replying to your messages.

You rush to her house.
She's slumped in the basement, dying and alone.

You desperately call for help.
She whispers a single word.

Someone is keeping secrets.
And it must be someone you know...

Praise for Erin Kinsley:

'An unputdownable thriller.' **ELLY GRIFFITHS**

'Sensitive and moving...but with a core of pure tension' **SUNDAY TIMES**

'Full of twists and turns to keep you guessing, this is a gripping and compelling read you won't want to put down' **HEAT**

Erin Kinsley is a full-time writer. She grew up in Yorkshire and currently lives in East Anglia.

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Summer at Seastone

Judith Lennox

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An enthralling tale of the enduring power of friendship . . .

Every summer Bea, Marissa and Emma meet at Seastone, Emma's family home on the remote Suffolk coast, to retreat from their daily lives and take comfort in their friendship. Over the years, their paths have not been easy. For Bea, the aftermath of a broken-hearted love affair influences the decisions she makes. For Marissa, the fear that her traumatic past will catch up with her haunts her still. And, for Emma, the sacrifices she has made for her family leave her full of longing and regret . . .

At Seastone, Emma's extraordinary mother, Tamar, is on hand to offer support and encouragement, but Tamar harbours her own heartrending secret that stems from a brief encounter during the Second World War. Coming together as friends each summer, these courageous women gain the strength to face the challenges that lie ahead...

Judith Lennox grew up in rural Hampshire and studied at the University of Lancaster, where she met her husband Iain; they have three sons, three grandsons and a granddaughter. Judith lives with her husband in Cambridge.

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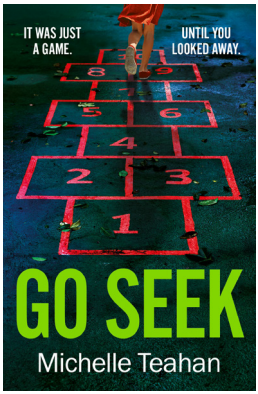
Go Seek
Michelle Teahan



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YOU LOOKED AWAY FOR JUST A MINUTE.

Your daughter is gone, and only you can find her.
Because you know exactly who took her.
And they're making her pay for your past.

To save one child, you must leave the other.
You must return to your old life.
And become the woman you left behind years ago.

It's every parent's worst nightmare.
Now it's your reality.

Exhilarating and breathless, with an emotional core, GO SEEK is a non-stop high-octane thriller that will take you on an unforgettable journey through the darker side of Dublin's streets as one mother seeks revenge for her daughter. For fans of Adrian McKinty, Andrea Mara, K.L. Slater and TAKEN.

Michelle Teahan is a qualified Medical Scientist but her passion has always been writing stories. She loves creating strong female characters, putting them in the worst types of situations and seeing how they react. She lives in County Cork, Ireland with her husband, two young daughters and a giant ginger cat.

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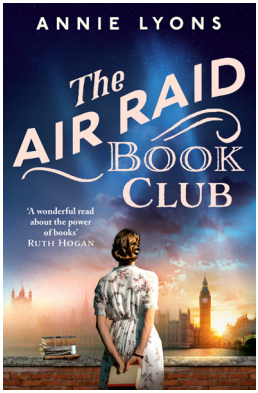
The Air Raid Book Club

Annie Lyons



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Also available as an ebook

'A warm and tender tale about the power and healing of friendship and community and the magic of books' - **Ruth Hogan**

As the bombs began to fall, the book club kept their hopes alive...

An emotional and uplifting story of wartime London and the extraordinary power of books to draw people together in the darkest of days, inspired by true events, from the USA Today bestselling author.

London, 1938. Bookseller **Gertie Bingham** is facing difficult times, having just lost her beloved husband, Harry, and with a lingering sadness at never having been able to have a child of her own. Struggling to run the bookshop she and Harry opened together, Gertie is preparing to sell up when she is asked if she would be willing to take in a young Jewish refugee from Germany. Gertie is unsure and when sullen teenager **Hedy Fischer** arrives, Gertie fears she has nothing left to give her.

But when the German bombers come and the lights go out over London, **Gertie and Hedy** realise that joining forces will make them stronger, and that books have the power to bring young and old together and unite a community in need in its darkest hour...

Annie Lyons was shortlisted for the RNA Contemporary Romantic Novel of the Year Award

'This is **a book to be read and re-read** - each time there will be something new to discover . . . a triumph' - **Celia Anderson**

After a career in bookselling and publishing, **Annie Lyons** became an author. When not working on her novels, she teaches creative writing. She lives in south-east London with her husband and two children and puppy, Nelson.

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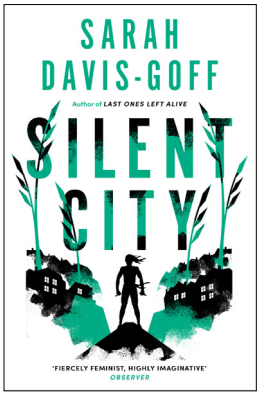
Silent City

Sarah Davis-Goff



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Also available as an ebook

From the author of LAST ONES LEFT ALIVE comes the story of a young female warrior who must start a revolution if she and those she loves are to survive.

Orpen has always been an outlier in Phoenix City - the only outsider ever admitted to the ranks of the banshees, the female warriors who enforce order, and protect it from the skrake - the ravening creatures that have laid waste to the rest of the country, and gather at the city walls.

Unrest is building in the city - a deadly sickness is spreading through the workers, while an unspoken disillusionment is creeping amongst the fighting women, weary of enforcing the all-male management's patriarchal rule, and of the cost, to their sisters, and to young new recruits, of upholding this order.

Rumour has it that banshees have been taking matters into their own hands, and taking swift and violent revenge. When Orpen's troop leader falls under suspicion it becomes clear that Orpen will need to muster all her courage and prowess if she and her fellow banshees are going to be able to find a way to escape, and rebuild a society worth fighting for.

Sarah Davis-Goff is the author of ***LAST ONES LEFT ALIVE***, the '***fiercely feminist, highly imaginative debut***' (Observer), which published to critical acclaim on publication. Her writing has been published in the *Irish Times*, the *Guardian* and *LitHub*. She was born in and lives in Dublin.

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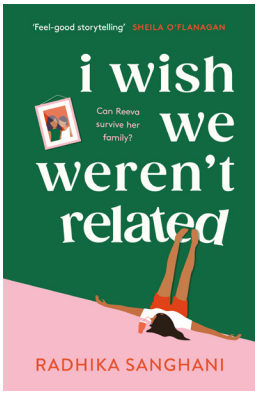
I Wish We Weren't Related

Radhika Sanghani



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Also available as an ebook

A fresh, funny and oh-so-relatable novel about trying to be the grown up when your magnificently messy family seems set to sabotage everything.

Reeva Mehta is thriving. Consumed in her career as one of London's top divorce lawyers, she doesn't bat an eyelid when her mum calls to tell her that her dad is dead. Because he's been dead since she was five… hasn't he?

If finding out her dad was alive – until last week – wasn't bad enough, his last request was for his daughters to spend fourteen days in mourning at his house. Which means Reeva must spend a fortnight stuck with the people who betrayed her when she needed them the most – her sisters.

Navigating her absent Bollywood megastar mother, newly dead father and scheming sisters with only a temperamental boyfriend – and even more temperamental cat – by her side, it's no wonder Reeva's hair is falling out. Could confronting the truth help the Mehtas put aside their differences, or will attending a funeral be the death of this family?

Radhika Sanghani is an award-winning features journalist, and an influential body positivity campaigner. She writes regularly for the *Daily Telegraph, Daily Mail, Elle, Guardian, Grazia, Glamour* and *Cosmopolitan*; was recently featured in Italian *Vogue* as well as BBC Radio 4 Woman's Hour, and is a regular guest on Sky News and GMB. She is the author of *Thirty Things I Love About Myself*, which came out to widespread praise in 2022. Radhika is also a yoga teacher, and she runs a charity initiative with Age UK fighting loneliness in older women.

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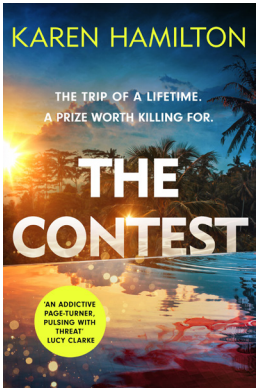
The Contest

Karen Hamilton



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THE TRIP OF A LIFETIME. A PRIZE WORTH KILLING FOR.

We call it the Great Escape. The annual trip where my boss asks us expert travel guides to escort a group of privileged, uber-wealthy clientele on some far-flung expedition, a cut-throat contest for riches and glory.

The stakes have never been higher, nor the challenge harder: **I must summit Mount Kilimanjaro before my rival guide to win the ultimate prize.**

But this once-in-a-lifetime trip was never about winning to me. I'm here for answers, even if no one is ready to give them up. By the time we reach the top I will have the truth, if it kills me.

THE QUESTION IS, HOW FAR WILL THEY GO TO KEEP ME QUIET?

Praise for Karen Hamilton:
'Fabulously dark' **Harriet Tyce**
'An irresistible slice of escapism' **TM Logan**
'Full of twists and turns, it will keep you furiously turning the pages' **Sarah Pearse**
'Compelling, absorbing and highly entertaining.' **Allie Reynolds**
'Sizzles with tension, desire, and a forever-escalating sense of menace.' **Jack Jordan**
'Let this supremely enjoyable thriller whisk you up, up and away.' **Sunday Mirror**
'Grippingly unpredictable' **Daily Express**
'Be prepared to put your life on hold' **Good Housekeeping**
'Taut and tense from the first page to the closing paragraphs' **Sun**
'Fast-moving and fun' **Observer**

Karen Hamilton spent her childhood in Angola, Zimbabwe, Belgium and Italy and worked as a flight attendant for many years. Karen is a recent graduate of the Faber Academy and, having now put down roots in Hampshire to raise her young family with her husband, she satisfies her wanderlust by exploring the world through her writing. Karen's first novel, *The Perfect Girlfriend*, was a *Sunday Times* bestseller, followed by *The Last Wife* and *The Ex-Husband*.

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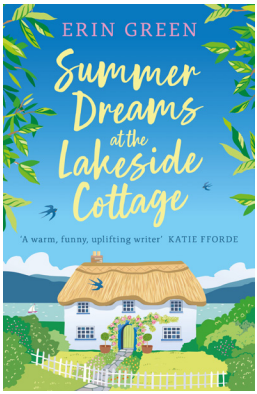
Summer Dreams at the Lakeside Cottage

Erin Green



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'A warm, funny, uplifting writer to celebrate!' **KATIE FFORDE**

Fans of Lucy Diamond, Phillipa Ashley, Sue Moorcroft and Holly Martin will love Erin Green's novels of life, love and laughter.

'A lovely, heart-warming story . . . I was hooked!' **CHRISTINA COURTENAY**

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Welcome to the Lakeside Cottage . . . a place to escape, where friendship awaits . . .

When Beth, Koo and Lulu wake up in the same hotel room in Bath, wearing each other's hen night attire, they are extremely confused - especially as they have never met before. But what begins that night is just the start of a week of surprises . . .

Beth has followed the traditional path in her relationship with Dale, and now their wedding is just days away - but is it really what she wants? Koo's relationship with Judd has been anything but expected - especially by her family. Is she right to trust her instincts and go through with this marriage? For Lulu, the big day approaching signifies nothing but heartache as the man she loves is marrying another. Should she fight for the happiness they both deserve?

The three women make a snap decision to escape to a beautiful Lake District cottage for one week, hoping that the gift of their new-found friendships will help them make the biggest decision of their lives.

Erin was born and raised in Warwickshire. 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. 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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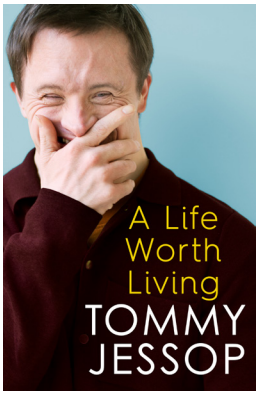
A Life Worth Living

Tommy Jessop



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A powerful, moving and joyous memoir from Tommy Jessop, award-winning actor and activist.

I'm a man on a mission to show that life with Down syndrome can be exciting and is worth living, so that other people understand and give us the chance to live life to the full and to be fulfilled.

Award winning actor and activist Tommy Jessop has followed his dreams and defied expectations, proving that anything is possible with hard work and love. This is his story, in his own words, with his wicked sense of humour and additional recollections from his mother, Jane Jessop. From his early years at home, to the sets of Line of Duty and inside the Houses of Parliament, Tommy takes us behind the scenes of his life showing us his unstoppable determination and charisma.

A natural born performer, he has a passion for acting , dancing and singing. Tommy is the first professional actor with Down syndrome to take the lead in a primetime television drama and the first to play Hamlet. He is at the forefront of raising awareness of the rights and potential of people who have Down syndrome. Tommy's natural instinct to help others and his zest for life leaps from the page , as does his wish to make people aware that people with learning disabilities are just like everybody else.

Tommy Jessop is a multi-award-winning actor starring in feature films and mainstream TV series including Line of Duty and Coming Down the Mountain (written by Mark Haddon). Tommy also has an acclaimed stage career that includes being the first actor with Down syndrome to play Hamlet on mainstream stages through his theatre company Blue Apple Theatre. He is the first actor with Down syndrome to become a BAFTA member. His public profile has helped him campaign for, amongst other things, the passing of the Down Syndrome Act in Parliament - which aims to ensure suitable support and rights provisions for those with Down syndrome. Tommy is an Ambassador to Mencap and Patron of the National Down Syndrome Policy Group.

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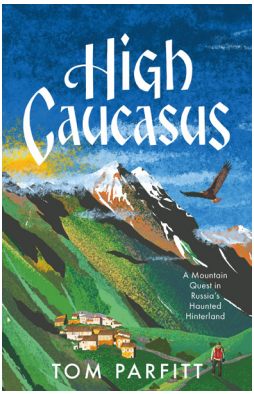
High Caucasus

Tom Parfitt



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A stunning memoir of the 1,000-mile walk journalist Tom Parfitt made across Russia's Caucasus mountains to lay to rest a ghost – confronting trauma through connection with history, people and place.

On 1st September 2004, Chechen and Ingush militants took more than a thousand people captive at a school in the Caucasus region of southern Russia. Working as a correspondent, Tom Parfitt witnessed the bloody climax in which 334 hostages died, more than half of them children. The experience left Tom emotionally shredded, struggling to find a way to return to his life in Moscow and put to rest the ghosts of the Beslan siege.

Having long been fascinated by the mountainous North Caucasus, Tom turned to his love of walking as a source of both recuperation and discovery. In High Caucasus, he shares his remarkable thousand-mile quest in search of personal peace – and a greater understanding of the roots of violence in a region whose fate has tragic parallels with the Ukraine of today.

Starting his journey in Sochi on the Black Sea and walking the mountain ranges to Derbent, the ancient fortress city on the Caspian, Tom traverses the political, religious and ethnic fault-lines of seven Russian republics, including Chechnya and Dagestan. Through bear-haunted forests, across high altitude pastures and over the shoulders of Elbrus, Europe's highest mountain, he finds companionship and respite in the homes of proud, little-known peoples. Walking exerts a restorative power; it also provides a unique, ground-level view of a troubled yet exquisite corner of the world.

A new exciting writer, very much in the style of Robert McFarlane and Nicolas Crane, **Tom Parfitt** is the Times' correspondent in Moscow. He moved to Moscow as a young man, having learnt fluent Russian at university, and quickly became a correspondent for the Guardian, the Telegraph and the Times. He is also a fellow of the Royal Geographic Society.

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The Hundred Loves of Juliet
Evelyn Skye

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'This novel cleverly imagines the epilogue the lovers didn't get to have, and how curses can be blessings in disguise' JODI PICOULT

A unique take on an epic love story between legendary lovers. An unforgettable blend of romance and fantasy, perfect for fans of fairy-tale retellings, Outlander and Twilight.

It happens every time she comes back into my life, a memory lingering from the first night we met, centuries ago. She has no idea who she is, of course. I may go by Sebastien now, but my name was originally Romeo. And hers was Juliet.

It's a frosty fairy tale of an evening when Helene and Sebastien meet for the first time. Except it isn't the first time. You already know that story, though it didn't happen quite as Shakespeare told it.

To Helene, Sebastien is the flesh-and-blood hero of the love stories she's spent her life writing. But Sebastien knows better - Helene is his Juliet, and their story has always been the same. He is doomed to find brief happiness with her over and over, before she dies, and he is left to mourn.

Albrecht and Brigitta. Matteo and Amélie. Jack and Rachel. Marius and Cosmina. By any name, no matter where and when in time, the two of them are drawn together, and it always ends in tragedy.

This time, Helene is determined that things will be different. But can these star-cross'd lovers forge a new ending to the greatest love story of all time?

Evelyn Skye is the New York Times bestselling author of six novels, including *Damsel* (which will soon be a Netflix film starring Millie Bobby Brown, Robin Wright, and Angela Bassett) and *The Crown's Game*. She is a graduate of Stanford University and Harvard Law School, and she lives in the San Francisco Bay Area with her husband and daughter.

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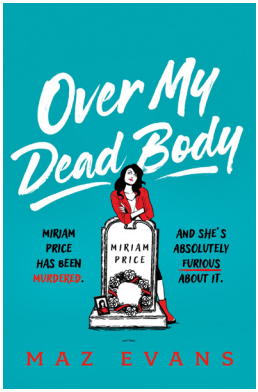
San Carlos

Over My Dead Body

Maz Evans



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Hello? Can you hear me? Probably not. I'm Dr Miriam Price . . . and I'm dead.

The local police, who couldn't investigate their own nostrils, think I drank myself into an early grave. The nerve! I was murdered. I was just too plastered to know whodunnit, that's all.

Unless I prove to my inquest this week that my death was no 'misadventure', I'm condemned to 50 years in Limbo. I have to find my killer - but I can't communicate with any living human.

Well, there's one, but she barely qualifies . . . Winnie - my neighbour and nemesis. It seems the dying can interact with the dead, which is helpful news for me, if not stellar for Winnie. Oh well. She'll live. Maybe.

Suspects? How long have you got? My saintly husband, who'd reached his limit? My best friend, who was anything but? My secret lover, or his wife? My disgruntled colleague? The mother who wrongly holds me responsible for her child's death? Professor Plum? Your guess is as good as mine.

So Winnie - slap on your deerstalker and strap on your granny pants. Let's catch a killer! Assuming we don't kill each other first . . .

Praise for Maz Evans:

'Wildly hilarious' **The Guardian**
'Epically clever" **Kiran Millwood Hargrave**
'Simultaneously hilarious and heart-breaking' **Daily Record**

Maz Evans is the author of the bestselling WHO LET THE GODS OUT?, VI SPY and THE EXPLODING LIFE OF SCARLETT FIFE series, which have collectively sold to 22 countries worldwide and received over 20 award nominations, including the Carnegie Medal, Branford Boase, Books Are My Bag, Waterstone's Children's Book of the Year and Indie Children's Book of the Year. Her acclaimed live events have featured at Hay, Imagine, Edinburgh, Bath, Cheltenham, Bestival, Wilderness and countless literary festivals around the UK.

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Kill For Me Kill For You

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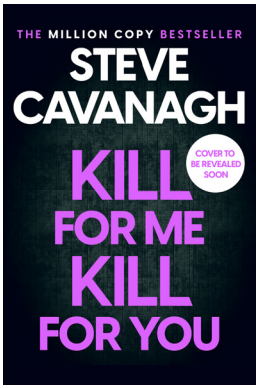

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The twisting new standalone thriller from the award-winning, top ten bestseller...

SHE WILL KILL YOUR WORST ENEMY. ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS KILL HERS.

One dark evening in New York City, two strangers meet by chance. Over drinks, Amanda and Wendy realise they have so much in common.

They both feel alone. They both drink alone. And they both desperately want revenge against the two men who destroyed their families.

Together, they have the perfect plan.
If you kill for me, I'll kill for you...

Why readers are totally hooked on Steve Cavanagh's gripping thrillers:

'A masterclass in misdirection' **THE GUARDIAN**

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

'A brilliant, twisty, ingeniously constructed puzzle of a book' **RUTH WARE**

'Steve Cavanagh writes the best hooks in the business' **MICK HERRON**

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

'Cavanagh is a genius... page-turning stuff' **EVENING STANDARD**

Steve Cavanagh has sold over a million copies of his novels in the UK alone. His eight books have all been nominated for major awards and many are international bestsellers. His third novel, The Liar, won the CWA Gold Dagger for Crime Novel of the Year 2018. Thirteen won the Theakston Old Peculier Crime Novel of the Year 2019. Fifty-Fifty was a Richard and Judy Book club choice and was also selected for the BBC 'Between the Covers' book club. Twisted, Fifty-Fifty, The Devil's Advocate and The Accomplice were all Sunday Times Top 10 bestsellers.

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Don't Look Away

Rachel Abbott

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The impossible-to-put-down, breathless new thriller from the queen of the page turner that will have you reading through your fingers, unable to tear yourself away.

From the moment I open my eyes, I know. Her bed is made, the wardrobe empty.
There was something she wanted to tell me, but I didn't listen.
Now she's gone.

Eleven years ago my sister Lola vanished from my aunt's cottage in Cornwall. Now I'm back, and I'm no closer to understanding why she ran away. What secrets was she keeping?

Memories come to me in snippets, but something is still missing. Then a body is discovered in a cave below the cliffs. No one knows how long it's been there. Is it Lola?

The next night I wake, knowing someone is there, standing by my bed. I can hear them breathing. What do they want? Am I getting too close to the truth?

Did Lola ever leave?

Rachel Abbott began her career as an independent author in 2011, with *Only the Innocent*, which became an instant No.1 bestseller on Kindle, topping the chart for four weeks. Since then, she has published ten further psychological thrillers, plus a novella, and sold over 4 million copies in the English language. She is one of the top-selling authors of all time in the UK Kindle store, and her novels have been translated into 21 languages. Rachel splits her time between Alderney and the Le Marche region of Italy, where she is able to devote all her time to writing fiction.

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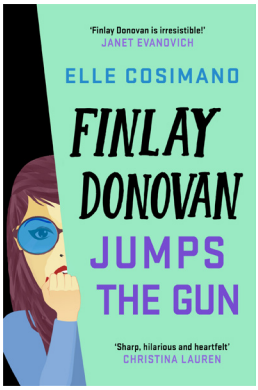
Finlay Donovan Jumps the Gun
Elle Cosimano



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'Finlay Donovan is irresistible!' JANET EVANOVICH

New year, new Finlay Donovan.
She's got a list of resolutions and she's ready to bite the bullet.
1. No junk food.
2. No men.
3. No bodies in her minivan.

But first, she owes the Russian mob one last favour - tracking down a rogue hitman with her nanny Vero, before the cops do. The small complication? This killer might be a cop himself.

Enter distractingly hot Detective Nicholas Anthony, whose new citizens' police academy provides the perfect cover-up for Finlay to sleuth out the target - and some fresh ideas for her crime novel.

Between firearms and forensics training, family dramas and hands-on research with Detective Nick, can Finlay get to her edits and the hitman before time runs out?

She'll give it her best shot.

With more dating, diapers and dodging bullets, the third book in the hilarious, irresistibly lovable Finlay Donovan series is perfect for fans of Dial A for Aunties, Janet Evanovich's Stephanie Plum series, and TV shows like Only Murders in the Building, Killing Eve and Dead to Me.

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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The Details

Ia Genberg

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An intoxicating **international bestseller** - for fans of Rachel Cusk and Tessa Hadley.

A famous broadcaster writes a forgotten love letter; a friend abruptly disappears; a lover leaves something unexpected behind; a traumatised woman is consumed by her own anxiety.

In the throes of a high fever, a woman lies bedridden. Suddenly, she is struck with an urge to revisit a particular novel from her past. Inside the book is an inscription: a get-well-soon message from an ex-girlfriend.

Pages from her past begin to flip, full of things she cannot forget and people who cannot be forgotten. Johanna, that same ex-girlfriend who introduced her to Paul Auster's The New York Trilogy, now a famous TV host in Sweden. Niki, the friend who disappeared all those years ago without a phone number or an address and has no online footprint. Alejandro, who gleefully campaigns for a baby despite knowing their love has no future. And Brigitte, whose elusive qualities shield a painful secret.

Who is the real subject of a portrait, the person being painted or the one holding the brush? *The Details* is a novel built around four such portraits, unveiling the fragments of memory and experience that make up a life. In exhilarating, provocative prose, Ia Genberg reveals an intimate and powerful celebration of what it means to be human.

Ia Genberg (b. 1967) began her writing career as a journalist. She published her debut novel, *Sweet Friday*, in 2012., followed by another novel, *Belated Farewell* (2013) and the short story collection *Small Comfort*, and four other tales about money (2018). *The Details*, her third novel, was an **instant Swedish bestseller**, and has since sold in 25 territories all over the world.

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The Body on Scafell Pike

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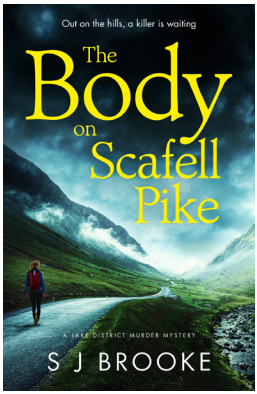

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OUT ON THE HILLS, A KILLER IS WAITING.

The gripping, darkly atmospheric new crime series based in the iconic Cumbrian Lake District.

A renowned mountaineer and self-described 'fell runner' is found dead in a deep gully on one side of Scafell Pike within hours of announcing his intention of breaking the world record for the quickest continuous summit of every peak in the Lake District.

Only a month into the job, DI Jess Chambers had been hoping that Cumbria would offer a slower pace of policing than her native Belfast, but this first case already sees her out of her depth. A local mountain guide, Margot Voyce, proves to be her biggest asset as she begins her investigation into the mysterious death of this world-famous athlete in unfamiliar terrain.

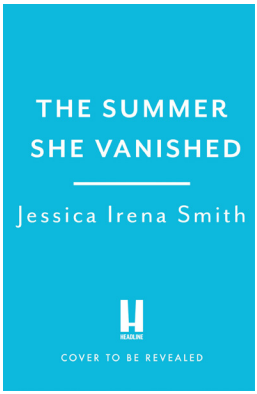
But as legions of his online following descend on the Lakes to pay their respects, it becomes clear that this was no accident. Jess and Margot must solve the case before more blood is spilled - but in a community such as this, sometimes the truth is more dangerous than a killer.

The Body on Scafell Pike is the first DI Jess Chambers and Margot Voyce murder mystery, a series set in the spectacular Lake District national park in northwest England. **S. J. Brooke** lives in Kent and used to be a newspaper crime reporter.

Kent

The Summer She Vanished

Jessica Irena Smith



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A MISSING GIRL. A MURDERED WOMAN.
HOW LONG CAN A SMALL TOWN BURY ITS PAST?

Forty years ago, local teacher Sister Francesca Pepitone was found strangled in a parking lot on the outskirts of Boweridge.

One week later, seventeen-year-old Minna Larson disappeared. No one has seen or heard from her since.

The cases were never linked, and neither was solved, but Minna's niece Maggie is certain there's a connection because before she vanished, Minna was telling people she knew who had murdered Sister Fran, and that she had the evidence to prove it.

But no one believed her because there is one thing everyone can agree on.

Minna lies.

A blistering and shocking thriller that takes you on a taut and compelling journey to find the truth behind the story of a missing teen, a murdered nun, and the dark secret that connects them. **Perfect for fans of *SWEET LITTLE LIES, THE ROANOKE GIRLS* and *THE GIRLS WHO DISAPPEARED*.**

Jessica Irena Smith is a glass artist from County Durham and has a BA in Glass & Ceramics and an MA in Glass, both from the University of Sunderland, where she was based at the National Glass Centre. *The Summer She Vanished* is her debut novel.

Durham

Beneath Dark Waters

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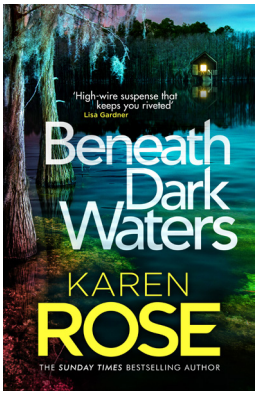

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Assistant District Attorney Kaj Cordozo's life is thrown upside down when two masked men attempt to kidnap his son, Elijah. Given the high-profile case Kaj is working on, he's not about to take any more risks.

When Val Sorensen of Burke Broussard Private Investigation Agency is assigned as Elijah's bodyguard, she realises she also has a very personal connection to the gang thought to be behind the attempted kidnap - a run in with Sixth Day cost her brother his life.

As Kaj and Val work together to prevent a second kidnap attempt, they uncover a trail of violence and deception leading back to brothers Aaron and Corey Gates. Aaron is in prison, but Corey is dangerous, at large and about to threaten everything Kaj holds dear.

Will the revelation of involvement from the other Gates brothers lead to answers, or by placing their trust in them will Kaj and Val be putting themselves in even more danger?

READERS LOVE KAREN ROSE:

''Karen Rose never disappoints!'

'She is phenomenal at weaving an absorbing, detailed plot full of suspense and all interwoven with a beautiful love story'

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

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

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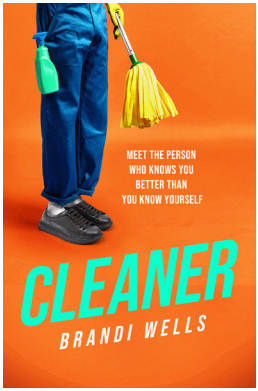

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An offbeat, darkly funny debut novel exploring work, worth and class through the eyes of a night shift clearer in a corporate office block, perfect for fans of Convenience Store Woman and My Year of Rest and Relaxation.

'I clean the offices and bathrooms and lobby five nights a week, but my actual job is to take care of everyone. They need so much help.'

At night, in a corporate office block in an unnamed metropolitan city, a cleaner begins her shift.

As she cleans Sad Intern's desk, she throws away some of her more alarming health supplements, and leaves her healthy snacks instead. Mr Buff's desk is immaculate, but he seems to have a secret smoking habit - not conducive to his fitness journey - which she's going to help him kick. She confiscates the knitted coaster that sexy, sensitive Yarn Guy has given to Soda Woman - someone who clips her nails in the office doesn't deserve his gifts.

She's the office guardian angel - and no one even knows it.

But tonight, while scrolling through your emails, she'll discover the secret you've been hiding - the one that will threaten her job, and the jobs of everyone she takes care of. And you're about to find out that, sometimes, your most powerful enemy is the one you don't even see.

Brandi Wells is the author of a novella, *This Boring Apocalypse* (Civil Coping Mechanisms, 2015), and a chapbook of stories, *Please Don't be Upset* (Tiny Hardcore Press, 2011). A native of Georgia, they teach creative writing and literature at California State University, Fullerton.

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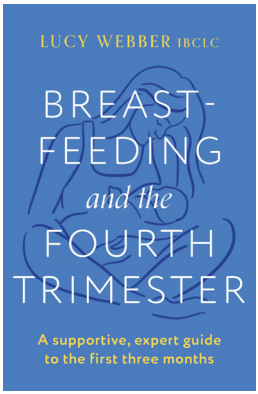
Breastfeeding and the Fourth Trimester

Lucy Webber



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This book is a guide not just to breastfeeding, but to both feeding and parenting a new baby, with a responsive and gentle theme throughout (for parents AND little ones).

If you're reading this book, you may be pregnant and wondering what life is really going to be like, have recently had a baby and feeling like you're on a rollercoaster looking for answers, or you may be a partner or some sort of supporter of new parents.

Breastfeeding and the Fourth Trimester will give you all the information you need, as well as providing you with plenty of reassurance, and explaining how to know when and where to get help - and hopefully you'll be able to get a lot of that these pages too.

Covering everything from positioning and latching, nipple and breast pain, how to know if your baby is getting enough milk, weight gain and milk supply, reflux and CMPA, colic, tongue tie, expressing, and much more besides, and woven through with case studies and real parent stories, this book is the ideal companion for those first few whirlwind months of life with a newborn.

Lucy Webber qualified as a midwife in 2002 and quickly developed a passion for breastfeeding and all areas of feeding support. In 2012 she certified as an IBCLC lactation consultant and has enjoyed supporting women and their families ever since.

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Mini Big Ideas

Jonny Thomson

Every so often, a new idea comes along that changes everything. Vaccinations. Relativity. Fascism. Can we imagine a world before the invention of writing? What would Christianity have looked like without with a concept of hell? Sometimes these ideas come along suddenly: Copernicus suggesting the earth revolves around the sun; Gutenberg's printing press, Darwin's theory of evolution. Sometimes they evolve over generations: the institution of marriage; the development of animal husbandry; the understanding of genetics. Either way, once the idea gains a foothold, nothing is the same again.

This fascinating little book tells the stories behind 150 revolutionary concepts and explains why they are important. Taken from the realms of science, politics, society, religion and technology, these are the big ideas that have changed the world - in a nutshell.

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Jonny Thomson teaches philosophy in Oxford. He runs a popular Instagram account and website called MINI PHILOSOPHY, the result of his conversations with students and a somewhat masochistic obsession with reading dense philosophical works.

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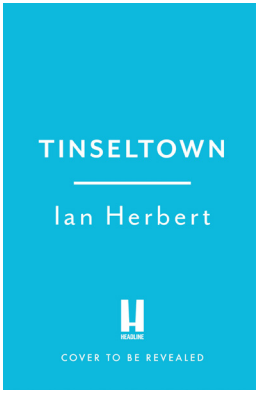
Tinseltown

Ian Herbert



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The remarkable inside story of how two Hollywood A-listers, Rob McElhenney and Ryan Reynolds, stunned the football world by buying a non-league club in North Wales.

It was one of the most extraordinary takeovers British football has known. In February 2021, Ryan Reynolds joined with Rob McElhenney to buy Wrexham AFC, a non-league team in North Wales.

Wrexham, a former coal and steel town dealing with its post-industrial legacy, suddenly found itself at the centre of global attention, with broadcast networks around the world descending to discover what was going on. The club became the subject of a smash hit Disney+ docu-series, *Welcome to Wrexham*.

Tinseltown tells the story of this extraordinary, unpredictable and often surreal football takeover and the remarkable events that followed. Written with the full cooperation of Wrexham AFC, it is the inside story of what happened when Hollywood met a dot on a map. How a town was transformed when its football club, aspiring only to survive on the fifth rung of the British football ladder, was sprinkled with gold dust and found ambition again.

With unique access to players, the manager and the club's executives, the book charts the club's attempts to climb up the pyramid, providing a vivid sense of what it is like to play for this 'Hollywood' team and the pressure and spotlight that comes with it.

At their only press conference since buying the club, nobody laughed when Reynolds and McElhenney said the Premier League could be an aspiration. 'Couldn't we theoretically make this happen?' McElhenney asked. 'Why not dream big?' added Reynolds. 'If you don't dream big, you will never go there, so why not?' Tinseltown is the story of how they did just that.

Ian Herbert is an award-winning sports journalist and author, and the Deputy Chief Sportswriter of the *Daily Mail*. He is the author of *Quiet Genius*, the critically acclaimed biography of the multiple European Cup-winning former Liverpool manager Bob Paisley. It was shortlisted for the 2017 William Hill Sports Book of the Year award. Herbert was born in North Wales and is a life-long Wrexham fan.

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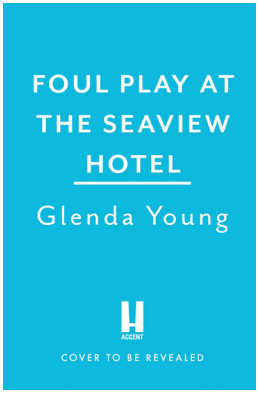
Foul Play at the Seaview Hotel
Glenda Young



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In the charming Yorkshire seaside town of Scarborough, a killer game is being played . . .

Helen Dexter is enjoying the new four-star status of the Seaview Hotel. But she begins to wonder if this accolade is cursed when a series of disasters strike.

It starts when a crazy golf team arrive to play in a Scarborough tournament. Their odd behaviour heightens when the rival team captain turns up. Yet, there's worse to come for Helen when one of the guests is murdered playing crazy golf.

Then the Seaview's prize-winning cook Jean quits, leaving Helen devastated. And so, as Helen's fiftieth birthday approaches, the last thing she's in the mood for is a celebration. However, mysterious invitations arrive to a party that Helen doesn't want.

Can Helen unmask the crazy golf killer, save the reputation of the Seaview, win Jean back and solve the mystery of the party invitations? With her rescue greyhound Suki by her side, Helen Dexter is on the case.

Praise for *Murder at the Seaview Hotel:*

'I loved this warm, humorous and involving whodunnit with its host of engaging characters and atmospheric Scarborough setting' **CLARE CHASE**

'Just the heart-warming tonic readers need right now. Endearing characters, intriguing twists and one very cute canine' **HELEN COX**

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

For updates on what Glenda is working on, visit her website glendayoungbooks.com and to find out more find her on Facebook/ GlendaYoungAuthor and Twitter @flaming_nora.

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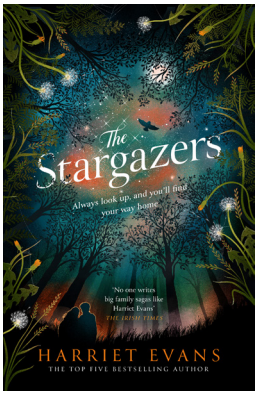
The Stargazers

Harriet Evans



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The utterly engaging story of a house, a family, and the hidden secrets that change lives forever.

How can you ever know yourself when you were deprived of love as a child?

It's the 1970s, and Sarah has spent a lifetime trying to bury her disjointed childhood, the loneliness of her school days, and Fane, the vast and crumbling family home so loved – and hated – by her mother, Iris, a woman as cruel as she is beautiful. Sarah's solace has been her cello and the music that allowed her to dream, transporting her from the bleakness of those early years to a new life now with Daniel, her husband, in their noisy Hampstead home surrounded by bohemian friends and with a concert career that has brought her fame and restored a sense of self.

The past, though, has a habit of creeping into the present, and as long as Sarah tries to escape, it seems the pull of Fane, her mother, and the secrets of the generations hidden there, are slowly being revealed, threatening to unravel the fragile happiness she enjoys in the here and now. Sarah will need to travel back to Fane to confront her childhood and search for the true meaning of home.

An unputdownable tale of the infinite possibilities of families – how they can anchor you or unseat you – and why unconditional love holds the key to true freedom.

Harriet Evans has sold over a million copies of her books. She is the author of twelve bestselling novels, most recently the Richard and Judy Book Club selection, *The Beloved Girls*, the *Sunday Times* Top Ten bestseller *The Garden of Lost and Found*, which won *Good Housekeeping*'s Book of the Year, and *The Wildflowers*. She used to work in publishing and now writes full time, when she is not being distracted by her children, other books, crafting projects, puzzles, gardening, and her much-loved collection of jumpsuits. She lives in Bath, Somerset.

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The Life I Stole

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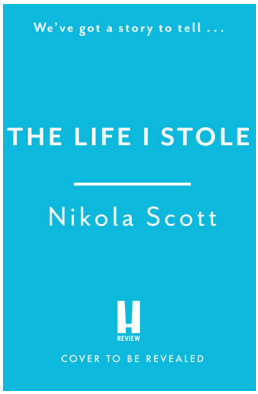

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***May 1953.* England is finally starting to recover from World War Two. Shop shelves are filling, the young Princess Elizabeth is about to be crowned, and 22-year-old Isobel McIntyre is a young doctor-in-training at a London university.**

Eight years after the men have returned from war, most women have been relegated to the home again. Isobel's finding it hard keeping her head down among the casual discrimination of her professors and other students, even without the secret she's keeping . . .

Because, one terrifying night eight years ago, Isobel took someone else's identity. She seized a chance for a fresh start and walked away into another woman's life without thinking about what she'd done.

Now, when she crosses paths with estranged 'relations', Isobel is presented with a choice. Does she protect her new life, the one that allows her freedom and a career? Or, if she tells the truth, will it mean she's failing the people she's always hoped to protect - as well as losing any chance at love?

From the author of MY MOTHER'S SHADOW, SUMMER OF SECRETS and THE ORCHARD GIRLS: an evocative new novel of one woman struggling to protect herself and her dreams, in a city in tatters. Can Isobel hide her secret - or will love force her hand?

Nikola Scott started her career in book publishing before she became a writer herself a decade later. Her acclaimed debut novel, *My Mother's Shadow*, was translated into over thirteen languages and became a long-running bestseller in Norway. Her second novel, *Summer of Secrets*, was also published widely around the world. Nikola lives in Frankfurt with her husband and two sons.

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Watch Her Run

Paula Lennon

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She's never been so far from home. And never so close to a killer.

Private investigator Olivia Knightley has finally pressed pause on her busy schedule and regained some work-life balance - for the next three weeks. The ink on her divorce papers is barely dry, so she promises to take her sixteen-year-old daughter Amy travelling across the US. But no sooner than they arrive at a campground populated with other 'van lifers' and nomads, they discover a violent murder scene that shakes the community.

Enter special agent Jack Tyler, head of the Investigative Services Branch - known to some as the FBI of the National Park Service. He leads the bare-bones taskforce handling the most complex crimes committed on National Park land. Jack has been tracking this killer for months to no avail.

Olivia knows she might just be the silver bullet he's been looking for. She's used to running things her way, however, not pausing to explain herself to anyone, as her ex-husband is always keen to remind her. But when Amy falls in with the wrong crowd, and Olivia realises the danger she's placed her in, she is forced to choose between protecting her daughter and stopping a killer in their tracks.

Paula Lennon is the author of a murder mystery series set in the Caribbean and published by Joffe Books. Paula was born in the West Midlands to Jamaican parents. She worked as a commercial lawyer in London before relocating to Jamaica and turning to fiction writing. *Watch Her Run* is the first book in the Olivia Knightley thriller series.

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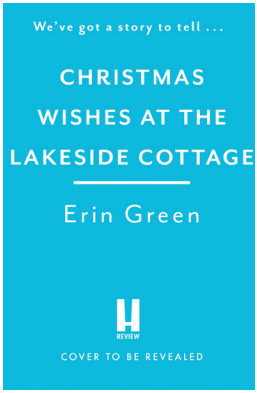
Christmas Wishes at the Lakeside Cottage

Erin Green



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Welcome to the Lakeside Cottage . . . a place for families, friends and loved ones to share the perfect seasonal escape . . .

The Carmichaels are gearing up to make this festive season the Christmas of all Christmases. This unusual blended family of all-sorts are gathering at the Lakeside Cottage for a Boxing Day wedding...

Lowry can't help but think her mum's whirlwind marriage is more than a little rash. But she's determined to be there for her.

Helen is Rupert Carmichael's ex-wife, first of four, and soon to be five. All she wants is to keep her unconventional family together. But with everyone under one roof there's only so much drama one can prevent...

Martha has worked for the Carmichaels for over three decades. She's been with them through everything: the weddings, the divorces and has all but raised the children.

These three women will do anything for their families, blood relations or otherwise. But as secrets and revelations come to light amongst the stunning snowy countryside, they must find the way ahead, not just for their loved ones, but for themselves too.

Erin was born and raised in Warwickshire. 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. 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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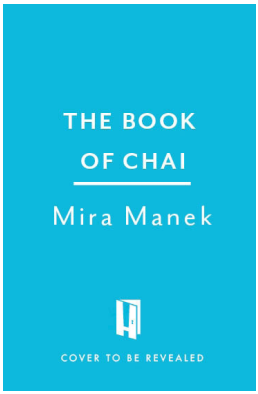
The Book of Chai

Mira Manek



This book is a celebration of chai, the healthy Ayurvedic drink that is not only woven into the fabric of life in India, but now rapidly growing in popularity and enjoyed across the world.

The Book of Chai presents 65 delicious recipes for chai, including recipes using chai and dishes to accompany chai. As well as explaining the health benefits and different techniques for making chai, this book contains chais for different seasons, times of day and moods. There are chais to wake you up, chais to soothe you after a stressful day and chais to help you sleep.

The Book of Chai also explores the fascinating history of the beverage and its role in Indian life and culture. Evocative 'chai stories' woven throughout bring to life the importance of this drink and the way it oils the wheels of Indian society.

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Mira Manek was born and raised in London, where she grew up in a family strongly rooted in its Indian heritage. She grew up speaking Gujarati and learned Sanskrit at school. This, in conjunction with attending Ram Kathas (nine-day spiritual events) from a young age all over India, inspired Mira's passion for Indian philosophy and spirituality, and Ayurveda in particular. Her first book, *Saffron Soul*, is a cookbook inspired by the vegetarian food of the Gujarat region. Mira runs a café at Triyoga Soho, Chai by Mira, and hosts events and retreats around the UK and the rest of the world.

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Max Verstappen: A New Era

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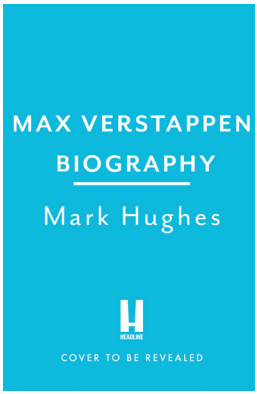

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A definitive and intriguing biography of Max Verstappen, Formula 1's superstar, Lewis Hamilton's great rival and the winner of the 2021 and 2022 World Drivers' Championships.

No Hollywood scriptwriter could possibly have envisioned the breathless, adrenaline-pumping climax to the 2021 Formula 1 season. On the very last lap of the final race of an unbelievably arduous and controversial season, Red Bull's Max Verstappen nervelessly overtook the seven-time World Champion Lewis Hamilton of Mercedes to clinch the first place that thrust the young prodigy to the narrowest of victories and to his first World Drivers' title. He followed up by taking the 2022 title as well.

Verstappen may only be 25 years of age, but the Dutch motorsport sensation has an incredible record in F1: 163 race starts, 77 podium finishes and 35 Grand Prix victories barely tell the story - this young man has already left an indelible mark on the sport. The son of F1 driver Jos, Verstappen junior quickly stepped out of his father's shadow: his youthful charisma, ferocious speed, fearless driving style and refusal to back down mark him out as a true champion. And the phenomenal success of Netflix's Drive to Survive documentary series has elevated his worldwide popularity still further.

Widely respected motorsport writer and F1 insider Mark Hughes is perfectly placed to write the most authoritative narrative on Verstappen's incredible rise through the ranks to F1 glory.

Mark Hughes is the Grand Prix editor for Motor Sport magazine, an F1 correspondent for *The Sunday Times* and technical editor for the renowned motor racing annual Autocourse. He also provides analysis for TV coverage of F1, currently working in the role of technical analyst for Sky Sports.

Hughes has written a number of F1-related books: *Speed Addicts* (HarperCollins) won Best Illustrated Book at the 2006 British Sports Book Awards; *Lewis Hamilton, The Full Story* (Icon Books) was released in 2008; and he co-authored *Crashed And Byrned* (Icon Books), which won the 2008 William Hill Irish Sports Book of the Year.
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The Abuse of Power
Theresa May

As Prime Minister for three years and Home Secretary for six years, Theresa May confronted a series of issues in which the abuse of power led to devastating results for individuals and significantly damaged the reputation of, and trust in, public institutions and politicians. From the Hillsborough and Grenfell tragedies, to the Daniel Morgan case and parliamentary scandals, the powerful repeatedly chose to use their power not in the interests of the powerless but to serve themselves or to protect the organisation to which they belonged.

The Abuse of Power is a searing exposé of injustice and an impassioned call to exercise power for the greater good. Drawing on examples from domestic and international affairs she was personally involved in at the highest level, including Stop and Search and the Salisbury Poisonings, the former prime minister argues for a radical rethink in how we approach our politics and public life.

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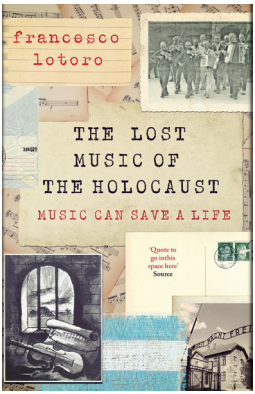
Theresa May has served as the MP for Maidenhead since 1997. She was a member of the Shadow Cabinet from 1999 to 2010, and from 2002 to 2003 she was the first female Chairman of the Conservative Party. She was appointed Home Secretary in 2010 and became the longest-serving Conservative Home Secretary for over a century. She served as Prime Minister from 2016 to 2019. *The Abuse of Power* is her first book.

Lost Music of the Holocaust

Francesco Lotoro



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For more than thirty years Francesco Lotoro, an Italian pianist and composer has been on an odyssey to recover music written by the inmates of Adolf Hitler's concentration camps and the gulags of Stalin's Soviet Union. Between 1933, the year of the opening of the Dachau Lager in Germany, to Stalin's death in 1953 when thousands of Soviet prisoners were released, Lotoro pieces together the **human stories of survivors** whose only salvation was their love of music.

Across three decades of relentless investigation, his findings as captured in *Lost Music of the Holocaust* are **extraordinary and historically important**. Lotoro unearthed over eight thousand unpublished works of music, ten thousand documents (microfilms, diaries, notebooks, and recordings on phonographic recordings), as well as locating and interviewing many survivors who in a previous life had been trained musicians and composers. Be it a symphony, an opera, a simple folk song or even a gypsy melody, Lotor has travelled the globe to track them down. Many pieces were hastily scribbled down ow whatever the composer could find: food wrappings, a vegetable sack and even a train ticket stub. To avoid discover by camp guards, Lotoro even discovered forgotten pieces of code inmates had invented to hide their real meaning - music. In many cases, the composers would be murdered in the gas chambers or worked to death, not knowing whether their music would be heard by the world. Until now.

Their stories and their music adds colour and humanity to the horrors of the Holocaust and of Stalin's oppressive rule. It is **a journey into music and history** that reveals a new way of telling the darkest chapters of the twentieth century whilst **shining a light on the beauty that could still be created amidst the horrors endured.**

Born in 1964 in Barletta (Italy), **Francesco Lotoro** is a pianist, composer and conductor in addition to being a piano professor at the "Niccolò Piccinni" Music Conservatory of Bari.

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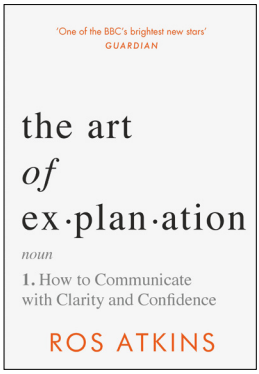
The Art of Explanation

Ros Atkins



From Ros Atkins, BBC presenter and creator of the viral 'Ros Atkins on...' explainer videos, comes a practical and accessible guide to communicating with clarity and confidence.

Explanation - conveying meaning - is an art. And the BBC presenter and journalist Ros Atkins, creator of the viral 'Ros Atkins on...' explainer videos, is something of a master of the form. In this book, Ros shares the secrets he has learned from years of working in high-pressure newsrooms, identifying the ten elements of a good explanation and the seven steps you need to take to express yourself as persuasively and accurately as possible.

Whether you need to articulate your thoughts clearly for business, educational or social purposes, *The Art of Explanation* is a must-read for anyone who wants to improve their communication skills.

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Ros Atkins is BBC News' Analysis Editor and the creator and presenter of *Outside Source* on the BBC News Channel and BBC World News. His 'Ros Atkins on...' explainer videos have become a phenomenon, garnering millions of views across multiple BBC platforms, making Ros one of the BBC's most-watched journalists. He also co-presents *The Media Show* on Radio 4, and the innovative topical BBC One programme, *Ros Atkins On The Week*.

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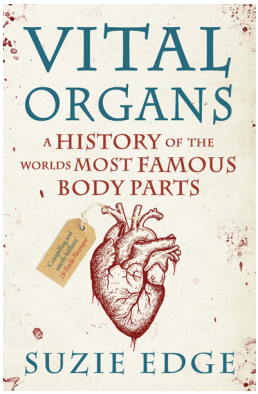
Vital Organs

Suzie Edge



From Napoleon's penis to Van Gogh's ear, from Marie Antoinette's teeth to Marie Curie's bone marrow, this book brings together the remarkable stories of body parts that have made history.

We have always used and abused bodies. We've torn them apart, dug them up, experimented on them or taken bits home to display as trophies. Body parts have been used for propaganda in wars and pulled off in punishment. They've answered medical mysteries, been turned into relics and even saved lives.

Now TikTok sensation and medical historian, Dr Suzie Edge, brings us a history of the world's most famous body parts told through its most notable limbs, organs, and appendages, including how Queen Victoria's armpit led the development of antiseptics; why Percy Shelley's heart refused to burn; and the strange case of Hitler's right testicle.

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Suzie Edge trained as a molecular cell biologist before moving to clinical medicine, to spend more time talking to people, rather than just bugs in test tubes. She went on to work as a junior doctor in a variety of medical specialties including infectious diseases, haematology, and trauma and orthopaedic surgery. She recently completed an MLitt in Modern History to feed her fascination for the history of the human body and the history of medicine.

Always on the lookout for gory historical details, Suzie loves telling stories of how we have treated our human bodies in life and in death. She has over 325,000 followers on TikTok who love tuning into her stories of how famous monarchs met their end.

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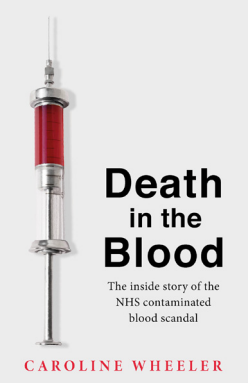
Death in the Blood

Caroline Wheeler



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The definitive account of the NHS infected blood scandal from the political editor of The Sunday Times.

In the 1970s and 1980s almost 5,000 people in the UK contracted HIV or hepatitis C after being infected by contaminated NHS blood products, including the notorious Factor VIII, yet no organisation or individual has ever been held to account. So far, more than 2,800 are known to have died, while tens of thousands more lives have been destroyed in the families of those affected.

Caroline Wheeler has been reporting on this scandal - the worst treatment disaster in the history of the NHS - for over two decades. She has been integral to the campaign for justice for the victims and their families, and played a pivotal role in persuading Prime Minister Theresa May to agree to the infected blood inquiry in 2019, the findings of which are expected to be published in summer 2023.

Death in the Blood will be based on thousands of government documents, court and inquiry transcripts, plus interviews with prime ministers, cabinet ministers, Downing Street advisers, senior civil servants, doctors, and above all the victims and their families whose personal testimony forms the beating heart of this book.

Caroline Wheeler is political editor of the *Sunday Times*. She has been a lobby journalist for 18 years with an insider's knowledge of Westminster and Whitehall. Caroline has covered the contaminated blood scandal for two decades. Her work has been credited by politicians, including the former health secretary Andy Burnham, with helping to bring about the infected blood inquiry.

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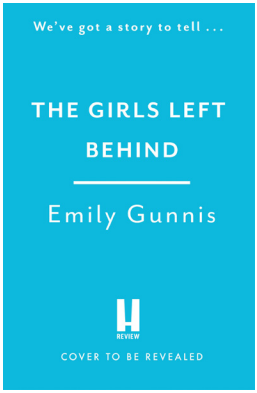
The Girls Left Behind

Emily Gunnis



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The gripping new novel from the global bestselling author of THE GIRL IN THE LETTER Emily Gunnis is a heartwrenching story of a girl disappeared, a terrible wrong and powerful people with something to hide...

NO ONE BELIEVED THE GIRLS. BUT BONES DON'T LIE...

The clock is ticking for Superintendent Jo Hamilton, who is just days from retirement from Sussex Police when the discovery of the bones of a young woman takes her back to a tragic unsolved case she worked on as WPC in the 1970s: the disappearance of a teenage girl from a notorious local children's home, not long after another young resident died in suspicious circumstances.

Jo is determined track down the victim's sister, convinced that re-opening the hushed-up wrongs of the past will uncover the truth of the girls' deaths. But will the trail lead her disturbingly close to home?

Your favourite authors adore Emily Gunnis's powerful, emotional and gripping bestsellers:

'Compelling, twisty, heart-wrenching... A novel that stays with you. I was gripped' Sophie Kinsella
'Utterly gripping, taut and powerful. An emotionally charged, compulsive, moving novel Adele Parks
'Fast paced, brilliantly plotted and desperately sad at times - all hallmarks of a bestseller' Lesley Pearse
'A truly brilliant and moving read. I loved it' Karen Hamilton
'Hugely addictive, full of twists, turns and betrayal' Heat
'A gripping story' Woman & Home

Emily Gunnis previously worked in TV drama and lives in Brighton with her young family. She is one of the four daughters of Sunday Times bestselling author Penny Vincenzi.

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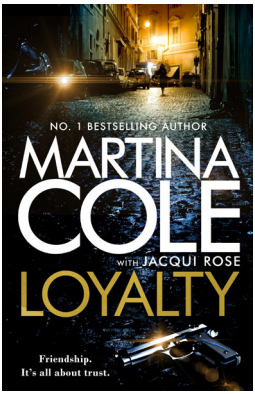
Loyalty
Martina Cole



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The brand new novel from No. 1 bestseller Martina Cole

If you want to survive in this world there's one thing you need to value above all else: loyalty.

Don't miss the explosive new novel from the queen of crime Martina Cole.

'She's a total one-off' Guardian

'The stuff of legend . . . utterly compelling' Mirror

'Superstar crime writer' This Morning

'The undisputed Queen of crime writing' Erwin James

'Her gripping plots pack a mean emotional punch' Mail on Sunday

'One of the best fiction authors around . . . spectacular' Closer

'Dark and dangerous' Sunday Mirror

Due to health reasons, Martina Cole has chosen to collaborate with writer Jacqui Rose to finish her upcoming novel *Loyalty*.

Martina Cole is the acknowledged queen of crime drama with more than twenty novels to her name, of which over a dozen have been No.1 bestsellers.

Several of Martina's novels have been adapted for the screen. She continues to smash sales records with each of her books, which have sold thirteen million copies. In 2011 Martina surpassed the £50 million sales mark since records began and was the first British female novelist for adult audiences to achieve this - and she has spent more weeks in the No. 1 slot on the original fiction bestseller list than any other adult novelist. Her hard-hitting, uncompromising and haunting writing is in a genre all its own - no one writes like Martina.

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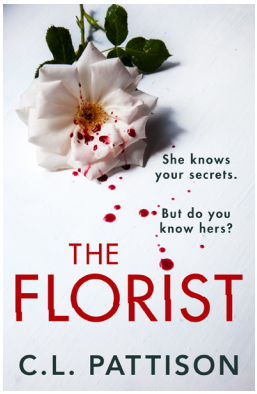
The Florist

C. L. Pattison



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It starts with a party. It ends in murder.

Things are going well for **Amy Mackenzie**: her floral business is thriving, catering for some of the wealthiest families in the area. And none are more glamorous than James and Eleanor Elliot.

But try as she might to become part of their world, Amy is always on the outside - as invisible to them as the other members of staff who pass through their vast North London home every day.

Until the day of the party.

When Eleanor's sister Izzy is found dead hours before her own party, Amy is horrified when the finger of blame is pointed at her. Tasked with doing the flowers, Amy was the only person in the house when Izzy fell. The only person apart from Eleanor, that is.

Convinced the Elliots are trying to frame her, Amy resolves to find out everything there is to know about them and prove that they are the ones who killed Izzy.

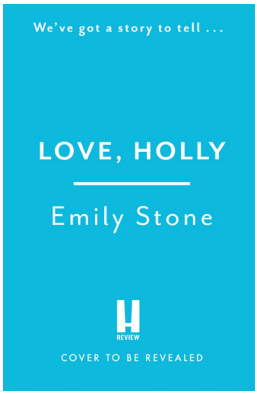
After all, this isn't the first time Amy's been accused of murder, and she won't let it happen again. Even if it kills her...

C. L. Pattison spent twenty years as an entertainment journalist, before embarking on a frontline career in the police force. She lives on the south coast of England.

England

Love, Holly

Emily Stone



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A journey to love starts with a letter...

Travel from the gorgeous English countryside to romantic Venice with the bestselling author of One Last Gift and Always, in December Emily Stone.

Every December Holly writes to a stranger who is spending Christmas alone, and every year she receives a letter from another lonely person.

Being a part of the Dear Stranger club is a tradition she has come to treasure. Because ever since the accident three years ago, Holly has spent Christmas alone.

Usually, the letters go unanswered. That's the point of the club - no one knows who you are so you can write what's in your heart. But this year, when Holly gets a letter from an older woman, Emma, that changes. Not only is the letter full of a grief Holly can relate to, but also Emma mentions a place that Holly knows all too well. Holly knows she has to find the woman who wrote the letter. Because maybe, by helping someone else with their loneliness, she can fix her own.

Holly sets out to find the estranged grandson Emma is desperate to reconnect with. But when she tracks down handsome and successful Jack, he has his own reasons to not want to be found...

Your favourite authors all adore Emily Stone's love stories:

'A poignant, heart-tugging, life-affirming story that will wrap around you like a hug in any season' JOSIE SILVER

Emily Stone wrote *Always, in December* in an old Victorian manor house with an impressive literary heritage. Her debut novel was partly inspired by the death of her mother, when Emily was seven, and wanting to write something that reflected the fact that you carry this grief into adulthood, long after you supposedly move on from the event itself.

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Committed

Chris Merritt

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Three days to stop a deadly attack - but no one else believes it's real.

Former CIA agent Ellen McGinley is battling to overcome PTSD when she stumbles upon a domestic terror plot. The deadly attack is due to take place in three days, one that will strike at the very heart of the country.

But no sooner than she alerts the authorities, she finds herself locked in a psychiatric ward. No one believes her.

She's the only one who thinks it's real. And she's the only one who can stop it.

Can she break out in time to prevent a national tragedy, or will those responsible get to her first?

***Committed* is the propulsive thriller you won't want to miss this summer. Perfect for fans of Lee Child, David Baldacci, JB Turner and Robert Dugoni.**

Chris Merritt is the author of two British crime series and a standalone domestic suspense novel published by Bookouture. Prior to writing fiction he was a diplomat based in Iraq and Jerusalem, and later a psychologist specialising in PTSD. He now works part time as a psychology and cybersecurity consultant. He lives in the UK.

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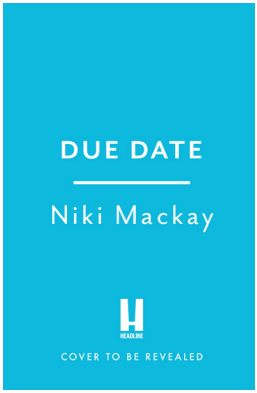

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You'd do anything to protect your baby
But how far would you go for a friend?

Alison was expecting a lot of things about pregnancy: the morning sickness, the bloating, the total lack of any clothes that fit. But what she didn't expect was the loneliness. Having recently moved to the suburbs, with a husband who is working all hours to make ends meet, she finds herself increasingly isolated.

So she is delighted when she meets Rebecca, whose baby is due on the same day. Bonded by their shared **experiences**, the two women hit if off immediately. As they grow closer, Alison is certain she has a made a friend for life, someone with whom she can share all the highs and lows of motherhood.

But when their due date comes and goes, Alison hears nothing for weeks. Maybe Rebecca is just caught up in the chaos of a newborn, but what if something's wrong? Alison is relieved, then, when she tracks her down and finds Rebecca safe and well. But relief turns to shock when her new friend denies ever meeting her... **or ever having been pregnant at all.**

A truly unputdownable story about friendship, motherhood and how far we'll go to protect the ones we love. Filled with tension and mind-blowing twists, fans of Claire Douglas, Gillian McAllister and CL Taylor will love *Due Date*.

Niki Mackay studied Performing Arts at the BRIT School. She holds a BA (Hons) in English Literature and Drama, and won a full scholarship for her MA in Journalism. A lifelong, avid reader she wrote her first novel in 2017. She also writes under NJ Mackay.

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Over the last twenty-six years, **Janet Evanovich** has written a staggering forty-three New York Times bestsellers. Her bestselling Stephanie Plum novels include Going Rogue, Game On, Fortune and Glory and Twisted 26.

Janet has won several major crime fiction awards, including the CWA John Creasey Award, the Dilys Award and the Silver Dagger.

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Project Unlonely

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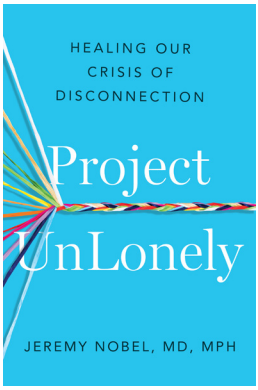

Chronic loneliness is a private experience of profound anguish. It has also become a public health crisis.

The Unlonely Project will not just sound an alarm about the significant, growing negative impact of loneliness on nearly every sector of society, but also offer solace, hope and solutions.

While we can't cure loneliness the way we can cure strep throat or even cancer, there are concrete, actionable and effective things we can do to manage it and keep it from becoming chronic. For an individual lonely reader, or for anyone who loves, serves, treats, or employs people vulnerable to loneliness in community, work or educational settings, this book will clarify how meaningful reconnection between the self and others begins, and how it can be nourished and sustained.

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What's Next

Melissa Fitzgerald and Mary McCormack

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WHAT'S NEXT: A BACKSTAGE PASS TO THE WEST WING, ITS CAST AND CREW, AND ITS ENDURING LEGACY OF SERVICE by series actors Melissa Fitzgerald and Mary McCormack is a comprehensive guide to the beloved global smash hit series, from two of the show's inner circle. Written with the active support and participation of much of the cast (who have agreed to interviews for the book as well the use of their personal photos) this is a book that is in one sense timeless, yet in another also very much of the moment. With further global political turmoil surely lying ahead, there has never been a better time for a book on the idealism of leadership and public service.

With warm, funny and inspirational stories from the set we hear about a cast and crew that were run like a family, with patriarch Martin Sheen at its head. A world in which Sheen, John Spencer and the other senior hands brought the values of the fictional Bartlet administration - respect, civility and trust - to life during the real-world production of the show. The result is a West Wing alumni that are still working together together in charitable pursuits at local, national and even global levels.

This book is both a West Wing fan's dream come true, and a family reunion for the people who made it possible.

Melissa Fitzgerald is an American actress and the Senior Director of the non-profit organization Justice For Vets. She is best known for portraying Carol Fitzpatrick on *The West Wing*. She also starred in the films *Frequency, Love & Sex*, and *Monuments Ave*. After the program went off the air she became the director of the non-profit Justice4Vets.

Mary Catherine McCormack is an American actress. She has had leading roles as Justine Appleton in the series *Murder One*, as Deputy National Security Adviser Kate Harper in *The West Wing*, as Deputy U.S. Marshal Mary Shannon in *In Plain Sight*, and as Peggy in the comedy series *The Kids Are Alright*.

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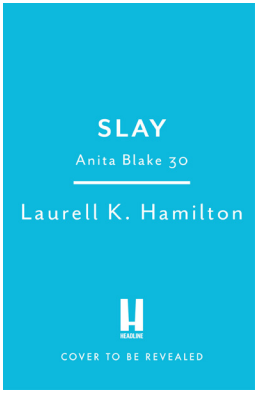

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Laurell K. Hamilton is the bestselling author of the acclaimed Anita Blake, Vampire Hunter, Novels. She lives near St Louis with her husband, her daughter, two dogs and an ever-fluctuating number of fish. She invites you to visit her website at www.laurellkhamilton.org.

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The First 48 Hours

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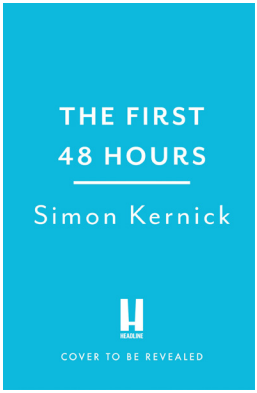

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Rebellion

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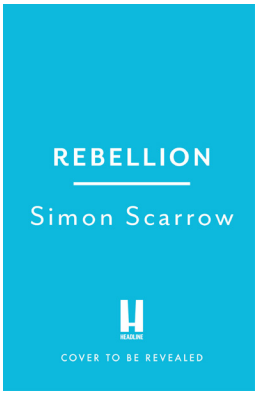

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1st-century Britannia is the setting for an epic and action-packed novel of **tribal uprisings, battles to the death and unmatched courage in the Roman army ranks.** From Simon Scarrow, author of the bestsellers ***The Honour of Rome, Centurion*** and ***The Gladiator***.

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A stunning and unforgettable story of warfare, courage and sacrifice as brave men face an enemy who will fight to the death to free her people from the rule of the Empire!

Simon Scarrow is a Sunday Times No. 1 bestselling author. His books - which have sold over 5 million copies - include his Eagles of the Empire novels featuring Roman soldiers Macro and Cato, most recently DEATH TO THE EMPEROR, THE HONOUR OF ROME, THE EMPEROR'S EXILE and TRAITORS OF ROME, as well as BLACKOUT, the bestselling first novel in the Berlin Wartime Thriller series, and many more. He lives in Norfolk with his wife.

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Happy
Celina Baljeet Basra

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A young cinephile leaves his rural village in India with big dreams, only to find himself trapped in menial jobs and forced to work off a debt he may never repay.

In a small farming village called Dhanal Khurd in Punjab, India, a boy crouches over his brother's phone in a rapeseed field watching clips of Godard's *Bande à part* on YouTube.

His name is Happy Singh Soni and when he's not sleeping among the cabbages and eating sugary rotis, Happy dreams of becoming an actor, one who plays the melancholy roles; the sad, pretty boys, rare in Indian cinema. He plans a clandestine journey to Europe, where he'll finally land a breakout role.

After a nightmarish passage to Italy, Happy still manages to find relief in food and fantasy, even as he is forced into ever-worsening work conditions on a radish farm by the syndicate involved in smuggling him to Europe to pay off the supposed debt they claim he has accrued. While disillusionment amongst the farm workers rise, Happy will find the love - and tragedy - that his favourite films always promised.

Basra's unique literary voice illuminates the unimaginable choices millions of migrants workers are forced to make - risking everything only to find themselves trapped in a system that gives them very little in return with surprising levity and emotional clarity.

Celina Baljeet Basra is a writer and curator based in Berlin. She graduated from the Free University of Berlin, where she studied Art History in a Global Context, and has since worked with Berlin Biennale, Galerie im Turm, Kunstraum Kreuzberg/Bethanien, Nature Morte Delhi, Times Art Center Berlin, Talking Objects Lab, and other institutions at the local and international level. Her residencies include stays with Kochi Biennale and Shanghai Curators Lab, and she was awarded both curatorial and literary research scholarships from the Berlin Senate. She is a founder of The Department of Love, a curatorial collective.

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The Orphans on the Train

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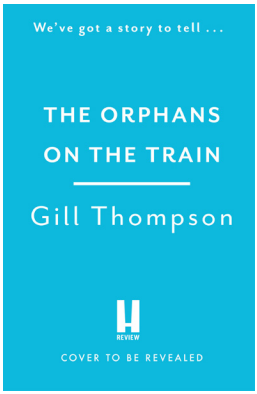

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A gripping, moving story of loss, friendship, the need to belong, inspired by real events, of two orphaned girls and the woman who becomes a surrogate mother to them, only to be separated in the most heart-wrenching way.

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'A heartrending story' **Jane Corry**
'A mother's loss and a son's courage . . . A heartrending story that spans the world' **Diney Costeloe**

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MCU: The Rise of Marvel Studios

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The unauthorized, behind-the-scenes story of the most popular, lucrative, and transformative cultural phenomenon of our time: the Marvel Cinematic Universe.

Marvel Entertainment was a struggling toymaker not even twenty years ago. Today, Marvel Studios is the dominant player both in Hollywood and in global pop culture. But what accounts for its stunning rise?

In ***MCU***, beloved culture writers Joanna Robinson, Dave Gonzales, and Gavin Edwards draw on more than a hundred interviews with actors, producers, directors, and writers to present the definitive chronicle of Marvel Studios and its sole, ongoing production, the Marvel Cinematic Universe. As they delve into the studio's key moments - from the contentious hiring of Robert Downey Jr. for Iron Man to the negotiations over Disney's acquisition of Marvel to studio head Kevin Feige's embrace of streaming TV - the authors demonstrate that the genius of Marvel was its resurrection and modification of Hollywood's old studio system. Dishy and authoritative, ***MCU*** is the first book to tell the Marvel Studios story in full - and an essential, effervescent account of popular culture.

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Murder Crossed Her Mind

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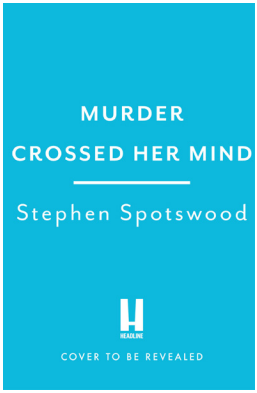

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New York's famed female detective duo, Pentecost and Parker, are back in their fourth audacious adventure. Perfect for fans of *The Thursday Murder Club, The Marvellous Mrs. Maisel*, Agatha Christie and M. C. Beaton.

When Vera Bodine, an elderly recluse with an exceptional memory, goes missing, detective duo Lillian Pentecost and her assistant Willowjean "Will" Parker are hired to track her down. But New York City in 1947 is a dangerous place, and there's no shortage of people who want to bury the secrets that Bodine has been keeping.

As the clock is ticking to find Bodine alive, circumstances conspire to pull both investigators off the case. Will is hot on the trail of a stick-up team who are using her name - and maybe her gun - for their own ends. While Lillian finds herself up against murder-obsessed millionaire Jessup Quincannon, who has discovered a secret from her past that threatens to destroy her.

To solve this mystery, and defeat their own personal demons, the pair must go nose-to-nose with murderous gangsters, make deals with conniving federal agents, confront Nazi spies, and bend their own ethical rules to the point of breaking - before time runs out for everyone.

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The Paris Deception

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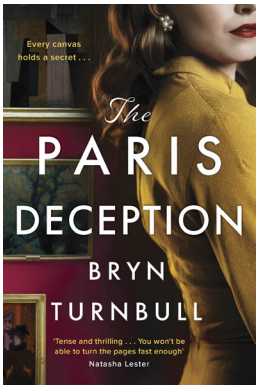

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EVERY CANVAS HOLDS A SECRET...

PARIS, 1940.

Three years ago, talented art restorer Sophie fled to Paris to escape the horrors of the Nazi regime. But now, with her beloved adoptive city under occupation, Sophie is forced to work at the renowned Jeu de Paume, restoring the art ruthlessly stolen from Jewish families.

Fabienne was a rising star of the glamorous Parisian art scene, until the Nazis put a stop to her craft. Mourning the loss of her husband, she's a shadow of her former self - until her estranged sister-in-law Sophie arrives at her door with a stolen painting in hand.

The two women embark on a treacherous plan: to save stolen artwork by replacing it with skilful forgeries, right under the watchful eyes of the Nazis. But just how long can they sustain their masterful illusion?

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