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Until next time, good reading!

Ron, Iain & Beau

### DARK FRONTIER

AMBLER, Eric  
England, 1935. Physicist Henry Barstow is on holiday when he meets the mysterious Simon Groom, a representative for an armaments manufacturer. Groom invites the professor to Ixania, a small nation-state in Eastern Europe whose growing weapons program threatens to destabilize the region. But he quickly recognizes that Groom has a more sinister agenda, and Carruthers is the only man who can stop him. Reissue.

**Suspense TP \$27.95**

### SHOOTING SEAN

BATEMAN  
When maverick movie star Sean O'Toole is forced to leave the glamour of Hollywood to make a film about an Irish gangster, he's not best pleased - and even less so when he finds out he'll be joined by hapless local journalist Dan Starkey, who is writing his biography. It's a job that plunges Dan into the murky underbelly of the movie business, and from the backstreets of Belfast to the fleshpots of Amsterdam and the glitz of the Cannes Film Festival. Along the way a smouldering romance threatens the frequently rocky balance of his marriage to Patricia while he battles his way through kidnap, extortion and murder, all of it liberally sprinkled with Hollywood gold dust.

**Suspense PBK \$19.99**

### 3<sup>RD</sup> VICTIM

BAUER, Sydney  
A blood-soaked nursery. A missing baby. A traumatised mother. When David Cavanaugh hears of this heinous crime, he knows he doesn't want to touch it. The mother's guilt appears obvious, and David expects to be a bystander only to the disturbing investigation. So when David is appointed Sienna Walker's attorney against his will, he faces the prospect of taking on a challenge he has always refused defending someone who is guilty. But David soon realises that she may not just be innocent but also the victim of a conspiracy so vast that securing a just verdict will be close to impossible.

**Thriller PBK \$18.99**

### DONUT SHOP 09: ILLEGALLY ICED

BECK, Jessica  
Mystery  
A DEAL TO DIE FOR  
BELLE, Josie  
Letting no good deal go undone, the Good Buy Girls are ready to pounce on the St. Stanley flea market, where wealthy Vera Madison is selling off her vintage clothing. But when Vera is found dead, it turns out that she collected enemies like Dior gowns and had more than a few skeletons in her walk-in closet.

**Mystery PBK \$17.95**

### MURDER ON THE HOUSE

BLACKWELL, Juliet  
Word has spread that contractor Mel Turner can communicate with the spirits of the dead, and she's having a hard time maintaining a low profile. She decides to embrace her reputation for the chance to restore a historic house that calls to her. The new owners, who hope to run a haunted bed-and-breakfast, want Mel to encourage the ghosts that supposedly roam the halls to enhance the house's paranormal charm. The catch: Mel has to spend one night in the house to win the project. During the spine-chilling sleepover, the estate gains another supernatural occupant when someone doesn't survive the night. As Mel tries to coax the resident spirits into revealing the identity of the killer, she risks becoming the next casualty of this dangerous renovation.

**Mystery PBK \$17.95**

### SCRAPPED

BRYAN, Mollie Cox  
The ladies of the Cumberland Creek Scrapbook Crop are welcoming an eccentric newbie into their fold. A self-proclaimed witch, Cookie Crandall becomes fast friends with her fellow scrapbookers. So when Cookie becomes the prime suspect in a series of bizarre murders, the croppers set out to clear her name.

**Mystery PBK \$17.95**

### BEWITCHED, BOTHERED, AND BISCOTTI

CATES, Bailey  
As a new witch - not to mention owner of Savannah's most enchanting bakery - Katie Lightfoot is still getting used to casting spells, brewing potions, and mastering her magical powers. But that doesn't mean she can't find time to enjoy a picnic with firefighter Declan McCarthy...until she stumbles upon a corpse. The dead man's tattoo reveals he was a member of a secret society, and it turns out he's missing an object that was very important to the group. When Katie learns the killer was after more than the man's life, she and her Aunt Lucy leave the baked goods on the rack to cool and set off in hot pursuit of a killer. *Brownies and Broomsticks* (\$17.95) is the first in the series.

**Mystery PBK \$17.95**

### REST IN PIZZA

CAVENDER, Chris  
When a dead body turns up in her restaurant yet again, Eleanor and her wisecracking younger sister and business partner, Maddy Spencer, must race to find the killer among a host of colourful suspects: a chef's inebriated wife, a snappy television producer, a wronged assistant chef, and a local bookstore owner hiding a big

secret. Meanwhile, Maddy and Eleanor wrestle with their always complicated love lives and the always complicated ins and outs of owning a small business.

**Mystery PBK \$17.95**

### READ AND BURIED

CHASE, Erika  
For their very first guest author event, most of the book club members can't wait to pull out all the stops in Southern hospitality. But for Lizzie, Derek Alton is nothing but trouble - from his massive ego to his smarmy moves. When he's found murdered in her living room, it seems someone decided that this womanizing writer would be better off dead than read. After suspicion falls on Lizzie's friend, she and her fellow book club members discover that Derek wasn't who he pretended to be. Cracking this case means going up against Lizzie's boyfriend, police chief Mark Dreyfus, and unearthing a novel's worth of nasty secrets. The first in the series, *Killer Read*, has got excellent customer feedback.

**Mystery PBK \$17.95**

### THE GLASS ROOM

CLEEVES, Ann  
DI Vera Stanhope is not one to make friends easily, but her hippy neighbours keep her well-supplied in homebrew and conversation so she has more tolerance for them than most. When one of them goes missing she feels duty-bound to find out what happened. But her path leads her to more than a missing friend.

**Mystery PBK \$19.99**

### THE CAT SITTER'S PAJAMAS

CLEMENT, Blaize  
Mystery PBK \$17.95

### THE TOE TAG QUINTET

CONDON, Matthew  
"Retirement can be murder! The adventures of a former Sydney detective from 21 Division who, in his prime, collared some of the most murderous criminals in Australian history yet, on retiring to the Gold Coast in Queensland, along with half of the criminal milieu he once pursued, is shot, king-hit, tortured, and thrown from buildings in his relentless pursuit of justice. With his trademark wit, warmth and humour, Matthew Condon takes us on a crazy ride - in boats, kombis, peugeots and window-washing platforms - through art galleries, libraries, swampy islands and caravan parks to illustrate that we are never too old for adventures." - *publisher's blurb*

**Fiction TP \$27.95**

### THE BLACK BOX

CONNELLY, Michael  
In a case that spans 20 years, Harry Bosch links the bullet from a recent crime to a file from 1992, the killing of a young female photographer during the L.A. riots. Harry originally investigated the murder, but it was then handed off to the Riot Crimes Task Force and never solved. Now Bosch's ballistics match indicates that her death was not random violence, but something more personal, and connected to a deeper intrigue. Also released is the fifth Harry Bosch omnibus, which includes *The Overlook*, *Nine Dragons*, and *The Drop* (TP, \$32.99).

**Mystery/thriller TP \$32.99**

### RED MIST

CORNWELL, Patricia  
Scarpetta PBK \$19.99

### HOLIDAY BUZZ

COYLE, Cleo  
Clare Cosi, part owner of the Village Blend coffeehouse, is happy to be doing the coffee service for the Great New York Cookie Swap, a huge charity event taking place in Central Park, until she finds the battered body of Moirin, an Irish immigrant and baker's assistant. Claire had been sharing with her friend Janelle, a pastry chef, during the busy holiday season. The cop who catches the case is utterly dependent on DNA evidence and has no use for fancy theories, forcing Clare to do some investigating of her own. A cosy recommendation!

**Mystery PBK \$17.95**

### THE PROPHET

CROSS, Ethan  
Thriller PBK \$19.95

### I WILL HAVE VENGEANCE

DE GIOVANNI, Maurizio  
Naples, March 1931: As one of the world's greatest tenors, Maestro Vezzi, is found brutally murdered in his dressing room at Naples famous San Carlo Theatre, the enigmatic and aloof Commissario Ricciardi is called in to investigate. But Ricciardi carries his own secret: will it help him solve this murder?

**Mystery TP \$29.95**

### GRAVE WAITING

DOWNIE, Jill  
Guernsey police detectives Ed Moretti and Liz Falla are called in to investigate the shooting death of arms dealer Bernard Masterson on the Just Desserts, his luxury yacht. With the knowledge that there's nowhere to hide in a world as small as his island, Moretti searches for answers before a violent showdown.

**Mystery PBK \$23.95**

### SIBERIAN RED

EASTLAND, Sam  
September 1939. Even as the fighting rages in Poland, Stalin's long time obsession with the missing treasure of Tsar Nicholas II is rekindled. An informant claims to have information about the whereabouts of the man entrusted by the Tsar with hiding his gold. As the news of the informant reaches Stalin, however, the man is knifed to death. Stalin summons Pekkala to the Kremlin and orders him to solve the murder. To accomplish his mission, he must return to Borodok, the notorious Gulag where he himself spent many years as a prisoner.

**Mystery PBK \$19.99**

### THE WRONG MAN

ELLIS, David  
A young paralegal is brutally killed. A homeless Iraq war veteran has been caught with the murder weapon and the victim's belongings - and he can't remember what happened. Jason Kolarich has been asked by the young man's aunt to defend him. It seems like a standard insanity defense based on Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder until Kolarich realizes that his client is actually innocent. The victim had been working a case of her own, following a trail of paper trail that connected international terrorists to corporate America, where there are those who want to teach the U.S. government a lesson.

**Thriller PBK \$17.95**

### TRUTH DARE KILL

FERRIS, Gordon  
1945: The war's over. But there are no medals for Danny McRae. Just amnesia and blackouts; twin handicaps for a private investigator with a filthy rich client on the hook for murder. Danny's blackouts mean that hours, sometimes days, are a complete blank. So when news of a killer stalking London's red light district start to stir grisly memories, Danny is terrified about what he might discover if he delves deeper into his fractured mind.

**Mystery PBK \$19.99**

### THREADBARE

FERRIS, Monica  
When an elderly homeless woman is found dead on the shore of Lake Minnetonka, she's wearing something that holds the key to her identity but also opens up a mystery. Embroidered on her blouse is her will, in which she bequeaths everything she owns to her niece - Emily Hame, a member of the Monday Bunch at Betsy Devonshire's Crewe World needlework shop.

**Mystery PBK \$17.95**

### MURDER HOOKS A MERMAID

FIFIELD, Christy  
Inheriting her great-uncle Louis's bay side souvenir shop should have been a breeze for Glory. Instead it's been one headache after another - with a lot of them generated by Bluebeard, a parrot with a mouth like a sailor and a personality a lot like her late great-uncle. But Glory's troubles pale in comparison to those of her best friend Karen, whose ex may still have the personalized key chain to her heart, but whose brother-in-law is about to get locked up. A diver has been found with a gaff hook in his chest, and Karen turns to Glory to help get her brother-in-law off the hook for his murder. The second in the series, after *Murder Buys a T-Shirt* (\$17.95).

**Mystery PBK \$17.95**

### GOLD DIGGER

FYFIELD, Francis  
In a huge old school house by the sea, full of precious paintings, Thomas Porteous is dying. His much younger wife Di holds him and mourns. She knows that soon, despite her being his sole inheritor, Thomas's relatives will descend on the collection that was the passion of both of their lives. The two needy daughters, who were poisoned against their father by their defecting mother, are now poison themselves. The family regards Thomas's wealth as theirs by right, with the exception of young Patrick, who adored his grandfather and is torn between his parents and Di, the interloper. The family know Di's weaknesses, and she has to learn theirs. After all, she met Thomas when she came to his house to rob him. With the help of an unlikely collection of loners and eccentrics, she sets a trap to hoist the family members on their own greed.

**Suspense TP \$29.99**

### THE KINGDOM OF BONES

GALLAGHER, Stephen  
"It was my friend, Bram Stoker, who told me of the legend of the Wanderer a man who made a bargain with the devil himself, trading his soul for forbidden knowledge and eternal life. Once I would have dismissed such tales as mere fancy but I knew what I had seen. And there is no mind so open as that of desperate man". A dark Gothic Victorian thriller, *The Kingdom of Bones* unfolds in a twilight world of music halls, boxing booths, and travelling theatrical shows; and pits a formidable Pinkerton detective against a man who fears more than justice." - *publisher's blurb*

**Historical mystery PBK \$19.95**

### THE REVENGE OF MORIARTY

GARDNER, John  
Now back in print after forty years, the second novel in John Gardner's classic series of Victorian crime thrillers pitting Sherlock Holmes against the Napoleon of crime, Professor James Moriarty.

**Sherlockiana HC \$42.95**

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HC = Hardcover or cloth binding

