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# WAKE

SHELLEY BURR



### WINNER OF THE CWA DEBUT DAGGER AWARD

Mina McCreery's sister Evelyn disappeared nineteen years ago. Her life has been defined by the intense public interest in the case. Now an anxious and reclusive adult, she lives alone on her family's destocked sheep farm.

When Lane, a private investigator, approaches her with an offer to reinvestigate the case, she rejects him. The attention has had nothing but negative consequences for her and her family, and never brought them closer to an answer.

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Lane wins her trust when his unconventional methods show promise, but he has his own motivations for wanting to solve the case, and his obsession with the answer will ultimately risk both their lives.

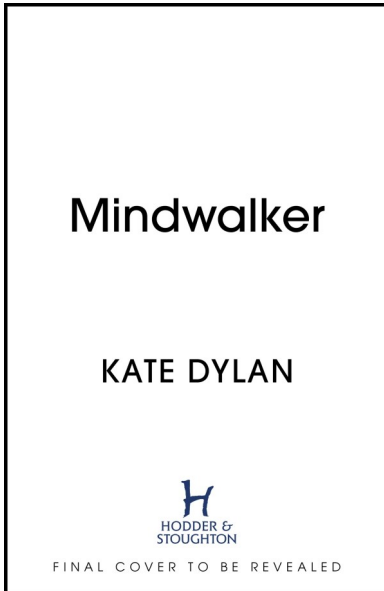
**WAKE looks at what can happen when people's private tragedies become public property, and the ripples of trauma that follow violent crimes.**

### About the Author:

Shelley Burr is the winner of the CWA Debut Dagger award with *Wake*, an alumni of the ACT Writer's Centre Hardcopy program (2018) and a Varuna fellow. When not writing she works at the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment. She lives in Canberra, but grew up splitting her time between Newcastle and Glenrowan, where her father's family are all sheep farmers. *WAKE* is Shelley's first novel.

# MINDWALKER

KATE DYLAN



**Hodder & Stoughton**  
**Publication: July 2022**  
**Editor: Molly Powell**  
**Length: 320 (Estimated)**

## Would you ever surrender control of your mind?

Eighteen-year-old Sil Sarrah is determined to die a legend. In the ten years she's been rescuing imperilled field agents for the Syntex Corporation - by commandeering their minds from afar and leading them to safety - Sil hasn't lost a single life. And she's not about to start now.

She's got twelve months left on the clock before the super-computer grafted to her brain kills her, and she's hell-bent on using that time to cement her legacy. Sil's going to be the only Mindwalker to ever pitch a perfect game-even despite the debilitating glitches she's experiencing. But when a critical mission goes south, Sil is forced to flee the very company she once called home.

Desperate to prove she's no traitor, Sil infiltrates the Analog Army, an activist faction working to bring Syntex down. Her plan is to win back her employer's trust by destroying the group from within. Instead, she and the Army's reckless leader, Ryder, uncover a horrifying truth that threatens to undo all the good Sil's ever done.

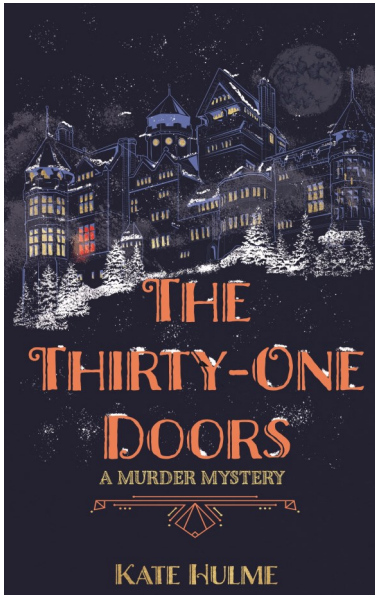
With her tech rapidly degrading and her new ally keeping dangerous secrets of his own, Sil must find a way to stop Syntex in order to save her friends, her reputation - and maybe even herself.

## About the Author:

Kate is a video editor by day, science fiction and fantasy author by night. Her passion for writing YA novels is fuelled by a love of banter, snark, and all things Marvel, and is supported by her long-suffering boyfriend and their thoroughly indifferent cat.

# THE THIRTY-ONE DOORS

KATE HULME



Coronet

Publication: October 2022

Editor: Melissa Cox

Length: 352

**If these walls could talk . . .**

Scarpside House is famed for its beauty, its isolation, and its legendary parties.

Tonight, it hosts the Penny Club soiree. An annual gathering of lucky men and women from all walks of life, coming together to celebrate their survival against the odds.

But this year their luck is running thin.

Accidents do happen, after all . . .

And some are long overdue . . .

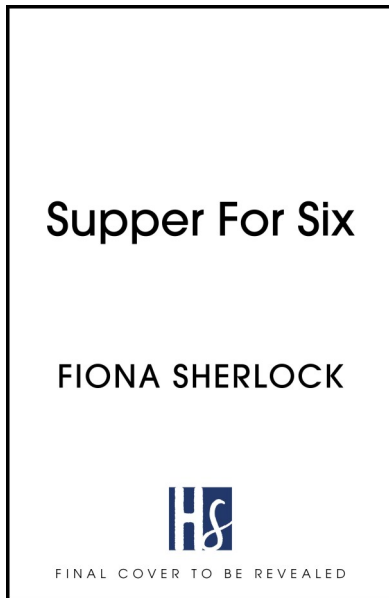
## **About the Author:**

Kate writes suspenseful adult fiction. She's drawn to big ideas tagged onto real, in-depth characters and enjoys putting characters in ominous settings and giving them a mysterious, difficult problem to tackle.

In her day job she develops and produces creative concepts for heritage clients, researches and creates text for them and runs workshops in how to write and plan heritage stories. She enjoys going down a rabbit hole of historic research and loves the unique things you find that you could never make up - these strange details are what make books a pleasure to read too.

# SUPPER FOR SIX

## FIONA SHERLOCK



**Hodder & Stoughton**  
**Publication: July 2022**  
**Editor: Sara Adams**  
**Length: 320 (Estimated)**

When Lady Anderson invites five guests to her apartment in Bruton Square, Mayfair, none of the guests know why they have been summoned. And it isn't long before dinner turns DEADLY. From the author of Twelve Motives for Murder comes another brilliant immersive murder mystery.

Supper for Six . . . but murder is on the menu

London, 1977: Agapanthus and Francois Langford, Jeremy Crowley, Elizabeth Chalice and Chrissy Crowley have very little in common - except for the fact they have all been summoned at fairly short notice to attend a dinner party hosted by Lady Sybil Anderson, in her rather charming and opulent apartment in Bruton Square, Mayfair.

Except each guests believes they are having a private dinner party with their host - so the other visitors are quite a surprise.

Once the awkward introductions are out of the way, a powercut sends shockwaves through the group - and when the lights come back on, Jeremy is discovered dead.

Elizabeth Chalice - the only private investigator in the group - becomes detective, witness and suspect all at once . . . Is Jeremy's death an accident - or is it the very reason they've all been called here at once?

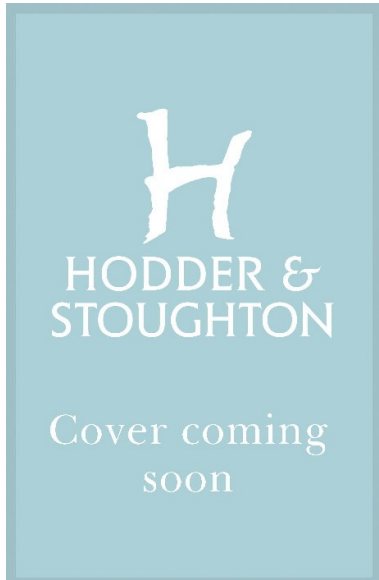
A murderous Abigail's Party - Fiona Sherlock's Supper for Six is immersive and incredibly entertaining. Join Elizabeth Chalice on her quest to get to the bottom of this rather deadly dinner party . . .

### About the Authors:

FIONA SHERLOCK is a former journalist and PR consultant and she now writes emerald noir for Poolbeg, exploring the nuance of Irish identity through unique crimes. Fiona is a Curtis Brown Creative graduate, and in 2016, she won the Wills Writing Award.

# American Fever

DUR E AZIZ AMNA



**Hodder & Stoughton**  
**Publication: August 2022**  
**Editor: Francine Toon**

**'Marks the debut of a thrilling new global voice' Peter Ho Davies**

On a year-long exchange programme in rural Oregon, sixteen-year-old Hira must swap Kashmiri chai for volleyball practice and understand why everyone around her seems to dislike Obama.

An unforgettably witty narrator, Hira finds herself stuck between worlds. The experience is memorable for reasons both good and bad; a first kiss, new friends, racism, Islamophobia, homesickness. Along the way Hira starts to feel increasingly unwell until she begins coughing up blood, and receives a diagnosis of tuberculosis, pushing her into quarantine and turning her newly-established world upside down.

## About the Author:

Dur e Aziz Amna is a graduate of Yale College and the University of Michigan Helen Zell Writers' Program, where drafts of AMERICAN FEVER won the Hopwood and Busch Prizes. She won the Bodley Head / Financial Times Essay Prize and the London Magazine Short Story Competition and has been longlisted for the prestigious Sunday Times Audible Short Story Award. Her writing has been featured or shortlisted elsewhere, including the New York Times, Longreads, Roads & Kingdoms, and Dawn. She lives in Ann Arbor with her husband and child.

# THE GOOD VIRUS

Tom Ireland



**Hodder & Stoughton**  
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**Editor: Anna Baty**  
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**Rights Sold:**  
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Bacteriophages, or just 'phages', are by far the most numerous organisms on the planet. There can be many billions in a single drop of sea water, or a trillion phages for every grain of sand on the planet. Phages are invisible to the human eye, but their impact on our lives is enormous.

The Good Virus is a celebration of this under-appreciated life form and its peculiar and incredible history. We explore Stalin's secret phage labs in the Cold War; we find out why the father of phages, Félix d'Hérelle, never won a Nobel prize despite being nominated almost 30 times; and we meet today's 'phage explorers' searching oceans and volcanoes for these tiny organisms. Phages prevent bacteria from destroying coral reefs, they can cure us of deadly diseases and they are the foundation to many of the greatest scientific breakthroughs of our time. And as humanity faces a future of antibiotic-resistant bacteria, phages could provide the answer.

**The Good Virus takes us around the world to uncover the story of the trillions of friendly phages that surround us each day, and a century of struggle to get the world to see them.**

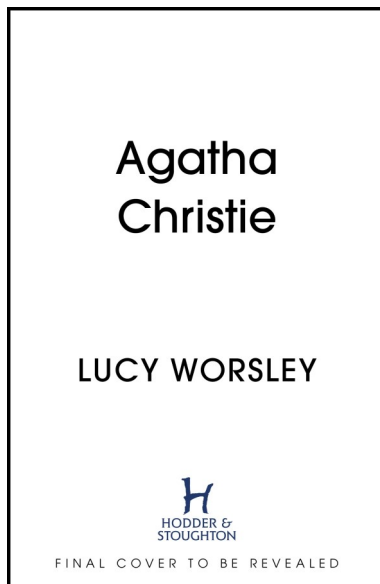
## About the Author:

**Tom Ireland** is a freelance science journalist and award-winning magazine editor. Tom's passion for all things microscopic began with him hiding jars of mouldy food around the house as a young child. From microbes to mental health, biohacking to bioethics, Tom specialises in making difficult scientific topics accessible and fun to read. As a freelance journalist he has written science stories for outlets including BBC News, *New Scientist* and the *Observer*. He has been the editor of *The Biologist* since 2013 and is Head of Publications at the Royal Society of Biology.



# AGATHA CHRISTIE AT HOME

LUCY WORSLEY



**Hodder & Stoughton**  
**Publication: September**  
**2022**

**Editor: Rupert Lancaster**  
**MS delivered in Jan 2022**

In *Agatha Christie at Home*, bestselling historian and biographer, Lucy Worsley, investigates the life of one of history's most famous female authors, placing her into the wider context of a troubled twentieth century. Using her characteristic charm and elegant writing style, Worsley explores the ways in which - while subtly and stealthily remaining outwardly conventional - Agatha Christie consistently broke the rules for women at the time.

Twentieth-century women were supposed to be thin, earn less than their husbands, adore and nurture their numerous offspring, and constantly give themselves to others. The only one of these which Agatha completely fulfilled is the last, and that in an unusual way. She gave the best of herself - her industry and her quiet pleasure in providing top-notch entertainment - to her readers.

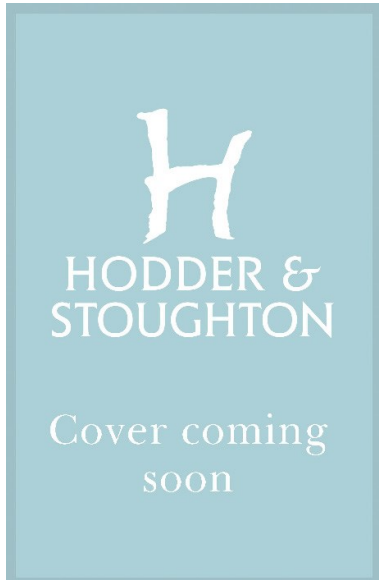
Lucy Worsley's rarely-provided access to the author's papers held in the family archive, and the homes she lived in throughout her life, allow her to tell the story of the internationally renowned novelist from an entirely new and fresh perspective.

## About the Author:

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

# LITTLE BIRD OF AUSCHWITZ

JACQUES PERETTI



**Hodder & Stoughton**  
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**Editor: Rupert Lancaster**  
**Length: 320**

'My son Jacques is telling my story. I always wanted to tell it myself but never could. Maybe my English wasn't good enough. I never had the courage. I never imagined for a second it would be written down.'

As a reporter, Jacques Peretti has spent his life investigating important stories. But there was one story, heard in scattered fragments throughout his childhood, that he never thought to investigate. The story of how his mother survived Auschwitz.

In the few last months of the War, thirteen-year-old Alina Peretti, along with her mother and sister, was one of thirteen thousand non-Jewish Poles sent to Auschwitz, in the wake of the Warsaw Uprising. Her experiences there, which she rarely discussed, cast a shadow over the rest of her life.

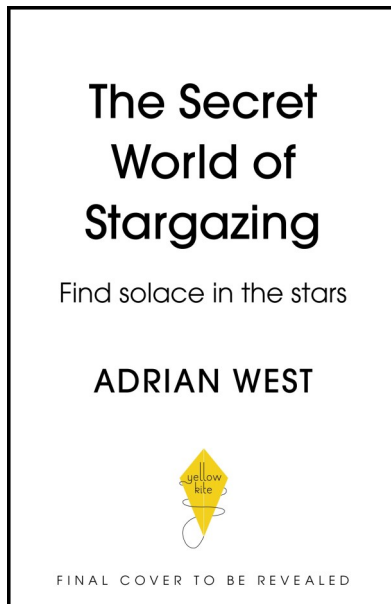
Now ninety, Alina has been diagnosed with dementia. Together, mother and son begin a race against time to record her memories and preserve her family's story. Jacques learns long-hidden secrets about his mother's family; his mysterious grandfather who lived a double-life, his grandmother who read tarot cards in a Soviet labour camp, and his aunt and uncles, whose fate he never knew. He also gains an understanding of his mother through retracing her past, learning more about the woman who would never let him call her 'Mum'.

## About the Author:

After graduating from The London School of Economics, **Jacques Peretti** became an investigative journalist. His first book *The Deals That Made The World* is now a paperback, and his podcast series *Edge of Reality* available as an audible original.

# THE SECRET WORLD OF STAR GAZING

Adrian West



**Hodder & Stoughton**

**Publication: November 2021**

**Editor: Holly Whitaker**

**Length: 224**

*The Secret World of Stargazing* is the ultimate guide to set you on your epic journey around the cosmos - it's a simple guide to the skies and makes stargazing fun, easy and enjoyable for all - absolutely no equipment is required!

Adrian West, AKA the internet sensation VirtualAstro, will take you through the seasons, showing you exactly what you can spot in the sky throughout the year, whether you're in your back garden or sitting on an exotic beach somewhere! While you're learning how to spot constellations, meteors and comets, you will be switching off your busy mind, sitting still in nature and paying attention to the small details that make up the big picture of life.

You'll finish reading this beautiful book and come away with a sense of grounding, connection, knowledge and a whole new appreciation of the sky above and the world outside your own - it will soothe your soul.

## About the Author:

Adrian West is an astronomer with over 30 years' experience. Better known as Virtual Astro, he has one of the largest independent astronomy and space accounts on social media. He's passionate about the night sky and inspiring people to look up.

Adrian has written many astronomy and space related articles for various online science magazines. Adrian runs Sky Tours for the National Trust and has also written guides and articles for the BBC, Met office and National Trust. The Night Sky show is Adrian's sell out theatre show that takes the audience on an epic journey across the cosmos.

# SWITCHCRAFT

DR ELAINE FOX



**Hodder & Stoughton**  
**Publication: May 2022**  
**Editor: Kirty Topiwala**  
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**Markets Sold:**  
**Brazil (Editora Best Seller)**  
**China (CITIC Press)**  
**Germany (DTV)**  
**Taiwan (Ping's)**  
**Japan (NHK)**  
**Korea (Gimm-Young)**  
**Netherlands (Uitgeverij Ten Have)**  
**Russia (EKSMO)**  
**US (HarperCollins)**

What do the happiest and most successful people on the planet all have in common? An agile mindset.

Our world feels more uncertain than ever. And the people who thrive are the ones who are able to adapt. Elaine Fox, one of the world's leading psychologists and performance coaches, has witnessed this time and again. She has seen how developing an agile mindset -- the ability to flex our thoughts, feelings and behaviours -- transforms lives.

Drawing on 25 years of scientific research, as well as work with the world's top athletes and businesspeople, Fox has developed a framework for a supercharged form of mental agility she calls Switchcraft. Using stories, case studies and interactive exercises, she shows us how to perfect it in three simple steps.

Switchcraft shows us how to be flexible in the ways we think, feel and behave, and to create profound change in our personal and professional lives. You'll learn how to:

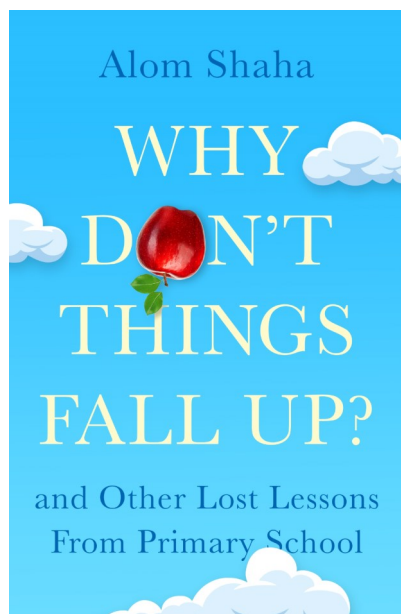
- Respond to uncertainty
- Know when to stick and when to switch
- Solve problems creatively
- Develop tools to make better decisions
- Escape mental ruts that can cause anxiety
- ... and much more

## About the Author:

Elaine Fox is Professor of Psychology and Affective Neuroscience at Oxford University where her lab group, the Oxford Centre for Emotion and Affective Neuroscience, is world-leading in the quest to understand the roots of mental health. In September 2019, Professor Fox was also appointed to a highly prestigious role by the UK Government's Department of Research and Innovation (UKRI) to lead a national strategy to enhance the profile, impact and quality of mental health research in the UK. Her first book *Rainy Brain, Sunny Brain* was published in 2012.

# WHY DON'T THINGS FALL UP?

ALOM SHAHA



**Hodder & Stoughton**

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**Editor: Isabelle Everington**

**Length: 208**

Do you ever look up at a cloud and think, where do those come from again?

Do you know your molluscs from your mammals and your rocks from your minerals?

Have you forgotten what the non-edible version of the Milky Way is, and did you ever know what a force was?

Why Don't Things Fall Up? will gently remind you of everything you definitely learnt once upon a time, but have somehow forgotten along the way.

If you've ever changed the subject when your child has asked for homework help, if you have the curiosity of a seven year old yourself, if you know everything but have forgotten the basics or don't want to know anything except the basics - then this is the book for you!

## **About the Authors:**

Alom Shaha was born in Bangladesh but grew up in London. A science teacher, writer, and filmmaker, he has spent most of his professional life sharing his passion for science and education with the public. Alom has produced, directed and appeared in a number of TV programmes for broadcasters such as the BBC, and has received fellowships from the National Endowment for Science, Technology, and the Arts (NESTA) and the Nuffield Foundation. Alom has represented his community as an elected politician, and has volunteered at a range of charitable organisations. He teaches at a comprehensive school in London and writes for a number of print and online publications.

# MAKE MONEY WHILE YOU SLEEP

LUCY GRIFFITHS



**Hodder & Stoughton**  
**Publication: September 2021**  
**Editor: Huw Armstrong**  
**Length: 352**

What if you could earn money doing what you love?

What if you could live more and work less?

What if you could Make Money While You Sleep?

You can!

Forget the old ways of unhealthy working hours and pressing pause on your life until retirement - especially in uncertain economic times. In *Make Money While You Sleep*, Lucy Griffiths, passive income strategist and coach, will share how you can create a course-based business that works 24 hours a day for you while you get on with the business of living your life.

Packed with advice, knowledge and refreshing honesty, Lucy will take you through the process of course creation: from inspiration to getting it done, to actually selling it!

- \* Learn how to stand out in an increasingly content-saturated world by using a proven system that turns your ideas into a bestselling brand.

- \* Package up your expertise and sell your courses on repeat.

- \* Learn how to position yourself as an expert in your industry and harness the power of social media and YouTube to upscale your business.

Now is the time to take your digital course idea and turn it into a money-making machine!

## About the Author:

Lucy Griffiths is a passive income strategist and coach who swapped reporting in conflict zones for course creation and built a hugely successful business selling digital courses. Lucy's sold over 40,000 courses and now teaches small business owners how to turn their know-how into online courses and successfully sell them in her My Course Academy training programme.

# SEVENTEEN

JOHN BROWNLOW



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 Czech (Albatros)  
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**SEVENTEEN** is a larger-than-life, non-stop thriller for fans of the Jason Bourne franchise, *I Am Pilgrim* and Gregg Hurwitz

Seventeen is a hitman, the best in the world, so-called because there were sixteen before him, stretching back through the decades. Every government organization in the world wants his services and every other high-level hitman has placed a target on his back. Because to be the best, you have to beat the best.

When Seventeen is ordered to find and kill his predecessor, the hit goes wrong and hunter turns to hunted. An ultraviolet duel develops between two assassins at the height of their powers, but when they fight themselves to a standstill, the real target of the hit emerges, and they must join forces to defeat their joint enemy — and in the process prevent an unjustified war that could kill hundreds of thousands of innocent civilians.

**SEVENTEEN** is the first in a series that is action-packed, smart and driven by a fresh, sharp voice that will stick with you long after reading.

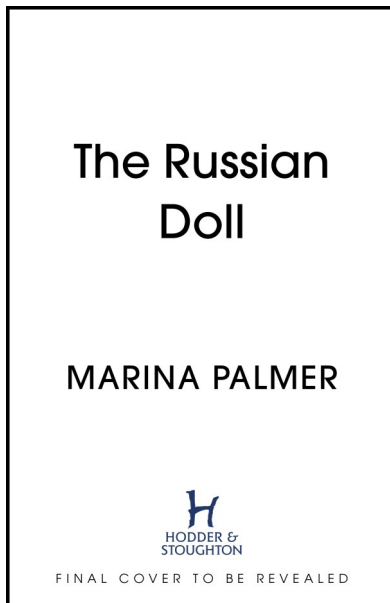
#### About the Author:

John Brownlow holds British/Canadian citizenship and lives two hours north of Toronto. He wrote the film *Sylvia*, starring Gwyneth Paltrow and Daniel Craig, the TV series *Fleming* about Ian Fleming's work as a spy and the genesis of James Bond, and the TV series *The Miniaturist*, adapted from Jessie Burton's best-selling novel. You can follow him on Twitter @johnbrownlow.



# THE RUSSIAN DOLL

MARINA PALMER



**Hodder & Stoughton**

**Publication: November 2021**

**Editor: Nick Sayers**

**Length: 320 (Estimated)**

**Markets Sold:**

**Netherlands: De Fontein**

**'I couldn't put it down and finished it in a day . . . Superb!' - Mara Timon, author of City of Spies**

**'Best book I've read this year' - Simon Conway, author of The Stranger**

How much did she just say the salary was?

When Ruth Miller returns a dropped scarf to Elena Shilkov, she is whisked from a dreary shared house to a world of unimagined luxury. The super-rich Russian wants a new personal assistant and won't take no for an answer.

Ruth gets accommodation, a credit card, and a complete wardrobe makeover. And she's good at the job; distributing gifts, attending galas, dealing with the high-society movers and shakers fighting for Elena's attention.

Then the sinister truth begins to reveal itself, that nothing is quite what it seems in Elena's dangerous, deceptive world.

Ruth should get away.

But it's already too late.

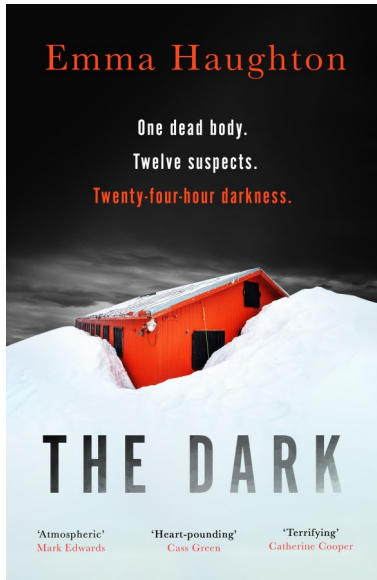
## **About the Author:**

Marina Palmer is the pseudonym of bestselling British author Imogen Robertson. Now based in London, Imogen was born and brought up in Darlington and read Russian and German at Cambridge. She is the author several novels, including the *Crowther* and *Westerman* series. Imogen was shortlisted for the CWA Ellis Peters Historical Award 2011 and the CWA Dagger in the Library Award 2012.



# THE DARK

## EMMA HAUGHTON



**Hodder & Stoughton**

**Publication: August 2021**

**Editor: Jo Dickinson**

**Length: 384**

**Markets Sold:**

**Czech Republic (ALPRESS)**

**Germany (Droemer Knaur)**

**Korea (Cheongmirae )**

**Netherlands (Luitingh  
Sijthoff)**

**Poland (Burda Media)**

**Russia (AST)**

**Exciting and involving**, this has the makings of a **classic thriller - Literary Review**

**ONE DEAD BODY.**

**TWELVE SUSPECTS.**

**TWENTY-FOUR-HOUR DARKNESS.**

In the most inhospitable environment - cut off from the rest of the world - there's a killer on the loose.

A&E doctor Kate North has been knocked out of her orbit by a personal tragedy. So when she's offered the chance to be an emergency replacement at the UN research station in Antarctica, she jumps at the chance. The previous doctor, Jean-Luc, died in a tragic accident while out on the ice.

The move seems an ideal solution for Kate: no one knows about her past; no one is checking up on her. But as total darkness descends for the winter, she begins to suspect that Jean-Luc's death wasn't accidental at all. And the more questions she asks, the more dangerous it becomes for them all . . .

### About the Author:

Emma Haughton grew up in Sussex, studied English at Oxford and worked as a journalist for several national newspapers, including *The Times* Travel section. Emma has written several non-fiction books for schools as well as YA thrillers. *THE DARK* is her first crime novel.

# HER PERFECT TWIN

SARAH BONNER



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 Germany: Goldmann  
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**HER PERFECT TWIN. YOUR NEW OBSESSION.**

**'Sarah Bonner's debut novel made my jaw drop. There are so many twists in this story, I never knew what was coming next. You won't want to miss this one!' Samantha Downing, author of *My Lovely Wife***

When Megan discovers photographs of her estranged identical twin sister on her husband's phone, she wants answers. Leah already has everything Megan has ever wanted. Fame, fortune, freedom to do what she wants. And when Megan confronts Leah, an argument turns to murder. The only way Megan can get away with killing her twin is to become her. But then lockdown hits. How can she continue living two lives? And what happens if someone else knows her secret too?

**HER PERFECT TWIN IS THE MOST ADDICTIVE, TWISTY THRILLER YOU'LL READ IN 2022. DON'T MISS THIS WILD RIDE OF A NOVEL.**

**'A deliciously sticky web of a tale that snared me from the very first page and didn't let me go until the shocking end' C. L. Pattison, author of *The Housemate***

**'Intense, sharp, and surprising. Everything I love in a thriller' Jo Jakeman, author of *Safe House***

*Real readers love Her Perfect Twin:*

**'An outstanding debut from Sarah Bonner. I have never read anything quite like it'**

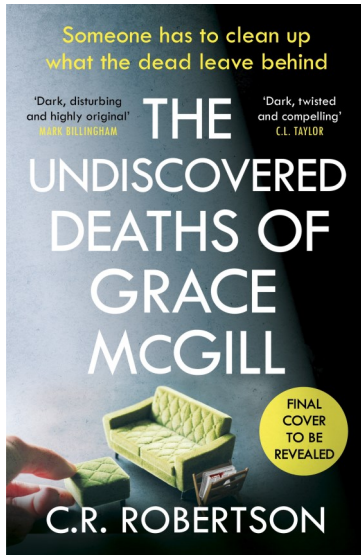
**'Cleverly plotted with great characters . . . A top notch thriller!'**

## **About the Author:**

Sarah Bonner grew up in Salisbury, dreaming of a career as a writer and performer. Instead, she became an accountant! After a fifteen-year career, she decided to answer her original calling and completed her first novel, *Her Perfect Twin*. She lives in West Sussex with her husband and very spoiled rescue dog.

# THE UNDISCOVERED DEATHS OF GRACE MCGILL

C.R. ROBERTSON



**Hodder & Stoughton**

**Publication: January 2022**

**Editor: Eve Hall**

**Length: 368**

Grace McGill is an insular, friendless woman, living in Glasgow in her 30s. She has her beloved cat, and she has her own business - deep cleaning the houses of Undiscovereds. People who die alone and stay that way until they are found weeks, sometimes months, later.

While working in the home of a man named Tommy Agnew, her suspicions are aroused by a hidden photograph and a stack of newspapers, all from the same date over many, many years.

Grace can't get the mysterious life and sad death of Tommy Agnew out of her head, and she soon begins an investigation that could cost her her life. The past has stayed buried for many years already, but Grace has never been one to brush things under the carpet . . .

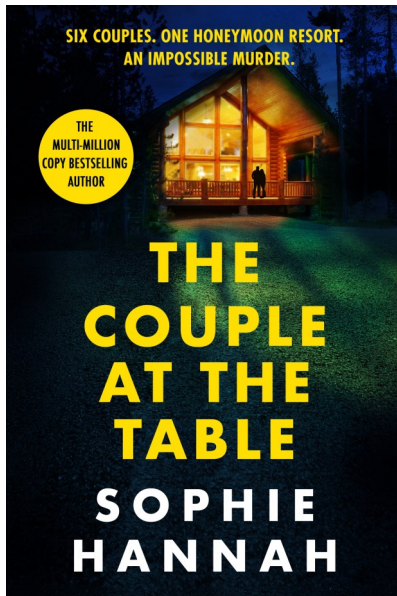
## About the Author:

A former journalist, Craig Robertson had a 20-year career with a Scottish Sunday newspaper before becoming a full-time author. He interviewed three Prime Ministers, reported on major stories including 9/11, Dunblane, the Omagh bombing and the disappearance of Madeleine McCann. He was pilloried on breakfast television, beat Oprah Winfrey to a major scoop, spent time on Death Row in the USA and dispensed polio drops in the backstreets of India.

His first novel, *Random*, was shortlisted for the 2010 CWA New Blood Dagger, longlisted for the 2011 Crime Novel of the Year and was a *Sunday Times* bestseller. He has been both longlisted and shortlisted for writing prizes.

# THE COUPLE AT THE TABLE

SOPHIE HANNAH



**Hodder Paperbacks**

**Publication: January 2022**

**Editor: Carolyn Mays**

**Length: 400**

**Option Publishers:**

**Czech: Euromedia**

**Estonia: Ersen**

**Netherlands: House of Books**

**USA: HarperCollins**

## The new, must-read gripping thriller

You're on your honeymoon at an exclusive couples-only resort.

You receive a note, warning you to 'Beware of the couple at the table nearest to yours'. At dinner that night, five other couples are sitting close by, but none of their tables is any nearer or further away than any of the others. It's almost as if someone has set the scene in order to make the warning note meaningless. Why would anyone do that?

You have no idea.

You also don't know that you're about to be murdered, or that once you're dead, all the evidence will suggest that no one there that night could possibly have committed the crime.

So who might be trying to warn you? And who might be about to kill you, and seems certain to get away with it?

**'Hannah's plots are like intricate jigsaw puzzles whose pieces you cannot believe will fit together, until you see the completed picture. Her denouements tend to make more sense in retrospect than at the time. The fun . . . isn't in learning whodunit, but in following the labyrinthine byways of its author's peculiar worldview and the twisted motives of her characters'** **The New York Times**

**'Complex and sinister'** **Observer**

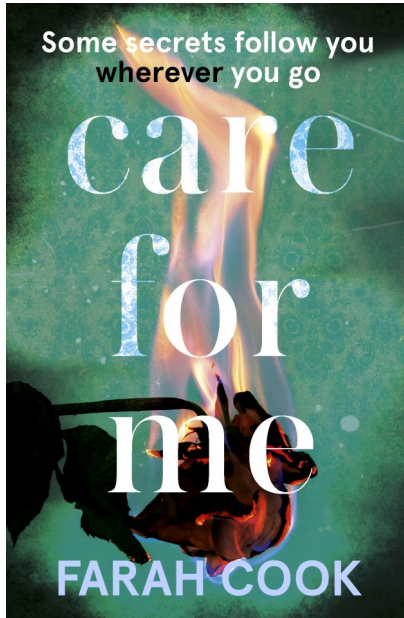
**'A literary high-wire artist'** **Sunday Express**

### About the Author:

Sophie Hannah is an internationally bestselling crime fiction writer. Her psychological thriller *The Carrier* won the Specsavers National Book Award for Crime Thriller of the Year in 2013. Sophie is the author of the bestselling Poirot continuation mysteries. *The Point of Rescue* and *The Other Half Lives* have been adapted for television as *Case Sensitive*, starring Olivia Williams and Darren Boyd. Sophie is also a bestselling poet who has been shortlisted for the TS Eliot award. Sophie is an Honorary Fellow of Lucy Cavendish College, Cambridge.

# CARE FOR ME

FARAH COOK



Hodder Studio

Publication: October 2021

Editor: Sara Adams

Length: 320

**When Amira takes her mother Afrah to Ravenswood Lodge Care Home, she thinks they will both be safe. But the past is just around the corner . . .**

Amira is struggling to look after her mother, Afrah. So when they arrive at Ravenswood Lodge Care Home, beautiful and imposing against the background of the Scottish Highlands, she hopes it is the right decision for them both.

But soon Afrah insists her belongings are being stolen, her photographs, her jewellery, her pill boxes, Amira and the staff are convinced it's just Afrah's imagination, it's just her memory.

But Afrah knows Ravenswood Lodge isn't a safe place. Could it have something to do with the past? She remembers newspaper clippings, hazy images of a fire years ago, a memory she's spent years forgetting and now she just wants to remember. Someone wants her gone. But first, she needs to convince Amira of the truth. The compelling, heartbreaking debut novel by Farah Cook, about mothers and daughters, and secrets that are never really forgotten .

Elizabeth is Missing meets I Let You Go in this page-turning psychological suspense novel from debut author Farah Cook. Perfect for fans of Clare Mackintosh and K L Slater.

**Real readers have been gripped by Care for Me:**

**'This story just sucked me right in. It wasn't just the interesting plot but the lovely writing style itself . . . Such a wonderful twist read about the past and the truth finally coming to light'**

**'Nothing is quite as it seems in this slowly chilling, heart wrenching suspense'**

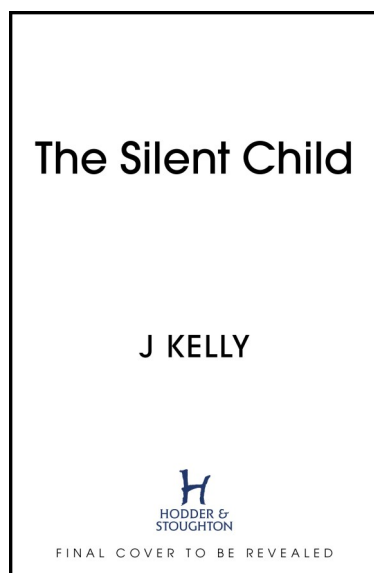
## About the Author:

Farah Cook is a Danish writer of Pakistani descent. She grew up in Copenhagen with a creative and explorative childhood spent mostly outdoors. At the age of twelve, she began writing several short stories to fuel her passion for storytelling. Farah has lived in many countries, including Germany and New Zealand, but settled in London where she worked as a Marketing Manager for a large financial conglomerate. Her passion for storytelling remained, and at night she started to write all the things she'd imagine.

An alumna of the Faber Academy in London, Farah now lives in Bad Homburg, just outside Frankfurt, with her husband and two sons. She speaks six languages fluently including Danish, Swedish and German, and writes full-time.

# THE SILENT CHILD

JAMES KELLY



**Hodder & Stoughton**  
**Publication: April 2022**  
**Editor: Jo Dickinson & Lily Cooper**  
**Length: 400**

**Is it ever too late for the past to find a voice?**

**1944:** Leo Stern arrives in the camp of Taborz with his wife Irena and their two daughters. The Sterns are briefly spared from the chambers when they are witnesses to a horrifying incident, but in a place that humanity has deserted, Leo is forced to make unimaginable choices to keep his family alive.

**1961:** For seventeen years, Hanna has been unable to remember her name, or how she was separated from her family at the end of the war, until the discovery of an anonymous letter among her late uncle's possessions reveals her real identity - Hanna Stern - and sets her off to Berlin in search of her past.

Aided by ex-boyfriend Peter, Hanna begins to piece together the shocking final days of Taborz. But Hanna isn't the only one with an interest in the camp, and lurking in the shadows is someone who would prefer Hanna's history to remain silent . . .

## About the Author:

James Kelly is the author of the Nighthawk crime series for Alison and Busby, and the Philip Dryden series for Penguin. He was born in 1957 and is the son of a Scotland Yard detective. He went to university in Sheffield, later training as a journalist and worked on the *Bedfordshire Times*, *Yorkshire Evening Press* and the *Financial Times*. His first book, *The Water Clock*, was shortlisted for the John Creasey Award and he has since won a CWA Dagger in the Library and the New Angle Prize for Literature. He lives in Ely, Cambridgeshire.



# WHAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN

HOLLY MILLER



**A romantic and unforgettable story about the little moments that change our lives from the author of THE SIGHT OF YOU.**

The day that changes Lucy's life starts in the worst way possible when she is abruptly fired from her job. Drowning her sorrows in a nearby bar, Lucy spots her ex-boyfriend Max walking past outside. Should she stay where she is and ignore him or should she step outside and say hello?

Everything hinges on the outcome of this one decision. In two story-lines, we see what happens when Lucy follows both her head and her heart, and how the ripples from this moment change her whole life.

A heartbreaking, uplifting and unforgettable novel for anyone who has ever paused to wonder what might have happened if you made a different choice.

**Hodder & Stoughton**  
**Publication: June 2022**  
**Editor: Kimberly Atkins**  
**Length: 416**  
**Markets Sold:**  
**Netherlands (HarperCollins)**  
**Germany (Blanvalet)**  
**Norway: (Bastion)**  
**Russia (AST)**  
**Serbia (Vulkan)**  
**US (Putnam/PRH)**  
**US (Penguin Group USA)**

## About the Author:

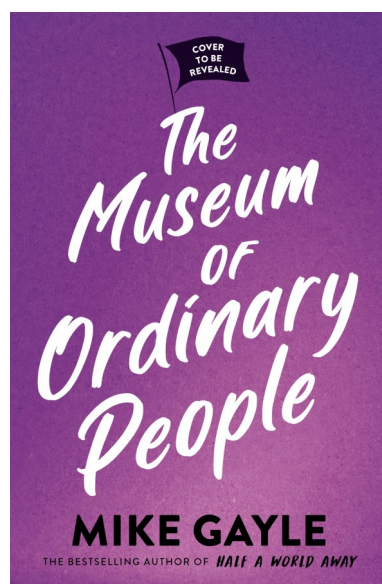
Holly Miller was born and grew up in Bedfordshire. Since university she has worked as a marketer, editor and copywriter. Holly currently lives in Norfolk with her partner and their dog.

## *The Sight of You* Markets Sold:

Brazil (HarperCollins), Bulgaria (Hermes), Croatia (Profil Knjiga), Denmark (Palatium), Estonia (ERSEN OÜ ERAM), France (Calmann-Lévy), Greece (Minoas), Taiwan (Spring International), Hungary (Publish and More), Israel (Tchelet Books), Italy (HarperCollins), Korea (Hans Media), Lithuania (Alma Littera), Poland (Muza), Portugal (Editorial Presença), Romania (Nemira), Russia (AST), Serbia (Vulkan), Slovenia (Učila), Sweden (Printz), Turkey (Yakamoz Kitap), US (Putnam/PRH)

# THE MUSEUM OF ORDINARY PEOPLE

MIKE GAYLE



**Hodder & Stoughton**

**Publication: July 2022**

**Editor: Nick Sayers**

**Length: 352**

**Option Publisher:**

**Sweden (Norstedts)**

**The superb new novel from the bestselling author of *Half A World Away* and *All the Lonely People*.**

Inspired by a box of mementos found abandoned in a skip following a house clearance, THE MUSEUM OF ORDINARY PEOPLE is a poignant, thought-provoking but ultimately uplifting story of memory and love, grief, loss and the things we leave behind. It is another brilliant novel from an author who seems to have the absolute knack of writing topical, engaging, heartwarming stories which really connect with readers.

*'This author's books just get better and better' - Good Housekeeping*

*'Mike Gayle is the king of touching, human stories' - Heat*

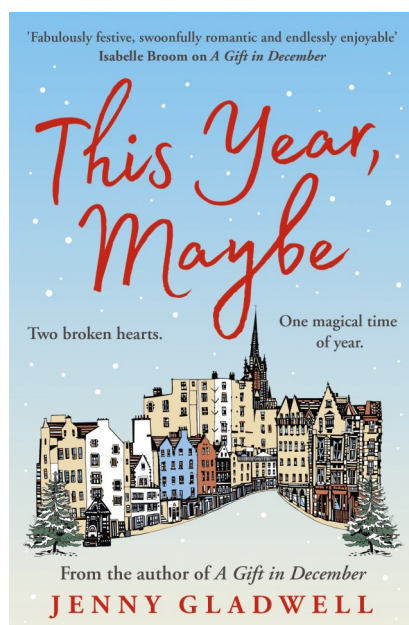
## About the Author:

Mike Gayle was born and raised in Birmingham. He has written for a variety of publications including *The Sunday Times*, the *Guardian* and *Cosmopolitan*. Mike became a full time novelist in 1997 following the publication of his *Sunday Times* top ten bestseller *My Legendary Girlfriend*, which was hailed by the Independent as 'full of belly laughs and painfully acute observations,' and by *The Times* as 'a funny, frank account of a hopeless romantic'. Since then he has written thirteen novels including *Mr Commitment*, *The Man I Think I Know*, and *Half a World Away*.



# THIS YEAR, MAYBE

JENNY GLADWELL



**Hodder & Stoughton**

**Publication: September 2021**

**Editor: Melissa Cox**

**Length: 416**

**Option Publishers:**

**Bulgaria (Ciela Norma)**

**Czech Republic (Grada)**

**Finland (Otava)**

**Germany (Goldmann Verlag)**

**Italy (Newton Compton)**

**Norway (Gyldendal Norsk)**

**Slovakia (Fortuna)**

**Sometimes you have to fall apart to become whole again . . .**

Kate is a successful interior designer with two wonderful kids. Kate is also a recent widow, a grieving daughter and worrying about how to pay the bills.

Her life might look perfect from the outside, but making things look better than they are is just how Kate copes. Her mother, Jean, worries about her - but she has her own problems. A mystery from the past has come back to haunt her, and she decides now is the time to put the pieces together.

When romance makes an appearance in both their lives, can mother and daughter lay the past to rest - and begin again?

## About the Author:

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

*'Fabulously festive, swoonfully romantic and endlessly enjoyable - I loved it!'* - Isabelle Broom, on A GIFT IN DECEMBER

*'A great piece of storytelling - it swept me away'* - Sue Moorcroft on A GIFT IN DECEMBER

*'Uplifting, heartwarming . . . A feel-good festive debut that sparkles with wit, warmth, romance and mystery'* - Ella Griffin on A GIFT IN DECEMBER

# PRIDE AND PREJUDICE ON SOCIAL MEDIA

## SARAH DAY AND CLAIRE MCGOWAN



**Hodder Studio**

**Publication: November 2021**

**Editor: Sara Adams and Bea Fitzgerald**

**Length: 240**

Elizabeth Bennet has politely declined your friend request and asks that you do not slide into her DMs again.

It is a truth universally acknowledged, that a single man in possession of a good fortune, will probably be verified on social media. The characters of *Pride and Prejudice* are navigating the same struggles on unfamiliar channels - social media channels, to be precise.

When authors Claire McGowan and Sarah Day imagined how 'Pride and Prejudice on Social Media' might look, retelling the story through mocked-up social media posts, their post instantly went viral. Have you ever wondered what Austen's most famous couple might be like if it played out online? Well, here is the story in full . . .

Perfect for fans of Elizabeth Bennet and Mr Darcy . . .

### About the Author:

Claire McGowan is the author of multiple novels in both the crime and women's fiction genres. She also writes for radio and TV, as well as being a popular teacher of creative writing. She grew up in a small village in Ireland, which much like Mr Darcy she did find rather confined and unvarying.

Sarah Day's debut novel, *Mussolini's Island*, received a 2018 Betty Trask Award and was shortlisted for the Polari First Book Prize and the Historical Writers' Association Debut Crown. With a background in science communication, she has worked as a press officer, magazine editor and freelance writer, and was Writer in Residence at Gladstone's Library in 2019. She lives in London.

# SUMMER AT THE FRENCH OLIVE GROVE

SOPHIE CLAIRE



**Hodder Paperbacks**

**Publication: May 2021**

**Editor: Kimberley Atkins**

**Length: 384**

**Option publishers;**

**Denmark: Palatium**

**Germany: HarperCollins**

Could love be the biggest adventure of all?

Filmmaker Lily's life is all about work and adventure. So when she suffers an accident on her travels and finds herself recuperating in the quiet French seaside village where she spent her childhood, she can't wait to escape. Not least because Olivier - Lily's childhood friend and former crush, who she has spent the last thirteen years avoiding - is staying next door . . .

Strong-minded masterbaker Olivier is happily settled in St Pierre, preparing to marry and put down roots. But Lily's return to the village risks turning his carefully-laid plans upsidedown, and as the pair rediscover their familiar rivalry and fun, sparks fly.

Is Lily really as fearless and independent as she seems on the surface - or is she just running from the past? And what if Olivier is the only one who can teach her what it really means to be brave?

## About the Author:

Sophie Claire writes emotional stories set in England and in sunny Provence, where she spent her summers as a child. She has a French mother and a Scottish father, but was born in Africa and grew up in Manchester, England, where she still lives with her husband and two sons. Previously, she worked in marketing and proofreading academic papers, but writing is what she always considered her 'real job' and now she's delighted to spend her days dreaming up heartwarming contemporary romance stories set in beautiful places.

# SUNNY

SUKH OJLA



**Hodder Studio**

**Publication: March 2022**

**Editor: Sara Adams**

**Length: 384**

This actually is a love story, just not the one Sunny was looking for . . .

Sunny is the queen of living a double life. To her friends, she's thirty, flirty and thriving - the joker of the group, always on hand to entertain her friends with anecdotes from all the terrible dates she's been on, while they settle down with long-term partners and mortgages. But on the other hand, she's just moved back in with her parents who don't know anything about her sneaking out to dates, leaving them with a trail of little white lies...

How long can she keep it up for? And is it really worth it?

When her two lives collide in her parents' hallway, as she's coming back late from dinner with a guy (actually just a friend), she has to tell the truth. But to Sunny's horror, her mum isn't as appalled as expected, and instead offers a strange deal. Sunny can keep going on dates, as long as her mum gets a say in who she dates. With some lies out of the way, Sunny finally has the opportunity to start being honest to her mum about everything.

If only she can start being honest with herself first . . .

**SUNNY by Sukh Ojla is a relatable, moving, and life-affirming novel. It is warm and full of honesty, exploring family, love and mental health. Perfect for fans of Grown Ups by Marian Keyes and Olive by Emma Gannon.**

## About the Author:

Sukh Ojla is a comedian, actor and writer. Her first play Pyar Actually toured nationwide in 2017 and 2018. She has performed on Jonathan Ross's Comedy Club, BBC2's Big Asian Stand Up Show and across the BBC Asian Network. As an actor, Sukh recently appeared in The End of the F\*\*king World (Channel 4) and as a regular role in GameFace (Channel 4), she is also a member of the core cast on Class Dismissed (CBBC). Sunny is her debut novel.

# THIS TIME, TOMORROW

CHARLOTTE BUTTERFIELD



**One change in the past. A whole different future. Would you risk it?**

Jessica Bay has it all - and it's all too much. Between moody teenagers, a hectic job and a husband who can recall that the last time they slept together was 632 days ago but somehow can't remember to put the bins out, Jess is close to breaking point.

Desperate for change, she moves the family to a tiny island in the English Channel. An island that has a secret: it can take you back in time to relive any day in your past. To have another go at doing it right.

But as Jess becomes dizzy with the fact that she can, she forgets to consider if she should. Because, of course, changing even one moment in your past will change your whole future in unknowable ways. How much of her supposedly imperfect life is Jess willing to gamble? And will she realise the risks before she loses everything?

**Hodder Paperbacks**  
**Publication: April 2022**  
**Editor: Olivia Barber**  
**Length: 368**

**Markets sold:**  
**Czech Republic (Pavel Dobrovsky - Beta)**  
**Sweden (Piratförlaget)**

## About the Author:

Contrary to the impression her novel might give, Charlotte Butterfield loves her life just as it is. A former magazine editor, she was born in Bristol in 1977 and studied English at Royal Holloway. Her first novel won a Montegrappa award at the 2016 Emirates Festival of Literature, and she went on to publish three romantic comedies with Harper Impulse. My Second Chance Life is her fourth novel, and the first published by Hodder & Stoughton.



# SUDDENLY THAT SUMMER

LIZZIE BYRON



*They say that the secret to a happy life is to maintain the balance of The Triangle: love, home and work.*

Nora's been working on the points of her triangle for a while, but just as everything is about to come into perfect alignment, things start to instead spin out of control. She needs to get away, and fast, so when an opportunity to spend some time in the idyllic Pidwell arises, Nora grabs at it with both hands.

The perfect summer Nora's been planning was about to become the summer when nothing happens.

But could it end up being the summer that changes everything?

**Coronet**

**Publication: May 2022**

**Editor: Melissa Cox**

**Length: 400**

**Option Publishers:**

**Italy: Newton Compton**

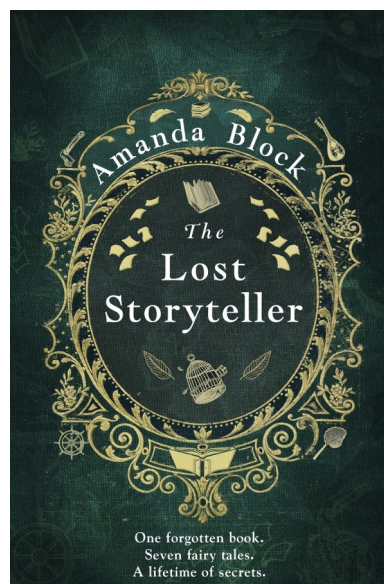
**Norway: Aschehoug**

## About the Author:

Lizzie Byron is a pen-name for award-winning YA author Tanya Byrne. Born in London, she now lives in Brighton with her dog Frida.

# THE LOST STORYTELLER

AMANDA BLOCK



**Hodder Studio**  
**Publication: July 2021**  
**Editor: Sara Adams**  
**Length: 320**  
**Markets sold:**  
**Japan (Tokyo Sogensha)**  
**Netherlands (House of Books)**

Rebecca can hardly remember her father Leo Sampson. All she knows is that he was a beloved children's television star who disappeared when she was just six years old, and her family have managed very well without him thank you very much.

But when Ellis, a journalist, turns up at Rebecca's office asking for information about Leo, she begins to wonder if there is more to the story of her father's disappearance than her family have led her to believe.

Then Rebecca is given a book of seven fairy tales, written by Leo, dedicated to his daughter. And through the magic of each of these stories, Rebecca has the chance to get one step closer to the lost storyteller, her father, to discover who he was and what he went through - and even where he might be now . . .

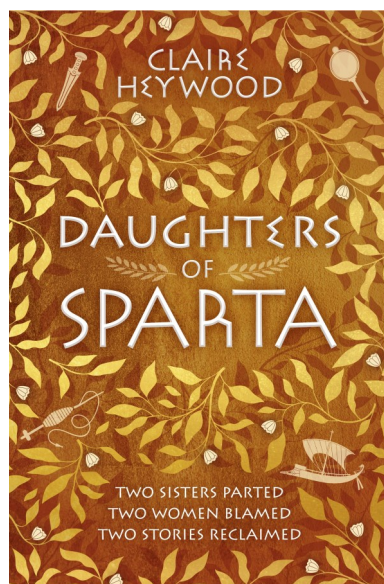
## About the Author:

Originally from Devon, Amanda moved to Edinburgh in 2007, where she attained a master's degree in creative writing. Since then, she's divided her time between ghostwriting, editing, and tutoring, and in 2017 she founded Invisible Ink Literary Consultancy.

Amanda's writing is often inspired by myths and fairy tales, which she uses as starting points to tell new stories. Her short fiction has been published in various magazines and anthologies, and shortlisted in contests such as the Bridport Prize and the Mslexia Short Story Competition. THE LOST STORYTELLER is her first novel.

# DAUGHTERS OF SPARTA

Claire Heywood



**Hodder & Stoughton**

**Publication: July 2021**

**Editor: Thorne Ryan**

**Length: 352**

**Markets sold:**

**Czech Republic (Euromedia)**

**Germany (Droemer Knaur)**

**Portugal (Planeta)**

**Spain (Planeta)**

**US (Penguin Books)**

**For millennia, two women have been blamed for the fall of a mighty civilisation - but now it's time to hear their side of the story . . .**

As princesses of Sparta, Helen and Klytemnestra have known nothing but luxury and plenty. With their high birth and unrivalled beauty, they are the envy of all of Greece.

Such privilege comes at a high price, though, and their destinies are not theirs to command. While still only girls they are separated and married off to legendary foreign kings Agamemnon and Menelaus, never to meet again. Their duty is now to give birth to the heirs society demands and be the meek, submissive queens their men expect.

But when the weight of their husbands' neglect, cruelty and ambition becomes too heavy to bear, they must push against the constraints of their sex to carve new lives for themselves - and in doing so make waves that will ripple throughout the next three thousand years.

*'Absolutely riveting!' - Alka Joshi, New York Times bestselling author of The Henna Artist*

*'Required reading for fans of Circe . . . a remarkable, thrilling debut' - Fiona Davis, New York Times bestselling author of The Lions of Fifth Avenue*

## **About the Author:**

Claire Heywood is a scholar of the ancient world, having gained a 1st Class BA in Classical Civilisation and an MA with Distinction in Ancient Visual and Material Culture, both from the University of Warwick. Her deep understanding of the ancient world, coupled with her fascination with women's forgotten voices, inspired her to write this book.



# BURN

BEN SHORT



Sceptre

Publication: April 2022

Editor: Juliet Brooke

Length: 320

*I came to the woods over a decade ago. I came to the woods because there was a fire in my head.*

Ben has a high-flying career in advertising. It affords him a trendy flat in London, a flashy motorbike and free cruises with clients. But internally, he's a wreck - years of OCD have broken him and he feels the call of a different kind of life.

Like his neighbour's pet hawk, he acts on instinct and escapes the city. For a time, he takes on odd jobs - gardening, hedge-laying and building, trying to find somewhere he might fit. Until he feels the call of the furnace: a glowing charcoal kiln in the West Dorset woods, where he can re-forge his thoughts, break down the years of suffering behind him and start afresh.

Exquisitely written and laced with folklore and the history of burning, the right way to coppice a hedge or the stories of the dark spirits in the woods, *Burn* is a story of the brutal salve of nature.

## About the Author:

Ben Short is a charcoal burner and woodsman, working in the Dorset countryside. A decade ago he worked as an advertising copywriter in London. He has lived in huts and old wagons, spent summers off-grid in woods, hauled his water from wells and had to forage for his supper. He lives in Dorset with his partner and son.

# OTHER PEOPLE'S CLOTHES

CALLA HENKEL



**Sceptre**

**Publication: July 2021**

**Editor: Francine Toon**

**Length: 320**

**Markets Sold:**

**France (Les Arènes)**

**Italy (Ugo Guanda)**

**US (Doubleday)**

**'Full of delicious layers . . . I felt drunk reading it.'** Emma

Jane Unsworth

Hoping to escape the pain of the recent murder of her best friend, art student Zoe Beech finds herself studying abroad in the bohemian capital of Europe — Berlin.

Zoe relies on the arrangements of fellow exchange student Hailey Mader, who finds them an apartment to rent from eccentric cult crime writer, Beatrice Becks.

However, soon strange things start happening and the girls are convinced that Beatrice has a way to watch their every move. The friends decide to play Beatrice at her own game, constructing their own dramatic narrative of wild parties and secrets. Until their lives spiral out of control into much darker territory . . .

## About the Author:

Calla Henkel is an American writer, playwright, director and artist living in Berlin. She has staged plays at Volksbühne Berlin, The Whitney Museum of Art, as well as at New Theater, the experimental theatre space she founded and programmed in Berlin from 2013-2015. Her art writing has been published in periodicals such as *Texte zur Kunst*, *Spike*, *Mousse*, and others. Her artistic work with Max Pitegoff has been exhibited in museums and galleries worldwide. She currently operates a bar, performance space and film studio called TV in Berlin. *OTHER PEOPLE'S CLOTHES* is her debut novel.

# SEARCHING FOR JULIET

SOPHIE DUNCAN



**Sceptre**

**Publication: April 2023**

**Editor: Juliet Brooke**

**Length: 416**

*Searching for Juliet* is a cultural, historical and literary exploration of the birth, death and legacy of the ultimate romantic heroine, Shakespeare's Juliet Capulet.

This global story takes us from the Renaissance origin myth behind Shakespeare's thirteen-year-old child bride, to the sexual revolutionary of 1960s film and theatre, from the African slave girls named after a fictional teenager to the legacy of the beautiful dead girl trope in everything from Shakespeare to American contemporary TV series. Taking in questions of the treatment of women, sexual liberation, colonial inheritance, Italian fascism, gender norms and fantasies of idealised love, *Searching for Juliet* demonstrates the reach of *Romeo and Juliet* far beyond the literary sphere.

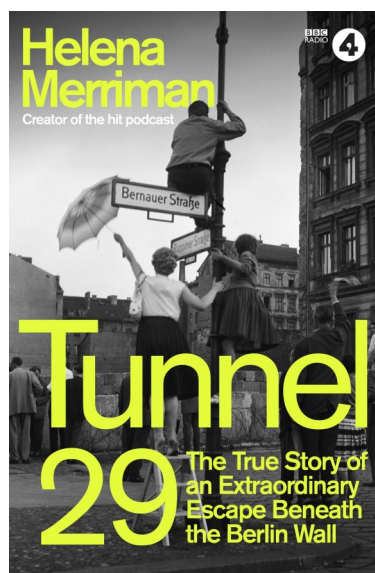
Juliet Capulet's power and influence is as relevant today as it was in an Elizabethan playhouse. With apposite examples, rigorous research and a witty turn of phrase, Sophie Duncan expertly queries our adherence to a troubling romantic ideal that has endured for four hundred years, and how exactly it came about.

## About the Author:

Dr Sophie Duncan is a Fellow in English at Christ Church, University of Oxford. She is an expert on Shakespeare in performance and in the broader fields of theatre history and the performance of gender and race. Her books include *Shakespeare's Women and the Fin de Siècle* (Oxford University Press, 2016), described as 'extraordinary...a welcome antidote to prevailing assumptions' by the *TLS* and *Shakespeare's Props* (Routledge, 2019). She has also published extensively on Victorian theatre and culture, and worked in theatre, radio and television as a historical advisor.

# TUNNEL 29

HELENA MERRIMAN



**Hodder & Stoughton**

**Publication: August 2021**

**Editor: Rupert Lancaster**

**Length: 416**

**Markets Sold:**

**Brazil (Intrinseca)**

**Finland (WSOY)**

**France (Editions Stock)**

**Italy (Mondadori)**

**Japan (Kawade Shobo)**

**Lithuania (Baltos Lankos)**

**Netherlands (Balans)**

**Portugal (Presenca)**

**Spain (Salamandra)**

**Sweden (Forum)**

**US (Public Affairs)**

**'Captivating... Ms Merriman's well-crafted book does justice to the extraordinary bravery of her characters.'** *Economist*

**'This new book... allows readers to slip into Joachim's shoes as if living this extraordinary experience... This is a remarkable tale, beautifully told and utterly compelling.'** *BBC History Magazine*

It's August, 1962, exactly one year after Germany's capital was physically divided. Joachim Rudolph is digging a tunnel under the Berlin Wall. But he isn't tunnelling out of the East. He's tunnelling in from the West. Why? To help dozens of people escape from East Germany.

In this fascinating account you'll learn about the psychological effects of living behind a wall, and how people in the East defied the Stasi by getting information from the outside world. And find out about East Germany's mass of informants - including the Stasi agent who infiltrated the group and handed the tunnellers' plans over to their enemy.

ACCLAIM FOR THE TUNNEL 29 PODCAST:

**'Combining the fun of a thriller that we know will end happily with grim perspective on history and tyranny... stunning'** - *New Yorker*

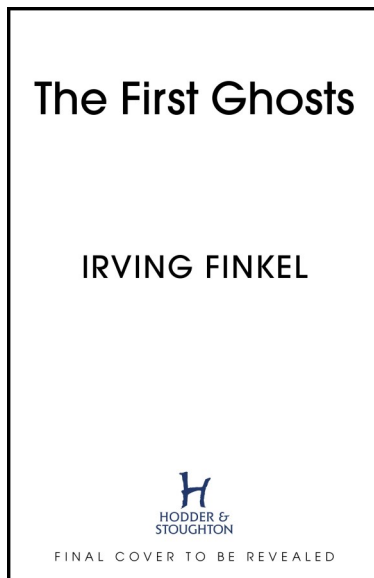
**'A truly exciting yarn... creates a sense for the listener of being right there in the tunnel, experiencing the dangers.'** - *Observer*

## About the Author:

Helena Merriman is an award-winning presenter and producer who presents *The Inquiry* on the BBC World Service, and is the creator and presenter of the hit podcast, *Tunnel 29*.

# THE FIRST GHOSTS

IRVING FINKEL



**Hodder & Stoughton**

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There are few things more in common across cultures than the belief in ghosts. Ghosts inhabit something of the very essence of what it is to be human. Whether we personally 'believe' or not, we are all aware of ghosts and the rich mythologies and rituals surrounding them. They have inspired, fascinated and frightened us for centuries - yet most of us are only familiar with the vengeful apparitions of Shakespeare, or the ghastly spectres haunting the pages of 19th century gothic literature. But their origins are much, much older...

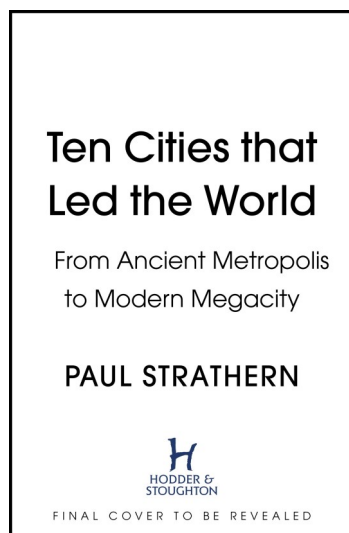
The First Ghosts: Most Ancient of Legacies takes us back to the very beginning. A world-renowned authority on cuneiform, the form of writing on clay tablets which dates back to 3400BC, Irving Finkel has embarked upon an ancient ghost hunt, scouring these tablets to unlock the secrets of the Sumerians, Babylonians and Assyrians to breathe new life into the first ghost stories ever written. In The First Ghosts, he uncovers an extraordinarily rich seam of ancient spirit wisdom which has remained hidden for nearly 4000 years, covering practical details of how to live with ghosts, how to get rid of them, and how to avoid becoming bring one back if need be, as well as exploring more philosophical questions: what are ghosts, why does the idea of them remain so powerful despite the lack of concrete evidence, and what do they tell us about being human?

## About the Author:

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

# TEN CITIES THAT LED THE WORLD

PAUL STRATHERN



**Hodder & Stoughton**

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**Italy: Il Saggiatore**

**Portugal: Tamas de Debates**

**Romania: Trei**

**Russia: Exem**

**Turkey: Vaziyet Medya**

**USA: Pegasus**

**Great cities are complex, chaotic and colossal. These are cities that dominate the world stage and define eras; where ideas flourish, revolutions are born and history is made.**

Through 10 unique cities, from the founding of ancient capitals to buzzing modern metropolises, Paul Strathern explores how urban centres lead civilisation forward, enjoying a moment of glory before passing on the baton.

We journey back to discover Babylonian mathematics, Athenian theatre and intellectual debate, and Roman construction that has lasted millenia. We see Constantinople evolve into Istanbul, revolutionary sparks fly in Enlightenment Paris, and the railways, canals and ships that built Imperial London. In Moscow men build spaceships while other men starve, New York's skyscrapers rise up to a soundtrack of jazz, Mumbai becomes home to immense wealth and poverty, and Beijing's economic transformation leads the way.

Each city has its own distinct personality, and Ten Cities that Led the World brings their rich and diverse histories to life, reminding us of the foundations we have built on and how our futures will be shaped.

## About the Author:

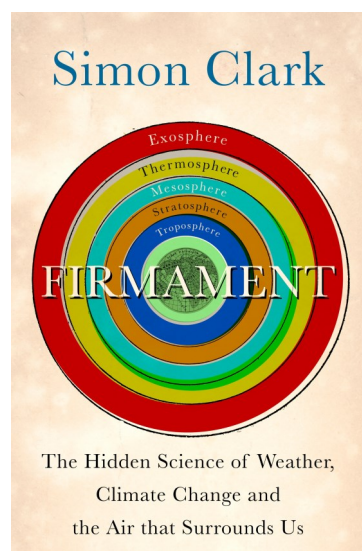
Paul Strathern is the author of numerous books about science, history, philosophy and literature, including two series, Philosophers in 90 Minutes and The Big Idea: Scientists Who Changed the World, and the Sunday Times bestseller The Medici: Godfathers of the Renaissance.

He also won a Somerset Maugham award for his novel A Season in Abyssinia. He formerly lectured in philosophy and mathematics at Kingston University. He lives in London.



# FIRMAMENT

SIMON CLARK



**Hodder & Stoughton**  
**Publication: January 2022**  
**Editor: Huw Armstrong**  
**Length: 336**

**We all know that the atmosphere exists - but how much do we really understand it? What exactly is it? What is it made of, how did it come about and how does it generate the weather patterns and climates that we experience every day? How is scientific research into the atmosphere carried out? And - perhaps most pressingly - what exactly is climate change, according to the actual science?**

In FIRMAMENT, atmospheric scientist and science communicator Simon Clark offers a rare and accessible tour of the ins and outs of the atmosphere and how we know what we know about it. From the workings of its different layers to why carbon dioxide is special, from pioneers like Pascal to the unsung heroes studying climate change today, Firmament introduces us to an oft-overlooked area of science and not only lays the ground work for us to better understand the debates surrounding the climate today, but also provides a glimpse of the future that is possible with this knowledge in hand.

## About the Author:

Simon Clark is a scientist, video producer, and online educator. Simon read Physics at St. Peter's College, Oxford before researching a PhD in atmospheric physics at the University of Exeter. During his studies he began creating YouTube videos about student life and his research, and has since accrued nearly 20 million views. FIRMAMENT is his first book.

# MOUNTAINS OF FIRE

CLIVE OPPENHEIMER



**A thrilling journey across six continents with Professor Clive Oppenheimer, exploring how volcanoes have shaped us and our planet.**

Having worked in some of the wildest and most inaccessible places on Earth, Professor of Volcanology Clive Oppenheimer has an intimate relationship with volcanoes. His research measuring and mapping these powerful forces reveals just how entangled volcanic activity is with our climate and environment, as well as our economy, politics, culture and beliefs, ultimately defining the course of human history. In *Mountains of Fire*, he

takes us on a journey around the globe to understand how our planet and our societies have been shaped by these extreme forces. We travel with him to the edges of volcano craters across the world, from the most remote peaks in the Sahara to the lush islands of the Caribbean, and from the mystical peaks of North Korea to the fiery depths of Iceland.

Combining science, history, myth and legend with a sense of adventure, *Mountains of Fire* captures the awe and sheer excitement of working beside fiery craters, and reveals the interwoven tales of volcanic nature and humankind.

## About the Author:

**Clive Oppenheimer** is a volcanologist and filmmaker. He is Professor of Volcanology at the University of Cambridge, where he has been based for 25 years. His research seeks to understand how volcanoes work and to probe the connections between eruptions, climate and society. He has conducted fieldwork around the world - either at the crater's edge peering in with assorted monitoring devices or hunting for the far-flung deposits of Earth's greatest eruptions. He has also made two documentary features with legendary filmmaker Werner Herzog, INTO THE INFERNO (Netflix, 2016) and FIRE-BALL: VISITORS FROM DARKER WORLDS (Apple TV+, 2020).

**Hodder & Stoughton**

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**Length: 352**

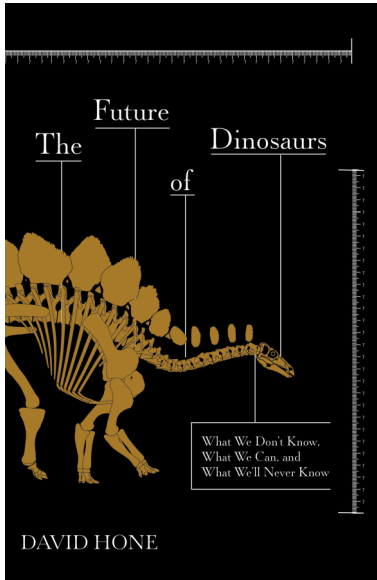
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# THE FUTURE OF DINOSAURS

DAVID HONE



**Hodder & Stoughton**

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**Editor: Huw Armstrong**

**Length: 288**

**Palaeontologist Dr David Hone tells us everything we know about dinosaurs - and everything we don't yet know.**

We have made more discoveries about dinosaurs in the last 20 years than we have in the previous 200, and there is a wealth of cutting edge research that has never been written about before, from their skin (some had feathers) to their extinction (the myth of the meteorite), much of which is David's own personal research and discovery. How does it feel to discover a new dinosaur? David Hone can tell you - he has personally discovered 12 new species himself.

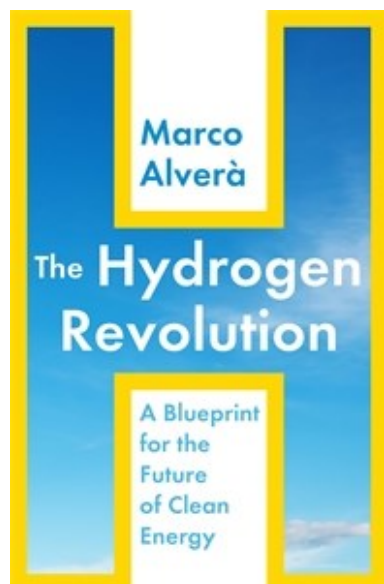
And there is much still to discover. What colour were dinosaurs? Did they mate for life? How did they rear their young? Did they migrate in winter? How did they communicate? Did they eat fish? Just what are the T-Rex's tiny arms actually for? In *THE FUTURE OF DINOSAURS* Dr David Hone shows us the extraordinary advances in palaeontological research that are starting to fill in these gaps, and sets out the future of dinosaurs for the next generation.

## About the Author:

Dr David Hone is a paleontologist, writer and lecturer at Queen Mary, University of London. His research focuses on the behaviour and ecology of the dinosaurs and their flying relatives, the pterosaurs. He writes about dinosaurs for the *Guardian*, the *Telegraph*, *National Geographic* and *The Huffington Post*.

# THE HYDROGEN REVOLUTION

MARCO ALVERÀ



**Hodder Studio**

**Publication: August 2021**

**Editor: Izzy Everington**

**Length: 288**

**‘Engaging, authoritative and very timely. Marco Alverà spells Hydrogen's critical role as an energy store in the clean power transition, and who can do what right now to kick it over the line’ - Mike Berners-Lee, author of THERE IS NO PLANET B**

**‘A comprehensive and comprehensible vision for hydrogen from a top business leader.’ - Jonathan Stern, Oxford Institute for Energy Studies**

This is not just another climate change book. This is a comprehensive manifesto on the missing link between us and truly clean energy: Hydrogen.

Marco Alverà, a pioneering voice in this field, will explore the market-based solutions that Hydrogen offers, moving the fight against climate change from a space of morally-motivated activism to financially incentivized global change. From introducing Hydrogen as the hot commodity it is to exploring how existing infrastructure can be adapted to embrace Hydrogen, this is truly plan blueprint for the future of clean energy.

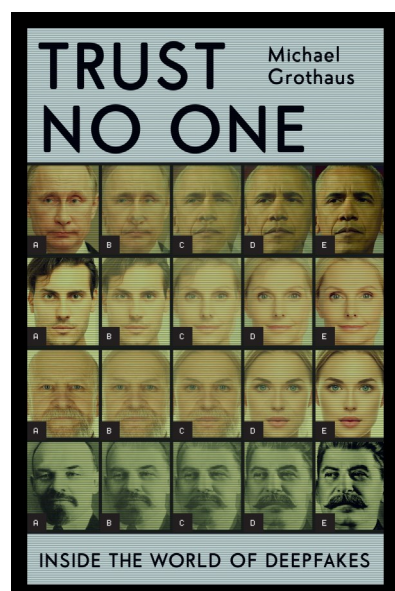
This book is for everyone: for the policy maker, for the business person, for the curious, and for the activists because if there's one lesson to take away, it is this: there is hope, for us

## About the Author:

Marco Alverà is CEO of Snam, Europe's largest gas pipeline company that deals in natural gas and has been making forays into Hydrogen fuel. He was born in New York and brought up between the US, Italy and the UK. He studied at LSE reading economics and worked at Enel, the world's largest renewable-energy company, before moving to Snam. After 20 years in the industry, he has explored every aspect of energy from renewable to oil to gas, and the challenges we face; production, transportation and infrastructure. He is uniquely positioned to make the case for Hydrogen as the energy future.

# TRUST NO ONE

MICHAEL GROTHAUS



**Hodder Studio**

**Publication: November 2021**

**Editor: Harriet Poland**

**Length: 288**

Deepfake technology can create video evidence of just about anything: Natalie Portman in an orgy; Donald Trump declaring nuclear war; the United States winning the World Cup. The only limit is the imagination. In a time where fake news and disinformation is becoming harder and harder to identify, it is more essential than ever to understand the dark origins of deepfakes.

Journalist Michael Grothaus goes down the rabbit hole as he interviews the morally dubious, yet incredibly talented creators of this content. This book will open a window into the communities transforming reality; from incels to hackers in the very underbelly of the internet.

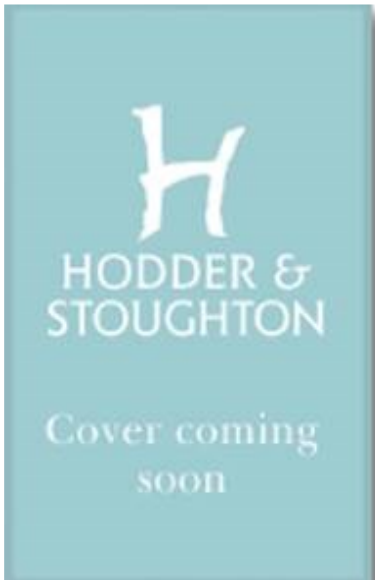
Challenging, enlightening and terrifying, this book will ask the questions other people are too scared to: what happens when you can no longer believe your own eyes.

## About the Author:

Michael Grothaus is a novelist and journalist. Having got his start over 20 years ago writing for Screen, his work has since appeared in *Fast Company*, *VICE*, the *Guardian*, *Litro Magazine*, *The Irish Times*, *Quartz*, and others. His debut novel *Epiphany Jones*, a story about the alienating aspects of the internet and sex trafficking among the Hollywood elite, was longlisted for the John Creasy New Blood Dagger Award in 2017. *TRUST NO ONE* is his first non-fiction book.

# TENCENT

LULU CHEN



**Hodder & Stoughton**  
**Publication: March 2022**  
**Editor: Huw Armstrong**  
**Length: 320**

In 2019, a Chinese entity called Tencent overtook Facebook to become the world's fifth-largest company. It was a watershed moment, a wake-up call for those in the West accustomed to regarding the global tech industry through the prism of Silicon Valley: Facebook, Google, Apple and Microsoft.

Yet to many of the two billion-plus people who live just across the Pacific Ocean, it came as no surprise at all.

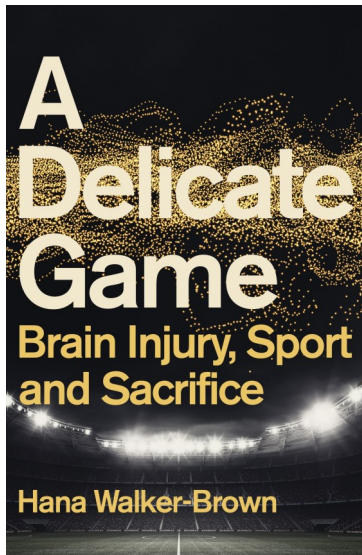
Tencent's ambition to be an essential part of digital daily life means it holds a dizzyingly diverse range of products - music, gaming, messaging, and film. In this fascinating narrative - crammed with insider interviews, exclusive details about the company's culture - tech reporter Lulu Chen tells the story of how Tencent is changing the world and asks what the consequences will be for us all.

## About the Author:

Lulu Chen has covered China and its technology landscape for a decade, for Bloomberg News and Bloomberg Businessweek. She's a three-time co-winner of The Society of Publishers in Asia Award, a frequent commentator on Bloomberg TV and Radio, BBC and ABC, and has a sizable personal following of 20,000 Twitter followers.

# A DELICATE GAME: BRAIN INJURY, SPORT AND SACRIFICE

HANA WALKER-BROWN



**Hodder Studio**

**Publication: March 2022**

**Editor: Harriet Poland**

**Length: 288**

**A footballer dies of dementia, younger than he should**

**A 14-year old-rugby player is told to play on through multiple blows. He never wakes up from the last one**

**A scientist reveals a pattern of brain disease in NFL players and is discredited**

**A survivor of domestic abuse can't remember details when standing up in court**

This is the story of the degenerative brain disease, Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy (CTE). This is a story of power, of science and sport, and of the bodies that society deems worth sacrificing.

In 2019, Hana Walker-Brown created The Beautiful Brain, an award-winning podcast about West Bromwich Albion hero Jeff Astle and CTE. A Delicate Game explores the passion and fury of sport, truth and justice, violence against women, privilege, love, greed, hope and redemption. It's going to change the way you think about sport forever. For fans of She Said and Bad Blood.

## About the Author:

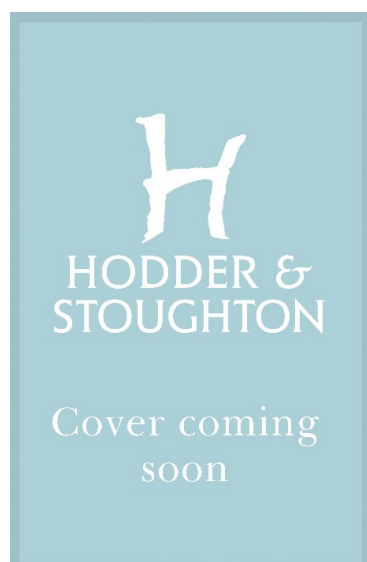
Hana Walker-Brown is a multi-award-winning audio documentary maker, writer and currently an Executive Producer for Broccoli Content, a London based podcast production company founded in direct response to the lack of opportunities for minority talent both in front and behind the mic, great content and break through industry barriers.

Hana is a fearless and passionate advocate of multi-medium storytelling and has covered an exceptional range of stories. She is a guest lecturer at Goldsmiths College, University of London and has given talks and master-classes around the world about her work and creative processes.

Hana has created work for Audible, the BBC, the Guardian, National Geographic, Spotify and Warner Brothers among many others.

# 10 TRAPPINGS OF WESTERN CIVILISATION

SUBHADRA DAS



Some things are a given. The value of education. Time's progress. Death.

Except most of the ideas that form Western Civilisation are just that – ideas. Taken from Greek philosophy and honed in the Enlightenment, certain notions on humanity grew into the tenets we live by, and we haven't questioned them a great deal since. But isn't it time we asked who really benefits from the values at the core of our society? What truth is there in a science that conjured up 'race'? Who do laws and nations protect? Why does it feel like time is money? What is 'art'?

This book will put everything back on the table and ask readers to reconsider what they thought they knew about civilisation. Taking each tenet of Western Civilisation in turn, it will examine the route of the idea, how it developed, and how it's impacted how we live. Most importantly it will reveal how each of these ideas was either created in opposition to another group of people, or based on ideas they had first (and better).

**Hodder Studio**

**Publication: November 2023**

**Editor: Harriet Poland**

**Length: 280**

*10 Trappings of Western Civilisation* will ask readers to open their eyes to the *why* behind *how* they think the world works.

## About the Author:

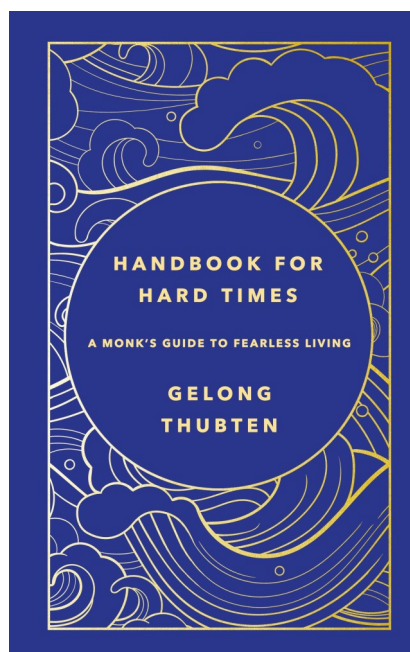
Subhadra Das is a writer, historian, broadcaster, and comedian who looks at the relationship between science and society. She specialises in the history and philosophy of science, particularly the history of scientific racism and eugenics. For nine years, she was Curator of the Science Collections at University College London, where, more recently, she was also Researcher in Critical Eugenics at the Sarah Parker Remond Centre for the Study of Racism and Racialisation, working with Paul Gilroy. She has written and presented podcasts and stand-up comedy shows, curated museum exhibitions, and regularly appears on radio and tv.



# HANDBOOK FOR HARD TIMES:

## A monk's guide to fearless living

### GELONG THUBTEN



**Yellow Kite**

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**France (Éditions Larousse)**

**Germany (Ullstein)**

**Italy (Antonio Vallardi)**

**Netherlands (Uitgeverij  
Ten Have)**

**Romania (BOOKZONE)**

**Serbia (Laguna)**

**Slovakia (Albatros Media)**

**Turkey (Guney Kitap Yayin  
Dagitim)**

**Vietnam (Huy Hoang Cul-  
tural)**

In **HANDBOOK FOR HARD TIMES** *Sunday Times* bestselling author of *A Monk's Guide to Happiness* Gelong Thubten teaches us to understand that happiness, kindness and resilience can be cultivated through reframing life's difficulties as opportunities for transformation.

Meditation and mindfulness practices help us to access deep reserves of inner strength as we learn how to 'lean into' our suffering. Thubten suggests how we can find meaning in pain and discomfort, transforming deeply ingrained patterns of fear and resistance. As we discover how hard times can enhance the development of mindfulness, compassion and forgiveness, we can develop a fearless outlook on life and lasting, unshakeable happiness.

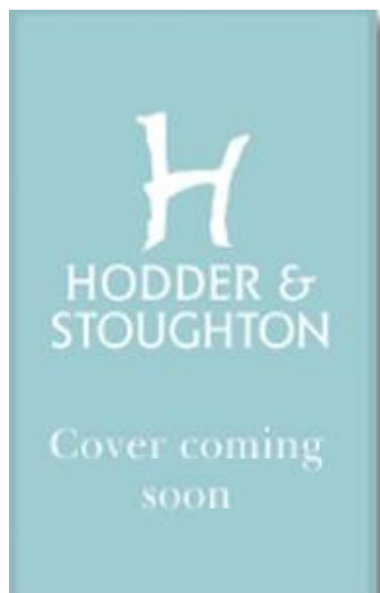
This approachable and practical book, complete with meditations, is designed for modern times, and will be a valuable resource to anyone during times of struggle, but also during all times to encourage and build resilience and help us find inner contentment and peace.

#### **About the Author:**

Gelong Thubten is a Buddhist monk, meditation teacher and author from the UK. He ordained as a monk 26 years ago at Samye Ling Tibetan Monastery in Scotland, and he has spent over six years in intensive meditation retreats, the longest of which was 4 years long. He is now regarded as one of the UK's most influential meditation teachers, with pioneering work in providing non-religious mindfulness programmes to businesses, hospitals, schools, universities, prisons and addiction counselling centres.

# THE DECISIVE MIND

Sheheryar Banuri



**Hodder Studio**  
**Publication: January 2022**  
**Editor: Harriet Poland**  
**Length: 288**

**A new model for understanding and optimising your decision-making skills.**

**Have you ever wondered why you make bad decisions? Or why it's so hard to make a decision in the first place?**

Through pioneering research into behavioural science, decisions expert Dr Sheheryar Banuri has designed an entirely novel decision-making framework which can be adopted into everyday life to help us better our decision-making skills by understanding and streamlining the process. The result? Simple, effective and efficient techniques to combat indecision.

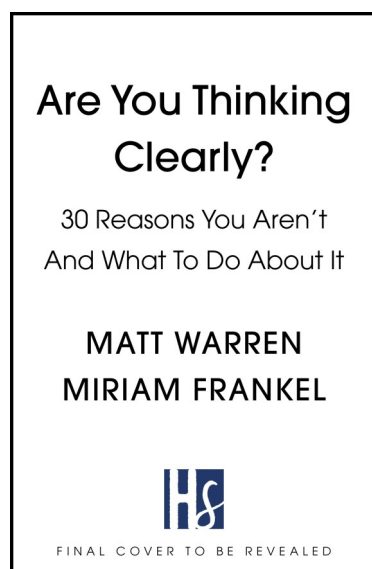
THE DECISIVE MIND will draw on examples from evolutionary psychology, examine our ability (or inability) to prioritise and highlight the scenarios that force decision-making errors, and help us understand our own minds. By unpicking a lifetime's worth of misconceptions about our own decision-making patterns and habits, this book will guide you on your first steps towards optimising your own brain space.

## **About the Author:**

Dr Sheheryar Banuri is a behavioural economist and an expert on motivation and incentives, behaviour, and public policy. He is currently an Assistant Professor at the University of East Anglia in Norwich, UK. His work has provided policy guidance to the governments of Indonesia, the Philippines, and Burkina Faso. His work has been published in academic journals such as *Social Science and Medicine*, the *European Economic Review*, the *World Bank Economic Review*, and *Social Choice and Welfare* (among others).

# ARE YOU THINKING CLEARLY?

MIRIAM FRANKEL & MATT WARREN



**Hodder Studio**

**Publication: August 2022**

**Editor: Izzy Everington**

**Length: 272**

**The science behind why you might not be in the driver's seat of your own brain - and everything you can do to change that.**

Did you know: You can be bought off with as little as 10p. That sounds absurd, but it's true! Something as small as finding 10p on the floor is enough to convince you that you're generally happy with life - even if you didn't feel like it the moment before. Or how about this one: That craving for Thai food isn't just your tastebuds screaming out for satisfaction; it's a combo of your DNA and the microbes in your gut telling you to order what they want.

From the moment we are conceived to the day we die, our thoughts, actions, moods and decisions are shaped and manipulated by a whole array of factors, most of which we don't pay any attention to. And these influences and impulses that guide us are inescapable; from culture and language, to the forces of technology and marketing, to our tastes and desires, it's clear that we aren't the ones pulling the strings. But the good news is this: by better understanding the forces at work - through neuroscience, psychology, linguistics, philosophy, biology and anthropology - we can minimise their impact on our lives. By drawing on the latest, most rigorous interdisciplinary research and the extraordinary stories that bring them to life, this book will enable you to truly start thinking for yourself.

## About the Author:

Matt Warren (Author)

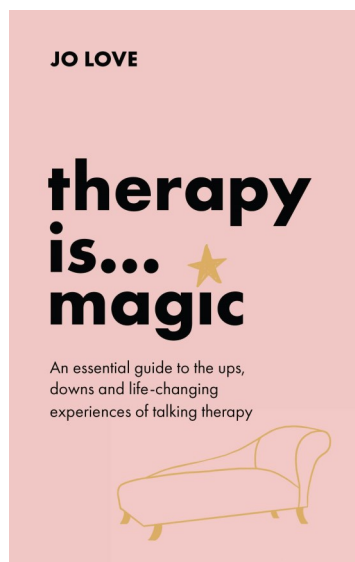
Matt Warren has 25 years' journalism experience as a features writer and editor. He has authored books for Lonely Planet, worked as a features executive for the Daily Mail, and been an award-winning magazine editor. Until recently, he was The Conversation's Deputy Editor and now works on special projects for the site.

Miriam Frankel (Author)

Miriam Frankel is an experienced science journalist, writing for publications including New Scientist, Nature, FQXi, Physics World and several Nordic newspapers and magazines. She is currently Science Editor of The Conversation, a media organisation that delivers research-based news and analysis articles to a global audience of tens of millions.

# THERAPY IS...MAGIC

JO LOVE



**Yellow Kite**

**Publication: October 2021**

**Editor: Lauren Whelan**

**Length: 288**

In this part memoir, part mental health resource and how-to guide, Jo Love throws open the door of her therapist's office and shines a light on what exactly goes on in the therapy room.

With the help of experts, including her very own therapist, Jo opens a rare window into the real world of therapy, unpicking the magical powers that enabled her to re-find her own voice, restored her resilience through the cloudiest days and ultimately saved her from her own mind.

Each chapter includes:

- A therapy list where Jo shares her knowledgeable insights into therapy
- Inspirational voices in the mental health space on the life-changing effects of therapy
- A 'From the Other Chair' section featuring expert opinions from mental health professionals
- 'Need Help Now' suggestions

Therapy is ... Magic moves away from the stigma sometimes associated with seeking help, and shines a light on the emotional and physical benefits of talking therapies. Jo Love shows us that with professional guidance we can heal ourselves and the relationships we have, tackle addictions and trauma, and save our minds.

## About the Author:

Jo Love is a trainee psychotherapist, mental health advocate and artist.

Jo regularly speaks, writes, hosts events, workshops and talks on mental health. She shares her experience of mental illness including depression, anxiety and burnout alongside evidence-based strategies that helped her recover. She is a mental health ambassador for various brands and organisations. Jo regularly consults with companies, brands and schools on how to look after our mental health and help break the stigma that still sadly surrounds getting support.

# STRONG FEMALE LEAD

ARWA MAHDAWI



**Hodder Studio**  
**Publication: November 2021**  
**Editor: Harriet Poland**  
**Length: 272**

**'A fascinating, important read and the most incredible argument for why a female model of leadership might actually be the more powerful and sustainable one. I'm giving each of my brothers a copy for Christmas. I'm OBSESSED' - Scarlett Curtis**

Women have been taught to 'lean in' and act like men to get ahead. But as the financial, environmental, and social systems crumble, isn't it time we had a different plan?

The first two decades of the twenty-first century have seen financial collapse, a global pandemic, the devastation of our environment and the disintegration of democracies. But while some at the top are telling us 'it is what it is', there's a new generation of leaders showing the world how to be better. They're building trust, investing wisely and acting decisively. And they've got one thing in common.

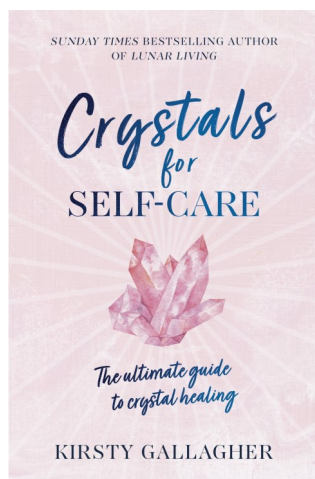
In *Strong Female Lead*, Arwa Mahdawi investigates the qualities demonstrated by female leaders who show us how it's done, including original research and interviews with Madeleine Albright, Mary Robinson, Audrey Tang and many others. Above all, she asks the question: What can women in power teach all of us about leadership?

## About the Author:

Arwa Mahdawi is a London-born, New York-based writer, speaker, and business consultant. Arwa writes a weekly column for the Guardian covering everything from politics to pop culture. She is also the creator of the viral website Rent-A-Minority, which is an 'Uber for diversity.' (Yes, before you ask, it's satire.)

# CRYSTALS FOR SELF-CARE

KIRSTY GALLAGHER



**Yellow Kite**

**Publication: November 2021**

**Editor: Holly Whitaker**

**Option Publishers:**

**France: Hachette Pratique**

**Poland: Muza**

**Romania: ForYou**

**Vietnam: SkyBooks**

**From the bestselling author of *Lunar Living* comes the ultimate guide to crystals and how they can help you live your best life.**

This is the one book you need in order to understand how crystals can enhance your everyday life and look after you.

In Part 1, Kirsty explores what crystals are, how they work, before going on to explain how you choose, care for and programme them, and how to go about using them. Then, in Part 2, *Crystals for Self-Care* delves deeper into the many areas in which crystals work their magic. Chapters include *Crystals for Love and Relationships*, *Crystals for Stress and Anxiety* and *Crystals for Work and Business*.

*Crystals for Self-Care* will leave you feeling empowered, supported and ready to embark on your own crystal journey!

## About the Author:

Kirsty Gallagher is a moon mentor, soul alignment and transformation coach, yoga teacher and meditation teacher with an infectious passion for life.

She has been sharing the life-changing benefits of yoga and the moon for 13 years through classes, workshops, private and corporate sessions, and has taught over 80 worldwide retreats. She is the founder of the online sisterhood Lunar Living, which teaches you how to weave the secret and ancient wisdom of the moon into modern, everyday life.

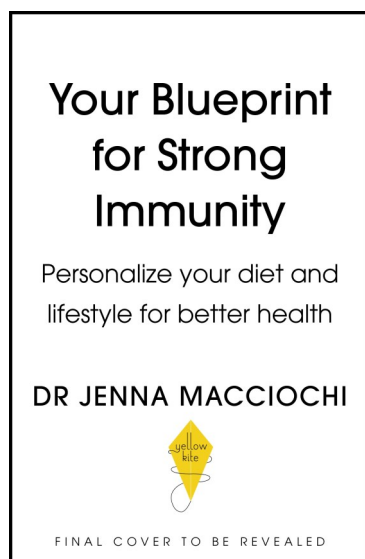
Kirsty works alongside women helping them live back in alignment with an ancient cycle, a natural rhythm and flow, and she helps them to connect back into their authenticity and purpose. Weaving lunar wisdom with soul guidance readings, astrology and cutting-edge transformational coaching techniques, Kirsty helps women to overcome doubts, fears and self-sabotage to find a deep inner connection and meaning in life.

Kirsty has shared moon magic on the Chris Evans Breakfast Show and This Morning and been featured in YOU Magazine, Stylist, Red Magazine, Women's Health, Soul and Spirit Magazine and Natural Health Magazine.



# YOUR BLUEPRINT FOR STRONG IMMUNITY

DR JENNA MACCIOCHI



**Yellow Kite**

**Publication: February 2022**

**Editor: Carolyn Thorne**

**Length: 288**

**Your Blueprint for Strong Immunity breaks down the science behind our health and shares the secrets of how to be well, for good.**

**Expert immunologist Dr Jenna Macciochi has over 20 years' experience as a scientist researching the impact of lifestyle on the immune system in health and disease.**

**Your Blueprint for Strong Immunity guides you through your very own health MOT and includes 20+ delicious and simple recipes to help you nourish your body. Jenna will help you audit your current lifestyle so you are able to identify key areas that might not be serving your health well. In Part Two, you will learn what to do when you fall ill, how to recover from infection and build mental resilience.**

**'Dr Jenna is one of the most knowledgeable authorities on Immune Health and has a wonderful ability to communicate an incredibly complicated subject in a profoundly approachable and relatable way.' - Dr Rupy Aujla, author of The Doctor's Kitchen**

## About the Author:

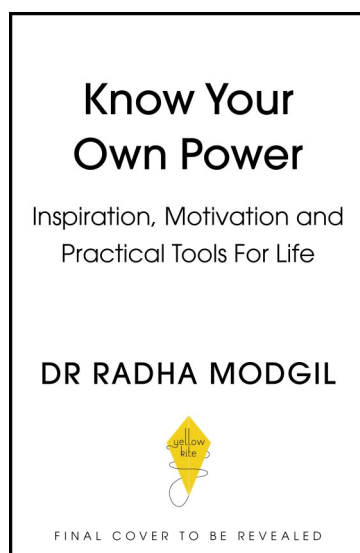
Dr Jenna Macciochi specialises in understanding how nutrition and lifestyle interact with the immune system in health and disease. With over 20 years' experience she is on a mission to break down the science behind our health and share the secrets of how to be well, for good.

Based in Brighton, Jenna is a lecturer at Sussex University, a qualified fitness instructor and health coach and author of *Immunity: the science of staying well*.

She is a mother of 5 year old twins and a keen home cook, creating recipes and rituals inspired by her farm-to-table Scottish roots and capturing her family's Italian heritage.

# KNOW YOUR OWN POWER

## DR RADHA MODGIL



**Yellow Kite**

**Publication: January 2022**

**Editor: Liz Gough**

**Length: 224**

Life can be challenging but through these times life will open its hands and offer you the gift of finding out just how powerful you are and what this unique power looks like for you. Dr Radha, a practicing GP and media doctor, provides a toolbox of reflections and advice to help us reframe the bad stuff and difficulties we face, prevent overwhelm, and learn to step into our power and trust ourselves, so we can overcome - and become more of who we truly are.

Divided into 3 sections - Getting Through, Stepping Up and Moving Forward - Dr Radha takes us through the tough roadmap of life and along all the highs and lows to prove to us that the power to feeling better lies within our own hands. We deserve to be happy and we have something beautiful, strong and determined inside of us. We hold the power to get through a crisis, we hold the power to step up to the challenge and we hold the power to move forward and change things for the better. Let Dr Radha guide you on your journey to unlocking the power to feel better.

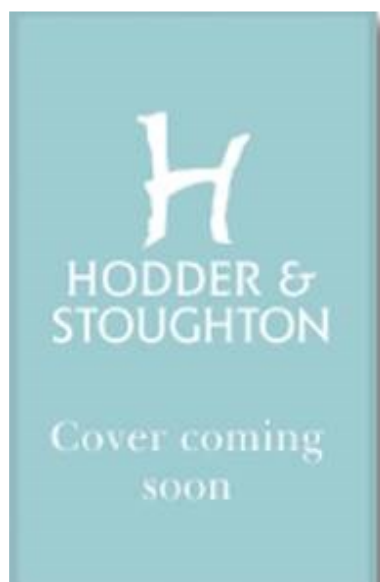
### About the Author:

Dr Radha is a practising NHS GP, broadcaster & campaigner for wellbeing. She has a passion for connecting with and hearing people's stories, and understanding how we can all learn from each other. Dr Radha is the medical expert for BBC Radio 1's daytime show, *Life Hacks* and the co-presenter of their weekly podcast. She was the presenter of the CBeebies show *Feeling Better*, highlighting the importance of talking about emotions for young children.

She has been the resident GP for the daytime show *Live with Gabby* on CH5 and for *Newsround* CBBC. She has also reported on ITV's *This Morning*, BBC Breakfast, ITV Tonight, Channel 5 News and ITN News. Working across all platforms Dr Radha contributes to online projects including BBC Bitesize and BBC Teach, has worked on campaigns with BBC Children in Need, Public Health England and MIND, and has spoken at many events, including the NHS Health & Care Innovation Expo and the BBC Children in Need Mental Health Panel Discussion.

# THE MONEY EDIT

## MAKALA GREEN



**Yellow Kite**

**Publication: March 2022**

**Editor: Carolyn Thorne**

**Length: 256**

**'I wrote this book to nurture financial confidence, success and freedom because, with the right skills and necessary financial knowledge, it is attainable to everyone.'** - Makala Green

Are you on the search for true financial freedom? Makala Green, a financial expert, businesswoman, speaker and wealth coach with over 17 years' experience, will help get you there. For many of us, the pandemic has highlighted the issues we have with money; whether we live paycheck-to-paycheck, don't have savings in the bank or have no idea how to prepare for big purchases like buying a house.

***The Money Edit*** approach is simple, informative, practical, and based on the issues and experiences of Makala's many clients over the years. The book covers all the financial choices you may encounter, the decisions you need to make, and the signs and signals to keep you on the straight and narrow. From helping you to understand your money mindset to demystifying advice on everything from ISAs to pension pots, Makala is here to make you feel positive, confident and in control when it comes to money.

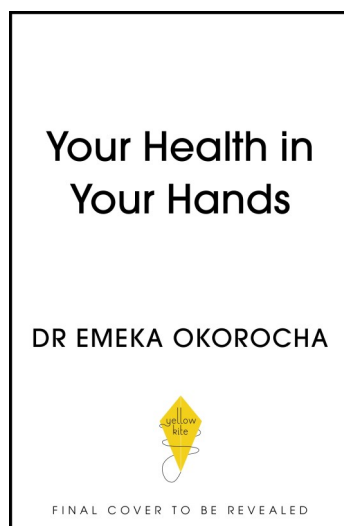
### **About the Author:**

Makala Green is a financial expert, businesswoman, speaker and wealth coach. She has over 17 years' experience financially transforming individuals and businesses across a diverse sector of money management, investment planning and property acquisition.

She is the founder of Green Wealth Planning and The Wealth Check, a platform created to help make wealth simple and give people the tools they need to confidently take control of their finances and plan their financial journey. She also consults for multi-million pound companies such as Waitrose, John Lewis and Metro Bank.

# YOUR HEALTH IN YOUR HANDS

## DOCTOR EMEKA OKOROCHA



**Yellow Kite**

**Publication: March 2022**

**Editor: Lauren Whelan**

**Length: 224**

TikTok star and A&E Doctor, Emeka Okorocha has fast become a go-to source for healthcare advice and support during the pandemic. *Your Health in Your Hands* is his handbook for preventative medicine in the form of simple lifestyle hacks and advice for mind/body health that can be harnessed in the short-term with huge long-term benefits.

Sharing his plan for a better, brighter future for us all, Dr Emeka will overhaul the way we look at and take charge of our own health through his evidence-based guidance.

Focusing on easy-to-maintain 10 minute activities, throw-together recipes, workouts, simple mental strength exercises, this is a toolbox of techniques to boost mind-body health. Stress busters, sleep tips and nutrition advice are just a few of the bitesize chunks of expert information shared to support readers and help them feel better equipped to make decisions that will boost their wellbeing and avoid deteriorating illness. With an A-Z of the most asked health concerns collected from his community online, *Your Health in Your Hands* will be your go-to guide for head to toe health.

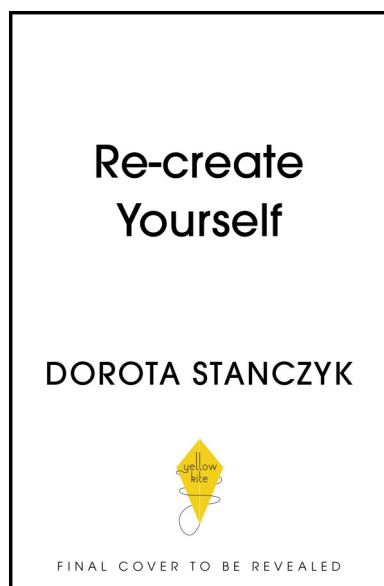
### About the Author:

Doctor Emeka Okorocha is a frontline NHS doctor working in A&E departments in East London and Kent. The face of NHS and Government campaigns, he has appeared on many TV shows including *This Morning*, as well as many others across BBC, ITV, CNN, Channel 4 and Sky. He has also spoken on network radio stations, featured in national newspapers and collaborated with Moss Bros, British Red Cross, Freeletics and Boots.

Fronting the nationwide campaign 'It Starts on TikTok', Dr. Emeka was voted one of TikTok's top 10 educators for 2020, speaking about all things medical and Black Lives Matter. He is passionate about medicine, fitness and fashion.

# RE-CREATE YOURSELF

DOROTA STANCZYK



**Yellow Kite**

**Publication: March 2022**

**Editor: Carolyn Thorne**

**Length: 288**

**'This book is my own personal path of self-healing. It describes my path from a lonely, frightened, untrusting and co-dependent little girl, to a woman who taught herself to love herself unconditionally, and who then opened herself to love, and to be loved by others. Who gave herself all her power back.'** - Dorota Stanczyk

Using Dorota's personal path of self-healing and what she learned along the way this book will guide you through the process of accepting yourself unconditionally. It will show you how self-love is the key to personal growth and fulfilment.

Drawing on the teaching of some of the most well-respected teachers in the personal development space, and including tools for digging deep into ourselves and asking the key questions, this book provides a clear pathway for personal growth and closing in on the elusive search for happiness.

**'Dorota is a talented creative who knows how to inspire. Whether its film, photography or video, she's amazing at creating beautiful art and speaking on the topic of creativity and inspiration.'** - Vishen Lakhiani, NYT Bestselling author, Founder of Mindvalley.

## About the Author:

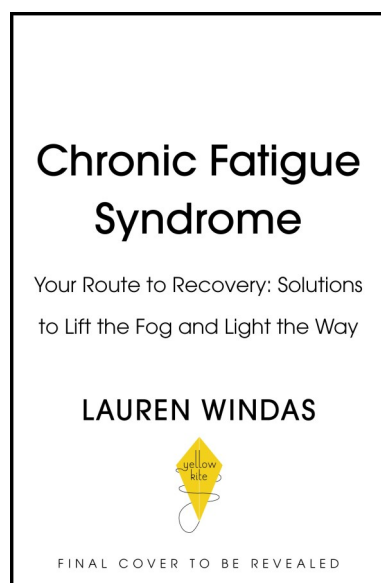
Dorota Stanczyk is a Polish transformational artist, creative director, conscious creativity trainer, speaker and writer. Her passion is to combine fine arts, personal growth and interactive technology to raise awareness of new models and paradigms of living, working and being. She designs digital products, transformational events and experiences in the wellness industry.

She has shared her knowledge at VESTED ConsciousTech Summit (Egypt), Tedx (Belgium) TOA (Berlin), Mindvalley Reunion (San Diego), World Academy of Art and Science & UN Geneva, Consciousness Hacking (San Francisco), RISE Conference (Hong-Kong), Web Summit (Dublin), Modern Woman Festival (Bali), Mindvalley University (Tallinn), DNX Conference (Lisbon), FreedomX (Budapest), Flow Fest (Bali), Nomad Cruise (Barcelona&Brazil) and more.

# CHRONIC FATIGUE SYNDROME: YOUR ROUTE TO RECOVERY

## LAUREN WINDAS

There are over 17 million people worldwide suffering with Chronic Fatigue Syndrome.



Lauren Windas is one of the estimated 250,000 people suffering with CFS in the UK. Whilst at university in 2012 she fell ill with a viral infection and was later diagnosed with CFS. Since then she has devoted herself to reclaiming her health and being able to live a full life, drawing on the knowledge of experts to help manage her often mysterious and hard-to-manage condition.

In *Chronic Fatigue Syndrome: Your Route to Recovery*, Lauren recounts the highs and lows of her own health journey and experiences, whilst providing an evidence base, and contextualising what we know so far about Chronic Fatigue Syndrome/ME. She provides personal anecdotes, clinical expertise, recovery tips, and nutrition and lifestyle strategies to employ to support the recovery process. This book is highly practical and packed with information to support anyone suffering - or for a family member who wants to help a loved one, and includes recipes, support and further resources.

**Yellow Kite**

**Publication: March 2022**

**Editor: Liz Gough**

**Length: 224**

### About the Author:

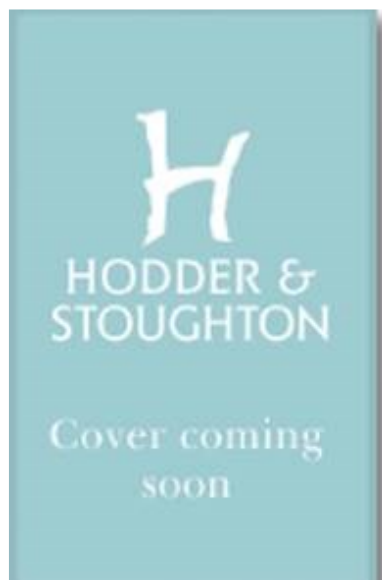
Lauren Windas runs a clinical practise (based both online and on Kings Road, Chelsea) involving working with clients who suffer with CFS / M.E and post-viral fatigue-related conditions, IBS and digestive concerns, as well as those struggling with their weight or poor relationships with food (disordered eating).

Lauren has appeared on various health and nutrition podcasts, including The Medicinal Chef's "Nutrition Nuggets" podcast and CNM's Natural Health podcast. She has contributed writing and comments towards various publications including Women's Health, Harper's Bazaar, Marie Claire and Cosmopolitan, whilst having various recipes featured in publications such as Red, Psychologies and Natural Health Magazine, as well as writing a monthly column in Yoga Magazine.



# HOW TO CREATE LITTLE HAPPY LEARNERS

SOPHIE DAVID



How to Create Little Happy Learners presents an inspiring selection of learning and craft activities designed to promote a love of learning.

Written by Sophie David, a former Early Years teacher and adviser who is now a stay-at-home mum with 3 children under 3, she is now channelling her knowledge and creativity to show-case the craft ideas she was using to keep her children entertained. Here, she offers over 60 activities for children, all highlighting different skills (fine motor, phonics, maths, creativity and independence). Split into topics ranging from animals to transport Sophie not only offers crafting activities that can be used time and time again utilising everyday items, she also adapts each activity for different age groups (from 1-5 years) so you can reuse the book over and over again as your child grows.

**Yellow Kite**

**Publication: May 2022**

**Editor: Nicky Ross**

**Length: 192**

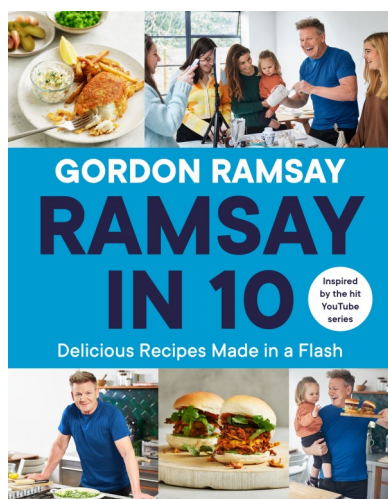
This book offers a bank of great activities to not only inspire a love of learning in your children but to make that journey a fun, craft filled one.

## About the Author:

Sophie David has over 10 years experience as an Early Years Foundation Stage teacher and is now a stay-at-home mum with three children under three. She started her instagram account, Little Happy Learners, in 2018 in a bid to share her knowledge with other parents.

# RAMSAY IN 10

## GORDON RAMSAY



**Hodder & Stoughton**

**Publication: October 2021**

**Editor: Nicky Ross**

**Length: 256**

In Ramsay in 10, superstar chef, Gordon Ramsay, returns with 100 new and delicious recipes inspired by his YouTube series watched by millions across the globe - you'll be challenged to get creative in the kitchen and learn how to cook incredible, flavoursome dishes in just ten minutes.

Whether you need something super quick to assemble, like his Microwave Sticky Toffee Pudding, or you're looking to impress the whole family, with a tasty One Pan Pumpkin Pasta or some Chicken Souvlaki - these are recipes guaranteed to become instant classics and with each time you cook, you'll get faster and faster with Gordon's shortcuts to speed up your cooking, reduce your prep times and get the very best from simple, fresh ingredients.

**'When I'm shooting Ramsay in 10, I'm genuinely full of excitement and energy because I get to show everyone how to really cook with confidence. It doesn't matter if it takes you 10 minutes, 12 minutes or even 15 minutes, to me, it's about sharing my 25 years' of knowledge, expertise and hands-on experience, to make everyone feel like better, happier cooks.'** - Gordon Ramsay

This is fine food at its fastest and fast food at its finest.

### About the Author:

Scottish by birth, Gordon Ramsay was brought up in Stratford-upon-Avon, England, and initially aspired to be a professional footballer. However, when an injury prematurely put an end to any hopes of a promising career on the pitch, Ramsay went back to college to complete a course in hotel management. His dedication and natural talent led him to train with some of the world's leading chefs.

Now internationally renowned and holding seven Michelin stars, Ramsay has opened 34 restaurants globally including Europe, America, Asia and the Middle East. Ramsay has also become a star of the small screen in the US and UK, and earned himself an EMMY nomination in 2017.

Ramsay has released a number of books, many of which have become bestsellers around the world; his latest cookbook is *Quick and Delicious*.

A keen triathlete, Gordon lives with his wife Tana and five children, Megan, twins Jack & Holly, Tilly and newest member of the family, Oscar. He divides his time between London, Los Angeles and Cornwall.

# COMFORT MOB

## MOB KITCHEN



**Hodder & Stoughton**  
**Publication: September**  
**2021**

**Editor: Nicky Ross**  
**Length: 256**  
**Option Publishers:**  
**Germany: DK**

It's the return of the MOB! This time celebrating all things crispy, squidgy, cheesy, spicy, warming, sticky, nourishing... all the flavours, textures and feel of comfort pulled together in one book, 100 recipes.

'This book is pure delicious joy....this feel-good collection, with delicious twists crammed into every recipe. Perfect for autumnal cooking and colder nights.' BBC Good Food

COMFORT MOB is a celebration of hearty dishes from around the world that warm, soothe and fill us. Spending time in the kitchen recreating comfort is a way to indulge in dishes from the past and find new flavour and texture combinations that appeal to our senses.

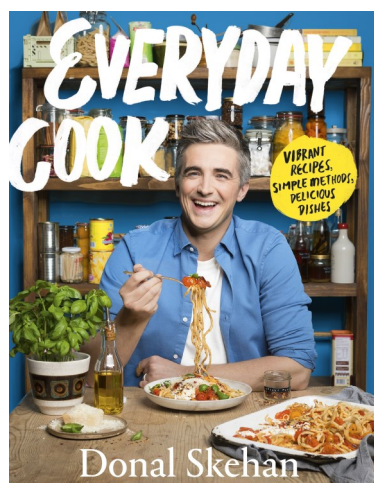
Featuring old-school bangers with a MOB Kitchen twist such as Roast Garlic Chicken Pie or Beef Brisket Lasagne, and modern dishes like Sriracha Crispy Tofu or Coca Cola Chicken Wings, COMFORT MOB encourages you to indulge every palate and craving in a fun, affordable and achievable way. If

### About the Author:

Ben Lebus has always been passionate about food and learnt to cook from his father, who ran an Italian restaurant for a number of years. At university, he quickly saw that his flatmates did not share his knowledge of cooking, and their repertoire consisted of pasta with pesto. That was it; he launched MOB Kitchen three months after he graduated. MOB Kitchen has 248K+ followers on Facebook and 529K+ followers on Instagram.

# EVERYDAY COOK

DONAL SKEHAN



Reclaim your kitchen without sacrificing time or flavour with simplified and doable classic recipes. Seriously great home cooked food never looked this good!

Donal's 10th book is a celebration of real home cooking for modern day life. *Everyday Cook* is filled with speedy 15/30 minute meals, simple recipes using just one pot/pan/tray, comforting favourites, classic desserts, and recipes to batch cook and freeze for days where you don't have time to cook from scratch. These are recipes that will help you to manage life and all its twists and turns, while still allowing you to pull together meals that are nourishing, vibrant and delicious.

With recipes including **Crispy Hoisin Duck Lettuce Wraps**, one-pan **Oven-roasted Ratatouille**, prep ahead **Roast Cherry Tomato Pici**, easy favourite **Crispy Egg Fried Rice Bowls**, freeze-able **Smoky Fish Pie with Velvet Mash Topping**, family favourite **Key Lime Pretzel Pie** and more - there's something for everyone.

**Hodder & Stoughton**

**Publication: October 2021**

**Editor: Liz Gough**

**Length: 224**

Armed with meal plan suggestions and Donal's helpful cooks notes, you'll turn to this book time and again to create a useful routine, make your kitchen work for you and bring ease, flavour and speed to your everyday cooking.

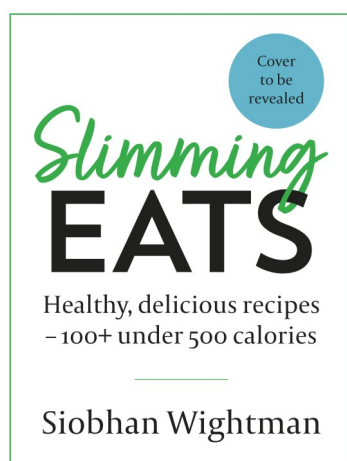
## About the Author:

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

Donal is the author of ten cookbooks; *Super Food in Minutes* (2019) being the most recent and *Fresh* (2015) being named as one of Good Food magazine's Top 10 cookbooks of the year. He's the host of *Saturday Kitchen*, star of cookery shows on RTE and The Food Network, and has his own hit YouTube channel with over 1 million subscribers. Donal was born and raised in Dublin and has recently moved from LA back to his hometown of Dublin in Ireland. *Everyday Cook* is his 10th cookbook.

# SLIMMING EATS

## SIOBHAN WIGHTMAN



Everyday recipes you will make time and again - flavourful, simple, slimming and so satisfying.

From wildly popular blog Slimming Eats comes a collection of 100 brand new recipes plus 15 blog favourites. Siobhan's homely recipes are delicious and really work, plus over 100 of them are under 500 calories - they will become life-long family favourites.

Every recipe is made to help you achieve your goals, featuring:

- \* a nutritional breakdown with a calorie count
- \* helpful pointers for vegetarian, gluten-free and dairy-free diets
- \* suggestions for swapping in low-calorie sides

**Yellow Kite**

**Publication: December 2021**

**Editor: Lauren Whelan**

**Length: 288**

With recipes for breakfast, lunch and dinner, meals to feed a crowd, kid-friendly dishes, quick fixes, low calorie sides and recipes to satisfy any cravings, this is an everyday cookbook for everyone. This is slimming food and delicious food - there's absolutely no scrimping on flavour here!

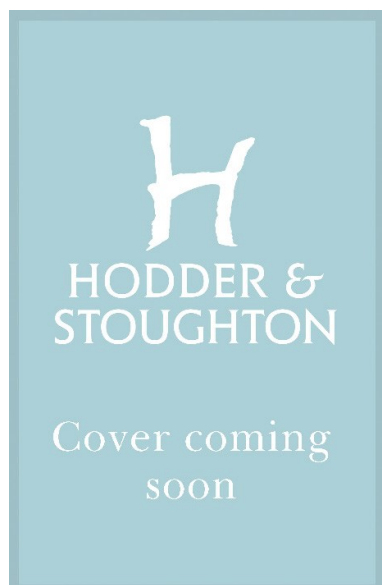
Siobhan shares information on useful items and key ingredients to keep in your kitchen, family-friendly menus, tips for reaching your 5 a day, how to shop on a budget and a lot of motivation to keep you on track. This will be your ultimate kitchen companion for eating well every day.

### About the Author:

Siobhan is a full-time food blogger and mum. In 2009 she started Slimming Eats to keep herself, and many others, accountable in their weight-loss journey. She has built a loyal fanbase of over 1.5 million people who have found her healthy way of cooking not only helps them lose weight but is absolutely delicious, nutritious and filling. Siobhan was born in London, but now lives in Ontario, Canada with her husband and two children. This is her first book.

# MEAT-FREE MEXICAN

THOMASINA MIERS



Celebrate the vibrant flavours and textures of Mexican cooking with fresh vegetables and pulses. Thomasina shares over 100 vegetarian and vegan dishes for you to pile flavour onto your plates and fill your kitchen with the fun, fresh feeling of Mexico.

Veggie twists on favourites include Banana & Chocolate Cornbread for a mid-morning sweet hit, Mango and Habanero Guacamole to dip crispy tortillas into, Baked Feta & Pickled Chilli Nachos that will pack a punch, the most satisfying Crispy Tofu Tacos with Burnt Spring Onion Relish & Sriracha Mayo, fun and filling hand-made Pea, Mint & Feta Empanadas and the simplest Pineapple Tarte Tatin with Rum Cream. These recipes are easy, achievable, fun and absolutely delicious, with a mixture of throw-together-in-5-minutes recipes and dishes to take time over.

**Hodder & Stoughton**  
**Publication: April 2022**  
**Editor: Isabel Gonzalez-Prendergast**

**Length: 256**

With how-to's for building your own taco bowl or quesadilla fillings, Tommi's flexible recipes teach you how to swap in vegetables and pulses, as well as dairy-free alternatives, so you can easily use up what you have at home or what's in season.

This will be the go-to guide for vegetarians and vegans looking to cook healthy, hearty, authentic Mexican food.

## About the Author:

When Thomasina Miers first arrived in Mexico aged eighteen, she fell so in love with its food that she went back to live there, opening a cocktail bar and cooking with some of Mexico's top chefs. After returning to London and winning BBC2's *MasterChef* in 2005, Thomasina co-founded Wahaca. *Meat-free Mexican* is her seventh book, and she lives in London with her husband and three daughters.