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## **FICTION**

# **Fantasy & Science Fiction**

<u>The Edge of Sleep</u> – Jake Emanuel. An original survival-horror novel set in the world of the hit podcast The Edge of Sleep, where everyone who falls asleep dies.

<u>Lords of Uncreation</u> – Adrian Tchaikovsky. The Arthur C. Clarke award-winning author of Children of Time brings readers the third and final novel in an space-opera trilogy about humanity on the brink of extinction, and how one man's discovery will save or destroy us all.

#### **General Fiction**

<u>The Five-Star Weekend</u> – Elin Hilderbrand. Inviting her best friend from each phase of her life, widow Hollis Shaw hosts an unforgettable weekend on Nantucket during which things don't go as planned as each woman deals with heartbreak, infidelity, scandal and secrets, but things turnaround due new friendships, unexpected romance and self-discovery.

<u>Open Throat</u> – Henry Hoke. A lonely, lovable, queer mountain lion narrates a fever dream of a novel.

<u>The Happiness Plan</u> – Susan Mallery. Three best friends – Heather, who finally sees the beauty of family; Daphne, who is trying to fix her marriage after an emotional affair; and Tori, who has fallen in love with a longtime friend – navigate the joy, and heartache, of letting people into their hearts for the very first time.

<u>Code of the Hills</u> – Chris Offutt. Retiring from the army, Mick Hardin is back in Kentucky to help his sister Linda, the sheriff of Rocksalt, in investigating the murder of a mechanic at the local racetrack in the third novel of the series following Shifty's Boys.

<u>Fireworks Every Night</u> – Beth Raymer. The night of London's grandest ball, a bold group of women downstairs launch a daring revenge heist against the house that employs them.

<u>Banyan Moon</u> – Thao Thai. Follows three generations of Vietnamese American women reeling from the death of their matriarch, revealing the family's inherited burdens, buried secrets and unlikely love stories. A first novel.

#### **Historical Fiction**

<u>The Wind Knows My Name</u> – Isabel Allende. Traces the ripple effects of war and immigration on two children– five-year-old Samuel, whose mother puts him on a Kindertransport train out of Nazi-occupied Austria to England in 1938, and seven-year-old Anita, who boards another train eight decades later to the U.S. where she's separated from her mother.

<u>The First Ladies</u> – Marie Benedict. Initially drawn together because of their shared belief in women's rights and the power of education, civil rights activist Mary McLeod Bethune and

First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt fight together for justice and equality, holding each other's hands through tragedy and triumph.

<u>The Postcard</u> – Anne Berest. Fifteen years after the arrival of an anonymous postcard with the names of her maternal great-grandparents and their children—all killed at Auschwitz—Anne Berest is moved to discover who sent it and why and embarks on a journey to learn the fate of the Rabinovitch family.

<u>The Speculator</u> – Fiona Davis. In 1956 New York City, Marion Brooks, one of the famous Radio City Rockettes, is unwittingly drawn into the police search for the "Big Apple Bomber" and may be forced to sacrifice everything she's worked for, as well as the people she loves most, to catch this elusive criminal.

<u>Crow Mary</u> – Kathleen Grissom. A sweeping saga inspired by the true story of Crow Mary—an indigenous woman torn between two worlds in 19th-century North America.

<u>The Paris Daughter</u> – Kristin Harmel. As WWII ends, Elise returns to Paris to reunite with her daughter only to find her friend Juliette, the woman she entrusted her daughter with, has seemingly vanished without a trace, which leads Elise on a desperate search to New York – and to Juliette – one final, fateful time.

<u>Lady Tan's Circle of Women</u> – Lisa See. Sent into an arranged marriage, Tan Yunxian, forbidden to continue her work as a midwife-in-training as well as see her forever friend Meiling, is ordered to act like proper wife and seeks a way to continue treating women and girls from every level of society in 15th-century China.

<u>The Beach at Summerly</u> – Beatriz Williams. In 1954, Emilia Winthrop, a professor at Wellesley College, is summoned to CIA headquarters where she's forced to confront the harrowing consequences of the summer she exposed a traitor amongst the New England elite and a choice that could destroy her chance for redemption all over again.

## **Mystery & Detective**

<u>Dead Man's Wake</u> – Paul Doiron. Game Warden Mike Bowditch and his fiancée Stacey Stevens witness a boat accident on the eve of their engagement party that reveals a mysterious double murder in the fourteenth novel of the series following Hatchet Island.

Robert B. Parker's Bad Influence – Alison Gaylin. When her new client, Blake, an Instagram influencer, is targeted by a killer, PI Sunny Randall investigates the dark side of social media as she is drawn into world rife with lies and schemes and ties to a dangerous criminal scene.

<u>Fixit</u> – Joe Ide. Homicide detective Winnie Hando tries to stop Isaiah Quintabe from conducting his own investigation after his first love is kidnapped by a professional hitman in the sixth novel of the series following Smoke.

<u>A Most Agreeable Murder</u> – Julia Seales. A young woman growing up in a well-to-do family in Regency England hides her obsession with true crime from her etiquette-obsessed social circle joins forces with a detective when a wealthy bachelor drops dead at a ball.

#### Romance

<u>Unfortunately Yours</u> – Tessa Bailey. To access her trust fund, Natalie Vos must get married, and with no prospects, proposes to a man she wants to kill and kiss in equal measure, failing vineyard owner August Cates, but their sham wedding turns into something more due to their unfortunate, unbearable, undeniable attraction.

<u>A Little Ray of Sunshine</u> – Kristan Higgins. A young man shocks his adoptive mother by flying to Cape Cod and walking unannounced into the bookstore owned by his birth mother and her grandfather and surprising them, forcing both women into addressing their assumptions about motherhood.

<u>Queen Charlotte</u> – Julia Quinn. In 1761, German Princess, Charlotte of Mecklenburg-Strelitz marries King George III, and in her new role, she navigates the intricate politics of the court while guarding her heart as she fights for herself, her husband and for all her new subjects who look to her for guidance and grace.

<u>Palazzo</u> – Danielle Steel. The head of her family's haute couture Italian leather brand, Cosima Saverio, partnering with France's most successful handbag company, must make an impossible choice when her brother loses a hefty sum at the casino and his debt must be repaid with money or his life.

## Suspense

<u>Before She Finds Me</u> – Heather Chavez. Two unlikely mothers race to uncover the truth behind a horrific attack—even after it becomes clear that the truth will destroy one of their families.

<u>Malibu Burning</u> – Lee Goldberg. Setting fires as a distraction to pull off a daring crime and avenge a fallen friend, master thief Danny Cole is pursued by relentless arson investigator Walter Sharpe, and when they meet face-to-face in a canyon of flames, they are both pitted against an unexpected enemy.

<u>Night Will Find You</u> – Julia Heaberlin. A reluctant psychic is brought in to find a girl who went missing long ago. By the best-selling author of We Are All the Same in the Dark.

<u>The Survivor</u> – Iris Johansen. Unearthing the perfectly preserved body of a female warrior in Southeast Asia, archeologist Riley Smith and Eve Duncan seek answers about this extraordinary past life, leading Riley to make a discovery that will change history – if she can survive long enough to share it with the world.

<u>Clive Cussler Fire Strike</u> – Mike Maden. Juan Cabrillo and the crew of the Oregon narrowly escape death on the high seas while trying to avoid a diplomatic incident, in the latest novel of the series following Clive Cussler's Hellburner.

<u>Have You See Her</u> – Catherine McKenzie. Three women with dark secrets see their lives intersect in the picturesque and perilous Yosemite National Park.

<u>Cross Down</u> – James Patterson. Detectives Alex Cross and John Sampson join forces again to protect the Cross family from a shadow force advancing on the nation's capital in the latest addition to the long-running, extremely popular series.

<u>Private Moscow</u> – James Patterson. The founder of Private, the world's biggest and best detective agency, Jack Morgan investigates the murder of his former U.S. Marine comrade, which appears to be linked to another murder in Moscow, and arriving in Russia, begins to uncover a conspiracy that could have global consequences.

<u>The Only One Left</u> – Riley Sager. In 1983, home-health aide Kit McDeere arrives at a decaying Hope's End to care for Lenora Hope, helping her write about the events leading up to her family's massacre in 1929, and soon discovers this seemingly harmless woman could be far more dangerous than she first thought.

<u>Zero Days</u> – Ruth Ware. When a routine assignment goes horribly wrong, resulting in her husband's murder, penetration specialist Jack, now the #1 suspect, goes on the run, deciding who she can trust as she races against time to clear her name and find the real killer.

<u>Near Miss</u> – Stuart Woods. Stone Barrington faces down a deadly foe in the latest thrilling adventure in the #1 New York Times best-selling series.

#### **NONFICTION**

What an Owl Knows: the New Science of the World's Most Enigmatic Birds – Jennifer Ackerman. From the New York Times best-selling author of The Genius of Birds comes a scientific investigation into owls—the most elusive of birds—and why they exert such a hold on human imagination.

The Word: How We Translate the Bible, and Why It Matters — John Barton. In *The Word*, acclaimed Bible scholar John Barton explores how saints and scholars have negotiated the profound challenges of translating the Bible while remaining faithful to the original. In addition to considering questions of literal versus free translation, literary style, inclusive language, and more, Barton draws out scriptural translation's role at critical junctures in religious history. Far from a mere academic exercise, biblical translation has shaped how we answer faith's most enduring questions about the nature of God, the existence of the soul, and the possibility of salvation.

What the Dead Know: Learning About Life as a New York City Death Investigator – Barbara Butcher. A deeply personal memoir of more than 20 years of death-scene investigations by New York City death investigator Barbara Butcher.

<u>Better Living Through Birding: Notes from a Black Man in the Natural World</u> – Christian Cooper. The Central Park birder at the center of a racially-charged viral video reflects on his lifetime journey towards self-acceptance while offering insights into the wonderful world of birds and what they can teach us about life.

Girls and Their Monsters: the Genain Quadruplets and the Making of Madness in America – Audrey Clare Farley. A harrowing exploration of violence against children and its psychological and political consequences. By the author of The Unfit Heiress.

<u>George: a Magpie Memoir</u> – Frieda Hughes. When Frieda Hughes moved to the depths of the Welsh countryside, she was expecting to take on a few projects: planting a garden, painting, writing her poetry column for *The Times* (London), and possibly even breathing new life into her ailing marriage. But instead, she found herself rescuing a baby magpie, the

sole survivor of a nest destroyed in a storm—and embarking on an obsession that would change the course of her life.

Last Ride of the Pony Express: My 2,000-Mile Horseback Journey Into the Old West — Will Grant. For readers of Rinker Buck, Bill Bryson, and Larry McMurtry, *The Last Ride of the Pony Express* boldly illuminates America's mysterious and complex connection to the iconic Pony Express. With two horses, cowboy and journalist Will Grant takes us on an epic and authentic horseback journey into the modern West on an adventure of a lifetime.

<u>Pageboy: a Memoir</u> – Elliot Page. The Oscar-nominated star who, after the success of Juno, became one of the world's most beloved actors, reveals how his career turned into a nightmare as he navigated criticism and abuse in Hollywood until he had enough and stepped into who he truly is with defiance, strength and joy.

<u>The Power of Trees: How Ancient Forests Can Save Us If We Let Them</u> – Peter Wohlleben. Sharing emerging scientific research about how forests shape climates both locally and across continents, the international bestselling author of The Hidden Life of Trees shows how ancient forests pass their wisdom through generations and why our future lies in protecting them.

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