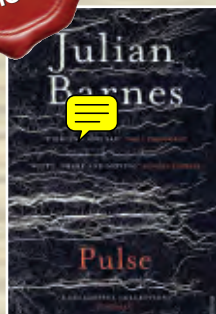


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## Abbey's Choice

Our pick of the new releases at Abbey's special prices



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There is a crime wave of sorts underway at Abbey's this month. Fortunately nothing nasty, really rather enjoyable, with Peter Corris and Stuart Littlemore gracing our store, the announcement of a new P D James novel, the *Queen of Crime* writers prize and *SheKilda* crime writing convention in Melbourne. See the *Crime Chronicle* inside for details. *Craig (Ed.)*

### Notes from Eve Abbey...

"It is interesting to read all about Germany in the last days of the Weimar Republic and the novel reads more like an exciting thriller, as well as a piercing look at the interior lives of the players." [read on, page 18]

### VINTAGE CLASSICS

#### Scaramouche Rafael Sabatini

In my misspent youth, I voraciously read what would be termed swashbucklers - lots of sword fighting and derring-do. I found Sabatini in the local library and read nearly all of his novels. **Scaramouche** was the first and is set in the days before the French Revolution. Andre-Louis Moreau becomes Scaramouche (a character in *commedia dell'arte*) in a group of travelling players and is forever becoming entangled in extraordinarily dangerous predicaments, yet each time he somehow frees himself and leaves others to take the blame. Taking us through the theatres of pre-Revolutionary France and the fencing schools of Paris, it has a daring and surprising ending. It made Sabatini's name and was made into a silent movie starring Ramon Navarro in 1923, then another movie in 1952 starring Stewart Granger. Adventure was ever thus with hair-raising duels, romance and treachery - what more could you want! *Peter Milne*



RECOMMENDED \$12.95

### PETER CORRIS AT ABBEY'S 27 OCTOBER

We are thrilled to have Peter joining us on Thursday 27 October. More info in *Crime Chronicle* (pg 7).



Peter's latest book is **Mad Dog: William Cyril Moxley and the Moorebank Killings** (*Crime Chronicle* pg 14)

### STUART LITTLEMORE AT ABBEY'S 13 OCTOBER

Following the release of his very well received novel **Harry Curry: Counsel of Choice** (\$29.99 Pb), we are delighted to have Stuart appearing at Abbey's on Thursday 13 October. More info in *Crime Chronicle* (pg 7).



### Indigenous Literacy Day Buskathon wrap-up

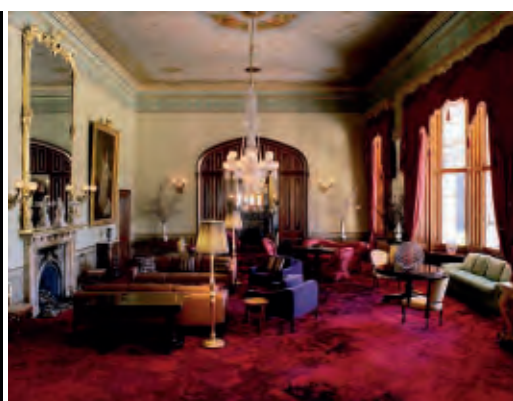
We send out a big Thank You to all who donated their time and money at Abbey's Vintage Classic Buskathon last month, including our celebrity authors, customers and staff who busked their favourite books or enjoyed the sausage sizzle. It was an enjoyable day for all and together with Random House we raised close to \$3,000 that goes towards providing books into indigenous communities around Australia.



### LATE DELIVERY

We apologise for the late delivery of last month's *Abbey's Advocate*. Rest assured, we're focusing on ironing out the supply chain wrinkles that occurred.





## REGAL READING Due November

Just in time for Christmas, this stunning book on Sydney's Government House from the Historic Houses Trust features over 200 pages of large format pictures and information about interiors, the garden and grounds, and vice-regal life.

You can look through a preview PDF of the book on our website [abbeyes.com.au](http://abbeyes.com.au)

Pre-order so you don't miss out.

## How Now Brown Frau Merridy Eastman

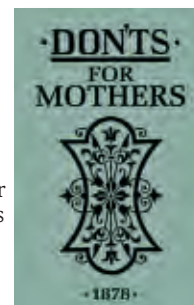
A hilarious memoir about what happened when a former *Playschool* presenter and brothel receptionist woke up one morning in Munich four months pregnant. It's a tale about marriage and motherhood and how even a feminist can own a Dirndl. Eastman takes us headlong into her new husband's straight-laced Bavarian family, grappling with both language and culture. 328pp Pb \$27.99



## Don'ts for Mothers: 1878

A brand new collection of old advice for mothers, from birth to weaning, the care of young children and boyhood and girlhood. Advice such as: "Don't wash the baby in hot water, it would weaken and enervate the babe and thus predispose him to disease. Luke warm rain water will be the best to wash him with" or "Don't add either gin or oil of peppermint to the babe's food. It is a murderous practice" – just some of the outlandish statements

to be found in this amusing volume. 80pp Hb \$7.99



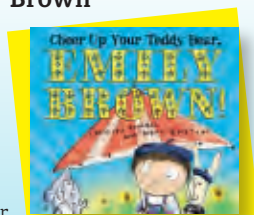
## Kids' Books

Reviewed by Lindy Jones  
2011 ABA Bookseller of the Year

## Cheer Up Your Teddy Bear Emily Brown Cressida Cowell

32pp Hb \$28.99

The irrepressible Emily Brown and her old grey Rabbit, Stanley, are back! One day whilst building a camp in Australia's outback (because it's too wet to go outside), they hear a noise from the toy box. It comes from a very wet teddy bear singing to herself about how lonely she is. What can Emily and Stanley do but invite her along on their camping trip? Unfortunately that doesn't cheer up the Tearful Teddybear; nor does hiking in Yellowstone or painting sunflowers in France. Only when Emily firmly declares it's time for the teddy to stop moping and try to smile does the sun come out. An exuberant story, full of all the imagination and fun and common sense of the previous Emily books.



## The Wonderful Wizard of Oz

L Frank Baum illustrated by Robert Ingpen

192pp Hb \$39.95

The movie is famous, but the original story of Dorothy's journey through the Land of Oz after a cyclone whisks her there is pure delight. The story doesn't need an introduction and this edition, with its glorious illustrations that give the characters much more dignity and reality than the Hollywood version could, is a treasure that deserves its place on any bookshelf. Part of the series of unabridged classics that Robert Ingpen is re-illustrating in order to introduce young readers to great literature, this beautiful book will appeal to readers of all ages! It is important to care for our precious places, no matter how small or far away they are. Ages 6-9



## Taken Away

Celine Kiernan

264pp Pb \$16.99

This is a clever, inventive, genuinely creepy-at-times novel that intertwines the stories of two sets of twins. The contemporary brothers find themselves staying in the house they usually visit for summer holidays after their grandmother (who suffers from dementia) burns down their home. After they stop an elderly gentleman from drowning himself, they are opened to the haunting influences of the house. The historical brothers are separated at a young age (I won't say why!) and one of them eventually finds himself in the muddy trenches of WWI France, where he is reunited with his brother. As the past reaches out to influence the future, so the actions of the boys in this present time will influence the happenings of the past... I really enjoyed this; great for readers 14 up.



## Grumpy Little King

Michel Streich

32pp Hb \$24.99

The little king is always grumpy. He wants to be a Big King, and when his advisors tell him the way to be big, rich and famous is to start a war, he embarks with unseemly enthusiasm on a war against his cousin, the lanky king. Both kings raise armies to fight against each other, and everyone is excited until they realise at a crucial moment that neither king is anywhere to be seen on the battlefield. A fable of quiet power illustrated in simple but witty drawings by the renowned illustrator of *The Universal Declaration of Human Rights* (72pp Hb \$22.95)





## FICTION

### The Auschwitz Violin

**Maria Angels Anglada**

Imprisoned at Auschwitz, Daniel's former occupation as a crafter of fine violins becomes known to the camp's organisers. Two dangerous men make a cruel wager: if Daniel can build a beautiful violin within a certain number of days, the Kommandant wins a case of the finest burgundy. If not, the camp doctor gets hold of Daniel for use in his 'experiments'. And so, battling malnutrition and exhaustion, Daniel tries to capture his lost art, knowing all too well the cost of failure... 128pp Pb \$17.95



### The Barbarian Nurseries

**Héctor Tobar**

The morning after the fight, Maureen Torres-Thompson left her beautiful home in a gated community just outside LA. Scott left too. When they finally return home, their children have gone. Terrified by what people will think, they lie and accuse the maid. As the national media explodes over the 'abduction', carefully constructed lives begin to fall apart. In a city divided between a wealthy privileged class and an immigrant population, every organisation has a reason for wanting the story to end a certain way... 432pp Tp \$29.99



### The Picture Book

**Jo Baker**

Set against the backdrop of British history, this is a family portrait. First there is William, the factory lad who loses his life in Gallipoli. Then his son Billy, a champion cyclist who survives the D-Day landings on a military bicycle, followed by his crippled son Will who becomes an Oxford academic in the 1960s. And finally his daughter Billie, an artist in contemporary London. Just as the names William, Billy, Will and Billie echo through the family, so too does the legacy of choices made, chances lost and secrets kept... 320pp Pb \$27.99



### Shelter

**Frances Greenslade**

Set 40 years ago in Northern Canada, this is the touching story of two girls aged 12 and 14. Their mother was imaginative and wild, while their father was 'Mr Safety' - a logger who knew the ways of the woods and taught his youngest how to survive, how to find and make a shelter in all weathers, in any conditions. But when he is killed in an accident and their mother disappears, what kind of shelter can two young girls make? 384pp Tp \$29.99



### Tarantula

**The Skin I Live In**

**Thierry Jonquet**

Richard Lafargue is an eminent plastic surgeon haunted by dirty secrets. He has an operating theatre in the basement of his chateau and keeps his partner Eve imprisoned in her bedroom, where he humiliates her by forcing her to perform lewd sexual acts with strangers while he watches through a one-way mirror. In alternating chapters, Jonquet introduces seemingly unrelated characters, all caught in a deceitful web, waiting to meet their fate... 128pp Pb \$19.99

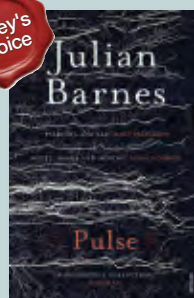


### Pulse

**Julian Barnes**

The stories in this long-awaited third collection (Cross Channel and The Lemon Table both 224pp Pb \$24.95) are attuned to the body, love and sex, illness and death, connections and conversations. A divorcee falls in love with a mysterious European waitress; a widower relives a favourite holiday; two writers rehearse familiar arguments; a couple bond, fall out of favour and then bond again. And at a series of evenings at 'Phil & Joanna's', conversation ranges from the environment to the British-ness of marmalade, from toilet graffiti to smoking, as we witness the guests' lives in flux. 240pp Pb \$24.95 **\$19.95**

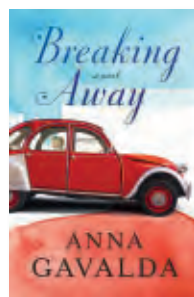
Also available from Julian Barnes: **The Sense of an Ending** (150pp Hb \$29.95), shortlisted for the 2011 Man Booker Prize.



### Breaking Away

**Anna Gavalda**

On the car journey to a family wedding, Garance reflects on how adult life, with its disappointments and responsibilities, has not always gone to plan for herself or her three siblings. But just around the corner lies the chance for them to revisit their younger, carefree selves in a delightfully unplanned escapade... Hb \$16.95



### Ragnarok

**The End of the Gods**

**A S Byatt**

Ragnarok is the story of the end of the world. It is a tale of the destruction of life on this planet and the end of the gods themselves. As the bombs rain down in the Battle of Britain, one young girl is evacuated to the countryside. She is struggling to make sense of her new wartime life. Then she is given a book of ancient Norse myths and her world is transformed. War and the destruction of life on this planet are just some of the threads that A S Byatt weaves into her reinvention of this classic Norse saga. 208pp Pb \$23.95



### Ed King

**David Guterson**

In 1962, mild-mannered actuary Walter Cousins makes the biggest mistake of his life. When Walter sleeps with the sharp-tongued Diane Burroughs, he has no sense of the magnitude of his error. For this brief affair sets in motion a tragedy of epic proportions, upending Sophocles's immortal tale of fate, free will and forbidden desire. And at the centre is Ed King, an infant given up for adoption who becomes one of the world's richest and most powerful men... 320pp Tp \$29.99 **\$24.99**



### Nightwoods

**Charles Frazier**

In the lonesome beauty of the forest, across the far shore of the mountain lake from town, Luce acts as caretaker to an empty, decaying Lodge, a relic of holidaymakers a century before. Her days are long and peaceful, her nights filled with Nashville radio and yellow lights shimmering on the black water. It's a solitary life and the perfect escape. Until the strange children come, bringing fire, murder... and love. 304pp Tp \$32.99



### Lazarus is Dead

**Richard Beard**

Life is mostly good for Lazarus until, far away in Galilee, his childhood friend turns water into wine. Immediately, Lazarus falls ill and deteriorates with each subsequent miracle. His sisters think Jesus can help, but Lazarus disagrees. Then he dies. But Lazarus is about to discover that returning from the dead isn't easy. You think you want a second chance at life, but what happens when you get it? Lazarus is determined to avoid the mistakes he made the first time round! 272pp Tp \$29.95



### The Year After

**Martin Davies**

December 1919. Tom Allen, uncomfortable in London after five years in uniform, receives an invitation to spend Christmas at Hannesford Court. It's almost as if nothing has changed. Cards in the library after dinner. The Boxing Day shoot. The New Year ball. Margot. But Tom hasn't forgotten the professor. A strange meeting in Germany raises a question: in all his visits to Hannesford before the War, all those years observing the glittering life of its owners, how much did he ever really see? 416pp Tp \$32.99

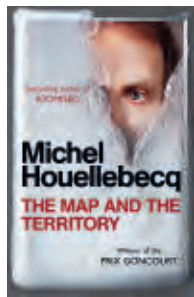




## The Map and the Territory

**Michel Houellebecq**

If Jed Martin was to tell you a story, he would perhaps begin by talking about a boiler breaking down. Or Olga, a very pretty Russian he met during the first exhibition of his photographs of Michelin road maps. He would also recall helping inspector Jasselin solve an atrocious crime. And at the end of his life he will find serenity. Art, money, love, a father-son relationship, death, work and France turned into a tourist paradise are some of the themes of this classic yet modern novel. 304pp Tp \$32.95



## The Milkman in the Night

**Andrey Kurkov**

After waking several mornings in a row with no idea where he has been the night before, Semyon is concerned. Asking his friend Volodka to follow him on his nocturnal wanderings, Volodka reports that Semyon left his apartment a little after 2am to meet a tall blonde, whom he kissed and accompanied to her door. But when he visits the address in the daytime, Semyon doesn't recognise the location. And stranger yet, someone is watching Volodka watching Semyon... 480pp Tp \$32.95



## Apricot Jam and Other Stories

**Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn**

A brilliant collection of stories translated for the first time into English. First published in Russia in 1994, when Solzhenitsyn returned after years of living in exile, this series of nine stories reaffirms the author's position as a searing political commentator and literary giant. With Soviet and post-Soviet life as their focus, the stories illustrate the Russian experience under the Soviet regime. 352pp Pb \$24.95



## Unusual Uses for Olive Oil

*A von Igelfeld Novel*

**Alexander McCall Smith**

Life seems to unfairly test Professor Dr Moritz-Maria von Igelfeld, pillar of the Institute of Romance Philology in the Bavarian city of Regensburg. There is the undeserved rise of his rival Detlev Amadeus Unterholzer, the ramblings of the librarian, Herr Huber, and the condescension of his colleagues regarding his unmarried state. But when his friend Ophelia Prinzel takes it upon herself to match make, it appears the professor's true worth is about to be recognised! 208pp Hb \$32.99 **\$27.99**



## Autumn Laing

**Alex Miller**

Autumn Laing seduces Pat Donlon with her pearly thighs and her lust for life and art. In doing so, she not only compromises the trusting love she has with her husband, but she also steals the future from Pat's young wife Edith and their unborn child. 53 years later, 85-year-old Autumn is shocked to discover a powerful need for redemption. As she begins her story, she writes, "They are all dead and I am old and skeleton-gaunt. This is where it began..." Autumn is an intimate portrait of a woman and her time. 464pp Hb \$39.99



## We Need to Talk About Kevin

*[Film Tie-In]*

**Lionel Shriver**

Two years ago, Eva's son Kevin committed an appalling act. In a series of letters to her absent husband, Eva recounts the story of how Kevin came to be Kevin. Fearing that her own shortcomings have shaped what her son has become, she confesses to a deep, long-standing ambivalence about motherhood in general and Kevin in particular. How much is her fault? When did it all start to go wrong? Or was it ever 'right' at all? 408pp Pb \$19.95



## Beat the Drums Slowly

**Adrian Goldsworthy**

Pursued by Napoleon, the very survival of Britain's army is at stake. Separated from the rest of the army in the initial chaos, the newly promoted Hamish Williams chances upon Jane MacAndrews, the daughter of his commanding officer and the woman with whom he soon falls in love. As they evade the pursuing French, the boundaries of their social relationship are tested to the limit. But Williams must do more than deliver Jane safe to her father. He is the only thing standing between the French and a massacre! 336pp Tp \$32.99



## War and Peace

**Judith Armstrong**

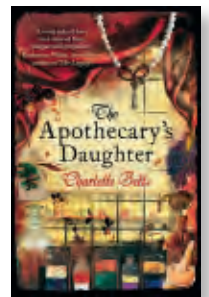
In 1862, Sophie Behrs, nicknamed Sonya, married Leo Tolstoy. For 48 years, they shared their lives in a passionate, collegial and combative union. 16 years younger than her husband, Sonya bore him 13 children and worked for years as his copyist. Both were passionate personalities and, towards his end, Tolstoy deserted her. In this novel, Judith Armstrong tells Sonya's own story, exploring their devotion and ambivalence to one another and their passion for the powers of the imagination... 256pp Tp \$29.99



## The Apothecary's Daughter

**Charlotte Betts**

Susannah Leyton has grown up behind the counter of her father's apothecary shop. When her widowed father announces his intentions to marry again, Susannah is caught in a battle of wills with her new stepmother. So when she receives a proposal of marriage from the charming merchant Henry Savage, she believes her prayers have been answered. But Henry is a troubled man and as the plague sweeps through the city, the secrets of Henry's past unfold... 400pp Tp \$29.99



## You Deserve Nothing

**Alexander Maksik**

Set in an international high school in Paris, this novel is told in the voice of Will, a charismatic young teacher who brings ideas alive in the classroom; Gilad, one of Will's students who has grown up behind compound walls in Dakar and Dubai, and for whom Paris and Will's senior seminar are tastes of freedom; and Marie, the beautiful, vulnerable senior with whom Will is having an illicit affair. This is a captivating tale about teachers and students and the coming of adulthood. 320pp Tp \$29.99



## AUSTRALIAN FICTION

### Blood

**Tony Birch**

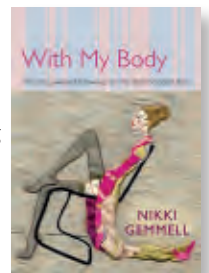
Jesse always knew he'd need to look after his little sister Rachel. When his mum's taste for destruction leads the family into the arms of Ray Crow, Jesse senses the brooding violence and knows the trouble is real. But even as he tries to save his sister, Jesse makes a fatal error that exposes them to the kind of danger he swore to protect Rachel from. As their world is torn apart, the children learn that, when you are lost and alone, the only thing you can trust is what's in your blood... 288pp Tp \$29.95



### With My Body

**Nikki Gemmell**

A wife, comfortably married with several children, is contemplating middle age along with the constraints of motherhood. Finding herself numb and locked in an unending cycle of school runs and meal times, she can't see a way to live with honesty. Even her husband has never reached the core of her. Despairing of ever finding her own identity, she returns to the memory of an old love affair - the consequences of which she has never resolved... 496pp Tp \$29.99





## Lola's Secret

**Monica McInerney**

At the Valley View Motel in South Australia's picturesque Clare Valley, 86-year-old Lola Quinlan is up to her usual mischief. She has sent her family away for the holiday period and invited a number of mystery guests to come and stay. As the big day draws closer and Lola's immediate family dramas threaten to unravel her plans, she discovers that at a special time of year, magic can happen in any family - especially your own! 400pp Tp \$29.95



## The Hypnotist's Love Story

**Liane Moriarty**

Ellen O'Farrell is a hypnotherapist who helps her clients deal with everything from addictions to life-long phobias. So when she falls in love with a man who is being stalked by his ex-girlfriend, she's intrigued. What makes a supposedly smart, professional woman behave this way? She'd love to meet her! What she doesn't know is that she already has. Saskia has been masquerading as a client and their lives are set to collide in ways Ellen could never have predicted! 432pp Tp \$32.99



## Matilda is Missing

**Caroline Overington**

Softie was a career woman who owned a nice apartment overlooking St Kilda Beach. Garry had one failed marriage and an assortment of jobs under his belt. But Softie's body clock was ticking and Garry wanted children. So they got married and produced Matilda. Two years later, their golden-haired child is at the centre of a bitter custody battle. Both parents insist her well-being is the only thing they care about. Yet Matilda was always the one most likely to become lost... Tp \$32.95



## BIOGRAPHY

### Lady Almina and the Real Downton Abbey

*The Lost Legacy of Highclere Castle*  
**Countess of Carnarvon**

Lady Fiona Carnarvon became the chatelaine of Highclere Castle eight years ago. In that time she's become fascinated by the rich history of Highclere and the extraordinary people who lived there over the centuries. One person captured Fiona's imagination: Lady Almina, the 5th Countess of Carnarvon and the illegitimate daughter of banking tycoon Alfred de Rothschild. In this remarkable story, Fiona weaves Almina's journey into the heritage of one of England's most exquisite Victorian castles. 336pp Tp \$32.99



## On Shakespeare

**John Bell**

Did Shakespeare really write all those plays? Why do you do Shakespeare in modern dress? How do you prepare for a role? What's it like doing a long run? Did he believe in ghosts? Was he a subversive...? Every day, after every performance around the world, theatregoers ask these sorts of questions. John Bell, actor and director, a man who thinks, breathes and interprets Shakespeare's canon every day of his life, gives his response based on experience and reflection. 448pp Hb \$39.99 **\$32.99**



## Blue Nights

**Joan Didion**

In 2010, Joan Didion marked the sixth anniversary of her daughter's death. This is a shatteringly honest examination of her life as a mother and a writer. Recently widowed and becoming increasingly frail, she attempts to understand our deepest fears, our inadequate adjustments to ageing and to put a name to what we refuse to see and fail to face up to. An intensely personal and yet strangely universal account of how we love, this is the culmination of a stunning career. 192pp Pb \$27.99



## Love and Capital

*Karl and Jenny Marx and the Birth of a Revolution*  
**Mary Gabriel**

Mary Gabriel brings to life Karl and Jenny Marx's marriage. We follow them as they roam Europe, on the run from hostile governments amidst a secret network of would-be revolutionaries. We see Karl not only as an intellectual, but as a protective father and loving husband, a visionary, a joker, a man of tremendous passions - both political and personal. This volume offers readers a truly human portrait of the Marxes and their devotion to one another. 800pp Hb \$39.99



## Caravaggio

*A Life Sacred and Profane*  
**Andrew Graham-Dixon**

Michelangelo Merisi da Caravaggio lived the darkest and most dangerous life of any of the great painters. The worlds of Milan, Rome and Naples through which Caravaggio moved are those of cardinals and whores, prayer and violence. Andrew Graham-Dixon's illuminating readings of Caravaggio's pictures - which are at the heart of this book - demonstrate how he created their drama, immediacy and humanity and how he completely departed from the conventions of his time. 544pp Pb \$26.95



## Absolutely

**Joanna Lumley**

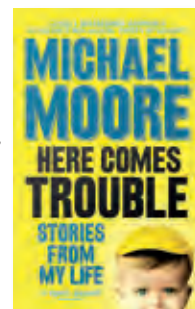
Joanna Lumley is best known for her role as Patsy Stone in the TV series *Absolutely Fabulous*. She has spoken out as a human rights activist for Survival International and the recent Gurkha Justice Campaign and is now considered a 'national treasure' of Nepal and the UK because of her support. She is also an advocate for a huge number of charities. The sheer diversity of her life makes her a compelling personality - and her plummy vowels makes her one of Britain's most recognisable actors. 272pp Hb \$45



## Here Comes Trouble

*Stories from My Life*  
**Michael Moore**

Before he became an Oscar-winning filmmaker, Michael Moore had an uncanny knack for showing up just where history was being made. One moment he's a lost 11-year-old boy being found by Bobby Kennedy; the next, he's planning a dry-run escape to Canada with his stoner friends in case they get drafted to Vietnam. In 2003, his Oscar acceptance speech leaves audiences open-mouthed. This book might just be the most hilarious, poignant and inspiring non-autobiography you ever read! 436pp Tp \$29.95



## That Woman

*The Life of Wallis Simpson, Duchess of Windsor*  
**Anne Sebba**

"That woman" - so called by her sister-in-law Queen Elizabeth - was Bessie Wallis Warfield, born in Baltimore in 1895. The American divorcee, who 'ensnared' a British King, was not only one of the most talked about women of her generation, but also one of the most reviled after her death. Becoming a symbol of female empowerment and a style icon, she remains an enigma and a subject of fascination that has increased with the years. 400pp Tp \$35

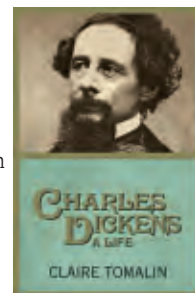


## Charles Dickens

*A Life*

**Claire Tomalin**

Dickens' characters live immortally in the English imagination. From unpromising beginnings, Dickens rose to scale both social and literary heights, entirely through his own efforts. When he died, the world mourned and he was buried in Westminster Abbey. Yet his brilliance concealed a divided character: a republican, he disliked America; sentimental about family, he took up with a young actress and cut off his children. Claire Tomalin captures the complex character of this great genius. 576pp Hb \$49.95

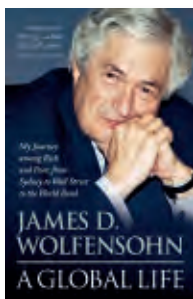




## A Global Life

*My Journey Among Rich and Poor, from Sydney to Wall Street to the World Bank*  
**James Wolfensohn**

Wolfensohn is one of the world's most successful and unconventional figures - an expat Aussie and former World Bank President who has channelled his personal success into the struggle against poverty. he recounts his early life in Sydney, climbing the ladder as a prominent banker in London and then New York, and his astounding ten-year tenure as president of the World Bank from 1995 to 2005. This is the story of a truly visionary financier and philanthropist. Tp \$34.99



## Over the Top

*A Digger's Story of the Western Front*  
**H G Hartnett**

Australia's diggers didn't go 'over the top' for King and Country; they did it for their mates and their battalion. Hartnett recalls the battles, the long marches and the many amusing events that provided escape from the horrors of the battlefield. His moving descriptions offer an insight into the unshakeable bonds forged between these men. 348pp Pb \$24.99



## Worse Things Happen at Sea

*Tales of Life, Love, Family and the Everyday Beauty in Between*  
**William McInnes & Sarah Watt**

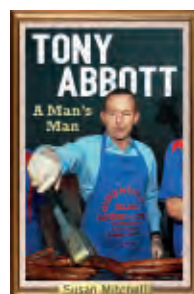
This memoir celebrates the wonderful, messy, haphazard things in life: bringing home babies from hospital, being a friend, a parent, a son or daughter, and dog obedience classes. It's about living for 20 years in the family home, raising children, chasing angry rabbits around the backyard and renovations that never end. It is also about understanding that sometimes you have to say goodbye... Illustrated with Watt's photographs of family life and beautiful but everyday objects. 256pp Hb \$35



## Tony Abbott

*A Man's Man*  
**Susan Mitchell**

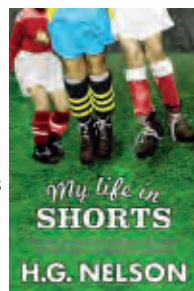
When Julia Gillard - unmarried, childless and an atheist - became Australia's first female Prime Minister in 2010, opposition leader Tony Abbott was boiling with rage. Beyond this event, women sense in Abbott a man who has little respect for the social changes they have fought so hard to achieve - a man who aims his political energy at demolishing Gillard and the Labor government. This book explores Abbott's desire to lead his country back to 'the proper order of things'. 240pp Tp \$32.95



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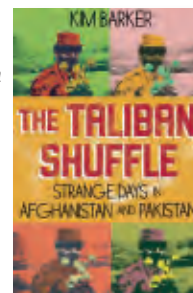


## HISTORY

### The Taliban Shuffle

*Strange Days in Afghanistan and Pakistan*  
**Kim Barker**

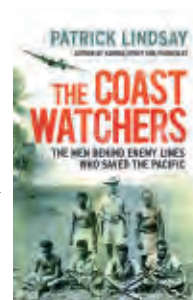
Foreign correspondent Barker offers an insider's account of the 'forgotten war' in Afghanistan and Pakistan, chronicling the years after America's initial routing of the Taliban. When Barker arrives in Kabul, foreign aid is at a record low and electricity is a pipe dream. Meanwhile, the Taliban is regrouping. Swift, funny and wholly original, Barker captures the absurdities and tragedies of life in a war zone. 320pp Tp \$32.95



### The Coast Watchers

*The Men Behind Enemy Lines Who Saved the Pacific*  
**Patrick Lindsay**

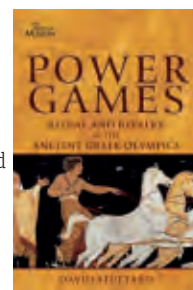
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**David Stuttard**

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**PETER CORRIS**  
AT ABBEY'S 27 OCTOBER

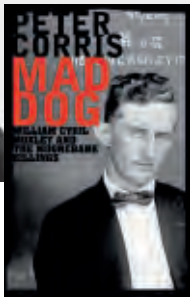
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Peter's latest book is **Mad Dog: William Cyril Moxley and the Moorebank Killings** (page 14)



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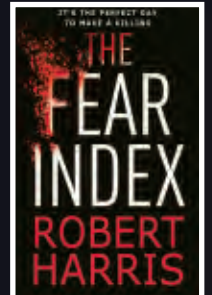


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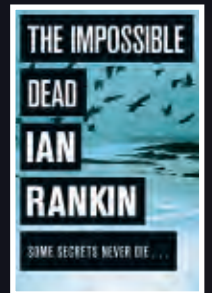
[English, Suspense] 464pp Tp \$32.95



**Ian Rankin**  
**The Impossible Dead**  
**Malcolm Fox #2**

Malcolm Fox and his team from Internal Affairs have been sent to Fife to investigate cops suspected of covering up for a corrupt colleague, Detective Paul Carter. But what should be a simple job is soon complicated by a brutal murder committed with a weapon that should not even exist. The spiralling investigation takes Fox back in time to 1985, a year of turmoil in British political life. But Fox has a duty to find the truth, even as the body count rises, the clock starts ticking and he fights for his life.

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Four teenagers find the mutilated corpse of a young girl stuffed into a dumpster in an Edinburgh alleyway. But where is the baby that she has obviously recently given birth? Inspector Rob Brennan, back from psychiatric leave, is still shocked by the shooting of his only brother. His superiors think that the case of the dumpster girl will be perfect to get him back on track. But what Rob discovers about the murdered girl will blow the case - and his life - wide open...

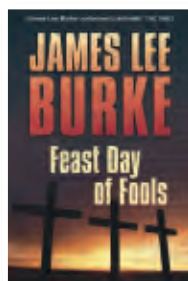
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Still mourning the loss of his cherished wife, Sheriff Hackberry Holland keeps his demons at bay. When alcoholic ex-boxer Danny Boy Lorca witnesses a man tortured to death in the desert, Hack's investigation leads him to the home of Anton Ling, who is known for sheltering illegals. Ling denies having seen the victims or perpetrators, but there is something in her steely demeanour and aristocratic beauty that compels Hackberry to return to her home again and again as the investigation unfolds...  
 [American, Police Proc.] 480pp Tp \$32.99



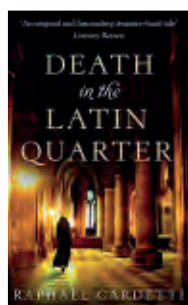
**Andrea Camilleri**  
**The Potter's Field**  
*Insp. Montalbano #13*

An unidentified corpse is found near Vigta, a town known for soil rich with potter's clay. Meanwhile, a woman reports the disappearance of her husband, a Colombian man with Sicilian origins who turns out to be related to a local mobster. Slowly and through myriad betrayals, Inspector Montalbano must find his way to the solution of the crime...  
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In Sorbonne, professor of medieval literature Albert Cadas kills himself. Meanwhile in another part of Paris, young restorer Valentine Savi is commissioned to restore a priceless and mysterious medieval palimpsest. When Valentine learns that the shadowy figures who seek to possess the secrets of the manuscript are far darker and more ruthless than she could have imagined, she soon finds herself on a terrifying adventure through the narrow streets of the Latin Quarter.  
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Asad Khalil - aka 'The Lion' - is the most dangerous man alive. A ruthless Libyan terrorist with an agenda of death and destruction, he has come to the US to seek out his number one enemy, ex-NYPD homicide detective John Corey. But Corey is equally intelligent, equally ruthless... and equally determined to wipe Khalil off the face of the earth!  
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**Cat in an Ultramarine Scheme**  
*Midnight Louie #22*

Preparing to launch a high-risk Las Vegas mob museum and casino, publicist Temple Barr uncovers a buried safe and a recently murdered body during a live event. She soon finds herself turning to Midnight Louie's cat posse to stave off mafia threats on her life.  
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**James Douglas**  
**The Doomsday Testament**

When art recovery expert Jamie Saintclair stumbles upon his grandfather's diary, he's astonished to find that the gentle Anglican clergyman was a decorated hero who had served in the Special Air Service in WWII. And sewn in to the journal is a strange piece of Nazi symbolism. This simple discovery will launch him on a breathless chase across Europe and into Germany's dark past. There are some who will kill to find what is lost... and although he doesn't yet know it, Saintclair holds the key to its hiding place.  
*[Scottish, Archaeological]* 512pp Pb \$24.95



**Linda Fairstein**  
**Silent Mercy**  
**Alex Cooper #13**

Assistant DA Alexandra Cooper has seen some gruesome crimes committed in New York - but the barbarity of a young woman's body found on the steps of a Baptist Church in Harlem leaves her nauseous. With NYPD cop Mike Chapman, Alex begins to investigate, but before long another woman is slaughtered and it becomes clear a zealous serial killer on the loose. Now Alex and Mike must keep one step ahead of a religious fanatic - before he kills anyone else.  
*[American, Police Proc.]* 464pp Pb \$19.99



**Elly Griffiths**  
**The House at Sea's End**  
**Ruth Galloway #3**

A team of archaeologists unearth six bodies buried at the foot of a cliff. Forensics expert Ruth Galloway and DCI Nelson are drawn together again to unravel the past. Tests reveal that the bodies have been preserved in the sand for 60 years. The mystery of their deaths stretches back to WWII, a time when Great Britain was threatened by invasion. But someone wants the truth of the past to stay buried and will go to any lengths to keep it that way. Even murder...  
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**Kaitlyn Dunnott**  
**The Corpse Wore Tartan**  
**Lisa MacCrimmon #4**

When Moosetookalook's finest hotel reopens in time to host an annual celebration of Scotland's most beloved poet, the Scottish Heritage Appreciation Society arrives on the scene, bringing along their share of long held grudges. Then a fierce blizzard hits, trapping everyone - angry Scotsmen, hapless hotel staff and Liss herself - indoors. It isn't long before a body is discovered in a storage room, covered in tartan - and blood. Liss must work fast to solve this crime while cooped up with a killer!  
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**Jessica Fletcher & Donald Bain**  
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Jessica Fletcher has always wanted to take a transatlantic voyage on the legendary *Queen Mary II*. Now she's finally getting her chance! But when the investigation of a stolen diamond follows her up the gangplank, she must try to enjoy the sumptuous seaborne surroundings while searching for a priceless diamond... and the person desperate enough to take a life for it!  
*[American, Cosy]* 292pp Pb \$13.50



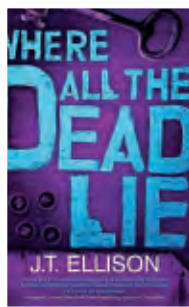
**Ian Hamilton**  
**The Deadly Touch of the Tigress**

Ava Lee is a petite young Chinese-Canadian forensic accountant who works for an elderly Hong Kong-based 'Uncle'. In tracking millions of dollars across continents, the stakes are often high - sometimes violent and always shady - but Ava Lee's razor-sharp intelligence and unorthodox rules of engagement allow her to succeed where traditional methods have failed. This is a novel full of suspense, with an equally fascinating heroine!  
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**JT Ellison**  
**Where All the Dead Lie**  
**Taylor Jackson #7**

Trapped in silence after a run-in with the murderous Pretender, Nashville homicide detective Taylor Jackson - desperate to get away accepts a friend's offer to use his home in the Scottish highlands to recuperate. But a dark presence in the idyllic castle causes her to lose her grip on reality...  
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**Joanne Fluke**  
**Gingerbread Cookie Murder**  
**Lucy Stone #17**

Hannah Swensen finds her neighbour Ernie Kusak with his head bashed in and sprawled on the floor of his condo next to an upended box of Hannah's highly-esteemed Gingerbread Cookies... only to discover a flurry of murder suspects that is as long as her holiday shopping list!  
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**Sophie Hannah**  
**Lasting Damage**

Connie Bowskill should be asleep. Instead, she's logging on to a property website in search of a particular house: 11 Bentley Grove, Cambridge. She finds herself looking at a scene from a nightmare. In the living room, in the middle of the carpet, there's a woman lying face down in a pool of blood. In shock, Connie wakes her husband Kit. But when Kit sits down at the computer to take a look, he sees no dead body - only a pristine beige carpet in a perfectly ordinary room...  
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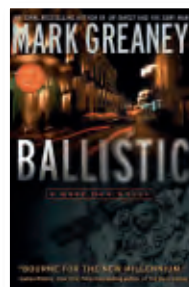
**Kjell Eriksson**  
**The Princess of Burundi** [2006]  
**Ann Lindell #1**

When the mutilated body of tropical fish collector John Jonsson is discovered in Uppsala the police are baffled. Inspector Ann Lindell is convinced the killer has been identified. But sinister events unfold and Jonsson's family get involved, Lindell and her team must unravel the complex clues and stop the killer... before it's too late!  
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**Mark Greaney**  
**Ballistic**  
**Court Gentry #3**

Ex-CIA assassin Court Gentry thought he could find refuge in the Amazon rain forest, but his bloody past finds him when a vengeful Russian crime lord forces him to go on the run once again. Court makes his way to the only man in the world he can trust... only to find his friend is dead. Years before, Eddie Gamboa had saved Court's life. Now Eddie has been murdered by the notorious Mexican drug cartel he fought to take down. Court will find himself drawn into a war he never wanted...  
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**Paul Harper**  
**Pacific Heights**  
**Marten Fane #1**

Psychiatrist Vera List discovers two of her clients are both having an affair with a suave mystery man who insists on anonymity and who appears to be using both women's intimate secrets to push them to their mental limit. Fearing for their sanity, Vera seeks the help of intelligence operative for hire, Marten Fane. As Fane delves into the world of his target, he realises he is dealing with a calculated professional conducting a disturbing psychological experiment that will end in death - unless Fane can stop it.  
*[American, Private Eye]* 352pp Tp \$27.99



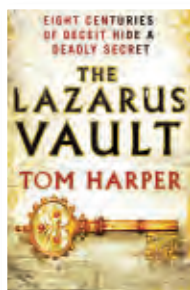


## Tom Harper

### The Lazarus Vault

Deep in the heart of London, the Monsalvat Bank is small and secretive. When impoverished graduate student Ellie Stanton is unexpectedly invited to join the firm, Ellie soon realises her employers are watching her every move. For buried in the bank's medieval vault lies a closely-guarded treasure of immeasurable power - one inextricably bound up with Ellie's own history. Ellie will find herself in a race against time, hunted by the bank and pursued by her past...

[English, Archaeological] 480pp Pb \$24.95



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Field Operative Del Shannon has never been able to locate her mother. Feds are investigating a religious compound run by Silas Rule in the Kentucky hills. One agent is already missing and Del is recruited when the FBI discovers that her father owns property in the area. Partnering with ATFE agent Frank Falconet, they go undercover. But Del has another agenda: to discover if Silas Rule and the secretive Nazareth Church hold the key to her mother's past.

[American, Espionage] 384pp Pb \$23.95



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London, 1929. Dora Strang is a doctor's daughter with an unmaidenly passion for anatomy. Denied her own medical career, she begins life as filing clerk to the country's pre-eminent pathologist, Alfred Kemble. Dora is thrilled by the grisly post-mortems and the pathologist himself - the embodiment of all her girlish fantasies. But Dora's job holds more than a few surprises. Can the impressionable Miss Strang emerge unscathed?

[English, Suspense] 288pp Tp \$29.99



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### Taboo Reilly Steel #1

Quantico-trained forensic investigator Reilly Steel has arrived in Ireland from California to drag the Irish crime lab into the 21st century. When a man and woman are found dead in an apartment, the gunshot wounds on their naked bodies suggest a suicide pact. But Reilly's instincts suggest otherwise and as more bodies are discovered, the team realises a twisted murderer is at work - one who seeks to upset society's norms in the most sickening way imaginable...

[Irish, Forensic] 432pp Pb \$19.99



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### The Loner

Xavier Aislado is a half Spanish, half Scottish gentle giant, brought up in Edinburgh by his ferocious grandmother Paloma Puig. Xavi's emergence into manhood is eventful. After a short career as a professional footballer, he turns to journalism, where his first assignment ends in violent death. As his autobiography unfolds, Xavi's life and his love become entwined with his work, as he goes halfway round the world in search of a truth that may destroy him.

[Scottish, Psychological] 544pp Pb \$22.99



## Liz Lipperman

### Liver Let Die Clueless Cook Mystery #1

Jordan McAllister can't cook her way out of a macaroni and cheese box, but filling in for the culinary reporter at The Ranchero Globe is better than writing personal ads. Her first assignment to review the new steakhouse in town is a disaster that ends with her waiter murdered outside her door - with her name and number in his pocket. Now Jordan is the prime suspect... as well as the main course on the murder menu!

[American, Cosy] 288pp Pb \$13.50



## Katherine Howell

### Violent Exposure Detective Ella Marconi #4

When Suzanne Crawford is found stabbed to death and her husband Connor is missing, Detective Ella Marconi suspects a straightforward case of domestic homicide. But why is there no record of Connor Crawford beyond a few years ago? As Ella builds a picture of the Crawfords' fractured life, her own life is deteriorating. But Ella only has time for the job she loves and she knows she must see her way through the tangled web of deceit and lies to get at the truth... before it's too late.

[Australian, Police Proc.] 336pp Pb \$22.99



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### The More the Terrier Pet Rescue #2

When shelter manager Lauren Vancouver discovers that her old mentor Mamie Spelling is an animal hoarder, she is shocked. Lauren jumps in to help re-home the cramped critters. But Mamie's troubles don't end there. She's accused of murder when the CEO of a pet shelter network is found dead. And Lauren's dogged determination to clear her former friend of murder may put a killer on her tail.

[American, Cosy] 304pp Pb \$13.50



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[American, Suspense] 352pp Pb \$24.99



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[Icelandic, Suspense] 400pp Pb \$24.95

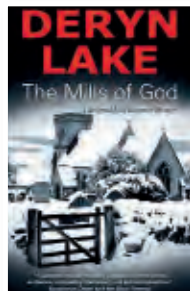


## Deryn Lake

### The Mills of God Rev Nick Lawrence #1

The sleepy, eccentric Sussex village of Lakehurst suddenly becomes a place of terror and night shadows. After dark, it is hardly safe to go out, to the consternation of the newly arrived Vicar, trendy young Nick Lawrence, and Inspector Dominic Tennant of the Sussex Police Force. For a serial killer is on the loose: one who leaves notes at the scene of his crimes signed: 'The Acting Light of the World'...

[English, Police Proc.] 208pp Pb \$27.95

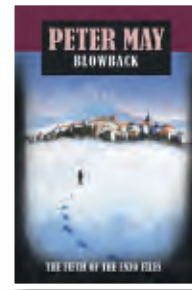


## Peter May

### Blowback Enzo Files #5

Enzo Macleod takes on his fifth cold case, delving into the big business and high stakes of French haute cuisine seven years after France's top chef, Marc Fraysse, was murdered. But unravelling the complex web of relationships that surrounded the brilliant and mercurial chef - a spurned lover, a jealous wife, an estranged brother, an embittered food critic - also leads to strange parallels with his own life. And in opening up this celebrated cold case, he finds himself reopening old wounds from his past...

[Scottish, Police Proc.] 277pp Pb \$23.95





**Jenn McKinlay**  
**Death by the Dozen**  
*Cupcake Bakery Mystery #3*

Melanie and Angie are determined to win the Challenge to the Chef to promote their Fairy Tale Cupcakes bakery. Mel's mentor from culinary school, Vic Mazzotta, may be one of the judges, but Mel and Angie will have to win fair and square. So when Vic's dead body is found inside a freezer truck, Mel and Angie will need to use their best judgment to find the cold-blooded killer... or they may lose a lot more than the contest!  
**[American, Cosy] 304pp Pb \$11.95**



**Andy McNab**  
**Dead Centre**  
*Nick Stone #14*

Semi-retired but restless, Nick Stone finds himself at the centre of an extraordinary encounter which turns his world upside down. An oligarch's young son has been snatched from aboard a luxury yacht in the Seychelles. The fuse is lit and Stone is hurtled into a mission that leads him from the Alpine enclaves of the super-rich to the savage underbelly of war-torn Somalia. There, Stone's principal objective turns remorselessly from liberation to vengeance...  
**[American, Espionage] 416pp Tp \$32.95**



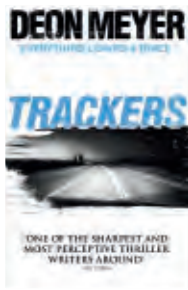
**Glenn Meade**  
**The Second Messiah**

For 2,000 years, wars have been fought, dynasties founded and great empires built on the message at the heart of Christianity: that Jesus Christ is the one true messiah. But in modern-day Jerusalem, archaeologist Jack Cane makes a shocking discovery. A discovery that not only threatens to destroy the charismatic new Pope, but one that could shatter 2,000 years of faith and challenging the very foundations of the Western world!  
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**Deon Meyer**  
**Trackers**

A housewife running from years of domestic abuse. A bodyguard hired to escort a smuggled rhinoceros. A group of Islamic terrorists based in a quiet residential street. A secret government agency threatened with amalgamation within a bigger department. A retired policeman trying to get used to his new career in the private sector. Each strand of this brilliant narrative is populated with superbly-drawn characters and woven into a fabulous kaleidoscope of South African society.  
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**Margaret Millar**  
**Beast in View [1955]**

At age 30 Helen Clarvoe is alone: her only visitors are the staff at the hotel where she lives and her only phone calls come from a stranger. Until that stranger, with a quiet, compelling voice, lures the aloof and financially secure Miss Clarvoe into a world of extortion, pornography, vengeance, madness and murder. But who is the hunter and who is the victim?  
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**Gladys Mitchell**  
**Come Away, Death [1937]**  
*Beatrice Lestrangle Bradley*

Sir Rudri Hopkinson, an eccentric amateur archaeologist, is determined to recreate ancient rituals at the temple of Eleusis in Greece in the hope of summoning the goddess Demeter. He gathers together a motley collection of people to assist in the experiment, including a rival scholar, a handsome photographer and a trio of mischievous children. But when one of the group disappears and a severed head turns up in a box of snakes, Mrs Bradley is called upon to investigate...  
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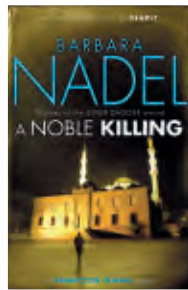
**Marcia Muller**  
**Coming Back**  
*Sharon McCone #27*

As she tries to recover from a debilitating injury, Sharon McCone seeks to discover the truth behind the disappearance of one of the friends she made at physical therapy - a missing-persons case that could have a powerful effect on national security...  
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**Barbara Nadel**  
**A Noble Killing**  
*Cetin Ikmen #13*

In Istanbul, police are called to the scene of an honour killing of a young girl. Further investigations by Inspectors Cetin Ikmen and Mehmet Suleyman reveal the girl had a secret boyfriend who has now disappeared. He and the girl's family are prime suspects, even though forensic evidence is scant. Religion, organised crime and social conformity come together in a story of violence in a divided and changing society. And Mehmet Suleyman is on the verge of making a mistake that could ruin his career...  
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**Hakan Nesser**  
**The Unlucky Lottery**  
*Inspector Van Veeteren #6*

Four pensioners celebrate the fact that they have won 20,000 kronor in the lottery. Just hours later, one of them is found in his home, stabbed to death. Chief Inspector Van Veeteren is on sabbatical, so the case is assigned to Inspector Munster. But then another member of the lottery group disappears and Munster appeals to Van Veeteren for assistance. As Munster delves deeper into the case, he will discover dark secrets which not only threaten the clarity of the case, but also his life.  
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**Clare O'Donohue**  
**The Devil's Puzzle**  
*Someday Quilts #4*

After their quilting retreat update, the Someday Quilts ladies return to Archers Rest to prepare for the town's big anniversary celebration. But their plans are derailed by the discovery of a human skeleton in Nell's grandmother's backyard - making Eleanor the prime suspect. But when a wave of vandalism raises fears that the town's bygone history of witchcraft has been reawakened, secrets are unearthed that could change life in Archers Rest forever!  
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**Robert B Parker**  
**Painted Ladies**  
*Spenser #39*

Art professor Ashton Prince has hired PI Spenser to help recover a stolen painting. The thieves will return it in exchange for a ransom and all Spenser must do is accompany Prince - just in case. And collect his fee. But as Prince walks away from the exchange towards Spenser's car carrying the wrapped painting, it explodes. Prince is gone and so is Spenser's cash. Spenser soon discovers Prince's past is far from squeaky clean, but who killed him and why?  
**[American, Private Eye] 304pp Pb \$22.99**



**James Patterson**  
**Don't Blink**

Reporter Nick Daniels is conducting a once-in-a-lifetime interview with a reclusive celebrity in a renowned New York restaurant. But the interview is cut short by a murder that takes place just yards from their table. As Nick reviews the tapes from his interview, he stumbles upon evidence that could be crucial to the murder investigation. But someone is watching his every move... and they will stop at nothing to prevent Nick from discovering the truth.  
**[American, Journalistic] 496pp Pb \$14.95**





**Malcolm Pryce****The Day Aberystwyth Stood Still****Louie Knight #6**

Aberystwyth's only PI, Louie Knight, receives a visit from a stranger called Raspiwtin, who asks him to track down a dead man. 25 years ago, Lestyn Probert was hanged for his part in the raid on the Coliseum cinema, but shortly afterwards he was seen alive and well. Is there substance to the rumours that he was resuscitated by aliens? As strange lights are spotted in the sky above Aberystwyth, Lestyn Probert has been sighted once again. But what does Raspiwtin want with him? *[English, Private Eye]* 256pp Tp \$29.99

**Anders Roslund & Borge Hellström****Cell 8****Ewert Grens #4**

John Schwarz earns his daily crust on a ferry between Finland and Sweden. One night he sees a drunkard harassing several women and beats the man so badly he ends up in hospital. The incident would normally be dismissed as a drunken brawl, but Detective Inspector Ewert Grens is suspicious of certain details of the case and investigates further. His findings not only shock him to the core, but blows apart the worldwide debate on the death penalty! *[Swedish, Police Procedural]* 384pp Tp \$27.99

**Daniel Silva****The Rembrandt Affair****Gabriel Allon #10**

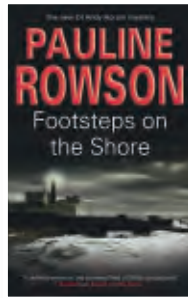
Glastonbury, an art restorer, has been brutally murdered and the newly discovered Rembrandt he was working on has disappeared. This unspeakable act of violence once again draws spy turned art restorer Gabriel Allon into a dangerous world he thought he'd left behind forever. Allon is persuaded to use his unique skills to trace the painting and those responsible for the crimes. But as he investigates, he will undertake a journey throughout some of the 20th century's darkest history... *[American, Private Eye]* 480pp Pb \$19.95

**Matthew Reilly****Scarecrow and the Army of Thieves****Scarecrow #5**

A long-forgotten relic of the Cold War, Dragon Island is a top-secret base housing a weapon that has just been re-activated. When Dragon Island is seized by a brutal terrorist force, the fate of the world hangs in the balance. Only Marine captain Schofield, aka Scarecrow, can stop them. He doesn't lead a strike force - just a handful of Marines and civilians. It's not equipped to attack a fortified island held by a vicious army. But Scarecrow will lead the team in anyway, because someone has to! *[Australian, Suspense]* 576pp Hb \$44.99

**Pauline Rowson****Footsteps on the Shore****DI Andy Horton #6**

Friday the 13th starts badly for DI Andy Horton. Convicted murderer Luke Felton goes missing just as a decomposed corpse is washed up in Portsmouth harbour. But before Horton can get to grips with either case, he is called to the house of a woman he had met only the day before, to find her brutally murdered. Is Luke Felton the prime suspect, or is his body in the mud of the harbour? Horton is under pressure and little does he suspect that things are about to get a whole lot worse! *[English, Police Procedural]* 224pp Pb \$24.95

**Michael Stanley****Death of the Mantis****Detective Kubu #3**

When a ranger named Monzo is found dead in a dry ravine surrounded by three Bushmen, the local police arrest the nomads. Detective 'Kubu' Bengu is on the case, reuniting him with his old school friend Khumanego, a Bushman and advocate for his people who believes the arrests were motivated by racist antagonism from the police. Soon after Monzo's death, Detective 'Kubu' learns of another case involving two botany students who were poisoned at a campground. Are the deaths connected? *[South African, Police Proc.]* 416pp Tp \$29.99

**Luis Miguel Rocha****The Papal Decree**

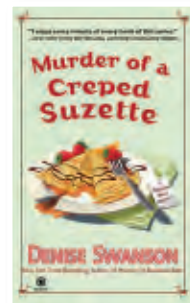
The Qumran Valley, 1947. Ancient scrolls are discovered, which the Vatican tries to suppress. Only five men know of their existence. And four of the men have been found dead. Priest and double agent, Rafael, is sent to investigate. The evidence he discovers may implicate journalist Sarah Monteiro, who already knows too many of the Church's secrets. Finding themselves dangerously entangled in a life-threatening conspiracy, Rafael and Sarah must uncover the truth... before the killers do! *[Portuguese, Archaeological]* 320pp Pb \$19.95

**Eduardo Sacheri****The Secret in Their Eyes**

Criminal investigator Benjamin Chaparro determines to end his obsession with the decades-old rape and murder of a beautiful young married woman in Buenos Aires, by writing a book. As Chaparro sifts through the evidence of the investigation, he revisits the lives of those who became entangled in the murder: Morales, the murdered woman's husband; Pablo Sandoval, Chaparro's gifted but unpredictable partner; and Irene Menendez Hastings, the judge's assistant who provoked unintended consequences... *[Argentinian, Police Proc.]* 256pp Tp \$29.99

**Denise Swanson****Murder of a Creped Suzette****Scumble River #14**

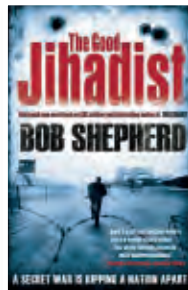
In Scumble River, plans to build a country music theatre fall into disarray and school psychologist Skye Denison becomes immersed in honky-tonk murder and mayhem, when rising country star Suzette Neal is murdered after asking to investigate the suspicious death of her mother which occurred 27 years earlier. *[American, Cosy]* 272pp Pb \$13.50

**Delia Rosen****One Foot in the Gravy****Deadly Deli #2**

Gwen Katz has been asked to cater for social butterfly Lolo Baker's audience-participation mystery party. Gwen, who is now the owner of her late uncle's kosher deli, discovers that murder is on the menu when a dead body comes crashing through the ceiling! *[American, Cosy]* 256pp Pb \$13.50

**Bob Shepherd****The Good Jihadist**

Disillusioned SAS veteran Matt Logan is struggling on civvy street. But when a seemingly random act of terror destroys everything Matt holds dear, he returns to the murky world of Black Ops where he must go undercover in Pakistan to single-handedly unravel a jihadist network. Stalked by fundamentalists and Pakistani intelligence, Matt is a pawn in a conspiracy to redraw the boundaries of global power; a secret war that is ripping a nation apart. But not the one he thinks... *[English, Espionage]* 384pp Tp \$29.99

**LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY NSW**

Monday 3rd October Hours: 10am - 5pm

**Gayle Trent****Killer Sweet Tooth****Daphne Martin #3**

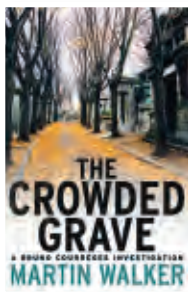
Wrongly implicated when she stumbles on the murdered body of a local dentist, cake decorator Daphne Martin's efforts to solve the mystery and clear her name is complicated by rumours about an affair... and a travelling convention of Elvis impersonators! *[American, Cosy]* 272pp Pb \$23.95





**Martin Walker**  
**The Crowded Grave**  
*Bruno #4*

In south-west rural France, local duck and goose farms are being attacked by animal rights protestors. A senior policeman is shot by terrorists believed to be the Basque Separatists of ETA. And a group of students have unearthed a 'modern' skeleton during a dig at an ancient site, bringing an influx of foreigners to the Dordogne. It is up to Chief of Police Bruno Courreges to get to the bottom of these seemingly unrelated events!  
*[English, Police Procedural] 320pp Tp \$27.99*



**Penny Warner**  
**How to Party with a Killer Vampire**  
*Party-Planning Mystery #4*

While hosting a lavish party in a graveyard for big-time producer Lucas Cruz, event planner Presley Parker finds her reputation on the line when an entertainment reporter crashes the party and winds up dead.

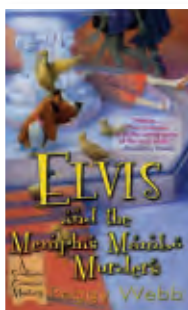
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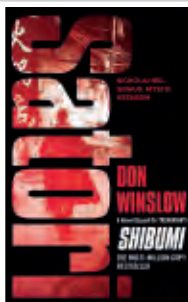
**Peggy Webb**  
**Elvis and the Memphis Mambo Murders**  
*Southern Cousins #3*

When Callie Valentine Jones and the gang head to Memphis to keep Mama out of trouble at the regional dance competition, Elvis - the king of sleuthing basset hounds - is not about to miss his chance to return to Graceland. But Elvis and his human family get all shook up when somebody starts knocking off the dancers.  
*[American, Cosy] 296pp Pb \$13.50*



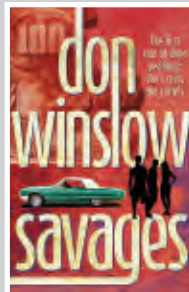
**Don Winslow**  
**Satori**

Sugamo Prison, Japan, 1951. Nikolai Hel has spent the last three years in solitary confinement for the murder of his mentor. Suddenly offered the chance of freedom, Nikolai feels danger as never before. Overseen by Haverford, his American spymaster, he must go to Beijing and kill the Soviet Union's commissioner to China. In a landscape primed for war, this is a suicide mission that he has no choice but to accept. Can Hel succeed in winning his freedom? And if so, at what cost?  
*[American, Espionage] 544pp Pb \$22.99*



**Don Winslow**  
**Savages**

Part-time environmentalist and philanthropist Ben and his ex-mercenary buddy Chon run a Laguna Beach-based marijuana operation, reaping significant profits from their loyal clientele. In the past when their turf was challenged, Chon took care of eliminating the threat. But now they may have come up against something they can't handle - the Mexican Baja Cartel wants in. When they refuse to back down, the cartel escalates its threat, kidnapping Ophelia, the boys' playmate and confidante.  
*[American, Suspense] 320pp Pb \$24.95*



**HISTORICAL CRIME**

**Carol Carr**  
**India Black and the Widow of Windsor**  
*India Black #2*

When Queen Victoria attends a seance, the spirit of her departed husband, Prince Albert, insists she spend Christmas at their Scottish home in Balmoral. Prime Minister Disraeli suspects that the Scottish nationalists plan to assassinate the Queen and sends the ever resourceful India Black and the handsome British spy, French, to the Scottish Highlands. India is certain that someone at Balmoral is determined to make this Her Majesty's last Christmas!  
*[American] 304pp Pb \$21.95*



**Nick Drake**  
**Egypt: The Book of Chaos**  
*Rai Rahotep #3*

Left with no heirs, Tutankhamun's widow writes a letter to her enemy, the King of the Hittites, begging him to send her one of his sons so that they can form an alliance. Rahotep is sent on a dangerous mission with the Royal envoy to deliver the Queen's letter and bring her back a King. It is a mission from which Rahotep may never return. If he succeeds Rahotep is promised the elite position of Head of the Thebes police. If he fails, his family will perish and so too will the Queen...  
*[English] 459pp Tp \$32.95*



**Ariana Franklin**  
**The Assassin's Prayer**  
*Mistress of the Art of Death #4*

Adelia Aguilar is to accompany 10-year-old Princess Joanna on her 1,000-mile journey to marry the King of Sicily. Along with a lavish procession of nobles, musicians, servants, laundresses, grooms, luggage and treasure, they must also take with them the legendary sword Excalibur. But when members of the procession begin to die, there are dangerous accusations of witchcraft against Adelia. Meanwhile one traveller, armed with a personal vendetta, has been watching Adelia closely. He wants Adelia dead. But he wants her to suffer first...  
*[English] 432pp Pb \$24.95*



**Gyles Brandreth**  
**Oscar Wilde and the Vatican Murders**  
*Oscar Wilde #5*

Exhausted by his creation of Sherlock Holmes, Arthur Conan Doyle retires to the spa at Bad Homburg. The first person he encounters is Oscar Wilde, where the friends make a series of macabre discoveries that lead them to Rome and the Vatican itself. Pope Pius IX has just died. These are uncertain times. To uncover the mystery and why the creator of Sherlock Holmes has been summoned in this way, Oscar and Conan Doyle must penetrate the innermost circle of the Catholic Church.  
*[English, Historical] 352pp Tp \$29.99*



**Barbara Hamilton**  
**Sup with the Devil**  
*Abigail Adams Mystery #3*

After an attempt on the life of her young nephew Horace, Abigail Adams travels to Harvard to investigate. It seems a mysterious woman hired Horace to translate some Arabic, then left him at the mercy of her henchmen. He survived with a tale of pirate treasure. Meanwhile one of Horace's fellow students - loyal to the King - is murdered. The Sons of Liberty are desperate to find the rumoured gold, but Abigail wants the truth. For the Devil's treasure comes with a curse...  
*[American] 336pp Pb \$21.95*



**Laurie R King & Leslie S Klinger [eds]**  
**A Study in Sherlock**

Neil Gaiman. Laura Lippman. Lee Child. These are just three of 18 superstar authors who provide fascinating, thrilling and utterly original perspectives on Sherlock Holmes in this one-of-a-kind book! These modern masters place the sleuth in suspenseful new situations, create characters who solve Holmesian mysteries, contemplate Holmes in his later years, fill gaps in the Sherlock Holmes Canon and reveal their own personal obsessions with the Great Detective.  
*[American] 400pp Pb \$23.95*

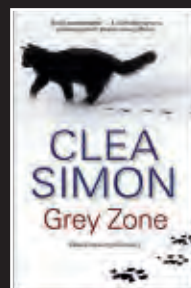
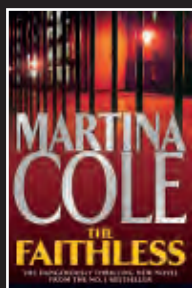


**Edward Marston**  
**A Bespoke Murder**  
*Marmion & Keedy #1*

London, 1915. The sinking of the Lusitania sparks an unprecedented wave of anti-German riots. Among the victims are the immigrant tailor Jacob Stein, found dead in his burnt-out shop. Initially Jacob's killing appears to be the tragic excess of wartime hysteria, but when it transpires that Jacob had been stabbed amidst the flames, his safe ransacked and his daughter Ruth raped, DI Harvey Marmion and Sergeant Joe Keedy must take on this case of cover-ups and contradictions and track down the perpetrators.  
*[English] 320pp Hb \$45*







## CRIME NON-FICTION



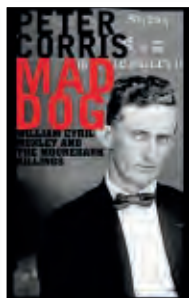
**Peter Corris**

**Mad Dog**

*William Cyril Moxley and the Moorebank Killings*

William Cyril Moxley was hanged at Sydney's Long Bay Gaol in 1932, the first execution in NSW for eight years. His crime was the brutal rape and murder of 21-year-old Dorothy Ruth Denzel and the vicious beating and killing of her boyfriend, Frank Barnby Wilkinson. How did this WWI army deserter, small-time thief, conman and police informer come to be the infamous murderer 'Mad Dog Moxley'? Was it simply a robbery gone wrong? Was he really the monstrous sociopath described by the lawyers and tabloids?

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**Andrew Moore**

**Mr Big of Bankstown**  
*The Scandalous Fitzpatrick and Browne Affair*

Raymond Fitzpatrick - a rough-hewn Sydney businessman known as 'Mr Big of Bankstown' - and Frank Browne - a journalist with a bent for verbal attacks on politicians - joined forces in 1955 to teach the troublesome MP Charles Morgan a lesson he would not forget. However, it was Fitzpatrick and Browne who ended up learning the lesson. Colourful personalities and personal animosities intersect in this true story about two individuals who were imprisoned on a vote of the Commonwealth House of Representatives.

[Australian] 246pp Tp \$34.95



**Mark 'Chopper' Read**  
*Road to Nowhere 23 Years and 9 Months in the Australian Prison System*

Mark 'Chopper' Read is over 50 years old and has spent almost half that time in prison. He is a man who knows the Australian prison system better than any other. He knows how the definitive school of hard knocks turns juvenile delinquents into hardened criminals. How it feels to be thrust into a world of violent psychopaths and be transformed into the worst of their number. This book is Chopper's redemption. It is the real story of the man, the criminal and the prisoner, told with black humour and surprising insight.

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(Cottage Tales of Beatrix Potter #8)

Susan Wittig Albert [American, Cosy] Hb \$37.95

**Lethal**

Sandra Brown [American, Suspense] Tp \$29.99

**Carver** (Samuel Carver #5)

Tom Cain [English, Suspense] Pb \$21.95

**The Best American Mystery Stories 2011**

Harlan Coben & Otto Penzler [eds]  
[American, Anthology] Pb \$23.95

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Martina Cole [English, Suspense] Tp \$32.99

**First Thrills**

Lee Child [ed] [English, Anthology] Pb \$19.99

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Thomas Enger [Norwegian, Suspense] Pb \$24.99

**The Hand That Trembles** (Ann Lindell #4)

Kjell Eriksson [Swedish, Police Proc.] Pb \$17.99

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Dolores Gordon-Smith [English, Sus.] Pb \$24.95

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Ed Gorman [American, Suspense] Pb \$23.95

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(Inspector Lucas Rocco #2)

Adrian Magson [English, Police Proc.] Hb \$39.95

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Boyd Morrison [American, Archae.] Tp \$29.99

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Stuart Neville [Irish, Police Procedural] Pb \$24.95

**Dublin Dead** (Mike Malcahy #2)

Gerard O'Donovan [Irish, Police Proc.] Tp \$32.99

**Daddy's Girl** (Clare Hart #3)

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Malcolm Brown [Australian] Tp \$29.95

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Ross Coulthart & Duncan McNab  
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Philip R Klein [Australian] Pb \$24.95

**Urban Smuggler**

Andrew Pritchard [English] Pb \$24.95

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Peter Seymour [Australian] Pb \$24.99

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## The Friar of Carcassonne

*Revolt and Inquisition in the Last Days of the Cathars*

**Stephen O'Shea**

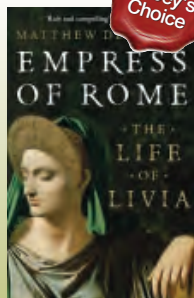
Nearly a century had passed since Languedoc had been put to the sword in the Albigensian Crusade, but any accusation of Catharism invited peril. Resistance stirred in Carcassonne and in 1300 the Franciscan friar Bernard Delicieux united the currents of resistance. The forces against Delicieux included the ruthless Pope Boniface VII, the Machiavellian French King Philip IV and the grand inquisitor of Toulouse Bernard Gui. This volume tells the friar's inspiring life and tragic story. 288pp Hb \$35



## Empress of Rome

*The Life of Livia*  
**Matthew Dennison**

Second wife of the emperor Augustus and the mother of his successor Tiberius, Livia has been vilified as the scheming Roman matriarch, poisoning her relatives one by one to smooth her son's path to the imperial throne. In this rigorously researched biography, Dennison removes the historical Livia from this caricature of the popular imagination. He depicts a complex, courageous and gifted woman with the energy to create a prominent public profile and to exert political influence. 352pp Pb \$24.95 **\$19.99**



Abbey's Choice

## The First Ladies of Rome

*The Women Behind the Caesars*

**Annelise Freisenbruch**

Like their modern counterparts, the 'first ladies' of Rome were moulded to meet the political requirements of their emperors. Using a rich spectrum of literary, artistic, archaeological and epigraphic evidence, this book uncovers the kaleidoscopic story of some of the most intriguing women in history and the vivid and complex role of the empresses as political players on Rome's great stage. 400pp Pb \$24.95

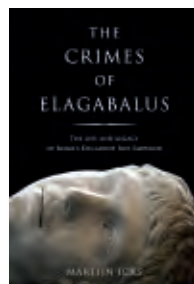


## The Crimes of Elagabalus

*The Life and Legacy of Rome's Decadent Boy Emperor*

**Martijn Icks**

Elagabalus is one of the most notorious of Rome's 'bad emperors': a sexually depraved and eccentric hedonist who in his short and riotous reign made unprecedented changes to Roman state religion and defied all taboos. This volume examines the life of one of the Roman Empire's most colourful figures and charts the many guises of his legacy: from evil tyrant to firebrand rebel, from mystical androgyne to modern gay teenager, from decadent sensualist to ancient pop star. 288pp Hb \$54.95



## The Art of Betrayal

*Life and Death in the British Secret Service*

**Gordon Corera**

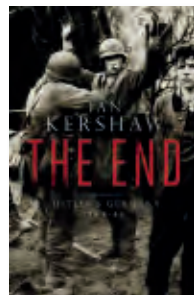
The British Secret Service has been cloaked in secrecy and shrouded in myth since it was created 100 years ago. Our understanding of what it is to be a spy has been largely defined by the fictional worlds of James Bond and John le Carre. This volume provides a unique insight into the reality behind the fiction, revealing the triumphs and disasters along the way. From Afghanistan to the Congo, from Moscow to the back streets of London, the truth is often more remarkable than the fiction! 496pp Hb \$55



## The End

*Hitler's Germany 1944-45*  
**Ian Kershaw**

During the last months of WWII, unimaginable levels of violence destroyed entire cities and millions died or were dispossessed. Kershaw describes these final months, from the failed attempt to assassinate Hitler in July 1944 to the German surrender in May 1945. This book raises the profound questions about the nature of WWII, the Third Reich and how ordinary people behave in extreme circumstances. 592pp Hb \$49.95



## The Borgias

*History's Most Notorious Dynasty*  
**Mary Hollingsworth**

Of Spanish origin, the Borgias came to prominence in 15th century Italy, when the spiritual values of the medieval Church were swept aside by the worldly secularism of the Renaissance. They also became notorious for licentiousness, venality and all forms of immorality, while their patronage of the arts brought about some of the greatest artistic masterpieces of the Renaissance – a family that has inspired abomination and fascination in equal measure! 384pp Hb \$49.99

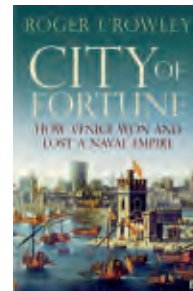


## City of Fortune

*How Venice Won and Lost a Naval Empire*

**Roger Crowley**

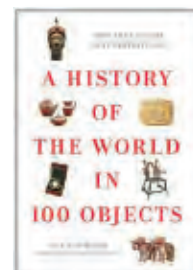
This magisterial work of gripping history tells the story of the Venetian ascent from lagoon dwellers to the greatest power in the Mediterranean - an epic 500-year voyage that encompassed crusade and trade, plague, sea battles and colonial adventure. Beginning on Ascension Day in the year 1000 and ending with an explosion off the coast of Greece and the news that the Portuguese had pioneered a sea route to India, anyone who loves Venice and the Mediterranean world will be fascinated. 432pp Hb \$39.99



## A History of the World in 100 Objects

**Neil MacGregor**

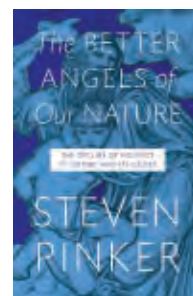
The history of humanity is a history of invention and innovation as we have continually created new items to use, admire or to leave our mark on the world. Director of the British Museum, Neil MacGregor, has selected 100 man-made artifacts - each providing an intimate glimpse of an unexpected turning point in human civilisation. Stretching back two million years, from the very first hand axe to the ubiquitous credit card, each item has a fascinating story to tell! 736pp Hb \$65



## The Better Angels of Our Nature

*The Decline of Violence in History and its Causes*  
**Steven Pinker**

This myth-destroying book shows that humankind has become less violent from prehistory to today. Even the 20th century, commonly perceived as the most brutal, is part of this trend. Debunking both the idea of the 'noble savage' and the Hobbesian notion of a 'nasty, brutish and short' life, and ranging over everything from the Enlightenment to warfare, art to religion, Steven Pinker argues that modernity and its cultural institutions have actually made us better people. 800pp Tp \$32.95





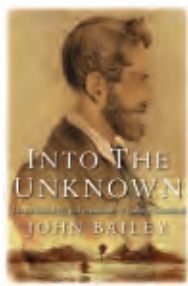
## AUSTRALIAN HISTORY

### Into the Unknown

*The Tormented Life and Expeditions of Ludwig Leichhardt*

**John Bailey**

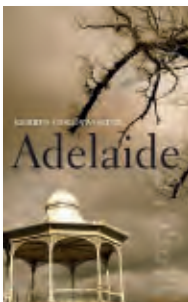
Leichhardt is Australia's most fascinating early explorer. Born and educated in Prussia in the early 19th century, he felt shackled by the narrow expectations of his family and the highly regimented society of his birth. Fascinated by the natural world, he longed for adventure and exploration. A masterful biography of this brilliant, tormented man. 416pp Tp \$34.99



### Adelaide

**Kerryn Goldsworthy**

The final release in the six book *The City Series*: *In Search of Hobart, Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, Perth* (Hb \$29.95 each). Goldsworthy offers a personal guide to Adelaide via a collection of iconic objects that explore the beautiful, commonplace, dark and contradictory history of the city: the heat, the wine, the weirdness, the progressive politics, the rigid colonial formality, the sinister horrors and the homey friendliness. They all paint a lively portrait of her home city as remembered by assorted writers, citizens and visitors - but mainly as it exists in her memory and imagination. 304pp Hb \$29.95



### The Sydney Harbour Bridge

*A Life*

**Peter Spearritt**

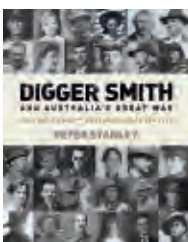
This revised edition of Spearritt's biography celebrates the 80th anniversary of the Sydney Harbour Bridge in March 2012. It is the extraordinary story of the Bridge's design and construction, the drama of its official opening and the way it has taken a central place in Sydney's celebrations as a much-loved symbol. The Bridge has inspired art and drawn visitors from all over the world to marvel and climb this magnificent structure. 176pp Pb \$34.95



### Digger Smith and Australia's Great War

**Peter Stanley**

Smiths were among the first men to land on Gallipoli. Smiths fought and died at Pozieres, Bullecourt and Passchendaele. Smiths were wounded and treated by doctors and nurses named Smith. This is a riveting read that cleverly uses the most common of surnames, Smith, as a device to shine a light on how the Great War affected all Australians. Illustrated with contemporary photos, this is an important contribution to Australian literature of the Great War. 368pp Hb \$39.99



### Ghost Platoon

**Frank Walker**

For 39 years, the Australian Defence Force denied that a unit called the 2nd Defence and Employment Platoon existed during the Vietnam War. When the platoon was thrown into one of the biggest firefights of the war, it was a highly successful operation. But immediately afterwards the platoon was mysteriously disbanded and there were no official records. Frank Walker traces what happened to the men of the Ghost Platoon and their long battle to prove they existed. 352pp Tp \$35



## SCIENCE

### Cycles of Time

*What Came Before the Big Bang?*

**Roger Penrose**

In this remarkable book, Roger Penrose brilliantly illuminates some of the deepest mysteries of the universe, arguing that the Big Bang was not actually the beginning of everything - nor will it signal the end. Presenting various standard and non-standard cosmological models, discussing black holes in depth, as well as taking in the role of the cosmic microwave background along the way, this volume offers new answers to the ultimate questions of life. 304pp Pb \$24.95 **\$19.95**



### The Quintessential Bird

*The Art of Betty Temple Watts*

**Viola Temple Watts**

Betty Temple Watts developed an interest in birds in her early married life while living in Iran and Papua New Guinea. Although she had studied art formally as a 19-year-old, it was not until she was 48 and settled in Melbourne that she decided to immerse herself in her bird art. This volume offers readers a glimpse into her joyous world of birds. This is followed by the plates, reproduced in full, along with 60 close-ups of individual birds. 160pp Hb \$34.95



### Secret Language

*Codes, Tricks, Spies, Thieves and Symbols*

**Barry Blake**

Ciphers and codes conceal messages and protect secrets. Blake takes the reader on fascinating excursions down obscure byways of language, ranging across time and culture. With revelations on every page, it will entertain anyone with an urge to know more about the most arcane and curious uses of language! 352pp Pb \$17.95



## MISCELLANEOUS

### Australian Poetry Since 1788

**Geoffrey Lehmann & Robert Gray [eds]**

From concrete poems to prose poems, from the cerebral to the naive, from the humorous to the confessional, and from formal to free verse, this book contains over 1,000 poems from 170 Australian poets, as well as short critical biographies. This careful re-evaluation of Australian poetry makes it a superb collection that can be read and enjoyed over a lifetime. 1,100pp Hb \$69.95



### Thirty Australian Poets

**Felicity Plunkett**

The year 1968 marked a turning point in Australian poetry, when a dynamic wave of new poets sought to revitalise a 'moribund poetic culture'. This anthology includes a wonderful diversity of voices and styles, from reimagined versions of traditional forms to the experimental and avant-garde. This groundbreaking anthology captures the spirit of an exciting generation of poets who have made this renaissance impossible to ignore! 304pp Pb \$27.95

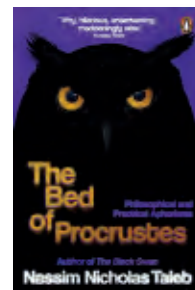


### The Bed of Procrustes

*Philosophical and Practical Aphorisms*

**Nassim Nicholas Taleb**

In a climate when iconoclasm is the smartest intellectual stance - whether against bankers, traders, politicians, the energy industry or journalists - one of today's most prominent rabble-rousers gives his quick-witted and snappy guide to questioning the status quo. With characteristic panache and brio, Taleb uses aphorisms to condense his rambunctious ideas and style. This volume serves as a perfect reference for anyone searching for the right questions to ask. 128pp Pb \$19.95



### The Bible Now

**Richard Elliott Friedman & Sharwa Dolansky**

For millennia, people have used the Bible as a touchstone on important social and political questions. But many use the Bible as a weapon to wield against opponents in a variety of debates - without knowing what the Bible actually says about the issue in question. Here, two respected biblical scholars tell us carefully what the Bible says or does not say about a wide range of issues, including homosexuality, abortion, women's status, capital punishment and the environment. 272pp Hb \$33.95



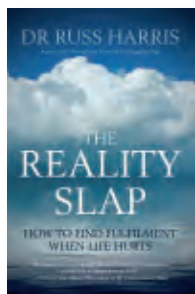


## The Reality Slap

*How to Find Fulfilment When Life Hurts*

**Dr Russ Harris**

The 'reality slap' takes many different forms. But one thing's for sure: it hurts! And most of us don't deal with the pain very well. This book is based on a scientifically proven mindfulness-based approach called Acceptance and Commitment Therapy (ACT). Within these pages, you will learn how to cope effectively when life hurts. Using the proven principles of ACT, you'll discover how to heal your wounds and come through stronger than before! 240pp Tp \$29.99



## Moneyball

**[Film Tie-In]**

*The Art of Winning an Unfair Game*

**Michael Lewis**

This is the story of the Oakland A's general manager Billy Beane. He has an epiphany: all conventional baseball wisdom is wrong. Reinventing his team on a budget, he needs to outsmart the richer teams. Joining with Ivy Leaguer Peter Brand, they recruit bargain players whom the scouts consider flawed, but who have a knack for getting on base, scoring runs and winning games. They'll either be the laughing stock of baseball... or its vindicated underdogs! 317pp Pb \$19.95



## The Fog on the Hill

*How NSW Labor Lost its Way*

**Frank Sartor**

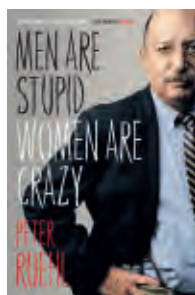
An honest appraisal of the failings of 16 years of successive Labor governments, providing a valuable insight into the changing political landscape in Australia. Sartor's work is based on not only intuitive reasoning, but also well-articulated case studies demonstrating how key issues have been mismanaged. Examining the issues through the political prism of democratic government, Sartor offers clear-sighted analysis and powerful suggestions for the future. 224pp Tp \$34.99



## Women are Crazy, Men are Stupid

**Peter Ruehl**

Ruehl's humorous columns on life, family and politics have been one of *The Australian Financial Review's* most beloved and prominent features for more than two decades. Politicians sometimes winced, but Ruehl's hilarious portrayals of Canberra resonated more loudly than any press release, with his irreverent wit and ability to puncture pretentiousness with a well-turned phrase. Tp \$29.99



## The Great Builders

**Kenneth Powell [ed]**

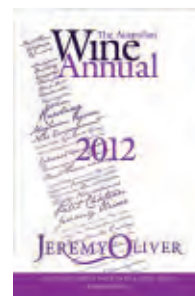
This book outlines the careers of 40 great architects whose engineering skills were crucial to their success; 16 nationalities and seven centuries of architectural innovation make for a survey of spectacular scope and depth. From churches and fortresses to bridges and high-tech skyscrapers, it includes masterpieces from all over the world and covers 700 years of architectural history. 304pp Hb \$49.95



## The Australian Wine Annual 2012

**Jeremy Oliver**

The 15th edition of this bestselling guide takes all the hard work out of selecting what to drink or cellar. It's a fully independent, expert catalogue of the very best Australian wines at each price point, featuring more than 300 wineries and nearly 14,000 wines, each of which Oliver has tasted himself! An encyclopaedic, accessible and extremely easy to use guide. 352pp Tp \$29.95



## Paris Underground

*The Maps, Stations and Design of the Metro*

**Mark Ovenden**

The famous Paris transit system, with its inimitable Art Nouveau inspired stations and Art Deco signage. More than 1,000 maps, diagrams and photographs - both historical and current - along with fascinating factual tidbits and enthusiastic, informed commentary embellish this gorgeous cultural history of the Metro's design and construction. For transit buffs, Francophiles and anyone who appreciates beautiful design, this is a must-have! 176pp Pb \$29.95



## Stuff Parisians Like

*Discovering the Quoi in the Je Ne Sais Quoi*

**Olivier Magny**

To be mistaken for a Parisian, purchase the newspaper *Le Monde*, fold it and walk. Then sit at a café and make phone calls. Be sure to order San Pellegrino, not any other kind of fizzy water. If you take a cruise on the Seine, stand outside with your collar popped up. Complain, be on a constant diet, wear black and above all, follow these rules. An hilarious collection of witty observations on Parisian life, guaranteed to delight Francophiles everywhere. 288pp Pb \$16.95



## Boomerang

*Adventures of a Financial Disaster Tourist*

**Michael Lewis**

The cheap credit that rolled across the globe between 2002 and 2008 was more than a simple financial phenomenon: it was temptation that offered entire societies the chance to reveal aspects of their characters they could not normally afford to indulge. Lewis' investigation of bubbles across Europe is sadly hilarious. He also turns a merciless eye on California, the epicentre of world consumption, where we see that a final reckoning awaits the most avaricious of nations too. 240pp Hb \$39.95



## Lights Camera... Travel!

*On-the-Road Tales from Screen Story Tellers*

**Don George & Andrew McCarthy [eds]**

Since the Ancient Greeks, actors have been society's storytellers. And ever since Hollywood first left the back lot, these storytellers have been travelling to far-flung corners of the world. Lonely Planet decided to ask some of the most widely travelled people in the film industry to recount their own personal, inspiring, funny, embarrassing stories from their time on the road. Features contributions by Alex Baldwin, Brooke Shields, Richard E Grant, Neil LaBute, Bruce Beresford and Sandra Bernhard. 320pp Pb \$26.99

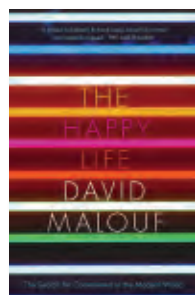


## The Happy Life

*The Search for Contentment in the Modern World*

**David Malouf**

Malouf returns to one of the most fundamental questions and gives it a modern twist: what makes for a happy life? With grace and profundity, He discusses new and old ways to talk about contentment and the self. In considering the happy life, he returns to the 'highest wisdom' of the classics and examines joy in the flesh as depicted by Rubens and Rembrandt. In a world becoming ever larger and impersonal, he finds happiness in an unlikely place... 192pp Pb \$19.95



## Broadcast Wars

*The Money, the Ego, the Power Behind Your Remote Control*

**Michael Bodey**

This is an explosive account of a tumultuous period in Australian TV, as the Nine and Seven networks traded blows, new technologies emerged and old personalities and management clung on for dear life. Showbiz and media writer Bodey watched it all unfold. Providing readers with juicy insights into the major media events of the period, it also reveals the major changes in Australian TV told by the personalities who drove the changes. From a turkey slap to a boning, there are many secrets to reveal and scores to settle... 336pp Tp \$35







One of the pleasures of a bookshop is the opportunity to simply browse – to see what's new and what's still around, and to see some unusual titles and maybe find something of interest. For instance, in the Parenting section at the end of Soft (or 'Popular') Psychology, you'll find **Freaks, Geeks and Asperger Syndrome: A User's Guide to Adolescence** by Luke Jackson (\$26.95 Pb 215pp incl index). Not everyone has an autistic child, but those who do need all the help they can get. This is written by a young man who is autistic and it's full of common sense, with advice which wouldn't go amiss if given to any teenager.

There is an exhibition due at the Art Gallery of NSW of Picasso Masterpieces from the Musee National Picasso, Paris. Before or after you go, you should check out the 3-volume **A Life of Picasso** by art historian (and friend of Picasso) John Richardson, now in paperback at \$59.95 each (500pp to 592pp per volume, incl black & white and coloured illustrations).

I am sure you know how much I enjoy the crime stories set in Venice by Donna Leon. She is also interested in music and medieval bestiaries and has now published an attractive little hardback called **Handel's Bestiary: In Search of Animals in Handel's Operas** (\$39.95 140pp) illustrated by Michael Sowa. It includes a CD of 12 of Handel's arias and would make an unusual Christmas gift for just the right person.

Nick Earls is a popular Australian author with a nice comedic touch. In **The Fix** (\$32.95 Pb 284pp), Ben is going to get a medal, *The Star of Courage*, and a fixer is hired to get him through the publicity and reminders of the day the attack took place. The Fixer is not the best person – an old friend from university days, but not really a friend any more. And Ben's father was a conman – perhaps Ben is too, or afraid he might be? This story, set in Brisbane, is written with verve and humour and has great dialogue. Generation Y will appreciate this and young men especially. Some of Nick Earls' other novels are **Zigzag Street**, **The True Story of Butterfish** and **Bachelor Kisses** (\$24.95 ea). He also has some stories in our Young Adult section, such as **Monica Bloom** and **After January** (\$19.95 ea). All very readable.

Last month I went to watch lots of young primary school children racing around at their Annual Sports Day. I watched the concentration on the faces of those trying not to drop the toffee in the Lolly and Spoon race (not Egg and Spoon any more). As the last boy crossed the line, I could only think of **Aesop's Fables**, especially the one about Slow and Steady Wins the Race, or rather *The Hare and the Tortoise*. We have many editions of Aesop's, from the Penguin Black Classic edition of **Complete Fables** (\$9.95) - which has 358 fables and is regarded as the definitive edition, is fully annotated and so is for serious readers - to an **Illustrated Edition** chosen by Fulvio Testa (\$32.95 Hb) or the *Oxford World's Classics* edition containing 600 fables (\$11.95). See Lindy in the Children's Corner if you need help finding any of these. And just to show off, we also have an edition of Aesop's Fables in **Latin** (\$57 Pb) or **Persian** (\$45) upstairs in Language Book Centre. See Lindy in the Children's Corner if you need help finding any of these.

Everyone who read **Stasiland** by Anna Funder (\$24.95 Pb), the book about the East German Secret Police, has been waiting for her next book. Out now, this is called **All that I Am** (\$29.95 Pb 320pp) and is a novel set in Germany, London and Sydney. Although the main characters are taken from life - members of the Socialist Left before the rise of Hitler - Anna Funder has imagined their lives of bravery and sacrifice in fiction that is just as exciting as any derring-do. The story is told mainly by two people: Ruth, a minor player who is married to Hans Wesemann (a journalist famous for his political satires, but who eventually becomes a traitor) and has ended up in Bondi; and Ernst Toller, a famous poet and playwright



Eve celebrating her 80th birthday with her family

renowned for his pacifism and political activities, while Dora is his right-hand person, braver than anyone. It is interesting to read all about Germany in the last days of the Weimar Republic and the novel reads more like an exciting thriller, as well as a piercing look at the interior lives of the players. This is a wonderful book. It is a long time since I read a novel which I didn't want to end, like back in the days when I read John Steinbeck's **East of Eden** (\$22.95 Pb 640pp). Anna Funder can really write.

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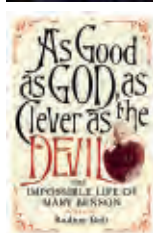
Two of our booksellers, Greg and Sian, after reading and loving Anna Funder's book, have found some additional background material which might interest you: **Toller: Plays** (\$22.95 Pb 336pp) contains *Transformation*, *Masses* *Man* and *Hoppla We're Alive*, and also **I was a German: The Autobiography of Ernst Toller** (\$43 Pb).

Another wonderful book this past month is Kate Grenville's **Sarah Thornhill: Sequel to the Secret River** (\$34.95 Hb 304pp). If you haven't read **The Secret River** (\$24.95 Pb 352pp), (where have you been?), it would be a good idea to buy it as well. The further story of the family of William Thornhill, ex-Thames boatman now residing in a grand house on the hill overlooking the Hawkesbury River, is told by one of his daughters. Sarah Thornhill does not read or write, but she certainly can read people. The story is told in her voice – plain, simple language in short sentences – and she has a very clear-eyed view of the people around her, black or white or mixed. This is such a good picture of how people really lived in the early days of settlement, I can imagine it will eventually end up on school reading lists – how some historians will hate that! For your further interest, I suggest **Searching for the Secret River** (\$25.95 Pb 240pp), which Kate wrote to describe her efforts researching for the book. We keep this in Fiction next to the novel.

Here's a delightful book for those of us who appreciate tales of eccentric English people. **As Good as God, as Clever as the Devil: The Impossible Life of Mary Benson** (\$49.99 Hb 362pp incl index) by Rodney Bolt. Not only a great title, this is full of humour. Mary Benson was the wife of the Archbishop of Canterbury during Queen Victoria's reign, as well as the mother of five impossibly clever children. One became Master of Magdalen College and writer of the words of *Land of Hope and Glory*, another was the enormously successful novelist E F Benson known as Fred. His frivolous Mapp and Lucia novels of English village life still have a cult following. Everyone preferred friendships of the same sex – including Mary who replaced her husband in her bed with Lucy Tait, daughter of a previous Archbishop. Rodney Bolt has included telling episodes taken from the novels written by the children, or examples of writing published in the same period, to add atmosphere to the story. Abbey's even have a few of Fred's books in stock. They are **Mapp and Lucia** (\$24.95 Pb or \$12.95 *Vintage Classic*) and **Mrs Ames** (\$19.99 Pb 320pp), plus CD audio books of **Mapp and Lucia**, **Lucia's Progress**, **Trouble for Lucia** and **Lucia in London**.

The Australian Book Review is now calling for entries in the sixth Calibre Prize for an Outstanding Original Essay. Check out [www.australianbookreview.com.au](http://www.australianbookreview.com.au) for details. Entries close 1 December.

Keep well, Eve

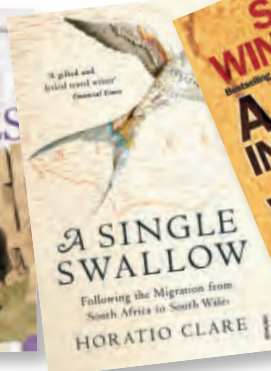
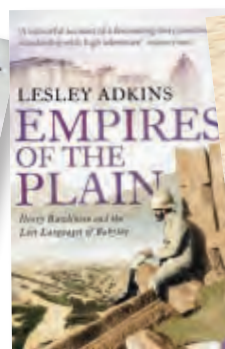
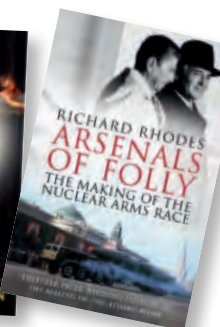




# Abbey's Bargains

# October

WHILE STOCKS LAST



**A Brief History of Fighting Ships** David Tudor Davies Pb \$21.95 **\$9.95**

**Earls of Paradise** Adam Nicholson Hb \$53.99 **\$19.95**

**Arsensals of Folly** *The Making of the Nuclear Arms Race* Richard Rhodes Hb \$49.95 **\$19.95**

**Empires of the Plain** *Henry Rawlinson and the Lost Languages of Babylon* Lesley Adkins Pb \$24.95 **\$9.95**

**A Single Swallow** *Following the Migration from South Africa to South Wales* Horatio Clare Pb \$27.95 **\$9.95**

**A Crack in the Edge of the World** *The Great American Earthquake of 1906* Simon Winchester Pb \$26.95 **\$9.95**



**Relish** *The Extraordinary Life of Alexis Soyer, Victorian Celebrity Chef* Ruth Cowen Hb \$59.99 **\$19.95**

**Temples, Tombs & Hieroglyphs** *A Popular History of Ancient Egypt* Barbara Mertz Hb \$59.95 **\$19.95**

**The English Rebel** *One Thousand Years of Trouble-making from the Normans to the Nineties* David Horspool Hb \$59.95 **\$19.95**

**Imperfect Creation** *Cosmos, Life and Nature's Hidden Code* Marcelo Gleiser Tp \$32.95 **\$12.95**

**Scorchers** *The Dirty Politics of Climate Change* Clive Hamilton Tp \$29.95 **\$12.95**

**Other People's Thoughts** Simon Leys Pb \$19.95 **\$8.95**



**The Ruin of the Roman Empire** *A New History* James O'Donnell Hb \$48.95 **\$19.95**

**The Story of French** Jean-Benoit Nadeau & Julie Barlow Pb \$22.95 **\$9.95**

**The Strangest Man** *The Hidden Life of Paul Dirac, Mystic of the Atom* Graham Farmelo Hb \$49.99 **\$19.95**

**Winston Churchill** *The Flawed Genius of WWII* Christopher Catherwood Hb \$39.95 **\$19.95**

**Wings of the Kite-Hawk** *A Journey into the Heart of Australia* Nicolas Rothwell Tp \$34.95 **\$12.95**

**World War Two Behind Closed Doors** *Stalin, the Nazis and the West* Laurence Rees Pb \$24.95 **\$9.95**



# ABBEY'S BESTSELLERS

## FICTION

- All That I Am**  
Anna Funder (Pb \$29.95)
- The Cat's Table**  
Michael Ondaatje (Pb \$24.95)
- The Sense of an Ending**  
Julian Barnes (Hb \$29.95)
- Red Dog**  
Louis De Bernieres (Pb \$19.95)
- Sarah Thornhill**  
Kate Grenville (Hb \$34.95)
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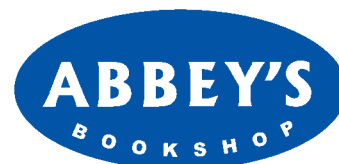
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