

Title: Shock Waves
Author: Fleur McDonald

ISBN: 9781038768278

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 380

Publication Date: 5/07/2024

Category: FICTION / Crime

BISAC: FIC050000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: Detective Dave Burrows returns in a page-turning new novel of rural suspense from Voice of the Outback, >'A family drama at heart, the book is an authentic exploration of grief, family estrangement, and life on the land (fans of McDonald's previous novels will enjoy the return of Detective Dave Burrows)' The AuReview.com on <i>Voices in the Dark</ i>
Detective Dave Burrows has longed for the top job in the Stock Squad but never thought he'd be acting in that role while his partner and best mate, Detective Bob Holden, is treated for melanoma.
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Bob is keen to get back on the road and Dave can't wait to go bush either, expecting the trip will be much the same as usual.

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Multiple bomb blasts in the small country town of Kallygarn send shock waves through the state of Western Australia, and Dave and Bob are once again drawn into the criminal underworld.

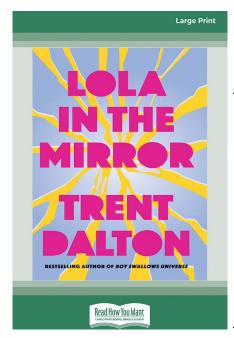
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-br/> Fleur McDonald:
br/>'It is a suspense filled journey from open to close in this rural yarn.' -Â Mrs B's Book Reviews on <i>Voices in the Dark</i>
-\... a riveting rural crime story ... Dave comes across as sincere and likeable. You find yourself barracking for him.'
b>Â - The Burgeoning Bookshelf on<i> Without a Doubt</i>
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>lthis story is so well written with suspense and mystery and with Dave's cool calm attitude to solving cases, I was turning the pages, although I want all the answers I often don't want the story to end.' -Â Family Saga Reviews on <i>Into the Night</i> b>
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'McDonald brings all her passion for the land to this rural suspense.' - <i>Australian Women's Weekly</i> <i>Something to Hide</i>
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i>Something To Hide</i> ramps up the tension to new heights as Dave lays everything he loves, believes in, dreams of, on the line to bring… Fleur McDonald has come up with ripper of storyline that is going to be hard to follow.' - Blue Wolf Reviews

About the Author: Fleur McDonald has lived and worked on farms for much of her life. After growing up in the small town of Orroroo in South Australia, she became a jillaroo before spending twenty years farming 8000 acres, east of Esperance, WA.

Fleur likes to write about strong women overcoming adversity, drawing inspiration from her own experiences in rural Australia. She is the best-selling author of <i>Red Dust, Blue Skies, Purple Roads, Silver Clouds, Crimson Dawn, Emerald Springs, Indigo Storm, Sapphire Falls, The Missing Pieces of Us, Suddenly One Summer, Fool's Gold, Where the Rivers Run, Without a Doubt, Starting From Now, Red Dirt Country, The Shearer's Wife, Something to Hide, Deception Creek, Rising Dust, Broad River Station, Into the Night</i>
i>A Farmer's Choice</i>
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Title: Lola in the Mirror **Author:** Trent Dalton

ISBN: 9781038767967

Retail Price: 79.99 AUD

Pages: 654

Publication Date: 5/07/2024

Category: FICTION / Coming of Age

BISAC: FIC043000

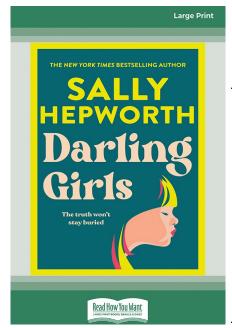
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: Bighearted, gritty, magical and moving, Lola in the Mirror is the irresistible new novel from international bestselling author of Boy Swallows Universe and All Our Shimmering Skies, Trent Dalton. 'Mirror, mirror, on the grass, what's my future? What's my past?' A girl and her mother have been on the run for sixteen years, from police and the monster they left in their kitchen with a knife in his throat. They've found themselves a home inside a van with four flat tyres parked in a scrapyard by the edge of the Brisbane River. The girl has no name because names are dangerous when you're on the run. But the girl has a dream. A vision of a life as an artist of international acclaim. A life outside the grip of the Brisbane underworld drug queen 'Lady' Flora Box. A life of love with the boy who's waiting for her on the bridge that stretches across a flooding, deadly river. A life beyond the bullet that has her name on it. And now that the storm clouds are rising, there's only one person who can help make her dreams come true. That person is Lola and she carries all the answers. But to find Lola, the girl with no name must first do one of the hardest things we can ever do. She must look in the mirror. From international bestselling author Trent Dalton, Lola in the Mirror is a big, moving, blackly funny, violent, heartbreaking and beautiful novel of love, fate, life and death and all the things we see when we look in the mirror: all our past, all our present, and all our possible futures. 'Trent Dalton's third novel reminds me of the 1980s advertising slogan for the author's home state of Queensland: Beautiful one day, perfect the next ... Lola in the Mirror is a bold, big-hearted, hopeful, humorous, dark, reflective, truthful, superbly written novel that confirms Dalton's place in all the shimmering skies (to borrow the title of his second novel) of Australian literature. He is not a rising star but a star full stop.' The Australian 'Wonderful ... An original, heart-thumping novel ... you are right there with the protagonists, feeling and believing every word and every raindrop. It is the type of novel you read filled with pure hope and sorrow for the characters. You want to believe that everything is going to work out just fine, and that there will be dancing, and art, and delight. You won't know until the end, and by that time you, too, are running through the streets, turning the pages, and trusting that love wins.' Readings 'Dalton holds a mirror up to the darkest corners of this Australian life and reveals every bit of beauty, magic and calamity it has to offer.' Booktopia

About the Author: Trent Dalton is an award-winning journalist at The Weekend Australian Magazine. His writing includes several short and feature-length film screenplays. He was nominated for a 2010 AFI Best Short Fiction screenplay award for his latest film, Glenn Owen Dodds, which also won the prestigious International Prix Canal award at the world's largest short film festival, the Clermont-Ferrand International Short Film Festival. Dalton's debut feature film screenplay, In the Silence, is currently in production.





Title: Darling Girls **Author:** Sally Hepworth

ISBN: 9781038764485

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 404

Publication Date: 23/01/2024

Category: FICTION / Mystery & Detective / General

BISAC: FIC022000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Pan Macmillan Australia

About the Book: It's not just secrets buried at Wild Meadows. For as long as they can remember, Jessica, Norah and Alicia have been told how lucky they are. Rescued from family tragedies and raised by a loving foster mother on an idyllic farming estate, they were given an elusive second chance of a happy family life. But their childhood wasn't the fairy tale everyone thinks it was. And when a body is discovered under the home they grew up in, the foster sisters find themselves thrust into the spotlight as key witnesses. Or are they prime suspects? A thrilling page-turner by New York Times bestselling author Sally Hepworth of sisterhood, secrets, love and murder. Praise for Darling Girls 'Sally Hepworth's Darling Girls is the kind of story that grabs you hard and doesn't let go. Easily one of the best books I've read all year. An absolute page-turner from first word to last, and a story told with wit and compassion. It's got HUGE HIT written all over it, and I'm going to be pressing it into the hands of everyone I know. A superb and haunting mystery. 'Jane Harper

About the Author: Sally Hepworth is the New York Times bestselling author of nine novels, including The Good Sister and The Soulmate. Drawing on the good, the bad and the downright odd of human behaviour, Sally writes incisively about family, relationships and identity. Her domestic thriller novels are laced with quirky humour, sass and a darkly charming tone. They are available worldwide in English and have been translated into twenty languages. Sally lives in Melbourne, Australia, with her family and one adorable dog.





Title: The One That Got Away

Author: Karly Lane

ISBN: 9781038769398

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 366

Publication Date: 1/08/2024

Category: FICTION / Small Town & Rural

BISAC: FIC066000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: A delightfully entertaining new rural romance from Karly Lane, the bestselling author with over 550,000 books sold.

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About the Author: Karly Lane lives on the beautiful mid-North Coast of New South Wales, and she is the proud mum of four children and an assortment of four-legged animals.

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br>Refore becoming an author, Karly worked as a pathology collector. Now, after surviving three teenage children and with one more to go, she's confident she can add referee, hostage negotiator, law enforcer, peacekeeper, ruiner-of-social-lives, driving instructor and expert-at silently-counting-to-ten to her resume.

sbr>When she isn't at her keyboard, Karly can be found hanging out with her beloved horses and dogs, happily ignoring the housework.

sbr>Karly writes Rural and Women's Fiction set in small country towns, blending contemporary stories with historical heritage. She is a passionate advocate for rural Australia, with a focus on rural communities and current issues. She has published twenty-two books with Allen & Drwin.

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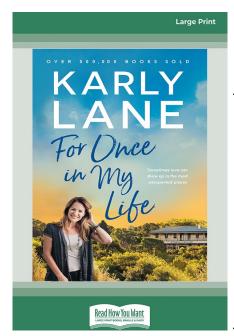
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Title: For Once In My Life Author: Karly Lane

ISBN: 9781038762740

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 400

Publication Date: 14/12/2023

Category: FICTION / Romance / General

BISAC: FIC027000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

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Worgan's Law, Bridie's Choice, Poppy's Dilemma, Gemma's Bluff, Tallowood Bound, Second Chance Town, Third Time Lucky, If Wishes Were Horses, Six Ways to Sunday, Someone Like You, Fool Me Once, Something Like This, Take Me Home, Once Burnt Twice Shy, A Stone's Throw Away, Wish You Were Here, Time After Time</br>
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is and the bestselling Callahans of Stringybark Creek series: <i>The Wrong Callahan, Mr Right Now </i>
is her twenty-second novel.





Title: Red Dirt Home Author: Renae Black

ISBN: 9781038767363

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 424

Publication Date: 15/03/2024

Category: FICTION / Romance / Contemporary

BISAC: FIC027020

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: To move forward, she'll have to face the past. Paige Bennett is fulfilling her childhood dream of working and living on the land as a station hand on Whitetail Ridge. Getting her hands dirty, riding horses, working with cattle and kicking up red dust. Life can't get much better. Or so she thinks, until a devastating act of violent betrayal leaves her unemployed, homeless and broken. A fight with his father drove Jackson Brady off Karilga, his family's cattle station in the Queensland outback. Now he's made a life for himself away from the land, joining a band and settling into the city. When the girl he's always had his eye on shows up with news from back home, he's faced with a difficult choice: go home where he's needed or stay where he's wanted. Winding up on Karilga Station, Paige is a shadow of the person she once was. Desperate to forget what happened to her, she considers leaving her beloved channel country. But things aren't so easily forgotten in the outback. When fate gives her no option but to trust again, will she find love as well? Or at least a safe place to land? Jackson knows he's never been more to Paige than a country larrikin who only takes the beer at the end of the day seriously - a sentiment closely echoed by his father. Can Jackson prove himself to his father and become the man Paige needs him to be? Or will it all crumble in the red dirt of the outback? A heartfelt, deeply emotional story about finding home, facing the past and falling in love, from a captivating new voice in rural romance.

About the Author: Renae Black lives in Queensland with her husband and two young bookworms. By day she works as a social worker within the child protection industry. By night, she escapes to the romantic fictional realms of rural Australia that transport her back to her childhood home, a large property that bred cattle and hosted the odd ostrich sale.





Title: Back On Track **Author:** Tricia Stringer

ISBN: 9781038762528

Retail Price: 74.99 AUD

Pages: 560

Publication Date: 14/12/2023

Category: FICTION / Women

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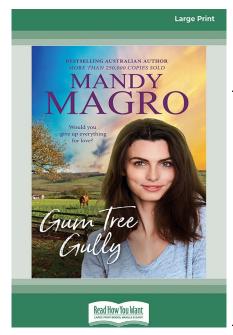
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: Bestselling author and voice of Australian storytelling Tricia Stringer tackles troubled relationships, ageism, and love old and new in this warm, funny, uplifting story of colleagues and unlikely travel companions thrown together on an astonishing (and revealing) train trip across Australia. Ketty Clift's couture dressmaking business is thriving but the same can't be said for her staff. Lately, cracks have appeared in the team's harmony, testing relationships and causing issues with customers. Worse, the rumour that Ketty has lost her touch is circulating. So when Ketty's old friend Carlos suggests a holiday by train - on the iconic Ghan, no less - Ketty decides to take her surprised staff with her in the hope of fixing what ails them. But it's not turning out to be the cure-all Ketty had hoped for. Her protective second-in-command, Judith, doubts Carlos's intentions and sows suspicion in Ketty's mind. Her younger staff members, Birgit and Lacey, are beset by relationship disasters and financial worries, whereas invaluable employee Ning is under pressure from her family to retire, and seamstress Tien is terrified of everything outside her comfort zone - especially the outback. Each new stop on the way, and the surprising behaviour of some of the other passengers, affects the group and reveals something more about each of them. As the train pulls deeper into the mesmerising outback, matters seem set to come to a disturbing crescendo. Ketty must sidestep the drama, reunite her troubled workers and save her business and relationships. But will her transformative magic work to bring them all back on track?

About the Author: Tricia Stringer is a bestselling and multiple award-winning author. Her books include Keeping Up Appearances, Birds of a Feather, The Family Inheritance, The Model Wife, Table for Eight, seven rural romances and a historical saga set in the unforgiving landscape of nineteenth-century Flinders Ranges. Tricia grew up on a farm in country South Australia and has spent most of her life in rural communities, as owner of a post office and bookshop, as a teacher and librarian, and now as a full-time writer. She lives on the traditional lands of the Narungga people, in the beautiful Copper Coast region, with her husband Daryl, travelling and exploring Australia's diverse communities and landscapes, and sharing her passion for the country and its people through her authentic stories and their vivid characters. For further information and to sign up for her quarterly newsletter go to triciastringer.com or connect with Tricia on Facebook or Instagram @triciastringerauthor





Title: Gum Tree Gully **Author:** Mandy Magro

ISBN: 9781038762535

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 374

Publication Date: 14/12/2023

Category: FICTION / Small Town & Rural

BISAC: FIC066000

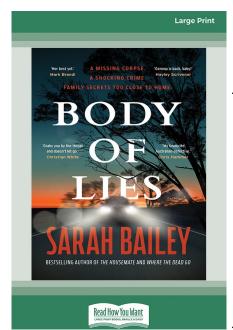
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: Bestselling Australian romance author Mandy Magro tells a heartwarming story of homecoming and love against all the odds. Would you give up everything for love? Samantha Evans may have been born and bred in the country, but over the years she has adapted to, and loves, her big-city life in London. She's reached heights of success in her business that she'd never dreamed of achieving back in Australia. When her best friend's wedding forces her to return to her beautiful Queensland hometown of Gum Tree Gully, fate reminds Sammie about everything, and everyone, she left behind, including her childhood sweetheart, Connor Gunn. Now a handsome and kind cattle farmer, he harbours a tragic secret he can't share with anyone. That is, until Sammie comes back to town. Samantha soon learns her country blood runs much deeper than she allowed herself to believe, so too do the intense feelings she's carried for Connor all these years. But her life is overseas now, while his is in Gum Tree Gully. Living on opposite sides of the world, with oceans and long-held secrets standing between them, is there any hope for their love to prevail? PRAISE FOR MANDY MAGRO: 'A deliciously blissful romance that will have you hooked from beginning to end.' - Better Reading 'Mandy Magro is a novelist who continues to go from strength to strength and Home Sweet Home is another earnest story from this big-hearted storyteller.' - Mrs B's Book Reviews

About the Author: Mandy Magro lives in Cairns, Far North Queensland, with her fiance, Des, their daughter, Chloe Rose, and their two adorable pooches, Sophie and Sherlock. With pristine aqua-blue coastline in one direction and sweeping rural land-scapes in the other, she describes her home as heaven on earth. A passionate woman and a romantic at heart, Mandy loves writing about soul-deep love, the Australian way of life, and the wonderful characters who call the country home.





Title: Body of Lies **Author:** Sarah Bailey

ISBN: 9781038766717

Retail Price: 74.99 AUD

Pages: 590

Publication Date: 6/03/2024

Category: FICTION / Thrillers / Crime

BISAC: FIC031010

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: DS Gemma Woodstock returns to Smithson in a mysterious new thriller from the bestselling author of <i>The Housemate</i>.
'Sarah Bailey just gets better and better. <i>Body of Lies</i> is nuanced, compelling and so very entertaining.'
Chris Hammer, author of <i>Scrublands </i>and <i>The Seven</i>
'Bailey blasts through more twists in the first fifty pages of <i>Body of Lies</i> than some writers manage in a whole book.'
br/>Jack Heath, author of <i>Kill Your Brother</i>
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With<i> Body of Lies</i>, Sarah Bailey proves she is the master of the relatable protagonist and the queen of dramatic tension. I defy readers to put down this book once they start. '
br/>Hayley Scrivenor, author of <i>Dirt Town</i>

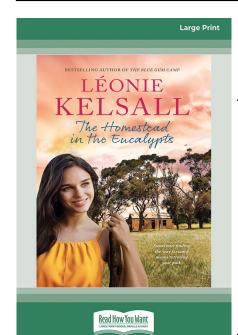
A car crash victim clings to life and is rushed to hospital but can't be saved. Hours later, her corpse is stolen from the morgue. No one knows who the dead woman was or why her body was taken.
br/>cbr/>Detective Sergeant Gemma Woodstock is back in her hometown of Smithson on maternity leave when the bizarre incident occurs. She is intrigued by the case but reluctant to get involved, despite the urging of her journalist friend Candy Fyfe. But in the days after the body goes missing, the town is rocked by another shocking crime and Gemma can't resist joining the investigation.
candy and Gemma follow the clues the dead woman left behind. As they attempt to discover the identity of the missing woman, Gemma uncovers devastating secrets about the people she thought she knew best. The closer Gemma gets to the truth, the more danger she is in. She desperately needs to confide in someone-but is there anyone she can trust?
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br/>A gripping, Sarah Bailey:
'An exceptional and powerful novel from an outstanding author…takes the reader on an intense and thrilling psychological journey. A highly recommended read.' - <i>Canberra Weekly</i> on <i>The Housemate</i></ b>
'<i>The Dark Lake</i> adds to the trend of haunting, rural Australian crime fiction, and provides a welcome addition to the genre for those left bereft after finishing Jane Harper's <i>The Dry</i>.' - <i>Books + Publishing</i> >
'Melbourne's wintry streets come alive on the pages, keeping the dramatic tension high…Bailey's writing has grown stronger and more assured in this novel.' - <i>Good Reading</i> on <i>Into the Night</i>

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>crime fiction…Gritty, realistic, atmospheric and chilling. An absolute cracker of a read that I can't even begin to recommend highly enough.' - Theresa Smith Writes on <i>Where the Dead Go</i>

'An addictive and thoroughly entertaining read.' - <i>The Weekly Review</i> on <i>The Dark Lake</i>
'>br/>'Bailey crafts a provocative and thoughtprovoking thriller, accurately portraying the dance between police and media, with plenty of red herrings to keep readers enthralled to the last page.' - <i>The Courier-Mail</i> on <i>The Housemate</i>

About the Author: Sarah Bailey is a Melbourne-based writer with a background in advertising and communications. She has three sons and is currently the Managing Director of the Melbourne and Sydney offices of advertising agency VMLY&R. Her internationally award-winning Gemma Woodstock series includes <i>The Dark Lake</i>, published in 2017 and winner of





Title: The Homestead in the Eucalypts

Author: Leonie Kelsall

ISBN: 9781038771506

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 492

Publication Date: 8/10/2024

Category: FICTION / Romance / Contemporary

BISAC: FIC027020

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: An entrancing new rural romance from the bestselling author of <i>The Blue Gum Camp</i>. >
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b'Leonie Kelsall is becoming the voice of the South Australian rural outback.' Beauty and Lace on <i>The Blue Gum Camp</i>
When student doctor Taylor Lawrence's city life is turned upside down, she seeks sanctuary on her grandparents' farm in the South Australian countryside.

During the lonely nights, she fantasises of a time long-gone; of Anna, who, rising at dawn to milk the cows and fetch water from the well, is caught in a bushfire that threatens to leave her reputation as blackened as the surrounding bushland. And of Anna's rescuer, fellow settler, Luke Hartmann.

| Settler | Luke Hartmann | Property blurs as Taylor repeatedly escapes into Anna's world, and she realises she must discover whether her dreams are pure fantasyor if they recount a story more familiar than she could ever imagine.

Str/>Either way, it seems she'll end up with a broken mind or a broken heart. The problem is, Taylor is no longer sure which she would prefer.
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bPraise for Leonie Kelsall:
'A great summer read-romance, drama and laughs . . . from one of Australia's best rural romance writers.' <i>Woman's Day</i> on <i>The Blue Gum Camp</i>

With complex and endearing characters who will steal your heart away, these unputdownable books will have you turning the pages long into the night.' Karly Lane, bestselling author of <i>For Once In My Life</i>

/br/>'Leonie Kelsall is my go-to when I want a gutsy rural fiction read.' Darry Fraser, author of <i>The Milliner of Bendigo</i>
/br/>'Warm, witty and brimming with big-hearted country characters, renovations and romance. A fabulous, feel-good rural read!' Maya Linnell, bestselling author of <i>Kookaburra Cottage</i>
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'A welcome return that offers plenty of happiness, fun and heartbreak…with a wonderful message about letting go, seizing the day and embracing all experiences on offer…I highly recommend.' Mrs B's Book Reviews

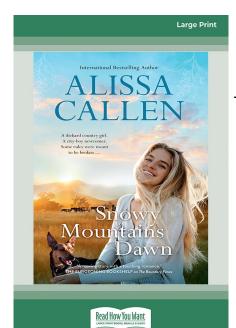
'Viritten with warmth, humour and sincerity, offering appealing characters and an engaging story…a lovely read, sure to satisfy.' Book'd Out

About the Author: Raised initially in a tiny, no-horse town on South Australia's Fleurieu coast, then in the slightly more populated wheat and sheep farming land at Pallamana, Léonie is a country girl through and through. Growing up without a television, she developed a love of reading before she reached primary school, swiftly followed by a desire to write. Pity the poor teachers who received chapters of creative writing instead of a single page!

br><EA©onie entertained a brief fantasy of moving to the big city (well, Adelaide), but within months the lure of the open spaces and big sky country summoned her home. A registered wildlife rescuer and carer, she now divides her time between the lush Adelaide Hills, the location of her professional counselling practice, and the stark, arid beauty of the family farm at Pallamana, which provides both the setting for many of her stories and a refuge for the rescues that can't be released. Follow her social media for an overload of the fluffy, fleecy, furred and feathered inhabitants of her home and heart.

br><Leonie is the bestselling author of <i>The Farm at Peppertree Crossing</i>
ci>The Wattle Seed Inn</i>
ci>The River Gum Cottage</i>
ci>The Willow Tree Wharf</i>





Title: Snowy Mountains Dawn: (Book #4 A Bundilla Novel)

Author: Alissa Callen

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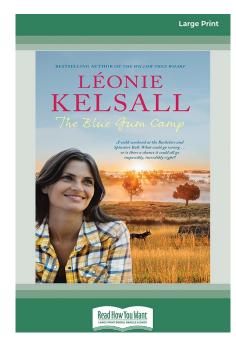
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: A diehard country girl. A city-boy newcomer. Some rules were meant to be broken... Opposites attract in this delightful rural romance, set in charming small-town Bundilla, from bestselling Australian author Alissa Callen Horsewoman Brenna Lancaster has no time for relationships. Unless a man looks good on a horse and lets her call the shots, she isn't interested. She'd rather wear a dress and heels than give someone else power over her life. Finance guru Wyatt Killian is a self-made man who has left the train wreck of his childhood behind. There is zero room in his workaholic world for downtime and distractions, let alone emotions or country girls. When Wyatt's corporate horse-riding retreat is led by a woman determined to unplug him from his urban life, it isn't just his laser focus that becomes compromised. Being in a saddle unlocks a part of himself that he'd long ago discarded. In a rare moment of nostalgia, he prolongs his stay in the high country. After Brenna becomes mired in a family secret that involves a historic feud and bushrangers, she has no choice but to involve Wyatt in the search for answers. But as Wyatt's past collides with his future, and the only home Brenna has known comes under threat, both must decide what they need to let go of and what is worth fighting for. PRAISE FOR ALISSA CALLEN: 'An enjoyable story about community ties and love.' - Canberra Weekly magazine 'Snowy Mountains Promise is a delightfully charming rural story about love and healing. If you love rural romance, electrifying chemistry and page-turning prose, this is the book for you.' - Better Reading 'Alissa Callen writes such heartwarming, feel-good stories and creates the most appealing communities ... It was wonderful to return to Bundilla and some familiar faces.' - 1girl2manybooks

About the Author: When USA Today bestselling author Alissa Callen isn't writing, she plays traffic controller to four children, three dogs, two horses and one renegade cow who believes the grass is greener on the other side of the fence. After a childhood spent chasing sheep on the family farm, Alissa has always been drawn to remote areas and small towns, even when residing overseas. She is partial to autumn colours, snowy peaks and historic homesteads and will drive hours to see an open garden. Once a teacher and a counsellor, she remains interested in the life journeys that people take. She draws inspiration from the countryside around her, whether it be the brown snake at her back door or the resilience of bush communities in times of drought or flood. Her books are characteristically heartwarming, authentic and character driven. Alissa lives on a small slice of rural Australia in central western NSW.





Title: The Blue Gum Camp **Author:** Leonie Kelsall

ISBN: 9781038764416

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 502

Publication Date: 23/01/2024

Category: FICTION / Romance / Contemporary

BISAC: FIC027020

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: When the very sensible Charity meets the 'sworn-off-women-forever' Lachlan on a wild weekend at a Bachelors and Spinsters ball, what could possibly go wrong ‹ or is there a chance it could all go impossibly, incredibly right?
Charity Farrugia is too sensible to believe she'll find love in a paddock.

After all, at thirty-four, she's the responsible one with the secure career and the mortgage. The one who raised her two sisters when their mother got sick. The cautious one with strong reservations about Faith and Hope spending a weekend in the country at a Bachelors and Spinsters Ball.

Spinsters er Hamish knows that a secret. But keeping an eye out for Hamish has become part of Lachlan's a life, so he reluctantly permits himself to be dragged to the local B&S.

Charity has no intention of allowing her chaperone duties to be sidetracked. But meeting the intriguing farmer - who seems as A reluctant as her to be at the B& S - might be an opportunity to prove to her sisters that she does have a wild side after all.
br/>>but will she discover that what happens in the country sometimes refuses to stay in the country?

'With complex and endearing characters who will steal your heart away, these unputdownable books will have you turning the pages long into the night. '
br/> KARLY LANE, author of <i>Time After Time</i>
/Leonie Kelsall is my go-to when I want a gutsy rural fiction read.'

After Time</i>

After Time</i> <i>The Prodigal Sister</i>
!Leonie Kelsall's authentic rural voice shines as she explores some of life's bigger challenges in <i>The Blue Gum Camp</i>. The combination of realistic, relatable characters and a stunning South Australian setting will no doubt captivate readers and have them turning the pages long into the night. '

LISA IRELAND, author of <i>The One and Only Dolly Jamieson</i>

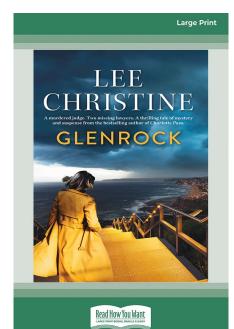
About the Author: Raised initially in a tiny, no-horse town on South Australia's Fleurieu coast, then in the slightly more populated wheat and sheep farming land at Pallamana, Leonie is a country girl through and through. Growing up without a television, she developed a love of reading before she reached primary school, swiftly followed by a desire to write. Pity the poor teachers who received chapters of creative writing instead of a single page!

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country summoned her home. A registered wildlife rescuer and carer, she now finds herself dividing her time between the lush Adelaide Hills, the location of her professional counselling practice, and the stark, arid beauty of the family farm at Pallamana, which provides both the setting for many of her stories and a refuge for the rescues that can't be released. <bry>
bryFollow her social media for an overload of the fluffy, fleecy, furred and feathered inhabitants of her home and heart. <bry>
bry-Leonie is the bestselling author of<i>
The Farm at Peppertree Crossing</i>
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The Wattle Seed Inn</i>
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The River Gum Cottage</i>
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The Willow Tree Wharf </i>





Title: Glenrock

Author: Lee Christine

ISBN: 9781038765888

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 394

Publication Date: 13/02/2024

Category: FICTION / Thrillers / Crime

BISAC: FIC031010

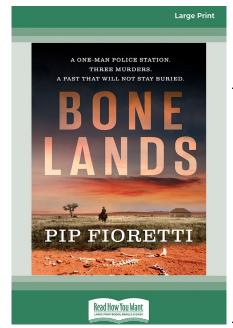
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Author: Lee Christine is the author of nine previous novels, the most recent three are her bestselling Snowy Mountains mystery series, <i>Charlotte Pass</i>, <i>Crackenback</i> (both finalists for the coveted RWA Ruby Award) and <i>Dead Horse Gap</i>,

coast. A former corporate trainer, Lee has two grown children and lives in Newcastle with her husband, Damian, and Honey, her soft-coated Irish Wheaten terrier.





Title: Bone Lands **Author:** Pip Fioretti

ISBN: 9781038770776

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 428

Publication Date: 3/09/2024

Category: FICTION / Mystery & Detective / Police Procedural

BISAC: FIC022020

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Affirm Press

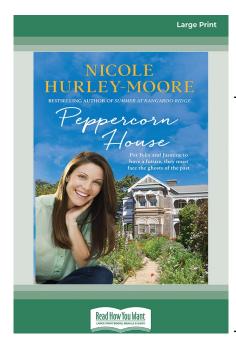
About the Book: <i>'Isn't it your job to stop people being murdered?'</i>

>l911, on a winter's night in arid New South Wales wool country, mounted trooper Augustus Hawkins discovers the bodies of three young people. They are scions of the richest family in the district, savagely murdered on a road that Hawkins should have been patrolling, had he not been busy bedding the local schoolteacher.

| />cbr />Detectives arrive from Sydney and the disgraced Hawkins, a traumatised veteran of the Boer War, comes under fierce scrutiny. With his honour and sanity at stake, he becomes hell-bent on finding the murderer. But as ever darker secrets are revealed about the people he thinks of as friends, Hawkins is forced to confront an uncomfortable question: who is paying the price for the new nation's prosperity?

About the Author: Pip Fioretti lives in Sydney, and enjoys hiking, books, friends and family. Bone Lands is her first crime novel.





Title: Peppercorn House **Author:** Nicole Hurley-Moore

ISBN: 9781038765901

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 424

Publication Date: 13/02/2024

Category: FICTION / Romance / General

BISAC: FIC027000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: A stunning new rural romance from the bestselling author of <i>The McCalister Legacy</i> <i>Summer at Kangaroo Ridge</i>.
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br/>Love is the last thing on Jasmine Clarke's mind when she arrives in Kangaroo Ridge with a broken heart. But then she meets Felix Carrington.

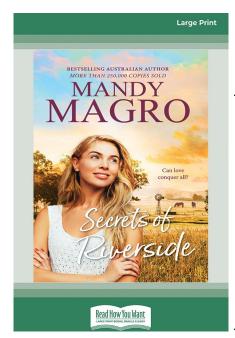
Felix helps run his family's wedding venue business at Carrington Farm. His real passion, though, is taking glorious shots of the local region.

And it's through an unlikely friendship with 84-year-old Winnifred Knightly that Felix is able to take frequent photos at his favourite place, Peppercorn House, with all its faded grandeur and mysterious history.
Winnifred still grieves over the losses of her childhood but in her long life she's learned to be grateful for the present. She believes herself to be an excellent matchmaker and plots to bring her 'adopted grandson' Felix and Jasmine, her favourite aged-care worker, together as her final project.
br/>But buried secrets and unhealed family scars threaten Winnifred's plans - as Felix and Jasmine must soon come to understand.

stand. >Praise for Nicole Hurley-Moore:
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'I was impressed by the compassion, sensitivity, empathy and understanding of the real issues at stake across our distanced communities.' Mrs B's Book Reviews on <i>Summer at Kangaroo Ridge</ i>
i>
heartwarming and emotional, with plenty of romance, but also family dynamics, and decision making at pivotal points in their lives.' Beuaty and Lace on <i>Summer at Kangaroo Ridge</i>
-... a wonderful, rich tale confronting the devastation of tragedy, the very real desire to discover the truth and the healing power of love to be able to accept the past and begin to build a new future... heart-warming, captivating and absolutely perfect for a cold, wet, winters day snuggled up in front of the fire.' Blue Wolf Reviews on <i>The McCalister Legacy</i>
br/>'Nicole Hurley-Moore's work captures the essence of times past, futures yet to be discovered and fresh beginnings, all with a hope and knowledge based in love and understanding.' Blue Wolf Reviews on <i>Lawson's Bend</i>

About the Author: Nicole writes rural romance based in the heart of Central Victoria. Generally she concentrates on contemporary rural stories but occasionally dabbles in the odd medieval tale. Nicole lives with her family in a rural town; she's a full-time writer and a fan of happily-ever-afters. Her other books published by Allen & Druwin include Ackellan's Run, Hartley's Grange, Country Roads, White Gum Creek, Lawson's Bend, The McCalister Legacy is and included Ackellan's Run, Hartley's Grange, Country Roads, White Gum Creek, Lawson's Bend, The McCalister Legacy is and included Ackellan's Run, Hartley's Grange, Country Roads, White Gum Creek, Lawson's Bend, The McCalister Legacy is and included Ackellan's Run, Hartley's Grange, Country Roads, White Gum Creek, Lawson's Bend, The McCalister Legacy is and included Ackellan's Run, Hartley's Grange, Country Roads, White Gum Creek, Lawson's Bend, The McCalister Legacy is and included Ackellan's Run, Hartley's Grange, Country Roads, White Gum Creek, Lawson's Bend, The McCalister Legacy is and included Ackellan's Run, Hartley's Grange, Country Roads, White Gum Creek, Lawson's Bend, The McCalister Legacy is and included Ackellan's Run, Hartley's Grange, Country Roads, White Gum Creek, Lawson's Bend, The McCalister Legacy is an ackellant Run Creek, Lawson's Bend, The McCalister Legacy is an ackellant Run Creek, Lawson's Bend, The McCalister Legacy is a contract Run Creek, Lawson's Bend, The McCalister Legacy is a contract Run Creek, Lawson's Bend, The McCalister Legacy is a contract Run Creek, Lawson's Bend, The McCalister Legacy is a contract Run Creek, Lawson's Bend, The McCalister Legacy is a contract Run Creek, Lawson's Bend, The McCalister Legacy is a contract Run Creek, Lawson's Bend, The McCalister Legacy is a contract Run Creek, Lawson's Bend, The McCalister Legacy is a contract Run Creek, Lawson's Bend, The McCalister Legacy is a contract Run Creek, Lawson's Bend, The McCalister Legacy is a contract Run Creek, Lawson's Bend, The McCalister Run Creek, Lawso





Title: Secrets of Riverside **Author:** Mandy Magro

ISBN: 9781038769633

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 388

Publication Date: 1/08/2024

Category: FICTION / Small Town & Rural

BISAC: FIC066000

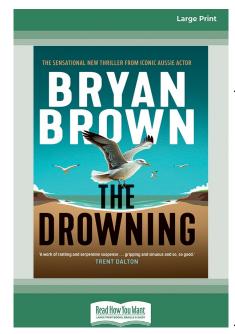
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: Can love conquer all? A moving story of overcoming the past and second chances from bestselling Australian romance author Mandy Magro. Can their love heal the shadows of the past? After losing her family in a tragic fire when she was a child, Amelia Price has battled to put the shattered pieces of her life back together. Even so, she's never felt like she belongs anywhere, and she longs for stability and love. When a mysterious letter turns up at her apartment with hints that she'll uncover the truth behind what happened all those years ago if she goes to the sleepy, picturesque town of Riverside, she sets off on a journey to tropical Far North Queensland. Jarrah King owns and runs the Riverside Roadhouse. He loves the simpleness of country living, and the fact it gives him complete anonymity. Over the years he's made a life for himself under a new name, however his past has never stopped haunting him. When a sassy blonde takes up the new cook position, he can't help but be drawn to her vivacious personality. But he can tell there's also pain hiding underneath her bubbly facade and he longs to erase those shadows. However, lowering his defences to let her in may risk his new identity, as well as everything he holds dear. Can Amelia show him that love is worth the risk? Or will the secrets of their entwined past tear them apart forever? PRAISE FOR MANDY MAGRO: 'If you're looking for the perfect romance to curl up with, you can't go past Jillaroo from Jacaranda. Steamy, heartfelt and quintessentially Australian, this was an absolute delight.' - Better Reading 'The land is always a key feature in Mandy Magro's books and Jillaroo from Jacaranda is set to a spectacular Aussie landscape ... A staple summer read.' - Mrs B's Book Reviews

About the Author: Mandy Magro lives in Cairns, Far North Queensland, with her fiance, Des, their daughter, Chloe Rose, and their two adorable pooches, Sophie and Sherlock. With pristine aqua-blue coastline in one direction and sweeping rural land-scapes in the other, she describes her home as heaven on earth. A passionate woman and a romantic at heart, Mandy loves writing about soul-deep love, the Australian way of life, and the wonderful characters who call the country home.





Title: The Drowning **Author:** Bryan Brown

ISBN: 9781038761682

Retail Price: 55.99 AUD

Pages: 274

Publication Date: 14/11/2023

Category: FICTION / Crime

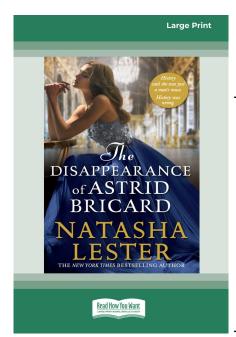
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Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Author: Bryan Brown is known as an actor, having appeared in over eighty film and television shows. He has worked in some twenty countries including his home country of Australia and the United States. <i>Sweet Jimmy</i>, consisting of seven short stories on crime, was released in 2021. <i>The Drowning</i> is his second book.





Title: The Disappearance of Astrid Bricard

Author: Natasha Lester

ISBN: 9781038766304

Retail Price: 79.99 AUD

Pages: 648

Publication Date: 19/02/2024

Category: FICTION / Romance / Historical / 20th Century

BISAC: FIC027200

Format: [Large Print]

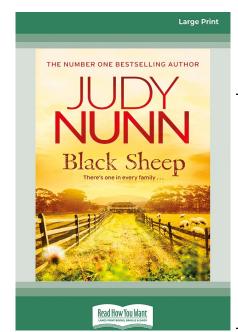
Original Publisher: Hachette Australia

About the Book: '<i>Vogue</i> meets <i>Daisy Jones & Daisy Jones & Da as muse and inspiration - and what price they pay when they dare to create for themselves' KATE QUINN 'Immersive and rich' <i>Woman's Day</i> <i> 'An intricate story about three generations of women striving to make their mark in the high fashion industry'<i> </i> <i>Who Weekly</i> Paris, 1917: Parentless sixteen-year-old Mizza Bricard makes a vow: to be remembered on her own terms. This promise drives her through couture houses until, finally, a fashion legend is created - one that will endure for generations. New York, 1970: signer Astrid Bricard arrives in Chelsea ready to change the fashion world. And she does - but cast in the role of muse to her lover. Just as Astrid's star is finally poised to ascend in its own right, she vanishes, leaving behind only a white silk gown. French Countryside, Present Day: Blythe Bricard is the daughter of fashion's most infamous 70s power couple, but she turned her back on that world years ago. Fate, however, has other plans, as Blythe discovers there is more to her iconic family - and herself - than she ever knew. 'Lester is an author at the top of her game here - this is her best yet. Existing fans will adore this novel. New readers will be looking for Lester's backlist' Better Reading
b> Mystery, secrets, thwarted desire, romance and intrigue. I was hooked' BELINDA ALEXANDRA

'Fabulous settings, fashion, glamour and strong women . . . I couldn't put it down' TANIA BLANCHARD
b> 'A powerhouse novel . . . With more dazzle than a 70s disco ball and a great deal of heart, Lester explores and champions female power in the modern world' CHRISTINE WELLS 'A book of richness and depth and impeccable research . . . brimming with intrigue and mystery' </ b>Books+Publishing

About the Author: Natasha Lester is the international bestselling author of <i>A Kiss from Mr Fitzgerald, Her Mother's Secret,</i> <i>The Paris Seamstress</i> <i>The Paris Secret,</i> <i>The Paris Secret,</i> <i>The Riviera House,</i> <i>The Three Lives of Alix St Pierre</i> and <i>The Disappearance of Astrid Bricard</i> , and a former marketing executive for L'Oreal. Her novels have been translated into 21 languages and are published all around the world. When she's not writing, she loves collecting vintage fashion, practising the art of fashion illustration and reading about history. Natasha is a soughtafter public speaker and lives with her husband and three children in Perth, Western Australia. For all the latest news from Natasha , visit www.natashalester.com.au, follow her on Instagram (natashalesterauthor), or join the readers who have become Natasha's friend on Facebook.





Title: Black Sheep Author: Judy Nunn

ISBN: 9781038761439

Retail Price: 86.99 AUD

Pages: 738

Publication Date: 14/11/2023

Category: FICTION / Historical / General

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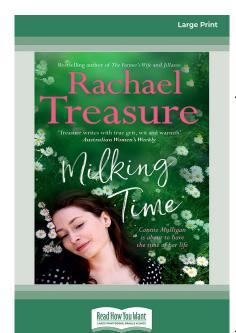
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Penguin Random House Australia

About the Book: Judy Nunn's new blockbuster is a sweeping historical novel about a prosperous sheep-farming family and the enigmatic young man they let into their lives . . . Black sheep - there's one in every family . . . Orphaned at sixteen, James Wakefield was determined to be a gun shearer like his father. Now he's killed twice, changed his name, and is on the run from the law. He had his reasons for both murders, and he felt no joy in taking life ... Or did he? Ben McKinnon, meanwhile, is heir to the vast Glenfinnan sheep property near Goulburn, New South Wales. He too has a secret that, if ever revealed, would shatter the privileged lives of his father, Alastair, and his sisters, Jenna and Adele. When fate brings James and Ben together, a powerful friendship is forged, both men gladly becoming the keeper of the other's secret. Then Ben insists his new friend come to work at Glenfinnan Station. Has James finally found the family he's always longed for? Or has the McKinnon dynasty just unwittingly adopted a black sheep? From the Shearing Wars of Queensland to the exclusive gentlemen's clubs of Sydney, Melbourne and London; from the woolsheds of Goulburn, to the trenches of the Western Front, Judy Nunn once again brings Australian history vividly to life.

About the Author: Judy Nunn's career has been long, illustrious and multifaceted. After combining her internationally successful acting career with scriptwriting for television and radio, Judy decided in the 90s to turn her hand to prose. Her first three novels, The Glitter Game, Centre Stage and Araluen, set respectively in the worlds of television, theatre and film, became instant bestsellers, and the rest is history, quite literally in fact. She has since developed a love of writing Australian historically-based fiction and her fame as a novelist has spread rapidly throughout Europe where she has been published in English, German, French, Dutch, Czech and Spanish. Her subsequent bestsellers, Kal, Beneath the Southern Cross, Territory, Pacific, Heritage, Floodtide, Maralinga, Tiger Men, Elianne, Spirits of the Ghan, Sanctuary, Khaki Town and Showtime! confirmed Judy's position as one of Australia's leading fiction writers. She has now sold over one million books in Australia alone. In 2015 Judy was made a Member of the Order of Australia for her "significant service to the performing arts as a scriptwriter and actor of stage and screen, and to literature as an author".





Title: Milking Time

Author: Rachael Treasure

ISBN: 9781038769596

Retail Price: 74.99 AUD

Pages: 602

Publication Date: 1/08/2024

Category: FICTION / Women

BISAC: FIC044000

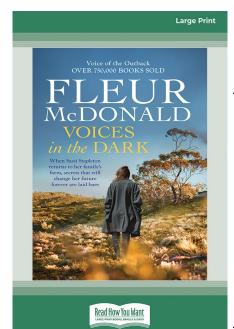
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: The gorgeously funny, uplifting and entertaining new novel from Rachael Treasure, author of iconic, bestselling and much-loved stories of Australian rural life, including Jillaroo and The Farmer's Wife. Connie Mulligan, daughter of a fourth-generation Tasmanian dairy farmer, feels like she doesn't belong - anywhere. She's got big dreams and big ideas, but she made a mess of her university degree and has been sent home in disgrace. The man who was responsible for her failure won't get out of her nightmares, her father won't listen to any of her ideas on how to make environmentally positive changes to the way the dairy farm is being run, her mum thinks she should go on anti-depressants, and she keeps having what her psychologist calls 'episodes'. Connie is stifled, frustrated, out of sorts and out of step - with her family, her town, her community and her time. It's not until an opportunity arises to travel to Ireland that a chance encounter with a wise old woman - and a knock on the head - sees Connie regain her confidence. And it is in Ireland that Connie realises that everything she wants back home - family, friends, community and a healthy, healing land - is within her grasp; she's just got to reach out for what she wants and make it happen. The story of how Connie Mulligan uses all her wit, willpower and a community of strong women to seize the day, save her family farm and transform herself, her life and her small town will have you standing up and cheering. Earthy, funny, truthful and wise, this is Rachael Treasure at her emotional, heartfelt and feelgood best.

About the Author: Rachael Treasure lives in Southern Tasmania with her two teenage children and partner, Daniel. Together they are restoring farming landscapes using regenerative agricultural methods. Her first novel, Jillaroo, blazed a trail in the Australian publishing industry for other rural women writers and is now considered an iconic work of contemporary Australian fiction. Rachael is a rural business graduate of Sydney University's Orange Agricultural College and has a Bachelor of Arts in creative writing and journalism from Charles Sturt University in Bathurst. She has worked as a journalist for Rural Press and ABC Rural Radio. Her dream is to never grow up and to one day live in a shearing shed. Milking Time is her eighth novel.





Title: Voices in the Dark **Author:** Fleur McDonald

ISBN: 9781038761767

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 378

Publication Date: 14/11/2023

Category: FICTION / Thrillers / Domestic

BISAC: FIC031100

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book:

All powerful and poignant rural family story told by the acclaimed Fleur McDonald, bestselling author of <i>Fload River Station</i>
All phone call to tell her that her beloved grandmother is unwell, she quickly puts her job on hold, packs her ute and sets off on the long drive home, knowing her grandfather will need her.

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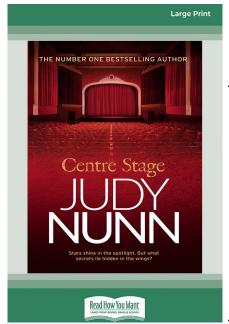
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About the Author: Fleur McDonald has lived and worked on farms for much of her life. After growing up in the small town of Orroroo in South Australia, she became a jillaroo before spending twenty years farming 8000 acres, east of Esperance, WA.

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Fleur likes to write about strong women overcoming adversity, drawing inspiration from her own experiences in rural Australia. She is the best-selling author of <i>Red Dust</i>
,<i>Blue Skies</i>
,<i>Purple Roads</i>
,<i>Silver Clouds</i>
,<i>Crimson Dawn</i>
,<i>Emerald Springs</i>
,<i>Indigo Storm</i>
,<i>Sapphire Falls</i>
,<i>The Missing Pieces of Us, Suddenly One Summer, Fool's Gold, Where the Rivers Run, Without a Doubt, Starting From Now, Red Dirt Country, The Shearer's Wife, Something to Hide, Deception Creek, </i>
<i>Indianal Country in the Silver growing up in the small town of Creek in the Summer for more in the small town of Esperance with her two children and an energetic kelpie.





Title: Centre Stage Author: Judy Nunn

ISBN: 9781038762832

Retail Price: 86.99 AUD

Pages: 720

Publication Date: 15/12/2023

Category: FICTION / General

BISAC: FIC000000

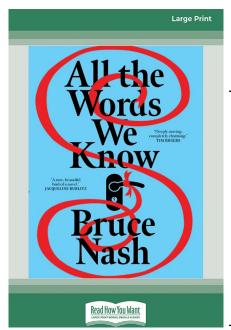
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Penguin Random House Australia

About the Book: Stars shine on centre stage. But what secrets lie hidden in the wings? Stars shine on centre stage. But what secrets lie hidden in the wings? Alex Rainford has it all. He's sexy, charismatic and adored by fans the world over. But he is not all he seems. What spectre from the past is driving him ever closer to evil? And who will fall under his spell along the way? Madeleine Frances, beautiful stage and screen actress. Years before she escaped Alex's fatal charm, but now she is forced to confront him once again ... and reveal her devastating secret. Susannah Wright, the finest classical actress of her generation. Not even her awesome talent can save her from Alex's dangerous charisma. Imogen McLaughlin, the promising young actress whose biggest career break could be her greatest downfall. She wants Alex Rainford - but she doesn't know that he has the power to destroy her ... Centre Stage is a tantalising glimpse into the world of theatre and what goes on when the spotlight dims and the curtain falls.

About the Author: Judy Nunn's career has been long, illustrious and multifaceted. After combining her internationally successful acting career with scriptwriting for television and radio, Judy decided in the 80s to turn her hand to prose. The result was two adventure novels for children, Eye in the Storm and Eye in the City, which remain extremely popular, not only in Australia but in Europe. Embarking on adult fiction in the early 90s, Judy's three novels, The Glitter Game, Centre Stage and Araluen, set respectively in the worlds of television, theatre and film, became instant bestsellers. Her subsequent bestsellers, Kal, Beneath the Southern Cross, Territory, Pacific, Heritage, Floodtide, Maralinga and Tiger Men confirm her position as one of Australia's leading popular novelists.





Title: All the Words We Know

Author: Bruce Nash

ISBN: 9781038766823

Retail Price: 55.99 AUD

Pages: 268

Publication Date: 6/03/2024

Category: FICTION / Mystery & Detective / Cozy / General

BISAC: FIC022070

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: A wickedly funny and genuinely moving novel about memory, language and love, perfect for fans of Richard Osman and <i>The One-Hundred-Year-Old Man Who Jumped Out the Window</i>.

/a charming, warmhearted whodunnit.'<i> The Guardian</i>
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></i>In the beginning is the whatsitsname. The woman in the car park. She wears a nightgown and lies on her back, looking up at the sky. The nightgown is white and embroidered at the neck with blue . . . what do you call them? Forget-me-nots. A small crowd is gathered around her. All in their unicorns. Uniforms. All younger than the woman, much younger. They look at each other. They look up at the sky. They look down at the woman. They whisper. </i>

Rose is in her eighties and has dementia, but she's not done with life just yet. Alternately sharp as a tack and spectacularly forgetful, she spends her days roaming the corridors of her aged-care facility, ruminating on the staff and residents and enduring visits from her emotionally distant children and grand-daughters. But when her friend is found dead?after an apparent fall from a window, Rose embarks on an eccentric and deeply personal investigation to discover the truth and?exposes all manner of secrets - even some from her own past.

<br/ wickedly funny and genuinely moving story about loneliness, language and how we make sense of the world.

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'A deeply moving, completely charming novel I will be staring out windows thinking on for a long time.' Tim Rogers >
From a tumble of language, tricks and puns come clues to a murder - and devastating truths about love. <i>All the Words We Know</i> is both unique and daring.' Jock Serong
>/br/>'Darkly humorous, bewitchingly original, quietly poignant. A stunning accomplishment. The wordplay sparkles, yet it's the humanity that shines through.'

 Chris Hammer
'A rare, beautiful bird of a novel. <i>All the Words We Know</i> offers readers an immersive experience both playful and profound - I found myself speaking so many of Rose's musings out loud, revelling in their gorgeous rhythms, even as the tension of the central mystery had me racing through the pages. I loved this book!' Jacqueline Bublitz

About the Author: Bruce Nash was awarded a 2022 Varuna Residential Fellowship for an earlier draft of this manuscript; indeed, he has enjoyed three such fellowships for his work. His previous books?<i>The Long River of Cat Fisher?</i>(2020) and? <i>An Island in the Lake?</i>(2019) were published by Australian Scholarly Publishing. He has been shortlisted for several writing awards and his short fiction has appeared in?Meanjin,?Australian Short Stories?and anthologies.?Bruce is a retired teacher and now lives on the southern New South Wales coast.





Title: The Last Secret Agent: The untold story of my life as a spy behind Na-

zi enemy lines

Author: Pippa Latour

ISBN: 9781038769442

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 368

Publication Date: 1/08/2024

Category: BIOGRAPHY & AUTOBIOGRAPHY / Personal Memoirs

BISAC: BIO026000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: The extraordinary untold story of Pippa Latour, who parachuted into occupied France in 1944 as an undercover agent.

| Story |

About the Author: Following the war, Pippa settled in New Zealand where she raised four children. For decades, Pippa told no one - not even her family - of her incredible feats during WWII.

- or seventy years, Pippa's contributions to the war effort were largely unheralded, but she was finally given her due in 2014 when she was awarded France's highest military decoration, the Chevalier de l'Ordre National de la Légion d'Honneur (Knight of the National Order of the Legion of Honour).

- or > or > br> Pippa was the last surviving F (French) Section Special Operations (SOE) agent from World War II.

- or > br> Pippa finally decided to tell her remarkable story, written with the assistance of TV personality and award-winning historical documentary producer and writer Jude Dobson.

- br> Jude has been researching/writing, producing and directing WWI and WWII content for the past six years. She won the New York Radio Awards Bronze Award in 2023 in the historical documentary category, for an Anzac Day audio documentary about WWII aviators telling their stories.

- br> Pippa chose Jude to tell her story and they formed a close bond before Pippa's death in 2023, at the age of 102.



The Talented
Mrs Greenway
Tea Cooper

Title: The Talented Mrs Greenway

Author: Tea Cooper

ISBN: 9781038764362

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 482

Publication Date: 23/01/2024

Category: FICTION / Alternative History

BISAC: FIC040000

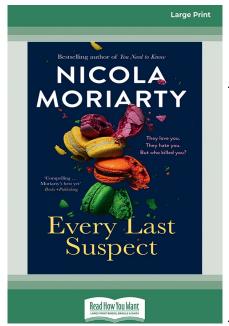
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: From a bestselling Australian author, this compellingly realised novel brings to life the story of an enigmatic figure, wife to feted colonial architect Francis Greenway, and asks, whose hand really shaped Sydney? Who is the talented Mrs Greenway? 1814 Sydney When Mary Greenway, freshly arrived from the old country, steps into the maelstrom of Sydney Town with three children at her skirts, she has high hopes of a new beginning, despite having little money and a husband in irons. After all, the sudden death of her sadistic first husband has meant freedom from her gilded cage and Francis Greenway is an architect of some promise, under the protection of Admiral Phillip himself. Mary herself is a woman of great resources and an even greater creative passion, a passion that will surely burn through anything that the filthy, burgeoning, vitality of colonial Sydney can throw at her. Soon ensconced in a tiny cottage in George Street, Mary sets about moulding a life for her family from the unpromising clay of this new colony, with a determination fired in equal parts by guilt for her disastrous past action that nearly brought ruin to them all and desire to see her true calling realised. When she is befriended by Elizabeth Macquarie it seems that fate is smiling on them with the promise of a better life in her grasp. But fate is a difficult mistress and with past secrets to keep, and current betrayals on the brink of discovery, the stakes are higher than ever. With Mary's grip on this new life slipping, will her past lies come back to haunt her?

About the Author: Tea Cooper is an award-winning Australian author of historical fiction. In a past life she was a teacher, a journalist and a farmer. These days she haunts museums and indulges her passion for storytelling. Her internationally bestselling novels, include most recently The Naturalist's Daughter; the USA Today-bestselling The Woman in the Green Dress; The Girl in the Painting; The Cartographer's Secret, winner of the prestigious Daphne du Maurier Award; The Fossil Hunter and The Butterfly Collector.





Title: Every Last Suspect **Author:** Nicola Moriarty

ISBN: 9781038770363

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 420

Publication Date: 3/09/2024

Category: FICTION / Thrillers / Suspense

BISAC: FIC030000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: Who killed Harriet? The unputdownable new thriller from the bestselling author of You Need to Know. Complicated, driven, loving. Manipulative, irresistible, monstrous. Love or hate her, Harriet Osman is impossible to turn down. But someone in her life has finally snapped, leaving her face-down in a pool of her own blood. Harriet isn't one to die quietly though, and she is determined to reveal her killer before she goes. Was it her devoted husband, Malek, with a violent past? Her best friend and lover, Victoria, with a deadly secret only Harriet knew? Or the new woman in her life, fellow school mum Karen? The one with an impeccable reputation ... or so she says. Bullying, friendships and games (in and out of the bedroom) combine with envy, lust and revenge, creating a darkly twisted tale of drama and suspense where the question isn't who killed Harriet, but why did it take them so long to do it? 'Compelling ... With a strong narrative drive and a tightly wound plot, Every Last Suspect is Nicola Moriarty's best yet.' Books+Publishing Praise for Nicola Moriarty: 'Nicola Moriarty has a gift for domestic drama, cracking pace, and skillful narrative timing' Sydney Morning Herald 'Moriarty builds tension expertly' The Australian 'A masterful plotter' Better Reading

About the Author: Nicola Moriarty lives in Sydney's northwest with her husband and two bright, kind (and remarkably strong-willed) teenagers. She is the younger sister of bestselling authors Liane Moriarty and Jaclyn Moriarty. In between various career changes, becoming a mum and studying at Macquarie University, she began to write. Now, she can't seem to stop.





Title: A Chance to Believe **Author:** Fiona Marsden

ISBN: 9781038766113

Retail Price: 55.99 AUD

Pages: 292

Publication Date: 14/02/2024

Category: FICTION / Romance / Contemporary

BISAC: FIC027020

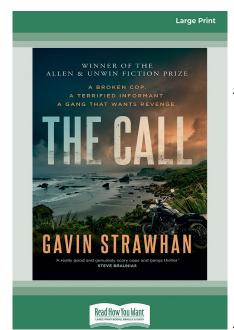
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Escape Publishing

About the Book: After a chance meeting in Brisbane, Shayne Smith and Cassie Long had a perfect fortnight together. But when Shayne returned to his historic sheep property, they both assumed there was no future in a relationship between a city girl and a grazier. Six months later, Cassie arrives at Maiden's Landing to let Shayne know they made more than memories in their brief idyll. She has no expectations, only a duty to let him know. Shayne's life is already complicated with a property to run and a sixteen-year-old daughter growing up fast. He never expected the woman he can't forget to turn up on his doorstep bringing news that is all too familiar. Fiercely independent Cassie isn't asking anything of him, but he persuades her to stay at his homestead until the twin babies are born. Cassie's difficult pregnancy means that any possibility of romance must be put on hold - despite the intense attraction they feel for each other. How long can they resist? And will each of them overcome their own baggage so they can build a future together?

About the Author: Fiona Marsden has lived most of her life in rural Australia, sharing her five-acre block with kangaroos, wallabies and the odd koala and possum. Born and bred in Queensland, Australia, Fiona grew up in the far west of the state, lived for several years in Brisbane and is now settled on the Granite Belt in the rural south east. Fiona has worked as a governess, a clerk, a teacher aide, an enrolled nurse, a disability support worker and financial manager. She has also glued thousands of plant samples on card for storage. Married with seven children and two grandchildren, Fiona spent the last thirty-two years working and advocating in the disability sector serving on a local committee for thirty years and as project manager for the purchase and construction of buildings for the service. Writing has always been a passion, from poetry published in the Courier Mail and school annuals to fanfiction in the seventies, before we had the internet. She honed her craft writing grant applications that require a vivid imagination, to finally finding her place writing happy endings. She is an avid reader and has read most genres over the years. Fiona has been fortunate in winning and placing in a number of writing awards both here and overseas. Several stories have been published in anthologies and she has self-published several novellas and two 60k word romances.





Title: The Call

Author: Gavin Strawhan

ISBN: 9781038766724

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 384

Publication Date: 19/03/2024

Category: FICTION / Crime

BISAC: FIC050000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: Winner of the Allen & Drize 2023

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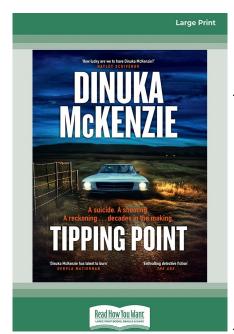
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About the Author: Gavin is a creator/writer/show runner and executive producer of many NZ and international shows.

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br>Most recently he wrote<i>Testify</i>, a five-part series for Warner Bros NZ. He wrote <i>Black Hands</i>, a true-life drama, also for Warner Bros NZ. He was co-creator of<i> Bad Mothers</i> for Channel 9 Australia and was co-creator and show runner of <i> Hyde & Davin was co-creator and writer on two seasons of <i> Filthy Rich</i> (winner of best drama at the 2019 Seoul International Drama Awards) for Filthy Productions. He wrote the historical telemovies <i> What Really Happened</i> - <i> Votes For Women</i> And <i> What Really Happened</i> - <i> Gavin co-created the hit television shows <i> Go Girls</i> and <i> Nothing Trivial </i> (for which he won best script at the New York Film and Television Awards) and was show runner and writer of the critically acclaimed mystery thriller <i> This Is Not My Life</i>





Title: Tipping Point

Author: Dinuka McKenzie

ISBN: 9781038767233

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 448

Publication Date: 15/03/2024

Category: FICTION / Mystery & Detective / Police Procedural

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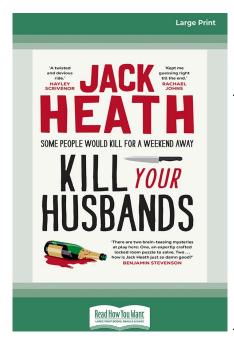
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: A suicide. A shooting. And a reckoning, decades in the making. The must-read new Detective Kate Miles novel from 'a born storyteller' (Michael Robotham). Weeks from Christmas in the sweltering heat of summer, Detective Kate Miles' estranged brother, Luke Grayling, returns home to Esserton to farewell a childhood friend - Ant Reed, dead by suicide. Within days of the funeral, another young man, Marcus Rowntree, is found shot dead in the back paddock of his property. Almost twenty years ago, Luke, Ant and Marcus were best mates in high school and now two of the three friends are dead. A tragic coincidence? Or is there something more sinister connecting the three men? When Luke is identified as a person of interest in Marcus's death, Kate once again finds herself in the middle of a media storm, sidelined from the case and battling accusations of conflict of interest. As press attention deepens, and uncomfortable truths about Luke's personal life and past events come to light, Kate is forced to contend between loyalty to the police force, and the bonds of friendship and blood. Praise for Dinuka McKenzie: 'How lucky are we to have Dinuka McKenzie?' Hayley Scrivenor, author of Dirt Town 'Dinuka McKenzie has talent to burn' Dervla McTiernan, author of The Murder Rule

About the Author: Dinuka McKenzie is an Australian writer and book addict. Her debut crime fiction novel, The Torrent, won the HarperCollins Australia 2020 Banjo Prize and was published in February 2022. She is represented by Alex Adsett Literary. When not writing, Dinuka works in the environmental sector and volunteers as part of the team behind the Writers Unleashed Festival. She lives in Southern Sydney with her husband, two kids and their pet chicken.





Title: Kill Your Husbands
Author: Jack Heath

ISBN: 9781038762757

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 430

Publication Date: 14/12/2023

Category: FICTION / Thrillers / General

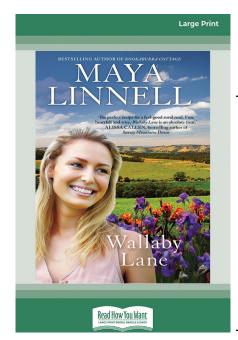
BISAC: FIC031000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Author: Jack Heath is the award-winning author of more than forty books for children and adults. He was born in Sydney in 1986 and has lived in Canberra since 1996. He wrote his first novel in high school and sold it to a publisher at age 18. In 2018 his first crime novel for adults, <i>Hangman</i>, was a smash-hit in Australia and has since been translated into French, German, Russian and Serbian. His 2021 book, <i>Kill Your Brother</i>, was shortlisted for best crime novel at the Ned Kelly Awards.





Title: Wallaby Lane
Author: Maya Linnell

ISBN: 9781038770509

Retail Price: 74.99 AUD

Pages: 536

Publication Date: 3/09/2024

Category: FICTION / Romance / General

BISAC: FIC027000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: A pitch-perfect new rural romance from the bestselling author of <i>Kookaburra Cottage</i>. >

the perfect recipe for a feel-good rural read. Fun, heartfelt and wise, <i>Wallaby Lane</i> is an absolute treat.' -Alissa Callen, bestselling author of <i>Snowy Mountains Dawn</i>

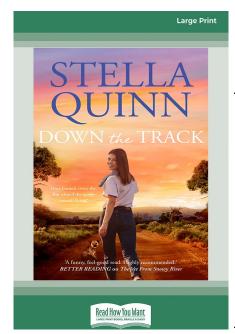
Maya Linnell has me longing for a romantic pink cottage in the country. <i>Wallaby Lane </i>i>is a gem.' - Emma Grey, author of <i>The Last Love Note</i> >
From interviewing local flower growers to receiving blue ribbons for her show baking, Lauren Bickford's genuine love for her hometown is almost as strong as her ambition to become a radio presenter. But is it enough to outweigh the series of onair stuff-ups that have plagued her career?
br/>No stranger to this small winegrowing region in South Australia's Limestone Coast, Jack Crossley is the new cop in town. He's traded his city beat for a slower pace, and as a former local, knows only too well that mischief can lurk around every quiet corner.
For Jack and Lauren, the course of true love is not running smoothly. Can he restore order in the town before the neighbourhood watch vigilantes take justice into their own hands? Or are Jack's biggest worries much closer to home? Can Lauren's reporting remain impartial as her attraction to Jack grows? Or will her family's advice lead her completely astray?
Featuring Penwarra's 100th Show, a one-eyed goat and a galah named Gary, <i>Wallaby Lane</i> is a complete delight from one of Australia's favourite rural romance writers.
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 >Praise for Maya Linnell:

'
Filled with love, laughter, tears and genuine country characters' - <i>Western District Farmers News</i> on <i>Kookaburra Cottage</i>
'Whenever I pick up a Linnell novel, I know a purely blissful read lies ahead.' - <i>Better Reading</i> on <i>Paperbark Hill</i>
'A rural romance to tug on the heartstrings.' - <i>New Idea</i>
'
Linnell brings a good deal of authenticity and humour to her story ... an enjoyable tale about romance, family and dealing with change.' - <i>Canberra Weekly Magazine</i>

>\uller a new Maya Linnell novel lands in the office, we pretty much draw the curtains and shut up shop until it's read.' -<i>Australian Country</i>

About the Author: Maya Linnell grew up in a small country town, climbing towering gum trees and reading her way through her family's bookshelves before discovering a never-ending supply of novels at the local library. She found her feet in journalism, working at a rural newspaper before segueing into public relations and now fiction writing and blogging for Romance Writers Australia. Maya currently lives in rural Victoria with her husband and three children.





Title: Down the Track **Author:** Stella Quinn

ISBN: 9781038770387

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 454

Publication Date: 3/09/2024

Category: FICTION / Small Town & Rural

BISAC: FIC066000

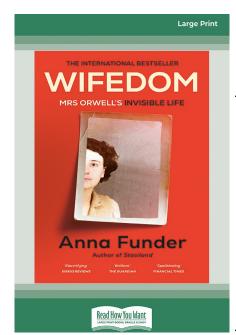
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: Digging up the past isn't easy ... Sweet, funny and feel-good, the unmissable rural romance from the bestselling author of A Home Among the Snow Gums and The Vet From Snowy River. Dr Joanne Tan is an expert in a lot of things. Love isn't one of them. Being thirty-something, broke, divorced and in a cold war with her ten-year-old son is a lot, but Jo's handling it. Just. At least she is until her job at the Natural History Museum is put in jeopardy. An invitation to dig up dinosaur bones on a remote Queensland sheep station arrives at just the right time. It's not her first trip to Yindi Creek, but it's not as though anyone will remember her from fifteen years ago ... And by anyone, of course, she means the pilot she had that fling with. The fling that taught her she's far safer sticking to science ... Gavin 'Hux' Huxtable, helicopter pilot and reluctant sheep-shearer, has turned his broken heart into a secret (and successful) writing career. But running into Jo again, all these years down the track, stirs up a lot more than outback country dust. A missing person, a fossilised legbone and a nosy country cop force Jo and Hux together and the sparks that start flying don't go unnoticed by the locals ... Digging up the past isn't easy. Digging up the truth can be even harder. PRAISE FOR STELLA QUINN: 'Quinn's warm tone, gentle humour and all-pervasive kindness shines throughout A Home Among the Snow Gums; it's a lively gallop with endearing characters and a satisfying ending that leaves a spring in your step.' - Better Reading 'A Town Like Clarence captivated me completely with its easy charm, true-blue Aussie setting and delightful cast ... a book that filled my heart with immense happiness.' - Mrs B's Book Reviews

About the Author: Stella Quinn has had a love affair with books since she first discovered the alphabet. She lives in sunny Queensland now, but has lived in England, Hong Kong and Papua New Guinea. Boarding school in a Queensland country town left Stella with a love of small towns and heritage buildings (and a fear of chenille bedspreads and meatloaf!) and that is why she loves writing rural romance. Stella is a keen scrabble player, she's very partial to her four kids and anything with four furry feet, and she is a mediocre grower of orchids. An active member of Romance Writers of Australia, Stella has won their Emerald, Sapphire and Valerie Parv Awards, and finaled in their R•BY Romantic Book of the Year award.





Title: Wifedom

Author: Anna Funder

ISBN: 9781038761323

Retail Price: 74.99 AUD

Pages: 608

Publication Date: 14/11/2023

Category: BIOGRAPHY & AUTOBIOGRAPHY / Literary Figures

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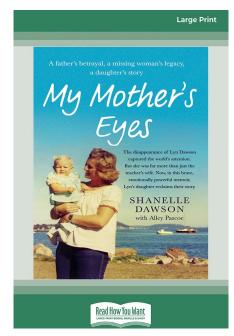
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Penguin Random House Australia

About the Book: A blazing, genre-bending masterpiece from one of the most inventive writers of our time. 'Simply, a masterpiece. Here, Anna Funder not only re-makes the art of biography, she resurrects a woman in full. And this in a narrative that grips the reader and unfolds through some of the most consequential moments - historical and cultural - of the twentieth century.' - Geraldine Brooks 'There's exhilaration in reading every brilliant word.' - Chloe Hooper Looking for wonder and some reprieve from the everyday, Anna Funder slips into the pages of her hero George Orwell. As she watches him create his writing self, she tries to remember her own... When she uncovers his forgotten wife, it's a revelation. Eileen O'Shaughnessy's literary brilliance shaped Orwell's work and her practical nous saved his life. But why - and how - was she written out of the story? Using newly discovered letters from Eileen to her best friend, Funder recreates the Orwells' marriage, through the Spanish Civil War and WW II in London. As she rolls up the screen concealing Orwell's private life she is led to question what it takes to be a writer - and what it is to be a wife. Compelling and utterly original, Wifedom speaks to the unsung work of women everywhere today, while offering a breathtakingly intimate view of one of the most important literary marriages of the 20th century. It is a book that speaks to our present moment as much as it illuminates the past. 'So, she will live writing the letters she did - six to her best friend, and three to her husband. I know where she was when she wrote them. I know that the dishes were frozen in the sink, that she was bleeding, that he was in bed with another woman - and she knew it. . . . I supply only what a film director would, directing an actor on set - the wiping of spectacles, the ash on the carpet, a cat pouring itself off her lap.'

About the Author: Anna Funder is the author of Stasiland and All That I Am - both international bestsellers, published in more than twenty-four countries - and the novella The Girl with the Dogs. Her books have won multiple literary awards, including the UK's premier award for non-fiction, the Samuel Johnson Prize, for Stasiland, and Australia's most prestigious, the Miles Franklin, for her novel All That I Am. Originally trained as an international human rights lawyer, Anna is a former DAAD Fellow in Berlin, Australia Council Fellow, and Rockefeller Foundation Fellow. She lives in Sydney.





Title: My Mother's Eyes **Author:** Shanelle Dawson

ISBN: 9781038766342

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 332

Publication Date: 19/02/2024

Category: BIOGRAPHY & AUTOBIOGRAPHY / Personal Memoirs

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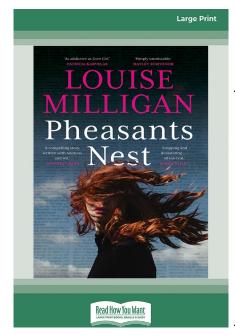
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Hachette Australia

About the Book: The disappearance of Lyn Dawson captured the world's attention. But she was far more than just the teacher's wife. Now, in this brave, emotionally powerful memoir, Lyn's daughter reclaims their story. <h>lmagine living with the knowledge that your father had murdered your mother and lied to you your whole life, telling you she left because she didn't love you anymore. How could a father do this to his children? How could a husband do this to a woman he at one time loved? When she was four years old, Shanelle Dawson's mother, Lynette, disappeared. On 8 January 1982, the woman who had been a loving, constant presence vanished without a trace. Four year old's might not be able to articulate questions or understand a lot, but the ache of absence is very real. Year after year that ache persisted. Shanelle's father, Chris Dawson, claimed that his wife just needed to get away. This is what he told Lyn's parents and siblings. This is what he told his daughters. But Lyn never returned home. Her side of the bed was immediately filled by Shanelle's teenage babysitter, a former student of her father's. After thirty-six years of her father's lies, a podcast called <i>The Teacher's Pet</i> investigated her mother's case. Sordid details about the father she loved became public. Whispers that he had murdered Lynette grew louder. The police refocused on the cold case. Then, Chris Dawson faced court. Forty years after she went missing, he was sentenced to twenty-four years in prison for the murder of Lynette. Now, in this brave, emotionally powerful memoir, Shanelle reclaims her mother's story and finds a channel for her own voice. It is an unforgettable insight into the ripples of trauma and loss that family violence brings and shows how Shanelle found the strength to confront her father and can now create a new life after unimaginable deception. This is Shanelle's story.

About the Author: Shanelle Dawson lives in northern New South Wales, Australia, with her beloved wild-spirited daughter, Kialah. She has travelled extensively and lived in far too many places, though she's trying to rein in the adventure-seeker to grow more solid roots and foundations. Childcare has been a wonderful job throughout her life, among many other things, but she's intrigued to see how this next new chapter unfolds as she endeavours to transmute life's poison into good medicine for those in similar circumstances to her Mother. Just as her Mother, and her Mother's Mother before her, loved and delighted in swimming, so do Shanelle and Kialah. Dancing, singing to the Earth, meditation and good chocolate are the best of friends to navigate through this crazy and beautiful world. Shanelle has explored many healing modalities in her quest to come to peace with the tragic past and reunite with a sense of belonging in this world.





Title: Pheasants Nest **Author:** Louise Milligan

ISBN: 9781038768254

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 332

Publication Date: 5/07/2024

Category: FICTION / Crime

BISAC: FIC050000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: A gripping, propulsive and brilliantly original debut by award-winning investigative journalist and writer Louise Milligan.

>d gripping, sinister - yet also wryly funny and realistic - crime thriller.' - Jane Caro
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 >'A rollercoaster ride of peril and nail-biting tension.' - Vikki Petraitis
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'Pheasants Nest is simply unmissable.' - Hayley Scrivenor

'An all-too-real thriller that had me on the edge of my seat.' - Sarah Bailey

'A story as addictive as <i>Gone Girl</i> but with a distinctive Australian voice.' - Patricia Karvelas
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A page-turning novel that examines the ripple effects of a devastating crime in real time.' - Jacqueline Bublitz
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A compelling story, written with tautness and wit.' - Annabel Crabb
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>cime novel that could only be written by a fine journalist - so original, funny and true.' - David Marr

<i>>She wonders if they have discovered her missing yet. Has it broken in the news? Who has been assigned to cover her story? Have they started spooling through her social media and pulling out photographs? Constructing a narrative about who she is and what possible reason any person has to kidnap or (let's be frank) kill her? She tries not to let out the whimper that's building in her sternum, at the thought that he might. Kill her, that is. He might kill her.</i>
State Delaney has made the biggest mistake of her life. She picked the wrong guy to humiliate on a girls' night out and now she is living every woman's worst nightmare. A Kate finds herself brutalised, bound and gagged in the back of a car being driven god knows where by a man whose name she doesn't know, and she is petrified about what's in store for her.
As a journalist who is haunted by the crimes she's had to report over her career, Kate is terrifyingly familiar with the statistics about women who go missing-and the fear and trauma behind the headlines. She knows only too well how those stories usually end.

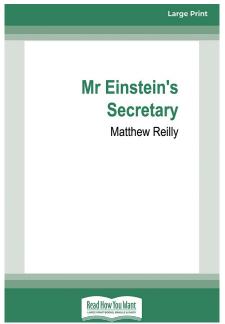
Kate can only hope the police will find her before it's too late, but she's aware a random crime is hardest to solve. As the clock ticks down, she tries to keep herself sane by thinking about her beloved boyfriend and friends, escaping into memories of love and happy times together. She knows she cannot give way to despair.
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As the suspense escalates, Kate's boyfriend Liam is left behind, struggling with his shock, fear and desperation as the police establish a major investigation. The detectives face their own feelings of anguish and futility as they reflect on the cases they didn't solve in time and the victims they couldn't save. They know Kate's chances of survival diminish with every passing hour.

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| Value >Acclaimed and award-winning writer and journalist Louise Milligan has written a stunning and surprising thriller with a gigantic heart: a gripping, propulsive and brilliantly original debut.

About the Author: Louise Milligan is a multi-award-winning investigative journalist for ABC TV's <i>Four Corners</i>, the Australian national broadcaster's flagship current affairs documentary program. She is the author of two bestselling non-fiction books: <i>Cardinal, The Rise and Fall of George Pell</i> and <i>Witness, An Investigation into the Brutal Cost of Seeking Justice</i>. Her books have been awarded multiple prizes, including the Walkley Book Award, the Davitt Awards Best Non-Fiction Crime Book, the Melbourne Prize for Literature People's Choice Award, the Victorian Premier's Literary Award's People's





Title: Mr Einstein's Secretary **Author:** Matthew Reilly

ISBN: 9781038767097

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 392

Publication Date: 14/03/2024

Category: FICTION / Thrillers / General

BISAC: FIC031000

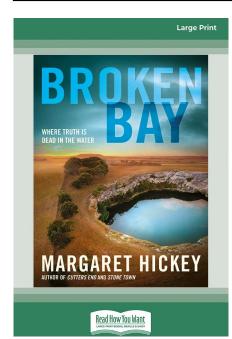
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Pan Macmillan Australia

About the Book: A SECRETARY LIKE NO OTHER IN AN EPIC SPANNING 40 YEARS All Hanna Fischer ever wanted to do was to study physics under the great Albert Einstein. But when, as a teenager in 1919, her life is suddenly turned upside-down, she is catapulted into a new and extraordinary life - as a secretary, a scientist, a sister and a spy. From racist gangs in Berlin to gangsters in New York City, Nazis in the 1930s and Hitler's inner circle during the Second World War, Hanna will encounter some of history's greatest minds and most terrible moments, all while desperately trying to stay alive. She is a most unique secretary and she will work for many bosses - from shrewd businessmen to vile Nazis, to the greatest boss of them all, Mr Albert Einstein... Spanning forty years, this is the thrilling tale of a young woman propelled through history's most dangerous times. But read it carefully, because all may not be as it seems...

About the Author: Matthew Reilly is the internationally bestselling author of the Scarecrow series, the Jack West series and numerous standalone novels. His books are published in over 20 languages with worldwide sales of over 8 million copies. He directed the no.1 Netflix film Interceptor, which he co-wrote with Stuart Beattie.





Title: Broken Bay

Author: Margaret Hickey

ISBN: 9781038761231

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 488

Publication Date: 14/11/2023

Category: FICTION / Thrillers / Crime

BISAC: FIC031010

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Penguin Random House Australia

About the Book: From the author of the bestselling Cutters End and Stone Town, a captivating new crime novel featuring Detective Mark Ariti. Old loyalties and decades-long feuds rise to the surface in this stunning crime novel, set in a spectacular Australian landscape known for its jagged cliffs and hidden caves. Detective Sergeant Mark Ariti has taken a few days' holiday in Broken Bay at precisely the wrong time. The small fishing town on South Australia's Limestone Coast is now the scene of a terrible tragedy. Renowned cave diver Mya Rennik has drowned while exploring a sinkhole on the land of wealthy farmer Frank Doyle. As the press descends, Mark's boss orders him to stay put and assist the police operation. But when they retrieve Mya's body, a whole new mystery is opened up, around the disappearance of a young local woman twenty years before . . . Suddenly Mark is diving deep into the town's history - and in particular the simmering rivalry between its two most prominent families, the Doyles and Sinclairs. Then a murder takes place at the Sinclairs' old home - and Mark is left wondering which is more dangerous- Broken Bay's hidden subterranean world or the secretive town above it . . . 'A tour de force.' Australian Women's Weekly on Cutters End 'Astonishingly assured crime novel. A pitch perfect outback noir.' Weekend Australian on Cutters End 'Hickey nicely layers the intrigue as we follow the always likeable Ariti, who once again discovers just how secretive and bizarre life in the rural hinterland can be.' Sydney Morning Herald on Stone Town Cutters End was the winner of the BAD Danger Prize 2022 and was shortlisted for the Ned Kelly Award for Best First Fiction 2022.

About the Author: Margaret Hickey is an award-winning author and playwright from North East Victoria. She has a PhD in Creative Writing and is deeply interested in rural lives and communities. She is also the author of Cutters End and Stone Town. Cutters End won the BAD Sydney Danger Prize and was shortlisted for the Ned Kelly Award for Best Debut.



The Milliner of Bendigo
Darry Fraser

Title: The Milliner of Bendigo

Author: Darry Fraser

ISBN: 9781038764294

Retail Price: 74.99 AUD

Pages: 576

Publication Date: 23/01/2024

Category: FICTION / Romance / Historical / General

BISAC: FIC027050

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: Trouble with the law, a missing sister, and a growing attachment to the wrong man - Evie Emerson has a dangerous path ahead of her... an exciting and twisty historical mystery and adventure from a bestselling Australian author. 1898: Bendigo, Victoria Evie Emerson has worked hard to build a fashionable clientele for her hats. But when an ex-paramour employs underhanded tactics after his attempt to coerce an engagement fails, Evie's reputation is in tatters. On the heels of having to put a case together to defend herself in court, Evie's life is thrown into further turmoil when the disappearance of her sister takes her to Cobram. Roving reporter Fitzmorgan O'Shea has troubles of his own: his involvement in uncovering police corruption has placed a target on his back. And while Fitz is hunting a new story in Cobram his problems collide with Evie's when his research exposes malicious intimidation and threats designed to make local landholders give up their properties. For Raffety Dolan, he accepted long ago it's Fitz Evie loves - and his feelings will remain unrequited. But when a disgraced expoliceman comes searching for revenge, Raff is ready to go save his friends. There, on the banks of the mighty Murray, with so much misunderstood history and secrets between the three friends - plus the legitimate threat of being shot at - will they survive long enough to discover the truth? PRAISE FOR DARRY FRASER: 'Fraser's excellent research makes the reader feel like they are actually back in 1898 with her richly detailed settings: bustling train stations and port docks, flies and dust...' - GLAM Adelaide 'A fabulous storyteller who underlies this compelling plot with strong female characters who challenge the status quo ... an authentic, seamless and riveting tale.' - Better Reading

About the Author: Darry Fraser fell in love with the great Murray River when her family moved to her childhood town of Swan Hill in Victoria. Stories of the river have been with her ever since and it's where a number of her novels are set. Her stories are of ordinary people in nineteenth century Australia who are drawn into difficult circumstances - adventure, mystery and mayhem, love and life, and against the backdrop of historical events. Darry lives on the beautiful Fleurieu Peninsula, South Australia, very close to the mighty River Murray.





Title: Whenever You're Ready

Author: Trish Bolton

ISBN: 9781038765932

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 366

Publication Date: 13/02/2024

Category: FICTION / Friendship

BISAC: FIC071000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: A love letter to the lives of older women, <i>Whenever You're Ready</i> is a moving and perceptive novel about three women searching for a way forward in the wake of a sudden loss.
-/>r/>-/br/>'Tender, warm-hearted and wise.' Toni Jordan
'Each of the women in this novel feels like she could be a friend.' Sophie Green</ b>
An unexpected death finds Lizzie, Alice and Margot at various crossroads in their lives, torn between looking back and moving on.
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Lizzie is reeling from her discovery of a decades-old secret that changes everything she thought she knew about her friends, her family and her marriage. Alice has always been the good-time girl, as charismatic presenting the weather on television as she is working as a life model. But decades of piecemeal gigs have left her with a rapidly unravelling safety net. Meanwhile, Lizzie's perfectionist daughter Margot is realising that, despite having built herself a faultlessly curated life, she hasn't put her troubled past behind her as neatly as she thought she had.

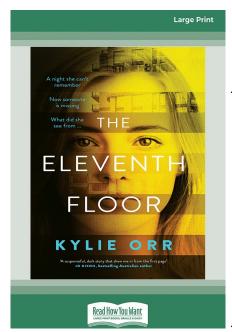
<i>Whenever You're Ready </i>is a sweetly wise and gently wistful novel about the secrets and seasons of three intertwined lives.

- sbr/> - br/> Bolton is a natural -born storyteller and her debut novel is a gift to us all.' Lee Kofman

'Social commentary shot through with wicked humour. I loved it.' Lucy Treloar
'Engaging, moving and full of heart.' Suzanne Leal
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'Trish Bolton renders visible the complex lives of older women who are so often invisible in our culture. A page-turner of a novel.' Sian Prior
'The grief in Bolton's novel is weighty and pervasive, but her tone is light and matter-offact; it's as if Sally Hepworth wrote Jennifer Down's <i>Bodies of Light</i>. Bolton has written through the "not knowing what to say" of grief. This book will also appeal to fans of Gail Honeyman with her rendering of retired, but not retiring, women.'Â Books + Publishing

About the Author: Trish Bolton is a Melbourne writer whose words have appeared in <i>Overland, New Matilda, The Big Issue, The Age, Sunday Age, Sydney Morning Herald </i>and<i>Â Canberra Times</i>. <i>Whenever You're Ready</i> is her debut novel.





Title: The Eleventh Floor

Author: Kylie Orr

ISBN: 9781038767301

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 404

Publication Date: 15/03/2024

Category: FICTION / Thrillers / Domestic

BISAC: FIC031100

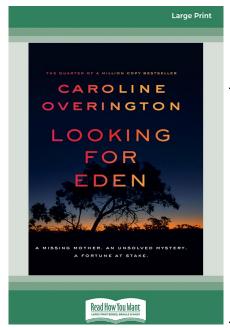
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: The view is a killer ... Darkly compelling and twisty psychological drama from a talented new Australian author. Perfect for readers who love Sally Hepworth, Pip Drysdale and Adele Parks. Will one mother's lie cost another woman her life? Sleep deprived, struggling and at breaking point, first-time mum Gracie Michaels books one night - alone - at The Maxwell Hotel. A king-size bed all to herself. No demands. With time to recharge she'll be able to return to her family more like the unflappable mother she pretends to be. Instead, she wakes in a room she doesn't recognise after an encounter with a man who is not her husband. Then she sees something she wishes she hadn't. Being drawn into a crime was not something Gracie had planned for her hotel stay but when a distraught family appeals for information and a police investigation heats up she is trapped in a maze of lies. To speak out jeopardises her marriage, but her silence threatens her son, her sanity and her safety. Will Gracie destroy her own family by telling the truth or devastate someone else's by keeping her secrets? 'A suspenseful, dark story that drew me in from the first page. The Eleventh Floor is shockingly unexpected with outcomes that feel completely realistic, alongside powerful moments of motherhood, marriage, trust and love, and a seeping sense of dread that will leave you shuddering.' - Jo Dixon, Australian bestselling author of The House of Now and Then PRAISE FOR KYLIE ORR: 'Orr's novels explores the darker side of humanity and question our understanding of self and others.' - Weekend Australian, Noteable Books 'An unputdownable, one-sitting read.' - Better Reading 'Orr really ramps up the tension, emotion and general agitation of this novel ... the race is definitely on to get to the pulsating conclusion of this tale.' - Mrs B's Book Reviews 'Someone Else's Child is a captivating story. In the age of GoFundMe, it raises some very timely questions about friendship, ethics and loyalty.' - Eliza Henry-Jones, author of In The Quiet

About the Author: Kylie Orr (she/her) is a Melbourne-based writer who once kicked a winning goal in a charity football match and has never let her family hear the end of it. Over the past fifteen years, her feature articles have been published in The Age, The Sydney Morning Herald, Daily Life and across News Ltd. Kylie's novels explore the darker side of humanity and question what we understand about ourselves. Her debut novel Someone Else's Child was longlisted in the Richell Prize, the MsLexia International Novel Competition and awarded the Dymocks & Dymocks & Commercial Fiction Masterclass scholarship. She lives cliffside on the land of the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation. She shares the space with her four children, just the one husband and a cat called Alfie who has surprised everyone by taking up space in her camera roll and on her reading chair.





Title: Looking for Eden **Author:** Caroline Overington

ISBN: 9781038770356

Retail Price: 55.99 AUD

Pages: 286

Publication Date: 3/09/2024

Category: FICTION / Thrillers / Domestic

BISAC: FIC031100

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: The unputdownable new thriller from the bestselling author of The One Who Got Away When a simple mixup leaves their father Joe's estate to Eden, their long-absent mother, Clare and Aaron decide it's finally time to track Eden down. But it's been over thirty years since she left their remote outback mining town, and they've never heard from her again. Aaron is dealing with a new marriage that's currently trapped in immigration limbo, and his teenage daughter Cady is clearly going through a personal crisis of her own. After decades away, Clare has flown home from New York for Joe's funeral, leaving her high-powered job and her not-quite-fiance behind for what she thinks will be a short trip. Neither Aaron or Clare are prepared for a fight for their inheritance against the mother who abandoned them as children. As they dig through years of secrets and lies in their tiny community to uncover the truth about Eden and Joe, will they notice the more immediate danger that threatens their family?

About the Author: Caroline Overington is a bestselling Australian author and an award-winning journalist. She has written eleven books, including the top-ten bestseller The One Who Got Away, and Last Woman Hanged, which won the Davitt Award for True Crime Writing in 2015. She has profiled many of the world's most famous women, including Oprah Winfrey and Hillary Clinton, and has twice won the Walkley Award for Investigative Journalism. She has also won the Sir Keith Murdoch Award for Journalistic Excellence and the Blake Dawson Prize for Business Literature. Caroline is currently Associate Editor at The Australian and is based in Sydney.





Title: Beyond Summerland **Author:** Jenny Lecoat

ISBN: 9781038771483

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 430

Publication Date: 8/10/2024

Category: FICTION / Historical / General

BISAC: FIC014000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: A riveting story of redemption and retribution in a unique wartime setting by the author of the <i>New York Times</i> bestseller, <i>The Girl from the Channel Islands.</i>

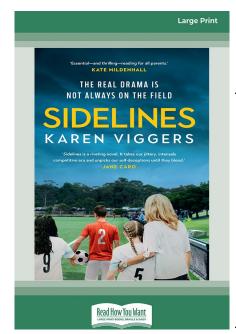
An unforgettable tale of friendship, love, courage and survival. I loved every word of this fantastically engrossing novel. Jenny Lecoat is an author to watch!' Bestselling author Kelly Rimmer on <i>The Girl from the Channel Islands</i>
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/spr/>Jersey 1945. In the immediate aftermath of Liberation from the Nazis, Jean Parris and her family wait anxiously for news of her deported father.
br/>sbr/>But now a different kind of war is unleashed - a war amongst the islanders themselves. And as Jean, now a young woman, begins to question everything, she soon discovers not only the truth about her family, but the full implication of her own deceptions.
<i>Beyond Summerland</i> is a page-turning story of ordinary people in extraordinary times, and a tale of long-buried family secrets. It explores suspicion and prejudice, female friendship, and the fictions we cling to when we cannot afford to let them go; it is also a story of survival and the dangers of finding oneself on the wrong side of history
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 >Praise for <i>The Girl from the Channel Islands</i>:
br/>'Lecoat capably combines historical fact with the fictional narrative, and offers a cast rich with multidimensional characters. Readers will be riveted.' <i>Publishers Weekly</ i>
'…a compelling and beautifully written fictionalised account.' <i>The Daily Telegraph</i>
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 >'Simply and directly told, this is a gentle story of friendship, love, and moral complexity.' Kate Forsyth
>'<i>> [The Girl from the Channel Islands]</i>
shocks, pulls at the heartstrings, educates and inspires the reader...full of dangerous plots, troublesome situations, tests to the human spirit and character building moments, seeped in rich historical detail.' Mrs B's Book Reviews

'Not only readers of historical fiction (particularly those set during the war years), but also those who enjoy books with inspirational characters, will find this a most informative and enjoyable read. Readers will be left reflecting on this story long after they have read the last page.' Blue Wolf Reviews

About the Author: Born in Jersey, Channel Islands, Jenny Lecoat's parents were raised under German Occupation, and both families were involved in resistance activity. Lecoat moved to England aged 18, where following a drama degree, she spent a decade on the alternative comedy circuit as a feminist stand-up. She was nominated for the prestigious Perrier Award in 1986. Jenny also wrote for newspapers and women's magazines and presented TV and radio shows, before focusing on screenwriting from sitcom to sketch shows.

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Title: Sidelines

Author: Karen Viggers

ISBN: 9781038764461

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 406

Publication Date: 23/01/2024

Category: FICTION / Family Life / General

BISAC: FIC045000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: A teenage sports game descends into a brawl after a controversial line call in a fast-paced contemporary novel from the bestselling author of <i>The Orchardist's Daughter</i>.
'Essential - and thrilling - reading for all parents.'
KATE MILDENHALL
>'<i>Sidelines</i> is a riveting novel. It takes our jittery, intensely competitive era and unpicks our self-deceptions until they bleed.'
Â JANE CARO
br/>When a violent brawl erupts at a suburban junior soccer game, some onlookers are shocked. But others saw it coming. Rivalry, parental pressure, coaching bias, inequity, and Audrey is a talented young football player. But does she want to play for Australia or does she just want to please her father, Ben, whose own thwarted sporting career looms large in his ambitions for his daughter? Audrey's mother, Jonica, doesn't know whether to be more concerned about her anxious daughter, her overbearing husband, or the only other girl on the team, Katerina, who is causing trouble on and off the field. And Katerina's mother, Carmen, is so busy looking for opportunities to give Katerina more game time that she fails to notice what is really capturing her daughter's attention.

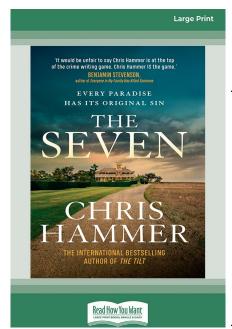
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When Griffin, a naturally gifted player with spectacular skills, arrives, the tension within the team reaches boiling point. But who is going to crack first - the parents or the players?
'Sometimes a novel comes along that says what you've been thinking.'
MALCOLM KNOX

'>will leave you wondering if perhaps winning and losing are the same thing.'
 >GABBIE STROUD
Viggers shines a light on the ways competition can pull us together or drive us apart.'

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About the Author: Karen Viggers is a writer, veterinarian, podcaster and literary critic who loves nature, bushwalking and animals. She is the author of four novels: <i>The Stranding, The Lightkeeper's Wife, The Grass Castle</i> and <i>The Orchardist's Daughter.</i> Her work is set in Australian landscapes and explores dying with dignity, displacement of First Peoples, wildlife conservation, clear-felling of native forests, and now, junior sport. She is co-host of the Secrets From the Green Room podcast, in which she interviews writers and other bookish people about books, writing and green rooms, uncovering the stories you don't usually get to hear. She is a literary reviewer and public speaker, and also a mother to two adult children and a dog. Her books have been translated into several languages and have enjoyed great success in France where she is a bestselling author and has won a literary award. <i>Sidelines </i>





Title: The Seven

Author: Chris Hammer

ISBN: 9781038760371

Retail Price: 74.99 AUD

Pages: 590

Publication Date: 17/10/2023

Category: FICTION / Thrillers / Suspense

BISAC: FIC030000

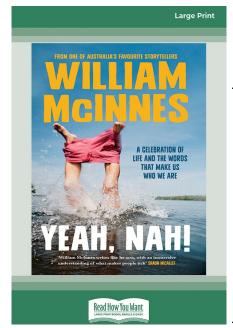
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: Yuwonderie's seven founding families have lorded it over their district for a century, growing ever more rich and powerful. But now-in startling circumstances-one of their own is found dead in a ditch and homicide detectives Ivan Lucic and Nell Buchanan are sent to investigate. Could the murder be connected to the execution of the victim's friend thirty years ago-another member of The Seven-or even to the long-forgotten story of a servant girl on the brink of the Great War? What are the secrets The Seven are so desperate to keep hidden? With the killer still on the loose and events spiralling out of control, the closer Ivan and Nell get to discovering the truth, the more dangerous their investigation becomes. Can they crack the case before more people die? The Seven is a compelling thriller filled with intrigue, emotional depth and an evocative sense of place-where nothing is ever quite what it seems. Chris Hammer, the acclaimed and bestselling author of the international bestsellers Scrublands, Treasure & Empire Chris Hammer, the acclaimed and bestselling author of the international bestsellers Scrublands, Treasure & Empire Chris Hammer, the acclaimed and bestselling author of the international bestsellers Scrublands, Treasure & Empire Chris Hammer, the acclaimed and bestsellers Crime writers.

About the Author: Chris Hammer is a leading Australian author of crime fiction. His first book, Scrublands, was an instant best-seller when it was published in mid-2018. It won the prestigious UK Crime Writers Association John Creasy Award for a debut crime novel in 2019 and was shortlisted for various awards in Australia and the United States. Scrublands has been sold into translation in several foreign languages, and a television series based on the novel is scheduled for completion in late 2023. His follow up books - Silver (2019), Trust (2020), Treasure & Dirt (2021) and The Tilt (2022) - are also bestsellers, and all have been shortlisted for major literary prizes. Before turning to fiction, Chris was a journalist for more than thirty years, dividing his career between covering Australian federal politics and international affairs. He reported from more than thirty countries on six continents with SBS TV, while in Canberra his roles included chief political correspondent for The Bulletin, senior writer for The Age and online political editor for the Sydney Morning Herald. Chris has also written two non-fiction books, The River (2010) and The Coast (2012). He has a bachelor's degree in journalism from Charles Sturt University and a master's degree in international relations from the Australian National University.





Title: Yeah, Nah!: A celebration of life and the words that make us who we

are

Author: William McInnes

ISBN: 9781038766335

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 326

Publication Date: 19/02/2024

Category: BIOGRAPHY & AUTOBIOGRAPHY / Entertainment & Performing Arts

BISAC: BIO005000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Hachette Australia

About the Author: William McInnes is one of Australia's most popular writers and actors. His books include the bestselling memoirs <i>A Man's Got to Have a Hobby</i> and <i>That'd Be Right</i>. In 2012 his book <i>Worse Things Happen at Sea</i>, co-written with his wife, Sarah Watt, was named the best non-fiction title in the ABIA and Indie Awards. Also an award-winning actor and best known for his leading roles in <i>Blue Heelers,</i> <i>SeaChange</i>, <i>Total Control</i> and <i>The Newsreader</i>, William has won two Logies and two AFI/AACTA Awards for Best Actor in the film <i>Unfinished Sky </i> and Best Supporting Actor in <i>The Newsreader</i>. William grew up in Queensland and lives in Melbourne.



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Title: The Accident **Author:** Fiona Lowe

The Accident

Fiona Lowe

ISBN: 9781038767370

Retail Price: 74.99 AUD

Pages: 602

Publication Date: 15/03/2024

Category: FICTION / Women

BISAC: FIC044000

Format: [Large Print]

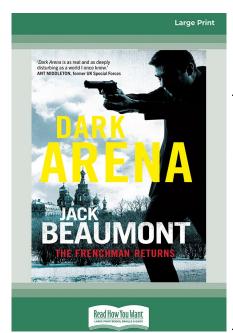


Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: A terrible crash... but the facts don't add up. Worlds converge and two women's lives are torn apart when a devastating accident uncovers a shocking web of lies. A gripping and thought-provoking new mystery from bestselling Australian author Fiona Lowe. Perfect for readers who enjoy Liane Moriarty and Sally Hepworth. Freya thought she could relax when Ryan's best mate Jamie got engaged to her best friend Hannah. Two couples, four friends - what could be better than that? But a day before the wedding Freya's torn between keeping the peace or blowing it up. Hannah's perfect wedding is hours away and she's daydreaming of a honeymoon in Tahiti and starting the family she longs for when she hears the first-responder sirens. Is it a grass fire? Worse? And why aren't Ryan or Jamie answering their phones? When a car veers off the road with devastating consequences, the small wheatbelt town of Garringarup is left reeling, but no one's worlds are more shattered than Hannah's and Freya's. As disturbing details surrounding the accident emerge and questions pile up, ugly secrets rise to the surface. Mystery, lies and scandal - it's soon obvious nothing is as it seems in this small town... The gripping and thoughtprovoking new mystery from bestselling Australian author Fiona Lowe. PRAISE FOR FIONA LOWE: 'A gripping tale about greed, the price paid for ill-placed trust and the lessons that come with having it and losing it all ... Ultimately, The Money Club is about hope.' - Weekend Australian, Notable Books 'Greed, self-interest, and moral drama also feature in the latest novel by Fiona Lowe, the undisputed queen of Australian small-town fiction ... The Money Club is another enjoyable character-driven tale by Lowe that will keep you happily entertained.' - Canberra Weekly 'Lowe's writing style is as approachable, relatable, well-paced and as humane as ever. She possesses the rare strength of not judging her characters, which provides for the development of their depth.' - Better Reading

About the Author: FIONA LOWE has been a midwife, a sexual health counsellor and a family support worker; an ideal career for an author who writes novels about family and relationships. She spent her early years in Papua New Guinea where, without television, reading was the entertainment and it set up a lifelong love of books. Although she often re-wrote the endings of books in her head, it was the birth of her first child that prompted her to write her first novel. A recipient of the prestigious USA RITA® award and two Australian RuBY awards, Fiona writes books that are set in small country towns. They feature real people facing difficult choices and explore how family ties and relationships impact on their decisions. When she's not writing stories, she's a distracted wife, mother of two 'ginger' sons, a volunteer in her community, guardian of eighty rose bushes, a slave to a cat, and is often found collapsed on the couch with wine.





Title: Dark Arena: A Frenchman Thriller

Author: Jack Beaumont

ISBN: 9781038764430

Retail Price: 74.99 AUD

Pages: 544

Publication Date: 23/01/2024

Category: FICTION / Thrillers / Espionage

BISAC: FIC006000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: A high-stakes thriller that could be ripped from today's headlines - from the bestselling author of <i>The Frenchman</i>.

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Alec de Payns, espionage operative of the Y Division of the DGSE, France's famed foreign intelligence service, is tasked with tracking down an agent of influence sending highly classified material against the Kremlin to embassies all over Europe.

A deadly conspiracy is aligning the West against Russia. But who is behind it? And to what end?

>The clues lead to a secret meeting of businessmen, terrorists and mercenaries on a luxury yacht in the Mediterranean, which de Payns must infiltrate. What he discovers sets off a Europewide manhunt in a desperate scramble to prevent an international catastrophe.

Former DGSE spy Jack Beaumont's <i>Dark Arena</i> is another chillingly plausible thriller delivering all the taut plotting, superb action and authentic spycraft that made <i>The Frenchman</i> a critically acclaimed bestseller.
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'If it wasn't for my background, I would have said that this was fiction, but knowing what I know, <i>Dark Arena</i> is as real and as deeply disturbing as a world I once knew.'
- Ant Middleton, former UK Special Forces

in each fastpaced chapter. Lovers of spy novels are in for a treat - another exciting glimpse into contemporary yet fictional intelligence work.' - Paul Symon AO, former Director-General, Australian Secret Intelligence Service/br/>
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>cbPraise for <i>The Frenchman</i> by Jack Beaumont:

/lt's a richly detailed cloak-and-dagger thriller reminiscent of the novels of John le Carre … I hope Jack Beaumont, whoever he is, writes a follow-up.' - Stephen Romei, <i>The Australian</i> >
'Subterfuge, secrets, betrayal, torture, traitors, elaborate set ups, extraordinary secret agents … There's authenticity on every page.' - <i>Herald Sun</i>
'A superior thriller.' - <i>Courier-Mail</i>
'Taut and terrific.' - <i>Gold Coast Bulletin</i>

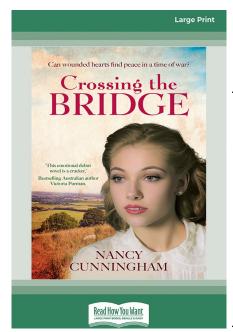
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A gripping thriller with an extremely authentic feel … highly recommended.' - <i>Canberra Weekly</i>
br/>'Beaumont reveals a world of international espionage that's at once exhilarating, morally repugnant, and deadly … An action-packed spy thriller with an authentic feel.' - <i>Kirkus Reviews</i>

'<>br/>'<i>The Frenchman</i> is, in the way of many thrillers, a disturbing reminder of how fragile our modern world is and how easy it might be [to] upend the world order. It is a spy thriller that only an insider could have written.' - <i>The Blurb</i>

'<>br/>'<i>The Frenchman</i> is one of the finest examples of the spy genre in recent memory. Suspenseful, masterfully plotted, and completely riveting. But what truly sets it apart from others in the field is its matchless authenticity, and the book's keen interest in its characters and the human cost of the worlds they inhabit.' - Nic Pizzolatto, author of <i>Galveston </i>and creator and writer of HBO's <i>True Detective</i>

About the Author: Jack Beaumont is the pseudonym of a former operative in the clandestine operations branch of the French foreign secret service, the DGSE. He joined 'The Company' after being an air force fighter pilot and later flying special operations and intelligence missions. Beaumont's background gives his novels a level of authenticity that few other spy thrillers have





Title: Crossing the Bridge **Author:** Nancy Cummingham

ISBN: 9781038766106

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 478

Publication Date: 14/02/2024

Category: FICTION / Romance / Historical / 20th Century

BISAC: FIC027200

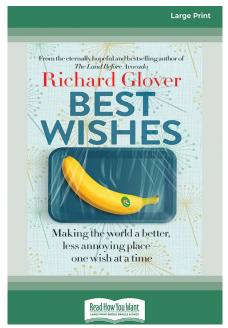
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Escape Publishing

About the Book: 1944. Widow Poppy Guilford is fighting to save her farm, the one thing tethering her to her husband - and the legacy promised for their young son. But a devastating secret from her husband's past threatens to derail her struggle to save the property and keep her son by her side. Former soldier JB Beaton's wartime injuries and personal losses have left him with scars, both inside and out. Believing he's too damaged to be the father his son deserves, he leaves him with his sister and takes on a job as a farmhand, far away from the city and his failures. Poppy, battling the elements and the heartache of her husband's secret, finds the new farmhand is never far from her thoughts, and JB's world is thrown into disarray by one of the most beautiful and capable women he has ever met. Neither can battle the surge of attraction they both feel. In a small town where gossip reigns, will they surrender to duty or follow their hearts?

About the Author: Nancy is a historical romance writer from Adelaide, South Australia where she lives with her partner, her book obsessed, gorgeous, curly-haired daughter, and a retired greyhound named Molly. When not writing fiction, Nancy works as a research scientist in entomology. When not obsessing over historical romance in books and on screen, or being the family chief spider wrangler, her creative heart beats loudest when writing stories involving stoic heroines of the past overcoming adversity. Her debut novel, In the Deluge (previously The Bridge), has been a winner and finalist in several awards, including the prestigious Valerie Parv Award and the Romance Writers of America West Houston 'Emilys', and was longlisted for the Romance Writers of Australia Emerald Award in 2020 and the Sapphire in 2021. In 2020 it won the CYA All-Stars Conference Unpublished Adult Manuscript prize.





Title: Best Wishes **Author:** Richard Glover

ISBN: 9781038762467

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 342

Publication Date: 14/12/2023

Category: HUMOR / Form / Essays

BISAC: HUM003000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: Making the world a better, less annoying place one wish at a time. 'I wish I could think, hope, laugh, dream and, indeed, write like Richard Glover. And I wish every Australian could read this book. A soaring tribute to the power of wishful thinking' Trent Dalton 'Glover asks life's big questions and helps us celebrate the simple joys - bin night, tax receipts that don't fade and the secret thrill of high-pressure hosing' Lisa Millar, co-host ABC-TV's News Breakfast 'Charming, funny and sincere, this is yet another winning book from the only Boomer worth listening to. A triumph!' Tom Ballard, comedian 'He is right about leaf blowers, for example, but quite wrong about breakfast in bed ... Richard's view of the world will frequently have you punching the air and shouting, ""Yes!"" Jean Kittson, performer, writer and comedian 'If life is better when we laugh, then this book is the balm' Jacinta Parsons, broadcaster, writer and co-host of ABC Melbourne's 'Friday Revue' 'There is an eternal hopefulness in all this man does. I only wish more of his wishes were granted' Tommy Dean, comedian and regular on ABC 702's 'Thank God It's Friday' Do you hate noisy restaurants, pre-ripped jeans and pedestrians who walk five abreast? Do you also have a problem with plastic-wrapped fruit, climate-change deniers and take-away sandwiches priced at \$14.95? And, most of all, do you think the world would be a better place if people got back their sense of humour? Here's proof you are not alone. Heartfelt and hilarious, serious but sly, Best Wishes is the encyclopedia of 'can do better'. It's a plea for a better world - one wish at a time.

About the Author: Richard Glover has written a number of bestselling books, including Love, Clancy, The Land Before Avocado, Flesh Wounds and The Mud House. He writes regularly for the Sydney Morning Herald and The Washington Post, as well as presenting the comedy program Thank God It's Friday on ABC Local Radio. To find out more, visit www.richardglover.com.au





Title: The Last Trace

Author: Petronella McGovern

ISBN: 9781038771520

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 424

Publication Date: 8/10/2024

Category: FICTION / Thrillers / General

BISAC: FIC031000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: What if you're scared you committed a crime but can't remember? From the bestselling author of <i>Six Minutes</i> and <i>The Liars</i> comes an unputdownable thriller about the secrets we keep from each other - and ourselves.

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Petronella McGovern consistently delivers smart, twisty page-turners guaranteed to keep her readers coming back for more.' LIANE MORIARTY

i>The Last Trace</i> has the winning combination of strong plot and heart that is sure to make it a favourite with fans of Sally Hepworth and Caroline Overington. One tip? Block out your diary. It's unlikely you'll want to move until you've devoured the last page of this story.' - BOOKS + PUBLISHING
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 >WHAT IF YOU'RE SCARED YOU COMMITTED A CRIME BUT CAN'T REMEMBER?

Family. It means everything to Sheridan. She has missed having her brother around. At last, Lachy is back in Australia, and Sheridan can't wait to spend the Easter holidays all together in the mountains with their kids.
br/>sbr/>But, on Good Friday, something devastating happens that rips their two families apart, and now she can't imagine ever forgiving him.

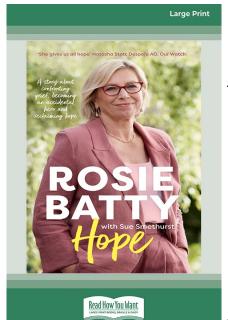
-br/>-kachy knows he's not coping, but his sister doesn't have the full story. And, terrifyingly, nor does he. There are some critical gaps in his memory. How is he connected to a missing woman, a hit-and-run, and a request for DNA?
br/>To untangle the truth, Lachy must decide who he can trust. His sister? His friends? Even himself?
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>b>Praise for <i>The Last Trace</i>
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>'Petronella McGovern's band of clever, family-centric thrillers just got even better. <i>The Last Trace</i> grabbed me from the first sentence and didn't let me go. Highly recommend.' Pip Drysdale, author of <i>The Next Girl</i>
'Part family drama, part high concept thriller = 100% compelling. A highly original mystery peppered with family secrets and truths. Petronella has created her own genre and never fails to impress. <i>The Last Trace</i> is the perfect book to curl up with. Prepare to be hooked!' Sarah Bailey, author of <i>Body of Lies </i>and <i>The Housemate</i>
'Emotionally charged and wholly compelling, <i>The Last Trace</i> is a brilliantly twisty tale about the slipperiness of memory and how our past is never truly buried. Strap in and enjoy the ride because you never quite know where this story will take you.' Anna Downes, author of <i>Red River Road</ i> and <i>The Safe Place</i>
'two stories about different worlds collide in <i>The Last Trace</i>, an enthralling, brilliantly plotted novel of suspense. With contemporary themes, rich characters and an ending that I can't stop thinking about, Petronella McGovern has written one of

shr/>the best books of the year.' JP Pomare, author of <i>The Wrong Woman</i>
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'Well done to Petronella McGovern on another binge-worthy read. I loved the way several mysteries ultimately tied together - a DNA test, a series of murdered women, and a major player with frightening blackouts. There were heart-racing moments as I tried to figure it all out. A clever and compulsive novel, <i>The Last Trace</i> covers a number of meaty themes with accuracy and sensitivity. It had me completely hooked.' Ali Lowe, author, <i>The School Run</i> <i>The Running Club</i>

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What first appears to be a contemporary family tale unfolds into a fascinating murder mystery. Petronella deftly explores how the mistakes of past generations reverberate through the lives and actions of their





Title: Hope

Author: Rosie Batty

ISBN: 9781038768049

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 372

Publication Date: 5/07/2024

Category: FAMILY & RELATIONSHIPS / Abuse / Domestic Partner Abuse

BISAC: FAM001030

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: After tragedy, how do we find hope? A memoir about what it takes to get through the very worst of times from Rosie Batty - a woman who has experienced tragedy, who had lost all hope, yet now is intent on finding it again. On a warm summer's evening in February 2014, eleven-year-old Luke Batty was killed by his father at cricket practice. It was a horrific act of family violence that shocked Australia. The next morning, his mother Rosie bravely stood before the media. Her powerful and gut-wrenching words about family violence galvanised the nation and catapulted her into the spotlight. From that day on, Rosie Batty campaigned tirelessly to protect women and children, winning hearts and minds with her courage and compassion, singlehandedly changing the conversation around domestic violence in this country. Rosie's remarkable efforts were recognised when she became the 2015 Australian of the Year and a year later she was named one of the World's Greatest Leaders by Fortune magazine. However, behind Rosie's steely public resolve and seemingly unbreakable spirit, she was a mum grieving the loss of her adored son. What happens when you become an accidental hero? What happens the day after the worst day of your life? What happens when you are forced to confront the emptiness and silence of a house that once buzzed with the energy of a young son? You go to dark places from which you're not sure you'll ever recover. Following on from her runaway best-seller A Mother's Story, which detailed the lead up to her son's murder, Hope shares what happened to Rosie the day after the worst day of her life and how she reclaimed hope when all hope was lost. She shares her struggles with anxiety, PTSD, self-doubt and self-loathing and how she finally confronted her grief. She shares the stories of those who have inspired her to keep going, and given her hope when she needed it most. In this heartfelt, and at times heartbreaking memoir, Rosie tells how she found the light on her darkest days and how she found the hope to carry on.

About the Author: In an incident that shocked Australia, Rosie Batty's 11-year-old son was killed by his father in a violent incident in February 2014. Greg Anderson murdered Luke Batty at cricket training and was then himself shot by police. Rosie has since become a passionate campaigner on the issue of family violence. She won the Pride of Australia Award in 2014, and was named Australian of the Year in January 2015.



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Title: The Chocolate Factory **Author:** Mary-Lou Stephens

The Chocolate Factory

Mary-Lou Stephens

ISBN: 9781038767318

Retail Price: 74.99 AUD

Pages: 592

Publication Date: 15/03/2024

Category: FICTION / Historical / General

BISAC: FIC014000

Format: [Large Print]

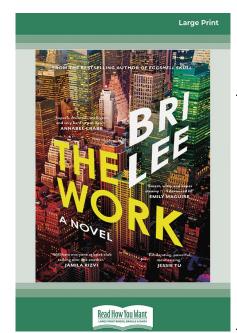


Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: Love, friendship and dangerous secrets in the early years of Cadbury's Tasmanian factory. It's 1921, and after years of working for Cadbury's at Bournville, Dorothy Adwell is on her way to a new adventure in the colonies, helping to establish the Firm's new Australian factory. A promotion and a fresh start are just what she needs after the horrors of the Great War and the loss of her beloved husband. During the long sea voyage, she meets Thomas and is immediately drawn to him. The war has left Thomas damaged, both mentally and emotionally, and Dorothy vows to help him - if only he will let her. Maisie Greenwood is the oldest daughter of a war widow, living on a pittance in the Hobart suburb of the Glebe. Her mother's health is failing, and with two younger siblings depending on her the security of a job at the brand-new Cadbury's factory is a godsend. With Dorothy's mentorship and her budding romance with fellow worker Frank, life begins to look a little sweeter. Cadbury's competitors have one goal: to steal the recipe for Dairy Milk, the most popular chocolate in the world. But the recipe is kept in a vault and the few who know it are legally bound to never divulge its secret. When chocolate spies target the new factory, Dorothy and Maisie become caught up in their plot. Can they protect the recipe, help those they love and fulfil their own dreams? A tangled web of ambition and intrigue melts into a tale as delicious and rich as chocolate.

About the Author: Mary-Lou Stephens was born in Tasmania, studied acting at The Victorian College of the Arts and played in bands in Melbourne, Hobart and Sydney. Eventually she got a proper job - in radio, where she was a presenter and music director, first with commercial radio and then with the ABC. She received rave reviews for her memoir Sex, Drugs and Meditation (2013), the true story of how meditation changed her life, saved her job and helped her find a husband. The Australian called her debut novel, The Last of the Apple Blossom (2021), 'an outstanding historical novel about women and the secrets and burdens they carry.' Mary-Lou has worked and played all over Australia. Now she's travelling the world with her husband, slowly, and writing, mostly.





Title: The Work **Author:** Bri Lee

ISBN: 9781038768216

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 484

Publication Date: 5/07/2024

Category: FICTION / General

BISAC: FIC000000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: A stunning debut novel about art, power, love and money from the acclaimed and bestselling author of <i>Eggshell Skull</i>.

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br/>'This novel isn't just good; it's superb. Assured, and powerful, and intelligent, and very, VERY hard to put down. I consumed it in a passion.' - Annabel Crabb

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'Smart, witty and super steamy, <i>The Work</ i> oozes intelligence and pulses with energy. I devoured it!' - Emily Maguire
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'A completely exhilarating, powerful, mesmerising novel, filled with ALL my favourite things: sex, art and New York City.' - Jessie Tu

y/s/s/y/a glamorous and dirty capitalist fever dream … complex, opulent and horny.' - Ella Baxter
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'Caoilinn Hughes' <i>The Orchid and the Wasp</i> meets Andrew Lipstein's <i>Last Resort</i>. A smart, sexy page-turner.' - Madeleine Gray
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Vork, power, passion, intimacy and vulnerabilities collide, and best of all, SMUT!!!!!!!!!!! - Flex Mami
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'A brilliant meditation on the gap between the person we wish to be and who we actually are. I was completely gripped.' - Bridie Jabour
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 >'An ambitious and meticulously modern fable about art, sex, money, power and the perils of self-curation.' - Gina Rushton</ exposing it as a bedfellow to the world of high finance.' - Caoilinn Hughes
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>Lally has invested everything into her gallery in Manhattan and the sacrifices are finally paying off. Pat is a scholarship boy desperate to establish himself in Sydney's antiquities scene. When they meet at New York's Armory Show their chemistry is instant - fighting about art and politics is just foreplay.

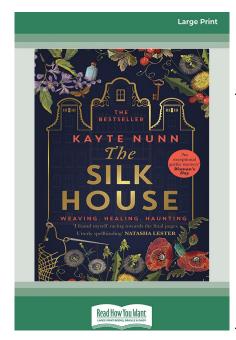
 >With an ocean between them they try to get back to work, but they're each struggling to balance money and ambition with the love of art that first drew them to their strange industry. Lally is a kingmaker, bringing exciting new talent to the world, so what's the problem if it's also making her rich? Pat can barely pay his rent and he isn't sure if he's taking advantage of his clients or if they are taking advantage of him, and which would be worse? Their international affair ebbs and flows like the market, while their aspirations and insecurities are driving them both towards career-ending mistakes.

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| c >If love costs and art takes, what price do we pay for wanting it all? <i>The Work</i> is about the biggest intersections of life: of art and commerce, of intimacy and distance, of talent and entitlement, and of labour and privilege. Dazzling, funny and unforgettable, it is an epic and forensic exploration of modern love and passion, politics and power. <i>The Work </i> a brilliant new voice in Australian fiction.

About the Author: Bri Lee is the multi-award-winning author of <i>Eggshell Skull</i>, <i>Beauty </i>and <i>Who Gets to Be Smart</i>. Her journalism, essays, and short stories have been published widely, and she is the creator and editor of <i>News & amp; Reviews</i>. <i>The Work</i> is Bri's debut novel.





Title: The Silk House **Author:** Kayte Nunn

ISBN: 9781038769527

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 466

Publication Date: 1/08/2024

Category: FICTION / Literary

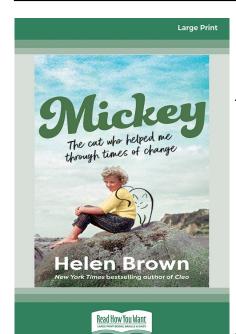
BISAC: FIC019000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Hachette Australia

About the Author: Kayte Nunn is a former book and magazine editor, and the author of six previous novels, including the international bestselling <i>The Botanist's</i> <i>Daughter</i>, <i>The Forgotten Letters of Esther Durrant, </i> The Silk House </i> and <i>The Last Reunion</i>. <i>The Botanist's Daughter</i> was the 2020 winner of the Winston Graham Historical Fiction Prize. Kayte lives in the Northern Rivers region of New South Wales. You can find Kayte at kaytenunn.com





Title: Mickey: The cat who helped me through times of change

Author: Helen Brown

ISBN: 9781038769619

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 412

Publication Date: 1/08/2024

Category: PETS / Cats / General

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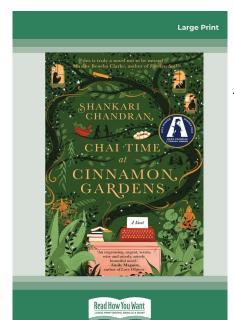
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: From the New York Times bestselling author of Cleo, a warm, wistful coming-of-age true story about the transition from childhood to adolescence, and the small stray cat who helped guide the way. It was 1966 and the times they were a-changing, even in the provincial New Zealand coastal town of New Plymouth. Skirts were getting shorter, the Vietnam War was on TV every night and French nuclear tests in the Pacific turned the night sky a violent red. Twelve-year-old Helen, the youngest daughter of an eccentric engineer and a musical theatre fanatic, was living in a crumbling castle overrun by nature, and overshadowed by the majestic Mount Taranaki. On the eve of puberty, everything suddenly is uncomfortable and unfamiliar to Helen. She feels lonely and lost, adrift in this new turbulent sea. That is, until her father gifts her a tiger-striped kitten with extra toes on each paw. Noticing an M on the cat's forehead, Helen names her new companion Mickey. Inquisitive, clever and skittish, Mickey disrupts the already rambunctious household with his mischief. But as it turns out, he's just the ally Helen needs to explore the new world waking up around her.

About the Author: Helen Brown was born in New Zealand. An award-winning writer and journalist, she is the author of more than a dozen books, including Cleo, a memoir about a cat and the accidental death of Helen's nine-year-old son Sam, which has sold 2 million copies around the world. Helen writes a column for Yours magazine and articles for Huffington Post US. She lives in Melbourne.





Title: Chai Time at Cinnamon Gardens

Author: Shankari Chandran

ISBN: 9781038757166

Retail Price: 74.99 AUD

Pages: 532

Publication Date: 18/08/2023

Category: FICTION / General

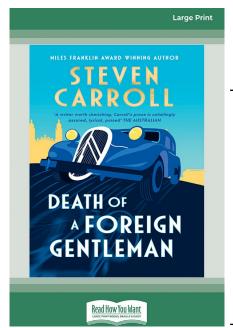
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Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Ultimo Press

About the Author: Shankari Chandran was raised in Canberra, Australia. She spent a decade in London, working as a lawyer in the social justice field. She eventually returned home to Australia, where she now lives with her husband, four children and their cavoodle puppy, Benji. In January 2017, she published her first book with Perera-Hussein, called Song of the Sun God. Her second book, The Barrier, was published in June 2017. Her third novel, Chai Time at Cinnamon Gardens, was published in 2022 and the winner of the 2023 Miles Franklin Literary Award.Â





Title: Death of a Foreign Gentleman: Book #1 Stephen Minter

Author: Steven Carroll

ISBN: 9781038768063

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 306

Publication Date: 5/07/2024

Category: FICTION / Mystery & Detective / Historical

BISAC: FIC022060

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: From award-winning writer Steven Carroll comes the first book in a series of post-war literary crime novels featuring Detective Sergeant Stephen Minter. Cambridge, UK, 1947. Martin Friedrich, a German philosopher, is cycling through an intersection on his way to give a lecture when a speeding car strikes and kills him. Shortly afterwards, Detective Sergeant Stephen Minter, an Austrian-born cockney Jew, whose parents were interned during the war as enemy aliens, stands over the body of Friedrich, contemplating the age-old question - who did it? Friedrich might be one of the finest minds of his age, but he's problematic: arrogant and a womaniser, he was also, in the 1930s, a member of the Nazi Party. As Stephen is soon to discover, there is no shortage of suspects. Friedrich was hated by almost everybody, even those who loved him. Is there any sense to his death or was it just a case of rotten, random luck? Has the universe spoken? Or are there more sinister factors at work? From one of Australia's finest, most critically acclaimed writers, Death of a Foreign Gentleman is a playful, poignant and absorbing literary crime novel, with shades of The Third Man and Brighton Rock, which examines the question of how to live a meaningful life in an indifferent, random, post-God world.

About the Author: Steven Carroll is the multi-award winning author of fifteen novels including A World of Other People (2013), which was the joint winner of the Prime Minister's Literary Award, and The Time We Have Taken (2007), which was the winner of the Commonwealth Writers Prize for the SE Asia and Pacific Region and the Miles Franklin Award in 2008. Forever Young (2015) was shortlisted for the Victorian Premier's Literary Award and the Prime Minister's Literary Award in 2016. A New England Affair (2017) was shortlisted for the Victorian Premier's Literary Award in 2018 and The Year of the Beast (2019) was longlisted for the 2020 Voss Literary Prize. His most recent novel, Goodnight, Vivienne, Goodnight was longlisted for the 2022 ARA Historical Novel Prize and for the 2023 Voss Literary Prize. Steven lives in Melbourne with his partner, the author Fiona Capp, and their son.



Talk to the Heart
(Rose Hill, #3)
Rachael Johns

Title: Talk to the Heart: (Rose Hill, #3)

Author: Rachael Johns

ISBN: 9781038764379

Retail Price: 74.99 AUD

Pages: 550

Publication Date: 23/01/2024

Category: FICTION / Small Town & Rural

BISAC: FIC066000

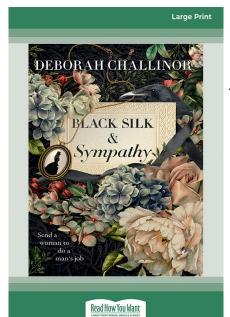
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: How hard can it be to resist temptation? Adeline Walsh never thought she would give up her worldly possessions - her iPhone, her make-up and even her successful life as a dog breeder - to join a convent on the other side of the country. But after the discovery of a shocking family secret she feels called to a life of poverty, chastity and obedience. Life at the Smallton convent is nothing like Adeline expected. The other sisters quickly become like family and Adeline feels like she's found her place in the world. Until she meets Holden Campbell, a man as tempting as the devil himself. Due to a devastating accident in his past, Holden is not interested in any relationship or even a friendship with Adeline, but when their dogs keep bringing them together, he reluctantly accepts her help to organise a charity event. An accidental kiss tests both their resolves, but they are determined to fight the attraction raging between them. Holden doesn't believe in love and Adeline isn't going to risk everything she's just found. Can they resist each other while continuing to work on a cause they both passionately believe in? An emotional and uplifting story about overcoming your past from bestselling author Rachael Johns.

About the Author: Rachael Johns is an English teacher by trade, a mum 24/7, a Diet Coke addict, a cat lover and chronic arachnophobe. She is also the bestselling, ABIA-winning author of The Patterson Girls and a number of other romance and women's fiction books including The Art of Keeping Secrets, The Greatest Gift, Lost Without You, Just One Wish, Something to Talk About, Flying the Nest and How to Mend a Broken Heart. Rachael rarely sleeps, never irons and loves nothing more than sitting in bed with her laptop and imagining her own stories. She is currently Australia's leading writer of contemporary relationship stories around women's issues, a genre she has coined 'life-lit'. Rachael lives in the Swan Valley with her hyperactive husband, three mostly gorgeous heroes-in-training, two ravenous cats, a cantankerous bird and a very badly behaved dog.





Title: Black Silk and Sympathy: Book #1 Tatty Crowe

Author: Deborah Challinor

ISBN: 9781038768025

Retail Price: 74.99 AUD

Pages: 572

Publication Date: 5/07/2024

Category: FICTION / Historical / General

BISAC: FIC014000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: A dazzling new series from bestselling historical fiction author Deborah Challinor, exploring the fascinating world of Victorian funeral customs and featuring Sydney's first female undertaker. 'Men have been undertakers for hundreds of years. Not women, men. You don't belong.' Sydney, 1865. Seventeen-year-old Tatiana Caldwell travels from London to make a new life. Her path leads her to Crowe Funeral Services, where she apprentices under the tutelage of Titus Crowe, the enigmatic owner. Tatty finds herself drawn to the fascinating conventions of the funeral trade - plumed horses and processions, mutes and mortuary trains, flowers and finery - as well as the more visceral new practice of embalming. Soon she marries, and after the sudden death of her husband, Titus, she becomes Sydney's first female undertaker. Her hard-won stability is shattered when Elias Nuttall, a ruthless rival in the funeral trade, accuses Tatty of murdering her husband. Facing public scorn and legal peril, Tatty gathers an unlikely band of allies in a battle to clear her name. Black Silk and Sympathy is a riveting and realistic journey through the front parlours and dark alleys of 1860s Sydney, from the Botanic Gardens in the morning to the cemetery at midnight. 'In this expertly crafted novel, Challinor delivers a captivating tale of resilience, reinvention and determination ... [with] a thrilling twist' Books+Publishing Praise for Deborah Challinor: 'A master storyteller' Better Reading 'Perfectly blends fact and fiction' NZ Herald

About the Author: Deborah Challinor has a PhD in history and is the author of numerous bestselling novels, including the Children of War series, the Convict Girls series, the Smuggler's Wife series and the Restless Years series. She has also written one young adult novel and two non-fiction books. In 2018, Deborah was made a member of the New Zealand Order of Merit for services to literature and historical research. She lives in New Zealand with her husband.



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Title: The Sea Captain's Wife

Author: Jackie French

The Sea
Captain's Wife

Jackie French

ISBN: 9781038767356

Retail Price: 79.99 AUD

Pages: 626

Publication Date: 15/03/2024

Category: FICTION / Romance / Historical / General

BISAC: FIC027050

Format: [Large Print]

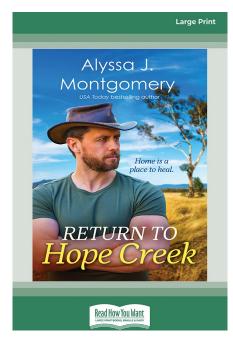


Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: From bestselling author Jackie French comes a compelling story of murder, mystery, and mutiny on the high seas - and a love so intense it can overcome two different cultures. You never know what the sea will give you ... or what it will take back. When Mair McCrae follows her island tradition and hunts for a husband cast up on the beach, she has no notion that the naked, half-drowned man she rescues is not just Captain Michael Dawson, heir to a major shipping firm, but that he's obsessed by a 'ghost ship' carrying golden cargo. On Big Henry Island women make the decisions and knit the patterns that mark a man as their own. But Big Henry is also a volcano, and threatening to erupt. Yet when Mair agrees to accompany Michael home, she finds that the Australian comfort he promised has a danger just as real: a social system that tries to keep women confined to small roles at the edges of men's lives. And as Michael hunts for the 'Ghost' in his revolutionary new steamship, a string of mysterious deaths upends Mair's new life in Sydney. Who is the murderer, and why is Mair the only one who realises what is happening? PRAISE FOR BECOMING MRS MULBERRY '... a captivating story of personal growth, of generosity in its true sense and ultimately one of courage and hope. Not to be missed.' DARRY FRASER, AUTHOR OF THE FORTH-RIGHT WOMAN 'A captivating masterpiece - insightful, humorous and heart wrenching. A total delight.' TEA COOPER, AUTHOR OF THE BUTTERFLY COLLECTOR

About the Author: Jackie French AM is an award-winning writer, wombat negotiator, the 2014-2015 Australian Children's Laureate and the 2015 Senior Australian of the Year. In 2016 Jackie became a Member of the Order of Australia for her contribution to children's literature and her advocacy for youth literacy. She is regarded as one of Australia's most popular children's authors and writes across all genres - from picture books, history, fantasy, ecology and sci-fi to her much loved historical fiction for a variety of age groups. 'A book can change a child's life. A book can change the world' was the primary philosophy behind Jackie's two-year term as Laureate.





Title: Return To Hope Creek **Author:** Alyssa J. Montgomery

ISBN: 9781038768476

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 400

Publication Date: 5/07/2024

Category: FICTION / Romance / Western

BISAC: FIC027100

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Escape Publishing

About the Book: A horrific car accident ended former world number-one Stella Simpson's tennis career, and a betrayal ended her relationship with her fiancé/coach. When a family friend offers to sell her half of a property in the rural community where she grew up, it seems like the perfect place to escape, heal and begin the next phase of her life. Until she discovers that the man who broke her heart ten years ago has bought the other half of the same property. Mitchell Scott seemingly had it all: fame and fortune as one of the NFL's highest-paid quarterbacks, and a beautiful family. But wealth and celebrity can't compensate for a loveless, toxic marriage, and he's glad to give it all up to raise his son in the one place that always brought him peace. Encountering Stella again so long after the messy end to their relationship is a complication he doesn't need - but one he finds himself wanting. As each tries to build a new life, they are drawn to each other, and find that their chemistry is just as strong as it ever was. When the press gets wind of their romance and descend on Hope Creek looking for a scoop, Mitchell's malicious ex-wife isn't far behind. Will she tear apart everything they've built, or will their love be stronger the second time around?

About the Author: USA Today bestselling author Alyssa J. Montgomery lives with her husband and three children on a five-acre property nestled into a mountain range south of Sydney, Australia, and enjoys having the space for gardens, a dog, horses, goats and chickens. Visits from the native wildlife (echidnas, wallabies and a variety of native birds) are particularly welcome ... although visits from native wildlife with scales and fangs aren't met with quite as much enthusiasm! She continues to work in her private practice as a Speech-Language Pathologist. Previously she's done a stint with Qantas Airways as an international flight attendant, completed her Master of Science degree, and has also been a professional pianist.



Looking Out
Fiona McCallum

Title: Looking Out

Author: Fiona McCallum

ISBN: 9781038768100

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 416

Publication Date: 5/07/2024

Category: FICTION / Family Life / Marriage & Divorce

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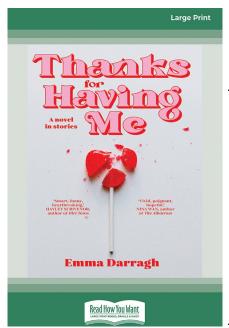
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: Beneath the facade not everything is as it seems... A moving and suspenseful story of family dynamics, obsession and the power of true friendship from Australia's master storyteller, Fiona McCallum. On the surface Natasha and Mitchell live an idyllic life in the Adelaide Hills with their two daughters and kelpie cross. While both have busy careers, they ensure time is spent with family and friends. Natasha, an aspiring interior designer, has started her own homewares shop and is excited to develop her business further. Mitchell, on the other hand, is becoming more withdrawn. Is he pressured by work, having a mid-life crisis or hiding something from his family? Jesse, a charismatic new locksmith in town, offers to help Natasha with client leads. She welcomes the assistance and distraction. But is Jesse all he makes out to be? Who ultimately is looking out for whom, and who is hiding from the truth?

About the Author: Fiona McCallum was raised on a cereal and wool farm near Cleve on South Australia's Eyre Peninsula and remained in the area until her mid-twenties, during which time she married and separated. She then moved to Melbourne and on to Sydney a few years later. Fiona's first novel, Paycheque, was published in 2011 and became a bestseller. In the twelve years since, she has written another thirteen bestselling novels. Sunrise over Mercy Court is Fiona's fifteenth book. Currently residing in Adelaide, Fiona is a full-time novelist who writes heart-warming stories that draw on her rich and contrasting life experiences, love of animals and fascination with human nature.





Title: Thanks for Having Me **Author:** Emma Darragh

ISBN: 9781038766786

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 368

Publication Date: 6/03/2024

Category: FICTION / Coming of Age

BISAC: FIC043000

Format: [Large Print]

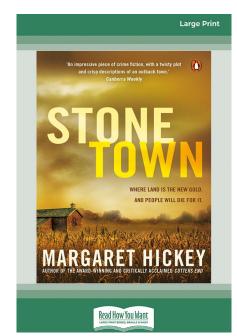
Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: The first fiction title from JOAN, consisting of interwoven stories about three generations of women in one family as they navigate girlhood, motherhood and selfhood, perfect for fans of Jennifer Egan, Meg Mason and Paige Clark.
'Emma has captured something rare and true with this book. A truly original novel about maternal ambivalence, the ferocity of maternal love, and what binds us to our sisters. I was so moved. 'Â Bridie Jabour, author of <i>Trivial Grievances</i>
/b/s/br/>/A moving tale about the joy and despair of motherhood, told in fragments which come together in stark clarity. Vivid, poignant, hopeful. You will laugh and cry with the people in these pages.'Â Nina Wan, author of <i>The Albatross</i>
>Mary Anne is painfully aware that she's not a good wife and not a good mother, and is slowly realising that she no longer wants to play either of those roles. One morning, she walks out of the family home in Wollongong, leaving her husband and teenage daughters behind. Wounded by her mother's abandonment, adolescent Vivian searches for meaning everywhere: true crime, boys' bedrooms, Dolly magazine, a six-pack of beer. But when Vivian grows up and finds herself unhappily married and miserable in motherhood, she too sees no choice but to start over. Her daughter Evie is left reeling, and wonders what she could have done to make her mother stay.

 Emma Darragh's unflinching, tender and darkly funny debut explores what we give to our families and what we take from them-whether we mean to or not. The stories in <i>Thanks for Having Me</i> are like a shoebox full of old photos: they aren't in chronological order and few are labelled. Looking at a family this way reveals things we don't see when these moments are neatly organised. Except that within these pages are a few moments you wouldn't want to hold up to the light.
br/>'With this smart, funny, heartbreaking book, Emma Darragh bursts onto the scene as your new favourite Australian writer.' Hayley Scrivenor, author of <i>Dirt Town</i>
'A mesmerising narrative of family, grief, guilt and motherhood, told through several generations of women in stories that intertwine to reveal truth and sorrow. With startling clarity, Emma Darragh's sharp prose hones in on the minutiae of Australian life in the suburbs - sometimes eerie, other times tender, remarkably relatable. <i>Thanks For Having Me</i> is brilliant, funny, sad and disquieting - I loved it.' Amy Lovat, author of <i>Mistakes and Other Lovers</i> b>
'<i>Thanks for Having Me</i> is a masterful debut about fear, love, self and other, and how sweet and sordid an ordinary life is. Darragh has sewn together the parts we don't always see, and the patchwork is wonky and beautiful.'Â Laura McPhee-Browne, author of <i>Cherry Beach</i>

About the Author: Emma Darragh lives and works on Dharawal Country. She holds a PhD in Creative Writing from the University of Wollongong and her writing has appeared in numerous Australian publications, including <i>Cordite</i>, <i>Westerly</i>, <i>Meniscus</i>, <i>TEXT</i>, and <i>The Big Issue Fiction Edition</i>. In addition to being a writer, Emma works as a mentor with the South Coast Writers Centre and is a sessional academic in The School of Arts, English, and Media at the University of Wollongong.





Title: Stone Town

Author: Margaret Hickey

ISBN: 9781038761224

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 492

Publication Date: 14/11/2023

Category: FICTION / Thrillers / Crime

BISAC: FIC031010

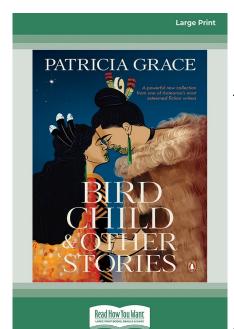
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Penguin Random House Australia

About the Book: Stone Town is another captivating rural crime drama from the author of the award-winning Cutters End. With its gold-rush history long in the past, Stone Town has seen better days. And it's now in the headlines for all the wrong reasons . . . When three teenagers stumble upon a body in dense bushland one rainy Friday night, Senior Sergeant Mark Ariti's hopes for a quiet posting in his old home town are shattered. The victim is Aidan Sleeth, a property developer, whose controversial plan to buy up local land means few are surprised he ended up dead. However, his gruesome murder is overshadowed by a mystery consuming the entire nation- the disappearance of Detective Sergeant Natalie Whitsed. Natalie had been investigating the celebrity wife of crime boss Tony 'The Hook' Scopelliti when she vanished. What did she uncover? Has it cost her her life? And why are the two Homicide detectives, sent from the city to run the Sleeth case, so obsessed with Natalie's fate? Following a late-night call from his former boss, Mark is sure of one thing- he's now in the middle of a deadly game . . . 'An impressive piece of crime fiction, with good characters, a twisty plot and crisp descriptions of an outback town undergoing change.' Canberra Weekly 'Hickey nicely layers the intrigue as we follow the always likeable Ariti, who once again discovers just how secretive and bizarre life in the rural hinterland can be. Stone Town does not disappoint.' Sydney Morning Herald 'Stone Town is a complex and readable crime novel, and is highly recommended.' Canberra Times 'Like Hickey's debut novel, Cutters End, this equally satisfying thriller has interesting twists.' Reader's Digest 'Astonishingly assured crime debut. A pitch perfect outback noir, set against a vivid and atmospheric desert landscape . . . The book's explosive finale will linger with you for days.' Weekend Australian on Cutters End

About the Author: Margaret Hickey is an award-winning author and playwright from North East Victoria. She has a PhD in Creative Writing and is deeply interested in rural lives and communities. She is also the author of Cutters End and Broken Bay (June 2023).





Title: Bird Child and Other Stories

Author: Patricia Grace

ISBN: 9781038766274

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 306

Publication Date: 19/02/2024

Category: FICTION / Short Stories (single author)

BISAC: FIC029000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Penguin Random House New Zealand

About the Book: Mythology and contemporary Maori life are woven together seamlessly in this spectacular collection by Aotearoa's foremost short story writer.

About the Author: Patricia Grace is one of New Zealand's most celebrated writers. She has published over 35 titles, including novels, short-story collections, works of non-fiction and books for children, a number of which have been translated into te reo Maori. Among numerous awards, she won the Goodman Fielder Wattie Book Awards in 1986 for the much-loved Potiki, which also won the New Zealand Fiction Award in 1987. She was longlisted for the Booker Prize in 2001 with Dogside Story, which won the Kiriyama Pacific Rim Fiction Prize. Tu won the 2005 Montana New Zealand Book Awards Fiction Prize and the Deutz Medal for Fiction and Poetry. She was also awarded the Neustadt International Prize for Literature, Oklahoma, in 2008. Her children's story The Kuia and the Spider won the Children's Picture Book of the Year and she has also won the New Zealand Book Awards For Children and Young Adults Te Kura Pounamu Award. Patricia was born in Wellington and lives in Plimmerton on ancestral land, in close proximity to her home marae at Hongoeka Bay. Her book Cousins was made into an internationally-acclaimed film in 2021, directed by daughter in law Briar Grace-Smith and Ainsley Gardiner.





Title: Second Chance: The heartwarming true story of a neglected horse

who became a Mounted Police hero

Author: Diana Thurgood

ISBN: 9781038765918

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 310

Publication Date: 13/02/2024

Category: BIOGRAPHY & AUTOBIOGRAPHY / Personal Memoirs

BISAC: BIO026000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: A life-affirming true story of kindness, courage and one horse's extraordinary journey from a derelict paddock to the esteemed stables of the Mounted Police.

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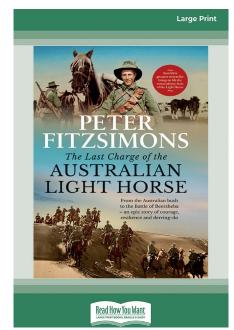
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About the Author: From the moment she could walk and talk, Diana Thurgood has lived and breathed animals. A self-confessed animal lover, she has spent her life caring for and writing about domestic, farm and native animals. She authored a blog on her animal sanctuary for a number of years and has written about environmental issues for conservation organisations. Her award-winning career in learning design has also seen her design and write in the education sphere for thirty years. Diana has lived on a forty-acre property in Berambing, a small town in the Blue Mountains, for the past twenty-five years with her three children and a huge variety of beloved animals.





Title: The Last Charge of the Australian Light Horse: From the Australian bush to the Battle of Beersheba - an epic story of courage, resilience and derring-do

ISBN: 9781038766298

Retail Price: 93.99 AUD

Pages: 896

Publication Date: 19/02/2024

Category: HISTORY / Military / World War I

BISAC: HIS027090

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Hachette Australia

About the Book: On 31st October 1917, as the day's light faded, the Australian Light Horse charged against their enemy. Eight hundred men and horses galloped four miles across open country, towards the artillery, rifles and machine guns of the Turks occupying the seemingly unassailable town of Beersheba. What happened in the next hour changed the course of history. This brave battle and the extraordinary adventures that led to it are brought vividly to life by Australia's greatest storyteller, Peter FitzSimons. It is an epic tale of farm boys, drovers, bank clerks, dentists, poets and scoundrels transported to fight a war half a world away, and is full of incredible characters: from Major Banjo Paterson to Lawrence of Arabia; the brilliant writer Trooper Ion Idriess and the humble General Harry Chauvel; the tearaway Test fast bowler 'Tibby' Cotter and the infamous warhorse, Bill the Bastard. All have their part to play in the enthralling, sprawling drama of the Australian Light Horse. Theirs was a war fought in an ancient land with modern weapons; where the men of the Light Horse were trained in sight of the pyramids, drank in the brothels of Cairo and fought through lands known to them only as names from the Bible.

| So-<i>The Last Charge of the Australian Light Horse</i>
| traces the hard path of the Light Horse from the bleakest of starts - being deprived of their horses and fighting at Gallipoli in the tragic Battle of the Nek - to triumph and glory in the desert. Revealing the feats of the Australians who built the legend, it is a brilliantly told tale of courage, resilience and derring-do from Australia's favourite storyteller. |

About the Author: Peter FitzSimons AM is Australia's bestselling non-fiction writer, and for the past 35 years has also been a journalist and columnist with the SYDNEY MORNING HERALD and the SUN-HERALD. He is the author of a number of highly successful books, including BREAKER MORANT, BURKE AND WILLS, MONASH'S MASTERPIECE, KOKODA, NED KELLY and GALLIP-OLI, as well as biographies of such notable Australians as Sir Douglas Mawson, Nancy Wake and Nick Farr-Jones. His passion is to tell Australian stories, our own stories: of great men and women, of stirring events in our history. Peter grew up on a farm north of Sydney, went to boarding school in Sydney and attended Sydney University. An ex-Wallaby, he also lived for several years in rural France and Italy, playing rugby for regional clubs. He and his wife Lisa Wilkinson AM - journalist, magazine editor and television presenter - have three children; they live in Sydney.



Sunshine through the Rain
Penelope Janu

Title: Sunshine through the Rain

Author: Penelope Janu

ISBN: 9781038764300

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 474

Publication Date: 23/01/2024

Category: FICTION / Romance / Contemporary

BISAC: FIC027020

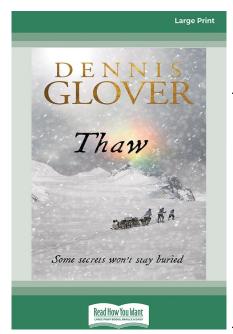
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: For readers of Karly Lane, Fleur McDonald, Maya Linnell and Rachael Johns - a heartfelt and fresh rural romance about trust, hope and finding your place in life from an award winning and much loved author. Country vet Primrose Cartwright knows more about heartache than most but in the close-knit community of Ballimore, she's found a place to call home. Prim has her work and the love of her sisters, and she doesn't need anything else - certainly not Blake Sinclair. The new vet in town, Scotsman Blake has a love-them-and-leave-them reputation. He is curiously protective of Prim, but his privileged upbringing and jet-set life are nothing like her own. Prim has tried - and failed - at the dating game. Even if there's a burning attraction between them, the last man she could ever trust is Blake. Blake finds Prim fiercely independent, vulnerable, and unlike any other woman he has ever known. But Prim won't tell him her secrets unless he tells her his own, and Blake's pain is buried deep. Will Prim's determination to unravel the mystery that threatens her career bring Prim and Blake together or tear them apart? As the storm clouds gather, can Prim and Blake confront their painful pasts and create a future together? Will they find the sunshine through the rain?

About the Author: Penelope Janu lives on the coast in northern Sydney with a distracting husband, a very large dog and, now they're fully grown, six delightful children who come and go. Penelope has a passion for creating stories that explore social and environmental issues, but her novels are fundamentally a celebration of Australian characters and communities. Her first novel, In at the Deep End, came out in 2017, followed by On the Right Track, On the Same Page, Up on Horseshoe Hill, Starting from Scratch and Clouds on the Horizon as well as a novella, The Six Rules of Christmas. Penelope enjoys riding horses, exploring the Australian countryside and dreaming up challenging hiking adventures. Nothing makes her happier as a writer than readers falling in love with her clever, complex and adventurous heroines and heroes.





Title: Thaw

Author: Dennis Glover

ISBN: 9781038762627

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 360

Publication Date: 14/12/2023

Category: FICTION / Literary

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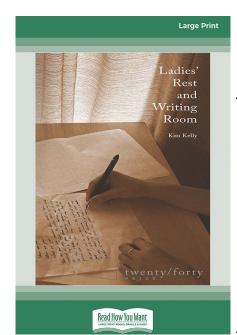
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Black Inc. Publishing

About the Book: Scott's lost expedition was still here, she thought - frozen, preserved, waiting to be rescued from the thaw. The truth lay beneath the surface, and she was going to bring it up.' In 1912, five British explorers struggle across the Antarctic landscape, through howling winds and plummeting temperatures, seeking the safety of their camp. Today, as the world's ice sheets begin to melt and surrender their secrets, renowned glacial archaeologist Missy Simpson works to discover the true cause of the explorers' deaths - a subject that has intrigued researchers for more than a century. Her colleague, Cambridge professor Jim Hunter, is working on his own scientific mysteries - and is willing to risk everything to solve them. In hallowed halls of learning and on the icy polar plateau, these risk-takers must grapple with the unfathomable power of the natural world and the dramatically changing weather - while navigating their own complicated relationships. Drawn from the pages of history and cutting-edge science, Thaw is a gripping read that will forever change how you see the frozen continent - and those who seek to conquer it.

About the Author: Dennis Glover was educated at Monash and Cambridge universities and he has made a career as one of Australia's leading speechwriters and political commentators. His first novel, The Last Man in Europe, was published around the world in multiple editions and was nominated for several literary prizes, including the Walter Scott Prize for Historical Fiction. His second novel, Factory 19, was published in 2020, and his most recent novel is Thaw.





Title: Ladies' Rest and Writing Room

Author: Kim Kelly

ISBN: 9781038764560

Retail Price: 43.99 AUD

Pages: 140

Publication Date: 23/01/2024

Category: FICTION / Historical / General

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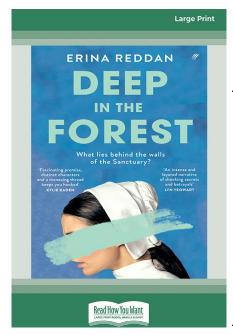
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Finlay Lloyd

About the Book: Winner of the 2023 Finlay Lloyd 20/40 prize. 'Their eyes met and Clarinda felt a seismic shift of understanding, one she could not name; she held Dotty's gaze with the silent request: Please, don't make any further fuss or they might call an ambulance, or the police, and that would be one humiliation far too far. For them both. 'But the wild, fiery anger in Dotty's eyes seemed to have extinguished itself of its own accord; she only frowned again and asked: ""Don't I know you?"" From the judging panel: Why this book is different. Two young women, brought up to expect conventional lives, are thrown together in unexpected circumstances. Each has suffered a devastating loss that challenges their belief in life and themselves. It's rare to come across a work of deep psychological insight conveyed with such verve and lightness of touch. Why we liked it. Kelly sweeps the reader into the lives and passions of her two central characters and into the bustling city streets of Sydney in the 1920s. A powerfully moving book that sparkles with vitality.

About the Author: Kim Kelly is the author of twelve novels, including the critically acclaimed novella, Wild Chicory, and The Rat Catcher: A Love Story, which was longlisted for the 2022 ARA Historical Novel Prize. Kim is also a book editor and is currently in the midst of PhD research into Australian historical fiction at Macquarie University. Originally from Sydney, she now lives in Millthorpe, central west New South Wales, on Wiradjuri Country.





Title: Deep in the Forest: What lies behind the walls of the Sanctuary?

Author: Erina Reddan

ISBN: 9781038766380

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 410

Publication Date: 20/02/2024

Category: FICTION / Crime

BISAC: FIC050000

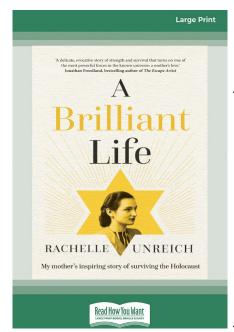
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Pantera Press

About the Book: Urgent. Come tomorrow. Can't wait any longer.' Charli Trenthan plans to leave her hometown of Stone Lake. But when she receives a cryptic message from a member of the Sanctuary, a conservative closed community nestled in the forest, she is determined to find answers. A gruesome discovery soon lands Charli in hot water with the police, but how is the Sanctuary connected? As she digs deeper, dark secrets are uncovered and the fight to prove her innocence turns into a fight for her life. A gripping thriller with a shocking conclusion that will leave you spellbound, Deep in the Forest raises questions about who we trust and why.

About the Author: Erina has worked with words, ideas and stories all her life. She started out as a journalist, working in radio and television and was awarded the prestigious Walkley Award for her work as an ABC foreign correspondent. She has a Master's Degree in Professional Writing (University of Technology Sydney) and a PhD in Creative Writing (La Trobe University) on girl warriors and ball gowns. She's taught politics at the University of Melbourne and creative writing at LaTrobe University and Writers Victoria. Her family claims she can glamorise a handful of facts beyond recognition in the service of an entertaining story, sometimes at the expense of truth but always in favour of wonder.





Title: A Brilliant Life: My Mother's Inspiring Story of Surviving the Holocaust

Author: Rachelle Unreich

ISBN: 9781038767486

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 386

Publication Date: 20/03/2024

Category: BIOGRAPHY & AUTOBIOGRAPHY / Historical

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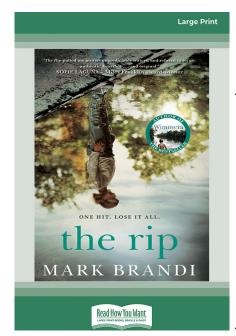
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Hachette Australia

About the Book: A mother and daughter. Love. Loss. Wonder. The story of a brilliant life. Over seventy years had passed since Mira Unreich was freed from a concentration camp in Germany. On that spring day in 1945, she found herself alive, against all odds. In the decades that followed, she never explained the mystery underpinning her survival. How could Mira say that in the Holocaust 'I learned about the goodness of people'? When Mira's journalist daughter Rachelle realised time was running out for Mira, who was ill with cancer, she resolved to ask her mother questions. It would be the most important interview of her life: a chance to discover the secrets to her mother's joy, and an opportunity to fit together the jigsaw puzzle pieces of her own life. Rachelle discovered so much more than she ever expected. Mira's words would lead her along a surprising path, where she learned for the first time what a truly extraordinary life her mother had led. <i><i><i><a href="https://doi.org/10.2001/journalist-left-10.

About the Author: Rachelle Unreich started her journalism career when she was completing her Arts/Law degrees at Monash University. In addition to studying writing at UCLA, she has lived in New York, Los Angeles, Sydney and Melbourne. She has been a journalist for 38 years, writing cover stories for <i>The Age</i>, <i>Harper's Bazaar</i>, <i>marie claire</i>, <i>Rolling Stone</i> and others, and has had regular columns in the <i>Sydney Morning Herald</i>, the <i>Herald Sun</i> and <i>Elle</i> magazine. Her work has appeared extensively in Australia, the US, UK and South-East Asia. She currently lives in Melbourne.





Title: The Rip: From the award-winning author of Wimmera

Author: Mark Brandi

ISBN: 9781038768469

Retail Price: 55.99 AUD

Pages: 242

Publication Date: 5/07/2024

Category: FICTION / Literary

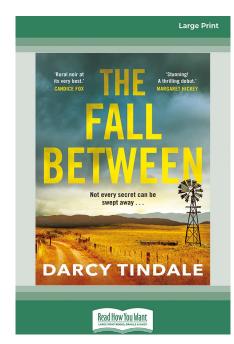
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Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Hachette Australia

About the Author: Mark Brandi's bestselling novel, <i>Wimmera</i>, won the coveted British Crime Writers' Association Debut Dagger, and was named Best Debut at the 2018 Australian Indie Book Awards. It was also shortlisted for the Australian Book Industry Awards Literary Fiction Book of the Year, and the Matt Richell Award for New Writer of the Year. Mark's second novel, <i>The Rip</i>, was published to critical acclaim in 2019, and his third novel, <i>The Others</i>, was shortlisted for the Best Fiction prize in the 2022 Ned Kelly Awards. His fourth novel, <i>Southern Aurora</i>, will be published in 2023. Mark's shorter work has appeared in <i>The Guardian</i>, <i>The Age</i>, <i>The Big Issue</i>, and in journals both here and overseas. His writing is also sometimes heard on ABC Radio National. Mark graduated with a criminal justice degree and worked in the justice system before changing direction and deciding to write. Originally from Italy, he grew up in rural Victoria. He now lives in Melbourne and is working on his next novel.





Title: The Fall Between **Author:** Darcy Tindale

ISBN: 9781038761118

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 430

Publication Date: 14/11/2023

Category: FICTION / Mystery & Detective / General

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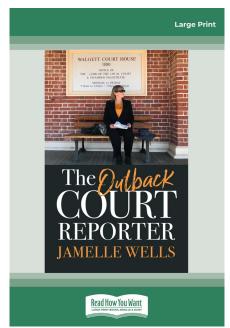
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Penguin Random House Australia

About the Book: From an exciting new voice in Australian crime fiction, a captivating and atmospheric rural thriller introducing Detective Rebecca Giles. 'Rural noir at its very best.' Candice Fox 'Unpredictable, authentic, a thrilling debut.' Margaret Hickey 'Full of heart while keeping you on the edge of your seat.' Kyle Perry On a hot November morning, the first body lies in a cattle trough . . . It will be another two hours before rigor mortis sets in. Until then, the slim fingers will float below the water's surface, gently bobbing, beckoning Detective Giles to come and find her. Detective Rebecca Giles has just finished interviewing aging petty crim Sticky Pete over a spate of break-and-enters when a disturbing new report comes in. Twelve-year-old Kayleen Ellis has vanished from her home in Muswellbrook in the Upper Hunter Valley. Hours later, Giles is a local hero, having apparently solved Kayleen's case and the spate of jewellery thefts. Yet the hangover from her celebrations has barely kicked in when the body of young jillaroo Ava Emmerson is discovered in gruesome circumstances on a nearby farm. Giles is convinced the link between all three cases lies in the town's tragic history, perhaps even in her own mother's mysterious drowning thirty years ago. In a place where nothing much changes, suddenly a great deal is happening - and Giles's life and career are now on the line.

About the Author: Darcy Tindale is an actor, author, theatresports player and director, and has appeared in television commercials, film and on stage. She has written comedy for radio, stage, media personalities, comedians, and theatre restaurants. Her short stories, plays and poems have been published in anthologies, journals, and magazines. The Fall Between is her first novel.





Title: The Outback Court Reporter

Author: Jamelle Wells

ISBN: 9781038767264

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 412

Publication Date: 15/03/2024

Category: LAW / Courts

BISAC: LAW025000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: One of Australia's most experienced court reporters goes on a judicial road trip.

/>cbr />cbr />Cutback Court Reporter is a sometimes funny, sometimes tragic look at the comings and goings on inside the country courtrooms dotted across Australia.

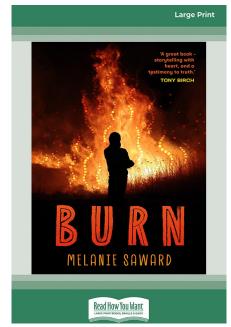
/>cbr />From the case of the stolen cat flap, to missing lollipops and exploding chocolate milk in a country supermarket, to a custody dispute over a camel - Jamelle has seen the lighter and quirky side of outback courts but has also witnessed the harsh, dark, and petty side of outback life - including the high rates of Indigenous incarceration, alcohol-related and domestic violence.

/>cbr />cbr />After spending almost twenty years in city courtrooms reporting for the ABC on some of the country's highest profile cases, in Outback Court Reporter, Jamelle Wells takes you into our country courtrooms, from the grand sandstone edifices of Cobar and Grafton to the repurposed community halls and police stations in outback Queensland the Northern Territory - introducing you to the court staff - the solicitors, prosecutors, magistrates, witnesses and the accused, in cases that shock, captivate and divide communities.

/>cbr />cbr />Outback Court Reporter is also a timely reminder of the need for reform as country magistrates struggle with massive caseloads and limited resources, the fall-out of failing regional health system and limited bail and sentencing options in a justice system that is under pressure and communities still disadvantaged by the vastness of our continent.

About the Author: Jamelle Wells is an ABC television and radio Newsreader and the Senior Court Reporter for New South Wales. Over almost two decades she has covered some of Australia's highest profile cases including the criminal trials of schoolteacher Chris Dawson, the inquiries into the convictions of Kathleen Folbigg for killing her four children, the criminal trials of former Labor Ministers Eddie Obeid and Ian Macdonald, the murder trials Keli Lane and Gordon Wood, Australia's longest running terrorism trial, the Sydney Siege inquest, and inquest into the disappearance of William Tyrrell. Jamelle is a television and radio commentator on courts and legal affairs for programs including Australian Story for ABC Television. Jamelle's first ABC book about her career covering city courts, The Court Reporter (2018) was longlisted for the prestigious Ned Kelly Australian Crime Writing Award and the Davitt Australian Women Writers Award.





Title: Burn

Author: Melanie Saward

ISBN: 9781038767516

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 352

Publication Date: 20/03/2024

Category: FICTION / Coming of Age

BISAC: FIC043000

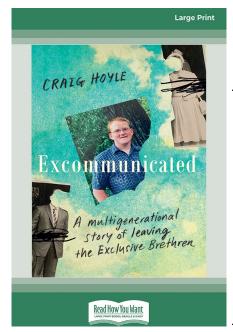
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Affirm Press

About the Book: A poignant and powerful novel about a fire-obsessed Indigenous boy living on the margins - from an electrifying new First Nations voice in Australian fiction, Melanie Saward. For fans of Craig Silvey's Jasper Jones, Tara June Winch, Tony Birch and Melissa Lukashenko.

About the Author: Melanie Saward is a proud descendent of the Bigambul and Wakka Wakka peoples. She is a Tulmur (Ipswich) based writer, an associate lecturer in creative writing at QUT, and a PhD student. Melanie's writing has been published in Flock - First Nations Stories; Kill Your Darlings, Overland, Scum Mag, and Verity La. She has been shortlisted for the Kuracca Prize and the David Unaipon Award and received highly commended mentions in the Boundless Indigenous Mentorship, the Harlequin First Nations Fellowship, and the Calibre Essay Prize.





Title: Excommunicated **Author:** Craig Hoyle

ISBN: 9781038764393

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 426

Publication Date: 23/01/2024

Category: BIOGRAPHY & AUTOBIOGRAPHY / Religious

BISAC: BIO018000

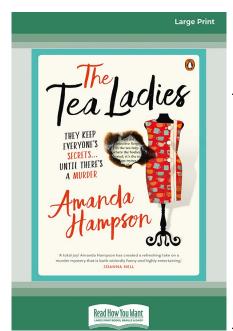
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers (New Zealand)

About the Book: A heart-wrenching multigenerational family memoir by an excommunicated member of the Exclusive Brethren After coming out as gay, Craig Hoyle was excommunicated from the New Zealand Exclusive Brethren and forced to say goodbye to his family forever. The conservative sect was everything he'd ever known - a childhood where television, pop music, sports and even pets were against the rules. Joining public society - the 'worldlies' - for the first time, Craig sets out to meet his grandfather who was excommunicated in the 1980s and, using his diaries and letters, uncovers two centuries and seven generations of the family's tangled and often cruel relationship with the Brethren. Weaving their past with Craig's own upbringing in this secretive and oppressive religious group, Excommunicated charts the evolution of the Exclusive Brethren in New Zealand and the heartwrenching stories of a family torn apart.

About the Author: Craig Hoyle grew up in Invercargill within the New Zealand Exclusive Brethren. Separated from public society, he attended Brethren-only schooling and worked in his family's tyre shop. After facing interrogations and conversion therapy for his sexuality, he was excommunicated from the Brethren and lost his family in 2009. Today he is a news director for the Sunday Star-Times. He has worked for newsrooms such as TV3 and RadioLive, and behind the scenes on current affairs shows including 60 Minutes and 3rd Degree. He lives in Auckland, New Zealand.





Title: The Tea Ladies

Author: Amanda Hampson

ISBN: 9781038756732

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 454

Publication Date: 4/08/2023

Category: FICTION / Mystery & Detective / General

BISAC: FIC022000

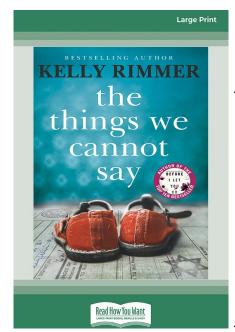
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Penguin Random House Australia

About the Book: A wickedly witty cosy crime novel set in Sydney in the swinging sixties, ideal for fans of Richard Osman and Bonnie Garmus. They keep everyone's secrets, until there's a murder... Sydney, 1965- After a chance encounter with a stranger, tea ladies Hazel, Betty and Irene become accidental sleuths, stumbling into a world of ruthless crooks and racketeers in search of a young woman believed to be in danger. In the meantime, Hazel's job at Empire Fashionwear is in jeopardy. The firm has turned out the same frocks and blouses for the past twenty years and when the mini-skirt bursts onto the scene, it rocks the rag trade to its foundations. War breaks out between departments and it falls to Hazel, the quiet diplomat, to broker peace and save the firm. When there is a murder in the building, the tea ladies draw on their wider network and put themselves in danger as they piece together clues that connect the murder to a nearby arson and a kidnapping. But if there's one thing tea ladies can handle, it's hot water. 'The Tea Ladies is a total joy! With her ear for dialogue and eye for authentic detail, Amanda Hampson has created a refreshing take on a murder mystery that is both wickedly funny and highly entertaining. Hazel, Betty, Irene and Merl leapt straight off the page and into my heart. I can still hear them laughing, gossiping and plotting, long after I finished this delightful book.' Joanna Nell

About the Author: Amanda Hampson grew up in rural New Zealand. She spent her early twenties travelling, finally settling in Australia in 1979, and now lives in Melbourne. Writing professionally for more than 20 years, she is the author of two non-fiction books, numerous articles and novels The Olive Sisters, Two for the Road, The French Perfumer, The Yellow Villa, Sixty Summers, Lovebirds and The Tea Ladies.





Title: The Things We Cannot Say

Author: Kelly Rimmer

ISBN: 9781038768452

Retail Price: 79.99 AUD

Pages: 618

Publication Date: 5/07/2024

Category: FICTION / Historical / World War II

BISAC: FIC014050

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Hachette Australia

About the Book: A powerful WWII novel for readers and viewers of <i>All the Light We Cannot See</i> 2019 </ b>Life changed beyond recognition for Alice when her son, Eddie, was born with autism spectrum disorder. She must do everything to support him, but at what cost to her family? When her cherished grandmother is hospitalised, a hidden box of mementoes reveals a tattered photo of a young man, a tiny leather shoe and a letter. Her grandmother begs Alice to return to Poland to see what became of those she held dearest. WWII Alina and Tomasz are childhood sweethearts. The night before he leaves for college, Tomasz proposes marriage. But when their village falls to the Nazis, Alina doesn't know if Tomasz is alive or dead. 2019 In Poland, separated from her family, Alice begins to uncover the story her grandmother is so desperate to tell, and discovers a love that bloomed in the winter of 1942. As a painful family history comes to light, will the struggles of the past and present finally reach a heartbreaking resolution?

 the author's own family history, <i>THE THINGS WE CANNOT SAY </i>unearths a tragic love story and a family secret whose far-reaching effects will alter lives forever. <b Helly Rimmer has raised the already-high bar with this unforgettable novel, <i>THE THINGS WE CANNOT SAY</i>. Alina and Tomasz's story is one of bravery, resilience, and the lengths we will go to for the ones we love. Fans of Jodi Picoult and Kristin Hannah now have a new go-to author' Sally Hepworth, author of<i> THE SECRETS OF MIDWIVES</i><i> </i><i> THE THINGS WE CANNOT SAY </i> such an
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 such an powerful read that I found it almost impossible to put down. I was riveted, and will be recommending this book to everyone I know' Lisa Ireland, author of <i>THE SHAPE OF US</i>

About the Author: Kelly Rimmer is the author of 13 historical and contemporary fiction novels, including <i>The Paris Agent, The German Wife</i>, <i>The Warsaw Orphan, The Things We Cannot Say </i> and <i>Truths I Never Told You</i>, with more than 2 million books sold. Her books have been translated into dozens of languages and have appeared on bestseller lists around the world, including the <i>New York Times</i>, <i>Wall Street Journal </i> and <i>USA Today</i>. In 2022, Kelly purchased the Collins Booksellers Orange store. She lives in Mullion Creek with her family and a whole menagerie of badly behaved animals.



Large Print

Title: The Radio Hour **Author:** Victoria Purman

The Radio Hour

ISBN: 9781038769657

Victoria Purman

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 454

Publication Date: 1/08/2024

Category: FICTION / Feminist *

BISAC: FIC076000

Format: [Large Print]

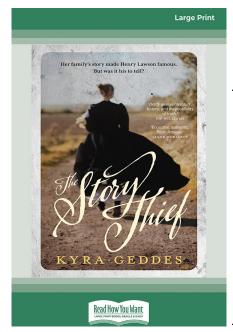


Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: From the bestselling author of The Nurses' War comes this charming, funny, pointed look at the golden years of radio broadcasting in post-war Australia, celebrating the extraordinary unseen women who wrote the radio plays that held a nation captive. For readers of Lessons in Chemistry. Martha Berry is fifty years old, a spinster, and one of an army of polite and invisible women in 1956 Sydney who go to work each day and get things done without fuss, fanfare or reward. Working at the country's national broadcaster, she's seen highly praised talent come and go over the years but when she is sent to work as a secretary on a brand-new radio serial, created to follow in the footsteps of Australia's longest running show, Blue Hills, she finds herself at the mercy of an egotistical and erratic young producer without a clue, a conservative broadcaster frightened by the word 'pregnant' and a motley cast of actors with ideas of their own about their roles in the show. When Martha is forced to step in to rescue the serial from impending cancellation, she ends up secretly ghost-writing scripts for As The Sun Sets, creating mayhem with management, and coming up with storylines that resonate with the serial's growing and loyal audience of women listeners. But she can't keep her secret forever and when she's threatened with exposure, Martha has to decide if she wants to remain in the shadows, or to finally step into the spotlight.

About the Author: Victoria Purman is an Australian top ten and USA Today bestselling fiction author. Her most recent book, A Woman's Work, was an Australian bestseller, as were her novels The Nurses' War,The Women's Pages, The Land Girls and The Last of the Bonegilla Girls. Her earlier novel The Three Miss Allens was a USA Today bestseller. She is a regular guest at writers festivals, a mentor and workshop presenter and was a judge in the fiction category for the 2018 Adelaide Festival Awards for Literature and the 2022 ASA/HQ Commercial Fiction Prize for an unpublished manuscript.





Title: The Story Thief **Author:** Kyra Geddes

ISBN: 9781038771377

Retail Price: 74.99 AUD

Pages: 606

Publication Date: 8/10/2024

Category: FICTION / Historical / General

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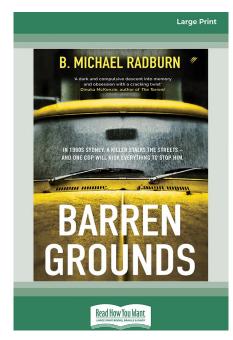
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Affirm Press

About the Book: An elegant blend of fact and fiction, The Story Thief is a stirring drama set against pivotal moments in Australian history, about a young woman who discovers her family's story has been appropriated by Henry Lawson for his famous tale, The Drover's Wife.

About the Author: As the child of German immigrants, Kyra spent her infancy in the opal fields of South Australia. She now lives in Sydney with her husband and two children. Following a successful career in marketing, Kyra returned to university to study English and pursue her life-long dream of writing, publishing two short stories and earning the Vice-Chancellor's Award for Academic Excellence. The Story Thief is her debut novel, and the culmination of almost a decade of research and writing. Aside from reading, Kyra's passions include art, photography, foreign languages and travel.





Title: Barren Grounds

Author: B. Michael Radburn

ISBN: 9781038771407

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 424

Publication Date: 8/10/2024

Category: FICTION / Thrillers / Crime

BISAC: FIC031010

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Pantera Press

About the Book: In 1960s Sydney, a killer stalks the streets - and one cop will risk everything to stop him.

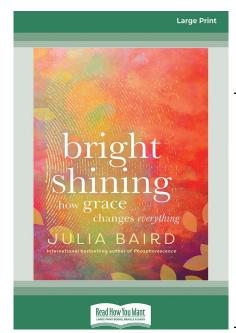
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The calling card of the killer known as 'The Jeweller' is as elegant as it is gruesome: a pair of ring fingers, separated from their owners, encircled by a band of wire, and delivered directly to Senior Detective Joe Capello. When the Jeweller taunts Joe and his team into meeting him in the diseased grounds of Barren Park, the consequences of that evening will have permanent repercussions for everyone involved. And for Joe, it gets personal.

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| Two years later, Joe is off the force, but no less obsessed with the Jeweller and his horrific crimes. When a new parcel arrives at his home, Joe is invited back onto the task force and given the opportunity to redeem himself. But vindication relies on Joe finally capturing The Jeweller and now he has to decide if he's willing to do what it takes - whatever it takes - to finally bring this case to a close.

About the Author: B. Michael Radburn is an award-winning writer of short stories, novels and screen plays. He is also the founder of Dark Press Publications and the former editor of the Australian Horror and Fantasy Magazine. He is the author of Blackwater Moon, The Reach, The Falls, and The Crossing, which has been optioned for film. He lives in the Southern Highlands of New South Wales with his family. Barren Grounds is his fifth novel.





Title: Bright Shining: How grace changes everything

Author: Julia Baird

ISBN: 9781038770301

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 406

Publication Date: 3/09/2024

Category: SELF-HELP / Motivational & Inspirational

BISAC: SEL021000

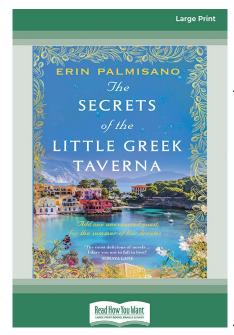
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: From the bestselling author of Phosphorescence comes a beautiful and timely exploration of that most mysterious but necessary of human qualities: grace. SHORTLISTED FOR THE 2024 INDIE BOOK AWARDS SHORTLISTED FOR THE 2024 ABIA GENERAL NON-FICTION BOOK OF THE YEAR SHORTLISTED FOR THE 2024 BOOKPEOPLE NON-FICTION BOOK OF THE YEAR 'Luminous ... A work to both devour and savour, Baird has, once again, written a book the world needs now.' Guardian Grace is both mysterious and hard to define. It can be found when we create ways to find meaning and dignity in connection with each other, building on our shared humanity, being kinder, bigger, better with each other. If, in its crudest interpretation, karma is getting what you deserve, then grace is the opposite: forgiving the unforgivable, favouring the undeserving, loving the unlovable. But we live in an era when grace is an increasingly rare currency. The silos in which we consume information dot the media landscape like skyscrapers, and our growing distrust of the media, politicians and public figures has choked our ability to cut each other slack, to allow each other to stumble, to forgive one another. So what does grace look like in our world, and how do we recognise it, nurture it in ourselves and express it, even in the darkest of times? From award-winning journalist Julia Baird, author of the acclaimed national bestseller Phosphorescence, comes Bright Shining, a luminously beautiful, deeply insightful and most timely exploration of grace. 'Fascinating, wide-ranging and moving' The Age 'The uplift and power of Bright Shining ... is to be found in the way Baird gives grace fresh currency by bringing this beautiful and elusive condition from the theological margins into the mainstream and showing, with passion and verve, how quietly transformative it can be.' Sydney Morning Herald 'Enlightening, surprising, absorbing .. I learned something every chapter and put the book down full of awe at the power of human beings to be good to each other when no-one would expect it. It's the book I needed to read right now. It filled my cup.' Annabel Crabb

About the Author: Julia Baird is a Sydney-based author and journalist. She writes columns for the Sydney Morning Herald, The Age and the ABC. She is a former co-host of The Drum on ABC TV, senior editor of Newsweek in New York, Joan Shorenstein Fellow at the Kennedy School at Harvard University, and op-ed contributor for the New York Times and the Philadelphia Enquirer. Her first book, Media Tarts, was based on her PhD in History about the portrayal of female politicians. Victoria, her biography of Queen Victoria, was published globally to critical acclaim and was one of the New York Times' top ten books of 2016. Her third book, Phosphorescence, was a multi-award-winning international bestseller. Bright Shining has been shortlisted for the Australian Book Industry Award (ABIA) for Non-Fiction Book of the Year. Julia lives near the sea with her two children and an abnormally large dog.





Title: The Secrets of the Little Greek Taverna

Author: Erin Palmisano

ISBN: 9781038769473

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 350

Publication Date: 1/08/2024

Category: FICTION / General

BISAC: FIC000000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Hachette Australia

About the Author: Erin Palmisano is a dual NZ and US citizen. She grew up reading books and has always wanted to write stories. She started writing while she was travelling the world, and her passions have merged in these novels, where food, wine, and travel come together with a hint of magic. Erin and her chef partner live in Nelson, NZ, where they own and operate three restaurants.





Title: The Paris Agent: Inspired by true events, a gripping tale of family se-

crets

Author: Kelly Rimmer

ISBN: 9781038769503

Retail Price: 74.99 AUD

Pages: 526

Publication Date: 1/08/2024

Category: FICTION / Thrillers / Espionage

BISAC: FIC006000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Hachette Australia

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About the Author: Kelly Rimmer is the author of 13 historical and contemporary fiction novels, including <i>The Paris Agent, The German Wife</i>, <i>The Warsaw Orphan, The Things We Cannot Say </i> and <i>Truths I Never Told You</i>, with more than 2 million books sold. Her books have been translated into dozens of languages and have appeared on bestseller lists around the world, including the <i>New York Times</i>, <i>Wall Street Journal </i> and <i>USA Today</i>. In 2022, Kelly purchased the Collins Booksellers Orange store. She lives in Mullion Creek with her family and a whole menagerie of badly behaved animals.



A Woman of Courage
Tania Blanchard

Title: A Woman of Courage **Author:** Tania Blanchard

ISBN: 9781038764355

Retail Price: 74.99 AUD

Pages: 600

Publication Date: 23/01/2024

Category: FICTION / Historical / General

BISAC: FIC014000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: A gripping, moving story of love, tenacity and the right to be heard by bestseller Tania Blanchard, inspired by a true story 'An exciting, inspiring tale of the women who quite literally changed the world ... Stunning' NATASHA LESTER 'A beautiful tale of courage and resilience from a born storyteller' LAUREN CHATER 'Engrossing ... A captivating and uplifting novel about passion, love, loss and self-discovery' BOOKS+PUBLISHING 1890, Northern England. Hannah Todd dreams of a future where women have the right to vote. Fresh from her teaching studies in Durham, she joins her parents in a rural village, brimming with newly found passion and the groundswell towards women's suffrage unfolding in London. Working tirelessly to help women and children in the county, Hannah is determined to make the fight for the vote her life's work, adding her voice to the rising chorus across the nation and hopes of a new world and a new way of thinking. But soon she must fight a new, unexpected battle - that of the yearning of her own heart. As Hannah grapples with her conflicting feelings she discovers that when power is threatened, darkness, brutality and dangerous, closely guarded secrets are never too far from the surface. How far can she go to fight for what's right? From the exciting, progressive hive of London to the traditional villages of the rural north, A Woman of Courage rings with the strength and struggles of women at time of momentous change ... and the choices one woman must make to help forge a new future. PRAISE FOR A WOMAN OF COURAGE 'A fresh, exciting and inspiring tale of the women who fought for their right to vote - women who quite literally changed the world. Main character Hannah is a true woman of courage, brought to life by elegant prose, meticulous research and a stunning narrative ... Bursting with charm, heart and hope' - NATASHA LESTER, New York Times bestselling author of The Three Lives of Alix St Pierre 'A timely reminder of how small acts of courage can change the world. Hannah's journey to self-discovery and her unwavering belief in the power and strength of women's independence made this a pleasure to read. A beautiful tale of courage and resilience from a born storyteller' LAUREN CHATER, bestselling author of The Winter Dress 'Engrossing historical fiction ... A captivating and uplifting novel about passion, love, loss and self-discovery. Its themes of feminist empowerment and passion-led political change are still relevant today' BOOKS+PUBLISHING PRAISE FOR TANIA BLANCHARD 'Breathtaking ... Rich in every sight, taste and smell' Australian Women's Weekly 'Richly imagined, heartbreaking and captivating ... Outstanding historical fiction' Better Reading 'Packs an emotional punch that will reverberate far and wide' - Weekly Times

About the Author: Tania Blanchard writes historical fiction inspired by the true stories and the rich cultural heritage of her family's history. Her acclaimed stories of love, loss and hope and the challenges facing women in defining moments in modern history span world wars and pivotal moments in time during great social and political upheaval, and are beloved by readers everywhere. Her books The Girl from Munich, Suitcase of Dreams, Letters from Berlin and Daughter of Calabria are bestsellers. She lives in Sydney with her husband and three children.





Title: Love, Just In **Author:** Natalie Murray

ISBN: 9781038764454

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 470

Publication Date: 23/01/2024

Category: FICTION / Romance / Contemporary

BISAC: FIC027020

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: In the vein of Emily Henry's <i>You and Me On Vacation</i>, <i>Love, Just In</i> is a friends-to-lovers romance with just enough spice to heat up the summer.
/>Sydney TV news reporter Josie Larsen is approaching thirty and coming dangerously close to failing at life. Lost in a vortex of other people's career milestones, engagement parties and baby showers, Josie is perennially single, abandoned by her globetrotting family, and invisible to her boss - except for the one time he tuned in while she was mid-panic-attack on live TV. As punishment, Josie is shipped off to cover another reporter's six-month leave at a regional bureau in Newcastle.
br/>>br/>But Josie has more waiting for her in Newcastle than yawninducing stories about bicycle lane protests. The city is also the domain of Zac Jameson - her best friend since high school. This should be a happy turn of events, but Zac has barely spoken to Josie for the past two years. Not since a tragic event caused him to leave Sydney to try and cope with his grief.

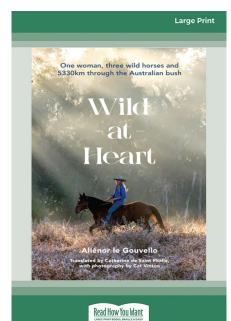
Now thrown back into each other's lives, Josie and Zac have to navigate their neglected friendship and secret attraction to each other while struggling with their careers and mental health.

Hilarious, sexy and heartwarming, this is the perfect romcom to sit on the shelves alongside Emily Henry, Sally Thorne and Ali Hazelwood. 'Natalie Murray has written a delightful and heartfelt rom com about career, friendship and confronting your deepest fears. Flirty, fun and realistic, <i> Love, Just In</i> is a sizzling story with real depth. Natalie Murray has written a page turning friends-to-lovers romance with a local setting which is an ideal summer read!' Steph Vizard, author of <i>The Love Contract</i>
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/australia's answer to Emily Henry, Natalie Murray has written the rule book on sweet to sexy. Love, Just In is the ultimate summer read.' Karina May, author of <i>Never Ever Forever</i> >'<i>Love, Just In</i> is catnip for friends-to-lovers fans. Natalie Murray imbues her characters with honesty, depth and an aching amount of heart as they navigate their changing relationship. Rich with sparkling banter and the kind of inside jokes that can only happen between the best of friends, <i>Love, Just In</i> is an irresistible slow burn that sizzles on every hastily turned page.' Amy Hutton, author of <i>Sit, Stay, Love</i>
'Clever, witty and the perfect amount of steamy, Love Just In is an addictive friends-to-lovers story, the ultimate summer read. ' Ali Berg and Michelle Kalus, authors of <i>Fancy Meeting You Here</i>

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/if you like your romance bubbly and believable, full of brewing chemistry and building to an epic pay-off, Natalie Murray has got you.' Clare Fletcher, author of <i>Five Bush Weddings</i> >Â
'<i>Love, Just In</i> will break your heart - then mend it. Beautifully written, tender and funny, it's a story I won't ever forget.' Penelope Janu, author of <i>Shelter from the Storm
</i>

About the Author: Natalie Murray is an Australian author who writes romance with all the feels and swoons. Her debut adult contemporary romance, <i>Love, Just In</i>, is being published by Allen & Drawn; Unwin in 2024. Natalie is also the author of the time travel romance series <i>Emmie and the Tudor King</i>, which is currently in development for television by Ambience Entertainment. She also co-writes contemporary romance with US fantasy romance author Jenny Hickman, writing as Jenny





Title: Wild at Heart: One woman, three wild horses and 5330km through

the Australian bush

Author: Alienor le Gouvello

ISBN: 9781038762726

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 318

Publication Date: 14/12/2023

Category: BIOGRAPHY & AUTOBIOGRAPHY / Personal Memoirs

BISAC: BIO026000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Affirm Press

About the Book: One woman, three wild horses, and 5330kms through the Australia bush, Wild At Heart is the story of an epic journey along the magnificent Bicentennial National Trail.

About the Author: From a young age, Alienor developed a passion for travelling and taking on adventures across the globe. Some of her previous expeditions include a horseback trek in Mongolia at the age of 22 and a sidecar motorbike expedition from Siberia to Paris. Alienor was working in an Aboriginal community, Docker River near Uluru, in the Australian Central Desert when she first discovered the existence of brumbies and hatched a plan to embark on her most ambitious solo expedition to date, more than 5000 kilometres on horseback, to draw attention to the plight of Australia's wild horses. She lives on a cattle station in outback Queensland.





Title: The Orphans **Author:** Fiona McIntosh

ISBN: 9781038756763

Retail Price: 74.99 AUD

Pages: 610

Publication Date: 4/08/2023

Category: FICTION / Historical / General

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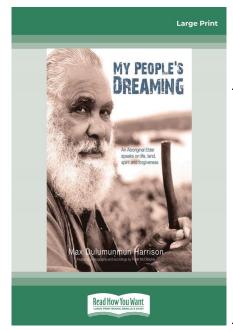
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Penguin Random House Australia

About the Book: The highly anticipated new historical adventure by the bestselling author of The Spy's Wife. Orphan Fleur Appleby is adopted by a loving undertaker and his wife and she quickly develops a special gift for helping bereaved families. Her ambition to be the first female mortician in the country is fuelled by her plan to bring more women into the male dominated funeral industry. Raised in the outback of South Australia's Flinders Ranges, Tom Catchlove is faced with a life-changing tragedy as a young boy. He works hard but dreams big, striving for a future as a wool classer. A chance encounter between the two children will change the course of their lives. By adulthood Fleur finds herself fighting for the survival of the family's business, while her widowed father drinks away generations of prosperity and a new, conniving stepmother wants Fleur gone. When Tom emerges from the isolation of the desert to find new work at the port woolstores, his path crosses with Fleur's again - only to be caught up in a murder investigation, in which they can only trust each other. At once tragic and triumphant, The Orphans is an unforgettable story about a unique bond between two children that will echo down the years, and teach them both about the real meaning of life, of loss, and of love. 'Flawless' - Australian Women's Weekly

About the Author: Fiona McIntosh is an internationally bestselling author of novels for adults and children. She co-founded an award-winning travel magazine with her husband, which they ran for fifteen years while raising their twin sons before she became a full-time author. Fiona roams the world researching and drawing inspiration for her novels, and runs a series of highly respected fiction masterclasses. She calls South Australia home.





Title: My People's Dreaming: An Aboriginal Elder Speaks on Life, Land, Spir-

it and Forgiveness

Author: Max Dulumunmun Harrison and Peter McConchie

ISBN: 9781459637023

Retail Price: 49.99 AUD

Pages: 196

Publication Date: 9/03/2012

Category: BIOGRAPHY & AUTOBIOGRAPHY / General

BISAC: BIO000000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Uncle Max Dulumunmun Harrison and Peter McConchie

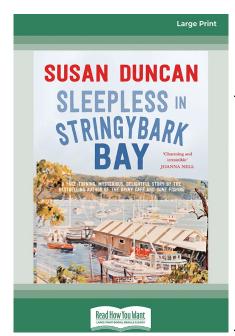
About the Book: My People's Dreaming is a rare, personal insight into traditional Yuin teachings, and is drawn from extensive interviews with Uncle Max.

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About the Author: Max Dulumunmun Harrison, an initiated Yuin man, grew up on the South Coast of NSW as part of a close community where some boys and young men were still selected for initiation into ancient ways.





Title: Sleepless in Stringybark Bay

Author: Susan Duncan

ISBN: 9781038758903

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 494

Publication Date: 4/09/2023

Category: FICTION / General

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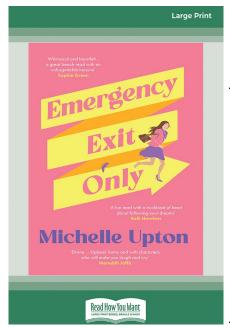
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: A page-turning, mysterious, funny and delightful story by the bestselling author of Salvation Creek, The Briny Café and Gone Fishing. When five couples pool their resources to live in a house located where a turquoise lagoon meets the sea, the quirky little offshore community of Cook's Basin is shocked. How will ten people - one in a wheelchair and one with a hauntingly familiar face - survive where the only way in or out is by boat? When a member of the household is found floating face down in the bay, the police insist the death was accidental but the bizarre circumstances have locals scratching their heads. Former journalist turned café owner Kate Jackson is curious to discover why a group of retirees in their late seventies would choose such an isolated location. Then a throw-away line in an old magazine story leads to shocking revelations. Wrapped in the colourful culture of a boat-access-only community, Sleepless in Stringybark Bay celebrates having a go at any age, revels in the magic of the bush and explores the fragility of relationships, old and young.'I loved everything about Stringybark Bay, from the vibrant community of characters to the idyllic setting. I didn't want to leave! What a charming and irresistible novel.' - Joanna Nell, bestselling author of The Tea Ladies of St Jude's Hospital

About the Author: Susan Duncan spent her childhood in country Victoria where her father was supply officer for the Bonegilla Migrant Camp. When she was nine years old, her family moved to Melton, near Melbourne, to run a country pub where a rousing sing-along around the piano on a Saturday night was a lot of fun. After completing her secondary education at Clyde, Woodend, a girls' boarding school, she took up a cadetship on the Melbourne Sun which led to a 25 year career spanning radio, newspapers and magazines. Susan quit journalism after her brother and husband died within three days of each other and eventually wrote the best-selling memoir, Salvation Creek, about grief and loss and finding a place to belong. Later branching into fiction, the underlying themes of her writing remained constant - good communities create a sense of belonging and lead to contentment. She now alternates between boats on Pittwater and raising cattle at Wherrol Flat with her second husband, Bob, writing occasionally for The Australian Women's Weekly.





Title: Emergency Exit Only **Author:** Michelle Upton

ISBN: 9781038764256

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 428

Publication Date: 23/01/2024

Category: FICTION / Women

BISAC: FIC044000

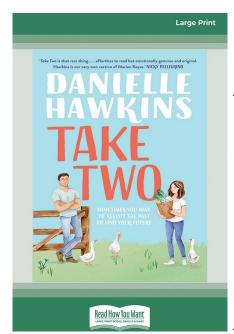
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: No evacuation plan, no safety net ... Sometimes you just have to save yourself. A hilarious, big-hearted story about second chances from the author of Terms of Inheritance 'Whimsical and heartfelt ... A great beach read with an unforgettable heroine' Sophie Green Amelia Harris has played it safe all her life - but when a minor accident lands her in hospital, she dramatically quits the tedious office job she's been working at for a decade. When her mother, Toni, asks her what she wants to do, Amelia is at a loss. Out of sheer desperation, she tries her hand at the dream jobs she's always fantasised about. Soon Amelia's shadowing a thrilling cast of characters and professions - as a journalist, a florist, a wedding planner, a zookeeper, and more. Life couldn't be more exciting, especially when she meets the man of her dreams. But when Toni drops a truth bomb about their family, Amelia's whole world tilts on its axis. Meanwhile, each new job starts taking on a life of its own. Has she created a monster? As she's about to find out, where there's smoke, there's fire, and sometimes you just have to save yourself. PRAISE FOR EMERGENCY EXIT ONLY 'Emily Henry in the Queensland sunshine ... The perfect summer read' Hannah May Reads 'Amelia Harris is the heroine you didn't know you needed but you'll be very glad you met. Whimsical and heartfelt, Emergency Exit Only leads you directly to a great beach read with an unforgettable heroine' Sophie Green, author of Weekends with the Sunshine Gardening Society 'I adored Amelia's journey of self-discovery ... A fun read with a truckload of heart about following your dreams - and discovering exactly what those dreams are' Kelli Hawkins, author of Apartment 303 'A heartfelt tribute to family ties, the relationships that bind us and appreciating what we already have ... Inspiring' Books + Publishing 'A sweet summer read with charming, nostalgic rom com vibes and a touching heart' Vanessa McCausland, author of Dreaming in French 'A relatable romp that proves that it's never too late to find your way' Clare Fletcher, author Love Match 'Upbeat and full of heart, Emergency Exit Only is guaranteed to make you smile. A tender, funny tale about the pursuit of a happier life. Michelle's storytelling is delightful' Jessica Seaborn, author of Perfect-ish 'Divine ... Upbeat, funny and with characters who will make you laugh and cry' Meredith Jaffe, author of The Tricky Art of Forgiveness 'Funny, poignant and thoughtprovoking, Emergency Exit Only is a delightful read from start to finish.' Penelope Janu, author of Shelter from the Storm 'Funny, relatable and warm-hearted, this story is a joy' Cass Moriarty, author of Parting Words 'A sparkling, feel-good story about second chances and opening yourself up to possibilities. I absolutely loved it' Claudine Tinellis, Talking Aussie Books 'Fun, fast and completely full of heart. For absolutely everyone who has wanted to stop playing it safe' Anna Loder, ReadABook

About the Author: Michelle Upton writes short stories and novels that examine our darkest fears and shine a light on hope and possibility. Born in Birmingham, England, Michelle emigrated to Australia in 2006 and is proud to call herself Australian. Michelle has a Bachelor (Hons) degree in Literature with Psychology, and before having children, she was a primary school teacher. Her debut novel, the much-loved Terms of Inheritance, was shortlisted for the HarperCollins Australia 2021 Banjo Prize. She lives on the Redlands Coast with her family.





Title: Take Two

Author: Danielle Hawkins

ISBN: 9781038768308

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 354

Publication Date: 5/07/2024

Category: FICTION / Family Life / General

BISAC: FIC045000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: A brilliant, funny new novel from the bestselling, beloved Danielle Hawkins

<i>Take Two<i> is that rare and special thing, a novel that is effortless to read - I sped through it in a day - but is also emotionally genuine and original. Danielle Hawkins is a natural storyteller with a light touch and she doesn't shy away from the gritty and the real. She is New Zealand's very own version of Marian Keyes.</i>
'o Nicky Pellegrino

Sometimes you have to revisit your past to find your future.

Sory>Laura and Doug were together for ages. Their breakup was just one of those things - she wanted children, he didn't, no hard feelings - at least not until, with their relationship barely cold in its grave, he got his new girlfriend pregnant.

Sory>Now, seven years later, a polite social call to his parents lands Laura back in the family, helping Doug and his playboy younger brother to cope with a whole raft of crises. And what better time to re-evaluate your major life decisions than when you're wrangling a farm, a bookshop, two small children, your ex's wife in labour and his two sick parents?

Sory>This is Danielle Hawkins' best novel yet. Funny, tender and not afraid to tackle the big issues, it will have you laughing and shedding tears in equal measure.

Sory> "Hawkins is reliably kind, drily funny, and observant ... like Jane Austen in Red Band gumboots." - <i>The New Zealand Herald.</i>

About the Author: Danielle Hawkins has written five bestselling novels, including<i> Chocolate Cake for Breakfast </i> When It All Turned to Custard</i>, and the bestselling memoir, <i>Two Shakes of a Lamb Tail.</i> She lives on a sheep and beef farm near Otorohanga with her husband and two children. She works part-time as a large animal vet and writes when the kids are at school and she's not farming. She is a keen gardener, an intermittently keen cook and an avid reader.



Sister Viv
Grantlee Kieza

Title: Sister Viv

Author: Grantlee Kieza

ISBN: 9781038768056

Retail Price: 74.99 AUD

Pages: 588

Publication Date: 5/07/2024

Category: BIOGRAPHY & AUTOBIOGRAPHY / Women

BISAC: BIO022000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: The inspiring story of the nursing hero who survived a wartime massacre and dedicated her life to saving others - from the critically acclaimed, bestselling author of Flinders, The Remarkable Mrs Reibey, Hudson Fysh and Banjo Bangka Island, 1942: Australian Army nurse Vivian Bullwinkel was just twenty-six when Japanese soldiers marched her and her fellow nurses into the shallow waters of a remote beach to be executed. Miraculously, Vivian would be the lone survivor - and she committed the rest of her long life to an exceptional peacetime career which she lived in tribute to her lost friends. The Lieutenant-Colonel would also be the first woman to be honoured with a statue at the Australian War Memorial for her extraordinary bravery and service - a country girl who become one of the highest ranking women in the Australian army, and who spent her life caring for others. Growing up in Broken Hill, New South Wales, Vivian started work at a local hospital and joined the Australian Army Nursing Service in World War II. When the Japanese attacked Singapore in 1942, she and sixty-four other nurses were ordered to evacuate, but soon their ship was bombed by enemy aircraft. Some of the women drowned, but Viv made it to Radji Beach on Bangka Island, off Sumatra, with twenty-one of her nursing colleagues. There Japanese soldiers forced the women to wade back into the sea, and as Vivian felt a bullet slam into her back, she fell face down into the water then waited to die as the soldiers bayonetted survivors. Somehow Vivian lived. For the next three and a half years Viv was a prisoner of war in a series of brutal Japanese camps where she helped other inmates survive the horror. When peace was restored, she went on to become a giant of Australian nursing - and was a key driver of Operation Babylift, the mass rescue of young orphans during the Vietnam War. For her extraordinary efforts, Vivian was awarded numerous honours, but she never forgot her fallen colleagues, whose lives she paid tribute to with her service to nursing. From the bestselling, critically acclaimed author of Flinders, The Remarkable Mrs Reibey, Banks and Hudson Fysh, Sister Viv tells the astonishing story of the courage, sacrifice, service, and love of an Australian nursing hero who survived against the odds and dedicated her life to the care of others.

About the Author: Award-winning journalist Grantlee Kieza OAM held senior editorial positions at The Daily Telegraph, The Sunday Telegraph and The Courier-Mail for many years and was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia for his writing. He is a Walkley Award finalist and the author of more than twenty acclaimed books, including bestsellers Hudson Fysh, The Kelly Hunters, Lawson, Banks, Macquarie, Banjo, Mrs Kelly, Monash, Sons of the Southern Cross and Bert Hinkler.



The Good Woman of Renmark
Darry Fraser

Title: The Good Woman of Renmark

Author: Darry Fraser

ISBN: 9781038768018

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 410

Publication Date: 5/07/2024

Category: FICTION / Romance / Historical / General

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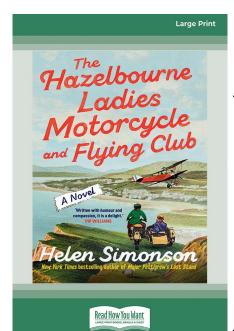
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: Adventure, romance and history combine in this thrilling 19th century journey through the South Australian bush and along the mighty Murray River in the company of a determined heroine. 1895, Renmark, South Australia Maggie O'Rourke has always had a hard head. No man was going to tie her down to a life of babies and domestic slavery, even if that man was as good (and as annoyingly attractive) as Sam Taylor. Maggie is happily earning her own way as a maid in a house on the Murray River when disaster strikes. Forced to defend herself and a friend from assault by an evil man, she flees downriver on a paddle steamer. With death at her heels, Maggie begins to realise that a man like Sam might be just who she wants in her hour of need. As for Sam, well, Maggie has always been what he wants. The further Maggie runs, the more she discovers there are some things she cannot escape... PRAISE FOR DARRY FRASER 'A story of personal integrity, courage, stamina, companionship and responsibility, The Good Woman of Renmark is a powerful ode to life in former times, as our nation was beginning to take shape.' Mrs B's Book Reviews 'Outstanding prose that flows and ripples through every page.'- Starts at 60

About the Author: Darry Fraser fell in love with the great Murray River when her family moved to her childhood town of Swan Hill in Victoria. Stories of the river have been with her ever since and it's where a number of her novels are set. Her stories are of ordinary people in nineteenth century Australia who are drawn into difficult circumstances - adventure, mystery and mayhem, love and life, and against the backdrop of historical events. Darry lives on the beautiful Fleurieu Peninsula, South Australia, very close to the mighty River Murray.





Title: The Hazelbourne Ladies Motorcycle and Flying Club

Author: Helen Simonson

ISBN: 9781038770431

Retail Price: 79.99 AUD

Pages: 684

Publication Date: 3/09/2024

Category: FICTION / Historical / World War I

BISAC: FIC014040

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: A young woman's life is forever changed in the summer after World War I when she befriends a group of independent, motorcycle-riding women in a seaside town on the English coast - a captivating novel from the bestselling author of <i>Major Pettigrew's Last Stand</i>.

>cbr/><bb/| loved this book! The glorious characters and evocative setting, as well as the portrayal of the era, are all beautifully balanced with a plot that had me so invested I didn't want it to end.' Amanda Hampson, bestselling author of <i>The Tea Ladies </i>

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It is the summer of 1919 and Constance Haverhill is without prospects. Now that all the men have returned from the front, she has been asked to give up her cottage and her job at the estate she helped to run during the war. Instead, she's sent as a lady's companion to an old family friend who is convalescing at a seaside hotel where she is swept up in the social whirl of Hazelbourne-on-Sea and its colourful inhabitants, most notably, Poppy Wirrall.

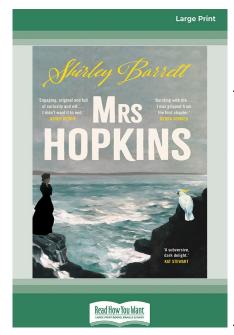
Poppy, the daughter of a land-owning baronet, wears trousers, operates a taxi and delivery service to employ local women and runs a ladies' motorcycle club (to which she plans to add flying lessons). And then there is Harris, Poppy's recalcitrant but handsome brother - a fighter pilot recently wounded in battle - who warms in Constance's presence. But things are more complicated than they seem in this sunny pocket of English high society. As the country prepares to celebrate its hard-won peace, Constance and the women of the club are forced to confront the fact that the freedoms they gained during the war are being revoked.

| a timeless comedy of manners, with sharp humour, biting wit and a warm heart, Simonson captures the mood of a generation facing the seismic changes brought on by war.
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i... an absolute joy of a book. Warm and romantic, it also has so much to say about the lives of women in the years following World War I. This is historical fiction of the highest order-pleasurable and smart.' Ann Napolitano, bestselling author of <i>Hello Beautiful</i>

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In picturesque Simonson style we wallow in love, hope and humour. Gentle, astute and observant.' - <i>Australian Women's Weekly</i>
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 >'Simonson describes the era vividly in language matched to the times. Her compelling characters and their snappy dialogue illustrate a heart-wrenching tale [that] strikes a good balance between pathos and playfulness.' - <i>
b>Good Reading i>
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r/>'Read this book at your peril. By the time the camomile tea has chilled, two chapters in, you are hooked.' -<i>Sydney Morning Herald Spectrum</i>

About the Author: Helen Simonson was born in England and spent her teenage years in a small village in East Sussex. A graduate of the London School of Economics, she lives in the United States and is a dual citizen and proud New Yorker. Married, with two sons, she is the author of the bestselling novels <i>Major Pettigrew's Last Stand</i> and <i>The Summer Before the War</i> i>.





Title: Mrs Hopkins
Author: Shirley Barrett

ISBN: 9781038770479

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 482

Publication Date: 3/09/2024

Category: FICTION / Historical / General

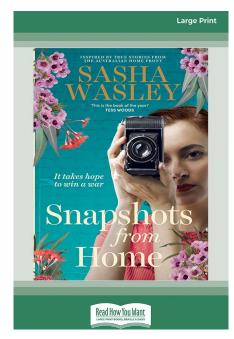
BISAC: FIC014000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Author: Shirley Barrett was born in Melbourne in 1961 and is best known for her work as a screenwriter and director. Her first film, <i>Love Serenade</i>, won the Camera d'Or at the Cannes Film Festival in 1996. It was followed by <i>Walk The Talk</i> (2000) and <i>South Solitary</i> (2010). She also had a distinguished career writing and directing for television, including <i>Heartbreak High</i>, <i>Love Child</i>, <i>Love My Way</i> and <i>Offspring</i>, in 2018. Shirley's first novel, <i>Rush Oh!</i>, was published in 2015, and her second novel, <i>The Bus on Thursday</i>, in 2018. Shirley died in Sydney in August 2022 after a long illness. She was adding the final touches to <i>Mrs Hopkins</i> at the time of her death.





Title: Snapshots from Home **Author:** Sasha Wasley

ISBN: 9781038771391

Retail Price: 79.99 AUD

Pages: 620

Publication Date: 8/10/2024

Category: FICTION / Historical / General

BISAC: FIC014000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Pantera Press

About the Book: <io'Please send snaps of my dear mother and father, my sisters Sarah and Evelyn, and my bonzer little poddy calf, Zeus.'</i>
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Hi's 1917, three years into the Great War, when Edie takes up a teaching post in the small Australian town of York.

>Mourning the loss of her beloved brother on the Front and evading her father's plans for a respectable marriage, she's glad to keep busy teaching at Miss Raison's School for Girls. After a little persuasion, Edie agrees to take part in a comfort scheme sending photos of home to the troops.

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>cbr/>cbr/>Edie's new venture throws her into the path of the family secrets, scandals and class complexities of her new town - and a handsome, exasperating man her father would never approve of. With each new encounter, her world gets bigger and more complex, until Edie's asked to make choices that could turn her cautious life upside down - and change the very course of history.

or Drawn from the true stories of Australians during WW1, this is historical fiction at its best. Charming and heartfelt, Snapshots from Home is perfect for fans of Fiona McIntosh, Joy Rhoades and anyone who loved The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society.

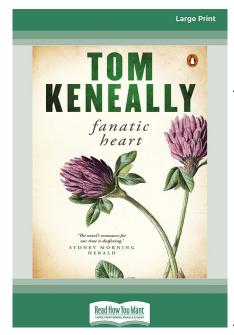
About the Author: Sasha Wasley was born and raised in Perth, Western Australia. She completed a PhD in feminist literature at Murdoch University in 2006, and went on to work as a copywriter on topics ranging from mine safety to sex therapy.

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Sasha's debut novel was published in 2015, after which she gave up her copywriting business to pursue her fiction writing career.

Sasha is passionate about levelling the playing field for members of the community experiencing disadvantage. She is an Ambassador for the Books in Homes Australia charity which provides books of choice for children in disadvantaged circumstances to keep in their home libraries. Today, she lives and writes in the Perth hills region with her partner and two daughters. A lover of animals, Sasha spends her free time pottering in the garden with her flock of backyard chickens.

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Sasha is the author of Spring Clean for the Peach Queen (2021) and A Caravan like a Canary (2022).





Title: Fanatic Heart
Author: Tom Keneally

ISBN: 9781038761361

Retail Price: 79.99 AUD

Pages: 656

Publication Date: 14/11/2023

Category: FICTION / Historical / General

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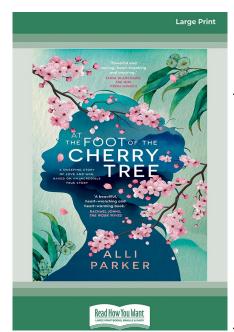
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Penguin Random House Australia

About the Book: You don't need me to tell you Keneally is a brilliant storyteller, but with Fanatic Heart he proves it once again. ARTS HUB 'The novel's resonance for our time is deafening.' THE SYDNEY MORNING HERALD A retelling of the life and exploits of Irish patriot John Mitchel, with a particular focus on his time in exile on Van Diemen's Land. John Mitchel is one of the most celebrated of Irish rebels. In the midst of the dreadful Famine of the 1840s, his exhortations to his countrymen to stand up against the British were as controversial as they were compelling. Charged with treason felony, he was transported to Van Diemens Land, courtesy of a law passed in Westminster specifically to silence the charismatic minister's son. Jenny Mitchel, when she too could have been punished for airing her beliefs on Irish nationalism, had publically championed her husband's campaigns, with a diverse crew of supporters including Thomas Meagher and Jane 'Speranza' Wilde, future mother of Oscar. Devotedly, Jenny packed up their children and followed her prisoner and convict spouse across the continents, to continue to support the cause of Ireland with her boundless love and passion. In this vivid reimagining of Mitchel's life, Tom Keneally proud Irishman and descendant of convicts, confronts some of the biggest conflicts of our time- slavery, industrialisation, dispossession of land and famine.

About the Author: Tom Keneally won the Booker Prize in 1982 with Schindler's Ark, later made into the Steven Spielberg Academy Award-winning film Schindler's List. His non-fiction includes the memoir Searching for Schindler and Three Famines, an LA Times Book of the Year, and the histories The Commonwealth of Thieves, The Great Shame and American Scoundrel. His fiction includes Shame and the Captives, The Daughters of Mars, The Widow and Her Hero, An Angel in Australia and Bettany's Book. His novels The Chant of Jimmie Blacksmith, Gossip from the Forest, and Confederates were all shortlisted for the Booker Prize, while Bring Larks and Heroes and Three Cheers for the Paraclete won the Miles Franklin Award. In 2022, his novel Corporal Hitler's Pistol was awarded the ARA Historical Novel Prize.





Title: At the Foot of the Cherry Tree

Author: Alli Parker

ISBN: 9781038759115

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 502

Publication Date: 11/09/2023

Category: FICTION / Biographical

BISAC: FIC041000

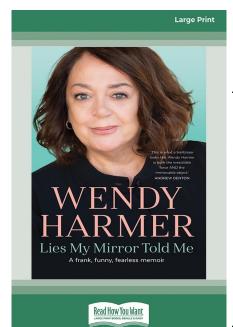
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: A stirring story of love and hope, based on the incredible true story of Australia's first Japanese war bride and a love that changed a nation forever. Gordon Parker is an eager eighteen-year-old Australian boy desperate to fight for his country, and Nobuko 'Cherry' Sakuramoto is a sixteen-year-old girl struggling to survive in Japan in the aftermath of World War II. But when they fall in love, they change the course of history. When Gordon arrives in Japan, he expects ruthless samurai, angry Japanese men ready to kill Australians at every corner. Instead, he finds Cherry, terrified of ex-enemy soldiers, a survivor of the atomic bomb. Against all the rules and all the odds, they fall in love. But when Gordon discovers the White Australia Policy prevents Cherry coming home with him as his war bride, he does what any 20-year-old soldier would do. He vows to fight. Leaving Cherry alone and pregnant in post-war Japan, Gordon has to convince his family to accept his marriage and wage a desperate campaign against a xenophobic and war-scarred government to allow his wife and children to come home. A sweeping story spanning seven years and two countries reeling from the aftermath of war, At the Foot of the Cherry Tree is a powerfully moving novel about faith, trust, and the power of a love that alters history - written by Gordon and Cherry's granddaughter, accomplished scriptwriter, Alli Parker. 'An impressive debut novel ... a standout ... beautifully done. At the Foot of the Cherry Tree delivers both educational value and emotional impact. The connection to real-life individuals adds a wonderful dimension to the novel, reminding readers of the genuine struggles faced by these brave and resilient Australians.' Books+Publishing 'A stunning story of faith, hope and love ... Parker's debut into historical fiction is beautiful in every sense.' The Australian

About the Author: Alli Parker is a Japanese-Australian author and screenwriter, with a background in script editing and script co-ordinating. Her debut historical fiction novel, At the Foot of the Cherry Tree, is a novelisation of the true story of Australia's first Japanese war bride and Alli's grandmother. She co-wrote episodes of crime drama series Jack Irish, romantic thriller series Secret Bridesmaids' Business and mystery telemovie series Ms Fisher's Modern Murder Mysteries. Her credits as a script editor and co-ordinator include Irreverent, Jack Irish series 1, 2, & Damp; 3, Shantaram, Secret Bridesmaids' Business, Ms Fisher's Modern Murder Mysteries, Ride Like A Girl, Sunshine, Please Like Me series 4 and Utopia series 1 & Damp; 2.





Title: Lies My Mirror Told Me: A frank, funny, fearless memoir

Author: Wendy Harmer

ISBN: 9781038761743

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 492

Publication Date: 14/11/2023

Category: BIOGRAPHY & AUTOBIOGRAPHY / Entertainment & Performing Arts

BISAC: BIO005000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: Entertainer and national treasure Wendy Harmer tells all in her frank, fearless and funny memoir,<i> Lies My Mirror Told Me</i>.

<i>'I've always believed where there's a chance, you have to take it . . . or invent it.'</ i>
>Wendy Harmer has had an extraordinary life.
From being born with a severe facial deformity, to performing as a stand-up comedian, a national television host and then the highest paid woman in the cut-throat world of Sydney FM radio ... Wendy's tale of overcoming adversity is told with her trademark in-your-face frankness and celebrated wit.

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Starting life in rural Victoria, Wendy describes her childhood in remote one-teacher, one-room country schools. As her teacher father moved around the state to take up new postings, Wendy, the 'funny looking' kid often in the wrong colour school uniform, developed strategies to find new friends and fit in. When she was ten years old, her mother went missing. >
It wasn't until she was well into her teens that Wendy had the reconstructive facial surgery that had long promised to transform her from a 'witch' into a 'princess', but fell agonisingly short.

Somehow, despite her initial setbacks and emotional turmoil, Wendy showed the strength of character to carve her own way in the world.

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From political journalism, she took her first tentative steps on Melbourne's tiny stages in comedy revue, then struck out as a solo performer in stand-up comedy. She would make her mark internationally before coming home to entertain Australians for four decades on stage, in print, television and broadcasting.
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lies My Mirror Told Me</i> Wendy reflects on her life - one of the irresistible force AND the immovable object'. </i>Andrew Denton

>i>'Deeply moving, wise, hilarious and raucous . . . there's so much to love in this book.' </i>Amanda Keller

About the Author: Wendy Harmer is one of Australia's most versatile and much-loved entertainers - broadcaster, author, journalist and stage performer.

br>As a stand-up comedian she performed at the Melbourne, Edinburgh, Montreal and Glasgow Mayfest Comedy Festivals, on London's comedy circuit, throught the USA, and at the Sydney Theatre Company. As a broadcaster, Wendy enjoyed huge popularity leading Sydney radio station 2Day FM's top-rating Breakfast Show for 11 years and was the co-host of ABC Radio Sydney's morning/breakfast shows from 2016 -2021. She has hosted, written and appeared in a variety of TV shows including ABC's <i>The Big Gig</i><ibr>A prolific columnist for a host of magazine and newspaper titles, Wendy is also the author of eight books for adults including her bestselling novels <i>Farewell My Ovaries</i><ii>Love and Punishment</i><ii>and <i>Nagging for Beginners</i><ii>a 'how-to' guide for women. She has also written two teen novels and multiple books for children in the <i>Pearlie in the Park</i><i>series.

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Wendy and her husband Brendan have two adult children, Marley and Maeve, and live on Sydney's Northern Beaches.



Vendetta
Sarah Barrie

Title: Vendetta **Author:** Sarah Barrie

ISBN: 9781038764386

Retail Price: 74.99 AUD

Pages: 560

Publication Date: 23/01/2024

Category: FICTION / Crime

BISAC: FIC050000

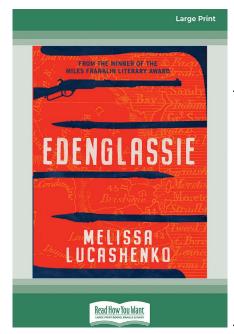
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: Cop or criminal? When you're undercover, the lines can get a little blurry. Former vigilante Lexi Winter, returns in a fast-paced, suspenseful crime thriller for readers of Candice Fox and Shelley Burr Ace hacker, former sex worker and vigilante Lexi Winter is now a cop and not keen to revisit her criminal past. But when old friends invoke the wrath of a local motorcycle club - the same club Lexi herself used to work for - she races to help them the only way she can: undercover. If Lexi is to save a child's life, she is going to have to go back - back to a life she thought she had outrun. Back to the person she used to be. But her timing isn't great. Former club president Arthur Cronin has finished his long prison sentence and is out for revenge for the death of his wife and child. As he launches a series of bomb attacks on the club members who set him up and the cops who took him down, Lexi is caught in the middle. Torn between old loyalties and new responsibilities, she must decide once and for all which side she's on, but even if she does decide to break free, are her old criminal friends ready to let her go? 'Phenomenal. Lexi Winter is the gritty hero I didn't know I needed ... I'm now desperate for more' - bestselling Australian author Nicola Moriarty 'A gritty, twisty journey of suspense. Recommended.' Canberra Weekly 'If you like a read that keeps you on the edge of your seat, this addictive, suspenseful thriller is for you.' Woman's Day

About the Author: Sarah Barrie is the author of nine novels, including her bestselling print debut Secrets of Whitewater Creek, the Hunters Ridge trilogy and the Calico Mountain trilogy. In a past life, while gaining degrees in arts, science and education, Sarah worked as a teacher, a vet nurse, a horse trainer and a magazine editor, before deciding she wanted to write novels. About the only thing that has remained constant is her love of all things crime. Her favourite place in the world is the family property, where she writes her stories overlooking mountains crisscrossed with farmland, bordered by the beauty of the Australian bush, and where, at the end of the day, she can spend time with family, friends, a good Irish whiskey and a copy of her next favourite book.





Title: Edenglassie

Author: Melissa Lucashenko

ISBN: 9781038770677

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 440

Publication Date: 3/09/2024

Category: FICTION / Historical / General

BISAC: FIC014000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: University Queensland Press

About the Book: Two extraordinary Indigenous stories set five generations apart. When Mulanyin meets the beautiful Nita in Edenglassie, their saltwater people still outnumber the British. As colonial unrest peaks, Mulanyin dreams of taking his bride home to Yugambeh Country, but his plans for independence collide with white justice. Two centuries later, fiery activist Winona meets Dr Johnny. Together they care for obstinate centenarian Granny Eddie, and sparks fly, but not always in the right direction. What nobody knows is how far the legacies of the past will reach into their modern lives. In this brilliant epic novel, Melissa Lucashenko torches Queensland's colonial myths, while reimagining an Australian future.

About the Author: Melissa Lucashenko is a Goorie (Aboriginal) author of Bundjalung and European heritage. Her first novel was published in 1997 and since then her work has received acclaim in many literary awards. Her sixth novel, Too Much Lip, won the 2019 Miles Franklin Literary Award and the Queensland Premier's Award for a work of State Significance. It was also shortlisted for the Prime Minister's Literary Award for Fiction, the Stella Prize, two Victorian Premier's Literary Awards, two Queensland Literary Awards and two NSW Premier's Literary Awards. Melissa is a Walkley Award winner for her non-fiction, and a founding member of human rights organisation Sisters Inside. She writes about ordinary Australians and the extraordinary lives they lead.





Title: The Hidden Book Author: Kirsty Manning

ISBN: 9781038758866

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 302

Publication Date: 4/09/2023

Category: FICTION / Historical / General

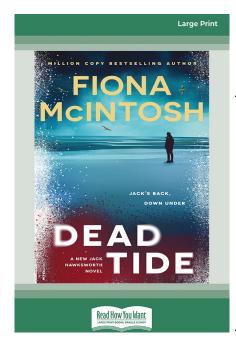
BISAC: FIC014000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: From the bestselling author of The Jade Lily comes a compelling novel based on a true story of a WWII European heirloom that brought down war criminals and travelled through history ... to be found in an Australian country shed in 2019. Europe, 1940s: Imprisoned in the Mauthausen concentration camp in Austria, Spanish fighter and photographer Mateo Baca is ordered to process images of the camp and inmates for a handful of photo books being made for presentation to top Nazi figures. Just five books in total, or so the officials think ... Mateo manages to make a secret sixth book and, with the help of a local woman, Lena Lang, it remains hidden until the end of the war. Australia, present day: When thirteen-year-old Hannah Campbell's Yugoslavian grandfather, Nico Antonov, arrives in Australia to visit his family, one of the gifts he brings with him is an intriguing-looking parcel wrapped in a flour sack, which Roza, Hannah's mother, quickly hides. Later, Hannah sneaks off in search for the mysterious package. She is horrified to find in it a photo book full of ghastly historical photographs of a terrible place full of people suffering. At first Hannah has little context for what she sees, but over the years, as she experiences love, grief and trauma, she understands what these photos came to mean, for herself, her freedom and for those who risked their lives to 'bear witness' to history. A startling story of clandestine courage and treachery in World War Two, and how we must meet and overcome our pasts to move into our futures. Praise for Kirsty Manning: 'A superb evocation of pre-war Paris ... a mystery I couldn't put down.' - Kerry Greenwood on >The Paris Mystery
/b'Colorful characters and a brisk pace make this a pleasure.' - Publishers Weekly on The Paris Mystery'A glittering party, a dead body, and a room full of alluring suspects, this book is everything you are looking for. With deft light strokes, Kirsty Manning takes the reader on an Agatha Christie-style journey in 1930s Paris, led by infallible hero, journalist Charlie James. The Paris Mystery will transport, titillate and ultimately, satisfy. Run don't walk to get your copy!' - Sally Hepworth, author of The Soulmate'Manning doesn't put a foot wrong: The French Gift is historical fiction at its best...a glorious escape from reality, this will captivate readers from the beginning to the unforgettable, surprising end.' - Better Reading'So divine - The French Gift is nothing short of magnificent! A superb example of a story that works to illuminate both the harshest and most spellbinding moments in our history books.' - Mrs B's Book Reviews'Kirsty Manning handles this murder mystery, the multiple suspects, the twists and turns of the plot, and the exotic setting skilfully and well...there is plenty of glamour, lots of Belle Epoque champagne, beautiful clothes, aristocratic people, and unusual characters, but there is also a solid mystery to keep the reader guessing and, finally, an unexpected revelation that leaves questions to be pondered.' - Newtown Review of Books on The Paris Mystery'This is a rich, sensual, and evocative novel, fragrant with the smell of crushed herbs and flowers, and haunted by the high cost that women must sometimes pay to find both love and their vocation.' - Kate Forsyth on The Midsummer Garden'Even when you think you've guessed the ending, The Jade Lily will take all your assumptions and turn them on their head, sweeping you away in a wash of colour, drama, and the power of love and friendship that spans generations and continents alike.' - The Weekly Times 'Manning renders Shanghai as a riot of flavors, sights, and sounds, its elegance clashing against gritty poverty in this exquisite window into the past.'





Title: Dead Tide

Author: Fiona McIntosh

ISBN: 9781038756770

Retail Price: 74.99 AUD

Pages: 536

Publication Date: 4/08/2023

Category: FICTION / Thrillers / General

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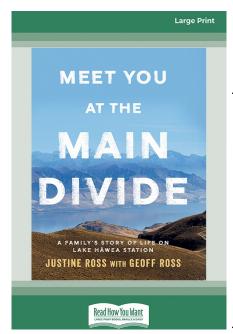
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Penguin Random House Australia

About the Book: Jack's back. Down Under. The heart-stopping new DCI Jack Hawksworth crime thriller by the bestselling author of Mirror Man. Newly promoted Detective Superintendent Jack Hawksworth has headed up three major serial operations in England and in each of these cases he has lost a part of himself. While on sabbatical as guest lecturer in a London university, one of his female students dies under highly suspicious circumstances, and he finds himself drawn into a chilling new case that reaches across the world. Jack's investigations lead him to Adelaide where he identifies a cynical international crime consortium that preys on the anguish of childless couples and vulnerable women. Together with local major crime officers, he follows his leads to the windswept Yorke Peninsula, and becomes caught up in an intoxicating private drama. With his personal and professional business entangled once again, Jack must put his own life on the line to bring justice to those who are grieving. From the bestselling author of Mirror Man comes a heart-stopping new novel of greed and corruption that questions the price people are willing to pay for a human life.

About the Author: Fiona McIntosh is an internationally bestselling author of novels for adults and children. She co-founded an award-winning travel magazine with her husband, which they ran for fifteen years while raising their twin sons before she became a full-time author. Fiona roams the world researching and drawing inspiration for her novels, and runs a series of highly respected fiction masterclasses. She calls South Australia home.





Title: Meet You at the Main Divide **Author:** Justine Ross with Geoff Ross

ISBN: 9781038762559

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 484

Publication Date: 14/12/2023

Category: TECHNOLOGY & ENGINEERING / Agriculture / Sustainable Agriculture

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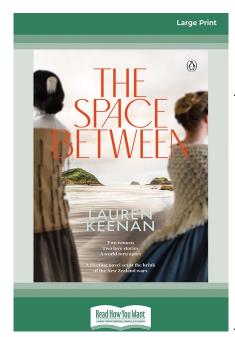
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers (New Zealand)

About the Book: An inspirational memoir from the authors of Every Bastard Says No about the peaks and troughs of a life in the high country In 2017 the Ross family left behind their inner-city lives in Auckland and their successful vodka business, 42 Below, to follow their dreams of a life on the land. Risk-takers and innovators, when they bought the run-down 6500-hectare high-country sheep station at Lake Hawea, they embarked on a journey of discovery to rewrite long-held farming principles and ask whether sustainability could also be profitable. If we look after the land, will it look after us? Life in the mountainous landscape of the Main Divide isn't for the faint hearted. But despite the freezing winters and scorching summer heat, the demands of fitting in with the locals and managing 10,000 merino sheep, the Ross family has never looked back. 'A fascinating and rollicking read' Al Brown 'An essential book about what successful and sustainable farming can look like' Helen Clark 'The honest portrayal of the Ross's farming journey shares many similarities to passionate NZ farming families who are all searching for intergenerational identity, relevance, and prosperity in the face of rapid change' Sarah Perriam

About the Author: Justine Ross was born into a farming family - her mother was raised on a dairy farm and her father on an orchard. A trained speech language therapist, Justine also graduated with distinction from the London School of Journalism. She has been a trustee of The Rising Foundation, Play it Strange Charitable Trust and a judge of the AMP Do Your Thing Awards. She is now on the board of United Nations Women Aotearoa New Zealand. In 2010 Justine co-authored the best-selling book Every Bastard Says No: The 42 Below Story. She launched a tourism business at Lake Hawea Station in 2020 which was awarded a Conde Nast Gold award for 2023. She is a keen hiker, traveller and climate lobbyist. Geoff Ross was born and raised on a dairy and deer farm south of Auckland. He attended Lincoln University where he graduated with a B Com (Agricultural). In 2018 he received a Doctor of Commerce from Lincoln recognising his achievements as a serial entrepreneur. He founded 42 Below and was a director and chairman of The Trilogy Group and the Savor Group. Geoff has been a trustee of Melanoma NZ and the Endangered Species Foundation. He is currently a trustee of Pure Advantage New Zealand and a board member of New Zealand Natural Fibres. He was in the New Zealand Free Diving Squad and is a keen Hunter and conservationist and climate lobbyist.





Title: The Space Between **Author:** Lauren Keenan

ISBN: 9781038768186

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 396

Publication Date: 5/07/2024

Category: FICTION / Historical / General

BISAC: FIC014000

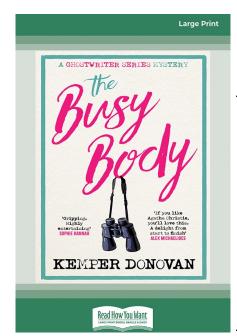
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Penguin Random House New Zealand

About the Book: As English settlers wage war upon local iwi in colonial Taranaki, two women confront their pasts to survive the present. Frances is an unmarried Londoner newly landed in New Zealand, 1860, at the dawn of the First Taranaki War. Once well-regarded, her family's fall from grace sees them struggling to learn the strange etiquette of settler life. When Frances comes face-to-face with Henry White, the man who jilted her a decade earlier, he's standing outside Thorpe's General Store with a sack of flour in his arms. Henry is married now - to the proud and hardy Mataria, who is shunned by her whanau due to this controversial marriage. As conflict between settlers and iwi rises, both women must find the courage to fight for what is right, even if it costs them everything they know. As their lives intersect in surprising and catastrophic ways, the question remains - will they ever belong, or do their fates lie in the uncomfortable space between? This gripping historical debut by Lauren Keenan (Te Ati Awa ki Taranaki) is a story of the transformative power of hope, the unbreakable bonds of whenua and family, and the discovery of love in the least likely of places.

About the Author: Lauren Keenan (Te Ati Awa ki Taranaki) is a writer of creative non-fiction, novels, short stories and popular psychology. Lauren was a winner at the 2017 Pikihuia Awards for Maori writers and a finalist in the 2019 awards. She was also a participant in Te Papa Tupu mentoring programme. Her short stories have appeared in Huia Short Stories collections in 2015, 2017 and 2019. In 2020 her book The 52 Week Project: How I Fixed My Life by Trying a New Thing Every Week for a Year was published, and in 2022 her children's novel Amorangi and Millie's Trip Through Time was published. It was a finalist in the 2022 NZ Book Awards for Children and Young Adults and longlisted in the ARA Historical Novel Prize. It also won the 2023 Book Lovers Award. Lauren has a Master of Arts in Taranaki Maori History.





Title: The Busy Body: the instantly gripping whodunnit

Author: Kemper Donovan

ISBN: 9781038768438

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 440

Publication Date: 5/07/2024

Category: FICTION / Mystery & Detective / Cozy / General

BISAC: FIC022070

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Hachette Australia

About the Book: <i>Veep</i> meets Agatha Christie in this wickedly funny murder mystery for fans of Richard Osman and Nita Prose h> In June 10 and Nita Prose in the second twists and turns worthy of a classic mystery novel' ALEX MICHAELIDES, author of <i>The Silent Patient</i> 'Gripping . Christie-esque mystery . . . A delightfully escapist page-turner' KIMBERLY MCCREIGHT 'A wry, whipsmart story. Fast, funny, furious' <i>The Australian Women's Weekly</i> Meet our narrator: witty, nosy, professional weaver of lies - aka ghostwriter for the rich and famous - and now, lander of The Dream Assignment (that is, a politician's tellall memoir). Enter Dorothy Gibson: recently toppled Presidential Candidate, aka <i>that</i> woman, the most talked-about person in the country right now (for the wrong reasons). Add: an invitation to the middle of nowhere, one well-heeled neighbour dying under Suspicious Circumstances, a secret investigation and an unreasonably beautiful man. This is a story even our ghostwriter wasn't expecting. And for once, it's all hers. <b<i></i>/Jump on the Kemper Donovan train now . . . <i>The Busy Body</i> is a mystery series for the 2020s, and I can see it being adapted for the big screen' <i>The Australian</i> 'It's buzzy, it's smart, it's such a good time' ABC Radio National's <i>The Bookshelf </i> <i>'An intriguing whodunnit' <i>New Idea</i> 'A delight from start to finish. If you like Agatha Christie you'll love this' ALEX MICHAELIDES 'A highly entertaining mystery with ingenuity and flair aplenty' SOPHIE HANNAH 'A modern take on classic crime fiction which delivers an addictive mix of Dorothy Parker's waspish wit and Agatha Christie's deft hand at ingenious plotting' <i>Library Journal</i>, Starred Review 'As clever as it is hopeful. Original, captivating, and assured' TAYLOR JENKINS REID (on Kemper Donovan's <i>The Decent Proposal</i>)

About the Author: Kemper Donovan is the host of All About Agatha, a highly successful podcast dedicated to the Queen of Crime, Agatha Christie, and the inspiration behind <i>The Busy Body</i>. A graduate of Stanford University and Harvard Law School, he worked at the literary management company Circle of Confusion for a decade before transitioning to writing full time. Kemper's first novel, <i>The Decent Proposal</i>, was a national bestseller. He is a member of the New York Bar Association, PEN America and Mystery Writers of America. Kemper has dual US and Irish citizenship and lives with his husband and daughters in Los Angeles. <i>The Busy Body</i> is the first book in <i>The Ghostwriter Series</i>.





Title: The Girl From Moscow

Author: Julia Levitina

ISBN: 9781038769725

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 444

Publication Date: 1/08/2024

Category: FICTION / Historical / General

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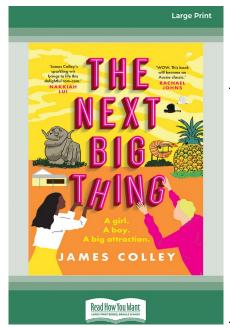
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Pantera Press

About the Book: Moscow, 1983. Twenty-one-year-old Ella dreams of playing Natasha Rostova in War and Peace at the Moscow Theatre Academy. But when she meets her good friend Vlad at a city square, Ella finds herself in the middle of a protest and attracts the glare of the KGB. Labelled a traitor, she must withdraw from the academy and she soon yearns to escape the cruel and oppressive Soviet regime. However, her hopes of leaving the country are smashed when her husband, Roman, is sentenced to two years' labour camp. As she looks for another way out, Ella is drawn into a dangerous game of cat and mouse with a KGB general, who has the power to secure her freedom. Will she risk everything and leave behind those she loves to pursue a life in the West? An absorbing, thrilling and heart-stopping Cold War drama, perfect for fans of The Spy's Wife and The Girl from Munich.

About the Author: Julia Levitina grew up in Moscow with her Ukrainian Jewish mother and grandmother, who were both Holocaust survivors. She studied design and worked as a theatre designer before immigrating to Australia in 1991 with her family, two children and \$200 to her name. Julia completed a Masters of Theatre Design at the University of Technology Sydney. While teaching set and costume design, she wrote short stories, and her short story 'E-Love' was acquired by Radio National. The Girl from Moscow is her first novel. It was shortlisted for the ASA/HQ Commercial Fiction Prize for unpublished manuscripts. She lives in Sydney's eastern suburbs with her husband and their toy poodle, Honey.





Title: The Next Big Thing **Author:** James Colley

ISBN: 9781038769701

Retail Price: 61.99 AUD

Pages: 354

Publication Date: 1/08/2024

Category: FICTION / Humorous / General

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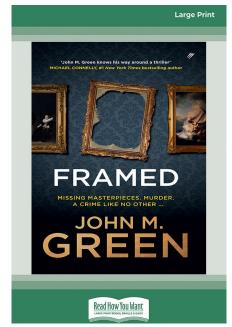
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Pantera Press

About the Book: A heartwarming, hilarious, quintessentially Australian novel about young love, small towns and underdogs overcoming the odds. Normâ has lived in Norman his whole life. It's where he grew up, where he went to school and met his best friend Ella. But the town is dying: the river has dried up, and with it all the jobs. One night at the pub, Norm announces a plan. He's going to build a Big Thing - like Coffs Harbour's Big Banana or Ballina's Big Prawn - to drive tourism to the town and give it a future. And to show Ella that she could have a future here too, maybe even with him. Will Norm from Norman build a Big Thing in time to save his town, and convince the girl of his dreams she belongs here too - or is it too late? Ella, meanwhile, plans to leave Norman for the big smoke. She's tired of being a big fish in a small pond, especially when that pond is running out of water. Ella encourages Norm's big idea nonetheless. If it works, Norm will have a larger-than-life reminder of her. And if not, at least they'll have one last perfect summer together.

About the Author: James Colley is a comedy writer and producer known for his work as head writer on Gruen, Gruen Nation, Question Everything and The Weekly with Charlie Pickering. His writing has been featured in the Sydney Morning Herald, the Guardian, Frankie, Crikey, the Big Issue and Junkee. The Next Big Thing is his debut novel.





Title: Framed

Author: John M Green

ISBN: 9781038768605

Retail Price: 67.99 AUD

Pages: 436

Publication Date: 5/07/2024

Category: FICTION / Thrillers / Crime

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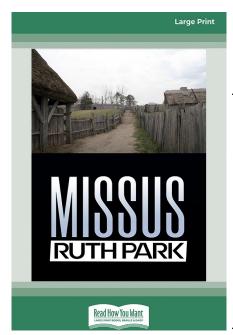
Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Pantera Press

About the Book: When art conservator JJ Jego spots a long-lost masterpiece through the window of a luxury apartment, she's drawn into a dark web of intrigue, deception and murder. JJ spies what she believes is a priceless Van Gogh. Except it can't be … that painting, Six Sunflowers, was destroyed during World War II. She also glimpses what looks like a Rembrandt, one stolen in the infamous 1990 robbery at the Isabella Stewart Gardener Museum in Boston. JJ sets out on a mission to discover if these works are fakes or genuine. But when she gets in too deep, she is forced to seek help from her estranged father, a Sydney detective. From the pubs of Belfast to the boardrooms of Monte Carlo and the shores of Sydney Harbour, this gripping art heist thriller exposes a shadowy underworld where JJ crosses paths with a global organised crime empire in her pursuit to solve some of art history's biggest mysteries.

About the Author: John M. Green is the author of Framed, Double Deal, The Tao Deception, The Trusted, Born to Run and Nowhere Man. He left his day job as a banker two years before the global financial crisis - enough of a lag so no one could accuse him of starting the whole mess! He wrote his first novel about it. His childhood years roaming the back alleys of Sydney's infamous Kings Cross set the stage for his later careers, in law and finance. He became a partner in two major law firms and then an executive director in a leading investment bank. His interests straddle writing, the arts, business and philanthropy: he is or has been a director of numerous organisations, listed and unlisted, including cyber-security, financial services, education, engineering, publishing and not-for-profits. He's been a Council Member of the National Library of Australia and a director of two publishing houses. He's also an aficionado of magic and mentalism. He lives in Sydney with his wife, the sculptor Jenny Green.





Title: Missus: #1 Harp in the South series

Author: Ruth Park

ISBN: 9781038767394

Retail Price: 49.99 AUD

Pages: 190

Publication Date: 20/03/2024

Category: FICTION / Literary

BISAC: FIC019000

Format: [Large Print]

Original Publisher: Tim Curnow

About the Book: Tracing the saga of the Darcy family over thirty years. The story has its beginnings in the awkward courtship of dreamily innocent Margaret Kilker and unwilling hero Hugh Darcy in the dusty country towns of rural Australia. Ruth Park richly creates the turbulence of those early days of their courtship in the dusty outback.

About the Author: Born in New Zealand, Ruth Park came to Australia in 1942 to continue her career as a journalist. She married the writer D'Arcy Niland and travelled with him through the north-west of New South Wales before settling in Sydney where she became a full-time writer. She has written over fifty books, and her many awards include the prestigious Miles Franklin Award for Swords and Crowns and Rings; the Australian Children's Book of the Year Award and the Boston Globe-Horn Book Award (USA) for Playing Beatie Bow and The AgeBook of the Year Award for A Fence Around the Cuckoo. She was made a Member of the Order of Australia in 1987 and in 1994 was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Letters from the University of New South Wales. Ruth Park passed away in December 2010