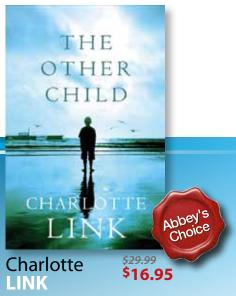
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# ABBEY'S CHOICE



#### **The Other Child**

This is the first translation into English of one of Germany's best-selling authors. It starts in 1970 with a social worker venturing on to an English farm alone; a huge mistake. Then the story picks up in 2008, when an attractive man chats to a shy and dowdy woman. That same day, a young woman is brutally murdered; and a few months later, an older woman is killed in a similar way. The victims are not obviously linked and the detective, Valerie Almond, assigned to the first case struggles to make any connections. She does start to discover, though, that the wartime evacuation of children to the area 50 years previously may have something to do with what is currently happening... A suspenseful, psychological thriller best read in one sitting!

[German, Police Procedural] 416pp Tp

# DONNA

**We** recently took delivery of a monster load of Beastly Things, the new novel by DONNA LEON. And Random House and Abbey's have a treat for you.

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**BEASTLY THINGS** Guido Brunetti #21

[American, Police Procedural]

When a man is found stabbed to death floating in the canal, Commissario Brunetti is convinced he recognises him from somewhere. But with no identification on the body and no reports of people missing from Venice, it seems as if he has appeared from nowhere, and the case is at a dead end. It doesn't take long for Brunetti to realise

why he remembers the dead man - he saw him at a demonstration a couple of years ago, where farmers were protesting about milk quotas. But what was his involvement with the protest, and could it have anything to do with his murder? Having nothing to go on but the distinctive shoes the man was wearing, and a disease that left his body strangely deformed, Brunetti and Inspector Vianello set out to try and discover the man's identity. Their investigation eventually takes them to a slaughterhouse at Preganziol on the mainland, where Brunetti discovers the dead man's connection with the slaughterhouse, and the world of blackmail and corruption that surrounds it. A dark and compelling addition to the Brunetti series!



416pp Tp \$29.95

#### **Mary Higgins Clark The Lost Years**

When an artefact stolen

from the Vatican in the 15th century falls into the hands of Dr Jonathan Lyons, he shares his discovery with a select few. But then Jonathan is murdered in his own home. As secrets in his personal life come to light, his wife, who suffers from Alzheimer's, is implicated. It now falls to their 27-year-old daughter Mariah to find the motive behind her father's death. But with someone hell-bent on getting hold of the

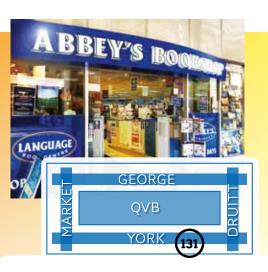
than she knows... [American, Suspense] 352pp Tp \$29.99

artefact, the web of secrets has spread further

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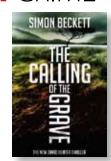
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# **MODERN** CRIME

#### The Calling of the Grave Dr David Hunter #4

When DI Terry Connor turns up on David Hunter's doorstep, it's an unwelcome reminder of their bitter friendship rift. The news that Connor brings is even less welcome: rapist and



murderer Jerome Monk has escaped from high security prison and is targeting those involved with the original search of his teenage victims eight years earlier. So when Hunter receives an appeal for help from Sophie Keller, who also worked on the operation, he realises the past is far from dead and buried...

[English, Police Proc.] 464pp Pb \$19.95

#### Josie Belle 50% Off Murder Good Buy Girls #1

Maggie Gerber - one of the founding members of the Good Buy Birls - loves her quiet life in Virginia. But all that changes when Claire Freemont, a librarian and the newest member of the Good Buy Girls, starts acting strange. When Maggie visits her the next



day at the library, she discovers the body of a dead man. Turns out the victim is someone from Claire's past. It's up to Maggie and the rest of the Good Buy Girls to use their bargain-hunting skills to hunt down a killer!

[American, Cosy] 288pp Pb \$13.50

#### **Alex Berenson** The Shadow Patrol

In 2009, the CIA officers in Afghanistan's Kabul Station received information regarding the whereabouts of Osama bin Laden, which turned out to be a deadly trap. Two years later, the station hasn't recovered from the tragic incident. In desperation, John Wells'



old CIA bosses ask him to investigate... and what he finds is a full-blown military drug-smuggling operation underway and a traitor leaking information to the Taliban. And only Wells can stand in their way... for now.

[American, Espionage] 400pp Tp \$32.99

#### **Claudia Bishop Dread on Arrival** Hemlock Falls #17

The bitter rivalry between two employees of antique collecting TV shows Your Ancestor's Attic and Pawn-O-Rama heats up when they come to Hemlock Falls to have it out in a cooking contest. So when one of them keels over on camera, it's a good thing that inn



owners Meg and Sarah Quilliam are experts at appraising motives for murder. Meg and Sarah must set out to prove that the most obvious culprit is actually innocent!

[American, Cosy] 304pp Pb \$13.50

#### **William Brodrick** The Day of the Lie

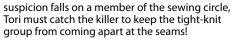
Cambridge, present day. Father Anselm receives a visit from an old friend with a dangerous story. As a young woman, Roza Mojeska was part of an underground resistance group in Communist Poland. But after her arrest, a Stasi officer makes her a

devil's bargain. 50 years later, Anselm is called to investigate both Roza's story and a mystery dating back to the early 1980s, in the icy grip of the Cold War - exposing a truth that an entire generation was killed to conceal.

[English, Espionage] 384pp Tp \$29.99

#### **Elizabeth Lynn Casey Reap What You Sew** Southern Sewing Circle #6

Sweet Briar is chosen for the setting of a new movie. Everyone is hoping to be cast as an extra... and Tori Sinclair is lucky enough to land the gig! But as the town will soon learn, fame has a price when the film's leading actress is found murdered. So when



[American, Cosy] 288pp Pb \$13.50



Top Homicide cop Darian Richards has been seeking monsters for too long. After surviving a gunshot wound to the head, he calls it quits and retires to the Sunshine Coast. But a serial killer is prowling the area and Darian can't ignore the fact that girls

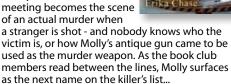


have been vanishing over the past 14 months. He knows they are all dead, but the cops keep saying they're 'missing'. Darian can't sit idly by. He decides he is going to find the killer and deal with them... his way.

[Australian, Police Proc.] 336pp Tp \$29.99

#### **Erika Chase** A Killer Read Ashton Corners Book Club #1

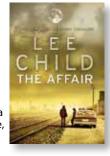
For the first meeting of the Ashton Corners Book Club, six friends gather in Molly Matthews's old Southern mansion - including Lizzie Turner, who has a penchant for mysteries. But the meeting becomes the scene



[American, Cosy] 304pp Pb \$11.50



It's 1997. In Mississippi, a woman has been murdered. Just down the road is an army base. Is the murderer a local or a soldier? Jack Reacher, still a major in the military police, is sent to investigate. The county sheriff is a former



US Marine and her investigation is going nowhere. Is the Pentagon stonewalling her, or does she have her own motives for not finding the killer? If Reacher does what the army wants, will he be able to live with himself? Or will this be his last case in uniform?

[American, Military] 528pp Pb \$14.95

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## **ANN CLEEVES**

#### The Glass Room Vera Stanhope #5

DI Vera Stanhope's hippy neighbours keep her supplied in homebrew and conversation, so when one of them goes missing she feels obliged to investigate. Tracking the young woman down to a country retreat where aspiring authors gather to workshop throigh their novels, things get



complicated when a body is found and Vera's neighbour is holding the murder weapon. But there is no motive. Then another body is found and Vera suspects that someone is playing games with her...

[English, Police Proc.] 352pp Tp \$27.99

#### Silent Voices Vera Stanhope #4

When DI Vera Stanhope finds the body of a woman in the sauna room of her local gym, closer inspection reveals ligature marks around the victim's throat. Assisting with the case, Sergeant Joe Ashworth struggles to reconcile his home life with the



demands of the job, while Vera revels being back in charge of an investigation. But when they discover that the victim had worked in social services and was involved in a shocking case involving a young child, it seems the two are connected

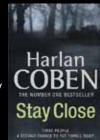
[English, Police Proc.] 400pp Pb \$21.95

# ABBEY'S IS A PROUD SPONSOR OF PARTNERS IN CRIME

#### HARLAN COBEN

#### **Stay Close**

The once wild Megan now has two kids, a perfect husband and a growing sense of dissatisfaction. Ray used to be a talented documentary photographer, but at the age of 40 he finds himself in a dead-end job posing as a paparazzo. Broome is a detective who can't let



go of a cold case involving a local husband and father who disappeared 17 years ago. Three people, living lives they never wanted, will come to the startling realisation that they may not want to forget the past at all...

[American, Suspense] 400pp Tp \$32.99

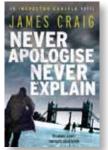
#### Miracle Cure [1991]

Coben's second novel is finally back in print! Sara and Michael are the ideal celebrity couple until their lives are shattered by a mystery illness. Dr Harvey Riker has found the miracle cure that millions seek. One-by-one his patients are getting well. One-



by-one they are targeted by a serial killer more fatal than the disease. Lieutenant Bernstein's true desires make him a perfect choice to track the killer... or a perfect victim. Can anyone stop the killer determined to stop the miracle cure?

[American, Suspense] 480pp Pb \$19.99



#### James Craig Never Apologise, Never Explain Inspector Carlyle #2

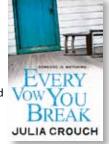
Carlyle must investigate the murder of Agatha Mills, the sister of William Pettigrew, a priest killed in Chile during the Fascist coup in 1973. And after 30 years of campaigning, Agatha was about to

see his killer brought to justice. So a seemingly straightforward case of murder escalates into a diplomatic incident that has Carlyle, once again, clashing with his bosses and their political

[Scottish, Suspense] 320pp Pb \$16.99

#### **Julia Crouch Every Vow You Break**

Lara and Marcus leave England to spend summer in Trout Island, Upstate New York. Lara is still reeling from an abortion that Marcus insisted on and hopes the summer away from home will give her time to love her husband again. A chance meeting



at a party reacquaints the family with Marcus' old friend Stephen, who Lara once had an affair with. Picking up their secret relationship where they left off, Lara knows she's playing a dangerous game. But it's also a deadly one...

[English, Suspense] 384pp Pb \$24.99

#### **Clive Cussler** with Jack Du Brul The Jungle Oregon Files #8

After losing their contract with the US government, Juan Cabrillo and his crew of mercenaries are earning money the hard way. After accepting a mission deep in the jungles of Myanmar to find a missing

adventurer, it's not long before Cabrillo and his team realise they've been set up. But with the US nuclear launch codes up for grabs and a madman bent on using them to hold millions of lives to ransom, he hasn't time for revenge. He's got to save the world first.

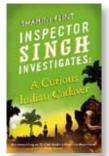
[American, Espionage] 480pp Pb \$19.95

#### **Elanor Dymott Every Contact** Leaves a Trace

Alex finally found love in the form of his beautiful and vivacious wife Rachel. When Rachel is murdered. he eventually starts piecing together the mystery of her death. As he delves deep into the past to uncover shocking secrets and constantly shifting versions

of the truth, he is guided towards answers by virtual strangers who knew his wife. Eventually, he begins to confront the terrifying reality that neither his life, nor his love, were what he thought they were...

[Zambian, Suspense] 304pp Tp \$32.95



#### **Shamini Flint** A Curious Indian Cadaver Inspector Singh Investigates #5

Inspector Singh is sick of sick leave, so when Mrs Singh suggests they attend a family wedding in Mumbai, hé agrees hoping that spicy Indian curries will make up

for extended exposure to his wife's relatives. Unfortunately, the beautiful bride-to-be disappears on the eve of her wedding. When a corpse is found, the fat inspector is dragged into a curious murder investigation with very firm instructions from Mrs Singh to exonerate her family. But he knows it won't be that easy...

[Singaporean, Police Proc.] 320pp Pb \$19.99

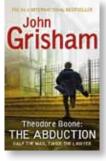
and a clutch of mysteries from Jonathan Kellaway's youth in the late 1960s come back to haunt him. Tasked with discovering why there is a gaping hole in his employer's records, Kellaway is tempted by

the hope that he may at

[English, Suspense] 416pp Tp \$32.95



When Theodore Boone's best friend April disappears in the middle of the night, fear ripples through his small hometown and the police hit dead ends. It's up to Theo to use his legal knowledge and investigative skills to discover the truth and save

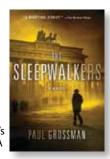


his friend. Filled with the page-turning suspense that made John Grisham an international bestseller and the undisputed master of the legal thriller, Theodore's trials and triumphs will keep readers guessing until the very end!

[American, Legal] 272pp Pb \$19.99

#### **Paul Grossman** The Sleepwalkers

In the final weeks of the Weimar Republic, just before Hitler assumes control of Germany, a dead young woman is pulled from the Havel River. Willi Kraus, a high ranking detective in Berlin's police force, investigates. A decorated WWI I hero and

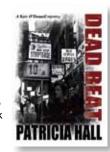


the nation's most famous detective, Willi is also a Jew. Willi finds his superiors diverting him at every turn and as he moves closer to the truth, he realises there is much more than murder at stake. Germany itself will never be the same...

[American, Suspense] 320pp Pb \$19.99

#### Patricia Hall **Dead Beat** Kate O'Donnell #1

When photographer Kate O'Donnell takes off for 1960s London from swinging Liverpool, she has two things in mind: to make a career and to track down her missing older brother. But when she finds a trace of Tom, he's



still missing - leaving behind a dead flatmate and some very suspicious cops, including Harry Barnard of the vice squad. Kate determines to clear her brother's name, but her investigations take her on a terrifying journey where no one can be trusted...

[English, Suspense] 224pp Pb \$24.95

#### **Elizabeth Haynes** Into the Darkest Corner

Lee is gorgeous, charismatic and spontaneous - almost too perfect to be true. And Catherine's friends clearly agree, as each in turn falls under his spell. But there is a darker side to Lee, whose behavior becomes



increasingly erratic and controlling. Driven into the darkest corner of her world, isolated from her friends, she plans her escape. And she succeeds. Four years later, Catherine dares to believe she is safe. But is she?

[English, Suspense] Tp \$29.95

#### **Robert Goddard Fault Line**

A dead friend, a lost lover

last learn the truth about the tragedies of those earlier years. It is a truth that has claimed several victims before. And If he pursues the truth hard enough, he may only add himself to the list...

# QUEEN OF CRIME SHORT STORY COMPETITION 2011

#### **Casey Hill** Torn Reilly Steel #2

Forensic investigator Reilly Steel finds that her skills aren't enough when an intelligent killer strikes Dublin. But the corpses of two high-profile victims refuse to give up their secrets and the crime scenes are a forensic

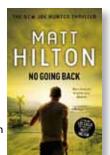


investigator's worst nightmare. Reilly suspects she may be dealing with a killer who knows about crime scene investigation. Only when a third murder occurs do they realise the killer is using a very specific blueprint. Who is the killer's real target? And what is their endgame?

[Irish, Forensic] 400pp Tp \$29.99

#### **Matt Hilton No Going Back** Joe Hunter #6

Jameson Walker approaches Joe Hunter after his daughter and her friend go missing at a gas station in the Arizona desert. Joe accepts the job of locating the girls, though at first he is unconvinced that there's much to worry

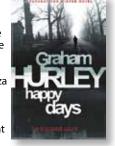


about. As Joe picks up the girls' trail he discovers that other young women have also disappeared in the area. And then he comes across the brutish Logan family...

[English, Suspense] 320pp Tp \$29.99

#### **Graham Hurley Happy Days**

DI Faraday is gone and the police are left reeling while the boss attempts to limit any possible PR damage. The city's drug baron, Bazza McKenzie, has become increasingly desperate and violent as his empire crumbles under the weight of austere times. But in

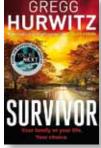


DS Jimmy Suttle, there's a new will at the heart of Portsmouth's embattled police force to nail Bazza once and for all - the one man Faraday was determined to bring to justice...

[English, Police Proc.] 416pp Tp \$29.99

#### **Gregg Hurwitz** The Survivor

From the 11th storey of an LA high-rise, Nate looks out on the city before moving one foot off the ledge and into thin air. Before he can jump, gunshots ring out from within the building. A robbery is in progress. And Nate, with nothing to lose but the life he was about



to give up, decides to intervene. What happens next plunges Nate into mortal danger...and reunites him with the family he hasn't known for years. A family he will do anything to protect... [American, Suspense] 480pp Pb \$19.99

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#### **Quintin Jardine Grievous Angel** Bob Skinner #21

15 years in the past, newly promoted Detective Superintendent Bob Skinner is called to investigate a most brutal death. A man lies dead in an empty swimming pool. Soon, an organised crime connection looms

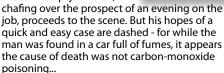


and bloody retribution spreads to a second city. Then violence erupts on a new front, as a vicious knifeman targets Edinburgh's gay population. As if this double dose of homicide isn't enough, Skinner's personal life takes a perilous twist...

[Scottish, Police Proc.] 480pp Pb \$22.99

#### **Roderic Jeffries** Murder, Majorcan Style Inspector Alvarez #35

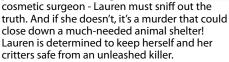
Inspector Alvarez is just considering whether he can surreptitiously leave work early, when he is informed that an Englishman has been found dead in his car in his garage, the engine on and the tank empty. Alvarez,



[English, Police Proc.] 208pp Pb \$24.95

#### Linda O Johnston **Hounds Abound** Pet Rescue #3

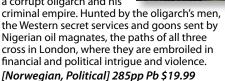
Saving animals and solving murders seem to go pawin-paw for shelter manager and amateur sleuth Lauren Vancouver. When her boss, the owner of the newest no-kill shelter in LA, is suspected of murdering her ex-husband - a powerful, animal-hating



[American, Cosy] 304pp Pb \$13.50

## & Judith Perrignon The Eyes of Lira Kazan

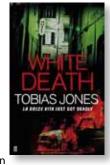
The head of the Nigerian fraud squad is evacuated from Lagos by secretservice operatives. A junior prosecutor in Nice probes the death of a powerful banker's wife. And a crusading journalist in St Petersburg pursues a corrupt oligarch and his





#### **Tobias Jones White Death** Castagnetti #2

Castagnetti is hired by a businessman to find out who set fire to his car. Before long, his client receives threatening phonecalls, his factory is burnt to the ground and an employee loses his life. Castagnetti soon realises this systematic intimidation

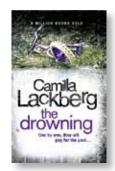


happens when the owner's land is about to be redesignated as residential. That's the time when developers can double their money if they can 'persuade' someone to sell. Castagnetti needs to solve the case before his client is buried in cement!

[English, Private Eye] 288pp Pb \$19.99

#### Camilla Lackberg The Drowning Patrik Hedstrom #6

Christian Thydell's dream has come true: his debut novel has been published to rave reviews. So why is he as unhappy as ever? When crime writer Erica Falck, who discovered Christian's talents, learns he's been receiving anonymous threats, she



investigates the author's mysterious past. Erica's husband, Detective Patrik Hedstrom, has his worst suspicions confirmed as the mind-games aimed at Christian and those around him become a disturbing reality...

[Swedish, Police Proc.] 496pp Pb \$24.99

#### Camilla Lackberg The Stranger [aka The Gallows Bird] Patrik Hedstrom #4

A local woman is killed in a tragic car crash. Her blood contains high alcohol levels, but she rarely drank. The case marks the end of a quiet winter for Detective Patrik Hedstrom. Meanwhile, a reality TV



show begins shooting in the town and as cameras shadow the stars' every move, tempers flare. When a party ends with an unpopular contestant's murder, all eves turn to the cast and crew. Under the unforgiving media spotlight, Patrik faces his toughest investigation yet!

[Swedish, Police Proc.] 384pp Pb \$19.99

#### Jens Lapidus **Easy Money**

Jorge is a drug-dealing Latino who refuses to stay behind bars. Mrado is the pill-popping Yugoslav hitman who cracks people's fingers with one hand and strokes his daughter's cheek with the other. JW is the wannabe wide-boy who works night shifts to



fund partying with his wealthy friends. They all have two things in common: a love of money and a belief that the city's coke scene is the way to get it. But soon they are united by revenge. And the situation will turn bloody...

[Swedish, Suspense] 400pp Tp \$27.99

#### **Amanda Lee** The Long Stitch **Good Night** Embroidery Mystery #4

Although she's taken an interest in Irish embroidery, Marcy Singer can't help but abandon her needlecraft when handsome local brewer Todd finds himself accused of murder. Both Todd and his friend Blake's fingerprints are on the

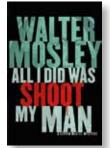


murder weapon and neither is talking about what happened. Marcy is determined to stitch together some luck from more than a few four-leaf clovers - and prove that the culprit was someone else!

[American, Cosy] 336pp Pb \$13.50

#### **Walter Mosley All I Did Was Shoot** My Man Leonid McGill #4

Seven years ago, Zella Grisham was charged for attempted murder, grand theft and sentenced to 25 years in prison after refusing to give up her accomplices in a \$6.8 million heist from Rutgers



Assurance Corp. But Zella played no part in that heist. PI Leonid McGill had planted the evidence and now he has regrets. After he hires a hotshot attorney to set her free, Zella is hounded and an attempt is made on McGill's life. Turns out the case is more complex than he imagined...

[American, Private Eye] 336pp Tp \$32.99

#### Carol O'Connell The Chalk Girl Kathleen Mallory #10

When a little girl finds her uncle's dead body in a tree, NYPD detective Kathy Mallory feels a connection with the troubled child. Mallory is damaged, they say, but she can tell a kindred spirit. And this one will lead her to a story



of extraordinary crimes - murders stretching back 15 years, blackmail and complicity and a particular cruelty that only someone with Mallory's history could recognise. In the next few weeks, Kathy Mallory will deal with them

[American, Police Proc.] 448pp Tp \$29.99

#### Gerard O'Donovan **Dublin Dead**

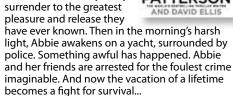
A drug deal gone bad. A daughter gone missing. A hit man on the loose. And five days to find the answers. As journalist Siobhan Fallon hunts for a missing girl, DI Mike Mulcahy uncovers a link between Ireland's largest-ever drugs haul



and the murder of an Dublin gangster in Spain. With the body count mounting, Mulcahy and Fallon plunge into a world of lies, betrayal and unexpected allegiances - where a powerful enemy will stop at nothing to silence the truth... [Irish, Police Proc.] 512pp Pb \$19.99

#### **James Patterson** & David Ellis **Guilty Wives**

Abbie Elliot and her three best friends enter the most luxurious hotel they have ever been to. Their lavish presidential suite overlooks Monte Carlo and for the next four days they surrender to the greatest



[American, Suspense] 448pp Tp \$32.95

#### Stav Sherez **A Dark Redemption** Carrigan & Miller #1

DI Jack Carrigan and DS Geneva Miller must investigate the rape and murder of a young Ugandan student. Plunged into an underworld of illegal immigrant communities, they discover that the murdered girl's

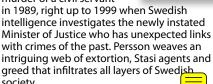


studies at a London College threaten to reveal information that would compel some to go any lengths to keep hidden. It is a sinister case that will force DI Carrigan to face up to his past and DS Miller to confront her future...

[English, Police Proc.] 384pp Tp \$29.99

#### Leif G W Persson Another Time, **Another Life**

A moment in history triggers a wide spiralling conspiracy spanning nearly 20 years: from the occupation of the West German Embassy in Stockholm by terrorists in 1975, to the unsolved murder of a civil servant



[Swedish, Espionage] 416pp Tp \$32.95



#### **Jake Simons** The Pure Uzi #1

Disaffected ex-Mossad agent, Uzi, works as a security guard and low-level drug dealer in London. Uzi gets the chance to expose the ruthlessness of his former employers by giving the details of a top-secret

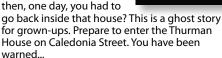


assassination operation to WikiLeaks. It is a story so damaging to the Israeli government that an opposition party is prepared to pay to ensure WikiLeaks gets the scoop. But once it's out there, Uzi will be a marked man...

[English, Espionage] 336pp Tp \$29.99

#### **Andrew Pyper** The Guardians

Don't all kids think there's a haunted house in their neighbourhood? What if, as a child, you knew something bad really had happened in that house? What if you actually saw it? Then you tried to forget it for the next 30 years. And



[Canadian, Suspense] 336pp Pb \$22.99

# **Anna Smith** To Tell the Truth Rosie Gilmour #2

While on holidays with her parents, a three-year-old British girl is kidnapped from a Spanish beach in broad daylight. Rosie Gilmour is sent to cover the story, but there are no witnesses and the mother's story doesn't

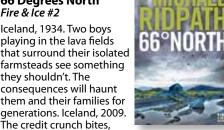


add up. When Rosie is approached by a sex worker with information, she soon discovers that key information is being withheld from the authorities. Facing corrupt politicians and human trafficking gangs, the penalty for missing this particular deadline will be death.

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Iceland, 1934. Two boys playing in the lava fields that surround their isolated farmsteads see something they shouldn't. The consequences will haunt them and their families for generations. Iceland, 2009.



lives are ruined and resentment brews. Iceland, 2010. As bankers and politicians mysteriously start dying, it's up to Magnus Jonson to unravel the web of conspirators before they strike again. And all the while, crimes of the past are catching up with him...

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of a hard-nosed investigative reporter - Casey realises that the next body buried in the dirt might just be her own!

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In April 1912, the Titanic sank on her maiden voyage to New York. But it was not an iceberg that sunk her. On board, the three richest men in America plan to announce a new military alliance between the USA and Germany. Their goal: war with Great Britain. But



the British intelligence are determined to stop them. Dispatching their best spy, Alex Tremayne has been tasked with stopping the Americans from reaching New York - by whatever means necessary.

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#### **Leann Sweeney** The Cat, the Wife and the Weapon Cats in Trouble #3

When guilter Jillian Hart returns to her lake house in Mercy, South Carolina, she discovers that her friend Tom is missing. Meanwhile, his estranged half-brother has moved into Tom's house. Jillian doesn't trust the guy, especially since

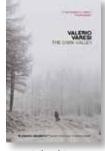


he allowed Tom's diabetic cat to escape. When police officers find Tom's wrecked car with a dead stranger inside, Jillian is determined to find out what happened to her missing friend... before someone else turns up dead!

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#### Valerio Varesi The Dark Valley Commissario Soneri #2

Commissario Soneri returns to his home village in the Appenines for a much-needed holiday. The isolated village revolves around the fortunes of the Rodolfi family, salami manufacturers for generations. Its patriarch,



the gifted Palmiro Rodolfi, runs a tight ship but behind the scenes, his son has other plans. When a hiker discovers a decomposing body in the woods, the complex relationship between Palmiri and son becomes more pertinent when Soneri learns his own father and Palmiro were once friends.

[Italian, Police Proc.] 272pp Tp \$27.99

#### Per Wahloo Murder on the Thirty-First Floor [1964] Chief Inspector Jensen

In an unnamed European country during an unnamed year, Chief Inspector Jensen of the 16th Division is called in, after the publishers controlling the entire country's newspapers and



magazines receive a bomb threat in retaliation for a murder they are accused of committing. The bomb fails to explode and Jensen has seven days to track down the terrorist. As Jensen investigates, it becomes clear that the publishing directors have their own secrets... [Swedish, Police Proc.] 224pp Pb \$19.95

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Chief Inspector Jensen is a policeman in an unnamed European country where the government has criminalised being drunk and where city centres have been demolished to devote more space

to gleaming new roads. Recovering in a hospital room abroad after a liver transplant, he discovers that all flights home have been cancelled and all communication from has ceased. When Jensen is piloted across the border, he soon realises an

[Swedish, Police Proc.] 208pp Pb \$19.95

epidemic has ravaged the country...

#### Joseph Wambaugh **Hollywood Hills** Hollywood Station #4

A circle of teenage burglars that the media has dubbed 'The Bling Ring' has taken to pillaging the homes of Hollywood celebutants. When a pair of drugaddled young copycats stumble upon an art heist, that's just the beginning of the disaster to come.

Soon LAPD veteran "Hollywood Nate" Weiss, surfer cops Flotsam and Jetsam and the rest of the team at Hollywood Station have a deadly situation on their hands!

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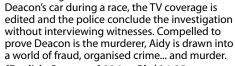
April 1933. When Eddie Pettit's death is ruled an accident by the police, friends and neighbours believe that this gentle soul who had a special way with horses was murdered. Maisie Dobbs remembers Eddie fondly

and is determined to do right by him. Plunging into the investigation, Maisie begins her search for answers on the working-class streets of Lambeth where Eddie had lived and where she

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#### Simon Wood **Did Not Finish** Aidy Westlake #1

When Derek Deacon threatens to kill Alex Fanning, his championship rival in motor racing, rookie driver Aidy Westlake doesn't think twice about it. Intense competitiveness in their field is typical. But when Fanning dies after making contact with

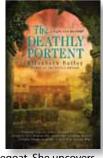


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# **HISTORICAL** CRIME

#### **Elizabeth Bailey** The Deathly Portent Lady Fan #2

Georgian England, A violent murder has left a small village aghast, a young woman believed to be a witch is blamed. Soon the witch hunt escalates out of control. However Ottilia, former ladies maid and bride to Lord Francis,

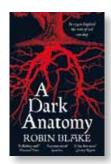


suspects the witch is a scapegoat. She uncovers a raft of suspects with grudges against the dead man. As foul play runs rampant, Ottilia must wade through growing hysteria, protect the innocent and discover the true culprit.

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#### **Robin Blake** A Dark Anatomy

England, 1740. In Lancashire, a grim discovery is made: a Squire's wife, Dolores Brockletower, has been murdered. Called to the scene, Coroner Titus Cragg enlists the help of his astute young friend, Doctor Luke Fidelis. But

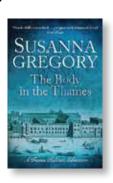


forensic science is still in its infancy and policing hardly exists. Embarking on their first gripping investigation, Cragg and Fidelis are faced with the superstition, obstruction and denunciations from the Squire himself!

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#### Susanna Gregory The Body in the Thames Thomas Chaloner #6

A delegation from the Netherlands has gathered in England for a final attempt to secure peace between the two nations. Thomas Chaloner, active in Holland during Cromwell's time, knows many of the delegates. When the body



of his former brother-in-law is found in the Thames, Chaloner realises the dead man has left enigmatic clues to his murder. Was he involved in a plot to steal the crown jewels, or did he fall foul of someone who is determined for the peace talks to fail?

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#### Joan Lock **Dead Image** Inspector Best #1

What caused the 1874 Regents Park explosion? Sabotage by rival railways? Or was it something personal? And whose was the other body found in the canal? Another victim of the so-called Thames murderer? As he struggles to find the



answers, Scotland Yard's Sergeant Ernest Best straddles the conflicting worlds of art, wealth and privilege and the poverty-stricken canal boatmen in an intriguing mystery that will change his life forever.

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# The Disappearance of Sherlock Holmes

Holmes' old adversary has returned after kidnapping his previous victim's widow and impersonating Holmes himself. Chasing the kidnapper from London to New York to Chicago, Holmes and Watson race to keep up. Every move Holmes makes is expected; every trap proves elusive.

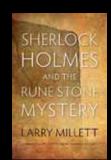


Only with the assistance of his American cohort, the saloonkeeper Shadwell Rafferty, can Holmes hope to settle the score once and for all... or be framed for the crime himself!

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## Sherlock Holmes and the Rune Stone Mystery

King Oskar II of Sweden engages the services of Sherlock Holmes to decipher the Kensington Rune Stone - recently discovered by a farmer in Minnesota - to determine if the find is real or a hoax. With Watson by his side, Holmes makes his way to

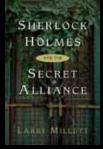


Minnesota for a third time. But the farmer who found the mysterious stone is murdered and the stone itself is stolen. With the help of Shadwell Rafferty, now a friend and partner, Holmes must solve this baffling case!

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#### Sherlock Holmes and the Secret Alliance

As the city of Minneapolis prepares for a visit from President William McKinley, someone else prepares for murder. On the day before the visit, a union activist is found hanged outside an abandoned mansion. How was the victim involved with the city's corrupt mayor? And why did he



possess a photograph of a prominent citizen in a compromising position? Shadwell Rafferty searches for answers and puts himself in danger. But as luck would have it, Holmes and Watson are on their way!

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#### **Matthew Pearl** The Technologists

Boston, 1868. The city is being terrorised by technological attacks: first a magnetic storm causes ships in the harbour to collide, then every piece of glass in the financial district spontaneously melts. These are manmade disasters. The



city's fate relies on four young students of the recently founded Massachusetts Institute of Technology. In a climate of rising hysteria, these courageous individuals must unite against an evil mastermind before he stages his greatest

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#### **Matt Rees** Mozart's Last Aria

December, 1791. In Vienna to pay her final respects to her dying brother, the composer Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Nannerl finds herself ensnared in a web of suspicion and intrigue, as the actions of jealous lovers, sinister creditors, rival composers

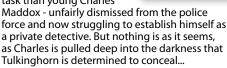


and Mozart's Masonic brothers all suggest that dark secrets hastened the genius to his grave. As Nannerl digs deeper into the mystery surrounding her brother's passing, Mozart's fate threatens to overtake her as well...

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#### Lynn Shepherd Tom-All-Alone's

London, 1850. The formidable lawyer Edward Tulkinghorn has powerful clients to protect and a deadly secret to hide. But now that secret is under threat from a shadowy adversary who must be stopped at all costs. Who better for such a task than young Charles



[English] 336pp Hb \$24.99



Cambridge, 1583. About to graduate from Corpus Christi, the young Christopher Marlowe spends his days studying and his nights carousing with old friends. But when one of them is discovered lying dead in his King's

College room, Marlowe refuses to accept the official verdict of suicide. Calling on the help of his mentor, Sir Roger Manwood and Dr John Dee, a poison expert, Marlowe sets out to prove his friend was murdered.

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# **TRUE** CRIME

#### John Dickie **Mafia Brotherhoods** [aka Blood

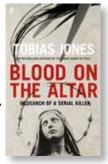
This is a book of breathtaking ambition, charting the birth and rise of all three of Italy's major mafia organisations. It blends ground-breaking archival research,



'criminal ecosystem' - and the three terrifying criminal brotherhoods that evolved within it - to



In 1993, 16-year-old Eliza Claps went missing from a church in Italy. Shortly before her disappearance, she had met Danilo Restivo, a strange local boy with a fetish for cutting women's hair on the back of buses. Elisa's family is convinced Restivo is responsible for



her disappearance, but he is protected by local big-wigs. It's not until 2010, when her body is found in the church where she went missing, that Restivo is finally dealt with...

[English] 336pp Tp \$29.99

#### **Richard Lloyd Parry People Who Eat** Darkness

Love, Grief and a Journey into Japan's Shadows

In 2000, Jane Steare received the phone call every mother dreads: her daughter, Lucie Blackman, had disappeared into the vastness of Tokyo. That winter, her dismembered



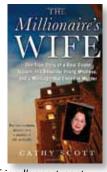
remains were found buried in a desolate seaside cave. Over the course of a decade, the author travelled to four continents to interview those caught up in the story and was given unprecedented access to Lucie's divided family to reveal the astonishing truth of Lucie and her

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#### Cathy Scott

The Millionaire's Wife The True Story of a Real Estate Tycoon, His **Beautiful Young Mistress** and a Marriage that Ended in Murder

49-year-old George Kogan enjoyed great success as an antiques and art dealer in New York, until he was gunned down. Before the shooting, George had



been on the way to his girlfriend's apartment, while his estranged wife was consumed with bitterness. Barbara, who stood to collect \$4.3 million in life insurance, was immediately suspected in George's death. But it would take authorities almost 20 years to uncover a link between her lawyer and the hitman who killed George...

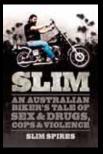
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# Slim Spires

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An Australian Biker's Tale of Sex and Drugs, Cops and Violence

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toughest jails. Never one to retreat from a fight, Slim is as tough as they come. This firsthand account takes you into the world of bikers' clubs - built around motorcycles and the men who ride. And the moral of the story? Just a life lived with unswerving loyalty to the international brotherhood!

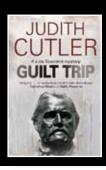
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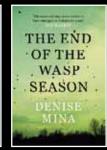
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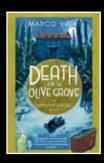
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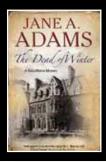
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