



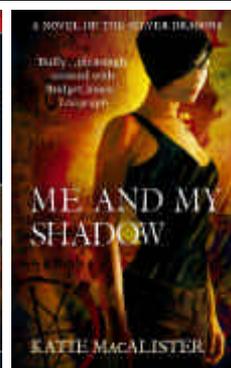
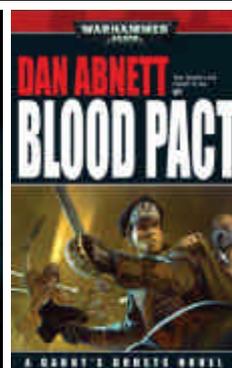
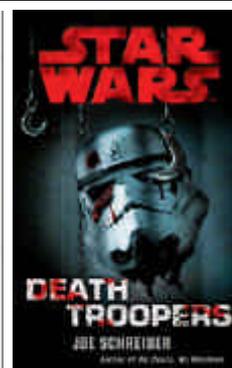
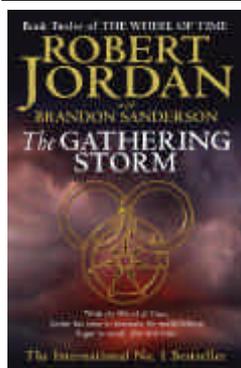
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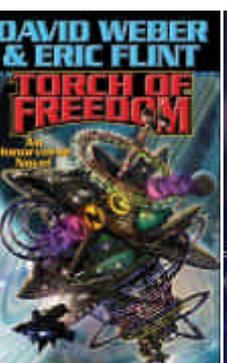
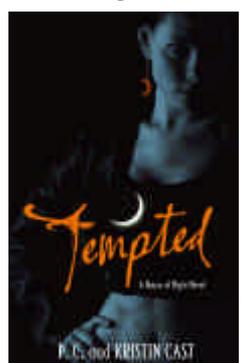
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Featured Books



Robert Jordan
 John Flanagan
 Terry Dowling et al
 Joe Schreiber
 Dan Abnett
 Katie MacAlister
 PC and Kristen Cast
 Steven Erikson
 David Weber & Eric Flint
 Charlaine Harris
 Mike Shepherd
 Dungeons & Dragons

The Gathering Storm The Wheel of Time 12 in trade paperback
Halt's Peril Ranger's Apprentice 9 in paperback
X6 a new Australian anthology trade paperback
Star Wars Death Troopers paperback
Blood Pact Gaunt's Ghosts 12 in hardcover
Me and My Shadow Silver Dragons 3 in paperback
Tempted House of Night in paperback
Dust of Dreams The Malazan Book of the Fallen 9 in trade
Torch of Freedom an Honorverse hardcover
Grave Secret Harper Connolly 4 in trade paperback
Kris Longknife Undaunted book 7 in paperback
Draconomicon 2 a new D&D 4th Edition rulebook



News

Kylie Chan will be visiting Infinitas just before Christmas promoting her new novel *Earth To Hell*. When we have confirmed details we will let you know via our website.

World Fantasy Award 2009 winners have been announced. Best novel was tied between Margo Lanagan's *Tender Morsals* and Jeffery Ford's *The Shadow Year*. Full list <http://www.worldfantasy2009.org/>

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D&D Minis: If you are interested in starting a group playing monthly D&D miniatures at the shop, contact us.

The Glenbrook Players are performing Terry Pratchett's *Wyrd Sisters* in November. See www.glenbrookplayers.com.au or call 02 4739 1110 for more information and to book seats.

Book Reviews

Feel welcome to submit a book review for us to publish here. If you have read a book and have an opinion on it share it with the other readers in our community. Also, in the shop we have several books for which we are seeking reviewers, and would exchange for a review.

Thy Fiefdom Comes by David KoChin reviewed by Tim

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780980663501>

Thy Fiefdom Comes is a young adult fantasy set in the far future after the fall of our modern civilisation. Irresponsible genetic engineering has released competitors to humans – Styne (Neanderthals), Dinosaurs (including T.Rex and Pterosaur dragons), uplifted apes (designed as a slave race) and disease. Geography has shifted but recognisably the story is set in where California used to be, presumably to make this story attractive to an American audience. Our protagonist is Raf, a very responsible and well rounded 17 year old street orphan trying to live true to promises made to his mother before she died. He ekes out a living carting night soil out of town to fertilise fields. The culture is Asian inspired and uses artefacts and music surviving from our modern times. Raf and friends are conscripted for military service, and immediately deployed as a trainee ranger/scout, notably missing out on initial training. Staying alive is a challenge for Raf and his friends.

This is a story of a journey, an expedition of settlers under military escort, a caravan of wagons sent by a struggling small city state to establish a new colony in better lands. The settlers are hoping they are moving away from violently expansionist warring rival states. Unfortunately for them, but giving us readers plenty of plot action, they are pursued by a warband of Styne intent on destruction. The plot rollicks along with encounter after encounter, reminding me of the action in RA Salvatore's Drizt novels, however, not as if inspired by a D&D game, as it is much more of a military story. Thankfully, the military tactics make sense, unlike many other fantasy and SF novels.

In spite of the title, religion is not central to the story. There is a priest and nun attached to the caravan and they perform their ministry loosely based upon catholicism to the settlers and soldiers. Raf is respectful but not devout. It is nice to see religion depicted in novels without the stereotypical assumption of corruption by power. The clerics provide an essential service to the colonists and soldiers, protection from possession through public prayer. Apparently, some of the ruins dotting the landscape are haunted by evil spirits who may attack passers-by. Such attacks do happen in the story. This is the only magic in the story. The soldiers do use and search for ancient artefacts, such as police riot gear, as if they are magic items but they know they are materials beyond their manufacturing ability.

KoChin uses two classes of humour in this novel. Firstly he peppers the text with character names referring to contemporary identities and word plays based on cultural references to movies or Shakespeare. These jokes work and some take a bit of setting up, but come across at the same level as punning. His second class of humour I found much more satisfying; in the stumbling romance of Raf and Miriam (a daughter of one of the wealthy settlers). Their recurring arguments, confounding encounters, witty comments and teasing from friends warms the story immensely.

Despite the post apocalyptic futuristic setting, this story is fantasy. It is not really a coming of age story as Raf starts as a mature teenager, but he does learn much of his world as he starts to carve his place in it. There is ample scope for a sequel or series. It is a story of hopeful people in a harsh world. It would suit a young adult readership, and this includes young at heart grown-ups. Great adventure escapism - a good fun read.



The Ten Most Beautiful Experiments by George Johnson, reviewed by Len Newland

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780099464587>

Science is important, and so are the people who do it. This book is a collection of ten articles by a professional science writer. Citing superstring theory as the epitome of current science, Johnson says "This is fascinating stuff, but so rarefied and confusing - so far over my, or maybe anyone's head - that I began to feel a need for basics." So here he presents experiments first done by ten noted scientists starting with Galileo, seeking simplicity of their equipment coupled with elegance of their thought in teasing out the truths of the universe.

In most cases, he succeeds. Galileo's gravitation experiment and Joule's work-heat experiment are two of the better descriptions, although I found it irritating that having explained Galileo's units of length, Johnson refuses to reveal Galileo's units of time. In other instances, Johnson is less convincing. Galvani's equipment was simple (frog's legs), but he couldn't grasp the answer at his time. Michelson's interferometer wasn't simple and required a grant, and the elegant thought came from Einstein. Lavoisier's wife and Faraday's harridan don't seem relevant, either.

Johnson has provided a particular slant on what has been written elsewhere, and the result is instructive in creative thinking. Readers may find this book inspiring.

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The Gene Thieves by Maria Quinn reviewed by Garry Dalrymple

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780732287177>

I bought this book from the Author at a meet the Author book event held at the Customs house Library, part of the reason for this event was that a pivotal moment of the story in fact takes place at the Customs house Library, as envisaged in the near future. This book is the Author's first published book and I expect that the scenes in the background of the story are places and things that the Author is fond of? It is worth mentioning that Maria Quinn comes to novel writing from 'the trade', in her case copy writing for Advertising and script writing for TV etc., as opposed to the 'Literary' path of Academic credentials or persistent amateur writing attempts?

The book is entirely acceptable as both a Science Fiction story, the consequences of an innovation are explored, and as a mainstream techno-thriller, as there is a crime and a mystery that has to be resolved through the story. The story is this, in a world where the institution of Marriage has been replaced by sequential conjugal contracts and surrogate pregnancies are a reproductive option, a researcher has decoded a genetic pathway to longevity. He is already wealthy, as he has sold to the Japanese Government a patent for blue eyes. He wants to have a child, in effect another child of his late parents. Corporate forces kidnap his child and the ransom demanded is the longevity technology. A dashing UN Science nobbling committee activist, marriage contract lawyers and a Surrogate baby farm collective all become involved. In spite of the 'defeat' of the institution of Marriage, it seems that guilt and divine retribution survive into the future as several 'sinners' get their come-uppance through the book and in the end, the eternal family triumphant? The 'Adventures' are at times James Bond-ish, but under the circumstances they are credible and through the book the body count of incidental figures mounts, there is cross dressing, beach side holidays recalled, a family secret, surfing and Sydney sights, so what's not to like about this book? Maria has finished a second book, which is a non-SF book, although the world that has been created in this book could stand a sequel / prequel?

Conclusion – I recommend this book, and I hope that Maria will be encouraged to write more Science Fictional / Techno thriller books as the genre is enriched by the entry of Writers with 'new to the Genre' writing skills and points of view, also I do have a weakness for Sydney centric SF.

Poison Study by Maria V Snyder reviewed by Len Newland

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781741167689>

I found this fantasy novel unusually absorbing, but I can't really pin down what the story is about. The normal reader hooking features apply, to wit character interest, plot puzzles and suspense. What particularly caught me was that every chapter break is in the middle of a scene. To complete a scene, you must read on into the next chapter, which is short so you finish it leaving an incomplete scene; read on. If this device becomes common, I'm sure readers will become inured to it, but I found it an effective attention holder here.

The protagonist is eighteen-year-old Yelena, legally a murderer, but since the murder ends two years of brutality and rape, the reader strongly sympathises. Yelena's way out of execution is to become the military dictator's food taster, considered a terminal occupation. Storywise, Yelena discovers herself, she develops her physical and mage talents, she tames Errol Flynn, she saves the dictatorship from a coup de d'etat, she escapes the dictatorship. I'm all for multistrand stories, but non seems to dominate here, so the story in question is unclear. I approached the novel warily: the publisher's major imprint is Mills & Boon. Female author, female protagonist, M&B? Fortunately, there is only one brief soppy bit within one of the climax chapters: you read the novel as fantasy, not romance.

There's obviously been a copy editor at work because some errors of English have been corrected, but you can see inconsistencies. There's a slight clunkiness in the introduction with excessive adjectives and double adjectives, and awkward devices like "I looked in the mirror and saw my long black hair: to achieve first person self description. These are minor, by no means the worst I've seen. It bothered me a lot more that two major characters threaten Yelena with death, then say "trust me", and she does? But then, I'm not Yelena.

Overall an entertaining and absorbing read, for which I'd give three stars out of the five in my homegrown system. I particularly liked the way author Snyder has created a fully developed fantasy world, including its political intrigues, but not overburdened the reader with it. Start reading this novel in the morning when you have a full day available.

Bestsellers for October 2009

	<u>General Release</u>		<u>Media and Games Related Titles</u>
<i>The Gathering Storm</i>	Robert Jordan & Brandon Sanderson	<i>Cadian Blood</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Halt's Peril</i>	John Flanagan	<i>Shamanslayer</i>	Warhammer
<i>On The Edge</i>	Ilona Andrews	<i>Blood Pact</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Worlds of Weber</i>	David Weber	<i>Imperial Commando 501st</i>	Star Wars
<i>Unseen Academicals</i>	Terry Pratchett	<i>Innocence Proves Nothing</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>The Last Centurion</i>	John Ringo	<i>Space Wolf Second Omnibus</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Dust of Dreams</i>	Steven Erikson	<i>The Ghost King</i>	Forgotten Realms
<i>Nation</i>	Terry Pratchett	<i>Primal Power</i>	Dungeons & Dragons 4ed
<i>Sense and Sensibility and Sea Monsters</i>	Jane Austen & Ben H Winters	<i>Dungeon Master's Guide 2</i>	Dungeons & Dragons 4ed
		<i>The Soul Key</i>	Star Trek Deep Space 9

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Leatherman: Super Tool 300

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HC = hardcover
TP = trade paperback (C format)
Cass = cassette
CD = compact disc
GN = Graphic Novel, usually TP or BPB
APB = mass market paperback (A format paperback)
BPB = B format paperback approx 20cm x 13cm

Information on the Infinitas Groups

New members always welcome at all the groups, if interested just come along. For current detailed information on these groups, visit our forums.

SF Discussion Group: Meets on the first Thursday of each month (excluding January) at 6.30pm in the shop. A topic is chosen each month by the attendees of the group for the following meeting. Contact the shop for the next topic. Always a lively discussion of science in the news, films, books and ideas. Newcomers welcome. See our website for more info: <http://www.infinitas.com.au/ReadersGroup.php>
Thursday 3rd December 2009: Noir and SF
No January meeting.
Thursday 4th February 2010: Best and Worst of 2009

Review Group: The review group meets on the third Thursday of each month at 6.30pm. Two books (usually one science fiction, one fantasy) are chosen by group members for each meeting with participants encouraged to have read at least one prior to the meeting. The discussion is generally serious and insightful, we usually share a bottle or 2 of wine with cheese – contributions gratefully drunk. All welcome.
<http://www.infinitas.com.au/ReviewGroup.php>
Thursday 19th November 2009

A Shadow in Summer by Daniel Abraham (Fantasy)
Storm Born by Richelle Mead (Urban Fantasy)

Thursday 10th December 2009 Note one week early!
The Gene Thieves by Maria Quinn (SF)
Blood Price by Tanya Huff (Urban Fantasy)

Writers' Group: The group is for people who are currently writing (or even trying to write) science fiction, fantasy and horror related stories and pieces. If you think this might describe you, and you'd like to get involved in a group with others who understand what the genre is about, why not come along. Meetings are the 3rd Saturday of each month.
<http://www.infinitas.com.au/WritersGroup.php>

Monsterpocalypse Gamers:

Monsterpocalypse is a tabletop miniature game for 2 players who each deploy their figurine army of giant monsters rampaging through a cityscape. It is very silly and often humans only rank as collateral damage. Games start 6pm the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month. Register as a player for prize support from Privateer Press. Contact the shop for details.



Dungeon & Dragons Delve Days: Play a short game of 4th edition D&D, one or two encounters only. Pre-prepared characters may be required. Ask us at the shop for details.
4th Saturday morning of each month starting at 10am.

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forums.infinitas.com.au

Miniatures: We are toying with the idea of hosting D&D and or Star Wars minis games at the shop. Ideally we would find someone to lead/organise each group. If interested, talk to us.

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Science Fiction, Fantasy and Horror

Calendar 2010: Star Trek Movie (Star Trek)

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The Star Trek 2010 Wall Calendar captures the spirit of Star Trek with full-color images from the original series featuring the original cast. The calendar also includes actors' birthdays and a center pull-out with original art not found elsewhere. **\$24.95**

Calendar 2010: Star Trek Ships of the Line (Star Trek)

The Star Trek: Ships of the Line 2010 Wall Calendar will continue to delight longtime fans and amaze newcomers with the remarkable artistry demonstrated in its unique, dramatic depictions of the U.S.S. Enterprise and other mighty starships in action. Featuring fourteen pieces of Star Trek art created exclusively for this calendar and not available anywhere else, this calendar is always highly anticipated by loyal Star Trek fans. **\$24.95**

Diary 2010: Tolkien (Tolkien)

J R R Tolkiens THE SILMARILLION is the core work of the Middle-earth canon. It is in this complex masterpiece that the history and background for THE HOBBIT and, particularly, THE LORD OF THE RINGS is documented. It contains fabulous tales of heroes and monsters, and the history of the Elves and of the Silmarils - the magical jewels produced by one of the greatest of the Elves, which were stolen by Morgoth, the first Dark Lord; it tells of the creation of Middle-earth, and the coming of Men into the world; it chronicles the early battles between good and evil, forces of light and dark, which foreshadow the great conflict with Sauron in THE LORD OF THE RINGS. It also includes a version of the tale of the Children of Hrin, and Trins titanic confrontation with the mighty dragon, Glaurung, the agent of Morgoth. These tales of Middle-earth were published posthumously in 1977, and when the book was recently reset, acclaimed Tolkien artist Ted Nasmith was commissioned to produce a total of almost 50 breathtaking paintings to accompany these spectacular stories. It from these that the new Tolkien Diary has been compiled, and these are accompanied by a wealth of information about Tolkien and his works, together with an extensive array of public holidays and notable dates from around the world. **HC \$22.99**

Jonny Duddle & Aly Fell

The Future of Fantasy Art

Offers a full-color collection of the newest and most exciting talent in fantasy art and illustration from around the world, in a book that includes some never-before-presented fantasy art, as well as each artist's inspirations, techniques, and stories behind his or her work. **HC \$60**

Cathy Fenner & Arnie Fenner *Editor*

Spectrum 16: The Best in Contemporary Fantastic Art **TP \$60 HC \$78**

James Gurney

Imaginative Realism: How to Paint What Doesn't Exist

An award-winning fantasy artist and the creator of Dinotopia, James Gurney instructs and inspires in *Imaginative Realism: How to Paint What Doesn't Exist*. Renowned for his uncanny ability to incorporate amazing detail and imagination into stunningly realistic fantasy settings, James Gurney teaches budding artists and fans of fantasy art step-by-step the techniques that won him worldwide critical acclaim.

This groundbreaking work examines the practical methods for creating believable pictures of imaginary subjects, such as dinosaurs, ancient Romans, alien creatures, and distant worlds. **PB \$36.95**

John Howe

Lost Worlds

Lost Worlds draws together John Howe's incredible artwork with a wealth of historical facts and mythological texts to create a visually stunning, classic title. This unique book is a first for John Howe. It is a project which fascinates him entirely, so much so that this is the first subject he has committed himself to write about. **HC \$44.99**

Mr Darcy Vampyre

Amanda Grange's style and wit bring readers back to Jane Austen's timeless storytelling, but always from a very unique and unusual perspective, and now Grange is back with an exciting and completely new take on Mr. Darcy and Elizabeth Bennet.

Mr. Darcy, Vampyre starts where *Pride and Prejudice* ends and introduces a dark family curse so perfectly that the result is a delightfully thrilling, spine-chilling, breathtaking read. A dark, poignant and visionary continuation of Austen's beloved story, this tale is full of danger, darkness and immortal love. **TP \$29.95**

Taylor Anderson

Crusade (Destroyermen 02)

Hurtled through time and space from the World War II Pacific, Lieutenant Commander Matthew Reddy, and the crew of the USS Walker find themselves in a strange alternate world where they and the destroyer Mahan ally themselves with the Lemurians in their battle against the warlike reptilian Grik, who have seized control of the Japanese battleship Amagi.

Lieutenant Commander Matthew Reddy, along with the men and women of the USS Walker, have chosen sides in a war not of their making. Swept from the World War II Pacific into an alternate world, they have allied with the Lemurians - a mammalian race threatened by the warlike reptilian Grik.

The Lemurians are vastly outnumbered and ignorant of warfare, and even the guns and technology of Walker cannot turn the tide of battle. Luckily they are not alone - Reddy finally finds Mahan, the other destroyer that passed through the rift. Together, the two American ships will teach the Lemurians to make a stand. Or so they think.

For the massive Japanese battleship Amagi, the very ship that Walker was fleeing from when the rift took them, has followed them through. And now the Amagi is in the hands of the Grik. **APB \$19.95**

M T Anderson

Feed

Identity crises, consumerism, and star-crossed teenage love in a futuristic society where people connect to the Internet via feeds implanted in their brains.

For Titus and his friends, it started out like any ordinary trip to the moon - a chance to party during spring break and play with some stupid low-grav at the Ricochet Lounge. But that was before the crazy hacker caused all their feeds to malfunction, sending them to the hospital to lie around with nothing inside their heads for days. And it was before Titus met Violet, a beautiful, brainy teenage girl who has decided to fight the feed and its omnipresent ability to categorize human thoughts and desires. Following in the footsteps of George Orwell, Anthony Burgess, and Kurt Vonnegut Jr., M. T. Anderson has created a not-so-brave new world — and a smart, savage satire that has captivated readers with its view of an imagined future that veers unnervingly close to the here and now. **BPB \$19.95**

Piers Anthony

Two to the Fifth (Xanth 32)

The future of Xanth is in frightful peril. A powerful magical bird named Ragna Roc has embarked on a campaign to become absolute ruler of that mystical realm. Those who swear loyalty to him are spared. The rest have simply disappeared.

So powerful are Ragna's sorceries that even the Good Magician Humfrey dares not confront him directly. Instead he enlists Cyrus the Cyborg, a handsome half-human playwright with little knowledge of the world, in a stealthy subterfuge. Cyrus must assemble a troupe of traveling players to attract Ragna's interest. And hidden in disguise among the bevy of beautiful young actresses are the young princesses, Melody, Harmony, and Rhythm, whose magics might just be a match for the evil bird.

But Ragna has planted a spy in the midst of the troupe, one who knows their deepest secrets, including the true nature of Cyrus's forbidden love for one of the young princesses. Only a mysterious child called Kadence, and a cryptic clue - Two to the Fifth" - may give the companions the edge they need to defeat Ragna's dictatorial dreams. **APB \$19.99**

Jennifer Armintrout

Child of Darkness (Lightworld / Darkworld 02)

At a Lightworld royal gala, Queene Ayla announces the betrothal of her daughter, Cerridwen, to a high-ranking councilor. Though strategically brilliant, the engagement comes as a shock—to Cerridwen especially. Infuriated by her mother's high-handedness, ignorant of her own true origins, she flees the court—leaving herself vulnerable to those who would see the Lightworld destroyed.

Amid burgeoning unrest, desperate desires become divided loyalties and terrifying mercenaries lurk in the shadowy space between rebellion and anarchy. **APB \$19.95**

Kelley Armstrong

Living With the Dead (Otherworld 09)

Robyn Peltier has always lived a normal life. So when her boss is murdered and she is named prime suspect, she is way out of her depth. As the bodies pile up only her friend Hope, and Hope's spooky boyfriend Karl, are on her side. Hope, meanwhile, has a few secrets of her own. Namely that she is half-demon, and her 'spooky' boyfriend is actually a werewolf. Hope also knows that Robyn has accidentally stumbled into a bloody supernatural turf war. And the only way she can keep her friend alive is by letting her enter a world she's safer knowing nothing about. **PB \$19.99**

Frostbitten (Otherworld 10)

The Alaskan wilderness is a harsh landscape in the best of conditions, but with a pack of rogue werewolves on the loose, it's downright deadly. Elena Michaels, the American Werewolf Pack's chief enforcer, knows all too well the havoc "mutts" can wreak. When the Pack learns of a series of gruesome maulings and murders outside of Anchorage, Elena and her partner Clay travel to Alaska in the dead of winter, expecting to hunt down a pack of dangerous werewolves. But, trapped in a savage, frozen realm, it is their own untamed nature - and their werewolf heritage - they have to confront... **HC \$34.99**

Keri Arthur Australian Author

Bound to Shadows (Riley Jenson Guardian 08)

At a local vampire club, someone is beheading the clientele, and the peace the Guardians are meant to maintain is getting shaky. Human and vampire fatalities escalate and Riley Jenson - a rare hybrid of werewolf and vampire - finds herself struggling to make sense of the murders and, in particular, her main suspect: the club's owner Dante Starke and his powerful sexual aura. And if things weren't bad enough, she's also torn between her love for Quinn and her connection with the unpredictable werewolf Kye - her soulmate. With the city on the verge of all-out war, Riley must not only capture the killer, but choose between the man she loves and the man she's destined to be with. **PB \$19.99**

Neal Asher

Gridlinked (Polity Agent Cormac 01)

In outer space you can never feel sure that your adversary is altogether human.

The runcible buffers on Samarkand have been mysteriously sabotaged, killing many thousands and destroying a terraforming project. Agent Cormac must reach it by ship to begin an investigation. But Cormac has incurred the wrath of a vicious psychopath called Pelter, who is prepared to follow him across the galaxy with a terrifying android in tow.

Despite the sub-zero temperature of Samarkand, Cormac discovers signs of life: they are two dracomen, alien beasts contrived by an extra-galactic entity calling itself Dragon, which is a huge creature consisting of four conjoined spheres of flesh each a kilometre in diameter. Caught between the byzantine wiles of the Dragon and the lethal fury of Pelter, Cormac needs to skip very nimbly indeed to rescue the Samarkand project and protect his own life. **BPB \$22.99**

Jane Austen & Seth Grahame-Smith

Pride, Prejudice and Zombies Deluxe

'It is a truth universally acknowledged that a zombie in possession of brains must be in want of more brains.' So begins *Pride and Prejudice and Zombies*, an expanded edition of the beloved Jane Austen novel featuring all-new scenes of bone-crunching zombie mayhem. This deluxe heirloom edition includes a new preface by coauthor Seth Grahame-Smith, thirteen oil-painting illustrations by Roberto Parada, and a fascinating afterword by Dr. Allen Grove of Alfred University. Best of all, this limited special edition features an incredible 30 percent more zombies—via even more all-new scenes of carnage, corpse slaying, and cannibalism. Complete with a satin ribbon marker and a leatherette binding designed to endure for generations, this hardcover volume honors a masterpiece of classic zombie literature. **HC \$39.95**

James Axler

Warlord of the Pit (Outlanders 51)

Kane and his band of Cerberus rebels join a beautiful, mysterious guerilla leader in her fight against a relentless army of demons who are kidnapping humans and taking them into their subterranean netherworld. **APB \$17.95**

Kage Baker

House of the Stag

Before the Riders came to their remote valley the Yendri led a tranquil pastoral life. When the Riders conquered and enslaved them, only a few escaped to the forests. Rebellion wasn't the Yendri way; they hid or passively resisted, taking consolation in the prophecies of their spiritual leader. Only one possessed the necessary rage to fight back: Gard the foundling, half-demon, who began a one-man guerrilla war against the Riders. His struggle ended in the loss of the family he loved, and condemnation from his own people. Exiled, he was taken as a slave by powerful mages.

Bitter and wiser, he finds more subtle ways to earn his freedom. This is the story of his rise to power, his vengeance, his unlikely redemption, and his maturation into a loving father—as well as a lord and commander of demon armies. Kage Baker, author of the popular and witty fantasy, *The Anvil of the World*, returns to that magical world for another story of adventure, love, and a fair bit of ironic humor. **TP \$30.95**

Peter M Ball *Australian Author*

Horn

There's a dead girl in a dumpster and a unicorn on the loose – and no-one knows how bad that combination can get better than Miriam Aster. What starts as a consulting job for city homicide quickly becomes a tangled knot of unexpected questions, and working out the link between the dead girl and the unicorn will draw Aster back into the world of the exiled fey she thought she'd left behind ten years ago. All in all, Miriam Aster isn't happy. The last time she worked a case like this it cost her a badge, a partner, and her life.

This time things are going to get much, much worse.

Dead girls and unicorns? How warped can this get? **BPB \$10**

D D Barant

Dying Bites (Bloodhound Files)

Introducing the bold new Bloodhound Files series – and a novel that will knock you out of this world...

Her job description is the tracking and apprehension of mentally-fractured killers. What this really means in FBI profiler Jace Valchek's brave new world – one in which only one percent of the population is human – is that a woman's work is never done. And real is getting stranger every day...

Jace has been ripped from her reality by David Cassius, the vampire head of the NSA. He knows that she's the best in the business, and David needs her help in solving a series of gruesome murders of vampires and werewolves. David's world – one that also includes lycanthropes and golems – is one with little knowledge of mental illness. An insane serial killer is a threat the NSA has no experience with. But Jace does. Stranded in a reality where Bela Lugosi is a bigger box office draw than Bruce Willis and every full moon is Mardi Gras, Jace must now hunt down a fellow human before he brings the entire planet to the brink of madness. Or she may never see her own world again... **APB \$14.99**

Elizabeth Bear

By the Mountain Bound

For five hundred years the immortal Children of the Light, einherjar and valkyrie, have lived together in the North of Valdyrgard. They were born out of the Sea, each with a shining crystal sword in his or her hand; they are Angels of Light created in the formation of a new world. But three have come before them, from the death-throes of the old world, Midgard: the world-girdling Serpent, Bearer of Burdens; the Wolf Fenris, eater of the Sun, who now takes the form of an einherjar; and his demon sister, stealer of souls.

The Children spend their days feasting, fighting, hunting, and guarding their human charges. But one dreadful day a woman is washed up from the sea, a Lady who is no mortal, though she is not valkyrie either. Thus begins the breaking of the Children of the Light, the tarnishing of their power, and the death of Valdyrgard.

By the Mountain Bound is a prequel to Elizabeth Bear's highly acclaimed *All the Windracked Stars*, and tells the painful tale of love and betrayal, sorcery and battle, that led up to the day when Muire was left alone in the snow at the end of the world. **HC \$52.95**

C F Bentley

Harmony

Within a space opera landscape, *Harmony* explores the spirituality of a different human culture bound by a rigid caste system. *Laudae Sissy*, the new High Priestess of the world called *Harmony*, reaches across all seven castes of her society, seeking a new unity that will protect their isolation from the rest of the galaxy. But other cultures and races are testing their borders, searching for the most valuable commodity in civilized space. *Sissy's* quest leads her through a quagmire of human motivations in search of a new understanding of life upon *Harmony's* Path. **APB \$12.95**

Deborah Biancotti *Australian Author*

A Book Of Endings

I. End of days; Diamond Shell; Number 3 Raw Place; Hush; Seven Ages of the Protagonist; Silicon Cast; Stone by Stone; Pale Dark Soldier

II. End of the World; Coming Up for Air; Watertight Lies; The Distance Keeper; Six Suicides; Life's Work; The Tailor of Time; King of All and the Metal Sentinels

III. End of an Era; Problems of Light and Dark; The First and Final Game; Stealing Free; Summa Seltza Missive; The Razor Salesman; The Dying Light; This Time, Longing **BPB \$27.95**

Alex Bledsoe

Burn Me Deadly (Eddie LaCrosse)

Alex Bledsoe's first novel, *The Sword-Edged Blonde*, drew rave reviews for its ingenious blend of fantasy and hard-boiled detective fiction. Now Bledsoe returns with an all-new tale of mean streets and medieval intrigue.

Above Angelina's Tavern in down-and-dirty Necedo you'll find the office of Eddie LaCrosse, a freelance sword jockey who, for twenty-five gold pieces a day, will take on any task short of murder for hire. Eddie's on his way back from a routine investigation when his horse almost runs down a half-naked blonde in serious trouble. Against his better judgment, he promises to protect the frightened young woman, only to find himself waylaid by unknown assailants and left for dead beside her mutilated body.

Eddie isn't the kind of guy to just let something like this pass. But who killed Laura Lesperitt? Eddie's quest for payback leads him to a tangled mystery involving a notorious crime lord, a backwoods dragon cult, royal scandals, and a duplicitous femme fatale who has trouble keeping her clothes on. As bodies pile up, attracting the unwelcome attention of the king's guards, Eddie must use all his wits if he hopes to survive. **HC \$51.95**

Courtney Bowman & Anne Frasier

Nightlight (Twilight)

About three things I was absolutely certain. First, Edwart was most likely my soul mate, maybe. Second, there was a vampire part of him-which I assumed was wildly out of his control-that wanted me dead. And third, I unconditionally, irrevocably, impenetrably, heterogeneously, gynecologically, and disreputably wished he had kissed me. And thus Belle Goose falls in love with the mysterious and sparkly Edwart Mullen in the Harvard Lampoons hilarious send-up of *Twilight*. Pale and klutzy, Belle arrives in *Switchblade*, Oregon looking for adventure, or at least an undead classmate. She soon discovers Edwart, a super-hot computer nerd with zero interest in girls. After witnessing a number of strange events-Edwart leaves his tater tots untouched at lunch! Edwart saves her from a flying snowball!-Belle has a dramatic revelation: Edwart is a vampire. But how can she convince Edwart to bite her and transform her into his eternal bride, especially when he seems to find girls so repulsive? Complete with romance, danger, insufficient parental guardianship, creepy stalker-like behavior, and a vampire prom, *Nightlight* is the uproarious tale of a vampire-obsessed girl, looking for love in all the wrong places. **BPB \$14.99**

Steven R Boyett

Elegy Beach (Ariel 02)

Thirty years after the cities went dark and the laws of humanity were replaced by magic, Fred Garey's friend Yan thinks he's found a way to reverse the Change in this long-awaited sequel to *Ariel*. **HC \$51.95**

Charles Brokaw*The Atlantis Code*

A thrill-seeking Harvard linguistics professor and an ultrasecret branch of the Catholic Church go head-to-head in a race to uncover the secrets of the lost city of Atlantis. The ruins of the technologically-advanced, eerily-enigmatic ancient civilization promise their discoverer fame, fortune, and power... but hold earth-shattering secrets about the origin of man.

While world-famous linguist and archaeologist, Thomas Lourds, is shooting a film that dramatizes his flamboyant life and scientific achievements, satellites spot impossibly ancient ruins along the Spanish coast. Lourds knows exactly what it means: the Lost Continent of Atlantis has been found. The race is on, and Lourds' challengers will do anything to get there first.

Whoever controls the Lost Continent will control the world. **HC \$52.95**

Jim Butcher*Death Masks (Dresden Files 05)*

Professional wizard Harry Dresden finds himself dueling a lethal champion of the Red Court, being used for target practice by hit men and identifying a handless and headless corpse, while his girlfriend struggles with her semi-vampiric nature.

Read by James Marsters. **CD - Unabridged \$95 HC \$51.95**

Shannon K Butcher*Finding the Lost (Sentinel Wars)*

Andra Madison, a warrior devoted to finding children taken by the Synestryn, walks straight into a trap when she is hired to find a lost little boy, and must place her trust in a man who will do anything to possess her. **PB \$19.95**

Love You To Death

Elise McBride is terrified. Her little sister Ashley hasn't returned a single one of her phone messages in days. Now, with fear in her heart, Elise has no choice but to break into her house to check on her. But the eerily empty house does nothing to calm Elise's fears...and neither does the gorgeous neighbor who scares her to death. Ex-cop Trent Brady hasn't seen his neighbor Ashley in a few days so when he hears an intruder in her house, he charges in to make sure she's safe. The last thing he wanted was to get dragged into this family drama, but one look at the fear in Elise's eyes and Trent can't resist. He offers Elise his help to find her beloved missing sister. But Ashley isn't the only woman who's missing. A serial killer is on the loose, watching his prey's every step and waiting for the right moment to make them his. His goal: to find the perfect woman. The problem: no woman can satisfy him. But one look at Elise and he thinks perfection is finally within his reach. Can Trent keep her safe? Or will Elise be the next victim? **PB \$14.99**

Orson Scott Card*The Authorized Ender Companion (Ender)*

The Authorized Ender Companion is a complete and in-depth encyclopedia of all the persons, places, things and events in Orson Scott Card's Ender Universe. Written by Jake Black under the editorial supervision of Card himself, The Authorized Ender Companion will be an invaluable resource for readers of the series. If you ever wondered where Ender went after he left Earth, before he arrived at Lusitania, you'll find the answer here. If you ever wondered how the battle room worked, you'll find the answer here. If you forgot the names of the people were who discovered the descolada, the answer is here. The history of Gloriously Bright's world? Here. The Authorized Ender Companion contains all that and more. There are character biographies, time-lines, colony histories, and family trees. **HC \$51.95**

Jacqueline Carey*Santa Olivia*

Loup Garron was born and raised in Santa Olivia, an isolated, disenfranchised town next to a US military base inside a DMZ buffer zone between Texas and Mexico. A fugitive "Wolf-Man" who had a love affair with a local woman, Loup's father was one of a group of men genetically-manipulated and used by the US government as a weapon. The "Wolf-Men" were engineered to have superhuman strength, speed, sensory capability, stamina, and a total lack of fear, and Loup, named for and sharing her father's wolf-like qualities, is marked as an outsider.

After her mother dies, Loup goes to live among the misfit orphans at the parish church, where they seethe from the injustices visited upon the locals by the soldiers. Eventually, the orphans find an outlet for their frustrations: They form a vigilante group to support Loup Garron who, costumed as their patron saint, Santa Olivia, uses her special abilities to avenge the town.

Aware that she could lose her freedom, and possibly her life, Loup is determined to fight to redress the wrongs her community has suffered. And like the reincarnation of their patron saint, she will bring hope to all of Santa Olivia. **TP \$28.95**

Eoin Colfer*And Another Thing... (CD) (Hitchhikers 06 (CD))*

An Englishman's continuing search through space and time for a decent cup of tea . . . **CD \$39.95**

John Connolly*Book of Lost Things*

'Once upon a time, there was a boy who lost his mother . . .' As twelve-year-old David takes refuge from his grief in the myths and fairytales so beloved of his dead mother, he finds the real world and the fantasy world begin to blend. That is when bad things start to happen. That is when the Crooked Man comes. And David is violently propelled into a land populated by heroes, wolves and monsters, his quest to find the legendary Book of Lost Things. **PB \$22.99**

Gates

A strange novel for strange young people. Young Samuel Johnson and his dachshund Boswell are trying to show initiative by trick-or-treating a full three days before Hallowe'en. Which is how they come to witness strange goings-on at 666 Crowley Avenue. The Abernathys don't mean any harm by their flirtation with Satanism. But it just happens to coincide with a malfunction in the Large Hadron Collider that creates a gap in the universe. A gap in which there is a pair of enormous gates. The gates to Hell. And there are some pretty terrifying beings just itching to get out . . . Can Samuel persuade anyone to take this seriously? Can he harness the power of science to save the world as we know it? **TP \$29.99**

Glen Cook*The Return of the Black Company (Black Company Glittering Stone 01, 02)*

Omnibus of Bleak Seasons and She is the Darkness.

Let me tell you who I am, on the chance that these scribbles do survive. . . .

I am Murgen, Standardbearer of the Black Company, though I bear the shame of having lost that standard in battle. I am keeping these Annals because Croaker is dead, One-Eye won't, and hardly anyone else can read or write. I will be your guide for however long it takes the Shadowlanders to force our present predicament to its inevitable end.... **TP \$32.95**

Deborah Cooke*Winter Kiss (Dragonfire 04)*

To redeem himself and end his suffering, Delaney, exiled due to his dangerous impulses, sets out to destroy the mysterious Dragon's Blood Elixir to save the Pyr from Magnus, their greatest enemy, but is distracted from his mission by feisty Ginger Sinclair. **PB \$19.95**

Brenda Cooper*Wings of Creation*

Joseph has succeeded in rescuing his sister, Chelo, from a pitched battle on the colony planet Fremont. Now he and Chelo and the love of his life, Alicia, and all of their extended family, are finally returning home. Halfway there, a probe intercepts them, sending them new coordinates and a message from Joseph's enigmatic supporter and teacher, Marcus. War is brewing.

Joseph is wanted for escaping to save Chelo. To stay safe, Joseph must bring his family and friends to the renowned planet of Lopali, where men and women can fly, and peace and freedom abound. Or do they? Alicia has always wanted to fly, but the modifications that give humans wings kill as often as they work. Joseph must learn to actually change humans, to free the fliers of a tyranny that has enslaved them, since their species was born. If he can do this, the fliers have agreed to help him stop the war. But it's not as easy as it seems. **HC \$56.95**

Carlos J Cortes*The Prisoner*

When idealist Laurel Cole infiltrates Washington, D.C.'s maximum security "sugar cube" to expose its deadly secrets and break out one special inmate, she soon discovers that she is in way over her head. **PB \$19.95**

Jack Dann Australian Author*The Memory Cathedral*

In a masterpiece of historical fantasy that triumphantly melds fact and fiction, Jack Dann offers his own thrilling secret history of a lost year in Leonardo da Vinci's life. He begins with a wildly imaginative bit of speculation: what if Leonardo, who was obsessed with flight and who conceived brilliant blueprints for the first flying machines, didn't stop with his designs? What if, during that missing year, he actually built and flew his marvellous machine - five hundred years before the Wright Brother's legendary flight at Kitty Hawk?

The Memory Cathedral magically recreates the world of Renaissance Italy, following Leonardo as he sets out on a mythic journey to a destiny - and an adventure - that might have been. Filled with extraordinary, authentic detail, and rich with historic figures that live and breathe with spellbinding immediacy, The Memory Cathedral is a marvel of craftsmanship and style that captures the essence of fifteenth century Italy and the opulent Middle East. **BPB \$22.95**

Marianne de Pierres Australian Author*Mirror Space (Sentients of Orion 03)*

Araldis is still under occupation by hostile forces, and with the Orion League of Sentient Species seemingly unable - or unwilling - to help, Mira Fedor is forced to turn to the mercenary captain, Rast Randall, if she is to save her planet. But while Rast's contacts may be free of political constraints, what they lack in red tape they more than make up for in ruthlessness. As some of their hidden strategies are revealed, others become even more opaque. Why have the philosophers of Sclar been targeted? How far does the Extropist influence extend into Orion space? From Lasper Farr, the Stain War veteran and ruler of the junk planet Edo, to the Sole initiates at Belle Monde to Rast herself, everyone is pursuing their own agenda. But are they really separate goals? Or are events rushing to a single, terrifying conclusion. . . ? **APB \$19.99**

A M Dellamonica*Indigo Springs*

Indigo Springs is a sleepy town where things seem pretty normal . . . until Astrid's father dies and she moves into his house. She discovers that for many years her father had been accessing the magic that flowed, literally, in a blue stream beneath the earth, leaking into his house. When she starts to use the liquid "vitagua" to enchant everyday items, the results seem innocent enough: a "'chanted" watch becomes a charm that means you're always in the right place at the right time; a "'chanted" pendant enables the wearer to convince anyone of anything . . .

But as events in Indigo Springs unfold and the true potential of vitagua is revealed, Astrid and her friends unwittingly embark on a journey fraught with power, change, and a future too devastating to contemplate. Friends become enemies and enemies become friends as Astrid discovers secrets from her shrouded childhood that will lead her to a destiny stranger than she could have imagined . . . **TP \$30.95**

Alan DeNiro*Total Oblivion, More or Less*

The award-nominated author of *Skinny Dipping in the Lake of the Dead* presents the story of 16-year-old Macy, whose quiet life in Minnesota is turned upside-down by a series of seemingly impossible phenomena, from wasp-borne plagues to talking dogs. **TP \$30.95**

Cory Doctorow*Makers*

Perry and Lester invent things—seashell robots that make toast, Boogie Woogie Elmo dolls that drive cars. They also invent entirely new economic systems, like the "New Work," a New Deal for the technological era. Barefoot bankers cross the nation, microinvesting in high-tech communal mini-startups like Perry and Lester's. Together, they transform the country, and Andrea Fleeks, a journo-turned-blogger, is there to document it.

Then it slides into collapse. The New Work bust puts the dot.combomb to shame. Perry and Lester build a network of interactive rides in abandoned Wal-Marts across the land. As their rides, which commemorate the New Work's glory days, gain in popularity, a rogue Disney executive grows jealous, and convinces the police that Perry and Lester's 3D printers are being used to run off AK-47s.

Hordes of goths descend on the shantytown built by the New Workers, joining the cult. Lawsuits multiply as venture capitalists take on a new investment strategy: backing litigation against companies like Disney. Lester and Perry's friendship falls to pieces when Lester gets the 'fatkins' treatment, turning him into a sybaritic gigolo.

Then things get really interesting. **HC \$51.95**

David Drake*Complete Hammer's Slammers Volume 1 (Hammer's Slammers)*

With a veteran's eye for the harsh and gritty details of war, David Drake depicts a futuristic analog of tank combat in his Hammer's Slammers fiction. The Slammers are neither cartoon heroes nor propaganda villains; rather they are competent professionals engaged in a deadly business. The inevitable conflicts between policy, necessity, and human nature make Drake's Slammers fiction instantly identifiable and utterly compelling. This is the first of a three volume set presenting for the first time the entire genre-defining Slammers series in a uniform trade paperback set, with new introductions by major SF figures and new afterwords by David Drake. Each volume will also include a Slammers story not collected in previous Slammer's books. **TP \$24.95**

Steven Erikson*Dust of Dreams (Malazan Book of the Fallen 09)*

On the Letherii continent the exiled Malazan army commanded by Adjunct Tavore begins its march into the eastern Wastelands, to fight for an unknown cause against an enemy it has never seen.

The fate awaiting the Bonehunters is one no soldier can prepare for, and one no mortal soul can withstand - the foe is uncertainty and the only weapon worth wielding is stubborn courage. In war everyone loses, and this brutal truth can be found in the eyes of every soldier in every world.

Destinies are never simple. Truths are neither clear nor sharp. The Tales of the Malazan Book of the Fallen are drawing to a close in a distant place, beneath indifferent skies, as the last great army of the Malazan Empire seeks a final battle in the name of redemption. Final questions remain to be answered: can one's deeds be heroic when no one is there to see it? Can that which is unwitnessed forever change the world? The answers await the Bonehunters, beyond the Wastelands... **TP \$39.95**

John Everson*The 13th*

When his girlfriend goes missing from Castle House Lodge, a private asylum for pregnant women, David Shale, determined to find the truth behind the mysterious Dr. Rockford and his house of secrets, discovers an unholy place consumed by evil. **PB \$19.95**

Dirk Flinthart Australian Author*Angel Rising*

The New Ceres planetary charter forbids the use of all modern technology. Law confines the people to the ways of 18th Century Earth. But beneath the surface, rebellion and revolution simmer constantly.

Proctor George Gordon, a hidden protector of New Ceres, knows all too well how easily these can bubble over, but nothing can prepare him for interstellar warfare in his own technologically challenged backyard.

What odd coincidence brings him to the Sunrise Isles to be confronted by ninja and warrior nuns? Who is the strange but compelling amnesiac girl he finds in the convent, and what do the offworld nations want with her? And how can he really be sure who to trust? **TP \$10**

Matt Forbeck*Amortals*

Today you die. Today you are reborn. Today you hunt the man who killed you.

It's Lee Child vs. Altered Carbon in a high-tech blast of tough-as-nails future thrills. Matt Forbeck arrives as the new king of high-concept - with a blockbuster action movie in a book.

In the near future, scientists solve the problem of mortality by learning how to backup and restore a person's memories into a vat-bred clone. When Secret Service agent Ronan "Methuselah" Dooley is brutally murdered, he's brought back from the dead to hunt his killer, and in doing so uncover a terrible conspiracy. **APB \$20.99**

Diana Pharaoh Francis*Bitter Night (Horngate Witches 01)*

Sometimes you choose your battles. And sometimes, they choose you...

Once, Max dreamed of a career, a home, a loving family. Now all she wants is freedom...and revenge. A witch named Giselle transformed Max into a warrior with extraordinary strength, speed, and endurance. Bound by spellcraft, Max has no choice but to fight as Giselle's personal magic weapon -- a Shadowblade -- and she's lethally good at it. But her skills are about to be put to the test as they never have before...

The ancient Guardians of the earth are preparing to unleash widespread destruction on the mortal world, and they want the witches to help them. If the witches refuse, their covens will be destroyed, including Horngate, the place Max has grudgingly come to think of as home. Max thinks she can find a way to help Horngate stand against the Guardians, but doing so will mean forging dangerous alliances -- including one with a rival witch's Shadowblade, who is as drawn to Max as she is to him -- and standing with the witch she despises. Max will have to choose between the old life she still dreams of and the warrior she has become, and take her place on the side of right -- if she survives long enough to figure out which side that is....

APB \$19.95

Ava Gray*Skin Game*

Kyra, a con artist who can steal her target's strongest skill for a limited time, will stop at nothing to avenge her father's murder and, after pulling off the ultimate con, must play a dangerous--and seductive--game with a hired killer **PB \$19.95**

Ed Greenwood*Dark Vengeance*

Orivon Firefist was captured as a six-year-old child by the Nilfgar -- the dark elves -- who attacked his village by night on one of their surface raids.

Fifteen years later, he was a moon-pale, scarred, muscular giant of a man, who spent his days at forgework for a dark elf family. He had been trained (and flogged and ordered about) by the beautiful Tsarnarra, a lash-wielding matron who is icily cruel, but proud of the slaves that she has trained.

Through all of this, Orivon's spirit had never been broken and he rose up and opposed his underworld tyrants. He has successfully returned to the surface world home that he thought only existed in his most distant dreams.

But the score is far from settled. Years of oppression and new revelations of the dark deeds of his former captors only fuel his forge of rage. And the fact that their evil still permeates the underworld only intensifies his desire for a dark vengeance. **APB \$14.99**

Kate Griffin*The Midnight Mayor (Matthew Swift 02)*

It's said that if the ravens ever leave the Tower of London, then the Tower will crumble and the kingdom will fall. As it happens, that's not so far from the truth... One by one, the magical wards that guard the city are failing: the London Wall defiled with cryptic graffiti, the ravens found dead at the Tower, the London Stone destroyed. This is not good news. This array of supernatural defences - a mix of international tourist attractions and forgotten urban legends - formed a formidable magical shield. Protection for the City of London against...well, that's the question, isn't it? What could be so dangerous as to threaten an entire city? Against his better judgement, resurrected sorcerer Matthew Swift is about to find out. And if he's lucky, he might just live long enough to do something about it... **PB \$22.99**

Christmas is coming, so why not start a wish list. Submit an order online or in person with the comment "wish list". Then you can send your relatives or friends in to buy something from your list. We'll remove each item as purchased for you so you don't get duplicates, and you do get something you want. And you get points. We do this year round.

Simon Hammond*CEO of Earth*

How, given the chance, would you market planet Earth as the ultimate tourist destination?

Fysh Reynolds, 25-year-old MBA grad and internet superstar, must answer this question when his part-time job playing Ronald McDonald at kids' birthday parties thrusts him into an unexpected position of power.

When aliens land on Earth, they mistake the golden arches to be our most prolific centre of authority and assume Fysh -- dressed as Ronald -- to be leader of the free world. The aliens' mission: to establish Earth as a premium travel destination for intergalactic tourists.

Fysh, a gen Y marketing prodigy, is charged with creating the most powerful brand in the universe: Brand Earth. This fun, quirky and irreverent business fable unravels the mystery of why some brands have the power to inspire deep and primal emotions in consumers that make products legendary and their developers filthy rich. CEO of Earth is a blueprint for marketers who want to engage the philosophies that have propelled the world's most celebrated brands to greatness. **PB \$24.95**

Lori Handeland*Apocalypse Happens (Phoenix Chronicles 03)*

Elizabeth Phoenix is one of a select few with the power to battle those who have escaped from the darkest level of hell—demons bent on destroying humanity and reclaiming earth once and for all. Liz is determined to stop yet another Doomsday. But this time, it's going to be more difficult than ever because someone she thought was dead isn't dead anymore...and is bound and determined to destroy Liz and everyone she loves in the upcoming Apocalypse.

Liz has arrived in Los Angeles to ferret out a nest of varcolacs: half human, half dragon creatures who crave the destruction of the sun and moon. But before she can prevent the kind of eclipse that would bring the world to an end, Liz must mine the depths of her own heart. She and her former lover Jimmy Sanducci have some personal demons to battle—and there's always her mentor, the Navajo shaman Sawyer. Is he on their side or isn't he? In the end, the three of them must find a way to fight together...or perish alone. **APB \$19.95**

Charlaine Harris*Grave Secret (Harper Connolly 04)*

Sleuth Harper Connelly and her stepbrother Tolliver take a break from looking for the dead to travel to Texas, where horrible childhood memories resurface, and Harper discovers what happened to her missing sister. **HC \$51.95 TP \$29.99**

Carolyn Hart*Merry, Merry Ghost (Bailey Ruth Raeburn 02)*

When a determined heir moves to block a wealthy woman's attempt to include her newly discovered grandson in her will, it is up to good-intentioned ghost Bailey Ruth Raeburn to protect a little boy, foil a murderer, and save Christmas, in a book by the author of *Ghost at Work*. **HC \$32.95**

Colin Harvey*Winter Song*

When his spaceship crashes on an unknown and forgotten planet, scientist Karl Allman discovers himself hunted by an ancient race. The descendants of a Viking race have reverted to a savage culture of sacrifice, pillage and violence. When Karl falls in love with an outcast girl, he has only one goal: escape. But escape is a distant dream on this nightmare planet. **BPB \$22.99**

Robert E Howard*Heroes in the Wind: From Kull to Conan*

Cunning thief, captain of mercenaries and corsairs, lover of sultry temptresses, Conan follows his destiny into demon-haunted treasure towers and across the plains of death. And at last, like Kull before him, he slashes his name across the scrolls of royalty as King Conan, usurper-lord of imperial Aquilonia. **BPB \$26.95**

Morgan Howell*Candle in the Storm (Shadowed Path 02)*

United by a love like no other, Honnis, a great warrior, and Yim, a beautiful former slave gifted with divine power, are the only two people that can stop Lord Bahl and his apocalyptic bloodbath that will literally bring hell to earth. **APB \$19.95**

Stephen Hunt*The Rise of the Iron Moon (03)*

Born into captivity as a product of the Royal Breeding House, friendless orphan Purity Drake suddenly finds herself on the run with a foreign vagrant after accidentally killing one of her guards.

Her strange rescuer claims he is on the run himself from terrible forces who mean to enslave the Kingdom of Jackals as they conquered his own nation. Purity doubts his story, until reports begin to filter through from Jackals' neighbours of the terrible Army of Shadows, marching across the continent and sweepign all before them.

But there's more to Purity than meets the eye. As Jackals girds itself for war against an army of near-unkillable beasts serving an ancient evil with a terrible secret, it soon becomes clear that their only hope is a strange little royalist girl and the last, desperate plan of an escaped slave. **BPB \$22.99**

J C Hutchins*7th Son: Descent*

As America reels from the bizarre presidential assassination committed by a child, seven men are abducted from their normal lives and delivered to a secret government facility. Each man has his own career, his own specialty. All are identical in appearance. The seven strangers were grown---unwitting human clones---as part of a project called 7th Son.

The government now wants something from these "John Michael Smiths." They share the flesh as well as the implanted memories of the psychopath responsible for the president's murder. The killer has bigger plans, and only these seven have the unique qualifications to track and stop him. But when their progenitor makes the battle personal, it becomes clear he may know the seven better than they know themselves. **TP \$30.95**

Robert Jordan & Teresa Patterson*The World of Robert Jordan's the Wheel of Time (Wheel of Time)*

Since the debut of Robert Jordan's internationally bestselling series in 1990, *The Wheel of Time* has transported readers to a world so strikingly real, so rich in detail and complexity, it seems to rise from memory rather than a printed page. This essential companion to *The Wheel of Time* is for the millions interested in the history and the background of this incredible series-never-before-told legends, previously unknown peoples and lands, exotic beasts, and portents of what may come to pass.

With more than seventy new full-color paintings that include stunning new world maps, portraits of the central characters, landscapes, objects of Power, and national flags, this comprehensive guide is indispensable to any Robert Jordan fan **TP \$45.95**

Robert Jordan & Brandon Sanderson

Gathering Storm (Wheel of Time 12)

Tarmon Gai'don, the Last Battle, looms. And mankind is not ready.

The final volume of the Wheel of Time, *A Memory of Light*, was partially written by Robert Jordan before his untimely passing in 2007. Brandon Sanderson, New York Times bestselling author of the Mistborn books, was chosen by Jordan's editor--his wife, Harriet McDougal--to complete the final book. The scope and size of the volume was such that it could not be contained in a single book, and so Tor proudly presents *The Gathering Storm* as the first of three novels that will make up *A Memory of Light*. This short sequence will complete the struggle against the Shadow, bringing to a close a journey begun almost twenty years ago and marking the conclusion of the Wheel of Time, the preeminent fantasy epic of our era.

In this epic novel, Robert Jordan's international bestselling series begins its dramatic conclusion. Rand al'Thor, the Dragon Reborn, struggles to unite a fractured network of kingdoms and alliances in preparation for the Last Battle. As he attempts to halt the Seanchan encroachment northward--wishing he could form at least a temporary truce with the invaders--his allies watch in terror the shadow that seems to be growing within the heart of the Dragon Reborn himself.

Egwene al'Vere, the Amyrlin Seat of the rebel Aes Sedai, is a captive of the White Tower and subject to the whims of their tyrannical leader. As days tick toward the Seanchan attack she knows is imminent, Egwene works to hold together the disparate factions of Aes Sedai while providing leadership in the face of increasing uncertainty and despair. Her fight will prove the mettle of the Aes Sedai, and her conflict will decide the future of the White Tower--and possibly the world itself.

The Wheel of Time turns, and Ages come and pass. What was, what will be, and what is, may yet fall under the Shadow.

TP \$35 HC \$60 HC \$49.99 Leather HC \$550CD - Unabridged \$130

Stacia Kane

Unholy Ghosts (Downside Ghosts 01)

The first book in a compelling new urban fantasy series, *The Downside Ghosts*. Murderous spirits and ruthless drug dealers combine to create serious problems for fiercely independent heroine, Chess, in these fast-paced, sexy and addictive novels - fitting for a witch with a serious drug problem. Cessaria - or 'Chess' - Putnam is a troubled young witch who hunts down and banishes angry spirits (there aren't any other kind).

Her tools are few: magical tattoos that alert her to their presence, an arcane powder or two, grave dirt and her devious imagination. Chess' employer is the only powerful institution left in the world: the Church of Truth. After the dead rose, twenty-three years ago, to slake their thirst for blood, governments and religious institutions fell, and the Church of Truth took their place.

They harnessed the supernatural and saved the remaining population. The Church has been training witches ever since. Chess lost her family during Haunted week and grew up in a succession of abusive childrens' homes and foster families until the Church recognised her talent and took her in.

But she's still haunted by those memories, and has developed a 'small' drug problem in order to stifle them; a problem that could see her lose everything if it were uncovered, and one that frequently gets in her way. Not only is she caught between her addiction and Church rules, she is also exploited by her dealers, who see her as their own personal banisher; juggling her commitments has never been more difficult, especially when someone summons a Dream Thief: a dark force so powerful and malevolent that it even frightens the dead. **APB \$19.99**

Karen Kelley

The Bad Boys Guide to the Galaxy

Take me to your leader.

Come to think of it, just take me. **PB \$12.95**

Julie Kenner

Tainted (Blood Lily Chronicles 01)

Given a second chance at life by fighting for the forces of good, Lily Carlyle finds herself in the body of Boston barmaid Alice Purdue who has more than a little familiarity with the battle raging between the light and the darkness. **APB \$19.95**

Steven L Kent

The Clone Betrayal (Clone 05)

When he and other clone survivors of the New Copenhagen debacle are sent to an isolated "relocation camp," Lieutenant Wayson Harris, an ultimate soldier, discovers that he is about to take the fall for the decimation of the U.A. Republic and respectfully declines with all of the firepower he can muster. **APB \$19.95**

Sherrilyn Kenyon

Born of Fire (League 02)

Raised as a tech-thief until his livelihood uncovered a truth that could end his life, Syn tried to destroy the evidence, and has been on the run ever since. Now trained as an assassin, he allows no one to threaten him. Ever. He is the darkness that swallows his enemies whole. Shahara Dagan is the best bounty hunter in the universe. When Syn comes back on the radar, she's the only one who can bring him to justice. There's only one problem: Syn is a close family friend who's helped out the Dagens countless times. But if she saves him, both of their lives will be on the line. Is Syn's protection worth the risk? The only hope Shahara has is to find the evidence he buried long ago. Now it's kill or be killed - and they, the predators, have just become the hunted... **APB \$19.99**

Katharine Kerr

The Silver Mage (Dragon Mage 07)

Spurred on by the priestesses of the goddess Alshandra, the Horsekin hordes are massing on the northern border of Prince Dar's holdings. Their leaders believe that the rich grasslands of the prince's domain belong to them by divine right, no matter whom they must destroy to claim them.

But Dar has powerful allies on his side, including the dragon Arzosah, who has hated the Horsekin for hundreds of years. She will vow to take a revenge worse than anything the Horsekin and their priestesses could possibly foresee.

The prince's most powerful ally, however, is the one the Horsekin refuse to understand: the deep magic of the dweomer, as wielded by the band of sorcerers sworn to protect him, and especially by the elven master of magic, Dallandra, the silver mage. **TP \$32.99**

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Stephen King

Under the Dome

On an entirely normal, beautiful fall day in Chester's Mill, Maine, the town is inexplicably and suddenly sealed off from the rest of the world by an invisible force field. Planes crash into it and fall from the sky in flaming wreckage, a gardener's hand is severed as 'the dome' comes down on it, people running errands in the neighboring town are divided from their families, and cars explode on impact. Dale Barbara, Iraq vet, teams up with a few intrepid citizens against the town's corrupt politician. But time, under the dome, is running out.... **TP \$34.99 HC \$70**

The End of the Whole Mess

Stephen King's unparalleled imagination is in full force in this collection of four unabridged short stories originally found in the classic, *Nightmares & Dreamscapes*. An all-star cast of readers bring to life these timeless stories from the darkest places.

One man's pursuit of world peace turns deadly in *The End of the Whole Mess*. Stephen King puts his spin on the familiar duo of Holmes and Watson in *The Doctor's Case*. In *The Moving Finger*, menace arrives poking out of the drain of a bathroom sink. And a young, pregnant widow takes on a zombie attack in *Home Delivery*.

Matthew Broderick, Tim Curry, Eve Beglarian and Stephen King lend their voices to this haunting collection of classic stories that no Stephen King fan should be without. **CD - Unabridged \$30.95**

It Grows on You

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An infamous house in Castle Rock takes on a life of its own in *It Grows on You*. In *The Fifth Quarter*, a crook seeks to avenge his friend's death and to piece together a map to stolen treasure that his buddy died trying to claim. A nightly free rock-and-roll concert carries a hidden price in *You Know They Got a Hell of a Band*. And a tabloid reporter's pursuit of a brutal killer could turn deadly in *The Night Flier*.

Stephen King, Gary Sinise, Grace Slick and Frank Muller lend their voices to this haunting collection of classic stories that no Stephen King fan should be without. **CD - Unabridged \$30.95**

Sorry, Right Number

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A mysterious phone call ends in death in *Sorry, Right Number* presented in a full-cast dramatization. A gambling addict trying to pay off his debts gets more than he bargained for in *Popsy*. Nicotine withdrawal leads to horrifying consequences in *The Ten O'Clock People*. And Stephen King puts his mark on a timeless Hindu fable in *The Beggar and the Diamond*, and also offers rare insights into the creation of the entire collection in a special afterword his own distinctive voice.

Joe Mantegna, Joe Morton, Domenic Cusumano and others lend their voices to this haunting collection of classic stories that no Stephen King fan should be without. **CD - Unabridged \$30.95**

Tom Kratman

Carnifex (02)

Revenge: it won't bring your wife and kids back, but it might help with the nightmares.

Patricio Carrera has been waging what amounts to a private world war to bring to justice the murderers of his family. He's raised an army and air force and used them. He's raised a fleet and he's about to use that. He's suborned one republic and is about to undermine another. He's tracked his enemies across half a world, breaking, in the process, any notion of international law that stood in his way.

Now he's deployed his legions to Pashtia, penultimate hideout of the Salafi Ikhwan who have made him what he has become. But with each step further from his home, revenge seems no closer. And with each step he leaves behind him a little of his dwindling humanity.

Revenge is a dish best served cold. Yet the trail itself grows cold, as cold as the snow-capped, windswept mountains of Pashtia. Only Carrera's hate still burns hot, and that's a fire that is slowly consuming him. **APB \$19.95**

Shelly Laurensten

The Mane Squeeze

When Gwen--half lioness, half tigress--meets shape-shifting grizzly Lachlan "Lock" MacRyrie, she finds someone that does not embarrass her like her crazy family and someone to protect her from a murderous enemy who hates hybrids--especially her. **TP \$28.95**

Ursula K Le Guin

The Left Hand of Darkness

Genly Ai is a diplomat of sorts, sent to observe the inhabitants of the snowbound planet of Winter. But the isolated, androgynous people are suspicious of this strange, single-gendered visitor. Tucked away in a remote corner of the universe, they have no knowledge of space travel or of life beyond their own world. So, bringing news of a vast coalition of planets they are invited to join, he is met with fear, mistrust and disbelief. But also something more. For Genly Ai, who sees himself as a bringer of the truth, it is a bittersweet irony that he will discover truths about himself and, in the snow-shrouded strangeness of Winter, find both love and tragedy... **HC \$29.99**

Edward Lee

The Black Train

Arriving at the Gast House, a Civil War-era bed and breakfast, Justin Collier finds his dreams of rest and relaxation shattered by strange voices, screams and an unspeakable horror in this place that harbors a carnal evil. **PB \$19.95**

Maria Lima

Blood Kin (Blood Lines 03)

The perils of power...

Keira Kelly has come into her full powers, and they are frighteningly strong, creating a distance between her and her human friends in her beloved Rio Seco. It is time to obey her great-great-grandmother Gigi's orders and rejoin her family in northwest Canada, where Keira can learn to handle her dangerous new skills. She'll have friends with her every step of the way -- her shapeshifter brother Tucker, his beloved Niko, and, to Keira's dismay, her cousin on her mother's side, Daffyd ap Geraint, the Sidhe prince who suddenly appeared in her life and now refuses to leave -- but her vampire lover Adam has insisted on staying in Texas. And while there are certainly perks to being Family, such as a private Learjet for the flight to Canada and a fabulous penthouse condo overlooking Vancouver, there are threats looming that nobody, not even Gigi, anticipated. Keira's Sidhe inheritance from her mother is far more important than anyone ever realized, and the fate of the Family may depend upon what she does next.... **APB \$19.95**

Merline Lovelace*The Protector (Time Raiders)*

Danger. Max Brody's body tingles with it when he meets Cassandra Jones, the mission specialist with whom he'll jump back to seventh-century China. Petite and guarded, Cassie may look like someone who needs Max's protection, but her essence whispers to him of untamed talents that could destroy as easily as seduce. Yet Cassie's powers and passion, if properly awakened, might be their only safeguard. For amid the splendor and intrigue of the Imperial Court of Empress Wu Jao, they will confront a formidable enemy—and an unstoppable force of nature that's beyond their control....

APB \$14.95**Brian Lumley***Haggopian and Other Stories (Cthulhu)*

A collection of thrilling tales from H.P. Lovecraft's Cthulhu Mythos by one of horror's biggest legends. This volume contains the very best of Brian Lumley's Mythos short stories. **APB \$19.95**

Katie MacAlister*Me and My Shadow (Silver Dragons 03)*

May Northcott is at the end of her tether. Her demon boss has moved in and is making life hell. Her scorching hot dragon lover seems to think everything can be solved with a fiery kiss. And worse still, she's being shadowed by her ditsy twin sister - a naiad who simply can't seem to stay out of trouble. The arrival of a nearly-dead man on May's doorstep could be the final spark that sets light to their tinder-box world. And with dragon war imminent, it's looking increasingly like it will be up to May (and her watery shadow) to stop it before the fire consumes them all, and their lives end up in smoke... **APB \$19.99**

Gregory Maguire*Matchless*

Every year, NPR asks a writer to compose an original story with a Christmas theme. In 2008, Gregory Maguire reinvented the Hans Christian Andersen classic "The Little Match Girl" for a new time and new audiences. When it was first translated from Danish and published in England in the mid-nineteenth century, audiences likely interpreted the Little Match Girls dying visions of lights and a grandmother in heaven as metaphors of religious salvation. Maguire's new piece, entitled "Matchless," reilluminates Andersens classic, using his storytelling magic to rekindle Andersens original intentions, and to suggest transcendence, the permanence of spirit, and the continuity that links the living and the dead. **HC \$35**

Violette Malan*The Soldier King (Dhulyn and Parno 02)*

Fulfilling their mercenary contract, Dhulyn and Parno have accepted the surrender of Prince Edmir. The Common Rule of Mercenary Brothers states that prisoners taken by them go free and unharmed. But when the War Commander who hired them refuses to honor this agreement, the duo breaks the contract and escapes with the prince - a path that might lead Dhulyn to the truth about her past, or lure them into a magical trap from which there may be no escape. **APB \$19.95**

Juliet Marillier Australian Author*Heart's Blood*

Caitrin, daughter of Berach, flees her home in Market Cross, running from her grief and mistreatment at the hands of her kinsfolk. Bruised and alone she arrives at Whistling Tor - a formidable fortification presided over by the local chieftain, Anluan. The villagers scorn and curse him for being a weak and unsupportive leader, unresponsive to their pleas for him to rid the surrounding forest of the ghostly and eerie manifestations that have plagued it for generations.

But desperate for work and shelter, Caitrin ignores their warnings, thinking them nothing more than fanciful tales and seeks refuge at the Tor. Here she encounters giant hounds, malevolent whispering in the night and the rare and precious herb, Heart's Blood; not to mention the moody and cursed Anluan. As Caitrin slowly begins to regain control of her life, she discovers that not everything is as it seems in this mysterious place. What does Anluan's skewed features and anger hide? Who are the men and women of the Host? What might the ancient manuscripts and family documents in the library reveal? And why does Caitrin get the distinct impression that there is a dark and powerful force on the hill that doesn't want her to find the truth? **TP \$32.99 HC \$54.99**

Todd McCaffrey*Dragonheart (Pern)*

When young Fiona is asked to take on the role of Weyrwoman, the co-leader of an entire dragon Weyr, she soon discovers the challenges of her privileged new position, from unexpected perils to the possibility of losing her own dragon to the sickness that has claimed so many. **APB \$19.95**

Sarah McCarty*Caleb (Shadow Wranglers)*

Shape-shifting vampire and sexy cattle rancher, Caleb, rescues Allie from an attack by a rival werewolf pack, and discovers he can no longer continue to hide his supernatural identity or his true feelings for her. **TP \$30.95**

Jack McDevitt*Time Travellers Never Die*

Shel and his friend Dave journey through history and time in search of Shel's missing physicist father, but make a devastating discovery that changes their lives forever when Shel violates their agreement not to visit the future. **HC \$51.95**

Juliet McKenna*Blood in the Water (Lescari Revolution 02)*

As a ragtag army takes on the dukedoms of Lescari in the battlefield, a new war emerges between the cities and castles where revolutionary forces claim a number of political and military successes that come with a high price. **PB \$19.95**

A E Moorat*Queen Victoria: Demon Hunter*

The novel takes you to the smoggy, cobbled streets of Victoria's vile and villainous Britain, but not as you know them . . . A layer of horror will be seamlessly woven in to comedic effect. You'll meet Queen Victoria not as the bitter old widow forever draped in black, but transformed into an ass-kicking killer of evil creatures. It will be so scarily convincing that you'll be certain that in the dark days of Queen Victoria, it was more than just the pick-pockets you had to look out for. **BPB \$22.99**

Christopher Moore

You Suck

Being undead sucks. Literally. Just ask C. Thomas Flood. Waking up after a fantastic night unlike anything he's ever experienced, he discovers that his girlfriend, Jody, is a vampire. And surprise! Now he's one, too. For some couples, the whole biting-and-blood thing would have been a deal breaker. But Tommy and Jody are in love, and they vow to work through their issues. But word has it that the vampire who initially nibbled on Jody wasn't supposed to be recruiting. Even worse, Tommy's erstwhile turkey-bowling pals are out to get him, at the urging of a blue-dyed Las Vegas call girl named (duh) Blue. And that really sucks. **BPB \$22.99**

Joy Nash

Silver Silence

Searching for druids strong enough in the Light to battle the coming evil, Rhys, sworn to protect the innocent Breena, a seer he secretly desires, must journey to the Lost Lands to another time and save her from the evil that is holding her captive. **PB \$19.95**

Larry Niven & Edward M Lerner

Destroyer of Worlds (Known Space)

Worlds closer to the galactic core than Known Space are --or were-- home to intelligent speciers. Some learned of the core explosion in time to flee. Destroyer of Worlds opens in 2670, ten years after Juggler of Worlds closes; with refugee species fleeing in an armada of ramscoops in the direction of the Fleet of Worlds. The onrushing aliens are recognized as a threat; they have left in their trail a host of desolated worlds: some raided for supplies, some attacked to eliminate competition, and some for pure xenophobia.

Only the Puppeteers might have the resources to confront this threat--but the Puppeteers are philosophical cowards... they don't confront anyone. They need sepoys to investigate the situation and take action for them. The source of the sepoys? Their newly independent former slave world, New Terra. **HC \$52.95**

Naomi Novik

In His Majesty's Service (Temeraire 01, 02, 03)

A gift-bound omnibus of the first three entries in the award-winning series includes His Majesty's Dragon, Throne of Jade, and Black Powder War as well as an original short story starring Temeraire the dragon. By the John W. Campbell Award-winning author of Victory of Eagles. **HC \$56.95**

Robin D Owens

Heart Change (Celta 08)

In the eighth novel in the Celta series, Signet D'Marigold has her life shaken when a prophet reveals that she is a catalyst for change, and discovers adventure, danger, intrigue and an attraction to her new bodyguard. **TP \$30.95**

Philip Palmer

Red Claw

Professor Richard Helms heads up a tight-knit band of scientists and soldiers sent to explore New Amazon, a lush but savage planet seemingly determined to attack them at every turn. When they are done cataloguing every detail of this vast, unfamiliar ecosystem, they will burn it to the ground and make it fit for human habitation. But when the team falls under attack, Helms and his followers are forced to flee into the depths of the jungle. Here, old enemies and petty rivalries surface as they struggle to survive. They soon end up fighting for their lives - against the planet they are exploring, the robots designed to protect them and, most of all, against each other. For the countdown into madness is ticking. **BPB \$22.99**

K J Parker

The Company

Hoping for a better life, five war veterans colonize an abandoned island. They take with them everything they could possibly need - food, clothes, tools, weapons, even wives. The colonists feel sure that their friendship will keep them together. But an unanticipated discovery shatters their dream and replaces it with a very different one. Only then do they begin to realise that they've brought with them rather more than they bargained for. For one of them, it seems, has been hiding a terrible secret from the rest of the company. And when the truth begins to emerge, it soon becomes clear that the war is far from over. **PB \$22.99**

Nicole Peeler

Tempest Rising (Jane True 01)

Living in small town Rockabill, Maine, Jane True always knew she didn't quite fit in with so-called normal society. During her nightly, clandestine swim in the freezing winter ocean, a grisly find leads Jane to startling revelations about her heritage: she is only half-human.

Now, Jane must enter a world filled with supernatural creatures alternatively terrifying, beautiful, and deadly- all of which perfectly describe her new "friend," Ryu, a gorgeous and powerful vampire.

It is a world where nothing can be taken for granted: a dog can heal with a lick; spirits bag your groceries; and whatever you do, never-ever-rub the genie's lamp.

If you love Sookie Stackhouse, then you'll want to dive into Nicole Peeler's enchanting debut novel. **PB \$19.95**

Marcus Pelegrimas

Howling Legion (Skinners 02)

Cole, a "Skinner"--a member of an ancient secret society of warriors tasked with protecting the human race from monsters must save an unsuspecting city from a bloodthirsty new terror with the help of his partner, Paige. **APB \$19.95**

Kate Perry

Chosen by Desire (Guardians of Time 03)

It's down to the wire and Carrie Woods is leaving China without the proof she needs for her thesis: Wei Lin's journal. While on a final tour of the monastery, Carrie finally locates the scrolls and attempts to photograph the documents. Caught in a sticky situation, Carrie takes the scrolls, only to notice a mysterious monk watching her - the same monk that she's seen each time she's taken a tour. Unable to return the scrolls, she travels back to California and isn't too thrilled when she notices the monk at the airport. Maximillian Prescott first came to the monastery as an orphaned teenager when he inherited the Book of Metal from a distant uncle he hardly knew. After spotting a woman stealing from the monastery, he follows her to get back the documents he knows she's stolen. Max is further intrigued when he finds out that the chatty woman is friends with his archrival, Rhys Llewellyn, and he will stop at nothing to get back everything he's lost. **PB \$14.99**

Reward Vouchers

The reward period has just ended so we have wads of reward vouchers to hand out to customers. If you aren't already a reward member, ask us about this.

Terry Pratchett, adapted by Stephen Briggs

Mort - The Play (Discworld)

Death comes to us all. When he came to Mort, he offered him a job.

But when Mort is left in charge for an evening, he allows his heart to rule his head and soon the whole of causality and the future of the Discworld itself, are at risk. Along the way, Mort encounters not only Death's adopted daughter, Ysabell - who has been 16 for 35 years - and his mysterious manservant Albert - whose cooking can harden an artery at ten paces - but also an incompetent wizard with a talking doorknocker and a beautiful, but rather bad-tempered and dead, princess. He also, of course, meets Death.

On Terry Pratchett's Discworld, Death really is a 7 foot skeleton in a black hooded robe and wielding a ascythe. He is also fond of cats, enjoys a good curry, and rides around the skies on a magnificent white horse called Binky. Stephen Briggs has been involved in amateur dramatics for over 25 years and he assures us that the play can be staged without needing the budget of Industrial Light and Magic. Not only that, but the cast should still be able to be in the pub by 10 o'clock!

Oh, and a word of advice omitted from the play text: Learn the Words Havelock, Lord Vetinari **PB \$19.95**

Cherie Priest

Boneshaker

At the start of the Civil War, a Russian mining company commissions a great machine to pave the way from Seattle to Alaska and speed up the gold rush that is beating a path to the frozen north. Inventor Leviticus Blue creates the machine, but on its first test run it malfunctions, decimating Seattle's banking district and uncovering a vein of Blight Gas that turns everyone who breathes it into the living dead.

Sixteen years later Briar, Blue's widow, lives in the poor neighbourhood outside the wall that's been built around the uninhabitable city. Life is tough with a ruined reputation, but she and her teenage son Ezekiel are surviving - until Zeke impetuously decides that he must reclaim his father's name from the clutches of history. **BPB \$22.99**

Jennifer Rardin

Bite Marks (Jaz Parks 06)

Jaz is possessed. After biting the neck of a domyter during a forced visit to his territory, she now has unwelcome voices in her head. While fighting for supremacy in her own mind, she finds herself confronted with a near-impossible task: perform perfectly on her next mission or face the unemployment line.

Jaz Parks here. But I'm not alone. I'm hearing voices in my head - and they're not mine.

The problem, or maybe the solution, is work. And the job's a stinker this time -- killing the gnomes that are threatening to topple NASA's Australian-based space complex. Yeah, I know. Vayl and I should still be able to kick this one in our sleep. Except that Hell has thrown up a demon named Kyphas to knock us off track. And damn is she indestructible! **TP \$28.95**

Livia Reasoner

The Vampire Affair

The world knew Michael Brandt as a playboy tycoon. The underworld knew him as a fierce vampire hunter. Armed with a wooden stake and superior strength, Michael targeted the most powerful overlords in a clandestine do-or-die operation...and then tabloid reporter Jessie Morgan uncovered his secret.

Only once before had Michael allowed a woman into his secret lair. Now he'd fight heaven and hell to keep Jessie from the same fate. But he couldn't fight the attraction that drew him to her like a bloodlust. An attraction that might prove deadly...or worse. For Michael was going up against the most powerful of the undead—and that vampire had his fangs bared for Jessie. **PB \$14.95**

Andy Remic

Biohell (Combat-K)

The Combat-K squad are back in this new novel by War Machine author Andy Remic. In BioHell they must battle a nano-generated zombie plague and try to uncover the cause of these deformed mutations. And soon their focus is on the darkness at the Nano-Tek corporation... **PB \$19.95**

Anne Rice

Angel Time (Songs of the Seraphim)

At the centre: Toby O'Dare - Lucky the Fox - a contract killer of underground fame. A soulless soul, a dead man walking...He's fallen far from grace, and lives under a series of aliases. Lucky takes his orders from someone he calls 'The Right Man', someone whose name and allegiances he doesn't know, who carries out a life of violence whenever and wherever he is told to, perhaps at the behest of his own government.

When the novel opens, the time is the present. The place is Riverside, California, the Mission Inn. For O'Dare, it is his place of solace; he can be there without disguise. This time, he's been sent on an assignment to kill. Into his nightmarish world of lone and lethal missions, comes a mysterious stranger, a seraph, who offers him a chance to save lives, rather than destroy them. Lucky, who grew up in a New Orleans, son of an alcoholic mother and a murdered father, long ago dreamt of being a priest, craving rituals, taking refuge in history, books and music - but who instead came to embody danger, and violence - seizes his chance.

He is lifted in (angel) time and carried back through the ages to thirteenth-century England, to a dangerous world, where Jews live an uneasy existence, their money coveted and protected by the crown for their function as money-lenders, unjustly despised by the rest. Into this primitive, treacherous setting, where accusations of ritual murder have been made against innocent Jews, and children have been found dead or missing, O'Dare begins a journey of salvation that leads him from the medieval villages of England to the cities of London and Paris as his quest becomes a story of danger and flight, loyalty and betrayal, selflessness and love. **TP \$32.95 HC \$59.95**

Tony Richards

Night of Demons

When serial killer Cornelius Hanlon breaks through the magical safeguards and enters Raine's Landing, murdering the town's oldest adept, he gains possession of a powerful "gift" that allows him to bend the living and the dead to his will, and only two mortals--an ex-town cop and his partner--can stop him. **PB \$19.95**

J D Robb

Kindred in Death (Eve Dallas 29)

A phone call from up high interrupts Eve's plans to have a lazy day with her husband: The teenage daughter of Captain Jonah McMasters, head of the NYPD drug squad, has been found raped and strangled in her bedroom. A terrifying video of Deena, bloody and beaten beyond recognition, hints at a link between her death and a criminal in McMasters's own past, someone determined to exact revenge in the cruelest way possible. Searching through McMasters' cases leads Eve nowhere - until another rape-murder, and another video, reveals the killers' deadly intent: to target every single person involved in his family's case over a decade ago. With barely anything to go on except a tangle of dead ends, Eve and her team must work fast to identify the next victim of a killer with who will stop at nothing... **TP \$32.95 HC \$54.95**

Tansy Raynor Roberts & Robert Shearman *Australian Authors*

Siren Beat / Roadkill

Two novelettes – “Roadkill” by Robert Shearman and “Siren Beat” by Tansy Rayner Roberts – published in tête-bêche (back to back) format.

“Roadkill” offers a taste of the new full length collection by Robert Shearman.

In “Siren Beat”, a minor group of man-eating sirens on the docks of Hobart would not normally pose much of a challenge for Nancy, but she is distracted by the reappearance of Nick Cadmus, the man she blames for her sister’s death. **BPB \$10**

Jeremy Robinson

The Didymus Contingency

TP \$30.95

Lilith Saintcrow

Steelflower (Steelflower 01)

The first book of the Steelflower Chronicles features Kaia Steelflower—thief, assassin, and famous for all the wrong reasons. After she picks the wrong pocket, Kaia wakes up with a hangover, and gets far more than she bargained for. **TP \$29.95**

Ken Scholes

Canticle (Psalm of Isaak)

Come back to the Named Lands in this compelling sequel to *It is nine months after the end of the previous book. Many noble allies have come to the Ninefold Forest for a Feast in honour of General Rudolfo’s first-born child. Jin Li Tam, his wife and mother of his heir, lies in childbed.*

As the feast begins, the doors of the hall fly open and invisible assassins begin attacking. All of Rudolfo’s noble guests are slain, including Hanric, the Marsh Queen’s Shadow. And on the Keeper’s Gate, which guards the Named Lands from the Churning Waste, a strange figure appears, with a message for Petronus, the Hidden Pope.

Thus begins the second movement of The Psalms of Isaak, Canticle.

Unabridged spoken word compact disc **CD \$95 HC \$45**

Joe Schreiber

No Doors, No Windows

Discovering an unfinished manuscript after the death of his writer father, Scott Mast finds the story to be a riveting ghost tale about a house with a hidden wing and subsequently learns that the house is a real structure with a mysterious history, a dwelling that Scott rents so that he can complete his father's novel. **TP \$28.95**

D B Shan

Hell's Horizon (City 02)

The second volume in a noirish, gritty urban fantasy for adults from the bestselling Children's author. In the City, The Cardinal rules, and Al Jeery is a loyal member of his personal guard. But when Al is seconded from his duties at Party Central to investigate a murder, an unexpected discovery leads him in a new direction, where his loyalties and beliefs will be severely tested.

Soon he is involved in a terrifying mystery that draws in the dead, the City's Incan forefathers, the imposing figure of the Cardinal, and the near-mythical assassin, Paucar Wami. Wami is a law unto himself, a shadowy, enigmatic figure who can apparently kill anyone he chooses without fear of punishment or retribution. And Al is about to find out that he has a lot more in common with Wami than he could ever have imagined! **BPB \$22.99**

Mike Shepherd

Kris Longknife: Undaunted (Kris Longknife 07)

Warned by an alien race that an unidentifiable force is roaming the galaxy, destroying everything in its path towards human space, Kris Longknife and her crew must take on new roles in order to combat this unknown threat. **APB \$19.95**

Mike Shevdon

Sixty-One Nails

There is a secret war raging beneath the streets of London. A dark magic will be unleashed by the Untained... Unless a new hero can be found. Neverwheres faster, smarter brother has arrived. SIXTY-ONE NAILS follows Niall Petersen, from a suspected heart attack on the London Underground, into the hidden world of the Feyre, an uncanny place of legend that lurks just beyond the surface of everyday life. The Untainted, the darkest of the Seven Courts, have made their play for power, and unless Niall can recreate the ritual of the Sixty-One Nails, their dark dominion will enslave all of the Feyre, and all of humankind too. **APB \$20.99**

John Shirley

Black Glass

Taking the fall for his younger brother, Richard Candle went from being a cyber cop to a condemned criminal. After four years of "UnMinding"—with his mind suppressed and his body enslaved—he's released to discover his brother has slipped back into the underworld of the V-Rat: the virtual reality addict. Meanwhile, Candle's harried by the murderous Grist, the head of the world's biggest multinational. But his real enemy is something else: a conscious program, the Multisemblant, a meld of copied personalities, the dark side of five powerful people, with its own brutal agenda. Human society is sinking ever deeper into a mire of escapism, but Richard Candle, looking for his missing brother, fights his way through the real world of underground stock markets, flying guns, the trash-walled labyrinth of Rooftown, and the fringe of the fringe. **TP \$32.95**

Gena Showalter & Kresley Cole

Deep Kiss of Winter

Murdoch Wroth will stop at nothing to claim Daniela the Ice Maiden, the delicate Valkyrie who makes his heart beat for the first time in three hundred years. Yet the exquisite Danii is part ice fey and her freezing skin can't be touched by anyone but her own kind without inflicting pain beyond measure.

A Valkyrie aching to be touched, desperate for closeness, in an agony of frustration, Murdoch and Danii will do anything to have each other. Together can they find the key that will finally allow them to slake the overwhelming desire burning between them?

Gena's story is of Aleaha, she can love anyone, literally. With only skin to skin contact she can change her appearance, assume any identity. Her newest identity switch has made her an AIR (alien investigation and removal) agent and sends her on a mission to capture a group of otherworldly warriors. Only, she becomes the captured. Breean, a golden-skinned commander, known for his iron-will, who is dangerous and soul-shatteringly seductive, threatens her new life, because for once, she only wants to be herself. **HC \$38**

Nalini Singh

Blaze of Memory (Psy-Changeling 07)

Stripped of her memories and left for dead, Katya Haas, programmed to carry out cold-blooded murder, is poised on the brink of madness and only Dev Santos, who could be her next target, can save her. **APB \$19.95**

Susan Sizemore

Dark Stranger

A twist of fate made Zoe Pappas heir to the Byzant throne. Bound by duty and devotion to keep the Empire safe, Zoe is captured while on a secret diplomatic mission and sent to an underground prisoner-of-war camp. In this strange, shadowy place, residents are governed by fellow inmate General Matthias "Doc" Raven, whose powerful magnetism rouses an urgent desire in Zoe. But the intensity of her attraction is matched by her surprise at discovering that Doc has a secret of his own: he is a vampire.

Zoe's presence puts everyone in the camp in danger. Doc knows it, and knows too that Zoe's royal status makes it impossible for her to bond with a vampire. The only way to save her is to help her escape, and lose her forever. But some fires are impossible to quench, even when following your heart is the ultimate taboo.... **PB \$14.99**

Michael P Spradlin Australian Author

It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Zombies!: A Book of Zombie Christmas Carols

An author who has written books in the Spy Goddess and The Youngest Templars series takes over two dozen beloved Christmas carols and tears them from limb to limb, rewriting them from a zombie's point of view, with sketches accompanying each carol. **TP \$21.95**

Bram Stoker

Dracula

A companion edition of Bram Stokers classic vampire novel, to be published alongside the official sequel by his great grand nephew, Dacre Stoker. "I am here to do Your bidding, Master. I am Your slave..." This dark, brooding and powerfully atmospheric novel by Bram Stoker is a classic of gothic literature, casting light on the darkness of the human psyche, and exploiting our deepest fears. When newly qualified solicitor Jonathan Harker visits Transylvania to help a new client purchase a residence in London, he is unaware that he will be lucky to escape with his life. Harkers fateful visit to Count Draculas castle begins a series of disturbing events, as the malevolence he discovers there reaches across continents and oceans to twist and abuse his loved ones at home in England. **BPB \$24.99**

Dacre Stoker

Dracula: The Un-Dead CD

The story begins in 1912, twenty-five years after the events described in the original novel. Dr. Jack Seward, now a disgraced morphine addict, hunts vampires across Europe with the help of a mysterious benefactor. Meanwhile, Quincey Harker, the grown son of Jonathan and Mina, leaves law school to pursue a career in stage at Londons famous Lyceum Theatre. The production of Dracula at the Lyceum, directed and produced by Bram Stoker, has recently lost its star. Luckily, Quincey knows how to contact the famed Hungarian actor Basarab, who agrees to take the lead role. Quincey soon discovers that the play features his parents and their former friends as characters, and seems to reveal much about the terrible secrets hes always suspected them of harbouring. But, before he can confront them, Jonathan Harker is found murdered. The writers were able to access Bram Stokers hand-written notes and have included in their story characters and plot threads that had been excised by the publisher from the original printing over a century ago. Dracula is one of the most recognized fictional characters in the world, having spawned dozens of multi-media spin-offs. The Un-Dead is the first Dracula story to enjoy the full support of the Stoker estate since the original 1931 movie starring Bela Lugosi.

Unabridged **CD \$35.99**

Bram Stoker

The New Annotated Dracula

This is a spectacular, lavishly illustrated homage to Bram Stoker's

Dracula. With a daring conceit, Leslie S Klinger accepts Stoker's contention that the Dracula tale is based on historical fact. Traveling through 200 years of popular culture and myth as well as graveyards and the wilds of Transylvania, this haunting narrative is illuminated in Klinger's notes (including a detailed examination of the original typescript of Dracula, with its shockingly different ending, previously unavailable to scholars). Klinger investigates the many subtexts of the original narrative—from masochistic, necrophilic, homoerotic, 'dentophilic,' and even heterosexual implications of the story to its political, economic, feminist, psychological and historical threads. Klinger mines this 1897 classic for nuggets that will surprise even the most die-hard Dracula fans and introduce the vampire-prince to a new generation of readers. **HC \$64.95**

Sarah Jane Stratford

The Midnight Guardian

Although it is not the vampire way to interfere with human politics, they remember the destruction of the first World War. Their food supply was badly depleted, leading to a vampire famine, and a devastating vampire war. When London's vampire tribunal senses that Hitler is paving the way for another human war, they are determined to break the spine of the Nazis before much more damage is done. But as they delve deep into Hitler's war machine, they discover that the Nazis are more monstrous than they ever imagined, and that they are more encumbered by their inhumanity than they ever thought.

A vampire saga in the tradition of The Vampire Chronicles, the debut title in this exciting new series follows the beautiful and cunning Brigit's attempt to escape from the continent and return to her long-time lover Eamon in London, while shepherding out dangerous cargo that is the only hope of salvaging their mission. As Brigit, a millennial vampire, over a thousand-years old and possessed of special powers earned by age, hurls toward her destiny on a Reich train, she is tailed by vampire hunters and Nazi officers out to destroy her. Her soul's eternal love waits for her across the channel, and she'll need his strength and the strains of humanity yet alive inside her if she's ever to find her way back home. **HC \$45**

Jordan Summers

Crimson (Red 03)

On the run from their enemies, hunted by the law they once dedicated their lives to, werewolves Morgan Hunter and Gina "Red" Santiago have no choice -- they must enter the outlaw territories in order to disappear completely from society. With only themselves to trust, they must somehow navigate this "No Man's Land" full of outlawed Others and dangerous nomadic tribes.

Losing themselves in this arid wasteland would be easy, but Morgan and Red know that the only way they can regain their life together is by turning the tables on the man who is hunting them -- destroying his plans to rule the united territories once and for all. **APB \$17.95**

Adrian Tchaikovsky

Blood of the Mantis (Shadows of the Apt 03)

Driven by the ghosts of the Darakyon, Achaeos has tracked the stolen Shadow Box to the marsh-town of Jerez, but he has only days before the magical box is lost to him forever.

Meanwhile, the forces of the Empire are mustering over winter for their great offensive, gathering their soldiers and perfecting their new weapons. Stenwold and his followers have only a short time to gather what allies they can before the Wasp armies march again, conquering everything in their path. If they cannot throw back the Wasps this spring then the imperial black-and-gold flag will fly over every city in the Lowlands before the year's end.

In Jerez begins a fierce struggle over the Shadow Box, as lake creatures, secret police and renegade magicians compete to take possession. If it falls into the hands of the Wasp Emperor, however, then no amount of fighting will suffice to save the world from his relentless ambition. **APB \$21.99**

J R R Tolkien

Legend of Sigurd and Gudrun CD

The world first publication of a previously unknown work by J.R.R. Tolkien, which tells the epic story of the Norse hero, Sigurd, the dragon-slayer, the revenge of his wife, Gudrun, and the Fall of the Nibelungs. "Many years ago, J.R.R.

Tolkien composed his own version, now published for the first time, of the great legend of Northern antiquity, in two closely related poems to which he gave the titles *The New Lay of the Volsungs* and *The New Lay of Gudrun*. In the *Lay of the Volsungs* is told the ancestry of the great hero Sigurd, the slayer of Fafnir most celebrated of dragons, whose treasure he took for his own; of his awakening of the Valkyrie Brynhild who slept surrounded by a wall of fire, and of their betrothal; and of his coming to the court of the great princes who were named the Niflungs (or Nibelungs), with whom he entered into blood-brotherhood. In that court there sprang great love but also great hate, brought about by the power of the enchantress, mother of the Niflungs, skilled in the arts of magic, of shape-changing and potions of forgetfulness.

In scenes of dramatic intensity, of confusion of identity, thwarted passion, jealousy and bitter strife, the tragedy of Sigurd and Brynhild, of Gunnar the Niflung and Gudrun his sister, mounts to its end in the murder of Sigurd at the hands of his blood-brothers, the suicide of Brynhild, and the despair of Gudrun. In the *Lay of Gudrun* her fate after the death of Sigurd is told, her marriage against her will to the mighty Atli, ruler of the Huns (the Attila of history), his murder of her brothers the Niflung lords, and her hideous revenge. Deriving his version primarily from his close study of the ancient poetry of Norway and Iceland known as the Poetic Edda (and where no old poetry exists, from the later prose work the *Volsunga Saga*), J.R.R. **CD \$45.99**

Letter from Father Christmas

Every December an envelope bearing a stamp from the North Pole would arrive for J.R.R.Tolkiens children. Inside would be a letter in strange spidery handwriting and a beautiful coloured drawing or some sketches. The letters were from Father Christmas. They told wonderful tales of life at the North Pole: how all the reindeer got loose and scattered presents all over the place; how the accident-prone Polar Bear climbed the North Pole and fell through the roof of Father Christmas house into the dining-room; how he broke the Moon into four pieces and made the Man in it fall into the back garden; how there were wars with the troublesome horde of goblins who lived in the caves beneath the house! Sometimes the Polar Bear would scrawl a note, and sometimes Ilbereth the Elf would write in his elegant flowing script, adding yet more life and humour to the stories. No reader, young or old, can fail to be charmed by the inventiveness and authenticity of Tolkiens Letters from Father Christmas. To mark ten years since the publication of the complete edition of Tolkiens LETTERS FROM FATHER CHRISTMAS in 1999, this new edition is the first time the letters have been available in B format. **BPB \$22.99**

Harry Turtledove

The Breath of God (Gap 02)

Once the great Glacier enclosed the Raumsdalian Empire. Now it's broken open, and Count Hamnet Thyssen faces a new world. With the wisecracking Ulric Skakki, the neighboring clan leader Trsamund (politely addressed as Your Ferocity), and his lover, the shaman Liv, Hamnet leads an exploration of the new territory in hopes of finding the legendary Golden Shrine.

But dangers abound. A violent and implacable group known as the Rulers has already killed many, and now they attack again. Riding deer and woolly mammoths and using powerful magic, the Rulers triumph and force the Raumsdaliens to flee.

In the spring another battle ends even more badly for Hamnet's side, but the Glacier is also retreating, so they are able to escape. Meeting a tribe whose desperate living conditions have led them to overcome the Raumsdalian taboo against eating fallen foes, they find unexpected allies. Now, returning to the capital city and its intrigues, Hamnet prepares to lead an army against the merciless Rulers. The world, once so bounded and comprehensible, will never be the same... **PB \$19.95**

Jeff Vandermeer

Finch

In a world where mysterious underground dwellers rule the state of Ambergris and control its residents with addictive drugs, internment camps and random acts of terror, John Finch and his partner, Wyte, must solve a double murder for their oppressive masters, all while trying to make contact with the scattered rebel resistance. **TP \$30.95**

Lynn Viehl

Shadowlight (Kyndred 01)

When a biotech company learns that Jessa can see anyone's darkest secrets due to an alteration in her genes, it plans to kill her to harvest her DNA and only Gaven, the one man she cannot read, can protect her. **APB \$19.95**

Lawrence Watt-Evans

A Young Man Without Magic

Lawrence Watt-Evans, author of the acclaimed *Legends of Ethshar* and *Worlds of Shadows* novels invites readers to embark on a rollicking journey in a brand-new fantasy series.

Anrel Murau is a scholar, a young man with no magical ability even though he is the son of two powerful sorcerers. Anrel's lack of talent bars him from the ruling classes, but he is content to be a simple clerk.

Upon returning to his childhood home after years of study in the capital, Anrel finds his friends and family held under the thumb of the corrupt local lord. When this lord murders a dear friend, Anrel finds that although he's not a sorcerer, he is not without other means to demand justice.

If he can survive life on the run, that is.

Carrying only his sword, a few coins, and his wit, Anrel must leave behind everything he has ever known, trust himself to unexpected allies, and outmaneuver leagues of enemies who will stop at nothing to keep his dangerous ideas from ever being heard. Magic and intrigue collide in a swashbuckling tale of daring escapes, beautiful witches, and one quiet young man's rise to hero—or traitor. Nothing will ever be simple for Anrel again, as his personal quest may provide more peril for those he holds dear. **HC \$56.95**

David Weber & Eric Flint*Torch of Freedom (Honorverse 02)*

As the slavemasters of Mesa plot against the Star Empire of Manticore and the newly liberated slave planet of Torch, Anton Zilwicky and the notorious Havenite secret agent Victor Cachat set off on a dangerous mission to uncover the truth concerning a wave of mysterious assassinations that have been launched against Manticore and Torch. Most people are sure that the Republic of Haven is behind the assassinations, but Zilwicky and Cachat suspect others of being the guilty party.

Queen Berry of Torch was one of the targets of the unknown assassins. The former head of the Ballroom slave liberation organization, Jeremy X—now one of Torch's top officials, but still considered by many the most dangerous terrorist in the galaxy—calls in some past favors owed to him. In response, a security officer from Beowulf arrives in Torch to take charge of Queen Berry's security—a task made doubly difficult by the young monarch's resentment of bodyguards and the security officer's own growing attachment to her.

Meanwhile, powerful forces in the Solarian League are maneuvering against each other to gain the upper hand in what they all expect to be an explosive crisis that threatens the very existence of the League itself. **HC \$52.95**

Conrad Williams*Decay Inevitable*

DECAY INEVITABLE is a novel charting the grim territories of the shadow line that trembles at the very end of life. These are badlands of horrifying dreams and demons where a black market in unspeakable goods takes place. A race is on to unearth the secrets of the soul... secrets woven into the fabric of death itself. **PB \$19.95**

C L Wilson*Queen of Song and Souls (04)*

As the evil mages of Eld stand on the brink of victory, Rain, the Fey King, and his bride Ellysetta must place their faith in love--and in themselves--by embracing a forbidden power that could either destroy their world or save it. **APB \$19.95**

David Wong*John Dies At the End*

A full-length tale based on the cult online serial by the editor-in-chief of Cracked.com finds an increasing number of people changed into threatening inhuman creatures by a hallucinogen, a situation that places the fate of the world in the hands of a pair of anti-heroes. **HC \$45**

Stephen Woodworth*With Red Hands (02)*

She can connect the living with the dead. She can help bring justice to the murdered. But now a killer is out to stop her...with his own red hands. Natalie Lindstrom was once part of an elite group of investigators with the power to interview the dead victims of violent crime. But now Nathalie's had enough of the violence. Yet, as she tries to build a new life and protect her five-year-old daughter, Natalie still recognises injustice when she sees it. And she knows that in a high-profile California trial, a young man is getting away with murder. The case against Prescott Hyland Jr is airtight - until a corrupt Violet delivers devastating testimony against another man. Now Natalie is being drawn back into her former career and a danger far worse than she can imagine. Because, in the world of the Violets, sometimes your past can literally come back to haunt you. **APB \$19.99**

Anthologies

*Unplugged: The Web's Best Sci-fi & Fantasy***TP \$30.95***Zombies: Encounters with the Hungry Dead*

This mind-bending anthology plumbs the history of zombie fiction to find 35 new and classic stories from renowned and up-and-coming writers of horror and fantasy, including Max Brooks, Stephen King, Neil Gaiman, Robert Bloch and Robert R. McCammon. **TP \$27.95**

P C Cast Editor*Immortal Love Stories With Bite*

Seven young adult vampire and contemporary fantasy authors offer inventive and captivating short stories that prove that when you're immortal, true love really is forever. **PB \$18.95**

Jack Dann & Gardner Dozois Australian Author/ Editor*The Dragon Book*

A collection of legendary fantasy tales about fire-breathing reptiles includes stories from more than six New York Times bestselling authors, including Jonathan Stroud, Gregory Maguire, Garth Nix, Diana Gabaldon, Tamora Pierce and others. **HC \$51.95**

Laurell K Hamilton, Yasmine Galenorn, Marjorie M Liu & Sharon Shinn*Never After*

This collection of stories, based on the classic idea of the "Faerie Tale Wedding," includes Laurell K. Hamilton's "Can He Bake a Cherry Pie," in which a princess, taking her own destiny in hand, rescues a pampered prince from an evil sorceress. **PB \$21.95**

Stephen Jones Editor*Mammoth Book of Wolf Men*

This collection of 23 dark stories of the supernatural creature, half-man, half-wolf, and entirely unpredictable, is being re-released to coincide with the much-anticipated Wolf Man, starring Anthony Hopkins and Benicio del Toro. Top contributors include Clive Barker, Michael Marshall Smith, Graham Masterton, and Mark Morris. **BPB \$28.95**

Alisa Krasnostein & Ben Payne *Australian Author Editor*

2012

Where will the world be in four years' time?

Eleven of Australia's top authors take a guess in 2012. Each story imagines the world as it might be, presenting unique possibilities for the very near future. There are dark visions of water and oil shortages, terrorism, climate change, global and regional politics, the limiting of personal freedoms such as free speech, struggles with the ethics of genetic engineering and bioengineering, alien conspiracies, and the impact of technology on industry. There are personal stories here too – of the way these things might impact on families, and how we at an individual level might react to the catastrophes predicted to lie ahead.

Each of these stories presents an original take on the imminent future of humanity. Each has something to say about who we are and who we might want to be. 2012 is both a call to imagine the future of the world and a call to create it.

- * "Watertight Lies" by Deborah Biancotti
- * "Fleshy" by Tansy Rayner Roberts
- * "Oh, Russia" by Simon Brown
- * "Soft Viscosity" by David Conyers
- * "Apocalypse Now" by Lucy Sussex
- * "The Last Word" by Dirk Flinthart
- * "Ghost Jail" by Kaaron Warren
- * "Love You Like Water" by Angela Slatter
- * "Skinsongs" by Martin Livings
- * "David Bowie" by Ben Peek
- * "Oblivion" by Sean McMullen **BPB \$20**

Alisa Krasnostein & Tehani Wessely *Australian Author Editor*

New Ceres Nights

New Ceres, a planet in the outer colonies, embraced the Age of Enlightenment nearly two hundred years ago and refused to let go. Refugees and opportunists come to New Ceres in search of new lives, escaping the conflicts of the interstellar war that has already destroyed Earth.

New Ceres Nights presents thirteen exciting stories of rebellion, debauchery, decadence, subterfuge and murder set against the backdrop of powdered wigs, coffee houses, duels and balls that is the shared world of New Ceres.

- * Debutante — Dirk Flinthart
- * The Widow's Seven Candles — Thoraiya Dyer
- * Code Duello — J C Hay
- * Murder in Laochan — Alette de Bodard
- * Tontine Mary — Kaaron Warren
- * Fair Trade — Stephen Dedman
- * A Troublesome Day for Jacky Midnight — Matthew Farrer
- * Prosperine When It Sizzles — Tansy Rayner Roberts
- * Candle to the Devil — Sue Isle
- * Blessed Are the Dead that the Rain Falls Upon — Martin Livings
- * The Sharp Shooter — Sylvia Kelso
- * Smuggler's Moon — Lee Battersby
- * The Piece of Ice in Miss Windermere's Heart — Angela Slatter **BPB \$30**

George R R Martin & Gardner Dozois *Editor*

Songs of the Dying Earth

A dim place, ancient beyond knowledge. The sun is feeble and red. A million cities have fallen to dust. Here live a few thousand souls, dying, as the Earth dies beneath them. Just a few short decades remain to the long history of our world. At the last, science and magic one, and there is evil on Earth, distilled by time ... Earth is dying.

Half a century ago, Jack Vance created the world of the Dying Earth, and fantasy has never been the same. Now, for the first time, Jack has agreed to open this bizarre and darkly beautiful world to other fantasists, to play in as their very own. The list of twenty-one contributors eager to honour Jack Vance by writing for this anthology includes Raymond E. Feist, Neil Gaiman, Elizabeth Hand, Tanith Lee, Michael Moorcock, Dan Simmons, Robert Silverberg, Tad Williams, Walter Jon Williams and George R.R. Martin himself. **HC \$59.99 TP \$32.99**

Fern Michaels *et al*

Snow Angels

This enchanting holiday collection of romances features a new story from a New York Times best-selling author that finds a handsome Olympic skier, who wants to spend Christmas alone, opening up his heart and home to a stranded social worker. **PB \$19.95**

Keith Stevenson *Australian Author Editor*

X6

An all-new collection of novella-length journeys beyond the borders of the real from six of the most exciting speculative fiction authors working in Australia today. **BPB \$34.95**

Tricia Telep *Editor*

Mammoth Book Of Vampire Romance - Love Bites

A wonderful variety of compellingly original vampire stories, many of them wholly unexpected, from awardwinning, New York Times bestselling authors. **PB \$24.95**

Jeff Vandermeer & Ann Vandermeer *Editor*

Steampunk

Replete with whimsical mechanical wonders and charmingly anachronistic settings, this pioneering anthology gathers a brilliant blend of fantastical stories. Steampunk originates in the romantic elegance of the Victorian era and blends in modern scientific advances—synthesizing imaginative technologies such as steam-driven robots, analog supercomputers, and ultramodern dirigibles. The elegant allure of this popular new genre is represented in this rich collection by distinctively talented authors, including Neal Stephenson, Michael Chabon, James Blaylock, Michael Moorcock, and Joe R. Lansdale. **TP \$29.95**

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We order in books not listed in our database all the time. We have access into several suppliers' databases to check availability. Computer texts, history, biographies, etc. Ask us if there is something that interests you. All purchases can earn you reward points.

Young Adult

Harry Potter Poster Annual 2010 (harry potter)

This poster annual will follow Harry's sixth year at Hogwarts, his discovery of the Half-Blood Prince, his growing and changing relationships with his friends, and his and Dumbledore's fascinating and frightening journey in their quest to search and destroy Voldemort's horcruxes. **HC \$16.95**

39 Clues Slipcase 2 (39 Clues 04, 05, 06)

Available just in time for Christmas - the second three thrilling books and card pack in a fabulous slipcase! Case contains: Beyond the Grave, The Black Circle, In Too Deep and the second card pack. **HC \$49.99**

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The Seer of Shadows

Horace Carpetine does not believe in ghosts.

Raised to believe in science and reason, Horace Carpetine passes off spirits as superstition. Then he becomes an apprentice photographer and discovers an eerie-and even dangerous-supernatural power in his very own photographs.

When a wealthy lady orders a portrait to place by her daughter's gravesite, Horace's employer, Enoch Middleditch, schemes to sell her more pictures-by convincing her that her daughter's ghost has appeared in the ones he's already taken.

It's Horace's job to create images of the girl. Yet Horace somehow captures the girl's spirit along with her likeness. And when the spirit escapes the photographs, Horace discovers he's released a ghost bent on a deadly revenge. . . . **BPB \$12.99**

Holly Black & Tony DiTerlizzi

The Wyrms King (Beyond Spiderwick 03)

In the final installment of Beyond the Spiderwick Chronicles, Nick and Laurie had thought they solved their giant problems when they drove all the giants into the sea. But now, the Grace kids have come back to tell them they may have more trouble coming their way!

It turns out the giants control the population of Hydra, a dragon like creature that is creating sinkholes all over Florida. But with the mermaids refusing to return the giants to the shore, the nixie's still missing and the threat of a destroyed Florida drawing closer, the kids have to take matters in their own hands.

Will Nick and Laurie be able to stop the destruction they unwittingly caused? Can a new giant hunter help save the day? Can Arthur Spiderwick's Field Guide help them out of this or are they on their own?

Find out in the final conclusion of the Spiderwick saga! **HC \$18.99**

Holly Black & Tony DiTerlizzi

Spiderwick Chronicles, Completely Fantastical Edition (Spiderwick)

After finding a mysterious, handmade field guide in the attic of the ramshackle old mansion they've just moved into, Jared; his twin brother, Simon; and their older sister, Mallory, discover that there's a magical and often capricious world existing parallel to our own -- the world of faerie. Now their entire New York Times bestselling adventure is available in one exquisite volume. Featuring all five books in the original Spiderwick Chronicles series, this handsome edition also includes three recently unearthed bonus chapters; an exclusive "making of" section filled with early sketches of characters like the Grace kids, Thimbletack, and Hogsqueal; and, as a special added bonus, an all-star gallery where other popular artists put their spin on the characters and creatures that populate the world of Spiderwick. Fans and novices alike will treasure this handy, all-in-one introduction to the world of Spiderwick! **HC \$29.99**

Meg Cabot

The Merlin Prophecy (Avalon High Coronation 01)

Being a new student at Avalon High has been exciting for Ellie, to say the least-she's an honor student, a star on the track team, and, oh yeah, dating the super-hot class president, Will. Who also happens to be the alleged reincarnation of King Arthur.

Ellie couldn't be happier to have Will in her life, but she's also worried that his estrangement from his parents is tearing him apart. To make matters worse, Will's doubt that he really is King Arthur could prevent the Merlin Prophecy-an age of enlightenment-from occurring. Can Ellie convince Will to believe in something that even she isn't sure about? And more importantly, can she get him to give his parents another chance? **BPB \$14.99**

Homecoming (Avalon High Coronation 02)

Will's dangerous brother, Marco, has been released from the mental hospital, and it seems as if he's turned over a new leaf. But Ellie isn't sure she trusts him yet, especially when she keeps having creepy nightmares about him every night.

Meanwhile, Mr. Morton is still convinced that Ellie's boyfriend, Will, is the reincarnation of King Arthur and that if Ellie doesn't help Will believe this, too, the world is going to end-this Friday. But all this won't stop Ellie from trying to pull off the big dinner party she's arranged to reunite Will with his parents. . . . even though it might be a total disaster.

When you and your friends are reliving Arthurian legend, you can never catch a break! **PB \$14.99**

Hunter's Moon (Avalon High Coronation 03)

The exciting conclusion to Meg Cabot's magical Arthurian manga!

Ellie has only one day left to get her boyfriend Will to truly believe he's the reincarnation of King Arthur, or the world will plunge into eternal darkness. But Will refuses to believe her! Meanwhile, the upcoming Homecoming game and dance have everyone distracted, especially Ellie. Some people aren't too happy about her Homecoming Queen nomination and are determined to cause trouble. Ellie's got to save her reputation and the world before the new moon on the night of Homecoming brings them all to a dangerous crossroad. If Ellie can't convince Will of his destiny, the world may never recover. . . .

This manga series of Arthurian legend and high school romance comes to a thrilling climax in this final volume. And just remember-anything can happen if you believe! **BPB \$14.99**

Kate Cann

Fire and Rayne

Rayne is still enjoying life at remote Morton's Keep, an escape from the city life she hated so much. But there are hints of something creepy and out of kilter still in the house, especially when a mysterious new housekeeper takes over. Then-suddenly and shockingly-a violent murder occurs on the outskirts of Marcle Lees, and Rayne's life is turned upside down all over again. **PB \$19.99**

P C & Kristen Cast*Tempted (House of Night 06)*

Zoey needs a break after some serious excitement. Sadly, the House of Night school for vampyres doesn't feature breaks on its curriculum - even for a High Priestess in training and her gang. Plus juggling three guys is no stress reliever, especially when one is a sexy Warrior so into protecting Zoey that he's sensing her emotions. Wider stresses lurk too, and the dark force in Tulsa's tunnels is spreading. Could Stevie Rae be responsible for more than a group of misfit fledglings? And Aphrodite's visions warn Zoey to stay away from the immortal Kalona and his dark allure - but they also show that only Zoey can stop him. She's not exactly keen to meet up, but if Zoey doesn't go to Kalona he'll exact a fiery vengeance on those closest to her. She just has to find the courage to do what's necessary, or everything that's important to her will be destroyed. **BPB \$16.99**

Cassandra Clare*City of Ashes (Mortal Instruments 02)*

After finding out that Jace is her brother and the Inquisitor is hunting for him, Clary Fray's hopes for a quiet life are put on hold as she finds herself back in battle against warlocks, vampires, werewolves, and her own father, Valentine--the mastermind behind all demon attacks. **TP \$21.95**

Charles de Lint*Dingo*

Seventeen-year-old Miguel Schreiber and a long-term enemy are drawn into a strange dream world when they fall in love with shapeshifting sisters from Australia--twins hiding from a cursed ancestor who can only be freed with the girls' cooperation. **HC \$24.95**

Nancy Farmer*Land of Silver Apples*

After escaping from the Sea of Trolls, the apprentice bard Jack plunges into a new series of adventures, traveling underground to Elfland and uncovering the truth about his little sister Lucy. Includes reading-group guide. **PB \$16.99**

Becca Fitzpatrick*Hush, Hush*

A sacred oath, a fallen angel, a forbidden love...

This darkly romantic story features our heroine, Nora Grey, a seemingly normal teenage girl with her own shadowy connection to the Nephilim, and super-alluring bad boy, Patch, now her deskmate in biology class. Together they find themselves at the centre of a centuries-old feud between a fallen angel and a Nephilim...

Forced to sit next to Patch in science class, Nora attempts to resist his flirting, though gradually falls for him against her better judgment. Meanwhile creepy things are going on with a mysterious stalker following her car, breaking into her house and attacking her best friend, Vi. Nora suspects Patch, but there are other suspects too - not least a new boy who has transferred from a different college after being wrongly accused of murdering his girlfriend. And he seems to have taken a shine to Nora...

Love certainly is dangerous... and someone is going to have to make the ultimate sacrifice for it. **BPB \$24.99**

John Flanagan Australian Author*Halt's Peril (Ranger's Apprentice 09)*

Halt, Horace and Will follow Tennyson's trail to Picta. They're determined to stop the Outsider prophet and his remaining followers before the outlaws make their way across the border into Araluen. Will has defeated one of Tennyson's Genovesan assassins in Clonmel - but there are two left alive. Are the extraordinary archery skills of Will and Halt enough to save them during a duel with the assassins . . . or is Will's mentor facing his last battle? **BPB \$16.95**

Cornelia Funke*Inkheart Collector's Edition (Ink 01)*

Meggie loves books. So does her father, Mo, a bookbinder, although he has never read aloud to her since her mother mysteriously disappeared. They live quietly until the night a stranger knocks at their door. He has come with a warning that forces Mo to reveal an extraordinary secret-a storytelling secret that will change their lives forever. **PB \$24.99**

Inkspell Collector's Edition (Ink 02)

Although a year has passed, not a day goes by without Meggie thinking of the extraordinary events of Inkheart, and the story whose characters strode out of the pages, and changed her life for ever. But for Dustfinger, the fire-eater, torn from his world of words, the need to return has become desperate. When he finds a crooked storyteller with the magical ability to read him back, he sets in motion a dangerous reversal that sees the characters of Inkheart transported to a charmed Inkworld, about to be fought over by rival rebels and princes. But can Meggie, Farid and Fenoglio write the wrongs of a charmed world about to be fought over by rival princes and rebels? **PB \$24.99**

Inkdeath Collector's Edition (Ink 03)

Life in the Inkworld has been far from easy since the extraordinary events of Inkspell, when the story of Inkheart magically drew Meggie, Mo and Dustfinger back into its pages. With Dustfinger dead, and the evil Adderhead now in control, the story in which they are all caught has taken an unhappy turn. Even Elinor, left alone in the real world, believes her family to be lost-lost between the covers of a book. But as winter comes on there is reason to hope-if only Meggie and Mo can rewrite the wrongs of the past and make a dangerous pact with death. **PB \$24.99**

Ann Gray*How to be a Vampire*

Do you long to join the decadent, distinguished world of the gloriously undead? Do you ache for the darkness and cold? Want to be turned? Yearn for the eternal embrace? This gorgeous handbook reveals the immortal clan's ancient secrets and guides the new or aspiring vampire into a world of glamour and enticement. **HC \$19.95**

Edwina Harvey Australian Author*The Whale's Tale*

In a future where whales and dolphins can communicate with humans, and where the Whale Nation has brought space travel back from the brink of extinction, humpback whales tour the galaxy in massive spaceships called "The Whaling Fleet" performing Whalesong to receptive audiences. Uki is a teenage Japanese girl who steals a file from a whale to impress a guy in her gang, but she gets caught, and has to perform restitution to Targe, the humpback whale she's stolen the file from, by touring the galaxy with Targe and his dolphin sidekick, Charlie. Uki doesn't like Targe, Targe doesn't like Uki, and Charlie thinks he's in for the worst tour of his life until they discover Uki has a special talent. **BPB \$19.95**

Steven Hunt & David Richardson *Australian Authors*

The East Wind (Cloudchasers 02)

When Alice, Thomas and Spinner discover they must find the Bankers father to complete their quest, their search takes them to terrifying and fantastic worlds. On their travels through the peril of the Loppers world to the freezing, desolate waste of Tebbits land of nightmares, they encounter the Wandering Seers, a sand-monster bureaucrat, Mad King George and the daffy Forgetmeknot and his homemade flying craft. Will Alice ever find the Bankers Father? Can she and her companions avoid the relentless Catcher and his minions? And what secret does Spinner hold that will decide the fate of them all? Full of unexpected twists and turns, fantasy and adventure, THE CLOUDCHASERS: THE EAST WIND is a thrilling and satisfying conclusion to the Cloudchasers saga.

Ages 7-12. **TP \$39.99**

A M Jenkins

Beating Heart

She haunts his dreams.

She is a momentary chill in warm sunlight, a shadow, and a memory of secret kisses and hidden passion. He is seventeen, and ever since he moved into this house he has dreamt of her . . . hot, wordless dreams that turn darker and more intense every night. Ghost and boy fascinate each other-until her memories and his desire collide in a moment that changes them both forever. **BPB \$16.99**

David KoChin *Australian Author*

Thy Fiefdom Come (01)

Irresponsible cloning technology led modern man into a new dark age... Two thousand years later, humanoids wage war with sword and shield against the surviving human fiefdoms. Wingless Mad Dragons roam the tropical wastelands, ghosts haunt the ruins, and 'magic' comes from 21st century artefacts.

Seventeen-year-old Raf Kenne, a rickshaw-puller from the slums of JungKalif, is conscripted into a warlord's army. With his band of slum-boy soldiers, Raf guards a settlers' convoy through the wastelands. But a humanoid army is in close pursuit, seeking revenge for past atrocities. Raf must survive by whatever means to raise his father's ransom. Then, he finds an artefact that could change his life...and the entire fiefdom... **TP \$24.95**

Jake Lancing

Demon Defenders (Goblin Games)

Alex and the gang are grounded. Again. Since it doesn't look like they're going to be allowed back to Heaven's junior footie league any time soon for good behaviour, the gang decide to sneak out of the house and to the local fancy-dress Halloween fair for some harmless fun. But some of the Halloween outfits look suspiciously real. **BPB \$12.95**

C S Lewis & Walter Hooper

Boxen: Childhood Chronicles Before Narnia

The lost tales of 'Animal-land', written and illustrated by C.S. Lewis and his brother Warnie, which they developed into the chronicles of the kingdom of Boxen, newly published to mark the centenary of the first story. Half a century before the publication of The Chronicles of Narnia, C.S. Lewis created another imaginary world. The tales of 'Animal-land' which eight-year-old Jack (as his family knew him) had shared with his brother Warnie developed into the chronicles of the kingdom of Boxen. In a succession of stories over the next few years, the young Lewis explored its history, geography and the colourful exploits of its inhabitants in vivid detail, writing the last of the papers, his Encyclopedia Boxoniana, in April 1928.

This new landmark edition marks the centenary of the very first Boxen manuscript. Here are all the stories, some never before seen, sensitively edited and arranged to make the most of the fabulous and inventive fantasy while retaining all the vigour of a child's imaginative writing. Lavishly and charmingly illustrated by the author, and published for the very first time in colour, together with facsimile pages from the original notebooks, this book will provide a unique insight into one of the most extraordinary minds of our age.

For every reader who has been captivated by the magic of Narnia, Boxen will open a window on to another enchanted land. **PB \$32.99**

Gabrielle Lord *Australian Author*

January (Conspiracy 365 01)

On New Year's Eve Cal is chased down the street by a staggering, sick man with a deadly warning . . . They killed your father. They'll kill you. You must survive the next 365 days! Hurling into a life on the run, with a price on his head, the 15-year-old fugitive is isolated and alone. Hunted by the law and ruthless criminals, Cal must somehow uncover the truth about his father's mysterious death and a history-changing secret. Who can he turn to, who can he trust, when the whole world seems to want him dead? Callum Ormond has been warned. He has 365 days.

The countdown has begun ... **PB \$9.99**

Adeline Yen Mah

Chinese Cinderella

When Adeline Yen Mah's mother died giving birth to her, the family considered Adeline bad luck and she was made to feel unwanted all her life. Chinese Cinderella is the true story of her struggle for acceptance and her triumph against almost overwhelming odds. **BPB \$19.95**

Chinese Cinderella and the Secret Dragon Society **BPB \$15.99**

Chinese Cinderella, The Mystery of the Song Dynasty Painting **BPB \$15.99**

Margaret Mahy

The Dark Blue 100 Ride Bus Ticket

When Carlo and his mother, Jessica, accept a free bus ticket from a strange old woman in the supermarket, they are really only being polite. Secretly they think she must be slightly batty, with her talk about hundred free bus rides to the supermarket at the end of the world. How absurd! And yet, right outside their supermarket, which is of the most ordinary, everyday kind, a Number 13 bus pulls up . . . dark blue and with gold stars, just like the ticket.

Feeling suddenly adventurous, Jessica and Carlo take their seats . . . and nothing turns out the way you would expect.

Because the wonderful supermarket is real - but so are the horrible Dowlers, who are plotting and scheming to destroy it. What begins with fun and laughter becomes violent and dangerous, and the courage of a pair of resourceful children will be needed if the horrible, howling Dowlers are to be defeated. **TP \$19.99**

Amanda Marrone

Devoured

Megan works at an amusement park to keep an eye on her boyfriend, Ryan, and his best friend, Alexa, who clearly likes him, only to begin seeing the ghost of her dead sister and discovering that Luke--who has a crush on Megan, but is being pursued by Megan's new friend Ari--can also see the apparition. **BPB \$16.99**

Stephenie Meyer

Twilight Saga Boxed Set (Twilight 01, 02, 03, 04)

TWILIGHT, NEW MOON, ECLIPSE and BREAKING DAWN capture the struggle between defying our instincts and satisfying our desires. This stunning set makes the perfect gift for fans of this bestselling vampire love story. The set will give existing fans a focus for their devotion and new fans will be entranced as the love story between Bella and the Vampire Edward develops from tentative beginnings in Twilight to its stunning conclusion in the publishing phenomenon that is Breaking Dawn. **TP \$100**

Vlad Mezrich

The Vampire is Just Not That Into You

Are you in love with a vampire? Are you worried that you might not be his (blood) type? Do you wonder whether that cold stare means he isn't interested ... or if it's because he's been dead for three centuries (nothing personal)? Have you tried to coax him out of his crypt with a flash of your neck or a near-death situation that requires him to save you at the very last possible moment? Have you ever considered what it will be like to introduce him to your mother? Even though your vampire's skin is transfixingly translucent, he can still be very hard to read. Sometimes he's simply holding back his true feelings, resisting the urge to bite you on the chance that one day you will truly love him. And other times ... well, he's just not that into you. How can you tell? Undead dating specialist Vlad Mezrich has all the answers, utilising quizzes, Top Ten lists, language analysis, real-life (and real-death) testimonials, and fancy charts to show you what you need to do in order to get your vampire and keep him forever. **PB \$12.99**

Roslyn J Motter Australian Author

Doofuzz Dudes: The Cobra Curse (Doofuzz Dudes 05)

In the fifth book in the Doofuzz Dudes series, Bobo, the Puzzle Master's clever dog, disappears into thin air. Where has he gone? To discover the answer the Dudes must once again travel back in time in the mystical Moon Tree.

They must face dangers they have never before encountered – from grotesque, invisible monsters to a farm full of thousands of deadly cobras.

Do the Dudes find Bobo? What danger awaits them in a prehistoric jungle?

To discover the answers to these questions and more, read the latest Doofuzz Dudes adventure, The Cobra Curse. **BPB \$17.95**

Doofuzz Dudes: The Space Spiders (Doofuzz Dudes 06)

In the sixth book in the series, the Doofuzz Dudes receive a nasty shock when Howard Soured's awful parents steal the Spell Book, 'Spells for a Magical King' for their son, the school bully.

The Dudes enlist the help of their good friend, The Sandel of Kloon, to help them get the precious book back.

But as usual, nothing is as easy as it looks. In their race to retrieve the Spell Book, the Dudes must travel to the Planet StyraX13 in the Interplanetary Zipper. They are attacked by the scourge of the universe - the carnivorous flying Eye-Pods. They meet the Thorations, the fearsome toll collectors for the Galactic Tollroad Enterprise and they learn some big lessons about how not to run a planet.

Find out about the Blabbel of Salcazar's cunning plan to make money at all costs. But do the Dudes escape the stickiest trap of all - the Space Spider's very sticky web? **BPB \$17.95**

Doofuzz Dudes: The Blood Tree (Doofuzz Dudes 07)

When Hillary Pillari moves into Sunshine Grove, the Doofuzz Dudes aren't sure about how much they should reveal to her about their secret activities. Then Cap, Hillary's pet ferret, receives a letter from Zarundok and the Dudes realise they can't avoid inviting Hillary to go with them on their latest adventure. Travelling a million years into the past to the Anacanda Sea, they become caught up in volcanic eruptions, get trapped in spider webs and attacked by giant jellyfish as they race against time to save the magical Moon Tree. But what is the secret of Anacanda Candy? What danger must Toby face alone? And what role does the ancient and mysterious Blood Tree play in all of this? Read the Doofuzz Dudes and the Blood Tree to find the answer as you join the Dudes on the most exciting adventure of their lives. **BPB \$17.95**

Jenny Nimmo

Charlie Bone and The Red Knight (Charlie Bone 08)

The race to find the box containing the secret regarding the Bloors' fortune has become deadly. The Bloors are gathering their evil forces – thieves, poisoners, kidnappers, swindlers and even murderers from Piminy Street and an expert magical swordsman from the seventeenth century. And Lord Grimwald, Dagbert's father, is enlisted to drown Charlie's father and mother on their second honeymoon using his magical Sea Globe.

Charlie is determined to stop them from finding the box and destroying it. But with the Pets' Café closed down, Billy trapped in Badlock and one of his friends tricked into helping the Bloors, it looks like his only hope might be the mysterious Red Knight.

But who is the Red Knight? And can he help Charlie defeat the Bloors once and for all?

All the magical threads come together in this amazing finale to a hugely compelling series. **BPB \$16.95**

Arielle North Olsen

More Bones: Scary Stories from Around the World

Have you heard about the man who marries . . . a corpse? Or what about the magic school where one student in every class is never allowed to leave? Many of these tales go back hundreds of years and to the farthest corners of the earth, but as diverse as they are, they also reveal one important truth: everyone loves a scary story. The authors have dug deeply - from Egypt to Iceland - to find the spookiest stories that are perfect to share around a campfire or at a sleepover. **BPB \$12.95**

Christopher Paolini

Eragon's Guide to Alagaesia (Inheritance)

A thrilling addition to the mega-bestselling books of the Inheritance Cycle. A full-colour exploration of the world of Alagaesia

Greetings, Dragon Rider.

It is a great honour to be chosen as a Rider. I have compiled these papers for you as an introduction to the most important peoples, places and things within Alagaesia. Study them most carefully, for some day your life may depend upon this information. Mine has, and more than once.

Eragon Shadeslayer

This is a full-colour extravaganza, an exploration deep into the world of Alagaesia, as told by Eragon himself, hero of ERAGON, ELDEST and BRISINGR. Find out much more about dragons, elves, urgals and the history of Alagaesia. Contains fold-out booklets of information, jewels and other special exclusive additions to this fascinating world. **HC \$45**

Thomas Pendleton & Stephan Petrucha

Prey (Wicked Dead 05)

Rabbit food. Windowpanes. Pennies. Chelsea Kaier counts and frets over everything-her OCD won't let her stop. But when her biology teacher, Ms. Mandisa, asks her to pet-sit, Chelsea can't think of a reason to say no. After all, it's extra pocket money-nothing to worry about, right? Wrong. Ms. Mandisa's "pet" is a six-foot lizard with a poisonous bite and a taste for red meat. And if Chelsea doesn't think fast, she'll be dead meat. **PB \$14.99**

Philip Reeve

Fever Crumb (Mortal Engines 00)

The author of the best-selling and critically acclaimed Mortal Engines quartet has written a stunning prequel. Fever Crumb is set a generation before the events of Mortal Engines, when cities are just beginning to devour each other. Is the mystery of Fever, adopted daughter of Dr Crumb, the key to the secret that lies at the heart of London? **HC \$29.99**

Mortal Engines (Mortal Engines 01)

Mortal Engines launched Philip Reeve's brilliantly imagined creation, the world of the Traction Era, where mobile cities fight for survival in a post-apocalyptic future. The first instalment introduces young apprentice Tom Natsworthy and the murderous Hester Shaw, flung from the fast-moving city of London into heart-stopping adventures in the wastelands of the Great Hunting Ground. Repackaged with a stunning double cover and eye-catching new look that features the famous recycled 'Old-Tech' of Reeve's fantastic world. **PB \$19.99**

Mortal Engines Collector's edition (Mortal Engines 01)

The first-ever signed and numbered limited edition of this acclaimed children's classic, in a superb, cut-through slipcase. **HC \$75**

Predator's Gold (Mortal Engines 02)

When Tom and Hester's scrapyard aircraft is pursued by rocket-firing gunships, they seek sanctuary in the speeding ice city of Anchorage. But it is no safe refuge. Devastated by plague and haunted by ghosts, Anchorage is heading for the Dead Continent... **PB \$19.99**

Infernal Devices (Mortal Engines 03)

Tom and Hester's daughter, Wren, longs to escape the peace of static Anchorage. She craves the dangerous adventures her parents once had-and a charming submarine pirate is ready to take her to sea. But the mysterious object that she steals for him ignites a conflict that will tear the whole world apart... **PB \$19.99**

A Darkling Plain (Mortal Engines 04)

Agents for peace are bringing an end to the devastating conflict between the roaming Traction Cities and their fanatical enemies while Wren and her father Tom travel the Bird Roads in their airship, trying to forget that Hester has betrayed them. In the ruined wreckage of the city of London they make a discovery that will change the world, while Hester must face an implacable foe with the means and the will to destroy the entire human race. **PB \$19.99**

Emily Rodda Australian Author

The Rondo Trilogy Slipcase (Rondo 01, 02, 03)

The old music box, with its strict rules, has been handed down through Leo's family. When the rules are broken, Leo's life is changed forever as he and his cousin Mimi plunge into a thrilling quest in the fantastic world of Rondo. **HC \$89.99**

Jon Scieszka

Robot Zot!

From the minds of Scieszka and Shannon comes a tale of a quixotic robot determined to conquer the earth. The only problem is that the earth he lands on is a suburban kitchen and he is three inches tall. Robot Zot, the fearless and unstoppable warrior, leaves a trail of destruction as he encounters blenders, toasters, and televisions. But when he discovers the princess...a pink cell phone...his mission takes a new course. Robot Zot must learn how to be a hero - in the name of true love. **HC \$26.99**

L J Smith

The Awakening (Vampire Diaries 01)

A deadly love triangle

Elena: beautiful and popular, the girl who can have any boy she wants.

Stefan: brooding and mysterious, desperately trying to resist his desire for Elena . . . for her own good.

Damon: sexy, dangerous, and driven by an urge for revenge against Stefan, the brother who betrayed him.

Elena finds herself drawn to both brothers . . . who will she choose? **BPB \$16.95**

Dark Visions

The strange power: Kaitlyn is an artist, but not an ordinary one; everything she draws comes true. When she is invited by Dr Xetes, a scientist who is studying psychic abilities, to join his school of "talented individuals" in California, Kaitlyn is only too happy to go. There she meets Rob, a healer, and Gabriel, a dark lone wolf, who apparently wants nothing to do with her. But with so much supernatural energy going around, it's hardly surprising that the psychics soon develop a telepathic link that can't be broken.

The Possessed: Having learned the dark secrets of the psychic institute, Kaitlyn and her new friends are on the run, not even daring to contact their parents or old friends. As the group hide-out together they grow closer and Kaitlyn finally discovers Gabriel's dark secret: he's a psychic vampire. In order to survive he needs to drain other people's life-force, but he's been holding back to keep others safe. Kaitlyn offers herself as a source - and finds the experience not entirely un-enjoyable.

The Passion: Back at the lab, captured like animals, Kaitlyn and her friends are still in danger from the evil Dr Xetes. To escape they will need to face the true meaning of what their psychic link really means. But Kaitlyn is battling with an internal conflict too: Rob or Gabriel? Sunlight or darkness? She'll need to search her heart for the answer. **BPB \$19.99**

Carol Snow

Switch

Claire Martin has some serious body issues.

Ever since Claire hit her teens, electrical storms have been making her switch bodies. Usually she's back to her old self in no time. But when something goes terribly wrong, she finds herself stuck in the fabulous body-and life-of Larissa, the icy blonde beauty who has caught the eye of Nate, Claire's longtime crush.

Will Claire ever figure out how to get her old life back? And, more importantly, will she even want to? **PB \$16.99**

Maria V Snyder

Fire Study

When word that Yelena is a Soulfinder — able to capture and release souls — spreads like wildfire, people grow uneasy. Already Yelena's unusual abilities and past have set her apart. As the Council debates Yelena's fate, she receives a disturbing message: a plot is rising against her homeland, led by a murderous sorcerer she has defeated before...

Honour sets Yelena on a path that will test the limits of her skills, and the hope of reuniting with her beloved spurs her onward. Her journey is fraught with allies, enemies, lovers and would-be assassins, each of questionable loyalty. Yelena will have but one chance to prove herself — and save the land she holds dear.

From the award-winning author of *Poison Study* and *Magic Study* comes a stunning new chapter in a brilliantly imagined epic of magical empires besieged by deadly conflict... **BPB \$19.99**

Michael P Spradlin *Australian Author*

The Youngest Templar (01)

'Sir Thomas' tunic was caked in blood. He strode quickly to the table. "Tristan, we're about to be overrun. Surrender is not an option..."

Fourteen-year-old Tristan doesn't have much of a life. He has never known his parents, and spends his days mucking out the stables in a monastery. So when an unexpected chance to go on Crusade with the Knights Templar comes up, Tristan seizes it with both hands, plunging himself into a series of extraordinary travels and adventures.

When his dying master, Sir Thomas, entrusts Tristan with the legendary treasure known throughout the ages as the Holy Grail, the young knight must escape the bloody siege at Acre and head for Scotland, where the Grail will be safe.

Together with Robard Hode, the best archer in the King's army, and the mysterious Assassin Maryam, Tristan flees across Europe, barely one step ahead of his enemies, who will stop at nothing to claim the Grail for themselves ... **BPB \$14.99**

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Maggie Stiefvater

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R L Stine

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So begins the journal of Will Henry, orphaned assistant to Dr. Pellinore War throp, a man with a most unusual specialty: monstrumology, the study of monsters. In his time with the doctor, Will has met many a mysterious late-night visitor, and seen things he never imagined were real. But when a grave robber comes calling in the middle of the night with a gueso me find, he brings with him their most deadly case yet.

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David Mack

4400 taken, 4400 returned. All were given startling new abilities. Now, if you are willing to risk it all, you too can be extraordinary. Is this what the future intended to ensure the survival of the human race?

Promicin -- which kills half of those who dare to inject it and grants paranormal abilities to those who survive -- is spreading across the globe and threatening to plunge the entire world into chaos.

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However, the real threats are the Marked -- agents from the future whose identities are encoded into body-hijacking nanites. They were sent back to thwart the efforts of the 4400. The last three surviving Marked lurk in the shadows, working in secret as they prepare to deliver a deathblow to the planet.

Caught in the crossfire are NTAC agents Tom Baldwin and Diana Skouris. His son, Kyle, and her thirteen-year-old adopted daughter, Maia, are both more loyal to Jordan's movement than to them. And when the standoff between Collier and the U.S. military explodes into open conflict, Tom, Diana, and fellow agents wind up outnumbered and outgunned.

In the end, the fate of all mankind will rest in the hands of one man: Tom Baldwin. **PB \$19.95**

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Featuring a wealth of material from the current and classic series, the Guide also includes behind-the-scenes secrets of how the monsters were created, as well as design drawings and images. Find out how the Cybermen were redesigned over the years, and how Davros was resurrected to lead his Daleks once again. Discover the computer magic that made the Beast possible, and the make-up wizardry that created the Weeping Angels. Learn how many incarnations of the Master the Doctor has encountered, and which other misguided Time Lords he has defeated...

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Justin Richards

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Kirsten Beyer

Freed with a thought, the greatest menace to humanity, the Borg, are gone, absorbed into the Caeliar gestalt. But are they? Can this deadly menace that has hovered over humanity for decades truly be gone? Might some shadow of the Caeliar remain? The Federation decides that they have to know, and Starfleet is ordered to find out.

The Starship Voyager leads a fleet into a region of space that has lived in fear of instant annihilation for generations: the Delta quadrant, home of the Borg. Afsarah Eden -- the new captain of Voyager -- is charged with getting answers, to reach out to possible allies and resolve old enmities in the Delta quadrant.

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These are not the friendly stars of the Federation; the unknown and the unexpected are the everyday. **PB \$14.99**

Star Wars

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Joe Schreiber

In the time immediately following the destruction of the Death Star and the years between the Battle of Yavin and the foundation of the Rebel Base on Hoth, the Empire's grip on the galaxy has become an unyielding fist of retribution. Pressed into action by Emperor Palpatine, Imperial forces have stepped up efforts to hunt down and imprison Rebel sympathizers, shipping them off to newly formed detainment moons via huge prison barges. By necessity these barges are floating chambers of degradation and vice, notoriously unreliable spacecraft staffed by Imperial corrections officers whose cruelty rivals that of the inmates. The Imperial Prison Barge Virtue is hauling its load of prisoners, criminals and murderers, human and non-human, across the galaxy, when it breaks down in deep space.

Soon after, the ship's warden discovers a derelict Star Destroyer, seemingly abandoned, and sends a boarding party to scavenge parts to repair the Virtue. Half of them don't come back. The ones that do are infected with a virus so deadly that within hours, it has wiped out ninety-nine percent of the barge's population. But for the handful of survivors - two brothers, the Virtue's female chief medical officer, and a sadistic captain of the guards, along with a certain rogue smuggler and his Wookiee sidekick - the true horror is just begun. Because those inmates and guards who died of the virus don't stay dead...and when they come back, they're extremely hungry. Against their better judgment, the survivors take refuge aboard the massive creaking emptiness of the Destroyer, only to discover that its original population has not disappeared at all - and that they've been waiting for them.

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Karen Traviss

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Tobias S Buckell

In the first, desperate days of the Human-Covenant War, the UNSC has enacted the Cole Protocol to safeguard Earth and its Inner Colonies from discovery by a merciless alien foe. Many are called upon to rid the universe of lingering navigation data that would reveal the location of Earth. Among them is Navy Lieutenant Jacob Keyes. Thrust back into action after being sidelined, Keyes is saddled with a top secret mission by ONI. One that will take him deep behind enemy lines, to a corner of the universe where nothing is as it seems.

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Donna Andrews

Six Geese A-Slaying (Meg Langslow)

Meg and Michael's house is serving as the marshaling point for the annual Caerphilly holiday parade. The theme is "The Twelve Days of Christmas," and it features twelve drummers from the school marching band, eleven bagpipers, ten leaping lords costumed in medieval finery from the college drama department, and so on. There are also assorted floats, a live nativity scene on a flatbed truck, the Three Wise Men on Caerphilly zoo camels, and Santa in a bright red horse-drawn sleigh. As organizer, Meg's job is already hard enough. But when her nephew Eric, wide-eyed and ashen-faced, whispers, "something's wrong with Santa," things take a tragic turn. Turns out the local curmudgeon, whose beard and belly made him a natural for the role, has been murdered. Now it's up to Meg and Chief Burke, who is playing one of the wise men, to tackle a two-fold mission: Solving the murder and saving Christmas... **PB \$17.95**

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Ex-agent Cotton Malone wants to know what really happened to his father, officially lost at sea when his submarine went down in the north Atlantic in 1971. But when he uses his government contacts to obtain the submarine's sealed file, he finds he is not the only person looking for answers. Malone is in the line of fire when he is attacked in an attempt to take the file. He is pitched into a lethal power struggle between Dorothea Lindauer and Christl Falk, twin sisters whose twisted ambition takes sibling rivalry to new levels. Malone and the twins embark on a dangerous adventure involving Nazi explorations in Antarctica, US government conspiracies, and a series of cryptic historical clues built into the legend of Charlemagne. Forced to choose a side when neither can win, Malone is determined to uncover the truth behind his father's death - but will he be able to escape his own? **PB \$19.99**

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A shocking double-murder scene greets Detective Inspector Philip Brennan when he is called to a flat in Colchester. Two women are viciously cut open and laying spreadeagled, one tied to the bed, one on the floor. The woman on the bed has had her stomach cut into and her unborn child is missing. But this is the third time Phil and his team have seen such an atrocity. Two other pregnant women have been killed in this way and their babies taken from them. No-one can imagine what sort of person would want to commit such evil acts. When psychologist Marina Esposito is brought in, Phil has to put aside his feelings about their shared past and get on with the job. But can they find the killer before another woman is targeted? **TP \$32.99**

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Phillip Bethancourt and Jack Gibbons are both in Yorkshire, Phillip to visit family for the holidays, Jack to find out if a serial killer is at work. A bookshop clerk has been strangled, and Jack has very little to go on in this charming tale written in the tradition of Dorothy L. Sayers. **HC \$52.95**

Roy Chaney

A Ragged End of Nowhere

Hagen thought his family had left Las Vegas for good. He had joined the CIA and moved to Berlin, while his younger brother had followed in their father's footsteps and joined the French Foreign Legion. For a while they had seemed free from the criminal underworld upon which the Vegas strip was built. But five days after his brother returns from his tour of duty, his body is found on the outskirts of the city. Word is that he'd returned from Europe with a valuable—and possibly stolen—ancient relic to sell. Now, Hagen has no choice but to come back and track down that missing item—and with it, his brother's killer. **HC \$51.95**

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After Saudi Arabia and Iran destroy each other, Russia, one of the world's leading gas and oil suppliers, is determined to rise to global power, forcing America to send in an elite strike force to the heart of Moscow to capture an eccentric warrior who holds the key to Russia's next major invasion plan.

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Dashing Through the Snow

In the picturesque village of Branscombe, New Hampshire, the townsfolk are all pitching in to prepare for the first (and many hope annual) Festival of Joy. The night before the festival begins, a group of employees at the local market learn that they have won \$160 million in the lottery. One of their co-workers, Duncan, decided at the last minute, on the advice of a pair of crooks masquerading as financial advisers, not to play. Then he goes missing. A second winning lottery ticket was purchased in the next town, but the winner hasn't come forward. Could Duncan have secretly bought it? The Clarks' endearing heroes -- Alvira Meehan, the amateur sleuth, and private investigator Regan Reilly -- have arrived in Branscombe for the festival. They are just the people to find out what is amiss. As they dig beneath the surface, they find that life in Branscombe is not as tranquil as it appears. So much for an old-fashioned weekend in the country. This fast-paced holiday caper will keep you dashing through the pages! **PB \$19.95**

Mary Higgins Clark

Deck the Halls / Christmas Thief

From beloved storytellers Mary Higgins Clark, America's Queen of Suspense, and her daughter, bestselling author Carol Higgins Clark, two favorite suspense novels filled with holiday cheer.

Deck the Halls (first published in 2000) was the mother-daughter duo's first collaborative effort, a brilliant story of high-stakes intrigue and detection played out against a holiday setting. Christmas is only three days away when Regan Reilly, the dynamic young sleuth featured in the novels of Carol Higgins Clark, accidentally meets Alvira Meehan, Mary Higgins Clark's sharp-witted lottery winner turned amateur sleuth, at a New Jersey dentist's office. When a call comes through on Regan's cell phone notifying her that her father and his driver, Rosita Gonzalez, are being held for \$1,000,000 ransom, Alvira insists that Regan allow her to lend a hand in gaining their release. Complicating the situation is the fact that Regan's mother, the famous mystery writer Nora Regan Reilly, has just been hospitalized with a broken leg, and a brutal winter storm is bearing down on them all. Regan must comfort her mother while trying to meet the harsh demands of her father's kidnappers, who are not just rank amateurs but also laughably inept - - making them all the more dangerous and unpredictable.

In *The Christmas Thief* (2004), Alvira and Regan team up again to investigate another kind of kidnapping. When an eighty-foot blue spruce is chosen to spend the holidays as Rockefeller Center's famous Christmas tree, the folks who picked the tree have no idea that attached to one of its branches is a flask chock-full of priceless diamonds that Packy Noonan, a scam artist just released from prison, had hidden there over twelve years ago. When an excited Packy breaks his parole and heads to Stowe, Vermont, to reclaim his loot, he discovers that his special tree will be heading to New York City the next morning, so he and his bumbling crew have to act fast. Meanwhile Alvira Meehan and Regan Reilly happen to be on a weekend trip to Stowe with their families when they learn that the tree -- and Alvira's friend Opal, who won the lottery, but lost all her winnings in Packy's scam -- has gone missing.

With two novels filled with twists and turns, intrigue and danger, as well as a hearty dose of good cheer, Mary Higgins Clark and Carol Higgins Clark offer stories that are as breathlessly suspenseful as they are heartwarming -- Christmas classics for many holiday seasons to come. **HC \$36.95**

Sam Cole

Cape Greed

Set along the coast of Cape Town, this first rate crime novel introduces two private investigators who get involved in seemingly different cases. Jeffrey is hired by the wife of an adulterous financial consultant, while Vincent is contracted to find out who is stealing from an abalone farm. But the two cases converge, and the mastermind behind them both is a mesmerizing international gangster. *Cape Greed* highlights a fascinating locale for America's crime fiction fans. **HC \$49.95**

Wilkie Collins

The Moonstone

When Rachel Verinder receives a gift of an astonishing yellow diamond from her bitter old uncle for her eighteenth birthday, she has no idea that the stone brings great danger with it. When the diamond goes missing during the night the ensuing investigations gradually bring to light the sinister history of the jewel and the passions and plots of those close to Rachel. **BPB \$19.95**

No Name

After the tragic deaths of their parents, Magdalen and Norah discover the devastating news that they are both illegitimate and not entitled to any inheritance. Norah is forced to become a governess to earn her keep but Magdalen has grander plans and embarks on an elaborate scheme of revenge against her cold-hearted relatives. **BPB \$19.95**

Susan Rogers Cooper

Rude Awakening

The tenth Milt Kovak mystery from this best-selling author . . . - Strange things are happening in Prophecy County. First, Deputy Dalton Pettigrew disappears on a mysterious date in Tulsa. His sister goes to rescue him, only to disappear herself. She'd left her middle child, Eli, in the care of Jean, the sheriff's wife, but now he's missing too. Who is the mysterious Dr. Emil Hawthorne, and why is he out to get Jean? Can Milt Kovak find Eli before it's too late? **HC \$56.95**

Sarah Cox*The Wages of Sin*

The wages of sin is death (Romans 6, v 20-23) - A middle-aged man is found dead; brutally mutilated. These ominous words, taken from the Bible, are found with his body. There are shocking similarities with another recent murder, in Gloucestershire. This is DS Matt Arnold's beat, and he is soon involved in the increasingly gruesome hunt for a serial killer. With his young son in a coma and his wife barely speaking to him, as the investigation gathers pace the pressure on Matt's family life becomes unbearable. **HC \$58.95**

Patrick Culhane*Red Sky in Morning*

Ensign Peter Maxwell was called up from the reserves just after Pearl Harbor, but after two years of leading the Navy choir he's ready for something more challenging. When a posting goes up for a new ammo ship--prophetically enough named after his Iowa hometown, Liberty Hill, he rallies his quartet to volunteer for the ship. Unfortunately, the captain of the ship is Lt. Commander John Jacob Egan, who has no use for "college boys," as all the junior officers are, and even less for his non-white crew. Despite obvious racism on board, a two-week shakedown cruise goes unexpectedly well. But as the ship returns to the San Francisco Bay to be reloaded, the sky erupts in a horrendous yellow and red explosion beyond the hills--Port Chicago has exploded. Maxwell assumes that the worst is behind their crew until the second in command is murdered, and it is up to him to find the killer. **APB \$16.99**

Charles Cumming*Typhoon*

Charles Cumming, lauded internationally as the successor to John le Carré, returns with his biggest, most ambitious thriller to date. Beginning in 1997, just as the British are about to re - turn Hong Kong to Chinese rule, Joe Lennox, a young operative for SIS (MI6), loses both his girlfriend and his first high profile asset—a prominent defector who disappears from a safe house. The girlfriend he lost to Miles Coolidge, a hard-bitten CIA agent; the asset to collusion between his bosses and the CIA. Over ten years later, during the run-up to the Beijing Olympics, Lennox is back in China, facing his old nemeses. With the CIA plotting to use an Islamic group to destabilize China, the SIS seeking to thwart them and his old asset the key to all of this, Joe Lennox, Miles Coolidge, and the girlfriend they shared are all hopelessly intertwined in a plot where trust is impossible and truth is unknowable. **HC \$52.95**

Clive Cussler & Justin Scott*The Wrecker*

Investigating a series of attacks on the Southern Pacific Railroad's Cascades express lines, Detective Bell learns of the existence of an elusive saboteur who recruits and murders his own accomplices while engineering schemes of maximum havoc. **HC \$56.95**

Nelson DeMille*Wild Fire*

Welcome to the Custer Hill Club--an informal men's club set in a luxurious Adirondack hunting lodge whose members include some of America's most powerful business leaders, military men, and government officials. Ostensibly, the club is a place to gather with old friends, hunt, eat, drink, and talk off-the-record about war, life, death, sex and politics. But one Fall weekend, the Executive Board of the Custer Hill Club gathers to talk about the tragedy of 9/11 and what America must do to retaliate. Their plan is finalized and set into motion.

That same weekend, a member of the Federal Anti-Terrorist Task Force is reported missing. His body is soon discovered in the woods near the Custer Hill Club's game reserve. The death appears to be a hunting accident, and that's how the local police first report it, but Detective John Corey has his doubts. As he digs deeper, he begins to unravel a plot involving the Custer Hill Club, a top-secret plan known only by its code name: Wild Fire. Racing against the clock, Detective Corey and his wife, FBI agent Kate Mayfield, find they are the only people in a position to stop the button from being pushed and chaos from being unleashed. **TP \$30.95**

James D Doss*The Widow's Revenge (Charlie Moon 14)*

Even with some of the toughest hombres and nastiest outlaws roaming the Southwest, bestselling author James D. Doss's seven-foot-tall rancher and sometime tribal investigator Charlie Moon does a fair job on the side of the good guys. So it's no surprise that he gets the call when the widow Loyola Montoya starts making a fuss about witches.

Witches?

She swears there's a whole midnight brood lurking in the woods just off her property, mocking her with lewd songs and harassing her with the carcasses of dead animals. When no one takes her seriously—she has been known to cry wolf from time to time—she takes matters into her own hands, with disastrous results. By the time Charlie arrives, it's too late to save her, and while he knows he can't bring her back, that doesn't mean he can't help the widow get her revenge after all.

Told in Doss's whimsical style, *The Widow's Revenge* is a wonderfully tall tale that requires wide-open spaces and larger-than-life heroes like Charlie Moon to saddle up and make sure that justice is served. **HC \$51.95**

Carole Nelson Douglas*Good Night, Mr Holmes (Irene Adler)*

Winner of the American Mystery Award for Best Novel of Romantic Suspense, and the Romantic Times Award for Best Historical Mystery

Miss Irene Adler, the beautiful American opera singer who once outwitted Sherlock Holmes, is also a superb detective, as Oscar Wilde and Bram Stoker can attest. Even Holmes himself must admit--albeit grudgingly--that she acquits herself competently.

But in matters of the heart she encounters difficulty. The Crown Prince of Bohemia--tall, blonde, and handsome--proves to be a cad. Will dashing barrister Godfrey Norton be able to convince Irene that not all handsome men are cut from the same broadcloth?

Guy Ritchie is directing a new film for Warner Bros. based on the life of Sherlock Holmes, due out in the fall of 2009. Robert Downey Jr. is Holmes, Jude Law is his able sidekick Dr. Watson. Rachel McAdams portrays Irene Adler, a femme fatale who Holmes always considered to be "the woman"--and who outwitted Holmes when few could. **TP \$30.95**

Arthur Conan Doyle*A Study in Scarlet (Sherlock Holmes 01)*

When Dr Watson ends up renting rooms in Baker Street with the eccentric Sherlock Holmes he finds that he has let himself in for a great deal more than he imagined. He is called upon to help the budding detective solve a perplexing mystery, involving a dead body found in a locked room. Although the body shows no signs of having been attacked Holmes is convinced that a murder has been committed. As Watson looks on, he uses his exceptional powers of deduction to unravel a case that involves both kidnapping and thwarted love. **PB \$14.95**

Linda Fairstein

Cold Hit

On a steamy August evening, after an exhausting day in court, Assistant DA Alexandra Cooper is called to a crime scene. Alongside her colleagues, NYPD detectives Mike Chapman and Mercer Wallace, she views the body of a young woman pulled from the water with her hands and feet obscenely tied to a ladder. But who is she? Her elegant clothes and manicured nails suggest affluent connections, but just how well-connected she is surprises even Alex. From luxurious Fifth Avenue apartments to the avant garde galleries of Chelsea, Alex, Mike and Mercer hunt for a killer in a world where priceless art meets big money in a lethal mix. **PB \$19.99**

Final Jeopardy

The days of Assistant DA Alexandra Cooper often start off badly, but she's never before had to face the morning by reading her own obituary. It doesn't take long to sort out why it was printed: a woman's body has been found in a car rented in Alex's name in the driveway of her weekend home. It's not so easy to work out why her lodger - an acclaimed Hollywood star - was murdered, or to be sure that the killer had found the right victim. As Alex's job is to send killers and rapists to jail there are plenty of suspects who might be seeking revenge, and whoever it is needs to be found before Alex's obituary gets reprinted... **PB \$19.99**

Likely to Die

Alexandra Cooper, Manhattan's top sex crimes prosecutor, is brought into what promises to be a messy case. Gemma Dogen was found in her own office in a New York hospital sexually assaulted, soaked in her own blood and considered likely to die before she can be moved to the emergency room. Alex combs through her files for murders with similar modus operandi, while Mike Chapman and the other detectives concentrate on possible motives amongst her friends and colleagues - many of whom had found Gemma a professional thorn in their sides. Two facts rapidly become apparent: the hospital itself is far from secure; and someone believes that Alex has discovered something far too damaging for them to let her live... **PB \$19.99**

Ann Featherstone

Walking in Pimlico

To 'walk in Pimlico' colloq. to be handsomely dressed Murray's Dictionary of Slang, Cant and Flash Words and Phrases (1857, 3rd ed.). Stumbling across Bessie Spooner's murdered body, comedian Corney Sage is caught in a tangle of deception and lies. He flees from his concert-room job in London's Whitechapel to a comfortable spa town, and then to a circus and music hall. But try as he might, he cannot elude the killer. And in Corney's world of theatricals, clowns and showmen, where appearances are surface deep and secrets are deadly, any one of them might be the murderer . . . **TP \$32.99**

Charles Finch

The Fleet Street Murders (Charles Lenox 03)

The third book in the Charles Lenox series finds the gentleman detective trying to balance a heated race for Parliament with the investigation of the mysterious simultaneous deaths of two veteran reporters.

It's Christmas, 1866, and amateur sleuth Charles Lenox, recently engaged to his best friend, Lady Jane Grey, is happily celebrating the holiday in his Mayfair townhouse. Across London, however, two journalists have just met with violent deaths--one shot, one throttled. Lenox soon involves himself in the strange case, which proves only more complicated as he digs deeper. However, he must leave it behind to go north to Stirrington, where he is fulfilling a lifelong dream: running for a Parliamentary seat. Once there, he gets a further shock when Lady Jane sends him a letter whose contents might threaten their nuptials.

In London, the police apprehend two unlikely and unrelated murder suspects. From the start, Lenox has his doubts; the crimes, he is sure, are tied, but how? Racing back and forth between London and Stirrington, Lenox must negotiate the complexities of crime and politics, not to mention his imperiled engagement. As the case mounts, Lenox learns that the person behind the murders might be closer to him--and his beloved--than he knows.

HC \$51.95

Shamini Flint

A Bali Conspiracy Most Foul (Inspector Singh Investigates)

Inspector Singh is back, but this time on secondment to Bali. A bomb has exploded and Singh has been sent to help with anti-terrorism efforts. But there's a slight problem: he knows squat about hunting terrorists. He's much better suited to solving murder! So when a body is discovered in the wreckage, killed by a bullet before the bomb went off, Singh should be the one to find the answers - especially with the help of a wily Australian copper by his side. But simple murders are never as simple as they seem - and this one has far-reaching global consequences... **PB \$22.99**

Vince Flynn

Extreme Measures (Mitch Rapp)

With Mitch Rapp away on assignment in Pakistan, CIA Director Irene Kennedy turns to his protegee, Mike Nash. Nash has served his government honourably for sixteen years, first as an officer in the Marine Corps, then as an operative in an elite counterterrorism team run by Mitch Rapp, never wavering in his fight against the jihads and their culture of death. Fighting the War on Terror in secret, he has been forced to lie to everyone he cares about, including his wife and children. He has soldiered on secure in the knowledge that his hard work and lethal tactics have saved the lives of thousands. But the one thing he never saw coming was that his own government was about to turn on him . . . **APB \$19.99**

Pursuit of Honour

Mitch Rapp is on the trail of the traitor within. Honour must be satisfied.

In this latest action-packed addition to the Mitch Rapp saga, Flynn returns to the secretive world of fearless Americans who must risk their lives for their country's security, fighting a covert war that can never be discussed, even with their own political leaders. **TP \$32.99**

Allan Folsom

The Hadrian Memorandum

When the giant Texas-based oil company, AG Striker, requests seismic details of an oil reserve just off Equatorial Guinea's coast, what they find astounds them: beneath the small field lies a literal ocean of oil, bigger than the entire Saudi Arabian deposit.

Striker's lease for the area gives them control of the field and, essentially, Equatorial Guinea. Enlisting the CIA and an enigmatic military company called Hadrian, the oil company plots to overthrow the existing government of Equatorial Guinea and replace it with a puppet they can control completely. A lethal document, The Hadrian Memorandum guarantees AG Striker ownership of the field - and the state.

A brave few strive to uncover what's really going on. Both the President of the United States John Henry Harris and former LAPD homicide detective Nicholas Marten return in this thrilling adventure which will delight new readers as well as fans of their earlier appearances in the New York Times bestsellers *The Exile* and *The Machiavelli Covenant*. With the help of a famed German novelist and a beautiful woman already deep undercover at Striker, they will fight to uncover damning evidence that will break the plot behind *The Hadrian Memorandum* wide open. **TP \$32.99**

Christopher Fowler

Bryant & May on the Loose (Peculiar Crimes Unit)

Drawn together again by a series of bizarre murders involving beheaded victims, the members of London's Peculiar Crimes Unit search for clues beneath the medieval buildings of St. Pancras Church, where they unearth a disturbing history of Christian rites and pagan rituals. **HC \$51.95**

Michelle Gagnon

The Gatekeeper

From the moment sixteen-year-old Madison Grant is abducted, an unthinkable terrorist plot is set in motion—pitting Special Agent Kelly Jones against her most powerful adversary yet. The kidnapper's ransom demands aren't monetary...they come at a cost that no American can afford to pay. As Kelly's fiancé, Jake Riley, races to find Madison, Kelly is assigned to another disturbing case: the murder and dismemberment of a senator. At first the two cases don't appear to be related. But as Kelly navigates her way through the darkest communities of America—from skinheads to biker gangs to border militias—she discovers a horrible truth. A shadowy figure who calls himself The Gatekeeper is uniting hate groups, opening the door to the worst homegrown attack in American history. **PB \$19.95**

John Grisham

The Associate

It's a deadly game of blackmail. And they're making him play.

Kyle McAvoy is one of the outstanding legal students of his generation: he's good looking, has a brilliant mind and a glittering future ahead of him. But he has a secret from his past, a secret that threatens to destroy his fledgling career and, possibly, his entire life.

One night that secret catches up with him in the form of some bad men in a dark alley - they have a deeply compromising video of the incident that haunts him. The men make it clear to Kyle that he no longer owns his own future - that he must do as they tell him, or the video will be made public knowledge, with all the unpleasant consequences.

What price do they demand for Kyle's secret? Strangely, it is for Kyle to do exactly what any ambitious young lawyer would want to do: take a job in New York as an associate at the largest law firm in the world, a job that is incredibly well paid and, with mammoth hours and outrageous billing, could lead to partnership and a fortune.

But Kyle won't be working for the company, but against it - passing on the secrets of the company's biggest trial to date, a dispute between two defense contractors worth billions of dollars to the victor. Now Kyle is caught between the criminal forces manipulating him and the FBI, who would love to unmask the conspiracy. Will his intellect, cunning and bravery be enough to extricate him from an impossible dilemma?

Full of twists and turns and reminiscent of *The Firm*, *The Associate* is vintage John Grisham. **APB \$19.95**

Ford County

Seven novellas of the American Deep South set in fictional Ford County, Mississippi, the location for John's seminal first novel *A Time to Kill*, his later bestselling *The Last Juror* as well as scenes from *The Chamber* and *The Summons*. **HC \$49.95**

Allan Guthrie

Slammer

Newly minted prison officer Nicholas Glass has fallen in with the wrong crowd at "The Hilton," a Scottish prison for violent offenders. The problem is, there's no right crowd. Bullied and abused by inmates and colleagues alike, Glass finds that each day is getting longer than the one before. When a group of cons use outside help to threaten his wife and daughter, he agrees to do them a 'favor'. But, as their threats escalate, and one favor leads to another, he grows ever closer to breaking point. And when Glass breaks, he shatters... **HC \$54.95**

Derek Haas

Columbus (Silver Bear 02)

Recouping in Europe after the events of *The Silver Bear*, Columbus is targeted by an unrelenting series of would-be assassins who prompt him to discover who has put a hit on him, an effort that takes him throughout the world to Italy, where he meets a mysterious woman. **HC \$49.95**

M R Hall

The Coroner

When small-town lawyer Jenny Cooper is appointed Severn Vale District Coroner, she's hoping for a quiet life and space to recover from a traumatic divorce, but the office she inherits from the recently deceased Harry Marshall contains neglected files hiding dark secrets and a trail of buried evidence.

Could the tragic death of a young boy in custody be linked to the apparent suicide of a teenage prostitute and the fate of Marshall himself?

In the face of powerful and sinister forces determined to keep both the truth hidden and the troublesome coroner in check, Jenny embarks on a lonely and dangerous one-woman crusade for justice which threatens not only her career but also her sanity... **BPB \$22.99**

C S Harris

What Remains of Heaven (Sebastian St Cyr Mystery)

The latest novel featuring Sebastian St. Cyr, Viscount Devlin, features a mystery surrounding the identity of two corpses found in an ancient crypt with possible ties to William Franklin, the embittered son of American patriot Ben Franklin. **HC \$49.95**

Cynthia Harrod-Eagles

The Fourth Bill Slider Omnibus (Bill Slider)

GONE TOMORROW: Inspector Bill Slider is called to cope with a disfigured corpse grotesquely left in a children's playground. His enquiries plunge him into the shadow world behind the fashionable facade of Shepherd's Bush, among the victims of the Welfare State and the crime barons who prey on them; a world where no one is what they seem, and lying to the police is second nature. Slider's thankless task is to convince the witnesses, against all available evidence, that honesty really is the best policy. And with his lover Joanna away, fate seems suddenly determined to strew his private life with temptations... **DEAR DEPARTED:** It looks as though Inspector Bill Slider has a serial killer on his patch: 'The Park Killer', as the media so innovatively label him, attacks his victims in London's public parks, and when Chattie Cornfield is murdered while out jogging, the pattern fits. But as Slider and Atherton investigate, it is Chattie's life, rather than the killer's, that poses questions. What was she involved with? Where did she spend the last day of her life? And was it love or hate that drove the hooded figure to kill her? **PB \$29.99**

Ellen Hart

The Mirror and the Mask (Jane Lawless Mystery)

Minneapolis restaurateur Jane Lawless is at crossroads. The rough economy has put her plans for a third restaurant on hold, and her long distance romance is on the rocks and quite possibly unsalvageable. Unsure of what to do next, she takes her good friend A. J. Nolan up on his standing offer to take her on as a private investigator.

While still in training, her first job seems simple enough. All she had to do is find Annie Archer's stepfather. Jane tracks down a likely match—a man who has made a small fortune in real estate. While she's happy to close her first case, she finds it hard to reconcile the difference between PI work—finding what people pay you to find—and uncovering the truth, the whole truth, especially when clues in this seemingly simple case point to more threatening family secrets than where Annie's father has been hiding out. **HC \$52.95**

Sue Henry

The End of the Road

The award-winning author of *The Refuge* places Maxie McNabb and her miniature dachshund, Stretch, in their fourth adventure, where they must investigate a murder that shatters the quiet in their hometown of Homer, Alaska. **HC \$49.95**

Susan Hill

The Vows of Silence (04)

The fourth in the series of bestselling crime novels featuring Simon Serrailier, now a Detective Chief Superintendent.

In the peaceful cathedral city of Lafferton, a gunman is terrorising young women. What – if anything – links the attacks? Is the marksman with a rifle the same person as the killer with a handgun or do the police have two snipers on their hands?

Detective Chief Superintendent Simon Serrailier is in charge of the case, but he is also struggling to deal with a tragedy at the heart of his own family. Two forthcoming events – a local fair and the high-profile cathedral wedding of the Lord Lieutenant's daughter – only add to the pressure...

BPB \$24.95

Susan Hill

The Pure in Heart

A little boy is kidnapped as he stands with his satchel at the gate of his home, waiting for his lift to school. An ex-con finds it impossible to stay straight. A severely handicapped young woman dies in the night - has someone who loves her helped her out of this world? Once again, Susan Hill brilliantly creates a community, with detail so sharp and convincing that readers feel that these people are their neighbours. And that terror and evil are always in their midst ... **BPB \$24.95**

The Risk of Darkness

Simon Serrailier's story began in *The Various Haunts of Men* (about a serial killer) and continued with *The Pure in Heart* (about a kidnapped schoolboy) Susan Hill is not afraid to tackle difficult issues, nor to face up to the realities of stress in an ordinary English police station. Her third crime novel, *The Risk of Darkness*, even more compulsive and convincing, follows up the child abduction and explores the crazy grief of a widowed husband, a derangement which turns to obsession and threats, violence and terror.

Meanwhile, handsome, introverted Simon Serrailier, whose cool reserve has broken the hearts of several women, finds his own heart troubled by the newest recruit to the Cathedral staff: a feisty female Anglican priest with red hair ...

The Risk of Darkness is packed with action and adventure. Like *Various Haunts*, it hinges on a terrific twist which comes as a complete surprise to the reader; and like *The Pure in Heart*, it deals in depth with complex daily problems. **BPB \$24.95**

The Various Haunts of Men

A woman vanishes in the fog up on 'the Hill', an area locally known for its tranquillity and peace. The police are not alarmed; people usually disappear for their own reasons. But when a young girl, an old man and even a dog disappear no one can deny that something untoward is happening in this quiet cathedral town. Young policewoman Freya Graffham is assigned to the case, she's new to the job, compassionate, inquisitive, dedicated and needs to know - perhaps too much.

She and the enigmatic detective Chief Inspector Simon Serrailier have the task of unravelling the mystery behind this gruesome sequence of events. From the passages revealing the killer's mind to the final heart-stopping twist, *The Various Haunts of Men* is an astounding and masterly crime debut and is the first in a magnificent series featuring Simon Serrailier. **BPB \$24.95**

Matt Hilton

Dead Men's Dust

'Some may call me a vigilante. I think I've just got problems to fix.' Right now, Hunter's big problem is a missing little brother, last seen fleeing the site of a gruesome killing. Hunter needs the help of an old army buddy, a whole lot of hardware and a trip to Little Rock, Arkansas, to fix this particular problem. A brutal encounter with some very nasty criminals leaves Hunter fighting for his life. And that's before he comes up against America's most feared serial killer, 'The Harvestman' and his grisly souvenirs of death. But blood is thicker than water. And a lot of blood will be spilt . . . **PB \$19.99**

Judgement and Wrath

'Some call me a vigilante. I think I've just got problems to fix.' Joe Hunter doesn't like bullies. He really doesn't like men who abuse women. So protecting Bradley Jorgenson from a professional hitman is not Joe's dream job. Contract killer Dantalion takes his work very seriously. He has a talent for killing and a book in which he obsessively numbers each of his victims. Which adds up to one hell of a body count . . . **TP \$32.99**

Iris Johansen

Deadlock

Emily Hudson is a renowned archaeologist who travels the world to save priceless artifacts from theft or destruction. Her best friend and partner, Joel Levy, is always at her side—until one day, when her entire crew comes under attack. Joel and Emily are held hostage by a sadistic captor who is determined to find the missing link to a legendary treasure. For weeks they struggle to survive against terrifying odds, pushed to their limits—and beyond...

John Garrett has worked for the CIA, British intelligence, and whoever else was willing to pay for his services. This time, a Washington operative hands him what at first appears to be just another assignment: to track down, and save, Emily and Joel. But it quickly becomes much more, especially when Garrett finds himself drawn to someone as dauntless and bent on revenge as Emily. Soon, they're catapulted into an astonishing adventure in which nothing—and no one—is what it seems. And lives hang in the balance as one man and one woman unravel the explosive truth behind a conspiracy hidden for generations. **PB \$19.95**

Susan Kandel*Dial H For Hitchcock (Cece Caruso Mystery)*

When she tries to return a missing cell phone she found in a movie theater where she was watching Alfred Hitchcock's Vertigo, Cece Caruso makes a call and hears the phone's owner, Anita Colby, being pushed off a cliff and now Cece is under suspicion, propelling her into a Hitchcockian world of intrigue and danger. **TP \$28.95**

Diana Killian*Dial Om For Murder (Mantra For Murder 02)*

When one of her students, a leading actress, is murdered, and all signs point to her rival, reality-show star Barbie Siragusa, as the killer, yoga instructor A.J. Alexander, after some deep breathing exercises, decides to find the truth the help of her new detective boyfriend. **PB \$17.95**

Kate Kingsbury*Decked With Folly (Pennyfoot Hotel Mystery Special)*

Cecily and her dear friend Madeline halt their Christmas preparations at the Pennyfoot Hotel when the head maid becomes the prime suspect in the murder of her ex-husband, whose body was discovered in the hotel's duck pond. **TP \$28.95**

Craig Larsen*Mania*

When his brother becomes the Street Butcher's latest victim, newspaper photographer Nick Wilder will stop at nothing to unmask a clever serial killer whom he soon discovers is horrifyingly linked to his own past. **PB \$17.95**

Merline Lovelace*All the Wrong Moves (Samantha Spade Mystery 01)*

When she stumbles upon two dead bodies during a test run--one of which is a former U.S. soldier-turned-arms dealer--USAF Lieutenant Samantha Spade teams up with Border Patrol agent Jeff "Mitch" Mitchell to find the truth and expose an elaborate cover-up. **PB \$17.95**

C J Lyons*Urgent Care*

When a coworker is brutally murdered, Angels of Mercy Medical Center charge nurse Nora Halloran, who is hiding a dark secret, teams up with her friends--Lydia, an ER attending doctor; Gina, a resident; and Amanda, a med student--to stop a sadistic killer before he strikes again. **PB \$19.95**

Alistair MacLean*Floodgate*

AMSTERDAM AIRPORT HAS DISAPPEARED

BLACKMAIL The mass of water in its place is the work of the FFF - an Irish terrorist group who want to force Britain's hand. SUBTERFUGE The Dutch call in Detective Lieutenant van Effen - feared interrogator and undercover intimate of the criminal Krakkers gang - to sabotage the FFF's plan. DISASTER If van Effen fails and the FFF get control of the vital dyke, either Holland will sink beneath the sea or Britain will be awash with blood. **APB \$19.99**

Lonely Sea

THE MASTER STORYTELLER IN HIS ELEMENT... Alistair MacLean has an unmistakable and unrivalled skill in writing about the sea and its power and about the men and women who sail it, and who fight and die in it. His distinctive voice was evident from his very first prize-winning story, *The Dileas*, and has been heard time and again in his international career as the author of such bestsellers as *H.M.S. Ulysses* and *San Andreas*. *The Lonely Sea* starts where MacLean's career started, with *The Dileas*, and collects together his stories of the sea. Here is a treasury of vintage MacLean, compelling and brilliant, where the master storyteller is in his element. This reissue includes two new stories, *The Good Samaritan* and *The Black Storm*, which bear all the classic hallmarks of MacLean's finest writing and are published here for the very first time. **APB \$19.99**

Partisans

While Tito's rebel forces resist occupation, the Germans infiltrate and plan their destruction.

Three Yugoslavs set out from Rome to relay the German battle plan - but their loyalties lie elsewhere.

A dangerous journey with dangerous companions -where no one is who they seem -where the three find intrigue and betrayal around every corner... **APB \$19.99**

San Andreas

Suddenly, just before dawn, the lights went out aboard the *San Andreas*. For the British hospital ship sailing the deadly, U-boat patrolled Norwegian waters, a nightmare of violence and betrayal has begun. A terrifying game of sabotage in which an unknown traitor among the crew holds all the cards. The red crosses on the vessel's sides spell anything but safety. For a dangerous secret has turned the ship into a priceless quarry. With the Captain out of action Bosun Archie McKinnon takes over. Alone in treacherous, frozen seas, her compass smashed, the *San Andreas* is being drawn relentlessly into the enemy's hands. **APB \$19.99**

Santorini

In the heart of the Aegean Sea, a luxury yacht is on fire and sinking fast. Minutes later, a four-engined jet with a fire in its nose-cone crashes into the sea. Is there a sinister connection between these two tragedies? And is it an accident that the *Ariadne*, a NATO spy ship, is the only vessel in the vicinity - the only witness? Only Commander Talbot of the *Ariadne* can provide the answers as he uncovers a deadly plot involving drugs and terrorism - leading to the heart of the Pentagon. **APB \$19.99**

Pierre Magnan*The Murdered House*

At the turn of the century in Upper Provence, a family is vio lently massacred. The sole survivor of the tragedy is a three-week-old baby. Twenty years later, the orphaned survivor returns home to avenge his family's killers. Then unexpected secrets set in motion a dreadful unveiling of the past... **HC \$51.95**

P D Martin *Australian Author*

The Killing Hands (Sophie Anderson 04)

Just as Aussie FBI profiler Sophie Anderson is settling into her job in the L.A. bureau, she's pulled into a case that's different from anything she's ever seen—the victim has had his throat ripped out. But what weapon could have caused such devastating injuries? And who is the John Doe?

Sophie and her team are dealing with a skilled killer, someone who leaves virtually no forensic evidence. When the team links the body to an Asian criminal organization, things get even more mysterious. The victim has been missing for fifteen years, so where has he been and why has he returned? More important, who wanted him dead?

As L.A.'s underworld rears its ugly head, Sophie will have to draw on her experience and her developing psychic skills to find a brilliant killer who's carved a trail of death in organized crime across the U.S. He leaves only one thing behind him—horrifying murder scenes. **PB \$19.95**

Val McDermid

A Darker Domain

Twenty-five years ago, the daughter of Scotland's richest man and her baby son were kidnapped and held to ransom. But Catriona Grant ended up dead and little Adam's fate is still unknown. When a new clue is discovered in a deserted Tuscan villa - along with grisly evidence of a recent murder - cold case expert DI Karen Pirie is assigned to follow the trail.

She's already working a case from the same year. During the Miners' Strike of 1984, pit worker Mick Prentice vanished. He was presumed to have broken ranks and fled south with other 'scabs'... but Karen finds that the reported events of that night don't add up. Where did he really go? And is there a link to the Grant mystery? **APB \$19.99**

Andy McDermott

Cult of Osiris

Nina Wilde and Eddie Chase are on the hunt for the lost pyramid of Osiris... The incredible secret of the Great Sphinx of Egypt is about to be revealed. An archaeological dig is preparing to open the Hall of Records, a repository of ancient knowledge hidden beneath the enigmatic statue. But on the night of the unveiling student Macy Sharif makes a shocking discovery: a religious cult already raiding the Hall of Records to find the location of the mythical Pyramid of Osiris. Framed by corrupt officials, she goes on the run, trying to reach the only people who can save her before she is silenced - permanently. Discredited, jobless and broke, archaeologist Nina Wilde and ex-SAS soldier Eddie Chase have problems of their own - until Macy's plea for help sends them on a deadly quest across the globe as they try to reach the mysterious pyramid before Khalid Osir, the charismatic leader of the Osirian Temple. But is the cult's motive purely greed... or something more sinister? **TP \$32.99**

Patrick F McManus

The Double-Jack Murders (Sheriff Bo Tully 03)

Sheriff Bo Tully is the kind of western lawman who's as good with the ladies as he is with his guns, and he never lets a death threat get in the way of a good barbecue. He's a man with a sense of humor, which comes in handy when trying to establish order in Blight County.

In this latest tale, Tully pursues a seventy-five-year-old missing persons case in which a pair of gold miners (a two-man drilling team known as a double-jack) mysteriously disappeared just as they hit the mother lode in a remote part of Blight County. Meanwhile, a second, more threatening case looms large. After serving only two months of a life sentence, a mentally unstable murderer named Kincaid -- a nasty piece of work if there ever was one -- manages to escape prison, setting his sights on killing the man who put him behind bars: one Sheriff Bo Tully. In an effort to lead his would-be killer into the open, and also to do a little gold prospecting and fishing while he's at it, Tully heads north with his ex-sheriff father, Pap, and his friend and expert tracker, Dave.

As the two cases play themselves out, Sheriff Tully finds himself hunting down one murderer who's probably long dead, and being hunted by another who's very much alive. A fast-moving tale of murder, mayhem, and mining, *The Double-Jack Murders* is Patrick F. McManus's darkest, most entertaining mystery yet. **HC \$49.95**

Andy McNab

Brute Force (Nick Stone)

A cargo ship is apprehended by the authorities off the coast of Spain, loaded to the gunwales with enough arms and ammunition to start a war. Twenty years later, an unknown aggressor seems intent on eradicating those responsible for the treachery, one by one. The last victim was brutally tortured with a Black & Decker drill, then shot through the head. And Nick Stone - ex-SAS, tough, resourceful, ruthless, highly trained - is next on the killer's list . . .

In his most daunting mission yet, Nick Stone must find a man who shared that past, and who may know more about the present threat than he is prepared to reveal. As the two find themselves pursued across sea and desert, they become ever more enmeshed in a deadly network of betrayal, to which Stone himself unwittingly holds the key. And in a final confrontation that echoes his worst nightmares, only he can stop the unthinkable and save the lives of those he holds most dear. **PB \$21.95**

Exit Wound (Nick Stone)

Three tons of Saddam Hussein's gold sit in an unguarded warehouse in Dubai... For two of Nick Stone's closest ex-SAS comrades, it was to have been the perfect, victimless crime. But when they're double-crossed and the robbery goes devastatingly wrong, only Stone can identify his friends' killer and track him down...

As one harrowing piece of the complex and sinister jigsaw slots into another, Stone's quest for vengeance becomes a journey to the heart of a chilling conspiracy.

Ticking like a time-bomb, brimming with terror and threat, Andy McNab's latest Nick Stone adventure is a high-voltage story of corruption, cover-up and blistering suspense - the master thriller writer at his electrifying, unputdownable best. **TP \$32.95**

Aly Monroe

Maze of Cadiz (Peter Cotton 01)

Begins in 1944, and takes us to different countries around the world during the aftermath of the second world war and the dismantling of the British colonies.

Sent to Spain to arrest a rogue spy, British agent Peter Cotton expects an easy first assignment. But he arrives to find his quarry dead and all of Cadiz awaiting his arrival. In a hotbed of scandal and murder, Cotton must navigate through a labyrinth of international conspiracies, shifting political allegiances and a mysterious local expatriate community to discover the truth. What he unearths could just tilt the emerging balance of post-war power and the course of history for ever. **BPB \$24.99**

Christopher G Moore

Paying Back Jack (Vincent Calvino Crime Novel)

Christopher G. Moore's prize-winning series of crime novels set in Bangkok has been translated into eleven languages and critically acclaimed around the world. Featuring Vincent Calvino, a disbarred American lawyer working as a PI in the dangerous and steamy Thai capital, the books offer gripping plots, fascinating characters, and unparalleled insight into one of the world's most entrancing cities. In *Paying Back Jack*, Calvino agrees to follow the "minor wife" of a Thai politician and report on her movements. His client is Rick Casey, a shady American whose life has been darkened by the unsolved murder of his idealistic son. It seems to be a simple surveillance job, but soon Calvino is entangled in a dangerous web of political allegiance and a reckless quest for revenge. And, unknown to our man in Bangkok, in an anonymous tower in the center of the city, a two-man sniper team awaits its shot, a shot that will change everything. *Paying Back Jack* is classic Christopher G. Moore: densely-woven, eye-opening, and riveting. **HC \$40.95**

K R Moorhead

The First Law of Motion

Living in Philadelphia, a young woman tries to outrun her regrets and the reoccurring approach of dawn with nothing but controlled substances, unfulfilling sex and sarcasm to sustain her anti-quest. Unable to find solace in her best friend Jason, her partner in crime Kat or her pot smoking mother she embarks on a relentless pursuit of distraction which leads her to New York and back, through night clubs, dive bars and dingy apartments until she finds herself hurtling towards a point where there is no up, only down.

Then she notices a man on a train reading a book she loves, and convinced he is her only chance at salvation, sets out on mission to find out who he is. Infatuation becomes obsession and as her grip on reality shakes loose, she sinks to previously unfathomable lows before learning that redemption is never so close as when you hit the bottom.

With dark humor and a biting tone, this compelling story moves along like a train careening down the track, leaving the reader pulling for its perfectly flawed heroine to the very last page. **TP \$28.95**

John Mortimer

A Rumpole Christmas (Rumpole)

Five holiday tales feature the curmudgeon barrister in "Rumpole and Father Christmas," "Rumpole's Slimmed Down Christmas," "Rumpole and the Boy," "Rumpole and the Old Familiar Faces," and "Rumpole and the Christmas Break." **HC \$45.95**

Tamar Myers

The Witch Doctor's Wife

asked with heading a missionary guest house in the Belgian Congo, Amanda Brown must set things right when a plane passenger goes missing, a giant diamond that should not exist turns up, and she finds out a witch doctor and his wife are working as her yardman and housekeeper, respectively. **TP \$28.95**

Derek Nikitas

The Long Division

Coffeehouse manager and head barista Clare Cosi and her NYPD Detective boyfriend discover the snowy body of a man dressed up in a Santa suit, and become convinced the death was more than a mugging gone awry. **HC \$49.95**

Katherine Hall Page

The Body in the Sleigh (Faith Fairchild Mystery 18)

Faith Fairchild looks for a connection between the death of Norah, a teenage drug addict whose body was found in an antique sleigh, and the discovery of a newborn baby boy in the manger in spinster Mary Bethany's barn on Christmas Eve. **HC \$32.95**

James Patterson

I, Alex Cross (Alex Cross)

Detective Alex Cross is celebrating his birthday when he receives an urgent call. There's been a homicide. Alex is shocked – this time the victim is his niece.

Devastated and grief-stricken, Cross vows to track down the killer. As he investigates though, he discovers his niece was not who she seemed – she was a high-class prostitute at an expensive and exclusive club located just outside of Washington DC.

As more women working at the same club disappear, it becomes obvious there is more going on than illegal prostitution. Cross will stop at nothing to solve the mystery of these brutal and sadistic murders. But he is being foiled at every turn by bureaucracy and a cover-up that stretches as far as the White House. But what are they hiding? And why? Alex can trust no one and will have to do this alone. **TP \$32.95**

Tom Piccirilli

Shadow Season

A professor at an isolated girls' prep school, Finn, a former cop blinded by a random act of violence, must protect his students from a pair of ruthless criminals who are stalking him for no good reason. **PB \$19.95**

David Poyer

The Crisis (Dan Lenson 12)

Naval Commander Dan Lenson and his Tactical Analysis Group specialize in out of the box military assignments. Comprising sailors, Navy SEALs, and civilians, the group investigates and defuses naval threats around the world.

Dan and his team are assigned to "transform" a patrol craft squadron in the Red Sea into a leaner, meaner Navy. Mean - while, in northern Africa, drought and famine have brought a nation to the brink of civil war. When the United States decides on intervention to stabilize the region, Dan and his team become the point people for the humanitarian mission. When a charismatic young jihadist coordinates a ferocious insurgency against the U.S. presence, Dan and his team must kill him in order to save thousands of lives.

With exciting action, espionage, and exotic locales, *The Crisis* asks bigger questions about our obligations to relieve the suffering of other countries, the risk of American lives to rescue foreigners, and the role of democratic government in nations with no central leadership. **HC \$52.95**

Laura Rowland

The Cloud Pavilion (Sano Ichiro 14)

Japan, 1701. A woman is brutally attacked within a bamboo prison as clouds swirl around her head. Meanwhile, at Edo Castle, samurai detective turned chamberlain Sano Ichiro is suspicious of his old rival, Yanagisawa, who has been oddly cooperative since returning from exile.

But just as Yanagisawa's true motives begin to emerge, Sano's estranged uncle comes to him for help: His daughter has disappeared, and he begs Sano and his wife—who once suffered through the kidnapping of their own son—to find her before it is too late. **HC \$51.95**

John Sandford*Rough Country*

Virgil Flowers heads north to solve a puzzling murder - and finds that the country is very rough indeed.

While competing in a fishing tournament in a remote area of northern Minnesota, Flowers gets a call from Lucas Davenport asking him to investigate a murder at a nearby resort, where a woman has been shot while kayaking. The resort is for women only: a place to relax, get fit, recover from plastic surgery and commune with nature. As Flowers starts to ask questions, he finds a web of connections between the people at the resort, the victim and some local women, notably a talented country singer. And the more he digs, the more he discovers the resort to be a hotbed of jealousy, blackmail, greed, anger and fear. And then he discovers that this is not the first murder, that there was a second, seemingly unrelated killing the year before. And that there's about to be a third, definitely related one, any time now. And as for the fourth ... well, Virgil had better hope he can catch the killer before that happens. Because it could be his own. **TP \$32.99**

Maggie Sefton*Fleece Navidad (Knitting Mystery 06)*

With Christmas right around the corner, the knitters of Fort Connor, Colorado, including Juliet, the town librarian, are working feverishly on their holiday projects, but when Juliet turns up dead and suspicion falls on a newcomer to the knitting group, Kelly Flynn and her friends set out to uncover the truth, in a book that includes a knitting pattern and recipe. **PB \$19.95**

Danielle Steel*Southern Lights*

Assistant D.A. and single mom Alexa Hamilton has just been handed the kind of case that makes careers: the trial of accused serial killer Luke Quentin. Sifting through mountains of forensic evidence, enduring Quentin's cold, suggestive stares in the courthouse, Alexa relentlessly builds her case and prepares for a high-stakes trial . . . until threatening letters throw her private life into turmoil.

The letters are addressed to Alexa's beautiful 17-year-old daughter, Savannah, who Alexa has raised alone since her painful divorce years before. Alexa is certain that Quentin is behind the letters - and that they are too dangerous to ignore. Suddenly Alexa must make the toughest choice of all - and send her daughter back to the very place that Alexa swore she would never return: to her ex-husband's world of southern tradition, long memories, and the antebellum charm of Charleston.

Eleven years had passed since Alexa left the South behind, fleeing the pain of her ex-husband's betrayal and the cold cruelty of his prominent Charleston family. Alexa's wounds are still fresh - but she knows she must put her own pain aside for Savannah's safety.

Now, while Alexa's trial builds to a climax in New York, her daughter is settling into southern life, discovering a part of her family history she's never known - from the ice-cold beauty who stole her father away to a domineering matriarch and several half-brothers and sisters. As a family's wounds are exposed and the healing begins, Alexa and Savannah, after a season in different worlds, will come together again - strengthened by the trials they have faced, changed by the mysteries they have unraveled, armed with miracles that are uniquely their own. **TP \$32.95**

Mariah Stewart*Acts of Mercy*

Former FBI agent Sam Delvecchio's first assignment for missing person's unit The Mercy Street Foundation has all the telltale signs of a serial killer's work. And his grim suspicion is confirmed when agent Fiona Summers shares the details of two other killings with eerie similarities. When a fourth victim is then discovered, it's obvious that they're pursuing the same twisted quarry. Then Sam and Fiona realise the killer's horrific intent - the staging of the Catholic Church's seven Acts of Mercy with the bodies of his victims. But it's not until they are both racing to prevent the final three murders, and they start receiving taunting messages from their target, that the terror really begins... **PB \$19.99**

Joseph Teller*Depraved Indifference (Jaywalker 03)*

An Audi sports car, speeding in the wrong lane, forces an oncoming van off the road. The van bursts into flames, killing all nine occupants...eight of them children.

Criminal defense attorney Harrison J. Walker, known simply as Jaywalker, is trying to keep his nose clean while serving a three-year suspension. But when a woman seduces him into representing the "Audi Assassin," a man who also happens to be her husband, things get messy.

Struggling with the moral issues surrounding this case, Jaywalker tries to stay focused on his goal—limiting the damage to his client by exposing the legal system's hypocrisy regarding drunk driving. But when he rounds a blind corner in the case, he collides with a truth that could turn his entire defense into disaster. **PB \$19.95**

Charles Todd*A Duty to the Dead (Bess Crawford Mystery)*

The daughter of a distinguished soldier, Bess Crawford follows in his footsteps and signs up to go overseas as a nurse during the Great War, helping to deal with the many wounded. There, serving on a hospital ship, she makes a promise to a dying young lieutenant to take a message to his brother, Jonathan Graham: "Tell Jonathan that I lied. I did it for Mother's sake. But it has to be set right." Later, when her ship is sunk by a mine and she's sidelined by a broken arm, Bess returns home to England, determined to fulfill her promise.

It's not so easy, however. She travels to the village in Kent where the Grahams live and passes on to Jonathan his brother's plea. Oddly, neither Jonathan, his mother, nor his younger brother admit to knowing what the message means. Then Bess learns that there's another brother, incarcerated in a lunatic asylum since the age of 14 when he was accused of brutally murdering a housemaid.

Bess rightly guesses that the dying soldier's last words had something to do with the fourth brother. Because the family seems unwilling to do anything, she decides that she will investigate. It's her own duty to the dead. **TP \$32.99**

Peter Tremayne*Council of the Cursed*

In 670 A.D. Fidelma of Cashel is asked to act as an advisor to the Irish delegation to a church council hostile to the Celtic Church. In an abbey in Burgundy, Bishop Leodegar of Autun has assembled church leaders from all over western Europe—an assembly which soon descends into chaos. That night, one of the delegates is found murdered, his skull crushed and Fidelma and her companion, Brother Eadulf, are suddenly in the midst of a murder investigation involving some of the most powerful religious leaders. Between the autocratic Bishop Leodegar and the malignant abbess, Mother Audofleda, a web of sinister intrigue soon spreads. The theft of a priceless reliquary box, the disappearance of women and children and rumours of a slave trade make this one of the most sinister and deadly puzzles that Fidelma and Eadulf have ever faced. **HC \$51.95**

Elaine Viets*The Fashion Hound Murders (Mystery Shopper 05)*

Mystery shopper and mom Josie Marcus, while investigating the cruel means used to breed designer dogs, finds herself in the doghouse when her source, a disgruntled pet shop employee, is murdered. **PB \$17.95**

Najem Wali*Joseph's Picture*

After his brother, Henry, murders his girlfriend, Iraq native Joseph goes to prison for a crime he didn't commit, until, after the chaos of the Iraq War, he takes Henry's name in an attempt to clear his own, only to find out that his brother is suspected of a new murder, making Joseph a wanted man again. **HC \$51.95**

Livia J Washburn*The Christmas Cookie Killer (Frash-Baked Myster 03)*

Looking forward to the end of a very unlucky year, retired teacher and amateur sleuth Phyllis Newsom enters the Christmas cookie bake-off contest for fun, but during the annual cookie exchange, she discovers the elderly Mrs. Simmons dead in a pile of lime sugar cookies, in a book that includes 15 recipes from the story. **PB \$17.95**

Livia J Washburn*Killer Crab Cakes*

While looking after her cousin's bed and breakfast, and entering the annual Rockport, Texas Just Desserts competition, Phyllis and her boyfriend Sam discover a dead body, and forced to investigate when the suspect list gets too close for comfort. **TP \$28.95**

Other Books

Books in this section are unlikely to be held as stock, but are available by request.

Thomas and the Missing Christmas Tree (Thomas the Tank Engine) **HC \$4.95**

Thomas Story Library (Thomas the Tank Engine)

My Thomas story Library Starter Kit

20 individual books in a box with folding velcro sealed lid with handle.

Each book tells a story featuring a particular character from the TV show. **PB \$65**

Big Book of Top Gear 2010 (Top Gear)

Featuring all the best bits from the 2009 annual plus tonnes of new features, The Big Book of Top Gear 2010 will be a powerful force to match that of the TV show.

There'll be more juicy revelations about The Stig, the next instalment in the Bigglesmay saga, behind the scenes gossip from the Top Gear set, supercars, retro cars, concept cars, crap cars, and plenty more jokes at the expense of Jeremy Clarkson.

You'll get the lowdown on all the new fastest laps, the best and worst of the new cars, and all the madcap adventures featured in the new series, including the presenters' return to the US to road-test a new generation of American muscle cars, and a potentially ill-conceived roadtrip through Vietnam. We can only imagine what Clarkson et al got up to.

You thought the Top Gear phenomenon couldn't get any bigger – it just did. **HC \$35**

Big Book of Cocktails **HC \$39.99**

A Brush With Horses

This high-quality, exquisitely produced book is a celebration of the work of acclaimed equine artist Alister Simpson. Presenting a cross-section of his work, from sketches to watercolours and oils, it reveals the depth of his talent and the breadth of his style. Racehorses featured include Phar Lap, Makybe Diva, Brew, Mahogany, Octagonal and Sunline, to name just a few, while all the excitement of race day is also captured in scenes painted trackside.

But Alister is not just at home on the racetrack. A Brush with Horses also includes artworks of mares and foals, horses galloping through streams and across fields, and on the polo field. This is a collection that will appeal to all who love this most noble of animals. **HC \$89.99**

Exercises for Osteoporosis: A Safe and Effective Way to Build Bone Density and Muscle Strength

This volume describes about 125 exercises to prevent and treat osteoporosis and osteopenia, for all ages. The exercises, which are accompanied by illustrations, incorporate yoga, pilates, and Feldenkrais techniques with traditional weight training and aerobics exercise, to improve bone density, balance, flexibility, posture, skeletal alignment, aerobic fitness, muscle size, and functional ability for everyday activities. This edition incorporates 50 new exercises and workouts, new chapters on aerobic exercise, posture, and flexibility, and new sections on improving balance to prevent falls and fractures. No index is provided. Daniels is a former health educator with the New York City Department for the Aging, and has taught courses to fitness professionals. She is a Feldenkrais practitioner, pilates instructor, yoga teacher, and personal trainer. **TP \$32.95**

Fifty Cars That Changed the World

Everything around us is designed and the word 'design' has become part of our everyday experience. But how much do we know about it? Fifty Cars That Changed the World imparts that knowledge listing the top 50 cars that have made a substantial impact in the world of design today. From the 1908 Ford Model T to the 1998 Smart car, each entry offers a short appraisal to explore what has made their iconic status to give them a special place in design history. **HC \$25**

Alex Archer*Paradox (Rogue Angel)*

Archaeologist Annja Creed reluctantly accepts an assignment on behalf of a covert arm of the U.S. Government. She is to lead an expedition to the top of Mount Ararat to find the truth about what is thought to be the remains of Noah's Ark. But while she doubts the massive anomaly is really the Ark, she can't help but wonder what is up there. Annja must escort a group of militant fundamentalists through civil unrest in eastern Turkey, but the impending war is nothing compared to the danger that lies hidden within the team. With lives at stake, Annja has no choice but to protect the innocent...and get them out of there alive. Legend says the Ark once saved mankind, but this time it could kill them all. **PB \$17.95**

Ted Bell

Tsar

Somewhere in Russia is a man so powerful that no one even knows his name. Yet though he is all but invisible, he is pulling strings - and pulling them hard. With her finger on the switch to the European economy and her sights on the American jugular, Russia gains a new leader. Not just a president, he has been appointed Tsar, a signal to the world that the old imperial power is back - and plans to have her day.

At the same time, a mysterious killer brutally murders an innocent American family, in the process blowing up the small midwestern town they called home. Just a taste, according to the new Tsar, of what will happen if America does not step aside in preventing Russia's plans to 'reintegrate' her rogue states.

Onto this nightmarish stage steps special agent extraordinaire Alex Hawke, the only man - both the British and Americans agree - who can stop the madness. **APB \$19.99**

Anita Bell Australian Author

Your Mortgage And How To Pay It Off In Five Years

We first met Jim and Anita Bell in 1999 when YOUR MORTGAGE AND HOW TO PAY IT OFF IN FIVE YEARS from Someone Who Did it in Three was first published. Over the last five years as property prices have gone through the roof, interest rates have come down - then gone up, and everyone went real estate mad, Anita has continued to help people across Australia and New Zealand through showing them how she and Jim paid off their own mortgage, and their investment property, their block of land, and purchased shares. All on average Australian incomes.

In simple, no-nonsense steps, Anita shows you how to save the deposit, how to secure the right loan, how to find the right house or flat, how to get it at the right price and how to make it all yours. Using the simple, down-to-earth plan that really worked for Anita, YOUR MORTGAGE AND HOW TO PAY IT OFF IN FIVE YEARS from Someone Who Did it in Three gives you all the practical help you need to own your own home outright sooner than you ever believed possible. **TP \$17.95**

Jaid Black, Michelle M Pillow & Tawny Taylor

Prisoner of Love

In these enticing tales of naughty bedroom fun, three women surrender their secret fantasies to the hard-bodied captors they can't resist.

JAID BLACK: Warlord

When a business trip to Scotland unexpectedly takes her back in time, Janet is enslaved by a fierce Scottish warrior whose uncontrollable urge to possess her ignites a steamy passion and unveils a sweet surprise.

TAWNY TAYLOR: Dragons and Dungeons

Kaya tries to tempt the flirtatious hunk who outbids her at an auction into selling his prize, but instead he charms her back to his palatial estate and convinces her to accept him as her master so he can satisfy all her desires.

MICHELLE M. PILLOW: Taming Him

A hard-bodied stud kidnaps Maggie to his alien spaceship, where he showers her with enticing pleasures and unrequited passion until she's ready to believe -- and do -- almost anything to be his. **TP \$19.99**

Paul Block & Robert Vaughan

Armor of God

Father Michael Flannery is Keeper of the Sign, prophesied to bring the gospel of peace to the world. On his way to New York for a landmark symposium of the world's largest religious groups, Flannery barely escapes assassination. Not content with possessing the scroll, Via Dei is determined to tie up loose ends and ensure that Father Flannery's message never gets out.

Interwoven with this modern-day suspense is the story of Tobias Garlande, a scholar living during the First Crusade. Burdened with terrifying visions of future tragedies, Tobias is the first Keeper. His connection to Father Flannery echoes across centuries with a simple warning: You must not fail.

Combining international intrigue and suspense with fascinating historical detail, *Armor of God* continues to explore the ramifications of true faith with a compelling tale of past and present religious turmoil and touching human drama. **APB \$16.99**

Greg Broadmore

Doctor Grordbort's Contrapulatronic Dingus Dictionary

The book is a thirty-two-page catalogue that chronicles the world of Doctor Grordbort. Inventor extraordinaire, Dr Grordbort has a gadget for everything, and in this meticulous catalogue of weaponry, he showcases a world where chivalry is not dead, advertising is beautiful, and rayguns look too pretty to be lethal.

Dr Grordbort proffers to you to ruminate over these wonders of modern boffinry. Scrutinise these revelations of science and defy yourself not to send large money orders at once.

One for the Boys! Tired of waking up to miscreant Martian meanderings on your estate? Fed up with rival corporate ninjas pilfering trade secrets? Or merely out for a spot of endangered beastly butchering? The MANMELTER 3600 is the thing for you!

Be a better man with a MANMELTER. Your wife may come back to you!

Inside the book you will find the shiniest new bifurnilizers, metal manservants, and automated travel loungers. Also included for entertainment and scientific education is a compartmentalised picture story (some call them comics) of the world-famous naturalist, Lord Cockswain. **HC \$19.99**

Dr Grordbort presents Victory

Launching in November, comes Gregs second book, Dr Grordborts VICTORY - Scientific Adventure Violence for Young Men and Literate Women. Filled to the brim with first hand tales of exploration and progress from the great heroes of our time, picture strips of unimaginable escapades on the frontier, never-seen-before portraits of dazzling damsels and monstrous villains, and laudable accounts of man and robot pitted against our greatest enemy (the uncivilized world), Victory is an onslaught of action-packed scientific adventure in full-spectrum color -- containing facts that every boy and literate girl should know. **HC \$26.99**

Tom Clancy & David Michaels

Conviction (Tom Clancy's Splinter Cell 05)

While training new recruits for the Splinter Cells, the Third Echelon discovers a shocking piece of evidence relating to the depletion of their ranks that is linked to a traitor. **PB \$21.95**

Jeremy Clarkson

Driven to Distraction

Brace yourself, Clarkson's back.

And he'd like to tell you what he thinks about some of the most awe-inspiring, earth-shatteringly fast and jaw-droppingly gorgeous cars in the world (alongside a few irredeemable disasters ...). Or he would, if there weren't so many things competing for his attention first. So much to get off his chest. The world according to Clarkson is a perplexing place, filled with thorny subjects like:

- The prospect of having Terry Wogan as president
- Why you'll never see a woman driving a Lexus
- The unforeseen consequences of inadequate birth control
- Why everyone should spend a weekend with a digger

Fearless, independent, surprising and laugh-out-loud funny, *Driven to Distraction* is full-throttle Clarkson at his best; a unique look at the joys, absurdities and frustrations of modern life. With wheels. Buckle up, get comfortable, and hold on tight. There's no one who writes about cars like Jeremy . . . **TP \$32.95**

Sophie Collins

How to Date a Vampire

A fantastic magazine-style guide to romance for young teens...with a twist! For any girl looking for a boy who's more Cullen than caveman, this book is your helping hand to a happy ending. A vamp boy is smart, he's sexy, and he's waiting to discover someone a little bit different; so use this little lifesaver to show him what's so special about you and set his pulse (if he had one) racing. Of course, if like Bella or Buffy, the man of your dreams is more than just a high school crush, you won't find help in the problem pages. Luckily for you, this book is packed full of quizzes, charts and failsafe advice, from finding out if the guy giving you sleepless nights is a real vamp or a fanged faker, to great date ideas that don't involve Type-O milkshakes. With space to write about your own close encounters, plus style advice and beauty tips that are sure to slay him on sight, this is the only guide you'll ever need to spotting a vampire and knocking him (un)dead. **HC \$19.99**

Bernard Cornwell

The Burning Land (Alfred the Great 05)

In the last years of the ninth century, King Alfred of Wessex is in failing health, and his heir is an untested youth. The Danes, who have failed so many times to conquer Wessex, smell opportunity...

First comes Harald Bloodhair, a savage warrior leading a Viking horde, who is encouraged to cruelty by his woman, Skade. But Alfred still has the services of Uhtred, his unwilling warlord, who leads Harald into a trap and, at Farnham in Surrey, inflicts one of the greatest defeats the Vikings were ever to suffer.

This novel, the fifth in the magnificent series of England's history tells of the final assaults on Alfred's Wessex, that Wessex survived to become England is because men like Uhtred defeated an enemy feared throughout Christendom. **TP \$32.99**

Harlequin (Grail Quest 01)

In the fourteenth century the English were just beginning to discover their national identity, and one of the strongest elements of this was the overwhelming success in battle of the English bowmen.

England's archers crossed the Channel to lay a country to waste. Thomas of Hookton was one of those archers. When his village is sacked by French raiders, he escapes from his father's ambition to become a wild youth who delights in the opportunities which war offers - for fighting, for revenge and for friendship.

But Thomas is hounded by his conscience. He has made a promise to God to retrieve a relic stolen in the raid from Hookton's church. The search for the relic leads him into a world where lovers become enemies, enemies become friends and always, somewhere beyond the horizon that is smeared with the smoke of fires set by the rampaging English army, a terrible enemy awaits him.

That enemy would harness the power of Christendom's greatest relic - the grail itself. In this, the first book of a new series, Thomas begins the quest that will lead him through the fields of France, until at last the two armies face each other on a hillside near the village of Crecy. **BPB \$24.99**

Vagabond (Grail Quest 02)

In Harlequin, Thomas of Hookton travelled to France as an archer and there discovered a shadowy destiny, which linked him to a family of heretical French lords who sought Christendom's greatest relic. Having survived the battle of Crecy, Thomas is sent back to England, charged with finding the Holy Grail. But Thomas is an archer and when a chance comes to fight against an army invading northern England he jumps at it. Plunged into the carnage of Neville's Cross, he is oblivious to other enemies who want to destroy him. He discovers too late that he is not the only person pursuing the grail, and that his rivals will do anything to thwart him. After hunting and wounding him, Thomas's enemies turn him into a fugitive. Fleeing England, he travels to Normandy, determined to rescue Will Skeat, his old commander from Harlequin. Finally Thomas leads his enemies back to Brittany, where he goes to discover an old love and where his pursuers at last trap their reluctant pilgrim. *Vagabond* is a vivid and realistic portrait of England at a time when the archer was king of Europe's battlefields. **BPB \$24.99**

Heretic (Grail Quest 03)

In 1347 the English capture Calais and the war with France is suspended by a truce.

But for Thomas of Hookton, the hero of Harlequin and Vagabond, there is no end to the fighting. He is pursuing the grail, the most sacred of Christendom's relics, and is sent to his ancestral homeland, Gascony, to engineer a confrontation with his deadliest enemy, Guy Vexille.

Once in the south country Thomas becomes a raider, leading his archers in savage forays that will draw his enemy to his arrows. But then his fortunes change. Thomas becomes the hunted as his campaign is destroyed by the church. With only one companion, a girl condemned to burn as a heretic, Thomas goes to the valley of Astarac where he believes the grail was once hidden and might still be concealed, and there he plays a deadly game of hide and seek with an overwhelming enemy.

Then, just as Thomas succeeds in meeting his enemy face to face, fate intervenes as the deadliest plague in the history of mankind erupts into Europe. What had been a landscape of castles, monasteries, vineyards and villages, becomes death's kingdom and the need for the grail, as a sign of God's favour, is more urgent than ever. **BPB \$24.99**

Simon Cox

Decoding the Lost Symbol

Following on from the phenomenally successful *The Da Vinci Code* and *Angels and Demons*, Dan Brown's next thriller, *The Lost Symbol*, is set to feature Harvard symbologist Robert Langdon once again, whose exploits will take him inside the secret societies of the Freemasons and Rosicrucians – replacing *Opus Dei* and the *Illuminati* of previous adventures.

Decoding the Lost Symbol by bestselling author Simon Cox is an A to Z guide featuring illustrations and colour photographs to illuminate the text. It will provide all the answers to the cryptic mysteries in Dan Brown's highly anticipated new novel.

Simon Cox is the author of two other guides to Dan Brown's novels, *Cracking the Da Vinci Code* and *Illuminating Angels and Demons*, and *Decoding the Lost Symbol* is hotly tipped to repeat their huge success. *Cracking the Da Vinci Code* has now been translated into over 15 languages and has sold over two million copies worldwide, while a spin-off DVD of the same name has sold one and a half million copies. No wonder, then, that *Decoding the Lost Symbol* is almost as eagerly awaited as Dan Brown's next novel itself.

Simon Cox's guide will be the essential and most authoritative companion to *The Lost Symbol*, giving vital background information and shedding new light on the many mysteries at the heart of Dan Brown's new story. **BPB \$22.99**

Clive Cussler & Grant Blackwood

Spartan Gold (Fargo)

After discovering a U-boat in a Delaware swamp containing a map to Napoleon's "lost cellar," the Fargo brothers race to find the treasure before a rival collector can. **HC \$54.95**

Dave Eggers

A Wild Things

Seven-year-old Max likes to make noise, get dirty, ride his bike without a helmet and howl like a wolf. In any other era, he would be considered a boy. In 2007, he is considered willful and deranged. His home life is problematic. His parents are divorced; his father, immature and romantic, lives in the city. His mother has taken up with a younger man who steals quarters from the change bowl in the foyer. Driven by a series of pressures internal and external, Max leaves home, jumps in a boat and sails across the ocean to a strange island where giant beasts reign - the *Wild Things* from Maurice Sendak's visionary classic. This is an all-ages adventure, full of wit and soul, that explores the chaos of youth while Max explores the chaos of the world around him. **HC \$35**

Ben Elton

Uncontrollable

After the irresponsible, ignorant bliss of financial boom, city trader Jimmy and his family are forced to confront financial meltdown in this hilarious and deeply pertinent domestic drama. **TP \$32.95**

Matt Fargo

When Ninjas Attack

This tongue-in-cheek guide to preparing and surviving a ninja attack includes hilarious but straight-faced advice on how to spot a ninja, repel a full-on ninja attack and even ninja - proof your home and office. **\$24.95**

Peter Fitzsimons Australian Author

Tobruk Illustrated

'What we have, we hold'

MOTTO OF AUSTRALIA'S 2/17TH BATTALION

In the tradition of his bestselling *KOKODA*, Peter FitzSimons, Australia's most beloved popular historian, returns in this deluxe illustrated edition to one of the seminal moments in Australian history: the Battle of Tobruk in 1941, in which more than 15 000 Australian troops - backed by British artillery - fought in excruciating desert heat through eight long months, against Adolf Hitler's formidable Afrika Korps.

During the dark heart of World War II, when Hitler turned his attention to conquering North Africa, a distracted and far-flung Allied force could not give its all to the defence of Libya. So the job was left to the roughest, toughest bunch that could be mustered: the Australian Imperial Force. The AIF's defence of the harbour city of Tobruk against the Afrika Korps' armoured division is not only the stuff of Australian legend, it is one of the great battles of all time, as against the might of General Rommel and his Panzers, the Australians relied on one factor in particular to give them the necessary strength against the enemy: mateship.

Drawing on new and even more extensive source material - including diaries and letters, many never published before - this extraordinary book, written in Peter FitzSimons's highly readable style, and now lavishly illustrated, is the definitive account of this remarkable chapter in Australia's history.

Foreword by Manfred Rommel. **HC \$49.99**

Neil Gaiman

Don't Panic: Douglas Adams & The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy

Acclaimed author Gaiman celebrates the life and work of the great sci-fi comedy writer. **TP \$29.95**

Haggai Garmon

Triangle of Deception (Dan Gordon Intelligence)

Dan Gordon, while working undercover in a joint CIA/Mossad mission, infiltrates a Lebanese network in Paraguay to find the source of funding to Hezbollah and stumbles upon a wide-ranging conspiracy--a discovery that places him in a Romanian prison with no hope of escape. **PB \$19.95**

Christopher Golden

Prince of Stories

Over the past twenty years, Neil Gaiman has developed into the premier fantasist of his generation, achieving that rarest of combinations—unrivaled critical respect and extraordinary commercial success. From the landmark comic book series *The Sandman* to novels such as the *New York Times* bestselling *American Gods* and *Anansi Boys*, from children's literature like *Coraline* to screenplays for such films as *Beowulf*, Gaiman's work has garnered him an enthusiastic and fiercely loyal global following.

Now, for the first time ever, *Prince of Stories* chronicles the history and impact of the complete works of Neil Gaiman in film, fiction, music, comic books, and beyond. Containing hours of exclusive interviews with Gaiman and conversations with his collaborators, as well as wonderful nuggets of his work—such as the beginning of an unpublished novel, a rare comic and a never-before-published essay—this is a treasure trove of all things Gaiman. In addition to providing in-depth information and commentary on Gaiman's myriad works, *Prince of Stories* includes rare photographs, book covers, artwork, and related trivia and minutiae. It is both an insightful introduction to his work and a true “must-have” for his ever-growing legion of fans. **TP \$36.95**

Andrew M Greeley

Home for Christmas

A moving tale of redemption and the ultimate leap of faith in the tradition of It's a Wonderful Life

Petey Pat Kane and Mariana Pia Pelligrino have been in love with each other their whole lives. Even Father Jimmy recognized it the moment he met the little couple as their second-grade teacher at St. Regis in Poplar Grove, Chicago. But years later, on a night that was supposed to be one of the best of their lives, Pete makes a choice that forces him to leave his city behind. Guilt over running away from Mariana and the truths he is too scared to face lead him into the Army, where he becomes Captain Kane, war hero. But nothing can make him forget his humiliation. Or his love for Mariana. Then, on his third deployment in Iraq, Pete is injured in a roadside bomb attack and finds himself alive... and dead, on a spiritual journey of the afterlife so wondrous he is given a second chance at life from God Himself. Yet even a heavenly encounter may not be enough to overcome Pete's legendary stubbornness. That task must fall to Pete's oldest friend, Father Jimmy, who welcomes the wounded soldier back to Poplar Grove. With Christmas approaching, time is running out for Pete to complete the most important mission of his life: convincing himself that he and Mariana really were meant to share a special message of love with the world. **HC \$26.99**

Max Hastings

Finest Years: Churchill as Warlord 1940-40

Winston Churchill was the greatest war leader Britain ever had. In 1940, the nation rallied behind him in an extraordinary fashion. But thereafter, argues Max Hastings, there was a deep divide between what Churchill wanted from the British people and their army, and what they were capable of delivering. Himself a hero, he expected others to show themselves heroes also, and was often disappointed. It is little understood how low his popularity fell in 1942, amid an unbroken succession of battlefield defeats. Some of his closest colleagues joined a clamour for him to abandon his role directing the war machine. Hastings paints a wonderfully vivid image of the Prime Minister in triumph and tragedy. He describes the 'second Dunkirk' in 1940, when Churchill's impulsiveness threatened to lose Britain almost as many troops in north-west France as had been saved from the beaches; his wooing of the Americans, and struggles with the Russians. British wartime unity was increasingly tarnished by workers' unrest, with many strikes in mines and key industries.

By looking at Churchill from the outside in, through the eyes of British soldiers, civilians and newspapers, and also those of Russians and Americans, Hastings provides new perspectives on the greatest Englishman. He condemns as folly Churchill's attempt to promote mass uprisings in occupied Europe, and details 'Unthinkable', his amazing 1945 plan for an Allied offensive against the Russians to liberate Poland. Here is an intimate and affectionate portrait of Churchill as Britain's saviour, but also an unsparing examination of the wartime nation which he led and the performance of its armed forces. **TP \$35**

Matthew Hayden

Complete Matthew Hayden Cookbook

Australian cricketing icon Matthew Hayden has embraced the opportunities his career has afforded him to travel the world, sharing stories and swapping recipes with people from all walks of life. This collection features tales of Matt's exciting travels and his fervent passion for family, friends, fishing and food -- all told with his keen eye and characteristic down-to-earth style. Each of Matt's entertaining experiences unveils a mouthwatering recipe (or two) that will be enjoyed by the whole family. From prawn pita pizza, macadamia and feta stuffed chicken, mango and avocado salad and salmon quiche to passionfruit and coconut cake and Grandmas Christmas pudding, all these delicious recipes are easy to follow. As Matt says, If a cricketer can cook, surely you can have a crack at it! **PB \$39.99**

Georgette Heyer

Sylvester

A highly amusing and wonderfully romantic comedy of errors set in Heyer's lovingly detailed Regency England.

Endowed with rank, wealth and elegance, Sylvester, Duke of Salford, posts into Wiltshire to discover if the Hon Phoebe Marlowe will meet his exacting requirements for a bride. If he does not expect to meet a tongue-tied stripling wanting both manners and conduct, then he is intrigued indeed when his visit causes Phoebe to flee her home. They meet again on the road to London, where her carriage has come to grief in the snow. Yet Phoebe, already caught in one imbroglio, now knows she soon could be well deep in another. **BPB \$24.95**

Talisman Ring

One of best-known and most beloved historical novelists captures a whole new audience in a stunning repackage.

The legend of the Headless Horseman and a proposed marriage de convenance both have their impact on the mystery of a golden talisman ring and Lord Lavenham's young heir, Ludovic. Neither Sir Tristram Shield nor Eustacie, his young French cousin, share the slightest inclination to marry one another, yet it is Lord Lavenham's dying wish. For there is no one else to provide for the old man's granddaughter while Ludovic remains a fugitive from justice. **BPB \$24.95**

David Hill

Forgotten Children

In 1959 David Hill's mother – a poor single parent living in England – reluctantly decided to send her sons to Fairbridge Farm School in New South Wales where, she was led to believe, they would have a good education and a better life.

David was lucky – his mother was able to follow him out to Australia – but for most children, the reality was shockingly different. From 1938 to 1974 thousands of parents were persuaded to sign over legal guardianship of their children to Fairbridge to solve the problem of child poverty in Britain while populating the colony. Now many of those children have decided to speak out. Physical and sexual abuse was not uncommon. Loneliness was rife. Food was often inedible. The standard of education was appalling.

Here, for the first time, is the story of the lives of the Fairbridge children, from the bizarre luxury of the voyage out to Australia to the harsh reality of the first days there; from the crushing daily routine to stolen moments of freedom and the struggle that defined life after leaving the school. This remarkable book is both a tribute to the children who were betrayed by an ideal that went terribly awry and a compelling account of an extraordinary episode in Australian–British History. **BPB \$24.95**

Tom Holland

Millenium

Of all the civilisations existing in the year 1000, that of Western Europe seemed the unlikeliest candidate for future greatness. Compared to the glittering empires of Byzantium or Islam, the splintered kingdoms on the edge of the Atlantic appeared impoverished, fearful and backward. But the anarchy of these years proved to be, not the portents of the end of the world, as many Christians had dreaded, but rather the birthpangs of a radically new order. MILLENNIUM is a stunning panoramic account of the two centuries on either side of the apocalyptic year 1000. This was the age of Canute, William the Conqueror and Pope Gregory VII, of Vikings, monks and serfs, of the earliest castles and the invention of knighthood, and of the primal conflict between church and state. The story of how the distinctive culture of Europe - restless, creative and dynamic - was forged from out of the convulsions of these extraordinary times is as fascinating and as momentous as any in history. **PB \$29.99**

Doogie Horner

Dirty Jokes Every Man Should Know

Quirk has incredibly high standards of good taste—which is why most of the content in *Dirty Jokes Every Man Should Know* cannot be reprinted in this catalog. You'll just have to trust us when we pledge that this book contains more than 100 premium grade-A dirty jokes, including *The One About Paris Hilton* and the *Himalayan Snow Leopard*, *The One About the Octogenarian Hooker* and the *Box of Raisins*, *The One About the Used Condom Salesman*...

And many, many more. Packaged in the same elegant format as *Jokes Every Man Should Know* (50,000 copies sold), this raunchy companion volume makes the perfect stocking stuffer for brothers, uncles, grandfathers, and anyone who appreciates a dirty joke. **HC \$19.95**

Ian Hughes

Belisarius : The Last Roman General

8pp plates, 15 B+W drawings, 27 maps, 18 Battle Plans **HC \$90**

Gabriel Hunt

Hunt At World's End

Gabriel Hunt must race against time to stop three jewels, lost for centuries and hidden around the globe that hold the secret to unimaginable power, from falling into the hands of an ancient Hittite cult. **PB \$17.95**

Conn Iggulden

Conqueror: Lords of the Bow / Wolf of the Plains / Bones of the Hills (Conqueror)

For the first time in one volume - three bestselling, action packed novels telling the life of a great warrior and hero - Gengis Khan *Wolf of the Plains* 'I am the land and the bones of the hills. I am the winter.' Temujin, the second son of the khan of the Wolves tribe, was only eleven when his father died in an ambush. His family were thrown out of the tribe and left alone, without food or shelter, to starve to death on the harsh Mongolian plains.

But Temujin's destiny is not to perish - He will become the khan of the sea of grass, Genghis. *Lords of the Bow* The gathering of the tribes of the Mongols has been a long time in coming but finally, triumphantly, Temujin of the Wolves, Genghis Khan, is given the full accolade of the overall leader and their oaths. Now he can begin to meld all the previously warring people into one army, one nation.

Not only must Genghis succeed in this incredible campaign, but he must also reconcile the restless factions among his own generals, mediate between his ambitious brothers and cope with his own reactions to his growing sons. The young warrior has become a notable and victorious military commander of thousands: he must now learn to become a great leader of peoples of many different races and religions. *Bones of the Hills* Genghis Khan has united the warring tribes and even taken his armies against the great cities of their oldest enemies.

Now he finds trouble rising west of the Mongolian plains. His emissaries are mutilated or killed; his trading gestures rebuffed. So, dividing his armies, using his sons as generals of the various divisions, he sends them out simultaneously in many directions, ranging as far as modern Iran and Iraq.

As well as discovering new territories, exacting tribute from conquered peoples, laying waste the cities which resist, this policy is also a way of diffusing the rivalries between his sons and heirs and working out who should succeed the khan. **HC \$150**

Dr Karl Kruszelniki Australian Author

Never Mind the Bullocks, Here's the Science

Dr Karl has taken on Santa Claus, atom bombs, 'friendly' dolphins and 'killer' whales, meteors, black holes, string theory and camel's humps. In his 27 mega-selling books, he demolishes myths, tells readers how to spot bogus science and advises readers to be wise, sceptical and to always challenge authority. In his 28th book he continues his crusade to keep the world a rational place by answering vital questions like 'Are white cats deaf?' and 'Will lemon juice make you slimmer?' **TP \$27.99**

Patrick Lindsay Australian Author

Kokoda Spirit

A richly-illustrated and beautifully-designed hard-cover production, interweaving images and narrative to capture and explore the remarkable spirit of Kokoda - the history, the people and the place.

Patrick draws on his experience of many Track crossings, writing books and documentaries on the subject and his deep friendship with many of the Kokoda veterans to present readers with the next best thing to walking the Track itself.

Featuring never-before seen photographs taken during the campaign and a series of specially-shot images of the Track and the people who live along it, *Kokoda Spirit* takes readers on a journey of discovery to one of the world's last frontiers as they walk in the footsteps of the Diggers and Fuzzy Wuzzy Angels who fought along the Kokoda Track to preserve Australia's freedom. **HC \$49.95**

Robert Low

Whale Road

Life is savage aboard a Viking raider. When young Orm Rurikson is plucked from the snows of Norway to join his estranged father on the Fjord Elk, he becomes an unlikely member of a notorious crew. They are the Oathsworn - so named after the spoken bond that ties them in brotherhood - and they ply a casual trade on the ocean wave, selling their swords to the highest bidder. But times are changing. Loyalty to the old Norse Gods is fading, and the followers of the mysterious b2White Christb2 are gaining power across Europe. Hired as relic-hunters by the merchant rulers of a bustling city, the Oathsworn are sent in search of a legendary sword of untold value to the new religion. With only a young girl as guide, their quest will lead them onto the deep and treacherous waters of the b2whale roadb2, toward the cursed treasure of Attila the Hun. And to a challenge that will test the very bond that holds them together. A significant new voice in historical fiction, Robert Low has created a startlingly modern tale in the style of the great Viking sagas. A heady mix of powerful suspense, blockbuster battles and religious intrigue, *THE WHALE ROAD* is a must for fans of Bernard Cornwell and Tim Severin. It heralds a major new series sure to hook old and new readers alike. **BPB \$24.99**

Valerio Massimo Manfredi

The Ides of March

A gripping tale of ancient Rome from the bestselling author of the astoundingly successful Alexander trilogy

March, 44 BC: Rome, in all her glory, has expanded her territories beyond the wildest dreams of her citizens, led by Caius Julius Caesar – Pontifex Maximus, dictator perpetuo, invincible military leader and only 56 years old. He is a man in command of his destiny, who wields enormous power throughout the vast empire. However his god-given mission – to end the blood-splattered fratricidal wars, reconcile implacably hostile factions and preserve Roman civilisation and world order – is teetering dangerously close to collapse... His power is draining away. None of his supporters can stop the inexorably evolving plot against him and prophecy will explode into truth on the Ides of March and the world will change forever.

This is a political thriller laced through with all the intrigue and action surrounding one of the most crucial turning points in the history of western civilisation. **TP \$32.99**

Wendy Markham*The Best Gift*

When she awakens three years in the future--alone--Clara wonders what happened to her husband and the child she was expecting, in this heartwarming story about a love that transcends time. **PB \$17.95**

James May*Toy Stories*

A book for ALL boys from 5 to 85 - and hardy girls too! James May is a man on a mission this Christmas. He wants to encourage children away from their Playstations and get them playing with their parents. Toy Stories covers the stories behind a number of classic toys - bringing them to life through accounts of the most unusual, weird and exciting versions built anywhere to date - and the adventures as James and his team of helpers, children and adults of all ages, build and recreate a range of toys in a series of Top Gear style escapades. Each adventure includes details of how the projects were constructed, with diagrams, illustrations and informal photography. Toy Stories also offers 12 simple but fun projects linked to these toys. **HC \$39.95**

Andy McDermott*Hunt For Atlantis*

Archaeologist Nina Wilde believes she has found the location of the lost city of Atlantis and now she wants the opportunity to prove her theory. Someone else though, wants her dead! With the help of ex-SAS bodyguard Eddie Chase and beautiful heiress Kari Frost, Nina faces a breakneck race against time around the world, pursued at every step by agents of the mysterious and murderous Brotherhood of Selasphoros. From the jungles of Brazil to the mountains of Tibet, from the streets of Manhattan to the depths of the Atlantic Ocean, the hunt for Atlantis leads to a secret hidden for 11,000 years which in the wrong hands could destroy civilisation as we know it... **PB \$19.99**

Ralph McInerny*Relic of Time (Rosary Chronicles 02)*

When the Virgin's Cloak, a cloak marked with the image of the Holy Mother, is stolen, CIA operative Vincent Traeger, who has a history with the Vatican, comes out of retirement to retrieve the cloak, which pits him against longtime foes of the Church. **PB \$19.95**

David E Meadows*Charlie Class (Final Run 03)*

In 1973, Commander Mitchell "Mickey" Brandon receives orders to patrol the Strait of Gibraltar, making sure that the way into the Mediterranean is clear for American naval forces--a mission that pits him and his crew against the Russians in an all-out war of the world's superpowers. **PB \$19.95**

Tim Moore*I Believe in Yesterday*

In 1989, Tim Moore moved into the last house in Chiswick with an outside toilet. Intrigued by a subsequent encounter with an elderly former resident, and shamed to confess the phobic haste with which he demolished this facility, he finds himself inspired to travel back to the land before now, experiencing the horny-handed hardships and homespun pleasures enjoyed and endured by Moores gone by.

The journey that follows takes him through the world of historical re-enactment, sitting at the bare and grubby feet of retromaniacs who have seen their future in the past, and learning their singular ways. Living on bramble leaves, Johnny cake and porridge, Moore travels from the Iron Age to the Steam Age, sharing straw beds and daft hats with period obsessives driven by socio-historical curiosity, disillusionment with the pampered fecklessness of the modern world, or a simple nostalgia for campfires, flatulence and brutality.

As a Roman legionary, Moore is put to the Gaulish sword twelve times a day for the entertainment of the Danish public; as master of a Tudor manor's domestic staff, he works his young charges to heatstoked collapse, and serves up moat-drowned hare to the sneering gentry. He crosses the snake-happy Kentucky wilderness with a Vietnam veteran and his ox-drawn wagon, gets arrested as a Yankee spy in the Louisiana no man's land, and lets a party of taunting French schoolchildren have it with a medieval bazooka. Along the way he meets living historians for whom authenticity means pulling their own teeth out and dyeing outfits in urine, and those who stride back through time with a Nokia and a packet of fags stuffed down their codpiece.

I Believe in Yesterday is an odyssey through 2,000 years of filth and fury, where men were men, the nights were black, the world was your outside toilet and everything tasted faintly of leeks **TP \$39.95**

Don Pendleton*Lethal Compound (Executioner 372)*

When a billionaire prepares to lead a secret archaeological expedition into the border triangle between Afghanistan, China and Tajikistan, Mack Bolan goes undercover as a foreign mercenary to stop this madman from getting his hands on a priceless treasure. **PB \$13.95**

Killing Game (SuperBolan 130)

Mack Bolan joins forces with a gorgeous Russian agent to stop a French cyberterrorist group from launching an attack on Yankee Stadium that could ultimately wipe out the world's information systems. **PB \$17.95**

Andy Riley*Bumper Book of Bunny Suicides*

The Book of Bunny Suicides and Return of the Bunny Suicides have introduced millions of people around the world to those cute bunnies always looking for new ways to end it all. Published for the first time in a unique paperback format, with a dozen new cartoons, this is the ultimate collection for fans of the fluffy little bunnies who just don't want to live any more. **PB \$29.99**

Andy Riley*Selfish Pigs*

Back on the farm, the pigs are restless, and pissed. Smoking, pork-eating, overweight and without any s**t to roll in, these pigs aren't your cuddly, oinking kind of farmyard brother. They are mean and they are angry. From the genius behind the bestselling BUNNY SUICIDES series comes a hilarious new collection of illustrations that confirms all our worst fears: the pigs won't take it lying down. **PB \$17.99**

Chris Ryan

Fight to Win

The mysterious world of elite combat units blown wide open...

Find out how elite teams prepare for Close Quarter Battle.

Discover how they launch assaults against pirate boats.

Learn the secrets to directing air attack against a key intelligence target.

Read how units manage to enter hostile territory undetected, and carry out long-ranges reconnaissance mission deep behind enemy lines?

In his new book, former SAS hero Chris Ryan delves into the secretive world of elite warfare, revealing the nuts and bolts of some of the toughest, sharpest and most legendary fighting units in existence around the world today.

Drawing on his experience as a soldier in the Regiment for a decade, as well as his recent unique access to some of the world's hardest and most sophisticated special police units for his TV show *Elite World Cops*, Chris Ryan explores the secrets of the trade. From the HALO insertion technique to mounting ambushes and escape-and-evasion tips, this is the ultimate guide to elite forces training and operations. **TP \$35**

Michael J Sullivan

The Crown Conspiracy

In *The Crown Conspiracy*, Royce Melborn, a skilled thief, and his mercenary partner, Hadrian Blackwater, make a profitable living carrying out dangerous assignments for conspiring nobles until they become the unwitting scapegoats in the murder of the king. Sentenced to death, they have only one way out and so begins this epic tale of treachery and adventure, sword fighting and magic, myth and legend. Whether you are looking for a single novel, or a multi-book saga, *The Crown Conspiracy* is the place to begin. It is a heroic fantasy adventure written for a general audience and conceived as a single epic tale. This series is told through six self-contained episodes, each complete in its own right. Across the entire chronicle, mysteries build, characters deepen, and plots thicken, but none of the books end in a disappointing cliffhanger or require you to read a previous book to fully enjoy the one you are on. **TP \$24.95**

Lauren Ulm

Vegan Yum Yum: Decadent (But Doable) Animal-Free Recipes for Entertaining and Everyday

Lauren Ulm is a vegan cook whose star is on the rise. She hosts a popular blog that is read by more than 30,000 a day. Shes a 2008 Veggie Awards winner from *VegNews* magazine who has been featured on *The Martha Stewart Show*, AOL, and the hippest sites on the web, including BoingBoing.net and Etsy.com. Now she delights her blog fans, as well as millions of vegetarian and vegan enthusiasts, with this sophisticated four-color cookbook filled with original and the most beloved meals from her blog. From appetizers to desserts, breakfasts to dinners, as well as holiday- and company-worthy fare, Ulm proves that vegan food doesn't have to be bland food. It's her love (okay, her obsession!) of making vegan foods exciting that is evident in her creations-recipes that are as artistic as they are quirky. With 90 percent of her ingredients available at any grocery store, her recipes are doable for the average person, and range from comfort-food staples like whoopee pies, macaroni, and blueberry cobbler, to hip foods with modern-day flair like mojito cupcakes, daikon noodle salad, and flaky pizza purse tapas appetizers. With the beautiful photographs her readers have grown to love, *Vegan Yum Yum* makes healthy cooking more appealing and fun than ever before. Recipes include: lemon cranberry muffins, Moroccan sweet potato homefries, crispy sesame kale, chipotle basil corn chowder, rainbow rice and beans, broccoli sweet and sour tofu, strawberry rhubarb coffee cake, and honeydew coconut tapioca. **TP \$32.99**

Ludwig Von Mises

The Anti-capitalistic Mentality **PB \$35.95**

Liberalism: The Classical Tradition **TP \$41.95**

Peter Watt

To Touch the Clouds

They had all forgotten the curse... Except one... Until it touched them. I will tell you of those times when the whitefella touched the clouds and lightning came down on the earth for many years.

In 1914, the storm clouds of war are gathering. Matthew Duffy and his cousin Alexander Macintosh are sent by Colonel Patrick Duffy to conduct reconnaissance on German-controlled New Guinea. At the same time, Alexander's sister, Fenella, is making a name for herself in the burgeoning Australian film industry.

But someone close to them has an agenda of his own – someone who would betray not only his family but his country to satisfy his greed and lust for power. As the world teeters on the brink of conflict, one family is plunged into a nightmare of murder, drugs, treachery and treason. *To Touch the Clouds* is a powerful continuation of Peter Watt's much-loved saga of the Duffy and Macintosh clan, begun in *The Cry of the Curlew*. **TP \$32.99**

Robyn Young

Requiem (Brethren 03)

THE CRUSADES ARE OVER AND EUROPE IS IN CHAOS. After years fighting in the desert sun - and secretly working for peace with the Brethren - Will Campbell returns to find his Scottish homeland under attack by his enemy, King Edward I. Betrayed by those he has served since boyhood, torn apart watching his daughter plunge into a dangerous affair, Will must now forge his own path to peace - even if it leads through another battlefield. But a new threat is rising in France, where a warrior king will stop at nothing to achieve his twisted ambitions. The fight for the Holy Land is over. But the Temple's last battle has just begun. **PB \$19.99**