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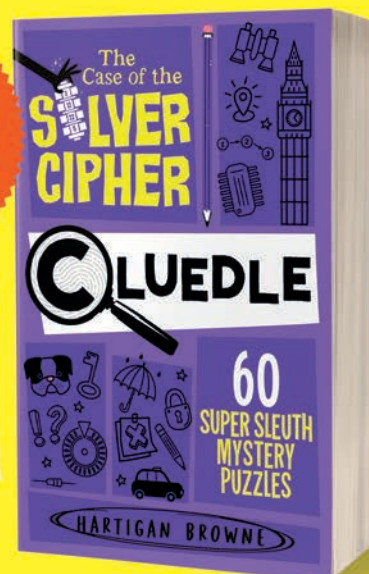
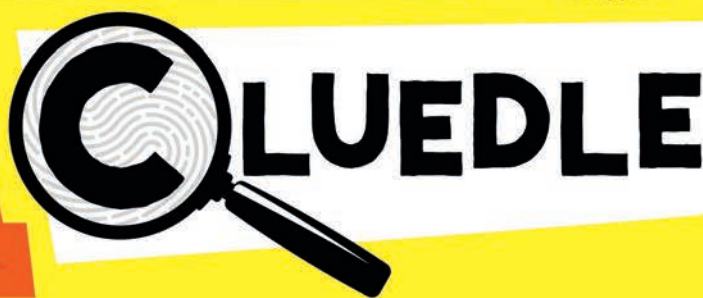
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Dear Booksellers,

Thanks so much for your amazing support for Pan Macmillan titles and authors in 2024! We hope you had a busy Christmas trading period and managed to enjoy some well-earned time off over the holidays. If you're not already following us on Instagram our handle is [@PanMacPinboard](#) and we also have a regular email newsletter you can subscribe to by emailing pinboard@macmillan.com. We'll have additional proof and POS offers for you there so do tune in to hear more.

We have a very exciting line up coming in the first part of 2025, including Alice Feeney's *Beautiful Ugly*, an exciting new thriller set on a remote Scottish island that will be available in a signed Indie Exclusive Edition with a designed edge. Our lead debuts are *The Boy from the Sea* by Garrett Carr, about the mysterious arrival of a child into a small Irish coastal town; *Fair Play*, a locked-room mystery grappling with grief and love; and *Mere*, a historical novel about a boy's disappearance on a marsh. Plus, paperbacks in the form of Percival Everett's *James* and Kristin Hannah's *The Women* (available in a signed Indie Exclusive Edition with a gorgeous designed edge), and new novels from Cassandra Clare, Olivie Blake, Grady Hendrix, and Carissa Broadbent.

Our non-fiction list features a new cookery book from *Great British Bake Off* winner Nancy Birtwhistle. Equally delicious will be *Ungovernable*, the first insider account of life as a chief whip inside Westminster, from MP Simon Hart. We also have *One Small Step*, the incredible story of Parkrun; *Wild Courage*,

an empowering playbook for harnessing your ambitions from a former top Google executive; and *The Science of Racism* by Keon West which is already garnering fantastic praise.

On our children's list, we are thrilled to be publishing the first YA novel from actor Harry Trevaldwyne – *The Romantic Tragedies of a Drama King* is a brilliant, hilarious rom-com. We have lots of wonderful middle grade including a new series from M. G. Leonard in *Hunt for the Golden Scarab* (as seen on our front cover); the second paperback from Pari Thomson (*Greenwild: The City Beyond the Sea*); and a brand-new series set in the world of fairytales with Sangu Mandanna's *Vanya and the Wild Hunt*. In children's non-fiction we have *Keep Smashing It* – the inspirational first book from Jodie Ounsley, better known as Fury from *Gladiators*.

Finally, for younger readers we are taking you to the Isle of Smile to *Meet the Mubbles*, the first in a colourful new graphic novel series by the multi-million bestselling author of the Tom Gates series, Liz Pichon. We have the wonderful *Gozzle* from Julia Donaldson and Sara Oglivie (with a free signed print), and will also be celebrating 25 years of the Tales from Acorn Wood series with anniversary POS packs and a brand-new story in *Hare's New Dress*.

Please do get in touch for reading copies of anything that takes your fancy and any POS you would like for your bookshops. Happy Reading (and *Keep Smashing It*)!

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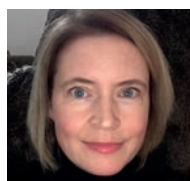
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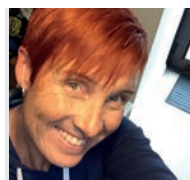
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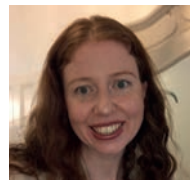
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Spring POS Highlights

HUNT FOR THE GOLDEN SCARAB



MEET THE MUBBLES



JAMES



GOZZLE



ACORN WOOD 25TH ANNIVERSARY



PENGUIN & PUP: THE PERFECT EGG



GREENWILD: THE CITY BEYOND THE SEA



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THE BOY FROM THE SEA



We can't wait to share all our new spring POS material with you!

On these pages is a small selection of the items available, please do let us know if you'd like anything for your store. Titles with POS on offer are marked with a roundel throughout the issue. POS artwork shown here is **not final**.

What We Loved

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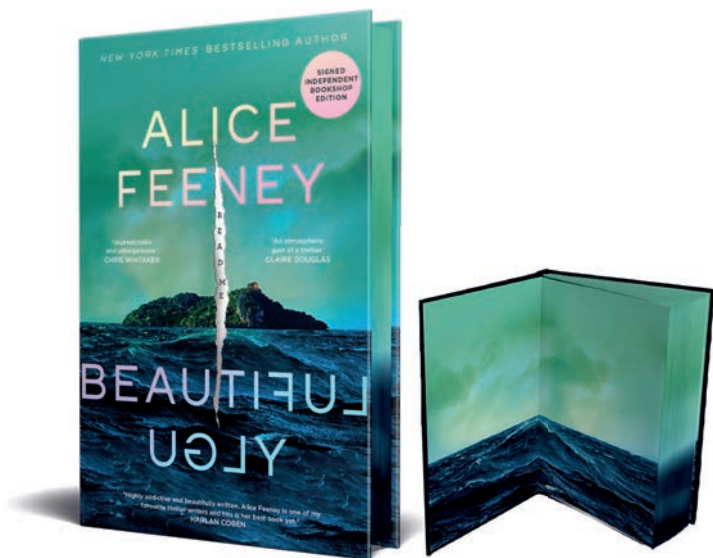
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BEAUTIFUL UGLY

S IE 9781035053803 | HB | £16.99 | 30.01.25 | Macmillan

Wives think their husbands will change, but they don't. Husbands think their wives won't change, but they do.

The million-copy bestselling author of *Rock Paper Scissors* and *Daisy Darker*, Alice Feeney returns with a gripping and deliciously dark thriller about marriage and revenge.

Author Grady Green is having the worst best day of his life. Grady calls his wife as she's driving home to share some exciting news. He hears Abby slam on the brakes and get out of the car, then nothing. When he eventually finds her car by a cliff edge, the headlights are on, the driver door is open, her phone is still there . . . but his wife has disappeared.

A year later, Grady is still overcome with grief and desperate to know what happened to Abby. He can't sleep, and he can't write, so he travels to a tiny Scottish island to try to get his life back on track. There, he sees the impossible: a woman who looks exactly like his missing wife.

We have proof copies ready for you to request, so do get in touch if this sounds like one for you! There is also a brilliant signed Indie Bookshop Exclusive Edition for you, with designed sprayed edges and exclusive endpapers.

PRaise FOR BEAUTIFUL UGLY



Pan Mac Team Pick
Keren Western

'A page-turner that just keeps you guessing! Can Grady Green can turn his life around, and is his missing wife on the same remote island he has run away to?'



THE PARIS EXPRESS

RC S 9781035057269 | HB | £18.99 | 20.03.25 | Picador

'Clever, ambitious . . . a smartly structured novel that ratchets up the pace until it's hurtling along as fast as the train itself'

Alice Winn, author of *In Memoriam*

Europe is racing towards the future. Steam travel is the emblem of progress; industry and invention are creating ever greater wealth and ever greater deprivation. On an autumn day in 1895 a young woman determined to make her mark on history boards the Granville to Paris Express with a bomb. With her travels a diverse group of passengers and crew, all with their own secrets and stories. . .

Based on the real, extraordinary 1895 rail disaster of the same train, *The Paris Express* is a thrilling ride and a literary masterpiece that captures the politics, fear, and chaos of the end of the nineteenth century.

Readers of Emma Donoghue's previous novels *The Pull of the Stars* and *The Wonder*, and fans of Seichō Matsumoto's *The Tokyo Express*, are sure to be on board with this one! Contact us via the Google form to request a proof.

PRaise FOR THE PARIS EXPRESS

'Clever, ambitious, and richly researched . . . Ratchets up the pace until it's hurtling along as fast as the doomed train itself'

Alice Winn, author of *In Memoriam*

'Donoghue's talents are at such glorious heights'
Heather O'Neill, author of *The Capital of Dreams*

DEBUT FICTION FOCUS: IRELAND

Two Irish debuts not to be missed this spring – we've got plenty of proofs available!



THE BOY FROM THE SEA

9781035044535 | HB | £16.99 | 06.02.25 | Picador

Donegal, 1973. In a close-knit community on Ireland's west coast, a baby is found abandoned on the beach.

Named Brendan by Ambrose Bonnar, the fisherman who adopts him, the baby captivates the town. For Christine, Ambrose's wife, Brendan brings both love and worry. For their existing son, his new brother's arrival is the start of a life-long rivalry. Ambrose's decision will fracture his family and force this man – more comfortable at sea than on land – to try to understand himself and those he cares for.

Incredibly moving, witty and warm, Garrett Carr's novel is a story of a family and a town, and what a difference the arrival of one child can make. Perfect for fans of *Olive Kitteridge* and the writing of Claire Keegan and Jon McGregor, this is a lead debut for Picador in 2025 and we can't wait for you to read it.

'Compulsive reading. Compassionate, lyrical and full of devilment'

Louise Kennedy, author of *Trespases*

'A novel of heart-bumping power and sparkling vividness'

Joseph O'Connor, author of *Star of the Sea*



Pan Mac Team Pick
Andrew Belshaw

'A brilliant debut with an unusual fourth-person narrator. In a small Irish fishing village, a new arrival transforms the lives of one of its families'



FAIR PLAY

9781035036134 | HB | £16.99 | 03.04.25 | Picador

This is a murder mystery. This is a story about love. Or is it . . . ?

Abigail and her brother Benjamin have always been close. To celebrate his birthday, Abigail hires a grand old house and gathers their friends together for a murder mystery party. As the night goes on, they drink too much and play games. Relationships are forged, consolidated or frayed. In the morning, everyone wakes up – except Benjamin.

Suddenly everything is not quite what it seems. An eminent detective arrives determined to find Benjamin's killer. The house now has a butler, a gardener and a housekeeper. This is a locked-room mystery, and everyone is a suspect. As Abigail attempts to fathom her brother's unexpected death in a world that has been turned upside down, she begins to wonder whether perhaps the true mystery might have been his life . . .

Fair Play is a wild, inventive and heartbreaking debut from Louise Hegarty, with a bright and eye-catching neon cover.

'Sad, funny, clever, engrossing; this is a wonderful debut.'

Jon McGregor, author of *Reservoir 13*

'A dark, twisting, dismantling work . . . I've never read anything like it'

Emma Stonex, author of *The Lamplighters*

'Dazzling, formally subversive, brimming with compassion'

Colin Walsh, author of *Kala*



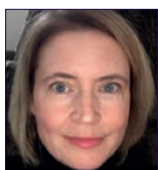
NANCY'S GREEN & EASY KITCHEN

RC S 9781035044481 | HB | £25.00 | 27.02.25 | One Boat

Everyone's favourite Yorkshire baker and bestselling author Nancy Birtwhistle is back with her first full-colour cookbook! Filled with easy, tasty, unprocessed and budget-friendly meals, Nancy will keep readers well fed without wasting time, money or ingredients.

Nancy has your customers covered in the kitchen with this collection of must-have, no-frills recipes. She teaches readers to use what they have to hand and how to make the most of seasonal ingredients while learning how to cook in a more sustainable, efficient way, with plenty of wallet-friendly solutions for a greener way of life.

Love for Nancy just keeps growing with her phenomenal social media engagement and her latest title *Sizzle & Drizzle* reaching No. 3 in the hardback non-fiction charts. We can't wait for her fans to pick this up in your bookshops and we have signed copies available!



Pan Mac Team Pick Gillian MacKay

'Nancy's books inspire me to live a greener life and are also the source of the best tips to make it easier too. She is a wonder!'

LEMON DELICIOUS PUDDING

SERVES 4-6

This pudding is so simple, needing very few ingredients, can be prepared ahead, is easily adapted to be gluten-free, and everyone loves it. Light, zesty and melt-in-the-mouth with a thin crispy crust, you can serve this either hot or chilled. I prefer it hot with a blob of vanilla ice cream.

INGREDIENTS:

75g plain or gluten-free plain flour
Finely grated zest and juice of 2 lemons
250ml whole milk
100g room-temperature butter
100g sugar (caster or granulated)
3 eggs, separated
Icing sugar, for dusting

YOU WILL NEED:

An ovenproof dish (mine measures 20 x 16 x 5cm [8 x 6 x 2in] deep), greased well, or use lining paste
Electric hand whisk
2 large mixing bowls
1 small bowl
Lemon zester
Spoon or spatula
Measuring jug
Digital weighing scale



Add the flour to the small bowl and add the lemon zest.

Measure the milk into a jug, stir in the lemon juice and set aside. It will curdle and thicken.

In one of the mixing bowls, cream together the butter and sugar until creamy and fluffy in texture. Add the egg yolks, one at a time, to the creamed butter and sugar, whisking well between each addition. Add the flour and lemon zest mix and whisk to incorporate. The mixture will be thick in texture. Next add the thickened milk a little at a time until all of the milk has been added and the batter is thin and smooth.

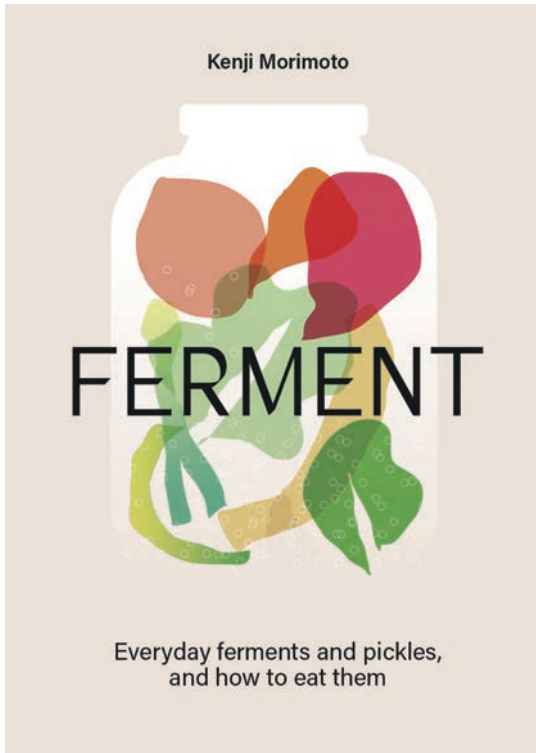
If you want to get ahead the mixture can be left in this state in the fridge for several hours. Leave the bowl of egg whites at room temperature.

When ready to assemble and bake, preheat the oven to 200°C / 180°C fan / 400°F / gas 6.

Using clean whisks, whip the egg whites until they are at the stiff peak stage. Take the lemon batter, give it a stir then start to fold in the whisked egg whites. Use a large spoon and fold them in in three sessions. Don't whisk them in – you want to be able to reserve as much air as possible in the mix. The mixture may appear a little lumpy, but this is fine. Transfer the batter to the buttered dish and bake for 35-40 minutes. The pudding will be golden brown on the top.

Sift over a dusting of icing sugar and serve at the table straight from the dish. Any leftover pudding is also delicious chilled the next day.

Recipe extract from Nancy's Green & Easy Kitchen © Nancy Birtwhistle 2025 – Published by One Boat



FERMENT 9781035053742
 HB | £22.00 | 24.04.25 | One Boat RC

Whether your customers want to make their own fermented foods from scratch or discover new ways to cook with shop-bought versions, FERMENT has everything they need to start their journey!

Pickles and ferments bring so much flavour and variety to meals and are easy to make, but they can seem daunting. Enter third-culture cook and fermenting expert Kenji Morimoto, who shows just how simple it is to introduce homemade kimchi, sauerkraut, kombucha, miso, super-quick pickles and more into your everyday cooking with delicious, gut-healthy results.

Kenji has split the book into two parts: part one has step-by-step guidance on how to make ferments and pickles, and part two introduces over 70 recipes to make with them, with recommendations for shop-bought easy alternatives. We have samplers available if you're keen to have an early look!

'An open-hearted collection of stories, practical tips and excellent recipes'
 Ottolenghi Test Kitchen



PAN MAC TEAM PICK

Katie Corcoran

'Calling all miso and kombucha fans - this is the book for you! Fascinating guide to preserving food and lots of recipes to use them in'



**Curried Pickle
 Smashed Potato Salad**

PREP TIME: 15 MINUTES
COOK TIME: 50-55 MINUTES
SERVES: 4-6

Smashed roasted potatoes meet their match with juicy dill pickles. All elements can be made ahead. Once the potatoes are dressed, however, I think it's best eaten the same day.

- 750g baby potatoes
- 1 tbsp salt, plus extra for seasoning
- 3 tbsp vegetable oil
- Black pepper
- 20g flaked almonds, lightly toasted, to garnish
- Pomegranate seeds to garnish

For the dressing

- 130g full-fat Greek-style yoghurt
- 1½ tbsp mango chutney
- ½ tsp medium curry powder
- 100g Sour Dill Pickles, chopped into bitesized pieces
- 1 tbsp sour dill pickle brine
- 2 spring onions, trimmed and thinly sliced (greens and whites)
- 1 tbsp chopped fresh coriander, plus extra leaves to garnish
- 1 tsp chopped fresh mint, plus extra leaves to garnish
- 10g Quick Pickled Red Onions, finely chopped

Boil the potatoes in water, with 1 tablespoon of salt, for around 15 minutes or until fork tender. Drain the potatoes and put them back in the pan to let them steam dry.

Preheat the oven to 230°C (fan 220°C/ gas mark 8). Line a baking tray with baking paper.

Drizzle 2 tablespoons of the oil over the potatoes and toss so the oil is evenly distributed.

Put the potatoes on the lined baking tray, spacing them apart, and use the bottom of a glass jar to smash them until they're about 5mm (¼in) thick. Brush the remaining tablespoon of oil over the smashed potatoes and roast for 35-40 minutes until golden brown.

While the potatoes are roasting, make the dressing by combining all the ingredients in a bowl or jug. Season with salt and pepper if needed, but note that the potatoes will also be salted.

Once the potatoes are done, season liberally with salt and pepper. Let them cool for a few minutes and then toss them with the dressing.

Assemble the salad on a large shallow plate: first the dressed potatoes, followed by mint and coriander leaves, toasted flaked almonds and pomegranate seeds.

Recipe extract from *Ferment* © Kenji Morimoto 2025 - Published by One Boat

HUNT FOR THE GOLDEN SCARAB

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9781035005963 | PB | £7.99 | 30.01.25 | MCB

Epic blockbusting adventure meets the mystery of time travel in this first title in the brand new Time Keys series from bestseller M. G. Leonard, award-winning co-author of the Adventures on Trains series, and writer of *The Ice Children*.

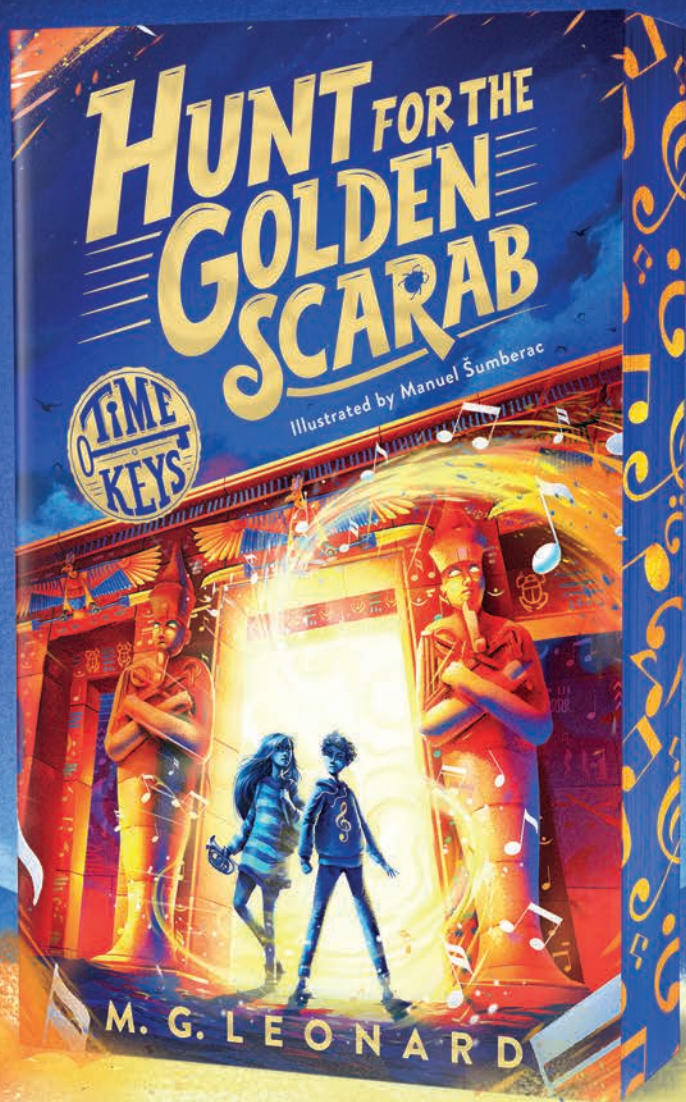
When the sinister Council of Keys arrives at their door, Sim discovers his mum has been keeping secrets: she has the power to open doors in time. Running for their lives and determined to outwit the Council, Sim and his friends search for Nefertiti's lost tomb and a powerful door to Ancient Egypt. There they must piece together long-hidden clues if they are to solve the mystery of the golden heart scarab, but can they find it before the Council finds them?

Following twelve-year-old Sim's adventures in time from Ancient Egypt to Viking Scandinavia, this series is perfect for KS2 children. We have proofs to read, and POS to decorate your tables and window displays. Plus, we have a brilliant signed Indie Exclusive Edition with designed sprayed edges!



Pan Mac Team Pick • Tom Clancy

'Lost Tombs! Music! Time travel! I absolutely tore through this. I don't think there's anyone else in the business who can beat M. G. Leonard at this sort of blockbuster, rip-roaring adventure!'



Read our Q&A with M. G. Leonard to find out more:

We are so excited to have a brand-new series from you! Where did you get your inspiration for *Hunt for the Golden Scarab*?

I love music, from classical to rock. Music can summon emotion and memories, express things words cannot, and transport you to a different time or place. I have also been obsessed with beautiful doors ever since I read the scene in which Mary Lennox discovers the garden door behind the curtain of ivy in *The Secret Garden*. The seed for the Time Keys series was connecting the two, imagining that music could open doors in time.

Can you tell us how the characters are able to time travel?

Sim and Jeopardy are cousins, and time keys. Sim is twelve and Jeopardy thirteen. They are musicians with an ear for the frequency of time doors. By playing their instruments

to resonate with the frequency of a time door, they can open it into the period in which it was made.

Who is your favourite character in the story and why?

Sim and his mum, Callidora are my favourite characters. Callidora is a single mother bristling with grit and determination. Sim is a sensitive son who wants to stand on his own two feet and be entrusted with the truth. This story explores that relationship and pays homage to the protectiveness and the sacrifice of single mothers.

What is your favourite line from *Hunt for the Golden Scarab* and why?

My favourite moment in the book is this one: *'He saw a gaggle of workers making their way up the cliff from Set-Maat, getting ready for a day of carving tombs for the kings, and his*

heart burst into song. He was in 1330 BCE, standing on the footplate of Tutankhamun's chariot, being driven by the young pharaoh himself to the Temple of Hatshepsut, looking out over the Valley of the Kings, the Nile, and across to Thebes, the epicentre of the human world at this moment in history.

This was what it meant to be a time key.'

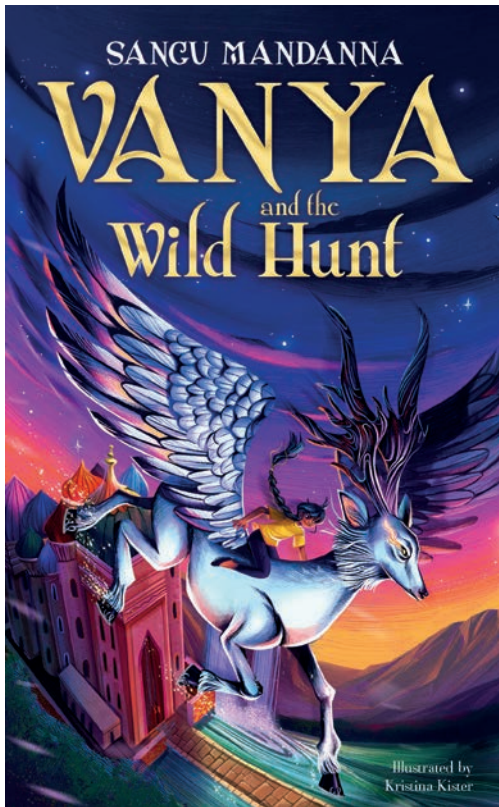
I think it encapsulates what I want to do with this series of books, which is to communicate the wonder of human history and how lucky we are to be alive right now.

The first four titles in the series take Sim to Ancient Egypt, Viking Scandinavia, Ancient Rome and the Middle Ages. Which time period are you most excited to write about?

The Ancient Egyptians revered the scarab beetle, worshipping it as a god, therefore, it will always be my favourite. I travelled to the Valley of the Kings, which blew my mind.



We've got two brilliant fantasy titles for middle grade readers this spring. Fans of *Greenwild: The World Behind the Door* will be thrilled to pick up the sequel in paperback, and to discover the first in an utterly transporting new series from Sangu Mandanna.



VANYA AND THE WILD HUNT

RC POS 9781035044757 | HB | £12.99 | 06.03.25 | MCB

The first book in an enchanting new fantasy series inspired by Indian mythology and British folklore, featuring a neurodivergent heroine, a mysterious school, and a world of magical creatures.

Eleven-year-old Vanya Vallen has always felt like she doesn't fit in. She's British-Indian in a mostly white part of England, her parents won't talk about their pasts, and her brain seems to work differently from other people's. Oh, and she talks to books. More importantly, the books talk back . . .

When her family is attacked by a monster she believed only existed in fairytales, Vanya discovers that her parents have secrets, and that there are a lot more monsters out there. She's whisked off to Auramere, an enchanted library and school where Vanya trains to join the ranks of monster-hunters and archivists. But even here, there's no escape. The mysterious Wild Hunt is on the prowl, and Vanya will need all her creativity and courage to unmask its cruel leader and stop them before they destroy the only place she's ever truly belonged.

Amari and the Night Brothers meets *Nevermoor* in this enchanting middle grade adventure, perfect for readers of the Percy Jackson series. Publication will be supported by a major comms campaign, and proofs are available now so please let us know if you'd like one!

GREENWILD: THE CITY BEYOND THE SEA

POS 9781035021161 | PB | £7.99 | 27.03.25 | MCB

Daisy Thistle-down's epic adventure continues in the stunning sequel to the critically acclaimed *Greenwild: The World Behind the Door*.

Desperate to join the long-awaited expedition to the heart of the Amazon, Daisy and her friends abandon the safety of magical Mallowmarsh only to fall face-first into danger on the high seas, where a strange, wild magic is stirring beneath the waves. Their only hope is to find the legendary Iffenwild, a mysterious city hidden beyond the sea and lost to time. It will take all of Daisy's courage and determination – and the trust of a new friend – if she is to save the magical world before it's too late.

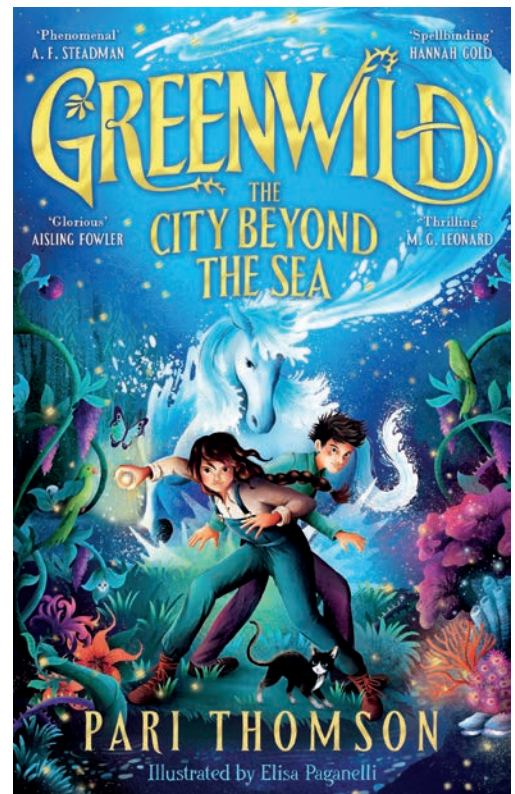
Comparable to classics like Diana Wynne Jones and Eva Ibbotson, Thomson's writing sparkles with gentle environmental messaging, unforgettable descriptions and magical world-building that will capture children's hearts. Thank you for all your support for the Greenwild series this year so far, and keep your eyes peeled for a third book coming soon!

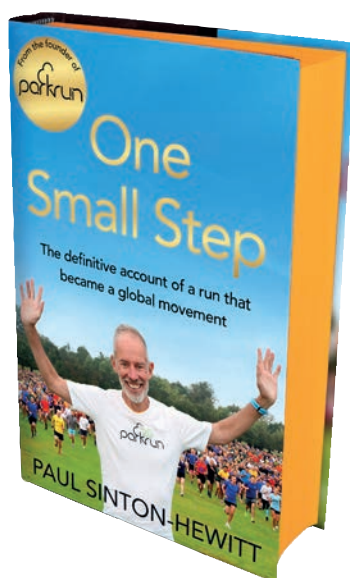
'An absolute triumph in a series that goes from strength to strength'

Aisling Fowler, author of *Fireborn*

'I loved returning to the world of the Greenwild!'

Zohra Nabi, author of *The Kingdom Over the Sea*

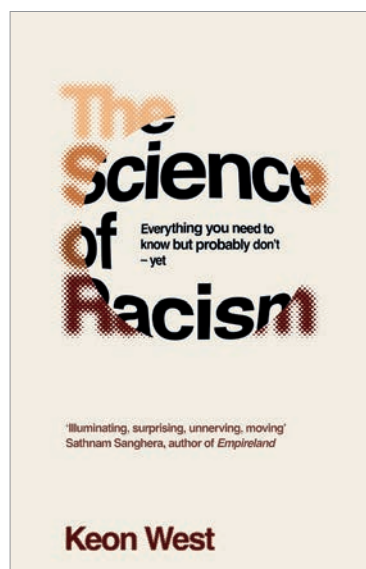




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ONE SMALL STEP

9781035065042
HB | £22.00
10.04.25 | Macmillan



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THE SCIENCE OF RACISM

9781035030651
HB | £20.00
23.01.25 | Picador

Parkrun began in 2004, with a humble gathering of thirteen runners and five volunteers on a blustery day in Bushy Park, Teddington.

Since then, it has blossomed into an international community of over nine million parkrunners (and counting) across 22 countries, who meet at 9am on a Saturday morning to run or walk a 5k, whatever the weather.

In this memoir, Paul Sinton-Hewitt talks about the struggles he has experienced throughout his life – from a difficult childhood to a series of significant setbacks in his adult life including redundancy, divorce and injury. It was in the midst of these challenges that Paul conceived the idea of Parkrun. In *One Small Step* he talks about the positive change that founding the Parkrun community has made to his life and the lives of so many others.

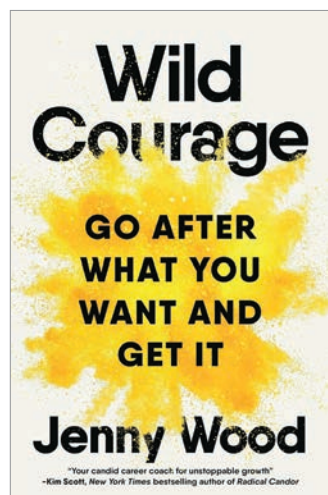
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'Illuminating, surprising, unnerving, moving . . . and, sadly, utterly necessary'

Sathnam Sanghera, bestselling author of *Empireland*

In the ground-breaking *The Science of Racism*, Professor Keon West cuts through the divisive anecdotes and rhetoric with decades' worth of clear, factual, rigorous science – the data that reveals truths about racism that are shocking and tragic, but also (somehow) funny and entertaining.

He explains how we know, for example, that Black people are up to 50 per cent less likely to be called in to interview than identically qualified White people. He shows how we know the financial cost of selling items online while Black. He reveals the effects of racism on our friendships, relationships, healthcare and justice system. And he exposes the continued prevalence of racism, and the inadequacy of our many attempts to address it. We have proofs of *The Science of Racism* available to request now.



WILD COURAGE RC

9781035038671
HB | £20.00
27.03.25 | Macmillan Business

As a former Google executive and top career coach who chased an attractive stranger off the train and later married him, Jenny Wood knows her way around courage. In this book, she shatters conventional wisdom about achieving goals and gives readers permission to ditch their fear and chase their dreams, unapologetically.

Wood reclaims nine traits from their negative shackles (Weird, Selfish, Shameless, Obsessed, Nosy, Manipulative, Brutal, Reckless and Bossy) and shows how to apply them in a savvy and compassionate way to supercharge success for all kinds of scenarios such as trying to snag a promotion, launch a company or land a life-changing deal.



OUTRAGE

9781035030606
HB | £20.00
30.01.25 | Bluebird

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Despite being more visible in mainstream culture than ever before, LGBTQ+ people are facing unacceptable levels of prejudice and danger.

In this groundbreaking, compelling and essential book, author and activist Ellen Jones sets out exactly how LGBTQ+ people continue to face discrimination, looking at education, sports, religion, marriage, mental health and much more. Ellen uses both moving and jaw-dropping personal accounts and offers practical steps anyone can take to help change things.

This is the LGBTQ+ answer to books such as *Why I'm No Longer Talking to White People About Race* by Reni Eddo-Lodge and *Me and White Supremacy* by Layla F. Saad.



AFFAIRS

9781035001316
HB | £20.00
27.03.25 | Bluebird

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One in five of us will have an affair in our lifetimes, but the reasons behind them might not be what you think.

In *Affairs*, psychotherapist Juliet Rosenfeld shares the secrets, lies and motivations behind real affairs, through the lens of five very different true stories. From the man who left his wife in the delivery suite to visit his young mistress, to the psychologist who put attraction to a patient above career ethics.

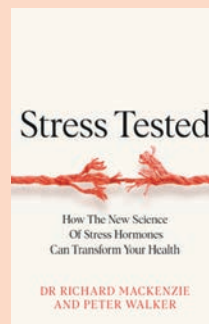
This is a brand-new angle on why we have affairs from a qualified psychotherapist, shedding non-judgemental light on an increasingly prevalent behaviour.



WHAT A GIRL WANTS

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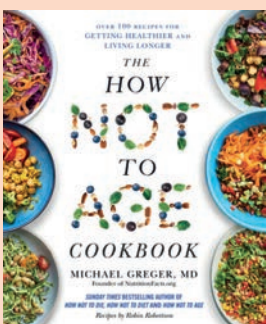
From the Leeds suburbs to the Sydney streets, from London's queer clubs to a quiet life by the sea, through love, family, friendship and heartache. A warm, relatable, nostalgic coming-of-age memoir from the editor of *Diva*.



STRESS TESTED

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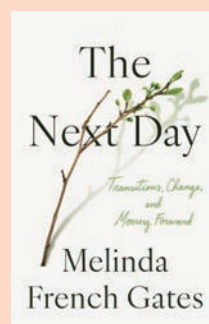
Everyone knows chronic stress is bad for you but few understand why, and how you can change things. This is a groundbreaking exploration of the science of stress hormones: what they are and how they affect us.



THE HOW NOT TO AGE COOKBOOK

9781529057393 | HB
£22.00 | 03.04.25 | Bluebird

Sunday Times bestselling author Michael Greger MD brings his nutritional science acumen to this lavish cookbook that guides readers on how to slow ageing and improve health.



THE NEXT DAY

9781035073542 | HB
£16.99 | 15.04.25 | Bluebird

Melinda French Gates's first book *The Moment of Lift* was a *Sunday Times* bestseller. In her second book, Melinda draws from previously untold moments in her life to offer a new perspective on encountering transitions.

Highlighted here are some of our top paperbacks for spring. We'd be more than happy to send out reading copies!



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THE WOMEN

9781035005697 | PB | £9.99
13.02.25 | Pan

A No. 1 bestselling novel in hardback, we are thrilled to publish the paperback of *The Women*, a novel of epic love and devastating loss from the multi-million copy bestselling author Kristin Hannah. The story of seventeen-year-old Frankie McGrath and her determination to make a difference when her beloved brother is killed in action in Vietnam, this is an intimate portrait of a woman coming of age, loss, and a nation divided by war.

We have a signed Indie Exclusive Edition with a gorgeous edge for your displays.

'Stuns with sacrifice. Uplifts with heroism'
Bonnie Garmus



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THE GARDEN AGAINST TIME

9781529066708 | PB | £10.99
06.03.25 | Picador

In 2020, Olivia Laing began to restore a walled garden in Suffolk, an overgrown Eden of unusual plants. The work drew them into an exhilarating investigation of paradise and its long association with gardens.

Moving between real and imagined gardens, Laing interrogates the sometimes shocking cost of making paradise on earth.

There will be an Indie Exclusive Edition available, with a beautiful floral designed edge.

'What a wonderful book this is . . . enchanting and beautifully written'
Nigel Slater



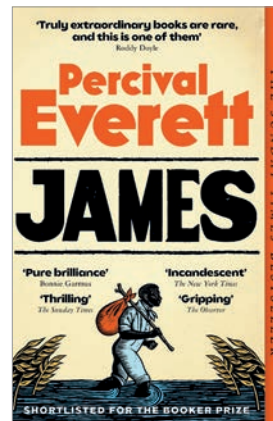
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SOCIOPATH: A MEMOIR

9781529094893 | PB | £10.99
27.02.25 | Bluebird

Patric Gagne always knew she was different. Although as an adult she instantly connected with the official descriptions of sociopathy, she also knew they didn't tell the full story. An utterly compelling, drily funny, and, at times, jaw-dropping account of life as a diagnosed sociopath from a music manager who retrained as a therapist to better understand her condition, and help other sociopaths.

'Surprising, thoughtful and deeply personal'
Pandora Sykes



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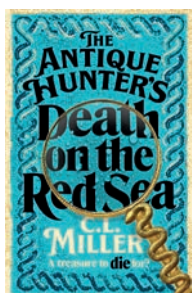
JAMES

9781035031269 | PB | £9.99
27.02.25 | Picador

Winner of the 2024 National Book Award for Fiction and shortlisted for the 2024 Booker Prize, *James* is an enthralling and ferociously funny reimagining of Mark Twain's *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*, told from the perspective of the enslaved Jim. From the shadows of Huck Finn's mischievous spirit, Jim emerges to reclaim his voice.

'This is the work of an American master at the peak of his powers'
Financial Times

Check out our must-read crime titles coming soon, with new thrills alongside returning favourites.



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THE ANTIQUE HUNTER'S DEATH ON THE RED SEA

9781035021758 | HB | £18.99
13.02.25 | Macmillan

'Every now and then a crime series lands that grabs the attention and holds it tight – this is one of those series'

Kate Wells

When a painting vanishes from a maritime museum, and a dead body is found nearby, the newly-established Lockwood Antique Hunter's Agency are called to investigate . . .

Customers will be delighted to hear that Freya and Carole are back in the sequel to the international bestseller, *The Antique Hunter's Guide to Murder*.

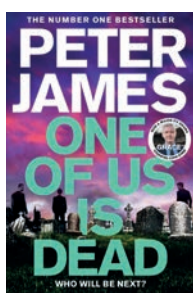


FAMOUS

9781035058624 | HB | £20.00
16.01.25 | Macmillan

The darkly funny new standalone thriller from Blake Crouch, the bestselling author of *Dark Matter*, soon to be a major film starring Zac Efron and distributed by A24.

Meet Lance. 38-years-old. Works a meaningless job. Still lives above his parents' garage. By all accounts, a world-class loser. Except for one exception . . . he has been mistaken twenty-eight times for the Oscar-winning movie star, James Jansen. Now, after an unceremonious termination from his job, Lance has decided that the time has come to go after his dream . . .

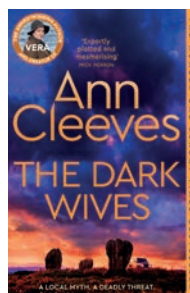


ONE OF US IS DEAD

9781529090031 | PB | £9.99
10.04.25 | Pan

The 20th novel in the number one bestselling Roy Grace series from Peter James.

When James Taylor arrives late at a funeral he notices a man six rows in front of him. The more he looks at the man, the more convinced Taylor becomes that this is his old school friend Rufus Rorke. Except it couldn't be him, could it? Because two years ago Taylor attended Rufus Rorke's funeral. He even delivered Rufus's eulogy . . .



THE DARK WIVES

9781529077780 | PB | £9.99
13.03.25 | Pan

Ann Cleeves returns with *The Dark Wives* – the eleventh instalment in the number one bestselling Northumbrian-set Vera Stanhope series.

When a body is found on the common outside an isolated care home for troubled teens, DI Vera Stanhope is called out to investigate. The victim is a staff member, and her only clue is the disappearance of a fourteen-year-old resident . . .



'An absolutely thrilling tale, full of breathless cliffside terror and fresh feminist theory masked in tight, propulsive mystery. I devoured this book'

Lisa Taddeo

ONE OF THE GOOD GUYS | 9781035018123 | PB | £9.99 | 13.02.25 | Pan



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INSTRUCTIONS FOR HEARTBREAK

9781035032754
HB | £16.99 | 30.01.25 | Macmillan

A gorgeous debut novel from Sarah Handyside, all about heartbreak, self-love and leaning on your friends when you need them the most.

We follow four friends: Dee, Rosa, Liv and Katie. When Katie turns up at her best friends' South London flat, distraught at the ending of her nine-year relationship, out comes the martini shaker and an idea . . . to make a handbook for a broken heart. However, each friend is going through some form of heartbreak themselves and the handbook that was intended for Katie may contain the words they all need to hear.

The opening pages of *Instructions for Heartbreak* were longlisted for the Curtis Brown First Novel Award and if your customers are fans of *Everything I Know About Love* and *Expectation* then they will love this book!



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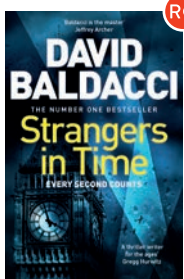
THE CAT WHO SAVED THE LIBRARY

9781035050604
HB | £14.99 | 10.04.25 | Picador

The highly anticipated sequel to *The Cat Who Saved Books*, discover a wise and wonderful tale from Japan about a talking cat, a book-loving girl, and the power of books to make a difference in the world, translated from Japanese by Louise Heal Kawai.

In this sequel we meet Nanami who, due to a chronic illness, spends most of her time indoors reading in the school library. When Nanami notices lots of books disappearing from the library shelves, she spots a suspicious man in a grey suit whose behaviour doesn't feel right and Nanami and Tiger, the talking tabby cat, decide to follow him to find out where all the books have gone . . .

We have a very special Indie Exclusive Edition for you with designed edges and patterned endpapers.



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STRANGERS IN TIME
9781035015788 | HB
£22.00 | 10.04.25 | Macmillan

Bestselling author David Baldacci is back with a gripping story of courage and survival set in wartime London.

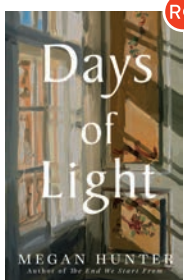
During one of the fiercest conflicts the world has ever known, three strangers' lives collide as they confront the raining bombs of their present and the explosive secrets of their past.



SNAKE OIL
9781509895854 | HB
£20.00 | 06.02.25 | Macmillan

Rhoda West's mission is the betterment of women's lives through her wellness start-up. But when an anonymous social media account begins revealing the company's secrets, what will Rhoda do to fulfil her legacy and how far will her enemies go to destroy it?

A taut thriller that delivers a scathing take-down of the wellness industry from the author of *Girl in the Rearview Mirror*.

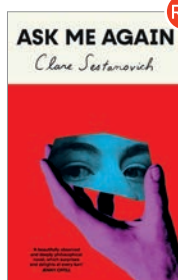


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DAYS OF LIGHT
9781529010183 | HB
£18.99 | 17.04.25 | Picador

A sweeping, gorgeous story that begins with a life-changing tragedy and a country on the eve of the Second World War, and moves through the twentieth century following a woman who chooses to live a life away from the conventions of society.

Megan Hunter is also the author of *The End We Start From*, which is now a major film starring Jodie Comer.



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ASK ME AGAIN
9781529053593 | Flapped PB
£10.99 | 23.01.25 | Picador

A standout debut novel about a young woman's coming of age, in parallel with a renegade male friend who challenges her beliefs and the course of her life. Perfect for fans of Lily King.

Clare Sestanovich's debut short story collection, *Objects of Desire*, was a finalist for the PEN/Robert W. Bingham Prize.

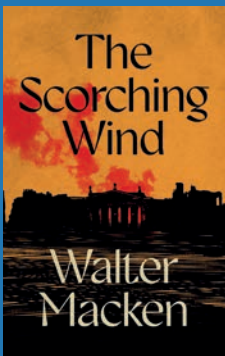


Lost Horizon is one of the greatest classic adventure stories. Joining Macmillan Collector's Library in 2025.

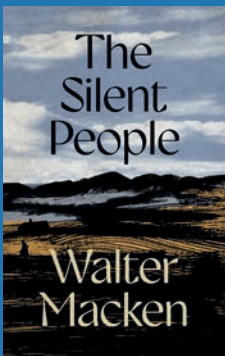
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Plus, look out for Walter Macken's epic Irish historical fiction trilogy.

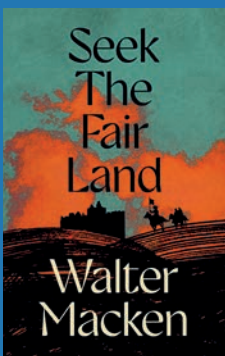
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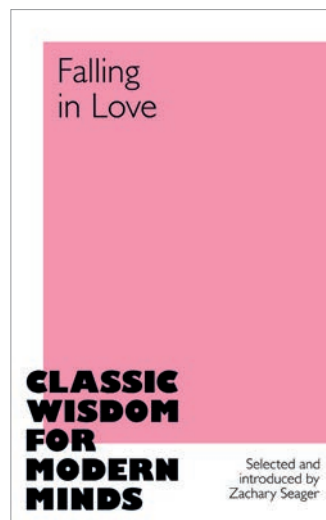
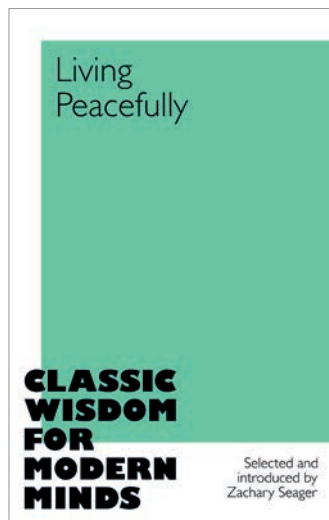


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CLASSIC WISDOM FOR MODERN MINDS

Unearth the wisdom of our greatest writers and philosophers to help you tackle life's big questions, with these stunning, cloth-bound, pocket-sized classics in a new series from Macmillan Collector's Library.

Featuring essays from an array of writers from ancient to modern times, the Classic Wisdom for Modern Minds series makes big philosophical ideas more approachable and relevant – and they make a perfect gift for any book lover!



LIVING PEACEFULLY

Zachary Seager has chosen an array of inspiring essays combining self-help, erudition and dazzling insight, to examine how to find peace within ourselves as well as in the wider world.

FALLING IN LOVE

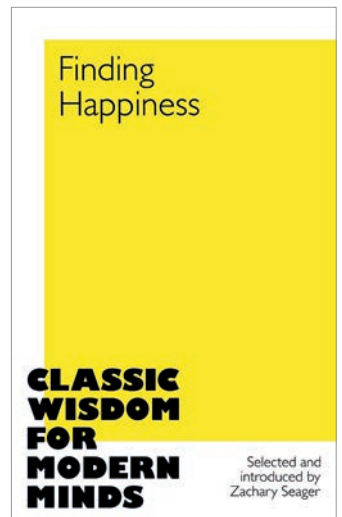
The great subject of love has fascinated and consumed us since the beginning of time. *Falling in Love* tackles the question of why we fall in love and what it means, exploring romance, infatuation and everything in between.

LEAVING HOME

Leaving home, in all its myriad situations, is something that we carry with us throughout our lives. Exploring everything from exile and heartbreak, to freedom and self-reliance, this is ideal for fans of *Poems for Travellers*, and coming of age novels like *Little Women*.

FINDING HAPPINESS

The search for happiness is without a doubt one of our greatest preoccupations. This is a fascinating exploration of what contributes to a happy life.



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GOZZLE

POS IE 9781529076417 | HB | £12.99 | 27.03.25 | MCB

We're delighted to be bringing a warm and joyful new picture book this spring from the award-winning pairing of Julia Donaldson and Sara Ogilvie, bestselling creators of *The Detective Dog* and *The Hospital Dog*.

It's springtime. Bear has woken up hungry and finds a lost egg outside his cave. Breakfast? No! Out hatches Gozzle, a very sweet little gosling who is convinced that Bear must be her daddy – and that she should be able to climb, dig and eat honey just like him. Follow Bear on his journey from reluctant carer to parent in this heartwarming and joyous picture book about what home and family truly mean.

We will have a cute set of Gozzle and Bear standees available for bookshop displays, plus stickers and activity sheets.



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We're also thrilled to share an Indie Exclusive with you, with a beautiful free art print signed by Sara Ogilvie in the back of every copy.

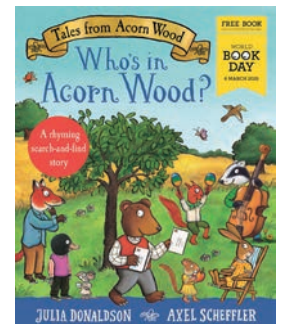
In 2025, the Tales from Acorn Wood series is celebrating its 25th birthday!

The original four lift-the-flap board books – *Postman Bear*, *Rabbit's Nap*, *Fox's Socks* and *Hide-and-Seek-Pig* – are now beloved classics, and each new addition to the world of Acorn Wood is always a delight for parents and children alike.

Over 5 million copies sold through the UK TCM
50 No. 1s across the series
Over 10 weeks at No. 1 in 2024
25% series growth year-on-year

Our anniversary publishing this year includes *Who's in Acorn Wood?* – a rhyming search-and-find-story specially created for World Book Day 2025. In March, we've got *Tales From Acorn Wood: A First Sticker Book* with over 250 stickers for children to enjoy. Then in April, a brand new lift-the-flap board book is coming: *Hare's New Dress*!

To celebrate this milestone year there will be POS materials available for bookshops including bunting, stickers, posters and seasonal activities, as well as a Postman Bear costume available for events. We also have FSDUs available!



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HARE'S NEW DRESS
 9781035044962
 BB | £7.99 | 24.04.25 | MCB
WHO'S IN ACORN WOOD?
WORLD BOOK DAY 2025
 9781035059225
 PB | £1.00 | 13.02.25 | MCB
TALES FROM ACORN WOOD: A FIRST STICKER BOOK
 9781035050222
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THE MOOMINS FIND A HOME: A POP-UP ADVENTURE

9781035038404
HB | £19.99 | 06.02.25 | MCB



To celebrate the 80th anniversary of the Moomins in 2025, we are publishing this gorgeous pop-up book based on Tove Jansson's first ever Moomin story, *The Moomins and the Great Flood*.

When a great flood devastates the land, Moomintroll and Moominmamma must search for a new home to curl up in for the winter and try to find their missing Moominpappa along the way.

The perfect gift for Moomin fans old and new, this stunning book is sure to be treasured for years to come.

With new illustrations and five incredible pop-up scenes, it brings the adventure to life in a way never seen before!



SIX QUEENS

9781529095289
HB | £14.99 | 06.03.25 | MCB



Bestselling illustrator Lydia Monks brings to life the six queens of Henry VIII in a comprehensive, fully-illustrated guide, with a foreword from respected Tudor historian Suzannah Lipscomb.

Featuring narrative storytelling interspersed with graphic novel elements and infographics, *Six Queens* shines a light on the stories of these important historical figures in a spectacular new way.

Everyone knows the rhyme: divorced, beheaded, died, divorced, beheaded, survived. But how much do they know about the women behind it? From loyal and devout Katherine of Aragon to the elegant Anne Boleyn, through to the scholar and survivor: Catherine Parr, *Six Queens* is perfect for Tudor enthusiasts who want to learn more about six women who changed history, and for fans of the smash hit musical *Six*.



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THE GREAT UNICORN RESCUE
9781035015962 | PB | £7.99 | 30.01.25 | MCB

From the award-winning illustrator of *Coming to England*, Diane Ewen's debut authored picture book is a charming, enchanting story about friendship and fighting your fears.



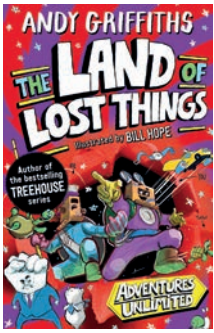
PENGUIN AND PUP: THE PERFECT EGG
9781035014798 | PB | £7.99 | 13.02.25 | MCB

Thoughtful Penguin and fun-loving whirlwind Pup like VERY different things. Especially when it comes to Easter. It's a recipe for disaster and LOTS of laughter!



TRY
9781035042319 | PB | £7.99 | 10.04.25 | MCB

A big-hearted picture book about the friendship between two young boys, from fundraising heroes, rugby legends and best friends Rob Burrow and Kevin Sinfield.



‘Full to the brim with brilliant puns, silly capers and flying socks, this richly illustrated book will sweep young readers up into the action from the first page’

The Scotsman



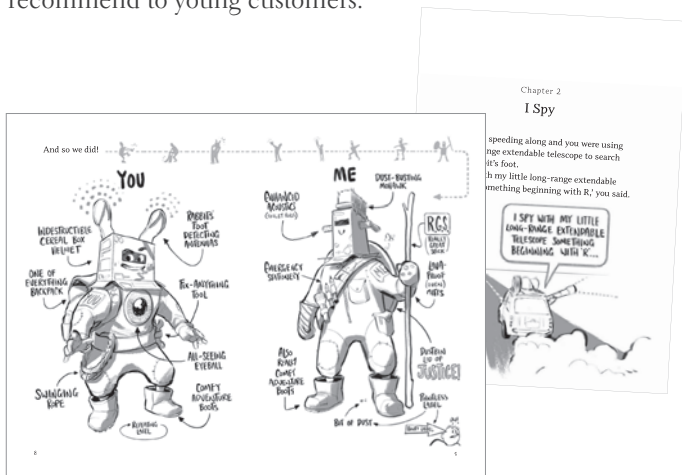
InvestiGators: Class Action is the eighth side-splitting full-colour graphic novel in the series, perfect for fans of *Bunny vs Monkey*, Dav Pilkey and Jamie Smart.

THE LAND OF LOST THINGS

9781035046157 | PB | £7.99 | 27.03.25 | MCB

From the author behind the multi-million bestselling Treehouse series comes a completely new and exciting adventure series where the sky’s the limit. With a new concept that invites readers into the adventure itself, with characters titled “Me” and “You”, this hilarious, action packed, highly-illustrated new series is great for reluctant readers.

Andy Griffiths is an international success with worldwide sales at over 10 million copies! *The Land of Lost Things* is the start of a new collaboration with Bill Hope and a brilliant one to recommend to young customers.



Adventures Unlimited: The Land of Lost Things © Andy Griffiths and Bill Hope 2024

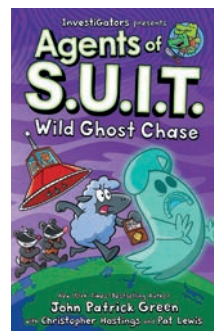
INVESTIGATORS: CLASS ACTION

9781035015443 | PB | £9.99 | 30.01.25 | MCB

Combining themes such as teamwork, resilience and problem-solving, with laugh-out-loud puns, adventure and a whole lot of fun, the *InvestiGators* series is a growing hit with children, and we can’t wait for them to read the latest instalment!



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AGENTS OF S.U.I.T.: WILD GHOST CHASE

9781035063239 | PB | £9.99 | 24.04.25 | MCB

New recruit Zeb the sheep joins the flock in the third book in the *Agents of S.U.I.T.* series. Can Zeb decipher the series’ biggest mystery yet?



THE WONDER TEAM AND THE SPACE RACE
9781035054800
PB | £7.99 | 27.02.25
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The fourth book in the time-twisting adventure series from Leah Williamson, captain of the Euro-winning Lionesses, set during the 1950s Space Race.



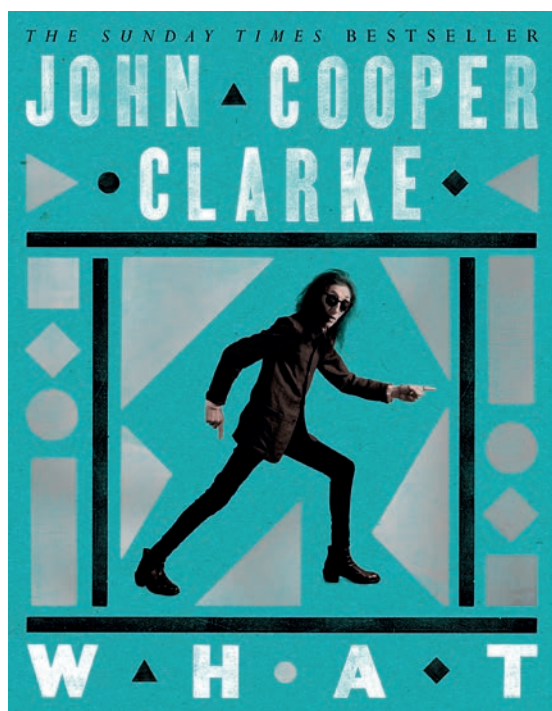
THE BREAKFAST CLUB ADVENTURES: THE GOBLIN'S REVENGE
9781035062294
PB | £7.99 | 10.04.25
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A mischievous goblin has been giving bullies a taste of their own medicine. Can Marcus and the Breakfast Club Investigators crack the case?



ASTRID AND THE SPACE CADETS: DANGER AT THE BLACK LAGOON!
9781035019809
PB | £7.99 | 17.04.25
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The third book in the series sees Astrid and the gang lured into a trap by the infamous Intergalactic Sea Bandits! Ideal for readers age 5+.



WHAT

John Cooper Clarke

9781035033195 | S Format PB | £12.99 | 13.02.25 | Picador

Poet Laureate of Punk and the Bard of Salford, Dr John Cooper Clarke, comes storming out of the gate with his most trenchant collection of poems yet, reminding us why he is one of Britain's most beloved writers and performers.

'Nothing short of dazzling'

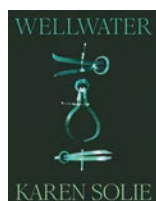
Alex Turner, musician and frontman of the Arctic Monkeys

'A big-hearted poet of boundless humour and unmistakable style'

Kit Fan, *Guardian*

Dr John Cooper Clarke's dazzling, scabrous voice has reverberated through pop culture for decades, his influence on generations of performance poets and musicians plain for all to see. His poem "I Wanna Be Yours" has become a global sensation, after the Arctic Monkeys' adaptation of the poem hit a billion streams in March 2023, and a new generation of poetry and music lovers discovered his work.

Vivid and alive, with a sensitivity only a writer with a life as varied and extraordinary as Cooper Clarke's could summon. James Brown, John F. Kennedy, Jesus Christ: nobody is safe from the punk rocker's acerbic pen – and that's just the first poem. *WHAT* will be newly available in paperback this spring, following on from Cooper Clarke's yearlong UK and European tour.



WELLWATER
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TPB | £12.99
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A sublime and urgent new collection from Karen Solie, one of the premier voices in world poetry, that will delight those already in the know, and astonish the new readers who aren't. In poems that are supple, philosophical, disarmingly direct and ribbed with erudition, Solie conducts a self-interrogative conversation with a culture in crisis and a natural world on the brink.



BUT & THOUGH
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A scintillating debut from Jake Hawkey, a vital and authentic new voice in British poetry. *But & Though* explores themes of love, loss and the impact of parental addiction on families.

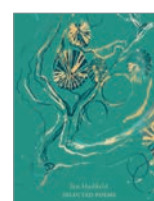
Hawkey's fresh perspective and playful style will appeal to those interested in the wider literature of addiction and the complexities of urban working-class life in Britain.



WHEN IT RAINED FOR A MILLION YEARS
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A superb new collection from Paul Farley, one of the leading English poets writing today.

This collection explores how elegy, monologue and the pastoral navigate and intersect with our anxious, brittle age. A great choice for readers of *Ransom* and *The Bonniest Companie*.



SELECTED POEMS
9781035032853
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A career retrospective from one of Britain's finest poets of the natural world, Jen Hadfield, consolidating work from her earlier collections *Almanacs*, *Nigh-No-Place*, *Byssus* and *The Stone Age*. Following on from her debut memoir *Storm Pegs*, *Selected Poems* is inextricably linked with the Scottish island of Shetland, its rich dialect and rugged landscape infusing her poetry.



Introducing Poetry Prescription: a brand new series of poetry books with a focus on wellbeing.

With a distinctive and clear brand identity, and high production values, these A Format hardbacks are perfectly pocketable and would make a brilliant gift for adults and teens. Covering a range of popular themes, readers are invited to browse by their mood.

WORDS FOR LOVE | Poems for love, loss, friendship, family and other relationships.

COMFORT | An array of poems to help readers find solace for times of ill-health, loss and grief, with verse to comfort in times of great need.

WILD REMEDY | Explore the healing power of nature with poems that help readers to get outside and find tranquillity and calm in wild spaces, with themes of earth and sea and weather.

BECOMING | Poetic inspiration for courage, confidence and authenticity. With verse that will work as stimulants for a faint heart, to redden blood corpuscles, or to counteract quitting.

Look out for four further collections coming later this year: **Inspiration, First Aid** (July); **Calm, Joy** (October).



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Wild Remedy | 9781035061471

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The series is compiled by Deborah Alma, creator of the Poetry Pharmacy – an award-winning bookshop in Shropshire which now has a permanent concession in Lush on Oxford Street. Deborah has written a note to explain a little more about the origins of the Poetry Pharmacy and how it led to the Poetry Prescription collections.

I was delighted to be asked by Gaby Morgan at Macmillan, to curate a series of anthologies that match our unusual bookshops, the Poetry Pharmacy, with its branches in Bishop's Castle and inside Lush Spa on Oxford Street, which are divided into sections by broad emotional states with books of poetry, philosophy, psychology and well-being.

For many years, I've believed in the power of literature, and more specifically poetry to heal, to uplift, and to act as a bridge of intimacy between the writer and the reader and also to connect us to one another. As a bookseller and as a

professional prescriber of poems, I see in daily practice how the sharing of poems through the gift of a book to a loved one, or as a kindness to oneself, can often have surprisingly profound effects.

I started sharing poems first of all with people living with dementia and sight-loss, and in schools and in women's groups and then, as the 'Emergency Poet' in my vintage ambulance with its attached pharmacy since 2012. I continued this work at the Poetry Pharmacy bookshop, and I've seen again and again how words can offer solace, clarity, and a fresh perspective.

'I see in daily practice how the sharing of poems . . . can often have surprisingly profound effects'

With these anthologies, I wanted to create a space where readers of all kinds can come to find exactly what they need –

whether that's comfort, inspiration, or a quiet moment of reflection. I've carefully curated each collection to include poems that resonate with a range of emotions and experiences. Poetry has this unique ability to hold up a mirror to our lives, while also offering a way through the more difficult moments. My hope is that these books will do just that: offer you a moment of stillness, a sense of belonging, or simply the pleasure of beautiful language.

In putting these anthologies together, I've drawn from a wide variety of voices – both familiar and new. I wanted to include poets from all walks of life and styles, so that everyone can find something that speaks to them. Whether you're new to poetry or a lifelong lover of verse, there's something here for you.

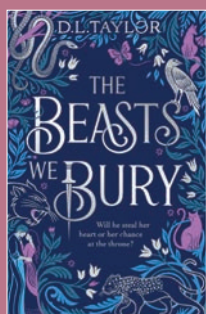
– DEBORAH ALMA

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The Beasts We Bury
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The Scorpion Queen
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For She is Wrath
9781035045037
PB | £8.99
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If your customers are looking for their next romantasy obsession, then tell them to look no further as we have the perfect YA debut for them!

In *The Beasts We Bury*, discover a world where dark magic hovers on the horizon and where two teens must decide how far they will go to break the system that has them trapped.

Mancella, heir to the throne, emerged from the mysterious *Broken Citadel* with a strange and violent magic: she can summon an army of animals, but only by killing them first.

Silver, a charming thief who plans to manipulate Mancella in order to pull off a once-in-a-lifetime heist.

Diana's writing is immersive and captivating and this book includes a double-crossing lovers trope that readers will love! If you would like to read it for yourself, this is available to request on NetGalley.

Inspired by a Malian fairy tale, *The Scorpion Queen* is a queer sweeping fantasy epic YA novel by debut author Mina Fears.

A fantasy fairy tale about a disgraced merchant's daughter who is forced to become a chambermaid to an emperor's daughter, and a princess whose suitors are challenged to gruesome and impossible trials to win her hand.

This is a fresh take on well-loved fantasy tropes including bloody trials, fate-bound princesses and a swoon-worthy queer love triangle and is perfect for fans of *The Gilded Ones* by Namina Forna and *Lies We Sing to the Sea* by Sarah Underwood.

If you would like to give this a read before it hits the shelves then we have digital proofs available to request on NetGalley!

'An atmospheric and utterly transportive debut'

Deborah Falaye, award-winning author of *Blood Scion*

Emily Varga's YA romantasy debut *For She is Wrath* is lovers-to-enemies as you've never seen it before.

An epic tale of a girl escaped from prison and hell-bent on revenge, this is a gender-flipped Pakistani-inspired *Count of Monte Cristo* retelling meets *Kill Bill*.

Betrayed by her ex-lover and falsely imprisoned for a crime she didn't commit, Dania counts down the days until she can exact her revenge. When a fellow prisoner offers a chance at escape and the keys to a dangerous Jinn magic, Dania seizes the opportunity and, armed with a brand-new identity and all the power she could want, enacts a plan to bring down those who betrayed her and her family.

This is a fantastical classic revenge story, full of rich world-building and high-stakes magic and is perfect for fans of *Immortal Longings* and *Godkiller*.

'What a fresh, riveting fantasy'
Susan Dennard, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Luminaries*

The Romantic Tragedies of a Drama King

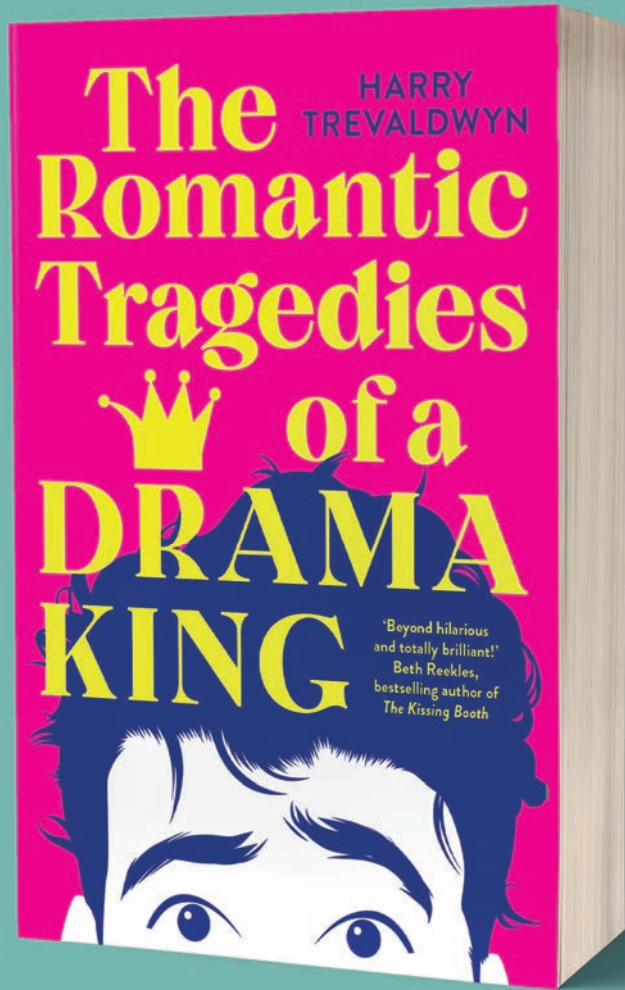
Harry Trevaldwyn

30th January 2025

RC POS 9781035049202 | PB | £8.99

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A heartfelt, laugh-out-loud rom-com from a rising star, discover the debut YA novel from actor and comedian Harry Trevaldwyn.



Patch has decided that this is the year he will get a boyfriend, so it's goodbye to his French pen-pal Jean-Pierre and hello to the world!

Only, finding a boyfriend isn't as easy as he'd hoped, until fate finally intervenes and two mysterious new boys join the drama club. Armed with his single mum's outdated self-help books, his over-supportive best friend Jean, his endlessly wise English Teacher and an alarming level of self-confidence, Patch is confident that this mission will be a complete success.

Perfect for teen fans of Katie Kirby, with the crossover humour of Louise Rennison, Harry Trevaldwyn marries the brilliance of a queer contemporary Bridget Jones voice with the nostalgia of noughties rom-coms.

'A total delight'

Beth Reekles, bestselling author of *The Kissing Booth*



Harry Trevaldwyn is an actor, comedian and writer. Initially rising to fame through writing and starring in his own online skits, his acting credits now include *Ten Percent*, *The Outlaws*, *My Lady Jane*, *The Acolyte* and the upcoming live action version of *How To Train Your Dragon*. A TV adaption of *The Romantic Tragedies of a Drama King* is already in the works with SeeSaw Film.

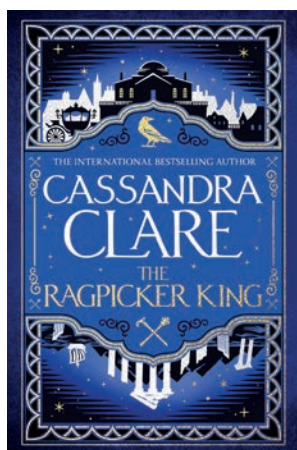


To get an exclusive sneak preview, scan the QR code to listen to an extract from Harry reading the audiobook!



Pan Mac Team Pick
Kate Bullows

'My 15-year-old and I instantly fell in love with Patch and his everlasting quest to fall in love! Your heart will be full after reading this! A breath of fresh air for readers aged 14-50+!'



THE RAGPICKER KING

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‘Everything I look for in fantasy’

George R. R. Martin
on *Sword Catcher*



GIFTED & TALENTED

9781035011377 | HB
£22.00 | 03.04.25 | Tor

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‘Addictively entertaining, this is Blake at the height of her abilities’

Ava Reid,
author of *Lady Macbeth*

The spellbinding second book in Cassandra Clare’s epic fantasy adventure of magic, power and politics, *The Ragpicker King* is the sequel to *Sunday Times* bestseller *Sword Catcher*.

Lin and Kel must chart a perilous course between love and lies when they both seek help from the Ragpicker King, the notorious criminal who rules Castellane’s underworld. As the simmering tensions in Castellane reach a fever pitch, Lin and Kel must decide who to trust when any false move means death – or worse.

Perfect for fans of Samantha Shannon and Leigh Bardugo, we can’t wait for your customers to lose themselves in this spellbinding world of power, intrigue and magic. We have a limited number of proofs available so please request!

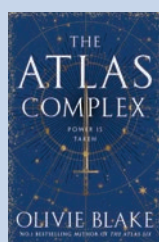
Where there’s a will, there’s a war.

The *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Atlas Six* is back with a brand-new standalone fantasy where *Succession* meets magic.

Upon the death of their father, the brilliant CEO of Wrenfare Magitech, three siblings are forced to reckon with their long-festering rivalries, dangerous abilities and the crushing weight of all their unrealised adolescent potential. On the pipeline of gifted child to clinically depressed adult, nobody wins. Yet as they gather to read his final words, which Wren will come out on top?

‘Incisive, unsparing, and utterly brilliant’

Chloe Gong, author of *Immortal Longings*



THE ATLAS COMPLEX
9781529095371
PB | £9.99
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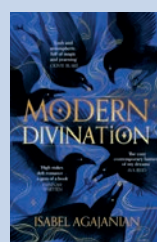
The much-anticipated, heart-shattering conclusion in Olivie Blake’s dark academia trilogy that began with the bestselling phenomenon, *The Atlas Six*. It’s a race to survive as the six Society recruits face the question of what they’re willing to betray for limitless power – and who will be destroyed along the way.



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IRON & EMBERS
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HB | £22.00
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Tor Bramble

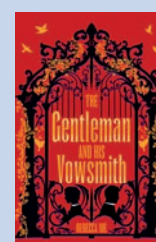
Set five years after the events of the Legends of Thezmarr series, *Iron & Embers* is the breathtaking first instalment in an epic new fantasy romance trilogy from Helen Scheuerer. Alchemist-turned-assassin Wren must find a cure for a king, but the biggest threat of all might come from the man assigned to protect her.



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MODERN DIVINATION
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A magical contemporary debut from a brilliant new talent, this cosy fantasy is set at a Cambridge college and features an academic rivals-to-lovers romance between two witches who must join forces to discover who is trying to steal their powers. The first book in the Spells for Life and Death duology from Isabel Agajanian.



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THE GENTLEMAN AND HIS VOWSMITH
9781035052882
HB | £22.00
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A sparkling historical fantasy with a devilishly fun locked-room murder mystery element, *The Gentleman and His Vowsmith* is filled with arcane magic, deadly conspiracies, and an irresistible queer romance.

Set in Regency England, this is perfect for fans of Freya Marske.



WITCHCRAFT FOR WAYWARD GIRLS

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‘Twisted and smart . . .
As soon as I finished, I
wanted to start again’
Catriona Ward,
author of *The Last House*
on *Needless Street*



ROSE/HOUSE

9781035065653 | HB
£16.99 | 13.03.25 | Tor

‘An exquisitely creepy
exploration of the boundaries
of life, death, the real and
the artificial’
Adrian Tchaikovsky

The *New York Times* bestselling author of *How To Sell A Haunted House*, we are thrilled to welcome Grady Hendrix to our list and launch our Tor Nightfire imprint!

A Southern Gothic, feminist horror set in the 1970s, *Witchcraft for Wayward Girls* follows a group of young teenage girls who have been sent to a maternity home to have their babies in secret. The girls are strictly controlled until they find a guide to witchcraft and power is in their hands for the first time. But power always comes at a cost . . .

Grady Hendrix has sold over 1 million books worldwide and we can't wait for fans to get their hands on his new horror! We have proofs if you'd like to delve into it for yourself, and signed copies will be available.

A taut, uncanny sci-fi thriller from Arkady Martine, Hugo Award-winning author of *A Memory Called Empire*.

A house that is an artificial intelligence, infused in every load-bearing beam and fine marble tile with a thinking creature that is not human is quite something. Basit Deniau, the architect of Rose House has been dead a year, and it is locked up tight, as commanded by the architect's will. Dr. Selene Gisil, a former protégé, is the sole person permitted to come into Rose House once a year.

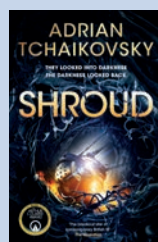
Now, there is a dead person in Rose House. It is not Basit Deniau, and it is not Dr. Gisil. It is someone else. But Rose House won't communicate any further. In theory, no one can get inside Rose House, except Dr. Gisil. But someone did. And someone died there. And someone may be there still.



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THE BONES
BENEATH
MY SKIN
9781035002290
HB | £22.00
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An action-packed supernatural road trip featuring an extraordinary young girl and her two unlikely protectors on the run. A gripping, heartfelt story that explores what it means to be human by the bestselling author of *The House in the Cerulean Sea*, Tj Klune.



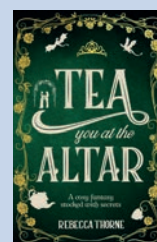
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SHROUD
9781035013791
HB | £22.00
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A tense, atmospheric voyage into the unknown and a gripping story of survival from author of the Arthur C. Clarke Award-winning *Children of Time*.

After two scientists crash on a hostile moon, they must use every tool at their disposal to survive. Signed copies will be available!

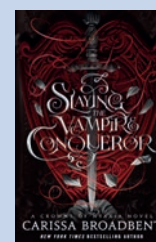


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TEA YOU
AT THE ALTAR
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HB | £22.00
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Tor

The third instalment in the *Sunday Times* bestselling *Tomes & Tea* series from Rebecca Thorne

This cosy fantasy features a disastrous wedding, a royal coup, sapphic adventure and plenty of tea – a great recommendation for any fans of Travis Baldree's *Legends & Lattes*.



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SLAYING THE
VAMPIRE
CONQUEROR
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Tor Bramble

From the internationally bestselling author of *The Serpent and the Wings of Night*, this dark fantasy romance is a standalone novel set in the world of the *Crowns of Nyxia* series. Perfect for fans of *The Bridge Kingdom* by Danielle L. Jensen and Jennifer L. Armentrout's *From Blood and Ash* series.

We have proofs for these two brilliant debut novels, so please get in touch to request one!

MERE

RC 9781035051229 | HB | £16.99 | 03.04.25 | Mantle

A strikingly beautiful historical novel with a queer love story at its heart, *Mere* explores fear and survival, power and position, and a love that takes hold in the darkest of places.

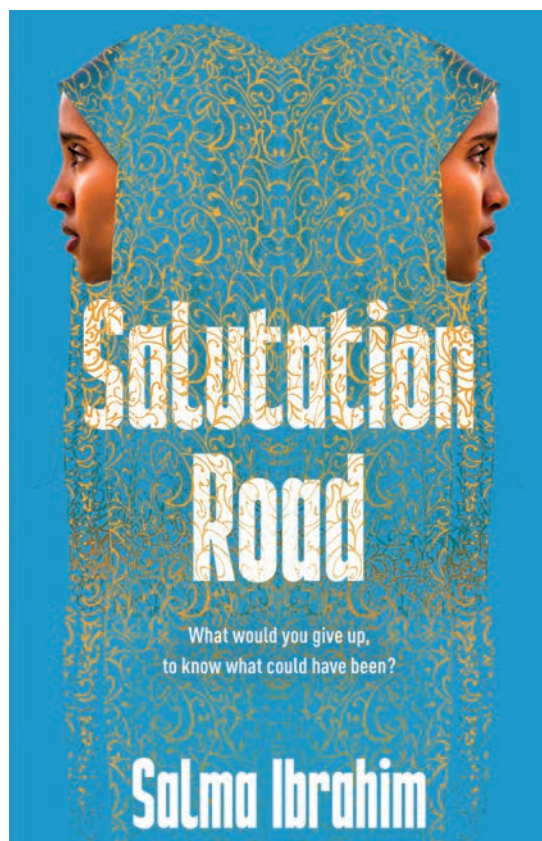
In 10th century Norfolk, deep in the Fens, isolated by a vast and treacherous mere, an order of holy sisters make their home. Under the steely guidance of Abbess Sigeburg they follow God's path, looking to their infirmarian, Hilda, to provide what comfort and cures she can.

But when the mere takes a young servant boy, Sigeburg's grip falters and Hilda realises this place holds unholy secrets. Then proud Sister Wulfrun, a recent arrival to the convent, has a vision: a curse is upon them, and change must be brought. Is she saint or serpent? To Hilda, Wulfrun is a signal bolder and brighter than any fire set – one she cannot help but follow. . .

Mere will be the perfect, go-to recommendation for readers of *Matrix* by Lauren Gross, *The Manningtree Witches* by A.K. Blakemore and *Weyward* by Emilia Hart.

'Eerie, beautiful . . . Like the proud, resourceful women of this novel, one can't help but be swallowed into the damp mouth of the mere'

Costanza Casati, bestselling author of *Babylonia*



SALUTATION ROAD

RC 9781035044344 | HB | £16.99 | 13.02.25 | Mantle

Salutation Road is Salma Ibrahim's speculative literary debut about the everyday struggles of immigration, love and letting go of a past that never really existed.

Twenty-three-year-old Sirad Ali is a woman adrift. Abandoned by her father in childhood, doing her best to support her mother and younger brother in their small flat in South London, she can't help but wonder if this is the life she really wants.

One morning, Sirad boards her bus to work and finds herself transported to an alternate timeline in present-day Mogadishu. Over the course of a single day, under the sweltering East African sun, Sirad must contend with a lost reality. There she encounters an almost unrecognisable version of her family and comes face to face with her double, Ubah – the woman she could have been, had her parents never fled to London during the Somali Civil War. Back home in Greenwich, Sirad must go on with life, consumed by all she now knows. But then Ubah mysteriously appears in London, and Sirad begins to understand that nothing will ever be the same again. . .

This will be a great one for fans of *Exit West* by Mohsin Hamid, *The Fortune Men* by Nadifa Mohamed and *Wandering Souls* by Cecile Pin.



THE RESTAURANT OF LOST RECIPES

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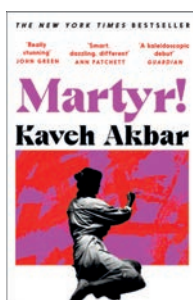
PB | £9.99

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Following on from bookseller-favourite *The Kamogawa Food Detectives*, this is the second story in the bestselling Japanese series, now in paperback.

Tucked away down a Kyoto backstreet lies the extraordinary Kamogawa Diner, where a father-daughter duo serve more than just mouth-watering feasts. Through their culinary sleuthing, they reconstruct beloved dishes from the memories of their customers, creating a doorway to the past through the miracle of delicious food. Moving and uplifting, this is the perfect escapist lit for fans of *Before the Coffee Gets Cold*.



MARTYR!

9781035026081

PB | £9.99

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Cyrus Shams has always been lost. He's grown up tangled in the mysteries of his past – an uncle who rode through Iranian battlefields, a haunting work of art by an exiled painter, and his mother, whose plane was shot down over the Persian Gulf when he was just a baby. Now, newly sober and maybe in love, an encounter with a dying artist will transform everything Cyrus thought he knew.

Electrifying, funny, and all-consuming, *Martyr!* is a transcendental story of identity and loss, and was an instant *New York Times* bestseller.



WHALE FALL

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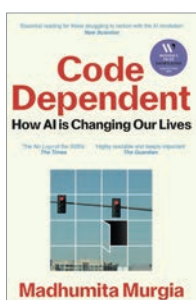
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A haunting novel about desire, duty and broken promises among an island community off the coast of Wales as Europe falls into war.

The ominous appearance of a beached whale, and rumours of submarines circling beneath the waves, have villagers steeling themselves for what's to come. When two anthropologists from the mainland arrive, a young woman, Manod, sees them as a rare opportunity to leave and discover the life she has been searching for. A great one to recommend to customers who love Claire Keegan.



CODE DEPENDENT

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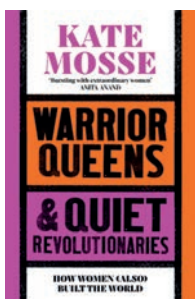
PB | £10.99

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What does it mean to be human in a world that is rapidly changing with the development of artificial intelligence? In this compelling work, Madhumita Murgia, AI Editor at the *Financial Times*, exposes how AI can strip away our collective and individual sense of agency – and shatter our illusion of free will.

Shortlisted for the inaugural Non-Fiction Women's Prize, *Code Dependent* is an intimate and riveting investigation that reveals what could happen if we fail to reclaim our humanity.



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WARRIOR QUEENS & QUIET REVOLUTIONARIES

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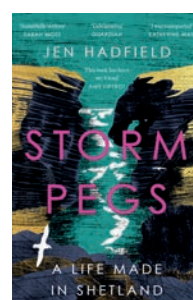
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From Rachel Carson, mother of the modern environmental movement, to Cornelia Sorabji, a trailblazing Indian women's rights campaigner, Kate Mosse shines a light on nearly 1,000 women from across the globe whose names and achievements deserve to be celebrated. Moving, illuminating and deeply personal, *Warrior Queens & Quiet Revolutionaries* is a book for anyone who has ever questioned how history is made.

'A must-have'

Glamour



STORM PEGS

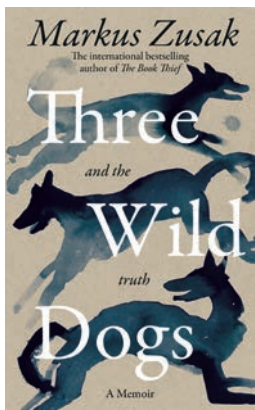
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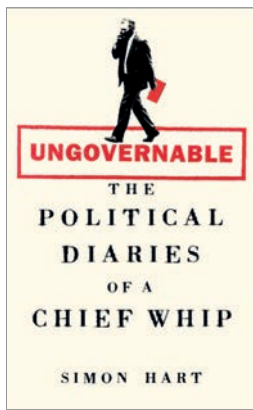
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In her late twenties, celebrated poet Jen Hadfield moved to the Shetland archipelago – a place of myths, ancient languages, old customs, breathtaking landscapes and violent weather. Here, Hadfield found a place teeming with life; with rare seabirds, wild folk festivals, a close-knit community of neighbours, and women swimming together in the winter seas. Hadfield transports us and shows us new ways of living at the edge, while also diving bravely into the murkier depths of belonging, heritage, isolation, climate crisis and resilience.



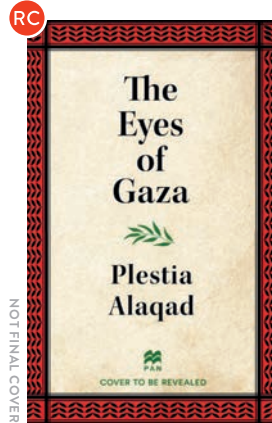
THREE WILD DOGS
9781035062928 | HB | £16.99
23.01.25 | Macmillan

What happens when the Zusaks open their family home to three big, wild, pound-hardened dogs? The answer can only be chaos. A tender, motley and exquisitely written memoir from the bestselling author of *The Book Thief*.



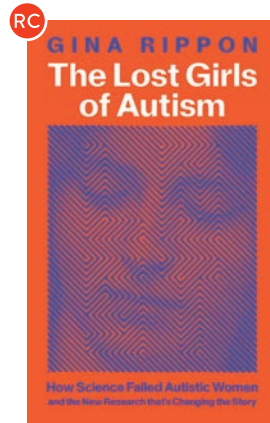
UNGOVERNABLE
9781035068791 | HB | £25.00
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As Chief Whip from October 2022 to July 2024, Simon Hart had a front-row seat to the most turbulent times in recent British political history. This is his extraordinary blow-by-blow insider account of what really goes on.



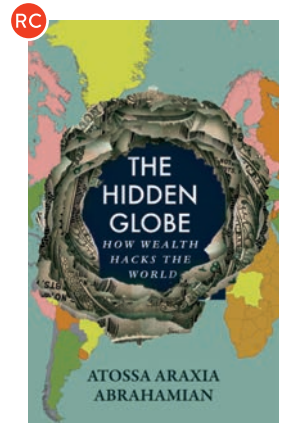
THE EYES OF GAZA
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A moving, raw and vulnerable diary-memoir from a young Palestinian journalist, recalling her firsthand experience of living under the fog of relentless war. It's a story of grief, but also remarkable resilience, grit, and hope.



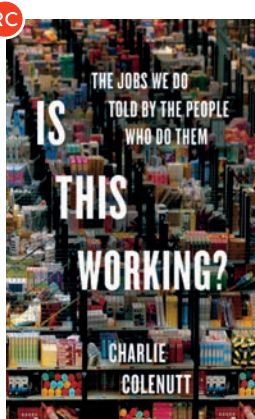
THE LOST GIRLS OF AUTISM
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03.04.25 | Macmillan

Renowned and award-winning neuroscientist Gina Rippon delves into the emerging science of female autism, asking why medical science has betrayed many women and girls with autism for so long in this urgent call to society.



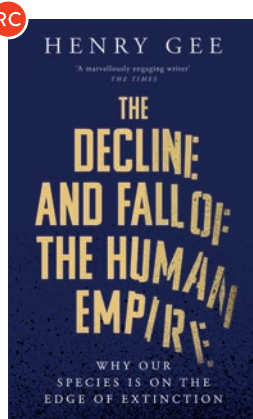
THE HIDDEN GLOBE
9781529058338 | HB | £22.00
20.02.25 | Picador

Borders draw one map of the world; money draws another. This is a highly intelligent account of the way in which national borders have effectively been redrawn or simply overridden to become a haven for the rich and powerful.



IS THIS WORKING?
9781035015047 | HB | £20.00
06.03.25 | Picador

Charlie Colenutt travelled the country to talk to a hundred strangers about their jobs. From the sex worker to the lorry driver, this is the story of how people in Britain view work and its place in their lives.



THE DECLINE AND FALL OF THE HUMAN EMPIRE
9781035030835 | HB | £18.99
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The rate of human population increase is rapidly falling. *Nature* editor Henry Gee explores the future of our species, and how, with technological innovations, we might indefinitely postpone our fate.



UNDERDOGS
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No large group of people in Britain is as badly misunderstood as the white working class. Veteran *Economist* journalist Joel Budd offers a sharp corrective to that familiar stereotype in this compelling, myth-busting account.



THAT DARK SPRING
9781529065541 | HB | £22.00
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Susannah Stapleton uses previously unexamined police files and extensive newspaper reportage to create this gripping investigation into the extraordinary death of eccentric artist Olive Branson in 1920s Provence.



SIR LEWIS
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This definitive biography follows Lewis Hamilton from his early karting days to the glitz and pressure of Formula One. We witness his determination to reach the top and make motorsports more accessible.

Be brave, be confident and keep smashing it with everyone's favourite Gladiator – Fury!

Jodie Ounsley is a Gladiator, an England Rugby player, an inspirational role model for deaf people, and now an author too! In her debut book, Jodie wants to show young people everywhere that anything is possible when you believe in yourself.

ARE YOU READY?



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KEEP SMASHING IT

9781035064045 | TPB | £9.99 | 13.03.25 | MCB



Written with journalist Becky Grey, *Keep Smashing It* is full of stories from Jodie's life, and packed with advice and top tips. Jodie uses her experience as a professional rugby player and being a woman in a 'man's game' to show children the value of being a physically powerful woman and proves just because you're strong doesn't mean you're not feminine. She highlights the importance of family and having a strong team around you – everyone needs support behind them.

Jodie is a dedicated champion of deaf and disabled representation in sports. As one of the first people in the UK to have a cochlear implant fitted, when she was just 14 months old, Jodie was told she would never be able to play contact sports. She has gone on to be the world's first-ever deaf rugby player to compete internationally, playing for the Exeter Chiefs Women and for the GB Women Rugby Sevens team.

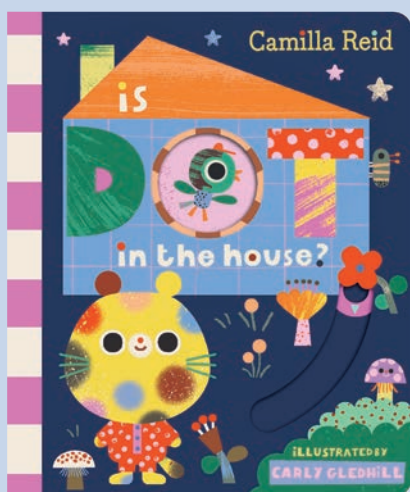
We are certain lots of your young customers will already be big fans of Fury, with 8 in 10 children in the

UK having watched the latest series of *Gladiators*, so we are publishing *Keep Smashing It* to coincide with the upcoming second series.

We can't wait for them to learn just how truly inspirational Jodie is. Following a similar format to Marcus Rashford's *You Are a Champion*, Jodie has combined accessible text with engaging infographics and a standout design, and this brilliant book will inspire children to believe in themselves and smash the barriers that are in their way.

Author photo © Paul Marc Mitchell





From bestselling preschool books author Camilla Reid, *Is Dot in the House?* is the start of a stunning hide-and-seek series featuring an adorable new character, Dot!

Little children will love sliding the easy-to-use push and pull tabs to discover where Dot is hiding, before finding themselves at the end with the surprise mirror ending. With distinctive and stylish illustrations by Carly Gledhill and eye-catching neon pink details throughout, this new series is perfect for toddlers and is a must-have new board book for your bookshop shelves. We have more Dot titles coming soon so keep your eyes peeled.

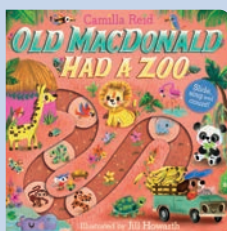
We also have two more new titles to look forward to from Camilla Reid, with cute springtime animal book *Who's Lovely* adding to our range of joyful first lift-the-flap books and *Old Macdonald had a Zoo* joining our series of brilliantly engaging interactive counting books with sliding buttons.



IS DOT IN THE HOUSE? | 9781035031719 | BB | £7.99 | 20.02.25 | MCB

OLD MACDONALD HAD A ZOO | 9781035023370 | BB | £7.99 | 10.04.25 | MCB

WHO'S LOVELY? | 9781035031801 | BB | £7.99 | 16.01.25 | MCB



CAN YOU FIND MUMMY?

9781035054008 | BB | £7.99 | 13.02.25 | Campbell Books



A chunky felt flaps board book about baby animals, this is the latest title in Campbell's bestselling Axel Scheffler felt flaps range. Help the baby animals find their mummies, perfect for springtime and Mother's Day.



LONDON MAGIC PAINTING

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Children will love bringing the scenes of London to life with this reusable magic painting activity book. Perfect for little tourists!



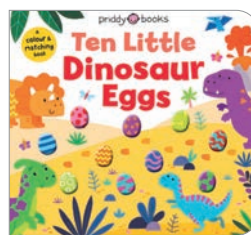
LITTLE SUPERSTARS: TAYLOR

9781035061723 | BB | £6.99
20.02.25 | Campbell Books

This novelty board book is a push, pull and slide interactive introduction to the chart-topping singer and songwriter Taylor Swift.

LITTLE SQUISHIES: TEN LITTLE DINOSAUR EGGS

9781916745360 | BB | £9.99 | 13.02.25 | Priddy Books



Toddlers will love matching the dinosaur mums and babies in this fun book with tactile squishy silicone eggs. Match each dinosaur's pattern with the correct colourful egg, combining search-and-find skills with sensory exploration and counting skills.

MY BEST FRIEND IS AN OTTER

9781916745513 | BB | £7.99 | 10.04.25 | Priddy Books



From her stylish beret to her guitar playing skills, every child will want Otter to be their best friend. The silly rhyming text and quirky scenarios make this great to read aloud, while the padded embroidered face on the cover and adorable illustrations bring Otter to life with tactile details.

HELLO BEE! HELLO BUNNY!

9781035037520

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Both titles: BB | £8.99 | 20.03.25 | Two Hoots

Hello Bee! and *Hello Bunny!* are the first titles launching a major new board book series from Sharon King-Chai, the award-winning illustrator of Julia Donaldson's *Animalphabet* and *Counting Creatures*. This bright and stylish mirror book series is full of fun things for babies and toddlers to spot on every page.

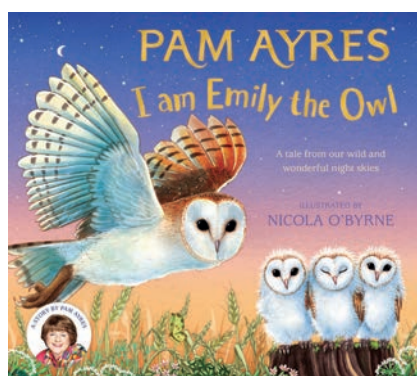
Little ones can bounce into a bright and beautiful world of baby animals with *Hello Bunny!* this Easter, or uncover colourful minibeasts on every page of *Hello Bee!*

Combining stylist artwork with highly commercial topics, this series also has an innovative new format with every page being beautifully illustrated onto a super shiny reflective mirror.

The perfect shiny gifts for tiny hands, both stories end with an exciting full-spread mirror to put the child in the story, so they can be a little bug or bunny too!



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I AM EMILY THE OWL

9781529067149 | HB | £12.99 | 27.03.25 | Two Hoots

I AM HATTIE THE HARE | 9781529067118 | PB | £7.99 | 27.03.25 | Two Hoots

I am Emily the Owl is the third title in bestselling poet Pam Ayres' playful rhyming series, beautifully illustrated by Nicola O'Byrne.

Emily the barn owl goes on an extraordinary journey as she searches for a new home, unveiling the fascinating world of these secretive and enchanting creatures.

The second title in the series, *I am Hattie the Hare*, will also be available in paperback.



WIGGLING WORDS

9781035019717

HB | £12.99 | 20.02.25

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BRIGHT BIRDS

9781529088182

HB | £20.00 | 03.04.25

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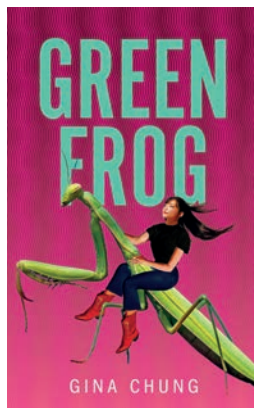
Verbs can be a pesky thing to master. *Wiggling Words* is an inspiring story to prompt children with dyslexia and other neurodivergence to problem-solve and gain confidence as they discover that even though words can be tricky, they can be fun too!

A richly illustrated, engaging look at just how clever birds can be, full of fascinating facts to be enjoyed by the whole family. Covering everything from migration to nest-building, this beautiful book makes the perfect gift for anyone interested in the natural world.



THE AMENDMENTS
9781529079876 | PB | £9.99
06.03.25 | Picador

From Niamh Mulvey, the story of three Irish women and their struggles to find love, meaning and freedom against a backdrop of enormous social and cultural change as Ireland marks time with a series of abortion referendums.



GREEN FROG
9781035019489 | PB | £9.99
13.03.25 | Picador

A funny, heartwarming collection of stories about women trying to make their own way: featuring daughters, divorcees, fox demons, a praying mantis and . . . green frogs. These offbeat, scintillating stories are influenced by Korean fairy tales.



THE KING'S WITCHES
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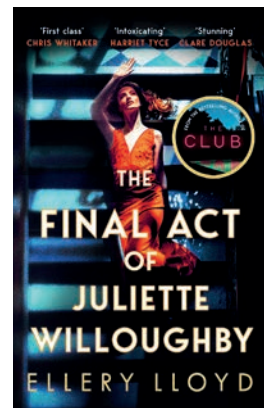
From the author of *The Maiden* comes a gripping new novel, giving voices to three women at the heart of the real-life witch trials in sixteenth-century Scotland. Will they be able to save each other and, in doing so, save themselves?



AFTER A DANCE
9781035024865 | PB | £10.99
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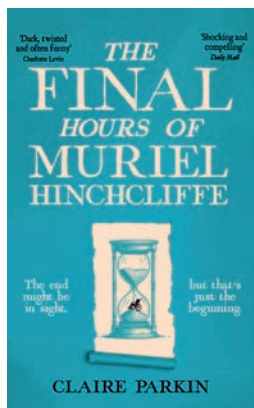
A visceral, very entertaining and totally unforgettable selection of stories from the celebrated author and screenwriter Bridget O'Connor.

'Just plain brilliant'
Roddy Doyle



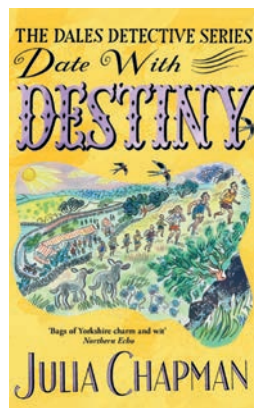
THE FINAL ACT OF JULIETTE WILLOUGHBY
9781035020829 | PB | £9.99
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A darkly glamorous story of love and madness, from Paris to Dubai. Three suspicious deaths over the course of a century – is the key to solving them hidden in Juliette Willoughby's lost painting?



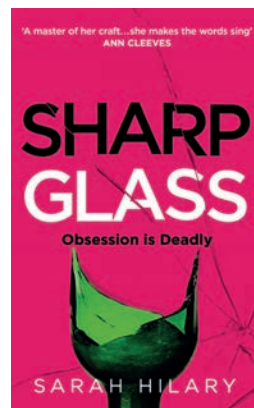
THE FINAL HOURS OF MURIEL HINCHCLIFFE
9781035028474 | PB | £9.99
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Ruth and Muriel have had a lifelong often toxic friendship, until Muriel announces her death in seventy-two hours' time. A darkly comic debut about two old friends, and the very fine line between love and hate.



DATE WITH DESTINY
9781035044801 | PB | £9.99
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The final instalment in the engaging Dales Detective series. Deliah and Samson have a wedding on the horizon, but first they must catch a criminal with nothing to lose who is stalking a local celebrity. Cosy crime fiction at its best.



SHARP GLASS
9781035005116 | PB | £9.99
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The new standalone novel from Sarah Hilary, author of *Black Thorn*. A woman is trapped, held captive by a man who believes she is someone she isn't, and he has no intention of letting her go . . .



WHISPERS OF THE DEAD
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In the eighteenth Rhona MacLeod book, Glasgow faces the discovery of a body in Elder Park and a Hollywood movie disrupted due to the lead actor's disappearance. Is the film the key to finding who's responsible?



A DIVINE FURY
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Florence, 1593. Officer Cesare Aldo is back after a period of exile. An unholy murderer is stalking the city. Watching. Hunting. Waiting for the perfect moment to strike again . . . and only Aldo can stop them.

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We've got a great selection of thought-provoking non-fiction paperbacks coming up, covering every subject from the science of nostalgia to the psychology of why we keep secrets.



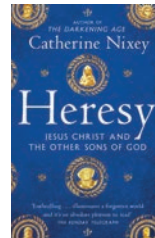
THE PSYCHOLOGY OF SECRETS
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Cult leaders, murderers, psychopaths – and you. We all keep secrets. Award-winning investigative journalist Andrew Gold takes a deep dive into the bizarre psychology of secret-keeping – why we do it, why secrets fascinate us and why we confess – as told through the stories of some of the world's most bizarre and extraordinary characters.



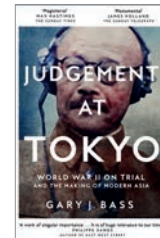
EVERYONE WHO IS GONE IS HERE
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New Yorker journalist Jonathan Blitzer offers a fresh and full account of America's immigration problems, but it is also much more than that. It is an odyssey of struggle and resilience, telling the epic story of people whose lives ebb and flow across the border and those who help and hinder them, and the implications for us all.



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From the author of the critically acclaimed and commercially successful *The Darkening Age*, comes a new examination of the many Christs who existed before the Church Fathers settled on the Christ we know today and proclaimed that all others were heresies. Perfect for readers of Tom Holland, Karen Armstrong and Richard Ovenden.



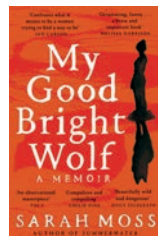
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Gary J. Bass's landmark, magisterial history of the postwar trials of Japan's leaders as war criminals, and their impact on the modern history of Asia and the world. Readers can expect a magnificent, riveting story of wartime action, dramatic courtroom battles, and the epic formative years that set the stage for the postwar era in Asia.



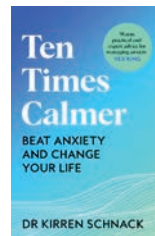
NOSTALGIA
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Nostalgia is a social and political emotion, vulnerable to misuse, and one that reflects the anxieties of the age. Agnes Arnold-Forster blends neuroscience and psychology with the history of medicine to explore the evolution of the most slippery of emotions, from the first identification of nostalgia in seventeenth-century Switzerland to the present.



MY GOOD BRIGHT WOLF
9781035035823
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From bestselling author Sarah Moss, comes a boundary-breaking memoir about growing up female in the 70s and 80s, the battleground of the female body, and the return of her teenage anorexia as an adult. Beautiful, audacious, moving and very funny, this memoir is a remarkable exercise in the way a brain turns on itself, and then finds a way out.



TEN TIMES CALMER
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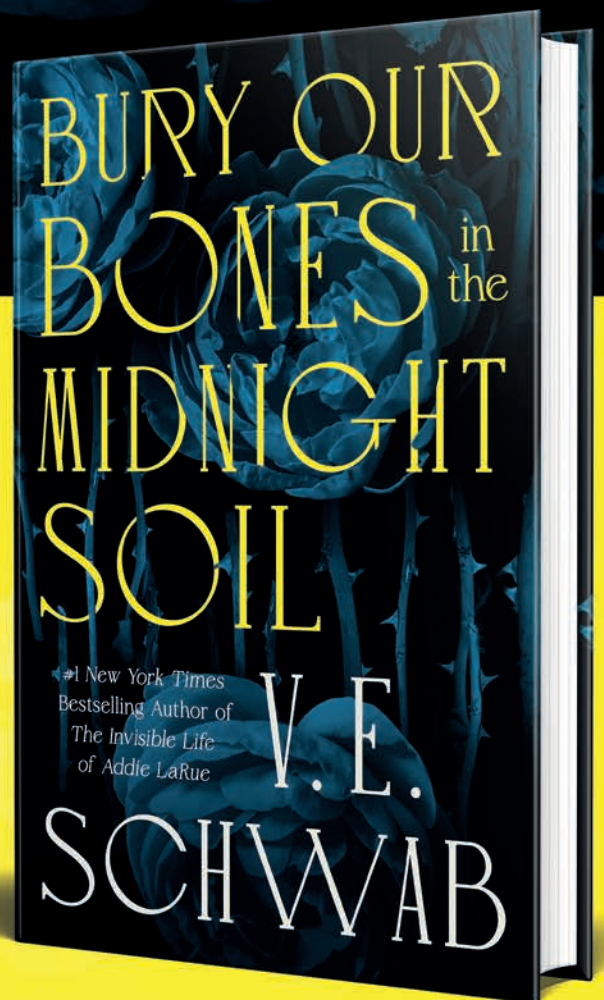
Dr Kirren Schnack is an Oxford-trained and practising NHS clinical psychologist with twenty years' experience. In *Ten Times Calmer*, she offers a first aid kit of tools to help readers understand stress, safely tackle trauma and manage uncertainty using short, anxiety-busting exercises and some well-researched and clinically proven tips.



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