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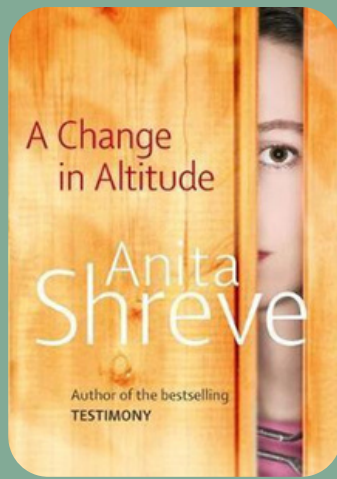
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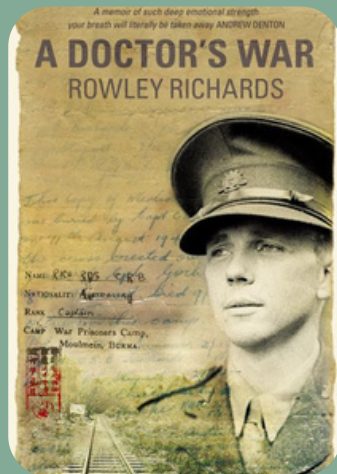
Contemporary fiction | 307 pages

A Change in Altitude

Anita Shreve

Twenty-eight-year-old Geraldine travels to Kenya with her new husband James with the intent of staying a year. In a dizzying multicultural city, she struggles to maintain her balance as her sense of self, marriage and understanding of the world are shaken. Invited on a climbing expedition to Mt. Kenya, the newlyweds are caught up in a horrific accident. In its aftermath, Geraldine must try to understand exactly what happened on that mountain and what it has done to her and to her marriage.

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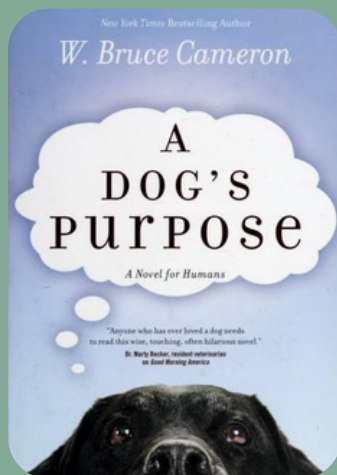
Biography, history, non-fiction | 332 pages

A Doctor's War

Rowley Richards

Eminent surgeon Rowley Richards was a young doctor and officer in the army reserve when war broke out. He embarked for Singapore in 1941, a year before the Allies capitulated to invading Japanese forces. Richards became a POW and, as a medical officer, found himself tending to other prisoners in shocking conditions. In a diary, he recorded the horrors he witnessed as well as the courage, humour and mateship of his fellow prisoners.

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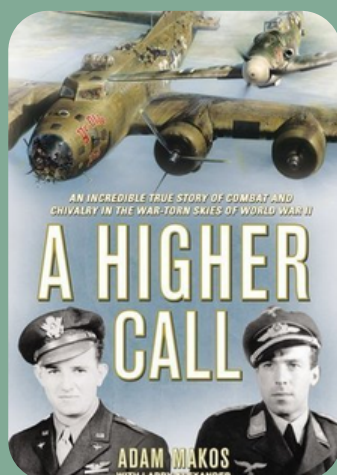
Fiction, humour | 319 pages

A Dog's Purpose

W. Bruce Cameron

Surprised to find himself reborn as a rambunctious golden-haired puppy after a tragically short life as a stray mutt, Bailey's search for his new life's meaning leads him into the loving arms of 8-year-old Ethan. During their countless adventures Bailey joyously discovers how to be a good dog. But this new life as a beloved family pet is not the end of Bailey's journey. Reborn as a puppy yet again, Bailey wonders - will he ever find his purpose?

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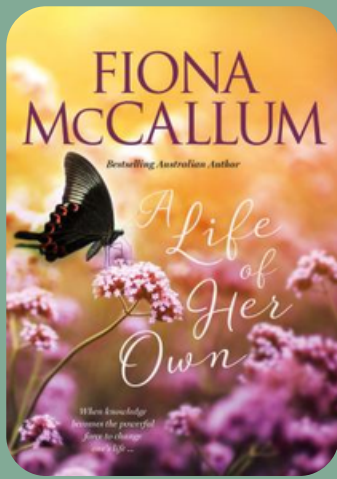
Non-fiction, history | 392 pages

A Higher Call

Adam Makos

1943: A badly damaged American bomber struggled to fly over wartime Germany. At its controls a 21 year old pilot, half his crew wounded or dead. Suddenly, a sleek, dark shape pulled up on the bomber's tail - a German Messerschmitt fighter. Worse, the German pilot was an ace. What happened next would defy imagination and later be called the most incredible encounter between enemies in World War II. This is the true story of the two pilots- 2nd Lieutenant Charlie Brown and 2nd Lieutenant Franz Stigler.

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Contemporary fiction | 405 pages

A Life of Her Own

Fiona McCallum

Alice loved being a mature-age student, but now she's finished her university degree she needs to find herself a career. When she's offered a role in a major real estate agency, she jumps at the opportunity. But Alice quickly realises all is not as it seems. What is she doing wrong to be so out of sync with her energetic boss, Carmel Gold, agent extraordinaire? As everything starts to fall apart, an unexpected visit home to the country town Alice escaped years ago provides an unexpected opportunity to get some perspective.

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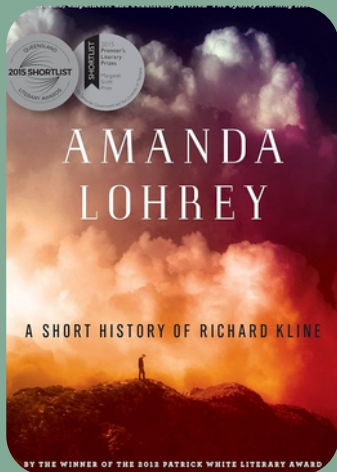
Historical fiction, mystery | 260 pages

A Secret Kept

Tatiana De Rosnay

Antoine Rye thought he had the perfect surprise for his sister's birthday: a weekend at Noirmoutier Island. But the island's haunting beauty reminds Melanie of something deeply disturbing about their last island summer. On the drive home, she summons the courage to reveal what she knows to Antoine and she loses control of the car. Recovering from the accident in a nearby hospital, Mélanie tries to recall what caused her to crash. The past comes swinging back at both siblings, burdened with a dark truth about their mother.

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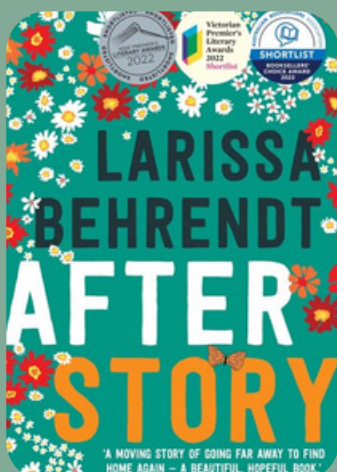
Literary fiction | 272 pages

A Short History of Richard Kline

Amanda Lohrey

All his life, Richard Kline has been haunted by a sense of something lacking. He envies the ease with which others slip into contented suburban life or the pursuit of wealth. As he moves into middle age, Richard grows angry, cynical, depressed. But then a strange event awakens him to a different way of life. He finds himself on a quest to resolve the 'divine discontent' he has suffered since childhood. From pharmaceuticals, New Age therapies and finding a guru, Richard's journey dramatises the search for meaning in today's world.

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Contemporary Australian fiction | 360 pages

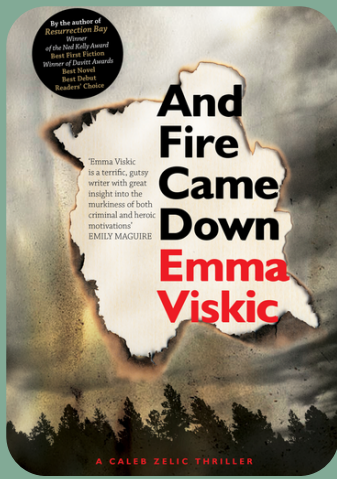
After Story

Larissa Behrendt

Twenty-five years earlier the disappearance of Jasmine's older sister devastated their tight-knit community. This tragedy returns to haunt Jasmine and Della when another child mysteriously goes missing on Hampstead Heath. As Jasmine immerses herself in the world of her literary idols including Jane Austen, the Brontë sisters and Virginia Woolf, Della is inspired to rediscover the wisdom of her own culture and storytelling. But sometimes the stories not told can become too great to bear.

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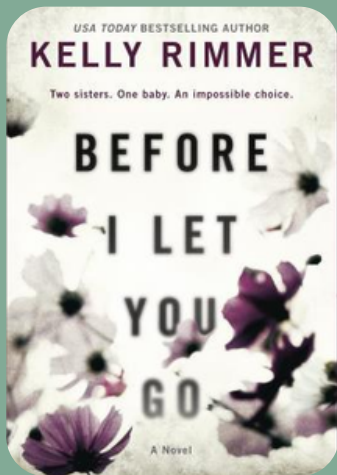
Crime, mystery, Australian fiction | 352 pages

And Fire Came Down

Emma Viskic

Deaf since early childhood, Caleb Zelic is used to meeting life head-on. Now, he's struggling just to get through the day. His best mate is dead, his ex-wife, Kat, is avoiding him, and nightmares haunt his waking hours. But when a young woman is killed, after pleading for his help in sign language, Caleb is determined to find out who she was. The trail leads Caleb back to his hometown, Resurrection Bay. As Caleb delves deeper, he uncovers secrets that could ruin any chance of reuniting with Kat, and even threaten his life.

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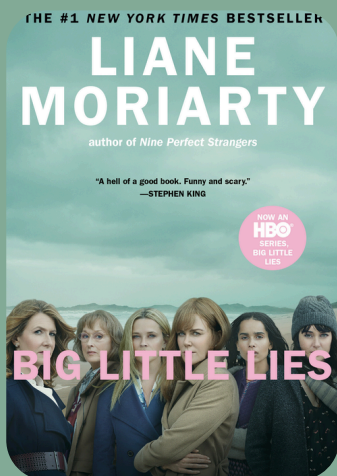
Contemporary fiction, family drama | 384 pages

Before I Let You Go

Kelly Rimmer

A gripping novel about the unbreakable bond between sisters. Sisters Lexie and Annie could not be more different. Lexie is a successful doctor and happily engaged. Annie is an addict – a thief, a liar and unable to remain clean. When Annie's newborn baby is in danger of being placed in foster care, Annie picks up the phone to beg her sister for help. Will Lexie agree to take in her young niece? And how will Annie survive, losing the only thing in her life worth living for?

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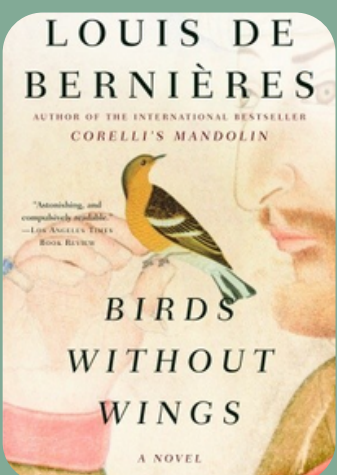
Mystery, thriller, contemporary fiction | 460 pages

Big Little Lies

Liane Moriarty

Parents behaving badly, a tragic accident or murder? What isn't in doubt is that someone is dead. Madeline is a force to be reckoned with: witty, noisy and passionate. She remembers everything and forgives no one. Celeste is the kind of beautiful woman who makes the world stop and stare. But perfection is often an illusion. Jane is a single mum with a mysterious past who carries a sadness beyond her years. These three women, all with children starting at the same school, are about to tell the little lies that can turn lethal.

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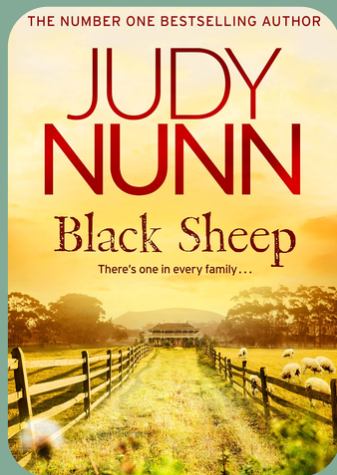
Historical fiction | 640 pages

Birds Without Wings

Louis de Bernières

Set against the backdrop of the collapsing Ottoman Empire, Birds Without Wings traces the fortunes of one small community in south-west Anatolia – a town in which Christian and Muslim lives and traditions have co-existed peacefully for centuries. When war is declared and the outside world intrudes, the twin scourges of religion and nationalism lead to forced marches and massacres, and the peaceful fabric of life is destroyed.

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Historical fiction | 372 pages

Black Sheep

Judy Nunn

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. Ben McKinnon is heir to the vast Glenfinnan sheep property. He too has a secret that would shatter the privileged lives of his family. When fate brings James and Ben together, a powerful friendship is forged. Then Ben insists his new friend come work at Glenfinnan Station. Has James finally found the family he's always longed for?

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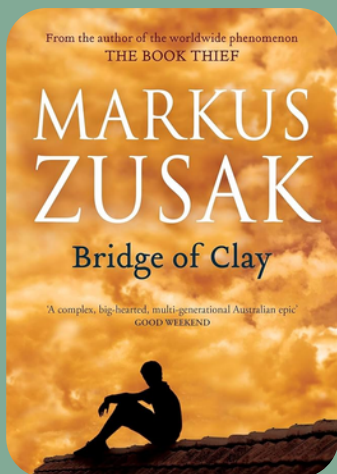
Crime, Australian fiction | 474 pages

Boy Swallows Universe

Trent Dalton

Brisbane, 1983: A lost father, a mute brother, a mum in jail, a heroin dealer for a stepfather and a notorious crim for a babysitter. It's not as if Eli's life isn't complicated enough already. He's just trying to follow his heart but life just keeps throwing obstacles in the way - not least of which is Tytus Broz, legendary Brisbane drug dealer. But Eli's life is about to get a whole lot more serious. He's about to fall in love. And, oh yeah, he has to break into Boggo Road Gaol on Christmas Day, to save his mum.

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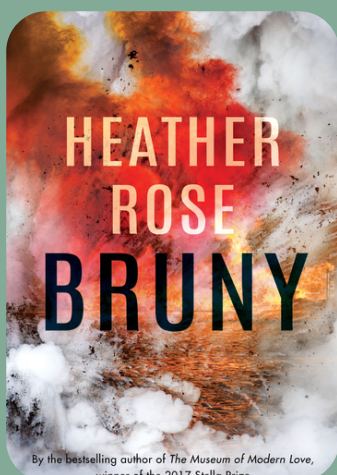
Australia fiction | 583 pages

Bridge of Clay

Markus Zusak

The Dunbar boys bring each other up in a house run by their own rules. A family of ramshackle tragedy, their mother is dead, their father has fled, they love and fight, and learn to reckon with the adult world. It is Clay, the quiet one, who will build a bridge; for his family, for his past, for his sins. He builds a bridge to transcend humanness. Yes, always for us there was a brother, and he was the one, the one of us amongst five of us, who took all of it on his shoulder.

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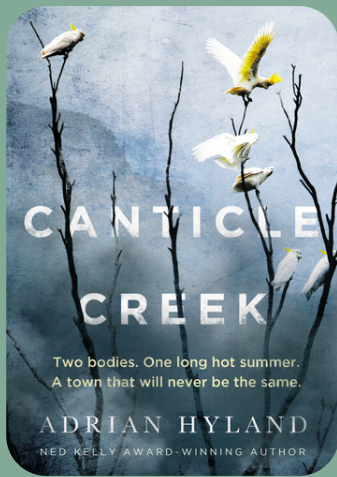
Political thriller, fiction | 409 pages

Bruny

Heather Rose

A right-wing US president has withdrawn America from the Middle East and the UN. Daesh has a thoroughfare to the sea and China is Australia's newest ally. When a bomb goes off in remote Tasmania, Astrid Coleman agrees to return home to help her brother before an upcoming election. But this is no simple task. Her brother and sister are on either side of politics, the community is full of conspiracy theories, and her father is quoting Shakespeare. Only on Bruny does the world seem sane. Until Astrid discovers how far the government is willing to go.

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Mystery, detective fiction, Australian | 344 pages

Canticle Creek

Adrian Hyland

When Adam Lawson's wrecked car is found a kilometre from Daisy Baker's body, the whole town assumes it's an open and shut case. But Jesse Redpath isn't from Canticle Creek. Where she comes from, the truth often hides in plain sight, but only if you know where to look. When Jesse starts to ask awkward questions, she uncovers a town full of contradictions and a cast of characters with dark pasts, secrets to hide and even more to lose. As the temperature soars, and the ground bakes, the wilderness surrounding Canticle Creek becomes a powderkeg waiting to explode.

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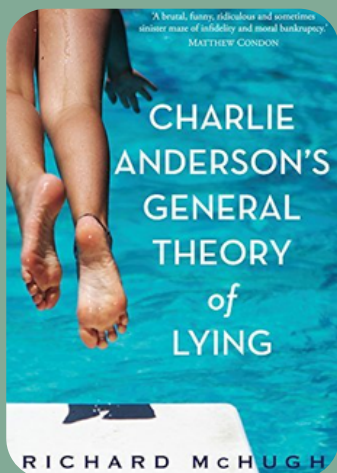
Fiction, sports, historical, contemporary | 384 pages

Carrie Soto is Back

Taylor Jenkins Reid

By the time Carrie retires from tennis, she is the best player the world has ever seen. She has shattered every record and claimed twenty Slam titles. She sacrificed nearly everything to become the best, with her father as her coach. But six years after her retirement, Carrie finds herself sitting in the stands of the 1994 US Open, watching her record be taken from her by Nicki Chan. At thirty-seven years old, Carrie makes the monumental decision to come out of retirement and be coached by her father for one last year in an attempt to reclaim her record.

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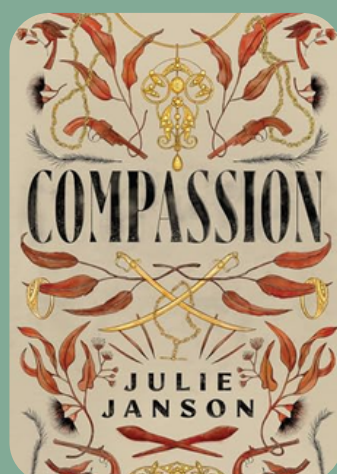
Fiction | 464 pages

Charlie Anderson's General Theory of Lying

Richard McHugh

Ranging from the politics of the bedroom to the post-GFC economy, this is a wildly entertaining portrait of coming unstuck. Charlie Anderson is sure of himself. He's sure he's the best consultant in town. He's completely sure his clever wife Anna, in line to be the first female CEO in the Bank's history, is the love of his life and his three smart, happy daughters are the centre of his world. And there's no question in his mind he's a first-class liar and seducer. In all things, Charlie knows the rules of the game. But what happens when he meets someone who can outplay him?

Print



Historical fiction | 372 pages

Compassion

Julie Janson

Compassion is the dramatised life story of one of Julie Janson's ancestors who went on trial for stealing livestock in New South Wales, and it is an exciting and violent story of anti-colonial revenge and roaming adventure. A gripping fictive account of Aboriginal life in the 1800s, Compassion follows the life of Duringah, AKA Nell James, the outlaw daughter of the Darug hero of Benevolence, Muraging.

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Historical fiction | 560 pages

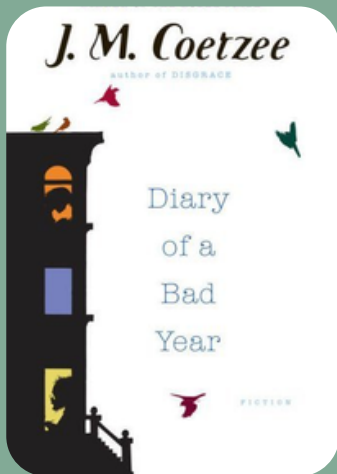
Demon Copperhead

Barbara Kingsolver

Set in the mountains of southern Appalachia, this is the story of a boy born to a teenaged single mother, with no assets beyond his dead father's good looks and copper-colored hair, a caustic wit, and a fierce talent for survival. The boy braves the modern perils of foster care, child labor, derelict schools, athletic success, addiction, disastrous loves, and crushing losses. Through all of it, he reckons with his own invisibility in a popular culture where even the superheroes have abandoned rural people in favour of cities.

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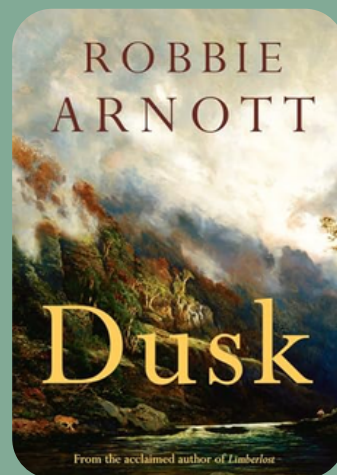
Literary fiction | 231 pages

Diary of a Bad Year

J. M. Coetzee

Aging author Senor C has been commissioned to write a series of essays entitled Strong Opinions, of which he has many. After hiring a beautiful young typist named Anya, the two embark on a relationship that will have a profound impact on them both especially when Alan, Anya's no-good boyfriend, develops designs on Senor C's bank account. Told in these three voices simultaneously, Coetzee has created any entirely new way of telling a story.

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Historical fiction | 272 pages

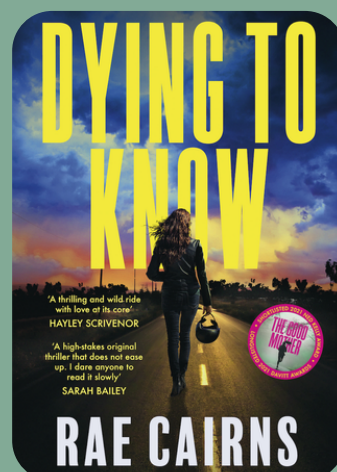
Dusk

Robbie Arnott

In the highlands, a puma named Dusk is killing shepherds. Down in the lowlands, twins Iris and Floyd are out of work, money and friends. When they hear that a bounty has been placed on Dusk, they reluctantly decide to join the hunt. As they journey up into this wild, haunted country, they discover there's far more to the land than they imagined.

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Crime fiction | 376 pages

Dying to Know

Rae Cairns

Twelve years ago, Geneva Leighton received a phone call that stopped her life in its tracks. Her sister, Amber, was locked in the boot of a moving car and begging Geneva for help. Amber was never heard from again. Since that night, Geneva's days have revolved around caring for her traumatised niece and nephew and keeping the search for her sister alive. The police hit a dead end and desperate for answers, Geneva becomes Amber's warrior for justice. As she edges closer to the truth, she uncovers dangerous secrets.

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Contemporary fiction | 390 pages

Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine

Gail Honeyman

She wears the same clothes to work every day, eats the same meal deal for lunch every day, and buys the same two bottles of vodka to drink every weekend. Eleanor Oliphant is happy. Nothing is missing from her carefully timetabled life. Except, sometimes, everything. One simple act of kindness is about to shatter the walls Eleanor has built around herself. Now she must learn how to navigate the world that everyone else seems to take for granted – while searching for the courage to face the dark corners she's avoided all her life.

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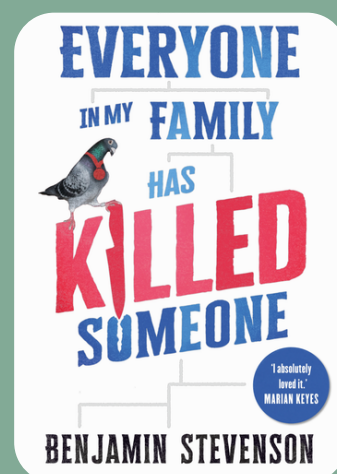
Australian biography | 276 pages

Emboldened

Belinda Alexandra

How do you begin your life again when you've lost everything and your dreams have been shattered? That was the question beloved Australian author Belinda Alexandra faced one freezing winter night when she ran from her home in terror, clutching only her wallet, her phone and her latest manuscript on a USB stick. To pull herself up from rock bottom, Alexandra drew strength from the real-life women who had inspired her bestselling historical fiction: her mother, Tatiana Morosoff, Virginia Hall, Carmen Amaya; and Edna Walling

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Mystery, thriller, crime fiction | 371 pages

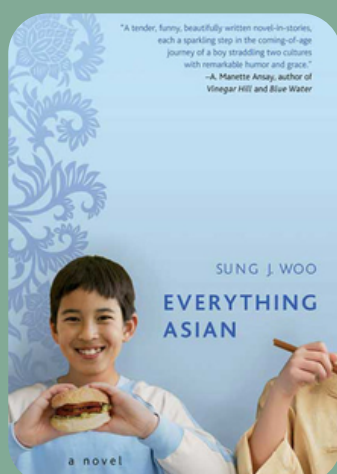
Everyone in my Family Has Killed Someone

Benjamin Stevenson

I was dreading the Cunningham family reunion even before the first murder. Before the storm stranded us at the mountain resort, snow and bodies piling up. The thing is, us Cunninghams don't really get along. We've only got one thing in common – we've all killed someone.

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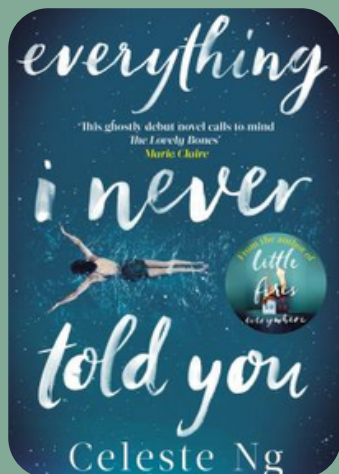
Young adult fiction | 336 pages

Everything Asian

Sung J. Woo

You're twelve years old. A month has passed since your Korean Air flight landed at lovely Newark Airport. Your fifteen-year-old sister is miserable. Your mother isn't exactly happy, either. You're seeing your father for the first time in five years, and although he's nice enough, he might be, well how can you put this delicately? a loser. You can't speak English, but that doesn't stop you from working at East Meets West, your father's gift shop in a strip mall, where everything is new. Welcome to the wonderful world of David Kim.

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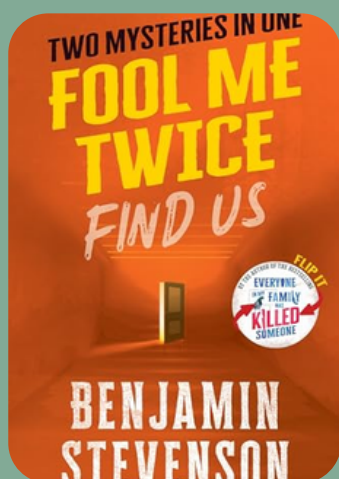
Mystery, suspense fiction | 297 pages

Everything I Never Told You

Celeste Ng

Lydia is the favourite child of Marilyn and James Lee and her parents are determined that Lydia will fulfil the dreams they were unable to pursue... When Lydia's body is found in the local lake, James is consumed by guilt and sets out on a reckless path. Marilyn, devastated and vengeful, is determined to make someone accountable. Lydia's brother, Nathan, is convinced that local boy Jack is somehow involved. But it's the youngest Hannah who may be the only one who knows what really happened.

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Mystery, thriller, crime fiction | 320 pages

Fool Me Twice

Benjamin Stevenson

FIND US: A small yellow backpack abandoned on a footpath. Tracks of tyres coming to an end at a crippled stop signTwo words, hastily scrawled on the sidewalk. Written in blood. **FIND US.** **LAST ONE TO LEAVE:** Seven strangers are invited to compete to win a cliff-top mansion. The rules – each contestant must have at least one hand in contact with the house at all times. The last one to take their hand off, wins the house. Then, after 36 hours, a contestant is murdered and soon they realise it may be the last person alive who wins it.

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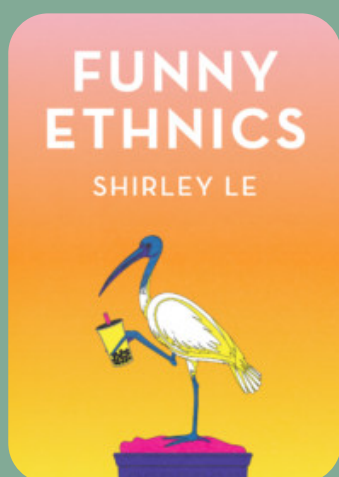
Contemporary fiction | 352 pages

From Where I Fell

Susan Johnson

An anguished email from Pamela Robinson in Australia to her ex-husband in Paris accidentally ends up in the inbox of New York State teacher Chrisanthi Woods. Chrisanthi is sympathetic to Pamela's struggles and the women begin to tell each other the stories and secrets of their lives. Pamela, responsible for raising her three sons, must re-invent the meaning of home following her divorce, and Chrisanthi, her dreams long dampened, must find home by leaving it.

Print



Australian fiction, humour | 288 pages

Funny Ethnic

Shirley Le

Funny Ethnic catapults readers into the sprawling city-within-a-city that is Western Sydney and the world of Sylvia Nguyen: only child of Vietnamese refugee parents, unexceptional student, exceptional self-doubter. Jumping through snapshots of Sylvia's life – from childhood to something resembling adulthood – this novel is about square pegs and round holes, those who belong and those on the fringes.

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Contemporary romance | 400 pages

Funny Story

Emily Henry

Daphne always loved the way Peter told their story. That is until it became the prologue to his actual love story with childhood bestie, Petra. Which is how Daphne ends up rooming with her total opposite: Petra's ex, Miles. It's not a match made in heaven – until one night, while tossing back tequilas, they deliberately post misleading photos of their adventures together. But it's all for show, of course. Because there's no way Daphne would fall in love with her ex-fiancé's new fiancée's ex... right?

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Mystery, detective, cold cases, crime fiction | 392 pages

Girl, Forgotten

Karin Slaughter

Longbill Beach, 1982. Emily Vaughn gets ready for prom night, but Emily has a secret and by the end of the evening, she will be dead. A murder that remains a mystery. Forty years later, Emily's murder remains unsolved. Andrea Oliver arrives in town with a simple assignment: to protect a judge receiving death threats. But her assignment is a cover. Because, in reality, Andrea is here to find justice for Emily – and to uncover the truth before the killer decides to silence her too.

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Historical fiction, mystery | 368 pages

Good Dirt

Charmaine Wilkerson

Ebby Freeman's life has always been marked with tragedy. First, the death of her brother Baz, then her perfect fiancé Henry deserting her on the day of their wedding. When Ebby arrives in a sleepy French village, she believes she's found an opportunity for healing and anonymity. Until Henry appears, staying at the neighbouring property with his beautiful new girlfriend in tow. But might it give Ebby a chance to piece together the fragments of her past – and finally embrace her future?

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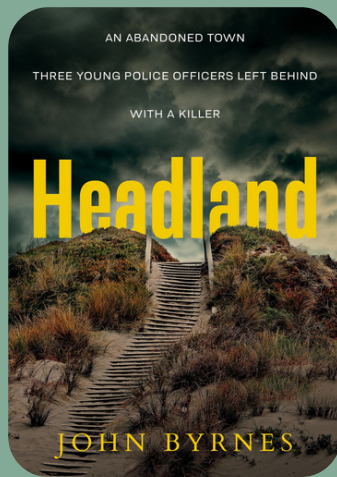
Historical fiction | 256 pages

Goodnight, Vivienne, Goodnight

Steven Carroll

London, June 1940. With help from friends, Vivienne Haigh-Wood, the wife of celebrated poet TS Eliot, is about to effect a daring escape from Northumberland House, the private insane asylum where she has been held for the past four years... There is an old law, Vivienne has been told, that if a person can break out of an asylum and stay free for thirty days, proving they can look after themselves, they can't make you go back. But closing in on Vivienne is the young Detective Sergeant Stephen Minter, a man with a hidden past of his own, who has orders to track her down.

Print



Australian crime fiction | 289 pages

Headland

John Byrnes

The small beachside town of Gloster is on the edge of disaster. After constant rain, floodwaters are rising fast. Detective Constable Craig Watson is a young man with a damaged past. Constables Ellie Cameron and Larissa Brookes are young women struggling to show their worth as police officers under a misogynistic sergeant. The drowning town holds a secret that someone is prepared to murder for, and as the floodwaters cut Gloster off the three young police officers begin to understand that it's not just them left stranded.

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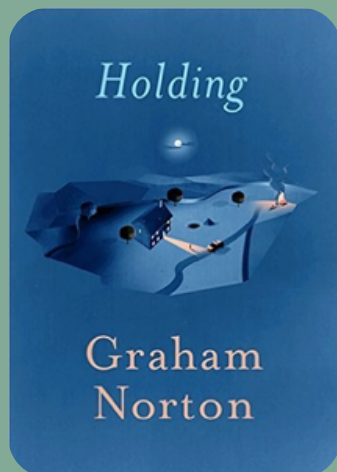
Contemporary fiction | 432 pages

Her Time to Shine

Fiona McCallum

While very pretty, the tiny town of Melrose isn't where Erica thought she'd be at almost fifty. And working in a funeral home and suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder, while navigating her grief as a recent widow, is not how she thought her life would look. Erica's friends and daughters back in Adelaide cheer her on as she discovers a genuine love for her new job, forms friendships and immerses herself in the community. But why is she being plagued by anxiety and flashes of partial memories of her brother Mark who died when she was eleven?

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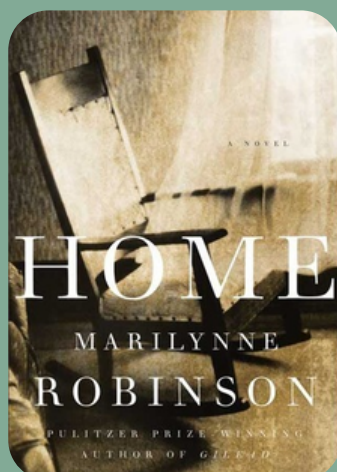
Mystery, crime fiction | 312 pages

Holding

Graham Norton

Duneen is a quiet place. Its residents include castdown policeman PJ who lives a lonely, uneventful life – until now; the beautiful and mysterious family of three spinster sisters each with their own secrets and sorrows and the town's gossip who think she knows the answers. When a grim discovery is made on a building site by the old school, it becomes the catalyst for long buried secrets and rivalries to come to light and this silent, once innocent seeming town is revealed to have a much darker, hungrier undertow...

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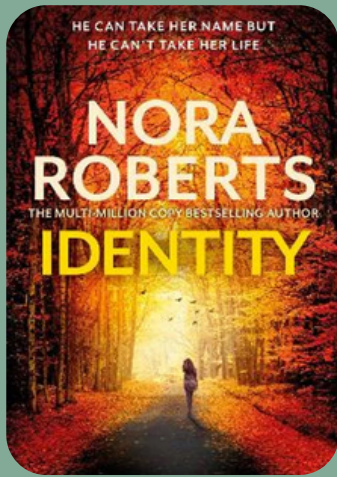
Historical fiction | 325 pages

Home

Marilynne Robinson

Returning to Gilead to care for her dying father, Glory Boughton is joined by her long-absent brother, with whom she bonds throughout his struggles with alcoholism, unemployment, and their father's traditionalist values. Home is a moving and healing book about families, family secrets, and the passing of the generations, about love and death and faith. It is Robinson's greatest work, an unforgettable embodiment of the deepest and most universal emotions.

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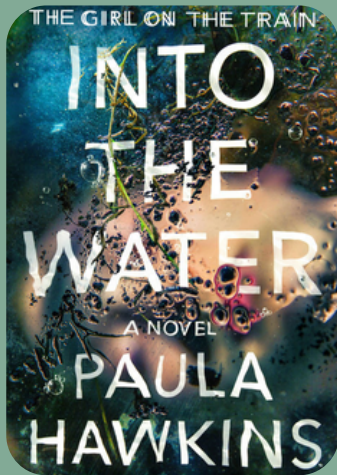
Romantic suspense, thriller | 437 pages

Identity

Nora Roberts

Morgan Albright has planted roots near Baltimore living with friend and roommate Nina. But after they host their first dinner party, attended by Luke, her world is shattered. Nina lies dead on the floor. Soon, a horrific truth emerges: 'Luke' is a cold-hearted con artist named Gavin with an ultimate goal: murder. But Nina wasn't his type. Nina was in the wrong place at the wrong time and Morgan must flee to her mother's home in Vermont. Here she struggles to build something new, but Gavin hasn't forgotten the one who got away.

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Mystery, thriller, crime fiction | 386 pages

Into the Water

Paula Hawkins

A single mother turns up dead at the bottom of the river. Earlier in the summer, a vulnerable teenage girl met the same fate. They are not the first women lost to these dark waters, but their deaths disturb the river and its history. Left behind is a lonely fifteen-year-old girl. Parentless and friendless, she now finds herself in the care of her mother's sister, a fearful stranger who has been dragged back to the place she deliberately ran from--a place to which she vowed she'd never return.

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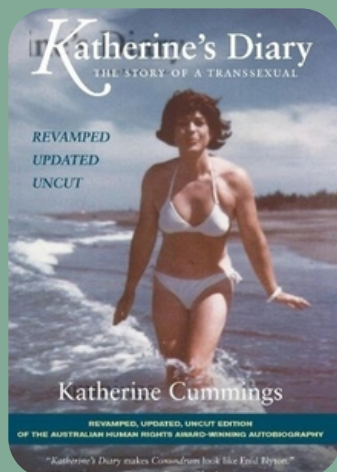
Non-fiction, true crime | 312 pages

Joe Cinque's Consolation

Helen Garner

A true story of death, grief and the law In October 1997, a clever young student at the ANU murdered her boyfriend. She and her best friend were later charged with murder. Garner followed the trial in the ACT Supreme Court. This book is about how and why Joe Cinque died. It probes the gap between ethics and law, explores conscience, culpability and much more.

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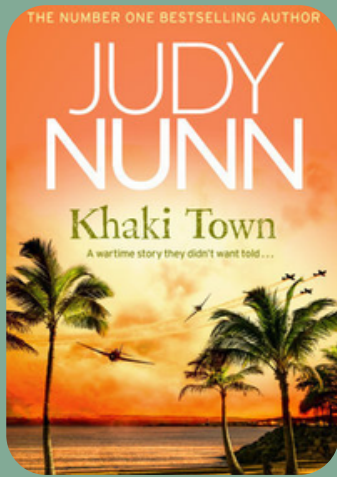
Autobiography | 428 pages

Katherine's Diary

Katherine Cummings

The story of a transsexual. A transgender journey from first awareness to self-determination and beyond. Katherine's Diary is as much autobiography - including stories of growing up in the Gilbert Islands, Fiji, New Zealand, Scotland and Australia as well as her early career in libraries as John Cummings - as it is the intelligent discussion of sexuality, naturally with a particular interest in transgender.

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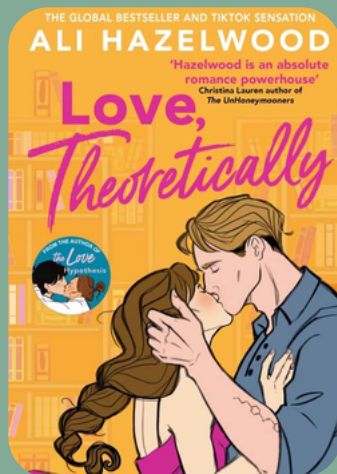
Historical fiction | 384 pages

Khaki Town

Judy Nunn

March 1942. Singapore has fallen, Darwin bombed and Australia is on the brink of being invaded by Japanese Forces. Val Callahan of The Brown's Bar in Townsville, could not be happier as she contemplates the fortune she's making from thirsty soldiers. Overnight the small city is transformed into the transport hub for 70,000 American and Australian soldiers. Barbed wire and gun emplacements cover the beaches. Historic buildings are commandeered. And the dance halls are in full swing with jazz, jitterbug and jive.

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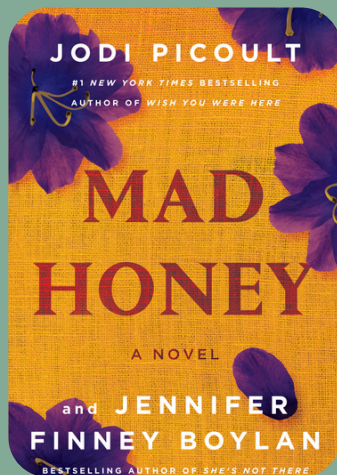
Romance, contemporary fiction | 389 pages

Love Theoretically

Ali Hazelwood

The many lives of theoretical physicist Elsie Hannaway have finally caught up with her. By day, she's an adjunct professor but by other day, Elsie makes up for her non-existent paycheck by offering her services as a fake girlfriend. Honestly, it's a pretty sweet gig, until her carefully constructed Elsie-verse comes crashing down. Because Jack Smith, the annoyingly attractive, arrogant older brother of her favourite client, turns out to be the cold-hearted experimental physicist who ruined her mentor's career and undermined the reputation of theorists everywhere.

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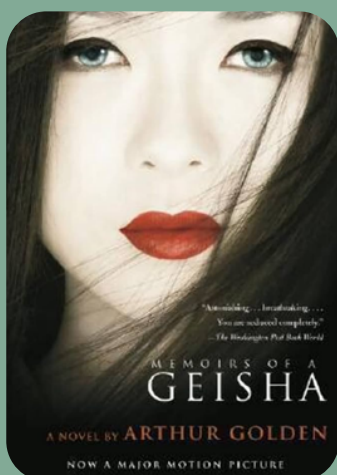
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Mad Honey

Jodi Picoult & Jennifer Finney Boylan

Olivia McAfee knows what it feels like to start over. Her picture-perfect life—living in Boston—was upended when her husband revealed a darker side. She never imagined she would end up back in her hometown, living in the house she grew up in, and taking over her father's beekeeping business. Lily Campanello is familiar with do-overs, too. When she and her mom relocate for her final year of high school, they both hope it will be a fresh start. And for just a short while, these new beginnings are exactly what Olivia and Lily need...

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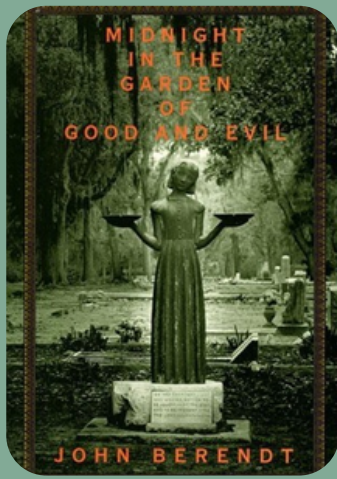
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Memoirs of a Geisha

Arthur Golden

From a small fishing village in 1929, the tale moves to the glamorous and decadent heart of 1930s Kyoto, where a young peasant girl is sold as servant and apprentice to a renowned geisha house. She tells her story many years later; it exquisitely evokes another culture, a different time and the details of an extraordinary way of life. It conjures up the perfection and the ugliness of life behind rice-paper screens, where young girls learn the arts of geisha and how to beguile the most powerful men.

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Non-fiction, true crime, mystery | 386 pages

Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil

John Berendt

Shots rang out in Savannah's grandest mansion in the misty, early morning hours of May 2, 1981. Was it murder or self-defense? For nearly a decade, the shooting and its aftermath reverberated throughout this hauntingly beautiful city of moss-hung oaks and shaded squares. The suspenseful, witty narrative reads like a engrossing novel, and yet it is a work of nonfiction. Berendt interweaves a hugely entertaining first-person account of life in this isolated remnant of the Old South with the unpredictable twists and turns of a landmark murder case.

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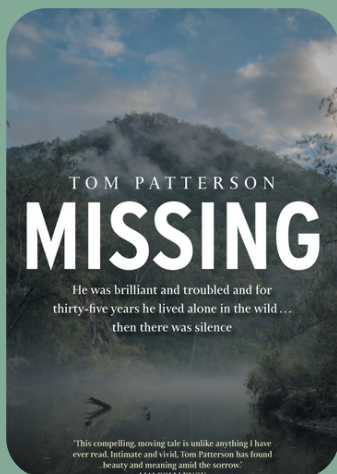
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Discover the classic, behind-the-scenes chronicle of John E. Douglas' twenty-five-year career in the FBI Investigative Support Unit, where he used psychological profiling to delve into the minds of the country's most notorious serial killers and criminals. In chilling detail, the legendary Mindhunter takes us behind the scenes of some of his most gruesome, fascinating, and challenging cases—and into the darkest recesses of our worst nightmares.

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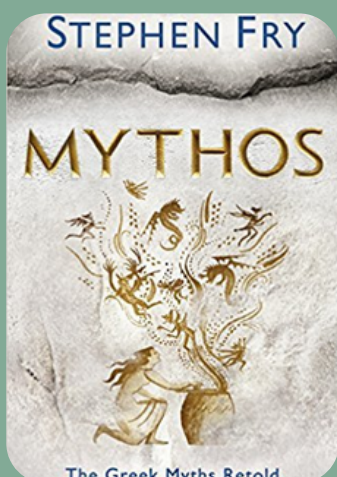
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Missing

Tom Patterson

In 1972 Mark May is eighteen. He is bright, beautiful and has a scholarship to study law. Ten years later he descends alone into remote gorge country in north-western New South Wales. He lives in rough camps and stays for thirty-five years. Then, on a feeling, his brothers go looking for him. Missing is a true story of immense emotional force. It tells of a broken life and a ruptured family but is also a spare and eloquent story of survival that carries a deep humanity. It announces a significant new talent in Australia writing.

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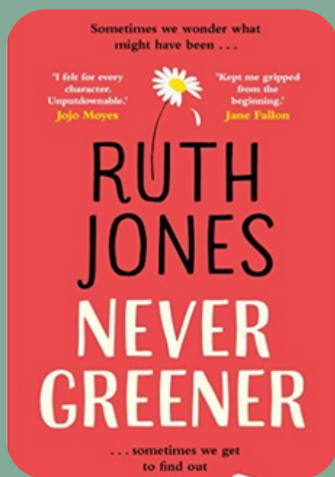
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Mythos

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The Greek myths are amongst the greatest stories ever told. They are embedded deeply in the traditions, tales and cultural DNA of the West. You'll fall in love with Zeus, marvel at the birth of Athena, wince at Cronus and Gaia's revenge on Ouranos, weep with King Midas and hunt with the beautiful and ferocious Artemis. Spellbinding, informative and moving, Stephen Fry's Mythos perfectly captures these stories for the modern age - in all their rich and deeply human relevance.

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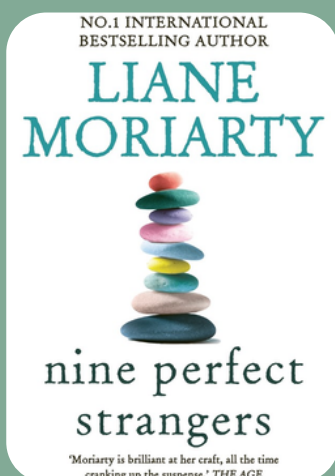
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Never Greener

Ruth Jones

When Kate was twenty-two, she had an passionate affair with married man, Callum, which ended in heartbreak. Kate thought she'd never get over it. Seventeen years later, life has moved on – Kate is now a successful actress, living in London, married to Matt and mother to Itallulah. Meanwhile Callum and his wife Belinda are happy together, living in Edinburgh and watching their kids grow up. But then Kate meets Callum again. And they are faced with a choice: to walk away from each other . . . or to risk finding out what might have been.

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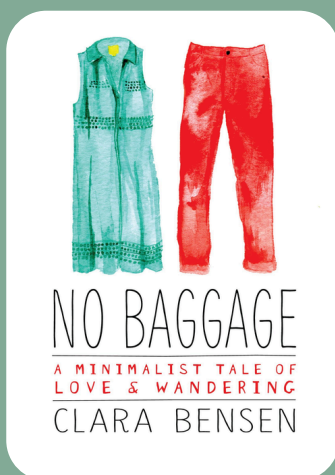
Nine Perfect Strangers

Liane Moriarty

The retreat at health and wellness resort Tranquillum House promises total transformation. Nine stressed city dwellers are keen to drop their literal and mental baggage, and absorb the meditative ambience while enjoying their hot stone massages. Watching over them is the resort's director, a woman on a mission to reinvigorate their tired bodies and minds. These nine perfect strangers have no idea what is about to hit them.

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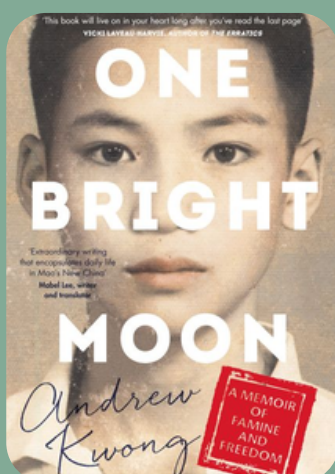
Non-fiction, travel, memoir | 288 pages

No Baggage

Clara Bensen

Newly recovered from a quarter-life meltdown, Clara Bensen decided to test her comeback by signing up for an online dating account. She never expected to meet Jeff, a wildly energetic university professor with a reputation for bucking convention. They barely know each other's last names when they agree to set out on a risky travel experiment spanning eight countries and three weeks. The catch? No hotel reservations, no plans, and best of all, no baggage.

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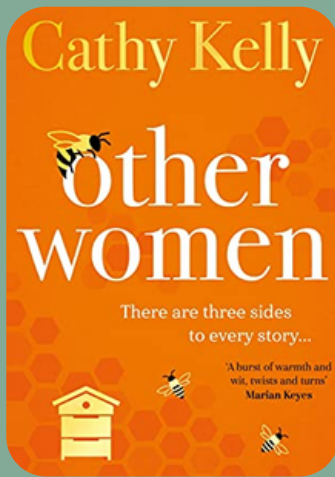
One Bright Moon

Andrew Kwong

Andrew Kwong was only seven when he witnessed his first execution. The grim scene left him sleepless and doubtful about his commitment as a revolutionary in Mao's New China. Months later, it was his own father on trial. This time the sentence was banishment to a re-education camp, not death. It left the family tainted and with few means of survival . Even after his father returned, things remained desperate. Escape seemed the only solution, and it would be twelve year-old Andrew who undertook the perilous journey first.

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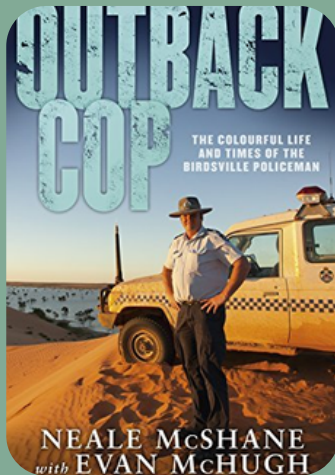
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Other Women

Cathy Kelly

Three women. Three tangled lives... Sid wears her independence like armour. So when she strikes up a rare connection with unlucky-in-love Finn, they are both determined to prove that men and women can just be friends. Marin has the perfect home, attentive husband, two beloved children – and a secret addiction to designer clothes. Bea believes that we all have one love story – and she's had hers. Now her life centres around her son, Luke, and her support group of single women. But there's something that she can't tell anyone...

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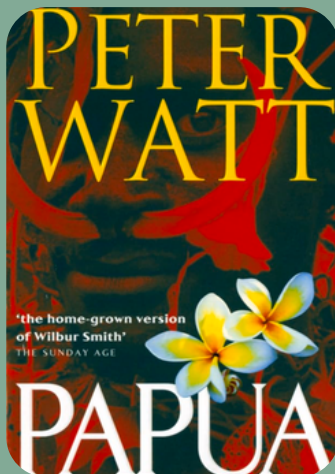
True crime, memoir, non-fiction | 306 pages

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Neale McShane with Evan McHugh

Birdsville is one of the most remote police postings in Australia. It can be uneventful for weeks, then the dramas come thick and fast: from desert rescues to rising floods, venomous vipers to visiting VIPs. Senior Constable Neale McShane, has singlehandedly taken care of a beat the size of Victoria for the past ten years. Neale and his family thrived on the adventures and colourful times that come with the territory in the furthest corner of our country.

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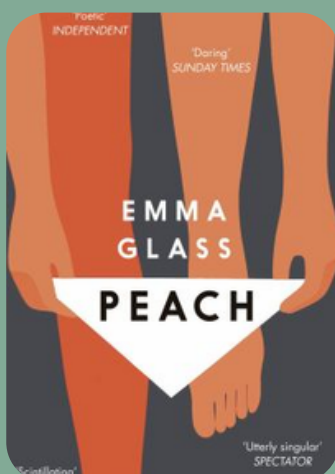
Historical fiction | 600 pages

Papua

Peter Watt

Two men, sworn enemies, come face to face on the battlefields of France. When Jack Kelly, a captain in the Australian army, shows compassion towards his prisoner Paul Mann, a brave and high-ranking German officer, an unexpected bond is formed. But neither could imagine how their pasts and futures would become inextricably linked by one place: Papua.

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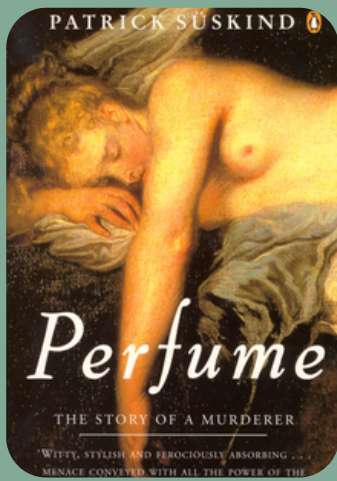
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Peach

Emma Glass

Peach is a teenage girl like any other. She has college, friends, her parents, a new baby and her gorgeous boyfriend Green. She has her friend Sandy, and Sid the cat, and homework to do. But something unspeakable has happened and her world has become fractured. Reeling through her refracted universe, Peach knows that the people she loves are in danger, real danger. If she is not to be swallowed whole, Peach must summon all her courage and dig deep into something nameless and strange that lies within.

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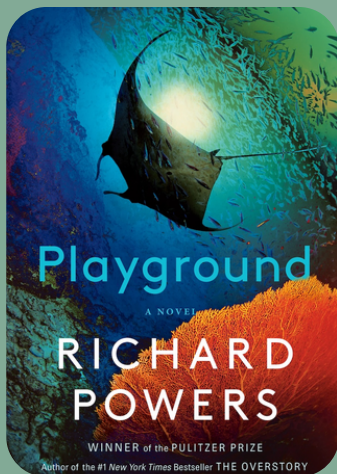
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Perfume

Patrick Suskind

Perfume: The Story of a Murder Follows the life of Jean-Baptiste Grenouille, abandoned at birth in the slums of eighteenth century Paris, but blessed with an outstanding sense of smell. This gift enables Jean Baptiste to master the perfume making, but one scent evades him: that of a virgin, whom he must possess to ensure her innocence and beauty are preserved.

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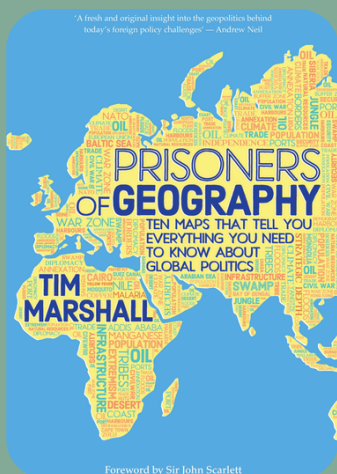
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Set in the world's largest ocean, Playground explores that last wild place we have yet to colonize and interweaves profound themes of technology and the environment, and a deep exploration of our shared humanity in a way only Richard Powers can.

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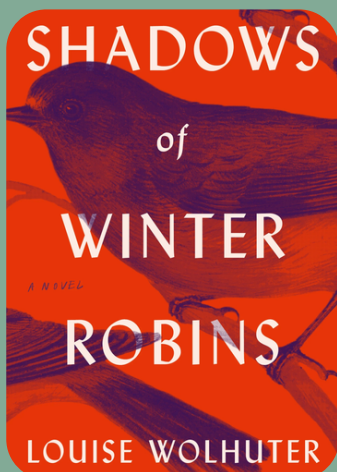
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Prisoners of Geography

Tim Marshall

All leaders are constrained by geography. Yes, to understand world events you need to understand people, ideas and movements – but if you don't know geography, you'll never have the full picture. To understand Putin's actions, for example, it is essential to consider that, to be a world power, Russia must have a navy. And if its ports freeze for six months each year then it must have access to a warm water port – hence, the annexation of Crimea was the only option for Putin.

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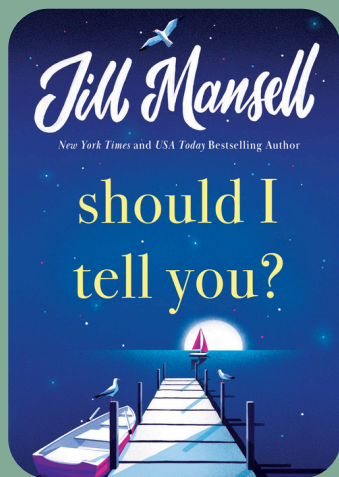
Shadows of Winter Robins

Louise Wolhuter

Winter Robins grows up in the north of England, with parents who love her and a twin brother, but a cold wind blows through when her mother dies. Her father turns to the bottle, her grandmother struggles to cope, and she and her brother are sent to live in Western Australia. There Winter notices strange happenings in the shadows of her new home. When a news story prompts her to look back at her past, she begins to wonder whether things were as idyllic as she remembers them.

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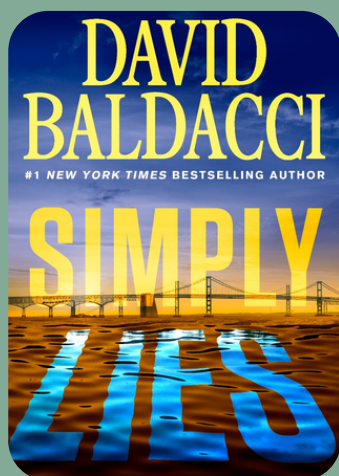
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Should I Tell You?

Jill Mansell

Amber, Lachlan and Raffaele met as teenagers in the home of kind-hearted foster parents. Arriving in Cornwall was the best thing that happened to them. Now, as adults, their bond is stronger than ever. But Amber is in love with Lachlan. But restless Lachlan isn't the settling-down type. Surely it's better to keep him as a friend than to risk losing him for good? Raffaele has his own dilemma. He had the dream girlfriend in Vee, until it all went horribly wrong... and he can't understand why.

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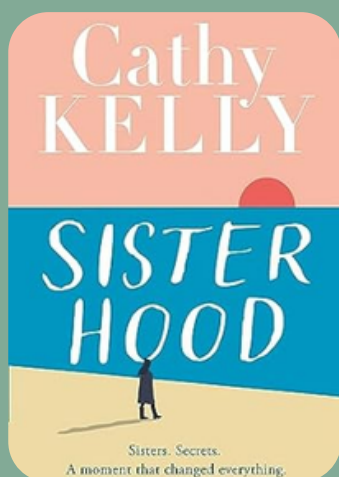
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Simply Lies

David Baldacci

Following a disastrous divorce, former detective Mickey Gibson is employed by a global investigation company, ProEye, to track down the extremely wealthy who seem bent on not paying their debts. When Mickey is asked by Arlene Robinson, a colleague from ProEye, to inventory an old mansion owned by a notorious former arms dealer, Rutger Novak, she discovers a long-decomposed body in a secret room. Apparently, Novak has cheated ProEye clients out of millions in the past and now they want to nail him.

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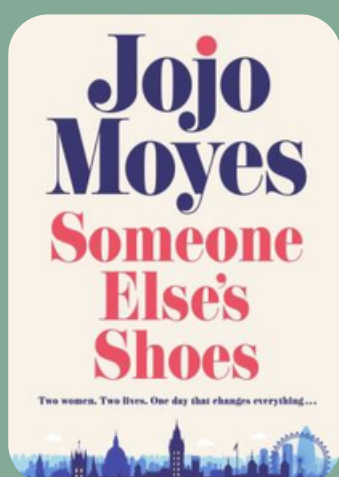
Sisterhood

Cathy Kelly

Lou is at a crossroads. In one night, at her own 50th birthday, her world has imploded. Her mother has kept a secret hidden all her life. Before Lou can take another step, she needs to get to the bottom of the shocking truth that alters who she really is. Along with her sister Toni, who is facing her own crisis, Lou sets out on a life-changing journey – one that will take the pair along Ireland's wildest coastline and to Sicily's sun-baked rocky shores.

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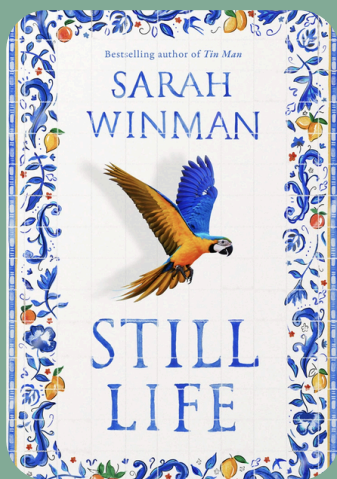
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Someone Else's Shoes

Jojo Moyes

Nisha Cantor and Sam Kemp are two very different women. Nisha, lives the globetrotting life of the seriously wealthy, until her husband inexplicably cuts her off entirely. She doesn't even have the shoes she was, until a moment ago, standing in. That's because Sam, middle-aged, struggling to keep herself and her family afloat – has accidentally taken Nisha's gym bag. Now Nisha's got nothing. And Sam's walking tall with shoes that catch eyes t. Except Nisha wants her life back – and she'll start with her shoes.

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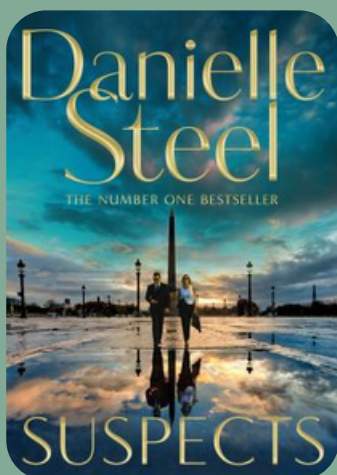
Historical fiction | 464 pages

Still Life

Sarah Winman

It's 1944 and in the ruined wine cellar of a Tuscan villa, as the Allied troops advance and bombs fall around them, two strangers meet and share an extraordinary evening together. These two unlikely people find kindred spirits in each other and Evelyn's talk of truth and beauty plants a seed in Ulysses mind that will shape the trajectory of his life for the next four decades. Moving from the Tuscan Hills, to the smog of the East End and the piazzas of Florence, *Still Life* is a sweeping, mischievous novel about beauty, love, family and fate.

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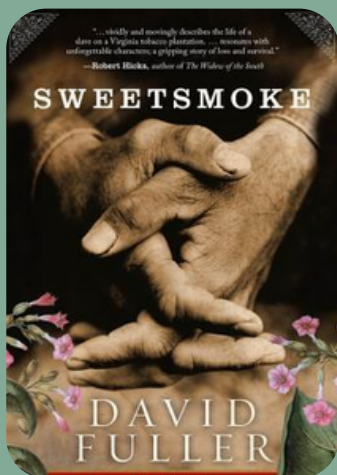
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Suspects

Danielle Steel

Theodora Morgan is fashion royalty. Founder of a wildly popular online shopping service, she is one of the most successful businesswomen in the world. It was a year ago when the unthinkable struck her family: her husband, industry mogul Matthieu Pasquier, and their son were kidnapped and held for ransom a nightmare that ended in tragedy. CIA operative Mike Andrews begins a covert mission to protect Theo. When Mike and Theo meet, their connection is instant, but Theo is completely unaware of Mike's true objective or identity...

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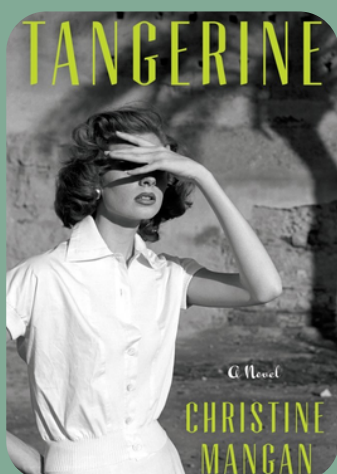
Mystery, historical fiction | 384 pages

SweetSmoke

David Fuller

The year is 1862, and the Civil War rages through the South. On a Virginia tobacco plantation, another kind of battle soon begins. There, Cassius Howard risks everything, punishment, sale to a cotton plantation, even his life, to learn the truth concerning the murder of Emoline, a freed black woman, a woman who once saved his life. It is clear that no one cares about her death in the midst of a brutal and hellish war. No one but Cassius, who braves horrific dangers to escape the plantation and avenge her loss.

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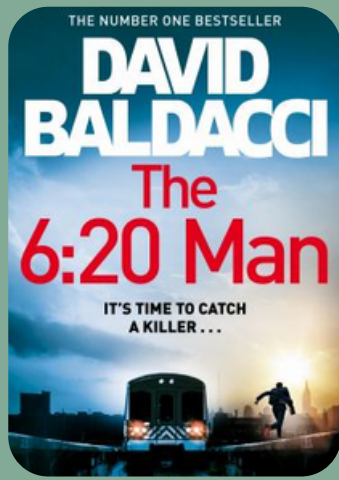
Historical fiction, mystery, thriller | 320 pages

Tangerine

Christine Mangan

The last person Alice Shipley expected to see since arriving in Tangier with her new husband was Lucy Mason. After the horrific accident at Bennington, the two friends haven't spoken in over a year. But Lucy is standing there, trying to make things right. Lucy, always fearless and independent, helps Alice emerge from her flat and explore the country. But soon a familiar feeling starts to overtake Alice - she feels controlled and stifled. Then Alice's husband goes missing, and Alice starts to question everything around her.

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The 6:20 Man

David Baldacci

Having survived combat tours in Afghanistan and Iraq and been decorated with medals, Travis Devine mysteriously leaves the Army. And at thirty-two years old, he's swapping fighting the Taliban and Al Qaeda for a different kind of danger in the cut-throat world of high finance. His daily commute on the 6.20 am train to his new job as an analyst at the investment bank Cowl and Comely, takes him into a world where greed, power, jealousy and ambition. But it is on this daily journey that he passes a house where he sees something that sounds alarm signals he cannot ignore.

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The 100 Year Old Man who Climbed Out the Window and Disappeared

Jonas Jonasson

After a long and eventful life Allan Karlsson is moved to a nursing home to await the inevitable. But his health refuses to fail and as his 100th birthday looms a huge party is planned. Allan wants no part of it and decides to climb out the window... Charming and funny; a European publishing phenomenon.

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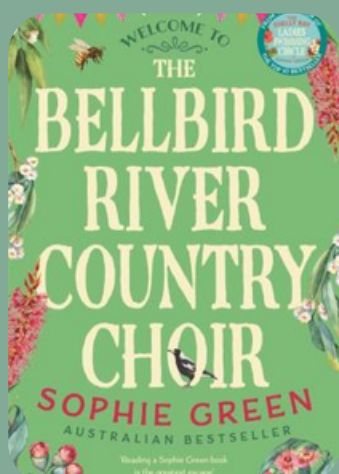
The Afterlife Confessional

Bill Edgar

Bill Edgar rose to international fame as the 'Coffin Confessor' – the man who crashes funerals on behalf of the deceased, giving voice to their last wishes. The Afterlife Confessional is Bill Edgar's fascinating account of the things he's witnessed and learned as the Coffin Confessor – the bizarre and beautiful ways we live and love, the finality of death and the power of legacy, and how letting go can sometimes be the first step to living on.

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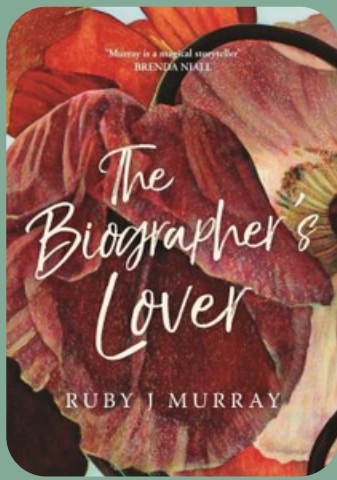
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The Bellbird River Country Choir

Sophie Green

Bellbird River, 1998: Teacher and single mum Alex is new to Bellbird River from the city. Across town, well-known matriarch Victoria and her cousin Gabrielle find themselves at a crossroads. Local baker Janine and newcomer to the area Debbie are each secretly dealing with the consequences of painful pasts. With its dusty streets, lone pub and iron-lace verandahs, Bellbird River could just be a pit stop on the road to somewhere else. But their town holds some secrets and surprises – and it has a heart: the Bellbird River Country Choir.

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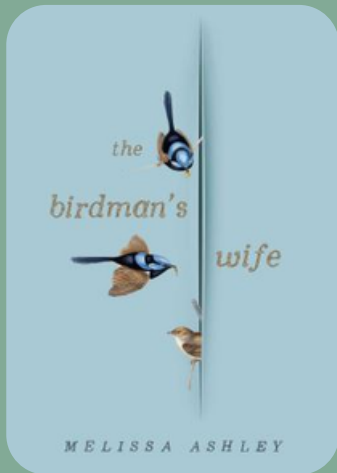
Literary fiction | 282 pages

The Biographer's Lover

Ruby J. Murray

Why has no one heard of Edna Cranmer? When a young writer is hired to put together the life of an unknown artist from Geelong, of all places, she thinks it will be just another quick commission paid for by a rich, grieving family obsessed with their own past. But Edna Cranmer was not a privileged housewife with a paintbrush. Edna's work spans decades. Edna could have been an official war artist. Did she choose to hide herself away? Or were there people who didn't want her to be famous?

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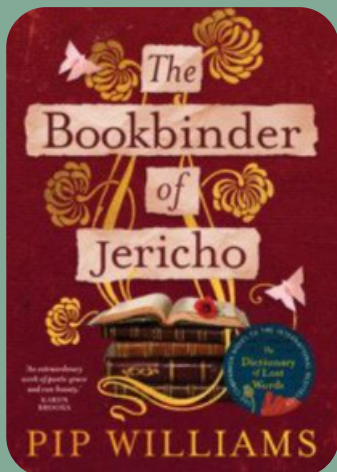
Historical fiction | 389 pages

The Birdman's Wife

Melissa Ashley

A reimagining of the life of Elizabeth Gould. Artist Elizabeth Gould spent her life capturing the sublime beauty of birds the world had never seen before. But her legacy was eclipsed by the fame of her husband, John Gould. 'The Birdman's Wife' at last gives voice to a passionate and adventurous spirit who was so much more than the woman behind the man.

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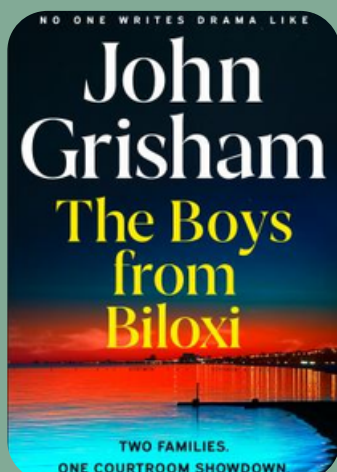
Historical fiction | 438 pages

The Bookbinder of Jericho

Pip Williams

In 1914, when the war draws the young men of Britain away to fight, it is the women who must keep the nation running. Two of those women are Peggy and Maude, twin sisters who work in the bindery at Oxford University Press in Jericho. When refugees arrive from the devastated cities of Belgium, it sends ripples through the community and through the sisters' lives. Peggy begins to see the possibility of another future where she can use her intellect and not just her hands...

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Legal, thriller, crime fiction | 464 pages

The Boys from Biloxi

John Grisham

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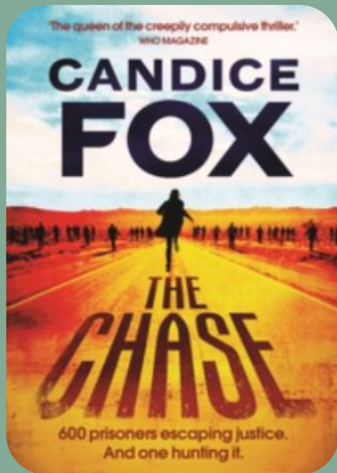
Historical fiction | 363 pages

The Butterfly Collector

Tea Cooper

1868 Morpeth: Theodora Breckenridge, still in mourning after the loss of her parents and brother at sea, is more interested in working quietly on her art than finding a husband in Sydney society. Theodora seeks to emulate prestigious nature illustrators, the Scott sisters, so she cannot believe her luck when she discovers a butterfly never before sighted in Australia. With the help of Clarrie, her maid, and her beautiful illustrations, she is poised to make a natural science discovery that will put her name on the map. Then Clarrie's new-born son goes missing and everything changes.

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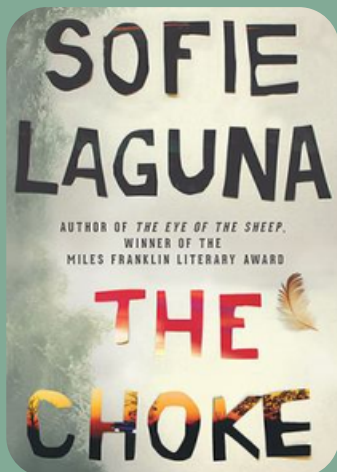
Thriller, crime fiction | 448 pages

The Chase

Candice Fox

When more than 600 of the world's most violent human beings pour out from Pronghorn Correctional Facility into the Nevada Desert, the biggest manhunt in US history begins. But for John Kradle, this is his one chance to prove his innocence, five years after the murder of his wife and child. He just needs to stay one step ahead of the teams of law enforcement officers. Death row supervisor turned fugitive-hunter Celine Osbourne is single-minded in her mission to catch Kradle. She has very personal reasons for hating him – and she knows exactly where he's heading.

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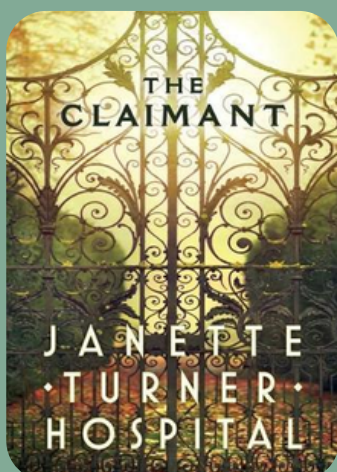
Australian domestic fiction | 371 pages

The Choke

Sophie Laguna

Abandoned by her mother as a toddler and only occasionally visited by her volatile father, Justine is raised solely by her Pop, an old man tormented by visions of the Burma Railway. Justine finds sanctuary in Pop's chooks and The Choke, where the banks of the Murray River are so narrow they can almost touch – a place of staggering natural beauty that is both a source of peace and danger. A brilliant, haunting novel about a child navigating an often dark and uncaring world of male power, guns and violence, in which grown-ups can't be trusted and comfort can only be found in nature.

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Mystery, fiction | 624 pages

The Claimant

Janette Turner Hospital

Manhattan, 1996: the trial of the Vanderbilt claimant is finally coming to an end. The case has been seeking to establish whether or not a certain man is the son of the fabulously wealthy and well-connected Vanderbilt family. The son went missing, presumed dead, while serving in the Vietnam war. There is huge fortune, prestige and status at stake. But is the man – a handsome cattle farmer from Queensland – really the Vanderbilt heir? And if so, why does he seem so reluctant to be found?

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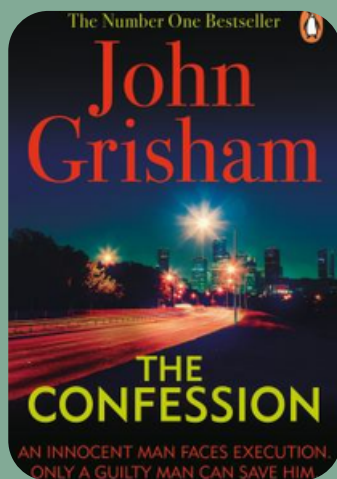
Australian, historical fiction | 320 pages

The Coast

Eleanor Limprecht

Alice is nine years old in 1910 when she is sent to the feared Coast Hospital Lazaret at Little Bay in Sydney, a veritable prison where more patients are admitted than will ever leave. As she grows up, the secluded refuge of the lazaret becomes Alice's entire world. The patients have access to a private sandstone-edged beach, their own rowboat, a piano and a library of books, but Alice is tired of the smallness of her life. It is only when Guy, a Yuwaalaraay man arrives at The Coast, that Alice begins to experience what she has yearned for, as they become friends and then something deeper.

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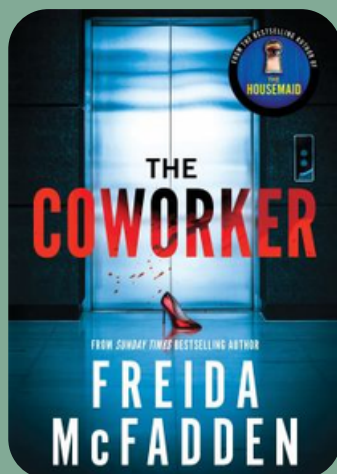
Legal, thriller fiction | 418 pages

The Confession

John Grisham

When Travis Boyette, a convicted felon, walks into a church in small-town Missouri, he carries with him a terrible secret. Nearly a decade earlier Nicole Yarber, a high school senior with her whole life ahead of her, vanished. For two weeks, her home town stood still as thousands of volunteers combed the alleys and fields and ditches and abandoned buildings. But the search was futile. Nicole's body was never found. Now Donte Drumm, the black football player arrested for Nicole's murder, sits on death row.

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Mystery, thriller, crime fiction | 326 pages

The Coworker

Freida McFadden

Dawn Schiff is strange. At least, everyone at work thinks so. She never says the right thing, has no friends and always at her desk at precisely 8:45 am. So when Dawn doesn't show up to the office one morning, her beautiful, popular coworker Natalie Farrell is surprised. Then she receives an unsettling, anonymous phone call that changes everything... Now, Natalie is tied to Dawn as she finds herself caught in a twisted game of cat and mouse that leaves her wondering: who's the real victim?

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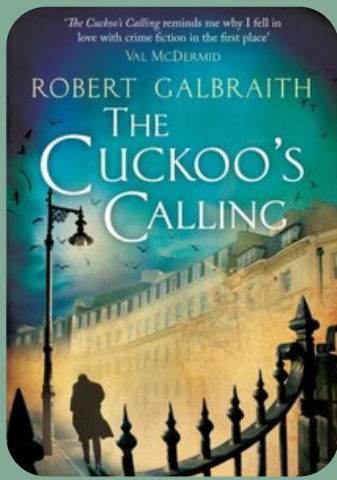
Mystery, contemporary fiction | 353 pages

The Crying Tree

Naseem Rakha

Irene Stanley thought her world had come to an end when her 15-year-old son, Shep, was murdered in a robbery at their Oregon home. Daniel Robbin, who had spent his teenage years in and out of trouble, gave himself up to the police and was imprisoned in the State Penitentiary. Irene, having reached the brink of suicide, comes to the realization that to survive she needs to overcome her grief and her hate for Robbin, and that she must face the secrets that she suspects surround Shep's murder.

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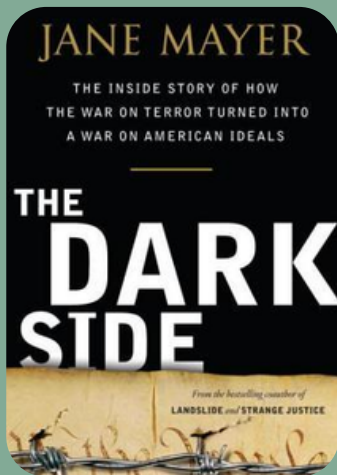
Mystery, thriller, crime fiction | 456 pages

The Cuckoo's Calling

Robert Galbraith

After losing his leg to a land mine in Afghanistan, Cormoran Strike is barely scraping by as a private investigator. Strike is down to one client, and creditors are calling. Then John Bristow walks through his door with an amazing story: His sister, the legendary supermodel Lula Landry, famously fell to her death a few months earlier. The police ruled it a suicide, but John refuses to believe that. The case plunges Strike into the world of multimillionaire beauties, rock-star boyfriends and it introduces him to every variety of pleasure, enticement, seduction, and delusion known to man.

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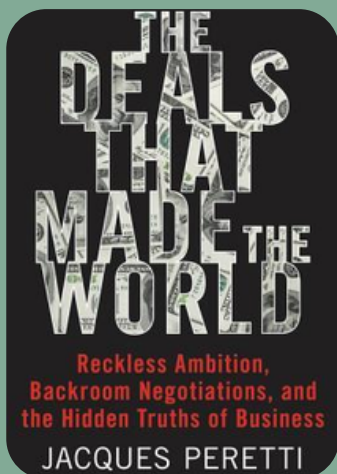
Political, non-fiction | 392 pages

The Dark Side

Jane Mayer

The Dark Side is a dramatic, riveting, and definitive narrative account of how the United States made self-destructive decisions in the pursuit of terrorists around the world—decisions that not only violated the Constitution, but also hampered the pursuit of Al Qaeda. Jane Mayer relates how the impact of these decisions exploited September 11 to further a long held agenda and enhance presidential powers to a degree never known in U.S. history, obliterating Constitutional protections that define the very essence of the American experiment.

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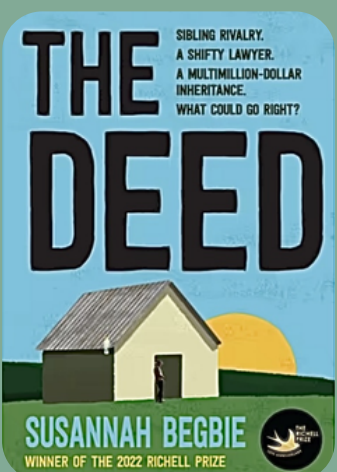
Political, business, economics non-fiction | 320 pages

The Deals that Made the World

Jacques Peretti

For twenty years, Peretti has interviewed the people behind the decisions that have altered our world. But in this book, Jacques Peretti makes a provocative and quite different argument: much of the world around us— from the food we eat to the products we buy to the medications we take—is shaped by private negotiations and business deals few of us know about.

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Australian fiction | 415 pages

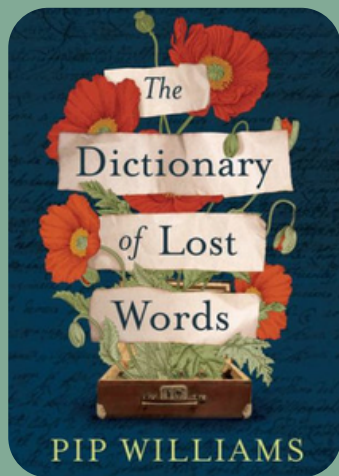
The Deed

Susannah Begbie

Tom Edwards is dying, and cranky. He's made his peace with dying but he'd bet his property there'd be no wailing at his funeral. His kids wouldn't be able to chop down a tree, let alone build a coffin to bury him in. Then Tom has an idea ... Christine is furious, David ashen-faced, and Sophie distracted. Only Jenny listens carefully as Vince Barton reads their father's will. Either they build his coffin - in four days - or they lose their inheritance. All of it.

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Historical fiction | 384 pages

The Dictionary of Lost Words

Pip Williams

Esme is born into a world of words. Motherless and irrepressibly curious, she spends her childhood in the 'Scriptorium', a garden shed in Oxford where her father and a team of dedicated lexicographers are collecting words for the very first Oxford English Dictionary. One day a slip of paper containing the word 'bondmaid' flutters to the floor. Esme begins to collect other words from the Scriptorium that are misplaced, discarded or have been neglected by the dictionary men. They help her make sense of the world.

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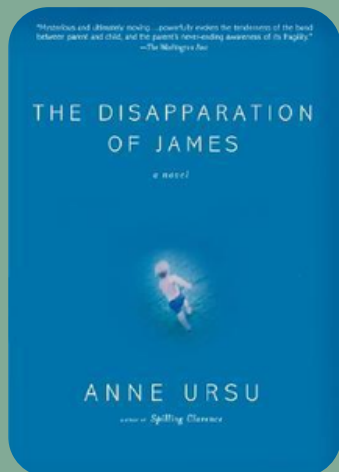
Historical fiction | 392 pages

The Dig

John Preston

In the long, hot summer of 1939, Britain is preparing for war, but on a riverside farm in Suffolk there is excitement of another kind. Mrs. Pretty, the widowed owner of the farm, has had her hunch confirmed that the mounds on her land hold buried treasure. As the dig proceeds, it becomes clear that this is no ordinary find. This fictional recreation of the famed Sutton Hoo dig follows three months of intense activity when locals fought outsiders, professionals thwarted amateurs, and love and rivalry flourished in equal measure.

Print



Mystery, fantasy fiction | 288 pages

The Disappearance of James

Anne Ursu

The Woodrow family is going to the circus to celebrate Greta's seventh birthday, when five-year-old brother James eagerly volunteers to join the magic act. The trick is spectacular and applause rings as James vanishes before their eyes. The trouble is, James really did disappear. In the aftermath of James's disappearance the laws of the universe come into question. His mother becomes lost in her dreams, his father obsessed with the clown and big sister Greta sets out to figure out what happened.

Print



Australian fiction | 527 pages

The Dressmaker's Secret

Rosalie Ham

A unique Australian classic of revenge, small town secrets and high fashion. It is 1953, two years after Tilly Dunnage left her home town in flames. The fashion pages are awash with royal fever. The young queen's coronation means a season of society balls and a rush to reproduce the latest styles of the Houses of Dior, Valentino and Balenciaga. Why, then, is the best dressmaker in Melbourne squandering her talents in a second-rate Collins Street salon? From whom, or what, is she hiding?

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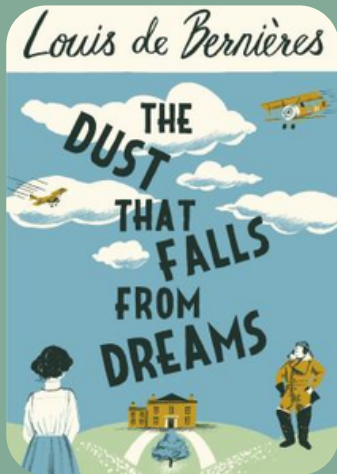
Australian fiction, mystery, detective | 342 pages

The Dry

Jane Harper

Who really killed the Hadler family? Luke Hadler turns a gun on his wife and child, then himself. When Federal Police investigator Aaron Falk returns to Kiewarra for the funerals, he is loath to confront the people who rejected him twenty years earlier. But when his investigative skills are called on, the facts of the Hadler case start to make him doubt this murder-suicide charge. And as Falk probes deeper into the killings, old wounds are reopened. For Falk and his childhood friend Luke shared a secret...

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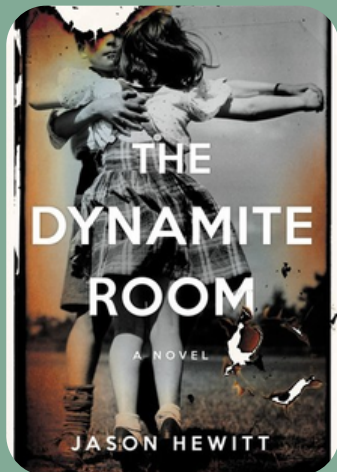
Historical fiction | 515 pages

The Dust that Falls From Dreams

Louis de Bernieres

Rosie McCosh and her three sisters are growing up in an idyllic household in the countryside south of London. With their neighbors, the two Pitt brothers and the three Pendennis boys, they are The Pals. But these days of childhood camaraderie and adventure are brought to an abrupt end by the outbreak of World War I. We follow them through the years of the war in the trenches, air battles, in the hospitals and its aftermath as the modern world slowly emerges out of the ashes of the old.

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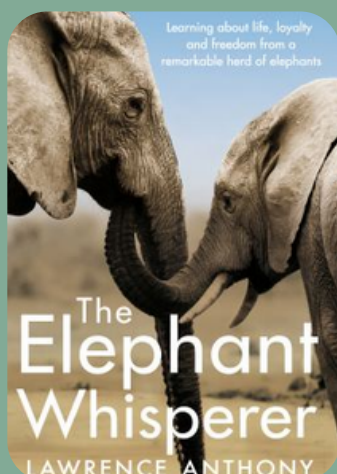
Historical fiction | 352 pages

The Dynamite Room

Jason Hewitt

July 1940. Eleven-year-old Lydia walks through a village in rural Suffolk on a hot day. The shops and houses empty, the village seemingly deserted. She strikes off down a country lane to the house she grew up in and finds it empty too, her family gone. Late that night a soldier comes, gun in hand and heralding a full-blown German invasion. There are rules she must now abide by. He won't hurt Lydia, but she cannot leave the house. Is he telling the truth? What is he looking for? And how does he already know Lydia's name?

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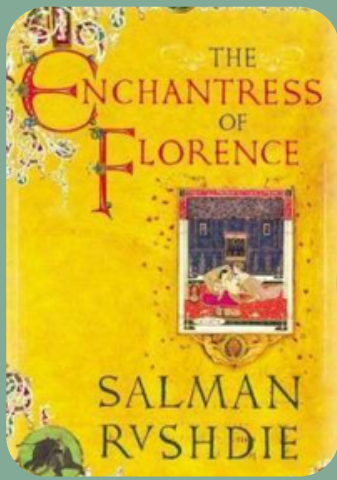
Non-fiction | 386 pages

The Elephant Whisperer

Lawrence Anthony

When South African conservationist Lawrence Anthony was asked to accept a herd of 'rogue' elephants on his reserve at Thula Thula, his commonsense told him to refuse. But he was the herd's last chance of survival - they would all be killed if Lawrence wouldn't take them. He agreed, but before arrangements for the move could be completed the animals broke out and the matriarch and her baby were shot. The remaining elephants were traumatised and very angry. As soon as they arrived at Thula Thula they started planning their escape...

Print



Historical, literary fiction | 464 pages

The Enchantress of Florence

Salman Rushdie

When a young European traveller arrives at Sikri the tale he spins brings the whole imperial capital to the brink of obsession. He calls himself 'Mogor dell'Amore', the Mughal of Love, and claims to be the son of a lost princess, whose name and very existence has been erased from the country's history. After a series of abductions by besotted warlords, she finds herself carried to Machiavellian Florence. In her attempts to command her own destiny Lady Black Eyes brings together Florence and Sikri, so far apart and yet so alike, and two worlds become dangerously entwined.

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Fiction, mystery, thriller | 407 pages

The Forgetting Time

Sharon Guskin

Noah is four and wants to go home. The only trouble is he's already home. Janie's son is her world, and it breaks her heart that he has nightmares. That he's terrified of water. That he sometimes pushes her away and screams that he wants his real mother. That it's getting worse and worse and no-one seems to be able to help. In desperation, she turns to someone who might have an answer – but it may not be one she's ready to hear. It may also mean losing the one thing she loves more than anything. Noah.

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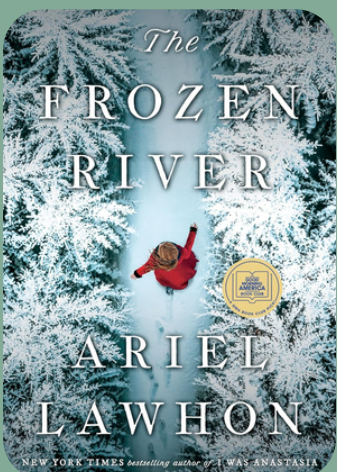
Historical fiction | 454 pages

The Four Winds

Kristin Hannah

Texas, 1934. Elsa Martinelli had finally found the life she'd yearned for. A family, a home and a livelihood on a farm on the Great Plains. But when drought threatens all she and her community hold dear, Elsa's world is shattered to the winds. Fearful of the future, when Elsa wakes to find her husband has fled, she is forced to make the most agonizing decision of her life. Fight for the land she loves or take her beloved children, Loreda and Ant, west to California in search of a better life. Will it be the land of milk and honey? Or will their experience challenge every ounce of strength they possess?

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Historical fiction, mystery | 432 pages

The Frozen River

Ariel Lawhon

Martha Ballard is summoned to examine a body frozen in the Kennebec River and determine cause of death. As a midwife and healer, she is privy to much of what goes on behind closed doors in Hallowell and records it in her diary. Months earlier, Martha documented an alleged rape committed by two of the town's most respected gentlemen—one now found dead in the ice. But when a local physician undermines her conclusion, declaring the death to be an accident, Martha is forced to investigate the murder on her own.

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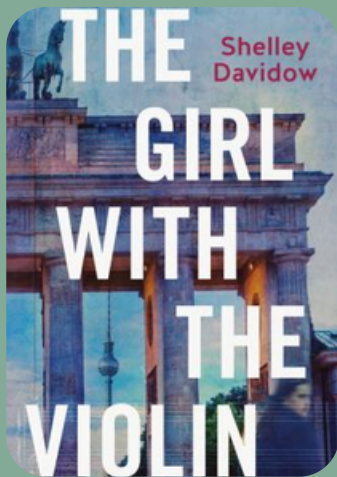
Historical fiction | 441 pages

The German Wife

Kelly Rimmer

Berlin, 1934: Sofie Rhodes is the wife of a scientist whose husband, Jurgen, is recruited for Hitler's new rocket project. But too late they realise the Nazis' plans to weaponise Jurgen's technology as they begin to wage war against the rest of Europe. Alabama, 1950: Jurgen is one of hundreds of Nazi scientists offered pardons and taken to the US to work for the CIA's fledgling space program. Sofie, now the mother of four struggles to fit in among the other NASA wives. When news about the family's Nazi affiliation spreads, idle gossip turns to bitter rage.

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Historical fiction | 390 pages

The Girl with the Violin

Shelley Davidow

Germany is on the verge of change as the wall is torn down, and Susanna is swept along by the event. Under the guidance of Stefan Heinemeyer, renowned violin teacher and grandson of a Nazi, she begins a composition in memory of her grandmother and Susanna is inspired to retrace Mirla's final footsteps. It's a journey that reconnects Susanna to her heritage and propels her musical gift to extraordinary heights. Yet as a forbidden yearning for Stefan begins to unfurl, Susanna's life is forever changed, and the repercussions will echo through decades and across continents.

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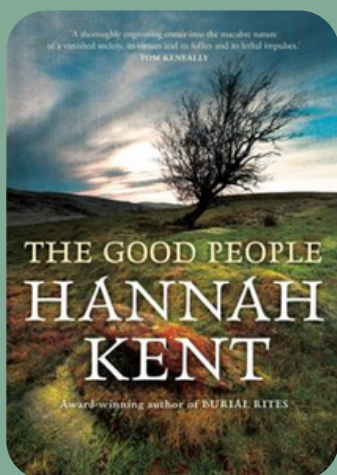
Historical fiction | 368 pages

The Glassblower of Murano

Marina Fiorato

Venice, 1681. Glassblowing is the lifeblood of the Republic. Jealously guarded by the murderous Council of Ten, the glassblowers of Murano are virtually imprisoned on their island. But the greatest of the artists, Corradino Manin, sells his methods and his soul to Louis XIV of France, to protect his secret daughter. In present day his descendant, Leonora Manin, leaves an unhappy life in London to begin a new one as a glassblower in Venice. As she finds new life and love in her adoptive city, her fate becomes inextricably linked with that of her ancestor.

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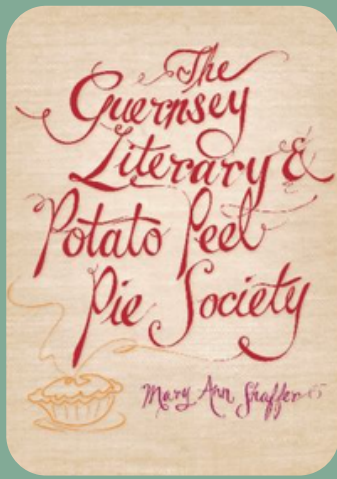
Historical fiction | 400 pages

The Good People

Hannah Kent

In the Irish valley Nora Leahy inhabits in 1825, superstition and legend dominate the community's interactions. When Nora's husband dies, Nora is sole guardian to her grandson, Micheal, son of her own deceased daughter. Micheal requires a great deal of care. His ailments arouse suspicion in the valley, where such handicaps are thought to be the work of the fairy folk - the Good People. When the notion takes hold that Micheal is a changeling, Nora begins to believe that her real grandson has been stolen by the Good People.

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Historical fiction, mystery | 276 pages

The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society

Mary Ann Shaffer

It's 1946. The war is over, and Juliet Ashton has writer's block. But then she receives a letter from Dawsey Adams of Guernsey, who has come across her name written in a second hand book. She enters into correspondence with him and all the members of the Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society. Through their letters, the society tell Juliet about life on the island and the long shadow cast by their time living under German occupation. Drawn into their irresistible world, Juliet sets sail for the island, changing her life forever.

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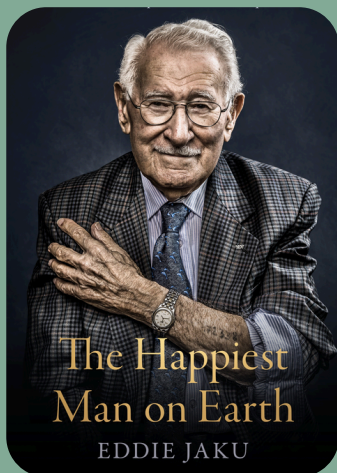
Mystery, thriller, fiction | 378 pages

The Guest List

Lucy Foley

On an island off the windswept Irish coast, guests gather for the marriage of Jules Keegan and Will Slater. The setting is spectacular, the atmosphere alive. But guests toast the golden couple, Jules and Will, dark secrets begin to spill. Old friends. Past grudges. Happy families. Thirteen guests. One body. The wedding cake has barely been cut when one of the guests is found dead. As a storm unleashes its fury on the island, everyone is trapped – and the killer circulates amongst the guests. All have a secret. All have a motive. It starts with a party. It'll end in murder...

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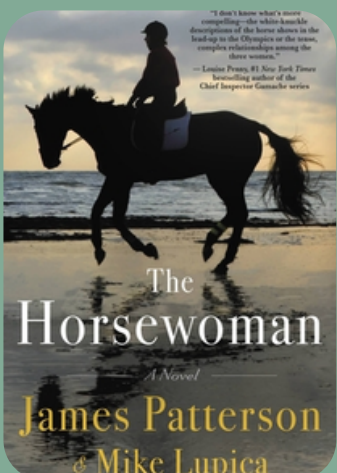
Autobiography | 195 pages

The Happiest Man on Earth

Eddie Jaku

Eddie Jaku was born Abraham Salomon Jakubowicz to a large Jewish family in 1920. He was a young man when Hitler and the Nazis came to power in the 1930s; most of this memoir details his time spent in the Buchenwald and Auschwitz concentration camps. Despite the unimaginable suffering he endured, which included the loss of his entire family except for his sister, Eddie's spirit remained unbroken. When the war ended, he made a promise to smile every day in gratitude for his survival, and in honor of the six million Jews murdered in the Holocaust.

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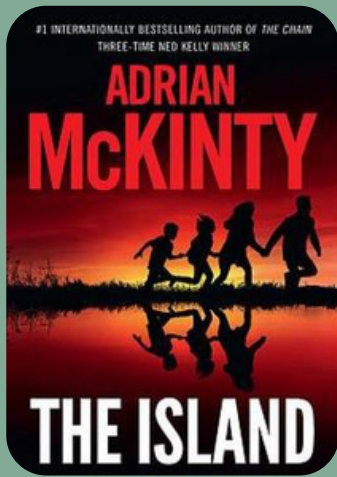
Fiction, sports | 435 pages

The Horsewoman

James Patterson and Mike Lupica

A mother and daughter, both champion riders – but only one can make Olympic history. Maggie Atwood and Becky McCabe – mother and daughter, both champion riders – vowed to never, ever, compete against one another. But a dramatic turn of events ahead of the Paris Olympics changes everything. Mother and daughter share a dream: to be the best horsewoman in the world. Coronado is Maggie's horse. An absolutely top-tier Belgian warmblood. Sky is Becky's horse. A small, speedy Dutch warmblood.

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Thriller, horror, mystery, fiction | 375 pages

The Island

Adrian McKinty

After moving from a small country town to Seattle, Heather Baxter marries Tom, a widowed doctor with a young son and teenage daughter. A working vacation overseas seems like the perfect way to bring the new family together. When they discover remote Island the family talks their way onto the ferry far from the reach of iPhones and Instagram. But as soon as they set foot on the island, which is run by a tightly knit clan of locals, everything feels wrong. Then a shocking accident propels the Baxters from an unsettling situation into an absolute nightmare.

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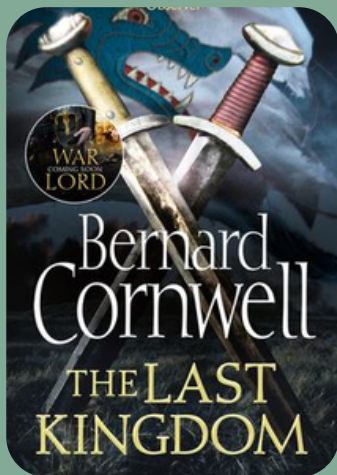
Classic, literary fiction | 400 pages

The Last Days of the National Costume

Anne Kennedy

You'd think that mending clothes would be an uneventful, uncomplicated occupation. No drama, no unnecessary explanations, no personal involvement. But people love to talk, and as they make their excuses to GoGo Sligo, of Megan Sligo Mending and Alterations, they reveal the holes in their stories as well. It doesn't take long for GoGo to get to the truth behind the rips and tears they've brought her to fix... A five-week blackout brings the city to its knees, and a drama to her doorstep.

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Medieval, historical fiction | 333 pages

The Last Kingdom

Bernard Cornwell

Uhtred is an English boy orphaned at ten, adopted by a Dane and taught the Viking ways. Yet Uhtred's fate is indissolubly bound up with Alfred, King of Wessex, who rules over the last English kingdom when the Danes overrun Northumbria, Mercia and East Anglia. That war, with its massacres, defeats and betrayals, is the background to Uhtred's childhood, a childhood which leaves him uncertain of his loyalties, but a slaughter in a winter dawn propels him to the English side and he will become a man just as the Danes launch their fiercest attack yet on Alfred's kingdom.

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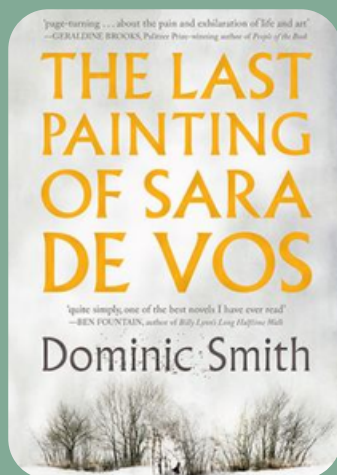
Historical fiction, politics | 288 pages

The Last Man in Europe

Dennis Glover

April, 1947. In a run-down farmhouse on a remote Scottish island, George Orwell begins his last and greatest work: Nineteen Eighty-Four. Forty-four years old and suffering from the tuberculosis that within three winters will take his life, Orwell comes to see the book as his legacy – the culmination of a career spent fighting to preserve the freedoms which the wars and upheavals of the twentieth century have threatened. Completing the book is an urgent challenge, a race against death.

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The Last Painting of Sara De Vos

Dominic Smith

In 1631, Sara de Vos is admitted to the Guild of St. Luke in Holland as a master painter, the first woman to be so honoured. Three hundred years later, only one work attributed to de Vos is known to remain—a haunting winter scene, *At the Edge of a Wood*. An Australian grad student, Ellie Shipley, struggling to stay afloat in New York, agrees to paint a forgery of the landscape, a decision that will haunt her. Because now, half a century later, she's curating an exhibition of female Dutch painters, and both versions threaten to arrive.

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Romance, historical fiction | 364 pages

The Last Reunion

Kayte Nunn

Burma, 1945. Bea, Plum, Bubbles, Joy and Lucy: assigned to run a mobile canteen, they become embroiled in life-threatening battles. Oxford, 1976. A woman steals several rare Japanese netsuke from a museum. Despite the offer of a considerable reward, these tiny, exquisitely detailed carvings are never seen again. London and Galway, 1999. On the eve of the new millennium, assistant Olivia, and elderly widow Beatrix travel to a party deep in the Irish countryside, where secrets kept for more than fifty years are spilled.

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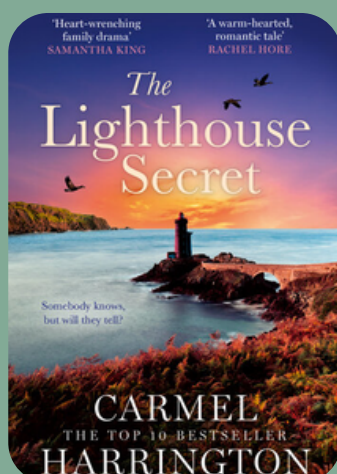
Australian fiction | 384 pages

The Life to Come

Michelle De Kretser

Pippa is a writer who longs for success. Celeste tries to convince herself that her feelings for her married lover are reciprocated. Ash makes strategic use of his childhood in Sri Lanka but blots out the memory of a tragedy from that time. Driven by riveting stories and unforgettable characters, here is a dazzling meditation on intimacy, loneliness and our flawed perception of other people. Profoundly moving as well as wickedly funny, *The Life to Come* reveals how the shadows cast by both the past and the future can transform, distort and undo the present.

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Historical fiction, mystery | 384 pages

The Lighthouse Secret

Carmel Harrington

1951, Ireland On the windswept Cork coast, the lighthouse keepers' wives wait, watching the sea. Their husbands are coming home. But one secret can never be revealed. 2023, Maine Decades later, Mollie Kenefick receives an anonymous note: Family secrets never stay buried. The only person she can ask is her grandmother — however, Beth made a vow that she swore never to break. But someone knows what happened that summer in 1951, and it seems they're not happy keeping silent.

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Romance, fiction | 292 pages

The Little Breton Bistro

Nina George

Marianne wants to escape her loveless marriage of 35 years. During a trip to Paris with her husband, she leaps into the Seine, but she is saved from drowning by a homeless man. Marianne decides to make her way to Kerduc, and once there meets a host of colourful characters who all gravitate around the small restaurant of Ar Mor. It is this cast of true Bretons who become Marianne's new family and she finds love and passion with Yann. Before long, Marianne's husband is back to retrieve her and Marianne feels pulled towards her old life by way of duty and guilt.

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Contemporary, Australian fiction | 400 pages

The Lost Flowers of Alice Hart

Holly Ringland

After her family suffers a tragedy, nine-year-old Alice Hart is forced to leave her seaside home. Under the watchful eye of her grandmother June and the women who run the farm, Alice settles, but grows up increasingly frustrated by how little she knows of her family's story. In her early twenties, Alice's life is thrown into upheaval when she suffers betrayal and loss. Desperate to outrun grief, she flees to the central Australian desert. In this otherworldly landscape Alice thinks she has found solace, until she meets a charismatic and ultimately dangerous man.

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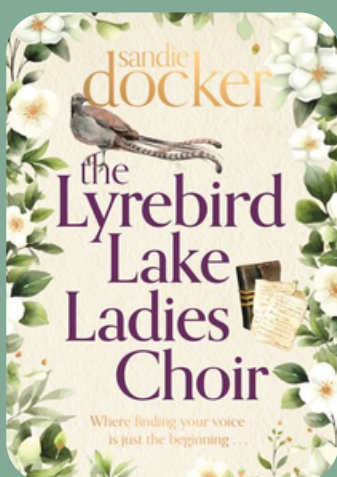
Mystery, suspense, Australian fiction | 366 pages

The Lost Man

Jane Harper

Two brothers meet at the remote fence line separating their cattle ranches in the lonely outback. They are each other's nearest neighbour, their homes four hours' drive apart. The third brother lies dead at their feet. Something caused Cam, the middle child, to die alone in the middle of nowhere. So the eldest brother returns with his younger sibling to the family property and those left behind. But the fragile balance of the ranch is threatened. Suspicion starts to take hold, and the eldest brother begins to wonder if more than one among them is at risk.

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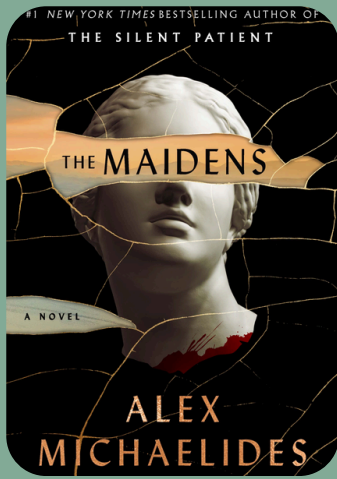
The Lyrebird Lake Ladies Choir

Sandie Docker

Sisters Eleanor and Maggie have been running the Lyrebird Lake Ladies Choir for fifteen years. When Eleanor enters the choir into the All Voices Championship, it offers them a chance to make up for lost dreams. Hannah arrives in Lyrebird Lake with her son and her angelic voice which could give the choir an edge. But when Eleanor hears her singing a long-forgotten lullaby, she is transported a traumatic time. Will Hannah's arrival mend old wounds, or will the secret she unknowingly carries tear the sisters apart?

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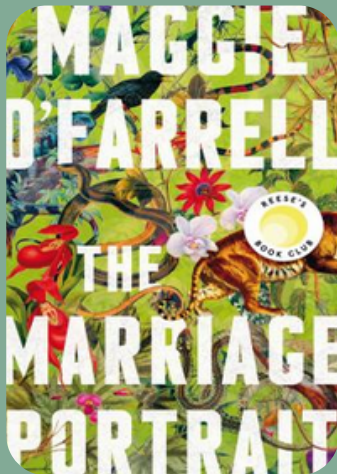
Mystery, thriller, dark academia, fiction | 337 pages

The Maidens

Alex Michaelides

Edward Fosca is a murderer. Of this Mariana is certain. But Fosca is untouchable. A handsome and charismatic Greek tragedy professor at Cambridge University, Fosca is adored by staff and students alike, particularly the members of a secret society of female students known as The Maidens. Mariana Andros is a brilliant but troubled group therapist who becomes fixated on The Maidens when one member is found murdered in Cambridge... When another body is found, Mariana's obsession with proving Fosca's guilt spirals out of control, threatening to destroy her credibility.

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Historical fiction | 438 pages

The Marriage Portrait

Maggie O'Farrell

Florence, 1561. Lucrezia, third daughter of Cosimo de' Medici, is free to wander the palazzo at will. But when her older sister dies on the eve of marriage to Alfonso d'Este, ruler of Ferrara, Modena and Reggio, Lucrezia is thrust unwittingly into the limelight: the duke is quick to request her hand in marriage. As Lucrezia sits in uncomfortable finery for a painting which is to preserve her image for centuries to come, one thing becomes worryingly clear. In the court's eyes, she has one duty: to provide the heir who will shore up the future of the Ferrarese dynasty.

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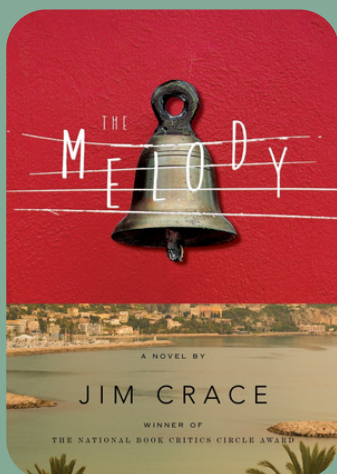
Science fiction | 369 pages

The Martian

Andy Weir

Six days ago, astronaut Mark Watney became one of the first people to walk on Mars. Now, he's sure he'll be the first person to die there. After a dust storm nearly kills him and forces his crew to evacuate while thinking him dead, Mark finds himself stranded with no way to even signal Earth that he's alive – and even if he could get word out, his supplies would be gone long before a rescue could arrive. Chances are, though, he won't have time to starve to death. Damaged machinery, the unforgiving environment, or plain old "human error" are much more likely to kill him first.

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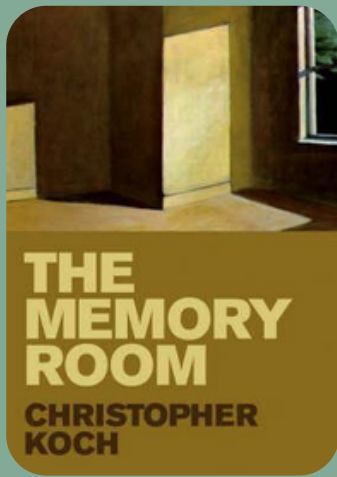
Fiction | 275 pages

The Melody

Jim Crace

Alfred Busi, famed and beloved in his town for his music and songs, is now in his sixties, mourning the recent death of his wife and quietly living out his days alone. The night before he is due to attend a ceremony at the town's avenue of fame, Busi is attacked by a creature he disturbs as it raids the contents of his larder. Busi is convinced that the thing that attacked him was no animal, but a child, 'innocent and wild', and his words fan the flames of old rumour – of an ancient race of people living in the bosk surrounding the town.

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Espionage, historical, literary fiction | 448 pages

The Memory Room

Christopher Koch

'What is a spy? Are they born, or are they made?' With these words, Vincent Austin analyses his future occupation. Some spies are made, but his kind is born. He is devoted to secrecy for its own sake. Vincent is orphaned early, and his boyhood in Tasmania is spent with an elderly aunt. His fascination with secrecy and espionage – and much else besides – is shared to an uncanny degree by Erika Lange, daughter of a post-World War German immigrant. She too has lost her mother, and she and Vincent see themselves as twin spirits, inhabiting a shared, platonic world of fantasy and ritual.

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Historical fiction | 438 pages

The Midnight Library

Matt Haig

When Nora Seed finds herself in the Midnight Library, she has a chance to make things right. Up until now, her life has been full of misery and regret. She feels she has let everyone down, including herself. But things are about to change. The books in the Midnight Library enable Nora to live as if she had done things differently. With the help of an old friend, she can now undo every one of her regrets as she tries to work out her perfect life. But things aren't always what she imagined they'd be, and soon her choices place the library and herself in extreme danger.

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Historical fiction | 323 pages

The Midnight Watch

David Dyer

Based on the true story of the SS Californian, the ship that saw the Titanic's distress rockets and yet, unfathomably, did nothing. As the Titanic was sinking slowly in the wretchedly cold North Atlantic, she could see the lights of another ship on the horizon. She called for help by Morse lamp and the new Marconi telegraph machine, but there was no response. Just after midnight the Titanic began firing distress rockets. The other ship, the Californian, saw these rockets but didn't come. Why not?

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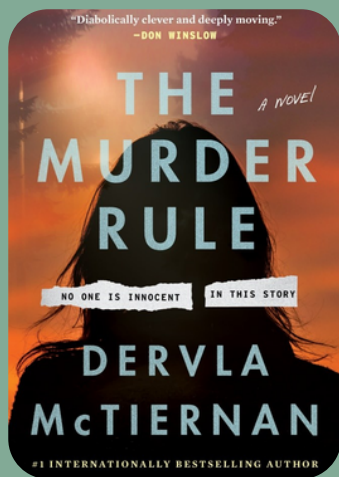
Romance, fiction | 326 pages

The Mountain Between Us

Charles Martin

When a blizzard strands them in Salt Lake City, two strangers agree to charter a plane together. Ben Payne is a gifted surgeon returning from a conference, and Ashley Knox, a magazine writer, is en route to her wedding. But when unthinkable tragedy strikes, the pair find themselves stranded in Utah's most remote wilderness in the dead of winter, badly injured and miles from civilization. Without food or shelter, and only Ben's mountain climbing gear to protect themselves, Ashley and Ben's chances for survival look bleak.

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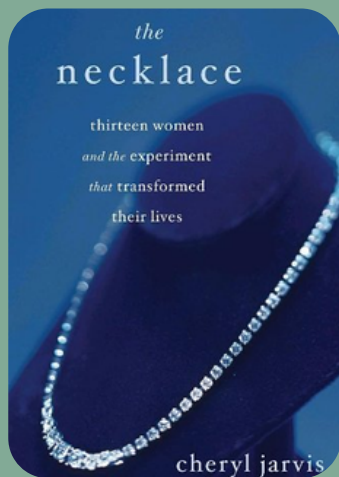
Mystery, thriller, crime fiction | 293 pages

The Murder Rule

Dervla McTiernan

No one is innocent in this story First Rule: Make them like you. Second Rule: Make them need you. Third Rule: Make them pay. They think I'm a young, idealistic law student, that I'm passionate about reforming a corrupt and brutal system. They think I'm working hard to impress them. They think I'm here to save an innocent man on death row. They're wrong. I'm going to bury him

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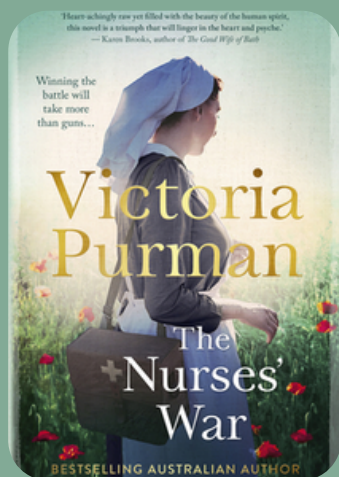
Non-fiction, memoir | 256 pages

The Necklace

Cheryl Jarvis

One day in Ventura, California, Jonell McLain saw a beautiful diamond necklace in a jewelry store window and wondered: Why are personal luxuries so plentiful yet accessible to so few? What if we shared what we desired? Several weeks, dozens of phone calls, and one great leap of faith later, Jonell and twelve other women bought the necklace together—to be passed along among them all. The dazzling treasure weaves in and out of each woman's life, reflecting her past, defining her present, making promises for her future.

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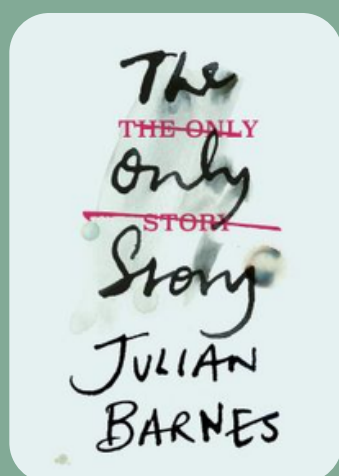
Historical, war, romance fiction | 582 pages

The Nurses War

Victoria Purman

In 1915, as World War 1 rages in Europe, Australian nurse, Sister Cora Barker, leaves her home in Australia for England, determined to use her skills for King and country. When she arrives at Harefield House she helps transform it into a hospital. When the hospital sends out a desperate call for help, a quiet young seamstress from the village, Jessie Chester, steps up as a volunteer. The nurses' war is a war against despair and death, fought with science and love rather than mustard gas and fear – but can they possibly win it? And what will be the cost?

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Romance, fiction | 224 pages

The Only Story

Julian Barnes

One summer in the sixties, in a suburb south of London, Paul, nineteen, comes home from university and is urged by his mother to join the tennis club. In the mixed-doubles tournament he's partnered with Susan Mcleod, – confident, ironic, and married, with two nearly adult daughters. She is a warm companion, their bond immediate and soon they are lovers. Clinging to each other as though their lives depend on it, they then set up house in London to escape his parents and the abusive Mr. Mcleod. Decades later, with Susan now dead, Paul looks back at how they fell in love...

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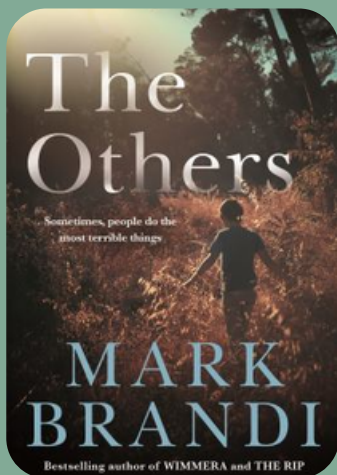
Romance, historical fiction | 424 pages

The Orphans

Fiona McIntosh

Orphan Fleur Appleby is adopted by a loving undertaker and his wife and she develops a special gift for helping bereaved families. Her ambition to be the first female mortician in the country. Raised in the Flinders Ranges, Tom Catchlove is faced with a life-changing tragedy as a young boy. A chance encounter between the two children will change the course of their lives. When they cross paths again Tom and Fleur are caught up in a murder investigation, in which they can only trust each other.

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Thriller, crime fiction | 373 pages

The Others

Mark Brandi

I've never heard my father talk to someone else. Not that I can remember. I was in bed, and I heard my father's voice first. He was talking to someone, and then I heard another man with a deep voice. The man got angry, I could tell, even though I couldn't hear exactly what he was saying. Then my father said, 'I'd kill you first. 'On his eleventh birthday, Jacob's father gives him a diary. To write about things that happen. About what he and his father do on their farm. But Jacob knows some things should not be written down. Some things should not be remembered.

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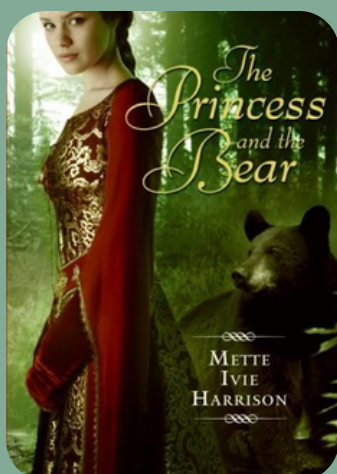
War, historical fiction | 384 pages

The Paris Library

Janet Skeslien Charles

Paris, 1939. Odile Souchet is obsessed with books, and her new job at the American Library in Paris is a dream come true. When war is declared, the Library is determined to remain open. But then the Nazis invade Paris, and everything changes. Montana, 1983. Lily is a lonely teenager desperate to escape small-town Montana. She grows close to her neighbour Odile, discovering they share the same love of language, the same longings. But as Lily uncovers more about Odile's mysterious past, she discovers a dark secret...

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Fantasy, young adult fiction | 327 pages

The Princess and the Bear

Mette Ivie Harrison

A love against all odds. A battle against ancient forces. He was once a king, turned into a bear as punishment for his cruel and selfish deeds. She was a once a princess, now living in the form of a hound. Wary companions, they are sent—in human form—back to a time when magic went terribly astray. Together they must right the wrongs caused by this devastating power—if only they can find a way to trust each other. But even as their attraction grows, an old evil resurfaces, and they risk losing each other and destroying magic forever.

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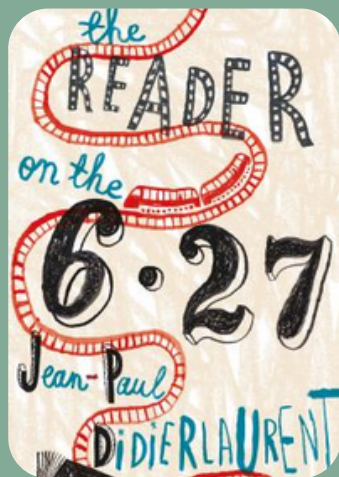
Historical fiction | 294 pages

The Pull of the Stars

Emma Donoghue

Dublin, 1918. In a country doubly ravaged by war and disease, Nurse Julia Power works at an understaffed hospital in the city centre, where expectant mothers who have come down with an unfamiliar flu are quarantined together. Into Julia's regimented world step two outsiders: Doctor Kathleen Lynn, on the run from the police, and a young volunteer helper, Bridie Sweeney. In the darkness and intensity of this tiny ward, over the course of three days, these women change each other's lives in unexpected ways.

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Romance, contemporary fiction | 192 pages

The Reader on the 6.27

Jean-Paul Didierlaurent

Guylain Vignolles leads a dull and solitary life. He hates his job and his only company at home is a goldfish. Every morning he takes the 6.27 to his tedious job at a book pulping factory. He hates his boss and his assistant but he finds companionship with the factory's guard. On the train each morning, Guylain reads aloud to his fellow commuters the pages he rescues from the jaws of the monstrous pulping machine. One morning on the train, he finds a USB stick which contains the diary of a young woman. As Guylain reads the diary, he finds himself falling love with its author.

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Romance, historical fiction | 192 pages

The Rose in Winter

Sarah Harrison

1929. 17-year-old Barbara Delahay was a young and untouched English rose, enjoying the social whirl of the debutante season. It was inevitable she would attract male attention. However, Barbara caught the eye of someone unsuitable. Drawn under his spell, she almost succumbed, but escaped just in time to marry the decent but dull Brigadier Govan. Now in 1953, the day of the new Queen's coronation, the widowed Barbara is cowering in fear. For she knows who's out there, calling her name, seeking her out. Her past has returned to claim her.

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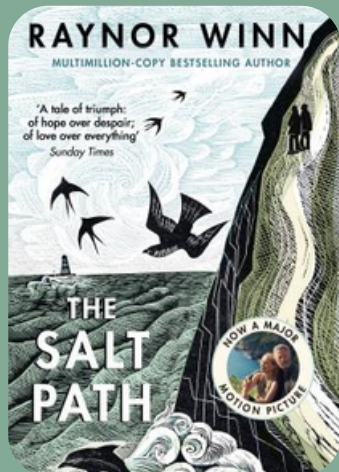
Mystery, thriller, contemporary fiction | 415 pages

The Running Club

Ali Lowe

The rules of the running club are the same as they have always been: keep your breath steady, keep your mind sharp, record your laps! Only now there's a new one: don't get killed. The wealthy community of Esperance is picture-perfect. Big houses, stunning views, beautiful people. A brand new running track for the local club to jog around in the evenings. From the outside, it looks like paradise. But the women know the truth: you can hide anything - from wrinkles to secrets from your past - if you have enough money.

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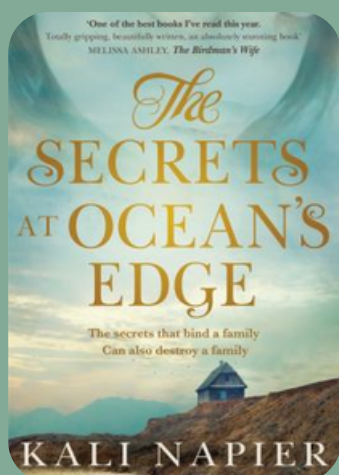
Biography, memoir, travel, non-fiction | 274 pages

The Salt Path

Raynor Winn

Just days after Raynor learns that Moth, her husband of 32 years, is terminally ill, their home is taken away. With nothing left and little time, they make the brave and impulsive decision to walk the 630 miles of the sea-swept South West Coast Path. Carrying only the essentials for survival on their backs, they live wild in the ancient, weathered landscape of cliffs, sea and sky. Yet through every step, every encounter and every test along the way, their walk becomes a remarkable journey.

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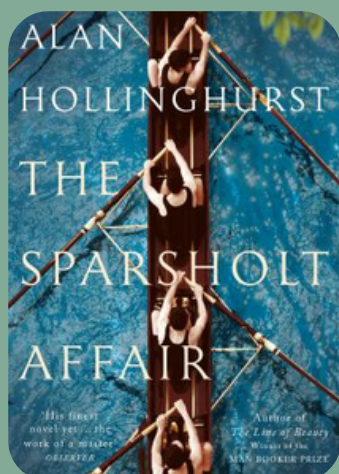
Historical fiction | 408 pages

The Secrets at Ocean's Edge

Kali Napier

The secrets that bind a family can also destroy a family. The absorbing story of a guesthouse keeper and his wife who attempt to start over, from devastatingly talented debut author Kali Napier.

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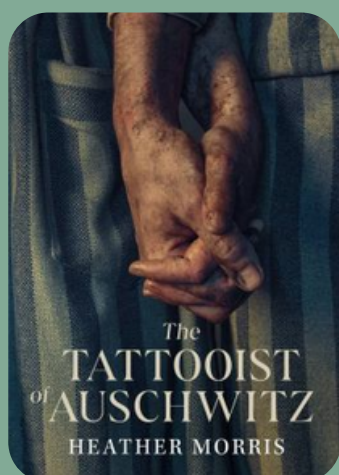
Historical fiction | 464 pages

The Sparsholt Affair

Alan Hollinghurst

In October 1940 the handsome young David Sparsholt arrives in Oxford. A keen athlete and oarsman, he seems at first unaware of the effect he has on others, particularly on the lonely and romantic Evert Dax, son of a celebrated novelist. While the Blitz rages in London, Oxford exists at a strange remove from the action: a place of transience, uncertainty, the rigours of the blackout encouraging and concealing unexpected liaisons. Between these two young men of very different backgrounds an unusual friendship develops, one whose consequences will unfold over the following 70 years.

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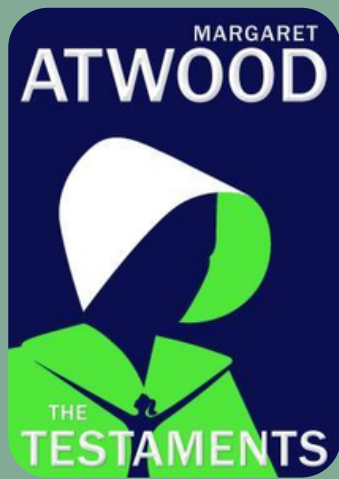
Historical fiction | 308 pages

The Tattooist of Auschwitz

Heather Morris

In 1942, Lale Sokolov arrived in Auschwitz-Birkenau. He was given the job of tattooing the prisoners marked for survival – scratching numbers into his fellow victims' arms to create what would become one of the most potent symbols of the Holocaust. Waiting in line to be tattooed was a young girl. For Lale it was love at first sight. And he was determined not only to survive himself, but to ensure this woman, Gita, did, too. So begins one of the most life-affirming, courageous, unforgettable and human stories of the Holocaust: the love story of the tattooist of Auschwitz.

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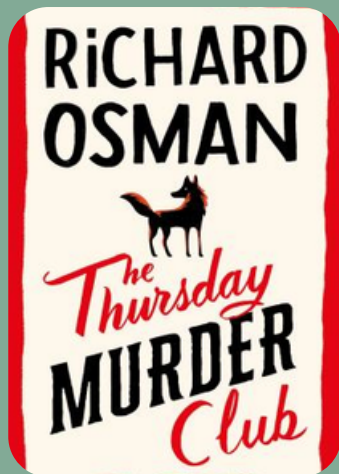
Dystopian fiction | 419 pages

The Testaments

Margaret Atwood

When the van door slammed on Offred's future at the end of *The Handmaid's Tale*, readers had no way of telling what lay ahead. With *The Testaments*, the wait is over. Margaret Atwood's sequel picks up the story more than 15 years after Offred stepped into the unknown, with the explosive testaments of three female narrators from Gilead.

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Mystery, crime fiction | 380 pages

The Thursday Murder Club

Richard Osman

In a peaceful retirement village, four unlikely friends meet up once a week to investigate unsolved killings. But when a local property developer shows up dead, "The Thursday Murder Club" find themselves in the middle of their first live case. The four friends, Elizabeth, Joyce, Ibrahim and Ron, might be octogenarians, but they still have a few tricks up their sleeves. Can our unorthodox but brilliant gang catch the killer before it's too late?

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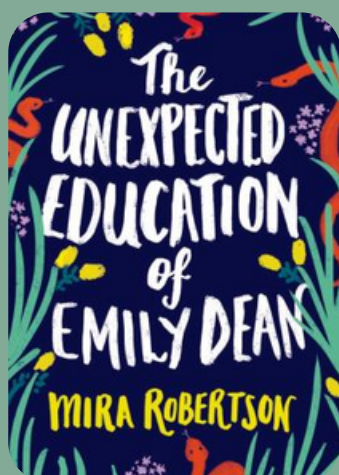
Autobiography, non-fiction | 261 pages

The Trauma Cleaner

Sarah Krasnostein

It's not the police, firefighters, or EMTs that clean up a crime scene—that's the job of a trauma cleaner. Before she was a trauma cleaner, Sandra Pankhurst was many things: husband and father, drag queen, gender reassignment patient, sex worker, small businesswoman, trophy wife... But as a little boy, raised in violence and excluded from the family home, she just wanted to belong. Now she believes her clients deserve no less. Sandra Pankhurst brings order and care to these, the living and the dead.'

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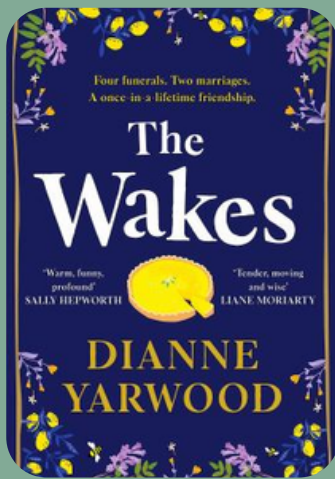
Historical fiction | 294 pages

The Unexpected Education of Emily Dean

Mira Robertson

At the family property, Mount Prospect, Grandmother is determined to keep up standards despite the effects of the war... It's all too ghastly and Emily can't wait to go home. That is, until she encounters Claudio, the Italian POW employed as a farm labourer. Then William, Lydia's brother, unexpectedly returns from the war, wounded and bitter. He withdraws to the old blacksmith's workshop where Emily is given the job of taking his evening meals. Rude, traumatised, and mostly drunk, yet a passion for literature soon draws them together.

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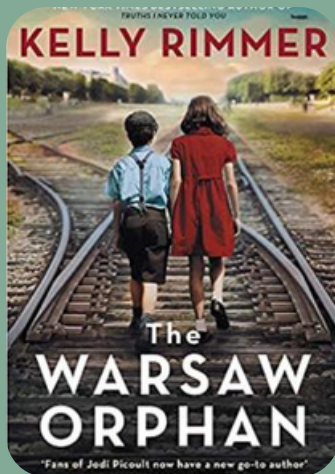
Contemporary fiction | 296 pages

The Wakes

Dianne Yarwood

This is a story about Clare, Louisa and Chris. And sometimes Paul, and less often, Beth. It is about what to do when your husband tells you that he doesn't love you anymore. And what to do when your wife leaves you after too many rounds of IVF. It's about helping your new friend with her funeral catering business, and discovering that, sometimes, the most unlikely of pairings are the very, very best. It is about food that is outrageously good and comforting to sad people. And, for once, not being sensible, and throwing away everything you know. Catering, like life, doesn't always go according to plan...

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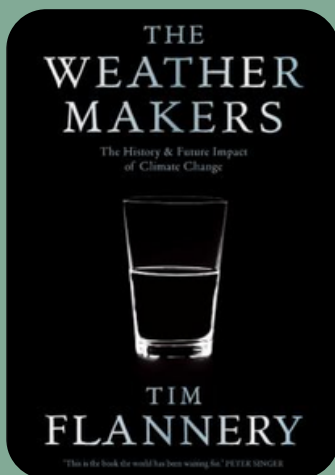
Historical fiction | 387 pages

The Warsaw Orphan

Kelly Rimmer

In the spring of 1942, young Elzbieta Rabinek is aware of the swiftly growing discord just beyond the courtyard of her comfortable Warsaw home. But she has no idea what goes on behind the walls of the Jewish Ghetto nearby until she makes a discovery that propels her into a dangerous world of deception and heroism. Elzbieta comes face to face with the plight of the Gorka family who must give up their newborn daughter – or watch her starve. For Roman Gorka, this final injustice stirs in him a rebellion not even his newfound love for Elzbieta can suppress.

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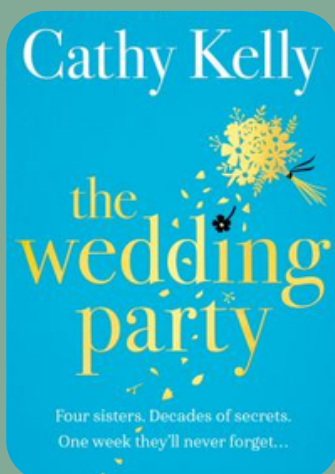
Climatology, non-fiction | 332 pages

The Weather Makers

Tim Flannery

What does climate change mean? How will global warming affect our lives in the future? Are these events inevitable? Tim Flannery tells the fascinating story of climate change over millions of years to help us understand the predicament we face. By burning fossil fuels we are increasing the levels of greenhouse gases in our atmosphere, causing our planet to become warmer. Every nation is differently affected by these changes but we have one thing in common – we are now the weather makers, and the new climate we are creating threatens the future of our civilisation.

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The Wedding Party

Cathy Kelly

The story follows the four Robicheaux sisters as they return home for their parents' wedding, at the beautiful Hotel Sorrento where they all grew up as children. For the first time in 15 years, the sisters are back together – and it doesn't take long for long-buried secrets to surface... With her inimitable warmth and wisdom, Cathy Kelly shows us that in the messy reality of marriage, family, and romance, sometimes it's the women in our lives who hold us together.

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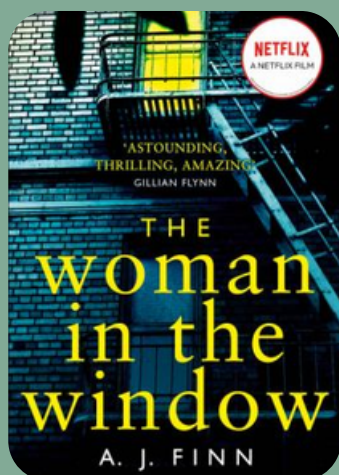
Contemporary, Australian fiction | 272 pages

The Weekend

Charlotte Wood

Four older women have a lifelong friendship of the best kind: loving, practical, frank and steadfast. But when Sylvie dies, the ground shifts dangerously for the remaining three. Can they survive together without her? Fraying tempers, an elderly dog, unwelcome guests and too much wine collide in a storm that brings long-buried hurts to the surface – and threatens to sweep away their friendship for good.

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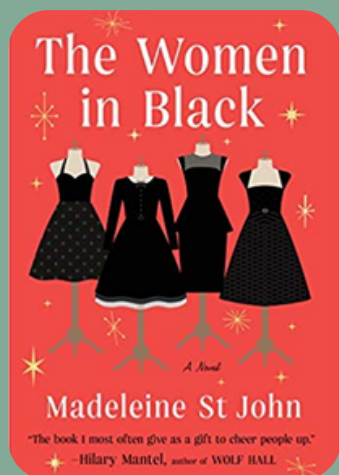
Psychological fiction | 427 pages

The Woman in the Window

A. J. Finn

It isn't paranoia if it's really happening. Anna Fox lives alone, a recluse in her New York City home, drinking too much wine, watching old movies and spying on her neighbours. Then the Russells move next door: a father, a mother, their teenaged son. The perfect family. But when Anna sees something she shouldn't, her world begins to crumble and its shocking secrets are laid bare. What is real? What is imagined? Who is in danger? Who is in control? In this gripping Hitchcockian thriller, no one and nothing are what they seem.

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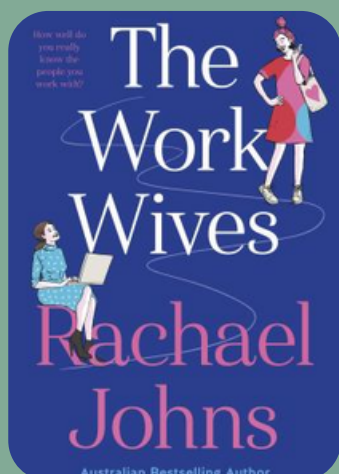
Australian, historical fiction | 233 pages

The Women in Black

Madeleine St John

In the famous F.G. Goode department store, Lisa is the new Sales Assistant (Temporary) in Ladies' Cocktail Frocks. She is about to meet Magda, the glamorous Continental refugee and guardian of the rose-pink cave of Model Gowns.

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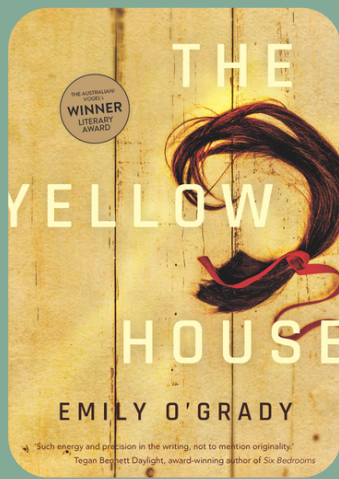
Romance, contemporary fiction | 528 pages

The Work Wives

Rachael Johns

Work wives Debra and Quinn are each other's lifelines. Outside work Quinn is desperate to find love but Deb has sworn off men. Deb's daughter, Ramona, is her life but Ramona is beginning to push boundaries. Life becomes even more complicated by the arrival of a new man at the office. One woman is attracted to him, while the other hoped she'd never meet him again. But when Deb, Quinn and Ramona are forced to choose between friends, love and family, the ramifications run deeper than they could ever have expected.

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The Yellow House

Emily O'Grady

Ten-year-old Cub lives with her parents, older brother Cassie, and twin brother Wally. Their lives are shadowed by the infamous actions of her Granddad Les in his yellow weatherboard house, just over the fence. Although Les died twelve years ago, his notoriety has grown and the local community have ostracised the whole family. When Cub's estranged aunt Helena and cousin Tilly move into the yellow house, the secrets the family want to keep buried begin to bubble to the surface. And Cub is now forced to come to terms with her family's murky history.

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Australian, historical fiction | 343 pages

The Yield

Tara June Winch

The yield in English is the reaping, the things that man can take from the land. In the language of the Wiradjuri yield is the things you give to, the movement, the space between things: baayanha. Knowing that he will soon die, Albert 'Poppy' Gondiwindi takes pen to paper. His life has been spent on the banks of the Murrumbidgee River at Prosperous House, on Massacre Plains. Albert is determined to pass on the language of his people and everything that was ever remembered.

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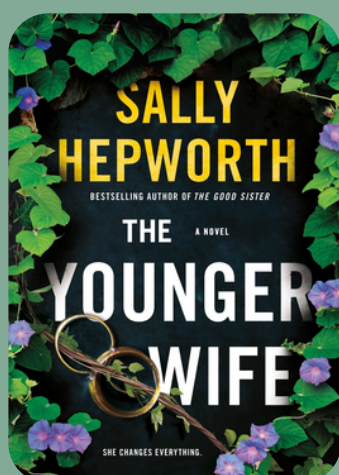
Historical fiction | 465 pages

The Young Lion

Blanche D'Alpuget

Geoffrey the charming Duke of Normandy, seduces Queen Eleanor of France to spy for him in the struggle between Normandy and France and Normandy and England. Said to be the most beautiful woman in Europe, Eleanor has not been able to birth to an heir for France. Her liaison with Geoffrey could remedy that. But what begins with cool calculation becomes a passionate affair. Despite his love for Eleanor, however, Geoffrey has larger plans: to help his warrior son, Henry, seize the English throne from the uncle who usurped it from its rightful heir, Henry's mother.

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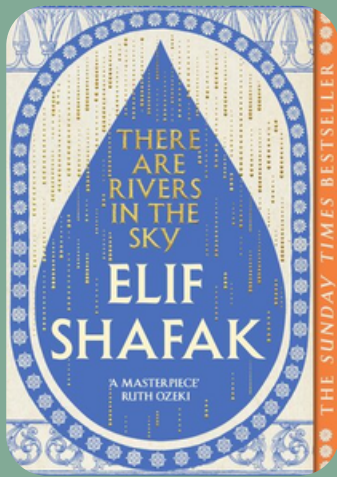
Mystery, thriller, suspense fiction | 352 pages

The Younger Wife

Sally Hepworth

Heart surgeon Stephen Aston is getting married again. But first he must divorce his current wife, even though she can no longer speak for herself. Tully and Rachel Aston look on their father's fiancée, Heather, as an interloper. Heather is younger than both of them. With their mother in a precarious position, Tully and Rachel are determined to get to the truth about their family's secrets, the new wife and who their father really is. Heather has secrets of her own. Will getting to the truth unleash the most dangerous impulses in all of them?

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Historical, literary fiction | 464 pages

There Are Rivers in the Sky

Elif Shafak

This is the story of one lost poem, two great rivers, and three remarkable lives – all connected by a single drop of water. A dazzling feat of storytelling from one of the greatest writers of our time that spans centuries, continents and cultures, entwined by rivers, rains, and waterdrops.

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Biography, non-fiction | 308 pages

This is Gail: Life with and After Chris O'Brien

Juliette O'Brien

In 2008, surgeon Chris O'Brien published his bestselling memoir of his battle with brain cancer, *Never Say Die*. But he wasn't the only person in the O'Brien household with a powerful story to tell. Since Chris passed away in 2009, his wife, Gail, has gone on a journey of her own: from a busy surgeon's wife and the mother of a picture perfect family, to a widow, grieving not only her husband but also her son, Adam, who died a short time after Chris's death. Yet in the midst of her grief, Gail discovered resolve and strength deep within herself.

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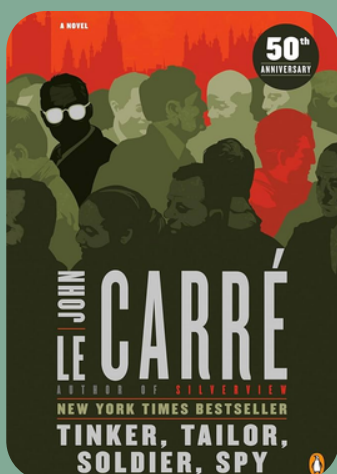
Romance, fiction | 457 pages

Three Weddings and a Proposal

Sheila O'Flanagan

Delphie is enjoying her brother's wedding. Her surprise last-minute Plus One has stunned her family – and it's also stopped any of them asking again why she's still single. But when she sees all the missed calls that evening, she knows it can't be good news. And she's right. Delphie has been living her best life, loving her job, her friends, her no-strings relationships and her dream house by the sea. Now she has to question everything she believed about who she is and what she wants. Is her mum right – is it time to settle down? Or does she want to keep on trying to have it all?

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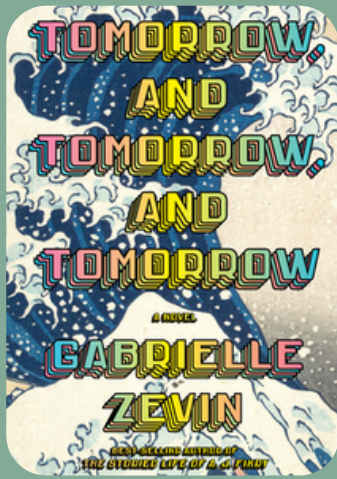
Mystery, thriller, espionage, fiction | 381 pages

Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy

John Le Carré

The man he knew as "Control" is dead, and the young Turks who forced him out now run the Circus. But George Smiley isn't quite ready for retirement—especially when a pretty, would-be defector surfaces with a shocking accusation: a Soviet mole has penetrated the highest level of British Intelligence. Relying only on his wits and a small, loyal cadre, Smiley traces the breach back to Karla—his Moscow Centre nemesis—and sets a trap to catch the traitor.

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Romance, literary fiction | 401 pages

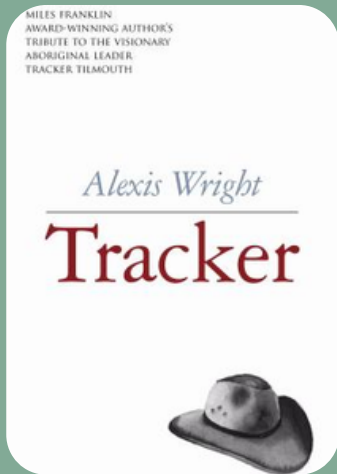
Tomorrow and Tomorrow and Tomorrow

Gabrielle Zevin

Sam and Sadie meet in a hospital in 1987. Sadie visiting her sister, Sam recovering from a car crash. Playing together brings joy, escape and a special friendship. Then all too soon that time is over. When the pair spot each other eight years later they are catapulted back to that moment. This is the story of the perfect worlds Sadie and Sam build, the imperfect world they live in, and of everything that comes after success: Money. Fame. Duplicity. Tragedy.

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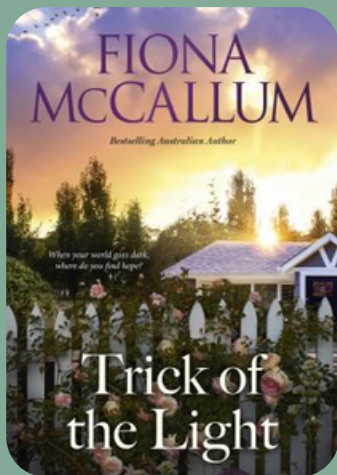
Biography, non-fiction | 640 pages

Tracker

Alexis Wright

Tracker, a collective memoir of the charismatic Aboriginal leader, political thinker, and entrepreneur who died in Darwin in 2015. Taken from his family as a child and brought up in a mission on Croker Island, Tracker Tilmouth returned home to transform the world of Aboriginal politics. He worked tirelessly for Aboriginal self-determination, creating opportunities for land use and economic development in his many roles, including Director of the Central Land Council. He was a visionary and a projector of ideas, renowned for his irreverent humour and his anecdotes.

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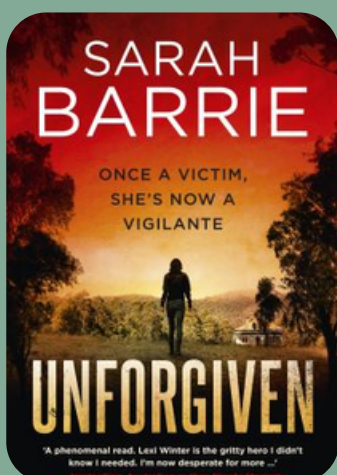
Contemporary fiction | 354 pages

Trick of the Light

Fiona McCallum

Erica, newly widowed, is devastated to discover her venture capitalist husband left their finances in ruins. Determined to save her home while protecting her teenage daughters, she vows to get back on her feet without letting them, or anyone else, know the truth. When her girls head off on a long-planned overseas adventure, Erica focuses on her much-loved job behind a makeup counter to keep her emotionally and financially afloat. Then she loses her job, the darkness beckons and Erica's life spirals downwards, further disturbed by strange occurrences in her house.

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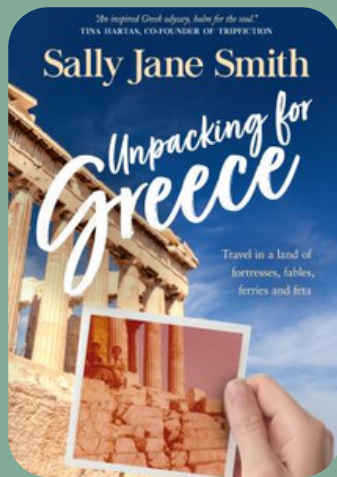
Mystery, thriller, crime fiction | 482 pages

Unforgiven

Sarah Barrie

Lexi Winter has stood on her own two feet since childhood, when she was a victim of notorious paedophile the Spider. All she cares about now is a roof over her head and long-term relationship with Johnny Walker. Lexi is an ace hacker, entrapping local paedophiles and reporting them to the cops. Detective Inspector Rachael Langley cracked the Spider case, 18 years earlier – but failed to protect Lexi. Now a man claiming to be the real Spider is emulating his murderous acts. Did she get it wrong all those years ago, or is this killer is a copycat?

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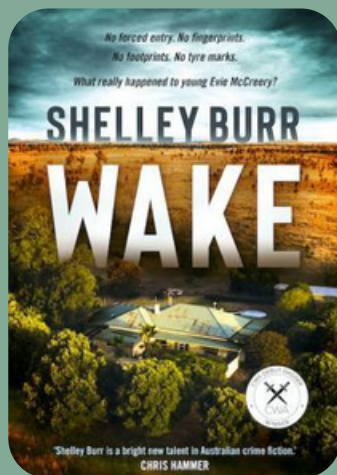
Travel biography | 245 pages

Unpacking for Greece

Sally Jane Smith

When Sally sets out for Europe with her mother's 1978 travel diary in her pocket, she is searching for the wanderlust she lost in a devastating overseas road accident. As she ventures into the heart of the Mediterranean she finds it is possible for a clumsy, out-of-shape woman on a budget to experience a life-changing journey. In a story told with warmth, humour and a fascination with Greece's natural and cultural heritage, Sally connects with her past, overcomes her fears and falls in love with life again, one olive at a time.

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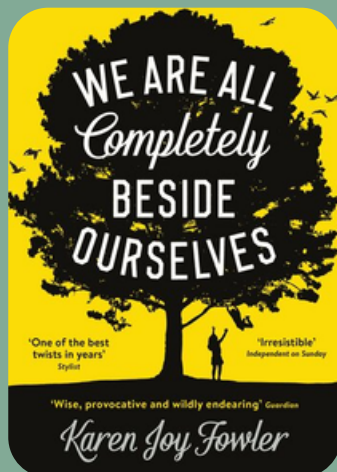
Mystery, thriller, crime fiction | 363 pages

Wake

Shelley Burr

The small town of Nannine, once a thriving outback centre is down to a couple of pubs and a police station, its one sinister claim to fame: the unsolved disappearance of Evelyn McCreery nineteen years ago from the bedroom she shared with her twin sister, Mina McCreery. The million-dollar reward her mother established to solve the disappearance has never been paid out. Lane Holland, a private investigator who earned a living cracking cold cases has his eye on the unclaimed money, but he also has darker motivations for wanting to solve the case.

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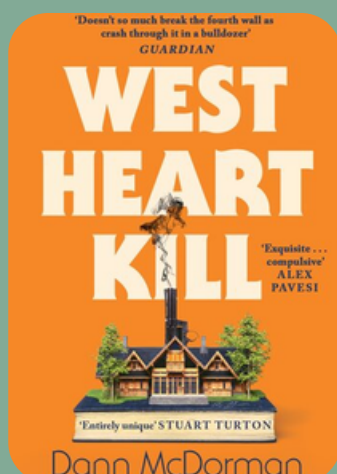
Contemporary, literary fiction | 323 pages

We are all Completely Beside Ourselves

Karen Joy Fowler

Rosemary's young, just at college, and she's decided not to tell anyone a thing about her family. So we're not going to tell you too much either: you'll have to find out for yourselves. Rosemary is now an only child, but she used to have a sister the same age as her, and an older brother. Both are now gone - vanished from her life. There's something unique about Rosemary's sister, Fern. So now she's telling her story: full of hilarious asides and brilliantly spiky lines, it's a looping narrative that begins towards the end, and then goes back to the beginning. Twice.

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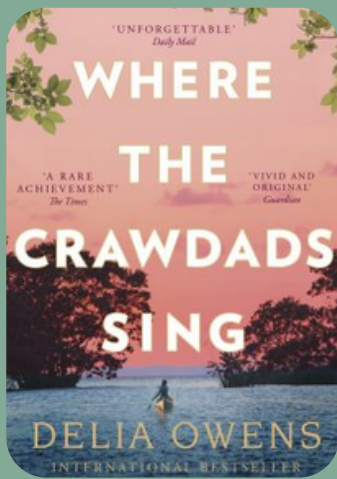
West Heart Kill

Dann McDorman

This is a murder mystery set at a remote hunting lodge where everyone is a suspect, including the erratic detective on the scene. When private detective Adam McAnnis joins an old college friend at the exclusive West Heart club in upstate New York, he finds himself among a set of not-entirely-friendly strangers. Then the body of one of the members is found at the lake's edge; hours later, a major storm hits. By the time power is restored on Sunday, two more people will be dead.

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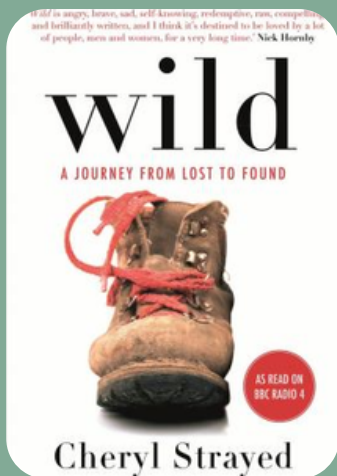
Mystery, historical fiction | 370 pages

Where the Crawdads Sing

Delia Owens

For years, rumors of the “Marsh Girl” have haunted Barkley Cove, a quiet town on the North Carolina coast. She’s barefoot and wild; unfit for polite society. So in late 1969, when handsome Chase Andrews is found dead, the locals immediately suspect Kya Clark. But Kya is not what they say. Abandoned at age ten, she has survived on her own in the marsh that she calls home. But while she could have lived in solitude forever, the time comes when she yearns to be touched and loved. Drawn to two young men from town, Kya opens herself to a new and startling world until the unthinkable happens.

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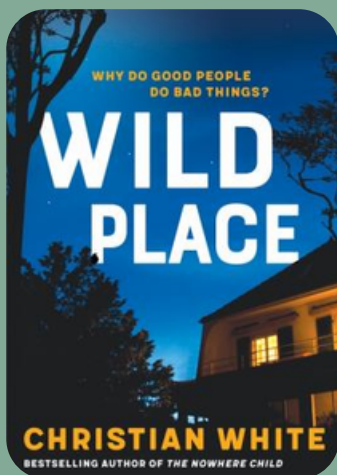
Biography, non-fiction | 332 pages

Wild: A Journey from Lost to Found

Cheryl Strayed

A powerful, blazingly honest, inspiring memoir: the story of a 1,100 mile solo hike that broke down a young woman reeling from catastrophe--and built her back up again.

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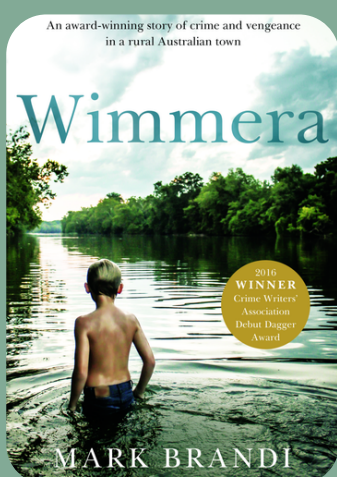
Mystery, thriller, crime fiction | 337 pages

Wild Place

Christian White

In the summer of 1989, a local teen goes missing from the idyllic suburb of Camp Hill in Australia. As rumours of Satanic rituals swirl, schoolteacher Tom Witter becomes convinced he holds the key to the disappearance. When the police won't listen, he takes matters into his own hands with the help of the missing girl's father and a local neighbourhood watch group. But as dark secrets are revealed and consequences to past actions are faced, Tom learns that the only way out of the darkness is to walk deeper into it.

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Mystery, thriller, Australian, crime fiction | 262 pages

Wimmera

Mark Brandi

In the long, hot summer of 1989, Ben and Fab are best friends. Growing up in a small country town, they spend their days together. Then a newcomer arrived. Fab reckoned he was a secret agent and he and Ben staked him out. Neither realised the shadow this man would cast over both their lives. Twenty years later, Fab is still stuck in town, going nowhere but hoping for somewhere better. Then a body is found in the river, and Fab can't ignore the past any more.

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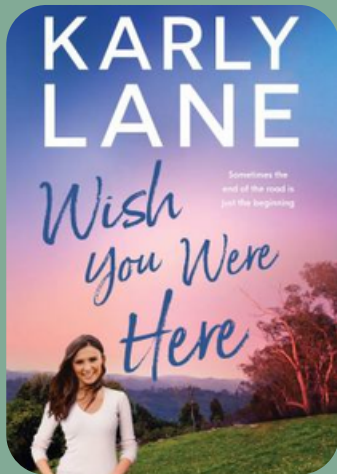
Crime fiction | 375 pages

Win

Harlan Coben

Over 20 years ago, heiress Patricia Lockwood was abducted. Patricia escaped, but so did her captors, and the stolen items were never recovered. Until now. On New York's Upper West Side, a recluse is found murdered in his apartment alongside a Vermeer painting and a leather suitcase bearing the initials WHL3. Windsor Horne Lockwood III, doesn't know how his suitcase or his family's lost painting ended up in the dead man's home. The case has baffled the FBI for decades. But Win has three things the FBI has not: a personal connection to the case, a large fortune and his own unique brand of justice.

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Wish You Were Here

Karly Lane

As a kid brought up on a cattle property Reggie Macleod vows she is going to swap the country for city life. Everything is going to plan. Until one phone call rocks her world entirely. Reggie's parents have been in a car accident and they need her help to run the farm while her brother builds up their farm stay business. It was only going to be for a couple of months... but that was almost three years ago. When Tim Warbois checks in to one of their cabins and extends his booking several times, all he seems to want is peace and quiet. But what is really going on under the surface?

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Literature, historical fiction | 653 pages

Wolf Hall

Hilary Mantel

England in the 1520s is a heartbeat from disaster. If the king dies without a male heir, the country could be destroyed by civil war. Henry VIII wants to annul his marriage of twenty years and marry Anne Boleyn. The pope and most of Europe opposes him. Into this impasse steps Thomas Cromwell: a wholly original man, a charmer and a bully, both idealist and opportunist, astute in reading people, and implacable in his ambition. But Henry is volatile: one day tender, one day murderous. Cromwell helps him break the opposition, but what will be the price of his triumph?

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Fiction | 323 pages

Yellowface

R.F. Kuang

Authors June Hayward and Athena Liu were supposed to be twin rising stars. But Athena's a literary darling. June Hayward is literally nobody. Who wants stories about basic white girls, June thinks. So when June witnesses Athena's death in a freak accident, she acts on impulse: she steals Athena's just-finished masterpiece, an experimental novel about the unsung contributions of Chinese labourers during World War I. So what if June edits Athena's novel and sends it to her agent as her own work?

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