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Wildfire publishes a broad range of quality commercial fiction and non-fiction. The fiction list comprises everything from must-read crime and thriller novels, and imaginative concept-led narratives. On the non-fiction front, Wildfire publishes books which have a strong purpose and which cover a range of subjects, whether important historical eras and figures, or key social issues, or just very funny observations. Wildfire's overriding ambition is to publish compelling and thought-provoking books, books you will want to talk about endlessly with your friends, books that have a little bit of soul.





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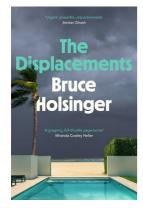
#### CRIME FILES

Crime Files is a reading community bringing together avid crime and thriller fans from three publishers: Hodder & Stoughton, Headline Publishing Group and Quercus Books. We'll be bringing you the news and views on all our authors and books, from household names to US giants and exciting new talent.

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### The Displacements

### Bruce Holsinger



Imprint: Headline Review Pub: 05/07/2022 Format: Hardback Price: £18.99 ISBN: 9781472271549



'A delicious, full-throttle page-turner. Realistic, immediate, and gripping' Miranda Cowley Heller, author of *The Paper Palace* 

'An urgent, powerful, unputdownable novel, filled with characters that are so vividly drawn that it is impossible not to care about them. A remarkable achievement.' Amitav Ghosh, author of Sea of Poppies

'A riveting and humbling reminder of how precarious our lives are in comparison to the power of nature, and a profound glimpse into our near future.' Mary Beth Keane, author of Ask Again, Yes

An adrenaline-fueled story of lives upended and privilege lost in a swiftly changing world.

Daphne Larsen-Hall has every reason to believe that her life as an artist in a luxury Miami house with her surgeon husband, Brantley, and their family, will carry on forever.

But Luna - the world's first Category 6 hurricane - changes everything. With Brantley missing in the aftermath of the massive storm, Daphne and their children find themselves in a vast shelter for the displaced a thousand miles from home, their finances abruptly cut off.

As days turn into weeks, the family confronts losses and circumstances they never imagined, and a world that has changed beneath their feet. When tensions in the shelter reach a breaking point, Daphne's resilience is put to the ultimate test as she realises 'normal' will never return - and faces the shocking truths that threaten to tear her family apart once more.



**Bruce Holsinger** is a novelist based in Charlottesville, Virginia, where he teaches at the University of Virginia. He is the receipient of a Guggenheim Fellowship. *The Displacements* is his fourth novel.

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### Blue Hour Sarah Schmidt



Imprint: Tinder Press Pub: 07/07/2022 Format: Hardback Price: £16.99 ISBN: 9781472250629



'One of the breakout authors of the decade' Stylist

She thinks of blue mountain, her favourite place. 'We're going somewhere where we can be safe. We never have to come back here.'

As dawn breaks over sleeping houses, Eleanor straps her infant daughter Amy, into the back of her car. Together they will escape the private hell of Eleanor's marriage to make the drive to blue mountain, a place of enchantment and refuge that lit up Eleanor's childhood. Can she be sure that her husband is not on their trail?

As the car eats up the long miles of highway, so Eleanor's mind dives back into the depths of her childhood, and into her fraught relationship with her mother, Kitty. Kitty a woman who wanted so much, in marriage and in love. Kitty who always tried too hard to bend Eleanor, her brother and her father, to her image of the perfect family.

Tense, visceral, glittering, it is a masterful return to fiction from the Women's Prize longlisted author of *See What I Have Done*.

Praise for Sarah Schmidt's See What I have Done:

'Haunting and complex' Observer

'Schmidt writes with precision and flair' Irish Times

'As deftly destabilisng as the best of Margaret Atwood' Patrick Gale

'Eerie and compelling' Paula Hawkins



Sarah Schmidt is the acclaimed author of See What I Have Done, which was longlisted for the Women's Prize for Fiction and won the AIBA Literary Fiction of the Year 2018. She lives in Melbourne where she works as a librarian.

You can follow her at https://sarahschmidt.org/ and on Twitter @ikillnovel.

# The Last Hours in Paris Ruth Druart



Imprint: Headline Review Pub: 07/07/2022 Format: Hardback Price: £16.99 ISBN: 9781472268013



War brings them together. Liberation will tear them apart.

FROM THE AUTHOR OF *WHILE PARIS SLEPT,* A POWERFUL NOVEL OF WAR AND RETRIBUTION. ATONEMENT AND LOVE.

'Words are power. They can bring you down, lift you up, make your heart soar, make you fall in love. Or make you hate.'

Paris 1944. Elise Chevalier knows what it is to hate. Her fiance, a young French soldier, was killed by the German army at the Maginot Line. Living amongst the enemy Elise must keep her rage buried deep within.

**Brittany 1963.** Reaching for the old suitcase under her mother's bed, eighteen-year-old Josephine Chevalier uncovers a secret that shakes her to the core. Determined to discover the truth, Josephine travels to Paris where she learns the story of a forbidden love as a city fought for its freedom. Of the last stolen hours before the first light of liberation. And of a betrayal so deep that it would irrevocably change the course of a young woman's life for ever...

Acclaim for the unforgettable international bestseller While Paris Slept:

'A heartbreaking debut' Janet Skeslien Charles, author of *The Paris Library* 

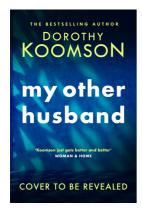
'What a book... Emotional and heartrending...absolutely phenomenal. I was on tenterhooks throughout. A wonderful achievement' Jill Mansell



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

**™**@RuthDruart | Paris

# My Other Husband Dorothy Koomson



Imprint: Headline Review Pub: 07/07/2022 Format: Hardback Price: £14.99 ISBN: 9781472277381





Someone is trying to frame me for murder.

They're hurting people in the ways I write about - and making sure I'm the prime suspect.

I think I know why.

But I can't tell the police or even use my rock-solid alibi . . .

Because then I'd have to confess about my other husband.

A series of terrifying murders. A set of complex lies.

And a woman with no way to clear her name.

My Other Husband is the latest gripping thriller from the Queen of The Big Reveal.

Readers love Dorothy Koomson:

'Koomson just gets better and better' Woman & Home

'An instantly involving psychological thriller' Daily Telegraph

'This is devastatingly good' Heat

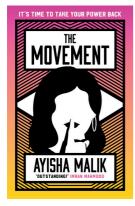
'The suspense was on another level' Black Girls Book Club

'Written with verve and insight' Stylist



**Dorothy Koomson** is the award-winning author of fifteen novels including the *Sunday Times* bestsellers *My Best Friend's Girl, The Ice Cream Girls* and *Goodnight, Beautiful*. Dorothy's novels have been translated into over 30 languages, and a TV adaptation based on *The Ice Cream Girls* was shown on ITV1 in 2013. After briefly living in Australia, Dorothy now lives in Brighton.

### The Movement Ayisha Malik



Imprint: Headline Review Pub: 07/07/2022 Format: Hardback Price: £18.99 ISBN: 9781472279316



It's time to take your power back

But first you're going to have to pick a side . . .

Every time Sara Javed switches on her laptop, checks her phone or goes outside, people are shouting. Everyone seems to be angry about something and she just wishes that they would all *shut up*. Until she realises that perhaps she should take her own advice . . .

Her voluntary silence is first met with polite, if somewhat disconcerted, alarm. But as her silence inspires others, what Sara doesn't anticipate is inadvertently becoming the figurehead for what becomes a global phenomenon: 'The Silent Movement'. As outrage grows over the protest, and global structures start to shift, the lives of strangers and those closest to Sara start to unravel. Sara and two women inspired by her actions, Grace and Zainab, must reconsider what it means to them to have a voice - or face grave repercussions.

The anticipation is already building for Ayisha Malik's fiercely original and bold new novel, THE MOVEMENT, coming spring 2022.



Ayisha Malik's novels Sofia Khan is Not Obliged, The Other Half of Happiness, and This Green and Pleasant Land were met with great critical acclaim, and have been optioned for television. Ayisha was a WHSmith Fresh Talent Pick and Sofia Khan was the CityReads London Festival book, 2019. She is winner of The 2020 Diversity Book Awards and has been shortlisted for The Asian Woman of Achievement Award, Marie Claire's Future Shapers' Awards and the Hospital Club h100 Awards. Her children's books include a re-telling of Jane Austen's Mansfield Park and The Seven Sisters. She lives in South London.

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# The Wilderness Sarah Duguid



Imprint: Tinder Press Pub: 21/07/2022 Format: Hardback Price: £18.99 ISBN: 9781472229885



Once it was a family home. Now they are all at sea...

When Anna and David receive a phone call late one evening, their lives are upturned. Within minutes, they are travelling to the west coast of Scotland, preparing to care for two young sisters, tragically and suddenly orphaned.

It's a beautiful place, the heather is in bloom, the birds wheel above the waves, the deer graze peacefully in the distance. But the large granite house is no longer a home for the girls, and Anna knows she can never take the place of their mother. Then David invites his friend to stay, to 'ease them through' and Anna finds herself increasingly isolated, with everything she - and the girls - once knew of life discarded and overruled by a man of whom she is deeply suspicious.

Praise for Sarah Duguid's Look at Me:

'A clever exploration of family and grief, which will appeal to fans of Harriet Lane' *Red Magazine* 

'A creepy, claustrophobic family drama...a welcome breath of fresh air in the era of huge doorstep novels'  ${\it Glamour}$ 

'A sharp-eyed novel about grief, family and understanding' Woman & Home



**Sarah Duguid** grew up on a farm in North Lincolnshire and now lives in London. Her stunning debut novel *Look at Me* came out in 2016. *The Wilderness* is her second novel.

London

# Honey & Spice Bolu Babalola



Imprint: Headline Review Pub: 07/07/2022 Format: Hardback Price: £14.99 ISBN: 9781472286383



From the *Sunday Times* bestselling author, Bolu Babalola, comes the romantic comedy we've all be waiting for.

The sharp-tongued (and secretly soft-hearted) Kiki Banjo is an expert in relationship-evasion, and likes to keep her feelings close to her chest. As the host of the popular student radio show, *Brown Sugar*, it is her mission to make sure the women who make up the Afro-Caribbean Society at Whitewell University also do not fall into the mess of 'situationships', players and heartbreak.

But when Kiki meets the distressingly handsome and charming newcomer Malakai Korede - who she has publicly denounced as 'The Wasteman of Whitewell' - her defences are weakened and her heart is compromised. A clash embroils them in a fake relationship to salvage both their reputations and save their futures, and soon she finds herself in danger of falling for the very man she warned her girls about.

A funny and sparkling debut, *Honey & Spice* is full of delicious tension and romantic intrigue that will make you weak at the knees.

Praise for Bolu Babalola's Love in Colour:

'Perfection in short story form. So rarely is love expressed this richly, this vividly, or this artfully.' Candice Carty-Williams

'Beautifully written and full of joy. Bolu Babalola is a star.' Meg Cabot

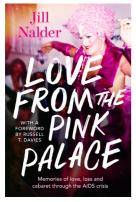
'Here is love as freedom, love as deep joy. Romance will never be dead, as long as Bolu is writing it.' Jessie Burton



**Bolu Babalola** is the author of the *Sunday Times* bestselling and Waterstones Book of the year shortlisted collection, *Love in Colour*. She is a London-based writer, and lover of love. In 2016, she was shortlisted in 4thEstate's B4ME competition for her short story 'Netflix & Chill', a hilarious teen romance and since then, she has worked as a writer for books and TV and as a cultural commentator, where she calls herself a 'romcomoisseur'.

**y** @BeeBabs | London

# Love from the Pink Palace Jill Nalder



Imprint: Wildfire Pub: 07/07/2022 Format: Hardback Price: £20.00 ISBN: 9781472288462



'Jill met the crisis head on . . . She held the hands of so many men. She lost them, and remembered them, and somehow kept going' Russell T Davies, creator of Channel 4's IT'S A SIN

When Jill Nalder arrived at drama school in London in the early 1980s, she was ready for her life to begin. With her band of best friends - of which many were young, talented gay men with big dreams of their own - she grabbed London by the horns: partying with drag queens at the Royal Vauxhall Tavern, hosting cabarets at her glamorous flat, flitting across town to any jobs she could get.

But soon rumours were spreading from America about a frightening illness being dubbed the 'gay flu', and Jill and her friends - spirited Juan Pablo, Jae with his beautiful voice, upbeat Dursley, and many others - now found their formerly carefree existence under threat.

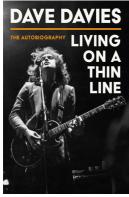
In this moving memoir, IT'S A SIN's Jill Nalder tells the true story of her life during the AIDS crisis, and that of friends and colleagues, doctors and nurses, activists and fundraisers. She recounts juggling a busy West End career while campaigning for AIDS awareness and research, educating herself and caring for the sick. Most of all, she shines a light on those who were stigmatised and shamed, and remembers those brave and beautiful boys who were lost too soon.



Jill Nalder is originally from Neath, South Wales. She is a successful West End actress and was the inspiration behind Jill Baxter's character in Russell T. Davies' Channel 4 programme IT'S A SIN. She was also one of the founders and first chairperson of West End Cares, now called Theatre MAD: Make A Difference. To date the charity has raised over £10 million for HIV/AIDS.

London

# Living on a Thin Line Dave Davies



Imprint: Headline Pub: 07/07/2022 Format: Hardback Price: £20.00 ISBN: 9781472289773



The all new, must-read memoir by legendary Kinks guitarist Dave Davies.

Dave Davies is the co-founder and lead guitarist of epoch-defining band The Kinks, a group with fifty million record sales to their name. In his autobiography, Davies revisits the glory days of the band that spawned so much extraordinary music, and which had such a profound influence on bands from The Clash and Van Halen to Oasis and Blur.

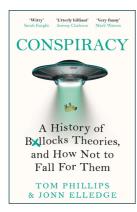
Full of tales of the tumultuous times and the ups-and-downs of his relationship with his brother Ray, along with encounters with the likes of John Lennon and Jimi Hendrix, this will be a glorious read for Kinks fans and anyone who wants to read about the heyday of rock 'n' roll.



**Dave Davies** is the lead guitarist and occasional vocalist for legendary rock band The Kinks. As a solo musician, he has recorded several albums and toured the world. In 2003 he was named as one of the 100 greatest guitarists of all time by *Rolling Stone* magazine.

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# **Conspiracy**Tom Phillips and John Elledge



Imprint: Wildfire Pub: 07/07/2022 Format: Hardback Price: £14.99 ISBN: 9781472286314



From the Satanic Panic to the anti-vaxx movement, it's always been human nature to believe we're being lied to by the powers that be (and sometimes, to be fair, we absolutely are).

But while it can be fun to indulge in a bit of Deep State banter on the family Whatsapp group, recent times have shown us that some of these theories have taken on a life of their own - and in our dogged quest for the truth, it appears we might actually be doing it some damage.

In *Conspiracy*, Tom Phillips and Jonn Elledge take us on a fascinating, insightful and often hilarious journey through conspiracy theories old and new, to try and answer an important question: how can we learn to log off the QAnon message boards, and start trusting hard evidence again?

Praise for Tom Phillips's Humans:

'Very funny' Mark Watson

'A light-touch history of moments when humans have got it spectacularly wrong... Both readable and entertaining' *The Telegraph* 

'Chronicles humanity's myriad follies down the ages with malicious glee and much wit ... a rib-tickling page-turner' *Business Standard* 

'F\*cking brilliant' Sarah Knight



**Tom Phillips** is a writer and formerly the editor of Full Fact, Britain's leading independent fact-checking organisation and BuzzFeed UK. Tom's first book, *Humans: A Brief History of How We F\*cked It All Up,* was published in 2018, and was followed by his second book, *Truth: A Brief History of Total Bullsh\*t* in 2019.



**Jonn Elledge** is a regular contributor to the Big Issue and the *New Statesman*, a less regular contributor to other titles such as the Guardian and Wired, and an almost constant contributor to the weekly Newsletter of (Not Quite) Everything.

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### The Girls Bathroom Sophia Tuxford & Cinzia Baylis-Zullo



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ISBN: 9781472292766



We all need incredible women in our life to build us up and keep us on track. To give us those tips and tricks we never knew were essential, and to advise us against making the same mistakes and messes again and again.

In The Girls Bathroom, Sophia & Cinzia will supply you with all the girl chat, support and relationship advice you'd expect in the girls bathroom on a night out. Including but not limited to:

- Keeping your head in the dating world
- Embracing and falling in love with being independent or single
- Easy style and fashion tips to look flawless in every situation
- Learning how to keep your life organised and together
- Tips on how to manifest your dream life, and how to embrace the moment and start living it

Sophia & Cinzia will bring their learnings, experiences and insight to the book to show you you're not alone, and no topics are off limits. Alongside great advice will be helpful takeaways, addictive guizzes and lifestyle ideas.

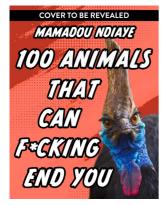
This is the only book for young women finding their way in life. It's a warm hug from a best friend and a reminder to always channel your 'his loss' energy.



Sophia Tuxford and Cinzia Baylis-Zullo are lifelong best friends from Nottingham. Together they've founded their YouTube channel, Sophia & Cinzia, and the retail, podcast and entertainment brand, The Girls Bathroom. The podcast has reached the no.1 spot in the UK iTunes podcast. chart, regularly spending time in the top 10. The show has amassed over 10 million downloads and *Grazia* named the podcast 'one of the country's favourite relationship-based podcasts' and 'a must-listen for millions'.

@thegirlsbathroom | Nottingham

### 100 Animals That Can F\*cking End You Mamadou Ndiaye



Imprint: Wildfire Pub: 21/07/2022 Format: Hardback Price: £14.99 ISBN: 9781472294920



A tongue-in-cheek field guide to the animal kingdom, ranked by how horrible it would be to die in their jaws or at the ends of their claws.

Let's be clear: Mamadou Ndiaye knows a whole lot of animals that can and will end you, but he has no plans to let these strange and horrifying creatures cash in his life insurance policy. Now the TikTok star is turning his engaging, entertaining, and informative takes on animal biology and behaviour into this hilarious guide to the world's most deadly animals.

In 100 Animals That Will F\*cking End You, you'll acquire a healthy fear of the massive Southern elephant seal, which ""is built like a truck with the personality of a Spring Break frat boy"; sperm whales with a call so strong it can vibrate you to death; meerkats or ""the most homicidal mammals on Earth"; hyenas, which eat their prey while it is still alive; hippos, which ""have no soul and answer to no god""; and a Portuguese Man O'War, ""a species of siphonophore armed with millions of explosive stinging cells powerful enough to make Nemo an orphan and occasionally turn a person into past tense"".

From the moose (aka ""the antlered Grim Reaper"") to the Cassowary (""Jurassic bullshit with feathers""), this is nature like you never want to meet it in real life."



**Mamadou Ndiaye** was working as an environmental science field technician when he downloaded TikTok in April 2020. Since then he has been followed by more than 10 million people on the app, and his YouTube videos featuring his distinctive takes on animal biology and behaviour have been viewed 62 million times.

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### The Devil Takes You Home

### Gabino Iglesias

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Imprint: Wildfire Pub: 02/08/2022 Format: Hardback Price: £18.99 ISBN: 9781472291059



An extremely powerful and gripping thriller, the perfect read for fans of *Breaking Bad* and Stephen King.

'Some of the finest, most terrifying and heartbreaking writing you will read this year. *The Devil Takes You Home* is not to be missed.' S.A. Cosby author of *Razorblade Tears* and *Blacktop Wasteland* 

'A ragged-edged bloody bullet-hole of a book.' Chuck Wendig, bestselling author of *Wanderers* 

'A page-turner with attitude...' David Heska Wanbli Weiden, award-winning author of *Winter Counts* 

'Brutal and brilliant.' Jennifer Hillier, award-winning author of *Little Secrets and Jar of Hearts* 

Sometimes God is your copilot, but it's the Devil who takes you home.

It was never just a job. Becoming a hitman was the only way Mario could cover his young daughter's medical expenses. But before long his family is left in pieces, and he's barely even put a dent in the stack of bills.

Then he's presented with an offer: one last score that will either pull him out of poverty forever or put a bullet in the back of his skull. A man named Juanca needs help stealing \$2 million dollars from a drug cartel.

Together, they begin a journey to an underworld where unspeakable horrors happen every day. He's a man with nothing to lose, but the Devil is waiting for him.



Gabino Iglesias is a writer, journalist, professor, and literary critic living in Austin, TX. He is also the author of the critically-acclaimed and award-winning novels *Zero Saints* and *Coyote Songs*, which racked up nominations for the *Bram Stoker Award*, the *Locus Award* and the *Wonderland Book Award* (the latter of which Gabino won for *Coyote Songs*). As well as writing Gabino is a reviewer, author of non-fiction, and has been a juror for the *Shirley Jackson Awards* twice and the *Millions* Tournament of Books.

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### Small Angels

### Lauren Owen



Imprint: Tinder Press Pub: 02/08/2022 Format: Hardback Price: £16.99 ISBN: 9781472280237



A wedding in a Suffolk village sees the woods begin to stir with an unsettling magic, and forces a troubled family's secrets out into the open.

When Chloe turns the key to Small Angels, the church nestled at the edge of Mockbeggar Woods where she is to be married, she is braced for cobwebs and dust. What she doesn't expect are the villagers' concerned faces, her fiancé's remoteness, or the nagging voice in her head that whispers to her of fears she didn't even know she had.

Something in the woods is beginning to stir, to creep closer to the sleeping houses. Something that should have been banished long ago.

Whatever it is, it's getting stronger, and pretending it's not there won't keep the wedding, or the village – or Chloe – safe.

A twisting gothic tale of darkness, intrigue, heartbreak and revenge... gorgeously atmospheric and gripping!' – Jennifer Saint, author of *Ariadne* 

'Beautiful and frightening, Small Angels is both ghost story and love ballad to the art of story-telling. This book will haunt and bewitch you.' – A J Gnuse, author of *Girl in the Walls* 

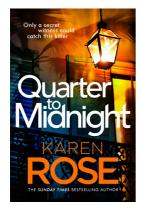
'Small Angels is beautiful in every way – atmospheric, eerie, elegantly written. An intricately woven tale of characters haunted by love and pain, revenge and courage.' – Elizabeth Lee, author of *Cunning Women* 



**Lauren Owen** is the author of *The Quick* and *Small Angels*. She has an MA in Creative Writing from the University of East Anglia, where she was awarded the Curtis Brown Prize, and wrote a PhD thesis entitled 'Dracula's Inky Shadows' on the Gothic tradition in fiction.

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# Quarter to Midnight Karen Rose



Imprint: Headline Pub: 04/08/2022 Format: Hardback Price: £20.00 ISBN: 9781472282910



The first thrilling novel in a brand-new series by *Sunday Times* bestselling author Karen Rose, set in New Orleans.

The truth of what happened that night lies with a secret witness.

Praise for Karen

'High-wire suspense that keeps you riveted' Lisa Gardner

'Intense, complex and unforgettable' James Patterson

Rocky Hebert walks into his death at quarter to midnight one New Orleans night.

His son Gabe cannot accept the official verdict of suicide and enlists the help of the Burke Broussard Private Investigation Agency to discover the real cause of death. PI Molly Sutton knows what it's like to lose a father in tragic circumstances and will go to any lengths to crack the investigation, as she tries to fight off her growing feelings for Gabe.

They soon realise Rocky was working on an investigation of his own; one that threatened to expose the deep corruption in the police department. And that the key lies with a young witness to a murder that happened years earlier: Xavier Morrow.

Just what did Rocky know? And who might have shut him up?

As they get closer and closer to the truth, they realise that the killer is not going to stop at Rocky. And that Xavier is in very real danger. Someone will go to any lengths to protect what he witnessed that night coming out...



**Karen Rose** was introduced to suspense and horror at the tender age of eight when she accidentally read Poe's The Pit and The Pendulum and was afraid to go to sleep for years. She now enjoys writing books that make other people afraid to go to sleep. Karen is the author of over 25 novels, which have been translated into 15 languages. To find out more visit www.karenrosebooks.com.

# The Lighthouse Sisters Gill Thompson



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#### CAN TWO SISTERS SEPARATED BY WAR FIND THEIR WAY BACK TO EACH OTHER?

Inspired by the courage of real people, this is a gripping., heart wrenching read perfect for readers of The Nightingale Kristin Hannah, A Woman of War Mandy Robotham and My Name is Eva Suzanne Goldring.

1996: An elegant woman in a nursing home looks back at her life, remembering her experiences during the war on Jersey, the sacrifices she made, the sister she loved. Who is she, and what is the one tragic loss she can never forget?

1940: Sisters Alice and Jenny are in their early twenties when the Germans occupy their home of Jersey. Alice, a nurse, is called to work in the German hospital, unaware that she will find a great love but that she will make an even greater sacrifice and be sent on a long journey of hardship. Meanwhile Alice's sister Jenny is drawn into a circle of islanders rising up to resist their German occupiers.

For both sisters, the war will cause them to make extraordinary choices, experience unimaginable heartbreak, and emerge forever changed...

Your favourite authors absolutely love Gill Thompson's bestselling novels:

'Heartrending. Riveting. Definitely on my list of Ten Best Books of the year' Sharon Maas

'The characters and their moving stories will haunt you long after you finish the last page' Shirley Dickson

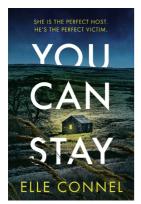
'A warm-hearted tale of love, loss and indefatigable human spirit' Kathryn Hughes



**Gill Thompson** is an English lecturer who completed an MA in Creative Writing at Chichester University. Her novels *The Oceans Between Us* and *The Child on Platform One* were both digital bestsellers and have been highly acclaimed. She lives with her family in West Sussex and teaches English to college students.

■ @wordkindling | West Sussex

# You Can Stay Elle Connel



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#### She's the perfect host. He's the perfect prey.

Someone is hunting Connor. Alone, freezing, in the wilderness of Bodmin Moor, on an elite Special Forces training exercise, he'd be a fool to scorn the kindness of a local stranger. Wouldn't he?

At first, Eilidh seems to be an impeccable host. She offers Connor food and a warm bed - he finds it nearly impossible to leave her charming farmhouse. But the choice isn't his to make.

There have been others before. None, though, as perfect as him.

Why would she let him leave?

#### Praise for Elle Connel:

'Down By The Water takes the reader on a weekend trip from hell... I loved the classy writing and ever-growing sense of unease in this clever subversion of a classic country house mystery' Harriet Tyce

'A chilling drama' Sunday Times

'Sinister and atmospheric' Chris Brookmyre

'Tense, mesmerising and heartbreaking, I was truly gripped' Susi Holliday

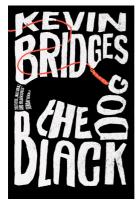
'A gripping mystery.' Nathan Ripley



Elle Connel is the pseudonym of Lucy Ribchester, whose previous novels, *The Hourglass Factory* and *The Amber Shadows*, were historical thrillers. She has a first class degree in English from the University of St Andrews and a Masters in Shakespeare Studies from Kings College London. Her previous work has won her a Scottish Book Trust New Writers Award, a Robert Louis Stevenson Fellowship, and short-listings for the Costa Short Story Award and Manchester Fiction Prize. She lives in Edinburgh with her partner and two sons. *Down by the Water* was her first book as Elle Connel, *You Can Stay* is her second.

### The Black Dog

### Kevin Bridges



Imprint: Wildfire Pub: 18/08/2022 Format: Hardback Price: £16.99 ISBN: 9781472289032



Declan dreams of becoming a writer. A dream that helps him escape the realities of his life - going through the motions at a college course and working part-time stacking supermarket shelves, whilst his friends settle into relationships and proper jobs.

He has his Labrador for companionship though and his best friend turned mentor, a pseudo-intellectual who works as green keeper at the local municipal golf course

Following a drunken row with local gangsters, Declan's worries threaten to spiral out of control.

James Cavani - Declan's idol and his hometown's claim to fame - is an acclaimed writer, director, and actor. But despite his success his background hasn't relinquished its hold of him, and he must return to a world he'd thought he'd left behind.

Maybe it's all part of fate's plan to set both men on a different course  $\dots$ 

Praise for Kevin Bridges:

'Britain's best stand up' The Sun

'Gravelly deadpan manner that makes him seem wise beyond his years' *The Guardian* 

'The best Scottish stand up of his generation' The Scotsman

'Wonderfully sharp, assured stand-up from the preternaturally gifted young comic' *Independent* 



Having started performing stand up in 2004 shortly after his 17th birthday, **Kevin Bridges** has ascended the ranks and is regarded as one of the UK's top comedians. He has made numerous Television appearances on shows including *Live at the Apollo, The Jonathon Ross Show, Graham Norton Show* and fronted his own BBC One series *Kevin Bridges - What's the Story*. His 2014 autobiography was a *Sunday Times* bestseller. In 2022 Kevin will return to the stage with his latest stand-up show coinciding with the release of his debut novel.

**■** @kevinbridges86 | Glasgow

### Six Days In Rome

### Francesca Giacco



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'A stunning writer and a brilliant transporting experience' Lisa Taddeo

'Sensorial as hell... An ode to funky wine labels, good taste, and true inspiration, Francesca Giacco has penned a stunningly cool and stylish debut' Paul Beatty

'If Sally Rooney and Frances Mayes co-wrote a novel in an Airbnb near the Spanish Steps, it might read something like *Six Days in Rome*' David Ebershoff

Emilia, an artist, arrives in Rome alone. What was supposed to be a romantic trip has, with the sudden end of her relationship, become a solitary one.

Six days lie ahead. She wanders the streets, surrendering herself to the music, food and beauty of the city.

But when she meets John, an American living out a seemingly idyllic existence in Rome, their instant connection challenges how she sees her past, her family and herself. As their intimacy deepens, can Emilia begin to imagine life anew?

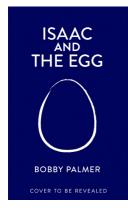
Visceral, decadent and deeply evocative, *Six Days in Rome* is a novel about reckoning with complex pasts and choices made - and finding what you didn't know you were looking for.



**Francesca Giacco** is a graduate of Barnard College and the MFA program at Columbia University. She lives in New York. *Six Days in Rome* is her first novel.

New York

### Isaac and the Egg Bobby Palmer



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'Truly one of the most beautiful stories you'll ever read' Joanna Cannon

'A mad, sad, funny debut' Patrick Gale

'This book is just sublime' Bryony Gordon

'A mesmerising debut, capturing everything that's funny and sad about real life' David Whitehouse

'Will stay with me for a long time' Mark Watson

'An extraordinary story . . . brimming with magic and - perhaps most importantly - hope.' *Glamour* 

Find hope in the unexpected in this unforgettable debut novel about grief and friendship, for readers of Patrick Ness, Sarah Winman and Max Porter.

Isaac stands alone on a bridge and screams into the river below.

And then, an answer. A cry of despair perhaps even greater than his own.

The sound draws Isaac into the woods. What he finds there changes everything.

It's a tale that might seem familiar. A broken man and an unexpected guest, who can't stay forever. But real life isn't a story. It's full of truths, messy and surprising, that Isaac has been hiding from his new, improbable friend...

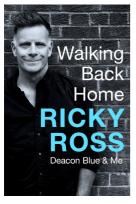


Powerful, hopeful and utterly extraordinary, this is a truly original tale of love and loss, told with warmth and imaginative humour, from an unforgettable new voice in fiction.

**Bobby Palmer** is a freelance journalist who writes for publications including *Time Out, GQ, Men's Health* and *Cosmopolitan. Isaac and the Egg* is his debut novel.

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# Walking Back Home Ricky Ross



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#### The first memoir by Deacon Blue singer and music icon Ricky Ross.

Ricky Ross has had a 35-year career in music, as a songwriter and lead singer for Deacon Blue one of Scotland's best loved and most successful bands. In his memoir Walking Back Home Ross revisits his formative years growing up in Dundee, his early forays into music and the beginning, extraordinary success, fall out, and re-emergence of Deacon Blue. Ross writes movingly and with great wit about the people and places that have meant the most to him, as well as his relationship with faith, politics, and the ever changing challenges of being a musician.

I've always been interested in telling stories. Most of the stories have become songs but some stories take a little longer. A couple of years ago I started to write down some longer memories which didn't fit as snugly into verses or choruses. I hope people might enjoy the stories as much as I have enjoyed writing them down.'

Together with his autobiography, Ricky Ross releases his 8th solo album, Short Stories Vol. 2. The album and book will be supported by a tour in September and October 2022 with Ricky at the piano, presenting songs from across his entire career and sharing stories from Walking Back Home.



Ricky Ross formed Deacon Blue over 30 years ago, and 2017 saw the 30th anniversary of the release of their debut album, Raintown. A string of bestsellers followed it. Ricky presents a number of radio shows including BBC Radio Scotland's Americana music show Another Country (for which he has won two Sony awards and a CMA International Trophy in 2015) and Sunday Morning With, as well as Ricky Ross's New Tradition for BBC Radio 2 and a podcast, Ricky Ross Meets...

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### What We Want

### Charlotte Fox Weber



A fly-on-the-wall journey through universal human wants and desires, and a practical toolkit for living well, from leading psychotherapist Charlotte Fox Weber.

Chloe is beautiful and fiercely bright, but her thirst for booze and attention is insatiable.

Sara resents being tied down to anything, but part of her craves stability

Elliot is secretly grieving the death of his famous lover and feels like he's invisible.

The lives and problems of psychotherapist Charlotte Fox Weber's clients vary, but all are united by a common question: what do I really want?

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In What We Want, Charlotte Fox Weber takes us on a journey through twelve universal wants and desires, bringing us behind the closed doors of her practice. It is at once a fly-on-the-wall look at what binds us all, an expression of the profound importance of understanding and articulating our desires, and a practical toolkit for living well.

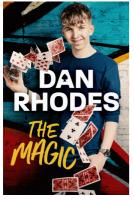




Charlotte Fox Weber grew up in Connecticut and Paris, and went to the University of Bristol, where she studied English and Philosophy. She did her psychotherapy training at the Tavistock & Portman Trust, the Institute of Psychoanalysis, WPF, and Regent's University. She is registered and accredited by the UK Council for Psychotherapy (UKCP), and she is a registered member of the British Association of Counselling & Psychotherapy (MBACP). Charlotte founded The School of Life Psychotherapy in 2015, and now works in private practice. She is also a trustee on the board of the Josef and Anni Albers Foundation. What We Want is her first book.

London

# The Magic Dan Rhodes



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Awe-inspiring close up magician Dan Rhodes, is breaking the conventions of traditional magic and leading a new generation of illusionists. A TikTok and YouTube phenomenon, Dan is now one of the most successful and beloved social media stars in the world.

In his debut book, *The Magic*, Dan brings together the love and joy he has continually derived from magic - from the very first moment he received a magic kit from his parents when he was six years old, to trying out his own early illusions, through to his journey from amateur magician to global TikTok star.

With striking illustrations throughout and clear 'trick guides' to help young magicians get started - along with some really impressive sleights of hand for the more experienced illusionist - Dan's book also contains a fascinating history of the craft of the magician, highlighting the skill and dedication it takes to become a true master of magic.



**Dan Rhodes** is an 18-year-old close up magician from Oldham who took the world by storm after he sawed Amanda Holden in half during his Britain's Got Talent audition in 2019.

Dan's passion for all things magic began aged just six years old after he received a magic kit for Christmas from his family. Dan is extremely precise, focused & creative when it comes to creating and honing his illusions, and he is now one of the biggest social media stars in thee world

■ @DanRhodesMagic | Oldham

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### Without Warning and Only Sometimes Kit de Waal



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From the award-winning author of *My Name is Leon, The Trick to Time* and *Supporting Cast* comes a childhood memoir set to become a classic: stinging, warm-hearted, and true.

Kit de Waal grew up in a household of opposites and extremes.Her haphazard mother rarely cooked, forbade Christmas and birthdays, worked as a cleaner, nurse and childminder sometimes all at once and believed the world would end in 1975. Meanwhile, her father stuffed barrels full of goodies for his relatives in the Caribbean, cooked elaborate meals on a whim and splurged money they didn't have on cars, suits and shoes fit for a prince. Both of her parents were waiting for paradise. It never came.

Caught between three worlds, Irish, Caribbean and British in 1960s Birmingham, Kit and her brothers and sisters knew all the words to the best songs, caught sticklebacks in jam jars and braved hunger and hellfire until they could all escape.

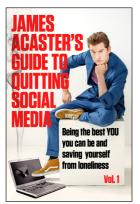
Without Warning and Only Sometimes is a story of an extraordinary childhood and how a girl who grew up in house where the Bible was the only book on offer went on to discover a love of reading that inspires her to this day.



**Kit de Waal** is the author of the novels *My Name is Leon*, which was shortlisted for the Costa First Novel Award and won the Kerry Group Irish Novel of the Year, and *The Trick to Time*, which was longlisted for the Women's Prize for Fiction, and a short story collection, *Supporting Cast* She is also editor of the *Common People* anthology, and cofounder of the Big Book Weekend festival. *My Name is Leon* is being adapted as a one-hour film for BBC1.

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### James Acaster's Guide to Quitting Social Media James Acaster



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This is a self help book like no other. Because you are not helping yourself, James Acaster is helping you - the true hero.

When James quit all forms of social media in 2019 he felt like he'd been born anew, but he was worried he'd suffer withdrawal and get lured back online to compete in a never ending popularity contest with only one possible winner (f\*cking Zuckerberg). He knew that in order to stay clean he'd have to replace everything social media used to give him with three-dimensional, real-life activities.

And so it was that James found ways to anonymously bully strangers, see photos of everyone's dogs, get invited to as many parties as possible, immediately know about all celebrity deaths, get public figures fired, argue with everybody about everything, and so much more without even owning a phone (he painted over the screen of his old one to stop himself looking at Instagram).

His life is amazing and yours could be too if you buy JAMES ACASTER'S GUIDE TO QUITTING SOCIAL MEDIA, BEING THE BEST YOU YOU CAN BE AND SAVING YOURSELF FROM LONELINESS VOL. 1.

You will also need to do everything the book tells you to. Including helping us promote the book by tweeting about it.



James Acaster was born in Kettering, Northamptonshire in 1985. He left school age 17 so he could play drums in a band called The Wow! Scenario with his friend Graeme. Three people, including the people in the band, liked the band. He began performing stand-up comedy in January 2008. He has been nominated for the Edinburgh Comedy Award five times and has appeared on Mock The Week, Have I Got News For You, Live At The Apollo and Russell Howard's Good News.

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# Beyond Grief: Navigating the Journey of Pregnancy and Baby Loss Pippa Vosper

#### BEYOND GRIEF

Navigating the Journey of Pregnancy and Baby Loss

Pippa Vosper



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Also available

Pippa Vosper tragically lost her son Axel in 2017, when she was five months pregnant, and has since written about miscarriage and baby loss online and in a series of pieces for Vogue. Beyond Grief: Navigating the Journey of Pregnancy and Baby Loss is the book she wishes had been available when her son died. It covers every aspect of pregnancy and baby loss at any stage, from the practical to the emotional, with advice from experts and stories from women who have experienced losses of their own. Beyond Grief offers both an inclusive perspective and a guiding hand to anyone who has experienced any kind of baby loss, as well as those who are trying to support them through it.

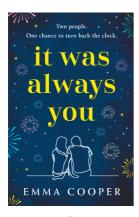


**Pippa Vosper** is a writer, presenter and brand consultant. Most noted for her honest series of written features for British *Vogue*, Pippa is frequently requested as a public speaker on issues ranging from fertility to fashion and her own life experiences. Previously a fashion editor, Pippa styled numerous *i-D* magazine covers, held a coveted position at UK *Harper's Bazaar* and regularly contributed to American *Voque*, *L'uomo Voque*, *Interview* and *W magazine*.

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### It Was Always You

### Emma Cooper



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Would you choose a different life if you had the chance? Two people. One chance to turn back the clock.

The unforgettable new novel from the author of The Songs of Us. If you love Cecilia Ahern and Holly Miller, you'll adore this heartwarming novel.

On the last night in October 1999 the clocks went back, and Ella and Will's love began.

A teenage Ella sat around a bonfire drinking with her future husband and her oldest friend Cole. As Ella wandered away from the group, she found herself leaning against a derelict archway before passing out. The next day, Ella remembered fractured images of a conversation with a woman in a green coat and red scarf but dismissed it as a drunken dream.

Twenty-three years later, with her marriage to Will in trouble, and Cole spiralling out of control, Ella opens a gift which turns her life upside down: a green coat and red scarf.

When she looks in the mirror, the woman from the archway is reflected back at her. As the last Sunday in October arrives, Ella is faced with a choice. **Would she choose a different life, if she could do it again?** 

Readers love Emma Cooper:

'Powerful and immersive, heart-wrenching and hopeful'

'Buy this book. You will not be disappointed'

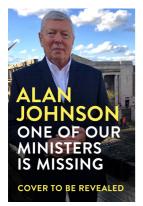
'A wonderful, life-affirming novel'



**Emma Cooper** is a former teaching assistant, who lives in Shropshire with her partner and four children. She spends her spare time writing novels, drinking wine and watching box-sets with her partner of twenty-four years, who still makes her smile every day. Emma has always wanted to be a writer - ever since childhood, she's been inventing characters (her favourite being her imaginary friend 'Boot') and is thrilled that she now gets to use this imagination to bring to life all of her creations.

**"**@ItsEmmacooper | Shropshire

## One Of Our Ministers Is Missing Alan Johnson



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A government minister in the Foreign Office has vanished into thin air.

On holiday in Crete, Lord Bellingham had been solo trekking in the White Mountains when he mysteriously disappeared. After a vast search and rescue operation, the local police have no leads, save for a mobile phone discarded on a cliff edge.

Assistant Commissioner Louise Mangan of the Met Police is sent to assist in the investigation but soon discovers that there are more layers to this case than the local police realise.

Lady Bellingham is less than forthcoming, the family nanny is hiding something, and a scandal is brewing back in London that could destroy the minister's reputation for good.

Under pressure from the powers that be, can Louise find the missing minister, or will she discover something much more sinister at play?

Praise for Alan's debut novel The Late Train to Gipsy Hill:

'A great story, expertly told' Alistair Campbell

'Fascinating and ingenious' Melvyn Bragg



Alan Johnson's childhood memoir THIS BOY was published in 2013. It won the Royal Society of Literature Ondaatje Prize, and the Orwell Prize, Britain's top political writing award. His second volume of memoirs, Please Mr Postman (2014) won the National Book Club award for Best Biography. The final book in his memoir trilogy, The Long and Winding Road (2016), won the Parliamentary Book Award for Best Memoir. Alan's debut crime thriller The Late Train to Gipsy Hill was published to great acclaim in 2021. Alan was a Labour MP for 20 years before retiring ahead of the 2017 general election. He served in five cabinet positions in the Governments of Tony Blair and Gordon Brown including Education Secretary, Health Secretary and Home Secretary. He and his wife Carolyn live in East Yorkshire.

East Yorkshire

# Love & Poetry Atticus

# Love & Poetry Atticus COVER TO BE REVEALED

From the internationally bestselling author of *Love Her Wild, The Dark Between Stars* and *The Truth About Magic* comes *Love & Poetry*, a dazzling new journey into the great unknown by Atticus. Featuring over 250 brand new poems, this sees Atticus take his readers on an enthralling, unforgettable new adventure.

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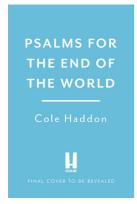




**Atticus** is a storyteller, observer and author of the internationally-successful *Love Her Wild*. Born on the West Coast, he's spent much of his life exploring the world but now calls California his home. He loves the ocean, the desert, and playing with words. Visit him on Instagram on **@AtticusPoetry**.

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# Psalms For The End Of The World Cole Haddon



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Spanning continents, centuries, and dimensions, this exquisitely crafted and madly inventive novel is a profound yet propulsive enquiry into the nature of reality – the perfect immersive read for fans of David Mitchell, Emily St. John Mandel, Neil Gaiman and Margaret Atwood.

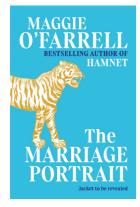
It's 1962 and physics student Grace Pulansky believes she has met the man of her dreams, Robert Jones, while serving up slices of pecan pie at the local diner. But then the FBI shows up, with their fedoras and off-the-rack business suits, and accuses him of being a bomb-planting mass-murderer.

Finding herself on the run with Jones across America's Southwest, the discoveries awaiting Gracie will undermine everything she knows about the universe. Her story will reveal how scores of lives – an identity-swapping rock star, a mourning lover in ancient China, Nazi hunters in pursuit of a terrible secret, a crazed artist in pre-revolutionary France, an astronaut struggling with a turbulent interplanetary future, and many more – are interconnected across space and time by love, grief, and quantum entanglement.



**Cole Haddon** is an Australian-American film, television, and graphic novel writer. His first screenplay was commissioned by Warner Bros., and he has gone on to receive 25 more commissions from studios, networks, and production entities in the United States, United Kingdom, Australia, and across Europe. DRACULA, his first TV commission, was produced by NBC and Sky Living starring Jonathan Rhys Meyers.

# The Marriage Portrait Maggie O'Farrell



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From the author of the literary sensation *Hamnet*, winner of the Women's Prize for Fiction and Waterstones Book of the Year, comes a breathtaking imagining of the story of Lucrezia de'Medici.

Florence, the 1560s. Lucrezia, third daughter of Cosimo de' Medici, is free to wander the palazzo at will, wondering at its treasures and observing its clandestine workings. But when her older sister dies on the eve of marriage to Alfonso d'Este, heir to the dukedom of Ferrara, Lucrezia is thrust unwittingly into the limelight: Alfonso is quick to request her hand in marriage, and Cosimo to accept on her behalf.

Barely out of girlhood, Lucrezia must now make her way in a troubled court where her arrival is not universally welcomed. Perhaps most mystifying of all is her husband himself. Is Alfonso the playful sophisticate he appears before their wedding, or the ruthless politician before whom even his formidable sisters seem to tremble?

As Lucrezia sits in uncomfortable finery for the painting which is to preserve her image for centuries it becomes clear that in her husband's eyes, she has one duty: to provide the heir who will shore up the future of the dynasty. Until then, her future hangs entirely in the balance.



Maggie O'Farrell, FRSOL, is the author of the novel *Hamnet*, Winner of the Women's Prize for Fiction 2020, and the memoir *I Am, I Am, I Am* both Sunday Times no. 1 bestsellers. Her novels include *After You'd Gone, My Lover's Love* and *The Distance Between Us* which won a Somerset Maugham Award, *The Vanishing Act of Esme Lennox, The Hand That First Held Mine*, which won the 2010 Costa Novel Award, *Instructions for a Heatwave, This Must be the Place* and *The Marriage Portrait*. She is also the author of *Where Snow Angels Go*, a novel for children. She lives in Edinburgh.

Edinburgh

## How to Clean Everything

#### Ann Russell



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Format: Hardback



A practical, down to earth guide to how to clean just about everything, from one of TikTok's most loved (and least likely) stars.

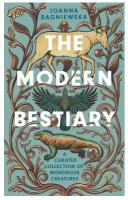
From everyone's favourite online cleaning expert and 'TikTok Auntie', this is the only cleaning book that you will ever need. How to Clean Everything is full of genuinely useful tips and tricks, and advice about not just what but also what not to do. Covering everything from laundry to accidents, and cleaning room by room, this book also contains sections on more general household maintenance, particularly useful for renters or anyone living away from home for the first time. Ann's approach is realistic, reassuring and easy to follow whatever your circumstances.



Ann Russell - a self-described "middle class English old bag" - is a selfemployed cleaner who recently found fame (and 1.4 million followers) on TikTok, where she regularly shares cleaning and general life advice. Affectionately named 'The TikTok Auntie' by commenters, Ann films hundreds of video clips every month, answering questions that range from laundry stains to dealing with grief.

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# The Modern Bestiary Joanna Bagniewska



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Also available as an ebook

From the familiar to the improbable, the gross to the endearing, *The Modern Bestiary* is a compendium of curious creatures. It includes both animals that have made headlines and those you've probably never heard of, such as skin-eating caecilians, harp sponges, or zombie worms - also known as bone-eating snot flowers.

Arranged by elements (Earth, Water, Air), *The Modern Bestiary* contains well-known species told from new, unexpected angles (rats that drive cars; fish that communicate by passing wind), as well as stranger and lesser-known creatures, including carnivorous mice that howl at the moon, cross-dressing cuttlefish, and antechinuses – small marsupials that literally mate themselves to death. Finally, there are the 'aliens on Earth' – the incredible, the surreal, the magical – such as tardigrades, tongue-eating lice and immortal jellyfish, creatures so astonishing that they make unicorns look rather commonplace.

Written by a zoologist with a flair for storytelling, this is a fascinating celebration of the animal kingdom.



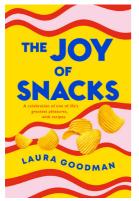
**Dr Joanna Bagniewska** is a zoologist and science communicator. She completed her undergraduate degree at Jacobs University Bremen and Rice University in Houston, and obtained her MSc and doctorate from the University of Oxford's zoology department. After a stint at a start-up company, where she trained bees to detect illegal substances, Joanna went on to lecture at Nottingham Trent University and the University of Reading. Her academic interests include conservation biology, behavioural ecology and the intersection of technology and zoology. Joanna has worked on a range of species, ranging from wombats and wallabies to mole-rats and jackals.

She currently splits her time between two roles: senior lecturer in environmental sciences at Brunel University London, and communications and public engagement officer at the University of Oxford's Department of Paediatrics. This is her first book.

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## The Joy of Snacks

#### Laura Goodman



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#### A celebration of one of life's greatest pleasures, with recipes.

This book is a celebration of snacks in all their glorious forms, guaranteed to fill your day with snacking joy. It's full of lists, essays and recipes to take you from your morning coffee (cinnamon crumble cakes and cherrymarzipan hand pies) to your evening wine (*oeufs durs mayonnaise* and mushroom pate) via salsas, hot dips, crispy bits, crab nachos and frozen pina coladas in the sun. *The Joy of Snacks* will lift your spirits while satisfying your deepest snacking desires, helping you squeeze the joy out of life's big and small moments, whether it's party time or Monday morning.

Praise for Laura Goodman's Carbs:

'Wonderful' Nigella Lawson

'Joyful, funny and intelligent' Meera Sodha

'[my] favourite cookbook' Rukmini

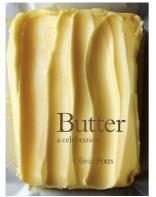


**Laura Goodman** is a food writer whose work has appeared in the *Sunday Times, Eater, Food52, Lucky Peach* and *Waitrose Magazine*. From January 2019 to January 2020 she wrote a weekly column about snacks for *Grazia*. Her first cookbook, *Carbs*, was published in 2018.

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## **Butter: A Celebration**

#### Olivia Potts



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'If you want to be a good cook, a joyful cook, you need to understand butter.'

*Butter: A Celebration* is a joyous immersion in all things butter, revelling in its alchemical power to transform almost any dish, from good to transcendent.

Award-winning food writer Olivia Potts takes us on a grand tour of butter and its many varied applications, from old school chicken Kiev to millefeuille, from oysters Rockefeller to Iranian tahdig. This is a book to be savoured for its wonderful writing, as well as for its irresistible recipes and expert introduction to patisserie, too. Full of history, anecdotes and, of course, delicious recipes resplendent with butter, it includes:

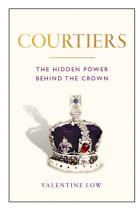
- \*Turkish eggs with yoghurt and chill butter
- \*Butter-basted rib eye steak
- \*Steamed artichoke with anchovy butter
- \*Grilled kippers with horseradish butter
- \*Buttermilk pancakes
- \*Sticky gingerbread
- \*French salted butter biscuits
- \*Brioche feuilletée
- \*Damson plum crumble"



Olivia Potts is an award-winning writer and chef. After a career at the criminal bar, she retrained in professional patisserie at Le Cordon Bleu. She is resident cookery columnist at the *Spectator* and has written for *delicious, Sainsbury's Magazine, Grazia, Glamour, The Times, Guardian* and *Telegraph*. She was the winner of the Fortnum & Mason Debut Food Book Award for her memoir *A Half-Baked Idea* and the Guild of Food Writers' Food Writer Award in 2020.



# Courtiers: The Hidden Power Behind the Crown Valentine Low



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Who advises the royal family, what influence do they have and how have they shaped history?

Throughout history, the British monarchy has relied on its courtiers - the trusted advisers in the King or Queen's inner circle - to ensure its survival as a family, an ancient institution, and a pillar of the constitution.

Today, as ever, a vast team of people hidden from view steers the royal family's path between public duty and private life. The Queen, after a remarkable 70 years of service, is entering the final seasons of her reign without her husband Philip to guide her. Meanwhile, Charles seeks to define what his future as King will be, with his court wielding ever greater influence as he plans for his imminent accession.

The question of who is entrusted to guide the royals has never been more vital, and yet the task those courtiers face has never been more challenging. With a cloud hanging over Prince Andrew as well as Harry and Meghan's departure from royal life, the complex relationship between modern courtiers and royal principals has been exposed to global scrutiny. William and Kate - equipped with a very 21st century approach to press and public relations - now hold the responsibility of making an ancient institution relevant for the decades to come.

Courtiers reveals an ever-changing system of complex characters, shifting values and ideas over what the future of the institution should be. This is the story of how the monarchy really works, at a pivotal moment in its history.



**Valentine Low** has been reporting on the royal family for over a quarter of a century, and his exclusives for *The Times* have made front page news and headlines around the world. After graduating from Oxford University, Valentine worked at the *Evening Standard* for over twenty years, reporting from all around the world. He lives in West London.

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## The Queen Bee

#### Lil' Kim



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When teenager Kimberly Denise Jones burst onto the hip-hop scene in the mid-nineties, no one was prepared for how she would shake-up the entire music industry.

As the sole female member of the Notorious B.I.G.'s rap collective, Junior M.A.F.I.A., and an affiliate of Puff Daddy and the Bad Boy family, Lil' Kim always stood out from the pack. But she was determined to make an even greater name for herself. In 1996, she dropped her solo debut album, Hard Core, which topped the Billboard charts, went double-platinum, and is now widely considered to be one of the most influential rap albums of all-time. Blazing a trail for women in hip hop with her dynamic lyricism, unflappable attitude, iconic outfits and unapologetic sexuality, Lil' Kim was a force to be reckoned with - and was crowned the Original Queen Bee.

Twenty-five years later, this Grammy award-winning superstar has released five studio albums, sold millions of records, performed worldwide and remains at the top of her game. And yet few people ever knew about the hard work, hustle, and heartbreak that went into securing her place on the throne - until now.

For the first time, Lil' Kim reveals everything that really went on behind-the-scenes of her legendary career. She delves into the darker moments of her reign: the complicated high-profile relationships, the misogynistic industry she fought to change through sex positivity, the challenging double standards of self-image and beauty in the spotlight, and the momentous act of loyalty that ultimately landed her in prison.

The Queen Bee is every bit as fierce, empowering, and badass as the woman at the heart of this story - and firmly cements her legacy as a true feminist icon.

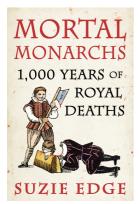


Kimberly Denise Jones is the female rap legend better known as Lil' Kim. In 1996, she changed the face of hip-hop with the release of her solo debut album, *Hard Core*. Since then, Lil' Kim has remained a backbone of hip-hop culture, from fashion icon to actor, model, and entrepreneur. A Grammy award-winning and multi-Platinum artist, Lil' Kim has released five solo studio albums, four mixtapes, and over twenty hit singles both of her own and as a featured artist. Written in collaboration with Kathy landoli.

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### **Mortal Monarchs**

#### Suzie Edge



Imprint: Wildfire Pub: 29/09/2022 Format: Hardback Price: £16.99 ISBN: 9781472294227



How the monarchs of England and Scotland met their deaths has been a wonderful mixture of violence, infections, overindulgence and occasional regicide. In *Mortal Monarchs*, medical historian Dr Suzie Edge examines 1,000 years of royal deaths to uncover the plots, accusations, rivalries, and ever-present threat of poison that the kings and queens of old faced.

From the "bloody" fascinating story behind Oliver Cromwell's demise and the subsequent treatment of his corpse and whether the arrow William II caught in the chest was an accident or murder, to Henry IV's remarkable skin condition and the red-hot poker up Edward II's rear end, Mortal Monarchs captivates, grosses-out and informs.

In school many of us learned the dates they died and who followed them, but sadly never heard the varied - and oft-gruesome - way our monarchs met their maker. Featuring original medical research, this history forms a rich record not just of how these people died, but how we thought about and treated the human body, in life and in death.

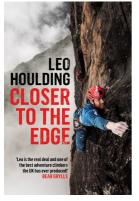


Suzie Edge trained as a molecular cell biologist before moving to clinical medicine, to spend more time talking to people, rather than just bugs in test tubes. She went on to work as a junior doctor in a variety of medical specialties including infectious diseases, haematology, and trauma and orthopaedic surgery. She recently completed an MLitt in Modern History to feed her fascination for the history of the human body and the history of medicine. Always on the lookout for gory historical details, Suzie loves telling stories of how we have treated our human bodies in life and in death. She has over 188,000 followers on TikTok who love tuning into her stories of how famous monarchs met their end.

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# Closer to the Edge Leo Houlding



Imprint: Headline Pub: 29/09/2022 Format: Hardback Price: £20.00 ISBN: 9781472288677



Honest, raw and exhilarating, Closer to the Edge is a 'warts-and-all' insight into the extreme life of one of Britain's best mountaineer adventurers.

What drives him? How does he assess risk and judge what level he'll take himself to be successful, and how does he balance this with teaching his own children the lessons he has learnt in some of the world's most dangerous and extreme places.

Leo Houlding started climbing at ten years of age in the Lake District and was the youngest person (and first Briton) to free climb El Capitan in Yosemite National Park in the United States at eighteen years, which cemented his reputation. He has since gone on to summit the world's toughest peaks and explore the most extreme places on our planet.

During such explorations he has had to deal with tragedy when close friends and colleagues have been killed or badly injured, and in *Closer to the Edge* he will discuss how you deal with such loss and carry on.



**Leo Houlding** is a world-class mountaineer, adventurer, television presenter and popular public speaker. He lives in the Lake District with his wife and two children.

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# Sh\*t Literary Siblings The Fence



Imprint: Headline Pub: 29/09/2022 Format: Hardback Price: £12.99 ISBN: 9781472296337



The imagined worlds of books are populated by some of the most loved and recognisable characters we know. But for every famous detective, Victorian heroine and beloved children's character there often exists an overlooked, often rubbish, and frequently downright sh\*t sibling. These unfortunate nobodies have never had the spotlight turned upon them. Until now.

Meet the likes of...

**Euston Bear** - currently living off Burger King wrapper sandwiches after ending up at the wrong station

Walter Wonka - a Kettering dentist with a phobia of dwarves

**Gandalf the Greggs** - beardy, pastry-covered piss wizard who spends long periods of time in the high street bakery chain

**The Honourable Jeremy Dracula** - younger brother of the Count. Vegetarian.

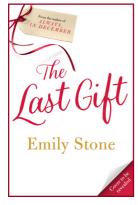
And many more.

With illustrations to help you spot these oddballs hanging around on the streets, *Sh\*t Literary Siblings* is a must have slice of humour for the book lover in your life.

**The Fence** is a quarterly satirical magazine based in Soho. Set up in 2019, it offers a mixture of investigations, features, fiction and comic shorts. The staff writers are Séamas O'Reilly, Fergus Butler-Gallie, Kieran Morris, John Phipps and Charlie Baker.

### One Last Gift

#### **Emily Stone**



Imprint: Headline Review Pub: 13/10/2022 Format: Paperback Price: £8.99 ISBN: 9781472289896



Follow your heart on this heartwrenching and uplifting romantic journey, from London to the Hamptons to the south of France and the beautiful Welsh mountains, from the author of *Always*, in *December*.

'Someone once taught me that life is a gift. You have to treasure it.'

For as long as Cassie can remember, there had always been the three of them: Cassie, her beloved big brother Tom, and Tom's best friend Sam.

Since Cassie and Tom's parents had died, and Sam's dad was never around, the three kids had stuck together like glue, getting into mischief, with Tom always looking out for Cassie, and Tom's best mate put on earth to annoy her.

Now they are adults and nothing much has changed: Tom is sorted, cocky Sam is going places and Cassie is... well, Cassie thinks she's figured it all out.

And then tragedy happens and three becomes two.

For Cassie picking herself up and moving on seems unimaginable. But then she finds the envelope with her name written on it, asking her to follow the clues to a treasure hunt carefully laid out for her months before. It promises to lead her to one last gift.

And suddenly what seemed like an ending just might be the beginning of something remarkable, unexpected, beautiful and new...



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

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## About Time Jodi Taylor



Imprint: Headline Pub: 13/10/2022 Format: Hardback Price: £18.99 ISBN: 9781472286918



From the bestselling author of *The Chronicles of St Mary*.

'Jodi Taylor is quite simply the Queen of Time' C. K. McDonnell

After their heroic efforts to safeguard the Acropolis and prevent the Paris Time-Stop, the Time Police have gone from zero to hero in but a single bound.

Then one fateful mission to apprehend a minor criminal selling dodgy historical artefacts blows up in all their faces. An officer is attacked within TPHQ. A prisoner is murdered. And investigations are about to lead to the one place where no officer can legally tread.

Worst of all, trouble is brewing for Team Weird as a surprise revelation tears the team apart.

For Commander Hay, battling to keep the Time Police afloat in a sea of storms, this will turn out to be a very long day.

For fans of Doctor Who, The Thursday Murder Club and Jasper Fforde

Readers love the Time Police:

'This got five stars only because I couldn't give it six!'

'I don't think I've ever laughed out loud so much reading a book'

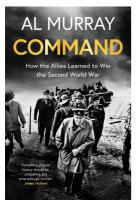
'Joyous, breakneck-speed adventures'



Jodi Taylor is the internationally bestselling author of the Chronicles of St Mary's series, the story of a bunch of disaster prone individuals who investigate major historical events in contemporary time. Do NOT call it time travel! She is also the author of the Time Police series - a St Mary's spinoff and gateway into the world of an all-powerful, international organisation who are NOTHING like St Mary's. Except, when they are. Alongside these, Jodi is known for her gripping supernatural thrillers featuring Elizabeth Cage together with the enchanting *Frogmorton Farm series* - a fairy story for adults.

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# Command Al Murray



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Al Murray's passion for military history and the Second World War in particular has always been a duel passion with his comedy and was brought to the fore with several acclaimed and award winning television shows and the recent huge success of his podcast We Have Ways of Making You Talk which he hosts with fellow bestselling military author James Holland. The podcast has built up a loyal, nationwide fanbase and has given birth to its own annual three-day festival.

In his first serious narrative book, *Command* showcases Al Murray's passion for this pivotal period in the Twentieth Century, as he writes an engaging, entertaining and sharp analysis of the key allied military leaders in the conflict.

Command highlights the performance and careers of some of the key protagonists who commanded armies, as well as the lesser-known officers who led divisions, regiments and even battalions for the British, Commonwealth and United States of American armies. By showcasing each combat commander across every theatre of operations the allies fought in, Murray tells the story of how the Western Allies rebounded from early shocking defeats (Dunkirk and Pearl Harbor) to then victories (El Alamein and D-Day) in its efforts to defeat the Axis forces of Nazi Germany and Japan, and what that tells us about the characters and the challenges that faced them.



Al Murray is one of the most successful comics in the UK with his alter-ego The Pub Landlord. He co-hosts hit history podcast We Have Ways of Making You Talk with James Holland and has had four previous bestselling books, The Pub Landlord's Book of British Common Sense, The Pub Landlord Says Think Yourself British, Great British Pub Quiz Book and Watching War Films with my Dad. One of the most popular live comedy acts in the country, Al has sold out arenas nationwide, including London's O2 Arena. He has earned numerous awards and accolades, such as the British Comedy Award for his ITV1 series Al Murray's Happy Hour, the Perrier Award and two Olivier Award nominations.

# 50 Codes That Changed the World Sinclair McKay



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A cunning chronicle of the 50 codes that altered the course of history, and changed the world.

There have been secret codes since before the Old Testament, and there were secret codes in the Old Testament too. Almost as soon as writing was invented, so too were the devious means to hide messages and keep them under the wraps of secrecy.

In 50 Codes that Changed the World, Sinclair McKay explores these uncrackable codes, secret cyphers and hidden messages from across time to tell a new history of a secret world. From the temples of Ancient Greece to the court of Elizabeth I; from antique manuscripts whose codes might hold prophecies of doom to the modern realm of quantum mechanics, you will see how a few concealed words could help to win wars, spark revolutions and even change the faces of great nations.

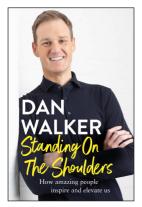
Here is the complete guide to the hidden world of codebreaking, with opportunities for you to see if you could have cracked some of the trickiest puzzles and lip-chewing codes from history.



**Sinclair McKay** is a bestelling author and social historian. He is the author of the Sunday Times bestseller *Bletchley Park Brainteasers* as well as the bestselling *Secret Life of Bletchley Park*, which together have sold over 400,000 copies. He has authored many other books including *The Scotland Yard Puzzle Book*, *The Tower of London Puzzle Book* and *Secret Britain*. He writes for the *Spectator* and the *Telegraph* and spends much of his life eyebrow-deep in dusty archives! He lives in Fast London

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# Standing on the Shoulders Dan Walker



Imprint: Headline Pub: 13/10/2022 Format: Hardback Price: £20.00 ISBN: 9781472291271



Popular TV presenter Dan Walker is back, determined to keep shining a light on the kindliness, compassion and selflessness which continue to characterise so many people and their actions right across the country.

The new book from the author of the bestselling *Remarkable People* contains a totally fresh batch of amazing individuals and their inspiring stories and actions.

Standing on the Shoulders is all about 'the how' and 'the why': how these people come to be so, and why. Is there something special in the chain of events? Is it always the same type of people who provide the catalyst or the inspiration? Is there something we can all learn from how these events occur? What are the seeds that lead to something amazing happening?

Dan's natural warmth, generosity, understanding and empathy are very much in evidence, but the tone here is reflective, perceptive, inquisitive, observational and insightful.

The result is a beautifully-written and illuminating celebration of ordinary people and the extraordinary things they do, and a timely reminder of the goodness and positivity that drives us forward during challenging times."



Dan Walker was born in Crawley in West Sussex in 1977. He is a TV broadcaster and anchor of BBC1's *Breakfast*, and hosted BBC1's awardwinning *Football Focus* for twelve years until 2021. He participated in series 19 of *Strictly Come Dancing* in 2021. Dan's previous books are *Dan Walker's Thronkersaurus: Football's Finest Tales* and *Magic, Mud & Maradona*. He lives in Sheffield with his wife, three children and Winnie the dog.

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# Tales from Jimmy's Farm Jimmy Doherty



Imprint: Headline Home Pub: 13/10/2022 Format: Hardback Price: £20.00 ISBN: 9781472292919



Jimmy's Farm turns 20 years old in 2022. TV presenter and entomologist Jimmy Doherty and his family celebrate the journey they've been on and the many animals that now call the farm and wildlife park a home.

Tales from Jimmy's Farm follows a year in the life of the Suffolk farm and traces the changing seasons, documenting what each day holds for Jimmy, his wife and four young daughters, the land he is farming and the animals in his care.

The farm began life with rare breed pigs, but soon expanded to include goats, cows, sheep and Suffolk Punch horses. Now the wildlife park plays host to over 80 species and breeds of traditional, rare and exotic animals, from crocodiles, camels and tapirs to skunks, wallabjes and raccoons.

Sharing the daily ups and downs of a life immersed in the natural world, *Tales from Jimmy's Farm* will transport you into the natural world, learn about the practical day-to-day jobs, explore the importance of conservatism and fall in love with the animals through funny and endearing stories of where they came from, how they settled in and their impact on Jimmy and his team.

Along with a whole host of other characters, Jimmy will introduce you to:

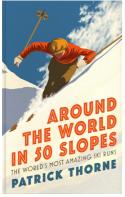
- \*Teddy and Tip Tap, a pair of tapirs
- \*Alice and Arthur, the Mongolian Bactrian camels
- \*Basil, the giant anteater
- \*Fern, the roe deer
- \*Dolph, Mistletoe and Rowan, the resident reindeers



**Jimmy Doherty** is an entomologist, farmer, conservationist and popular TV presenter. He is also the author of three books: On the Farm (Ebury), a cookbook called A Taste of the Country (Michael Joseph) and a BBC TV tie-in called A Farmer's Life for Me. Jimmy is a regular presenter on Food Unwrapped as well as Jamie and Jimmy's Friday Night Feast and, in 2020, he shared his life-long passion for insects in The Big Bee Rescue on Channel 4. He is the youngest ever President to date of the Rare Breeds Survival Trust.

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## Around The World in 50 Slopes Patrick Thorne



Imprint: Wildfire Pub: 13/10/2022 Format: Hardback Price: £12.99 ISBN: 9781472294357



This armchair travel book details the amazing history behind 50 of the best - or, in some cases, most surprising - ski trails in the world.

Veteran ski journalist Patrick Thorne has unearthed the incredible stories behind 50 unique runs from the utterly unmissable to the totally unexpected. Discover the two different Alpian ski areas who claim to be Hannibal's route through the mountains with his elephants; the controversy around Sarenne in France, which attracts half a million skiers every winter, but cannot truly be considered 'black'; and why Belalp in Switzerland is host to an annual witch-themed festival that sees costumed skiers take to the slopes. Away from Europe, the book features offbeat and fascinating global ski destinations such as Scotland, Iran and even North Korea.

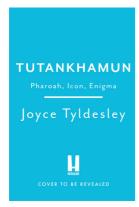
Complimented with practical information and hand-drawn trail maps, it is the perfect gift for the skier in your life.



**Patrick Thorne** is a veteran ski journo who has been collecting a database of reference material on ski resorts worldwide since the 90s; he also runs the Green Ski Resort Guide database. Has written a dozen ski guides, including Powder: The Greatest Ski Runs on the Planet. He is editor-in-chief of InTheSnow website and magazine.

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## Tutankhamun - Pharoah, Icon, Enigma Joyce Tyldesley



Imprint: Headline Pub: 27/10/2022 Format: Hardback Price: £20.00 ISBN: 9781472289841



A hundred years ago, a team of archaeologists in the Valley of the Kings made a remarkable discovery: a near-complete royal burial, an ancient mummy, and golden riches beyond imagination. The lost tomb of Tutankhamun ignited a media frenzy, propelled into overdrive by rumours of a deadly ancient curse. But amid the hysteria, many stories - including that of Tutankhamun himself - were distorted or forgotten.

Tutankhamun: Pharaoh, Icon, Enigma takes a familiar tale and turns on its head. Leading Egyptologist Joyce Tyldesley has gathered ten unique perspectives together for the first time: that of the teenage pharaoh and his family, ancient embalmers and tomb robbers, famous Western explorers and forgotten Egyptian archaeologists. It's a journey that spans from ancient Thebes in 1336 BCE - when a young king on a mission to restore his land met an unexpected and violent end - to modern Luxor in 1922 CE - as the tomb's discovery led to a fight over ownership that continues to this day.

Above all, this is the story of Tutankhamun, as he would have wanted to be remembered. Piecing together three thousand years of evidence and unpicking the misunderstandings that surround Egypt's most famous king, this book offers a vital reappraisal on his life, death and enduring legacy.

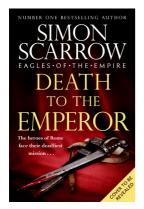


Joyce Tyldesley was born in Bolton, Lancashire. She studied archaeology at Liverpool and Oxford Universities, before writing a series of academic yet accessible books on ancient Egypt, including several books for children. Her 2008 book *Cleopatra: Egypt's Last Queen* was Radio 4 "Book of the Week". Her 2012 book *Tutankhamen's Curse* (published as *Tutankhamen* in the USA), won the Felicia A. Holton Book Award of the Archaeological Institute of America. Joyce currently holds a chair in Egyptology at the University of Manchester.

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## Death to the Emperor

#### Simon Scarrow



Imprint: Headline Pub: 10/11/2022 Format: Hardback Price: £20.00 ISBN: 9781472287120



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

The 21st Eagle of the Empire novel. If you don't know Simon Scarrow, you don't know Rome!

It is AD 60. The hard-won province of Britannia is a thorn in the side of the Roman Empire, its tribes swift to anger, and relentless in their bloody harassment of the Roman military. Far from being a peaceful northern enclave, Britannia is a seething mass of bitter rebels and unlikely alliances against the common enemy. Corruption amongst greedy officials diverts resources from the locals who need them. For the military, it's a never-ending fight to maintain a fragile peace.

Now it's time to quell the most dangerous enemy tribes. Two of Rome's finest commanders - Prefect Cato and Centurion Macro - are charged with a mission as deadly as any they have faced in their long careers. Can they win the day, or could this be the last battle?

A stunning and unforgettable story of warfare, courage and sacrifice as brave men face an enemy with nothing to lose . . .



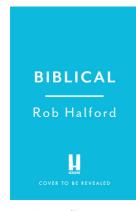
Simon Scarrow is a Sunday Times No. 1 bestselling author. His successful books - which have sold over 5 million copies - include his Eagles of the Empire novels featuring Roman soldiers Macro and Cato, most recently THE EMPEROR'S EXILE, TRAITORS OF ROME and THE BLOOD OF ROME, as well as BLACKOUT, a bestselling World War 11 thriller, and many more. He lives in Norfolk with his wife.

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# **Biblical**Rob Halford



Imprint: Headline Pub: 01/11/2022 Format: Hardback Price: £20.00 ISBN: 9781472290816



*Biblical* sees Rob run his lively eye over all facets of the music and metal world. It's a lively encyclopaedia in which Rob shares his thoughts, memories and anecdotes on every area of the rock 'n' roll life, from tours to tattoos, riffs to riders and drugs to devil horns.

What does 'heavy metal' mean? Why do people head-bang? Who are Rob's heroes and villains? Chemistry-wise, what makes a great band? What can ruin it? What is Lead Singer Syndrome? How do bands survive a tour bus without killing each other? What makes a perfect set-list? Or rider? Or after-show party? Who are the rock's all-time great voices? And why are online music retailers such wankers?

From A to Z - from AC/DC to Zeppelin, from alcohol to Zzzzzs (battling insomnia across the world's time zones) - *Biblical* is a frank, no-holdsbarred guide that transports fans behind the scenes of every aspect of life in a world-conquering metal band.

#### Praise for Rob's autobiography Confess:

'Rob Halford has written one of the most candid and surprising memoirs of the year. . . Confess is a riproaring tale, a funny, often shocking and genuinely emotional story' *The Telegraph* 

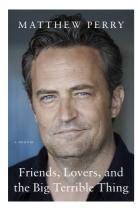
'Raw and searingly moving, Confess will delight metal heads and music fans alike'  $\emph{GQ}$ 



**Rob Halford** is an English singer, songwriter and musician. He is best known as the lead vocalist of the Grammy award-winning heavy metal band, Judas Priest. The band have released 20 albums to date and continue to tour together today. Rob's autobiography, *Confess* was published in 2020 to huge acclaim. Halford lives between The Midlands in the UK and Arizona in the US.

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### Friends, Lovers and the Big Terrible Thing Matthew Perry



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There are few shows in our lifetime that have garnered over a billion views, that have reached a global audience of 220 countries, that elicits an emotional reaction from a theme song, or that defined a period of time more for its viewers. That is simply because there is no show that is more iconic or beloved than *Friends*. It didn't matter that their apartment was unrealistic by New York City's standards or that they always had enough free time to hang out in a coffee shop, they were our friends, they were us. And over the last twenty-seven years, it has yet to lose its title of the greatest sitcom of all time.

Yet, the nostalgia and the truth about their relationships is a story that only Matthew Perry could tell especially as his addiction soared faster than his career.

Heartbreaking and funny, Matthew's honesty is explosive and unrivaled. *Friends, Lovers, and the Big Terrible Thing*is an unforgettable memoir that shares the most intimate details of the love he lost, his darkest days, and his greatest friends.



**Matthew Perry** is a Canadian-American actor, executive producer and comedian best known for his role as Chandler Bing in the hit sit-com *Friends*, as well as the Emmy-nominated Quincy Jones from *The West Wing* and Dr. Nicholas "Oz" Oseransky from *The Whole Nine Yards*.

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