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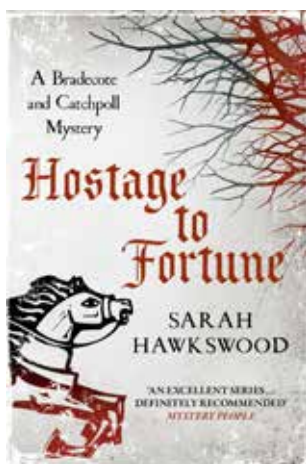


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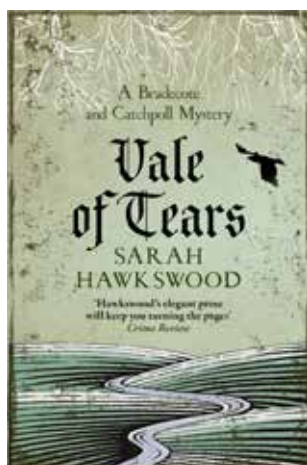
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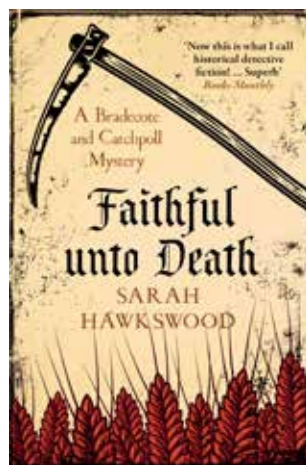
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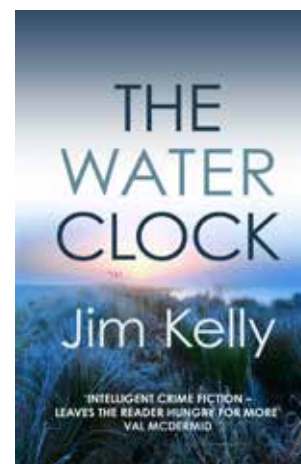
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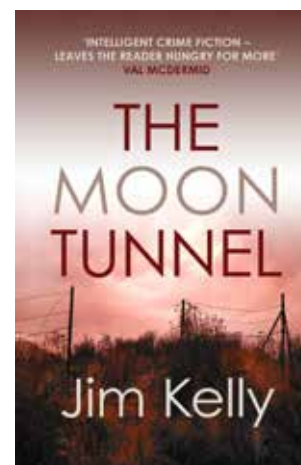
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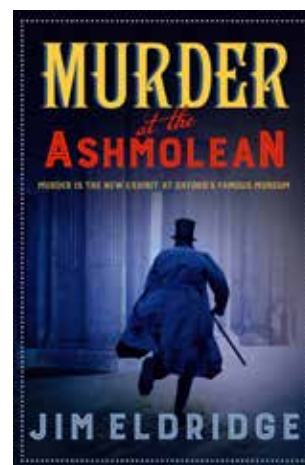
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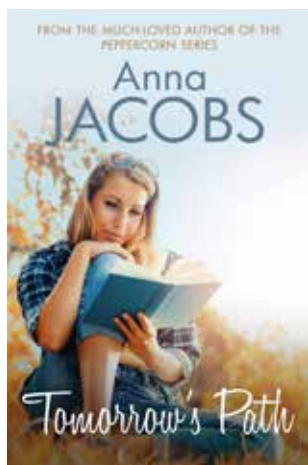
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As a longstanding fan of bestselling author Jivan Childering, aspiring young novelist Jessica Lord is dismayed on encountering the man himself to find him aloof, arrogant and stand-offish. But, some months later, many thousands of miles away in Western Australia, Jessica's path is destined to cross with Jivan's once more – and she begins to see a different side to this talented yet reserved and private man.

For his part, Jivan finds himself increasingly drawn to the unpretentious Jessica, and impressed by her single-minded determination to follow her dreams of becoming a successful writer. But following a bitter divorce, Jivan has vowed never to get romantically involved with a woman again. Can Jessica break down his emotional barriers?

ANNA JACOBS is the author of over ninety novels. She grew up in Lancashire, emigrated to Australia in the 1970s and writes stories set in both countries.
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THE MISSING AMERICAN

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The perfect summer read from the celebrated Ghanaian crime writer

When Gordon Tilson falls victim to an online scam, he finds himself alone in the whirlwind city of Accra. But his decision to confront those responsible leads him into unimaginable danger. Now his son Derek has lost all contact with him and has no choice but to travel into the heart of Ghana to begin a near impossible search for his father.

Frustrated by the inadequate local police, Derek turns to Emma Djan, a young private detective desperate to prove her worth. In a heart-stopping race against time, they must expose those at the very centre of Accra's power who are willing to kill to protect their secrets, if they are to find the missing American...

KWEI QUARTEY was born in Ghana and is a practising physician in California. He is the author of five critically acclaimed novels in the Darko Dawson series. *The Missing American* is the first novel in his new crime series featuring detective Emma Djan.
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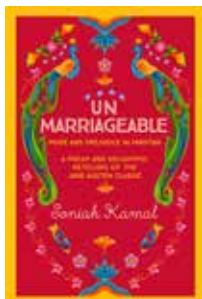
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SONIAH KAMAL is an award-winning writer whose debut novel was a finalist for the Townsend Prize for Fiction and the KLF French Fiction Prize. Her work has appeared in many publications including the *New York Times*, *The Guardian* and *Buzzfeed*. She was born in Pakistan, grew up in England and Saudi Arabia, and currently resides in the US.

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KATHERINE JOHNSON

'A masterful work, fully realised and richly embroidered'

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A story of love, bravery, culture, and the fight against injustice, *Paris Savages* brings a little-known part of history to blazing life

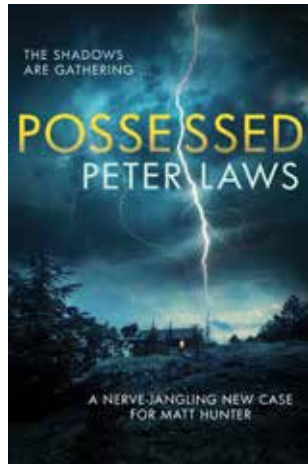
Fraser Island, 1882. The population of the Badtjala people is in sharp decline following a run of brutal massacres. When German scientist Louis Müller offers to sail three Badtjala people – Bonny, Jurano and Dorondera – to Europe to perform to huge crowds, the proud and headstrong Bonny agrees, hoping to bring news of his people's plight to the Queen of England.

Accompanied by Müller's bright daughter, Hilda, the group begins their journey to belle-époque Europe to perform in Hamburg, Berlin, Paris and eventually London. While crowds in Europe are enthusiastic to see the unique dances, singing, fights and pole climbing from the oldest culture in the world, the attention is relentless, and the fascination of scientists intrusive. When disaster strikes, Bonny must find a way to return home.

KATHERINE JOHNSON lives in Tasmania with her husband and two children. She is the author of three previous novels and her manuscripts have won Varuna Awards and the Tasmanian Premier's Literary Prizes. She recently completed a PhD, which forms the basis of her latest novel, *Paris Savages*.

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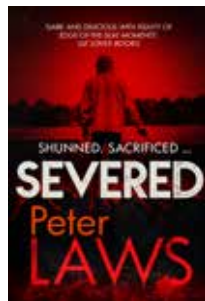
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POSSESSED

MATT HUNTER 4

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'*Possessed* is deeply dark and oft disturbing ... truly excellent'

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When a blood-soaked man is discovered with the word *Baal-Berith* scored into his flesh, the bewildered police call on expert Professor Matt Hunter to assist. Before long, a gruesome discovery is made and Hunter is drawn into a frenzied murder investigation.

With a fury of media interest in the case, and the emerging link to a documentary on demonic possession, Hunter is unable to escape a dark world of exorcism and violence ... even when events spiral frighteningly out of control.

PETER LAWS is an ordained Baptist minister with a taste for horror. He writes a monthly column in the *Fortean Times* and also hosts a popular podcast and YouTube show. He is the author of *The Frighteners* which explores our fascination with the macabre. He lives with his family in Bedfordshire.

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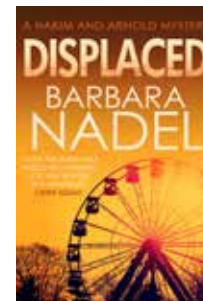
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A TIME TO DIE

HAKIM & ARNOLD 7

BARBARA NADEL

'A gutsy tale, well grounded in local colour'
The Times

Ever since it was built in 1912, Woolwich Foot Tunnel has been the subject of rumour and speculation. Running underneath the Thames it connects north and south, and in the hot summer of 1976, when young John Saunders apparently entered the Tunnel and completely disappeared on his way to his sister's house, it was a grim and frightening place.

John was never seen again until he re-emerged forty-two years later, complete with an American accent. Happy to submit to the DNA testing his sister Brenda demands, this man is definitely John Saunders, but when nothing that he tells Brenda rings true, she decides to enlist the services of Hakim and Arnold to try and unravel the mystery.

BARBARA NADEL was born and brought up in the East End of London. She has a degree in psychology and, prior to becoming a full-time author, she worked in psychiatric institutions and in the community with people experiencing mental health problems. She is also the author of the award-winning Inspector Ikmen series. Barbara now lives in Essex.
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FINDING CASSIE

PENNY LAKE 2

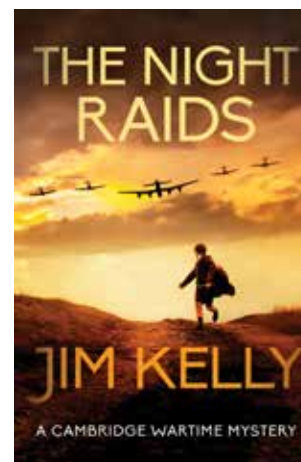
ANNA JACOBS

'Heart-warming'
Books Monthly

When the teenage girl who has been hanging around near the house knocks on the door and tells her she's her granddaughter, Cassandra Bennington is shocked rigid. There's only one way this can be: if Evie is the daughter of the baby Cassie gave away for adoption when she was herself a troubled teen. Is this a trick? Or is Evie's tale true?

When she discovers why the girl has come to find her, it brings a tangle of other problems that she can't ignore. This was the last thing she expected to be dealing with as she moves into her new home in a leisure village in Wiltshire.

ANNA JACOBS is the author of over ninety novels. She grew up in Lancashire, emigrated to Australia in the 1970s and writes stories set in both countries.
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NIGHTHAWK MYSTERY 3

JIM KELLY

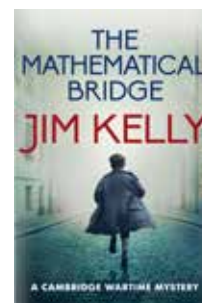
'Intelligent and absorbing'
Historical Novel Society

A lone German bomber crosses the east coast of Britain on a moonless night in the long, hot summer of 1940. The pilot picks up the silver thread of a river and, following it to his target, drops his bomb over Cambridge's rail yards. The shell falls short of its mark and lands in a neighbourhood of terraced streets on the edge of the city's medieval centre.

DI Eden Brooke is first on the scene and discovers the body of an elderly woman, Nora Wylde, in a house on Elm Street, two fingers on her left hand severed, in what looks like a brutal attempt by looters to steal her rings. When the next day Nora's teenage granddaughter Peggy, a munitions worker, is reported missing, Brooke realises there is more to the situation than meets the eye.

JIM KELLY was born in 1957 and is the son of a Scotland Yard detective. He went to university in Sheffield, later training as a journalist and worked on the *Financial Times*. His first book, *The Water Clock*, was shortlisted for the John Creasey Award and he has since won a CWA Dagger in the Library and the New Angle Prize for Literature. He lives in Ely, Cambridgeshire.

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MURDER AT THE NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM

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1895. When the newly dubbed 'Museum Detectives' are asked to investigate deliberate damage to a dinosaur skeleton at the Natural History Museum, there is evidence that the fossil-hunting mania of the notorious Bone Wars in America may have reached their shores. But for Daniel Wilson, famed for his involvement in the Jack the Ripper case, and renowned archaeologist Abigail Fenton, events soon take a sinister turn...

A museum attendant is found dead in an anteroom by none other than the infamous theatre manager Bram Stoker, who it seems may have had a personal connection with the deceased. Facing pressure both from an overseas business and local celebrity, Wilson and Fenton must rely on their talents and instincts to solve their most puzzling case yet.



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MURDER AT THE MANCHESTER MUSEUM

MUSEUM MYSTERIES 4

JIM ELDRIDGE

'This is just the novel for whiling away a few pleasant evenings with a nice cup of tea'
Publishers Weekly

1895. Former Scotland Yard detective Daniel Wilson, famous for working the notorious Jack the Ripper case, and his archaeologist sidekick Abigail Fenton are summoned to investigate the murder of a young woman at the Manchester Museum. Though staff remember the woman as a recent and regular visitor, no one appears to know her and she has no possessions from which she can be identified.

As the pair arrive, the case turns more deadly when the body of a second woman is discovered hidden in the depths of the museum. Seeking help from a local journalist, Wilson hopes to unravel this mystery, but the journey to the truth is fraught with obstacles and the mistakes of the past will not be forgotten...

JIM ELDRIDGE was born in central London towards the end of World War II, and survived attacks by V2 rockets on the area where he lived. In 1971 he sold his first sitcom, starring Arthur Lowe, to the BBC and had his first book commissioned. Since then he has had more than one hundred books published, with sales of over three million copies. He lives in Kent with his wife.

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KILLING IN YOUR NAME

DI OWEN SHEEN 2

GARY DONNELLY

'A exciting new voice in Northern Irish noir'
Adrian McKinty, author of *The Chain*

A boy's body is found in bogland along the Irish border: a case as cold as the earth that has hidden it for so long. DI Owen Sheen has sworn to get justice for the unnamed boy and digs up links to a covert British Army unit that was tasked with creating Satanic panic in the 1970s.

But when a vicious murderer begins to stalk Belfast's streets, it's clear that someone refuses to let the past remain buried. Alongside DC Aoife McCusker, who must fight to restore her professional reputation, Sheen is racing to make the connections and stop a killer against the backdrop of Northern Ireland's darkest history and uncertain future.

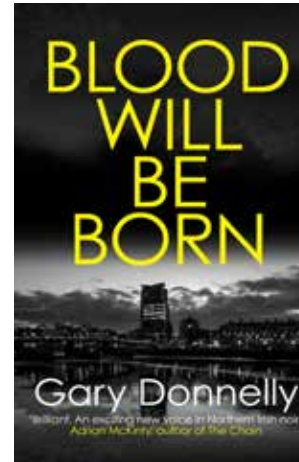
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BLOOD WILL BE BORN

DI OWEN SHEEN 1

GARY DONNELLY

'A gripping debut thriller. The story thunders to its bloody conclusion'

Stuart Neville, author of *Those We Left Behind*

DI Owen Sheen vowed never to return to Belfast, but he needs answers about his brother's death. He is on loan from London's Met to the Police Service of Northern Ireland, although before he can dig into the past, he must babysit DC Aoife McCusker on her first murder investigation.

As the case slides into chaos, can Sheen put his personal agenda aside? And will McCusker keep her job long enough to ensure that this first case is not her last?

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GARY DONNELLY is a writer and teacher who was born and raised in west Belfast. He read History at Corpus Christi College, Cambridge and has lived and worked in London since the late 1990s. *Blood Will Be Born* is his debut novel and the first book in the DI Owen Sheen series.

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Crime Fiction

MURDER IN CHIANTI

CAMILLA TRINCHIERI

‘Suspenseful and moving’

Harlan Coben

Mourning the loss of his late wife, Rita, former detective Nico Doyle moves to her hometown of Gravigna in the wine region of Chianti. He isn't sure if it's peace he's seeking, but that certainly isn't what he finds: early one morning he hears a gunshot near his cabin and walks outside to the sight of a flashily dressed man with his face blown off.

Salvatore Perillo, the local police inspector, enlists Doyle's help with the murder case. It turns out more than one person in this idyllic corner of Italy knew the victim, and with a very small pool of suspects, including his own in-laws, Doyle must dig up Gravigna's every last painful secret to get to the truth.

CAMILLA TRINCHIERI worked for many years on films in Rome with directors including Federico Fellini and Luchino Visconti. She emigrated to the US in 1980 and received her MFA in Creative Writing from Columbia University. She lives in New York. camillatrinchieri.com
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SLAUGHTER IN THE SAPPERTON TUNNEL

RAILWAY DETECTIVE 18

EDWARD MARSTON

‘Packed with characters Dickens would have been proud of. Wonderful [and] well-written’
Time Out

A goods train is speeding through the Sapperton Tunnel when it hits a makeshift pen of sheep inexplicably set up near the exit. The animals are slaughtered by the impact while the train hits a pile of rocks and is derailed, seriously injuring the occupants. Inspector Colbeck is called in to investigate and discovers that the shepherd and his dog are missing. Stephen Ryle, the owner of the sheep, is shocked by the occurrence which further affects him as he is a major shareholder in the Great Western Railway which has been thrown into chaos by the incident.

Does someone have an axe to grind against Ryle? Or is it the missing shepherd who has made some dangerous enemies? With family grievances, embarrassing secrets and village feuds, it is not going to be an easy case for the Railway Detective.

EDWARD MARSTON has written well over a hundred books. He is best known for his hugely successful Railway Detective series and he also writes the Bow Street Rivals series featuring twin detectives set during the Regency period, as well as the Home Front Detective series. He lives in Gloucestershire with his wife, fellow crime writer Judith Cutler. edwardmarston.com





EVIL NEVER DIES

DARK DEVON MYSTERIES 2

S. M. HARDY

'Sinister and thought-provoking'
Booklist ***starred review***

The village of Slyford St James is no stranger to supernatural happenings, as long-time residents Jed and Emma know all too well. Although Jed's spiritual connection with the dead was once a source of pride, it now fills him with dread. When he receives an invitation to the family estate of his old army friend Simon, who wants Jed to use his gift to solve the brutal murder of his elder brother, Jed is initially reluctant, but Emma encourages him to agree, hoping that this new sense of purpose might lift him out of his melancholy, despite the circumstances.

When they arrive at the estate, Jed is shocked by how fragile and fearful his friend has become. As Jed calls upon the spirit world for the first time in eighteen months, the results are dramatic, and a gruesome warning reveals dark and dangerous family secrets that threaten the safety of them all.

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THE EVIL WITHIN

DARK DEVON MYSTERIES 1

S. M. HARDY

'Powerfully creepy'
Publishers Weekly

On the brink of a breakdown two years after the death of his fiancée, Jim Hawkes quits his high-powered job in the City to rent a cottage in the Devonshire countryside seeking some well-needed rest. But Slyford St James is far from the peaceful haven Jim was hoping for.

Almost immediately he is plagued by strange occurrences: a combination lock that won't open, loud noises in the attic, the figure of a little girl always just out of sight. His new friends, Jed and Emma, are convinced Jim has found his way to the village for a reason, to solve the mystery surrounding the suspicious death of a child. But as Jim is haunted by the ghosts of his past and endangered by a real-world threat in the present, it soon becomes apparent that true evil never dies.

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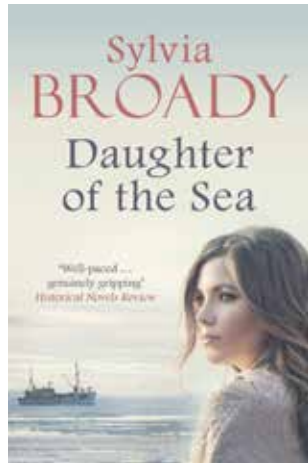
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S. M. HARDY grew up in south London and worked in banking for many years. She has now given up the day job to allegedly spend more time with her husband; he, however, has noticed that an awful lot more writing appears to be going on. She currently lives in Devon. *The Evil Within* is her first paranormal mystery novel.

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DAUGHTER OF THE SEA

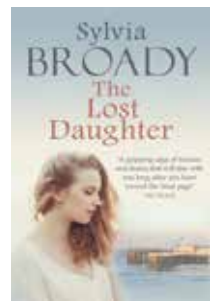
SYLVIA BROADY

'A fine saga of great humanity'
Historical Novels Review

Jessica is grieving for her beloved father, trawler owner Jacob Kingdom, when a heated confrontation leads to her being cast out from the family home and the revelation of a shameful secret. She falls upon the kindness of strangers and it isn't long before she meets a charismatic trawlerman, who is proud to walk out with Kingdom's daughter on his arm.

With her cold-hearted brother now at the helm of the business, there is discontent amongst the fishermen and being Kingdom's daughter soon begins to lose its charm. With Jessica facing the reality of trawler life and desperate to prove herself worthy of a place in the tight-knit community, does she have what it takes to weather the storm of her life to come, or will her secret hold her back from embracing who she is?

SYLVIA BROADY was born in Hull and has lived in the area all her life, although she loves to travel the world. She has had a varied career in childcare, the NHS and the Library Services, but is now a full-time writer.
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A DECEPTION AT THORNECREST

AMORY AMES 7

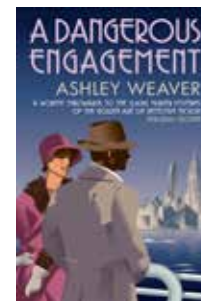
ASHLEY WEAVER

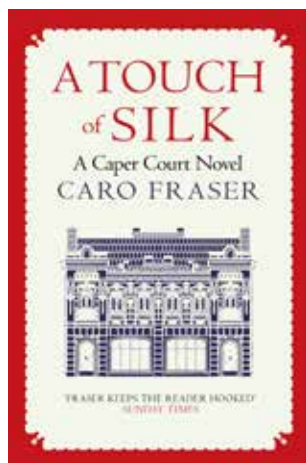
'Enjoyable ... Both long-time fans and new readers will be pleased'
Publishers Weekly

Amory Ames is contentedly preparing for the arrival of her baby at Thornecrest while Milo, her husband, is away on business. But then a woman appears on her doorstep, also claiming to be Mrs Ames, Milo's wife.

Amory's marriage has had its ups and downs, but her faith in Milo has been restored. Though the supposed second Mrs Ames seems earnest, Amory is convinced she must be mistaken. However, when a second unexpected visitor arrives, and secret identities and whirlwind romances culminate with the discovery of a body, the characters appearing in town begin to seem more sinister, and Amory is determined to uncover a killer in the crowd.

ASHLEY WEAVER has worked in libraries since she was fourteen and lives in Oakdale, Louisiana. Her debut novel, *Murder at the Brightwell*, was nominated for the Edgar Best First Novel Award.
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Fiction

A TOUCH OF SILK

CAPER COURT 9

CARO FRASER

'Fraser writes with panache, exuberance and humour ... Most enjoyable'

The Times

To all the world, Leo Davies is both a successful and charismatic QC, whose flourishing career is the envy of the legal profession. But this outward facade conceals a troubled private life from his clients and co-workers, one that he is struggling to keep hidden. When feelings for a close colleague are rekindled, Leo is torn between following his heart and breaking apart the fragile relationship he has with his daughter.

And with a new lawyer joining the team at 5 Caper Court, Leo is also in for a rude awakening at work. As professional rivalries become personal entanglements, flings and rumours abound, and Leo will discover the danger of mixing business with pleasure.

CARO FRASER is the daughter of George MacDonald Fraser, author of the Flashman novels. She attended art school and worked as an advertising copywriter before deciding to pursue a career in law. She published her first novel in 1993 and since then has written seventeen novels, including the bestselling *Summer of Love*. She lives in London.

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Memoir

WATERMARKS: LIFE, DEATH AND SWIMMING

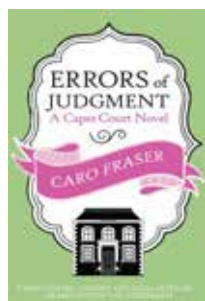
LENKA JANIUREK

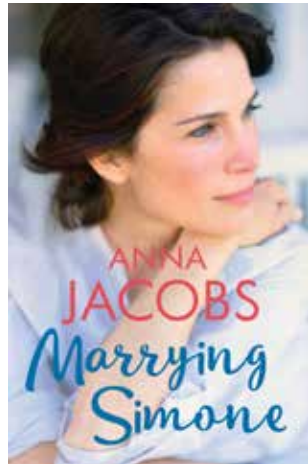
A stunning memoir taking the reader across continents, decades, the love and trials of family, with the restorative pleasure of swimming accompanying the author throughout her journey

Lenka Janiurek's story really begins after the death of her mother when she was a small child, and speaks of the men who came to define her life; she is the daughter of a Polish immigrant father, the sister of five brothers, the wife of one husband, the lover of several men, and the mother of two more. Her memoir speaks of identity and trying to find your place in a country that isn't your own, within a family that doesn't feel like your own.

This remarkable book traces Lenka's journey from the UK to Eastern Europe, from the 1960s to the present day. However, across the years, she remains haunted by the rage, addiction and despair of the men she is closest to. Alongside these challenges, she develops a powerful connection with the natural world, particularly water, which provides her with strength and joy.

LENKA JANIUREK was born in York. After winning a competition at the age of seventeen, she had three plays performed at the Royal Court Theatre, followed by plays at the National Theatre and RSC Other Place in Stratford-upon-Avon. She has facilitated workshops in writing, drama, art and well-being, in schools, colleges, at camps, and in a women's prison. And worked as a baker, fundraiser, caretaker, green builder and researcher. She now lives close to the sea in Wales.





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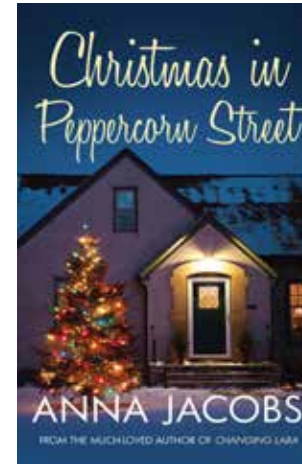
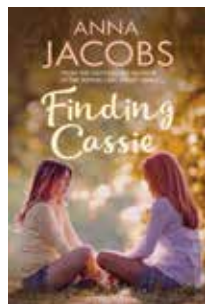
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Can the presence of strangers help to rebuild the relationship between Luke and his own daughter? And will this Christmas give them the best present of all: a new family – or will Claire's ex again cause trouble?

ANNA JACOBS is the author of over eighty novels. She grew up in Lancashire, emigrated to Australia in the 1970s and writes stories set in both countries.

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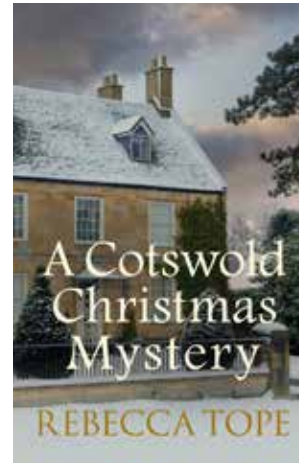
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BERYL MATTHEWS was born in London but now lives in a small village in Hampshire. As a young girl her ambition was to become a professional singer, but the need to earn a wage drove her into an office, where she worked her way up from tea girl to credit controller. After retiring she joined a Writers' Circle in hopes of fulfilling her dream of becoming a published author. With her first book published at the age of seventy-one, she has since written over twenty novels.



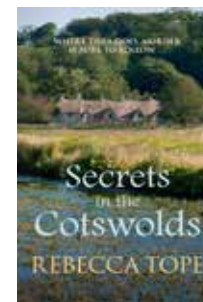
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REBECCA TOPE is the author of three bestselling crime series, set in the stunning Cotswolds, Lake District and West Country. She lives on a smallholding in rural Herefordshire, where she enjoys the silence and plants a lot of trees, but also manages to travel the world and enjoy civilisation from time to time. Most of her varied experiences and activities find their way into her books, sooner or later.

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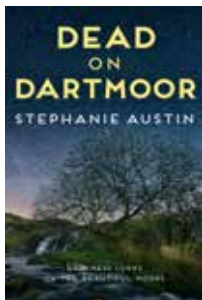
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STEPHANIE AUSTIN has enjoyed a varied career, working as an artist and an antiques trader, but also for the Devon Schools Library Service. When not writing she is actively involved in amateur theatre as a director and actor, and attempts to be a competent gardener and cook. She lives in Devon.

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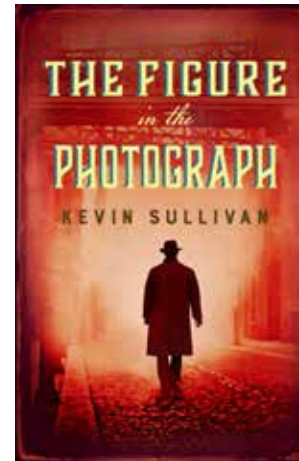
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EDWARD MARSTON has written well over a hundred books. He is best known for his hugely successful Railway Detective series and he also writes the Bow Street Rivals series featuring twin detectives set during the Regency period, as well as the Home Front Detective series. He lives in Gloucestershire with his wife, fellow crime writer Judith Cutler.

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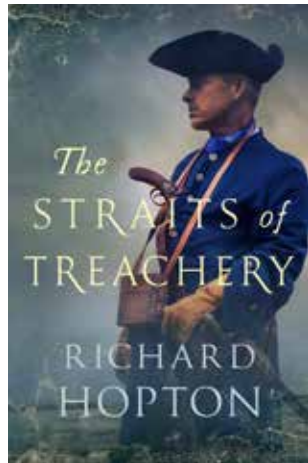
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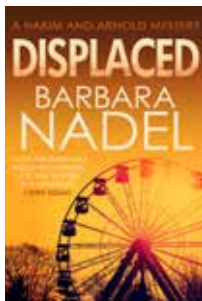
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