The Age of Acrimony
How Americans Fought to Fix Their Democracy, 1865-1915
Jon Grinspan

A raucous history of American democracy at its wildest—and a bold rethinking of the relationship between the people and their politics.

Democracy was broken. Or that was what many Americans believed in the decades after the Civil War. Shaken by economic and technological disruption, they sought safety in aggressive, tribal partisanship. The results were the loudest, closest, most violent elections in U.S. history, driven by vibrant campaigns that drew our highest-ever voter turnouts. At the century’s end, reformers finally restrained this wild system, trading away participation for civility in the process. The result was a calmer, cleaner democracy, but also a more distant one. Americans’ voting rates crashed and never recovered.

This is the origin story of the “normal” politics of the 20th century. Only by exploring where that civility and restraint came from can we understand what is happening to our democracy today. *The Age of Acrimony* charts the rise and fall of 19th-century America’s unruly politics through the lives of a remarkable father-daughter dynasty. The radical congressman William “Pig Iron” Kelley and his fiery, Progressive daughter Florence Kelley led lives packed with drama, intimately tied to their nation’s politics. Through their friendships and feuds, campaigns and crusades, Will and Florie trace the narrative of a democracy in crisis. In telling the tale of what it cost to cool our republic, historian Jon Grinspan reveals our divisive political system’s enduring capacity to heal itself.

PRAISE

for *The Virgin Vote*

“[A] period chronicled in vivid and loving detail . . . Plunges readers into a pulsating political culture long vanished.” —*The Wall Street Journal*

“An imaginative and suggestive study that places American political history in a broad social context.” —*The American Historical Review*

“As a study of the excitement and larger significance of political engagement in the [19th century], this is the most thoughtful and indeed the best book written in at least a generation. It is also quite a lot of fun.” —*The Journal of the Civil War Era*

“Fascinating and timely.” —*Vox*

Jon Grinspan is curator of political history at the Smithsonian’s National Museum of American History. He is the author of the award-winning *The Virgin Vote: How Young Americans Made Democracy Social, Politics Personal, and Voting Popular in the 19th Century*. He frequently contributes to the *New York Times*, and has been featured in *The New Yorker*, the *Washington Post*, and elsewhere. He lives in Washington, D.C.
The Mysteries

Marisa Silver

From the New York Times bestselling author of Mary Coin, a masterful, intimate story of two young girls, joined in an unlikely friendship, whose lives are shattered in a single, unthinkable moment...

Miggy Brenneman is a wild and reckless seven-year-old with a fierce imagination, hellbent on pushing against the limits of childhood. Ellen is polite, cautious, and drawn to her friend’s bright flame. While the adults around them adjust to unstable times and fractured relationships, the girls respond with increasingly dangerous play. When tragedy strikes, all the novel’s characters grapple with questions of fate and individual responsibility—none more so than Miggy, who must make sense of a swiftly disappearing past and a radically transformed future.

Written with searing clarity and surpassing tenderness, The Mysteries limns the painful ambiguities of adulthood and the intense perceptions of an indelibly drawn child to offer a profound exploration of how all of us, at every stage, must reckon with life’s abundant and unsolvable mysteries.

PRAISE

“This richly layered novel asks how well we can truly know another person. The characters here came to life for me and I felt in my bones their loneliness, their sorrow, along with their moments of generosity, their joy. I will think about them and root for them for a long time.” —Mary Beth Keane, New York Times bestselling author of Ask Again, Yes

“Silver faces the big mystery and the lesser, among them the mystery of personality, with her trademark clarity, her gorgeous sentences, to savor and underline, and her all-around brilliance. A Silver novel is always cause for celebration.” —Jane Hamilton, author of A Map of The World

Marisa Silver is the author of six previous works of fiction, including the novels Mary Coin, a New York Times Bestseller, and Little Nothing, a New York Times Editor’s Choice. Her short fiction has appeared in the New Yorker and been included in The Best American Short Stories and The O. Henry Prize Stories. Silver has received fellowships from the Guggenheim Foundation and the New York Public Library’s Cullman Center. She teaches at the MFA Program for Writers at Warren Wilson College.
Winning Independence

The Decisive Years of the Revolutionary War, 1778-1781

John Ferling

From celebrated historian John Ferling, the underexplored history of the second half of the Revolutionary War, when, after years of fighting, American independence seemed very nearly lost.

It was 1778, and the recent American victory at Saratoga had netted the U.S a powerful ally in France. Many, including General George Washington, presumed France’s entrance into the war meant independence was just around the corner. Meanwhile, having lost an entire army at Saratoga, Great Britain pivoted to a “southern strategy.” The army would henceforth seek to regain its southern colonies, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia, a highly profitable segment of its prewar American empire. Deep into 1780 Britain’s new approach seemed headed for success as the U.S. economy collapsed and morale on the home front waned. By early 1781 Washington and others feared that France would drop out of the war if the Allies failed to score a decisive victory that year. Sir Henry Clinton, commander of Britain’s army, thought “the rebellion is near its end.” Washington, who had been so optimistic in 1778, despaired: “I have almost ceased to hope.”

Winning Independence is the dramatic story of how and why Great Britain—so close to regaining several southern colonies and rendering the postwar United States a fatally weak nation—ultimately failed to win the war. The book explores the choices and decisions made by Clinton and Washington, and others, that ultimately led the French and American allies to clinch the pivotal victory at Yorktown that at long last secured American independence.

PRAISE

“Ferling’s vivid descriptions will compel you to read this treasure repeatedly.” —San Francisco Book Review on Whirlwind

“A nuanced study of the American Revolution . . . A first-rate historian's masterful touch conveys the profound changes to colonists’ ‘hearts and minds.’” —Kirkus Reviews (starred review) on Whirlwind

“Captures a reader’s attention from the first page to the last.” —The Washington Post on Jefferson and Hamilton

“The best kind of popular history, one that illuminates why remembering the past is vital for the present.” —Publishers Weekly (starred review) on Apostles of Revolution

John Ferling is professor emeritus of history at the University of West Georgia. He is the author of many books on the American Revolution, including The Ascent of George Washington; Almost a Miracle; A Leap in the Dark; Whirlwind, a finalist for the 2015 Kirkus Book Prize; and, most recently, Apostles of Revolution: Jefferson, Paine, Monroe, and the Struggle Against the Old Order in America and Europe. He and his wife, Carol, live near Atlanta.
The Kingdoms

Natasha Pulley

For fans of *The Man in the High Castle* and *The 7 1/2 Deaths of Evelyn Hardcastle*, a captivating novel that imagines a world where the French defeated the British at the Battle of Trafalgar.

In 1898, England is a peaceful colony of the Republic of France. Everything from the street signs to the newspapers is written in French, and only the terrorists in Scotland speak English. In soot-blackened, smog-ridden London, the slave trade is thriving, and the ruins of St. Paul’s Cathedral are surrounded by the factories that keep France’s empire and army fitted out with steel.

But Joe Tournier doesn’t remember any of this. His first memory is of being 43 years old and stepping off a train. Joe is diagnosed with a kind of epilepsy, one that causes amnesia and which results in periodic visions of a mysterious man.

The only clue Joe has about his former identity is a century-old postcard of a Scottish lighthouse that arrives in London the same month Joe does.

Two years later, Joe accepts a job to repair that lighthouse. He’s drawn to the building, and to the mystery of the place: the previous lighthouse keepers have vanished and the brand-new lighthouse is in need of repair. But what Joe finds in Scotland will change the way he sees the world, its history, and, most importantly, himself.

From the bestselling author of *The Watchmaker of Filigree Street*, *The Kingdoms* is an epic, wildly original novel that blends historical events with fantastical adventure.

**PRAISE**


“Amid this thriller-like plot, Pulley raises thought-provoking questions . . . making for a rich brew of historical fantasy, philosophy, and emotion.” — *The Washington Post* on *The Watchmaker of Filigree Street*


“Phenomenal . . . Pulley’s intricate plot, vibrant setting, entrancing magic, and dynamic ensemble of characters make for an un-put-downable historical fantasy.” — *Publishers Weekly* (starred review) for *The Lost Future*

Natasha Pulley, the author of *The Watchmaker of Filigree Street*, *The Bedlam Stacks*, and *The Lost Future of Pepperharrow*, studied English literature at Oxford University and earned a creative writing MA at the University of East Anglia. She lives in Bath, England.
The Lost Future of Pepperharrow

Natasha Pulley

A charming sequel to the beloved bestselling novel The Watchmaker of Filigree Street that delivers readers to Japan in the 1880s, where nationalism is on the rise and ghosts roam the streets.

1888. Five years after they met in The Watchmaker of Filigree Street, Thaniel Steepleton, an unassuming translator, and Keita Mori, the watchmaker who remembers the future, are traveling to Japan. Thaniel has received an unexpected posting to the British legation in Tokyo, and Mori has business that is taking him to Yokohama.

Thaniel’s brief is odd: the legation staff have been seeing ghosts, and Thaniel’s first task is to find out what’s really going on. But while staying with Mori, he starts to experience ghostly happenings himself. For reasons Mori won’t—or can’t—share, he is frightened. Then he vanishes.

Meanwhile, something strange is happening in a frozen labor camp in northern Japan. Takiko Pepperharrow, an old friend of Mori’s, must investigate.

As the weather turns bizarrely electrical and ghosts haunt the country from Tokyo to Aokigahara forest, Thaniel grows convinced that it all has something to do with Mori’s disappearance—and that Mori may be in serious danger.

PRAISE

“Phenomenal . . . Pulley’s intricate plot, vibrant setting, entrancing magic, and dynamic ensemble of characters make for an un-put-downable historical fantasy. New readers will be pulled in and series fans will be delighted by this tour de force.” —Publishers Weekly (starred review) on The Lost Future of Pepperharrow


Natasha Pulley, the author of The Watchmaker of Filigree Street and The Bedlam Stacks, studied English literature at Oxford University and earned a creative writing MA at the University of East Anglia. She lives in Bath, England.
The Anarchy

The East India Company, Corporate Violence, and the Pillage of an Empire

William Dalrymple

The epic story of how the East India Company took over large swaths of Asia and the devastating results of the corporation running a country.

In August 1765, the East India Company defeated the young Mughal emperor and set up in his place a government run by English traders who collected taxes through means of a private army. The creation of this new government marked the moment that the East India Company ceased to be a conventional company and became something much more unusual: an international corporation transformed into an aggressive colonial power. Over the course of the next forty-seven years, the company’s reach grew until almost all of India south of Delhi was effectively ruled from a boardroom in the city of London.

The Anarchy tells one of history’s most remarkable stories: how the Mughal Empire—which dominated world trade and manufacturing and possessed almost unlimited resources—fell apart and was replaced by a multinational corporation based thousands of miles overseas and answerable to shareholders, most of whom had never even seen India and no idea about the country whose wealth was providing their dividends. Using previously untapped sources, Dalrymple tells the story of the East India Company as it has never been told before and provides a portrait of the devastating results from the abuse of corporate power.

Shortlisted for the Cundill History Prize

PRAISE

One of President Barack Obama’s Favorite Books of 2019

“Rampaging, brilliant, passionate history . . . [Dalrymple] has no rival as a narrative historian of the British in India.” —The Wall Street Journal


“Gripping . . . Dalrymple has taken us to the limit of what page-turning history can be and do.” —Los Angeles Review of Books

“A great story told in fabulous detail with interesting, if at times utterly rapacious or incompetent, characters populating it.” —NPR.org

William Dalrymple is the author of nine books about India and the Islamic world, including Return of a King, which won the Hemingway Award and was shortlisted for the Samuel Johnson, PEN Hessell-Tiltman, and Duff Cooper Prizes. He writes regularly for the New Yorker, the New York Review of Books, and the Guardian and is one of the founders and a codirector of the Jaipur Literature Festival.
Shadow Network

Media, Money, and the Secret Hub of the Radical Right

Anne Nelson

The chilling story of the covert group that masterminds the Radical Right’s ongoing assault on America’s airwaves, schools, environment, and, ultimately, its democracy.

In 1981, emboldened by Ronald Reagan’s election, a group of some fifty Republican operatives, evangelicals, oil barons, and gun lobbyists met in a Washington suburb to coordinate their attack on civil liberties and the social safety net. These men and women called their coalition the Council for National Policy. Over four decades, this elite club has become a strategic nerve center for channeling money and mobilizing votes behind the scenes. Its secretive membership rolls represent a high-powered roster of fundamentalists, oligarchs, and their allies, from Oliver North, Ed Meese, and Tim LaHaye to Kellyanne Conway, Ralph Reed, Tony Perkins, and the DeVos and Mercer families. In Shadow Network, award-winning author and media analyst Anne Nelson chronicles this history and illuminates the coalition’s key figures and their tactics. She traces how the collapse of local journalism laid the foundation for the Council for National Policy’s information war and listens in on the hardline broadcasting its members control. And she reveals how the group has collaborated with the Koch brothers to outfit Radical Right organizations with state-of-the-art apps and a shared pool of captured voter data—outmaneuvering the Democratic Party in a digital arms race whose result has yet to be decided. In a time of stark threats to our most valued institutions and democratic freedoms, Shadow Network is essential reading.

PRAISE

“Reveals a political trend that threatens both our form of government and our species.” —Timothy Snyder, author of On Tyranny

“Riveting. Want to understand how so many Americans turned against truth? Read this book.” —Nancy MacLean, author of Democracy in Chains

“An explosive, comprehensive account of the 30-year relationship . . . between the CNP and a host of Republican leaders and organizations. This is an absolutely momentous piece of investigative journalism.” —Publishers Weekly (starred review)

Anne Nelson has received a Livingston Award, a Guggenheim Fellowship, a Bellagio Fellowship, and Associated Church Press Award for her coverage of the conflict in Central America for the Los Angeles Times, NPR, and the BBC. She has taught at Columbia University for over two decades. Her previous books include Red Orchestra, a New York Times Book Review Editors’ Choice; and Suzanne’s Children, a finalist for the National Jewish Book Award. A native of Oklahoma, she lives in New York City.
Question of Leadership, A
Leading Organizational Change in Times of Crisis

Keith Leslie

A fascinating guide to effective leadership in times of crises, with a psychological underpinning.

Whether planned or unexpected, change presents leaders with their toughest sustained challenges—regardless of the leader’s seniority or the organization’s size. For many leaders, change brings drama—and the replaying of familiar stories.

Keith Leslie provides a wide range of illustrative case studies derived from both research and his firsthand experience in the public and private sectors as a former partner at both Deloitte and McKinsey. Each chapter first provides an engaging narrative that presents a relatable leadership dilemma, before an analysis of what works and when.

The failure of many change initiatives (research shows that approx. 60–70% fail) is caused by the leader’s inability to fully consider the consequences and magnitude of the situation. Whether they consider it “just a game”—or they are “gaming the system”—they often fail to recognize the full consequences of the change initiative. Across business and society, the prevalence and impacts of such shortsighted mistakes has become more overt than ever following the onset of the ongoing pandemic.

This is a timely and essential guide for any business leader looking for the most effective strategies and approaches when it comes to change initiatives. Keith Leslie explores the corporate consequences of the worldwide pandemic, and analyzes how leaders can adapt and improve to ensure the continued livelihood and prosperity of their organization and employees in the wake...
Models of the Mind

How Physics, Engineering and Mathematics Have Shaped Our Understanding of the Brain

Grace Lindsay

Grace Lindsay reveals the value of describing the machinery of neuroscience using the elegant language of mathematics.

The brain is made up of 85 billion neurons, which are connected by over 100 trillion synapses. For over a century, a diverse array of researchers has been trying to find a language that can be used to capture the essence of what these neurons do and how they communicate—and how those communications create thoughts, perceptions, and actions. The language they were looking for was mathematics.

In Models of the Mind, author and computational neuroscientist Grace Lindsay explains how mathematical models have allowed scientists to understand and describe many of the brain’s processes, including decision-making, sensory processing, quantifying memory, and more. She introduces readers to the most important concepts in modern neuroscience, and highlights the tensions that arise when bringing the abstract world of mathematical modelling into contact with the messy details of biology.

Throughout, Grace will look at the history of the field, starting with experiments done on neurons in frog legs at the turn of the twentieth century and building to the large models of artificial neural networks that form the basis of modern artificial intelligence. She demonstrates the value of describing the machinery of neuroscience using the elegant language of mathematics, and reveals in full the remarkable fruits of this endeavor.

Grace Lindsay is a computational neuroscientist currently living in London. She is a graduate of Columbia University and the University of Pittsburgh. She was awarded a Google PhD Fellowship in computational neuroscience in 2016, and has spoken at several international conferences. She is also the producer and co-host of Unsupervised Thinking, a podcast covering topics in neuroscience and artificial intelligence.
We all know how this ends

Lessons about life and living from working with death and dying

Anna Lyons, Louise Winter

We all know how this ends is a new approach to death and dying, showing how exploring our mortality really can change our lives.

End-of-life doula Anna Lyons and funeral director Louise Winter have joined forces to share a collection of the heartbreaking, surprising, and uplifting stories of the ordinary and extraordinary lives they encounter every single day. From working with the living, the dying, the dead, and the grieving, Anna and Louise share the lessons they’ve learned about life, death, love, and loss. If we acknowledge and accept our mortality, can we live a better life? If we embrace the end of life in the same way as we embrace the beginning, can we transform our lives? This is a book about life and living, as much as it’s a book about death and dying. It’s a reflection on the beauties, blessings, and tragedies of life, the exquisite agony and ecstasy of being alive, and the fragility of everything we hold dear. It’s as simple and as complicated as that.

PRAISE

“Wonderful.” —Cariad Lloyd, Griefcast

“Encouraging and inspiring.” —Kathryn Mannix, palliative care doctor and author of With The End in Mind

“We don’t have to think about death and dying all the time but when we want to—or are forced to—how wonderful to have a manual to sustain and guide us through it all.” —Sarah Brown

Anna Lyons is an end-of-life doula and Louise Winter is a progressive funeral director. Together they’re the team behind We all know how this ends. Their joint mission is to redesign the dialogue around death and dying, to open it up and to find new approaches to this important subject. They believe that death is a normal part of life and dying is part of living. Acknowledging and accepting that one day we will die is fundamental to living a full life.
Perimenopause Power

From Hormone Hell to Harmony

Maisie Hill

From the author of Period Power comes the empowering guide to menopause that all women need, packed with advice on dealing with symptoms and understanding the most effective treatment options.

Three-quarters of women reaching menopause experience symptoms such as mood changes, insomnia, hot flushes, and night sweats, but there is little in the way of evidence-based information out there to help them presented in a way that’s engaging and helpful.

Perimenopause Power is here to change that: finally, this is a book for women experiencing perimenopause and menopause who want to understand what’s going on with their bodies and how to deal with troublesome symptoms, but also gain valuable insights into making menopause a positive and powerful experience—yes, it’s possible!

Perimenopause Power is a handbook that exudes calm positivity and makes sense of complex physiological processes in an easy-to-understand manner, helping women to understand what the hell’s going on with them and provide instruction on what can be done to improve their experience of the dreaded “change.”

Maisie Hill, the celebrated author of Period Power, delves into the science of menopause in an accessible way and provides a whole slew of tips to see women through the challenge of wildly fluctuating hormones. There is a glaring gap in the market for a well-researched, evidence-based book on menopause that empowers women to address their issues and have conversations with loved ones and their doctors.

Maisie Hill is a highly qualified and sought-after expert in women’s health and is the bestselling author of Period Power. She has a BS in Chinese medicine acupuncture and is a member of the British Acupuncture Council. She also has over a decade of experience as a women’s health practitioner and birth doula. She is currently training as a nutritional therapist at the College of Naturopathic Medicine in London.
Sustainable(ish) Guide to Green Parenting, The

Guilt-free eco-ideas for raising your kids

Jen Gale

The must-have friendly green bible of accessible eco-tips for families.

This is the must read sustainable handbook for all parents, from new parents to parents of older children, looking for honest and balanced help, guidance and support to make green choices for their family in a guilt-free, nonjudgmental and practical way.

When it comes to the climate crisis, having kids is something of a double-edged sword. it's a wonderful and joyous thing, but we’re instantly more aware of the responsibility we have to this new small person that has arrived in our life, and the realization can hit hard that the “someday” impact of our rapidly warming planet will be seen in the lifetime of our new child.

It’s at exactly the same time that All The Things pile into our lives. All the must-have baby paraphernalia —the clothes, the nappies, the “travel system” (why can’t it still be called a buggy?), all to only then be rapidly replaced with the must have toddler toys, pre-school toys... and so it goes on. But help is at hand. Jen Gale’s essential new book is packed with her inimitable practical, friendly and attainable ideas for sustainable(ish) changes you can make for and with your kids, covering everything you might need to help you along the way as your family grows up—from washable nappies to school uniform, family holidays to getting from A to B—and everything in between.

Jen Gale is an ordinary, knackered mum of two whose life changed when she dragged and cajoled the family into a year buying nothing new. Jen lives in Wiltshire where she writes and podcasts about all things Sustainable(ish). @sustainable(ish) www.asustainablelife.co.uk
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The Second

Carol Anderson

From the New York Times bestselling author of White Rage, an unflinching, critical new look at the Second Amendment—and how it has been engineered to deny the rights of African Americans.

In The Second, historian Carol Anderson powerfully illuminates the history and impact of the Second Amendment, how it was designed, and how it has been constructed from the start to keep African Americans powerless and vulnerable. The Second is neither a “pro-gun” nor an “anti-gun” book; the lens is the citizenship rights and human rights of African Americans. From the 18th century, when it was encoded into law that slaves could not own, carry, or use a firearm whatsoever, until today, with measures to expand and curtail gun ownership aimed disproportionately at the African American population, the right to bear arms has been consistently used as a weapon against African Americans—revealing that armed or unarmed, Blackness, it would seem, is the threat that must be neutralized and punished. Throughout American history the Second has consistently meant this: That the second a Black person exercises this right, the second they pick up a gun to protect themselves (or the second that they don’t), their life— as surely as Philando Castile’s, Tamir Rice’s, Alton Sterling’s—may be snatched away in that single, fatal second. Through compelling historical narrative merging into the unfolding events of today, Anderson’s penetrating investigation shows that the Second Amendment is not about guns but about anti-Blackness, shedding shocking new light on another dimension of racism in America.

PRAISE

“Carol Anderson’s prose is unflinching, and she wastes no time as she marches the reader from the openly racist, clear-cutting suppression tactics of the early 20th century toward the carefully veneered, ruthlessly efficient disenfranchisement campaign of the present.” —NPR Best Books of the Year on One Person, No Vote

“An extraordinarily timely and urgent call to confront the legacy of structural racism . . . and to show its continuing threat to the promise of American democracy. —New York Times Book Review, Editor’s Choice on White Rage

Carol Anderson is the Charles Howard Candler Professor and Chair of African American Studies at Emory University. She is the author of One Person, No Vote, longlisted for the National Book Award and a Finalist for the PEN/John Kenneth Galbraith Award; White Rage, a New York Times bestseller and winner of the National Book Critics Circle Award; Bourgeois Radicals; and Eyes off the Prize. She was named a Guggenheim Fellow for Constitutional Studies. She lives in Atlanta, Georgia.
**Kin**

*A Memoir*

Shawna Kay Rodenberg

A memoir of an Appalachian girlhood and a portrait of a misrepresented people, from Rona Jaffe Writers’ Award winner Shawna Kay Rodenberg.

When Shawna Kay Rodenberg was four, her father, fresh from a ruinous tour in Vietnam, spirited her family from their home in the hills of Eastern Kentucky to Minnesota, renouncing all of their earthly possessions to live in the Body, an off-the-grid End Times religious community. Her father was seeking a better, safer life for his family, but the austere communal living of prayer, bible study, and strict regimentation was a bad fit for the precocious Shawna. Disciplined harshly for her many infractions, she was sexually abused by a predatory adult member of the community. Soon after the leader of the Body died and revelations of the sexual abuse came to light, her family returned to the same Kentucky mountains that their ancestors have called home for three hundred years. It is a community ravaged by the coal industry, but for all that, rich in humanity, beauty, and the complex knots of family love. Curious, resourceful, rebellious, Shawna will ultimately leave her mountain home but only as she masters a perilous balancing act between who she has been and who she will become.

*Kin* is a mesmerizing memoir of survival that seeks to understand and make peace with the people and places that were survived. It is above all about family—about the forgiveness and love within its bounds—and generations of Appalachians who have endured, harmed, and held each other through countless lifetimes of personal and regional tragedy.

Shawna Kay Rodenberg is originally from Seco, Kentucky. In 2016, she received the Jean Ritchie Memorial Fellowship for her poetry and memoir in progress, and in 2017, the Rona Jaffe Writers’ Award for creative nonfiction. Her work has appeared in *Consequence Magazine*, *Salon*, the *Village Voice*, the *Bennington Review*, the *New Millennium Review*, *Elle*, and others. A mother of five, registered nurse, and community college English instructor, she lives with her family in Indiana.
Who They Was

Gabriel Krauze

An astonishing, visceral autobiographical novel about a young man straddling two cultures: the university where he is studying literature and the disregarded world of London gang warfare.

Longlisted for the Booker Prize
The unforgettable narrator of this compelling, thought-provoking debut goes by two names in his two worlds. At the university he attends, he’s Gabriel, a seemingly ordinary, partying student learning about morality at a distance. But in his life outside the classroom, he’s Snoopz, a hard-living member of London’s gangs, well-acquainted with drugs, guns, stabbings, and robbery. Navigating these sides of himself, dealing with loving parents at the same time as treacherous, endangering friends and the looming threat of prison, he is forced to come to terms with who he really is and the life he’s chosen for himself. In a distinct, lyrical urban slang all his own, author Gabriel Krauze brings to vivid life the underworld of his city and the destructive impact of toxic masculinity. Who They Was is a disturbing yet tender and perspective-altering account of the thrill of violence and the trauma it leaves behind. It is the story of inner cities everywhere, and of the lost boys who must find themselves in their tower blocks.

PRAISE

“It is exceptional.” —Candice Carty-Williams, author of Queenie

“Magnificent in its relentless intensity and searing honesty, this is a new voice arriving fully formed and raring to go.” —Booker Prize judges, 2020

“Extraordinary. With its distinctive argot and moments of ultraviolence, Who They Was is akin to A Clockwork Orange—except that instead of a wellheeled author’s fantastical brainchild, it is a hyperrealistic tale from a writer who has lived the lifestyle it describes . . . Who They Was is a subtle, unflinching novel that deserves to win wide acclaim for bringing this hinterland into focus.” —The Guardian

Gabriel Krauze grew up in London in a Polish family and was drawn to a life of crime and gangs from an early age. Now in his thirties he has left that world behind and is recapturing his life through writing. He has published short stories in Vice magazine. Who They Was is his debut novel.
From Edmund White, a bold and sweeping new novel that traces the extraordinary fates of twin sisters, one destined for Parisian nobility and the other for Catholic sainthood.

Yvette and Yvonne Crawford are twin sisters, born on a humble patch of East Texas prairie but bound for far more dramatic and tragic fates. Just as an untold fortune of oil lies beneath their daddy’s land, both girls harbor their own secrets and dreams—ones that will carry them far from Texas and from each other. As the decades unfold, Yvonne will ascend the highest ranks of Parisian society as Yvette gives herself to a lifetime of worship and service in the streets of Jericó, Colombia. And yet, even as they remake themselves in their radically different lives, the twins find that the bonds of family and the past are unbreakable.

Spanning the 1950s to the recent past, Edmund White’s marvelous novel serves up an immensely pleasurable epic of two Texas women as their lives traverse varied worlds: the swaggering opulence of the Dallas nouveau riche, the airless pretension of the Paris gratin, and the strict piety of a Colombian convent. For nearly half a century, Edmund White’s work has revitalized American literature, blithely breaking down boundaries of class and sexuality, and A Saint from Texas is one of his most joyous, gorgeously written, and piercing works to date.

PRAISE

“The books by . . . Edmund White—honest, fierce and joyful explorations of love, sex, and family—have been breaking boundaries and engaging readers for nearly 50 years. His latest whisks us from the hardscrabble Texas prairie to the streets of Paris and Colombia . . . a stunner about the secrets and dreams that bind two very different women.” ?AARP.org

“An audacious new novel by Edmund White, whose sympathy for his Texas-born characters radiates like a kind of blessing through their myriad adventures, sacred as well as secular, and always sensuously alive.” ?Joyce Carol Oates

“At once funny and moving, this is a ribald novel of the miraculous.”...

Edmund White is the author of many novels, including A Boy’s Own Story, The Beautiful Room Is Empty, The Farewell Symphony, and Our Young Man. His nonfiction includes City Boy, Inside a Pearl, The Unpunished Vice, and other memoirs; The Flâneur, about Paris; and literary biographies and essays. He was named the 2018 winner of the PEN/Saul Bellow Award for Achievement in American Fiction and received the 2019 Medal for Distinguished Contribution to American Letters from the National Book Foundati...
The Vanishing Sky

L. Annette Binder

For readers of Warlight and The Invisible Bridge, an intimate, harrowing story about a family of German citizens during World War II.

In 1945, as the war in Germany nears its violent end, the Huber family is not yet free of its dangers or its insidious demands. Etta, a mother from a small, rural town, has two sons serving their home country: her elder, Max, on the Eastern front, and her younger, Georg, at a school for Hitler Youth. When Max returns from the front, Etta quickly realizes that something is not right—he is thin, almost ghostly, and behaving very strangely. Etta strives to protect him from the Nazi rule, even as her husband, Josef, becomes more nationalistic and impervious to Max’s condition. Meanwhile, miles away, her younger son Georg has taken his fate into his own hands, deserting his young class of battle-bound soldiers to set off on a long and perilous journey home.

The Vanishing Sky is a World War II novel as seen through a German lens, a story of the irreparable damage of war on the home front, and one family’s participation—involuntary, unseen, or direct—in a dangerous regime. Drawing inspiration from her own father’s time in the Hitler Youth, L. Annette Binder has crafted a spellbinding novel about the daring choices we make for country and for family.

PRAISE

“In her intimate and epic debut novel, Binder lifts the lid on one family’s darkest story to offer vital insight into daily life under the last days of the Third Reich. The Vanishing Sky is a heartrending and blazingly lucid depiction of Nazi Germany.” Miriam Toews, author of Women Talking

“In The Vanishing Sky, [Binder] uses Etta Huber, a hausfrau in a rural village, as a means of feeling her way back into the past, channeling the anguish and uncertainty of the final months of the fighting.” The New York Times


L. Annette Binder was born in Germany and immigrated to the U.S. as a small child. She holds degrees in classics and law from Harvard, an MA in comparative literature from the University of California at Berkeley, and an MFA from the Program in Writing at the University of California, Irvine. Her short fiction collection Rise received the Mary McCarthy Prize in Short Fiction. She lives in New Hampshire.
The Apology

V (formerly known as Eve Ensler)

From the bestselling author of The Vagina Monologues—a powerful, life-changing examination of abuse and atonement.

Like millions of women, Eve Ensler has been waiting much of her lifetime for an apology. Sexually and physically abused by her father, Eve has struggled her whole life from this betrayal, longing for an honest reckoning from a man who is long dead. After years of work as an anti-violence activist, she decided she would wait no longer; an apology could be imagined, by her, for her, to her. The Apology, written by Eve from her father’s point of view in the words she longed to hear, attempts to transform the abuse she suffered with unflinching truthfulness, compassion, and an expansive vision for the future.

Through The Apology, Eve has set out to provide a new way for herself and a possible road for others so that survivors of abuse may finally envision how to be free. She grapples with questions she has sought answers to since she first realized the impact of her father’s abuse on her life: How do we offer a doorway rather than a locked cell? How do we move from humiliation to revelation, from curtailing behavior to changing it, from condemning perpetrators to calling them to reckoning? What will it take for abusers to genuinely apologize?

Remarkable and original, The Apology is an acutely transformational look at how, from the wounds of sexual abuse, we can begin to reemerge and heal. It is revolutionary, asking everything of each of us: courage, honesty, and forgiveness.

PRAISE

“A healing exploration of how survivors can recover from sexual abuse.” —USA Today, 5 Must-Read Books

“Shatteringly brilliant.” —The Times

“For those men—the famous and the unknown—The Apology is a blueprint of contrition.” —The Washington Post

“Heart-wrenching . . . A powerful reckoning.” —San Francisco Chronicle

“Profound, imaginative and devastating . . . Horrifying and mesmerizing in equal measure . . . There is a moving power and poetry to the prose that rouses Arthur from his grave and holds him to account.” —The Guardian

“The geometry of toxic masculinity is contained within these pages.” —Marc Maron

Eve Ensler is a Tony-award winning playwright, author, performer, and activist. She wrote the international phenomenon The Vagina Monologues, which won an Obie and has been published in 48 languages and performed in more than 140 countries. She adapted her NYT bestseller I Am an Emotional Creature into a play, which ran to critical acclaim in South Africa, Paris, Berkeley, and NYC. She is the founder of V-Day, the global movement to end violence against women and girls. She lives in Kingston, NY...
Future Starts Now, The
Expert Insights into the Future of Business, Technology and Society

Theo Priestley, Bronwyn Williams

Featuring contributions from an international array of futurists, The Future Starts Now provides fascinating insights and guidance into how society and business will transform in the years to come...

The future is an uncertain, uncomfortable prospect for employees, employers and society at large. A flurry of unprecedented events have proven that, despite what some politicians and economists may tell us, the future is not set in stone. In light of this uncertainty, The Future Starts Now looks toward the various innovations and technologies that may shape our future. Authors Theo Priestley and Bronwyn Williams have brought together the world’s leading futurists to articulate and clarify the current trajectories in technology, economics, politics and business. This is a comprehensive history of tomorrow, exploring groundbreaking topics such as AI, privacy, education and the future of work. While the guidance, insight and predictions are fascinating for anyone curious about what the future may hold, the book also functions as an invaluable guide for business professionals looking to steer their career or their organization with foresight and confidence.

Theo Priestley is an accomplished futurist of over 10 years, having written articles for leading publications such as WIRED and Forbes, while also acting as an international keynote and TEDx speaker.

Bronwyn Williams is a leading futurist and trend analyst. She has presented and consulted to businesses, governments and academic institutions across Africa, Europe and the Middle East. She is a TEDx fellow, writer, and frequent media commentator.
Overloaded

How Every Aspect of Your Life is Influenced by Your Brain Chemicals

Ginny Smith

This mind-bending, eye-opening book provides readers with an enjoyable introduction to the remarkable world of neurotransmitters, the crucial chemicals that run our brains.

From adrenaline to dopamine, most of us are familiar with the chemicals that control us. They are the hormones and neurotransmitters that our brains run on, and Overloaded looks at the role they play in every aspect of our lives, from what we remember, how we make decisions and who we love to basic survival drives such as hunger, fear, and sleep.

Author Ginny Smith gets to the bottom of exactly what these tiny molecules do. What role do cortisol and adrenaline play in memory formation? Is it our brain chemicals that cause us to be “hangry”? How do hormones and neurotransmitters affect the trajectory of our romantic relationships? These are just some of the questions that Ginny will answer as she meets the scientists at the cutting edge of research into the world of brain chemistry who are uncovering the unexpected connections between these crucial chemicals that touch every aspect of our lives.

Ginny Smith studied natural sciences at the University of Cambridge, specializing in psychology and neuroscience, and now spreads her love of her subject as a science writer and presenter. Ginny teaches at the University of Cambridge’s Institute of Continuing Education. She is a presenter and producer for the British Psychological Society’s PsychCrunch podcast, and a regular on the Cosmic Shambles Network.
Death By Shakespeare

Snakebites, Stabbings and Broken Hearts

Kathryn Harkup

An in-depth look at the science behind the creative methods Shakespeare used to kill off his characters.

In the Bard’s day death was a part of everyday life. Plague, pestilence, and public executions were a common occurrence, and the chances of seeing a dead or dying body on the way home from the theater were high. It was also a time of important scientific progress. Shakespeare kept pace with anatomical and medical advances, and he included the latest scientific discoveries in his work, from blood circulation to treatments for syphilis. He certainly didn’t shy away from portraying the reality of death on stage, from the brutal to the mundane, and the spectacular to the silly.

Elizabethan London provides the backdrop for Death by Shakespeare, as Kathryn Harkup turns her discerning scientific eye to the Bard and the varied and creative ways his characters die. Was death by snakebite as serene as Shakespeare makes out? Could lack of sleep have killed Lady Macbeth? Can you really murder someone by pouring poison in their ear? Kathryn investigates what actual events may have inspired Shakespeare, what the accepted scientific knowledge of the time was, and how Elizabethan audiences would have responded to these death scenes. Death by Shakespeare will tell you all this and more in a rollercoaster of Elizabethan carnage, poison, swordplay, and bloodshed, with an occasional death by bear-mauling for good measure.

PRAISE

“Harkup’s enjoyable and informative survey presents this somatic Shakespeare for the Horrible Histories generation.” — The Times Literary Supplement

“Harkup serves a delectable stew of history, science, and wit that is sure to sate the appetite of any Anglophile.” — Booklist

“Fans of the Bard are sure to devour this, but even those with only a passing familiarity with Shakespeare's oeuvre will find Harkup's survey tough to resist.” — Publishers Weekly (starred review)

“The author of A Is for Arsenic and Making the Monster: The Science Behind Mary Shelley’s Frankenstein continues her macabre cultural musings with an immensely readable roundup of Sha...
No-Nonsense Meditation Book, The
How Being Conscious Can Strengthen Your Mental and Physical Health

Steven Laureys

World-leading neurologist Dr. Steven Laureys collaborates with the personal assistant to the Dalai Lama to scientifically prove the positive impact meditation has on our brains.

Dr. Steven Laureys has conducted ground-breaking research into human consciousness for more than 20 years. For this bestselling book, Steven has teamed up with Matthieu Ricard —meditation expert and personal assistant to the Dalai Lama—to explore the effect of meditation on the brain. He uses hard science to explain the benefits of a practice that was once thought of as purely spiritual. The result is a highly accessible, scientifically questioning guide to meditation, designed to open the practice to a broader audience.

A mix of fascinating science, inspiring anecdote and practical exercises, this accessible book offers scientific evidence that meditation can have a positive impact on all our lives.

Steven Laureys is a clinical professor in the Neurology Department at the University of Liège, Belgium, and director of the Coma Science Group at the University Hospital. He is chair of the European Neurological Society committee on disorders of consciousness. Matthieu Ricard is a Buddhist monk who had a promising career in cellular genetics before leaving France to study Buddhism in the Himalayas thirty-five years ago. He lives and works on humanitarian projects in Tibet and Nepal.
**Stronger**

The honest guide to healing and rebuilding after pregnancy and birth

Megan Vickers

An empowering, accessible and practical guide to physical recovery after pregnancy and birth.

For many new mothers, “strong” might mean being able to lift their baby, wear them in a sling or run after a toddler. “Strong” could mean a functioning pelvic floor which stops you leaking. Each experience requires a strength that we are often expected to just have.

In recent years there has been a welcome focus on post-natal mental health. But what we haven’t seen is a focus on rebuilding physical strength after motherhood. Pregnancy and birth challenge our bodies in brutal ways that we are led to believe are normal. Back pain, painful scarring and incontinence are all seen as an unfortunate side effects of becoming a mother, but ones that should simply be accommodated.

Symptoms related to pregnancy and birth are ubiquitous. But in most cases completely fixable. Pelvic floor dysfunction will affect more mothers than it won’t. 50% of pregnant women will experience lower back pain and a third of these won’t fully recover. Incontinence, birth injuries and birth traumas have been a taboo topic for far too long, and this has prevented women from fully regaining their strength.

This is the must read guide to the bodily changes encountered by all women post-birth, with explanations, gentle exercises and advice to deal with all levels of change in a format that is accessible and easy to engage with for all women.

Megan Vickers has been a physiotherapist for 14 years and a specialist in women’s health, back and pelvic pain for 10 years. She is the co-founder of a busy clinic and Pilates centre in South London, Four Sides. www.foursideslondon.com
The Woman from Uruguay

Pedro Mairal

From acclaimed Argentine author Pedro Mairal and Man Booker International-winning translator Jennifer Croft, the unforgettable story of two would-be lovers over the course of a single day.

Lucas Pereyra, an unemployed writer in his forties, embarks on a trip from Buenos Aires to Montevideo to pick up fifteen thousand dollars in cash. An advance on his upcoming novel, this small fortune might be the solution to all his problems, most importantly the recent tension he has with his wife. While she spends her days at work and her nights out on the town—with a lover, perhaps, he doesn’t know for sure—Lucas is stuck at home all day caring for his son Maiko, unable to write, fantasizing about the one thing that keeps him going: the woman from Uruguay whom he met at a conference and has been longing to see ever since.

But Magalí Guerra Zabala, the woman from Uruguay, is a free spirit with her own goals and concerns, and the day they spend together in this beautiful city on the beach winds up being nothing like Lucas predicted.

The constantly surprising, moving story of this dramatically transformative day in their lives, The Woman from Uruguay is both a gripping narrative and a tender, thought-provoking exploration of the nature of relationships. An international bestseller published in fourteen countries, it is the masterpiece of one of the most original voices in Latin American literature today.

PRAISE

“A perfect novel. A triumph from beginning to end. The novel’s style, that carries the soft irony of a writer in command of his narrative voice, its extension, its verbal prowess, its impeccably paced rhythm and, of course, the theme: a marital crisis written from the perspective of an Argentine man in his mid forties who is facing an existential crisis.” —El Pais (Spain)

“[Pedro Mairal] displays his full talent in a wisely structured novel, outstanding in its narrative rhythm and in the twists and turns of the plot, where humor emerges at the same time a tragedy takes shape surrounding an enigma.” —Página 12 (Argentina)

“Mairal’s quickening pr...

Pedro Mairal is one of Argentina’s most beloved writers. He has been awarded the Premio Clarín and included in the Hay Festival’s Bogotá 39 list, which named the thirty-nine best Latin American authors under forty. He lives in Buenos Aires. Jennifer Croft was awarded the Man Booker International Prize and was a National Book Award Finalist for her translation of Flights. She is the author of the acclaimed memoir Homesick and has published work in The New York Times, VICE, and elsewhere.
The International Brigades

Fascism, Freedom and the Spanish Civil War

by

Giles Tremlett

A comprehensive and deeply researched history of the Spanish Civil War through the lens of the men and women who traveled from around the world to fight Franco’s fascism.

The Spanish Civil War was the first armed battle in the fight against fascism and a rallying cry for a generation. Over 35,000 volunteers from fifty-two countries around the world came to defend democracy against the troops of Franco, Hitler, and Mussolini.

Ill-equipped and disorderly, yet fueled by a shared sense of purpose and potential glory, disparate groups of idealistic young men and women banded together to form a volunteer army of a size and kind unseen since the Crusades, known as the International Brigades. These passionate liberal fighters—from across Europe, China, Africa, and the Americas—would join the Republican cause, fighting for over two years on the bloody battlegrounds of Madrid, Jarama, and Ebro. Were they heroes or fools? Saints or bloodthirsty adventurers? And what exactly did they achieve?

In this magisterial history, award-winning historian Giles Tremlett tells—for the first time—the story of the Spanish Civil War through all the human drama of a historic mission to halt fascist expansion in Europe. The International Brigades shows just how far ordinary people will go to save democracy against overwhelming odds.

PRAISE

“An invaluable book . . . A country finally facing its past could scarcely hope for a better, or more enamored, chronicler of its present.” —The New York Times Book Review on Ghosts of Spain

“Splendid . . . [Tremlett] writes with the fluency of the novelist.” —The New York Review of Books on Catherine of Aragon

“Impressively informed and informative . . . an extraordinary and popular addition to community and academic library historical biography collections.” —The Midwest Book Review on Isabella of Castile

Giles Tremlett is a contributing editor to the Guardian and fellow of the Cañada Blanch Centre, London School of Economics. He has lived in and written about Spain for over twenty years, and is the author of Catherine of Aragon, Ghosts of Spain, and Isabella of Castile, winner of the 2018 Elizabeth Longford Prize. He lives in Madrid with his family.
Wild Souls
Freedom and Flourishing in the Non-Human World
Emma Marris

From an acclaimed environmental writer, a groundbreaking and provocative new vision for our relationships with—and responsibilities toward—the planet’s wild animals.

Protecting wild animals and preserving the environment are two ideals so seemingly compatible as to be almost inseparable. But in fact, between animal welfare and conservation science there exists a space of underexamined and unresolved tension: wildness itself. When is it right to capture or feed wild animals for the good of their species? How do we balance the rights of introduced species with those already established within an ecosystem? Can hunting be ecological? Are any animals truly wild on a planet that humans have so thoroughly changed? No clear guidelines exist to help us resolve such questions.

Transporting readers into the field with scientists tackling these profound challenges, Emma Marris tells the affecting and inspiring stories of animals around the globe—from Peruvian monkeys to Australian bilbies, rare Hawai’ian birds to majestic Oregon wolves. And she offers a companionable tour of the philosophical ideas that may steer our search for sustainability and justice in the non-human world. Revealing just how intertwined animal and human life really is, Wild Souls will change the way you think about nature—and our place within it.

PRAISE
“Remarkable . . . explores a paradox that is increasingly vexing the science of ecology, namely that the only way to have a pristine wilderness is to manage it intensively.” —Wall Street Journal on Rambunctious Garden

“An insightful analysis of the thinking that informs nature conservation.” —The Economist on Rambunctious Garden

“Marris is a whip-smart writer . . . already being compared to the greatest environmental writers and thinkers of the past century, Rachel Carson and Aldo Leopold.” —San Francisco Chronicle

Emma Marris is an award-winning journalist whose writing on science and the environment has appeared in the New York Times, the Atlantic, National Geographic, Wired, Outside, High Country News, and many other publications, including Best American Science Writing. Her previous book, Rambunctious Garden, was the subject of her TED Talk, which has over 1.3 million views. She was also featured on the TED Radio Hour and the series Adam Ruins Everything. She is based in Klamath Falls, Oregon.
Learning-Driven Business, The
How to Develop an Organizational Learning Ecosystem

Alaa Garad, Jeff Gold

Drawing upon original academic research and in-depth case studies, this is a comprehensive guide to developing a culture of learning and education within your business.

In any kind of organization, learning has become a vital part of the growth and development process, but it only produces effective results if it is pursued strategically and embedded deeply into the culture of the workplace. In recent years, there has been a growing consensus that, for many organizations, learning is their only sustainable competitive advantage—ensuring a committed and engaged workforce that is positioned to identify and exploit business opportunities in an increasingly volatile and uncertain world.

Backed by new academic theory, yet designed to be completely accessible to a business readership, *The Learning-Driven Business* highlights the importance of Organizational Learning (OL) for organizations which wish to remain competitive and profitable, before clarifying the various pathways and frameworks that can lead to success. With the onset of automation and artificial intelligence, as well as the proliferation of redundancies and the economic instability of modern times, organizations and their employees must prioritise effective OL in order to overcome these challenges and remain competitive and relevant in the 21st century. This book is a guide for all business leaders and academics looking to adapt to the changing world through OL, using Garand & Golds’ unique and original academic model.

Dr. Alaa Garad is a Senior Teaching Fellow at the University of Portsmouth and a Visiting Professor at the Arab Academy for Science and Technology. He is a trustee of the Institute of Commercial Management and a Fellow at The Learning and Performance Institute.
People Before Tech

The Importance of Psychological Safety and Teamwork in the Digital Age

Duena Blomstrom

A fascinating guide for business leaders looking to ensure that their teams remain productive and engaged in the digital era.

Businesses across all sectors now realize that, if they intend on staying competitive in the 21st century, then they must embrace new innovative technologies such as AI, automation, and digital platforms. But many business leaders have become too focused on digital transformation. Built upon fascinating research and an international array of case studies, People Before Tech is an incisive examination of how organizations—through their digital transformations—become stranded with optimized teams and disenfranchised employees.

As new technologies are introduced, teams and individual employees are often taken for granted—the uniquely human benefits that arise from a well-structured, collaborative team become neglected, and the employees themselves become unmotivated and overly dependent upon the technical, quantifiable benefits of technology. In People Before Tech, Duena Blomstrom shines new light upon the importance and potential of teams in modern organizations. The book analyzes the benefits of unique methods of working (such as “Agile”) and explores how academic concepts such as “psychological safety” can boost employees’ confidence and ability to work effectively and intuitively within teams.

Duena highlights that it is vital not just to implement technology, but also to integrate it into the existing organizational culture and structure.

Duena Blomstrom is CEO and co-founder of PeopleNotTech, an AI-driven people software solution company. She is also a keynote speaker, prolific writer, and blogger, and author of Emotional Banking: Fixing Culture, Leveraging FinTech, and Transforming Retail Banks Into Brands.
Always On

Hope and Fear in the Social Smartphone Era

Rory Cellan-Jones

The inside story of how tech became personal, and pernicious, from the BBC’s technology correspondent.

We live at a time when billions have access to unbelievably powerful technology. The most extraordinary tool that has been invented in the last century, the smartphone is forcing radical changes in the way we live and work—and unlike previous technologies it is in the hands of just about everyone.

This book takes readers on a hectic ride through this turbulent era, as related by an author with a ringside seat to the key moments of the technology revolution. We will remember the excitement and wonder that came with the arrival of Apple’s iPhone with all the promise it offered. We’ll see tech empires rise and fall as these devices send shockwaves through every industry and leave the corporate titans of the analogue era floundering in their wake. We will see that early utopianism about the potential of the mobile social revolution to transform society for the better fade, as criminals, bullies, and predators poison the well of social media.

Readers are immersed in the most important story of our times—the dramatic impact of hyperconnectivity, the smartphone, and social media on everything from our democracy to our employment and our health. The book ends with a highly personal exploration of the power of AI and medical technology, including how COVID-19 made us look again to technology in our battle to confront the greatest challenge of modern times.

Rory Cellan-Jones is the BBC’s principal technology correspondent who has reported for over a decade on the biggest developments and news stories in tech. He has interviewed countless visionaries from Mark Zuckerberg to Jeff Bezos, Twitter’s Jack Dorsey to Tim Berners-Lee, and Wikipedia founder Jimmy Wales. Rory is the host of the BBC weekly podcast Tech Tent and the author of Dot.Bomb: The Strange Death of Dot.Com Britain (Aurum Press).
Great Deception, The
Can the European Union Survive?

Christopher Booker

Christopher Booker’s classic story of the European Union’s “Great Deception,” now updated with new material.

Now published with a new preface explaining why The Great Deception is of the utmost importance today as it was when it was first published and to coincide with Great Britain’s EU referendum in 2016, this book suggests that the United States of Europe and its edict of “ever closer union” have been based on a colossal confidence trick.

From the 1920s, when the blueprint for the European Union was first conceived by a British civil servant, this meticulously documented account takes the story right up to the moves to give Europe a political constitution, already planned 60 years ago to be the “crowning dream” of the whole project.

The book shows how the gradual assembling of a European government has amounted to a “slow motion coup d'état”—based on a strategy of deliberate deception, into which Britain’s leaders, Macmillan and Heath, were consciously drawn. Drawing on a wealth of new evidence, scarcely an episode of the story does not emerge in startling new light, from the real reasons why de Gaulle kept Britain out in the 1960s to the fall of Mrs. Thatcher. The book chillingly shows how Britain’s politicians were consistently outplayed in a game the rules of which they never understood. But it ends by asking whether, from the euro to enlargement, the “project” has now overreached itself, as a gamble doomed to fail.

Christopher Booker was a celebrated journalist and author. He was a columnist for the Sunday Telegraph from 1990 to 2019 and his bestselling books include The Seven Basic Plots, and Scared to Death. He was the founding editor of the satirical magazine Private Eye. He died in 2019.

Richard North has in recent years won a reputation as one of Britain’s most expert defense analysts, through his “Defence of the Realm” blog.
Breakup Monologues, The
*The Unexpected Joy of Heartbreak*

Rosie Wilby

Award-winning comedian and accidental relationship guru Rosie Wilby embarks on a quest to understand and conquer the psychology of heartbreak. Tragedy plus time equals comedy, right?

In 2011, comedian Rosie Wilby was dumped by email . . . though she did feel a little better about it after correcting her ex’s spelling and punctuation. Obsessing about breakups ever since, she embarked on a quest to investigate, understand and conquer the psychology of heartbreak. That quest proved to be a creatively fertile one, resulting in Rosie’s acclaimed podcast *The Breakup Monologues*. She decided to ask her colleagues on the circuit about their experiences of romantic disaster and recovery, thinking, “if one group of people have become adept at learning from catastrophe it is comedians. The worst onstage deaths are the performances that enlighten us most about how to improve.” She wondered if comics had been able to transfer this “fail better” logic to love.

This book is a love letter to her breakups, a celebration of what they have taught her peppered with anecdotes from illustrious friends and interviews with relationship therapists, scientists and sociologists about separating in the modern age of ghosting, breadcrumbing and conscious uncoupling. Her plan is to assimilate their advice and ideas in order to not break up with Girlfriend, her partner of nearly three years. Will this self-confessed serial monogamist, and breakup addict, finally settle down?

Rosie Wilby is an award-winning comedian who has appeared many times on BBC Radio 4 programs including *Woman’s Hour, Loose Ends, Midweek, The Human Zoo* and *Four Thought*. Her first book *Is Monogamy Dead?* followed her TEDx talk of the same name and a trilogy of internationally-acclaimed solo shows investigating the psychology of love and relationships.
Shedding the Shackles

Women's Empowerment through Craft

Lynne Stein

Stories and techniques from women's art initiatives in communities across the globe.

Women’s craft has often been undervalued or ignored in the art world. It is considered ‘lesser’ than other art forms such as painting or sculpture. However, with the resurgence of ‘craftivism’ and with the internet providing a wider audience for craft enterprises, a book about women’s craft enterprises, their artisanal excellence and the positive impact their individual projects have on breaking the poverty cycle is long overdue.

Featuring artisans and projects from across the globe, celebrating their vision and motivation the book will offer a fascinating glimpse into how these craft initiatives have created a sustainable lifestyle, and impacted upon their communities at a deeper level.

Lynne Stein’s work has been exhibited widely, and commissioned for a variety of public, corporate and domestic spaces. She has taught extensively in community, educational and healthcare settings, and also runs private workshops. She has been the recipient of support from Arts Council England, and her work has featured in books and magazines, and on television and radio broadcasts. She lives in the UK.
Chasing Me to My Grave
An Artist's Memoir of the Jim Crow South

Winfred Rembert as told to Erin I. Kelly

An artist’s odyssey from Jim Crow–era Georgia to the Yale Art Gallery—a stunningly vivid, full-color memoir in prose and painted leather, with a foreword by Bryan Stevenson.

Winfred Rembert grew up in a family of Georgia field laborers and joined the Civil Rights Movement as a teenager. He was arrested after fleeing a demonstration, later survived a near-lynching at the hands of law enforcement, and spent the next seven years on chain gangs. During that time he met the undaunted Patsy, who would become his wife. Years later, at the age of 51 and with Patsy’s encouragement, he started drawing and painting scenes from his youth using leather tooling skills he learned in prison. Chasing Me to My Grave presents Rembert’s breathtaking body of work alongside his story, as told to Tufts Philosopher Erin I. Kelly. Rembert calls forth vibrant scenes of Black life on Cuthbert, Georgia’s Hamilton Avenue, where he first glimpsed the possibility of a life outside the cotton field. As he pays tribute, exuberant and heartfelt, to Cuthbert’s Black community and the people, including his wife, Patsy, who helped him to find the courage to revisit a traumatic past, Rembert brings to life the promise and the danger of Civil Rights protest, the brutalities of incarceration, his search for his mother’s love, and the epic bond he found with Patsy.

Vivid, confrontational, revelatory, and complex, Chasing Me to My Grave is a searing memoir in prose and paintings that celebrates Black life and summons readers to confront painful and urgent realities at the heart of American history and society.

Winfred Rembert’s artwork, exhibited at museums and galleries around the country and represented by the Adelson Galleries in New York, has been compared to the work of Jacob Lawrence, Horace Pippin, and Romare Bearden and was the subject of an exhibition at the Yale University Art Gallery. Rembert lives and works in New Haven, Connecticut.

Erin I. Kelly is a professor of philosophy at Tufts University. She lives in Massachusetts.
A Brief History of Motion

From the Wheel, to the Car, to What Comes Next

Tom Standage

From the bestselling author of A History of the World in 6 Glasses, an eye-opening jaunt through 5,500 years of humans on the go, revealing how transportation inevitably shapes civilization.

Tom Standage’s fleet-footed and surprising global histories have delighted readers and sold over half a million copies. Now, he returns with a provocative account of an overlooked form of technology—personal transportation—and explores how it has shaped societies and cultures over millennia.

Beginning around 3500 BCE with the wheel—a device that didn’t catch on until a couple thousand years after its invention—Standage zips through the eras of horsepower, trains, and bicycles, revealing how each successive mode of transit embedded itself in the world we live in, from the geography of our cities to our experience of time to our notions of gender. Then, delving into the history of the automobile’s development, Standage explores the social resistance to cars and the upheaval that their widespread adoption required. Cars changed how the world was administered, laid out, and policed, how it looked, sounded, and smelled—and not always in the ways we might have preferred.

Today—after the explosive growth of ride-sharing and years of breathless predictions about autonomous vehicles—the social transformations spurred by coronavirus and overshadowed by climate change create a unique opportunity to critically reexamine our relationship to the car. With A Brief History of Motion, Standage overturns myths and invites us to look at our past with fresh eyes so we can create the future we want to see.

PRAISE

“There aren’t many books this entertaining that also provide a cogent crash course in ancient, classical, and modern history.” —Los Angeles Times on A History of the World in 6 Glasses


“An extraordinary and well-told story, a much-neglected dimension of history.” —Financial Times on An Edible History of Humanity

Tom Standage is deputy editor of the Economist and the author of six history books, including Writing on the Wall, the New York Times bestsellers A History of the World in 6 Glasses and An Edible History of Humanity, and The Victorian Internet, a history of the telegraph. His writing has also appeared in the New York Times, the Guardian, Wired, and other publications. Standage holds a degree in engineering and computer science from Oxford University. He lives in London.
In Kiltumper
A Year in an Irish Garden

by Niall Williams

From the author of This Is Happiness, a memoir of life in rural Ireland and a meditation on the power, beauty, and importance of the natural world.

35 years ago, when they were in their twenties, Niall Williams and Christine Breen made the impulsive decision to leave their lives in New York City and move to Christine’s ancestral home in Kiltumper in rural Ireland. In the decades that followed, the pair dedicated themselves to writing, gardening, raising two children, and living a life that followed the rhythms of the earth.

In 2019, with Christine in the final stages of recovery from cancer and the land itself threatened by the arrival of turbines just one farm over, Niall and Christine decided to document a year of living in their garden and in their small corner of a rapidly changing world. Proceeding month-by-month through the year, this is the story of a garden in all its many splendors and a couple who have made their life making, and observing, its wonders.

PRAISE

for This Is Happiness:
“A book so beautiful and so funny and so true that it will make you love the whole human race and forgive it all its trespasses.” —The New York Times Book Review

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Christine Breen is the author of Her Name Is Rose, So Many Miles to Paradise, and, with Niall, the coauthor of four nonfiction books on country living in Ireland. Together, they live in Kiltumper in County Clare...
This Is Happiness

Niall Williams

A profound and enchanting new novel from Booker Prize–longlisted author Niall Williams about the loves of our lives and the joys of reminiscing.

NAMED A BEST BOOK OF THE YEAR BY THE WASHINGTON POST and REAL SIMPLE

Change is coming to Faha, a small Irish parish unaltered in a thousand years. For one thing, the rain is stopping. Nobody remembers when it started; rain on the western seaboard is a condition of living. But now—just as Father Coffeey proclaims the coming of the electricity—the rain clouds are lifting. Seventeen-year-old Noel Crowe is idling in the unexpected sunshine when Christy makes his first entrance into Faha, bringing secrets for which he needs to atone. Though he can’t explain it, Noel knows right then: something has changed.

As the people of Faha anticipate the endlessly procrastinated advent of the electricity, and Noel navigates his own coming-of-age and his fallings in and out of love, Christy’s past gradually comes to light, casting a new glow on a small world.

Harking back to a simpler time, This Is Happiness is a tender portrait of a community—its idiosyncrasies and traditions, its paradoxes and kindnesses, its failures and triumphs—and a coming-of-age tale like no other. Luminous and lyrical, yet anchored by roots running deep into the earthy and everyday, it is about the power of stories: their invisible currents that run through all we do, writing and rewriting us, and the transforming light that they throw onto our world.

PRAISE

“Escaping into the pages of This Is Happiness feels as much like time travel as enlightenment . . . If you’re . . . craving a novel of delicate wit laced with rare wisdom, this, truly, is happiness.” —The Washington Post

“This big-hearted story is an intimate study of a small place on the brink of change.” —The New York Times

“An often delightful, rural rhapsody.” —The Wall Street Journal

“A breathtaking tale . . . Williams . . . is a master of Irish storytelling, crafting sentences that tempt the reader to double back and read again—and characters that get under your skin.” —Associated Press

Niall Williams was born in Dublin in 1958. He is the author of the Booker Prize–longlisted History of the Rain and eight other novels, including Four Letters of Love, which is set to be a major motion picture. He lives in Kiltumper in County Clare, Ireland, with his wife, Christine. niallwilliams.com
Real Estate

Deborah Levy

Real Estate is the third and final installment in three-time Booker Prize finalist Deborah Levy’s Working Autobiography series.


In Things I Don’t Want to Know, acclaimed author Deborah Levy wrote about a woman’s search for meaning, value, and purpose, the politics of motherhood, the radical commitment and energy required to make a writing life, while in The Cost of Living, she explored the dimensions of love, marriage, mourning, and kinship. Now, in Real Estate, Levy concludes her groundbreaking trilogy with an exhilarating, thought-provoking, and boldly intimate meditation on home and the specters that haunt it in a patriarchal society.

As always, Levy’s searing new books blend personal history, gender politics, philosophy, and literary theory into a brilliant, compulsively readable narrative.

“I can’t think of any writer aside from Virginia Woolf . . . who writes better about what it is to be a woman.” —The Observer on The Cost of Living

PRAISE

for The Cost of Living


“Levy’s style is fragmented, each anecdote as luminous, self-contained, and hard as the pearls in the necklace she habitually wears around her throat. There’s humor here and vulnerability . . . The Cost of Living is a smart, slim meditation on womanhood informed by Levy’s wide reading.” —Maureen Corrigan, NPR’s Fresh Air

“Unclassifiable, original, full of unexpected pleasures at every turn . . . Readers will want to savor this book slowly, for its many moments of in...”

Deborah Levy writes fiction, plays, and poetry. Her work has been staged by the Royal Shakespeare Company, broadcast on the BBC, and widely translated. The author of highly praised novels, including three Booker-nominated titles, The Man Who Saw Everything, Hot Milk, and Swimming Home, the acclaimed story collection Black Vodka, and two parts of her working autobiography, Things I Don’t Want to Know and The Cost of Living, she lives in London. Levy is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Literature.
Making Culture Work
Changing the Cultural Blueprint of Organizations

Marc Stigter and Cary Cooper

A guide on how to change the cultural blueprint of your organization, providing a practical framework for changing multicultural elements for an overall cohesive cultural transformation.

A recent study by PwC found that 96% of executives and managers feel that culture change is needed within their organizations. The majority believe that their organization is in need of a major cultural overhaul, and almost half do not think their culture is being managed effectively. Making Culture Work focuses on how to change the cultural blueprint of an organization, providing a practical framework for changing multicultural elements for an overall, cohesive cultural transformation. It is based on the firsthand experiences, observations, and empirical research of Marc Stigter and Cary Cooper. It features firsthand interviews with C-suite executives of public, private, and not-for-profit organizations in the UK, U.S., Australia, and New Zealand. As established authors in the business field, Marc and Cary write in an engaging style, distilling academic research and decades of insight into practical and accessible guidance.

Marc Stigter is an international strategist who works with organizations on unlocking critical commercial insights. Sir Cary Cooper is a 50th Anniversary Professor of Organisational Psychology and Health at Manchester Business School.
**Coming Clean**

*A true story of love, addiction and recovery*

Liz Fraser

In this wrenching debut memoir of love, family, and addiction, Liz Fraser tells her story of watching a partner unravel from alcoholism and working to rebuild a life together.

“My name is Liz, and I am the partner of an alcoholic.”

This is the story of two people in love, who packed up their lives and drove a thousand miles across Europe in a transit van to the magical island of Venice to start their new lives and dreams together and raise their baby girl there. They left behind everything they didn’t need. But they also brought something terrible with them: alcoholism.

In the summer of 2019, Liz Fraser watched her husband fall into a catastrophic vortex of depression, alcoholism, and self-destruction, which, unbeknownst to her, had been slowly bubbling and building for years. She was suddenly left alone with their baby, in a foreign country, renovating a house, and paying all the family bills along with his enormous drink-related costs. She worked when she could with no childcare or support, all while slowly losing her mind from shock, exhaustion, and heartbreak.

In *Coming Clean*, Liz tells her story—of life with an alcoholic at his darkest moments, and the uncertain journey through recovery as her husband nears six months of sobriety. With this raw, wrenching memoir, she gives a voice and offers hope to everyone watching a loved one struggle with substance abuse with the crucial reminder: You are not alone.

Liz Fraser is a well-seasoned writer and broadcaster on all aspects of modern family life. Liz appears frequently on TV and radio and has written for the *Sunday Times, Guardian, Grazia, Glamour, Marie Claire, Red, the Daily Mail, Mother and Baby, Junior, Woman, Runner’s World*, and many others. Liz has four children, ranging in age from twenty-two to two and is an annoyingly competitive 10km and half-marathon runner. She lives in Oxford with her partner, Mike, and their 2-year-old daughter, Scout...
The Artful Dickens

The Tricks and Ploys of the Great Novelist

John Mullan

Discover the tricks of a literary master in this essential guide to the fictional world of Charles Dickens.

From Pickwick to Scrooge, Copperfield to Twist, how did Dickens find the perfect names for his characters?
What was Dickens's favorite way of killing his characters?
When is a Dickens character most likely to see a ghost?
Why is Dickens’s trickery only fully realised when his novels are read aloud?

In thirteen entertaining and wonderfully insightful essays, John Mullan explores the literary machinations of Dickens’s eccentric genius, from his delight in clichés to his rendering of smells and his outrageous use of coincidences. A treat for all lovers of Dickens, this essential companion puts his audacity, originality, and brilliance on full display.

John Mullan is Lord Northcliffe Professor of Modern English Literature at University College London. He has published extensively on eighteenth- and nineteenth-century literature. He is also a prolific broadcaster and journalist, and writes on contemporary fiction for the Guardian. His most recent book is What Matters in Jane Austen? He has lectured widely on both Austen and Dickens in the UK and the US, and makes regular appearances at UK literary festivals. He lives in London.
Compass and the Radar, The
The Art of Building a Rewarding Career While Remaining True to Yourself

Paolo Gallo

Paolo Gallo offers a unique pathway toward identifying the right career, finding the ideal job and developing a moral compass.

With a creative and engaging mix of coaching practice, management theories, case studies and personal story-telling, this book helps readers to identify both their own compass – which relates to integrity, passion and internal value systems—and radar—which helps them to understand organizational complexity and “read” workplace dynamics and situations. The Compass and the Radar is founded on a series of searching questions that will enable anyone to find their compass and radar to achieve personal success:

· How can I find out what my real strengths and talents are?
· Do I love what I do?
· How can I find a job with a company that truly reflects my values?
· What is the price I am willing to pay for a meaningful and rewarding career?
· How should I define a successful career?

Key chapters offer practical tools, as well as insights on the trade-offs and difficult choices that everyone will need to make at some point in their career—all of which will underline the importance of having the most robust moral compass.

In the midst of a volatile and uncertain world, one in which technology, AI and digital resources are transforming working environments, The Compass and the Radar allows readers to pause, reflect, and consider who they are, what they stand for, and how to remain free.

Over the last 30 years, Paolo Gallo has been Chief Human Resources Officer at the World Economic Forum in Geneva; Chief Learning Officer at The World Bank in Washington DC; and Director of Human Resources at the European Bank for Reconstruction & Development in London. He writes for Harvard Business Review and is a regular contributor to the World Economic Forum Agenda Blog, Forbes and LINC Magazine Italy.
The Social CEO

How Social Media Can Make You A Stronger Leader

Damian Corbet

Insights from experts on how and why CEOs need to get social for business success and become effective social leaders.

There remains a huge gulf in understanding by many leaders of what some are calling the Social Age—huge changes going on in society, enabling anyone with a smartphone to sign up to a social network and comment on anything and everything. Despite this revolution, which has been embraced by the masses, it is the people at the top of organizations who have been slowest to understand and adapt to it.

While business leaders may feel that it’s enough to hire social media managers and amend their marketing strategies, Damian Corbet shows why organizations need to do more to succeed in the Social Age. *The Social CEO* sets out to educate and inspire senior leaders to embrace the Social Age, teaching them the hows and whys of utilizing social media in order to make them stronger leaders. Social CEOs are better able to communicate their organization’s objectives and values, gauge the climate in which they operate and improve their brand image.

Offering invaluable contributions from industry-recognized experts in social business, *The Social CEO* explores the many aspects of leading in the Social Age, such as storytelling, personal branding, managing risk, and public relations. With chapters also written by practicing “social CEOs” working across a variety of sectors, from healthcare to sport, the book provides a wealth of insight into how social media can be used to gain a competitive advantage.
Contact Paradox, The

Challenging our Assumptions in the Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence

Keith Cooper

The Contact Paradox explores the important and difficult questions raised by humanity’s search for extraterrestrial intelligence.

In 1974 a message was beamed towards the stars by the giant Arecibo telescope in Puerto Rico, a brief blast of radio waves designed to alert extraterrestrial civilizations to our existence. Of course, we don’t know if such civilizations really exist. For the past six decades a small cadre of researchers have been on a quest to find out, as part of SETI, the search for extraterrestrial intelligence. So far, SETI has found no evidence of extraterrestrial life, but with more than a hundred billion stars in our Galaxy alone to search, the odds of quick success are stacked against us.

The silence from the stars is prompting some researchers to transmit more messages into space, in an effort to provoke a response from any civilizations out there that might otherwise be staying quiet. However, the act of transmitting raises troubling questions about the process of contact.

In The Contact Paradox, author Keith Cooper looks at how far SETI has come since its modest beginnings, and where it is going, by speaking to the leading names in the field and beyond. SETI forces us to confront our nature in a way that we seldom have before—where did we come from, where are we going, and who are we in the cosmic context of things? This book considers the assumptions that we make in our search for extraterrestrial life, and explores how those assumptions can teach us about ourselves.

PRAISE

“With concise and approachable writing, Cooper crafts a worthwhile popular science work about questions that, as scientists continually improve the human capacity for gathering information about the rest of the universe, are becoming increasingly important.” —Publishers Weekly, starred review

“‘Are we alone in the universe?’ has no answer yet, but Cooper delivers an enlightening exploration of the question.” —Kirkus Reviews

“Cooper delivers an exciting, provocative tome to which science buffs will flock.” —Booklist

“Earth has been broadcasting electromagnetic signals for a century and sending out mechanical probes —five of which have now left th...”

Keith Cooper is a freelance science journalist and editor. Since 2006 Keith has been the Editor of Astronomy Now, and he is also the Editor of Astrobiology magazine. In addition, he has written on numerous space- and physics-related topics, from exploding stars to quantum computers, for Centauri Dreams, New Scientist, Physics World, physicsworld.com, and Sky and Telescope. He holds a BSc in Physics with Astrophysics from the University of Manchester. @21stcenturySETI
Science of Sin, The
Why We Do The Things We Know We Shouldn't

Jack Lewis

Inside the science behind why we do the things we know aren’t good for us.

The Science of Sin brings together the latest findings from neuroscience research to shed light on the universally fascinating subject of temptation—where it comes from, how to resist it and why we all succumb from time to time. With chapters inspired by the seven deadly sins, neurobiologist Jack Lewis illuminates the neural battles between temptation and restraint that take place within our brains, suggesting strategies to help us better manage our most troublesome impulses with the explicit goal of improving our health, our happiness and our productivity.

Anyone who has ever wondered why they never seem to be able to stick to their diet, who marvels at how little work some of their colleagues get away with doing, who despairs at the anti-social behavior of their teenagers, who can't understand how cheaters can juggle extra-marital affairs, who struggles to resist the lure of the comfy sofa and the giant bag of chips, or who makes themselves thoroughly bitter by endlessly comparing themselves to others—this book is for you.

PRAISE

“Raises some interesting questions about the brain’s role in bad behaviour.”
—Sunday Times Culture

“This book is a rollercoaster ride through the brain in search of what actually causes the dark side of human nature. It brings together science, religion and philosophy in a way that casts light on everyone’s battle with temptation.”
—Johnny Ball, TV personality and author of Wonders Beyond Numbers

Jack Lewis is a neurobiologist and television presenter. He earned a PhD in neuroscience from University College London, continuing his research using functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging to investigate how human brains integrate sound and vision as a post-doc at the Max Planck Institute for Biological Cybernetics.
One Half Truth

Eva Dolan

The brilliant new read from the crime writers’ crime writer: highly acclaimed author Eva Dolan is back with a tense and twisty investigation into the murder of a budding young journalist.

When the police are called to the report of a late-night shooting, they expect it to be drugs or gang-related. They don’t expect to find a young student executed on his way home.

Jordan Radley was an aspiring journalist: hard working, well-liked, dedicated. His first major story – looking at the fallout following the closure of a major local factory – had run recently and looked to be the first step in his longed-for career. Even after the story ran, Jordan continued to stay in contact with those he interviewed: he was on his way back from their social club the night he was murdered.

But as the detectives quickly discover, not only was Jordan killed, but those responsible also broke into his house, taking his laptop and notes. What was he researching that might have led to his death? And can this really be linked to another case – long ruled an accident – in the same area or are the police being forced to prioritise those with the best connections rather than the ones that most need their help?

Eva Dolan’s five novels in her Zigic and Ferreira series have been published to widespread critical acclaim: Between Two Evils was shortlisted for the CWA Ian Fleming Steel Dagger, After You Die was longlisted for the CWA Gold Dagger, and Tell No Tales and After You Die were both shortlisted for the Theakston Crime Novel of the Year Award. Dolan’s first standalone thriller, This Is How It Ends, was longlisted for the 2019 Theakston Old Peculier Crime Novel of the Year. She lives in Cambridge.
Orwell

A Man Of Our Time

Richard Bradford

A vivid portrait of the man behind the writings.

One of the most popular and controversial writers of the twentieth century, George Orwell’s work is as relevant today as it was in his own lifetime. Possibly, in the age of Brexit, Trump, and populism, even more so. “Doublethink” features in Nineteen Eighty-Four and is the forerunner to “Fake News.” Orwell foresaw the creation of the EU and more significantly he predicted that post-Imperial xenophobia would cause Britain to leave it. His struggle with his own antisemitism could serve as a lesson to today’s Labour Party, and while the Soviet Union is gone, China has taken its place as a totalitarian superpower.

Aside from his importance as a political theorist and novelist, Orwell’s life is fascinating in its own right. Caught between uncertainty and his family’s upper middle-class complacency, Orwell grew to despise the class system that spawned him despite finding himself unable to fully detach himself from it. His life thereafter mirrored the history of his country; like many from his background he devoted himself to socialism as a salve to his conscience. In truth he reserved as much suspicion and distaste for the “proles” as he did pity.

He died at the point when Britain’s status as an Imperial and world power had waned but his work remains both prescient and significant. This is a vivid portrait of the man behind the writings that places his work at the center of the current political landscape.

Richard Bradford is research professor in English at Ulster University and visiting professor at the University of Avignon. He has published over twenty-five acclaimed books, including a biography of Philip Larkin, which was an Independent Book of the Year.
Being Jewish Today
Confronting the Real Issues

Tony Bayfield

This is a book which understands and faces the impact of modernity on the Jewish community today.

Being Jewish Today gives an account of both the journey of a particular British Jew and the journey of millions of women and men through today’s perplexing and difficult world. With honesty and integrity Rabbi Tony Bayfield breaks new ground in exploring the meaning of Jewish identity and its relationship to Jewish tradition and belief. He does so from the perspective of a person fully integrated into the modern Western world. The rigorous questions he asks of his Jewishness, Judaism, and the Jewish God are therefore substantially the same as those asked by individuals of all faiths and none.

Beginning with an account of the journey of Jewish people and thought from ancient times to the present day, Bayfield goes on to consider Jewish identity, Israel as land, and the scourge of anti-Semitism. He then turns to the twin concerns of Torah: Halakhah (practice) and Aggadah (ethics) along with the matter of belief in a world faced with global extinction. Finally, in addressing the manifest injustice of life, Rabbi Bayfield confronts the widely evaded questions of universal suffering and divine inaction.

Drawing on key religious and secular thinkers who contribute to the force of his argument, Bayfield’s masterful, challenging, and urgent book will appeal to all Jews, whether religious or cultural, and to anyone curious about the nature of Judaism and religion today.

PRAISE

“A wonderful new book . . . The theme of Rabbi Bayfield’s book is how to understand Judaism now that science and modern sensibility has changed the way we look at the world. And this addresses problems I struggle with all the time . . . Rabbi Bayfield deals with all this with great sensitivity.” —Daniel Finkelstein, The Jewish Chronicle

“Tony Bayfield, a theologian and former head of the Movement for Reform Judaism, reflects on the universal dimensions of Judaism and those parts concerned with Jewish identity.” —Financial Times

“British Jews rarely produce theology that demands to be read. Tony Bayfield has . . . In attempting to answer the per...

Rabbi Tony Bayfield has been both head and president of the Movement for Reform Judaism. He also has a Lambeth doctorate for a body of published work in the world of theology and Christian Jewish relations. He has a CBE for services to Reform Judaism and was awarded the Interfaith Gold Medallion. This is his sixth book. He has contributed to numerous learned journals and reviews.
Genuine Fakes
How Phony Things Teach Us About Real Stuff
Lydia Pyne

Is the distinction between “real” and “fake” as clear-cut as we think?

Does an authentic Andy Warhol painting need to be painted by Andy Warhol? Why do audiences feel outraged when they find out that scenes from their beloved blockbuster documentaries are staged? Can people move past assuming that a diamond grown in a lab is a fake? What happens when a forged painting or manuscript becomes more valuable than its original? This is a book about genuine fakes—the curious and complex objects that provoke these very sorts of questions. Genuine fakes fall into the space between things that are real and things that are not; whether or not we think that those things are authentic is a matter of perspective. Unsurprisingly, the world is full of genuine fakes—full of things that defy simple categorization. From stories of audacious forgeries to feats of technological innovation, historian Lydia Pyne explores how the authenticity of eight genuine fakes depends on their unique combinations of history, science, and culture. The stories of art forgeries, fake fossils, nature documentaries, synthetic flavours, museum exhibits, Maya codices, and Palaeolithic replicas show that genuine fakes are both complicated and change over time. Genuine Fakes will make readers think about all the unreal things they encounter in their daily lives, and why they invoke the reactions—surprise, wonder, understanding or annoyance—that they do.

PRAISE
“Lively, thought-provoking, and consistently surprising, this book forces us to think deeper about what authenticity and fakery really mean, at a time when such matters could hardly matter more. Lydia Pyne is the real deal.” —Ed Yong, science journalist and author of New York Times bestseller I Contain Multitudes
“The best chapters in Ms. Pyne’s book, Genuine Fakes: How Phony Things Teach Us About Real Stuff, marry fine scientific explanation with cultural history and surprising twists. Her fascinating story of the development of...

Lydia Pyne is a writer and historian, interested in the history of science and material culture. She has degrees in history and anthropology and a PhD in history and philosophy of science from Arizona State University, and is currently a visiting researcher at the Institute for Historical Studies at the University of Texas at Austin.
Long Players
Writers on the Albums that Shaped Them
by
Tom Gatti

Fifty legendary writers reflect on the albums that shaped them in this captivating collection curated by the New Statesman's Tom Gatti.

“There are some rare albums that seem to lift from their physical condition and become part of the decor and mood of a life.” Ben Okri

Our favorite albums are our most faithful companions: we listen to them hundreds of times over decades, we know them far better than any novel or film. In Long Players, fifty of our finest authors write about the albums that changed their lives, from Deborah Levy on Bowie to Marlon James on Bjork, Daisy Johnson on Lizzo to Clive James on Duke Ellington, George Saunders on Yes to Bernardine Evaristo on Sweet Honey in the Rock. These miniature essays are an intoxicating mix of memoir and music writing, spanning the golden age of vinyl and the streaming era, and showing how a single LP can shape a writer’s mind.


Tom Gatti is deputy editor of the New Statesman. He joined the New Statesman in 2013 as culture editor; before that he was Saturday Review editor at The Times, where he also wrote book reviews, features and interviews. From 1995 to the present, he has listened to Radiohead's The Bends more times than is strictly necessary.
About Britain

A Journey of Seventy Years and 1,430 Miles

Tim Cole

About Britain is an entirely fresh approach to travel writing. In 1951, the Festival of Britain published a series of thirteen short guides that they dubbed “handbooks for the explorer.” Their aim was to get people on “the roads and the by-roads” to see Britain as a “living country.” Armed with these guidebooks, Tim Cole takes to the roads again to find out what looks the same and what looks different from that moment when Britain’s growing car-owning population set out in 1951. The result is a book that combines travelogue and reflections on our changing relationship with the car with a broader social, cultural, and landscape history of postwar Britain.

The book is structured around the thirteen original itineraries, taking in all corners of the UK. Revisiting these places 70 years after the original “sensible explorers” provides a chance to ask what has changed and what remains the same—what now grows in the hedgerows along our British roads and which industries dominate the towns along the way? Which places have fared better during the last century and which have fared worse?

Sustainability, industry, travel, nature, motoring—all of these things are considered as we follow the Festival of Britain’s original routes. The book also contains a prologue, “About Britain 1951–2021,” and epilogue, “Heading Home”—providing a delightfully written and wonderfully retro look at our own culture and heritage, packaged to recall the guides ...

Professor Tim Cole is professor of social history at Bristol University and director of the Brigstow Institute, which brings researchers together across the university to work with those outside exploring what it means to be human in the twenty-first century.
In this post-natural history guide, Helen Pilcher invites us to meet key species that have been sculpted by humanity.

We are now living through the post-natural phase, where the fate of all living things is irrevocably intertwined with our own. We domesticated animals to suit our needs, and altered their DNA—wolves became dogs to help us hunt, junglefowl became chickens to provide us with eggs, wildebeest were transformed through breeding into golden gnus so rifle-clad tourists had something to shoot. And this was only the beginning. As our knowledge grew we found new ways to tailor the DNA of animals more precisely; we've now cloned police dogs and created a little glow-in-the-dark fish—the world's first genetically modified pet.

Through climate change, humans have now affected even the most remote environments and their inhabitants, and studies suggest that through our actions we are forcing some animals to evolve at breakneck speed to survive. Whilst some are thriving, others are on the brink of extinction, and for others the only option is life in captivity. Today, it's not just the fittest that survive; sometimes it's the ones we decide to let live.

With nowhere “wild” left to go, Helen Pilcher considers the many ways that we've shaped the DNA of the animal kingdom and in so doing, altered the fate of life on earth. In her post-natural history guide, she invites us to meet key species that have been sculpted by humanity, as well as the researchers and conservationists who create, manage and tend to these post-natural creations.

**PRAISE**

“An impressive rendering of the disturbing history of human tinkering with nature.” —*Kirkus Review*

“Pilcher’s amusing yet grounded excursion into the essential ways humans, animals, plants, and microorganisms must coexist is both a rich and riotous popular science trove well worth contemplating.” —*Booklist*

**Helen Pilcher** is a science writer and comedian, with a PhD in stem cell biology and years of stand-up comedy under her belt. Helen has worked as a freelance writer for the last 12 years, and she has written for the *Guardian, New Scientist, BBC online, BBC Wildlife,* and *Nature,* for which she was formerly a reporter.
Splitting

The inside story on headaches

Amanda Ellison

A leading neurologist lifts the lid on head pain—a fascinating, accessible guide to headaches, with some practical advice along the way.

Packed with practical advice and information from a neurologist—from what causes migraines to how sinus pain happens to whether we should just reach for the painkillers and ignore the root causes—this is Why We Sleep for the head.

There is nothing novel about headache. Since time immemorial, humans have suffered in its grip. Medieval Persia was a hotbed of intense debate over how to avoid and subsequently cure headache, and castor oil seemed to be prevalent as a remedy. Thankfully, we have moved on. Darwin became a recluse because of his headaches, but on the bright side, this gave him more time to stay at home and think about the origin of the species. I doubt any modern human sees their headache as being a blessing, but it is trying to tell you something. How do we find out what that is? What is the point of pain?

Professor Amanda Ellison is a physiologist and neuroscientist at Durham University. Her wide-ranging research has thrown new light on addiction, pain, and headache in particular, and her work on how different parts of the brain talk to each other has led to new ways to regain functions lost following brain damage.
Canal Guide, The

Britain’s 55 Best Canals

Stuart Fisher

A beautifully illustrated guide to Britain’s 55 most fascinating and attractive canals.

This attractive guidebook shows off just how rich our waterways heritage is. This fully updated new edition highlights 55 of Britain’s most beautiful and interesting canals, with new photography, updated text throughout and a new “places to visit” feature for each canal (picking out three places within walking distance, and another three slightly further away). In each of the 55 chapters, Stuart Fisher gives a lively background to the history, wildlife and pubs alongside each waterway, as well as a handy map and useful information for visitors.

Through the beautiful cities of London, Bath and Oxford, traversing stunning countryside and national parks, and exploring some of the best Victorian engineering and industry, this book is an inspiring and thoroughly enjoyable read, as well as a perfect resource for anyone thinking about a day out or holiday along Britain’s wonderful canals.

PRAISE

“[This book] will enrich and deepen your boating experience ... and will appeal to anyone who loves the waterways, from boaters to fishermen or towpath joggers.”
—Towpath Talk

“A unique overview of the best our waterways have to offer.” —Welcome Anchorages 2016

As the editor of Canoeist magazine, Stuart Fisher has written monthly guides to the canals and waterways of Britain for many years, always researched from the water, and sometimes using a kayak to reach abandoned or isolated navigations.
Paddleboard Bible, The

The complete guide to stand-up paddleboarding

David Price

Stand-up paddleboarding is the fastest growing water sport in the world for a reason. This paddleboard adventure guide gives you everything you need to know to get up and get SUPping.

With only a little knowledge and practice, pretty much anyone can get up and get moving on a paddleboard, and then there’s no limit to where SUP can take you. This complete guide gives you everything you need to know to get started, and much more besides.

All the basics are here, from fundamental equipment (a guide to boards, including bargain-priced inflatables, as well as paddles, clothing and simple safety gear) to essential techniques (getting on, getting moving and, just as importantly, landing and getting off).

However, *The Paddleboard Bible* then goes much further. It will take you on paddleboard adventures, from night paddles (showing you the world from the water in a way you’ve probably never seen it before) to wildlife-spotting safaris and unique photography opportunities; it even reveals the benefits of fishing from a paddleboard. SUP is also great for fitness (you haven't done yoga until you've done SUP yoga) and it’s a fantastic way to meet new people, join groups, go to events and go on unique tours.

Whether you’re curious about trying out SUP one afternoon, want to dive into it as a new hobby or really get involved in the scene and the lifestyle, then *The Paddleboard Bible* is the one-stop book that covers everything you need to know about the most accessible and inexpensive paddlesport.

Dave Price is a certified SUP instructor at Easyriders, one of the UK’s leading watersports centres, as well as The Watersports Academy, home of stand-up paddleboarding on the south coast. As well as teaching beginners, he also leads SUP expeditions, and his wildlife tours are especially popular. He has been featured in the *Guardian’s Weekend* magazine for his SUP activities.
Seamanship 2.0

Everything you need to know to get yourself out of trouble at sea

Mike Westin

An illustrated practical handbook covering essential seamanship skills—everything a skipper will need to know when the tech goes down, or when they encounter a challenge at sea.

The basic knowledge to sort yourself out when encountering problems at sea is largely forgotten. How to find your way when the GPS plotter has a blackout, how to save the life of someone in your crew when the ambulance or SAR helicopter is hours away… Too many rely on technology to navigate and run their boats, and this beautifully illustrated handbook will be a literal backup when the tech fails, as well as a bible of core knowledge—seamanship—that all skippers should know anyway, whether they’re in the middle of an emergency or not.

Covering all the basics, with handy fact boxes to highlight especially important information, the authors have lent a modern, real-world approach to the subject matter, and the wonderful illustrations bring it to life.

Contents include:
- Navigation: chart symbols, radar fact box, using the sounder, finding your position on the chart
- Seamanship: your crew, passage planning, anchoring, manoeuvering, mooring, towing
- Safety and emergencies: grounding, loss of rigging/mast, leaks, loss of steering, man overboard, sinking and taking to the liferaft
- First aid: CPR, breathing problems, drowning, shock, trauma, treating wounds, burns, hypothermia, seasickness
- Weather: sea breeze, low pressure, wind, fog, squalls, forecasting
- Appendix: rules of road, traffic separation zones, day and night signals, light characteristics, life saving signals, flags/morse

Mike Westin has been a boating journalist since 1997, and was Editor-in-Chief of two Swedish boating magazines between 2003-2015. He’s been a lifeboat cox’n for ten years with the Swedish Lifeboat Institution, and a fast craft navigation trainer for other skippers.
Reeds 9-Language Handbook

The pocket dictionary for all sailors

This pocket illustrated boating dictionary in nine languages (covering the core European sailing destinations) covers all the topics and terms boaters will need to refer to when abroad.

The pocket dictionary is centered around clear, color, annotated diagrams, such as parts of the rig and engine, in each nautical subject area, and makes it very easy and convenient to translate between nine languages (English, French, German, Dutch, Spanish, Italian, Danish, Portuguese, and Greek). The diagrams can easily be used to show someone what is meant (or what is broken!) without having to worry about the language barrier. It covers general terms, such as port and starboard—as well as technical words relating to engine and rigging repair and maintenance. Other topics include navigation, weather, seamanship, requesting help, medical emergencies, safety equipment, numbers, and time.

Whether you need to ask for a berth, a spare part or where the nearest chandlery or supermarket is, this book will help you make yourself understood, quickly and efficiently, which makes this dictionary a vital part of your cruising kit. Whether you’re a keen offshore sailor, motorboater or even an armchair boating enthusiast, Reeds 9-Language Handbook is a handy reference tool that will help expand both your ability to communicate and your horizons.
Reeds VHF Handbook

Andy Du Port

An accessible, user-friendly guide that gives marine VHF radio users all the information they need to use the functions on the radio and to pass the SRC certificate.

The *Reeds VHF Handbook* is an accessible, user-friendly but comprehensive guide to marine VHF radio that helps users quickly get up to speed with all the functions on their equipment. Straightforward explanations and tips describe the leisure VHF DSC radio system in detail and its place within GMDSS. This brand new book incorporates all the information required to pass the Short Range Certificate, which is compulsory for anyone using a VHF DSC radio, and forms part of the process of obtaining the Day Skipper qualification. The book covers radio procedure, channel allocation, VHF radio theory, and more, along with a full explanation of GMDSS, including details on EPIRBs, SARTs and Navtex.

The *Reeds VHF Handbook* is an essential onboard reference, and set to become the standard work on the subject.

**Andy Du Port** is a former editor of the *Reeds Nautical Almanac*. A highly experienced yachtsman, he also produced several editions of the *Reeds Astro Navigation Tables*, as well as writing *Your First Channel Crossing* and *The Yacht Owner’s Manual* for Adlard Coles. Most recently he updated the bestselling *Reeds Skipper’s Handbook*. 
Heathland

Clive Chatters

**An absorbing celebration of the ecology, biology, geology, and cultural history of one of Britain’s most important and vulnerable landscapes.**

Heathlands are so much more than simply purple carpets of heather. This latest addition to the British Wildlife Collection celebrates the diversity and natural history of a distinct and vulnerable cultural landscape, one that can be found throughout the British Isles.

Beginning with an introduction to heathlands, how they can be defined, and the associated wildlife that may be encountered there, Clive Chatters goes on to take the reader on a geographical tour of suites of heathlands throughout the British lowlands, with an in memoriam nod to those that have been erased from common memory and understanding. He concludes with a review of how people have perceived and used heathland wildlife over the ages, and sets out a future vision for the conservation of this iconic landscape, its unique habitats, and the species that live there.

**Clive Chatters** has worked for more than 35 years as a nature conservationist in counties adjoining the Solent. He has held various posts with the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust, where he was responsible for developing and delivering the Trust’s science base and policy framework, and also helped establish the New Forest National Park.
RSPB Spotlight Crows

Mike Unwin

*RSPB Spotlight Crows* is packed with eye-catching, informative color photos and features succinct, detailed text written by a knowledgeable naturalist.

In *Spotlight Crows*, Mike Unwin looks at the biology and ecology of all eight UK corvids and investigates why these birds have become deeply embedded in our culture, from children’s rhymes and Norse mythology to Shakespeare’s plays and the poems of Edgar Allen Poe.

Most of the UK’s crow species—carrion crow, hooded crow, rook, jackdaw, raven, chough, magpie and jay—are very familiar birds to urban householder and countryside dweller alike. Together they make up the Corvidae family, and they have been deeply intertwined in our lives and culture since prehistoric times.

However, familiarity often breeds contempt, and crows—also known as corvids—have long attracted a bad press. Reviled as raiders of crops, feeders on carrion, thieves of jewelry and bullies of smaller birds, crows have often found themselves on the wrong end of a shotgun. Yet the more we learn about them, the more fascinating they become.

Behind the behavior some find objectionable lie exceptional intelligence and resourcefulness. These qualities have long captivated scientists and excited the admiration of anyone who takes the time to know crows better.

*Mike Unwin* is an award-winning author of 35 books for adults and children, including three previous Spotlight titles (*Foxes*, *Eagles*, and *Swifts and Swallows*), as well as *The Atlas of Birds* (Bloomsbury), *100 Bizarre Animals* (Bradt) and *A Parliament of Owls* (Yale).
RSPB Spotlight Seals

Frances Dipper

*RSPB Spotlight Seals* is packed with eye-catching, informative color photos and features succinct, detailed text written by a knowledgeable naturalist.

*Spotlight Seals* explores the intricate lives of the UK’s native Grey and Common Seals and their amazing physical and behavioral adaptations to a life split between land and sea. Seals are the sleekest and most agile of all marine mammals, and they are superbly adapted to the watery world in which they spend most of their time. With their whiskery dog-like faces, curious nature and vulnerable pups, they are enduringly appealing animals. Although air-breathing, these marine mammals are superbly tuned to hunt, sleep, mate and keep warm while out at sea, but they remain inextricably linked to land where they moult and have their pups.

Frances Dipper also delves into the complex physiology that allows seals to dive deep and for long periods without coming to any harm. Once ruthlessly exploited for their meat and skins, seals now have protection around the British Isles. Their numbers are increasing, but they now face the new danger of plastic litter in their environment. Frances Dipper also explores age-old legends, interactions between humans and seals, and the best places to watch them in the UK.

Frances Dipper is an independent marine biologist, author and lecturer and has been diving and studying marine wildlife for over 40 years. She writes both children’s and adult books on marine life and ocean environments, contributes a regular marine report to the *British Wildlife* magazine and wrote the award-winning *DK Guide to the Oceans.*
Wanderland

SHORTLISTED FOR THE WAINWRIGHT PRIZE

Jini Reddy

In pursuit of a connection to Britain's captivating natural world, Jini Reddy searches for the magic in our landscape.

A London journalist with multicultural roots and a perennial outsider, she determinedly sets off on an unorthodox path through the “wanderlands” of Britain. Serendipity and her inner compass guide her around the country: where might this lead? And if you know what it is to be Othered yourself, how might this color your experiences? And what if, in invoking the spirit of the land, “it” decides to make its presence felt?

Whether following a “cult” map to a hidden well that refuses to reveal itself, attempting to persuade a labyrinth to spill its secrets, embarking on a coast-to-coast pilgrimage or searching for a mystical land temple, Jini depicts a whimsical, natural Britain. Along the way, she tracks down ephemeral wild art, encounters women who worship The Goddess, and falls deeper in love with her birth land. Throughout, she rejoices in the wildness we cannot see and celebrates the natural beauty we can, while offering glimpses of her Canadian childhood and her Indian parents' struggles in apartheid-era South Africa. Wanderland is a book in which the heart leads, all things are possible, and the Other, both wild and human, comes in from the cold. It is a paean to the joy of roaming, both figuratively and imaginatively, and to the joy of finding your place in the world.

PRAISE

“With an unusual but timely eco-spiritual edge, and an alluring blend of memoir and nature-writing this touches on themes of identity and belonging as it charts how a restless spirit fell in love with her native land.” —Caroline Sanderson, Editor at The Bookseller (Editor’s choice in the Bookseller)

“Wanderland is extraordinary, unique even, standing apart from recent books about the British countryside… She is, she declares, lovesick: at times her prose has a dreamy, almost erotic charge.” —Ben Hoare, Countryfile

“A breath of fresh air.” —Observer

“Candid, soulful and uplifting search for natural magic.” —The Lady

“A page turner.” —Sunday Express...

Jini Reddy is an award-winning author and journalist. She was born in London to Indian parents, and was raised in Montreal, Canada. Her byline has appeared in The Guardian, Time magazine, The Metro, The Times, Sunday Times Style, The Sunday Telegraph, National Geographic Traveller, BBC Wildlife, Resurgence & The Ecologist and other publications. Her first book, Wild Times, was published in 2016.
Run Well

Essential health questions and answers for runners

Juliet McGrattan

The handbook that every runner will want to have on their shelf. Running Well answers the common health questions that every runner asks.

Running-related health questions crop up all the time, often at inconvenient moments. It can be hard to access the advice you need because health care professionals are often unavailable at short notice and without an interest in running, may not have the expertise to give adequate answers. Information from the internet is often dubious, anecdotal, and not evidence-based. Dr. Juliet McGrattan has been answering health questions from runners since 2012 and has worked as a family doctor and a health journalist. A keen runner herself, this experience and passion combines to create a helpful, accessible handbook for runner regardless of gender, fitness level, or training program.

Dr. Juliet McGrattan was for 16 years an NHS GP, and is a health journalist (7 years) and runner (11 years). Juliet works for global running network (261 Fearless) and does a podcast for a global audience (Women In Sports). Her first book for Bloomsbury Sorted: The Active Woman's Guide to Health was the winner of the Popular Medicine Book of the Year 2019, BMA Book Awards.
100 Great Walks with Kids

Fantastic stomps around Great Britain

Jen Benson, Sim Benson

100 wonderful walks across Britain suitable for families with children of any age, including stroller-friendly routes, mini mountains, tiny safaris, and circumnavigations of lakes.

Adventure star...

Starting with a useful and informative introduction with advice on making walks with kids successful and enjoyable (best clothing and equipment, food and drink, the countryside code, and a lighthearted troubleshooting guide for commonly encountered problems), the book divides the walks themselves by geographical area:

- England: south-west, south-east, central north-west, north-east
- Wales: south, central, north
- Scotland: borders and south, central, north and islands

Symbols will indicate easy parking, toilets, child-friendly cafes, baby changing, dog-friendliness, and pram suitability. QR codes by each walk will link to free online OS maps for those routes so readers can read the walk description and get the map up on their phone, then choose to bring the book with them or not. With routes and themes such as mini mountains, walks with paddles, beaches, woodland, wildlife, circumnavigations of lakes, and walks from child-friendly cafes, everyone in the family is guaranteed to enjoy themselves.

Jen and Sim Benson are routes editors for Trail Running magazine, have a monthly column in Outdoor Fitness magazine, and are regular contributors to Trail, Country Walking, and Runner’s World. They’re the authors of Wild Running, Amazing Family Adventures, Day Walks in Devon, The Adventurer’s Guide to Britain, and Short Runs in Beautiful Places. They’re Active Outdoors Ambassadors for the National Trust and Ordnance Survey Get Outside Champions.
Cuba

Mike Gonzalez

A literary guide to one of the most fascinating countries in the world—Cuba.

Cuba has always been one of the most compelling places in the world but perhaps never more so than now. With Raoul’s promise to resign in 2018, the era of Castroism is all but over and the 2014 US—Cuba rapprochement has opened the country up for the first time to a generation of Americans whose only previous way in was through film and literature. The coming years will undoubtedly bring significant changes to a country that has in many ways been frozen in time. There is no better time for a Cuba literary guide, which challenges some firmly held western assumptions about the country and shines a light on one of the richest and most deeply embedded literary cultures in the world.

Mike Gonzalez, a historian and literary critic, is emeritus professor of Latin American studies at the University of Glasgow, Scotland.
Through the French Canals
The Complete Planning Guide to Cruising the French Waterways

David Jefferson

The bible for anyone cruising through the scenery of the French waterways, or on passage from the English Channel to the Mediterranean.

Through the French Canals has probably tempted more people to explore the beautiful waterways of France than any other book. First published in 1970, it’s been the key authoritative title on cruising the French canals ever since. The revised new edition is the essential comprehensive planning guide for anyone wanting to cruise through the French waterways or take their boat from the English Channel through to the Mediterranean via the inland route. It includes: over 50 routes fully described and illustrated, with positions of locks, towns and villages through routes from the English Channel and Atlantic to the Mediterranean, plus distances, and assessment of suitable boats for the canals. It also provides dimensions of locks and operating times, details of bridge heights, canal depths, fuelling points, waterway signals, a guide to the cost of living, shopping and stores, sources of weather information, haltes for overnight stops, and ports de plaisance.

As well as new photography, the new edition is updated throughout with new information on local facilities, new haltes and ports de plaisance, new VNF License fees, revisions to cruise hire companies, updated references to holding tanks, the availability of diesel and costs of cruising and much more.

PRAISE

“A must for yachtsmen wishing to use the French inland waterway system . . . a fascinating read.” —Yachting Monthly

“Highly professional, beautifully-presented.” —Waterways World

“The bible for those wishing to head for the Med.” —Gaffer's Log

“This book covers virtually all you need to know.” —Towpath Talk

David Jefferson has researched the French waterways extensively, both in his own boat which he keeps in France, and in Le Boat cruisers. He has written for leading sailing and motorboat magazines in the UK. He has updated the previous six editions of this book.
I Belong Here

A Journey Along the Backbone of Britain

Anita Sethi

One woman’s journey of reclamation through natural landscapes as she contemplates identity and womanhood, nature, place, and belonging.

Anita Sethi was on a journey through Northern England in summer 2019 when she became the victim of a racially motivated hate crime. After the event Anita experienced panic attacks and anxiety. A crushing sense of claustrophobia made her long for wide open spaces, to breathe deeply in the great outdoors. She was intent on not letting her experience stop her from traveling freely without fear. Between the route from Liverpool to Newcastle lies the Pennines, known as “the backbone of Britain.” That “backbone” runs through the north and also strongly connects north with south, east with west—it’s a place of borderlands and limestone, of rivers and “scars,” of fells and forces. The Pennines called to Anita with a magnetic force; although a racist had told her to leave, she felt drawn to further explore the area she regards as her home, to immerse herself deeply in place. Anita’s journey through the natural landscapes of the North is one of reclamation, a way of saying that this is her land too and she belongs in the UK as a brown woman as much as a white man does.

Anita transforms her personal experience into one of universal resonance, offering a call to action, to keep walking onward. Every footstep taken is an act of persistence. Every word written against the rising tide of hate speech, such as this book, is an act of resistance.

Grasshoppers of Britain and Western Europe

Éric Sardet, Christian Roesti, Yoan Braud

The definitive photographic guide to Britain and Western Europe’s orthopterans, complete with a CD of sounds.

This beautifully presented field guide, containing more than 1200 illustrations, covers the 261 grasshoppers (and their allies) of Britain and Western Europe. All of the main species and subspecies are included, and they are accompanied by photographs of both male and female, distribution maps, statuses, habitat descriptions, advice on when to find them, and tips to avoid confusion during the process of identification.

Comprehensive general chapters also cover morphology, ecology, and habitat, and assist with research in the field. Set out in a clear and accessible format, the layout allows for easy identification.

Together with 155 oscillograms and a CD of 222 sounds, this book is set to be the definitive guide to the orthoptera of Britain and Western Europe.

PRAISE

Yoan Braud is an entomologist with a particular interest in the orthoptera of the Alps, Corsica, and the Mediterranean region. He was the coordinator of the departmental atlas on French orthoptera (Defaut et al, 2009), and he's currently working on the IUCN red list for European orthoptera.

Éric Sardet is an entomologist who has specialized in orthoptera since the late 1990s. He works as an independent biologist with INSECTA, and is the author or co-author of a number of publications. Christian Roesti has been interested in the orthoptera of Europe since the age of 6. He is the co-author of Sauterelles, Grillons et Criquets de Suisse and Die Stimmen der Heuschrecken, and co-creator of the smartphone app Orthoptera-App.
Eat Run Enjoy

Energising Recipes for Running Performance and Pleasure

Billy White

A book about two passions: trail running and delicious food. Listed by The Guardian as one of 20 Best Food Books of the Year.

Eat, Run, Enjoy is a recipe book designed for runners of all levels. It features 80 mouth-watering recipes, including breakfasts, salads, main meals, snacks, drinks, and desserts, many of which are vegetarian or vegan, and all designed with busy runners in mind. These easy-to-make and nutritionally balanced meals will help runners reach their performance goals in an enjoyable way. It’s delicious food that not only tastes great but will also keep you going through long days on the trails and in the mountains.

With stunning photography and interviews with ultra-running legends, Billy White lets you explore the lakes of Sweden and discover the trails of Manitou Springs, Colorado (and the garlic knot bread waiting for you back at camp). Some of the world’s best trail and mountain runners from Europe to the U.S. offer their nutritional advice and tips on how to become a better runner. With beautiful food photography and stunning images of some of the world’s most majestic trails, this book will inspire you both to get cooking some wholesome and tasty food in the kitchen, then to lace up your trainers and head outside to enjoy the run.


PRAISE

“You don’t need to be like Billy and run 100-mile trails to appreciate this cookbook.” —Allan Jenkins, The Guardian
**The Midlife Cyclist**

*For Older Riders Who Want to Stay Healthy, Stay Alive – and Perform at Peak Level*

Phil Cavell

_Cycling biomechanics pioneer Phil Cavell produces a practical guide for mature cyclists who want to stay healthy, avoid injury, and maximize their achievement levels._

Midlife Cyclist offers a gold standard road-map for the mature cyclist who aims to train, perform and even race at the highest possible level. Cycling has seen a participation uplift unprecedented in any sport, especially in the 40, 50 and 60-year-old age groups. These athletes are the first statistically significant cohort to maintain, or even begin, genuine athletic performance beyond middle-age. But, just because we _can_ continue to tune the engine into old age, does that mean that we _should_? And, what do these training efforts do to the aging human chassis? This book answers those questions and offers a guide to those elongating their performance window.

Using case studies and expert contributions from all aspects of the sport, Midlife Cyclist looks at cycling as an aging person’s exercise of choice, the physical implications of hard training, and the use of sport medication and specific training in combating them. It also considers the age-specific questions raised, including what happens to performance as we mature? Will the bike specifications alter as our bodies change? Should we refine our riding technique and how do we best deploy the psychological advantages of being older riders?

Phil Cavell is joint founder and CEO of Cyclefit, Europe’s first center devoted to modern bike-fitting and cycling-analysis. He was a member of the pioneering bike-fitting group known as “The Sultans of Fit.” Cyclefit are leader in the field, hosting events featuring the best minds in cycling science, biomechanics, injury and cycling analysis. Phil is a consultant to pro-racing team, Trek Racing, and women’s team, Team Drops.
Wisden Cricketers' Almanack 2021

The 158th edition of the most famous sports book in the world. The 2021 edition of the cricketer's bible includes full coverage of the Cricket World Cup and this year’s momentous drawn Ashes.

Published every year since 1864, the Wisden Cricketer's Almanack 2021 contains some of the finest sports writing of the year, and tells the story of England men's first World Cup win, as well as a remarkable Ashes series. Home to some of the finest sports writing of the year—from the likes of Lawrence Booth, Gideon Haigh, Tanya Aldred, Emma John, Andy Bull, Jon Hotten, Anand Vasu, Paul Edwards, Simon Wilde, Osman Samiuddin and Raf Nicholson—it includes the eagerly awaited Notes by the Editor, the Cricketers of the Year awards, and the famous obituaries. As always, it contains reports and scorecards for all Tests, one-day and Twenty20 internationals, together with trenchant opinion, compelling features and comprehensive records.

“There can’t really be any doubt about the cricket book of the year, any year: it’s obviously Wisden.” —Andrew Baker in The Daily Telegraph

@WisdenAlmanack

PRAISE

“Overall, Wisden succeeds again in meeting its challenge, recording meticulously and comprehensively while finding time to breathe and reflect.” —Richard Hobson, The Cricketer

“It is a book of three parts: comment; record; and delightful minutiae, which always brings the most cheer.” —Mike Atherton, The Times

“The joys of the Almanack are the joys of cricket. Its landscape is vast, its minutia endlessly explorable. It is somewhere to escape to.” —Jon Hotten, Wisden Cricket Monthly

This is Lawrence Booth’s tenth year as Editor of Wisden. He is one of the most respected and well liked authorities in the modern game. @the_topspin
The Adventures of Pipì the Pink Monkey

Carlo Collodi

A rediscovered gem from Italian children literature, written by the author of *Pinocchio*, translated and expanded by Alessandro Gallenzi and illustrated by Axel Scheffler.

Pipì isn’t like his four brothers or the other young monkeys living in the forest of Hullabaloo: he has bright-pink fur, a mischievous character and a rebellious streak that lands him into all sorts of scrapes. In this story, an expanded version of Collodi’s original tale, we see him lose his tail to an ancient crocodile, end up as a valet to a young master, fall into the hands of flying bandits and become emperor of a tribe of apes.

Collodi wrote this story immediately after *Pinocchio*, and the little monkey’s adventures present clear similarities, both in terms of themes and characters, with his more celebrated masterpiece. This rediscovered gem of Italian literature, beautifully illustrated by Axel Scheffler and preserving all of Collodi’s trademark wit and linguistic crispness, will delight and enthral a new generation of children.

PRAISE

“A gentle and amusing story from the author of *Pinocchio* with plenty of excitement and food for thought.” — Primary Times
“A must-read for all adventure-loving children and a fantastic addition to any library.” — The School Librarian

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Silas Marner

George Eliot

The perfect companion to *The Mill on the Floss* and *Middlemarch*, both published in Alma Classics’ Evergreens series, *Silas Marner* portrays a changing society with realism.

Having been accused of theft and hounded out of a religious community many years previously, the weaver Silas Marner now lives alone in the village of Raveloe, hoarding the precious wealth he earns. But when Silas’s beloved gold is stolen, and an orphaned girl finds her way into his home, he is given the opportunity to transform his selfish and embittered life. George Eliot’s favorite novel—rich in symbolism, humor and social criticism—*Silas Marner* is one of the great nineteenth-century portrayals of rural life.

PRAISE

“A great novel of unquenchable optimism and boundless humanity.” —*The Guardian*

Mary Ann Evans (1819–1880), better known by her pen name *George Eliot*, was one of the leading writers of the Victorian era. Her novels, largely set in provincial England, are well known for their realism and psychological insight. *Middlemarch* is her masterpiece.
Concise Foraging Guide

Tiffany Francis-Baker

This brand-new title in our ever popular series of Concise Guides will bring the delights of foraging to a new audience.

A practical pocket guide to the edible berries, shoots, leaves, roots, flowers, and fungi of Britain and Europe.

This field guide includes accurate artwork to help with identification, as well as information on where to find different species, their descriptions and habitats, and ideas on how to prepare and eat them.

Tiffany Francis-Baker is a writer, artist, and environmentalist from the South Downs in Hampshire. With a mixed background in the arts, rural heritage and conservation, her work is fueled by a love for the natural world and a passion for protecting it. She writes and illustrates for national publications and has appeared on BBC Radio 4 and Channel 4. Her first color book Food You Can Forage was published in March 2018 and her nature narrative, Dark Skies, was published in September 2019.
Much Ado About Mothing

A year intoxicated by Britain’s rare and remarkable moths

James Lowen

This book narrates a yearlong quest to see Britain's rarest and most remarkable moths.

This book coaxes moths out from the darkness and into the daylight; Much Ado About Moth-ing reveals that moths are so much more attractive, approachable, and astonishing than butterflies—with richer tales to share, from migratory feats through mastery of camouflage to missives about the state of our planet. This book seeks to persuade the skeptical, the fearful, and the unaware of the unexpected beauty of these misjudged insects.

The author, James Lowen, makes a case for moths by recounting a suitcase full of journeys across Britain over the course of a calendar year. His travels extend from the Isles of Scilly to northernmost Scotland. Accordingly, this book drinks in the landscapes where moths reside. It’s also a book about people—James meets moth fans wherever he goes, be they expert entomologists, professional conservationists, or amateur “moth-ers.” He asks why they love what many people choose to hate, and how moths impact their lives.

A counterweight to James’s expeditionary travels is his suburban garden. James and his young daughter measure the seasons by the moths that come and go, for perhaps the greatest virtue of moths—paradoxically, for those who consider them invisible—is their accessibility. Moths are everywhere, but above all they are here, and what’s more, they’ll sit calmly on a fingertip, providing firsthand amazement to children and adults alike like no other animal.

James Lowen is an award-winning travel writer, focusing on nature-orientated travel, and moth fanatic. He deftly treads the line between expert and layman by bringing wildlife alive for the non-specialist. His books for Bloomsbury include RSPB Spotlight Hedgehogs and Badgers, and Birds of France. His big hit is 52 Wildlife Weekends (for Bradt), which won Travel Book of the Year in 2016.
British and Irish Moths: Third Edition

A Photographic Guide

Chris Manley

A stunning new edition of the bestselling photographic guide to the moths of the British Isles—now covering all species on the British list.

British Moths is the most comprehensive collection of photographs of British moths ever published. It covers both macro and micro species, and the images are all of living insects, taken in natural conditions. Concise text descriptions cover wingspan, status and distribution, flight period, habitat, and larval foodplants, while thumbnail maps provide a quick overview of geographical distributions.

This third edition has been significantly expanded so that it includes all species on the British list, approximately 2,500 in total, representing a magnificent achievement by the author, Chris Manley. It also includes updates to the text, improvements to the photographic selection, and extra identification hints. For the leaf-mining micros, photographs are included to demonstrate the all-important feeding signs that can often be a more reliable identification method than seeing the adult.

This revised and now comprehensive edition is an essential part of the library of any moth or butterfly enthusiast.

Chris Manley is an author, sculptor, and moth specialist. Beyond his detailed knowledge of lepidopterans gained through years of study, Chris is an insect photographer of rare talent. In addition to the two previous editions of British Moths, he is also the author of Moths of Trigon.
Dragonflies and Damselflies of Britain and Western Europe

Jean-Pierre Boudot, Guillaume Doucet, Daniel Grand

A very fine photographic guide to all the dragonflies and damselflies of Britain and Western Europe.

This visually impressive encyclopedia is a must-have for Britain’s army of dragonfly watchers. Written at an advanced level, this book contains keys, first-class photography, and highlights to key identification criteria in the adults. Very unusually, nymphs are also afforded this treatment, making this a truly unique resource for anyone interested in freshwater ecology. There are also detailed diagrams of wing venation—crucial for some identifications, rarely covered in other guides (and never with this sort of clarity)—and plates showing confusion abdomens, a superb resource.

PRAISE

Guillaume Doucet has been studying dragonflies for fifteen years, and his studies have taken him across the world. He specializes in larval ecology and regularly organizes training for naturalists wishing to learn more about this area. Daniel Grand has devoted his life to the study of dragonflies. He is the author or co-author of numerous publications.

Jean-Pierre Boudot has specialized in the study of dragonflies since the 1980s and is currently a researcher at the French National Centre for Scientific Research. He has traveled extensively across Europe, North Africa, and the Middle East to identify dragonflies, gradually establishing himself as one of the best specialists in this field, and he is the co-author of several works devoted to dragonflies.
Tracking The Highland Tiger

In Search of Scottish Wildcats

Marianne Taylor

An exploration of the mysterious Scottish Wildcat—Britain’s rarest mammal, and one of the most endangered carnivores in the world.

These cats are fierce and very wild—completely untameable. Just like domestic cats prowling in the garden, wildcats hunt for a wide range of prey, from mice and voles to grouse, rabbits, and red squirrels. Their kittens are born in March, and quickly begin to learn key hunting skills. Wildcats have endured centuries of habitat loss; they have been hunted for fur and been killed as vermin, and are threatened by inbreeding with domestic cats, along with other issues such as disease and vehicle collisions.

In this book, Marianne Taylor—author of the award-winning The Way of the Hare—seeks out the beautiful and enigmatic Scottish Wildcat in a rich narrative interwoven with what we know about the cat’s biology and history in Britain. Tracking the Highland Tiger is a great read for anyone with an interest in Britain’s wildlife and wild places, and especially to those who are fond of felines.

Marianne Taylor is a freelance writer, illustrator, photographer, and editor, and author of many natural history books, including The Way of the Hare, Dragonflight, RSPB British Birds of Prey, and RSPB British Naturefinder. A passion for all wildlife has been a driving force throughout her life.
Don Revie: The Definitive Biography

Christopher Evans

The definitive story of Don Revie, a player and manager who singlehandedly changed the face of English football but left behind a legacy shrouded in allegations of corruption and dishonesty

Don Revie was one of the most complex and controversial men ever to grace the game of football. As a player he was crowned footballer of the year and credited with creating the modern center forward. As a manager, he took a Leeds United team languishing in the lower half of the second division and turned them, not only into league champions, but one of the most dominant teams in the country. In 1974, as Sir Alf Ramsay ran out of time as England manager, it was to Revie that the Football Association turned.

With England, Revie lost the magic touch he had at Leeds and became increasingly indecisive. After negotiating a big money contract with United Arab Emirates, Revie became the first man to walk out on the England job. Then came the backlash: Revie’s reputation was destroyed. He was shunned by the football establishment. When he died just 12 years after walking out on England, the FA did not even send a representative to his funeral. His death robbed him of the opportunity to rebuild his reputation as one of the most important figures ever seen in English football.

Based on exclusive interviews, this is the first biography to examine in depth the secrets of Don Revie’s life. The book also reveal how today’s football owes so much to him, in order to redeem his reputation for the first time ever, so that he can finally take his rightful place among the greats of the game.

Christopher Evans is the Member of Parliament for Islwyn in South Wales. He has been published in Boxing Monthly and many other newspapers and publications, and appeared on national television as a political commentator. His first book, Fearless Freddie: The Life and Times of Freddie Mills, was short-listed for the Times Biography of the Year and the Sports Book Awards 2018.
Take the Slow Road: France

_Inspirational Journeys Round France by Camper Van and Motorhome_

Martin Dorey

The ultimate guide to the very best scenic and fun routes for camper vans and motorhomes around the mountains, valleys and vineyards of beautiful France.

Forget hurrying. Forget putting your foot down and racing through sweeping bends. Forget the blur of a life lived too fast. This is a look at taking life slowly. It’s about taking the time to enjoy journeys and places for their own sake.

How are you going to do it? In a camper van or a motorhome, of course.

In this book, we define the best driving routes around France for camper vans and motorhomes. We show you the coolest places to stay, what to see, what to do and explain why it’s special. We meander around France on the most breathtaking roads, chugging up mountain passes and pootling along the coast.

We show you stuff that’s fun, often free. We include the best drives for different kinds of drivers: for walkers, wine-quaffers, climbers and skiers. We include the steepest, the bendiest, the most picturesque and most interesting. And you don’t even have to own a camper van or motorhome—we’ll tell you the many places you can rent one to take you on the journey.

All of this is interspersed with beautiful photos, handy maps and quirky travel writing from the king of camper vans and motorhomes, Martin Dorey. So if all you want to do is flick through it on a cold day and plan your next outing, you’ll be transported (albeit slowly) to vineyards, beaches, mountains and highways that make you want to turn the key and go, go, go!

Martin Dorey is a writer, surfer and serial camper van owner. He is the author of _The Camper Van Cookbook, The Camper Van Coast, The Camper Van Bible, Take the Slow Road: Scotland, Take the Slow Road: England and Wales and Take the Slow Road: Ireland_, amongst several others, and he writes regular features for _Coast_ magazine, _Camping_ magazine, _Motorhome and Motorcaravan Monthly_ magazine, and the _Huffington Post_. @campervanliving; www.martindorey.com
Stress-Free Sailing

Single and Short-handed Techniques

Duncan Wells

This indispensable guide takes the stress out of sailing with step by step photographic instructions on how to perform essential sailing techniques.

Here you will find clever, highly effective and successfully tried and tested shorthanded solutions for dealing with everything from getting off and then back onto the dock in a variety of wind and tide configurations, sail setting and reefing, mooring and anchoring, to sailing in heavy weather and new techniques for man overboard, all clearly illustrated with straightforward diagrams and sequence photos. Over 20 QR codes dotted throughout the book link to online video demonstrations to bring the techniques to life.

As single or short-handers you have to plan carefully, prepare properly and be able to anticipate. This new edition will be a godsend with its original techniques for coping in every situation. It will be fully revised throughout with new practical tips and advice on mooring, navigation, anchoring and safety at sea.

Duncan Wells is an RYA instructor and sailing school principal. He has written for many leading boating magazines in the UK and US. He is also the author of Stress-Free Navigation, Stress-Free Motorboating and Stress-Free Mooring (Adlard Coles Nautical), which have helped countless sailors and motorboaters learn helpful boat handling and berthing techniques. He lives in Buckinghamshire.
Salt in the Blood

*A practical philosopher’s manifesto for sailing now*

Patrick Dixon, Sheila Dixon

In his witty and inspiring adventure, Patrick Dixon traces his wife’s journey battling cancer and their travels to little-visited corners of the oceans, whilst sharing advice on how to follow in ...

Patrick Dixon spent years working as a doctor at University College Hospital—a high-pressure career that demanded long hours away from his home, his family and his passion for sailing. It is a frustrating story many occasional sailors can relate to, but unlike most, Patrick realized early enough that he could only bend so far before something snapped, he could only take on so much before he drowned.

This is his story of how he made changes (some more challenging than others) that he knows other sailors could make too, regardless of where they are at the moment—how he changed his priorities but managed to sustain a new career that fitted in around his life rather than the other way round.

It is also the story of his and his wife Sheila’s personal journey—how a doctor who treated cancer patients coped with a partner facing the same battle. Neither of them wanted to let that flood things either.

Through his personal story, with plenty of mishaps that led to insights (both about sailing and life in general), and encounters that turned into opportunities, Patrick explores the importance of prioritizing the right things in life, and the simple benefits of travel. The book is packed with inspiring but practical advice for all those who have salt in the blood.

*Patrick Dixon* was a doctor at University College Hospital, London, for many years where his work with HIV+ patients in the 1980s led him to found the AIDS charity ACET. An early promoter of computerized solutions within healthcare, he went on to become a business analyst. His futurist insights into trends, innovation and leadership led him to being named one of the 20 most influential business thinkers by *The Times.*
Forecast

A Diary of the Lost Seasons

Joe Shute

Joe Shute has traveled all over Britain discovering how our seasons are changing, causing havoc with nature and affecting our lives.

The changing seasons have shaped all of our lives, but what happens when the weather changes beyond recognition? Shute has traveled all over Britain discovering how our seasons are warping, causing havoc with nature, and affecting all our lives. He has trudged through the severe devastation caused by increasingly frequent flooding and visited the Northamptonshire village once dependent on hard frosts for its slate quarrying industry now forced to invest in industrial freezers due to our ever-warming winters. Even the very language we use to describe the weather, he has discovered, is changing in the modern age.

This book aims to bridge the void between our cultural expectation of the seasons and what they are actually doing. To follow the march of the seasons up and down the country and document how their changing patterns affect the natural world and all of our lives. And to discover what happens to centuries of folklore, identity, and memory when the very thing they subsist on is changing for good.

Joe Shute is an author and journalist with a passion for the natural world. He studied history at Leeds University, and currently works as a senior staff feature writer at the Telegraph. Before joining the newspaper, Joe was the crime correspondent for the Yorkshire Post. He lives in Sheffield, on the edge of the Peak District. @JoeShute / www.telegraph.co.uk/journalists/joe-shute/
His Imperial Majesty
A Natural History of the Purple Emperor

Matthew Oates

A witty and informative account that busts the myths about Britain’s most captivating butterfly species.

A wondrous enigma, the Purple Emperor is our most elusive and least-known butterfly—we glimpse it only through fissures in its treetop world, yet this giant insect has fascinated us for centuries and has even inspired its own “Emperoring” language. Matthew Oates became captivated by the Purple Emperor following his first sighting as a boy. He has studied it assiduously ever since, devoting his life to trying to unravel the Emperor’s secrets.

*His Imperial Majesty* takes us on a journey, beginning with a dalliance into the bizarre history of our engagement with the butterfly, with daring doings and gross eccentricities from the Victorian and Edwardian eras. Subsequent chapters explore all aspects of this remarkable butterfly’s life cycle, including behavior, habitat preferences, life history, and conservation, all relayed in Matthew’s unique, informative and witty style. Not so long ago, our knowledge of the Emperor was largely based on a blend of mythology and assumption. This book dispels the fabrications and reveals all about the Purple Emperor—the king of British butterflies.

**PRAISE**

“One of the greatest naturalists of our time, Matthew is also one of science’s most articulate and generous communicators, the kind of champion nature needs now more than ever.” —Isabella Tree, author of *Wilding*

“Dogbarking wood, cherry-pickers, shrimp paste, caterpillars called Sir Cloudesley Shovell—this monumental, transcendent, hilarious book is a natural history like no other. This profound work of genius brings us alive to the pulsating wonder of an English woodland in June—to life, the universe, and everything.” —Patrick Barkham, author of *The Butterfly Isles*

Matthew Oates is a naturalist, writer, and poet who has been obsessed by Britain’s butterflies since he was at school. Intimately acquainted with all Britain’s native species, he has conducted most of his research on the Pearl-bordered Fritillary, Mountain Ringlet, and Duke of Burgundy; his experiences are summarized in his previous book, *In Pursuit of Butterflies*. But no butterfly has entranced him as much as the elusive Purple Emperor—a butterfly we now understand much better thanks to his det...
New and updated, this the essential guide for anyone working in, or wishing to enter, the fitness industry: the ultimate resource for students and qualified fitness professionals alike.

This edition includes new text on how to avoid poor exercise technique that can increase injury risk as well as a brand new section on field protocols for typical health and fitness tests with guidance on how instructors can standardize them. Other essential updates are also included that reflect changes to the National Occupational Standards for both Level 2 and 3 qualifications. At the end of each chapter you will also find revision questions to sharpen your knowledge and help with exam prep.

Chapters include:
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Offering the perfect blend of theory and practice for every aspect of health and fitness, this is the resource you will refer to time and again.

Morc Coulson is Senior Lecturer of Sport and Exercise Science at the University of Sunderland. He was Chair of the CPD endorsement panel at Skills Active for many years and is a Level 4 Specialist CPD course evaluator. He is the author of a number of books including The Complete Guide to Personal Training, The Complete Guide to Teaching Exercise to Special Populations, and Practical Fitness Testing.
Treasured Islands

The explorer’s guide to 200 of the most beautiful and intriguing islands around Britain

Peter Naldrett

A comprehensive and inspiring guide to 200 of Britain’s most beautiful and interesting islands.

The British Isles includes some 194 inhabited islands (out of a total of over 6,000), ranging from remote lost worlds to famous and popular holiday spots. And Treasured Islands includes them all, in one enticing package. This wonderfully comprehensive and inspiring guide starts off with a Best of… section, highlighting the ten best islands for foodies, wildlife, adrenaline-junkies and pure escapism. Then, region by region, the author explores the UK’s most wonderful islands, including:

- Shetlands, Fair Isle, Orkneys, Outer Hebrides, Inner Hebrides, Isle of Arran;
- Lindisfarne, Isle of Man, Walney Island; Anglesey, Pembrokeshire Island;
- Foulness and Canvey Islands; Isle of Sheppey, Lundy; Isle of Wight, Isles of Scilly, Channel Islands, Islands of Ireland;
- Tidal Islands (to include Burgh Island, Holy Island and St Michael’s Mount); Inland Islands (to include Eel Pie, Derwent Isle and Peel Island in the Lake District); and Remote Islands.

Illustrated with beautiful colour photography, the text ensures you won’t miss out on must-see attractions, wildlife and natural features, local food specialties, sporting activities, best places to stay and eat, and all-important transport links to and from the mainland, and other nearby islands. For some light relief, there are interesting historical and cultural anecdotes woven through, giving a fascinating insight into the way of life on these sometimes remote settlements.

Peter Naldrett is a freelance writer specialising in travel and the outdoors. He has written a number of guidebooks, including the Church Walks series with Rev Kate Bottley (of Gogglebox fame) and two books in the Dog Walkers’ Guide series. He has also written for magazines such as Geographical, The Big Issue, and Dalesman as well as The Daily Telegraph. He is the author of Days Out Underground and Around the Coast in 80 Days, both published by Bloomsbury.
Ghosts of the Belle Époque

The History of the Grand Hôtel et des Palmes, Palermo

Andrew Edwards, Suzanne Edwards

Murder, music, and the mafia in Sicily’s Grand Hotel.

The Grand Hôtel et des Palmes is an icon of Palermo life. Its rooms and public spaces have witnessed the events that have shaped twentieth-century Sicily, everything from the suicide of a poet to political intrigues and a clandestine mafia meeting. This book is a richly researched history of the historic hotel, with a cast of characters ranging from the good to the bad and the decidedly ugly.

The hotel has a long and venerable history. It started out as a private residence for the Ingham-Whitakers, the Anglo-Sicilian family of marsala wine fame, before being sold to the hotelier Enrico Ragusa in 1874. Wagner was one of the most eminent early guests, looking for inspiration to finish his last opera, Parsifal. A few days after its completion, a nervous Renoir arrived to paint his portrait. Months later came Guy de Maupassant, who asked to see Wagner’s former suite so that he might detect “a little of his personality.” The novelist and poet, Raymond Roussel, arrived in the 1930s, but was destined to leave in a coffin.

Andrew Edwards is a librarian, translator, and freelance writer. He is currently translating two books set in Sicily by the Spanish author Alejandro Luque. He has written articles for the Linguist magazine and has also had translations published in Mirator and the Medieval History Journal. Suzanne Edwards is a linguistics graduate and currently lectures at a Further Education college. Their previous books include IB Tauris’s Sicily: A Literary Guide and Andalucia: A Literary Guide.
Twentieth Century Paris

1900-1950: A Literary Guide for Travellers

Marie-José Gransard

Paris is the crowning jewel of France, and this literary guide for travelers explores its 20th century history, from 1900-1950.

Paris at the turn of the twentieth century had become the cultural capital of the world. Artists and writers came to contribute to flourishing avant-garde movements, as the Left Bank became a new center of creativity. It drew tourists and travelers, but also many exiled from their home countries or escaping political persecution, and those seeking freedom from social constraints. The romantic myth of Paris persists, but Marie-José Gransard explores the darker side of the City of Lights. She brings her subjects to life by describing where and how they lived, what they wrote and what was written about them, through a wide-ranging literary legacy of diaries, memoirs, letters, poetry, theater, cinema and fiction. In Twentieth-Century Paris: a Literary Guide for Travellers (1900-1950) both the visitor and the armchair traveler alike will find familiar names, from Ernest Hemingway and George Orwell to Virginia Woolf and Katherine Mansfield, and they will encounter unfairly forgotten or neglected writers, and many artists and musicians, famous and less well-known Russians, and writers and thinkers from as far as the Caribbean and Latin America.

Born in Northern France, Marie-José Gransard studied English at the Sorbonne. Her career has been in language and culture. She has worked with Hilary Spurling on her biography of Matisse and with Anthony Holden for his life of Lorenzo da Ponte. She divides her time between London and Venice, where she is still researching on the literary legacy of visitors to the city and has written Venice, A Literary Guide For Travellers.
Sardinia

Island of Myth and Magic

Edward Burman

An exploration of Sardinia’s rich history and culture, featuring shipwrecks, ancient castles, and underwater ruins.

Tourism in Sardinia is booming, yet there is nothing else in print that deals with the island’s incredibly rich history and culture, which stretches back to the Neolithic period. This book details everyone from the Phoenicians to the Carthaginians and Aragonese who invaded Sardinia, which is covered with some of the most fascinating historical and archaeological sites in Europe—from thousands of nuraghi, Bronze Age towers and settlements, to “giant’s grave” and “fairy house” tombs. It also holds eccentric festivals, from Barbagia’s carnival parade of ghoulish mamuthones—said to banish winter demons—to the death-defying S’Ardia horse race in Sedilo. There are shipwrecks off Cagliari’s coast, underwater caves, and submerged Roman ruins in addition to ancient castles, churches, undisturbed hilltop villages, and 2,000 miles of some of the most beautiful coastline in the world.

Edward Burman holds a degree in philosophy and fine art from the University of Leeds. He has published eighteen books, including Xi’an through European Eyes: A Cultural History in the Year of the Horse and, most recently, Terracotta Warriors: History, Mystery and the Latest Discoveries.
Tangier

From the Romans to The Rolling Stones

Richard Hamilton

The first guide to Tangier's extraordinary cultural history.

In Tangier, the Moroccan novelist Mohamed Choukri wrote, “everything is surreal and everything is possible.” In this intimate portrait of a city, the former BBC North Africa correspondent Richard Hamilton explores its hotels, cafés, alleyways, and darkest secrets to find out what it is that has inspired so many international writers, artists, and musicians.

Delving down through complex historical layers, he finds a frontier town that is comic, confounding, and haunted by the ghosts of its past. Samuel Pepys thought God should destroy Tangier and St. Francis of Assisi called it a city of “madness and delusions.” Yet, throughout the centuries, it has also been a crucible of creativity. It was a turning point in Henri Matisse’s artistic journey and had a profound impact on the founder of the Rolling Stones, Brian Jones. Tangier also produced two of the greatest American novels of the twentieth century: The Sheltering Sky and Naked Lunch. Besides Paul Bowles and William S. Burroughs, the book also looks at lesser known characters such as the flawed genius Brion Gysin as well as Ibn Battuta, who traveled three times farther than Marco Polo.

Featuring a thrilling cast of pirates, sultans, artists, musicians, writers, princes, and playboys, this is an essential read about Tangier.

Richard Hamilton has worked for the BBC World Service as a broadcast journalist since 1998, including being a correspondent in Morocco, South Africa and Madagascar. He also reports for BBC TV, radio and online. While living in Morocco, he co-authored the Time Out Guide to Marrakech and has written throughout his career for magazines and newspapers such as Conde Nast Traveller and The Cape Times.
Never Greater Slaughter
Brunanburh and the Birth of England
Michael Livingston

The Battle of Brunanburh is one of the most significant battles in the long history not just of England, but of the whole of the British Isles.

Late in A.D. 937, four armies met in a place called Brunanburh. On one side stood the shield wall of the expanding kingdom of the Anglo-Saxons. On the other side stood a remarkable alliance of rival kings who’d come together to destroy them once and for all. The stakes were no less than the survival of the dream that would become England.

The armies were massive. The violence, when it began, was enough to shock a violent age. Brunanburh may not today have the fame of Hastings, Crécy, or Agincourt, but those later battles, fought for England, would not exist were it not for the blood spilled this day. Generations afterward it was still called, quite simply, the "great battle."

And for centuries, its location has been lost. Today, an extraordinary effort, uniting enthusiasts, historians, archaeologists, linguists, and other researchers—amateurs and professionals, experienced and inexperienced alike—may well have found the site of the long-lost battle of Brunanburh, over a thousand years after its bloodied fields witnessed history.

This book will be, in part, the story of this remarkable discovery. Most important, though, this book will be about the men who fought and died at Brunanburh, and how much this forgotten struggle can tell us about who we are and how we relate to our past.

Michael Livingston teaches the military and cultural history of the Middle Ages at The Citadel, the Military College of South Carolina. He is a well-regarded figure in medieval academic circles and winner of the prestigious 2017 Distinguished Book Award from the international Society for Military History, as well as a line of articles and book reviews. His wide range of experience led to his starring as a conflict analyst in the new TV show Contact, airing on Discovery and Science Channels.
No Wider War

A history of the Vietnam War Volume 2: 1965–75

Sergio Miller

This is the second part of a highly detailed yet accessible two-volume history of America’s involvement in Vietnam from the end of World War II through to the Fall of Saigon in 1975.

No Wider War is the second part of a two-volume, accessible narrative history of America’s involvement in Indochina from the end of World War II to the Fall of Saigon in 1975. Following on from the first volume, In Good Faith, which told the story from the Japanese surrender in 1945 through America’s involvement in the French Indochina War and the initial advisory missions that followed, No Wider War takes up the story from the first deployment of U.S. combat ground troops in March 1965 through to the fall of the South in April 1975.

Drawing on the latest research, unavailable to the authors of the classic Vietnam histories, No Wider War follows the story of America’s increasingly heavy commitment to the war from the Marines on the beaches of Da Nang, through the 1st Air Cavalry Division in the Central Highlands, the siege of Khe Sanh, the Tet Offensive of 1968, and the gradual Vietnamization of the war and drawdown of American forces before the final loss of the South in 1975. Examining in depth both the events and the key figures of the conflict, this is a definitive new history of American engagement in Vietnam.

Sergio Miller is a former British Army Intelligence Corps officer who served in Special Forces. He was deployed to Northern Ireland and undertook assignments in South America and East Asia. In the first Gulf War he served as an intelligence briefer to the UK Joint Commander. This is his second published book. He is based in London, UK.
Using firsthand accounts and many previously unpublished images, this highly illustrated new book provides a detailed analysis of Germany’s Panzergrenadier in World War II.

Throughout history, infantry has been the main attacking force deployed by armies around the world, but positioning substantial infantry forces has always required precious time to assemble the troops to launch an attack or form defensive positions. With the development of the German Panzerwaffe, military planners realized both the enormous potential of the tank as a breakthrough weapon, but also the issues faced by support units following the attacking force—including the infantry. A tank assault moved rapidly forward and this required a motorized infantry which could keep pace with the attack and provide all necessary support. This motorized infantry element for a Panzer division was an integral Schützenbrigade (rifle brigade), and it was equipped with a suitable means of transport—the Schützenpanzerwagen (armoured personnel carrier).

During Operation Barbarossa, German forces were faced by the Red Army and unforeseen weather conditions. With the onset of the harsh Russian winter the operation failed, and the war in the east entered a new phase. From experience gained from the operation, a new arm of the military was created: the Panzergrenadier. This groundbreaking book describes the development and evolution of the armoured infantry force that accompanied the German Panzers as they crossed the battlefields of Europe, as well as detailing the vehicles and equipment that were developed to support their specialized role.

A German national, Thomas Anderson is a specialist in the German Armored Fighting Vehicle of World War II. He has spent decades trawling the archives throughout Germany and the rest of Europe to discover little-known facts and never previously published photographs of the might of the Blitzkrieg. A modeler, he regularly contributes to popular modeling and historical magazines across the globe.
Soviet T-62 Main Battle Tank

James Kinnear, Stephen Sewell

A highly illustrated study of the T-62 Main Battle Tank and its variants that formed the backbone of the Soviet Army during the years of the Cold War.

The T-62 is one of the most widespread tanks used by the Soviets during the Cold War. Developed from the T-55, the T-62 enjoyed a long career in the Red Army and even into the early days of the reformed Russian Army. It was the principal tank used by Soviet forces in the Soviet-Afghan War, and went on to see service with Russian forces in Chechnya and South Ossetia. It has also been employed in almost every conflict in the Middle East and Africa from its introduction into service. It remains in service with many countries throughout the world and has seen a great deal of use in the Syrian Civil War. Containing more than 400 stunning contemporary and modern photographs, and written by two experts on Soviet armor, this authoritative book will tell the complete story of the T-62.

PRAISE

Stephen L. “Cookie” Sewell was born in New York State and is a retired U.S. Army Chief Warrant Officer and Department of the Army intelligence analyst. He was trained in the Vietnamese and Russian languages and has been an active Russian linguist since 1974. He lives in Aberdeen, Maryland.

James Kinnear lived and worked in the post-Soviet Russian Federation and the other states of the former Soviet Union throughout the entire period of post-Soviet “stability,” the two decades between the Soviet Union being considered a military threat and the Russian Federation finding itself again categorized as such in recent history. He is a formal contributor to IHS Jane’s defense yearbooks and has published books on Soviet military technology with Barbarossa, Darlington, Osprey, and Tankograd...
Under the Southern Cross
The South Pacific Air Campaign Against Rabaul

Thomas McKelvey Cleaver

A vivid narrative history of the Solomons campaign of World War II, one of the key turning points in the U.S. Navy’s campaign against the Japanese in the Pacific.

If the Battle of Midway, fought in June 1942, stopped further Japanese expansion in the Pacific, it was the Battle of Guadalcanal and the following Solomons Campaign that broke the back of the Imperial Japanese Navy. Between August 7, 1942, and February 24, 1944, when the Imperial Japanese Navy withdrew its surviving surface and air units from Rabaul, the main Japanese base in the South Pacific, the U.S. Navy fought the most difficult campaign in its history, suffering such high personnel losses during the campaign that for years it refused to publicly release total casualty figures.

Unlike the Central Pacific Campaign, which was fought by “the new Navy,” the Solomons campaign saw the U.S. Navy at its lowest point, using those ships that had survived the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor and other units of the prewar navy hastily transferred to the Pacific. After the Battle of Santa Cruz in late October, USS Enterprise was the only prewar carrier left in the South Pacific and the Navy would not have been able to resist the Imperial Japanese Navy had they sought a third major fleet action in the region.

Under the Southern Cross examines the Solomons campaign from land, sea, and air, offering a new account of the military offensive that laid the groundwork for Allied success throughout the rest of the Pacific War.

Thomas McKelvey Cleaver has had a lifelong interest in the Korean War and this work is the product of 25 years of research. He is the author of Aces of the 78th Fighter Group and F4F and F6F Aces of VF-2. During his 30 years as a screenwriter in Hollywood, he wrote the cult classic The Terror Within and worked as a supervising producer on a number of TV and cable series. He served in the U.S. Navy in Vietnam.
Warship 2021

*Warship* is a celebrated annual publication featuring the latest research on the history, development, and service of the world’s warships.

For over 40 years, *Warship* has been the leading annual resource on the design, development, and deployment of the world’s combat ships. Featuring a broad range of articles from a select panel of distinguished international contributors, this latest volume combines original research, new book reviews, warship notes, an image gallery, and much more, maintaining the impressive standards of scholarship and research with which *Warship* has become synonymous. Detailed and accurate information is the keynote of all the articles, which are fully supported by plans, data tables, and stunning photographs.

John Jordan is a former language teacher. He is the author of two major books on the Soviet Navy and more recently co-authored *French Battleships 1922–56* (Seaforth, 2009) with Robert Dumas. He has been associated with *Warship* from its earliest beginnings and took over the editorship in 2004.
Jackals: The Fall of the Children of Bronze

A Grand Campaign for Jackals

John-Matthew DeFoggi

An epic campaign for Jackals, the Sword & Sorcery roleplaying game set in a Fantasy Bronze Age inspired by the legends and cultures of the Ancient Near East.

You ask what the Jackals do in the Zaharets. I ask you, what happens if they do nothing?
—Nawsi Namar of Orsem Honess, speaking to the Sar of Ameena Noani

The Fall of the Children of Bronze is a grand campaign for Jackals, and includes 30 adventures spanning 15 years. Players will explore the ancient myths and legends of the War Road, from the bustling streets of Ameena Noani in the north and Sentem in the south, to abandoned temples in the wastes and mansions deep within the earth. They will encounter beings and powers from the past—ancient but far from dormant—and come face-to-face with the hidden hand that would the Law of Men torn down and chaos brought to the Zaharets.

J-M DeFoggi has been fascinated by the cultures, languages, and myths of the Ancient Near East for most of his life. This passion, and a love of theology and writing, led him to pursue a master’s degree in theology with an emphasis on Biblical languages at Fuller University. An avid gamer, he lives in Colorado Springs with his wife and son.
Battle Tactics of the American Revolution

Robbie MacNiven

Featuring specially commissioned artwork, this absorbing study casts light on how tactical theory and battlefield experience shaped the conduct of battle in the American Revolution.

The American Revolution presented a series of unique tactical challenges to its competing factions. For Britain, the Army would be forced to relearn many of the lessons from the Seven Years’ War. After the debacle of Concord and Bunker Hill, the British implemented a range of changes throughout the army, including the modification of accepted tactical doctrine. Additionally, the British formed alliances with various independent German states. The soldiers they provided thus answered to different armies. How much their tactics adapted during the war therefore varied from state to state.

The Continental Army was founded in 1775 and was initially heavily styled on its British opponents. That began to change in 1778 thanks to the efforts of Prussian officer Baron Friedrich Wilhelm von Steuben. Following their formal alliance with the colonies in 1778, France deployed military assets to North America. French officers also provided tactical advice to the Continental Army and vice versa, particularly when they worked together successfully during the siege of Yorktown in 1781.

PRAISE

Adam Hook studied graphic design and began his work as an illustrator in 1983. He specializes in detailed historical reconstructions and has illustrated Osprey titles on subjects as diverse as the Aztecs, the Ancient Greeks, Roman battle tactics, several 19th-century American subjects, the modern Chinese Army, and a number of books in the Fortress series. His work features in exhibitions and publications throughout the world. He lives in East Sussex, UK.

Robbie MacNiven is a PhD candidate at the University of Edinburgh, working on a thesis that deals with massacres and violence during the American Revolutionary War. Outside of academia he also writes for Military History Monthly.
Belgian Waffen-SS Legions & Brigades, 1941–1944

Wallonie, Wallonien, Flandern & Langemarck

Massimiliano Afiero

This new account tells the story of the battle history of the MAA 524 Norwegian Waffen-SS Legion and MAA 531 Dutch Waffen-SS Legion & Brigade on the Russian Front.

From the German occupation of Belgium in May 1940, Flemish recruits from northern Belgium—considered by the Nazis to be “Germanic”—were accepted individually into Waffen-SS units. From Hitler’s invasion of the USSR in June 1941, additional recruits from the French-speaking south (Wallonia) were drafted. Both communities formed volunteer “Legions”—to fight (according to Goebbels’ propaganda machine) “for European civilization against the Bolshevik threat”; these were a Flemish Legion in the Waffen-SS and a Walloon Legion in the German Army. Both served on the Russian Front in 1942–43; the Walloon Legion was then also transferred into the Waffen-SS, and the decorated Walloon officer Leon Degrelle became a publicized “poster boy” for foreign SS volunteers. Both Legions were then redesignated as SS Assault Brigades, and thereafter saw extremely hard fighting in the Ukraine and on the Baltic front. In the fall of 1944, their survivors were withdrawn from the front and incorporated into two new understrength SS Divisions, 27. “Langemarck” and 28. “Wallonien.”

Massimiliano Afiero has contributed to Italian-language history magazines including Seconda Guerra Mondiale, Volontari (Marvia Edizioni), and The European Volunteer (L’Assalto Edizioni), as well as many military history websites. He is one of the few Italian historical researchers to have personally interviewed many veterans of the Waffen-SS, publishing their previously unpublished stories. He has written numerous books dealing with foreign volunteers in the German armed forces during WWII.
Featuring many firsthand combat accounts, this book tells the story of the backbone of the RAF frontline from the 1980s and 1990s.

When the Gulf Crisis of 1990 was triggered by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, the RAF responded by sending Tornado F3 fighters to Saudi Arabia to help defend the country against further aggression. These aircraft were followed by the deployment of Tornado GR1 strike/attack aircraft to Bahrain. At the start of hostilities in January 1991, the Tornado GR1 wings carried out night low-level attacks against Iraqi Main Operating Bases using the JP233 runway denial weapon. Meanwhile, Combat Air Patrols from the Tornado F3 wing ensured the integrity of Saudi airspace.

Once air supremacy had been established, the Tornado GR1 force moved to medium-level operations, initially by night and later by day, to attack the Iraqi oil production and storage infrastructure. The arrival in theater of a laser designation capability with Pave Spike/Buccaneer and TIALD/Tornado enabled precision attacks against the Iraq transport system to cut off the frontline troops from resupply and reinforcement and then to carry out a systematic destruction of the airfield facilities. This volume, publishing 30 years after the conflict to free Kuwait, provides detailed firsthand accounts of the missions undertaken by the Tornado crews. It is illustrated by photographs taken by aircrew involved in the operation and includes 30 newly commissioned profile artworks and detailed nose art views of the aircraft ranged against Iraq.

PRAISE

Janusz Swiatlon is based in Poland and has produced artwork for a variety of British and European publications for many years.

Gareth Hector is a digital artist of international standing as well as an aviation history enthusiast. Gareth completed the battle scene and cover artwork in this title. He lives in Perthshire, UK.

Michael Napier is the author of eight books on aspects of aviation and military history, including Royal Air Force: A Centenary of Operations and Combat Aircraft: Vickers Wellington Units of Bomber Command, published by Osprey. Michael, who spent nearly ten years flying the Tornado GR1s from RAF Bruggen in the late 1980s and early 1990s, has been an airline pilot for the last 21 years. He lives near Chipping Norton, Oxfordshire.
SAS Combat Vehicles 1942–91

The Regiment’s jeeps and Land Rovers in North Africa, Europe, and the Middle East

Gavin Mortimer

A history of the Special Air Service’s lightweight, heavily armed vehicles and their combat use.

The SAS, the world’s most famous special operations unit, made its name in the desert of North Africa, shooting up Axis airfields from specially modified Willys jeeps. Following the start of the El Alamein offensive in October 1942, the SAS used jeeps effectively in reconnoitring andambushing the retreating Afrika Korps.

Between June and October 1944, the SAS brigade operated deep inside Occupied France, harassing German reinforcements heading to Normandy, calling up air strikes on installations, and carrying out reconnaissance missions—all made possible with jeeps dropped by the RAF. Jeeps were also used in the push into Germany in the spring of 1945. Transported across the Rhine in “Buffalo” amphibious landing craft, they formed part of the vanguard of the Allied advance and their agility, speed, and firepower proved crucial in crushing fanatical pockets of Nazi resistance.

In the 1970s, the SAS begin using Range Rovers for covert operations while the Land Rover 110 HCPU became the SAS’s new Desert Patrol Vehicle (DPV) in the 1991 Gulf War. This book describes the successful deployment of these combat vehicles in SAS operations from the Second World War to the present day and gives a rare insight into one of the most prestigious and secret forces of modern times.

Gavin Mortimer is a writer, historian, and television consultant whose groundbreaking book Stirling’s Men remains the definitive history of the wartime SAS. Drawing on interviews with more than sixty veterans, most of whom had never spoken publicly, the book was the first comprehensive account of the SAS brigade.
Vietnam 1972: Quang Tri

The Easter Offensive strikes the South

Charles D. Melson

During the Cold War, Vietnam showed the limitations of a major power, but the military forces involved demonstrated battlefield consistency in conflict that gave credit to them all.

By early 1972, Nixon’s policy of “Vietnamization” was well under way: South Vietnamese forces had begun to assume greater military responsibility for defense against the North, and U.S. troops were well into their drawdown, with some 25,000 personnel still present in the South. When North Vietnam launched its massive Easter Offensive against the South in late March 1972 (the first invasion effort since the Tet Offensive of 1968), its scale and ferocity caught the U.S. high command off balance.

The North’s offensive took place simultaneously across three fronts: Quang Tri, Kontum, and An Loc. In I Corps Tactical Zone, the PAVN tanks and infantry quickly captured Quang Tri City and overran the entire province, as well as northern Thua Thien. However, the ARVN forces regrouped along the My Chanh River and, backed by U.S. airpower tactical strikes and bomber raids, managed to halt the PAVN offensive before retaking the city in a bloody counteroffensive. Based on primary sources and published accounts of those who played a direct role in the events, this book provides a highly detailed analysis of this key moment in the Vietnam conflict.

Charles “Chuck” Melson was the Chief Historian for the U.S. Marine Corps at its headquarters in Washington, D.C., and its university in Quantico, Virginia. He also served as a joint historian with the U.S. Central Command and Special Operations Command, and is a recipient of the General Edwin Simmons-Henry I. Shaw Award for public historians and the General Leonard F. Chapman Medal for professional military educators.
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### Absolute Emperor

*Napoleonic Wargame Battles*

Boyd Bruce

A set of mass battle rules for wargaming in the Napoleonic Wars, allowing players to refight the battles that shaped Europe.

From the late Revolutionary Wars and Egyptian campaign, to the battles of Austerlitz, Borodino, Leipzig, and Waterloo, *Absolute Emperor* is a mass battle wargame that provides all the rules needed to play during this period of grand armies and sweeping campaigns. Players’ armies are composed of multiple corps, with command and control being of the utmost importance, all influenced by the elan of your general. Do you follow in the footsteps of Napoleon and become crowned the Absolute Emperor or stand against tyranny as Wellington and Blücher?

Boyd Bruce has been a librarian, a soldier, a father, and a wargamer. Relying upon his history degree, his love of books, his years of service, and a passion for wargaming, he has made the transition from participant to instigator with *Absolute Emperor*. Playing all types of tabletop wargaming, Boyd’s main gaming interest will always be historical, with Napoleonic gaming holding a favorite place in his heart.
Imperium: Classics

Nigel Buckle, Dávid Turczi

An asymmetric card-based civilization building game for 1–4 players, charting the rise and fall of some of the greatest civilizations from history.

Formidable adversaries are arrayed against you. Your people stand ready. History beckons.

In your hands lies the destiny of one of history’s great civilizations. Under constant threat of attack, you must conquer new lands, oversee dramatic scientific and cultural advances, and lead your people into the era of empire. Expand too rapidly and unrest will bring your civilization to its knees; build up too slowly, however, and you might find yourself a mere footnote of history. As one of eight radically asymmetric civilizations you will compete to become the most dominant empire the world has ever seen.

This box contains the Roman, Greek, Carthaginian, Celt, Macedonian, Persian, Scythian, and Viking civilizations.

Imperium: Classics is a standalone game featuring art by Mihajlo “The Mico” Dimitrievski and a solo mode by David Turczi. It is also fully compatible with Imperium: Legends for players wanting to expand their pool of civilizations even further.

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NHS, The

Britain's National Health Service, 1948–2020

Susan Cohen

A beautifully illustrated introduction to the NHS, which traces its history from its origins and establishment following the end of the Second World War, right up to the present day.

1948 marked a turning point in British history, for it was the year that the National Health Service began. Inaugurated by the health minister, Aneurin “Nye” Bevan, the new nationwide system was established to provide countrywide free healthcare for every citizen at the point of use, and, as Bevan believed, would “lift the shadow from millions of homes.” No longer would people have to fear paying for their medical care and potentially being pushed into poverty. Every aspect of medical care began to change, gradually affecting the way that the profession, including doctors, nurses, district nurses, dentists, opticians, pharmacists and hospitals practiced and operated. It also created new opportunities, enabling the scope of treatments available to grow. This beautifully illustrated book traces the origins of the NHS, from Florence Nightingale, to the NHS beginnings in 1948 and the subsequent. Viewed through the prism of social history, and using personal recollections, this story takes account of the debates surrounding the evolving system, and looks at the way that innovation and science have transformed healthcare since the NHS began.

Susan Cohen is a historian with a wide interest in twentieth-century British social history. She has written and lectured widely on a variety of subjects and her books for Shire include The Midwife, The District Nurse, The Women's Institute, and Medical Services in the First World War. Susan is based in the UK.
Animals in the Second World War

Neil R. Storey

How animals from dogs and horses to pigeons helped in the 1939–45 war effort, including saving buried blitz victims and delivering top-secret messages.

The story of animals both on active service and on the Home Front during the Second World War is a deeply moving one. They had no choice at all but demonstrated loyalty, determination, and bravery time and again, from the dogs trained to locate air-raid victims buried under rubble to the pigeons that flew over dangerous enemy territory to deliver vital messages, and the mules that carried ammunition and supplies through the sweltering jungles of the Far East. The contribution of these and other animals during the war were pivotal to the success of many military operations. For the men and women working with animals during the conflict a special bond was forged and the reliance placed upon their animal comrades could literally mean the difference between life and death.

*Animals in the Second World War* presents a concise overview of the contributions of a host of animals told through contemporary sources and firsthand accounts, profusely illustrated with contemporary photographs and images of original badges, insignia, and ephemera.

Neil R. Storey is a social historian and lecturer specializing in the impact of war on society. He has written over forty books, numerous articles for both national magazines and academic journals, and features as a guest expert on television and radio programs and documentaries. Neil is an animal lover and is the author of the companion volume *Animals in the First World War.*
Church Curiosities
Strange Objects and Bizarre Legends

David Castleton

A guide to the eccentric and rare objects, tales, and legends that lie hidden behind the doors of Britain’s churches.

Why does Frensham Church contain a cauldron said to have belonged to fairies? What stories lurk behind Lincoln Cathedral’s imp, Westminster Abbey’s macabre royal effigies, and Salisbury Cathedral’s “boy bishop” statue? Why do Britain’s churches contain dragon-slaying spears, monstrous cows’ ribs, pagan Roman altars, reindeer horns, and archbishops’ mummified skulls? David Castleton takes you on a journey through the fascinating world of lepers’ squints, sanctuary knockers, virgins’ garlands, and pancake bells, forever altering your view of Britain’s churches and cathedrals.

David Castleton is an author, poet, blogger, and freelance journalist, best known for his novel The Standing Water. He has always had an interest in poking around ruined castles and abbeys and absorbing spooky old wive’s tales and has taught English and creative writing at the University of Manchester.
Last Viking, The

The True Story of King Harald Hardrada

Don Hollway

Drawing on original source material, The Last Viking tells the dramatic story of King Harald Hardrada of Norway, one of the greatest warriors to have ever lived.

King Harald III (called Hardrada, or “Hard Ruler”) of Norway was a real-life fantasy hero who burst into history as a teenaged youth in a Viking battle, from which he escaped with little more than his life and a thirst for vengeance. Journey with him across the medieval world, from the frozen barrens of the North to the glittering towers of Byzantium and the passions of the Holy Land. He’ll fight for and against Christian, Muslim, and pagan rulers. He’ll bed handmaids, a princess, and an empress alike, writing poetry and amassing a fortune along the way, before returning home to claim his love, his crown, and his destiny, ultimately dying like a Viking: in battle, laughing, with sword in hand.

The Last Viking is a fast-moving narrative that reads like a novel, combining Norse sagas, Byzantine accounts, Anglo Saxon chronicles, and even King Harald’s own verse and prose, into a single, compelling story. While pointing out errors and contradictions in the ancient stories for the sake of accuracy, Don Hollway brings the true tale of this hero to life.

Don Hollway is an author, illustrator, and historian. He is also a classical rapier fencer and historical reenactor. His writing on aviation, history, and reenacting have appeared in magazines ranging from Aviation History, History Magazine, Military Heritage, Military History, Wild West and World War II to Muszleloader, Renaissance Magazine and Scientific American. His work is also available at www.donhollway.com. Don is based in the UK.
Luftwaffe Special Weapons
1942–45

Robert Forsyth

A highly illustrated study of some of the weapons developed by Nazi Germany to equip the Luftwaffe in their desperate war against the encroaching Allied forces.

As the course of World War II turned against the Third Reich after Stalingrad, some of the most inventive and radical proposals, and designs, were put forward by armaments manufacturers, scientists and technicians, aircrew, and even private individuals to the Reichsluftministerium (German Air Ministry) for consideration. Some proposals were destined never to leave the drawing board, while others not only underwent trials but were issued to operational units and used in action.

In this fascinating new book, leading Luftwaffe historian Robert Forsyth examines the many different types of weapons that comprised the Luftwaffe’s increasing potent arsenal during the second half of the war. This was the period that saw the development and adoption of aerial torpedoes, wire-guided rockets and missiles, batteries fired by photoelectric cells, chemical weapons, composite bombers, and air-launched flying bombs.

Robert Forsyth has studied the history and operations of the Luftwaffe for many years. He is the author of a number of books on the subject as published by Classic Publications, Ian Allan Publishing, and Osprey Publishing—for whom he has written 20 titles in the Ace, Duel, Combat Aircraft, and X-Planes series, as well as the standalone Shadow over the Atlantic.
The Battle for Guadalcanal

Hell in the Pacific

Georgia Ball

A graphic novel in vivid color detailing the fierce struggle for control of the Solomon Islands, a pivotal point in the Allied campaign against Japan during World War II.

A New World power facing off against an ancient empire. A desperate struggle to control a Pacific archipelago. A high-stakes campaign that would tip the balance in a fiercely contested theater of war.

On August 7, 1942, Guadalcanal was invaded, signaling the beginning of a campaign which would last over six months. The American troops who stormed the Solomon Islands forced the Imperial Japanese Navy to abandon Guadalcanal in a victory that marked the first step towards Japan’s eventual defeat. This colorful graphic novel follows the stories of the troops on the ground, bringing the campaign vividly to life through the eyes of the soldiers, sailors, and pilots who fought on both sides. Combining an authentic historical narrative with striking visuals and expert storytelling, The Battle for Guadalcanal reveals a campaign that changed the course of the War in the Pacific.

Georgia Ball is a writer and developer living in the Pacific Northwest. She launched her first webcomic, “Scooter and Ferret,” in 2004. Since 2010, Georgia has written licensed titles, including Transformers, Disney Princesses, and the horror-filled Evil Dead 2.

Esteve Polls started working in comics in 1965 at 15 with a soccer-themed title for a Scottish publisher, and never stopped working. In recent years, his work has included El Zorro and The Lone Ranger for Dynamic Forces.
Blazing Star, Setting Sun

The Guadalcanal-Solomons Campaign November 1942–March 1943

Jeffrey Cox

A masterful account of a vital four months in the bloody battle for the Pacific, giving fresh insights into the Guadalcanal and Solomons campaign.

From popular Pacific Theater expert Jeffrey R. Cox comes this insightful new history of the critical Guadalcanal and Solomons campaign at the height of World War II. His previous book, Morning Star, Rising Sun, had found the US Navy at its absolute nadir and the fate of the Enterprise, the last operational US aircraft carrier at this point in the war, unknown. This new volume completes the history of this crucial campaign, combining detailed research with a novelist’s flair for the dramatic to reveal exactly how, despite missteps and misfortunes, the tide of war finally turned. By the end of February 1944, thanks to hard-fought and costly American victories in the first and second naval battles of Guadalcanal, the battle of Empress Augusta Bay, and the battle of Cape St. George, the Japanese would no longer hold the materiel or skilled manpower advantage. From this point on, although the war was still a long way from being won, the American star was unquestionably on the ascendant, slowly but surely edging Japanese imperialism toward its sunset.

Jeffrey R. Cox is a litigation attorney and an independent military historian specializing in World War II, ancient Greece, and ancient Rome. His first interest was in the Pacific War, which he has studied for more than 30 years. He is a contributor to Military History Online (www.militaryhistoryonline.com) and resides in Indianapolis.
Devil's Bridge, The
The German Victory at Arnhem, 1944
Anthony Tucker-Jones

This fascinating title offers a new look at Operation Market Garden and the Arnhem campaign from the perspective of the German forces who defended against the Allies.

In the late summer of 1944, SS-Obergruppenführer Wilhelm “Willi” Bittrich found himself in the Netherlands surveying his II SS Panzer Corps, which was in a poor state having narrowly escaped the defeat in Normandy. He was completely unaware that his command lay directly in the path of a major Allied thrust: the September 17, 1944, launch of the largest airborne and glider operation in the history of warfare. Codenamed Operation Market Garden, it was intended to outflank the German West Wall and “bounce” the Rhine at Arnhem, from where the Allies could strike into the Ruhr, Nazi Germany’s industrial heartland. Such a move could have ended the war. However, Market Garden and the battle for Arnhem were a disaster for the Allies. Put together in little over a week and lacking in flexibility, the operation became an all-or-nothing race against time. The plan to link the airborne divisions by pushing an armored division up a sixty-five-mile corridor was optimistic at best, and the British drop zones were not only too far from Arnhem Bridge, but also directly above two recuperating SS Panzer divisions. This new book explores the operation from the perspective of the Germans as renowned historian Anthony Tucker-Jones examines how they were able to mobilize so swiftly and effectively in spite of depleted troops and limited intelligence.

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“This is an important and timely operational analysis of the events of September 1944. It is a mark of my respect for Anthony Tucker-Jones’s work that I wish I had researched and written The Devil's Bridge. Thus I am more than happy to commend his scholarship to you.” —Professor Peter Caddick-Adams

“A gripping narrative from a less familiar viewpoint—that of Holland's occupiers.” —Dr. Graham Goodlad

“A fine sense of detail and character makes this a thrilling and unusual read.” —Tim Newark

“Interestingly examining the actions of the German forces that led to Arnhem.” —Robin Buckland

Anthony Tucker-Jones started his career writing for Jane's Defence Weekly and Jane's Intelligence Review. He has written a number of books on aspects of World War II and regularly appears on Sky News, ITV, Channel Four, BBC Television, BBC Radio, and the History Channel.
Rome – City in Terror

The Nazi Occupation 1943–44

Victor Failmezger

This is the gripping story of the German occupation of Rome from the Italian armistice in September 1943 until the Allied liberation of the city on June 5, 1944.

In September 1943, following wave upon wave of Allied bombing, Italy announced an armistice with the Allies. Shortly afterwards, the German army disarmed Italian forces and, despite military and partisan resistance, quickly overran Rome. Rome—City in Terror is a comprehensive history of the nine-month-long German occupation of the city that followed. The Gestapo wasted no time enforcing an iron grip on the city once the occupation was in place. They swiftly eliminated the Carabinieri, the Italian paramilitary force, rounded up thousands of Italians to build extensive defensive lines across Italy, and, at 5:00 one morning, arrested more than 1,000 Roman Jews and sent them to Auschwitz. Resistance, however, remained strong. To aid the thousands of Allied POWs who escaped after the dissolution of the Italian army, priests, diplomats, and escaped POWs operating out of the Vatican formed a nationwide organization called the “Escape Line.”

This is the compelling story of an Eternal City brought low, of the terror and hardship of occupation, and of the disparate army of partisan fighters, displaced aristocrats, Vatican priests, Allied POWs, and ordinary citizens who battled for the liberation of Rome.

Victor “Tory” Failmezger is a retired U.S. Naval Officer. In the 1970s, he was stationed at NATO in Naples, Italy, and later served as the Assistant Naval Attaché in Rome, Italy, where he participated in the celebration marking the 40th anniversary of the liberation of Rome. He went on to be the Director of the U.S. Navy Science and Technology Group, Europe in Munich, Germany. After retirement he worked as a consultant in the private sector and for the U.S. Department of Energy and NASA.
Armies in Southern Russia 1918–19

Phoebus Athanassiou

Describes and illustrates a dramatic but little-known Allied intervention in the Russian Civil War by a multinational expeditionary force.

An important aspect of the Russian Civil War was the several Allied expeditions immediately following World War I in support of the disunited Russian “White” armies resisting the Bolshevik Revolution. Although they ended in failure, these ventures were long resented and were the origin of the seventy-year-long Soviet suspicion of the Western Allies. British and US expeditionary forces operated in North Russia and Siberia in support of General Yudenich and Admiral Kolchak respectively, and a French and Greek expeditionary force (plus Romanian and Polish elements) operated in Crimea and southwestern Ukraine in support of General Denikin. The situation was further complicated by the presence of strong Imperial German elements still under arms and by war between various factions in the Ukraine. This Southern theater of the Allied interventions is far less well-known than that of the British and Americans in the North and East. Featuring rare photos and new color plates, this fascinating new book describes this major Allied intervention in the Russian Civil War. Dr. Phoebus Athanassiou writes a compelling account of how the French and Greeks, alongside White Russians, were greatly outnumbered by pro-Bolshevik forces and were relentlessly pushed back by the Ukrainian forces. In just over four months, on April 28, 1919, the last of their forces were evacuated by Allied navies from Sevastopol in Crimea.

Dr. Phoebus Athanassiou is an officer of the Greek Army Reserve who has seen service in Greece and Cyprus. He currently lives in Germany and works in the financial sector. In his spare time he is an amateur military historian and pursues his favorite hobby of military modeling.
Late Roman Infantryman vs Gothic Warrior

AD 376–82

Murray Dahm

This lively account assesses the Roman and Gothic forces that clashed in three momentous battles at a pivotal moment in the history of the later Roman Empire.

Ravaged by civil war and pressure from the Huns to the east, in late summer A.D. 376 the Gothic tribe of the Thervingi—up to 200,000 people under their leader, Fritigern—gathered on the northern bank of the River Danube and asked the Eastern Roman emperor, Valens, for asylum within the empire. After agreeing to convert to Arian Christianity and enroll in the Roman Army, the Goths were allowed to cross the Danube and settle in the province of Thrace. Far more people crossed the Danube than the Romans expected, however, and with winter approaching, the local Roman commander, Lupicinus, lacked the resources to feed the newcomers and did not possess sufficient troops to control them. Treated poorly and running out of food, the Goths very quickly lost faith in the Roman promises.

This fully illustrated book investigates the fighting men of both sides who clashed at the battles of Marcianople, Ad Salices, and Adrianople, as the fate of the Western Roman Empire hung in the balance.

Murray Dahm is a freelance historian and the author of Greek Hoplite vs Persian Warrior for Osprey. He has written more than 50 articles for magazines such as Ancient Warfare, Medieval Warfare, and Ancient History. Murray lives in Australia.

Giuseppe Rava was born in Faenza in 1963 and took an interest in all things military from an early age. He lives and works in Italy.
Leuctra 371 BC

*The destruction of Spartan dominance*

Murray Dahm

This detailed new study explores the battle of Leuctra and the tactics that ultimately led to the complete defeat of Sparta, and freed Greece from domination by Sparta in a single afternoon.

The battle of Leuctra, fought in early July in 371 B.C., was one of the most important battles ever to be fought in the ancient world. Not only did it see the destruction of the Spartan dominance of Greece, it also introduced several tactical innovations which are still studied and emulated to this day. Sparta’s hegemony of Greece (which had been in effect since the Persian wars of 480/79 and especially since the Peloponnesian War in 431–404 B.C.) was wiped away in a single day of destruction. Sparta would never recover from the losses in manpower which were suffered at Leuctra.

The importance of the battle of Leuctra cannot be underestimated. This superbly illustrated title gives the reader a detailed understanding of this epic clash of forces, what led to it, its commanders, sources, and the consequences it had for future civilizations.

Murray Dahm is a freelance historian and the author of *Breaking the Spartans: Epaminondas, Pelopidas, and the Brief Glory of Thebes*. He has written more than 50 articles for magazines such as *Ancient Warfare*, *Medieval Warfare*, and *Ancient History*. Murray lives in New South Wales, Australia.
Netherlands East Indies Campaign 1941–42, The

Japan’s quest for oil

Marc Lohnstein

A highly illustrated study of one of the less well-known campaigns of the Pacific War.

Imperial Japan’s campaigns of conquest in late 1941/early 1942 were launched in order to achieve self-sufficiency for the Japanese people, chiefly in the precious commodity of oil. The Netherlands (or Dutch) East Indies formed one of Japan’s primary targets, on account of its abundant rubber plantations and oilfields—the latter, in particular, was highly prized, given that the colony was the fourth-largest exporter of oil in the world. Japan itself lacked any form of domestic production.

The Japanese despatched an enormous naval task force to support the amphibious landings over the vast terrain of the Netherlands East Indies. The combined-arms offensive was divided into three groups: western, center, and eastern. Borneo was struck first in mid-December 1941, and assaults on Celebes, Amboin, Timor, Java, Sumatra, Ambon, and Dutch New Guinea followed.

Allied forces in the NEI comprised British, Australian, Dutch, and American personnel.

This superbly illustrated title describes the operational plans and conduct of the fighting by the major parties involved, and assesses the performance of the opposing forces on the battlefield, bringing to life an often-overlooked campaign of the Pacific War.

Marc Lohnstein holds an MA in history; his main focus is the former Dutch colonies in Indonesia and Surinam. He specializes in colonial army and police organization, equipment, uniforms, and tactics, and has published several studies on these subjects. He is currently assistant curator at the Royal Home for Retired Military Personnel & Museum Bronbeek, at Arnhem in The Netherlands.
Tanks of D-Day 1944

Armor on the beaches of Normandy and southern France

Steven J. Zaloga

An authoritative and fresh new study of Allied tanks' role in smashing the walls of Fortress Europe on D-Day.

Allied success in invading Fortress Europe (the area of Continental Europe occupied by Nazi Germany) depended on getting armor onto the beaches as fast as possible. This book explains how the Allies developed the specialist tanks it needed, their qualities, deployment, and numbers, and how they performed on the two crucial days when France was invaded, first in Normandy and then in Provence.

The focus of this volume will be on the specialized tanks developed for the Operation Neptune amphibious landings including the Duplex Drive amphibious Sherman tanks used on both the U.S. and British/Canadian beaches. It also covers the specialized engineer tanks called "Armoured Funnies" of the British 79th Armoured Division and addresses the popular myth that U.S. Army refusal to employ the Armoured Funnies was a principal cause for the high casualties at Omaha Beach. There is also coverage of Operation Overlord’s “Forgotten D-Day,” the amphibious landings of Operation Dragoon. This book addresses why there were so few Panzers opposing the landings from the German perspective as well as detailing the extent of German tank/assault gun activity on D-Day.

Steven J. Zaloga received his BA in history from Union College and his MA from Columbia University. He has worked as an analyst in the aerospace industry for over three decades, covering missile systems and the international arms trade, and has served with the Institute for Defense Analyses, a federal think tank. He is the author of numerous books on military technology and military history with an accent on the U.S. Army in World War II as well as Russia and the former Soviet Union. He currentl...
US Navy Frigates of the Cold War

Mark Stille

A fresh, new study on the overlooked history of the backbone of the Cold War U.S. Navy, the go-anywhere, do-anything frigate.

Though they were never the most glamorous of warships, U.S. Navy frigates were frequently found on the frontlines of the Cold War at sea. These warships were the descendants of World War II’s destroyer escorts, designed primarily to escort convoys. They specialized in anti-submarine warfare, but were intended to be numerous, tough, versatile, and well-armed enough to show U.S. naval power around the world, performing roles that varied from intercepting drug-smugglers to defending aircraft carriers.

When the Cold War turned hot, frigates were often there. It was a U.S. Navy frigate, Harold E. Holt, that conducted the U.S. Navy’s first hostile boarding action since 1826 during the SS Mayaguez incident. Frigates were at the forefront of operations in the Persian Gulf during the Tanker War, with the frigate USS Stark suffering a notorious Exocet attack by Iraqi warplanes, and proving the Oliver Hazard Perry-class’s legendary toughness.

This book explains how the technology and design of frigates changed during the Cold War, how the classes were modified to keep up-to-date, and explores the many varied missions they performed during the Cold War and since.

Mark E. Stille Commander, United States Navy, retired) received his BA in History from the University of Maryland and also holds an MA from the Naval War College. He has worked in the intelligence community for 35 years, including tours on the faculty of the Naval War College, on the Joint Staff, and on U.S. Navy ships. He is currently a senior analyst working in the Washington, D.C., area. He is the author of numerous Osprey titles, focusing on naval history in the Pacific.
Weapons of the Samurai

Stephen Turnbull

Featuring specially commissioned artwork, this lively study assesses the array of weapons and equipment employed by the samurai, Japan’s legendary warriors.

This fully illustrated new book describes and analyzes the weapons and equipment traditionally associated with the samurai, Japan’s superlative warriors. It examines the range of weapons used by them at different times and in different situations.

Beginning with the rise of the samurai during the 10th century, this lively study traces the introduction of edged weapons (cutting and piercing) and missile weapons (bows and guns) over the next 500 years. The book shows clearly how they were employed by individual samurai using many previously untranslated primary texts, and explains how their use spread more widely among low-class troops, pirates, and rebels. It also shows how schools of martial arts took over and changed the weapons and their uses during the peaceful Edo Period (1615–1868).

Stephen Turnbull is the world’s leading English-language authority on Japanese military culture. He has published 78 books and many journal articles.

Johnny Shumate began his career in 1987 after graduating from Austin Peay State University, and now works as a freelance illustrator.

Alan Gilliland spent 18 years as the graphics editor of the Daily Telegraph, winning 19 awards in that time.
Bolt Action: Campaign: D-Day: US Sector

Warlord Games

New scenarios and rules for Bolt Action covering the American sectors of D-Day, the largest seaborne invasion in history.

Covering the fiercely contested US sectors of D-Day, including the beaches of Omaha and Utah. This new Campaign Book for Bolt Action allows players to refight the fierce American beach landings, beachhead breakouts, and airborne assaults. New, linked scenarios, rules, troop types, and Theatre Selectors provide plenty of options for both novice and veteran players alike.

Warlord Games is one of the world’s leading producers of wargaming miniatures, as well as the publisher of the successful Black Powder and Hail Caesar rule sets. Their Bolt Action range of 28mm World War II miniatures is the most extensive on the market and continues to grow and develop.

Peter Dennis has contributed to hundreds of books, predominantly on historical subjects, including many Osprey titles. A keen wargamer and modelmaker, he is based in Nottinghamshire, UK.
Oathmark: Bane of Kings

Joseph A. McCullough

The third supplement for *Oathmark: Battles of the Lost Age* includes numerous scenarios, rules for special formations, and rules for narrative events.

Time is the bane of all kings. Always does it march forward, bringing change and challenges, wars and disasters, invaders and internal rebellion. This supplement for *Oathmark: Battles of the Lost Age*, focuses on the passage of time and its effect on a players kingdom. While wars and battle still determine their ultimate fate, many other events can affect the armies of a kingdom. Plagues and blights can reduce access to soldiers from specific territories. Attempted coups can cost a king some of his best generals. On the other hand, unexpected alliances might give a kingdom access to unusual troops, or the birth of a new heir might bring wondrous presents.

Along with the rules for the passing of years, this book also presents the option to train your units to fight in special formations, such as phalanxes, shield walls, and skirmish lines. These will allow players to use their existing armies to try out new strategies and tactics to swing their battle in their favor. This book also includes several new military expeditions, including numerous scenarios, to once again challenge a player’s generalship.

Joseph A. McCullough is the author of several nonfiction books, including *A Pocket History of Ireland*, *Zombies: A Hunter’s Guide*, and *Dragonslayers: From Beowulf to St. George*. In addition, his fantasy short stories have appeared in various books and magazines, such as *Black Gate*, *Lords of Swords*, and *Adventure Mystery Tales*. He is also the creator of *Frostgrave*. 
Bees and Beekeeping

Tiffany Francis-Baker

The essential primer on the role of honeybees in British history, covering biology, folklore, the history of beekeeping, and the danger to bees posed by climate change, and including some basic c...

One in every four bites of food we eat is thanks to bees. They pollinate 80 per cent of the world’s crops and plants, but how much do we really know about them? Small, clever, and mysterious, the honeybee has long been celebrated in human culture as a sacred insect, a symbol of the sun, bridging the gap between our world and the next. They are expert communicators, skilled aviators, and natural alchemists, turning fresh nectar into sweet, golden honey. They are also in trouble and need our help. This guide explores their historic relationship with humans, the basics of beekeeping, and how we can help save our honeybee populations.

Tiffany Francis-Baker is a nature writer, artist, and environmentalist from the South Downs, Hampshire. Before going freelance, she worked as creative developer at Butser Ancient Farm, where she took a beginners’ course in beekeeping and developed an interest in sustainable living. She has written three books, including British Goats for Shire in 2019. www.tiffanyfrancis.com
Miniature Railways

David Henshaw

A history and guide to the miniature railways of Britain, from 5-inch to 15-inch gauges.

There are more than 400 miniature railways in Britain. Some are hidden away and privately owned, others are attractions in parks, and some—such as the Romney, Hythe, and Dymchurch—are commercial enterprises in their own right. But what exactly is a miniature railway, and what is the history of this eccentric British phenomenon? Their most definitive characteristic is that they can carry passengers, whether straddling the rolling stock or sitting in enclosed carriages, but there are other features. David Henshaw explains the kinds of locomotives employed—steam, battery, and even pedal-powered—and the many gauges used, from 5 inches up to 15 inches. Informative text and exhilarating color images, plus a list of the best railways to visit, make this a must-have introduction to these beautiful and exciting railways.

David Henshaw has published several books on railways and bicycle technology. He also writes, edits, illustrates, and distributes two specialist magazines: Since 1993, A to B, a bimonthly magazine about green transport technology, joined in 2006 by Miniature Railway, a magazine covering the history, operation, and technology of miniature railways of all kinds.
Thomas Chippendale

Adam Bowett, James Lomax

Using beautiful illustrations, this new book explores the life and work of Thomas Chippendale, the most famous furniture designer and manufacturer of the eighteenth century.

For at least 150 years, Thomas Chippendale has been synonymous with beautifully made eighteenth-century furniture in a variety of styles—Rococo, Chinese, Gothic, and Neoclassical. Born in Otley, Yorkshire, in 1718, Chippendale rose to fame because of his revolutionary design book, *The Gentleman and Cabinet Maker’s Director*, published in 1754. That same year, he set up his famous workshops in St Martin’s Lane, creating some of the most magnificent furniture ever made in Britain. This beautifully illustrated history focuses on Britain’s most famous furniture maker and designer, including the worldwide phenomenon “Chippendale” style that became popular in Europe, North America, and Asia after his death in 1779. Today, his influence lives on with the ongoing production of “Chippendale” furniture, while the eighteenth-century originals are selling for millions at auction.

Adam Bowett is Chairman of the Chippendale Society. He has published widely on English furniture of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries and works as a consultant to museums, archives, and other heritage bodies.

James Lomax is Curator Emeritus of the Chippendale Society and was for many years Curator at Temple Newsam House, Leeds. He is an authority on English silver and on the life and work of Thomas Chippendale.
Sigil & Shadow

A Roleplaying Game of Urban Fantasy and Occult Horror

R.E. Davis

An urban fantasy roleplaying game of ancient nightmares and modern terrors.

Set in a mirror of our own world, Sigil & Shadow is a roleplaying game of urban fantasy and occult horror in which players take on the roles of illuminated heroes and shadowed monsters to face the rising tide of supernatural forces. Ancient nightmares lurk behind the closed doors of boardrooms, entities from beyond time prowl the city streets, forgotten rituals are reborn as viral memes. Do you take a stand against the encroaching shadows? Or do you seek their power for yourself?

More choice, less complexity: Sigil & Shadow and the d00Lite rules are highly accessible, with the focus squarely on the story rather than the mechanics—who the characters are and what they do, not how they do it.

A thousand stories: A Sigil & Shadow campaign can be built around a wide range of plots. A toolkit for your nightmares: Sigil & Shadow is designed to accommodate all these and more—a GM can develop character templates that fit their own mythos, or players can build unique creatures from scratch.

Beings of myth wake from their slumber while modern cults sacrifice to pop-culture gods and ancient cabals pursue their age-old schemes into the digital age.

R.E. Davis spent much of his youth playing fantasy games, listening to scary music, and reading dystopian fiction and occult literature. His adulthood hasn’t changed that. He has worn many labels: office IT guy, gas station clerk, costume shop manager, game store owner, communications major, and now father and husband. He is also the “resident grumpus” of the ChaosGrenade game blog.
Hunt the Bismarck

The pursuit of Germany's most famous battleship

Angus Konstam

Now available in paperback, this is a groundbreaking narrative account of one of World War II’s most exciting chase stories, the pursuit of the legendary German battleship Bismarck.

Bismarck entered service in the summer of 1940. She was well-armed, with eight 15-inch guns as well as a powerful array of lighter weapons, while her armored protection earned her the reputation of being unsinkable. This claim was finally put to the test in May 1941, when she sortied into the Atlantic and fought the legendary battle of the Denmark Strait, destroying HMS Hood, the pride of the Royal Navy. Bismarck was now loose in the North Atlantic. However, damage sustained in the battle limited her ability to roam at will, and the Royal Navy had deployed the Home Fleet to revenge the Hood. The stage was set for the greatest chase story in the history of naval warfare.

Drawing on a wealth of firsthand accounts, and intertwining extensive research into a fast-paced narrative, this is the most readable and accurate account of Bismarck’s epic pursuit ever produced.

Angus Konstam is the author of The Bismarck 1941 and several New Vanguard titles covering British warships of World War II. His other naval books include Jutland: Twelve Hours to Win the War, The Battle of North Cape, Sovereigns of the Sea, Battleship Bismarck and The Pirate World. A former naval officer, maritime archeologist, and museum curator, he is now a full-time author, specializing in maritime and military history. He lives on the Orkney Islands, UK.
Treasures of English Churches, The

Witnesses to the History of a Nation

Matthew Byrne

A luxurious guide to the amazing architecture, art, and furniture of Churches across England.

This celebration of some of the greatest art, architecture, and furniture to be found in English churches offers a fascinating account of centuries of accumulated wealth, and is set off by a selection of breathtaking photographs by Matthew Byrne. The book covers changing architectural styles across the centuries, and prominent examples of artistic work, including stained glass, rood screens, church monuments, and curious carvings.

This is a custom title for The National Churches Trust.

Matthew Byrne has been exploring, studying and photographing English churches for nearly 40 years. He was elected a Fellow of the Royal Photographic Society in 1988 for his work in architectural photography. He has published three previous books: Great Churches of the Northwest, Beautiful Churches, and English Parish Churches and Chapels: Art, Architecture and People.
Armies of the Iran–Iraq War 1980–88

David Campbell

This study explores the organization, appearance, and equipment of both sides’ ground forces during the Iran–Iraq War (1980–88).

Driven by the Iranian Revolution of 1979 and the insecurities it provoked in Saddam Hussein’s Iraqi dictatorship, the Iran–Iraq war, which began the following year, would become the largest conventional conflict of the period. Curiously little-known considering its size and longevity, the struggle between Iran and Iraq was primarily fought along the 1,458km border in a series of battles which, despite both sides being armed with modern small arms, armor, and aircraft, often degenerated into attritional struggles reminiscent of World War I. Such a comparison was underlined by frequent periods of deadlock, the extensive use of trenches by both sides, and the deployment of chemical weapons by Iraq.

Fully illustrated with specially commissioned artwork, this study investigates the organization, appearance, and equipment of the ground forces of both sides in the Iran–Iraq War, including Iraq’s Republican Guards and Iran’s Pasdaran or Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps, which often proved to be well-matched.

The war resulted in stalemate with some half a million dead and at least as many wounded. The financial costs incurred in waging such a long and debilitating war were one of the spurs that led Saddam Hussein to invade Kuwait barely two years later, setting in motion one of the defining currents of recent Middle Eastern history.

PRAISE

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David Campbell has worked as a freelance news media producer and content specialist for many years, including roles at IBM, the BBC, various internet consultancies, and the civil service. He has a broad range of interests in literature and history, including the Middle Ages, the Napoleonic era, naval warfare, and the genesis of the “military revolution.” David is based in the UK.
Balkans 1940–41 (2), The

Hitler's Blitzkrieg against Yugoslavia and Greece

Pier Paolo Battistelli

This concise yet detailed overview gives a balanced account of this key Blitzkrieg campaign in the Balkans during the opening years of World War II.

The Wehrmacht's last Blitzkrieg campaign was indeed a lightning war, since German forces were required to seize both Yugoslavia and Greece before redeploying immediately to the East ready to attack the Soviet Union in a matter of weeks. Although the plans for the conquest of Yugoslavia were developed in haste, the campaign was extremely successful: in a short space of time, both Yugoslavia and Greece had fallen, accompanied by the capture of large numbers of British, Australian and New Zealand troops. The 1941 Balkan campaign was apparently a brilliant military accomplishment that demonstrated once again the superiority of the Wehrmacht, and its cutting-edge campaigning skills.

This superbly detailed work details the opposing forces that took part in this campaign, documents their weapons and analyzes the effectiveness of their tactics. It documents the initial Axis campaign against Yugoslavia, the breakthrough of the Metaxas Line and advance into Macedonia and the withdrawal of Allied troops south. Detailed battlescenes depict key moments in the land, sea and air battles that took place in the Balkans, vividly bringing to life events of almost 80 years ago.

Pier Paolo Battistelli is active in Italy and abroad writing titles and essays on military history subjects.

Adam Hook specializes in detailed historical reconstructions, and has illustrated Osprey titles on subjects as diverse as the Aztecs, the Ancient Greeks, Roman battle tactics, several 19th-century American subjects, the modern Chinese Army, and a number of books in the Fortress series. His work features in exhibitions and publications throughout the world. Adam is based in the UK.
Hungarian Soldier vs Soviet Soldier

Eastern Front 1941

Péter Mujzer

This fully illustrated study assesses the Hungarian and Soviet forces that clashed repeatedly in 1941 during the Barbarossa campaign of World War II.

On June 26, 1941, unidentified bombers attacked the Hungarian town of Kassa, prompting Hungary to join its Axis partners in Operation Barbarossa, Hitler’s invasion of the Soviet Union. Hungary’s contribution to Barbarossa was designated the Carpathian Group, its most powerful component being the Mobile Corps, which fielded motorized rifle, cavalry, bicycle, and light armored troops. The Hungarians faced Soviet forces belonging to the Kiev Military District, deployed in four armies along a 940km-long front.

On the defeated side in World War I, Hungary had seen its borders redrawn and its armed forces constrained by treaty but was determined to recover territories lost to adjoining countries. When Hungary decided to participate in Operation Barbarossa; however, the Royal Hungarian Army was deployed in the Soviet Union and not against its neighbors. Meanwhile, the Red Army, while remaining among the most formidable armies of the era, had been seriously weakened by successive purges, its shortcomings exposed by the Winter War against Finland in 1939–40.

Fully illustrated, this book investigates the Hungarian and Soviet soldiers who fought in three battles of the Barbarossa campaign, casting new light on the role played by the forces of Nazi Germany’s allies on the Eastern Front.

Péter Mujzer served in the Hungarian armed forces for 20 years and is now a military historian with a particular interest in Hungary’s armed forces during World War II.

Steve Noon was born in Kent, UK, and attended art college in Cornwall. He’s had a lifelong passion for illustration, and since 1985 has worked as a professional artist, illustrating over 40 books for Osprey. Steve is based in the UK.
Ju 87 Stuka vs Royal Navy Carriers

Mediterranean

Robert Forsyth

Rich with photographs and personal accounts, this new volume focuses on the air-sea action during the British evacuation in Norway and German air attacks in the Mediterranean in 1941–1942.

The Junkers Ju 87 B Stuka dive-bomber and the aircraft carrier represent two key combat innovations of World War II. Rich with photographs and personal accounts, this new volume focuses on the air-sea action during the British evacuation operations in Norway in May 1940 and German air attacks in the Mediterranean in 1941–1942.

Ju 87 dive-bombers, originally developed for pin-pointing bombing missions against land targets and Allied naval vessels, were deployed by both the Luftwaffe and the Regia Aeronautica against the Allied forces. Included in such a target were perhaps the greatest prize of all for a Stuka pilot: a British aircraft carrier.

This superbly illustrated book looks at the duel between the Ju 87 Stuka and the aircraft carriers of the Royal Navy. Despite their gun protection (“pompoms”) and their squadrons of fighters, these immense and mighty vessels proved irresistible targets to determined and experienced Stuka aces as they endeavored to stop British naval intervention in the campaigns in Norway, Malta and Crete.

Robert Forsyth is an author, editor, and publisher, specializing in military aviation and military history. He has written 15 books for Osprey.

Jim Laurier lives in New Hampshire. He has been commissioned to paint for the U.S. Air Force and has aviation paintings on permanent display at the Pentagon.

Gareth Hector is a digital artist of international standing as well as an aviation history enthusiast. Gareth completed the battlescene and cover artwork in this title.
Norway 1940

The Luftwaffe in the lightning conquest

James S. Corum

A history of the innovative German air campaign that ensured victory in the rapid conquest of Norway, and an analysis of its importance to World War II and the development of air power.

The Campaign for Norway in 1940 was a pivotal moment in modern warfare. It was the first modern joint campaign that featured not only ground and naval operations, but also airpower as an equal element of all operations. Indeed, Norway was the first campaign in history where air superiority, possessed by the Germans, was able to overcome the overwhelming naval superiority, possessed by the British. German success in Norway was not preordained. At several times in the opening weeks of the campaign, the Norwegian and Allied forces could have inflicted a major defeat on the Germans if their operations had been effectively supported. It was, in fact, the superior German use of their air force that gave the Germans the decisive margin of victory and ensured the failure of the Allied counteroffensive in central Norway in April and May of 1940.

Covering the first true joint campaign in warfare, this book provides a complete view of a compelling turning point in World War II. Featuring an analysis of the cooperation of ground, naval, and air forces, this book is intended to appeal to a broad range of readers interested in World War II, and specifically to those interested in the role airpower played in the strategic and operational planning of the Campaign for Norway.

Dr James Corum is a retired U.S. Army Reserve lieutenant colonel. He taught military history at Salford University, UK, from 2014 to 2019, and was dean of the Baltic Defence College from 2009 to 2014. From 1991 to 2004, he served as a professor at the U.S. Air Force School of Advanced Air and Space Power Studies. From 2005 to 2008 he was an associate professor at the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College. Dr. Corum is the author of several books on military history.
Vauxhall Cars

James Taylor

A beautifully illustrated history of the car manufacturer Vauxhall from its first model in 1903 through some of the most successful car models of the late twentieth century and up to the modern d...

Vauxhall cars have been central to motoring in Britain for over a century. The company built a formidable reputation in its early years with notable machines like the Prince Henry, the 30/98, and the 1914 Grand Prix cars, and then moved into a more mainstream area of the market, remaining in the forefront of innovation during the 1930s.

The post-1945 years saw the company as one of the foremost in Britain, catering for family needs with cars like the Velox, the Cresta, and the Victor, and then building the highly successful Viva range of smaller models. Closely aligned with its German cousin, Opel, Vauxhall relied increasingly on Opel’s designs after the mid-1970s. Astra, Cavalier, Nova and Carlton were among the best-loved cars of their era, and no-one can forget the giant-killing 176 mph Lotus Carlton.

This illustrated introduction explores the history of Vauxhall cars from its beginning in 1903 to the city cars and SUVs that have led the Vauxhall product lines, as the company continues to excel in the twenty-first century.

James Taylor has been writing about cars and transport since the 1970s and his books for Shire include Family Cars of the 1970s, British Sports Cars of the 1950s and ‘60s and Land Rover. James is based in the UK.
British Census, The

Simon Smith

A fascinating primer on how censuses have been taken in Britain over the last two centuries, and what they can tell us about the ways in which society has evolved.

The 21 censuses that have been conducted in Britain since 1801, have provided an invaluable insight into Britain’s social, political and economic history over the past 200 years. From their original purpose to assess how many men were fit for military duty in the Napoleonic wars, to being a necessary tool for determining government policy, the 10-yearly census return is a fascinating snapshot of the state of the population on a particular moment in each decade. The growth of Britain’s cities; the movement of population away from the countryside; the variety of people’s occupations; their way of life; and what religious beliefs they hold are all contained within the census reports. With the imminent publication of the 1921 census results, this will prove a useful introduction, both for those interested in general trends in social history, and those researching family history.

Simon Smith taught English at Brighton College for many years and was Second Master. Latterly he has undertaken educational consultancy work to help establish Free Schools in London and he is a governor of two schools, Chairman of the Kemp Town Society and author of a History of St John’s, Brighton. Simon lives in the UK.
Big Guns in the Atlantic

Germany's battleships and cruisers raid the convoys, 1939–41

Angus Konstam

The history of German Atlantic convoy raids and how the success of 1941’s Operation Berlin led directly to the Kriegsmarine sending in its greatest battleship—the ill-fated Bismarck.

At the outbreak of World War II, the German Kriegsmarine still had a relatively small U-boat arm. To reach Britain’s convoy routes in the North Atlantic, these boats had to pass around the top of the British Isles, a long and dangerous voyage to their “hunting grounds.” Germany’s larger surface warships were much better suited to this kind of long-range operation. So, during late 1939, the armored cruiser Deutschland, and later the battlecruisers Scharnhorst and Gneisenau, were used as commerce raiders to strike at Allied convoys in the North Atlantic. These sorties met with mixed results, but for Germany’s naval high command they showed that this kind of operation had potential. Then, the fall of France, Denmark, and Norway in early 1940 dramatically altered the strategic situation. The Atlantic was now far easier to reach, and to escape from. Covering a fascinating and detailed analysis of the Kriegsmarine’s Atlantic raids between 1939 and 1941, this book will appeal to readers interested in World War II and in particular in Germany’s naval operations.

Angus Konstam has written widely on naval history, from Sovereigns of the Seas and Piracy: The Complete History to his most recent bestseller, Jutland 1916: Twelve Hours to Win the War. A former naval officer and museum professional, he worked as the curator in both the Royal Armories, Tower of London, and the Mel Fisher Maritime Museum in Key West, Florida.
British Infantryman vs Mahdist Warrior

Sudan 1884–98

Ian Knight

A new study of the battles fought between Queen Victoria’s infantry and the formidable Mahdist Army in the Sudan.

In 1882, the United Kingdom intervened in the affairs of independent Egypt, overthrowing a nationalist revolt with the intention of securing British strategic interests along the Suez Canal. Subsequently drawn into a series of confrontations in Egypt’s southern colony, the Sudan, British troops would face a determined and capable foe amid some of the world’s most inhospitable terrain.

In a bid to throw off Egyptian colonial rule, in 1881 an Islamic fundamentalist revolt had broken out in the Sudan. It was led by a religious teacher named Mohammed Ahmad Ibn al-Sayiid Abdullah, who proclaimed himself al-Mahdi, “the Guided One.” After routing Egyptian forces led by British officer Colonel William Hicks at the battle of Shaykan in November 1883, the Mahdi began to organize his followers along more centralized lines. In an effort to restore Egyptian authority, the British dispatched Colonel Charles Gordon to the Sudanese capital of Khartoum with orders to evacuate Sudanese personnel at risk from the Mahdist uprising. Once there Gordon refused to leave the city, prompting the British government to dispatch a relief column to rescue him. In the event, the Mahdi stormed Khartoum on January 26, 1885. Gordon himself was killed.

Featuring specially commissioned artwork.

Ian Knight is widely acknowledged as a leading authority on the colonial campaigns of the Victorian Empire. He has written over 30 books on the subject, including Men-at-Arms, Campaign, Essential Histories, Elite, and Fortress titles for Osprey, including the Queen Victoria’s Enemies series.

Raffaele Ruggeri has long been interested in military history and has illustrated a number of books for Osprey, specializing in African subjects. Raffaele lives and works in Italy.
Dien Bien Phu 1954
The French Defeat that Lured America into Vietnam

Martin Windrow

A study on Dien Bien Phu, the 56-day siege that eventually led to the surrender of the remaining French-led forces, this iconic battle provided the climax of the First Indochina War.

The battle that broke France’s will to keep fighting her Indochina War (1946–54) was the siege and subsequent 56-day assault (March 13–May 7) on the “air-ground base” at Dien Bien Phu in the Thai Highlands of North Vietnam. The garrison eventually reached some 15,000 men in 16-plus battalions—French, Foreign Legion, and Vietnamese paratroops; and Foreign Legion, North African, and Indochinese infantry, supported by French tanks and West African artillery. In this superbly illustrated addition to the Osprey Campaign series, the fighting at Dien Bien Phu is analyzed and explored in detail. Full-color maps, 3D diagrams, and battlescene artworks illustrate the development of the French defeat in May 1954. This work also shows how the battle was one of great consequence, sowing the seeds for a second Indochina conflict—the Vietnam War (1955–75)—into which the US would inexorably be drawn.

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Peter Dennis was inspired by contemporary magazines such as Look and Learn, leading him to study illustration at Liverpool Art College. Peter has since contributed to hundreds of books, predominantly on historical subjects, including many Osprey titles.

Martin Windrow is series editor at Osprey and an authority on the postwar French army, particularly the Foreign Legion. He is the author of Osprey’s French Foreign Legion Infantry and Cavalry since 1945, and The French Indochina War 1946-54, and the critically acclaimed The Last Valley: Dien Bien Phu.
German Heavy Cruisers vs Royal Navy Heavy Cruisers

1939–42

Mark Lardas

A superbly illustrated study of the major warships of Nazi Germany’s Kriegsmarine.

World War II turned out to be the swan song of the heavy cruiser design. In the Kriegsmarine, although some 22 Panzerschiffe (armored ships) were planned across four different designs, only three Deutschland-class ships (Deutschland/Lützow, Admiral Scheer, and Admiral Graf Spee) and three Admiral Hipper-class cruisers (Admiral Hipper, Blücher, and Prinz Eugen) were ever completed. The Royal Navy’s equivalent vessels comprised the A Type (13 County-class ships built in three distinct sub-classes: Kent, London, and Norfolk), and the B Type, comprising the two York-class heavy cruisers (HMS York and HMS Exeter). These opposing heavy cruisers engaged in a global game of cat and mouse during the opening years of the war. This book will cover the contacts between the two sides at the Battle of the River Plate in December 1939 (Admiral Graf Spee vs. HMS Exeter), HMS Berwick’s clash with Admiral Hipper off the Canaries (December 25, 1940), Operation Rheinübung/Battle of the Denmark Strait in May 1941 (involving Prinz Eugen, HMS Suffolk, HMS Norfolk, HMS London, and HMS Dorsetshire), and Operation Rösselsprung (1942) against convoy PQ-17 (Admiral Hipper, Deutschland/Lützow, and Admiral Scheer vs. the RN Heavy cruisers in the two covering forces).

Mark Lardas holds a degree in naval architecture and marine engineering but spent his early career at the Johnson Space Center doing space shuttle structural analysis and space navigation. He currently lives and works in League City, Texas.

Ian Palmer is a highly experienced digital artist with two decades of experience in the video games industry, both as a 3D artist and an art director.
German Tanks in Normandy 1944

Steven J. Zaloga

A new study of the German Panzer forces that stood between the Allies’ D-Day beachhead and victory in World War II—how they compared, how they were organized, and how they fought.

The German tank forces in Normandy in June–August 1944 had the advantage of fighting on the defensive side, as well as comprising of some of the most powerful and advanced tanks used by any side in the war. Yet success in tank warfare depends on many things beyond technological superiority. This book describes the types of tanks, tank destroyers, and assault guns used by the Panzer units in Normandy, how they fought on the Normandy battlefield, and why they were overwhelmed by the advancing Allies. It discusses the organization and equipment of the units, providing thumbnail sketches of basic organization and doctrine as well as statistical data on the types and categories of AFVs in German service.

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Felipe Rodríguez Náñez (aka Felipe Rodna) combines his experience in CG art and his passion for modelling in his illustrations.
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Japanese Home Front 1937–45, The
Philip Jowett

Featuring full-color artwork, this book reveals the organization and appearance of the military and civil-defense forces that supported the Japanese war effort from 1937 to 1945.

From the beginning of the Second Sino-Japanese War in 1937 until the Japanese surrender in August 1945, a multitude of military and civil-defense forces strove to support the Japanese war effort and latterly prepared to defend the home islands against invasion. Indeed, Japan was the world’s most militarized society during World War II. Fully illustrated, this study describes and illustrates the military and civil-defense organizations that conducted the Japanese war effort in the home islands throughout World War II. By the time that Imperial Japan embarked on a full-scale invasion of China in 1937, the civilian population of Japan had lived through more than five decades of aggressive military expansion, including multiple wars against China and Russia and involvement in World War I. By 1937 Japan had a fully militarized society; military parades were part of everyday life for school children of both sexes, while women joined patriotic associations and learnt nursing skills in preparation for going to the front if necessary. Schoolboys and male students handled rifles and pushed wooden artillery and tanks around the playground for the propaganda newsmen.

In this book, Philip Jowett reveals the many military and civil-defense organizations tasked with supporting Japan’s war effort and defending the home islands. Featuring specially commissioned artwork and carefully chosen archive photographs.

PRAISE

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UH-1 Huey Gunship vs NVA/VC Forces

Peter E. Davies

This illustrated new history explores one of the hardest-worked and most effective of the helicopter types in-theater.

Often described as the U.S. Army’s aerial jeep, the UH-1 Iroquois (“Huey”) was the general-purpose vehicle that provided mobility in a hostile jungle environment which made rapid troop movement extremely challenging by any other means. Hueys airlifted troops, evacuated casualties, rescued downed pilots, transported cargo externally, and enabled rapid transit of commanders in the field. Although “vertical aviation” had only become a practical reality during the Korean War, helicopters evolved rapidly in the decade before Vietnam and by 1965, the U.S. Army and U.S. Marines relied on them as primary combat tools. This was principally because North Vietnam’s armed forces had long experience of jungle operations, camouflage, and evasion. One of the most valuable new initiatives was the UH-1C “Huey Hog,” or “Frog” gunship, conceived in 1960 and offering more power and agility than the UH-1B that pioneered gunship use in combat. Heavily armed with guns and rockets and easily transportable by air, these helicopters became available in large numbers and they became a major problem for the insurgent forces throughout the war. Covering fascinating details of the innovations in tactics and combat introduced by gunship helicopters, this book offers an analysis of their adaptability and usefulness in a variety of operations, while exploring the insurgent forces’ responses to the advent of “vertical aviation.”

PRAISE

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Undaunted: Reinforcements

David Thompson, Trevor Benjamin, Dávid Turczi

A modular expansion for Undaunted: Normandy and Undaunted: North Africa that takes the Undaunted series to an unprecedented scale.

In North Africa, the Long Range Desert Group are a thorn in the sides of the Italian forces, disrupting vital lines of communication and striking at strategic targets ranging far and wide. In Normandy, U.S. forces brace against German counterattack, determined to maintain their foothold in the region. The fighting is intense and the outcome hangs on a knife-edge. With everything at stake, you desperately need reinforcements!

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Chinoiserie

Richard Hayman

A beautifully illustrated introduction to the seventeenth-to-nineteenth-century mania for all things Chinese, from blue-and-white china tea sets to entire suites of Chinese-inspired rooms.

Chinoiserie is the taste for Chinese-inspired designs that were fashionable in Europe from the seventeenth to nineteenth centuries. British and other European designers adapted the visual culture of the Far East, reinterpreting what they perceived to be a mysterious, faraway place with little attempt at authenticity, creating a fantasy world of exotic birds, dragons, men in Chinese dress, and buildings with roofs with upturned eaves inspired by Chinese temples. Chinoiserie was produced in various forms—in interior design (especially the fashionable “Chinese rooms,” with their wallpaper and lacquered furniture), in tea sets when tea drinking was in vogue, and in the pagodas and pavilions of eighteenth-century gardens. Chinoiserie provides a beautifully illustrated introduction to this fascinating style of decorative art and explains how it evolved from direct contact between Western Europe and the Far East.

Richard Hayman is an independent historian and archaeologist who writes about the cultural history of buildings and places in Britain. He has written several titles for Shire, including Rood Screens, Wrought Iron, and Illuminated Manuscripts.
Nothing Can Hurt You

Nicola Maye Goldberg

A “captivating, serpentine, and affecting” (Megan Abbott) literary thriller inspired by the true story of a college student’s killing.

On a cold day in 1997, student Sara Morgan was killed in the woods surrounding her liberal arts college in upstate New York. Her boyfriend, Blake Campbell, confessed, his plea of temporary insanity raising more questions than it answered.

In the wake of his acquittal, the case comes to haunt a strange and surprising network of community members, from the young woman who discovers Sara’s body to the junior reporter who senses its connection to convicted local serial killer John Logan. Others are looking for retribution or explanation: Sara’s half sister, stifled by her family’s bereft silence about Blake, poses as a babysitter and seeks out her own form of justice, while the teenager Sara used to babysit starts writing to Logan in prison.

A propulsive, taut tale of voyeurism and obsession, Nothing Can Hurt You dares to examine gendered violence not as an anomaly, but as the very core of everyday life. Tracing the concentric circles of violence rippling out from Sara’s murder, Nicola Maye Goldberg masterfully conducts an unforgettable chorus of disparate voices.

PRAISE


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