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**FICTION**

**Fantasy & Science Fiction**

The Last Gifts of the Universe – Riley August. Two siblings and their cat embark on an incredible journey through the ruins of an ancient alien civilization. A first novel.

Great When – Alan Moore. The author of *The League of Extraordinary Gentleman* presents the first book in a new fantasy series about murder, magic and madness in post-WWII London.

The Lost Story – Meg Shaffer. Forced to return to the enchanted world they called home for six months 15 years ago to confront their shared past no matter how traumatic the memories, reclusive artist Rafe and famed missing persons' investigator Jeremy search for their friend Emilie's sister—and for everything they've lost.

The City in Glass – Nghi Vo. A Hugo Award-winning author introduces a beguiling fantasy city in the tradition of Calvino, Mieville, and Le Guin.

Where I End – Sophie White. A young woman falls into a dark obsession after a new artist and her baby arrive on her small Irish island.

**General Fiction**

Pearly Everlasting – Tammy Armstrong. Set during the Great Depression, an atmospheric novel about a girl and a bear raised as sister and brother in a remote logging camp examines the lengths to which they'll go to protect each other.

Libby Lost and Found – Stephanie Booth. Diagnosed with early-onset Alzheimer's, author Libby Weeks, known as F.T. Goldhero to the fans of her fantasy series, realizes she needs help finishing her long anticipated final book, and turns to an unlikely source for support.

My Three Dogs – W. Bruce Cameron. A new novel from the #1 bestselling author of *A Dog's Purpose* looks features humankind's best, most loyal friends, and a wonderful adventure of love and finding home.

The Mighty Red – Louise Erdrich. A Pulitzer Prize- and National Book Award-winning author tells a story of love, natural forces, spiritual yearnings and the tragic impact of uncontrollable circumstances on ordinary people's lives.

What Does It Feel Like – Sophie Kinsella. From a #1 bestselling author comes a story about a renowned novelist facing a devastating diagnosis and learning to live and love anew.

Shred Sisters – Betsy Lerner. Spanning two decades, an intimate and bittersweet story explores the fierce complexities of sisterhood, mental health, loss and love, showing that for all that threatens their sibling bond, Amy and Ollie Shred cannot escape or deny the inextricable sister knot that binds them. A debut novel.

This Motherless Land – Nikki May. From the acclaimed author of *Wahala*, comes a retelling of *Mansfield Park*, exploring identity, culture, race and love.

Beep – Bill Roorbach. (*July release*) Beep, a Costa Rican squirrel monkey, meets Inga, a kind American tween tourist and makes an unexpected journey to Manhattan with her, sparking a movement that challenges humanity to see the world through new eyes.

Rejection – Tony Tulathimutte. Sharply observant and outrageously funny, this novel-in-stories delves into the touchiest problems of modern life, seamlessly transitioning between the personal crises of an unforgettable cast of characters and the comic tragedies of sex, relationships, identity and the internet, redefining what it means to be rejected by lovers, friends, society and oneself.

Clean – Alia Trabucco Zerán. Estela, a maid interrogated after a young girl's death, recounts her seven years witnessing the unraveling of a wealthy family, revealing their secrets, betrayals and tensions in a gripping tale of power, domesticity and betrayal.

## **Historical Fiction**

Our Evenings – Alan Hollinghurst. Peeks in on the orbit of Dave Win—the son of a British dressmaker and a Burmese man he's never met—after he receives a scholarship to a prestigious English boarding school and how the relationships he made affect his struggles with class and race, art and sexuality, love and violence.

The Love Elixir of August Stern – Lynda Cohen Loigman. A heartwarming story explores how love and healing can be found in unexpected places—and how a bit of magic in each can go a long way.

The Restless Wave – James Stavridis. From the New York Times bestselling former NATO commander comes a historical novel that charts the coming-of-age of a gifted but immature young naval officer as he is tested in the crucible of World War II in the Pacific.

## **Mystery & Detective**

Killing Time – M. C. Beaton. When a series of shop burglaries turn deadly, Agatha Raisin's private detective agency is on the case, but Agatha begins receiving death threats and narrowly avoids being kidnapped, so she takes advantage of a previously arranged trip to Mallorca with former police officer John Glass to lie low for a while.

Betrayal at Blackthorn Park – Julia Kelly. Evelyne Redfern's first spy assignment at Blackthorn Park turns perilous when she and her handler, David Poole, must solve the murder of the chief engineer to protect a critical wartime facility in the follow-up to *A Traitor in Whitehall*.

The Great Hippopotamus Hotel – Alexander McCall Smith. Precious Ramotswe takes on an interesting but sensitive case and learns valuable lessons along the way.

Grey Wolf – Louise Penny. A missing coat, an intruder alarm, a note for Chief Inspector Gamache reading "this might interest you", a puzzling scrap of paper with a mysterious list—and then a murder—all propel Gamache and his team toward a terrible realization: something much more sinister than any one murder or any one case is fast approaching.

The Mistletoe Mystery – Nita Prose. A Secret Santa gift exchange raises questions about who Molly the Maid can and cannot trust, in a story about the true spirit of the season.

Midnight and Blue – Ian Rankin. In another tense, gripping game of cat and mouse, Edinburgh's Detective John Rebus may end up behind bars before he gets his criminal there. By the author of *In a House of Lies*.

## **Romance**

A Christmas Duet – Debbie Macomber. Hailey Morgan, a high school band teacher with dreams of songwriting, escapes to a cabin for a solo holiday retreat only to find herself entangled in small-town drama and a blossoming romance that reignites her passion for music.

Triangle – Danielle Steel. A Paris art gallery owner finds herself in danger when a mysterious man begins leaving her messages.

The Wedding Witch – Erin Sterling. The New York Times best-selling author of *The Ex Hex* and *The Kiss Curse* brightens up the Winter Solstice with another spooky novel following Bowen Penhallow and the girl he feels strangely drawn to—especially when she becomes his only hope of salvation after a strong spell sends them to a Yuletide celebration more than 50 years in the past.

## **Suspense**

In Too Deep – Lee Child. Waking up handcuffed in a dark hospital room with no memory, Reacher finds himself framed for a murder, setting the stage for an explosive reckoning in the latest addition to the long-running series following *The Secret*.

The Waiting – Michael Connelly. LAPD Detective Renée Ballard tracks a serial rapist whose trail has gone cold and enlists a new volunteer to the Open-Unsolved Unit: Patrol Officer Maddie Bosch, Harry's daughter.

Identity Unknown – Patricia Cornwell. Summoned to an eerie, deserted theme park to retrieve the body of a former lover, Dr. Kay Scarpetta faces a perplexing murder scene suggesting otherworldly origins in the latest addition to the long-running series following *Unnatural Death*.

Karla's Choice – Nick Harkaway. George Smiley, John le Carré's most famous spy, is drawn out of retirement in 1963 to investigate a missing man tied to a Russian defector, leading him back into the perilous world of espionage and his most cunning adversary's secrets.

The Sequel – Jean Hanff Korelitz. With her signature wit and sardonic humor, the author gives readers an antihero to root for while illuminating and satirizing the world of publishing.

The Boyfriend – Freida McFadden. Sydney Shaw, like every single woman in NYC, has terrible luck with dating until she meets the utterly perfect, charming, handsome doctor Tom, but when a woman is brutally murdered and the suspect is a mystery man who dates his victims before he kills them, Sydney can't shake her own horrifying suspicions.

Murder Island – James Patterson. When professor turned crime-fighter Brandt "Doc" Savage and his girlfriend Kira Sunlight land on a desert island in the middle of the Atlantic, they think they've found a perfect utopia, but it turns out to be a living hell.

The Last One at the Wedding – Jason Rekulak. A father tries to save his daughter from a life-altering decision that will put everything he loves on the line.

The Puzzle Box – Danielle Trussoni. The world's greatest puzzle master sets out to solve the most dangerous enigma of his life—or die trying. By the New York Times best-selling author of *The Puzzle Master*.

## **NONFICTION**

Autocracy, Inc.: the Dictators Who Want to Run the World – Anne Applebaum. (*July release*) The Pulitzer-prize winning New York Times best-selling author looks at how autocratic countries such as China, Russia and Iran undermine Western democracies through a complex network of kleptocratic financial structures.

Paper Boat: New and Selected Poems – Margaret Atwood. Spanning six decades of work—from her earliest beginnings to brand-new poems—this volume provides an extraordinary career-spanning collection from one of the most revered poets and storytellers of our age.

Explorers: a New History of America in Ten Expeditions – Amanda Bellows. (*June release*) Told through the stories of a diverse group of ten extraordinary, yet often overlooked, adventurers, including Sacagawea, James Beckwourth, Harriet Chalmers Adams and Sally Ride, this exhilarating new history of American exploration brings to life the people who took on great risk in unfamiliar territory to exercise personal freedom.

The Cake Bible: 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Edition – Rose Levy Beranbaum. This striking new edition—with new photographs in an expanded section--contains recipes for classic and innovative cakes and complementary adornments of all types, instructions for making stunning decorations, and flavor variations for every craving and occasion.

Everyone Who is Gone is Here: the United States, Central America, and the Making of a Crisis – Jonathan Blitzer. (*January release*) A New Yorker staff writer examines the political factors in Central American countries such as El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras that have led to the humanitarian crises at American's southern border as told through the stories of these migrants.

Framed: Astonishing True Stories of Wrongful Convictions – John Grisham. Exposes ten harrowing tales of innocent Americans unjustly found guilty and convicted of crimes they didn't commit, shedding light on the flaws within the legal system that led to their imprisonment and the relentless battles for exoneration that ensued.

American Bloods: the Untamed Dynasty That Shaped a Nation – John Kaag. (*May release*) This history of The Blood family—one of America's first and most expansive pioneer families—shows how they were active participants in both the founding of the country and virtually every pivotal moment in American history.

The Widow Clicquot: the Story of a Champagne Empire and the Women Who Ruled It – Tilar J. Mazzeo. (*2008 release, movie tie-in*) Traces the life of the visionary young widow who built the Veuve Clicquot champagne empire, describing how events during the Napoleonic wars inspired her achievements at the helm of a fledgling wine business.

Why We Love Football: a History in 100 Moments – Joe Posnanski. (*September release*) Entertaining, enlightening, heartbreaking, hilarious, and always fascinating, these stories of the sport offer a panoramic look across its history. From hidden gems and classic tales to famous moments told from previously unheard perspectives, this book is *the* football book for even its most ardent fans.

Lifeform – Jenny Slate. A journey of motherhood told in five phases—Single, True Love, Pregnancy, Baby, and Ongoing—through luminous, laugh-out-loud funny, unclassifiable essays that take the form of letters to a doctor, dreams of a stork, fantasy therapy sessions, gossip between racoons, excerpts from an imaginary olden timey play, obituaries, theories about post-partum hair loss, graduation speeches, and more.

All That Glitters: a Story of Friendship, Fraud, and Fine Art – Orlanda Whitfield. (*August release*) Describes the rise and fall of former best friends Orlando Whitfield and Inigo Philbrick, one an art gallery owner and the other an art dealer who navigated success, financial ruin and finally betrayal resulting in imprisonment for art fraud.

The Official Bridgerton Cookbook – Regulia Ysewijn. Packed with quotes from favorite characters, show images, and fabulously photographed recipes, this gorgeous book invites fans to the Regency banquet table that is Bridgerton, with food and drink that entertains and delights.

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