

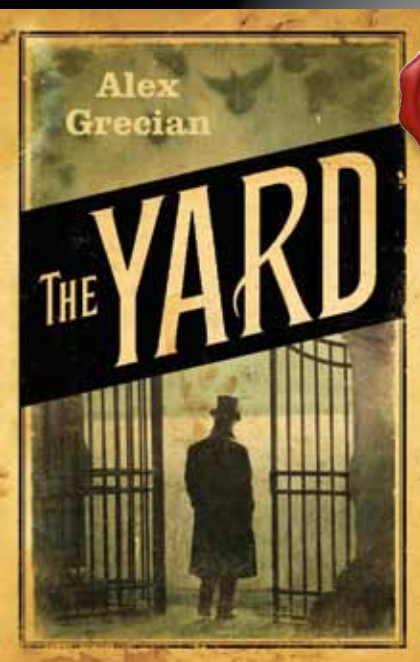
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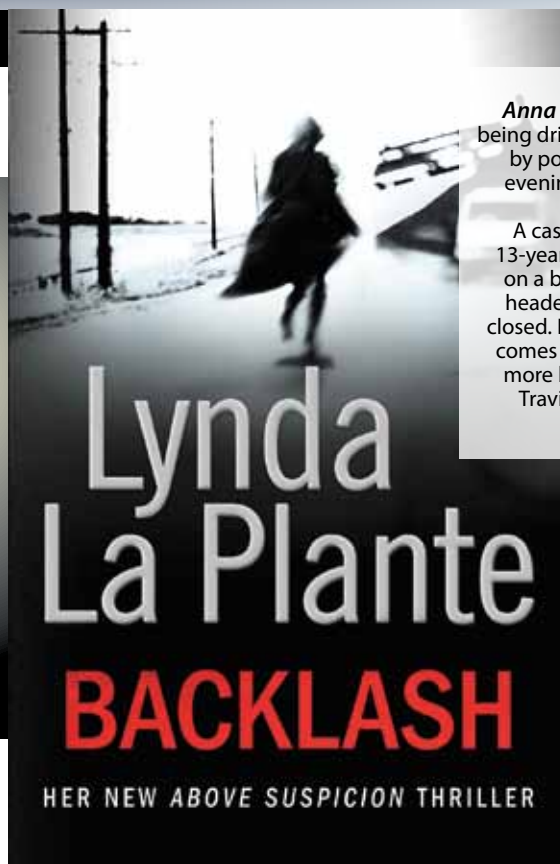
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THE YARD

A year after Jack the Ripper claimed his last victim, Victorian London is in the grip of a wave of crime and murder, with its citizens no longer able to trust the police to protect them. The newly formed Murder Squad of Scotland Yard, made up of just 12 detectives, battles in vain against the tide of violence and cruelty. When the body of a Yard detective is found in a suitcase, his lips sewn together and his eyes sewn shut, it becomes clear that not even the police are safe from attack. Has the Ripper returned, or is a new killer at large? Walter Day, the squad's newest recruit, is assigned the case and finds a strange ally in the Yard's first forensic pathologist, Dr Bernard Kingsley, who is convinced that strange new techniques such as fingerprinting are the key to finding the person responsible. With Kingsley's help, will Day find the murderer before it's too late? Or are the police once again helpless to stop a serial killer whose brutality knows no limits?

[American, Police Procedural] 400pp Pb



Anna Travis #8 Late one night, a white van is being driven erratically. The driver is pulled over by police and questioned. A woman – a long evening's drinking. She never makes it home.

A suspect... an arrest... a confession. A case done and dusted? Five years earlier, a 13-year-old girl disappeared in broad daylight on a busy London street. DCS James Langton headed the investigation; the case was never closed. It has haunted him ever since. And now comes another confession, to this murder and more besides. Too good to be true? DCI Anna Travis isn't so sure that they have their man. Then the suspect changes his story...

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Also: **BLOOD LINE** Anna Travis #7 p4

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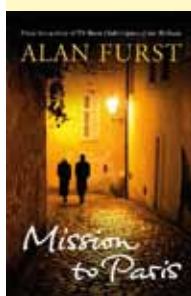
Entries close 30 June.

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Alan Furst **MISSION TO PARIS** Night Soldiers #12

Frederic Stahl, born of Viennese intelligentsia, ran away to sea at the age of 17. Arriving in America, his matinee idol looks and Old World charm took him to Hollywood, and a life of movies and women. But by autumn 1939, the unease in Europe has spread even to Stahl's glamorous enclave. War has been declared, and though bullets and bombs are yet to fly, his decision to shoot a film in Paris seems ill-advised. The Parisians know this is their last spring, and a time to be passionate. Soon after his arrival, Stahl is drawn into a clandestine world of foreign correspondents, exiled Spanish republicans and of course spies of every sort. For as a celebrity from neutral America - who can travel across the continent freely - Stahl could be very useful indeed... Returning to the Brasserie Heiniger and some of the colourful cast from **The World at Night**, this is a headily atmospheric portrait of a continent in the grip of the Phoney War.

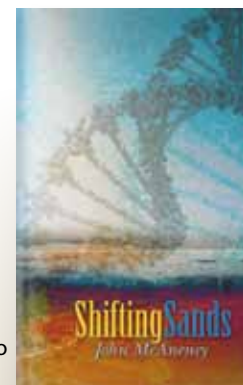
[American, Espionage] 320pp Tp \$32.99



John McAneney **SHIFTING SANDS**

Caspian Quinn is a scientist working for the Climatic Impacts Group in a peaceful New Zealand town. It would be an ideal existence, except that the body of his departmental team leader has just washed up on the local beach. In addition, funding and support are about to be withdrawn from the research projects he and his colleagues are working on because they aren't commercial enough, and his French wife is starting to go stir-crazy living in the country. Not to mention the fishing isn't always perfect! His best friend and local policeman, Theo, is being transferred to the CIB, and then another employee of the research station is murdered. Evidence points towards one of Caspian's co-workers, but both he and Theo have their doubts, particularly when Caspian uncovers some very dodgy scientific dealings indeed! A well-paced, colourful and entertaining novel written by a local academic who has personal insights into the parlous state of independent research.

Lindy [New Zealand, Suspense] 225pp Pb \$19.95



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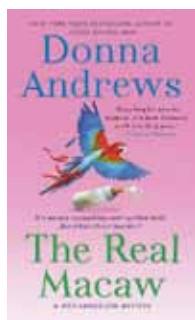
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Donna Andrews

The Real Macaw **Meg Langslow #13**

Early one morning, Meg Langslow discovers her living room filled with all types of animals. Turns out that a financially-strapped local animal shelter has revealed its no-kill policy and in an act of protest led by Meg's zoologist grandfather, the animals have been stolen and resettled around town. But now the volunteer who helped transport the animals has turned up dead. Was it the result of a lover's quarrel? Or is there something more sinister at play?

[*American, Cosy*] 336pp Pb \$13.50



Quentin Bates

Cold Comfort **Gunnhildur #2**

Gunnhildur has been given responsibility for two cases - the first in tracking down an escaped convict who's keen to settle old scores and the other involving the murder of a TV fitness presenter in her city centre apartment. With the police short-staffed and underfunded following the financial crash, Gunnhildur delve into the backgrounds of both, where they uncover some unwelcome secrets and influential friends who have no wish to be in the public eye...

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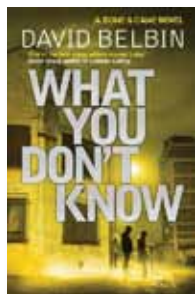


David Belbin

What You Don't Know **Bone & Cane #2**

Sarah Bone has now been made a minister for prisons. Ex-drug dealer Nick Cane misses her, but he keeps his distance and focuses on tutoring a gifted young teenager in a drug-rehab centre called the Power Project. Strangely, the Power Project don't seem too interested in what work he's doing. But when he takes the initiative of talking to the girls in the care home, he's actively discouraged and becomes the victim of a violent attack. What is the centre hiding?

[*English, Suspense*] 320pp Tp \$29.99



C J Box

Back of Beyond

Cody Hoyt, while a brilliant cop, is an alcoholic struggling with two months of sobriety when his mentor and AA sponsor Hank Winters is found dead in a mountain cabin. At first it looks like suicide, but Cody knows Hank better than that. When he takes a closer look at the death scene, it's apparent that foul play is at hand. After years of bad behaviour with his department, he's in no position to investigate a homicide. But he is determined to find Hank's killer regardless.

[*American, Police Proc.*] 464pp Pb \$19.99

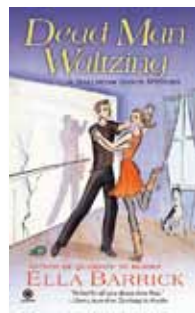


Ella Barrick

Dead Man Waltzing **Ballroom Dance #2**

When a grande dame of international ballroom dancing - who just happened to be penning a tell-all memoir - is found murdered, champion dancer Stacy Graysin finds her life spinning wildly out of control after one of her instructors becomes the prime suspect in the investigation.

[*American, Cosy*] 304pp Pb \$13.50

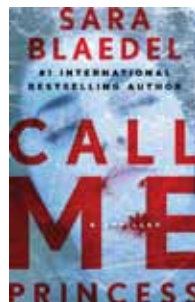


Sara Blaedel

Call Me Princess

Investigating the brutal rape of a suicidal woman who met her attacker on a dating website, Copenhagen Detective Inspector Susanne Hansson stumbles across a website through which she meets the attacker and goes undercover as a potential victim.

[*American, Police Proc.*] 320pp Pb \$23.95



Stephen Booth

The Devil's Edge **Cooper & Fry #12**

A series of brutal home invasions is terrorising the Peak District. Until now, the burglars haven't left a clue. This time, they've left a corpse. But as the death toll rises, two intrepid cops begin to suspect that the robberies and the murders are not what they seem. Beneath the scorching summer sun, a dangerous game is in play... and a merciless killer is hiding in plain sight.

[*English, Police Proc.*] 496pp Pb \$19.99



Laura Bradford

Hearse and Buggy **Amish #1**

When the former owner of her Amish specialty shop is murdered - and the man which her employee Esther fancies stands accused of the crime - Claire Weatherly becomes the go-between for Detective Jakob Fisher and his former community to catch the real killer.

[*American, Cosy*] 288pp Pb \$13.50



Alafair Burke

Long Gone

Alice Humphrey finally lands her dream job managing a trendy new Manhattan art gallery. Everything is perfect until Alice arrives at work to find the gallery gone - the space stripped bare as if it had never existed - and her employer's dead body on the floor. Suddenly she's at the centre of a police investigation with the evidence stacked against her and her dead employer identified as someone else entirely. Alice knows she's been set up. But now she has to prove it.

[*American, Suspense*] 384pp Pb \$23.95



Andrea Camilleri

The Age of Doubt **Inspector Montalbano #14**

Inspector Montalbano encounters a strange woman who expresses interest in a certain yacht scheduled to dock that afternoon. Not long after she's gone, the yacht's crew reports finding a corpse. Also at anchor is a luxury vessel with a shady crew. Both boats must stay in Vigata until the investigation is over. And based on information from the woman, Montalbano suspects the occupants of the yacht know more about the man's death than they're revealing.

[*Italian, Police Proc.*] 288pp Pb \$23.95



Alyse Carlson

The Azalea Assault **Garden Society #1**

When world-famous photographer Jean-Jacques Georges is found dead in the azaleas after causing much chaos at his welcoming party, Camellia Harris employs her PR skills to dig up the dirt on the real killer... before someone else gets buried for the crime!

[*American, Cosy*] 304pp Pb \$13.50



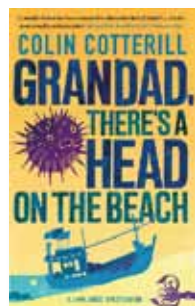
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Colin Cotterill

Grandad, There's a Head on the Beach **Jimm Juree #2**

After finding a severed head on a beach, ex-crime reporter Jimm Juree takes action. With her former cop grandfather as back up, she sets out to investigate. On their journey, with the rest of their disjointed family in tow, they uncover gruesome tales of piracy and slavery, violence and murder in the Gulf of Thailand. Are the authorities uninterested because they're involved, or because the victims aren't Thai? Whatever the reason, Jimm and her team are going at it alone.

[*English, Suspense*] 350pp Pb \$24.99



A J Cross

Gone in Seconds **Kate Hanson #1**

When the skeleton of a young woman is found, evidence suggests it's that of teenager Molly James, who went missing five years ago. Forensic psychologist Dr Kate Hanson is called to reinvestigate. And when a second set of remains is unearthed, Kate suspects they're looking for a Repeater: a killer who will adapt, grow and not stop until they are caught. Will Dr Hanson unravel the tangle of clues that the killer has left behind, before he takes another innocent victim?

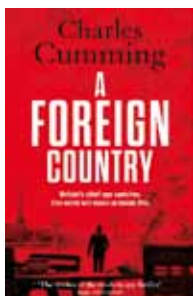
[*English, Forensic*] 400pp Tp \$29.99



Charles Cumming
A Foreign Country

Six weeks before she is due to become the first female head of MI6, Amelia Levene vanishes without a trace. There has been no ransom demand, no word from foreign intelligence services, no hint of a defection. But for disgraced MI6 officer Thomas Kell, the crisis offers a chance for redemption. Ordered to find her, Kell's search leads him to an extraordinary secret in Levene's past. A secret that could compromise Britain's national security and cost Kell his life.

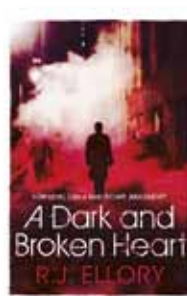
[Scottish, Espionage] 432pp Tp \$29.99



R J Ellory
A Dark and Broken Heart

Vincent Madigan is charming and resourceful, but he's up to his neck in debt to Sandia - the drug king of East Harlem. His latest heist will free Madigan from Sandia's control and allow him to get his life back on track. But things go wrong when Madigan is forced to kill his co-conspirators and a child is shot in the crossfire. Now both Sandia and the collected might of the NYPD are hunting him down and the one cop assigned to lead the case is the last person he expects...

[English, Suspense] 368pp Tp \$29.99



Gordon Ferris
Bitter Water
Douglas Brodie #2

Douglas Brodie, ex-policeman and now newest reporter on the Glasgow Gazette, has no shortage of material for his crime column. But even Brodie balks at his latest subject - a rapist who has been tarred and feathered by a balaclava-clad group. Brodie soon discovers a link between this horrific act and a series of brutal beatings. As violence spreads, Brodie and advocate Samantha Campbell are entangled in a web of deception and savagery.

[Scottish, Journalistic] 304pp Tp \$29.99



Clive Cussler
The Storm
NUMA Files #10

In the Indian Ocean, a NUMA research vessel is suddenly overrun by a swarm of black particles that kills everyone aboard, while the ship itself goes up in flames. A few hours later, Kurt Austin and Joe Zavala are on their way to the Indian Ocean. What they will find there on the smoldering hulk of the ship will eventually lead them to the discovery of the most audacious scheme they have ever known: a plan to permanently alter the weather on a global scale!

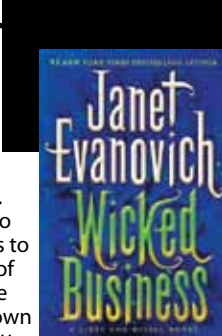
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Janet Evanovich
Wicked Business
Lizzy & Diesel #2

Diesel is a man with mysterious, 'unmentionable' powers. And now he's planning to use these special powers to track down a collection of stones that represent the seven deadly sins, in a town near Salem, Massachusetts. But he needs the help of Lizzy, pastry chef at Dazzle's Bakery, who has the ability to find 'empowered objects'. Once Diesel arrives, her quiet life is turned upside down - and things will never be the same again...

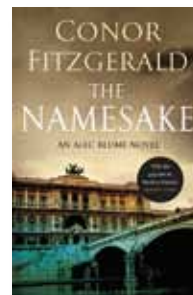
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Conor Fitzgerald
The Namesake
Commissioner Alec Blume #3

When magistrate Matteo Arconti's namesake, an insurance man from Milan, is found dead outside the court buildings in Piazza Clodio, it's a warning to the authorities. Commissioner Alec Blume, all too familiar with Rome's criminal underclass, knows little of the Calabrian mafia currently under investigation by the magistrate. Handing control of the murder inquiry to his partner Caterina Mattiola, Blume goes in search of answers in the deep dark south of Italy...

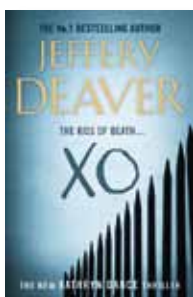
[English, Police Proc.] 368pp Pb \$24.99



Jeffery Deaver
XO
Kathryn Dance #3

Kayleigh Towne is a successful singer-songwriter and Edwin Sharp is her biggest fan. When she replies to one of his fan letters with 'XO', Edwin is convinced she loves him. Nothing Kayleigh or her lawyers can say will persuade him otherwise. Then one of Kayleigh's crew is murdered. Kathryn Dance of the California Bureau of Investigation knows that stalking crimes are not one-off occurrences and she must use her investigative skills to find the killer before more people die.

[American, Suspense] 432pp Tp \$32.99



Stephanie Jaye Evans
Faithful Unto Death
Sugar Land #1

Walker 'Bear' Wells is a former college football player now serving as a minister in Sugar Land, Texas. It's a beautiful community where Bear deals daily with emotional and spiritual problems. But never murder... until a man is found dead on the nearby golf course. Bear's job is praying for the dead, not searching for their killers. But it seems that every time he turns around, another facet of the investigation tangles with his own life.

[American, Suspense] 352pp Pb \$23.95



Gillian Flynn
Gone Girl

On the morning of his fifth wedding anniversary, Nick Dunne's wife Amy suddenly disappears. The police immediately suspect Nick. Amy's friends reveal that she was afraid of him, that she kept secrets from him. He swears it isn't true. A police examination of his computer shows strange searches. He says they aren't his. And then there are the persistent calls on his mobile phone. So what really did happen to Amy? In this novel, marriage is the art of war...

[American, Suspense] 416pp Tp \$29.99



Garry Disher
Whispering Death
Inspector Challis #6

A rapist in a police uniform stalks Hal Challis' Peninsula beat, there is an armed robber headed in his direction and a female cat burglar planning something on Challis's patch. Meanwhile, at the Waterloo Police Station, Challis finds his offsideers have their own issues. Scobie Sutton, still struggling with his wife's depression, is having a career crisis, while something interesting is going on between Constable Pam Murphy and the feisty young sergeant Jeanne Schiff.

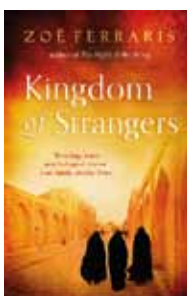
[Australian, Police Proc.] 336pp Pb \$23.95



Zoe Ferraris
Kingdom of Strangers
Katya Hijazi #3

Ibrahim Al-Brehm is a respectable husband and a police inspector on Jeddah's murder squad. But for the past year, he's been having an affair with a woman named Maria. One day, she disappears. Terrified and with nowhere else to turn, Ibrahim goes to Katya, one of the few women on the force. As she ventures into Saudi Arabia's underworld, she uncovers a murder which connects Maria to a human trafficking ring. And the killer is closer to home than she ever imagined...

[American, Police Proc.] 320pp Tp \$29.99



Sissel-Jo Gazan
The Dinosaur Feather

Biology graduate Anna Bella Nor is just two weeks away from defending her thesis on the origin of birds when her supervisor Lars Helland is found dead in his office, a copy of her thesis in his lap. Police Superintendent Soren Marhaug must investigate a multitude of intrigues in the Biology Department of Copenhagen University that seem to be linked not only to the university, but also to Anna herself...

[Danish, Suspense] 400pp Pb \$19.99



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John M Green

Born to Run

Isabel Diaz is set to be the first woman to win the White House. But her chances plummet when a Muslim protégé is accused of syphoning funds to terrorists and, seemingly unrelated, an Australian software whiz is tossed off a London skyscraper. Then, when a TV journalist digs up a dark secret from Isabel's past, her hopes shatter. With the public stunned and only days before the vote, terrorists use the Australian's stolen software to launch an attack on New York City.

[Australian, Police Proc.] 389pp Pb \$22.99



Julia Heaberlin

Playing Dead

After she receives a letter from a woman who claims to be her mother - a letter informing her that she was kidnapped 31 years ago - Tommie McCloud must decipher a past filled with secrets and discover whether she really did have a violent mobster as a father. Soon everything changes and Tommie will have to protect herself from the danger she was whisked away from three decades earlier.

[American, Suspense] 352pp Pb \$23.95



Mari Jungstedt

Dark Angel Anders Knutas #6

After the glamorous party planner Viktor Algard is found murdered at one of his own glitzy events, Inspector Knutas has several leads to follow. But his investigation uncovers a terrifying trail of abuse which forces Knutas to confront his own demons and has devastating consequences for TV journalist Johan Berg and his new wife, Emma.

[Swedish, Police Proc.] 288pp Tp \$32.95

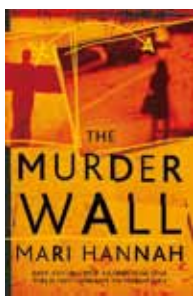


Mari Hannah

The Murder Wall

11 months after discovering a double murder in a sleepy Northumbrian town, Detective Chief Inspector Kate Daniels is still haunted by her failure to solve the case. Then the killing of a man on Newcastle's Quayside gives her another chance to get it right and her first case as Senior Investigating Officer. When she recognises the corpse, but fails to disclose the fact, her personal life swerves dangerously into her professional life. And now she is being watched...

[English, Police Proc.] 420pp Pb \$19.99



David Hewson

The Fallen Angel Nic Costa #9

When British academic Malise Gabriel falls to his death from a Rome apartment, detective Nic Costa realises there is more to the accident than he first thought. It also becomes apparent that the family are keeping vital information hidden. Nic becomes obsessed with the case and as the investigation deepens, Rome's dark and seedy side is uncovered - revealing a web of deceit, treachery and corruption.

[English, Police Proc.] 448pp Pb \$18.99



Joseph Kanon

Istanbul Passage

Istanbul survived WWII as a magnet for refugees and spies. Expatriate American businessman Leon Bauer was drawn into this shadow world, doing undercover jobs and courier runs in support of the Allied war effort. As the espionage community packs up and an apprehensive city prepares for the grim realities of postwar life, Leon is given one last routine assignment. But when the job goes wrong, Leon is plunged into a nightmarish tangle of intrigue and moral uncertainty.

[American, Espionage] 416pp Tp \$29.99



C S Harris

Where Shadows Dance Sebastian St Cyr #6

While hunting a ruthless assassin targeting diplomats, Sebastian discovers that his bride-to-be, Hero Jarvis, knows something about the victims. Something that can get her and their unborn child killed...

[American, Suspense] 351pp Pb \$13.50



Julie Hyzy

Grace Among Thieves Manor of Murder #3

As curator and manager of the Marshfield Manor, Grace Wheaton is delighted to be a part of the estate's magnificent history. But when one guest is shot and another is found murdered, Grace finds herself embarking on an investigation, where it seems that both incidences could be linked to a rash of thefts at various historical sites. And Grace herself might be next on the list!

[American, Cosy] 288pp Pb \$13.50



Lynda La Plante

Blood Line Anna Travis #7

Under the watchful eye of Detective Chief Superintendent James Langton, Anna is given her first case. But is it a full-blown murder investigation or purely a missing person's case? An ominous pool of blood and no victim lead Anna on a hunt for a man who has disappeared without trace. As Anna becomes obsessed with seemingly irrelevant details, Langton fears that she is losing control. They still have no body and Anna is under pressure to make an arrest...

[English, Police Proc.] 528pp Pb \$19.99

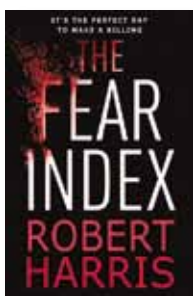


Robert Harris

The Fear Index

Among the inner circle of the ultra-rich, Alex Hoffmann is something of a legend. Based in Geneva, he has developed a revolutionary system that has the power to manipulate financial markets. Generating billions of dollars, it is a system that thrives on panic. One morning, while he lies asleep, an intruder breaches the security of his lakeside home. So begins a waking nightmare of paranoia and violence as he tries to discover who is out to destroy him...

[English, Suspense] 400pp Pb \$19.95



Arnaldur Indridason

Outrage Reykjavik Murders #7

A young man is found dead in a pool of blood. There is no sign of a break-in at his flat. He is wearing a woman's shirt, while a bottle of Rohypnol lies on the table nearby. Detective Elinborg, already struggling to juggle family life and the relentless demands of her job, is assigned to the case. But with no immediate leads to the killer, can she piece together details of the victim's secret life and solve a brutal murder?

[Icelandic, Police Proc.] 400pp Pb \$19.95



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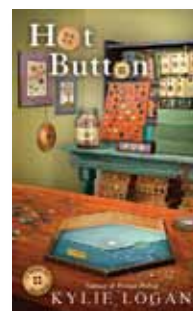
See our competition on the front page.

Kylie Logan

Hot Button Button Box #2

When the guest of honour, Thad Wyant, is found dead in the hotel's linen room, Josie Giancola - the chairwoman of an international conference for button collectors - teams up with Detective Nevin Riley to solve the case. While they are at it, they must also recover Mr Wyant's historic Geronimo button, which has gone missing.

[American, Cosy] 304pp Pb \$13.50

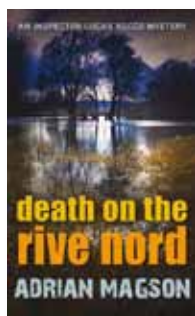


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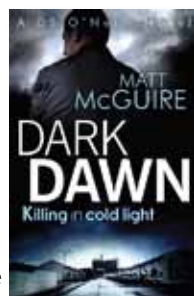


Adrian Magson**Death on the Rive Nord**
Lucas Rocco #2

Picardie, 1963. In the dead of night a truck drops a group of illegal workers by a deserted stretch of canal; days later, one of them is found stabbed to death. Inspector Lucas Rocco is on the case, but trawling the Algerian community for information is a sensitive issue. To add to his problems, among the illegal immigrants is a young woman on the run from her gangster husband, Samir Farek - a man with a big agenda: to take over as gang lord in Paris. *[English, Police Proc.] 416pp Pb \$17.99*

**Matt McGuire****Dark Dawn**
D S O'Neill

Belfast, 2005. Acting Detective Sergeant John O'Neill stands over the body of a dead teenager who bears the hallmarks of a punishment beating. But this is the new Northern Ireland and the troubles are over. O'Neill quickly realises that no one cares who the kid is, making this case one of the toughest yet. But he needs to crack this first job as Principal Investigator, or he risks ending up back in uniform. *[Irish, Police Proc.] 256pp Pb \$24.99*

**Richard North Patterson****The Devil's Light**

A nuclear warhead disappears. A chilling broadcast follows. A country waits in fear. Yet the broadcast deceives. With the world's eyes fixed on America, the true target is dangerously exposed. Agent Brooke Chandler senses the decoy and raises his concern. His superiors are not prepared to listen. Unless he can convince them, one cataclysmic flash of light will signal a dark new dawn of civilisation. *[American, FBI] 504pp Pb \$17.99*

**David Mark****The Dark Winter**

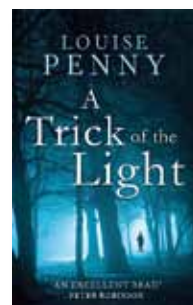
An old man - the only survivor of a fishing trawler tragedy 40 years before - is found murdered at sea. A young girl - the last surviving member of a family slaughtered during the conflict in Sierra Leone - is hacked to death with a machete. A drug addict - who fled the burning house where he had set his family alight - is found incinerated. Somebody is killing sole survivors who have cheated fate. *[English, Police Proc.] 320pp Tp \$27.99*

**Hakan Nesser****Hour of the Wolf**
Inspector Van Veeteren #7

A drunk driver smashes his car into a young man. He abandons the body at the side of the road, but the incident will set in motion a chain of events. Chief Inspector Van Veeteren will face his greatest trial yet as someone close to him is murdered. His former colleagues, desperate for answers, struggle to decipher the clues to this appalling crime. But when another body is discovered, it's clear the killer is acting on their own terrifying logic... *[Swedish, Police Proc.] 256pp Tp \$27.99*

**Louise Penny****A Trick of the Light**
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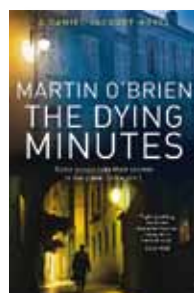
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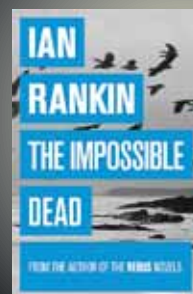
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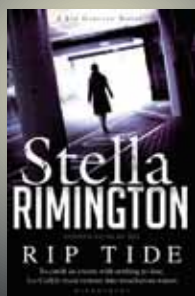


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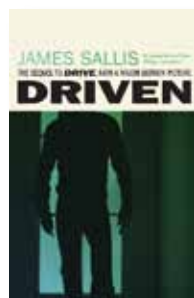
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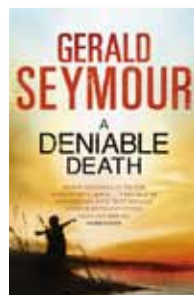


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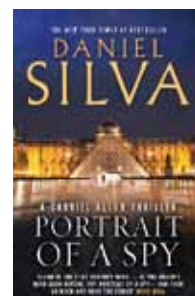


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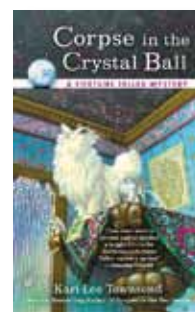


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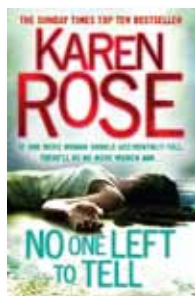


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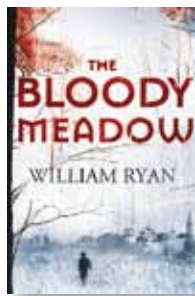


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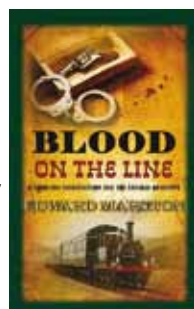
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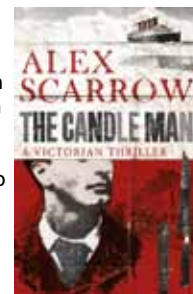
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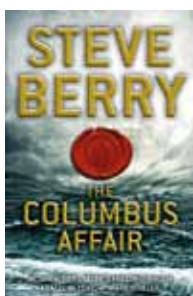
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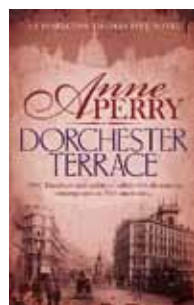
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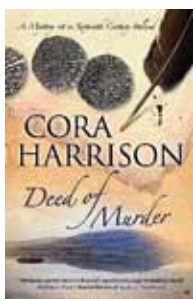
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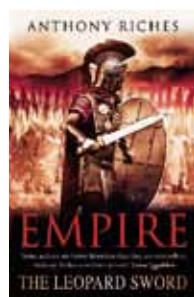
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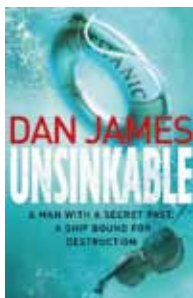
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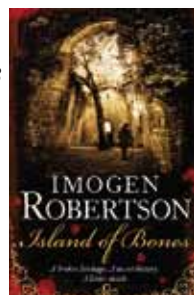
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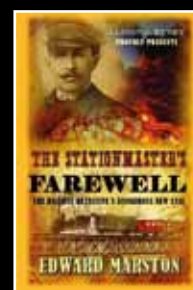
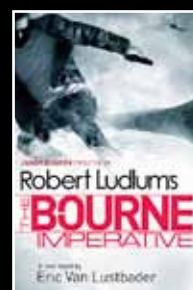
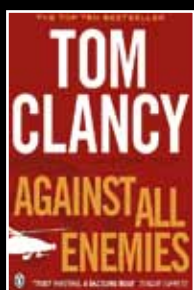
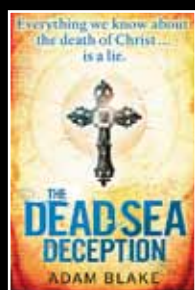
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