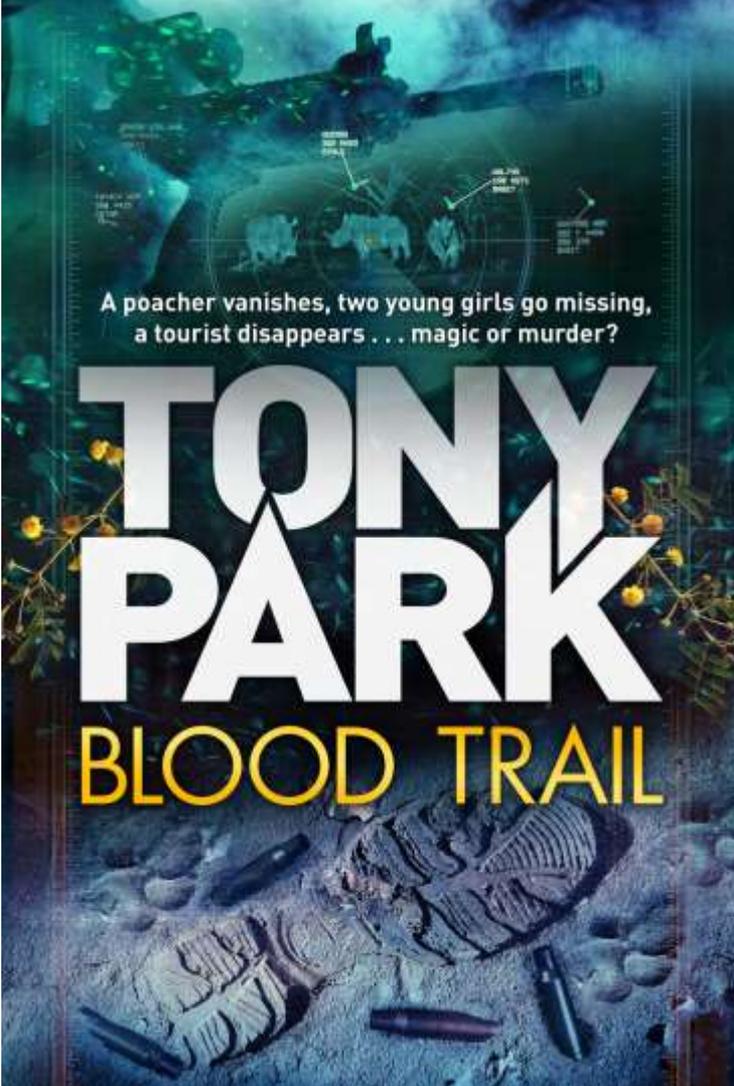




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LOCAL



Blood Trail

Tony Park

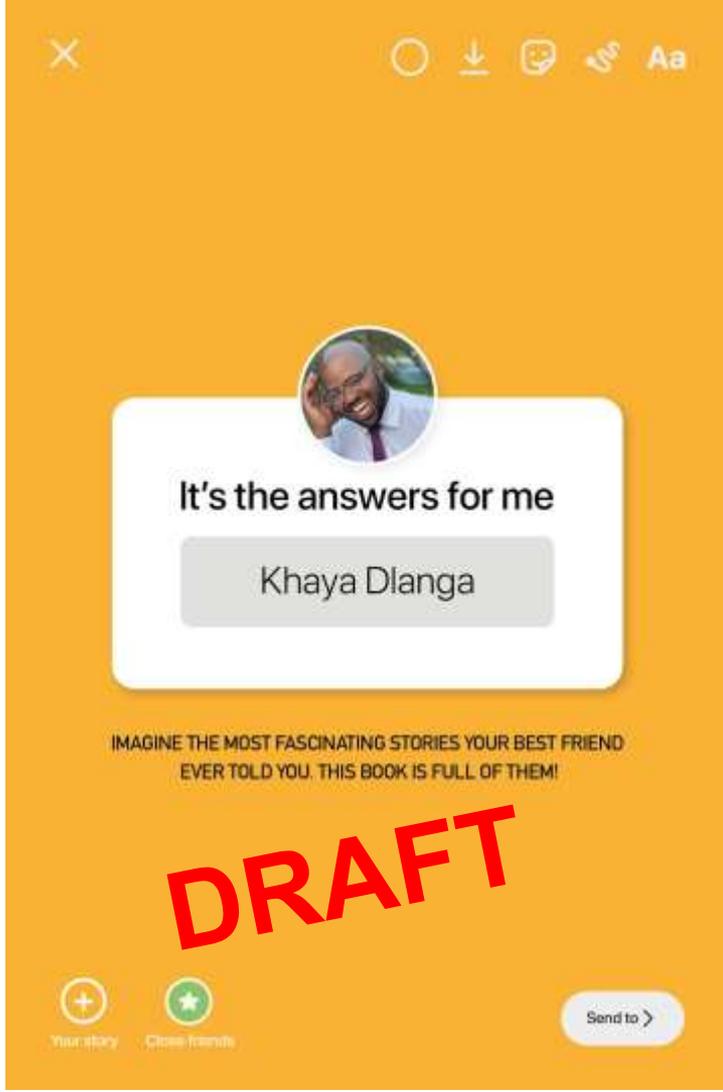
Evil is at play in a South African game reserve.

A poacher vanishes into thin air, defying logic and baffling ace tracker Mia Greenaway.

Meanwhile Captain Sannie van Rensburg, still reeling from a personal tragedy, is investigating the disappearance of two young girls who locals fear have been abducted for use in sinister traditional medicine practices. But poachers are also employing witchcraft, paying healers for potions they believe will make them invisible and bulletproof.

When a tourist goes missing, Mia and Sannie must work together to confront their own demons and challenge everything they believe, and to follow a bloody trail that seems to vanish at every turn.

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- Genre: Fiction
- Extent: TBC
- Price: R310,00



It's the Answers for Me

Khaya Dlanga

With three bestselling books published, Khaya Dlanga is one of South Africa's favourite authors. His ability to write candidly and authentically about himself and his world has resonated with readers from all walks of life.

In March 2020 Khaya found himself bereaved, alone and facing an indefinite lockdown as a result of COVID-19. Like most of us, he turned to social media to maintain some human connection and his followers came through and kept him going.

It's the Answers for Me is the result of Khaya's ongoing Q&A interactions with his followers on Instagram. It's evidence of the genuine communities that are formed on social media: intensely human, at times strange and shocking, sometimes touching and often really funny. And it's a record of a nation going through the most bizarre (and longest) year in recent history.

Khaya's enviable gift for storytelling makes people want to hear his stories and also to trust him with theirs. From the secrets our parents think they keep from us to the real reasons we stay in relationships, and venturing into many other everyday issues and situations, *It's the answers for me* captures our collective mgowo.

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HARDBACK FICTION

Bestselling author of
A PRIVATE AFFAIR

LESLEY LOKKO

Soul Sisters

An unbreakable bond. An unspeakable betrayal

Soul Sisters

Lesley Lokko

22nd July release

Soul Sisters by Lesley Lokko is a rich, intergenerational tale of love, race, power and secrets which centres on the lifelong friendship between two women: Scottish Jen McFadden and South African-born uKwemisa Mashabane, known to her friends as Kemi.

Since childhood, Jen and Kemi have lived like sisters in the McFadden family home in Edinburgh, brought together by a shared family history which stretches back generations. Kemi was educated in Britain alongside Jen and the girls could not be closer; nor could they be more different in the paths they take in life. But the ties that bind them are strong and complicated, and a dark family secret exists in their joint history.

Solam Matsunyane is from South Africa's black political elite. Handsome, charismatic, charming, and a successful young banker, he meets both Kemi and Jen on a trip to London and sweeps them off their feet. Partly influenced by her interest in Solam, and partly on a journey of self-discovery, Kemi, now 31, decides to return to the country of her birth for the first time. Jen, seeking an escape from her father's overbearing presence, decides to go with her. In Johannesburg, it becomes clear that Solam is looking for the perfect wife to facilitate his soaring political ambitions. But who will he choose? All the while, the real story behind the two families' connection threatens to reveal itself – with devastating consequences...

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- Genre: Fiction
- Extent: 432
- Price: R330,00

'A guaranteed delight!'
Annie Barrows, author of
THE GUERNSEY LITERARY AND
POTATO PEELE PIE SOCIETY

Yours Cheerfully



AJ PEARCE

FROM THE SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLING
AUTHOR OF DEAR MRS BIRD

Yours Cheerfully

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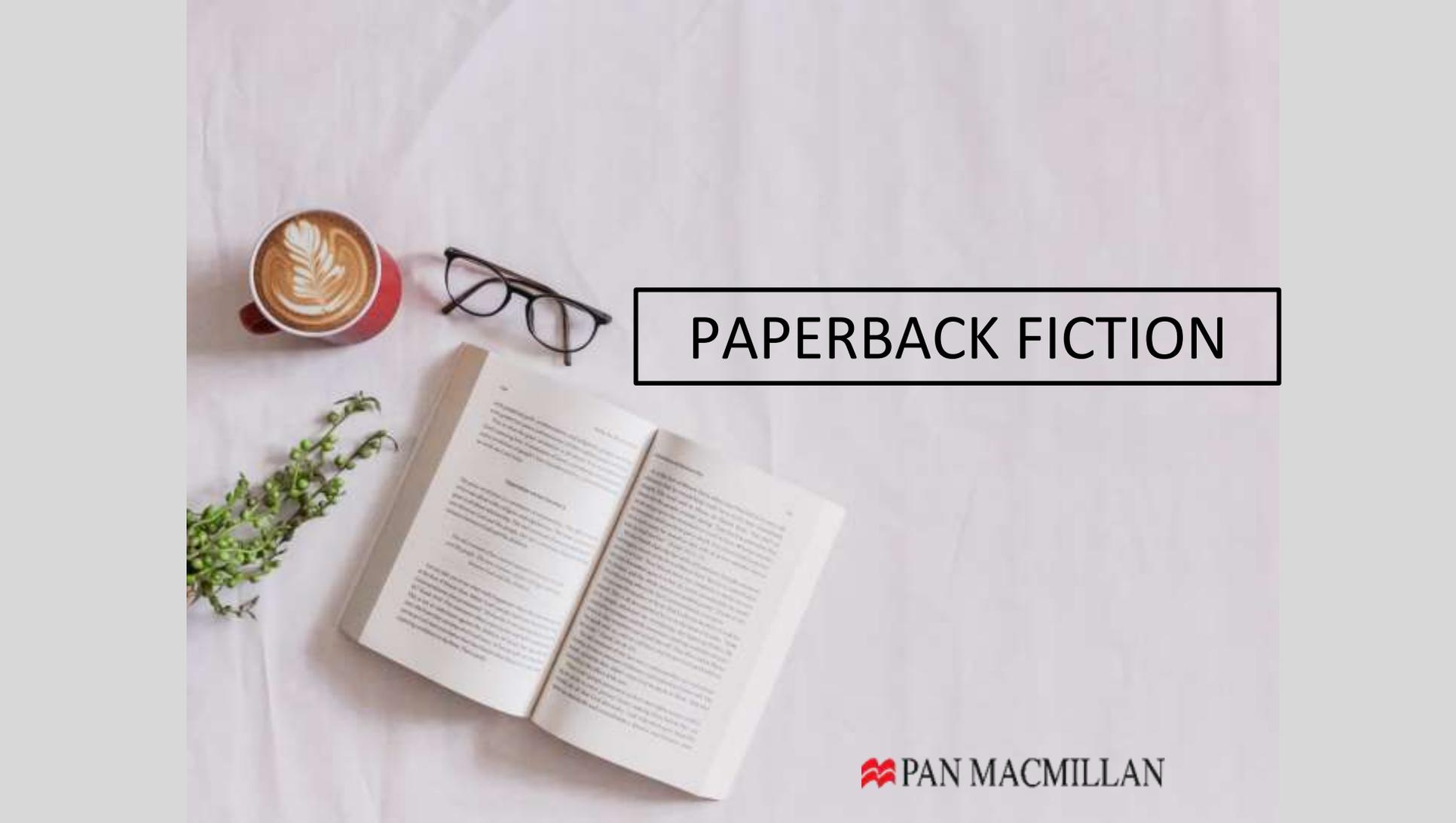
From the author of Sunday Times Bestseller, *Dear Mrs Bird*, comes a much hoped-for sequel, *Yours Cheerfully*. Charming, heart-warming and hilarious, *Yours Cheerfully* is just the tonic we've all been waiting for.

London, September 1941. Following the departure of the formidable Editor, Henrietta Bird, from *Woman's Friend* magazine, things are looking up for Emmeline Lake as she takes on the challenge of becoming a young wartime advice columnist. Her relationship with boyfriend Charles is blossoming, while Emmy's best friend Bunty, is still reeling from the very worst of the Blitz, but bravely looking to the future. Together, the friends are determined to Make a Go of It.

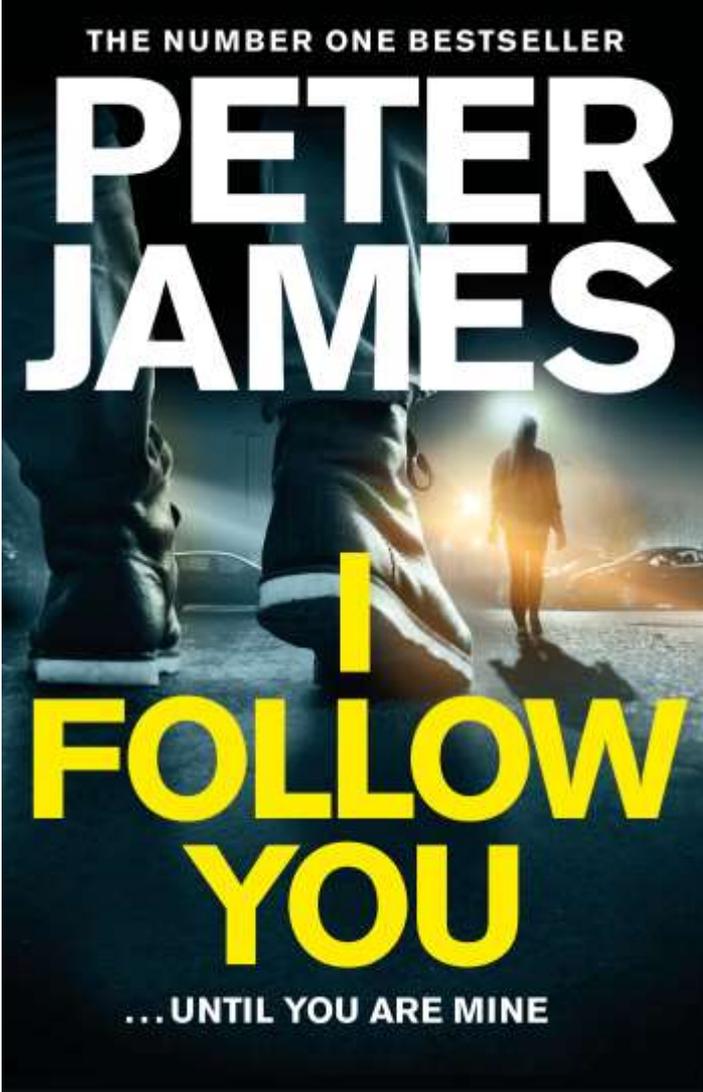
When the Ministry of Information calls on Britain's women's magazines to help recruit desperately needed female workers to the war effort, Emmy is thrilled to be asked to step up and help. But when she and Bunty meet a young woman who shows them the very real challenges that women war workers face, Emmy must tackle a life-changing dilemma between doing her duty, and standing by her friends.

Every bit as funny, heartwarming, and touching as AJ Pearce's debut, *Dear Mrs Bird*, *Yours Cheerfully* is a celebration of friendship, a testament to the strength of women and the importance of lifting each other up, even in the most challenging times.

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- Genre: Fiction
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PAPERBACK FICTION



I Follow You

Peter James

From the number one bestselling author, Peter James, comes *I Follow You*, a nerve-shredding standalone thriller.

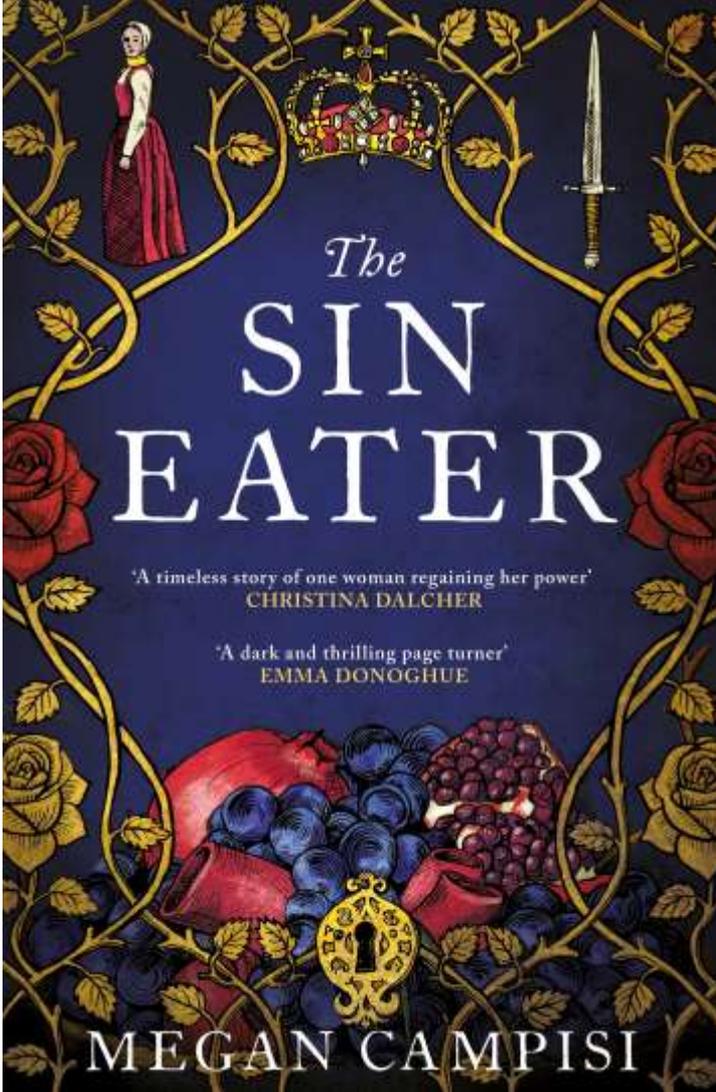
To the outside world, suave, charming and confident doctor Marcus Valentine has it all. A loving wife, three kids, a great job. But there's something missing, there always has been...or rather, someone...

Driving to work one morning, his mind elsewhere and not on the road, he almost mows down a female jogger on a crossing. As she runs on, Marcus is transfixed. Infatuated. She is the spitting image of a girl he was crazy about in his teens. A girl he has never been able to get out of his mind.

Lynette had dumped him harshly. For years he has fantasized about seeing her again and rekindling their flame. Might that jogger possibly be her all these years later? Could this be the most incredible coincidence?

Despite all his attempts to resist, he is consumed by cravings for this woman. And when events take a tragically unexpected turn, his obsession threatens to destroy both their worlds. But still he won't stop. Can't stop.

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The Sin Eater

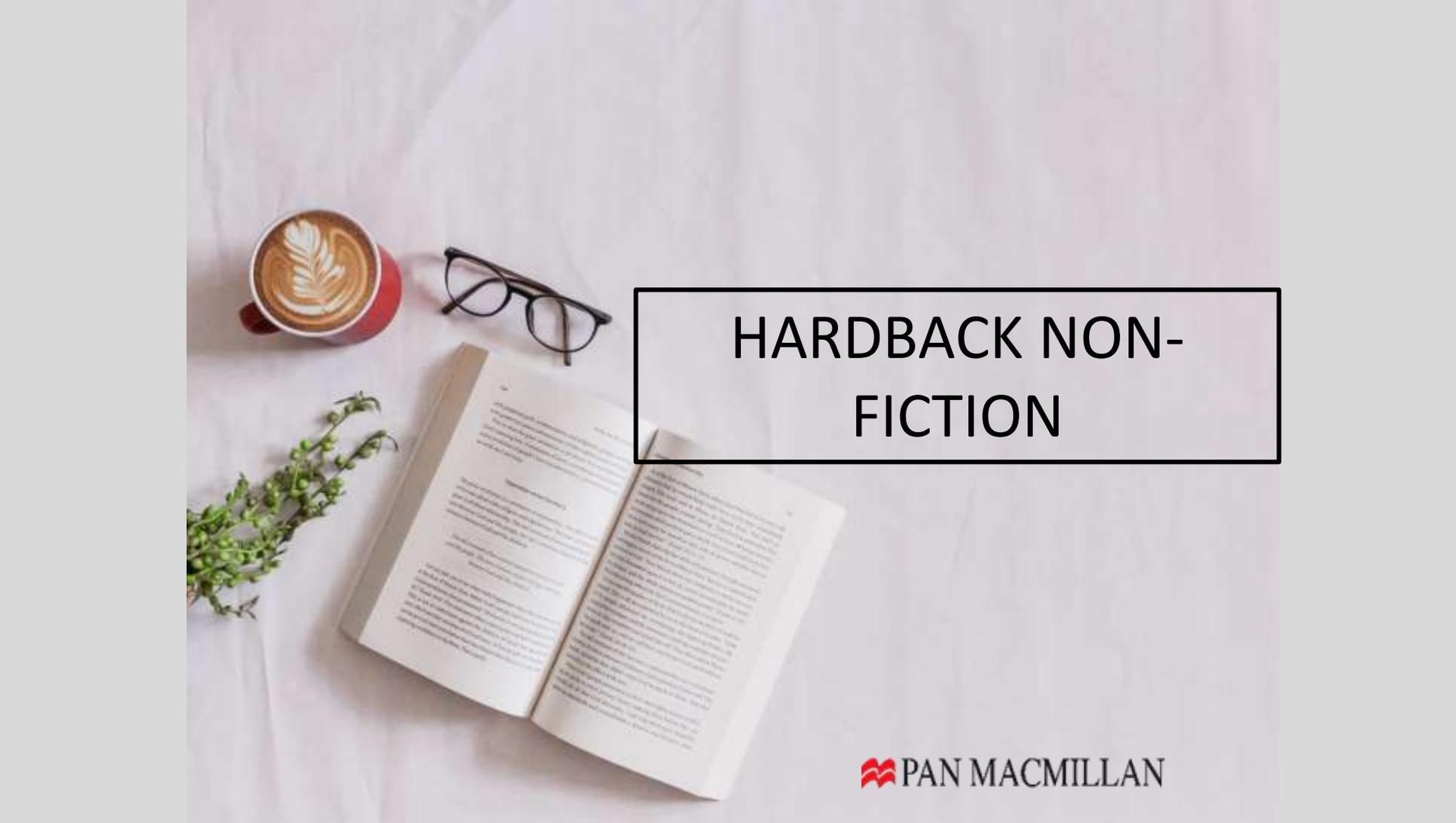
Megan Campisi

An old adage says there are really only two stories: a man goes on a voyage, and a stranger arrives in town. This is the third: a woman breaks the rules.

Can you uncover the truth when you're forbidden from speaking it? A Sin Eater's duty is a necessary evil: she hears the confessions of the dying, eats their sins as a funeral rite. Stained by these sins, she is shunned and silenced, doomed to live in exile at the edge of town. Recently orphaned May Owens is just fourteen, only concerned with where her next meal is coming from. When she's arrested for stealing a loaf of bread, however, and subsequently sentenced to become a Sin Eater, finding food is suddenly the last of her worries.

It's a devastating sentence, but May's new invisibility opens new doors. And when first one then two of the Queen's courtiers suddenly grow ill, May hears their deathbed confessions – and begins to investigate a terrible rumour that is only whispered of amid palace corridors. Set in a thinly disguised sixteenth-century England, Megan Campisi's *The Sin Eater* is a wonderfully rich story of treason and treachery; of women, of power, and the strange freedom that comes from being an outcast – because, as May learns, being a nobody sometimes counts for everything...

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- Genre: Fiction
- Extent: 368
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HARDBACK NON- FICTION

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THE GENOME ODYSSEY

MEDICAL MYSTERIES AND
THE INCREDIBLE QUEST
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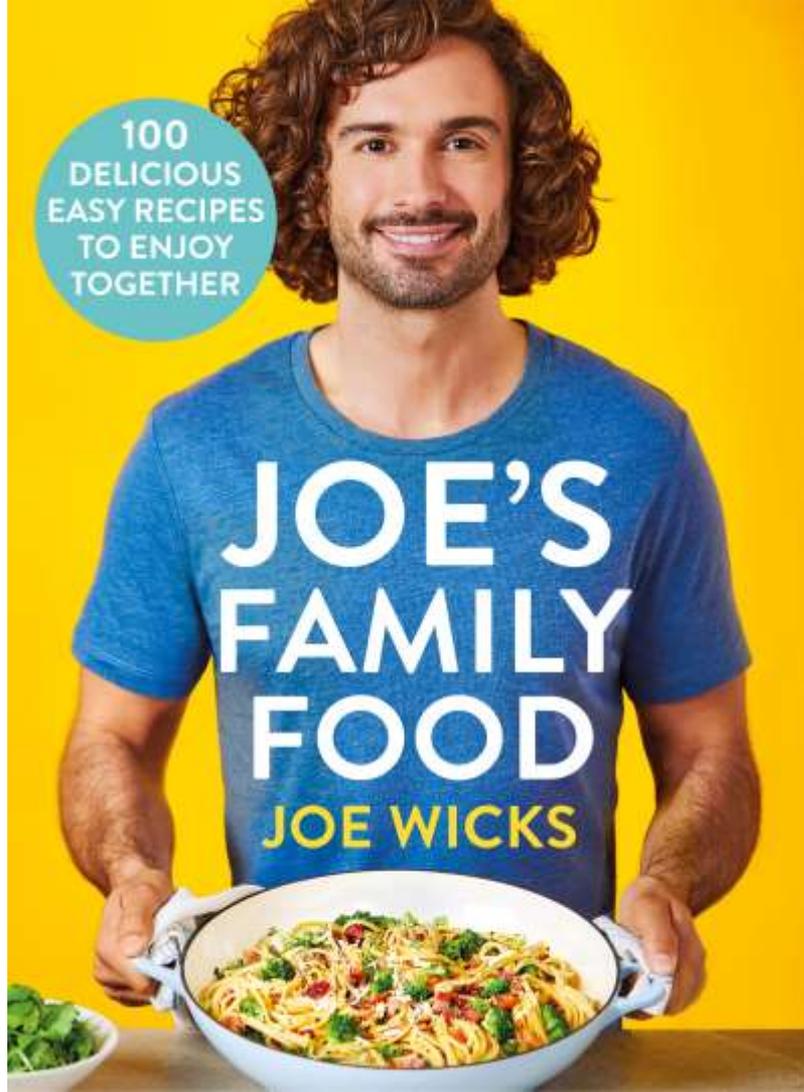
Euan Angus Ashley

In *The Genome Odyssey*, Dr. Euan Ashley, Stanford professor of medicine and genetics, brings the breakthroughs of precision medicine to vivid life through the real diagnostic journeys of his patients and the tireless efforts of his fellow doctors and scientists as they hunt to prevent, predict, and beat disease.

Since the Human Genome Project was completed in 2003, the price of genome sequencing has dropped at a staggering rate. It's as if the price of a Ferrari went from \$350,000 to a mere forty cents. Through breakthroughs made by Dr. Ashley's team at Stanford and other dedicated groups around the world, analyzing the human genome has decreased from a heroic multibillion dollar effort to a single clinical test costing less than \$1,000. For the first time we have within our grasp the ability to predict our genetic future, to diagnose and prevent disease before it begins, and to decode what it really means to be human.

In *The Genome Odyssey*, Dr. Ashley details the medicine behind genome sequencing with clarity and accessibility. More than that, with passion for his subject and compassion for his patients, he introduces readers to the dynamic group of researchers and doctor detectives who hunt for answers, and to the pioneering patients who open up their lives to the medical community during their search for diagnoses and cures. He describes how he led the team that was the first to analyze and interpret a complete human genome, how they broke genome speed records to diagnose and treat a newborn baby girl whose heart stopped five times on the first day of her life, and how they found a boy with tumors growing inside his heart and traced the cause to a missing piece of his genome.

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- Genre: Non-Fiction
- Extent: 400
- Price: R399,00



Joe's Family Food

100 Delicious, Easy Recipes to Enjoy Together

Joe Wicks

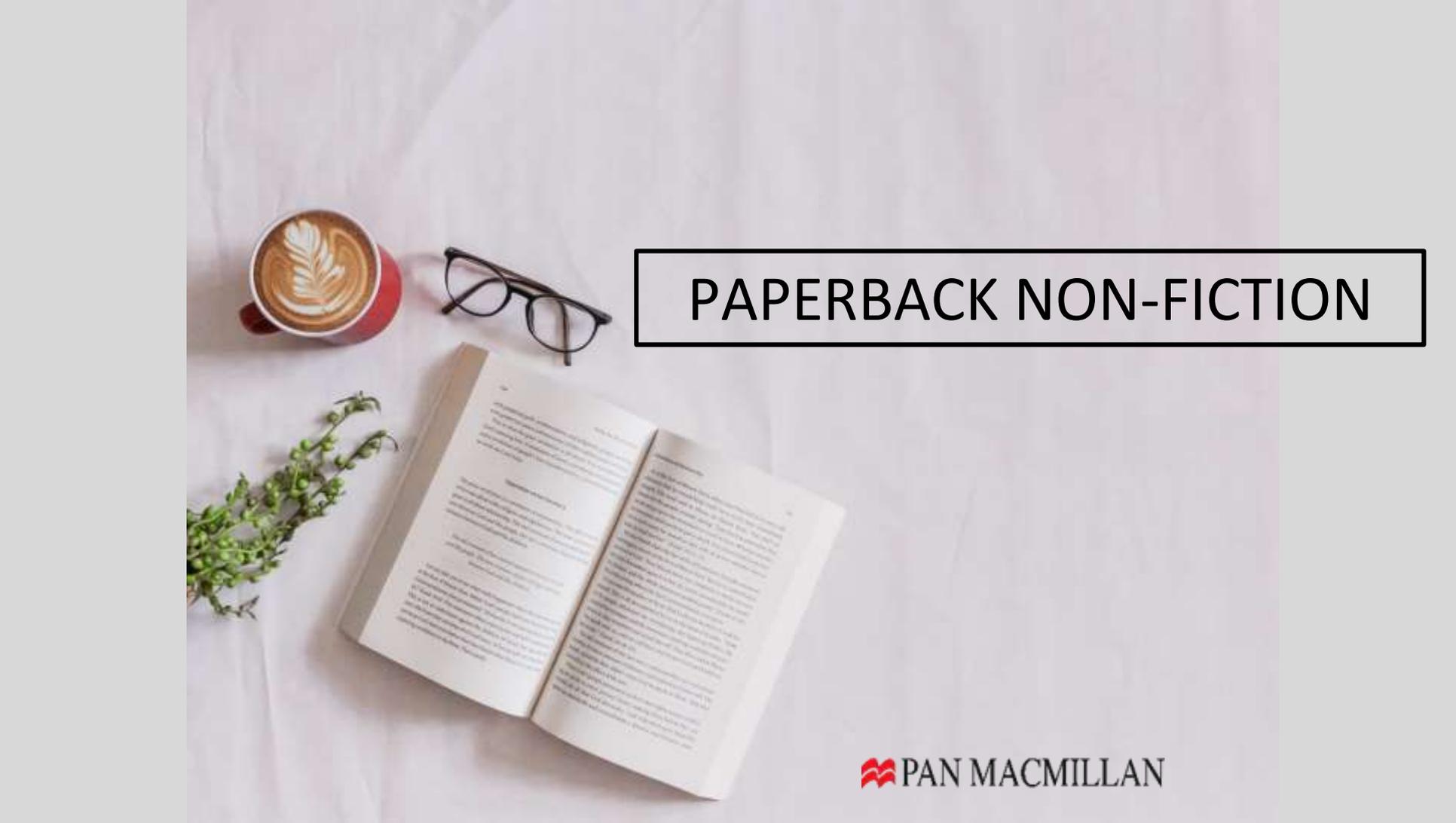
With 100 healthy, tasty, simple recipes to feed the whole family, this book is sure to provide new favourite go-to meals for speedy suppers, celebrations and everything in between.

As the proud dad of two kids, Joe understands the realities of life as a busy parent. Sometimes you're short of time, and it's hard to come up with a balanced meal when you have a thousand things to think about! This book does the hard work for you, so cooking and sharing nutritious food can become a social, fun activity for your family. Each recipe is specially designed to please every family member, leaving you all feeling healthy, happy and satisfied. Including:

- Mexican chicken burgers with avocado smash and sweetcorn salsa
- Peanut butter popcorn
- Frying-pan pizzas with little trees and fennel sausage

Filled with swaps (for when you just can't convince your kids to eat those little trees) and ideas for involving the kids when you're cooking, this flexible cookbook will soon become your family favourite. The man who kept the nation moving during lockdown, Joe has sold more than three million books in the UK alone. He has more than four million followers on social media, where fans share their personal journeys towards a happier, healthier lifestyle. All of his books have been non-fiction number one bestsellers.

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- Format: Hardback
- Genre: Non-Fiction
- Extent: 240
- Price: R499,00



PAPERBACK NON-FICTION

Psychedelic Apes

ALEX BOESE

**From parallel universes
to atomic dinosaurs –
the weirdest theories of
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From the
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*Elephants
on Acid*



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From parallel universes to atomic dinosaurs – the weirdest theories of science and history

Alex Boese

From the Sunday Times bestselling author of *Elephant's on Acid* comes a collection of the wackiest theories from science and history. What if we're living inside a black hole? What if we've already found extraterrestrial life? What if the dinosaurs died in a nuclear war? What if Jesus Christ was actually a mushroom?

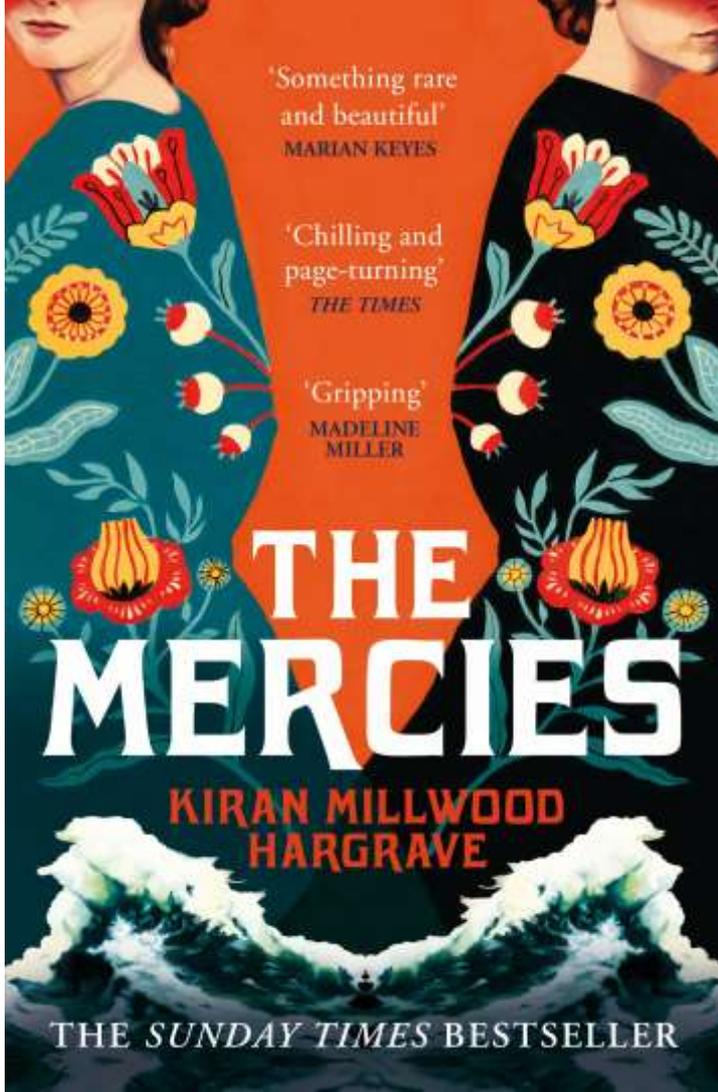
In *Psychedelic Apes*, bestselling author Alex Boese delves into the curious scientific subculture of weird theories. Thoroughly bizarre and contrary to the established norm, these ideas are often vehemently rejected by the intellectual community.

From the creation of the universe to the evolution of humans, the birth of civilization right through to our more recent past, *Psychedelic Apes* explores some of the craziest ideas from science and history and shows that, sometimes, even the weirdest theories may be proved true...

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- Genre: Non-Fiction
- Extent: 320
- Price: R250,00



PICADOR FICTION



The Mercies

Kiran Millwood Hargrave

The storm comes in like a finger snap...

Winter, 1617. The sea around the remote Norwegian island of Vardø is thrown into a vicious storm. A young woman, Maren, watches as the men of the island, out fishing, perish in an instant.

Vardø is now a place of women. Eighteen months later, a sinister figure arrives. Absalom Cornet has been summoned to bring the women of the island to heel. With him travels his young wife, Ursa. In her new home, and in Maren, Ursa encounters something she has never seen before: independent women. But where Ursa finds happiness, even love, Absalom sees only a place flooded with a terrible evil, one he must root out at all costs...

For readers of *Circe* and *The Handmaid's Tale*, Kiran Millwood Hargrave's *The Mercies* is a story about how suspicion can twist its way through a community, and about a love that could prove as dangerous as it is powerful.

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- Genre: Fiction
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- Price: R220,00



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The Yellow Wallpaper & Herland

Charlotte Perkins Gilman

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CHARLOTTE PERKINS GILMAN



Charlotte Perkins Gilman's progressive views on feminism and mental health are powerfully showcased in her two most famous stories. *The Yellow Wallpaper* skillfully charts one woman's struggle with depression whilst *Herland* is an entertaining imagining of an all female utopia. Part of the Macmillan Collector's Library; a series of stunning, clothbound, pocket-sized classics with gold foiled edges and ribbon markers. These beautiful books make perfect gifts or a treat for any book lover. This edition is introduced by journalist and author Lucy Mangan.

Confined to her attic bedroom and isolated from her newborn baby, the nameless narrator of *The Yellow Wallpaper* keeps a secret diary in which she records the sprawling and shifting patterns of the room's lurid yellow wallpaper as she slowly sinks into madness. This chilling story is based on the author's own experience of depression. In *Herland*, a trio of men set out to discover an all-female community rumoured to be hidden deep in the jungle. What they find surprises them all; they're captured by women who, for two thousand years, have lived in a peaceful and prosperous utopia without men.

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- Genre: Fiction
- Extent: 240
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Prelude & Other Stories

Katherine Mansfield

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Radical, witty and inventive, Katherine Mansfield is one of the twentieth century's most accomplished short-story writers and this selection of stories showcases her dazzling skill.

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This selection of stories by Katherine Mansfield showcases her remarkable ability to delve into the human mind; in stories such as 'The Garden Party' she reveals the tension between innocence and corruption, the dark side of love and romance are explored in 'Bliss' and 'Love à la Mode', and in the title story, 'Prelude', inspired by her own childhood, her concern is for the isolated and the lonely. Collected together for the first time, this selection of short stories by Katherine Mansfield showcase her remarkable ability to delve deep into human psychology.

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REISSUES

BRITAIN'S NUMBER ONE SCIENCE FICTION WRITER

The Abyss Beyond Dreams

Peter F. Hamilton

The first volume in the *Chronicles of the Fallers*, *The Abyss Beyond Dreams* by Peter F. Hamilton is an exceptional novel exploring the mystery at the heart of the Commonwealth Universe.

To save their civilization, he must destroy it When a so-called prophet sees visions of a lost civilization, Nigel Sheldon is asked to investigate. Especially as these dreams seem to be coming from the Void – a mysterious area of space with hugely destructive capabilities. Then Nigel crash-lands inside the Void, and finds so much more than he expected. Bienvenido: a planet populated by survivors from long-vanished Commonwealth ships.

For centuries their decedents have been fighting a desperate battle against the Fallers, space-born predators that have evolved to conquer worlds. And Nigel soon realizes that the Fallers hold the key to the destruction of the Void itself. If he can survive long enough to find it..

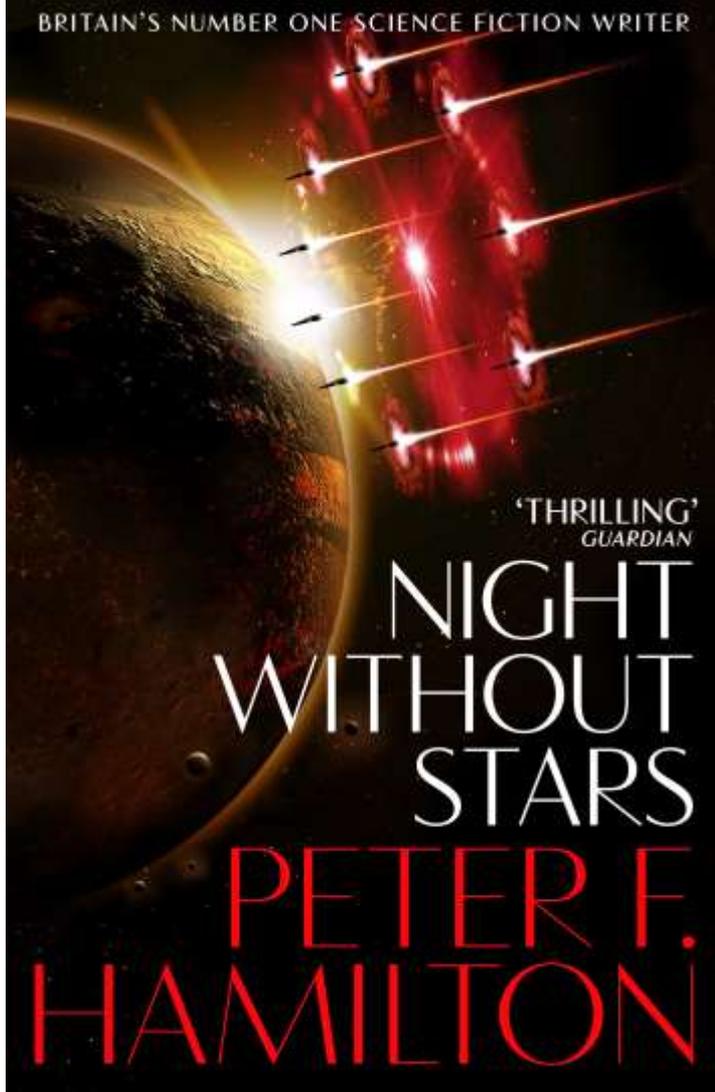
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- Genre: Fiction
- Extent: 704
- Price: R250,00

'DRAMATIC
AND GRIPPING'
LOCUS

THE ABYSS BEYOND DREAMS

PETER F.
HAMILTON

BRITAIN'S NUMBER ONE SCIENCE FICTION WRITER



Night without Stars

Peter F. Hamilton

To prevent an invasion, She must start a revolution.

The planet of Bienvenido is in crisis. Its citizens are battling the Fallers, who have now infiltrated every level of human society. Nowhere is safe – and no one can be trusted. The mysterious 'Warrior Angel' is leading a desperate resistance, aided by forbidden Commonwealth technology. Yet the technophobic government obstructs the Angel's efforts at every turn.

As Fallers prepare to attack from the skies, the odds seem impossible on the ground. However, astronaut Ry Evine has made a discovery. It could unlock powerful Commonwealth secrets and prevent their annihilation. But time isn't on humanity's side.

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'A BRILLIANT TOUR-DE-FORCE'
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BOMBER
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THE STRATEGIC BOMBING OFFENSIVE: 1939–45

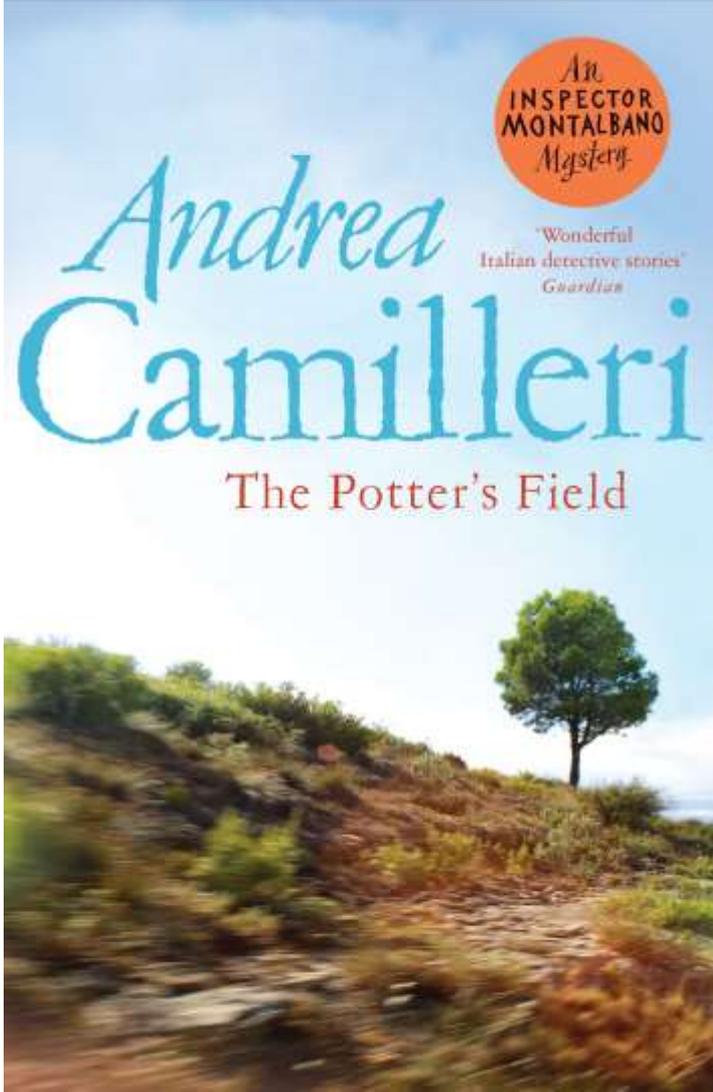
Bomber Command

Max Hastings

Bomber Command is journalist and military historian Sir Max Hastings' compelling account of one of the most controversial struggles of the Second World War.

RAF Bomber Command's offensive against the cities of Germany was one of the epic campaigns of the Second World War. More than 56,000 British and Commonwealth aircrew and 600,000 Germans died in the course of the RAF's attempt to win the war by bombing. The struggle began in 1939 with a few primitive Whitleys, Hampdens and Wellingtons, and ended six years later with 1,600 Lancasters, Halifaxes and Mosquitoes razing whole cities in a single night. Max Hastings traced the developments of area bombing using a wealth of documents, letters, diaries and interviews with key surviving witnesses. *Bomber Command* is, in turn, a fascinating, meticulously-researched, and vivid assessment of the RAF's integral role in the Second World War.

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The Potter's Field

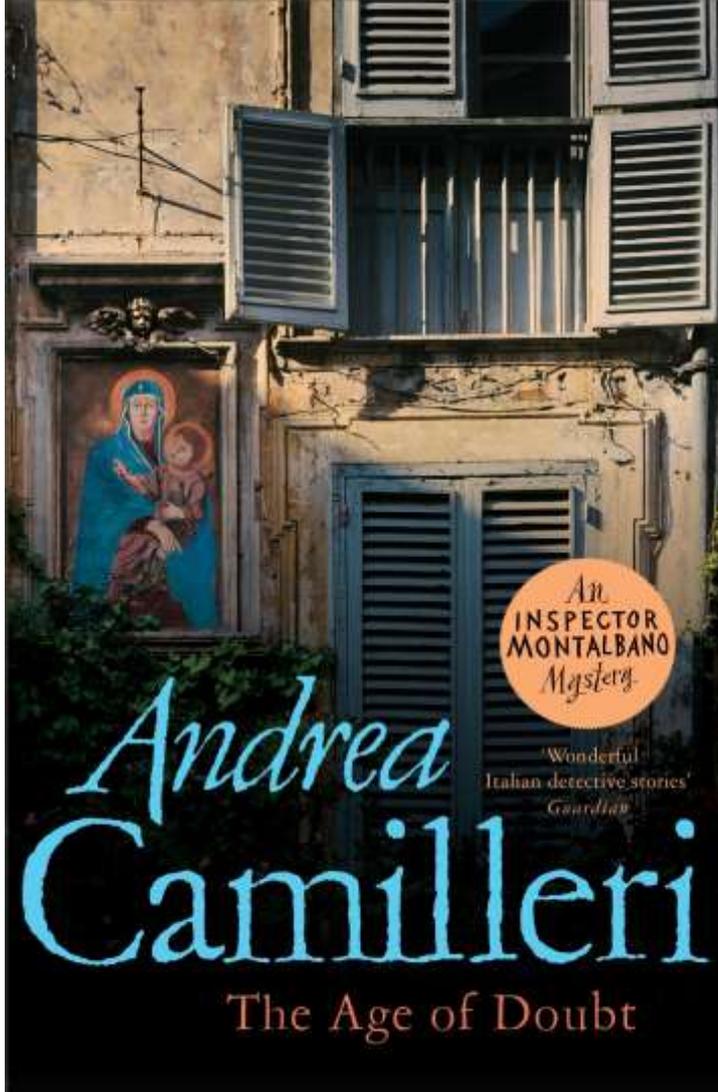
Andrea Camilleri

From the Italian crime legend, Andrea Camilleri, comes *The Potter's Field*, winner of the CWA International Dagger Award and the thirteenth instalment in *the Inspector Montalbano* series.

While Vigàta is wracked by storms, Inspector Montalbano is called to attend the discovery of a dismembered body in a field of clay. Bearing all the marks of an execution style killing, it seems clear that this is, once again, the work of the notorious local mafia. But who is the victim? Why was the body divided into thirty pieces? And what is the significance of the Potter's Field?

Working to decipher these clues, Montalbano must also confront the strange and difficult behaviour exhibited by his old colleague Mimi, and avoid the distraction of the enchanting Dolores Alfano – who seeks the inspector's help in locating her missing husband. But like the Potter's Field itself, Montalbano is on treacherous ground and only one thing is certain – nothing is quite as it seems...

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- Genre: Fiction
- Extent: 304
- Price: R220,00



The Age of Doubt

Andrea Camilleri

Andrea Camilleri's sensational and darkly humorous *Inspector Montalbano series* continues in the fourteenth instalment, *The Age of Doubt*.

A chance encounter with a strange young woman leads Inspector Montalbano to Vigàta harbour – and into a puzzling new mystery. The crew of a mysterious yacht – the Vanna – due to dock in the area has discovered a corpse floating in the water, the dead man's face badly disfigured. It isn't long before Montalbano becomes suspicious of the Vanna's inhabitants. Who is the yacht's owner, the glamorous and short-tempered Livia Giovannini? How has she accrued her riches? And why does she spend so much time at sea?

Meanwhile Montalbano finds himself getting into tangles with the dreaded Commissioner, the exasperating Dr Lattes and a very beautiful young woman at the harbour, with whom he becomes dangerously besotted...Can the Inspector clear his head long enough to unravel this murky mystery? *The Age of Doubt* is followed by *The Dance of the Seagull*, the fifteenth book in the series.

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The Dance of Seagulls

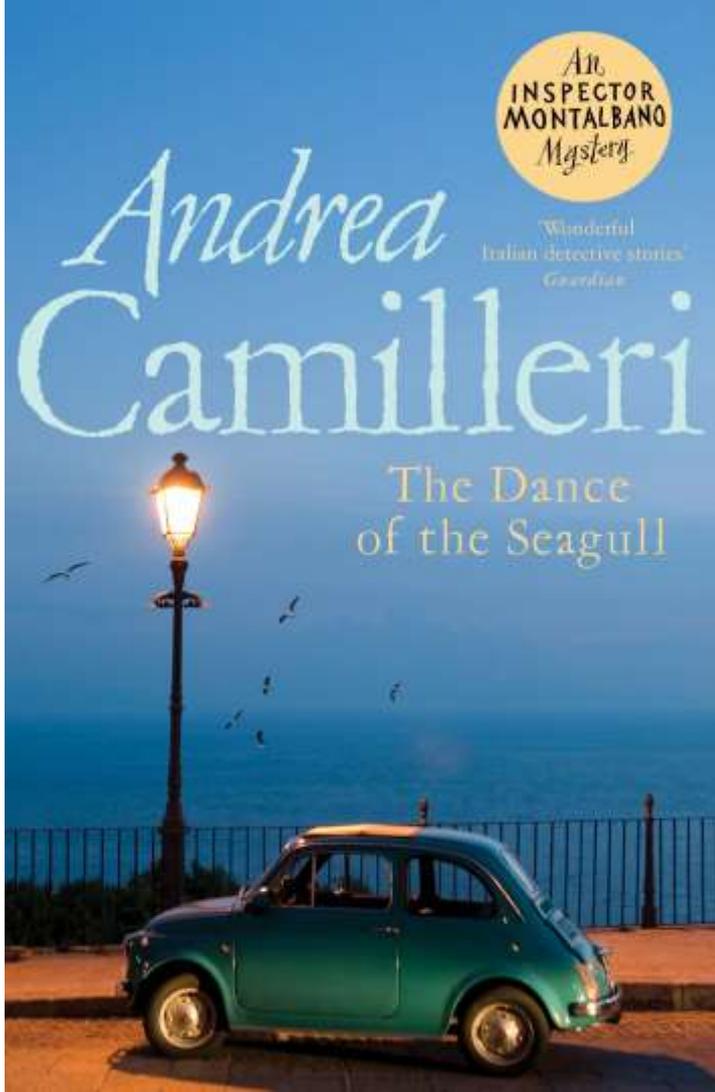
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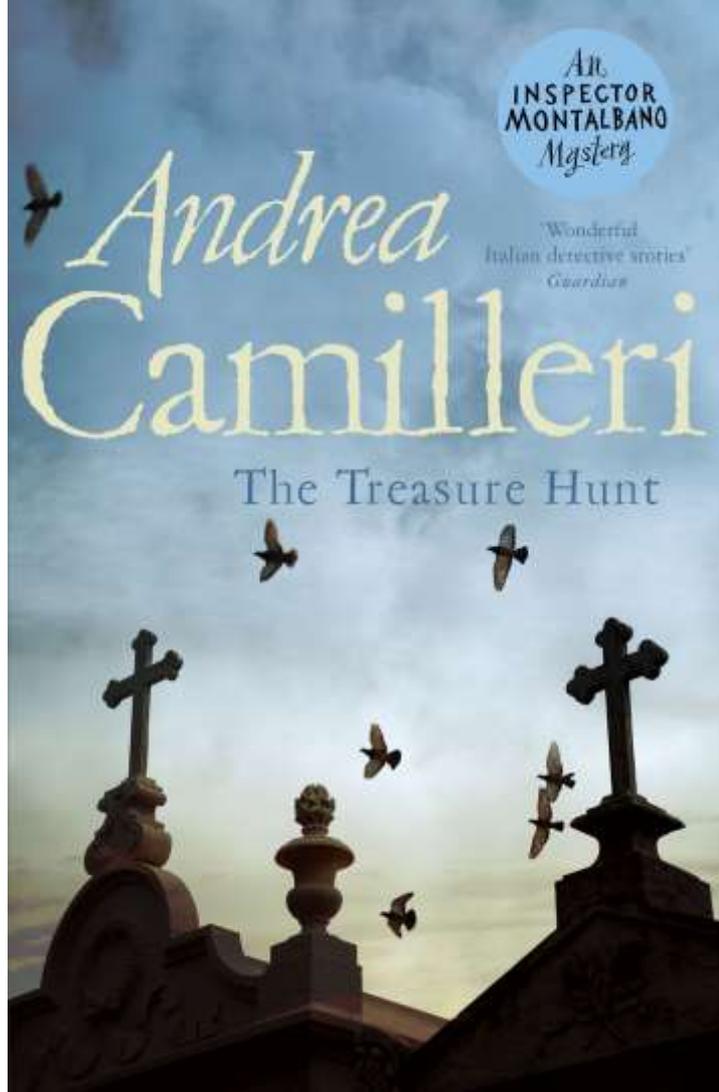
The Dance of the Seagull is the fifteenth darkly humorous adventure starring Inspector Montalbano from bestselling author Andrea Camilleri. Inspector Montalbano is awake at dawn, sitting on his porch, when his attention is caught by a seagull which falls from the sky, performing a strange dance, before lying down to die. Montalbano is perplexed by what he has witnessed and the scene hangs over him like an omen.

About to depart for a holiday with his girlfriend Livia, Montalbano makes a quick trip to the police station to tie up loose ends. But when his dear colleague Fazio is discovered missing – and it transpires that the policeman has been involved in his own secret investigations – Montalbano instead launches a desperate search for his lost friend, as time begins to run out...

Navigating a shadowy maze of smuggling, blackmail and the darkest murder, and moving from the docks of Vigàta to its deep, dry wells where the mafia hide their terrible crimes, Inspector Montalbano must have his wits about him to unravel this tangled mystery.

- ISBN: 9781529043907
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- Genre: Fiction
- Extent: 288
- Price: R220,00





The Treasure Hunt

Andrea Camilleri

The Treasure Hunt is the sixteenth gripping novel in Andrea Camilleri's darkly humorous Inspector Montalbano series.

When a crazed elderly man and his sister begin firing bullets from their balcony down onto the Vigàta street below, Inspector Montalbano finds himself a reluctant television hero.

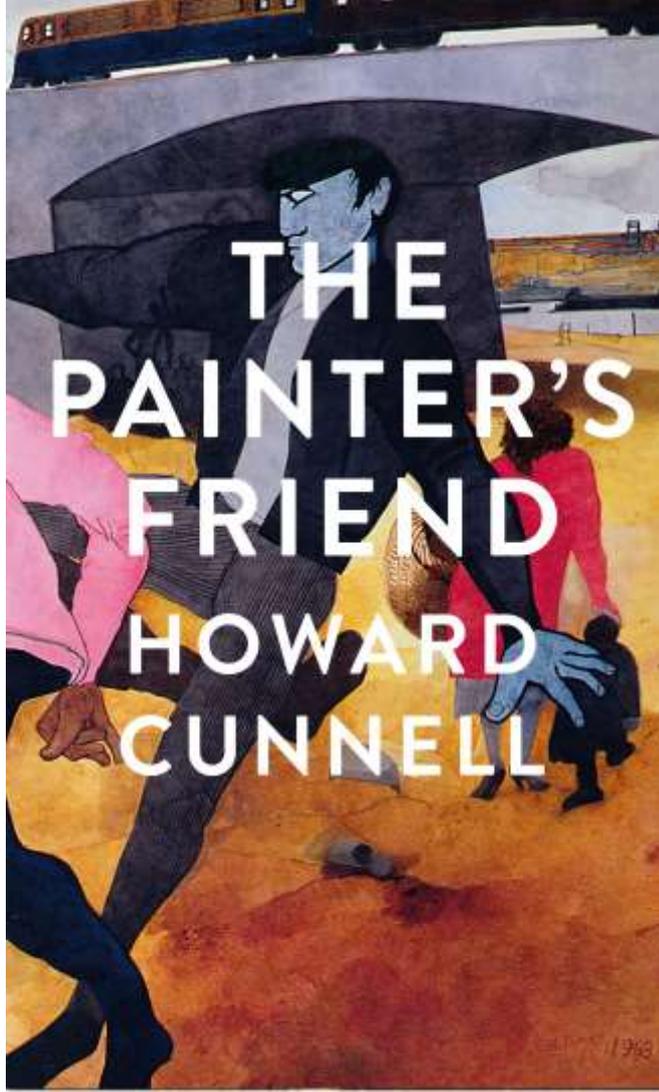
A few days later, when a letter arrives containing a mysterious riddle, the Inspector becomes drawn into a perplexing treasure hunt set by an anonymous challenger. As the hunt intensifies, Montalbano is relieved to be offered the assistance of Arturo Pennisi, a young man eager to witness the detective's investigative skills first hand.

Fending off meddling commissioners and his irate girlfriend, Livia, the inspector will follow the treasure hunt's clues and travel from Vigàta's teeming streets to its deserted outskirts: where an abandoned house overlooks a seemingly bottomless lake. But when a horrifying crime is committed, the game must surely be laid aside. And it isn't long before Montalbano himself will be in terrible danger...

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INDENT



The Painter's Friend

Howard Cunnell

The painter Terry Godden was on the brink of his first success. After a violent crisis, he finds himself outcast.

In his fifties, and with little money, he retreats to a small island. Arriving in the winter, the island at first seems a desolate and forgotten place. As the seasons turn, Terry begins to see the island's beauty, and discovers that he is only one of many people who have sought refuge here. These independent outsiders, all with their own considerable struggles, have made a precarious home. The island is owned by the business man and art collector Alex Kaplan. His decision to enforce a rent increase as he seeks to improve his property looks set to destroy this community that cannot afford to lose the little they have left. As an artist, Terry believes making the invisible struggles of the island visible to the world will help – but will his interference save anybody other than himself?

The Painter's Friend shows the human cost of gentrification for those dispossessed. The novel also explores the role of art in protest, and asks who gets to be an artist and what they owe in return. Written with visual lyricism and driven clarity, Howard Cunnell's incendiary story about class and resistance builds to an unforgettable climax. It is an urgent novel for our unjust times.

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- Genre: Fiction
- Extent: 288
- Price: R250,00

FROM THE AUTHOR OF THE INTERNATIONAL
BESTSELLER *BREASTS AND EGGS*

HEAVEN

MIEKO KAWAKAMI



Heaven

Mieko Kawakami

From the bestselling author of *Breasts and Eggs* and international literary sensation Mieko Kawakami, comes a sharp and illuminating novel about a fourteen-year-old boy subjected to relentless bullying.

In *Heaven*, a fourteen-year old boy is tormented for having a lazy eye. Instead of resisting, he chooses to suffer in silence. The only person who understands what he is going through is a female classmate, Kojima, who experiences similar treatment at the hands of her bullies. Providing each other with immeasurable consolation at a time in their lives when they need it most, the two young friends grow closer than ever. But what, ultimately, is the nature of a friendship when your shared bond is terror?

Unflinching yet tender, sharply observed, intimate and multi-layered, this simple yet profound novel stands as yet another dazzling testament to Mieko Kawakami's uncontainable talent. There can be little doubt that it has cemented her reputation as one of the most important young authors at work today.

- ISBN: 9781509898244
- Format: Trade Paperback
- Genre: Fiction
- Extent: 176
- Price: R330,00

MIEKO KAWAKAMI

BREASTS AND EGGS

'Radical'

KATIE
KITAMURA

'Breathtaking'

HARUKI
MURAKAMI

**'Incredible
and propulsive'**

NAOISE DOLAN

'Stunning'

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Breast and Eggs

Mieko Kawakami

On a hot summer's day in a poor suburb of Tokyo we meet three women: thirty-year-old Natsuko, her older sister Makiko, and Makiko's teenage daughter Midoriko. Makiko, an ageing hostess despairing the loss of her looks, has travelled to Tokyo in search of breast enhancement surgery. She's accompanied by Midoriko, who has recently stopped speaking, finding herself unable to deal with her own changing body and her mother's self-obsession. Her silence dominates Natsuko's rundown apartment, providing a catalyst for each woman to grapple with their own anxieties and their relationships with one another. Eight years later, we meet Natsuko again. She is now a writer and find herself on a journey back to her native city, returning to memories of that summer and her family's past as she faces her own uncertain future.

In *Breasts and Eggs* Mieko Kawakami paints a radical and intimate portrait of contemporary working class womanhood in Japan, recounting the heartbreaking journeys of three women in a society where the odds are stacked against them. This is an unforgettable English language debut from a major new international talent.

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Blue in Chicago

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And Other Stories

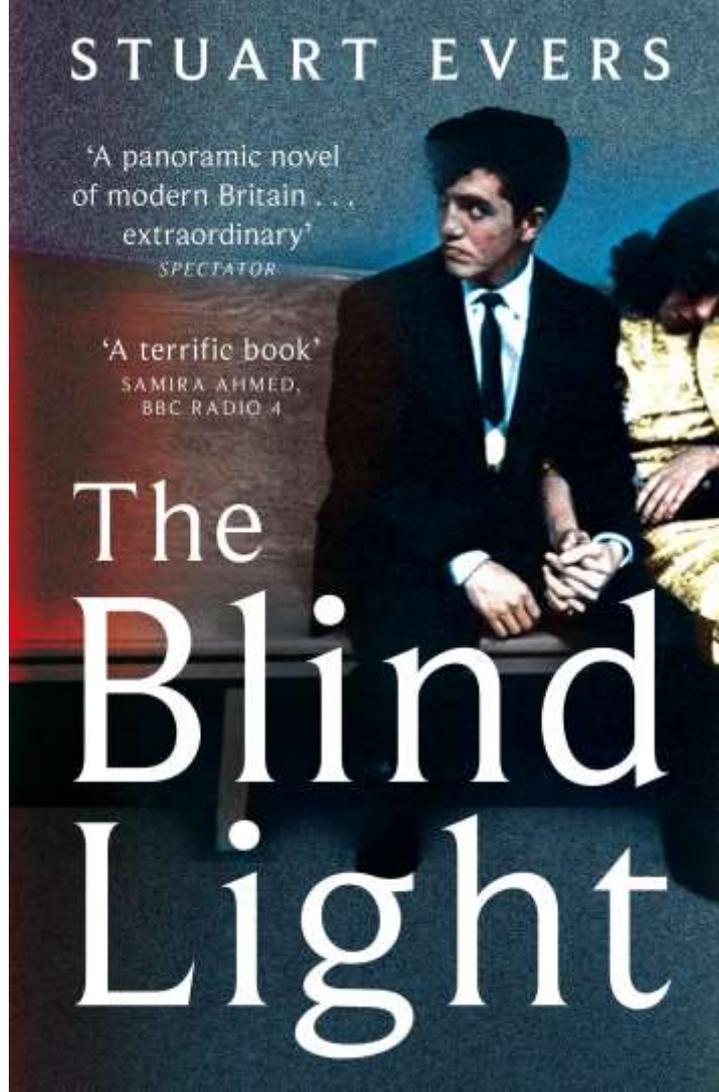
Bette Howland

Blue in Chicago brings together the bittersweet short stories of the remarkable American writer Bette Howland. Hailed as a major talent before all but disappearing from public view, this tenderly compiled collection restores her vital voice to our shelves.

Bette Howland was an outsider: an intellectual from a working-class neighborhood in Chicago; a divorcee and single mother, to the disapproval of her Jewish family; an artist chipped away at by poverty and self-doubt. Her stories radiate a passionate commitment to the lives of ordinary people and the humble grace of everyday.

From city streets to the hospital to the public library to the mundane family outing, her sly humour, aching melancholy and tender insight illuminate every page. Here is an astonishing literary voice rediscovered. *Blue in Chicago* features an afterword by Honor Moore and was published in the US under the title *Calm Sea and Prosperous Voyage*.

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The Blind Light

Stuart Evers

As the 1950s draw to a close, and the Cold War escalates, the shape of Drummond Moore's life is changed beyond measure when he strikes up an unlikely friendship with James Carter, a rich and well-connected fellow national serviceman. Carter leads him to Doom Town – an army base that seeks to recreate the effects of a nuclear war – where he meets Gwen, a barmaid with whom he shares an instant connection.

Set over sixty years of British history, *The Blind Light* by Stuart Evers is the compelling story of one family as they deal with the personal and political fallout of their times.

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Dance Prone

David Coventry

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Violent. Elegiac. Epic.'
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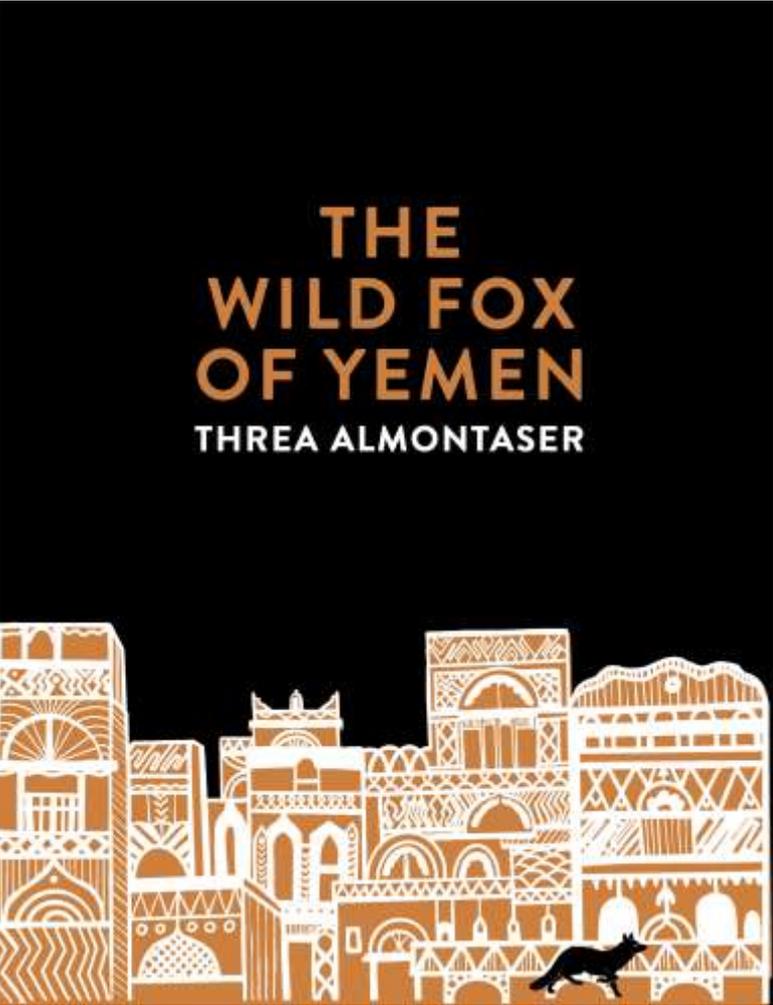
David Coventry

During their 1985 tour, two events of hatred and stupidity forever change the lives of a band's four members. Neues Bauen, a post-hardcore Illinois group homing in on their own small fame, head on with frontman Conrad Wells sexually assaulted and guitarist Tone Seburg wounded by gunshot. The band staggers forth into the American landscape, traversing time and investigating each of their relationships with history, memory, authenticity, violence and revelling in transcendence through the act of art.

With decades passed and compelled by his wife's failing health to track down Tone, Conrad flies to North Africa where her brother is rumoured to be hiding with a renowned artist from their past. There he instead meets various characters including his former drummer, Spence. Amongst the sprawl and shout of Morocco, the men attempt to recall what happened to them during their lost years of mental disintegration and emotional poverty. *Dance Prone* is a novel of music, ritual and love. It is live, tense and corporeal. Full of closely observed details of indie-rock, of punk infused performance, the road and the players' relationship to violence, hate and peace.

Set during both the post-punk period and the present day, *Dance Prone* was born out of a love of the underground and indie rock scenes of the 1980s, a fascination for their role in the cultural apparatus of memory, social decay and its reconstruction.

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**THE
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The Wild Fox of Yemen

Threa Almontaser

Winner of the Walt Whitman Award of the Academy of American Poets. The Yemeni American poet Threa Almontaser's incendiary debut asks how mistranslation can be a form of self-knowledge and survival. A love letter to the country and people of Yemen, a portrait of young Muslim womanhood in New York after 9/11, and an extraordinarily composed examination of what it means to carry in the body the echoes of what came before, Almontaser sneaks artifacts to and from worlds, repurposing language and adapting to the space between cultures.

Speakers move with the force of what cannot be contained by the limits of the American imagination; instead, they invest in troublemaking and trickery, navigate imperial violence across multiple accents and anthems, and apply gang signs in henna, utilizing any means necessary to form a semblance of home. Fearlessly riding the tension between carnality and tenderness in the unruly human spirit, *The Wild Fox of Yemen* is one of the most original and bold debuts in recent years.

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Until Proven Innocent

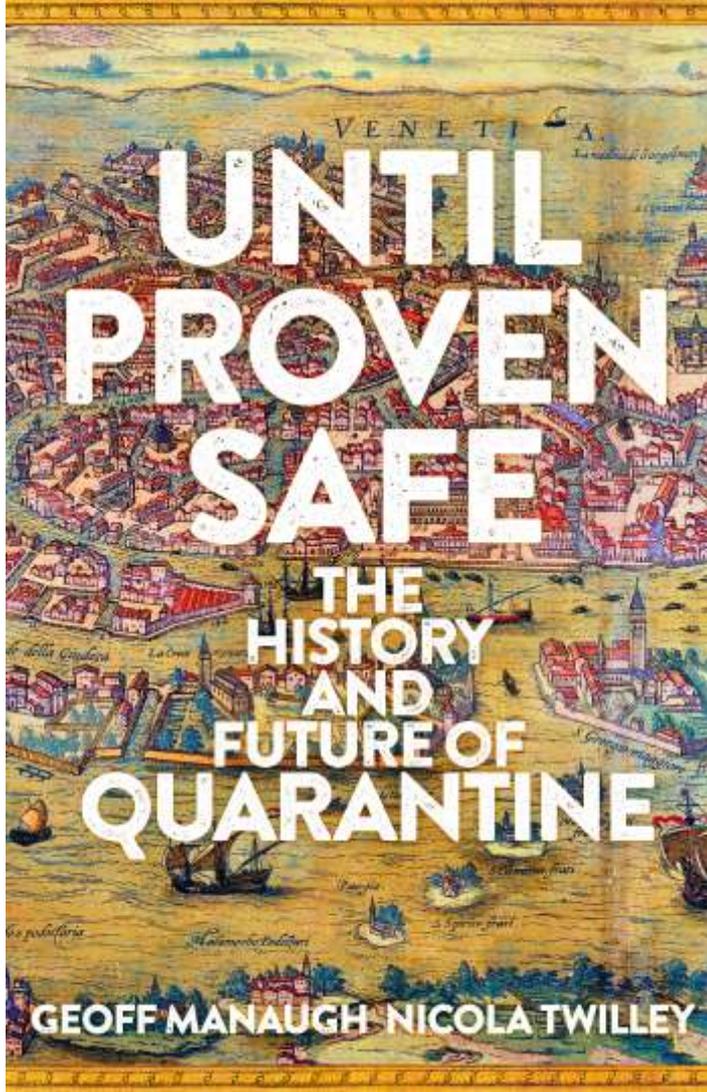
The History and Future of Quarantine

Geoff Manaugh and Nicola Twilley

Quarantine has shaped our world, yet it remains both feared and misunderstood. It is our most powerful response to uncertainty, but it operates through an assumption of guilt: in quarantine, we are considered infectious until proven safe. An unusually poetic metaphor for moral and mythic ills, quarantine means waiting to see if something hidden inside of us will be revealed. *Until Proven Safe* tracks the history and future of quarantine around the globe, chasing the story of emergency isolation through time and space – from the crumbling lazarettos of the Mediterranean to the hallways of the CDC, to the corporate giants hoping to disrupt the widespread quarantine imposed by Covid19 before the next pandemic hits through surveillance and algorithmic prediction.

Yet quarantine is more than just a medical tool: Geoff Manaugh and Nicola Twilley drop deep into the Earth to tour a nuclear-waste isolation facility beneath the New Mexican desert, strip down to nothing but protective Tyvek suits to see plants stricken with a disease that threatens the world's wheat supply, and meet NASA's Planetary Protection Officer tasked with saving the Earth from extraterrestrial infections. The result is part travelogue, part intellectual history – a book as compelling as it is definitive, and one that could not be more urgent or timely.

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From the award-winning, number one bestselling author of *The Cow Book*.

It is summer, the hay and silage have not yet been made on John Connell's farm, so he has time to indulge his other great passion: running. John sets off on a marathon run of 42.2 kilometres through his native Longford, the scene of his award-winning book *The Cow Book*.

As he runs across woodlands, fields and tiny roads, he tells the story of his life and contemplates Ireland's history, old and new. He also remembers other great runs he has done, from Australia to Canada, and tells the stories of some of his running heroes, such as Haile Gebrselassie.

Part memoir, part essay, *The Running Book* explores what it is to be alive and what movement can do for a person. It is deeply intimate and wide-ranging, local and global: Connell is as likely to write about colonialism and the effect of British imperialism in Ireland and its former colonies as he is about life on his family farm in Ballinalee, County Longford. Told in 42 chapters, each another kilometre in the 42.2k race, the whole book is 42,000 words long and it captures what it is to undertake a marathon moment by moment, in body and mind. Above all, *The Running Book* is a book about the nature of happiness and how for one man it came through the feet.

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No Fixed Abode

Life and Death Among the UK's Forgotten Homeless

Maeve McClenaghan

Tony froze to death in the garden of the house he used to own. Aisha dreams of becoming a nurse, but spends night after night seeking a place to sleep. Jon is an expert at squatting, using his skills to keep others off the street. Jim turned a bus he bought on eBay into a portable shelter. David was a homeless army veteran on the verge of taking his own life when he was saved by Gavin's kindness, now he's a successful artist and activist.

Maeve McClenaghan has spent years investigating the crisis on Britain's streets. These are only some of the stories of struggle, loss, survival and courage she has heard. *No Fixed Abode* will change how you think about homelessness and show you that this crisis is not impossible to solve.

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