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Ron, Iain and Beau

Abbreviations used in this catalogue:

PBK = 'A' & 'B' format (standard size) paperback  
TP = 'B+' & 'C' format (oversize) paperback  
HC = Hardcover or cloth binding

### FABIAN RISK: EIGHTEEN BELOW

AHNHEM, Stefan  
A sequel to *Victim Without A Face* and *The Ninth Grave* (PBK, \$19.99 each).

Mystery/thriller TP \$29.99

### BAKESHOP MYSTERIES 07:

#### ANOTHER ONE BITES THE CRUST

ALEXANDER, Ellie  
Mystery PBK \$19.95

### THE TWENTIETH DAY OF JANUARY

ALLBEURY, Ted  
What if the Soviet Union gained control over the US Presidency? SIS agent James Mackay fears that this may already be happening, when he realises the newly-elected president's press secretary is a former communist radical with links to the KGB. When the witnesses who support his suspicions are systematically eliminated, MacKay must race against time to prove that the President-Elect is not his own man before Inauguration Day and avoid a national catastrophe. 'When I say Ted Allbeury knows where the bodies are buried I mean it literally.' – *Len Deighton*. A spookily prescient espionage thriller from one of the masters of the genre, first published in 1980.

Thriller PBK \$19.99

### DS DANIA GORSKA: THE POLISH DETECTIVE

ALLEN, Hania  
Polish-born detective Dania Gorska, seconded to Dundee's Specialist Crime Division, is called to investigate three murders in which the bodies of the victims are posed in different ways; the first is dressed and staged as a scarecrow, while the other two are displayed in an equally bizarre manner. She is unable to establish what links them but clues point to their having been members of a druidic cult – something which her investigative journalist brother Marek is pursuing for his paper. Although Dania's main focus is in solving the murders, she finds herself increasingly drawn to the case of two runaway teenage girls. But when she learns that they were members of the same druid group, she becomes convinced that their disappearance is linked to the murders. The first in a series, set in Dundee, Scotland's fourth largest city.

Mystery TP \$32.99

### SAM WYLDE: SAFE FROM HARM

BAILEY, RJ  
Sam Wylde is a Close Protection Officer to the rich and powerful. In a world dominated by men, being a woman has been an advantage. And she is the best in the business. She takes a job protecting the daughter of the Sharifs – Pakistani textile tycoons – but she realises that there is more to their organisation than meets the eye and, suddenly, she finds herself in danger. Now, she is trapped underground, with no light, no signal and no escape... The first in a series – recommended!

Mystery PBK \$19.99

### ARE YOU SLEEPING

BARBER, Kathleen  
Josie Buhrman has spent the last ten years trying to escape her family's reputation, and with good reason: her father was murdered; her mother ran away to join a cult; and her twin sister Lanie, once Josie's closest friend and confidant, betrayed her. Now, Josie has settled in New York with her boyfriend Caleb, and that's where she intends to stay. The only problem is that she has lied to Caleb about every detail of her past – starting with her last name. Then investigative reporter Poppy Parnell sets off a media firestorm, with a hit podcast that reopens the case of her father's murder and Josie's carefully constructed world begins to unravel. She is forced to return to her hometown... where she must confront the lies from her past – as well as those on which she has staked her future.

Suspense PBK \$19.99

### PROMISE FALLS: PARTING SHOT

BARCLAY, Linwood  
Mystery PBK \$19.99

### CYANIDE GAMES

BEASLEY, Richard  
When Melissa Cheung's husband is arrested in China for corruption, her first call is to Peter Tanner. As a criminal defence barrister, Tanner often crosses paths with some of the most evil, but wealthy, members of the nation's underbelly. Melissa's phone call takes Tanner away from drug dealers and crooked property developers, into the highest end of corporate corruption – mining companies trying to cover up environmental disasters and families at the top of the rich list... who think they're above the law. As he pursues those who had Cheung incarcerated, Tanner unearths cover-up after cover-up, putting his life and those of others in danger as he tries to bring the perpetrators to justice. A tough, gritty, legal thriller – from the author of *Hell Has Harbour Views*. Heaps of fun!

Thriller PBK \$14.99

### HOLGER MUNCH & MIA KRUGER:

#### THE OWL ALWAYS HUNTS AT NIGHT

BJØRK, Samuel  
When a young woman is found dead, the police are quick to respond. But what they find at the murder site is unexpected. The body is posed, the scene meticulously set. And there is almost no forensic evidence to be found. Detective Mia Krüger is a woman on the edge – she has been signed off work pending psychological assessment. But her boss has less regard for the rules than he should. Desperate to get Mia back in the office, Holger Munch offers her an unofficial deal. But the usually brilliant Mia is struggling and the team are unable to close the case. Until a young hacker uncovers something that forces the team to confront the scope of the murderer's plans and face the possibility that he may already be on the hunt for a second victim. A sequel to *I'm Travelling Alone* (PBK, \$22.99). Mia and co are great characters – this series is recommended!

Thriller PBK \$19.99

### WEDDING PLANNER MYSTERIES 03:

#### MURDER BORROWED, MURDER BLUE

BLACKMOORE, Stephanie  
Mystery PBK \$19.95

### THE PICTURES

BOLTON, Guy  
World-weary Jonathan Craine is a detective at the LAPD who has spent his entire career as a studio 'fixer', covering up crimes of the studio players to protect the billion-dollar industry that built Los Angeles. When one of the producers of *The Wizard of Oz* is found dead, under suspicious circumstances, Craine must make sure the incident passes without scandal; and that the deceased's widow, the beautiful starlet Gale Goodwin, comes through the ordeal with her reputation unscathed. But when a series of unsavoury truths begin to surface, Craine finds himself at the centre of a conspiracy involving a Chicago crime syndicate, a prostitution racket and a set of stolen pictures that could hold the key to unravelling the mystery.

Historical mystery PBK \$19.99

### BLACK FOREST INVESTIGATIONS:

#### ZEN AND THE ART OF MURDER

BOTTINI, Oliver  
Louise Boni, chief inspector with the Black Forest crime squad, is struggling with her demons. Divorced at forty-two, she is haunted by the shadows of the past. Dreading yet another dreary winter weekend alone, she receives a call from the departmental chief which signals the strangest assignment of her career – to trail a Japanese monk wandering through the snowy wasteland to the east of Freiburg, dressed only in sandals and a cowl. Her investigations uncover a hideous ring of child traffickers, and the repercussions of their crimes will change the course of her own life. The first in a new series from the four-time winner of the German *Krimi Preis* for Crime Fiction.

Mystery TP \$32.99

### EMERGENCY DESSERT SQUAD MYSTERIES 03:

#### DIAL M FOR MOUSSE

BRADFORD, Laura  
Mystery PBK \$19.95

### JACK TAYLOR: THE GHOSTS OF GALWAY

BRUEN, Ken  
Mystery TP \$29.99

### DEATH MAKES A PROPHECY

BUDE, John  
Small hostilities were growing; vague jealousies were gaining strength; and far off, wasn't there a nebulous hint of approaching tragedy in the air? Welworth Garden City in the 1940s is a forward-thinking town, where free spirits find a home – vegetarians, socialists, and an array of exotic religious groups. Chief among these are the Children of Osiris, led by the eccentric High Prophet, Eustace K Mildmann. The cult is a seething hotbed of petty resentment, jealousy and dark secrets – which, eventually, leads to murder. It will be one of Inspector Meredith's most bizarre and exacting cases.

British Library Crime Classics TP \$27.95

### DAVE ROBICHEAUX: YOU KNOW MY NAME

BURKE, James Lee  
New Orleans detective Dave Robicheaux is introduced in the reissued *Neon Rain* (PBK, \$19.99).

Mystery TP \$29.99

### DAN FORRESTER: TELL ME A LIE

CARVER, CJ  
A family in England is massacred, the father left holding the shotgun. PC Lucy Davies is convinced he's innocent. A sleeper agent in Moscow requests an urgent meeting with Dan Forrester, referencing their shared past. His amnesia means he has no idea who he can trust. An aging oligarch in Siberia gathers his henchmen, to discuss an English accountant. It's Dan's wife. Dan Forrester first appears in *Spare Me the Truth* (PBK, \$19.99).

Thriller PBK \$19.99

### JACK REACHER: NO MIDDLE NAME

CHILD, Lee  
The complete Jack Reacher short stories, published together for the first time – now in paperback.

Thriller PBK \$19.99

### DR GABRIEL TAVERNER: A RUSTLE OF SILK

CLARE, Alys  
1603. Former ship's surgeon Gabriel Taverner is trying to re-establish himself as a physician in rural Devon. But it's not easy to gain the locals' trust, and several disturbing incidents convince him that, at least, one person does not welcome him. When he's called out to examine a body, he starts to uncover some darker aspects of the silk trade. Introducing physician-sleuth Dr Gabriel Taverner, in the first of an intriguing series of mysteries, set in early 17th-century Devon.

Historical mystery TP \$29.95

### DETECTIVE CLUB: THE MOONSTONE

COLLINS, Wilkie  
At a party celebrating her eighteenth birthday, Rachel Verinder wears the stunning yellow diamond she unexpectedly inherited from her uncle, unaware that it was plundered from a sacred Indian shrine, fifty years earlier. When the jewel goes missing later that night, suspicions are raised and accusations fly in all directions. Sifting through divergent accounts of what happened, the indomitable Sergeant Cuff must find the Moonstone and the truth about its mysterious disappearance.

Classic mystery HC \$24.99

### THE WANTED

CRAIS, Robert  
Thriller TP \$32.99

### LEONE SCAMARCIO: THE EXTREMIST

DALBUONO, Nadia  
Thriller TP \$32.99

### THE GRAVEDIGGER'S BREAD

DARD, Frederic  
Blaise should never have hung around in that charmless little provincial town. The job offer that attracted him the first place had failed to materialise. He should have got on the first train back to Paris, but Fate decided otherwise. A chance encounter with a beautiful blonde, in the town post office, and Blaise is hooked – he realises he'll do anything to stay by her side; and, soon, finds himself working for her husband, a funeral director. But the tension in this strange love triangle begins to mount, and eventually results in a highly unorthodox burial...

Noir PBK \$19.99

### COUNTRY STORE MYSTERIES 04:

#### BISCUITS AND SLASHED BROWNS

DAY, Maddie  
Mystery PBK \$19.95

### MORDECAI TREMAINE: MURDER HAS A MOTIVE

DUNCAN, Francis  
When Mordecai Tremaine emerges from the train station in the village of Dalmering, murder is the last thing on his mind. But he has never been able to resist anything in the way of a mystery – and a mystery is precisely what awaits him in the small hamlet. Rehearsals for the local amateur dramatic production are in full swing, but as Mordecai discovers too soon, the real tragedy is unfolding offstage. The star of the show has been found dead, and the spotlight falls on Mordecai, whose reputation in the field of crime solving precedes him. With a murderer waiting in the wings, it's up to Mordecai to derail the killer's performance... before it's curtains for another victim. Follows hard on the heels of the reissue of the first in the series: *Murder for Christmas* (TP, \$29.95).

Classic mystery TP \$29.95

### CWA ANTHOLOGY OF SHORT STORIES:

#### MYSTERY TOUR

EDWARDS, Martin (editor)  
A fabulous collection of short stories from the biggest and most exciting names in crime fiction, each with a 'mystery tour' or travel theme. Ann Cleeves on Tanzania, Vaseem Khan on Mumbai, Marnie Riches on Holland, and more...

Mystery anthology PBK \$19.99

### THE LONG ARM OF THE LAW

EDWARDS, Martin (editor)  
The twelve stories collected here strike a blow for the law enforcement professionals, with teasing mysteries to challenge a hard-working police officer's persistence and scrupulous attention to detail. This anthology features fascinating neglected gems of British crime writing, as well as revealing lesser-known stories by the great novelists of the golden age.

British Library Crime Classics TP \$27.95

### A MAP OF THE DARK

ELLIS, Kate  
FBI Agent Elsa Myers finds missing people. Though her father lies dying in a hospital, north of New York City, Elsa cannot refuse a call for help. A teenage girl has gone missing from Forest Hills, Queens, and during the critical first hours of the case, a series of false leads hides the fact that she did not go willingly. With each passing hour – as the hunt for Ruby deepens into a search, for a man who may have been killing for years – the case starts to get underneath Elsa's skin. In order to save the missing girl, she may have to lose herself... and return to the darkness she's been hiding from, for years. The first in a new series.

Suspense TP \$29.99

### THE DEEP DARK DESCENDING

ESKENS, Allen  
Homicide Detective Max Rupert never fully accepted his wife's death, even when he believed that a reckless hit and run driver was the cause. But when he learns that, in fact, she was murdered, he devotes himself to hunting down her killers. Most of his life he had thought of himself as a decent man. On a frozen lake near the US-Canadian border, he wrestles with a decision that could change his life forever, as his hatred threatens to turn him into the kind of person he has spent a career bringing to justice.

Mystery/suspense TP \$27.99

### JOHN SMITH: HUNT YOU DOWN

FARNSWORTH, Christopher  
When a reality TV star is gunned down at her own wedding, her mob boss father calls on the services of John Smith, a hitman who cleans up the messes of those rich enough to afford him. But he's no ordinary gun for hire. Smith is a man of rare gifts, and he knows your every thought... Motivated by money and revenge, Smith comes across 'Downvote', an encrypted site on the dark net with a list of celebrity names and a bounty for anyone willing to kill them. But taking down a shadowy figure, who has weaponised the internet, proves more difficult than he thought. A sequel to *Killfile* (PBK, \$19.99), perfect for fans of Mason Cross and Lee Child.

Thriller PBK \$19.99

### ARROWOOD

FINLAY, Mick  
London Society takes their problems to Sherlock Holmes. Everyone else goes to Arrowood. 1895: London's scared. A killer haunts the city's streets. The poor are hungry; crime bosses are taking control; the police force stretched to breaking point. While the rich turn to Sherlock Holmes, the celebrated private detective rarely visits the densely populated streets of South London, where the crimes are sleazier and the people are poorer. In a dark corner of Southwark, victims turn to a man who despises Holmes, his wealthy clientele

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and his showy forensic approach to crime: Arrowood – self-taught psychologist, occasional drunkard, and private investigator. When a man mysteriously disappears and Arrowood’s best lead is viciously stabbed, before his eyes, he and his sidekick Barnett face their toughest quest yet: to capture the head of the most notorious gang in London. Recommended!

**Historical mystery** **PBK** **\$19.99**  
**THE WOMAN IN THE WINDOW**  
FINN, A J

It’s been ten long months, since Anna Fox last left her home. Anna’s lifeline to the real world is her window, where she sits, day after day, watching her neighbours. When the Russells move in, Anna is instantly drawn to them. A picture-perfect family of three, they are an echo of the life that was once hers. But one evening, a frenzied scream rips across the silence, and Anna witnesses something no one was supposed to see. Now, she must do everything she can to uncover the truth about what really happened. But even if she does, will anyone believe her? And can she even trust herself?

**Thriller** **TP** **\$29.99**

**DI LOTTIE PARKER: THE MISSING ONES**  
GIBNEY, Patricia

When a woman’s body is discovered in a cathedral and, hours later, a young man is found hanging from a tree outside his home, Detective Lottie Parker is called in to lead the investigation. Both bodies have the same distinctive tattoo clumsily inscribed on their legs. It’s clear the pair are connected, but how? The trail leads Lottie to St Angela’s, a former children’s home, with a dark connection to her own family history. As Lottie begins to link the current victims to unsolved murders decades old, two teenage boys go missing... The first in a series.

**Thriller** **TP** **\$24.99**

**STEPHENS & MEPHISTO: THE BLOOD CARD**  
GRIFFITHS, Elly

**Mystery** **PBK** **\$19.99**

**HANGMAN**  
HEATH, Jack

A 14-year-old boy vanishes on his way home from school. His frantic mother receives a terrifying ransom call. It’s only hours before the deadline, and the police have no leads. Enter Timothy Blake, codename Hangman. Blake is a genius, known for solving impossible cases. He’s also a dangerous criminal – the FBI’s last resort. But this kidnapper is more cunning and ruthless than anyone he’s faced before. And Blake has been assigned a new partner, a woman linked to the past he’s so desperate to forget. Timothy Blake also has a price. Every time he saves a life, he takes one... The first adult novel from an established Australian young adult author.

**Thriller** **TP** **\$29.99**

**MAHALIA WATKINS MYSTERIES 01:**

**MURDER WITH FRIED CHICKEN AND WAFFLES**  
HERBERT, A L

Halia Watkins has her hands full cooking, hosting, and keeping her boisterous young cousin, Wavonne, from getting too sassy with customers. Having fast-talking entrepreneur Marcus Rand turn up in her kitchen is annoying enough, when he’s alive; but finding his dead body – face down on her ceramic tile, after hours – is much worse. Halia is desperate to keep Sweet Tea’s name out of the sordid spotlight, but her efforts only make Wavonne a prime suspect... The first in a series.

**Mystery** **PBK** **\$19.95**

**SEBASTIAN BERGMAN: THE SILENT GIRL**

HJORTH, Michael & ROSENFELDT, Hans

**Thriller** **PBK** **\$19.99**

**HANNE WILHELMSSEN: IN DUST AND ASHES**

HOLT, Anne

The previous in the series, *Offline*, is now also available in a paperback (\$19.99) edition.

**Mystery** **TP** **\$29.99**

**DI ADAM FAWLEY: CLOSE TO HOME**

HUNTER, Cara

Last night, eight-year-old Daisy Mason disappeared from a summer party at her home. No one at the party noticed her leave. Even her parents aren’t sure of the last time they saw her. DI Adam Fawley knows that, in nine cases out of ten, it’s someone close to the victim. When a pair of bloody tights is discovered, Fawley’s worst suspicions are concerned. Someone knows where Daisy is. And her time is running out.

**Mystery/suspense** **TP** **\$29.99**

**IQ: RIGHTEOUS**

IDE, Joe

IQ has been approached by his brother’s former girlfriend Sarita, whose younger sister, an erratic DJ and gambling addict, has gone missing in Las Vegas – with a frightening loan shark, Chinese Triad gangsters, and her own deadbeat boyfriend hot on her tail. Accompanied once more by his fast-talking, don’t-call-me-a-sidekick partner Dodson, IQ heads off for the casinos and massage parlours of Las Vegas. His quest takes an unexpected turn when he meets a criminal mastermind, who knows something about the murky circumstances that surrounded his brother’s death... The sequel to *IQ* (TP, \$24.99). Highly recommended.

**Mystery** **TP** **\$29.99**

**CAT IN THE STACKS MYSTERIES 08:**

**TWELVE ANGRY LIBRARIANS**

JAMES, Miranda

**Mystery** **PBK** **\$19.95**

**DARK ICELAND: WHITEOUT**

JÓNASSON, Ragnar

**Mystery/suspense** **PBK** **\$19.99**

**POPPY MCALLISTER MYSTERIES 01:**

**CLASS REUNIONS ARE MURDER**

KLEIN, Libby

Newly widowed, and stuck in a middle-aged funk, Poppy has been running on cookies, infomercials, and one-sided chats with her cat, for months. There’s no way on earth she’s attending her twenty-five-year class reunion – especially after receiving a very bizarre letter from Barbie, the popular cheerleader who taunted her all through high school. At least, not until Poppy’s best friend practically drags her to the event... Using the dreaded homecoming as an excuse to visit her eccentric Aunt Ginny, Poppy vows to leave Cape May with pride and Spanx intact. Too bad, Barbie is still the queen of mean at the reunion.

And, worse: that her dead body is lying right in front of Poppy’s old locker... Can Poppy crack the case, before she’s voted ‘Most Likely to Die’ by the murderer?

**Mystery** **PBK** **\$19.95**

**IN THE SHADOW OF AGATHA CHRISTIE: CLASSIC CRIME FICTION BY FORGOTTEN FEMALE AUTHORS 1850–1917**

KLINGER, Leslie S (editor)

Before Agatha Christie became the world’s Queen of Crime, she stood on the talented shoulders of the female crime authors who came before her. This splendid new anthology by Leslie S Klinger brings these exceptional writers out of Christie’s shadow and back into the spotlight they deserve.

**Mystery anthology** **HC** **\$36.95**

**IF I DIE BEFORE I WAKE**

KOCH, Emily

Everyone believes Alex is in a coma, unlikely to ever wake up. As his family debate withdrawing life support, and his friends talk about how his girlfriend Bea needs to move on, he can only listen. But Alex soon begins to suspect that the accident that put him here wasn’t really an accident. Even worse, the perpetrator is still out there and Alex is not the only one in danger. As he goes over a series of clues from his past, Alex must use his remaining senses to solve the mystery of who tried to kill him, and try to protect those he loves, before they decide to let him go. How do you solve your own murder?

**Mystery/suspense** **TP** **\$32.99**

**DON’T WAKE UP**

LAWLER, Liz

Alex Taylor wakes up tied to an operating table. The man who stands over her isn’t a doctor. The choice he forces her to make is utterly unappealing. But when Alex reawakens, she’s unharmed – and no one believes her horrifying story. Ostracised by her colleagues, her family and her partner, she begins to wonder if she really is losing her mind. And then she meets the next victim.

**Thriller** **TP** **\$29.99**

**COLLINS & GRIFFITHS: DEATH MESSAGE**

LONDON, Kate

October 1987: the morning after the great storm. London wakes to find its streets blocked by uprooted trees, its cars crumpled like tin cans. Tania Mills, fifteen years old, kisses her mother, walks out her front door and disappears... Twenty-seven years later, DS Collins, a new member of the Met’s Homicide Command, inherits Tania’s old case file. *Post Mortem*, the first novel featuring DS Collins is available in paperback (\$19.99).

**Suspense** **PBK** **\$19.99**

**SAINT-ETIENNE QUARTET:**

**SAVAGES: THE WEDDING**

LOUATAH, Sabri

A Saturday in May. Paris. It’s the eve of the French presidential elections – ‘The Election of the Century’ say the newspaper headlines – and Chaouch, the nation’s first Arab candidate, has victory in his sights. It has been a long campaign, and with his wife Esther and daughter Jasmine by his side, he spends the remaining hours with close advisors in a hotel in Nîmes. Much of the dinner table chatter revolves around Jasmine’s boyfriend; Fouad Nerrouche, a well-known actor with the same Algerian origins as her father – who has just publicly endorsed Chaouch’s candidacy. The same day. Saint-Etienne. The Nerrouche family is frantically preparing for a grand wedding, and Fouad himself is there to help out. But younger cousin Krim – who has recently lost his job – is becoming increasingly agitated. It becomes clear that the cousin’s problems go far deeper than unemployment. Krim has been stealing from a local gang leader and after being discovered, found himself indebted to his powerful cousin, Nazir – Fouad’s brother. Nazir is a very shady figure, and is heavily involved in a dark underworld of crime. Together, their plans will cause Fouad’s two very different worlds to meet, in a way no one would have dared to imagine... The first book in a quartet. Winner of the Lagardère Fellowship for Writing and *Lire Magazine* Prize for Best French Debut Novel.

**Suspense** **TP** **\$29.99**

**ROMNEY MARSH MYSTERIES:**

**THE BODY IN THE ICE**

MACKENZIE, A J

Christmas Day, Kent, 1796. When an unidentifiable body is discovered in the ice-covered pond of the empty manor house, it soon becomes clear that foul play was involved and the villagers of St Mary fear a murderer amongst them. Local law enforcement is distracted by the ongoing smuggling runs between Dover and Calais, and the victim’s servant status doesn’t warrant great attention; so, it falls to the Reverend Hardcastle – in his new appointment, as justice of the peace – to investigate. Employing the help of his trusted friend, Amelia Chaytor, Hardcastle begins the process – and soon discovers there’s more to the mystery than he first thought. A sequel to the first Romney Marsh mystery, *A Body on the Doorstep* (PBK, \$19.99).

**Historical mystery** **PBK** **\$19.99**

**HIGHLAND BOOKSHOP MYSTERIES 01:**

**PLAID AND PLAGIARISM**

MACRAE, Molly

First, Janet Marsh is told she’ll have to wait, before moving into her new home. Then she finds out the house has been vandalised. Again. The chief suspect? Una Graham, an advice columnist for the local paper – who’s trying to make a name for herself as an investigative reporter. When Janet and her business partners go looking for clues at the house, they find a body – it’s Una, in the garden shed, with a sickle in her neck. Who wanted Una dead? After discovering a cache of nasty letters, Janet and her friends are beginning to wonder who didn’t, including Janet’s ex-husband. The new owners of Yon Bonnie Books set out to solve Una’s murder, so they can get back to business. The first in a series.

**Mystery** **PBK** **\$22.95**

**I’LL KEEP YOU SAFE**

MAY, Peter

Husband and wife Niamh and Ruairidh Macfarlane co-own Ranish Tweed: a Hebridean company that weaves its own special variety of Harris cloth, which has become a sought-after brand in the world of high fashion. But when Niamh learns of Ruairidh’s affair with Russian designer Irina Vetrov, then witnesses the pair killed by a car bomb in Paris, her life is left in ruins. Along with her husband’s remains, she returns home to the Isle of Lewis, bereft. The Paris police have ruled out terrorism, and ruled in murder – making Niamh the prime suspect, along with Irina’s missing husband, Georgy. And,

so, French Detective Sylvie Braque is sent to the island to look into Niamh’s past, unaware of the dangers that await her. As Braque digs deeper into the couple’s history, Niamh herself replays her life with Ruairidh, searching her memory, for those whose grievances might have led to murder... The last of May’s China Thrillers, *Chinese Whispers*, has also been reissued this month (PBK, \$19.99).

**Thriller** **TP** **\$32.99**

**THE NIGHT MARKET**

MOORE, Jonathan

A man is found dead in one of the city’s luxury homes. Homicide detective Ross Carver has arrived at the scene when six FBI agents burst in and forcibly remove him from the premises. Two days later... Carver wakes in his bed, to find Mia – a neighbour he’s hardly ever spoken to – reading aloud to him. He has no recollection of the crime scene, no memory of how he got home, and no idea that two days have passed. Carver knows nothing about this woman but as he struggles to piece together what happened to him, he soon realises he’s involved himself in a web of conspiracy that spans the nation. And Mia just might know more than she’s letting on...

**Suspense** **TP** **\$29.99**

**PC DONAL LYNCH: GAMES WITH THE DEAD**

NALLY, James

**Mystery/suspense** **PBK** **\$19.99**

**HARRY HOLE: THE THIRST**

NESBO, Jo

**Noir** **PBK** **\$19.99**

**IRISH VILLAGE MYSTERIES 02:**

**MURDER AT AN IRISH WEDDING**

O’CONNOR, Carlene

Any wedding is a big deal in the small village of Kilbane – even more so when the bride is a famous fashion model. Siobhan O’Sullivan and her five siblings have a full plate, catering for the three-day affair. But when the best man is found murdered, in the woods... his replacement, Siobhan’s own beau, local *garda* Macdara Flannery, is suddenly the best suspect. As Siobhan gets closer to unveiling the truth, the murderer is planning a very chilly reception for her...

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PRYOR, Mark

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SEYMOUR, Gerald

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SHAND, Daniel

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Always up for a literary adventure, Delaney Nichols left Kansas to pursue her dream job at the Cracked Spine, a Scottish bookshop specialising in rare manuscripts and other valuable historical objects.

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SIMPSON, Rosemary

As the Great Blizzard of 1888 cripples New York City, heiress Prudence MacKenzie sits anxiously within her palatial Fifth Avenue home – waiting for her fiancé’s safe return. With daylight, more than two hundred people are found to have perished in the icy winds and treacherous snowdrifts. Among them is Prudence’s fiancé – his body frozen, his head crushed by a heavy branch, his fingers clutching a single playing card, the ace of spades... Prudence is convinced Charles’ death was no accident. The ace of spades was a code he shared with his school friend, Geoffrey Hunter, a former Pinkerton agent and attorney from the South... The first in a series.

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SPAIN, Jo

Late one night, a man walks into the luxurious home of disgraced banker Harry McNamara and his wife Julie. The man launches an unspeakably brutal attack on Harry, as a horror-struck Julie watches, frozen by fear. Just an hour later, the attacker, JP Carney, has handed himself in to the police. He confesses to beating Harry to death, but JP claims that the assault was not premeditated and that he didn’t know the identity of his victim. With a man as notorious as Harry McNamara, the detectives cannot help wondering, was this really a random act of violence or is it linked to one of Harry’s many sins: corruption, greed, betrayal?

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SVENSSON, Anton

After six years in prison, Sweden’s most notorious criminal Leo Duvnjac is free, acquitted of all but two of the ten bank robberies he and his two younger brothers pulled off. While behind bars, he befriended Sam Larsen, who was convicted of murdering his own father – and also happens to be the brother of the cop who caught Leo, Detective John Broncks. With Sam at his side, Leo seeks out his now law-abiding brothers... for one last job and a chance at redemption – or revenge. Now, two sets of brothers will play out the tragic and thrilling destinies of childhoods built on heartbreaking betrayal. The sequel to the first *Made in Sweden* novel, *The Father*, which is now available in paperback (\$19.99).

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SWANSON, Peter

Following a brutal attack by her ex-boyfriend, Kate Priddy makes an unusually-bold decision. Her cousin, Corbin Dell, suggests a temporary apartment swap – and she moves from London to Boston. But soon after her arrival, Kate makes a shocking discovery: Corbin’s next-door neighbour, a young woman named Audrey Marshall, has been murdered. When the police begin asking questions about Corbin’s relationship with Audrey, and his neighbours come forward with their own suspicions, a shaken Kate has few answers, and many questions of her own. Jetlagged and emotionally unstable, her imagination playing out her every fear, Kate can barely trust herself... so, how can she trust any of the strangers she’s just met? Recommended.

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**THE CHALK MAN**

TUDOR, C J

Looking back, it all started on the day of the fair and the terrible accident. When twelve-year-old Eddie first met the Chalk Man. It was the Chalk Man who gave Eddie the idea for the drawings: a way to leave secret messages between his groups of friends. And it was fun, to start with, until the figures led them to the body of a young girl. That was thirty years ago and Ed thought the past was behind him. Then he receives a letter containing just two things: a piece of chalk, and a drawing of a stick figure. As history begins to repeat itself, Ed realises the game was never over... Everyone has secrets. Everyone is guilty of something. And children are not always so innocent.

**Thriller** **TP** **\$32.99**

**THEY KNOW NOT WHAT THEY DO**

VALTONEN, Jussi

When Professor Joe Chayefski’s neuroscience lab in Baltimore is attacked by animal rights activists, he doesn’t connect the dots, at first. But when he receives a phone call from Alina, his Finnish ex-wife, he begins to realise that the threats are connected to Samuel, the son he left behind in Finland two decades ago. Joe soon learns that his son’s life has gone badly astray, and that Samuel has devoted himself to militant activism. Samuel is now somewhere in the United States, but neither Alina nor the authorities know his exact location. Joe realises he has to take action to protect his wife and two daughters, by any means necessary.

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**ANATOMY OF A SCANDAL**

VAUGHAN, Sarah

A high-profile marriage begins to unravel, when the husband is accused of a terrible crime. Sophie is sure her husband, James, is innocent and desperately hopes to protect her precious family from the lies which might ruin them. Kate is the barrister who will prosecute the case – she is equally certain that James is guilty and determined he will pay for his crimes. A high-profile marriage thrust into the spotlight. A wife, determined to keep her family safe, must face a prosecutor who believes justice has been a long time coming. A scandal that will rock Westminster. And the women caught at the heart of it.

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**MARCUS CORVINUS: SOLID CITIZENS**

WISHART, David

December, AD 39. While enjoying the Winter Festival holiday, Marcus Corvinus discovers that local politician Quintus Caesius has been discovered beaten to death at the rear entrance of the town brothel. Who would hate him enough to kill him? And what would a supposedly solid citizen be doing, visiting the local brothel?

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