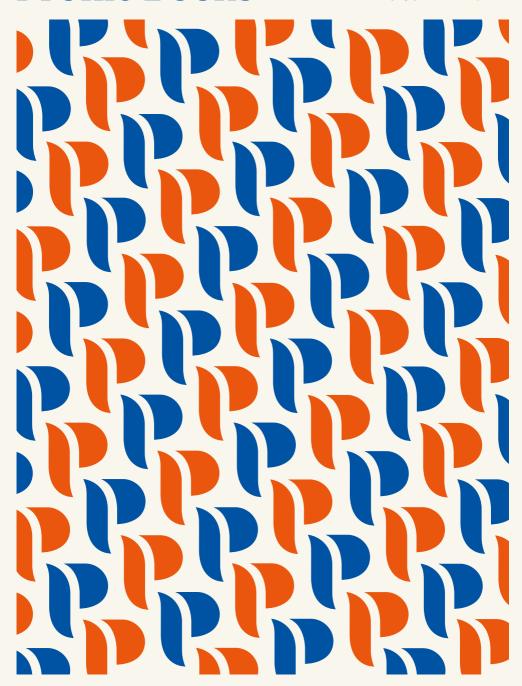
**Profile Books** 

Autumn 2024



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# NEW FOR SPRING 2024

## **Grief Is for People**

A Memoir

### **Sloane Crosley**

**Help Wanted** 

Bookseller 'Book of the Month' March 2024

#### Adelle Waldman

The long-awaited follow-up to Waldman's sensational debut: a

At a superstore in upstate New York, the members of Team Movement clock in every day at 3.55 a.m. Under the scrutiny of their self-absorbed and incompetent boss, they empty trucks of another poorly paid day job) before the customers arrive.

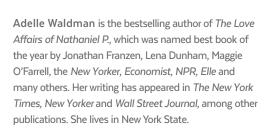
When the manager of the store declares he's extravagant plan in motion. A 'great nineteenthtrying, against increasingly long odds, to make a



revealing and empathetic novel about an exploited workforce

merchandise, stock shelves and stagger home (or to

leaving, everything changes. The eclectic team see an opportunity for a better life, and set an century novel about now' (Elif Batuman), Help Wanted is a deeply humane portrait of people living.



March Fiction Demy Hardback 288pp £16.99 ISBN 978 1 80522 165 4 eISBN 978 1 80522 164 7 UK Com ex Can

Disarmingly witty and poignant, Sloane Crosley's memoir explores multiple kinds of loss following the death of her closest friend



For most of her adult life, Sloane and Russell worked together, and played together as they navigated the corridors of office life and the dramatic ups and downs of making it in New York. In a city where friends become family, they were inseparable. One day, Sloane's apartment is broken into. Along with her most prized possessions, the thief makes off with her sense of security, leaving mystery in its place.

When Russell dies exactly one month later, his suicide propels her on a wild quest to right the un-rightable and to explore what constitutes family and possession as the city itself faces the staggering emptiness brought on by the pandemic.

Upending the 'grief memoir' in this suspenseful portrait of friendship, *Grief Is for People* is a story of the struggle to hold on to the past without being consumed by it. A modern elegy, it is a book about loss packed with verve for life, rising to console and challenge our notions of mourning during these grief-stricken times.

#### Biography/Essays/Memoir B format Trade Paperback 208pp £10.99 ISBN 978 1805223023 eISBN 978 180522 303 0 UK Com ex Can



Sloane Croslev is the author of the New York Times bestselling essay collection I Was Told There'd Be Cake and the novel *Cult Classic*. Her work has appeared in the Guardian, New Yorker, Vogue, The New York Times Magazine and on NPR. She is a contributing editor at Vanity Fair and lives in Manhattan, New York.

### Eat, Poop, Die

How Animals Make Our World

#### Joe Roman

A 'fascinating argument' (Elizabeth Kolbert) revealing how ecosystems are sculpted and sustained by animals eating, pooping and dying



Make Our World
Joe Roman

'Fascinating'



If forests are the lungs of the planet, then animals migrating across oceans, streams and mountains are its heart and arteries – eating, pooping and dying along the way. Without this conveyor belt of life-sustaining nutrients, the world would look very different.

The daily rituals that almost all animals perform have an incredible impact on the global climate cycle. They are the ellipses of ecology, and understanding their role in ecosystems can help us undo the environmental damage of climate change.

From the volcanoes of Iceland to the tropical waters of Hawaii, covering ecology, marine biology and climate science, *Eat*, *Poop*, *Die* takes readers on an exhilarating and enlightening global adventure, revealing the remarkable ways in which the most basic biological activities of animals make and remake the world. As Bill McKibben notes, it should lead to 'an entirely new appreciation and respect for the animals of this earth'.

#### April

Popular Science
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Joe Roman is a conservation biologist and marine ecologist. Winner of the Rachel Carson Environment Book Award for Listed: Dispatches from America's Endangered Species Act, Roman has written for The New York Times, Science and Slate, and is a fellow at the Gund Institute for Environment at the University of Vermont.

#### Murder Under the Sun

**Classic Mysteries for Summer** 

#### **Edited by Cecily Gayford**

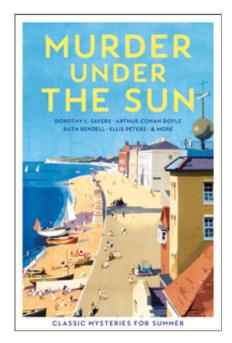
The summer holidays can be murder . . .

From beneath the beach umbrella, all might seem idyllic – children playing, sunbathers relaxing, ice slowly melting in a cocktail glass. But look a little closer, and all is not as it seems...

In these ten classic crime stories of midsummer murder and madness, the mercury is climbing – and so is the body count. Prepare to spend this summer holiday with some shady characters (in sunny places) and immerse yourself in tales of mystery and depravity at home and abroad.

Just remember – there might be nothing new under the sun... but murder is the most ancient art of all.

Featuring classic crime authors such as Dorothy L. Sayers, Cyril Hare, Margery Allingham, John Dickson Carr and others.



**Cecily Gayford** is Publishing Director at Profile Books and the editor of the bestselling Vintage Murder series.



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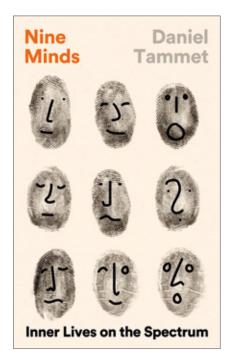
# PROFILE BOOKS

#### Nine Minds

Inner Lives on the Spectrum

#### **Daniel Tammet**

Meet nine extraordinary people on the autism spectrum



From one of Hollywood's most beloved comedians to a homicide detective, a pioneering surgeon to a bestselling novelist, Nine Minds delves into the unique lived experiences of nine neurodiverse men and women. Each is remarkable in their field and each is challenging how the world sees those on the spectrum.

Exploding the tired stereotypes of autism, Daniel Tammet - an autistic savant himself - reaches across the divides of age, gender, sexuality and nationality to draw out the inner worlds of his subjects. Portraying a range of experiences as richly diverse as the spectrum itself, this illuminating, lifeaffirming work of narrative non-fiction celebrates the power and beauty of the neurodivergent mind, and the daring freedom with which these people have built their lives.

## The History of Ideas

**Equality, Justice and Revolution** 

#### **David Runciman**

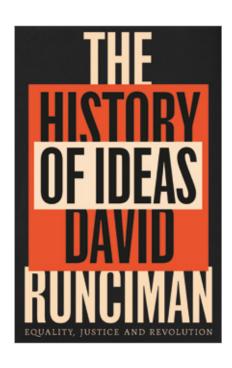
The follow-up to Confronting Leviathan, based on the second series of the Talking Politics podcast, which has over 20 million listeners

What is the history of ideas - and how has it shaped our world today?

David Runciman unmasks modern politics and reveals the great men and women of ideas behind it.

What can Samuel Butler's ideas teach us about the oddity of how we choose to organise our societies? How did Frederick Douglass not only expose the horrors of slavery, but champion a new approach to abolishing it? Why should we tolerate snobbery, betrayal and hypocrisy, as Judith Shklar suggested? And what does Friedrich Nietzsche predict for our future?

From Rousseau to Rawls, fascism to feminism and pleasure to anarchy, this is a mind-bending tour through the history of ideas that will for ever change your view of politics today.



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Daniel Tammet is the subject of the award-winning documentary The Boy with the Incredible Brain, the BBC Radio 4 documentary Two Poets, and the Kate Bush song 'Pi'. He is the author of nine books, including the memoir Born on a Blue Day. His writing has appeared in Esquire, the Times Literary Supplement and the Guardian.

David Runciman is Professor of Politics at the University of Cambridge. His previous books include The Handover, Confronting Leviathan, Where Power Stops and How Democracy Ends. He writes regularly for the London Review of Books, created the widely acclaimed podcast Talking Politics and currently hosts Past Present Future.



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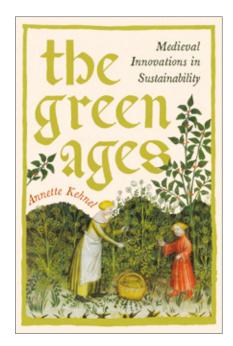


# The Green Ages

**Medieval Innovations in Sustainability** 

#### **Annette Kehnel**

A fascinating look at the medieval precedents for modern sustainable living from the winner of the 2021 NDR Book Prize



Fishing quotas on Lake Constance. Common lands in the UK. The medieval answer to Vinted in the middle of Frankfurt.

These are all just some of the sustainability initiatives from the Middle Ages that Annette Kehnel illuminates in her astounding new book, The Green Ages. From the real-life City of Ladies and its garden economy to early microcredit banks and rent-a-cow schemes, Kehnel uncovers a world at odds with what we might think of as the typical medieval existence.

Pre-modern history is full of inspiring examples and concepts that open up new horizons. And we urgently need them as today's challenges - finite resources, the twilight of consumerism, growing inequality - threaten what we have come to think of as a modern way of living sustainably.

This is a revelatory look at the past that has the power to change our future.

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Professor Annette Kehnel studied at the Universities of Freiburg, Oxford and LMU Munich. She received her doctorate from Trinity College, Dublin, and taught at the TU Dresden, where she received her post-doctorate in 2004. Since 2005, she has held a chair in Medieval History at the University of Mannheim.

## **Good Chaps**

How Corrupt Politicians Broke Our Law and Institutions -And What We Can Do About It

#### Simon Kuper

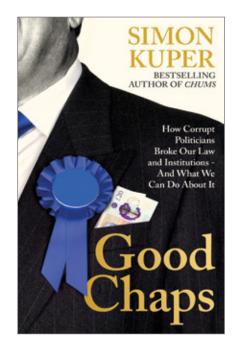
The brilliant, explosive follow-up to the bestselling Chums

In Chums, Simon Kuper told the story of the university clique-turned-Commons majority which runs this country. Now, with a general election looming and a second publicly unelected prime minister in office. he asks: what have we learned?

Exiled from Downing Street, Boris Johnson may now be best known as the latest GB News presenter. His former senior adviser Dominic Cummings has reinvented himself as a political pundit. And Liz Truss and Kwasi Kwarteng have been ejected from high-level politics since their infamous mini budget of 2022.

But the chumocracy is far from over.

With his signature searing insight, Simon Kuper lists the lessons learned and Westminster pockets lined since his withering Sunday Times bestseller.



Simon Kuper is an author and Financial Times journalist, born in Uganda and raised around the world. An Oxford graduate, he later attended Harvard as a Kennedy Scholar. He has written for the Observer, Guardian and The Times, and is the author of Chums. Impossible City and The Happy Traitor.



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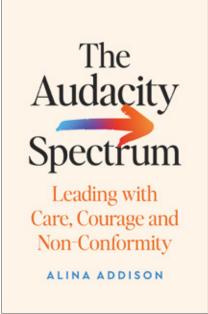


## The Audacity Spectrum

Leading with Care, Courage and Non-Conformity

#### Alina Addison

The most successful leaders have one thing in common: audacity



Leadership takes courage. Bold action, inspiring vision and authenticity require exceptional courage. Yet so often we play it safe, striving to fit in rather than stand out. What if we stopped fearing risk, and started talking about care instead? Each of us cares so deeply about something – whether a goal, person or belief – that courage comes easily.

This is at the heart of audacious leadership. This book is a transformational guide to finding the care, courage and audacity to bring your full self to your work and life. In this powerful new vision, Alina Addison – a pioneering corporate leader, emotional intelligence expert coach, and mother to a son on the autism spectrum – combines personal experience with deep research to present the eight fundamental principles of audacity. Filled with practical tools and unique insight, this book will help readers tap into what it is that sets them apart, inspire others and dare to create the lives and careers they truly desire.

#### On the Roof

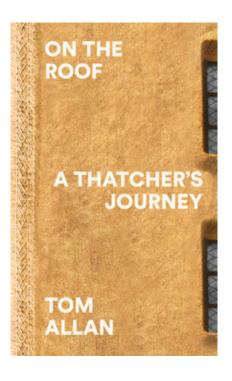
A Thatcher's Journey

#### Tom Allan

A personal memoir, exploring our relationship with place, history and the natural world through crafting the roofs of the world

On the Roof is a thatcher's tale – a journey of discovery, and a reflection on what it means for a person or a building to belong in a place. It tells Tom Allan's story, of leaving an office job in the city to find fulfilment among the Devon roofs, as well as the stories of six other people who share his trade. We meet the Hebridean son of a lobster fisherman who thatches with a dune-growing grass, a Syrian refugee who found peace among the seagrass roofs of a Danish island, and one of the first women to become master of Japan's 5,000-year-old craft of thatching.

Thatching is an ancient, living tradition, and the trade is poised at a moment of profound change. As Allan reveals, the story of thatching is the story of our relationship with the land, and how we have chosen to treat it.



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Tom Allan has worked as a thatcher in South Devon since 2012. He writes about the natural world for the *Guardian*'s Country Diary column, and has written on travel and the environment for the *Financial Times*, *Guardian*, *Earth Island Journal*, *British Wildlife Magazine* and others.



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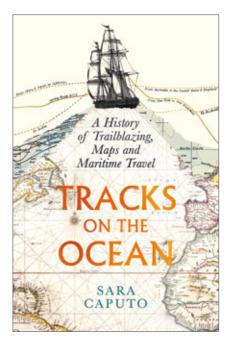


#### Tracks on the Ocean

A History of Trailblazing, Maps and Maritime Travel

#### **Sara Caputo**

A vivid history of how the marks left on maps by travellers tell the story of the modern world



Why do we represent journeys as lines on maps? Maps do not show the world as it really is – they show us how the mapmakers see it, and they are the product of centuries of trading, exploring and conquering. The lines recording individual journeys are even more revealing: they first appeared in the blank seas of Renaissance maps, and signalled a momentous transformation in Europeans' worldview.

In *Tracks on the Ocean*, Sara Caputo tells the story of journey lines – from Ferdinand Magellan and Captain Cook's routes across the South Seas, to the disorientating power of digital technology to reshape how we see our world. These personal trails are key to understanding the origins of surveillance, and they mark humanity's impact on the planet, whether in the legacy of violence plotted by imperial endeavours or in the clouds of exhaust fumes left by ocean liners.

#### **Real Business**

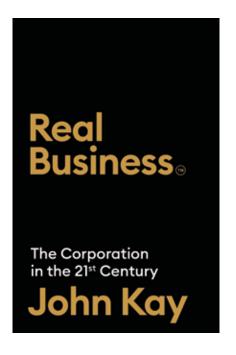
The Corporation in the Twenty-First Century

#### John Kay

A radical reappraisal of the nature and activities of business organisations

In the world of Adam Smith and Karl Marx, wealthy capitalists built and controlled mills and factories. But products and production have dematerialised. The goods and services provided by the leading companies of the twenty-first century appear on your screen, fit in your pocket, or occupy your head. Ownership of the means of production is a redundant concept. Workers are the means of production; increasingly, they take the plant home. Capital is a service bought from a specialist supplier with little influence over customer businesses. The professional managers who run modern corporations do not exert authority because they are wealthy; they are wealthy because they exert authority.

John Kay's incisive overhaul of our ideas about business redefines our understanding of successful commercial activity and the corporation – and describes how we have come to 'love the product' as we 'hate the producer'. This is a brilliant and original work from one of the greatest working economists.



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Sir John Kay is one of Britain's leading economists.

A Fellow of the British Academy and the Royal Society of Edinburgh, he was the founding dean of the Oxford Business School and has held chairs at London Business School and LSE. Other People's Money was shortlisted for the Orwell Prize for Political Writing.



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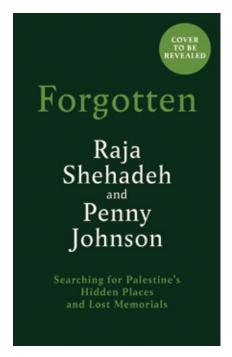


### **Forgotten**

Searching for Palestine's Hidden Places and Lost Memorials

#### Raja Shehadeh and Penny Johnson

An elegy to memory: what is memorialised, what is not, and why



Forgotten is a search for hidden or neglected memorials and places in historic Palestine – now Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories – and what they might tell us about the land and the people who have lived (and are living) on the small slip of earth between the Mediterranean Sea and the Jordan River.

From ancient city ruins to the Nabi 'Ukkasha mosque and tomb, acclaimed writers and researchers Raja Shehadeh and Penny Johnson ask: what has been memorialised, and what lies unseen, abandoned or erased – and why? Whether standing on a high cliff overlooking Lebanon or the lowest land-based elevation on earth at the Dead Sea, they explore lost connections in a fragmented land.

In elegiac, elegant prose, Shehadeh and Johnson grapple not only with questions of Israeli resistance to acknowledging the Nakba – the 1948 catastrophe for Palestinians – but also with the complicated history of Palestinian commemoration in our own time.

# Raja Shehadeh is Palestine's leading writer. His previous books include the Orwell Prize-winning Palestinian Walks and National Book Award 2023 finalist We Could Have Been Friends, My Father and I.

Penny Johnson is a founding member of the Institute of Women's Studies at Birzeit University, a contributing editor of the *Jerusalem Quarterly* and author of *Companions in Conflict: Animals in Occupied Palestine*.

# **Embers of the Hands**

Hidden Histories of the Viking Age

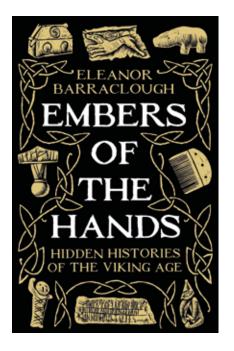
#### **Eleanor Barraclough**

A new and original history of the Viking Age, told through the objects that defined the lives of its people

Imagine a Viking, and a certain image springs to mind: a nameless pagan raider from the medieval north, leaping ashore from a longboat, ready to terrorise the hapless local population.

Yet while such characters define the Viking Age today, they were in the minority. This is the history of all the other people – children, enslaved people, seers, artisans, travellers, storytellers – who inhabited the early Nordic world. This is a history of a Viking Age filled with real people of different ages, genders and ethnicities, as told through the traces that they left behind, from haircare to children's toys, love-notes to musical instruments.

Embers of the Hands immerses readers in the day-to-day lives of an extraordinary culture that spanned centuries and continents, north to the Arctic, west to Greenland and North America, east to the steppes and rivers of Eurasia, and south to the Byzantine Empire and Islamic Caliphate.



Eleanor Barraclough is a historian, broadcaster and writer based at Bath Spa University, where she lectures in environmental and medieval history. A BBC New Generation Thinker, she is the author of Beyond the Northlands: Viking Voyages and the Old Norse Sagas, and appears regularly on radio and television.



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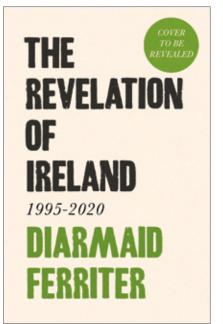


#### The Revelation of Ireland

1995-2020

#### **Diarmaid Ferriter**

A masterful history of contemporary Ireland, from the year 1995 to the year 2020



Ireland is a strikingly different country now to the one it was in the mid-1990s. The decline of the traditionally powerful Catholic Church, revelations about abuse and corruption and increasingly secular debate about abortion and same-sex marriage indicated the scale of the social and cultural transformation as did the new diversity of the population. The peace process, which saw an end to war in Northern Ireland and the first reigning British monarch's visit to the Republic in a hundred years, indicated the new Anglo-Irish dynamic. And in the wake of the 2008 recession, Ireland recouped and rebuilt but remained plagued by health and housing failures.

Economic recovery, ever-closer European involvement and Anglo-Irish highs were followed by Brexit lows and fresh talk of Irish unity. As the Republic enters its second century of independence, Diarmaid Ferriter tries to make historical sense of post-1990s Ireland – and what lies in the darkest corners of its archives.

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Diarmaid Ferriter is Professor of Modern Irish History at University College Dublin. His previous books include The Transformation of Ireland 1900–2000, Between Two Hells and the international bestseller The Border. He is a regular broadcaster on radio and television, a columnist for the Irish Times and a member of the Royal Irish Academy.

#### The Invention of Good and Evil

A World History of Morality

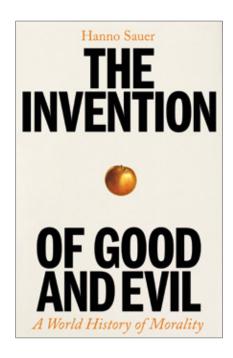
#### Hanno Sauer

A grand, sweeping history of the evolution of morality across human civilisation

For almost 5 million years, humans have been locked in a relationship with morality, inventing and reinventing the concepts of 'Good' and 'Evil', and weaving them into our cities, laws and customs.

Morality is often associated with restraint and coercion; restriction and sacrifice; inquisition, confession and a guilty conscience. It is a device used to shame us into compliance. This impression is not entirely incorrect, but it is certainly incomplete.

Using our past as a basis for a new understanding of our future, Hanno Sauer traces humanity's fundamental moral transformations from our earliest ancestors through to the present day, when it seems we have never disagreed more over what it means to be good. Our current political disagreements may feel like the end of the world, but where will the evolution of morality take us next?



Dr Hanno Sauer is an Associate Professor of Ethics at the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies and a member of the Ethics Institute at Utrecht University. His research takes an interdisciplinary approach to ethics, involving empirically informed metaethics that blends fields of neuroscience, cognitive science, politics and social psychology.



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#### The Future of Al

#### Patrick Dixon

Bestselling keynote speaker's timely take on a future driven by artificial intelligence



Al will create gigantic benefits for humankind but will become more powerful than many governments, with purposes and plans of its own, and the potential to alter the very basis of life on earth.

In this punchy follow-up to his bestselling *The Future of (Almost) Everything,* leading Futurist Patrick Dixon has written an in-depth but accessible exploration of Al, assessing both threats and benefits – from health and education to cybersecurity, business and the world of work.

The Future of AI looks at likely outcomes for both individuals and businesses and provides advice for the reader and a charter for governments to exploit benefits and avoid risks.

Patrick Dixon is often described as Europe's leading Futurist. Author of eighteen books, including Futurewise and The Future of (Almost) Everything published by Profile, he has advised over 400 of the world's largest corporations on a wide range of global trends. His website globalchange.com has had 15 million unique visitors with 9 million video views. Over 575,000 copies of Dixon's books are in print, in thirty-six languages.

#### Immaculate Forms

**Uncovering the History of Women's Bodies** 

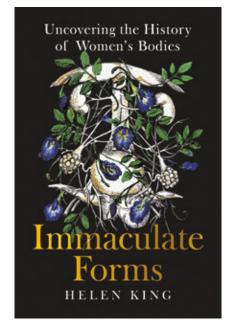
#### Helen King

Journey into the complex medical and religious history of women's bodies from classical Greece to the modern day

Throughout history, religious scholars, medical men and – occasionally – women themselves, have moulded thought on what 'makes' a woman. She has been called the weaker sex, the fairer sex, the purer sex, among many other monikers. Often, she has been defined simply as 'Not A Man'.

Today, we are more aware than ever of the complex relationship between our bodies and our identities. But contrary to what some may believe, what makes a woman is a question that has always been openended.

Immaculate Forms examines all the ways in which medicine and religion have played a gatekeeping role over women's organs. It explores how the womb was seen as both the most miraculous organ in the body and as a sewer; uncovers breasts' legacies as maternal or sexual organs – or both; probes the mystery of the disappearing hymen; and asks, did the clitoris need to be discovered at all?



#### at the Open University. A historian of medicine and the body, she is an elected member of the General Synod of the Church of England and vice chair of its Gender and

Dr Helen King is Professor Emerita of Classical Studies

Sexuality Group. She has published on gynaecology and obstetrics for over forty years.

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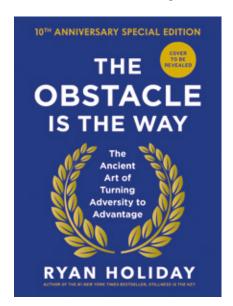


# The Obstacle Is the Way: 10th Anniversary Special Edition

The Ancient Art of Turning Adversity to Advantage

#### Ryan Holiday

The book that launched a global phenomenon – updated, expanded and set to introduce a new generation to the power of Stoicism



Since bestselling author Ryan Holiday introduced Stoicism to the world with *The Obstacle Is the Way* in 2014, this simple but powerful philosophy for life has become a global phenomenon. From professional athletes and world leaders to entrepreneurs and creatives just starting out, this brilliant and engaging book has been an invaluable source of wisdom for anyone who wants to become more successful at what they do. Now, Holiday has updated and expanded this modern classic with a new introduction and new chapters featuring a diverse set of inspiring characters.

Unpacking lessons from the lives of historical icons, and reframing them for today's world, this book gives us an infinitely elastic formula for turning our toughest trials into triumphs. Success for the world's greatest men and women has often come in the shape of their biggest obstacles – this essential book shows this can be true for us all.

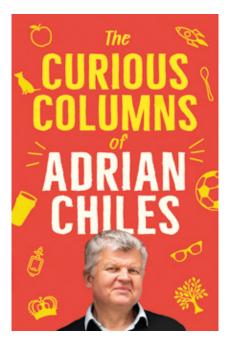
#### The Curious Columns of Adrian Chiles

#### **Adrian Chiles**

A perfect stocking filler from the Guardian's most read, best-loved, cult columnist

Adrian Chiles's weekly column for the *Guardian* has gained a cult following for his unique insights into everything from the present tense in history podcasts to his favourite spoon, or his legendary at-home urinal. As *Gawker* put it, 'Adrian Chiles never misses.' And his targets are the stuff of life: the everyday things we all need to stop and think about a little more.

The Curious Columns of Adrian Chiles finds Britain's much-loved broadcaster musing on the sacred and the profane, the whimsical and the bizarre, offering his idiosyncratic take on self-checkouts, speeding tickets and the correct duration of a hug, falling into a bed of wild garlic, and discovering he has a naked doppelgänger on OnlyFans. In this brilliant bumper collection, he takes us on a bright, bemused tour of British life, delivering offbeat truths and a comforting blast of humour and warmth.



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Ryan Holiday is one of the world's bestselling living philosophers. His books have spent over 300 weeks on the bestseller charts, appear in more than forty languages and have sold over 6 million copies. He lives in Texas with his wife and two boys. His bookshop, The Painted Porch, sits on historic Main Street in Bastrop, Texas.

Adrian Chiles has a weekly show on BBC Radio 5, and writes columns for the Sun, Guardian and Tablet. He has fronted football coverage for BBC and ITV, hosted Daybreak and The One Show, and got through Strictly. He is the author of The Good Drinker: How I Learned to Love Drinking Less.



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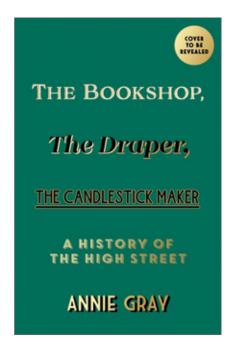


# The Bookshop, the Draper, the Candlestick Maker

A History of the High Street

#### **Annie Gray**

A people's history of the British high street



Google 'the future of the high street' and you'll be confronted by opinion pieces debating the ethics of vegan cafés, spiralling economic projections and the rush to online shopping. But what about the history of the high street?

Historian Annie Gray walks us down the road and through the ages – from the dawn of the high street in medieval England to what we see today. Bustling with historical detail, and colourful vignettes, we visit everything from apothecaries and penny bazaars to the birth of Marks and Spencer and the original toyshops, where curiosities were sold for adults rather than children.

A surprising and colourful work of social history, The Bookshop, the Draper, the Candlestick Maker tells the story of one of Britain's most loved but ever-changing public spaces.

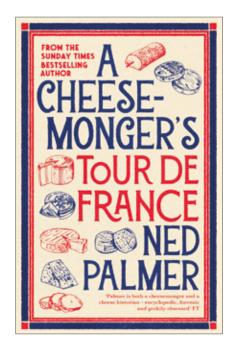
# A Cheesemonger's Tour de France

#### **Ned Palmer**

The cheesemonger historian returns with an irresistible homage to fromage

Charles de Gaulle famously said it was impossible to govern a country with 246 different cheeses. And perhaps he was right. Every French cheese carries an essence of the place where it's made – its history, identity and landscape. Sometimes that's a physical thing, as the hard texture of Comté echoes its rugged Alpine home. Other times it's about power and politics – Brie swelling to royal dimensions due to its proximity to the French court, or Camembert gaining national status after being supplied in patriotic boxes to First World War soldiers.

In A Cheesemonger's Tour de France, Ned Palmer wends his way around the country's regions, meeting the remarkable cheesemakers who carry the torch for France's oldest and most intense traditions. As he explains the mysteries of terroir and why different fromages taste as they do, he shows that a French cheeseboard offers genuine insights into la belle République.



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Annie Gray is an historian, cook, broadcaster and writer specialising in the history of food and dining in Britain. She has presented TV history documentaries including Victorian Bakers and appears on BBC Radio 4's The Kitchen Cabinet. She is the author of Victory in the Kitchen, The Downton Abbey Cookbook and more, and lives in East Anglia.

Ned Palmer runs the Cheese Tasting Company, whose events pair cheese with wines, beers, whiskies and history. The author of the bestselling Cheesemonger's History of the British Isles and A Cheesemonger's Compendium of British and Irish Cheese, Palmer has worked as a jazz pianist, a hospital porter and a cheesemonger in Borough Market.



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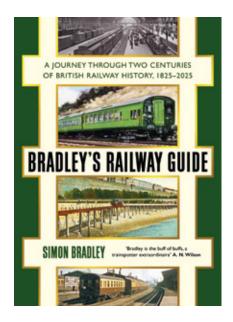


## **Bradley's Railway Guide**

A Journey through Two Centuries of British Railway History, 1825 to 2025

#### Simon Bradley

An original and absorbing chronicle of Britain's railways from the master of the art: essential reading for any traveller, railway enthusiast or Anglophile



In 1825, the Stockton & Darlington Railway company strode into history with the opening of the world's first public steam railway. What the S&DR had started soon picked up speed, transforming lives and landscapes, connecting far-flung corners of the nation, and creating its own distinctive environments and working worlds.

This ambitious and lavishly illustrated volume brings the story of Britain's railways to life, spanning two centuries of change and achievement. Full of colour and movement, it is an exhilarating journey through time and space, revisiting favourite themes and introducing unfamiliar stories and places.

Comprising deeply researched entries on everything from dining saloons to collecting dogs, wartime salvage efforts and the iconic Rail Alphabet, Simon Bradley gives George Bradshaw a run for his money in this definitive history of the making of Britain's railways.

# **Church Going**

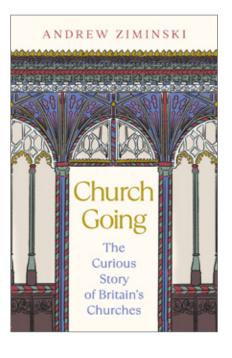
The Curious Story of Britain's Churches

#### **Andrew Ziminski**

An insightful and charming history of Britain's churches – by an author who spends his life working in them

Churches are many things to us – they are places of worship, vibrant community hubs and oases of calm reflection. To know a church is to hold a key to the past that unlocks an understanding of our shared history.

Andrew Ziminski has spent decades as a stonemason and church conservator, acting as an informal guide to curious visitors. *Church Going* is his handbook to the medieval churches of the British Isles, in which he reveals their fascinating histories, features and furnishings, from flying buttresses to rood screens, lichgates to chancels. Beautifully written and richly illustrated, it is a celebration of British architectural history.



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Simon Bradley is joint editor of the celebrated Pevsner Architectural Guides, to which he has contributed a number of notable revised volumes. He started trainspotting aged eleven, and his interest in railways has broadened and endured. He is also the bestselling author of The Railways: Nation, Network and People and St Pancras Station.

Andrew Ziminski is a stonemason and church conservator with decades of experience working on some of the greatest cathedrals and churches in Britain, including Salisbury Cathedral and St Paul's in London. His first book was the critically acclaimed *The Stonemason: A History of Building Britain*.



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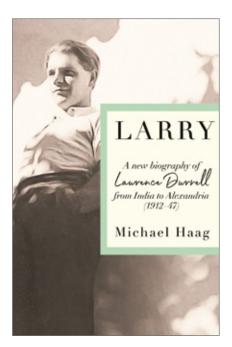


### Larry

A New Biography of Lawrence Durrell: From India to Alexandria (1912-47)

#### Michael Haag

A new and definitive biography by the world's foremost Lawrence Durrell expert, covering Larry's time in London and Paris, Corfu and Alexandria



When the Durrells expert Michael Haag died in 2020, it was feared that his definitive biography of Lawrence Durrell would never emerge. But, happily, it turned out that he had left complete chapters covering Durrell's life up to the time he left for South America in 1947. These chapters include the most engaging and interesting years of Larry's life – his childhood in India and Burma, his bohemian life in London and Paris, and his madcap idea of moving his family to Corfu (immortalised in his brother Gerald's My Family and Other Animals).

But for Durrell enthusiasts, the key part of this new biography are the chapters set in Alexandria, about which Haag had unrivalled knowledge, having met many of the key figures and walked every street. His account of those years brings to life the backdrop and real-life stories that Durrell interwove to create his acknowledged masterpiece, *The Alexandria Quartet*.

#### **Collared**

How We Made the Modern Dog

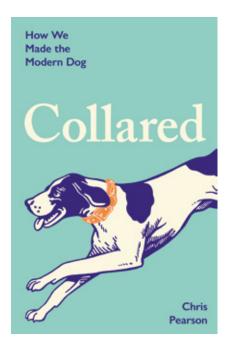
#### **Chris Pearson**

The nose-to-tail story of human and dog companionship in the modern world

Dogs are our constant companions: models of loyalty and unconditional love for millions around the world. But these beloved animals are much more than just our pets – and our shared history is far richer and more complex than you might assume.

Here, historian and dog lover Chris Pearson reveals how the shifting fortunes of dogs hold a mirror to our changing society, from the evolution of breeding standards to the fight for animal rights. Wherever humans have gone, dogs have followed, changing size, appearance and even jobs along the way – from the forests of medieval Europe, where greyhounds chased down game for royalty, to the frontlines of twentieth-century conflicts, where dogs carried messages and hauled gun carriages.

By turns charming, thought-provoking and surprising, *Collared* reveals the fascinating tale of how dogs became pets.



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Michael Haag was a writer, historian and biographer. He wrote widely on the Egyptian, Classical and medieval worlds, and on the Mediterranean and the Middle East. He was regarded as the world's foremost Durrells scholar. His books for Profile include *The Durrells of Corfu* and his bestselling histories of the Templars.

Chris Pearson is Professor of Environmental History at the University of Liverpool. A specialist in human-animal history, he is the author of *Dogopolis*, and is currently researching Indian street dogs in a project funded by the Wellcome Trust. He lives in Chester with his family and his Bedlington whippet, Cassie.



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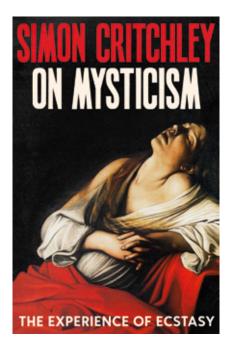


# On Mysticism

The Experience of Ecstasy

#### Simon Critchley

A provocative and personal examination, ranging through medieval mystics to T. S. Eliot and Krautrock, from Britain's most engaging and inventive philosopher



Mysticism is about existential ecstasy - an experience of heightening one's senses and self into a sheer feeling of aliveness.

On Mysticism explores the history and practice of mysticism, from its origins in Eastern and Western religion, through its association with esoteric and occult knowledge, from figures like Meister Eckhart to the ecstatic modernism of T. S. Eliot, and into our experience of music. Examining the lives of mystics like Julian of Norwich and writers like Annie Dillard, Critchley reveals how embracing mystical experiences can refresh our thinking and create deeper, freer lives.

Philosophical and playful, analytical and inventive, On Mysticism is an exploration of humanity's quest to understand the divine, and deepen the sense of our lives.

# Murder by Candlelight

**Ten Classic Tales for Winter** 

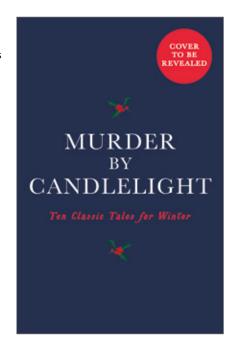
#### **Edited by Cecily Gayford**

Just beyond the firelight, nasty things are waiting in the shadows . . .

As the nights draw in and the old year slips away, the haunting season begins. Twigs scrape at windowpanes in the darkness, mysterious footprints are found in the snow, and all sorts of mysteries, monsters and nastiness are in the offing.

Bringing together ten classic tales of mystery, murder and mayhem from the greatest writers in the genre, Murder by Candlelight will puzzle your mind and chill your blood in equal measure. Whether spine-chillingly supernatural or all too human, the ghastly protagonists of these stories are always one step ahead.

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Cecily Gayford is Publishing Director at Profile Books and the editor of the bestselling Vintage Murder series.





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# **Jewish Country Houses**

#### **Edited by Juliet Carey and Abigail Green**

A completely new take on the history of country houses across Europe, with specially commissioned photography by Hélène Binet



Through a series of striking case studies, this book explores the pan-European world of the Jewish country house, its architecture, its relationships and its things.

Country houses are powerful symbols of national identity, evoking the glamorous world of the landowning aristocracy. Jewish Country Houses tell a more complex story of prejudice and integration, difference and connection. Many had spectacular art collections and gardens. Some were stages for lavish entertaining, while others provided inspiration to the European avant-garde. A few are now museums of international importance: many more are hidden treasures: all were beloved homes that bear witness to the remarkable achievements of newly emancipated Jews across Europe - and to a dream of belonging that mostly came to a brutal end with the Holocaust.

From the playful historicism of the National Trust's Waddesdon Manor in Buckinghamshire to the modernist masterpiece that is the Villa Tugendhat in the Czech city of Brno, this book is the first to tell that story.

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Juliet Carey is Senior Curator at Waddesdon Manor. Abigail Green is a prize-winning author and historian at Oxford University.

Photographer Hélène Binet was described by Daniel Libeskind as 'one of the leading architectural photographers in the world'.

# SERPENT'S TAIL

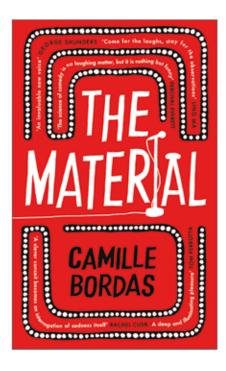
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#### The Material

#### **Camille Bordas**

A literary sensation's first UK publication – a day in the life of the teachers and students at a stand-up comedy school



Can comedy be taught? The Chicago Stand-Up programme seems to think so.

Its teachers and students all know how to make people laugh – in theory, though they're all afraid of being a joke themselves. Artie may be too handsome for stand-up, Olivia reluctant to examine herself, and Phil afraid to cause harm. Kruger cares more about commanding his father's respect than his students', and Ashbee is too detached. And then Dorothy – the only woman on the faculty – can't tell whether she's too abiding, too ambitious or too ambivalent. Will the arrival of a visiting professor – the freshly cancelled comedian, Manny Reinhardt – help or harm their cause?

The Material examines life through a band of outsiders bound together by the need to laugh, and the longing to make others laugh even harder.

# No Small Thing

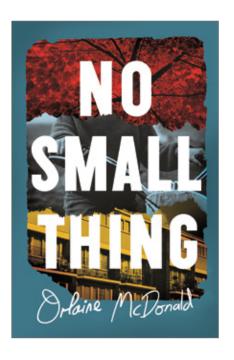
#### **Orlaine McDonald**

An exceptional debut filled with desire and jeopardy and set on a South London estate

Three women. Livia, who left her daughter and husband fifteen years ago, and never stopped running from the fear that her past would catch up with her. Mickey, forced to rely on the woman who left her, reckoning with her own bad decisions and with nowhere else to go. And Summer, whose new grandmother is strange, and whose mum is now angry, sad or out looking for men to distract her.

Summer has friends - the boy her age, the man from upstairs - but who is looking out for her? Who is keeping her safe?

Spanning a year, *No Small Thing* is a novel of hope, desire and loss which explores the damage we do to the people we love the most.



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Camille Bordas is the author of three prize-winning novels, including *How to Behave in a Crowd*, which was the first she wrote in English. *Partie commune* and *Les Treize Desserts* were written in her native French. Her short stories regularly appear in the *New Yorker*. Born in France, raised in Mexico City and Paris, she currently lives in Chicago.

Orlaine McDonald is a writer of mixed Jamaican-Irish heritage with a background in Arts Education, People Referral Units and Youth Offending Units. She has a Masters in Creative and Life Writing from Goldsmiths, where she was shortlisted for the Pat Kavanagh Prize. Her writing has been featured in Smoke Magazine, Fish Anthology and Acumen.



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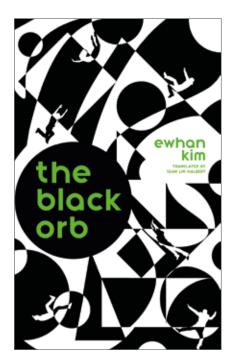


#### The Black Orb

#### **Ewhan Kim**

#### Translated by Sean Lin Halbert

A dark, surreal satire on mass panic, incompetent disaster response and modern masculinity



One evening in downtown Seoul, Jeong-su sees something impossible: a huge black orb appears out of nowhere and sucks his neighbour inside.

The orb soon begins consuming more people and no one knows how to stop it. Impervious to bullets and tanks, it splits and multiplies, with orbs chasing the hapless residents of Seoul out of the city and sparking a global crisis of violence and looting. Relying on wits alone, Jeong-su must begin an arduous journey in search of his elderly parents. But the strangest phases of this ever-expanding disaster are yet to come and Jeong-su will be forced to question everything he has taken for granted.

Dryly funny and propulsive, *The Black Orb* is terrifyingly perceptive about the fragility of human civilisation.

# Concerning the Future of Souls



**Ninety-Nine Stories of Azrael** 

#### Joy Williams

An incisive crash course in philosophy, religion, literature and culture from Pulitzer Prize finalist Joy Williams

Joy Williams offers ninety-nine illuminations on mortality as she brings her powers of observation to Azrael, the Angel of Death and transporter of souls.

Balancing the extraordinary and the humble, the bizarre and the beatific, the book presents Azrael as a thoughtful and troubled protagonist as he confronts the holy impossibility of his task, his uneasy relationship with Death and his friendship with the Devil. In this follow-up to Williams' *Ninety-Nine Stories of God*, a collection of connected beings – ranging from ordinary people to great artists such as Kafka, Nietzsche, Bach and Rilke, and to dogs, birds, horses and butterflies – experience the varying fate of the soul, transient yet everlasting.

Profound, sorrowful, witty and ecstatic, *Concerning* the Future of Souls will leave readers awestruck in their confrontation of life in the face of death.



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Ewhan Kim is the author of twelve novels. His debut, The Ghosts of Evithezen, was a finalist for the Korean National Fantasy Award and his other works have won the SF Award and the Young Writers Award. The Black Orb won the Multi Award and has been translated into nine languages. Joy Williams is the author of five novels and four short-story collections. Among her many honours are a National Book Critics Circle Award, the Kirkus Prize for Fiction and the *Paris Review's* Hadada Award, as well as nominations for the Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Award.

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# **Mood Indigo**

Serpent's Tail Classic

#### **Boris Vian**

#### **Translated by Stanley Chapman**

A forgotten French classic of life, love and lost innocence that inspired the 2013 film of the same name



Colin is a wealthy young aristocrat with a big heart. The instant he sees Chloe, bass drums thump inside his shirt, and soon the two are married. Typically generous, Colin gives a quarter of his fortune to his best friend Chick so he can marry Chloe's friend Alyssum.

But a lily grows in Chloe's lung, and Colin must spend his remaining fortune on the only available treatment: surrounding her daily with fresh flowers. Chick squanders his share of Colin's money on rare books and it is not long before the friends are forced to sacrifice their carefree lives to soul-crushing work.

The surreal cult classic that inspired a film directed by Michel Gondry, *Mood Indigo* is a comic and delightful satire.

#### Medusa of the Roses

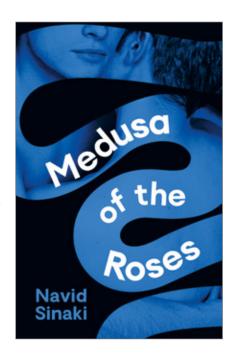
#### **Navid Sinaki**

A transgressive, lyrical and deeply moving literary debut about forbidden gay love in Tehran

Anjir and Zal have been together ever since they were very young. But living in Iran, the two men must keep their relationship hidden.

When Zal is attacked after being caught with someone else, Anjir is heartbroken but chooses forgiveness as they formulate a plan to start afresh. The Iranian government will partially pay for a trans person's gender-confirming surgeries and Anjir will become a woman in order to marry Zal. But then Zal vanishes, leaving only a cryptic note behind. And with someone tailing Anjir, violence may soon be the only solution to their desires.

A queer love story of violence, vengeance and desire, *Medusa of the Roses* dazzles with the intensity of a fever dream.



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Navid Sinaki is an artist, film-maker and poet. His works have screened at museums and art houses around the world, including Moderna Museet in Stockholm, Lincoln Center, British Film Institute, REDCAT and Cineteca Nacional in Mexico. His writing has most recently appeared in BOMB Magazine.



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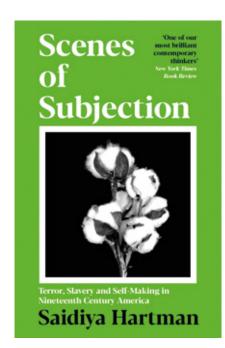


# **Scenes of Subjection**

Terror, Slavery and Self-Making in Nineteenth-Century America Serpent's Tail Classic

#### Saidiya Hartman

The ground-breaking debut by the award-winning author of Wayward Lives, Beautiful Experiments, now revised and updated



In this radical re-evaluation of American history, Saidiya Hartman uses her singular talents to create a striking portrait of nineteenth-century slavery and its many afterlives.

By turning critical attention away from the 'terrible spectacle' of the popular imagination, a fuller understanding of the atrocity can be reached by looking instead toward its characteristic, quotidian violence. Scenes of Subjection examines the encroachments of power that take place through notions of humanity, enjoyment and consent and the roots of Enlightenment ideals in racial subjugation.

Delving into what has been withheld and overlooked at the margins of the historical archive, Hartman starkly illuminates the interconnected nature of enslavement, image-making and present-day racism – and the possibilities for Black resistance and transformation.

# **Savage Theories**

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#### Pola Oloixarac

#### Translated by Roy Kesey

The controversial and dazzling debut novel by a star of Latin American literature, published in the UK for the first time

A student at the Buenos Aires School of Philosophy attempts to put her life in the service of a professor whose nearly forgotten theories of violence she plans to popularise against his wishes. Meanwhile, a documentary film-maker and a blogger engage in a series of cerebral and sexual misadventures.

In a novel crammed with philosophy, group sex, revolutionary politics and a fighting fish named Yorick, Oloixarac leads her characters and the reader through dazzling intellectual byways to an internet hack that confronts us with a catalogue of historical violence, devastation and atrocity throughout the centuries. Spellbinding, strange, ground-breaking and translated into several languages, Savage Theories was the debut of a major new voice on the world stage.



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Saidiya Hartman is a Columbia University professor of English and Comparative Literature. She is also the author of Lose Your Mother: A Journey Along the Atlantic Slave Route and Wayward Lives, Beautiful Experiments: Intimate Histories of Social Upheaval. In 2019 Hartman was awarded a prestigious MacArthur 'Genius' Fellowship.

Pola Oloixarac was born in Buenos Aires in 1977. She is one of the *Granta* best young Spanish-language novelists and winner of the 2021 Eccles Centre and Hay Festival Writer's Award. Oloixarac is a regular contributor to *The New York Times*, and her fiction has appeared in *Granta*, n+1. the White Review and Freeman's.



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#### **Translated by Ottilie Mulzet**

A masterpiece of form and fiction from one of the greatest living writers



Florian Herscht has a problem: having faithfully attended Herr Köhler's classes in particle physics for two years, he is convinced that disaster is imminent, and so embarks upon a one-sided correspondence with Chancellor Angela Merkel, hoping to convince her of the imminent danger of the complete destruction of all physical matter.

Written in one cascading sentence, Krasznahorkai's latest novel is a tour de force, a morality play of blistering satire, a devastating encapsulation of our helplessness in the face of moral and environmental dilemmas.

#### Eurotrash

#### **Christian Kracht**

#### **Translated by Daniel Bowles**

A rambunctious, tragicomic absurd road trip novel about a wealthy Swiss-German mother and son

Realising he and she are the very worst kind of people, our unnamed middle-aged narrator embarks on a dubious road trip through Switzerland with his terminally ill and terminally drunken mother as they try to give away a fortune amassed by investing in armaments. Along the journey they bicker endlessly, throw handfuls of francs into a ravine and exasperate their long-suffering driver.

Beloved in Europe, Kracht comes with endorsement from the world's best writers (Knausgaard, Jelinek, Kehlmann, Handke, Cohen, Zink and more); it is remarkable that this is to be his first novel published in the UK. Set to be this year's great discovery, *Eurotrash* is a tour de force of the tenderness and spite meted out between two people who cannot escape one another.



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László Krasznahorkai was born in Gyula, Hungary, in 1954. He has won numerous prizes for his novels, including the 2019 National Book Award for Translated Literature and the 2015 Man Booker International Prize for lifetime achievement.

Christian Kracht is a Swiss novelist whose work has been translated into thirty languages. His novels include Faserland, 1979, Imperium – which was the recipient of the Wilhelm Raabe literature prize, and one of Publisher's Weekly's ten best books of 2015 – and, most recently, The Dead, which won the Swiss Book Prize and the Hermann Hesse Award.

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# VIPER

# The Dead Friend Project

#### Joanna Wallace

The new gripping and witty thriller from the author of You'd Look Better as a Ghost



Things haven't been going well for Beth since Charlotte died - her best friend, a favourite at the school pick-ups and the only person to ever run an interesting PTA meeting. But after being hit by a car on an evening jog, Charlotte is no longer there to help Beth navigate her increasingly difficult life.

That is, until Beth discovers that Charlotte left her toddler alone in the house during that fatal run. Charlotte would never do something so irresponsible, and suddenly Beth is questioning whether her death was an accident or something more sinister.

With a newfound purpose, Beth's ready to uncover what really happened to her best friend. And what better place to start than the circle of chatty school mums, who can't be as perfect as they pretend. Which of them is hiding something? Beth's determined to find out . . . once she's put the kids to bed, of course.



Joanna Wallace worked as a solicitor until an autoimmune condition took away some of her sight. She now volunteers at a charity helpline and runs a family business with her husband. Her debut novel. You'd Look Better as a Ghost, was published by Viper in 2023.

# Sanctuary

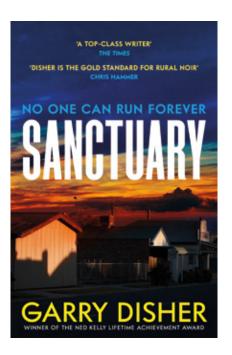
#### **Garry Disher**

The blistering new standalone novel from Australia's King of Crime

Grace's future is full of uncertainty. A life fuelled by theft means she's always on the move, with a cautious eye looking over her shoulder and a stash of getaway gear within arm's reach. And after a troubling run-in with an old associate, Grace is forced to travel across Australia to lie low in the small town of Bettendorf.

Bettendorf was meant to be a brief stopover - a chance for Grace to collect her emergency funds before heading west. But when she meets Erin, a friendly but timid woman with an antiques shop and a room to rent. Grace is presented a new possible future. One of stability and perhaps even a place to call home.

But there are dangerous men watching this home, and Grace should know better than to let her guard slip. As no matter how far she runs, her past is always just a few steps behind . . .



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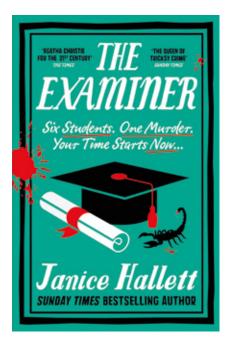
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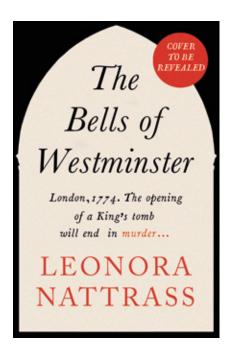
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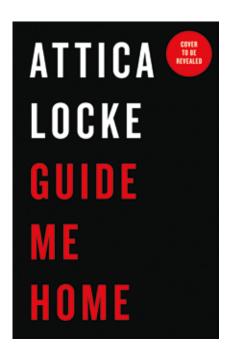
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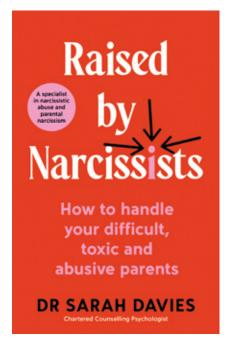
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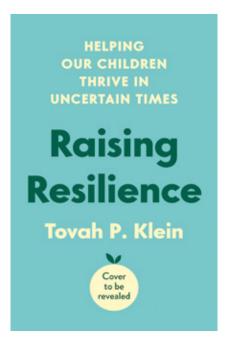
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Dr Tovah P. Klein is a child development psychologist and resilience expert. Her work includes supporting children in the wake of natural disaster or global turmoil and she consults internationally on parenting children in the early years. Her writing has featured in publications including The New York Times, Huffington Post and Wall Street Journal





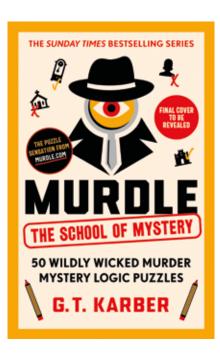
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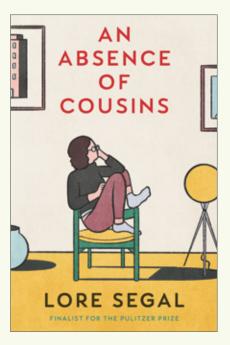
G.T. Karber grew up in Arkansas, the son of a judge and a civil rights attorney. He graduated summa cum laude from the University of Arkansas with a degree in mathematics and English literature before gaining an MFA from the University of Southern California's School of Cinematic Arts. As the General Secretary of the Hollywood Mystery Society, he has staged more than thirty immersive whodunits in the Los Angeles area.

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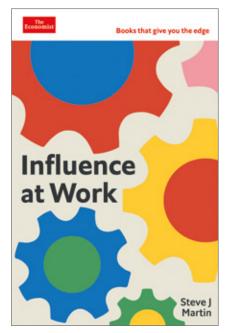
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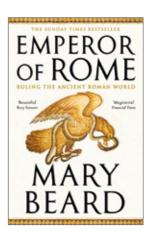
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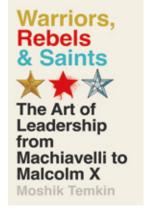
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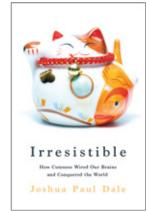
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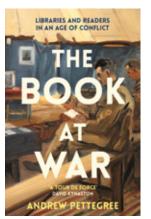


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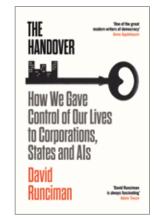
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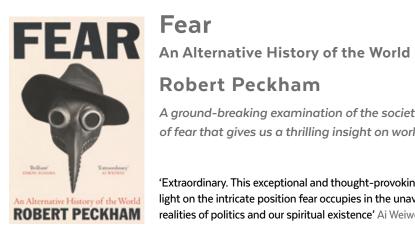
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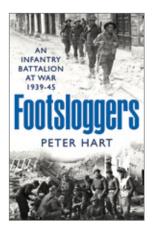
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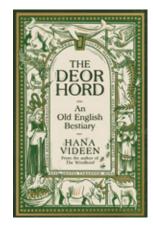
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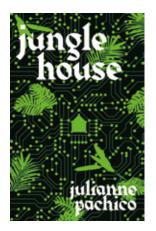
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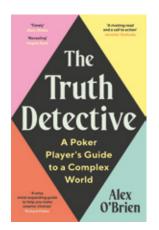
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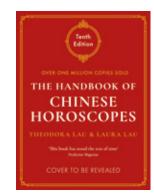
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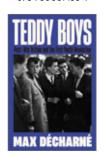




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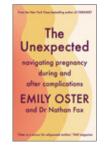


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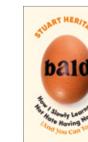


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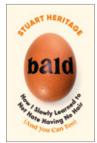


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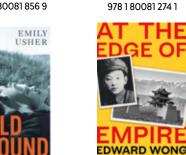


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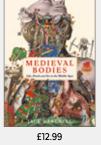
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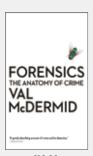
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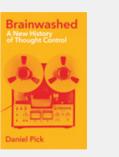
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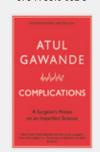
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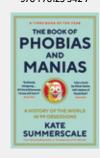
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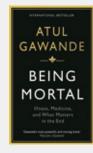
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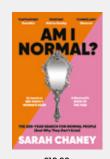
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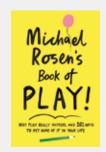
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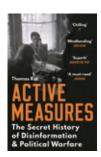
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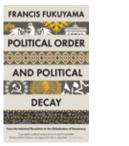
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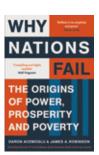
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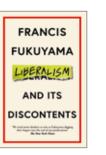
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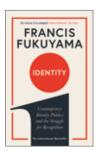
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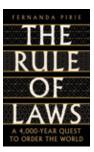
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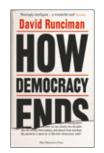
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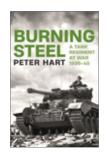
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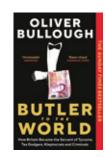
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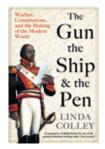
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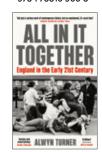
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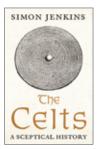
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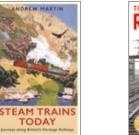
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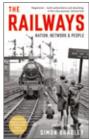
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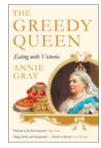
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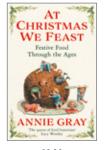
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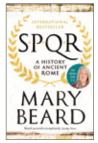
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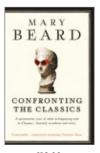
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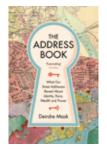
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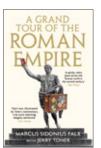
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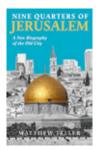
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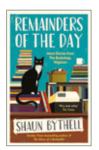
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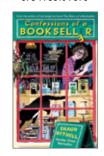
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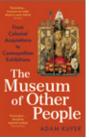
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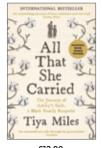
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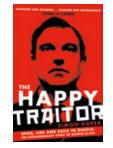
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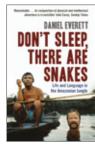
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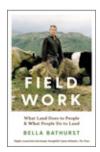
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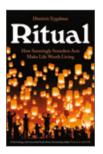
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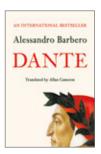
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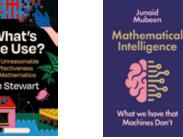
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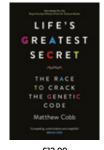
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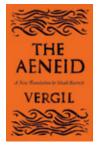
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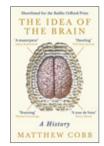
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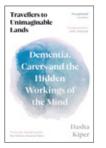
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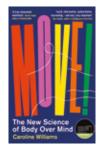
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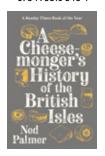
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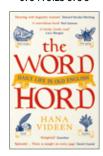
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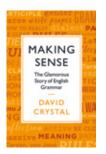
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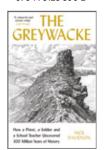
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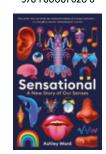
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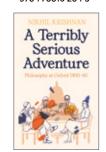
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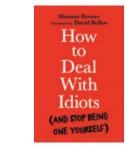
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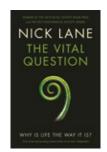
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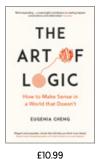


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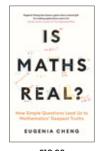


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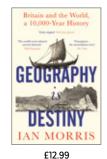




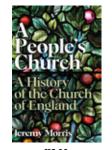
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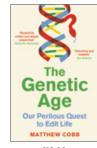
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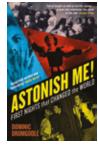
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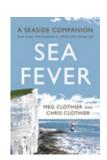
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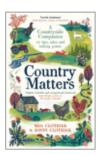
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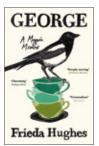
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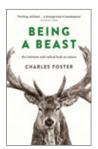
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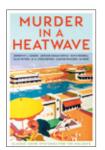
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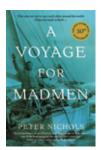
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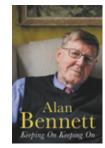
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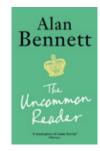
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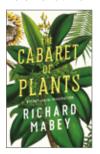
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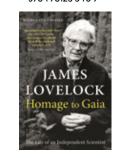
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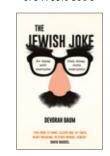
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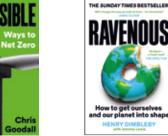
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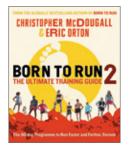
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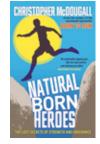
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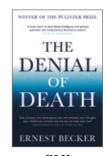
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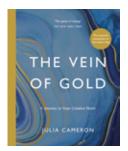


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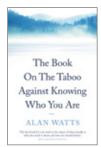


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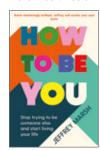
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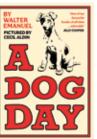
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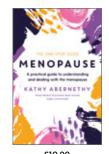
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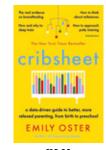
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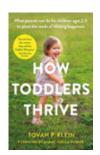
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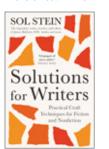
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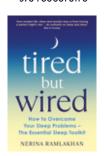
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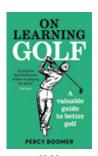
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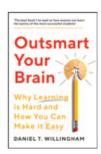
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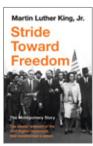
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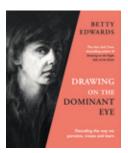
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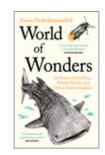
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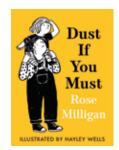
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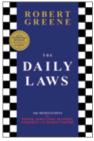


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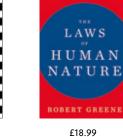
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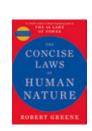


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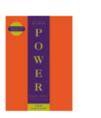
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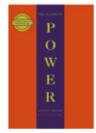
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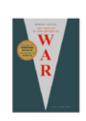
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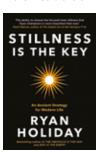
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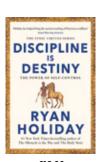
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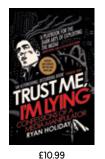
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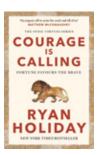
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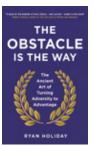
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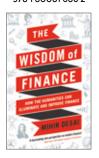
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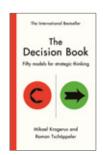
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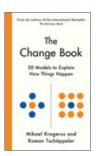
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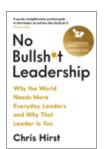
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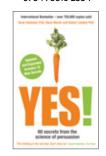
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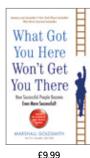
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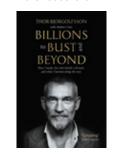
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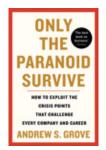
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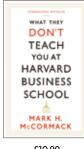
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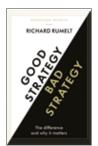
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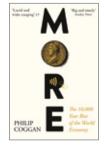
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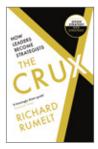
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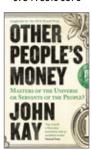
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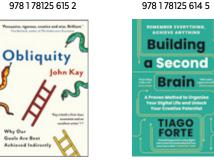
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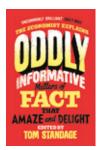
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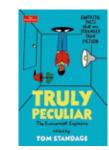
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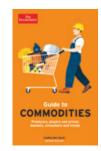
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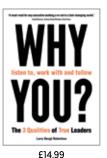
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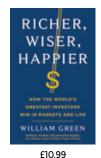
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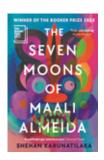


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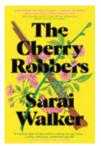




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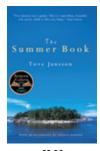
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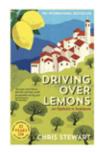


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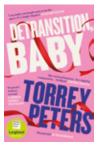


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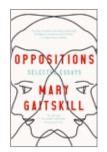
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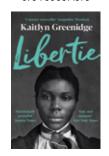
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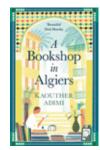


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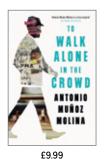
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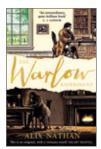
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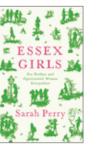
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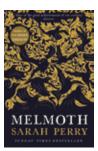
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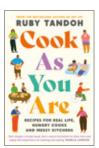
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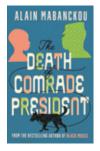
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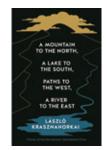
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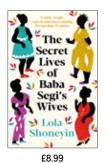
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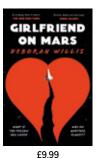
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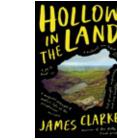
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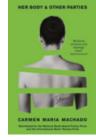
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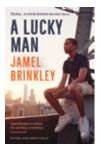
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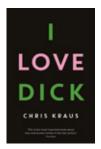
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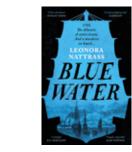
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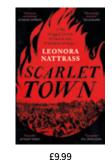
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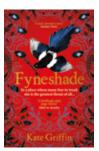
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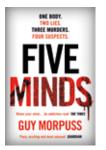
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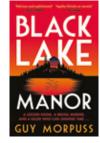
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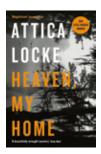
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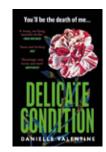
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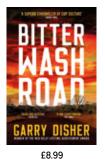
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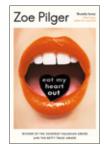
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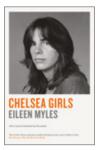
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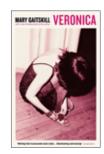
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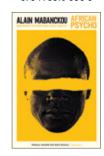
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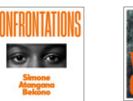


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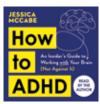




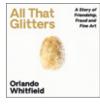


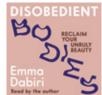












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