

# Non-Fiction



## **CREATIVE SELECTION**

Inside Apple's Design Process During the Golden Age of Steve Jobs

Ken Kocienda

9781529004717

## **Business and Economics > Product**

Macmillan | Rs 499 | 288pp | TPB | Royal Sep 06, 2018

The inside story of Apple's design process during the golden age of Steve Jobs

An insider's account of Apple's creative process during the golden years of Steve Jobs.

Hundreds of millions of people use Apple products every day; several thousand work on Apple's campus in Cupertino, California; but only a handful sit at the drawing board. *Creative Selection* recounts the life of one of the few who worked behind the scenes, a highly-respected software engineer who worked in the final years the Steve Jobs era, the Golden Age of Apple.

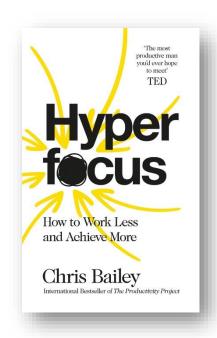
Ken Kocienda offers an inside look at Apple's creative process. For fifteen years, he was on the ground floor of the company as a specialist, directly responsible for experimenting with novel user interface concepts and writing powerful, easy-to-use software for products including the iPhone, the iPad, and the Safari web browser. His stories explain the symbiotic relationship between software and product development for those who have never dreamed of programming a computer, and reveal what it was like to work on the cutting edge of technology at one of the world's most admired companies.

Kocienda shares moments of struggle and success, crisis and collaboration, illuminating each with lessons learned over his Apple career. He introduces the essential elements of innovation, inspiration, collaboration, craft, diligence, decisiveness, taste, and empathy, and uses these as a lens through which to understand productive work culture.

An insider's tale of creativity and innovation at Apple, *Creative Selection* shows readers how a small group of people developed an evolutionary design model, and how they used this methodology to make groundbreaking and intuitive software which countless millions use every day.

### **Author Bio:**

**Ken Kocienda** was a software engineer and designer at Apple for over fifteen years. After graduating from Yale, he fixed motorcycles, worked in the editorial library of a newspaper, taught English in Japan, and made fine art photographs. Eventually, he discovered the internet, taught himself computer programming, and made his way through a succession of dot-com-era startups, before landing at Apple in 2001, where he worked on the software teams that created the Safari web browser, iPhone, iPad, and Apple Watch. Ken lives in San Jose, California with his wife.



## **HYPERFOCUS**

How to Work Less to Achieve More

**Chris Bailey** 

9781509866113

## Self Help > Personal Growth

Macmillan | Rs 599 | 256pp | TPB | Demy Sep 06, 2018

The life hack that you've been waiting for - to work less in order to increase your productivity - by 'the most productive man you could ever hope to meet' as described by TED.com.

'The best productivity plans call for strategy, not just hacks or tactics—and *Hyperfocus* gives you strategy in spades. When you read this book, get ready to do your most important work!' Chris Guillebeau

A practical guide to managing your attention - the most powerful resource you have to become more creative, get stuff done, and live a more meaningful life

Our attention has never been as overwhelmed as it is today and we've never been so busy while accomplishing so little.

In *Hyperfocus*, the bestselling author of *The Productivity Project* provides profound insights into how we can best manage our attention. Chris Bailey reveals how the brain switches between two mental modes - hyperfocus, our deep concentration mode, and scatterfocus, our creative, reflective mode - and how the surest path to being our most creative and efficient selves at work is to combine them both.

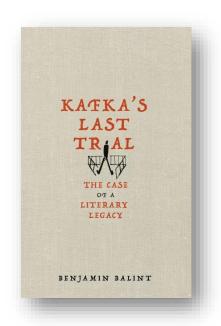
In Hyperfocus, you will learn:

- How working fewer hours can increase our productivity
- How drinking caffeine strategically instead of habitually gives us more energy
- How we get more done by making our work harder, not easier
- How we do our best creative work when we're the most tired

### **Author Bio:**

Chris Bailey ran a year-long productivity project where he conducted intensive research, as well as dozens of productivity experiments on himself, to discover how to become as productive as possible. To date, he has written hundreds of articles on the subject and has garnered coverage in the media as diverse as the *New York Times*, *Huffington Post*, *New York* magazine, *Harvard Business Review*, TED, *Fast Company* and *Lifehacker*. The author of *The Productivity Project*, Chris lives in Ottawa, Ontario, in Canada.





## KAFKA'S LAST TRIAL

The Strange Case of a Literary Legacy

Benjamin Balint 9781509836727

## **Autobiographies & Biographies > Literary**

Picador | Rs 699 | 304pp | TPB | Royal Sep 20, 2018

The gripping story of the legal battle over the work of perhaps the iconic writer of the twentieth century: a priceless cache of papers, an unprecedented international custody battle, and the unlikely journey of a trove of manuscripts from Prague to Palestine.

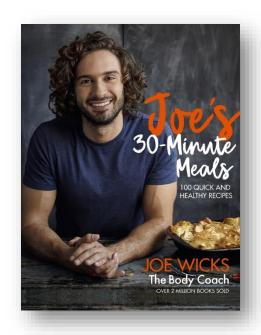
When Franz Kafka died in 1924, his loyal friend and champion Max Brod could not bring himself to fulfil Kafka's last instruction: to burn his remaining manuscripts. Instead, Brod devoted the rest of his life to canonizing Kafka as the most prescient chronicler of the twentieth century. By betraying Kafka's last wish, Brod twice rescued his legacy - first from physical destruction, and then from obscurity. But that betrayal was also eventually to lead to an international legal battle over Kafka's legacy: as a writer in German, should his papers come to rest with those of the other great German writers, in the country where his three sisters dies as victims of the Holocaust? Or, as Kafka was also a great Jewish writer, should they be considered part of the cultural inheritance of Israel, a state that did not exist at the time he died in 1924?

Alongside an acutely observed portrait of Kafka and Brod and the influential group of writers and intellectuals known as the Prague Circle, *Kafka's Last Trial* also provides a gripping account of the recent series of Israeli court cases - cases that addressed dilemmas legal, ethical, and political - that determined the final fate of the manuscripts Brod had rescued when he fled from Prague to Palestine in 1939. It tells of a wrenching escape from Nazi invaders as the gates of Europe closed to Jews; of a love affair between exiles stranded in Tel Aviv; and of two countries whose national obsessions with overcoming the traumas of the past came to a head in the Israeli courts. Ultimately, Benjamin Balint invites us to question not only whether Kafka's legacy belongs by right to the country of his language, that of his birth, or that of his cultural and religious affinities - but of whether any nation state can lay claim to writers belong more naturally to the international republic of letters.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Benjamin Balint** taught literature, including Kafka, at the Bard College humanities programme at Al-Quds University in Jerusalem. His first book, *Running Commentary*, was published by PublicAffairs in 2010. His second book, *Jerusalem: City of the Book* is co-authored with Merav Mack. His reviews and essays regularly appear in the *Wall Street Journal, Die Zeit, Haaretz*, the *Weekly Standard*, and the *Claremont Review of Books*. His translations of Hebrew poetry have appeared in the *New Yorker* and in *Poetry International*.





## Joe's 30 Minute Meals

100 Quick and Healthy Recipes

Joe Wicks 9781509836093

## **Health, Fitness & Dieting > Cooking**

Bluebird | Rs 999 | 272pp | Hardback Sep 06, 2018

### Easy and quick 30-minute recipes from Britain's best-loved healthy cook, Joe Wicks

Easy and quick 30-minute recipes from Britain's best-loved healthy chef, Joe Wicks

Bestselling author Joe Wicks, aka The Body Coach, presents this gorgeous book featuring more than 100 nutritious recipes that are perfect for sharing. Proving once again that you don't need loads of time to cook great food, *Joe's 30-Minute Meals* is packed with everyday healthy dishes that you'll want to make, time and time again.

Most chapters are simply organised by main ingredient, making it easy to find a recipe for every occasion. Every recipe is labelled as either reduced-carb or carb-refuel, which makes this book a brilliant addition for those already familiar with Joe's eating structure (carbs following workouts or on active days), but the meals are also enjoyable and tasty for all, whether you are following Joe's plan or not.

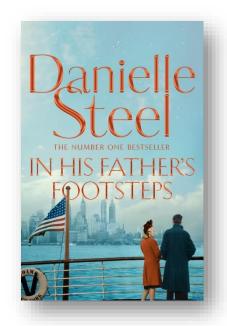
If you're looking for a crowd-pleasing lunch like the Bang Bang Chicken Stir-Fry or something tasty to chuck in the oven at the end of a long day such as Joe's Sausage and Mushroom Pie, *Joe's 30-Minute Meals* makes it easy to make a fussfree, tasty plate of food, every single day.

### **Author Bio:**

**Joe Wicks**, aka The Body Coach, has helped countless people achieve new levels of fitness and fat loss with his 90 Day Shift, Shape and Sustain programme and his Instagram account. He is also the author of *Lean in 15: The Shift Plan, Lean in 15: The Shape Plan, Lean in 15: The Sustain Plan, Cooking for Family and Friends* and *The Fat-Loss Plan*.



## **Fiction**



## In His Father's Footsteps

Danielle Steel 9781509897148

### **General Fiction**

Pan | Rs 399 | 320pp | PB | B Format Sep 06, 2018

Danielle Steel proves she is the world's favourite storyteller in *In His Father's Footsteps*, a deeply moving novel about love, understanding and family, set in post-Second World War New York.

*In His Father's Footsteps* is a powerful, compassionate story of fathers and sons, set in the dramatically transforming years following the Second World War,, by the masterful Danielle Steel.

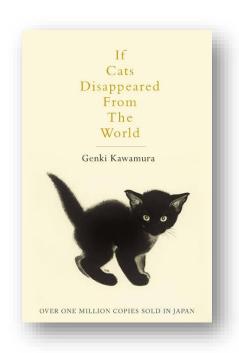
April, 1945. As the Americans storm the Buchenwald concentration camp, among the survivors are Jakob and Emmanuelle, barely more than teenagers. Each of them has lost everything and everyone in the unspeakable horrors of the war. But when they meet, they find hope and comfort in each other.

Jakob and Emmanuelle marry, and resolve to make a new life in New York. The Steins build a happy, prosperous life for themselves and their new family, but their pasts cast a long shadow over the present.

Years later, as the Sixties are in full swing, their son Max is an ambitious, savvy businessman, determined to throw off the sadness that has hung over his family since his birth. But as Max's life unfolds, he must learn that there is meaning in his heritage that will help shape his future . . .

## **Author Bio:**

**Danielle Steel** has been hailed as one of the world's most popular authors, with nearly a billion copies of her novels sold. Her recent many international bestsellers including *The Duchess, The Right Time* and *Fairytale*. She is also the author of *His Bright Light*, the story of her son Nick Traina's life and death; *A Gift of Hope*, a memoir of her work with the homeless; and the children's books *Pretty Minnie in Paris* and *Pretty Minnie in Hollywood*. Danielle divides her time between Paris and her home in northern California.



## If Cats Disappeared from the World

Genki Kawamura 9781509889174

### **General Fiction**

Picador | Rs 350 | 144pp | PB | B Format Sep 20, 2018

A million-copy bestseller, a poignant and thought-provoking Japanese tale that asks what it really is that makes life worth living.

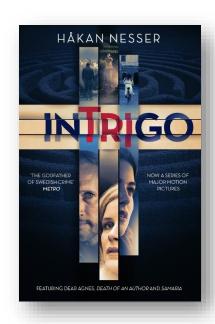
Our narrator's days are numbered. Estranged from his family, living alone with only his cat Cabbage for company, he was unprepared for the doctor's diagnosis that he has only months to live. But before he can set about tackling his bucket list, the Devil appears with a special offer: in exchange for making one thing in the world disappear, he can have one extra day of life. And so begins a very bizarre week . . .

Because how do you decide what makes life worth living? How do you separate out what you can do without from what you hold dear? In dealing with the Devil our narrator will take himself - and his beloved cat - to the brink. Genki Kawamura's *If Cats Disappeared from the World* is a story of loss and reconciliation, of one man's journey to discover what really matters in modern life.

This beautiful tale is translated from the Japanese by Eric Selland, who also translated *The Guest Cat* by Takashi Hiraide. Fans of *The Guest Cat* and *The Travelling Cat Chronicles* will also surely love *If Cats Disappeared from the World*.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Genki Kawamura** is a bestseller author of three novels (*Million Dollar Man, April Come She Will*), three children's picture books (*Tinny & The Balloon, MOOM, Monster Patisserie*), one collection of fictional film project pitches, and two collections of interviews. *If Cats Disappeared from the World* is his first book of fiction and has sold 1.7 million copies to date in Japan, with publishing deals in 15 countries. His second novel *Million Dollar Man* has sold 760 thousand copies. He occasionally produces, directs and writes movies, and is a showrunner as well.



## **INTRIGO**

Håkan Nesser 9781509892181

### **General Fiction**

Mantle | Rs 399 | 596pp | PB | B Format Sep 06, 2018

Adapted for a trilogy of films, *Intrigo* is a collection of novellas and short stories from the master of Nordic Noir, Håkan Nesser.

For fans of Scandinavian crime, *Intrigo* is the gripping collection of Håkan Nesser's best novellas and short stories, three of which have been adapted into major motion pictures.

Set in the fictional city of Maardam, each story is linked by themes of secrets coming to light, lies being exposed, and pasts coming back to haunt the people who thought they had fled them - all told in Håkan Nesser's signature style of dark, cutting prose that displays a true understanding of human nature.

The collection is the basis for a trilogy of international films - *Dear Agnes, Death of an Author* and *Samaria* -directed by Daniel Alfredson and starring Ben Kingsley and Gemma Chan.

#### **Author Bio:**

Håkan Nesser is one of Sweden's most popular crime writers and has received numerous awards for his novels about Inspector Van Veeteren, including the European Crime Fiction Star Award (Ripper Award), the Swedish Crime Writers' Academy Prize (three times) and Scandinavia's Glass Key Award. His Van Veeteren series is published in over twenty-five countries and has sold more than 15 million copies worldwide. Håkan Nesser lives in Gotland with his wife, and spends part of each year in the UK.



## The Rest of Their Lives

Jean-Paul Didierlaurent 9781509840366

## **General Fiction**

Pan | Rs 399 | 256pp | PB | B Format Sep 06, 2018

From the author of *The Reader on the 6.27*, Jean-Paul Didierlaurent, comes another enchanting adventure into the land of love . . .

Filled with all the larger-than-life characters and enchanting storytelling that made readers fall for *The Reader on the 6.27*, Jean-Paul Didierlaurent's follow-up novel, *The Rest of Their Lives*, is set to charm the world.

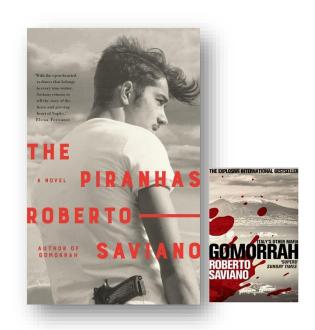
It's difficult to find love in a profession like Ambroise's - even his father despises what he does . . .

And while Manelle - a home-help for the elderly in the same small French town - adores her days spent with her eccentric clients, she too often ends her evenings alone.

So when an unusual request from Manelle's favourite client - eighty-two-year-old retired chef-gourmand Samuel - brings the two of them together for an unlikely road-trip to Switzerland, along with Ambroise's cake-loving grandmother, it might just be time for the rest of their lives to begin . . .

#### **Author Bio:**

**Jean-Paul Didierlaurent** lives in the Vosges region of France. His short stories have twice won the International Hemingway Award and his debut novel, *The Reader on the 6.27*, was a bestseller both in the UK and internationally. *The Rest of Their Lives* is his second novel.



## The Piranhas

Roberto Saviano 9781509879229

### **General Fiction**

Picador | Rs 599 | 368pp | TPB | Royal Sep 06, 2018

The first novel, already an international bestseller, by the author of *Gomorrah*, set in the organized crime world of the children's gangs of Naples.

'With the open-hearted rashness that belongs to every true writer, Saviano returns to tell the story of the fierce and grieving heart of Naples.' Elena Ferrante

In Naples, a new kind of gang rules the streets: the 'Paranze', the 'Children's Gangs', groups of teenage boys who divide their time between Facebook or playing Call of Duty on their PlayStations and patrolling the streets armed with pistols and AK-47s, terrorizing local residents in order to mark out the territories of their Mafia bosses.

Roberto Saviano's eye-opening novel *The Piranhas* tells the story of the rise of one such gang and its leader, Nicolas - known to his friends and enemies as the 'Maharajah'. But Nicolas's ambitions reach far beyond doing other men's bidding: he wants to be the one giving orders, calling the shots, and ruling the city. But the violence he is accustomed to wielding and witnessing soon spirals out of his control . . .

### **Author Bio:**

**Roberto Saviano** was born in 1979 and studied philosophy at the University of Naples. *Gomorrah*, his first book, has won many awards, including the prestigious 2006 Viareggio Literary Award, and was adapted into a play, a film, and a television series.





## The Winter Soldier

Daniel Mason 9780330533737

#### **Historical Fiction**

Mantle | Rs 599 | 352pp | TPB | Royal Sep 20, 2018

The stunning third novel from the bestselling author of *The Piano Tuner* and *A Far Country*. As the First World War devastates Europe, *The Winter Soldier* is the story of one man thrust, utterly unprepared, into a remote medical outpost in the Carpathian mountains, and the woman that is set to save him.

'Part mystery, part war story, part romance, *The Winter Soldier* is a dream of a novel' *Anthony Doerr*, author of *All The Light We Cannot See* 

From the bestselling author of *The Piano Tuner*, comes Daniel Mason's *The Winter Soldier*, a story of love and medicine through the devastation of the First World War.

Vienna, 1914. Lucius is a twenty-two-year-old medical student when World War One explodes across Europe. Enraptured by romantic tales of battlefield surgery, he enlists, expecting a position at a well-organized field hospital. But when he arrives, at a commandeered church tucked away high in a remote valley of the Carpathian Mountains, he finds a freezing outpost ravaged by typhus. The other doctors have fled, and only a single, mysterious nurse named Sister Margarete remains.

But Lucius has never lifted a surgeon's scalpel. And as the war rages across the winter landscape, he finds himself falling in love with the woman from whom he must learn a brutal, makeshift medicine. Then one day, an unconscious soldier is brought in from the snow, his uniform stuffed with strange drawings. He seems beyond rescue, until Lucius makes a fateful decision that will change the lives of doctor, patient and nurse forever.

From the gilded ballrooms of Imperial Vienna to the frozen forests of the Eastern Front; from hardscrabble operating rooms to battlefields thundering with Cossack cavalry, *The Winter Soldier* is the story of war and medicine, of family, of finding love in the sweeping tides of history, and, finally, of the mistakes we make, and the precious opportunities to atone.

### **Author Bio:**

**Daniel Mason** is a physician and author of the novels *The Piano Tuner* and *A Far Country*. His work has been translated into twenty-eight languages, and adapted for opera and theatre. A recipient of a fellowship from the National Endowment for the Arts, he is currently a Clinical Assistant Professor of Psychiatry at Stanford University, where he teaches courses in the humanities and medicine. He lives in the Bay Area with his family. *The Winter Soldier* is his third novel.



## THE TEMP

Michelle Frances 9781509877140

## **Crime, Mystery & Thrillers**

Pan | Rs 399 | 480pp | PB | B Format Sep 20, 2018

The Temp is a gripping psychological thriller from Michelle Frances, the number one bestselling author of *The Girlfriend*.

No one was going to replace her. Were they?

Carrie is a successful TV producer in a high pressure job. She's talented, liked, and well-respected. She and her husband, Adrian, an award-winning screenwriter, decided years before that they didn't want children. But now, just as they're both at the pinnacle of their careers, she has discovered she is pregnant, and is shocked to find that she wants to keep the baby. But in a competitive industry where time off is seen as a sign of weakness, Carrie looks on the prospect of maternity leave with trepidation.

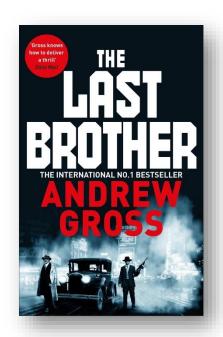
Enter Emma, the temp, who is everything she could wish for as her cover: smart, willing and charming. Carrie fears that Emma is manoeuvring her way into Carrie's life, causing turmoil in both her marriage and her work as she does so. The problem is everyone else adores her . . .

Increasingly isolated from Adrian and her colleagues, Carrie begins to believe Emma has an agenda. Does Emma want her job? Or is she after even more?

The Temp is a twisting thriller about ambition, deception and betrayal by Michelle Frances, the number one bestselling author of *The Girlfriend*.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Michelle Frances** has worked in television drama as a producer and script editor for fifteen years, both for the independent sector and the BBC. *The Temp* is her second novel, following *The Girlfriend*.



## The Last Brother

Andrew Gross 9781509878383

## **Crime, Mystery & Thrillers**

Macmillan | Rs 599 | 384pp | TPB | Royal Sep 20, 2018

A thrilling novel about three brothers and the Mafia in 1930s New York by Andrew Gross, the bestselling author of *The One Man* and *The Spy*.

From International Number One Bestseller Andrew Gross, *The Last Brother* is the thrilling historical novel about three brothers and the Mafia in 1930s New York.

#### United by blood

1930s New York City. Three brothers grow up poor on the Lower East Side, until the death of their father forces them to find work to support their family. Each brother takes a different path.

### Divided by ambition

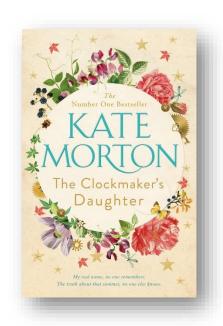
Twelve-year-old Morris Rabishevsky apprentices himself to a garment manufacturer with the aim of running the business. Sol, six years older, heads to accounting school but is forced to drop out. Scarred by a family tragedy, Harry falls under the spell of the charismatic Louis Buchalter, who in a few short years becomes the most ruthless mobster in town.

#### Torn apart by conflict

Morris convinces Sol to go into business with him, but Harry can't be lured away from the glamour, power and money of the mob. As their business grows, Buchalter sets his sights on the unions that control the garment maker's factories, setting up a fatal showdown that could bring them together or shatter their family forever.

### **Author Bio:**

Before writing his own bestselling thrillers, **Andrew Gross** co-authored five novels with James Patterson. His first novel, *The Blue Zone*, was an instant international bestseller. He currently lives in New York with his wife, Lynn, and their three children.



## The Clockmaker's Daughter

Kate Morton 9781509848218

## **Crime, Mystery & Thrillers**

Mantle | Rs 599 | 608pp | TPB | Royal Sep 20, 2018

The mesmerizing sixth novel from the bestselling author of *The House at Riverton* and *The Lake House*.

From the bestselling author of *The House at Riverton* and *The Secret Keeper*, Kate Morton brings us her dazzling sixth novel, *The Clockmaker's Daughter*.

My real name, no one remembers.

The truth about that summer, no one else knows.

In the summer of 1862, a group of young artists led by the passionate and talented Edward Radcliffe descends upon Birchwood Manor on the banks of the Upper Thames. Their plan: to spend a secluded summer month in a haze of inspiration and creativity. But by the time their stay is over, one woman has been shot dead while another has disappeared; a priceless heirloom is missing; and Edward Radcliffe's life is in ruins.

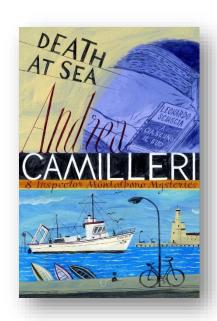
Over one hundred and fifty years later, Elodie Winslow, a young archivist in London, uncovers a leather satchel containing two seemingly unrelated items: a sepia photograph of an arresting-looking woman in Victorian clothing, and an artist's sketchbook containing the drawing of a twin-gabled house on the bend of a river.

Why does Birchwood Manor feel so familiar to Elodie? And who is the beautiful woman in the photograph? Will she ever give up her secrets?

Told by multiple voices across time, *The Clockmaker's Daughter* is a story of murder, mystery and thievery, of art, love and loss. And flowing through its pages like a river, is the voice of a woman who stands outside time, whose name has been forgotten by history, but who has watched it all unfold: Birdie Bell, the clockmaker's daughter.

### **Author Bio:**

**Kate Morton** grew up in the mountains of south-east Queensland and now lives with her family in London. She has degrees in dramatic art and English literature, specializing in nineteenth-century tragedy and contemporary gothic novels. Kate has sold over 10 million copies of her novels in thirty-two languages, across thirty-nine countries. *The House at Riverton, The Forgotten Garden, The Distant Hours, The Secret Keeper* and *The Lake House* have all been number one bestsellers around the world. *The Clockmaker's Daughter* is her sixth novel.



### **DEATH AT SEA**

Andrea Camilleri 9781509809127

## Crime, Mystery & Thrillers

Mantle | Rs 599 | 304pp | TPB | Royal Sep 06, 2018

A collection of eight ingenious short stories following Inspector Montalbano's investigations into Sicily's murky underworld, all served with Camilleri's trademark wit, and Montalbano's typical appetite.

#### Adapted for BBC4's Inspector Montalbano

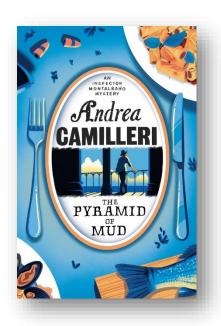
From the title story, *Death at Sea*, in which the alleged manslaughter of an engineer upon a fishing trawler leads Inspector Montalbano to uncover an even more sinister crime, Andrea Camilleri takes his readers through eight cunning cases from the Vigàtan police files.

Starting with an arson attack on a hotel which leaves the distraught owner as the chief suspect; to the mysterious case of a woman who goes missing in an underpass with a million lire in her handbag; to a threat on Montalbano's own life, as an anonymous motorcyclist takes a shot at the detective.

Featuring stories adapted for BBC4's *Inspector Montalbano*, this is the perfect place to start reading Sicily's favourite crime author.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Andrea Camilleri** is one of Italy's most famous contemporary writers. His books have sold over 65 million copies worldwide. He lives in Rome. The Inspector Montalbano series, which began with *The Shape of Water*, has been translated into thirty-two languages and was adapted for Italian television, screened on BBC4. *The Potter's Field*, the thirteenth book in the series, was awarded the Crime Writers' Association's International Dagger for the best crime novel translated into English. In addition to his phenomenally successful Inspector Montalbano series, he is also the author of the historical comic mysteries *Hunting Season* and *The Brewer of Preston*.



## The Pyramid of Mud

Andrea Camilleri 9781447298366

## **Crime, Mystery & Thrillers**

Picador | Rs 399 | 288pp | PB | B Format Sep 06, 2018

Inspector Montalbano must unravel the mystery of a dead body discovered in a sewage tunnel in the twenty-second novel in Andrea Camilleri's critically acclaimed series.

The Pyramid of Mud is the twenty-second Montalbano mystery from Italy's finest crime writer, Andrea Camilleri. It's been raining for days in Vigàta, and the persistent downpours have led to violent floods overtaking the Inspector's beloved hometown, sweeping across the land and leaving only a sea of mud behind. It is on one of these endless grey days that a man - a Mr Giuglù Nicotra - is found dead. His body discovered in a large sewage tunnel, half naked and with a bullet in his back.

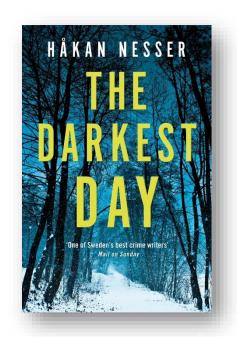
The investigation is slow and slippery to start with, but when Montalbano realizes that every clue he uncovers and every person he interviews is leading to the same place: the world of public spending - and with it, the Mafia - the case begins to pick up pace.

But there's one question that keeps playing on Montalbano's mind: in his strange and untimely death, was Giuglù Nicotra trying to tell him something?

#### **Author Bio:**

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## The Darkest Day

Hakan Nesser 9781509809349

## **Crime, Mystery & Thrillers**

Pan | Rs 399 | 544pp | PB | B Format Sep 06, 2018

A dysfunctional family go into meltdown when two members go missing one snowy night.

The Darkest Day is the first novel in the five part Inspector Barbarotti series from renowned Swedish crime author Håkan Nesser

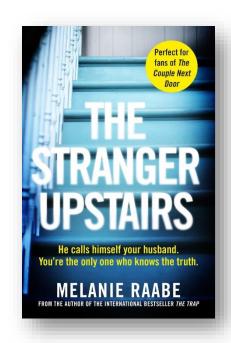
It's December in the quiet Swedish town of Kymlinge, and the Hermansson family are gathering to celebrate a big family birthday. But beneath the guise of happy festivities, tensions are running high, and it's not long before the night takes a dark and unexpected turn . . .

Before the weekend is over, two members of the Hermansson family are missing, and it's up to Inspector Barbarotti - a detective who spends as much of his time debating the existence of God as he does solving cases - to determine exactly what happened on that darkest day, and unravel a web of sinister family secrets in the process . . .

#### **Author Bio:**

Håkan Nesser is one of Sweden's most popular crime writers, receiving numerous awards for his novels featuring Inspector Van Veeteren, including the European Crime Fiction Star Award (Ripper Award), the Swedish Crime Writers' Academy Prize (three times) and Scandinavia's Glass Key Award. His Van Veeteren series is published in over twenty-five countries and has sold over 15 million copies worldwide. Håkan Nesser lives in Gotland with his wife, and spends part of each year in the UK.





## **The Stranger Upstairs**

Melanie Raabe 9781509886227

## **Crime, Mystery & Thrillers**

Pan | Rs 399 | 352pp | PB | B Format Sep 06, 2018

He calls himself your husband. But you're the only one who knows the truth.

From Melanie Raabe, the author of *The Trap, The Stranger Upstairs* is another dazzling, dizzying psychological thriller guaranteed to keep you guessing until the very last page.

Several years ago, your husband, and the father of your young son, disappeared. Since then, you've dreamed of his return; railed against him for leaving you alone; grieved for your marriage; and, finally, vowed to move on.

One morning, the phone rings. When you answer, a voice at the other end tells you your husband's on a plane bound for home, and that you'll see him tomorrow.

You've imagined this reunion countless times. Of course you have. But nothing has prepared you for the reality. For you realize you don't know this man.

Because he isn't your husband, he's a complete stranger - and he's coming home with you.

Even worse, he seems to know about something very bad you once did, something no one else could possibly know about . . . Could they?

### **Author Bio:**

**Melanie Raabe** grew up in Thuringia, Germany. After graduating from university, she moved to Cologne where she worked as a journalist by day while secretly writing books at night. *The Trap*, her debut novel, was a bestseller in Germany and sold all around the world. *The Stranger Upstairs* was also a bestseller in Germany, where it was published as *The Truth*.



## **GIRL IN SNOW**

Danya Kukafka 9781509829965

## **Crime, Mystery & Thrillers**

Picador | Rs 399 | 320pp | PB | B Format Sep 20, 2018

A compelling mystery set in small-town America, focusing on three characters affected by the death of a beloved teenager.

As featured on Simon Mayo's BBC Radio 2 Book Club.

'Perfectly paced and taughtly plotted' Paula Hawkins

'Dark and elegant' Mail on Sunday

'A creepy, psychological drama' GQ

'A haunting debut' Stylist

### Who are you when no one is watching?

When beloved high school student Lucinda Hayes is found murdered, no one in her sleepy Colorado suburb is untouched - not the boy who loved her too much, not the girl who wanted her perfect life, not the police officer assigned to investigate. In the aftermath of the tragedy, these three unforgettable characters - Cameron, Jade, and Russ - must each confront their darkest secrets in an effort to find solace, the truth, or both.

Intoxicating and intense, *Girl in Snow* is a compelling mystery set in small-town America. By focusing on those affected by the crime, rather than the crime itself, Kukafka asks - what's the difference between who people seem to be and who they really are?

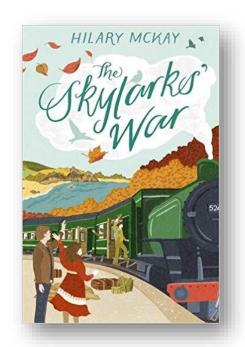
Shortlisted for the 2018 CWA John Creasey (New Blood) Dagger. Shortlisted for Hearst's Big Book Award 2018.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Danya Kukafka** is a graduate of New York University's Gallatin School of Individualized Study. *Girl in Snow* is her first novel.



# Children



## The Skylarks' War

Hilary McKay 9781509894956

**Juvenile Fiction > 9-11 Yrs** 

MCB | Rs 350 | 320pp | PB | B Format Sep 20, 2018

An evocative and heartbreaking novel of family and friendship in wartime from Hilary McKay, award-winning author of the Casson Family Chronicles.

Clarry and her older brother Peter live for their summers in Cornwall, staying with their grandparents and running free with their charismatic cousin, Rupert. But normal life resumes each September - boarding school for Peter and Rupert, and a boring life for Clarry at home with her absent father, as the shadow of a terrible war looms ever closer.

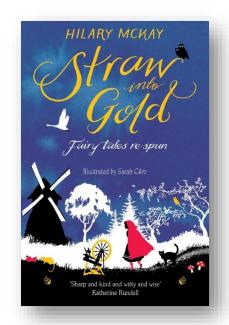
When Rupert goes off to fight at the front, Clarry feels their skylark summers are finally slipping away from them. Can their family survive this fearful war?

The Skylarks' War is a beautiful story following the loves and losses of a family growing up against the harsh backdrop of World War 1, from the award-winning Hilary McKay.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Hilary McKay** is an award-winning author, having won the Guardian Fiction Prize for her first novel, *The Exiles*, and going on to win the Smarties and the Whitbread (now the Costa) Award for *The Exiles in Love* and *Saffy's Angel. Hilary McKay's Fairy Tales* was her first book with Macmillan Children's Books and is a critically acclaimed classic-in-the-making. Her 2018 title *The Skylarks' War* marks the centenary of the end of the First World War.





Straw into Gold

Fairy Tales Re-Spun

Hilary McKay 9781447292302

**Juvenile Fiction > 9-11 Yrs** 

MCB | Rs 350 | 304pp | PB | B Format Sep 20, 2018

Beautiful fairy tale retellings from Guardian Children's Fiction Prize-winning author Hilary McKay

Straw into Gold: Fairy Tales Re-Spun is a classic fairy tale collection to treasure. Featuring Hilary McKay's imaginative retellings of key favourites, this ten-story collection includes the much-loved tales of Rapunzel, Cinderella, the Princess and the Pea, Rumpelstiltskin, the Pied Piper of Hamelin, the Swan Brothers, Snow White and the Seven Dwarves, Red Riding Hood, the Twelve Dancing Princesses and Hansel and Gretel.

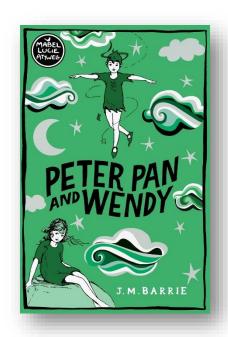
This gorgeous gift book features black-and-white line and tone illustrations throughout from the talented Sarah Gibb.

This book was originally published in hardback as Hilary McKay's Fairy Tales.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Hilary McKay** is a critically acclaimed author who has won many awards, including the Guardian Children's Fiction Prize for her first novel, *The Exiles*, and the Whitbread (now the Costa) Award for *Saffy's Angel*. Hilary studied Botany and Zoology at the University of St Andrews, and worked as a biochemist before the draw of the pen became too strong and she decided to become a full-time writer. Hilary lives in Derbyshire with her family.

**Sarah Gibb** studied at Saint Martin's School of Art (now Central Saint Martins) before completing her MA in Illustration at Brighton College of Art. After landing regular spots in the *Telegraph* and *Elle* magazine, Sarah went on to illustrate Sue Townsend's Adrian Mole series, many classic children's fairy tales and even the Harrods Christmas window display. She lives in Wandsworth, London.



### PETER PAN AND WENDY

J. M. Barrie 9781509869954

Classics > Juvenile Fiction > 7-9 Yrs

MCB | Rs 299 | 240pp | PB | B Format Sep 20, 2018

A beautiful edition of J. M. Barrie's classic *Peter Pan and Wendy,* featuring Mabel Lucie Attwell's gorgeous illustrations

This edition of J. M. Barrie's *Peter Pan and Wendy* was originally retold by May Byron for little people, with the approval of the author. It is a thrilling adventure for all ages; the story of the boy who refuses to grow up is a tale that never gets old. It follows the Darling children - Wendy, John and Michael - who befriend the magical Peter and are whisked away to the Never-Land, where the villainous Captain Hook and the brave Lost Boys await.

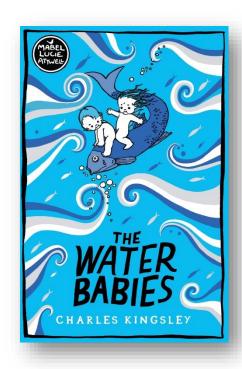
Mabel Lucie Attwell's gentle illustrations and distinctive style have been the nursery staple of generations of children. Her illustrated edition of May Byron's abridged *Peter Pan and Wendy* was first published in 1921. Macmillan is proud to return Mabel Lucie Attwell's interpretation to print.

With a beautiful foiled cover, this edition features black-and-white line illustrations and makes the perfect gift for children, and adults who refuse to grow up.

#### **Author Bio:**

**J. M. Barrie** (1860-1937) was fascinated by stories of his mother's life. He was determined to write, and worked on the *Nottingham Journal* after graduating from Edinburgh University. In 1885 he successfully sold the *Auld Licht Idylls*, which were based on his mother's tales. By the time *Peter Pan* opened on the London stage in 1904, Barrie had written more than thirty novels and plays, such as *Quality Street* and *The Admirable Crichton*. He was created a baronet in 1913 and awarded the Order of Merit in 1922.

**Mabel Lucie Attwell** (1879-1964) was a much loved British illustrator whose artwork holds a unique appeal to both children and adults. A huge commercial success during her lifetime, her illustrations are familiar from stories such as *Alice in Wonderland, Peter Pan and Wendy* and *The Water-Babies*, each recognized and loved as nursery classics around the world.



## THE WATER-BABIES

Charles Kingsley 9781509869961

Classics > Juvenile Fiction > 5-7 Yrs

MCB | Rs 299 | 240pp | PB | B Format Sep 20, 2018

A beautiful paperback edition of this classic favourite, The Water-Babies, with illustrations from Mabel Lucie Attwell.

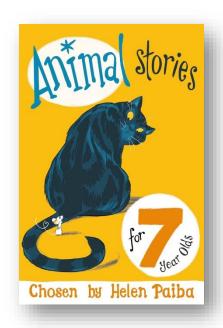
When Tom, a young chimney sweep, falls into a river and drowns, he is transformed from a twelve-year-old boy who has known nothing but brutality and poverty into a 'water-baby'. In an underwater world surrounded by fairies, insects and water nymphs, he soon discovers a new life of adventure and excitement.

With a beautiful foiled cover and glorious inside illustrations by Mabel Lucie Attwell, this edition of Charles Kingsley's *The Water-Babies*, first published in 1863, is a truly special gift to treasure.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Charles Kingsley** was a priest, university professor, historian and novelist. *The Water-Babies* was his most famous novel and was originally written and published as a serial in *Macmillan's Magazine* from 1862-1863 before being published in its entirety as a book in 1863.

**Mabel Lucie Attwell** was a British illustrator known for her drawings of children, based on her daughter, Peggy. She studied at Heatherley's and Saint Martin's School of Art before illustrating for magazines and books, including *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland, Peter Pan* and *The Water-Babies*.



## **Animal Stories For 7 Year Olds**

Helen Paiba 9781509881956

**Juvenile Fiction > 7-9 Yrs** 

MCB | Rs 299 | 192pp | PB | B Format Sep 06, 2018

A collection of animal stories sure to delight seven-year-olds, with a gorgeous cover illustrated by Adam Stower.

Animal Stories for 7 Year Olds is a rich and varied selection of heart-warming animal stories by some of the very best writers for children, chosen by Helen Paiba. The collection is perfect for reading alone or reading aloud - and for dipping into time and time again.

With stories from Dick King-Smith, Ursula Moray Williams, Michael Rosen, Philippa Pearce, Rumer Godden and many more, this book will provide hours of fantastic fun.

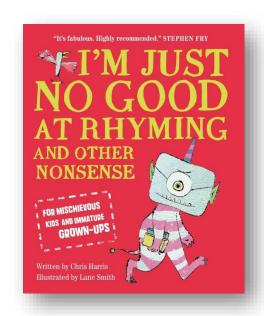
In this collection you'll get the chance to meet the mice who are celebrating their silver wedding anniversary, find out how the ostrich got his long neck and also read about the world's happiest woodlouse - along with many other amazing and wonderful characters!

#### **Author Bio:**

**Helen Paiba** is known as one of the most committed, knowledgeable and acclaimed children's booksellers in Britain. For more than twenty years she owned and ran the Children's Bookshop in Muswell Hill, London, which under her guidance gained a superb reputation for its range of children's books and for the advice available to its customers.

Helen was involved with the Booksellers Association for many years and served on both its Children's Bookselling Group and the Trade Practices Committee. In 1995 she was given honorary life membership of the Booksellers Association of Great Britain and Ireland in recognition of her outstanding services to the association and to the book trade. In the same year the Children's Book Circle (sponsored by Books for Children) honoured her with the Eleanor Farjeon Award, given for distinguished service to the world of children's books.

Helen has put together many wonderful short-story collections for Macmillan, including the Funny Stories series, the Magical Stories series and the Bedtime Stories series. Her Animal Stories series include *Animal Stories for 5 Year Olds, Animal Stories for 6 Year Olds, Animal Stories for 7 Year Olds* and *Animal Stories for 8 Year Olds.* She retired in 1995 and now lives in London.



## I'm Just No Good At Rhyming

Chris Harris 9781509881055

## **Juvenile Non-Fiction > Poetry > 7-9 Yrs**

Two Hoots | Rs 499 | 192pp | Paperback Sep 20, 2018

A laugh-out-loud poetry collection for kids from *How I Met Your Mother* screenwriter Chris Harris, richly illustrated by the Kate Greenaway Medal-winning Lane Smith.

"Highly recommended. I think it will make children wriggle with delight" Stephen Fry

If I ever find myself holding a gecko . . . I'll lecko.

Forget what you think you know about poetry - this is something totally different. Chris Harris's *I'm Just No Good At Rhyming* combines wit, wordplay and nonsense with visual and verbal tricks to make you look at the world in a new and wonderfully upside-down way, reminiscent of Shel Silverstein.

I'm just no good at rhyming. It makes me feel so bad. I'm just no good at rhyming, And that's why I'm so blue.

This entirely unique collection of wildly witty words offers a surprise around every corner, from the ongoing rivalry between the author and illustrator (mean poem and cruel portrait included), to the mysteriously misnumbered pages that can only be deciphered by a certain code-cracking verse, to a poem that is 100% genuinely infinite. Meet a balding werewolf, competitive boulders, a birthday piranha, and find out if grown-ups really are better!

Why are grown-ups better than kids?

'Cause we got what it takes -

We never, ever, ever, ever, make mistaeks!

Adding to the fun: Lane Smith, winner of the CILIP Kate Greenaway Medal for *There Is a Tribe of Kids*, has spectacularly illustrated this extraordinary collection with nearly one hundred pieces of appropriately absurd art. It's a mischievous match made in heaven and the perfect gift for creative kids or immature grown-ups.

#### **Author Bio:**

Chris Harris is a writer and executive producer for How I Met Your Mother and a writer for The Late Show with David Letterman. His pieces have appeared in The New Yorker, Esquire, ESPN, The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, and on NPR. He lives in Los Angeles, loves peppermint stick ice cream and, when he's not too full, just-a little-bit-more-peppermint-stick-ice-cream-but-don't-tell-anyone. He's a funny guy, as you can tell from his children's poetry collection I'm Just No Good At Rhyming. In his spare time, he gets older.

Lane Smith is the creator of *It's a Book, It's a Little Book, Grandpa Green* and *A Perfect Day,* and the illustrator of *A House That Once Was* by Julie Fogliano. In 2017 he won the CILIP Kate Greenaway Medal for *There Is a Tribe of Kids*. Lane Smith and his wife, the designer Molly Leach, live in a small town in rural Connecticut, USA.



## **Match Annual 2019**

**MATCH** 

9780752266077

## **Juvenile Non-Fiction > Sports & Leisure > 14+ Yrs**

Boxtree | Rs 399 | 96pp | Hardback Sep 20, 2018

### The number one annual for football fans everywhere!

From the makers of the UK's best football magazine!

Year in, year out, *MATCH* remains the bestselling football annual and is top of Christmas wishlists for footy fans everywhere.

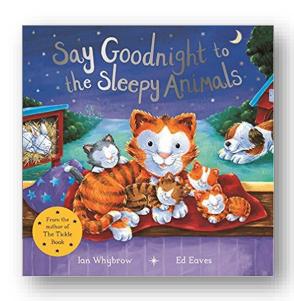
Inside the *Match Annual 2019*, you can build your Ultimate Player, check out the wonderkids who'll rip up 2019 and find out everything you need to know about Messi, Pogba, Rashford, Aubameyang, Aguero, Di Maria and Higuain.

Plus, it's packed with stars' cars, Prem club legends, brain-busting quizzes, FIFA through the ages, mad pics, footy stars emojis, crazy cartoons and loads more!

Don't miss it!

## **Author Bio:**

*MATCH* is the best football magazine in the UK - it's packed with big stars, red-hot gear, transfer gossip, FIFA tips, epic stats, massive interviews, awesome previews, tough quizzes and loads more every week. It's the magazine all football stars want to be in, and all football fans want to read.



## Say Goodnight to the Sleepy Animals!

Ian Whybrow 9781509885558

### Pre-School & Picture Books > 0-5 Yrs

MCB | Rs 350 | 24pp | Paperback Sep 09, 2018

Get ready for bedtime with this rhyming picture book full of favourite animals.

It's night-time and Cat is going to say goodnight to all her animal friends. Meet a dog, a barn owl and even some fluffy little rabbits. Toddlers will love joining in with all the animal noises in this delightful story - perfect for reading at hedtime!

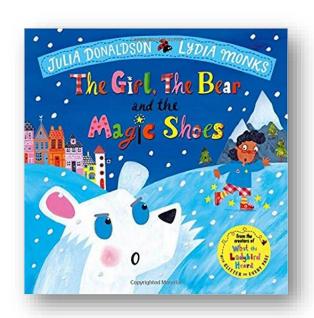
With simple rhyming text by Ian Whybrow, author of the bestselling *The Tickle Book* and *The Bedtime Bear*, and lots of cuddly animals, beautifully illustrated by Ed Eaves, *Say Goodnight to the Sleepy Animals!* is favourite with both parents and children.

Enjoy more books in the Say Hello series: Say Hello to the Snowy Animals! and Say Hello to the Animals!

#### **Author Bio:**

**Ian Whybrow** is a much loved writer with a wonderful talent for capturing children's humour and imagination. He has written several successful picture books for Macmillan, including the bestselling *The Bedtime Bear, The Tickle Book* and *The Christmas Bear,* illustrated by Axel Scheffler. Ian is also the creator of the much-loved Harry and the Dinosaurs series.

**Ed Eaves's** use of colour and appealing animal characters make his work wonderfully child-friendly. As well as his collaborations with Ian Whybrow on *Say Hello to the Snowy Animals!*, and *Say Goodnight to the Sleepy Animals!*, he is also the illustrator of wonderful novelty books including *Science Museum: Touch-and-Feel Cars* and *Science Museum: Touch-and-Feel Planes*.



## The Girl, the Bear and the Magic Shoes

Julia Donaldson 9781447275978

### Pre-School & Picture Books > 0-5 Yrs

MCB | Rs 599 | 32pp | Hardback Sep 06, 2018

A glittering magical adventure about a girl, a bear and some very special new shoes, from the bestselling creators of *What the Ladybird Heard*.

When Josephine leaves the shoe shop after buying some new running shoes, she hears an unusual sound - *Click-click! Click-click!* A bear with a backpack is following her! Luckily for Josephine, her new shoes are anything but ordinary - these are *magic* shoes. But can they help her escape the bear when there's a mountain, a bog and even a lake in her way?

The Girl, the Bear and the Magic Shoes is an exciting adventure from the stellar picture-book partnership of Julia Donaldson and Lydia Monks, creators of What the Ladybird Heard. Full of action and imagination, and with a delightfully unexpected ending, this gorgeously glittery book is one to enjoy over and over again.

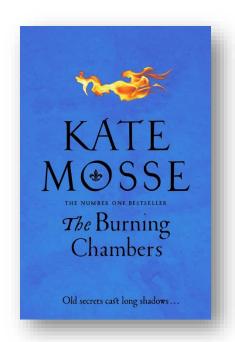
Enjoy all the stories from Julia Donaldson and Lydia Monks: Sharing a Shell, The Princess and the Wizard, The Rhyming Rabbit, The Singing Mermaid, Sugarlump and the Unicorn, Princess Mirror-Belle and the Dragon Pox, What the Ladybird Heard, What the Ladybird Heard Next and What the Ladybird Heard on Holiday.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Julia Donaldson** is the author of some of the world's best-loved children's books, including modern classics *The Gruffalo* and *The Gruffalo's Child*, which together have sold over 17 million copies worldwide, and the hugely successful What the Ladybird Heard adventures. Julia also writes fiction, including the Princess Mirror-Belle books illustrated by Lydia Monks, as well as poems, plays and songs - and her brilliant live shows are always in demand. She was Children's Laureate 2011-13, is a fellow of the Royal Society of Literature, and has been honoured with an MBE for Services to Literature. Julia and her husband Malcolm divide their time between West Sussex and Edinburgh.

**Lydia Monks** is one of the most original and successful picture book artists working today. Lydia illustrates several bestselling series including the What the Ladybird Heard adventures and Princess Mirror-Belle, written by Julia Donaldson. Her distinctive use of colour and collage has won her critical acclaim and several awards, including the Royal Mail Scottish Children's Book Award, the Stockport Children's Book Award and multiple nominations for the Kate Greenaway Medal. She is also the author and illustrator of the Twit Twoo School picture books. Lydia lives in Sheffield.





## **The Burning Chambers**

Kate Mosse

9781509806843

#### Fiction > Historical Fiction

Mantle | Rs 599 | 608pp | TPB | Royal September 06, 2018

France 1562: As the Wars of Religion begin to take hold, a courageous Catholic woman and a passionate Huguenot believer find themselves united in possession of a priceless relic and set upon a quest to uncover a long-buried secret hidden in the haunting Chateau de Puivert in the foothills of the Pyrenees . . .

Bringing sixteenth-century Languedoc vividly to life, Kate Mosse's *The Burning Chambers* is a gripping story of love and betrayal, mysteries and secrets; of war and adventure, conspiracies and divided loyalties . . .

**Carcassonne 1562:** Nineteen-year-old Minou Joubert receives an anonymous letter at her father's bookshop. Sealed with a distinctive family crest, it contains just five words: *SHE KNOWS THAT YOU LIVE*.

But before Minou can decipher the mysterious message, a chance encounter with a young Huguenot convert, Piet Reydon, changes her destiny forever. For Piet has a dangerous mission of his own, and he will need Minou's help if he is to get out of La Cité alive.

**Toulouse:** As the religious divide deepens in the Midi, and old friends become enemies, Minou and Piet both find themselves trapped in Toulouse, facing new dangers as sectarian tensions ignite across the city, the battle-lines are drawn in blood and the conspiracy darkens further.

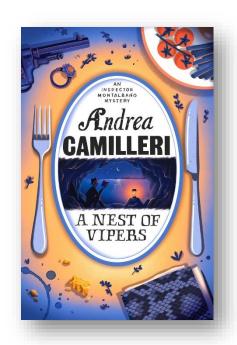
Meanwhile, as a long-hidden document threatens to resurface, the mistress of Puivert is obsessed with uncovering its secret and strengthening her power . . .

### **Author Bio:**

**Kate Mosse** is an international bestselling author with sales of more than five million copies in 38 languages. Her fiction includes the novels *Labyrinth*(2005), *Sepulchre* (2007), *The Winter Ghosts* (2009), *Citadel* (2012), *The Taxidermist's Daughter* (2014), and *The Burning Chambers* (2018), as well as an acclaimed collection of short stories, *The Mistletoe Bride & Other Haunting Tales* (2013).

Kate is the Co-Founder and Chair of the Board of the Women's Prize for Fiction and in June 2013, was awarded an OBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours List for services to literature. She lives in Sussex.





## A NEST OF VIPERS

Andrea Camilleri

9781447266020

Fiction > Crime, Mystery & Thrillers

Picador | Rs 399 | 288pp | PB | B Format September 06, 2018

Inspector Montalbano is back in Vigàta solving the twenty-first intriguing mystery in the series . . .

A Nest of Vipers is the twenty-first novel in Andrea Camilleri's irresistible Inspector Montalbano series.

Quite a family, you had to admit! A nest of vipers might be a better description . . .

On what should be a quiet Sunday morning, Inspector Montalbano is called to a murder scene on the Sicilian coast. A man has discovered his father dead in his Vigàtan beach house: his body slumped on the dining room floor, his morning coffee spilt across the table, and a single gunshot wound at the base of his skull.

First appearances point to the son having the most to gain from his father's untimely death, a notion his sister can't help but reinforce. But when Montalbano delves deeper into the case, and learns of the dishonourable life the victim led, it soon becomes clear half of Vigàta has a motive for his murder and this won't be as simple as the Inspector had once hoped . . .

#### **Author Bio:**

Andrea Camilleri is one of Italy's most famous contemporary writers. His books have sold over 65 million copies worldwide. He lives in Rome. The Inspector Montalbano series, which began with *The Shape of Water*, has been translated into thirty-two languages and was adapted for Italian television, screened on BBC4. *The Potter's Field*, the thirteenth book in the series, was awarded the Crime Writers' Association's International Dagger for the best crime novel translated into English. In addition to his phenomenally successful Inspector Montalbano series, he is also the author of the historical comic mysteries *Hunting Season* and *The Brewer of Preston*.