

# New Fiction

Introducing our New  
Central Otago  
Libraries Card design!

You are welcome to tick the books you would like to reserve and drop this booklet back into your library for our team to place the reserves for you.

Name: .....

Membership number:.....

We are happy to receive your requests for items to purchase—just ask at the counter!

**January – March 2022**

Central Otago Libraries card image by  
Shirley Howden



- The books featured here are a small selection of recent arrivals and items on order. They may not be immediately available\*.
- You are welcome to reserve items that are on order or out on loan. This is a free service for Central Otago borrowers.
- Visit our website [codc-qldc.govt.nz](http://codc-qldc.govt.nz) to browse our catalogue and place holds or follow the directions on the rear to have our team to place the holds for you.
- Ask our friendly team for recommendations, or explore [www.fantasticfiction.com](http://www.fantasticfiction.com) for suggestions.
- As well as books, you are welcome to borrow magazines, DVDs, puzzles, Talking Books and eResources such as eBooks and digital newspapers.

We welcome your suggestions for purchase. Just ask one of the library team!

\*Covid-19 is affecting the publishing industry, resulting in delays to some publication dates and deliveries.



### Central Otago Libraries Hours

**Alexandra and Cromwell** Mon-Fri 9am—5pm,  
Sat 9.30am—1.30pm

**Clyde** Tues 9am-1pm, Fri 1-5pm

**Maniototo** Mon-Fri 11am-4pm

**Millers Flat** Wed 3-5pm, Sat 10.30am-12.30pm

**Omakau School Hours** during term time

**Roxburgh** October—Easter, Daily 9am-5pm;  
Easter—October Mon-Fri 9am-5pm

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### Key to Genres:

**T** Thriller **R** Romance **C** Crime

**H** Historic **G** General **A** Adventure

**S** Saga **SS** Short Stories **M** Mystery **L** Light

## Regular Events\*:

**Click and Collect**— The service is available through Alexandra, Clyde, Cromwell and Maniototo Libraries. Contact the branch, or visit the website.

**Book Chat/Club**—Alexandra, Clyde, Cromwell and Maniototo, monthly. Check with your local library, or on the website.

**Reading to Dogs** - Alexandra and Cromwell. Book a time slot at the Library.

**Digital Drop in** - Alexandra, Cromwell, Maniototo and Roxburgh. Check times with your local library team.

**Yarn 2Gether** - Alexandra, Thursdays 11-1, bring your knitting or crochet (or just enjoy the chat)

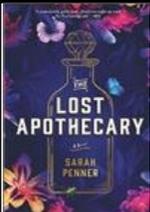
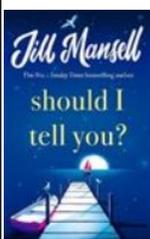
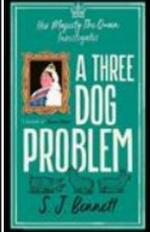
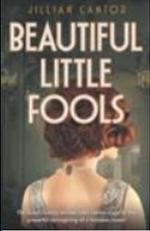
**Crafternoons** - Maniototo Library, last Thursday of every month 1-3 pm. Bring you current craft project or start on something new!

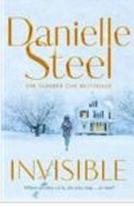
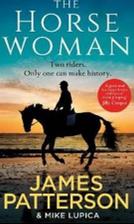
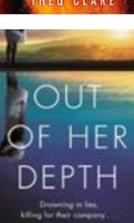
**Preschool Storytime** - Alexandra, Tuesdays 10.30 am; Cromwell, Wednesdays 10.30 am; Clyde, Tuesdays 10.30 am by arrangement; Maniototo and Roxburgh by arrangement

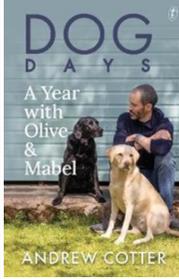
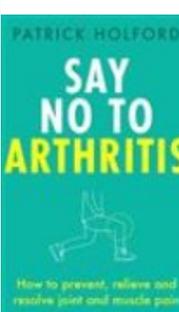
**Home Services** - Alexandra, Clyde, Cromwell, Maniototo and Roxburgh: We are happy to select and deliver items for people who are unable to get into the library because of ill health or mobility issues.

**Stepping Up** - Digital skills for life. Check at your local branch for the current programme and times.

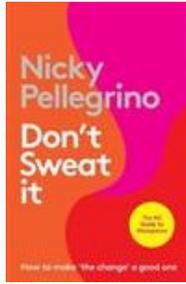
**\*Events may not run under Covid-19 Protection Framework Red or Orange alerts**

	<b>The Lost Apothecary</b> - Sarah Penner <b>H</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Hidden in the depths of eighteenth-century London, a secret apothecary shop caters to an unusual kind of clientele. Women across the city whisper of a mysterious figure named Nella who sells well-disguised poisons to use against the oppressive men in their lives.
	<b>Standing Alone</b> - Stephen Leather <b>T</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
	A Navy SEAL has gone rogue, selling his skills to the highest bidder as a professional assassin. Ryan French no longer cares who he kills so long as the price is right. His former bosses want him taken down, but they're not prepared to get their hands dirty so they need a Brit to do the job.
	<b>Should I Tell You?</b> - Jill Mansell <b>R</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Amber, Lachlan and Raffaele met as teenagers in the seaside home of kind-hearted foster parents. Arriving in glorious Cornwall was the best thing that ever happened to them - and now, as adults, their bond is stronger than ever. But Amber has a secret. She's in love with Lachlan.
	<b>A Three Dog Problem</b> - S J Bennett <b>M</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
	In the wake of a referendum which has divided the nation, the last thing the Queen needs is any more problems to worry about. But when an oil painting of the Royal Yacht Britannia - first given to the Queen in the 1960s - shows up unexpectedly in a Royal Navy exhibition, she begins to realise that something is up ...
	<b>The Last House on the Street</b> - Diane Chamberlain <b>G</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
	A recently widowed architect moves into the home she and her late husband designed, heartbroken that he will never cross the threshold. But when disturbing things begin to happen, it's clear that someone is sending her a warning. Who is trying to frighten her away, and why?
	<b>Beautiful Little Fools</b> - Jillian Cantor <b>G</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
	A powerful reimagining of The Great Gatsby from the perspective of the three women whose lives are unravelled by one man's romantic obsession.

	<b>Invisible</b> - Danielle Steel <b>G</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Antonia Adams is the product of a loveless marriage between a beautiful young model and a wealthy entrepreneur. As a child, she is abandoned in the chasm between them. Unprotected and unloved, she learns that the only way to feel safe is to draw as little attention as possible, to be invisible.
	<b>The Horse Woman</b> - James Patterson <b>G</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
	When the buzzer sounds, twenty-one-year-old Becky McCabe takes one last look around. What she's feeling right now is why riders do this. Young or old. Man or woman. Mother or daughter. The toughest combination comes early, a tight one, hardly any time to react after the first jump...
	<b>One Step Too Far</b> - Lisa Gardner <b>T</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Volunteers go home, police are assigned new missions and the missing hiker, Timothy O'Day becomes one more missing person, vanished without a trace. Until Frankie Elkin - missing persons specialist - comes to town.
	<b>Clouds on the Horizon</b> - Penelope Janu <b>R</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Will a misunderstanding and past trauma stand in the way of profound attraction? Immovable determination meets irresistible charm in this delightful rural romance from an award-winning and much-loved author.
	<b>The Book of Sand</b> - Theo Clare <b>G</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Outlines of several once-busy cities shimmer on the horizon. Now empty of inhabitants, their buildings lie in ruins. In the distance a group of people - a family - walk towards us. Ahead lies shelter- a 'shuck' the family call home and which they know they must reach before the light fails .
	<b>Out of Her Depth</b> - Lizzy Barber <b>T</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
	For headstrong Rachel, it is the chance of a lifetime: a summer job in the Tuscan hills, receiving room and board in exchange for her services at the luxurious Villa Medici hotel. It's not long before she finds herself drawn into a cosmopolitan crowd of friends for whom money is no object, and allegiances can change with the toss of a coin.

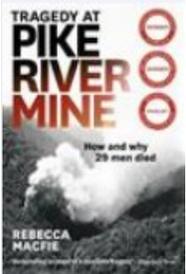
<b>Notable Non-Fiction</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<b>Dog Days: A year with Olive and Mabel</b> - Andrew Cotter <input type="checkbox"/>
	Join Andrew Cotter as he takes you behind the scenes and into the pages of his diary to reveal just how extraordinary the year has been, and what really happened after his lockdown superstar Labradors chewed up the internet and found it was quite tasty.
	<b>Back to School Snacks</b> - Australian Women's Weekly <input type="checkbox"/>
	School's back! which means so is the fretful task of packing the school lunch box every day. Fruit. Tick. Sandwich. Tick. Vegie sticks. Tick. Snack... do you go healthy or treat? If healthy, will they even eat it? If treat, are you making their lunch box 'unhealthy'. It's a conundrum all school parents face. But not anymore!
	<b>Say No to Arthritis</b> - Patrick Holford <input type="checkbox"/>
	Arthritis is a debilitating and painful disease for millions of people. In this updated and expanded book, leading nutrition expert Patrick Holford highlights the latest research on arthritis and how the disease can be prevented or alleviated by the correct diet and supplement programme.
	<b>Journeys to Impossible Places</b> - Simon Reeve <input type="checkbox"/>
	Simon takes us on epic and thrilling adventures in beautiful, tricky and downright dangerous corners of the world, as he travels through the Tropics, to remote paradise islands, jungles dripping with heat and life, and on nerve-wracking secret missions. Simon shares what his unique experiences and encounters have taught him, and the deeper lessons he draws from joy and raw grief in his personal life, from desperate struggles with his own fertility and head health, from wise friends, fatherhood, inspiring villagers, brave fighters, his beloved dogs, and a thoughtful Indian sadhu.

**Notable New Zealand Non-Fiction**



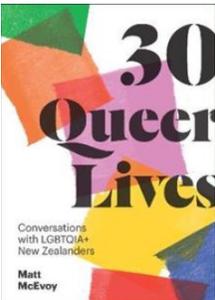
**Don't Sweat It** - Nicky Pellegrino

Forget the myths and misinformation, respected health writer Nicky Pellegrino has done the work for you in this empowering and honest book. It includes the latest research on everything from hormone replacement therapy to natural therapies and hot flushes, and the lowdown on how menopause can affect everything from your weight to your memory and sleep, to skyrocketing anxiety levels and your missing libido .



**Tragedy at Pike River Mine** (2021 edition) - Rebecca Macfie

On a sunny afternoon in November 2010, a massive explosion rocked the underground Pike River coal mine, deep in a mountain range in New Zealand's South Island. Tragedy at Pike River Mine is a dramatic, suspenseful account of a disaster that shook New Zealand and the world.



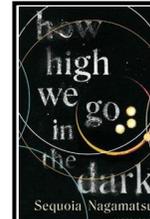
**30 Queer Lives: Conversations with LGBTQIA+ New Zealanders** - Matt McEvoy

It explores the lives of queer people across New Zealand society, from north to south and from soldiers, celebrities, lawyers, drag queens, businesspeople and Olympians to farmers and fa`afafine. From the famous - Grant Robertson, Gareth Farr, Chloe Swarbrick - to the less well known, these 30 stories encourage empathy and understanding, challenge stereotypes, and offer courage and hope.



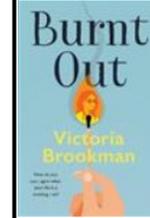
**DK Eyewitness New Zealand**

New Zealand has it all: mammoth mountains, icy-blue glacial lakes, unspoiled coastlines, idyllic vineyards and cool, cultural cities. From the subtropical kauri forests of the North Island to the remote fjords of the South Island, New Zealand offers countless opportunities for adventure. You'll discover: New Zealand's must-sees, top experiences and hidden gems—the best spots to eat, drink, shop and stay—detailed maps and walks which make navigating the country easy—easy-to-follow itineraries for every part of New Zealand, from Northland to Southland, Auckland to Canterbury.



**How High we Go in the Dark** - Sequoia Nagamatsu **SF**

Dr. Cliff Miyashiro arrives in the Arctic Circle to continue his recently deceased daughter's research, only to discover a virus, newly unearthed from melting permafrost. The plague unleashed reshapes life on earth for generations.



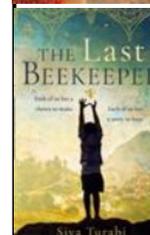
**Burnt Out** - Victoria Brookman **G**

Calida Lyons is having a very bad week. She's long past deadline for her still unwritten second novel; her husband has just left her; and her Blue Mountains community is being threatened by bushfires.



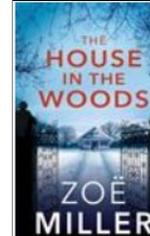
**Since Last We Met** - Bronwyn Sell **R, NZ**

Five years ago, Carmen and Bruno spent the night together. Their daughter, Mika, was born nine months later ... but Bruno doesn't know she exists. Can the couple find each other, and the truth, in a tropical island paradise?



**The Last Beekeeper** - Siya Turabi **H**

'I am a friend of the bees. Like you.' 'So, you have been waiting for me?' 'The forest has been waiting for you.' Pakistan, 1974: The secret-wreathed trees of Harikaya have always called to Hassan. He knows if he doesn't find the last beekeeper and salvage a precious jar of his mythical black honey before the floods come, his mother will lose her sight.



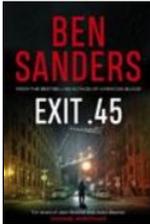
**The House in the Woods** - Zoe Miller **T**

When actress Evie Lawrence is injured in a hit-and-run accident, she wants nothing more than to retreat to her woodland home in Wicklow to recover. But when she's forced to admit that she needs help, her grand-niece Amber is volunteered by her mother ...



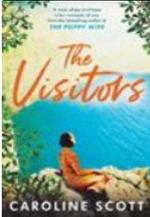
**Hare House** - Sally Hinchcliffe **G**

Hare House is not its real name, of course. I have, if you will forgive me, kept names to a minimum here, for reasons that will become understandable . . .



**Exit .45** - Ben Sanders **T**

Ray Vialoux is in trouble. Big trouble. And he needs Marshall Grade's help. Reluctantly, Grade agrees to meet. Over dinner in a Brooklyn restaurant, he learns that his former NYPD colleague owes money - a lot of money - to the wrong people. But the conversation is cut short by gunfire.



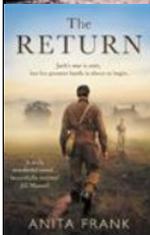
**The Visitors** - Caroline Scott **H**

Esme Nicholls is to spend the summer in Cornwall. Her late husband Alec, who died fighting in WWI, grew up in Penzance, and she's hoping to learn more about the man she loved and lost.



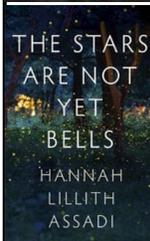
**Letting in the Light** - Charlotte Betts **G**

Old secrets don't stay hidden forever...a beautifully evocative family drama, following on from *The Light Within Us* and *The Fading of the Light*.



**The Return** - Anita Frank **R/H**

.As the bells ring out across Britain marking Victory in Europe the country erupts into celebration. Most women are overjoyed that their loved ones - their husbands, sweethearts, husbands, brothers - will soon be coming home. Most women. Not all.



**The Stars Are Not Yet Bells** - Hannah Lillith Assadi **G**

A gorgeous and uncanny foray into the fracturing effects of dementia, and the magic that shimmers into everyday life. It is the decades-spanning story of Elle Ranier, a working-class girl from Brooklyn, who now presides over the fading fortunes of the Ranier manufacturing dynasty on remote Lyra Island.

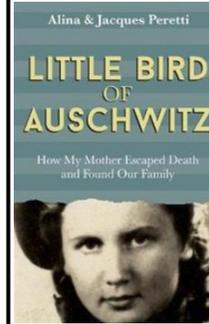


**The London House** - Katherine Reay **H**

An uncovered family secret sets one woman on the journey of a lifetime through the history of Britain's WWII spy network and glamorous 1930s Paris in an effort to understand her past, save her family, and claim her future.



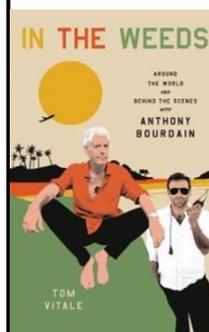
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**Little Bird of Auschwitz** - Jacques Peretti



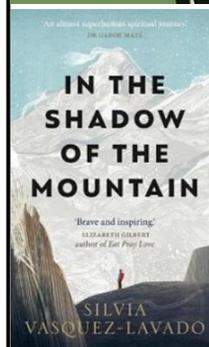
'My son Jacques is telling my story. I always wanted to tell it myself but never could. Maybe my English wasn't good enough. I never had the courage. I never imagined for a second it would be written down.' As a reporter, Jacques Peretti has spent his life investigating important stories. But there was one story, heard in scattered fragments throughout his childhood, that he never thought to investigate. The story of how his mother survived Auschwitz.



**In the Weeds** - Tom Vitale



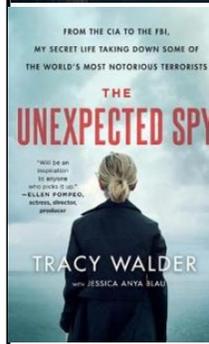
In the nearly two years since Anthony Bourdain's death, no one else has come close to filling the void he left. His passion for and genuine curiosity about the people and cultures he visited made the world feel smaller and more connected. Despite his affable, confident, and trademark snarky TV persona, the real Tony was intensely private, and an enigma even to those close to him. Tony's crew knew him best, and none for as long as his director and producer, Tom Vitale.



**In the Shadow of the Mountain** - Silvia Vasquez-Lavado



Despite a high-flying career, Silvia Vasquez-Lavado knew she was hanging by a thread. Deep in the throes of alcoholism, and hiding her sexuality from her family, she was repressing the abuse she'd suffered as a child. When her mother called her home to Peru, she knew something finally had to change. It did. Silvia began to climb.

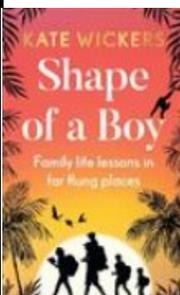


**The Unexpected Spy** - Tracy Walder



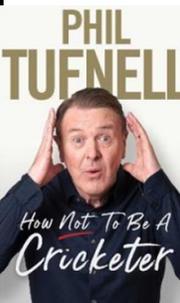
When Tracy Walder enrolled at the University of Southern California, she never thought that one day she would offer her pink beanbag chair in the Delta Gamma house to a CIA recruiter, or that she'd fly to the Middle East under an alias identity. The Unexpected Spy is the riveting story of Walder's tenure in the CIA and, later, the FBI.

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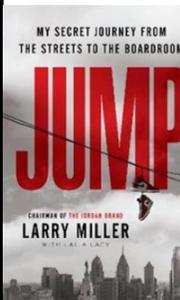
### **Shape of a Boy** - Kate Wickers

Have kids, will travel' is the mantra of veteran travel journalist and adventurous mother of three, Kate Wickers. Shape of a Boy is an inspirational parenting travel memoir about the life lessons learnt on her family's travels, from overcoming disappointment in Thailand to saying sorry in Japan, perseverance in Borneo and conservation in Malaysia. This is a must-read for every wannabe-traveller grounded by lockdown and for every parent who has dreaded travelling with a baby.



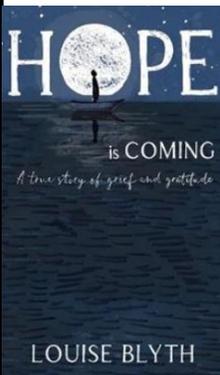
### **How Not to be a Cricketer** - Phil Tufnell

England international and TV personality Phil Tufnell highlights the many potential pitfalls of a professional cricket career, and provides a hilarious insight into how to avoid them and what happens when, like him, you don't. In the modern era of highly professional cricket, with coaches for every aspect of the game and a support staff that outnumbers the players, it often seems that everything should run smoothly. But we all know that life doesn't work that way.



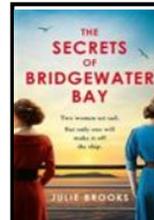
### **Jump: From the streets to the suites** - Larry Miller

Jump tells Larry Miller's journey from the violent streets of West Philly in the 1960s to the highest echelons of American sports and industry. Miller wound up in jail more than once, especially as a teenager. But he immersed himself in the educational opportunities, eventually took advantage of a Pennsylvania state education-release program offered to incarcerated people, and was able to graduate with honours from Temple University.



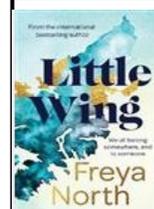
### **Hope is Coming: A true story of grief and gratitude** - Louise Blyth

Hope Is Coming documents what happened when thirty-three-year-old George, a stoical and dynamic father of two, was diagnosed with advanced cancer. Told through letters, love notes and text messages, this true-story shares beautiful insight into one of life's biggest milestones. It tenderly provokes a deeper look inside our hearts and shines a light on some of life's biggest questions.



### **The Secrets of Bridgewater Bay** - Julie Brooks **G**

1919: Rose and Ivy board a ship bound for Australia. One is travelling there to marry a man she has never met. One is destined never to arrive. Australia, 2016: Amongst her late-grandmother's possessions, Molly uncovers a photograph of two girls dressed in First World War nurses' uniforms ...



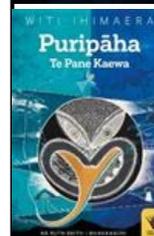
### **Little Wing** - Freya North **S**

The story of two families over three generations. A novel about resilience, forgiveness and the true meaning of family, about finding one's place in the world and discovering how we all belong somewhere and to someone.



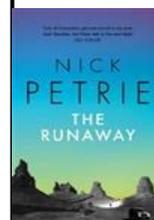
### **The Couple at the Table** - Sophie Hannah **T**

The twisty new psychological suspense novel from bestselling crime writer Sophie Hannah. A note says 'Beware the couple at the table closest to yours'. And then the woman who received the note is murdered .



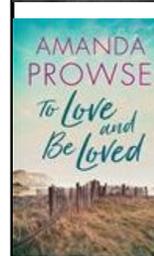
### **Puripāha** - Witi Ihimaera , translated by Ruth Smith **NZ, Te Reo edition**

Set in the heart of rural New Zealand in the 1950s, this is the tale of two men, Tamihana Mahana (known as Bulibasha) and Rupeni Poata, fighting for Maori leadership in sport, kapa haka contests and finally the first ever Golden Shears competition.



### **The Runaway** - Nick Petrie **T**

Eight years a soldier, Peter Ash came home from Iraq and Afghanistan with only one souvenir: a crippling claustrophobia due to PTSD. After years of living rough, he's trying hard to get back to a normal life - one where people aren't trying to kill him. And then he meets Helene, a young pregnant woman stranded on a remote Nebraska road .



### **To Love and Be Loved** - Amanda Prowse **G**

Young and desperately in love, Merrin had the whole world ahead of her. But just as her new life was about to start, the ground beneath her feet was cruelly swept away. Devastated by the humiliation, she ran far away from the beloved fishing village she had always called home to lick her wounds.

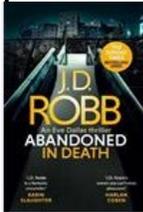




**The Gosling Girl - Jacqueline Roy C**



Michelle Cameron was known as the black girl who murdered a little white girl; evil incarnate according to the media. As the book opens, she has done her time, and has been released as a young woman with a new identity to start her life again. When another shocking death occurs, Michelle is the first in the frame.



**Abandoned in Death - J. D. Robb C**



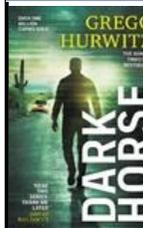
The exciting new instalment in the bestselling In Death series



**Again, Rachel - Marian Keyes G**



In her twenties, Rachel Walsh was a mess. Since her spell in rehab, though, she's come a long way on the road to recovery - and now, she's ready to go back to where it all began. But this time, the student has become the teacher.



**Dark Horse - Greg Hurwitz T**



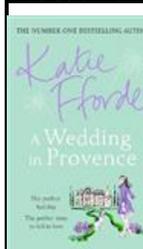
Evan Smoak is a man with many identities and a challenging past. As Orphan X, he was a government assassin for the off-the-books Orphan Program. After he broke with the Program, he adopted a new name and a new mission - The Nowhere Man, helping the most desperate in their times of trouble.



**Steal - James Patterson & Howard Roughan T**



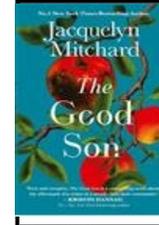
The brilliant, crime-solving Professor Dylan Reinhart returns in the third thrilling instalment of James Patterson's Instinct series The brilliant, crime-solving Professor Dylan Reinhart returns in the third thrilling instalment of James Patterson's Instinct series.



**A Wedding in Provence - Katie Fforde L**



1963, a chateau in Provence. It's late afternoon when Alexandra arrives, and the chateau before her is old, substantial and its four large towers seem to grow out of the soil. It is, she thinks, reassuring in its permanence and solidity. Less reassuring are the three silent, rather hostile children waiting for her inside.



**The Good Son - Jacquelyn Mitchard G**



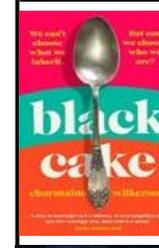
The gripping, emotionally charged novel of a mother who must help her son after he is convicted of a devastating crime. What do you do when the person you love best becomes unrecognisable to you? For Thea Demetriou, the answer is both simple and agonising: you keep loving him somehow.



**Take Your Breath Away - Linwood Barclay T**



The breathtaking new crime thriller from the international bestselling author of Elevator Pitch and Find You First.



**Black Cake - Charmaine Wilkerson G**



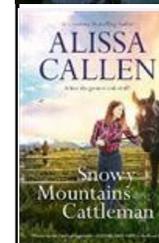
When Eleanor Bennett dies her children gather for the funeral. Byron and Benny haven't talked in years. Not since Benny fell out with their father Bert. But Eleanor has left a couple of surprises behind.



**The Locked Room - Elly Griffiths**



The fourteenth novel in the acclaimed and bestselling Dr Ruth Galloway Mysteries. Ruth and Nelson are on the hunt for a murderer when Covid-19 rears its ugly head. But can they find the killer despite lockdown?



**Snowy Mountains Cattleman - Alissa Callen R**



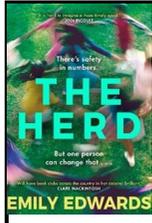
The greatest risk of all is love ... Interior stylist Grace Davenport has come to the mountains for solitude and a place to heal after her parents' death. Returning to their beloved town of Bundilla, she plans to restore a local bluestone mansion in honour of their memory. She'll just be there for the summer, until she figures out her next step.



**The Frog Prince - James Norcliffe NZ G**



The Frog Prince is an intriguing, multi-layered novel giving us a story, within a story, within a story. We might recall the kiss between the frog prince and the princess, but not necessarily the part where the princess angrily flings the frog against the wall. What was **that** all about?



**The Herd - Emily Edwards G**



Elizabeth and Bryony are polar opposites but their unexpected friendship has always worked. They're the best of friends, and godmothers to each other's daughters - because they trust that the safety of their children is both of their top priority. But what if their choice could harm your own child ?



**The Very Last List of Vivian Walker - Megan Albany G**



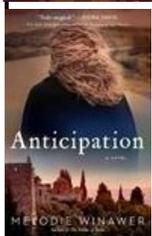
Average husband, check. Darling son, check. Refrigerator in a state of permanent disarray, check. Everything is thoroughly and frustratingly normal. Even the fact that Vivian is dying. . In preparation for D-day, Viv has made a list of important things to do ...



**Larry & Viv - Graeme Lay NZ H/G**



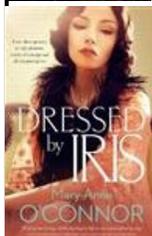
1948. The world is still recovering from war, Britain is demoralised. Yet there is hope. The Old Vic Theatre Company undertakes a tour of Australia and New Zealand, to show the British flag. And to make money. The tour is led by the world's best-known actors, Laurence Olivier and Vivien Leigh, glamorous stars of stage and screen.



**Anticipation - Melodie Winawer G**



After the death of her beloved husband and becoming a single parent to her nine-year-old son Alexander, overworked scientist Helen desperately needs an escape. Set in the crumbling city of Mystras, Greece, her vacation with her young son quickly turns into a fight for their lives after they cross paths with a man out of time.



**Dressed by Iris - Mary-Anne O'Connor G/H**



A vivid, romantic story of Sydney in the 1930s Depression - the heartbreak, the glamour, the dark underbelly, the struggle towards a better day - and one young woman's dream of designing her way from rags to riches. For readers of Natasha Lester and Victoria Purman.



**Dead Horse Gap - Christine Lee C**



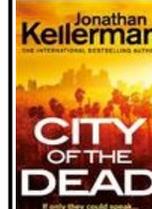
When a light plane crashes at night in the midst of the New South Wales Snowy Mountains, Sydney Homicide's Detective Sergeant Pierce Ryder and Detective Constable Mitchell Flowers are sent to investigate what immediately looks like foul play.



**Em & Me - Beth Morrey G**



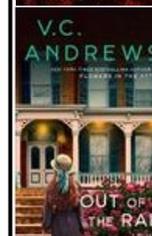
Once upon a time, Delphine Jones had big dreams. Clever, beautiful and ambitious, she was going to get an education, travel the world, make her mark. But somewhere along the line, it all went wrong...



**City of the Dead - Jonathan Kellerman T**



At 5am in the upscale neighbourhood of Westwood Village, two removal men are making a routine pick-up when they make a fatal hit. It's a man - who appeared from nowhere - naked and with no means of identification. Not long after, a woman is found dead in a house nearby - Could the man have come from there?



**Out of the Rain - V. C. Andrews G**



Out of the Rain follows Saffron Anders as she leaves the clutches of the umbrella lady and reunites with her family. But this reunion may not be as happy as it seems.

*The sequel to The Umbrella Lady*



**The Torrent - Dinuka McKenzie C**



In Northern New South Wales, heavily pregnant and a week away from maternity leave, Detective Sergeant Kate Miles is exhausted and counting down the days. But a violent hold-up at a local fast-food restaurant with unsettling connections to her own past, means that her final days will be anything but straightforward.



**Lily Harford's Last Request - Joanna Buckley G**



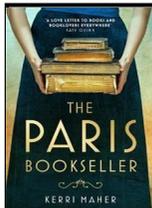
Lily has lived a joyful life in a seaside town in Queensland. Now health has pushed her into a nursing home, and her memory is failing, although events of the past remain fresh. Like pulling back the layers of a Russian doll, Lily recalls the former selves - mother, professional woman, lover, daughter - who still exist inside her.



**In Amber's Wake - Christine Leunens NZ G**



Set in New Zealand during the fast-changing, tumultuous 1980s era of the anti-nuclear movement, Springbok rugby tour protests, and the bombing of the Rainbow Warrior, this romantic drama is as unpredictable as it is powerful and heartfelt.



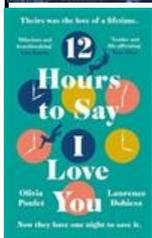
**The Paris Bookseller** - Keri Maher **H**

Sylvia Beach opens Shakespeare and Company on a quiet street in Paris in 1919, she has no idea that she and her new bookshop will change the course of literature itself. It is more than a bookshop and lending library: many of the most prominent writers of the time consider it a second home.



**House of Sky and Breath** - Sarah J. Maas **F**

Bryce Quinlan and Hunt Athalar have made a pact. As they process the events of the Spring they will keep things ... platonic ... until the Solstice. But can they resist when the crackling tension between them is enough to set the whole of Crescent City aflame? *The sequel to House of Earth and Blood*



**12 Hours to Say I Love You** - Olivia Poulet and Laurence Dobiesz **R**

Whir, beep, click. Whir, beep, click. The machines in the London hospital room play a steady rhythm. A young husband sits beside his wife's bed, his eyes fixed on her pale, still face. 'The next twelve hours are going to be critical,' the consultant tells him. 'That's where you come in. Talk to her, Mr Gallagher. I believe she's listening.'



**The Heretic** - Liam McIlvanney **C**

A deadly fire An arson attack on a Glasgow warehouse causes the deaths of a young mother and child. Police suspect it's the latest act in a brutal gang warfare that's tearing the city apart - one that DI Duncan McCormack has been tasked with stopping.



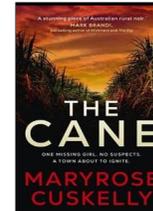
**The Singles Table** - Sara Desai **R**

After a devastating break-up, lawyer Zara Patel is determined never to open her heart again. She puts her energy into building her career and helping her friends find romance through the wedding season. She's never faced a guest at the singles table she couldn't match, until she crosses paths with the sinfully sexy Jay Donovan.



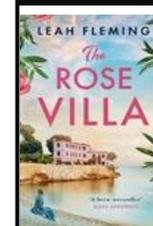
**Diamond** - Jessie Keane **C/H**

In the early years of the last century, a desperate young girl changes her name and flees the confines of her brutal, dominating gangland family in London. Now calling herself 'Diamond Dupree', she goes to Paris to become an artist's model but the world there is different to what she had supposed



**The Cane** - Maryrose Cuskelly **T**

Barbara McClymont walks the cane fields searching for Janet, her sixteen-year-old daughter, who has been missing for weeks. The Police have no leads. The people of Quala are divided by dread and distrust. But the sugar crush is underway and the cane must be burned.



**The Rose Villa** - Leah Fleming **H/R**

High above the Mediterranean, on the French Riviera, stands a beautiful pink stucco villa. Once a playground for the rich and glamorous, now - in the aftermath of World War 1 - it is a convalescent home for sick and wounded nurses.



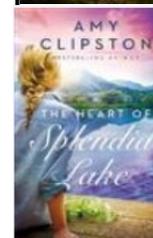
**The Maid** - Nita Prose **M**

Molly the Maid is all alone in the world. A nobody. She's used to being invisible in her job at the Regency Grand Hotel, plumping pillows and wiping away the grime, dust and secrets of the guests who pass through. But Molly is thrown into the spotlight when she discovers an infamous wealthy guest, Mr Black, very dead in his bed. This isn't a mess that can be easily cleaned up !



**The Flood** - Deon Meyer **T**

Almost fired for insubordination, detectives Benny Griessel and Vaughan Cupido find themselves demoted and dispatched to the leafy streets of Stellenbosch. Working a missing-persons report on student Callie Brink is not the level of work they are used to, but it's all they get. And soon, it takes a dangerous, deeply disturbing turn.



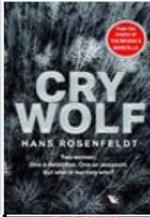
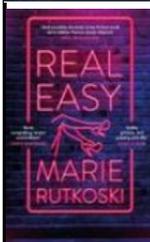
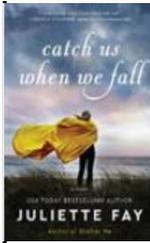
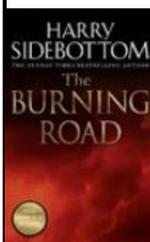
**The Heart of Splendid Lake** - Amy Clipston **R**

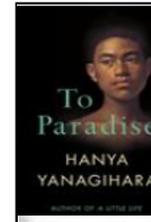
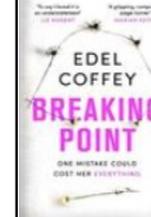
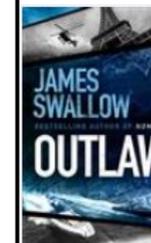
Brianna is the youngest of the three Porter sisters and the only one who chose to stay in the small town of Splendid Lake, North Carolina. She followed in her father's footsteps and became an expert boat mechanic, helping him run their small resort with cabin rentals, a convenience store, and a marina.

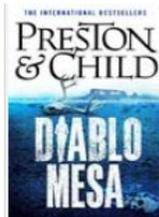


**The Furies** - Mandy Beaumont **G**

After the unthinkable happens one night on her family's drought-stricken property in outback Queensland, Cynthia spends her days alone and walking in slow circles outside the house looking for races of her sister, Mallory; her feet hardening and her skin turning a deep brown with the harsh sun.

	<b>Cry Wolf</b> - Hans Rosenfeldt <b>T</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Hannah Wester, a detective in the remote northern Swedish town of Haparanda, finds herself on the precipice of chaos. When human remains are found in the stomach of a dead wolf, Hannah knows that this summer won't be like any other.
	<b>The House of Ashes</b> - Stuart Neville <b>C</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
	For Sara Keane, it was supposed to be a second chance. A new country. A new house. A new beginning. Then came the knock on the door. Elderly Mary Jackson can't understand why Sara and her husband are living in her home. She remembers the fire. She remembers the house burning down.
	<b>Real Easy</b> - Marie Rutkowski <b>C</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
	It's 1999, and Samantha has danced for years at the Lovely Lady strip club. She's not used to taking anyone under her wing - after all, between her disapproving boyfriend and his daughter, who may as well be her own child, she has enough to worry about.
	<b>A calling for Charlie Barnes</b> - Joshua Ferris <b>G</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Charlie Barnes, sixty-eight years old, reasonable man, small-business owner is facing the abyss and it's time to reckon with how he has lived his life so far. What happened to all those great ideas that were snatched from the jaws of success?
	<b>Catch Us When We Fall</b> - Juliette Fay <b>G</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
	On her own since the age of eighteen, Cass Macklin dated brilliant, troubled Ben McGreavy, convinced he was the smartest person she'd ever known. They partied their way through their twenties, slowly descending into a bleak world of binge-drinking and broken promises, inebriated for most a decade. Now Ben is dead, and Cass is broke.
	<b>The Burning Road</b> - Harry Sidebottom <b>H/T</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
	AD265 - In the shadow of Mount Etna, slaves are rising up. As the rebel leader declares Sicily the new land of the free, men and women are slaughtered, and cities across the island are sacked and burned. When a ship is wrecked off the island's west coast, all but two survivors are cut down in the surf by the rebel slaves.

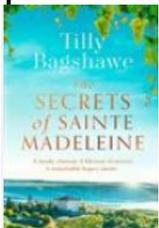
	<b>To Paradise</b> - Hanya Yanagihara <b>G</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
	In an alternate version of 1893 America, New York is part of the Free States, where people may live and love whomever they please (or so it seems).
	<b>Breaking Point</b> - Edel Coffey <b>G</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Susannah is very successful as a doctor, a researcher, a professor, a wife, a mother and a woman. She doesn't realise it, but she is at breaking point. After a frantic morning, with a disrupted routine and an emergency call from work, Susannah leaves her young daughter in the car on a hot day. It is hours before she realises her mistake.
	<b>The Bloom Girls</b> - Amy Pine <b>G</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Aspiring photographer Gabi Bloom was supposed to build her portfolio on her trip to Europe. What she wasn't supposed to do was come home with a fiancé. <i>A humorous, multi-generational story about a mother and daughter who discover that life happens when you least expect it.</i>
	<b>Anthem</b> - Noah Hawley <b>T</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
	The wheels are coming off in America. Opioid addictions accelerate unstoppably. Environmental collapse can be read in every weather report. Vigilante bands take over streets at night, wearing clown face makeup. The very idea of government, of citizenship, is challenged daily.
	<b>Outlaw</b> - James Swallow <b>T</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Gutted by the ruthless power brokers known as the Combine, the Rubicon Group is a shadow of its former self, its founder Ekko Solomon missing presumed dead and the members of its private security and intelligence team in hiding, framed for a terrorist atrocity they did not commit.
	<b>Chai Time at Cinnamon Gardens</b> - Shankari Chandran <b>G</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Cinnamon Gardens Nursing Home is nestled in the quiet suburb of Westgrove, Sydney - populated with residents with colourful histories, each with their own secrets, triumphs and failings. This is their safe place, an oasis of familiar delights - a beautiful garden, a busy kitchen and a bountiful recreation schedule.



**Diabolo Mesa** - Preston & Child **T**



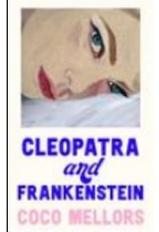
As Corrie Swanson and Nora Kelly dig deeper into a crime scene, they will uncover more questions than answers. And the truth they seek will be even stranger than the conspiracy it hides behind.



**The Secrets of Sainte Madeleine** - Tilly Bagshawe **L**

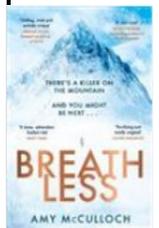


1790: Jean-Yves Salignac wins Sainte Madeleine, a beautiful vineyard in Burgundy, but loses Jero, the love of his life. Heartbroken, he carves the symbol of a butterfly all over Sainte Madeleine, so that she'll never be forgotten... 1923: young Elise Salignac loves hearing the stories of her ancestors and Jero's butterflies, whose magic is known only to the true children of Sainte Madeleine.



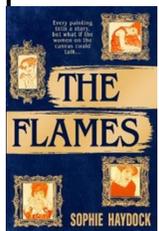
**Cleopatra and Frankenstein** - Coco Mellors **G**

An immersive, heart-breaking debut novel about growing up and growing apart, the choices we make, and the joy, regret and surprises that can come from them: from an exceptional new British voice.



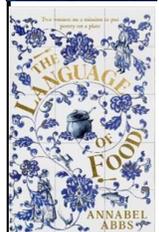
**Breathless** - Amy McCulloch **T**

When struggling journalist Cecily Wong is invited to join an expedition to climb one of the world's tallest mountains, it seems like the chance of a lifetime. Then there's a theft, an accident, a mysterious note, pinned to her tent: there's a murderer on the mountain. And that's when Cecily finds the first body...



**The Flames** - Sophie Haydock **H**

The story of four real women, the 'muses' who inspired the charismatic but controversial artist, Egon Schiele: spirited Adele, her quieter sister, Edith, fiery Gertrude and Vally, a model discovered by Gustav Klimt. With Egon Schiele poised on the brink of international success, each woman attempts to write her own future until an act of betrayal changes everything.



**The Language of Food** - Annabel Abbs **H**

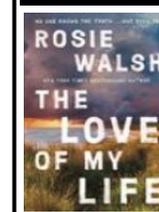
Eliza Acton is a poet who dreams of seeing her words in print. But when she takes her new manuscript to a publisher, she's told that 'poetry is not the business of a lady'. Instead, they want her to write a cookery book. England is awash with exciting new ingredients, from spices to exotic fruits. That's what readers really want from women.



**The Berlin Exchange** - Joseph Kanon **T**



An espionage thriller set at the height of the Cold War, when a captured American who has spied for the KGB is swapped by the British for some German students and returns to East Berlin needing to know who arranged his release and what they want from him.



**The Love of my Life** - Rosie Walsh **G**



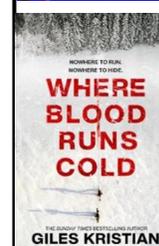
Emma loves her husband Leo and their young daughter Ruby. But she's not been honest with either of them. Leo might never have known, except that he writes obituaries for a living, and it's standard practice to have a draft on file. After Emma is diagnosed with cancer, he starts to research her life - and discovers things don't quite add up.



**When We Were Birds** - Ayanna Lloyd Banwo **G**



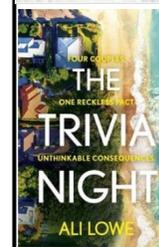
Darwin is a down-on-his-luck gravedigger, newly arrived in the city of Port Angeles to seek his fortune, young and beautiful and lost. Estranged from his mother and the Rastafari faith she taught him, he is convinced that the father he never met may be waiting for him somewhere amid these bustling streets.



**Where the Blood Runs Cold** - Giles Kristian **T**



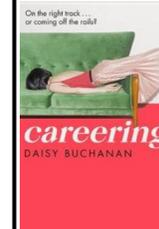
Erik Amdahl and his spirited daughter, Sofia, have embarked on a long-promised cross-country ski trip deep into Norway's arctic circle. For Erik, it's the chance to bond properly with his remaining daughter following a tragic accident that took Sofia's sister from them. For Sofia, it's the proof she needs that her father really does care.



**The Trivia Night** - Ali Lowe **G**



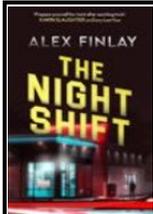
From the outside the parents of the kindergarten class at Darley Heights primary school seem to have it all. The big date in the calendar is the school's annual fundraising trivia night, but when the evening gets raucously out of hand, talk turns to partner-swapping. Initially scandalised, it's not long before a group of parents make a reckless one-night-only pact...



**Careering** - Daisy Buchanan **G**



careering (verb) 1. working endlessly for a job you used to love and now resent entirely 2. knowing that a little of your soul is inextricably tied to the work you do 3. moving in a way that feels out of control



**The Night Shift** - Alex Finlay **T**

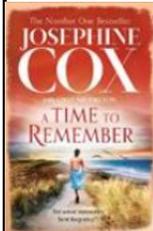


Two murders fifteen years apart. In the aftermath of the latest crime, three lives collide: the lone survivor of the first massacre who is forced to relive the horrors of her tragedy; the brother of the prime suspect; and FBI agent Sarah Keller, who must delve into the secrets of both nights to uncover the truth about “the night shift murders”.



**A Stranger's Game** - Colleen Coble **C**

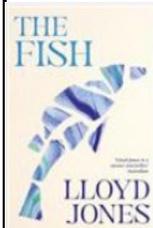
Torie Bergstrom hasn't been back to Georgia since she was ten, but she's happy to arrange a job for her best friend at one of the family properties on Jekyll Island. When Torie learns that her best friend has drowned, she knows this is more than a tragic accident:



**A Time to Remember** - Josephine Cox **S**



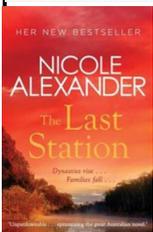
Maureen has never learned the art of putting herself first. She always gives, and never expects anything in return for herself. Instead of being treated the same way by others, her gentle temperament has seen her taken advantage of, and now she has lost her joy in life.



**The Fish** - Lloyd Jones **NZ**



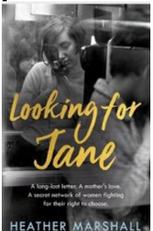
Then she lifts the Fish up from the basinet and holds him out to me. 'Go on, take him.' And to the Fish she says, 'This is your uncle.' It is a bit like catching a hastily thrown ball. She lets go before I am ready.



**The Last Station** - Nicole Alexander **H**



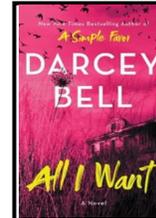
In nineteenth-century New South Wales, the name Dalhunny stood for prosperity and prestige. The family's vast station was home to more than 80 people, and each year their premium wool was shipped down the bustling Darling River to be sold in South Australia. Yet, just decades later, Dalhunny Station is on the brink of ruin



**Looking for Jane** - Heather Marshall **G**



1960 It starts with a phone call, with someone looking for Jane. They are put through to Dr Evelyn Taylor, a member of the Jane Network who provides safe but illegal abortions. No names are exchanged. No identities are revealed. And no one knows Evelyn is still traumatised by being forced to give her own baby up for adoption years before



**All I Want** - Darcey Bell **T**



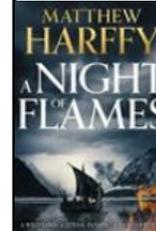
When Emma's husband, Ben, falls in love with a large Victorian mansion for sale in upstate New York, he swears to her the fixer-upper will be worth the risk. With a baby on the way, Emma would like to live in a charming, safe community, after all--and in a space larger than a one-bedroom New York City apartment ...



**Sorry Isn't Good Enough** - Jane Bailey **T**



It is 1966, and things are changing in the close-knit Napier Road. Stephanie is 9 years old, and she has plans: 1. Get Jesus to heal her wonky foot 2. Escape her spiteful friend Dawn 3. Persuade her mum to love her .



**A Night of Flames** - Matthew Harffy **H**



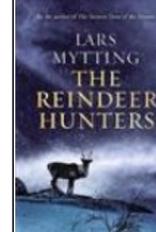
Northumbria, AD 794. Those who rule the seas, rule the land. None know the truth of this more than the Vikings. To compete with the sea-faring, violent raiders, the king of Northumbria orders the construction of his own longships under the command of oath-sworn Norseman, Runolf.



**Think of Me** - Frances Liardet **G**



When I open my eyes I see a small dark shape at the end of the pew under the window. A piece of cloth, a handkerchief perhaps? No, a woman's headscarf. The blue is bright, Mediterranean. I can't for the life of me remember seeing it before. But all the same it seems familiar.



**The Reindeer Hunters** - Lars Mytting **H**



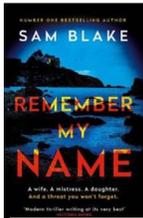
The year is 1903, and twenty-two years have passed since Astrid Hekne died in childbirth. Her son Jehans lives on a modest smallholding up in the hills near Butangen, having withdrawn from his community. He is drawn to freedom, to fishing and reindeer hunting, and one day meets a stranger over the body of a huge reindeer buck.



**Moon Witch, Spider King** - Marlon James **F**



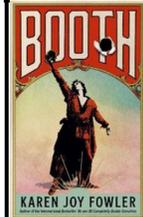
In this stunning follow-up to Black Leopard, Red Wolf, Marlon James draws on a rich tradition of African mythology, fantasy and history to imagine an ancient world, a lost child, an extraordinary hunter, and a mystery with many answers .



**Remember My Name** - Sam Blake **T**



If she'd turned off her phone, instead of listening in, perhaps no one would have died...



**Booth** - Karen Joy Fowler **H**



The story of the brilliant and disastrously ill-fated Booth family. Junius is the patriarch, who, following bigamy charges, flees England to 1820s Baltimore with his children. Of the six Booth siblings who survive to adulthood, each has their own dreams they must fight to realise - but it is Johnny who makes the terrible decision that will change the course of history.



**The Plant Hunter** - T. L. Mogford **H**



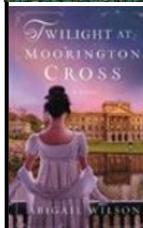
1867. When planthunter Harry Compton receives a rare specimen and a map, he sets out to find fame and fortune. But where there is wealth there is corruption, and soon Harry is fleeing England, sailing up the Yangtze alongside a young widow - both in pursuit of the plant that could change their futures.



**The Leviathan** - Rosie Andrews **T/H**



Reluctant soldier Thomas Treadwater has been summoned back from the Civil War by a frantic letter from his sister, making allegations of improper behaviour between their widowed father and a new servant. By the time Thomas returns home, his father is insensible, felled by a stroke, and their new servant is in prison, facing charges of witchcraft.



**Twilight at Moorington Cross** - Abigail Wilson **G**



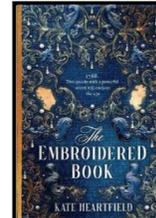
An inheritance could provide her with financial freedom, a rare accomplishment for a woman in the Regency era; she only has to marry one of two men to gain it. But what if her heart belongs to a third?



**Land of Snow and Ashes** - Petra Rautiainen **G/H**



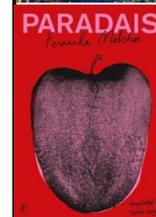
a young Finnish soldier is called to work as an interpreter at a Nazi prison camp. Surrounded by cruelty and death, he struggles to hold onto his humanity. When peace comes, the crimes are buried beneath the snow and ice. A few years later, journalist Inkeri is assigned to investigate the rapid development of remote Western Lapland. Her real motivation is more personal ...



**The Embroidered Book** - Kate Heartfield **H**



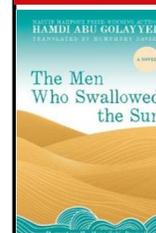
1768. Charlotte arrives in Naples to marry a man she has never met. Two years later, her sister Antoine is sent to France to marry another stranger. In the mirrored corridors of Versailles, they rename her Marie Antoinette. But the sisters are not powerless.



**Paradais** - Fernanda Melchor **G**



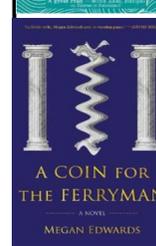
Inside a luxury housing complex, two misfit teenagers sneak around and get drunk. Franco, lonely, overweight, and addicted to porn, fantasises about seducing his neighbour, while Polo dreams about quitting his gruelling job as a gardener in the gated community and fleeing his overbearing mother and their narco-controlled village.



**The Men Who Swallowed the Sun** - Hamdi Abui Golayyel **G**



Two Bedouin men from Egypt's Western Desert seek to escape poverty through different routes One--the intellectual, terminally self-doubting, gets no further than southern Libya's fly-blown oasis of Sabha, while his cousin--the dashing, irrepressible Phantom Raider --makes it to the fleshpots of Milan. *A darkly comic and unsentimental story of illegal immigration*



**A Coin for the Ferryman** - Megan Edwards **G**



In 1999, a team gathered to carry out a ground-breaking experiment: Julius Caesar was successfully transported from the last day of his life to a specially-constructed facility. Four days of conversation with historians and scholars were planned, followed by Caesar's return to the moment from which he was extracted...



**Still Water** - Rebecca Pert **T**



Young Hannah only knows the isolation of Shetland, only knows how to watch her mother take her pills and to keep out of her way. So when they move to Devon and Hannah starts a new life, she will meet someone who will change her life. Angela is rich, beautiful and Hannah is transfixed.



**The Sorrow Stone** - Kari Gislason **G**



After committing an audacious act of revenge for her brother's murder, Disa flees with her son Sindri through the fjords of Iceland. She has already endured the death of her loved ones. Now she must run to save her son, and her honour. .