

## **Radical Candor**

How to Get What You Want by Saying
What You Mean

Kim Scott

9781509845385

Non-Fiction > Business, Finance & Management

Pan | Rs 499 | 272pp | PB | B Format March 8, 2018

#### Be a great leader, but don't be a jerk. This book tells you how

The old adage is ingrained in us that if you don't have anything nice to say then don't say anything at all. While this advice may work for home life, as Kim Scott has seen first hand, it is a disaster when adopted by managers in the work place.

Scott earned her stripes as a highly successful manager at Google before moving to Apple where she developed a class on optimal management. *Radical Candor* draws directly on her experiences at these cutting edge companies to reveal a new approach to effective management that delivers huge success by inspiring teams to work better together by embracing fierce conversations.

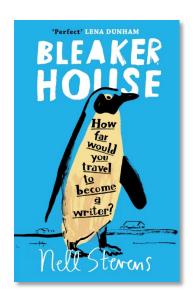
Radical Candor is the sweet spot between managers who are obnoxiously aggressive on the one side and ruinously empathetic on the other. It is about providing guidance, which involves a mix of praise as well as criticism - delivered to produce better results and help employees develop their skills and boundaries of success. Great bosses have a strong relationship with their employees, and Scott has identified three simple principles for building better relationships with your employees: make it personal, get stuff done, and understand why it matters.

*Radical Candor* offers a guide to those bewildered or exhausted by management, written for bosses and those who manage bosses. Drawing on years of first hand experience, and distilled clearly to give actionable lessons to the reader, *Radical Candor* shows how to be successful while retaining your integrity and humanity. *Radical Candor* is the perfect handbook for those who are looking to find meaning in their job and create an environment where people both love their work, their colleagues and are motivated to strive to ever greater success.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Kim Scott** is the founder of Candor Inc. and is a well known CEO coach in Sillicon Valley. She was a member of the faculty at Apple University and before that worked at Google leading the AdSense, YouTube and DoubleClick teams. Earlier in her career she was co-founder and CEO of a software start-up, managed a paediatric clinic in war-torn Kosovo and built a diamond cutting factory in Russia.





## **Bleaker House**

Chasing My Novel to the End of the World

**Nell Stevens** 

9781509824403

Non-Fiction > Autobiographies, Biographies & Memoirs

Picador | Rs 399 | 256pp | PB | B Format March 8, 2018

Funny, warm and wise, Bleaker House is a book about trying, and failing, to write a novel.

'Perfect' Lena Dunham

'This year's literary sensation' Evening Standard

8000 miles from home 1085 calories a day 3 months to write the novel that would make her name

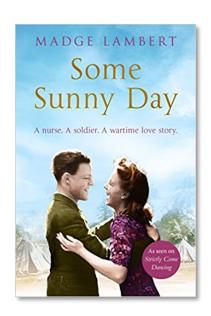
At least that was the plan. But when Nell Stevens travelled to Bleaker Island in the Falklands (official population: two) she didn't count on the isolation getting to her . . .

Hilarious and heartbreaking, this is a book about loneliness and creativity. It is about discovering who you are when there's no one else around. And it's about what to do when a plan doesn't work: ultimately Nell may have failed to write a novel, but she succeeded in becoming a writer.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Nell Stevens** has a First in English and Creative Writing from Warwick, after which she went on to study Arabic and Comparative Literature at Harvard, and to receive a Marcia Trimble Fellowship and the Florence Engel Randall Graduate Fiction Award for her MFA in Fiction at Boston University. She is currently researching a Ph.D. in Victorian literature at King's College London. She was a finalist in the 2011 *Elle* magazine Writing Talent Contest, and a runner-up in both the 2014 Mslexia Memoir Competition and the 2015 Mslexia Short Story Prize.





## Some Sunny Day

A nurse. A soldier. A wartime love story.

Madge Lambert

9781509859375

Non-Fiction > Autobiographies, Biographies & Memoirs

Pan | Rs 399 | 320pp | PB | B Format March 8, 2018

### A story of romance in times of hardship, perfect for fans of GI Brides and The Girls Who Went to War

Madam, I am directed by the Secretary of State for India to inform you that your acceptance as a member of the VAD has been approved with effect from 16th June 1944

Madge Graves was a nurse at Stoke Mandeville when she was called up to serve in the Burma campaign in the Second World War. She had never been further from her hometown than London, yet she found herself at the age of twenty-one boarding a ship which would take her thousands of miles away to Bombay. She could barely imagine what life would be like there: how hot could it really be? How would she bear being so far from home?

While she knew that her time in Chittagong would be tough, she couldn't have imagined the horrors that war would bring. Yet she also found friendship and camaraderie among the nurses and troops that she worked alongside. It was in Chittagong that Madge would also meet the man who was to be the love of her life, Captain Basil Lambert. Would their fragile newfound love be able to survive the violent final months of the Second World War and the challenges that would follow?

Heart-warming, romantic and moving, *Some Sunny Day* is also a story of fortitude and resolve.

## **Author Bio:**

**Madge Lambert** (née Graves) was born in Kent in 1923. At 94, she is one of the few remaining women to have served as a nurse during the Burma Campaign between 1944 and 1945, where she met her husband, Captain Basil Lambert. The couple share a love for dance to this day and appeared on a *Strictly Come Dancing* Remembrance Day special in 2016.





## The Women Who Flew for Hitler

The True Story of Hitler's Valkyries

Clare Mulley

9781447274230

Non-Fiction > Autobiographies, Biographies & Memoirs

Pan | Rs 450 | 496pp | PB | B Format March 8, 2018

A riveting double biography of Nazi Germany's most highly decorated women test pilots - Hitler's personal Valkyries.

Hanna Reitsch and Melitta von Stauffenberg were talented, courageous and strikingly attractive women who fought convention to make their names in the male-dominated field of flight in 1930s Germany. With the war, both became pioneering test pilots and both were awarded the Iron Cross for service to the Third Reich. But they could not have been more different and neither woman had a good word to say for the other.

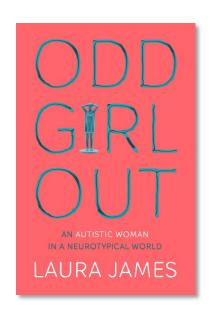
Hanna was middle-class, vivacious and distinctly Aryan, while the darker, more self-effacing Melitta, came from an aristocratic Prussian family. Both were driven by deeply held convictions about honour and patriotism but ultimately while Hanna tried to save Hitler's life, begging him to let her fly him to safety in April 1945, Melitta covertly supported the most famous attempt to assassinate the Führer. Their interwoven lives provide a vivid insight into Nazi Germany and its attitudes to women, class and race.

Acclaimed biographer Clare Mulley gets under the skin of these two distinctive and unconventional women, giving a full - and as yet largely unknown - account of their contrasting yet strangely parallel lives, against a changing backdrop of the 1936 Olympics, the Eastern Front, the Berlin Air Club, and Hitler's bunker. Told with brio and great narrative flair, *The Women Who Flew for Hitler* is an extraordinary true story, with all the excitement and colour of the best fiction.

#### **Author Bio:**

Clare Mulley is the award-winning author of two books, *The Spy Who Loved: the secrets and lives of one of Britain's bravest wartime heroines*, which has been optioned for film and *The Woman Who Saved the Children: A Biography of Eglantyne Jebb*, which won the *Daily Mail* Biographers' Club Prize. She has also contributed to *The Arvon Book of Life-Writing* and reviews for *The Spectator* and *History Today*. She lives in Saffron Walden, with her husband, three daughters, and lurcher.





## **Odd Girl Out**

An Autistic Woman in a Neurotypical World

Laura James

9781509843824

Non-Fiction > Autobiographies, Biographies & Memoirs

Bluebird | Rs 450 | 240pp | PB | B Format March 22, 2018

## A powerful memoir about dealing with a diagnosis of autism in womanhood.

What do you do when you wake up in your mid-forties and realize you've been living a lie your whole life? Do you tell? Or do you keep it to yourself?

Laura James found out that she was autistic as an adult, after she had forged a career for herself, married twice and raised four children. This book tracks the year of Laura's life after she receives a definitive diagnosis from her doctor, as she learns that 'different' doesn't need to mean 'less' and how there is a place for all of us, and it's never too late to find it.

Laura draws on her professional and personal experiences and reflects on her life in the light of her diagnosis, which for her explains some of her differences; why, as a child, she felt happier spinning in circles than standing still and why she has always found it difficult to work in places with a lot of ambient noise.

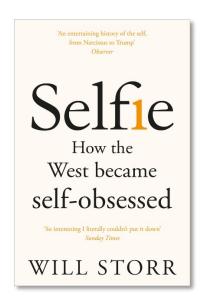
Although this is a personal story, the book has a wider focus too, exploring reasons for the lower rate of diagnosed autism in women and a wide range of topics including eating disorders and autism, marriage and motherhood.

*Odd Girl Out* gives a timely account from a woman negotiating the autistic spectrum, from a poignant and personal perspective.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Laura James** is an author, PR professional and journalist. She lives with her husband, two of her four children and their dogs in North Norfolk. Since her diagnosis she has worked closely with the National Autistic Society.





### Selfie

How We Became So Self-Obsessed and What It's Doing to Us

Will Storr

9781447283669

Non-Fiction > Psychology

Picador | Rs 499 | 368pp | PB | B Format March 22, 2018

'Fascinating' Guardian

'Brilliant' Evening Standard

'Electrifying' Financial Times

'So interesting I literally couldn't put it down' Sunday Times

We live in the age of the individual. We are supposed to be slim, prosperous, happy, extroverted and popular. This is our culture's image of the perfect self. We see this person everywhere: in advertising, in the press, all over social media. We're told that to be this person you just have to follow your dreams, that our potential is limitless, that we are the source of our own success.

But this model of the perfect self can be extremely dangerous. People are suffering under the torture of this impossible fantasy. Unprecedented social pressure is leading to increases in depression and suicide. Where does this ideal come from? Why is it so powerful? Is there any way to break its spell?

To answer these questions, *Selfie* by Will Storr takes us from the shores of Ancient Greece, through the Christian Middle Ages, to the self-esteem evangelists of 1980s California, the rise of narcissism and the selfie generation, and right up to the era of hyper-individualistic neoliberalism in which we live now.

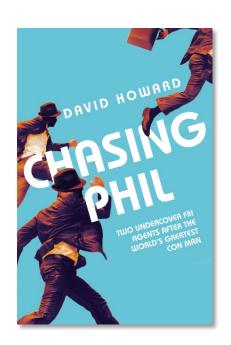
It tells the extraordinary story of the person we all know so intimately - our self.

As featured on Russell Brand's Under The Skin podcast.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Will Storr** is a longform journalist and novelist. His features have appeared in various publications, including the *Guardian, Sunday Times, Observer, Esquire, New Yorker* and the *Sydney Morning Herald*. He is a contributing editor at *Esquire* magazine. He has been named New Journalist of the Year and Feature Writer of the Year, and has won a National Press Club award for excellence. In 2012, he was presented with the One World Press award and the Amnesty International award for his work for the *Observer* on sexual violence against men. In 2013, his BBC radio series 'An Unspeakable Act' won the AIB award for best investigative documentary.





## **Chasing Phil**

The Adventures of Two Undercover FBI Agents with the World's Most Charming Con Man

**David Howard** 

9781509862269

Non-Fiction > True Crime

Macmillan | Rs 799 | 384pp | TPB | Royal March 8, 2018

A thrilling true crime caper bursting with colourful characters and awash in 70s seedy glamour, chronicling the FBI's hunt for the world's most charming con man.

'Christ! You guys look like a couple of Feds.'

#### 1977, the Thunderbird Motel.

J. J. Wedick and Jack Brennan, two fresh-faced FBI agents, were about to go undercover. Their target: the charismatic, globe-trotting con man Phil Kitzer, who was responsible for swindling (and spending) millions of dollars and who some called the world's greatest.

One problem: Wedick and Brennan weren't trained for the job, and didn't fully know what they were getting themselves into. They plunged forward anyhow, making it up as they went along.

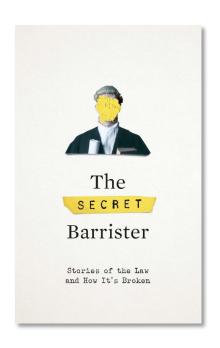
As the young agents became entangled in Kitzer's outrageous schemes, they also grew to respect him - even to care for him. And Kitzer began to think of Wedick and Brennan as best friends, schooling them in everything from opening phony banks to picking up women.

*Chasing Phil* by David Howard is the story of an incredible round-the-world manhunt, a charismatic con man and a friendship that changed crime forever.

### **Author Bio:**

**David Howard** has written for the *New York Times, Men's Journal, Outside, Travel & Leisure,* and *National Geographic,* among other outlets. He is the author of *Lost Rights* and is currently the executive editor of *Organic Life.* 





## The Secret Barrister

Stories of the Law and How It's Broken

The Secret Barrister

9781509884742

Non-Fiction > General Non-Fiction

Macmillan | Rs 699 | 384pp | TPB | Royal March 22, 2018

# An anonymous barrister writes a powerfully honest, provocative and moving first-hand account of life in the legal system and how it's failing us all

"I'm a barrister, a job which requires the skills of a social worker, relationship counsellor, arm-twister, hostage negotiator, named driver, bus fare-provider, accountant, suicide watchman, coffee-supplier, surrogate parent and, on one memorable occasion, whatever the official term is for someone tasked with breaking the news to a prisoner that his girlfriend has been diagnosed with gonorrhoea."

Welcome to the world of the Secret Barrister. These are the stories of life inside the courtroom. They are sometimes funny, often moving and ultimately life-changing.

How can you defend a child-abuser you suspect to be guilty? What do you say to someone sentenced to ten years who you believe to be innocent? What is the law and why do we need it?

And why do they wear those stupid wigs?

From the criminals to the lawyers, the victims, witnesses and officers of the law, here is the best and worst of humanity, all struggling within a broken system which would never be off the front pages if the public knew what it was really like.

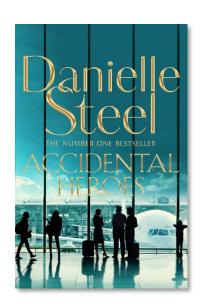
Both a searing first-hand account of the human cost of the criminal justice system, and a guide to how we got into this mess, The Secret Barrister wants to show you what it's really like and why it really matters.

### **Author Bio:**

The Secret Barrister is a junior barrister specialising in criminal law. The Secret Barrister writes for *Solicitors Journal, New Statesman* and *INews* and has written pieces in the *Sun*, the *Mirror* and *Huffington Post*.

In 2016 and 2017, the Secret Barrister was named Independent Blogger of the Year at the Editorial Intelligence Comment Awards.





## **Accidental Heroes**

Danielle Steel

9781509897100

Fiction > General Fiction

Macmillan | Rs 399 | 272pp | PB | B Format March 22, 2018

Accidental Heroes is a pulse-racing tale of extraordinary courage, from the world's favourite storyteller, Danielle Steel.

#### Honour, Valour, Fortune.

On a beautiful May morning at New York's JFK Airport, a routine plane departs for San Francisco. Security agent Bernice Adams finds a postcard of the Golden Gate Bridge bearing an ambiguous message. Who left the postcard behind, which flight is that person on, and what exactly does the message mean? Her supervisor dismisses her concerns but she is compelled to contact Homeland Security.

As the flight takes off each of the passengers is looking forward to reaching San Francisco, whether it's for a family reunion, a wedding, or a new way of life. But as it emerges, there's someone on the flight planning something terrible and these strangers' lives entwine as they come together to help to avert a tragedy at the eleventh hour.

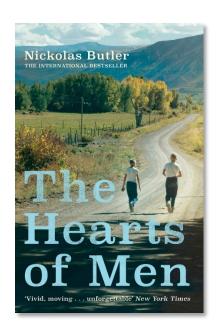
Danielle Steel combines intense action with stories of emotionally rich, intertwined lives. As the plane bears down on its destination of San Francisco, the futures of these strangers will be changed forever by a handful of accidental heroes.

Accidental Heroes is a heart-stopping thriller about ordinary men and women who embark on a journey they will never forget.

#### **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 include *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.





## The Hearts of Men

Nickolas Butler 9781509827909

**Fiction > General Fiction** 

Picador | Rs 399 | 320pp | PB | B Format March 22, 2018

From the bestselling author of *Shotgun Lovesongs*, an unforgettable novel about fathers and sons, the tough lessons of adulthood, and what it means to be a good man, set over five decades in a changing America

Camp Chippewa, 1962. Thirteen-year-old Nelson, loner and over-achiever, is nicknamed the Bugler as he proudly sounds the reveille each morning. This is the summer that everything changes, marking the beginning of Nelson's uncertain friendship with a popular boy named Jonathan, and the discovery of his father's betrayal, which tears his family apart.

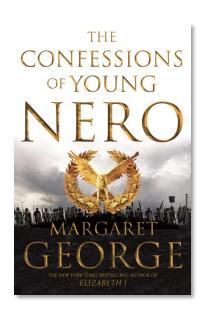
As time moves on, Nelson, irrevocably scarred from the Vietnam War, becomes Scoutmaster of Camp Chippewa, while Jonathan marries, divorces, and transforms his father's business. When something unthinkable happens during a visit from Jonathan's grandson and daughter-in-law, the aftermath tests the depths - and the limits - of Nelson's selflessness and bravery.

*Nickolas Butler's The Hearts of Men* is a powerful, wise and deeply affecting novel about the slippery definitions of right and wrong, family and fidelity, and the redemptive power of friendship.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Nickolas Butler** was born in Pennsylvania and raised in Eau Claire, Wisconsin. His award-winning debut novel, Shotgun Lovesongs, was an international bestseller and has been optioned for film by Fox Searchlight Pictures. Butler graduated from the University of Wisconsin before attending the Iowa Writers' Workshop, and currently lives in Wisconsin with his wife and their two children.





## The Confessions of Young Nero

Margaret George

9781447283331

**Fiction > Historical Fiction** 

Pan | Rs 399 | 528pp | PB | B Format March 8, 2018

### A stunning historical fiction novel about the young Emperor Nero and his infamous rise to power

In the Roman Empire no one is safe from the sting of betrayal: man, woman - or child.

As a boy, Nero's royal heritage becomes a threat to his very life, first when the mad emperor Caligula tries to drown him, then when his great aunt attempts to secure her own son's inheritance. Faced with shocking acts of treachery, young Nero is dealt a harsh lesson: it is better to be cruel than dead.

While Nero idealizes the artistic and athletic principles of Greece, his very survival rests on his ability to navigate the sea of vipers that is Rome. Most lethal of all is his own mother, Agrippina, whose only goal is to control the empire. But as her machinations earn her son a title he is both tempted and terrified to assume, Nero's determination to escape her thrall will shape him into the man he was fated to become - an Emperor who became legendary.

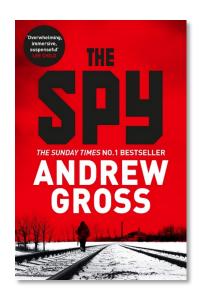
With impeccable research and captivating prose, *The Confessions of Young Nero* by Margaret George is the story of a boy's ruthless ascension to the throne. From innocent youth to infamous ruler, his is an epic tale of the lengths to which man will go in the ultimate quest for power and survival.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Margaret George** is the author of several bestselling novels, including *The Autobiography of Henry VIII, Mary Queen of Scotland & the Isles, Mary, Called Magdalene* and *Elizabeth I*. She travels widely to research her novels and lives with her husband in Madison, Wisconsin.

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## The Spy

**Andrew Gross** 

9781509822294

#### **Fiction > Historical Fiction**

Pan | Rs 399 | 448pp | PB | B Format March 22, 2018

A thrilling espionage adventure set in World War II Europe, by the author of *The One Man*, Andrew Gross, previously published as *The Saboteur*.

*The Spy* is a thrilling historical espionage story by the internationally bestselling author Andrew Gross. 'Overwhelming, immersive, suspenseful' - Lee Child

#### **FEAR**

It is 1943, and the Nazis' stranglehold over Europe is starting to loosen. In a corner of Norway, work is underway at a remote mountain factory to alter that course . . .

#### **HEROISM**

Kurt Nordstrum is a courageous fighter who has lost everything. His fiancée. His unit. His cause. When Kurt learns of the Nazis' atomic research in his homeland, he teams up with a group of patriotic fighters, driven by one goal: to disrupt activity at the heavily guarded factory.

#### **HEART**

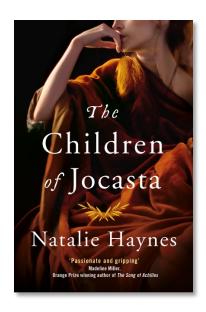
Nordstrum must pull off the impossible if his team is to succeed. But in doing so, he must put the safety of one person at risk - the one he sees a life with. How far is he prepared to go, and how much is he willing to sacrifice?

The Spy was previously published as The Saboteur.

#### **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 Children of Jocasta

Natalie Haynes 9781509836178

**Fiction > Historical Fiction** 

Picador | Rs 399 | 304pp | PB | B Format March 22, 2018

In *The Children of Jocasta*, Natalie Haynes takes a fresh perspective on an ancient story, reimagining in gripping prose how the Oedipus and Antigone stories would look if the oft-overlooked female characters took centre stage. Retelling the myth to reveal a new side of an ancient story...

My siblings and I have grown up in a cursed house, children of cursed parents . . .

Jocasta is just fifteen when she is told that she must marry the King of Thebes, an old man she has never met. Her life has never been her own, and nor will it be, unless she outlives her strange, absent husband.

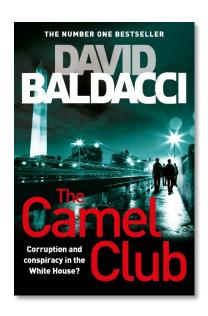
Ismene is the same age when she is attacked in the palace she calls home. Since the day of her parents' tragic deaths a decade earlier, she has always longed to feel safe with the family she still has. But with a single act of violence, all that is about to change.

With the turn of these two events, a tragedy is set in motion. But not as you know it.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Natalie Haynes** is a writer and broadcaster. She is the author of *The Amber Fury*, which was shortlisted for the Scottish Crime Book of the Year award, and a non-fiction book about Ancient History, *The Ancient Guide to Modern Life*. She has written and presented two series of the BBC Radio 4 show, Natalie Haynes Stands Up for the Classics. In 2015, she was awarded the Classical Association Prize for her work in bringing Classics to a wider audience.





## The Camel Club

(The Camel Club Series)

David Baldacci

9781509850969

Fiction > Crime, Mystery & Thrillers

Pan | Rs 399 | 704pp | PB | B Format March 22, 2018

Led by the mysterious Oliver Stone, David Baldacci's Camel Club feature an unlikely group of social misfits and conspiracy theorists that expose corruption at the highest levels of the US government.

The Camel Club by bestselling sensation David Baldacci is the exciting first instalment of a breathtaking series.

**The Camel Club**: a group of conspiracy theorists led by the mysterious Oliver Stone, who camp outside the White House. Their goal - to expose corruption at the upper echelons of US government.

The stakes are raised when the group witness the murder of an intelligence analyst. A murder the authorities seem intent on writing off as suicide. Looking at the case more closely provokes more questions than answers.

Joining forces with Secret Service Agent Alex Ford, the Camel Club prepare to shine a spotlight on a conspiracy that reaches into the heart of Washington's corridors of power. In doing so, Ford finds out that his worst nightmare is about to happen . . .

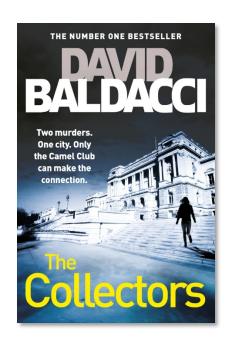
The Camel Club is followed by The Collectors, Stone Cold, Divine Justice and Hell's Corner.

#### **Author Bio:**

**David Baldacci** is a worldwide bestselling novelist of titles such as *The Fix, No Man's Land* and *End Game*. With over 130 million copies in print, his books are published in over eighty territories and forty-five languages, and have been adapted for both feature-film and television. He has established links to government sources, giving his books added authenticity. David is also the co-founder, along with his wife, of the Wish You Well Foundation®, a non-profit organization dedicated to supporting literacy efforts across the US.

Trust him to take you to the action.





## The Collectors

(The Camel Club Series)

David Baldacci

9781509850983

Fiction > Crime, Mystery & Thrillers

Pan | Rs 399 | 560pp | PB | B Format March 22, 2018

Two seemingly unrelated murders rock Washington DC. Only Oliver Stone and the Camel Club can make the connection.

The Collectors by bestselling sensation David Baldacci is the exciting second instalment of a breathtaking series.

Oliver Stone - the leader of four highly skilled misfits who call themselves the Camel Club. Their mission - to hold America's political elite to account.

Washington DC. The Speaker of the House of Representatives is assassinated in broad daylight. Then the head of the Rare Books Division at the Library of Congress is found dead amongst his cherished collection.

While chaos engulfs the city, only the Camel Club can make the connection that exists between the two murders.

Joining forces with a beautiful con artist, Stone and his team need all the help they can get as they enter a world of espionage that threatens to bring America to its knees...

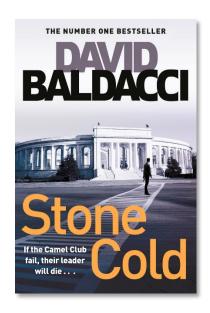
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## **Stone Cold**

(The Camel Club Series)

David Baldacci

9781509850990

Fiction > Crime, Mystery & Thrillers

Pan | Rs 399 | 528pp | PB | B Format March 22, 2018

A deadly new opponent draws the Camel Club into their toughest battle to date. The price of defeat? The death of Oliver Stone.

Stone Cold by David Baldacci is the third exhilarating thriller in the bestselling Camel Club series.

Oliver Stone and the Camel Club are back.

Set on exposing the real story behind the closed doors of America's leaders, they draw upon their vast experience to seek justice and the truth.

Now they must face their most dangerous adventure yet - a war on two fronts.

Casino king Jerry Bagger is hunting Annabelle Conroy, the elite con-artist who cheated him out of millions. Stone and his colleagues must draw on all their resources if they are to protect Annabelle from a terrible fate.

Yet all their skills may not be enough when a deadly new opponent rips off the veneer of Stone's own mysterious past. An unstoppable killer intent on one goal: the death of Oliver Stone.

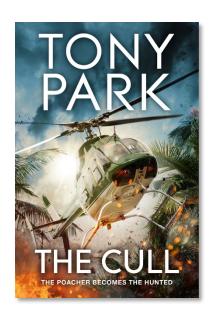
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## The Cull

**Tony Park** 

9781509875290

Fiction > Crime, Mystery & Thrillers

Pan | Rs 399 | 432pp | PB | B Format March 22, 2018

The Cull by Tony Park, the author of An Empty Coast and Red Earth, is a full-throttle international thriller that will engross fans of Clive Cussler, Scott Mariani and Andy McDermott.

'No modern author writes with as much knowledge, conviction and love of the Southern Africa of today as Aussie veteran army officer Tony Park' *Crime Review* 

The war to save Africa's wildlife is fought on many fronts.

For former mercenary Sonja Kurtz the opportunity to head up an elite squad tasked with taking down the continent's poaching kingpins is a chance to strike at the heart of the enemy. Financed by British billionaire Julianne Clyde-Smith, the pair hope to bring about real change.

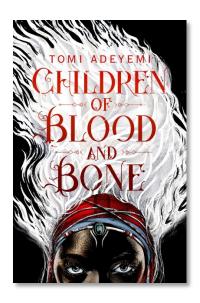
But as their operation progresses, the new unit's activities soon draws them into the firing line of The Scorpions. A ruthless underworld syndicate willing to do anything to protect their bloodthirsty trade.

When Sonja's love interest, safari guide and private detective Hudson Brand, is employed to investigate the death of an alleged poacher at the hands of the team, their mission comes under intense scrutiny. As darker forces come into play and the body count rises, Sonja is forced to consider if Julianne's crusade has gone too far and what she could lose if she continues with the increasingly bloody campaign . . .

#### **Author Bio:**

**Tony Park** has worked as a newspaper reporter, a government press secretary, a PR consultant and a freelance writer. He is also a Major in the Australian Army Reserve and served in Afghanistan in 2002. Tony and his wife divide their time between Sydney and southern Africa where they own a home on the border of the Kruger National Park. He is the author of several gripping thrillers, including *Red Earth*.





## Children of Blood and Bone

Tomi Adeyemi

9781509871353

Children > Juvenile Fiction > 12+ years

MCB | Rs 399 | 352pp | PB | B Format March 8, 2018

Magic can burn, turn tides, light the darkness and bring back the dead. But magic is gone. So one girl must bring it back in the first in a gripping fantasy trilogy.

#### The most anticipated fantasy of the year, soon to be a major motion picture

Zélie Adebola remembers when the soil of Orïsha hummed with magic. Burners ignited flames, Tiders beckoned waves, and Zélie's Reaper mother summoned forth souls.

But everything changed the night magic disappeared. Under the orders of a ruthless king, maji were targeted and killed, leaving Zélie without a mother and her people without hope.

Now Zélie has one chance to bring back magic and strike against the monarchy. With the help of a rogue princess, Zélie must outwit and outrun the crown prince, who is hell-bent on eradicating magic for good.

Danger lurks in Orïsha, where snow leoponaires prowl, and vengeful spirits wait in the waters. Yet the greatest danger may be Zélie herself as she struggles to control her powers - and her growing feelings for an enemy.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Tomi Adeyemi** is a Nigerian-American writer and creative writing coach based in San Diego, California. After graduating Harvard University with an honours degree in English literature, she studied West African mythology and culture in Salvador, Brazil. When not writing novels or watching *Scandal*, Tomi teaches and blogs about creative writing on her website, named one of the 101 best websites for writers by Writer's Digest. Children of Blood and Bone is her debut novel.





## Out of the Blue

Sophie Cameron 9781509853168

Children > Juvenile Fiction > 12+ years

MCB | Rs 399 | 288pp | PB | B Format March 22, 2018

A stunning debut novel about grief, loss, and what it means to fall in love when angels are falling from the sky.

When angels start falling from the sky, it seems like the world is ending. For most people it doesn't. But for Jaya the world ended when her mother died, two weeks before the first angel fell.

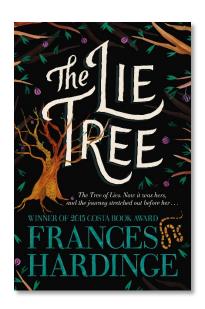
Smashing down to earth at extraordinary speeds, wings bent, faces contorted, not a single one has survived and, as the world goes angel crazy, Jaya's father uproots the family to Edinburgh, intent on catching one alive. But Jaya can't stand his obsession and, struggling to make sense of her mother's sudden death and her own role on that fateful day, she's determined to stay out of it. Then something extraordinary happens: an angel lands right at Jaya's feet, and it's alive.

Set against the backdrop of the frenzied Edinburgh festival, Sophie Cameron's *Out of the Blue* tackles questions of grief and guilt and fear over who we really are. But it's also about love and acceptance and finding your place in *this* world as angels drop out of another.

### **Author Bio:**

**Sophie Cameron** was born in the Scottish Highlands and has lived in Canada, France, Spain and Germany. She has a postgraduate certificate in Creative Writing from Newcastle University and has been shortlisted for the Bath Children's Novel Award. Her first novel, *Out of the Blue*, was featured in SCBWI's Undiscovered Voices 2016.





## The Lie Tree

Frances Hardinge 9781509868162

Children > Juvenile Fiction > 12+ years

MCB | Rs 399 | 432pp | PB | B Format March 22, 2018

A deliciously creepy novel from Frances Hardinge, the award-winning author of *Cuckoo Song* and *Fly By Night* 

#### Winner of the Costa Book of the Year 2015.

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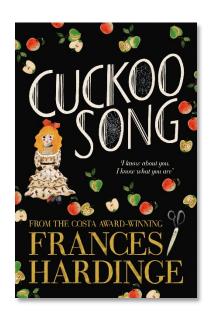
Faith's father has been found dead under mysterious circumstances, and as she is searching through his belongings for clues she discovers a strange tree. The tree only grows healthy and bears fruit if you whisper a lie to it. The fruit of the tree, when eaten, will deliver a hidden truth to the person who consumes it. The bigger the lie, the more people who believe it, the bigger the truth that is uncovered.

The girl realizes that she is good at lying and that the tree might hold the key to her father's murder, so she begins to spread untruths far and wide across her small island community. But as her tales spiral out of control, she discovers that where lies seduce, truths shatter...

#### **Author Bio:**

**Frances Hardinge** spent a large part of her childhood in a huge old house that inspired her to write strange stories from an early age. She read English at Oxford University, then got a job at a software company. However, a few years later a persistent friend finally managed to bully Frances into sending a few chapters of *Fly by Night*, her first children's novel, to a publisher. Macmillan made her an immediate offer. The book went on to publish to huge critical acclaim and win the Branford Boase First Novel Award. She has been nominated for, and won several other awards, being shortlisted for the prestigious Carnegie Medal for *Cuckoo Song* and winning the coveted Costa Book of the Year Award for *The Lie Tree*.





## **Cuckoo Song**

Frances Hardinge

9781509868155

Children > Juvenile Fiction > 12+ years

MCB | Rs 399 | 432pp | PB | B Format March 22, 2018

*Cuckoo Song* is a breathtakingly dark and twisted tale from the Costa Award-winning author of *The Lie Tree*, Frances Hardinge.

## 'Everyone should read Frances Hardinge. Everyone. Right now' Patrick Ness

*Cuckoo Song* by Frances Hardinge, the Costa Award-winning author of *The Lie Tree*, is a fantastically eerie and beautifully written novel, and was shortlisted for the prestigious Carnegie Medal.

The first things to shift were the doll's eyes, the beautiful grey-green glass eyes. Slowly they swivelled, until their gaze was resting on Triss's face. Then the tiny mouth moved, opened to speak.

'What are you doing here?' It was uttered in tones of outrage and surprise, and in a voice as cold and musical as the clinking of cups. 'Who do you think you are? This is my family.'

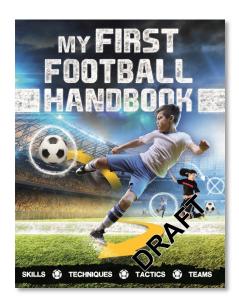
When Triss wakes up after an accident, she knows that something is very wrong. She is insatiably hungry; her sister seems scared of her and her parents whisper behind closed doors. She looks through her diary to try to remember, but the pages have been ripped out.

Soon Triss discovers that what happened to her is more strange and terrible than she could ever have imagined, and that she is quite literally not herself. In a quest to find the truth she must travel into the terrifying Underbelly of the city to meet a twisted architect who has dark designs on her family - before it's too late . . .

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## My First Football Handbook

Clive Gifford

9780753474419

**Children > Juvenile Non-Fiction** 

Kingfisher | Rs 499 | 48pp | PB March 20, 2018

### The perfect, handy guide for every young soccer player - on or off the field

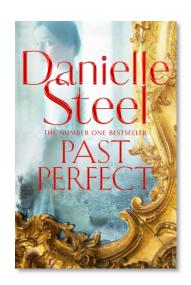
Warm-up, kickoff! This colorful, action-packed, and practical handbook is a fantastic introduction to soccer.

Clear, accessible text covers everything a young soccer enthusiast needs to know: basic skills, tactics and techniques, rules and referees, world players and tournaments - and so much more. Great step-by-step photography and top tips make this a perfect guide book to take home and to soccer practice.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Clive Gifford**, former soccer coach and lifelong fan, is an award-winning writer for children whose first book was published at the age of seventeen. He has written over 80 non-fiction books including *Robots* (Carlton), *Spies* (Carlton), *The Kingfisher Geography Encyclopedia*, and the bestselling *Kingfisher Soccer Encyclopedia*. He has received commendations from PBS and the Smithsonian Museum and received a Times Educational Supplement Information Book of the Year award.





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Past Perfect

Danielle Steel

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**Fiction > General Fiction** 

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A heart-warming story of two very different families, by the world's favourite storyteller, Danielle Steel

Past Perfect is a spellbinding story of two families living a hundred years apart who open the door to an unimaginable friendship . . .

Sybil and Blake Gregory live a well-ordered, predictable Manhattan life — she as a cutting-edge design authority and museum consultant, he in high-tech investments — raising their teenagers Andrew and Caroline and six-year-old Charlie. But when Blake is offered a dream job as CEO of a start-up in San Francisco, he accepts it, without consulting his wife, and buys a magnificent, historic mansion as their new home in Pacific Heights.

Past and present collide at their elegant mansion, when they meet the large and lively family who lived there a century ago. All long dead but very much alive in spirit—visible to the Gregorys and no one else. Within these enchanted rooms, it is at once 1917 and a century later. Have the Gregorys been given a perfect gift; beloved friends, a chance to relive the past and the wisdom and grace to shape the 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 include *Blue*, *Precious Gifts* and *The Apartment*. 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*.