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FICTION

# The Woman on the Ledge

## RUTH MANCINI

**Obsession, intrigue – and revenge. Get ready for an all-night read with one of the twistiest thrillers of 2024.**

A woman falls to her death from a London bank's twenty-fifth-floor roof terrace.

You're arrested for her murder.

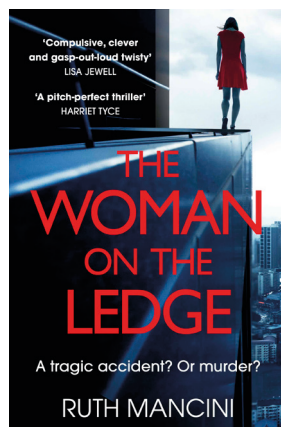
You tell the police that you only met the victim the previous night at your office party. She was threatening to jump from the roof, but you talked her down.

You've got nothing to do with the tragedy.  
You're clearly being framed.

So why do the police keep picking holes in your story?  
Even your lawyer doesn't seem to believe you.

It soon becomes obvious that you're keeping secrets.  
But who are you trying to protect? And why?

Get ready for one of the most twisty-turny novels you will read this year.



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**THRILLER/SUSPENSE**

**Ruth Mancini** is a criminal defence lawyer and author. She continues to practise for a large criminal law firm with offices in London, conducting advocacy in the courts and defending people arrested at police stations. She also reviews trial files across the firm and juggles her legal work with writing crime and psychological fiction.

Ruth lives in Oxfordshire with her husband and two children.



# Murder on Lake Garda

TOM HINDLE

**A destination wedding ends in murder. Tom Hindle's latest locked-room mystery is perfect for fans of *The White Lotus*.**

**One happy couple.**

**Two divided families.**

**A wedding party to die for.**

On the private island of Castello Fiore – surrounded by the glittering waters of Lake Garda – the illustrious Heywood family gathers for their son Laurence's wedding to Italian influencer Eva Bianchi.

But as the ceremony begins, a blood-curdling scream brings the proceedings to a devastating halt.

With the wedding guests trapped as they await the police, old secrets come to light and family rivalries threaten to bubble over.

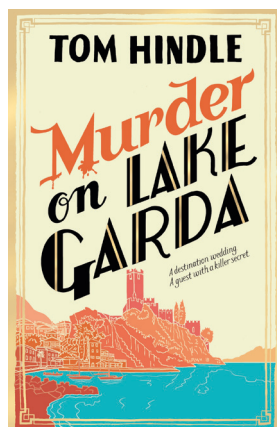
Everyone is desperate to know . . .

**Who is the killer?**

**And can they be found before they strike again?**

**Tom Hindle** hails from Leeds and lives in Oxfordshire with his wife, a cat and two surprisingly cunning tortoises. He is the author of *A Fatal Crossing* and *The Murder Game* – which have both been inspired by masters of the crime genre such as Agatha Christie and Anthony Horowitz.

Tom is hard at work on his next murder mystery.



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# Island in the Sun

KATIE FFORDE

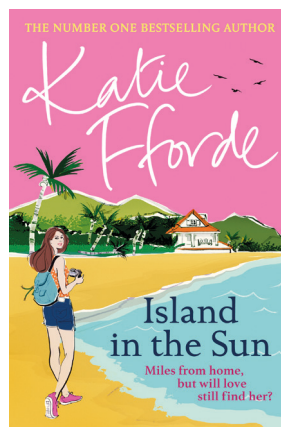
**A tale of friendship, courage and romance; the latest novel from bestselling author Katie Fforde is here.**

When Cass is asked by her father to take on an unusual photography project in the Caribbean island of Dominica, she really can't see a reason to say no.

But the remote island has just been hit by a severe hurricane, leaving destruction in its wake. Cass is travelling with Ranulph, who is searching for the rare stone carvings her father wants her to photograph.

Their hunt leads Cass down a path of bravery and self-discovery, and she soon falls for Ranulph, who has been by her side every step of the way.

But does he feel the same way about her?



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**Katie Fforde** lives in the beautiful Cotswold countryside with her family and is a true country girl at heart. She loves being a writer; to her there isn't a more satisfying and pleasing thing to do. She particularly enjoys writing love stories. She believes falling in love is the best thing in the world, and she wants all her characters to experience it, and her readers to share their stories.



# The Ghost Orchid

## JONATHAN KELLERMAN

**The 39th Alex Delaware novel from the No. 1 New York Times bestselling master of suspense. Perfect for fans of Michael Connelly and David Baldacci.**

**Some secrets are worth killing for.**

In an upscale Bel Air property, two lovers are found dead in a swimming pool. The man is the playboy heir to a business empire, and the woman is his even wealthier married neighbour.

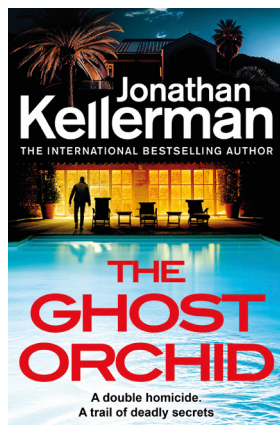
Revenge for an illicit affair is the perfect motive. But the house is untouched – no forced entry, no forensic evidence – and so LAPD homicide lieutenant Milo Sturgis asks psychologist Alex Delaware to help unpick the case.

It quickly becomes clear that both victims had troubled pasts. Now Alex and Milo must confront LA's darkest side as they unravel a trail of deadly secrets . . .

**Jonathan Kellerman** is the No. 1 *New York Times* bestselling author of more than forty crime novels, including the Alex Delaware series, *The Butcher's Theater*, *Billy Straight*, *The Conspiracy Club*, *Twisted*, *True Detectives* and *The Murderer's Daughter*.

With his wife, bestselling novelist Faye Kellerman, he co-authored *Double Homicide* and *Capital Crimes*. With his son, bestselling novelist Jesse Kellerman, he co-authored *Crime Scene*, *The Golem of Hollywood* and *The Golem of Paris*.

He has won the Goldwyn, Edgar and Anthony awards and the Lifetime Achievement Award from the American Psychological Association, and has been nominated for a Shamus Award.



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# The Warm Hands of Ghosts

KATHERINE ARDEN

**In a world torn apart by war, a brother and sister fight to find each other. The sweeping new novel from New York Times bestselling author Katherine Arden.**

World War One, and as shells fall in Flanders, Laura, a Canadian nurse, searches for her brother Freddie who is believed to be dead in the trenches. Soon after arriving back in Belgium as a hospital volunteer, she hears whispers about ghosts moving among those still living, and a strange innkeeper whose wine gives soldiers the gift of oblivion.

A novel of breathtaking scope and drama, of compulsive readability, of stunning historical research lightly worn, and of brilliantly drawn characters who will break your heart in a single line, *The Warm Hands of Ghosts* is a book that will speak to readers directly about the trauma of war and the power of those involved to love, endure and transcend it.

**Katherine Arden** was born in Austin, Texas and spent her junior year of high school in Rennes, France. Following her acceptance to Middlebury College in Vermont, she deferred enrolment for a year to live and study in Moscow. At Middlebury, she specialised in French and Russian literature.

After receiving her BA, she moved to Maui, Hawaii, working every kind of odd job imaginable, from grant-writing and making crêpes to serving as a personal tour guide. After a year, she moved to Briançon, France, and spent nine months teaching. Currently she lives in Vermont, but really, you never know.

She is the author of the Winternight trilogy.



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**HISTORICAL FICTION/  
FANTASY**



# The House at the Edge of the Woods

RACHEL HANCOX

**The unsolved mystery of a murder lies at the heart of this page-turning story of a young couple who are struggling to find happiness and meaning in their lives together.**

When Ben was seven, his mother was murdered in the woods while he waited for her in their car. The case made the front pages, but her killer was never found.

Thirty years later, Ben has a safe, grown-up life: a job, a ramshackle cottage and, most importantly, a happy marriage to Rebecca.

His mother has receded to the corners of his mind, lingering only in the nightmares that won't quite go away.

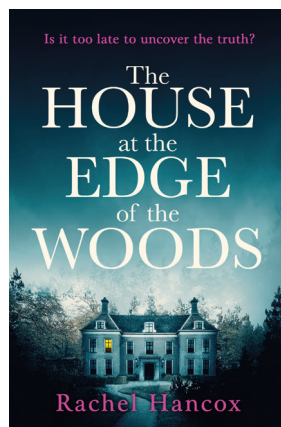
Then Rebecca takes on a new job, painting a fairy-tale fresco for a wealthy businessman who starts asking questions about Ben's mother . . .

Is it time for the truth to come out – and for Ben to face the questions he's never dared ask before?

**Rachel Hancox** read Medicine and Social and Political Science at Cambridge, qualified as a doctor three months after getting married, and has juggled her family, her career and a passion for writing ever since.

She worked in Paediatrics and Public Health for twenty years, writing short stories alongside NHS policy reports, and drafting novels during successive bouts of maternity leave.

Rachel loves singing, cooking, gardening and pottery, and has five children, three dogs and a cat. As someone once said, she thrives on chaos. She lives in Oxford with her husband and youngest children.



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# Still See You Everywhere

## LISA GARDNER

**A lifetime missing. Just three weeks to find her.**  
**The brand-new thriller from the *New York Times***  
**No. 1 bestselling author.**

A dozen strangers. Countless dangerous secrets. Zero means of calling for help. And then the storm rolls in . . .

Frankie Elkin finds missing people, whoever and wherever they may be.

Her latest case takes her to a secluded island off the coast of Hawaii. Her mission: to find the sister of serial killer, Keahi Pierson, who killed eighteen men and now awaits her own execution in three weeks' time.

If Keahi's sister, Lani, is still alive, she'll be living on this remote island with her 'guardian', millionaire businessman Sanders MacManus.

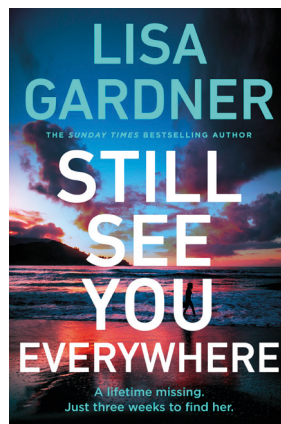
But this island is no paradise, and Frankie soon discovers that both the coast and the interior are patrolled by giant crabs and enormous spiders – and that is just the wildlife.

With no idea who among her co-workers are friends or foes, and with a tropical storm predicted to cut off all contact with the mainland, Frankie knows her own life is in terrifying danger.

**Lisa Gardner** started her writing career aged seventeen. Having caught her hair on fire while working in food service, crafting a novel seemed a safer bet. A mere ten years later she became an overnight success with the publication of her first thriller, *The Perfect Husband*.

Now an internationally bestselling author and winner of the International Thriller Writers' Award for best suspense novel, Lisa lives in the mountains of New Hampshire with her family.

When not glued to her computer, she can be found hiking the mountains with her dogs and/or researching new and interesting ways to get away with murder.



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**CRIME & MYSTERY**





# Seven Summers

PAIGE TOON

**Seven summers to fall in love. One summer to change it all. An unforgettable romance from the author of *Only Love Can Hurt Like This*.**

## Six summers ago

Liv and Finn meet working in a bar on the rugged Cornish coastline, their futures full of promise. When a night of passion ends in devastating tragedy they are bound together inextricably. But Finn's life is in LA with his band, and Liv's is in Cornwall with her family – so they make a promise. Finn will return every year, and if they are single they will spend the summer together.

## This summer

Liv crosses paths with Tom – a mysterious new arrival in her hometown. As the wildflowers and heather come into bloom, they find themselves falling for one another. For the first time, Liv can imagine a world where her heart isn't broken every year.

Now Liv must make an impossible choice. And when she discovers the shocking reason that Tom has left home, she'll need to trust her heart even more . . .

**Paige Toon** is the bestselling author of fifteen adult novels and three young adult titles, and her books have sold almost two million copies worldwide.

Paige writes sweeping, emotional love stories – filled with characters you'll never forget and incredible settings – that take you on a unique journey. She tells nuanced stories with big, thought-provoking themes at their heart which leave you uplifted and believing in the power of love. You will laugh, cry and feel like you've become part of a new family.

She lives in Cambridgeshire with her husband and their two children.



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ROMANCE



# Close to Death

## ANTHONY HOROWITZ

**By global bestselling author Anthony Horowitz, a brilliantly entertaining new mystery in the Hawthorne and Horowitz series.**

**Richmond, London.** Six attractive houses are tucked away in an exclusive and very upmarket gated community: Riverside Close. Surrounded by flowers and shrubbery, they're sealed off from the busy main road and the realities of urban life. At weekends, with the gate locked, the residents enjoy the sound of birdsong, the whirr of mowers, the occasional snatch of opera through an open window.

Everyone knows each other. Everyone gets on.

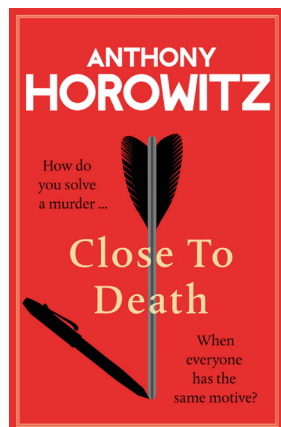
That is, until the Kenworthys arrive. With their four big gas-guzzling cars, their noisy children and their plans to build a swimming pool in their garden, they quickly offend every one of their neighbours.

When Charles Kenworthy is found dead on his porch, the bolt of a crossbow through his chest, Daniel Hawthorne is called in.

**But how do you solve a murder when everyone has the same motive?**

Bestselling author **Anthony Horowitz** has written two highly acclaimed Sherlock Holmes novels, *The House of Silk* and *Moriarty*; three James Bond novels, *Trigger Mortis*, *Forever and a Day* and *With a Mind to Kill*; the acclaimed bestselling mystery novels *Magpie Murders* and *Moonflower Murders* and the Detective Hawthorne novels, *The Word is Murder*, *The Sentence is Death*, *A Line To Kill* and *The Twist of a Knife*.

He is also the author of the teen spy Alex Rider series, and responsible for creating and writing some of the UK's most loved and successful TV series, including *Midsomer Murders* and *Foyle's War*. In January 2022 he was awarded a CBE for his services to literature.



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# Think Twice

## HARLAN COBEN

**The dead can't speak . . . but can they kill? From the global No. 1 bestselling creator of hit Netflix drama *Stay Close* comes the unputdownable new Myron Bolitar thriller.**

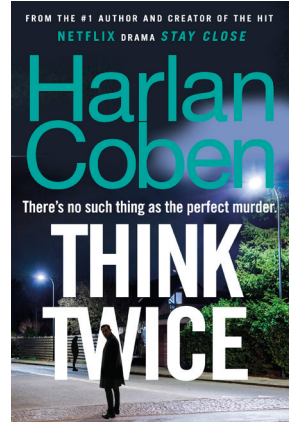
**'Where is Dexter Ajax?'**

Sports Agent, Myron Bolitar, is in his new office on the top of a skyscraper in New York when two FBI agents call.

The man they refer to is Myron's former client and a top basketball player. Ajax's DNA has been found at the scene of a high-profile double murder, and he is their main suspect.

It can't be Ajax, Myron tells the two agents: the reason Ajax is his 'former' client is because he died of a heart attack three years previously. Myron went to his funeral and gave the eulogy.

**So how can a man who's already dead be wanted for murder?**

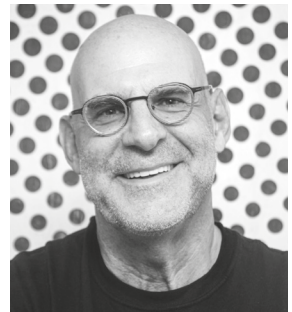


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With more than eighty million books in print worldwide, **Harlan Coben** is the No. 1 bestselling author of numerous thrillers, including *Run Away*, *Win* and *I Will Find You* as well as the multi-award-winning Myron Bolitar series.

Coben is also the creator and executive producer of many television shows, including the Netflix Original dramas *Stay Close*, *The Stranger* and *Hold Tight*, as well as the upcoming Amazon Prime series adaptation of *Shelter*. He lives in New Jersey with his wife and four children.



# The Switch

LILY SAMSON

**Two couples. One twisted game. A dark, sexy debut thriller with a shocking twist at its core – perfect for fans of Erin Kelly and Louise Doughty.**

## TWO COUPLES.

Elena and Adam are housesitting in Wimbledon and are instantly seduced by their new upscale surroundings. Sophia and Finn are their beautiful, enigmatic neighbours who invite them into their world.

## ONE TWISTED GAME.

When Sophia proposes a wicked game to Elena whereby they will swap partners in secret, it's not long before Elena starts to experience a sexual awakening that blossoms into an illicit love affair.

But Sophia's plans are far more complex and dangerous than Elena could ever have imagined . . .

## WHO WILL SURVIVE?

**Lily Samson** studied English at Oxford University and works in publishing. She divides her time between London and Paris, where her French partner resides. In her spare time, she enjoys watching Hitchcock movies and moonlighting as a freelance artist. *The Switch* is her debut thriller.



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THRILLER/SUSPENSE



# The Love Of My Afterlife

KIRSTY GREENWOOD

**Emily Henry meets *The Good Place*. A hilarious and heartwarming story about finding love, and learning what it really means to live.**

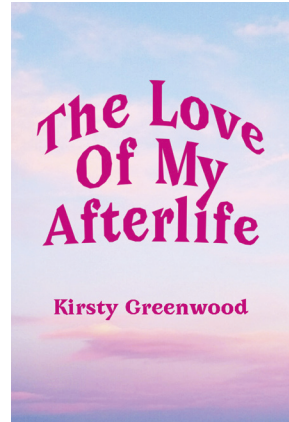
Recently deceased Delphie Bookham has just met The One in the afterlife, but is devastated when a mix-up means he is immediately sent back to Earth.

Delphie is given a second chance and accepts a deal in which she can return to her previous life in London and reconnect with the mysterious stranger she's sure is her soulmate.

The challenge? She only has ten days to find him.

Ten days to make him fall for her.

Oh, and he has no recollection of them ever having met . . .



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ROMANCE

**Kirsty Greenwood** is a bestselling author of funny, fearless romantic comedies about extraordinary love. When she's not writing books she composes musicals and gallivants around London where she lives with her husband.



# The Lost Coast

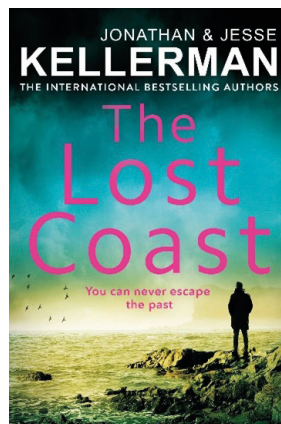
## JONATHAN AND JESSE KELLERMAN

**Bestselling writing duo Jonathan and Jesse Kellerman return with a new unputdownable thriller featuring Deputy Coroner Clay Edison.**

When coroner-turned-private investigator Clay Edison is approached to work on a fraud case, he uncovers more than he bargained for: a decades-old scheme targeting the vulnerable.

His investigation leads him to a strange town in the remote California wilderness where the residents don't care much for outsiders.

They certainly don't like Clay asking questions. And they'll do just about anything to keep him quiet . . .



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**Jonathan Kellerman** is the No. 1 *New York Times* bestselling author of more than forty crime novels, including the Alex Delaware series, *The Butcher's Theater*, *Billy Straight*, *The Conspiracy Club*, *Twisted*, *True Detectives* and *The Murderer's Daughter*. With his wife, Faye Kellerman, he co-authored *Double Homicide* and *Capital Crimes*. With his son, Jesse Kellerman, he co-authored *Lost Souls*, *Crime Scene*, *A Measure of Darkness*, *The Golem of Hollywood* and *The Golem of Paris*.

**Jesse Kellerman** won the Princess Grace Award for best young American playwright and is the author of *Sunstroke*, *Trouble*, *The Genius*, *The Executor* and *Potboiler*.



# Clean Slate

## POORNA BELL

**Smart, incisive and relatable, this is the brilliant second novel from award-winning journalist Poorna Bell. For fans of Candice Carty-Williams, Dolly Alderton and Dawn O'Porter.**

Padma is at a crossroads. Her career has stalled, and her boyfriend is ready to start a family she's not sure she wants.

Myra, Padma's fifteen-year-old niece, is far from the golden child her parents hoped she would be. So when she falls in with the wrong crowd and ends up in hospital, something radical needs to change.

In a bid to get Myra back on the straight and narrow, Padma agrees to spend the summer with her in a run-down cottage on the Kent coast.

**It's the last place they want to be. But with space to reconnect with themselves – and those closest to them – it might be the fresh start they both need . . .**



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**Poorna Bell** is an award-winning journalist and author of twenty years, former Executive Editor and Global Lifestyle Head for *HuffPost*. She won *Stylist's* Rising Star award for 2019, *Red* magazine's Big Book Award for 2019 and a *Sunday Times* Sports Books Award in 2022. She was named as one of *Marie Claire's* top 30 women and is a *Balance* magazine top 100 wellness personality.

Poorna has published three works of non-fiction: *Chase The Rainbow*, *In Search of Silence* and *Stronger*. Poorna's first work of fiction, *In Case of Emergency*, was published in 2022 to high acclaim. *Clean Slate* is her second novel.



# The Suspect

ROB RINDER

*The Secret Barrister* meets Janice Hallett's *The Appeal*. A gripping courtroom drama by barrister and broadcaster Rob Rinder following on from his debut novel, *The Trial*.

**When the darling of UK morning TV dies live on screen in front of millions of viewers, the nation is devastated.**

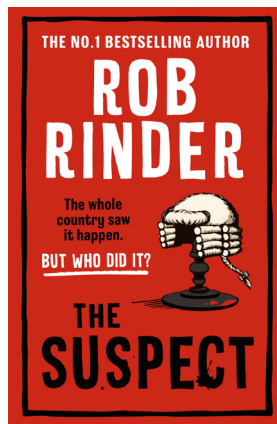
More devastated still when it becomes clear that her death was not an accident.

The evidence points to one culprit: celebrity chef Sebastian Brooks. But junior barrister Adam Green is about to discover that the case is not as open-and-shut as it first seemed.

And although her angelic persona would suggest otherwise, she was not short of enemies in the glittery TV world . . .

**Can Adam uncover the truth?**

**Rob Rinder** is a barrister turned writer and broadcaster. In 2014 he began starring in his reality court show *Judge Rinder*, and he now uses his legal knowledge working in the media to make the law more accessible. His participation in *Who Do You Think You Are?* retraced the story of his Holocaust survivor grandfather and received a BAFTA. In 2020, Rob was awarded an MBE for his services to Holocaust education and an honorary doctorate for his legal work. Rob's first novel, *The Trial*, was a No.1 *Sunday Times* bestseller. *The Suspect* is the second in the series.



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# Second Chance Summer

PHILLIPA ASHLEY

**From the million-copy *Sunday Times* bestselling author comes a heartwarming story of hope, love and second chances, set on the gorgeous Isles of Scilly.**

From the moment Lily Harper arrives at a remote retreat on the breathtaking Scilly Isles, she is itching to get back to civilisation – and her business.

*Slowing down* simply isn't in her vocabulary, and so she quickly clashes with the gorgeous but dour Sam who runs the retreat.

Just as Lily is about to give up and leave, she is involved in a spectacular boating accident. Rumours abound and her obituary is released online.

But there are two problems:

**One:** Lily doesn't like the person she's reading about.

**Two:** Lily isn't dead.

Faced with her own mortality, Lily is no longer sure she wants to return to the life she thought she loved. But will she have the courage to give the retreat, and Sam, a second chance?

**Phillipa Ashley** is a *Sunday Times*, Amazon and Audible bestselling author of uplifting romantic fiction.

After studying English at Oxford University, she worked as a copywriter and journalist before turning her hand to writing. Her debut novel, *Decent Exposure*, won the Romantic Novelists' Association New Writers Award and was filmed as a Lifetime TV movie, *12 Men of Christmas*, starring Kristin Chenoweth and Josh Hopkins. Since then, her novels have sold well over a million copies and been translated into numerous languages. Phillipa lives in an English village with her husband, has a grown-up daughter and loves nothing better than walking the Lake District hills and swimming in Cornish coves.

## Second Chance Summer

Phillipa  
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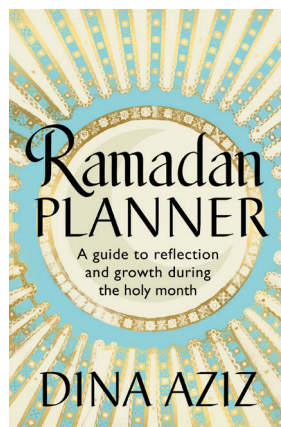
NON-FICTION

# Ramadan Planner

DINA AZIZ

**Plan your time, check in with yourself, and track your goals for your best, most mindful and productive Ramadan yet.**

The month of Ramadan is a time for reflection, self-improvement, personal growth, and of heightened devotion and worship, but the pressures and stresses of day-to-day life can sometimes make it feel hard to keep track of all your good intentions. From *suhoor* to *iftar* and beyond, *Ramadan Planner* is here to help guide you through the month of Ramadan. Full of helpful checklists, reminders, journal prompts, and spaces to reflect – whether you're fasting or exempt – get ready to track your progress through the holiest month.



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ISLAMIC LIFE & PRACTICE

**Dina Aziz** is an influencer who has captivated a vast following with her modest sense of fashion, inspiring lifestyle, and captivating artistry. With each Ramadan, Dina shares glimpses of her planner, providing invaluable support and preparation for her eager followers embarking on their spiritual journey. With her authentic and heartfelt approach, Dina spends her time sharing her thoughts, guidance, and time to connect with people online and in person.



# Our Fight

## RONDA ROUSEY

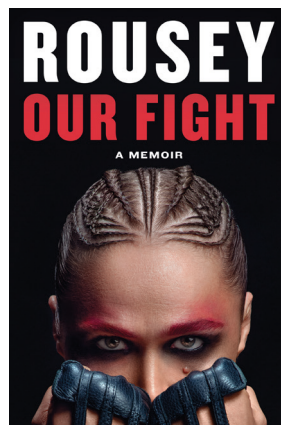
**An inspirational story of resilience and recovery from UFC and WWE legend Ronda Rousey.**

'I like to think of it as a book someone would have given me when I felt completely destroyed and said, "I know you're not ready, but when you are, you should really read this – and not just because it has valuable life lessons, but because it's also amusing as f\*ck.'

Following her crushing UFC loss in Australia, November 2015, *Our Fight* follows Rousey in the years that followed – picking herself back up and figuring out who she is, not tied to her identity as an athlete, a celebrity, or anyone else's expectations. Fighting for your own happiness is something that we can all relate to.

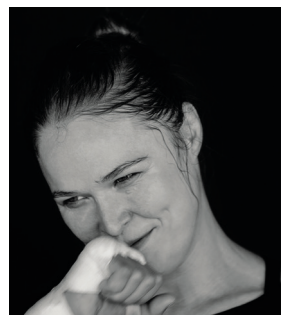
Brutally honest, entertaining, empowering, *Our Fight* encourages you to face your fears, even when you don't want to.

**Ronda Rousey** is the UFC's undefeated women's bantamweight champion and an Olympic medallist in judo. Arguably the most dominant athlete in UFC history, Rousey is responsible for the inclusion of women in the Octagon. She has taken Hollywood with her signature force, landing roles in major films and exploding onto the scene with the drive, commitment, and command that has made her a champion.



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**AUTOBIOGRAPHY: SPORT**



# Show Up

## TAMMY HEMBROW

**A motivational guide to owning your life, balancing your priorities, achieving whatever you set your mind to and bringing your best self to it all.**

In her first book, Tammy breaks down life into its eight main areas and explains how she shows up to them all and balances them. She shares her secrets about setting goals, building habits, staying motivated, tackling challenges, embracing vulnerability and having fun. Tammy also offers behind-the-scenes insights into the high and low experiences of her life and the moments that her followers recognise from her social media channels.



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**ASSERTIVENESS,  
MOTIVATION AND  
SELF-ESTEEM**

**Tammy Hembrow** is an Australian fitness model, influencer and entrepreneur, with over twenty million followers across her social media channels. Tammy's followers have been inspired by how she has integrated motherhood alongside her fitness journey, as she shares snippets of daily life with her three children as well as workout approaches and nutrition content.



# A Fate Inked in Blood

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Bound in an unwanted marriage, Freya spends her days gutting fish, but dreams of becoming a warrior. And of putting an axe in her boorish husband's back.

Freya's dreams abruptly become reality when her husband betrays her to the region's jarl, landing her in a fight to the death against his son. To survive, Freya is forced to reveal her deepest secret: she possesses a drop of a goddess's blood, which gives her magic capable of repelling any attack. A magic that was foretold would unite the fractured nation of Skaland beneath a king – the one who controls the shield maiden's fate.

**Danielle L. Jensen** is the *USA Today* bestselling author of the *Malediction* series, the *Dark Shores* series, and *The Bridge Kingdom* series, as well as the forthcoming *A Fate Inked in Blood*. She lives in Calgary, Alberta with her family and guinea pigs.



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Furious and heartbroken, the All-Father banishes Loki to Earth for his crime. Loki finds himself in a realm of boxed wine, instant noodles, and some sort of regional performance troupe known as the 'Buffalo Bills'.

Yet, he cannot even endure his exile in peaceful isolation. A Valkyrie barges into his trailer-home with his brother's final words from the beyond: a plea to find a certain Dr Jane Foster and pass on Mjolnir to its rightful heir. And as Asgard looks to Loki for salvation, he must answer the question: Am I truly worthy?

**Madeleine Roux** is the *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author of more than twenty books for teens, adults and children. Her bestselling *Asylum* series has sold over a million copies worldwide. She has also written for *Star Wars*, *World of Warcraft*, *Dungeons & Dragons* and *Critical Role*. Madeleine lives in Seattle, Washington with her partner and beloved pups.



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**John Jackson Miller** is the *New York Times* bestselling author of the Scribe Award-winning *Star Wars: Kenobi* as well as *Star Wars: A New Dawn*, *Star Wars: Lost Tribe of the Sith*, *Star Wars: Knight Errant*, and the *Star Wars Legends: The Old Republic* graphic novel collections from Marvel. He has written novels and comics for other franchises including *Star Trek*, *Battlestar Galactica*, *Halo*, *Iron Man*, *Mass Effect*, *Planet of the Apes*, and *The Simpsons*. A comics industry historian, he lives in Wisconsin with his family, assorted wildlife, and far too many comic books.



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# Lore Olympus: Volume 6

RACHEL SMYTHE

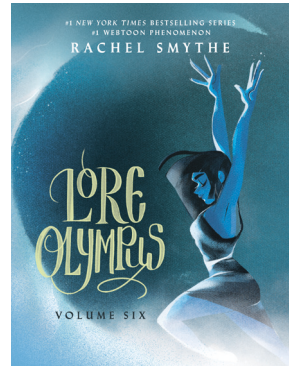
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But as Hades and Persephone's relationship grows stronger, others begin to fall apart. The bond between Hades and Zeus is stretched to its limit, Persephone and Artemis's friendship hangs by a thread, and a line is being drawn in the heavens, putting everyone's loyalties into question as all the gods are forced to choose sides.

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**Rachel Smythe** is the creator of the Eisner-nominated *Lore Olympus*, published via Webtoon.



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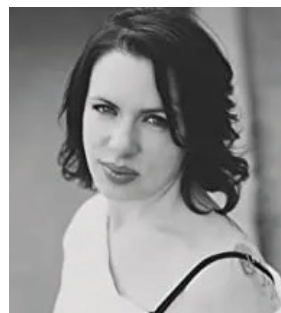


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**Katee Robert** is a *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author of contemporary and fantasy romance and romantic suspense. *Entertainment Weekly* calls her writing 'unspeakably hot'. Her books have sold over a million copies.

She lives in the Pacific Northwest with her husband, children, a cat who thinks he's a dog, and two Great Danes who think they're lap dogs.



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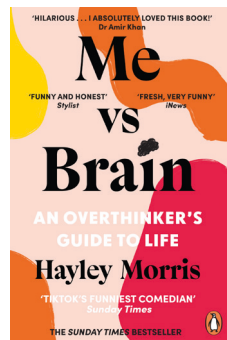
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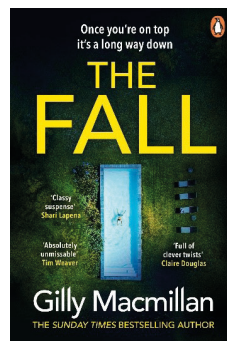
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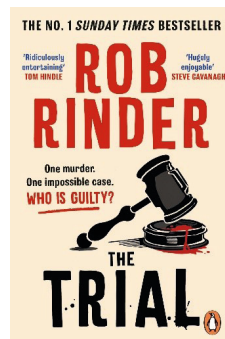
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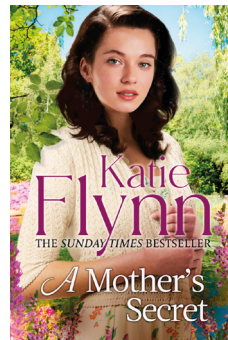
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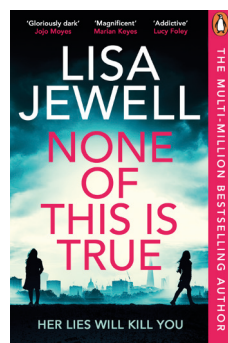
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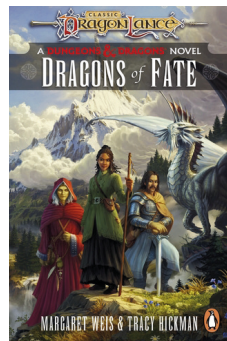
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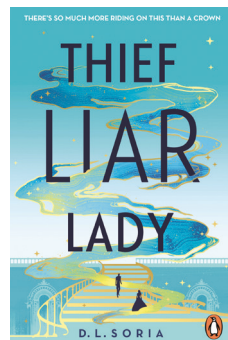
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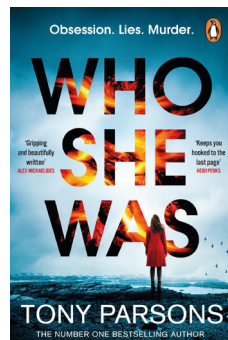
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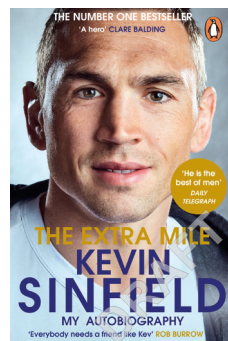
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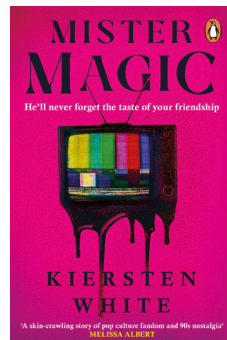
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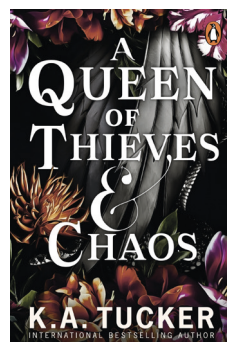
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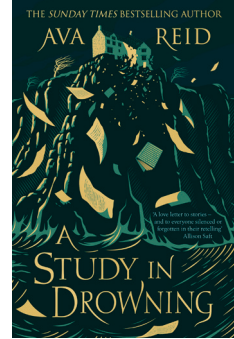
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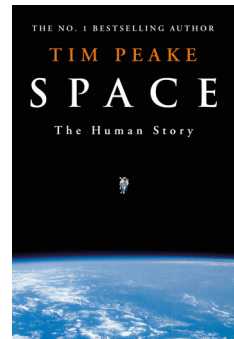
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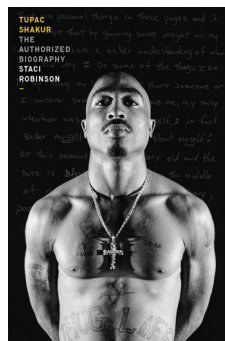
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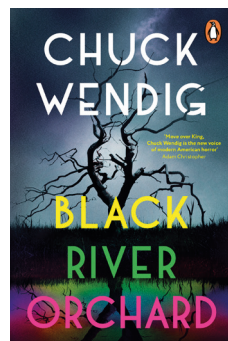
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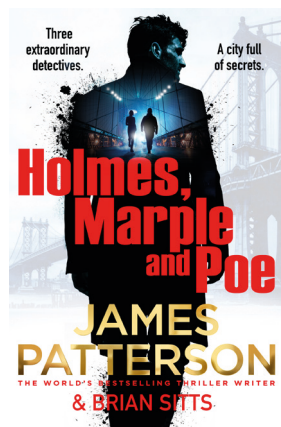
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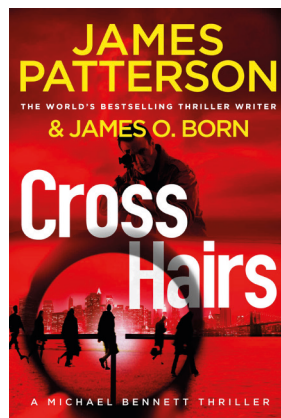
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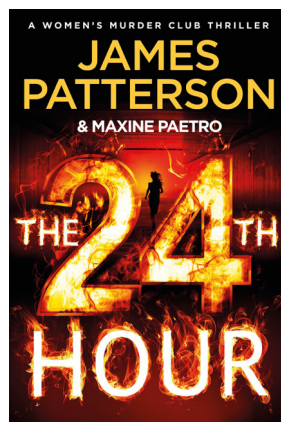
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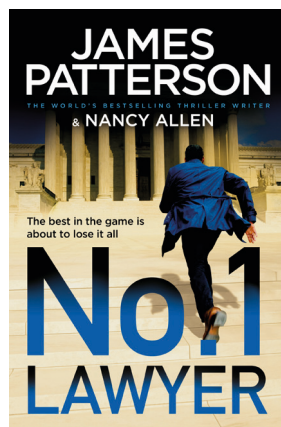
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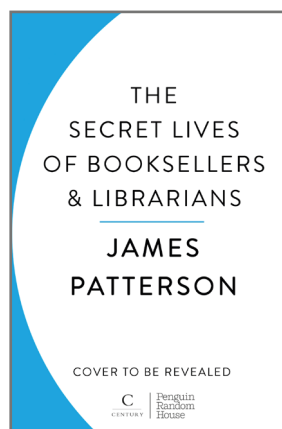
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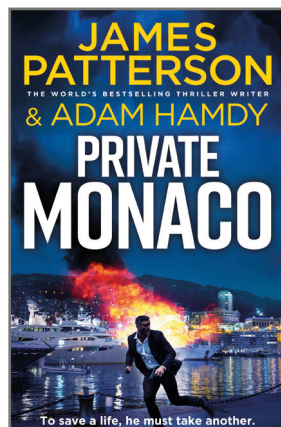
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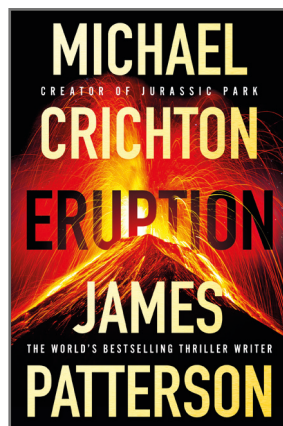
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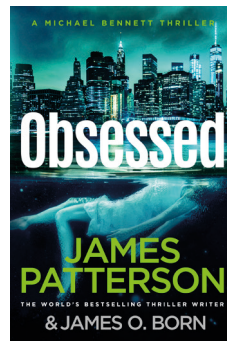


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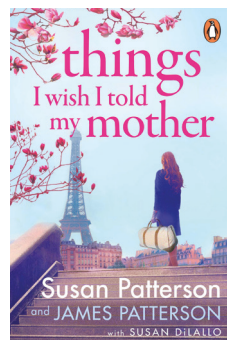
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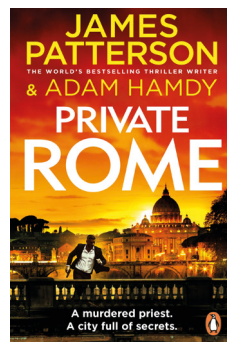
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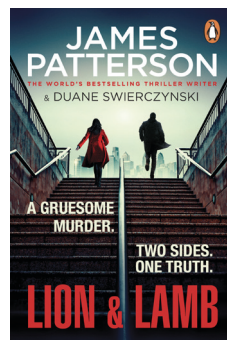
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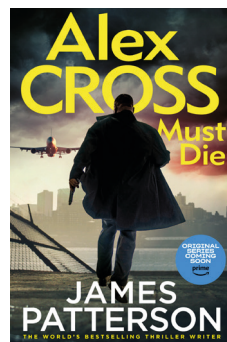
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