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**FICTION**

**Fantasy & Science Fiction**

Hole in the Sky – Daniel H. Wilson. As a mysterious object hurtles toward Earth, a Cherokee father, a NASA astrophysicist, and a shadowy government agent each uncover pieces of an impending first contact, forcing humanity to confront what it means to meet the unknown.

**General Fiction**

Heart the Lover – Lily King. Decades after a tangled college love triangle shaped her life, a woman is forced to confront her old choices and hidden truths in this intimate novel of friendship and desire from the best-selling author of *Writers & Lovers*.

A Guardian and a Thief – Megha Majumdar. In a near-future Kolkata, India, which has been ravaged by climate change and food scarcity, two families seeking to protect their children must battle each other.

Dogs – C. Mallon. (*August release*) Cruising Carbon's lonely backroads one night, the quiet Hal witnesses both beauty and horror in his troubled hometown, where a catastrophic chain of events threatens his fragile bond with his compassionate friend Cody John and shatters their world.

The Women of Wild Hill – Kirsten Miller. Summoned back to their ancestral home on Wild Hill, three generations of Duncan women—estranged sisters and an unknowing daughter—must embrace their magical legacy and reconcile old grievances to stop a rising elemental force bent on reshaping humanity's future.

Little Movements – Lauren Morrow. Layla becomes choreographer-in-residence for Black dancers at Briar House in rural Vermont, temporarily leaving behind Brooklyn, her job, her friends, and her husband; helped by a handsome composer, neurotic costume designer, witty communications director, and austere program director, she navigates this enormous feat in a very white town.

Wreck – Catherine Newman. In Western Massachusetts, Rocky juggles family life with her husband, adult children and aging father, until her fixation on a local accident and an ominous medical concern stirs up anxieties that threaten to upend her fragile sense of normalcy.

Bog Queen – Anna North. A monumental discovery sets off a clash of worlds, past and present, over the fate of the land that holds us.

Life, and Death, and Giants – Ron Rindo. (*September release*) A remarkable child transforms a small, rural community—and soon the world.

The Dogs of Venice – Steven Rowley. Reeling from the collapse of his marriage, Paul travels alone to Venice, where an unexpected bond with a confident stray dog leads him through the city's beauty and warmth toward healing, self-discovery, and a new sense of independence.

The Hitchhikers – Chevy Stevens. On the remote Canadian highways in 1976, Tom and Alice are on an RV road trip to repair their marriage and heal the wounds of recent tragic events, but when they join up with a seemingly friendly young couple, things take an even darker turn.

My Other Heart – Emma Nanami Strenner. (*August release*) Seventeen years after Mimi Truang's toddler daughter disappears in 1998 in Philadelphia, best friends Kit and Sabrina make plans in Chestnut Hill, Pennsylvania, before starting college—but when Mimi, Kit and Sabrina come face to face, they will confront the people they truly are.

Minor Black Figures – Brandon Taylor. From a Booker Prize finalist and bestselling author comes a novel about a gay Black painter navigating the worlds of art, desire and creativity.

My Oxford Year – Julie Whelan. Offered a fantastic job in a rising star's political campaign on condition that she will work abroad and return to Washington after spending a dream year at Oxford, Ella clashes with, and then falls for, an outspoken literature professor with a life-changing secret that forces her to rethink her ambitions. Original. A first novel.

## **Graphic Novels**

Bloody Mary: a Graphic Biography of Mary Tudor – Kristina Gehrman. (*July release*) A chronological telling of Mary's life as "told" by her spans her magnificent life, starting from her "first memory" at the age of two to becoming the first queen to inherit the throne of an England in disarray.

The Incredible Story of Cooking: From Prehistory to Today, 500,000 Years of Adventure – Benoist Simmat. For the first time, a graphic novel tells the story of humanity through the evolution of cuisine. From the discovery of fire to organic cooking, this book is aimed at all curious people and foodies.

## **Historical Fiction**

Boleyn Traitor – Philippa Gregory. The author of *The Other Boleyn Girl* returns to the court of Henry VIII with a novel about the high cost of loyalty, love and betrayal.

Lion Hearts – Dan Jones. In 1353, the Hundred Years' War erupts again, and the band of brothers known as the Essex Dogs are thrown into the fray once more; the Black Death rages as the characters' fates are decided in this thrilling, merciless, blood-soaked finale.

A Christmas at the Women's Hotel – Daniel M. Lavery. The eccentric residents of the Biedermeier Hotel juggle odd jobs, personal dramas and a lingering jewel heist mystery, from a high-society escort service to a suspiciously high phone bill, in the follow-up novella to *Women's Hotel: A Novel*.

## **Mystery & Detective**

Sugar and Spite – M. C. Beaton. When a series of deaths within the small Cotswolds birdwatching community begins to unravel her village, Agatha and her team at Raisin Investigators are certain there has been foul play involved.

Fallen Star – Lee Goldberg. When a body tied to a political scandal surfaces and a deadly crash hits close to home, Detective Eve Ronin and her partner face a spiraling case of betrayal and murder in the sixth book of the series following Dreamtown.

The Black Wolf – Louise Penny. Weeks after foiling an attack in Montréal and arresting the so-called Black Wolf, Chief Inspector Armand Gamache, confined by his injuries to Three Pines, quietly leads a covert investigation with agents Beauvoir and Lacoste, fearing the conspiracy he uncovered is only a deliberate misdirection.

Shadow Ticket – Thomas Pynchon. Milwaukee 1932, private eye Hicks McTaggart searches for a Wisconsin cheese fortune heiress, but he's shanghaied onto a transoceanic liner to Hungary; before he finds her, he will be entangled with Nazis, Soviet agents, British counterspies, swing musicians, practitioners of the paranormal, and outlaw motorcyclists.

We Had a Hunch – Tom Ryan. Twenty-five years after their father's murder by serial killer "The Janitor," teen sleuths Alice and Samantha VanDyne and Joey O'Day reunite to solve a new murder mimicking the old crimes, confronting past trauma and dark secrets as the town's safety hangs in the balance.

Murder in Miniature – Katie Tietjen. Maple, dollhouse business owner and crime consultant in post-WWII Vermont, still reels from her husband's death; when an aspiring firefighter—who was close friends with sheriff's deputy Kenny, Maple's confidante—is discovered in a burned cabin, Maple recreates the crime scene in miniature to discover if it was murder by arson.

A Christmas Witness – Charles Todd. Inspector Ian Rutledge is sent to an estate after a suspicious riding accident, but as Christmas nears, he must uncover the truth behind a possible attempted murder in a holiday addition to the long-running series following A Game of Fear.

## **Romance**

Twice – Mitch Albom. Young Alfie Logan can rewind any moment for a do-over—but must accept the results of his second try; having navigated through adolescence and finding seemingly lasting love with Gianna, he must confront an impossible choice when his power unravels during a casino arrest.

## **Story Collections**

The Land of Sweet Forever: Stories and Essays – Harper Lee. Spanning her early short stories and later nonfiction, this collection reveals the iconic author's evolving voice and sharp insights into childhood, creativity, justice and Southern identity, offering a fuller portrait beyond her two landmark novels.

Good and Evil and Other Stories – Samanta Schweblin. A haunting collection of tales that explore the fragile line between the ordinary and the uncanny, revealing characters caught in moments of eerie transformation, moral ambiguity and quiet dread that lingers just beneath the surface of everyday life.

## **Suspense**

The Proving Ground – Michael Connelly. The Lincoln Lawyer is back with a case against an AI company whose product may have been responsible for the murder of a young girl.

Sharp Force – Patricia Cornwell. A serial killer wreaks havoc on Northern Virginia, appearing as a ghostly apparition before striking—and Kay Scarpetta must avoid becoming their next victim.

The Tin Men – Nelson DeMille. Army CID Special Agents Scott Brodie and Maggie Taylor are sent to the isolated Camp Hayden to investigate a major's death amid secret war games pitting Rangers against autonomous weapons, where the truth is obscured amidst desert isolation, internal rivalries and hidden agendas.

The Widow – John Grisham. Already struggling at work and at home, rural Virginia attorney Simon Latch finds himself accused of her murder after he secures wealthy widow Eleanor Barnett's secret inheritance only to see her fortunes unravel in the wake of a car crash.

King Sorrow – Joe Hill. Blackmailed into stealing rare books, Arthur's friends summon a dragon to save him, only to strike a deadly bargain that binds them to a terrifying choice: offer a yearly sacrifice or face King Sorrow's wrath themselves.

Coyote Hills – Jonathan Kellerman. Now a private investigator, former Alameda County coroner Clay Edison takes a perplexing case of a wealthy couple's son found dead in San Francisco Bay in the sixth book of the series following *The Lost Coast*.

The Intruder – Freida McFadden. In the middle of a storm, a girl appears on Casey's doorstep, obviously in need of help, but soon things take a violent turn.

The Picasso Heist – James Patterson. A glamorous 22-year-old art thief tries to best a bunch of other criminals in the heist of a previously unknown Picasso discovered in the attic of a French villa.

Gone Before Goodbye – Reese Witherspoon. When disgraced combat surgeon Maggie McCabe takes a secretive job treating a powerful man overseas, his sudden disappearance pulls her into a deadly conspiracy forcing her on the run to uncover the truth and clear her name.

Tom Clancy Terminal Velocity – M. P. Woodward. (*September release*) After a series of brutal murders linked to a revived terror group, ex-commando Bartosz Jankowski leads a kill mission in the Himalayas, while Jack Ryan Jr. races to prevent catastrophe amid international power struggles and deadly pursuit in the mountainous borderlands.

## **Westerns**

Tom's Crossing – Mark Z. Danielewski. In the fall of 1982, the Utah town of Orvop witnessed not just shocking crimes but an astonishing adventure beyond its borders, where the dead rose, a mountain fell, and a staggering act of courage forever marked the Katanogos massif and Pillars Meadow in legend.

## NONFICTION

The Gales of November: the Untold Story of the Edmund Fitzgerald by John U. Bacon. Examines the 1975 storm that sank its largest, most profitable ship of the postwar economic powerhouse of the Great Lakes, using extensive interviews to reveal the disaster's causes and its profound impact on families.

The Great Contradiction: the Tragic Side of the American Founding – Joseph J. Ellis. Explores the contradictions at the founding of the United States, focusing on the coexistence of slavery and Native American displacement with ideals of freedom, and analyzes the debates and compromises of the Revolutionary generation that shaped early national policies and attitudes.

Classical Mythology of the Constellations: Timeless Tales of the Starry Night Sky – Annette Giesecke. (*August release*) A richly illustrated guide exploring the myths behind all 88 constellations, blending ancient Greek and Roman legends with star maps, celestial quadrants and vivid stories of gods, heroes and creatures immortalized in the night sky.

Mayo Clinic on Alzheimer's Disease and Other Dementias: a Guide for People with Dementia and Those Who Care for Them – Jonathan Graff-Radford. (*August release*) An essential resource to address Alzheimer's disease and other dementias includes the latest advancements in diagnosis and treatment from the experts at Mayo Clinic.

107 Days – Kamala Harris. (*September release*) Written with candor, a unique perspective, and the pace of a page-turning novel, 107 Days takes you inside the race for the presidency as no one has ever done before.

Little Woodchucks: Offerman Woodshop's Guide to Tools and Tomfoolery – Nick Offerman. Combining his signature wry humor with clearly written and joyfully illustrated project instructions, Little Woodchucks is the perfect way to encourage eye contact and other old-fashioned familial engagements, while introducing young woodworkers-to-be to the satisfaction and good, clean fun of hands-on crafting.

Joyride: a Memoir – Susan Orlean. This vibrant memoir tracing a celebrated writer's creative journey blends personal stories with reflections on curiosity, discovery and the writing life while offering inspiration and practical insights for anyone pursuing a path shaped by wonder and imagination.

Last Rites – Ozzy Osbourne. Unflinching, brutally honest, but surprisingly life-affirming, Last Rites demonstrates once again why Ozzy has transcended his status as 'The Godfather of Metal' and 'The Prince of Darkness' to become a modern-day folk hero and national treasure.

A Fine Line Between Stupid and Clever: the Story of Spinal Tap – Rob Reiner. An inside look at the creation, legacy and cultural impact of the groundbreaking mockumentary comedy This Is Spinal Tap features behind-the-scenes stories, iconic quotes and rare memorabilia from the fictional band that became a real rock phenomenon.

1929: Inside the Greatest Crash in Wall Street History – and How It Shattered a Nation – Andrew Ross Sorkin. The author of Too Big to Fail offers a gripping account of the 1929

stock market crash, revealing how ambition, greed and denial among financiers and politicians fueled a historic economic collapse whose echoes still resonate today.

Finding My Way: a Memoir – Malala Yousafzai. Thrust onto the public stage at fifteen years old after the Taliban's brutal attack on her life, the author quickly became an international icon known for bravery and resilience.

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