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The Key to Deceit

Ashley Weaver

The second in the Electra McDonnell series from Edgar-nominated author Ashley Weaver, *The Key to Deceit*, is a delightful World War II mystery filled with spies, murder, romance, and wit.

London, 1940. After years of stealing from the rich and giving to the poor—well, to themselves, anyway—Ellie McDonnell and her family have turned over a new leaf as they help the government's war effort. It's true that the straight-laced Major Ramsey didn't give them much choice, but still, Ellie must admit she doesn't miss breaking and entering as much as she might have thought. What she does miss is the challenge of unlocking an impossible code and the adrenaline rush that comes from being somewhere she shouldn't.

So when Major Ramsey turns up unannounced with another job, she can't say no. A woman's body has been found floating in the Thames, with a bracelet locked onto her wrist, and a cameo locket attached to it. It's clear this woman was involved in espionage, but whose side was she on? Who was she reporting to? And who wanted her dead?

PRAISE

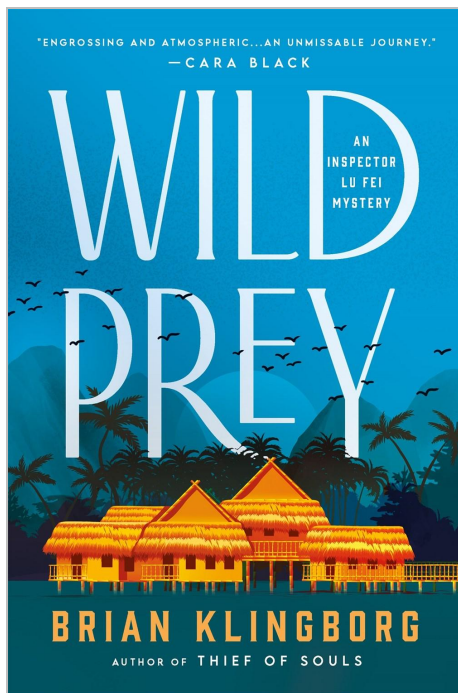
Praise for A Peculiar Combination:

"A thorny relationship between Ellie and Ramsey, a cast of colorful characters, a brisk pace, and an ironic message about the identity of true patriots enthrall. Readers will look forward to the next mission for the smart, feisty Ellie and her circle."—*Publishers Weekly* (Starred)

"Exciting . . . Brave Ellie and her aristocratic love should appeal to fans of Susan Elisa MacNeal and Tessa Arlen."—*Kirkus Reviews*

"This is a well-constructed historical spy story with plenty of romance, intriguing period details, and fascinating insights into the nitty gritty of safecracking."
—*Booklist*

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**FICTION / MYSTERY &
DETECTIVE / POLICE
PROCEDURAL**

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Wild Prey

An Inspector Lu Fei Mystery

Brian Klingborg

The search for a missing girl sends Inspector Lu Fei undercover into the wild corners of Myanmar, and the compound of the deadly and mysterious woman warlord responsible for the illegal trafficki...

Inspector Lu Fei of the Chinese Police lives and works in a normally quiet rural area of Northern China. But the recent crackdown on wet markets - where unusual live animals are sold - has led to a marked increase in the smuggling of exotic animal parts into China. Lu Fei and his team have been directed to run sting operations to catch the local sellers of these illegal things. However, a young girl, Tan Meirong, has shown up at the station to report her fifteen year old sister, Meixiang. Meixiang has been working as a waitress at a club in the nearby city of Harbin to support the family but hasn't been heard from recently. Despite his superiors complete lack of interest, Meirong shames Lu Fei into investigating - and what he finds is that Meixiang had been working at a club catering to the local elites and disappeared immediately after an incident at the club. Fearing the worst, Lu Fei taps his sources and follows a trail that leads him to the source of much of the smuggled animal parts in the area - a warlord in nearby Myanmar. Going undercover, unofficially, to find the missing girl, Lu Fei finds himself in the middle of a very dangerous compound with almost no chance of survival, much less success.

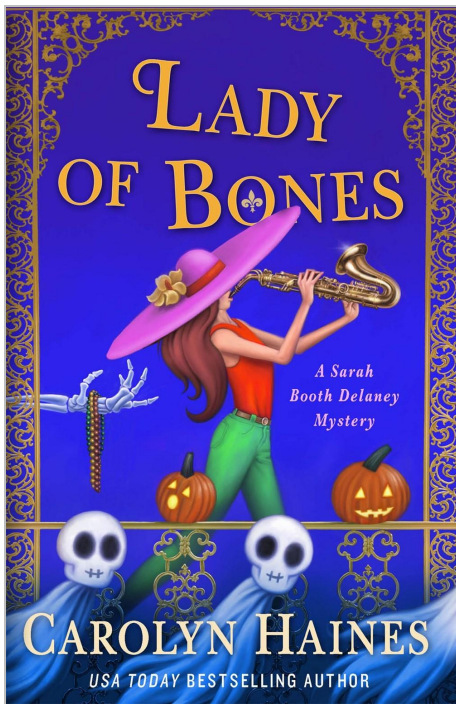
PRAISE

"Riveting." --*Booklist*

"This auspicious mystery begs for a sequel. Please let it be soon." --*BookPage*

"Engrossing and atmospheric, *Thief of Souls* takes us through the dirty snow of a Chinese province in a hunt for a serial killer. Police investigator Lu Fei, quotes Confucius, understands the power of the past, and navigates corruption and back-handing among Chairman Mao's descendents. An unmissable journey with a Confucian knight errant for the 21st century." --Cara Black

BRIAN KLINGBORG has both a B.A. (University of California, Davis) and an M.A. (Harvard) in East Asian Studies and spent years living and working in Asia. He currently works in early childhood educational publishing and lives in New York City.



FICTION / MYSTERY & DETECTIVE / COZY

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Lady of Bones

A Sarah Booth Delaney Mystery

Carolyn Haines

The latest novel in the series that *Kirkus Reviews* characterizes as “Stephanie Plum meets the Ya-Ya Sisterhood” featuring sassy Southern private investigator Sarah Booth Delaney.

It's Halloween season in Mississippi as Sarah Booth and the gang gather to decorate and gush over Tinkie's new baby, Maylin. Sarah Booth is just about to refresh the cocktails when she hears a knock on the door and opens it to find a woman named Frankie, distraught at the disappearance of her daughter Christa, a young journalist. Christa had been investigating the disappearance of young women in New Orleans over a five-year period—one every year around Halloween. Now Christa herself is missing, and Frankie fears it may be connected to a cult based in the Garden District, called People of Eternity.

People of Eternity are known to have far-reaching connections which Frankie worries may reach as high as law enforcement. Refusing to contact the authorities, she turns to Delaney Detective Agency as her only hope.

Despite initial reservations, Sarah Booth accepts the case, which takes her on a journey to a secret underworld of beguiling cult leaders, witchcraft, and potentially human sacrifice. She'll have to keep her wits about her if she wants to crack this case...and make it home alive.

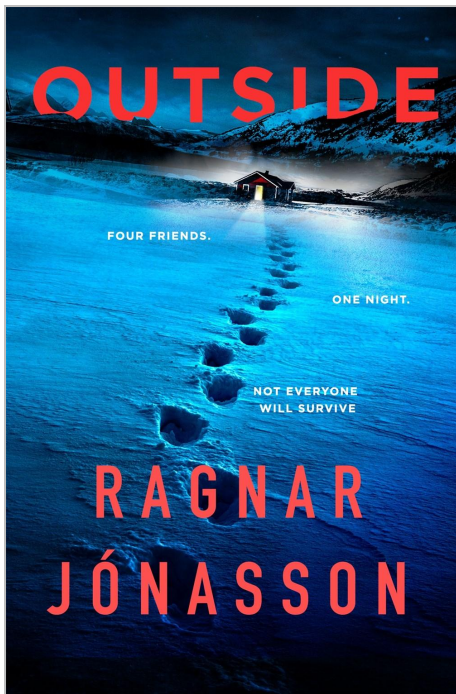
PRAISE

“Haines shows Sarah at her madcap best back in her hometown in this clever adventure. This is crazy cozy with a little something for everyone: paranormal doings, plenty of Evanovich zaniness, and a cast of eccentrics.”

—Booklist on *Bone to Be Wild*

“Enjoyable...Jitty, the headstrong ghost who shares Sarah Booth's family home, is just one of the many well-drawn characters who help bring this Southern tale to colorful life.” —Publishers Weekly on *Rock-a-Bye Bones*

CAROLYN HAINES is the author of the Sarah Booth Delaney Mysteries. She is the recipient of both the Harper Lee Distinguished Writing Award and the Richard Wright Award for Literary Excellence. Born and raised in Mississippi, she now lives in Semmes, Alabama on a farm with more dogs, cats, and horses than she can possibly keep track of.



**FICTION / MYSTERY &
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Outside

Ragnar Jónasson

With 2 million copies of his books sold worldwide, "world-class crime writer" Ragnar Jónasson brings us a chilling new standalone thriller (*The Sunday Times*, UK).

Four friends. One night. Not everyone will come out alive . . .

When a deadly snowstorm strikes the Icelandic highlands, four friends seek shelter in a small, abandoned hunting lodge.

It is in the middle of nowhere and there's no way of communicating with the outside world.

They are isolated, but they are not alone . . .

As the night darkens, and fears intensify, an old tragedy gradually surfaces - one that forever changed the course of their friendship.

Those dark memories could hold the key to the mystery the friends now find themselves in.

And whether they will survive until morning . . .

PRAISE

"Icelandic noir of the highest order, with Jónasson's atmospheric sense of place, and his heroine's unerring humanity shining from every page." —*Daily Mail*, UK on *The Mist*

"A landmark in modern crime fiction" —*The Times*, UK on *The Mist*

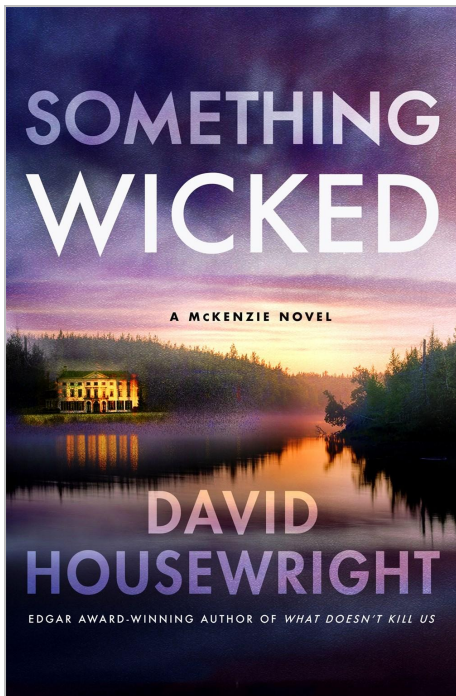
"Is this the best crime writer in the world today?" —*The Times*, UK

"the precision of Harold Pinter" —*The Washington Post*

"Jónasson is an automatic must-read for me - he's possibly the best Scandi writer working today." —Lee Child

"Masterfully conceived...Jónasson's impeccable plotting is really a wonder of the crime genre." —*Dayton Daily News* on *The Girl Who Died*

RAGNAR JÓNASSON is an international number one bestselling author who has sold over two million books in thirty-two countries worldwide. His books include the Dark Iceland series and the Hulda series. His critically acclaimed international bestseller *The Darkness* is soon to be a major TV series. He has translated fourteen of Agatha Christie's novels. Ragnar is the co-founder of the Reykjavik international crime writing festival Iceland Noir. Jónasson lives in Reykjavik.



FICTION / MYSTERY & DETECTIVE / HARD-BOILED

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Something Wicked

A McKenzie Novel

David Housewright

Rushmore McKenzie, who promised to retire after his last nearly-fatal case, gets talked into doing an old friend a favor involving a castle, a family fighting over an inheritance, and at least on...

Rushmore McKenzie was a detective with the St. Paul, Minnesota PD until unlikely events made him first a millionaire and then a retiree. Since then, he's been an occasional unofficial private investigator - looking into things for friends and friends of friends - until his most recent case put him into a coma and nearly into a coffin. Now, at the insistence of his better half Nina Truhler, he is again retired.

That is, until a friend of Nina finds herself in dire straights and in desperate need of a favor. Jenness Crawford's grandmother owned the family castle - a nineteenth century castle that has been operating as a hotel and resort for over a hundred years. Since her grandmother's death, the heirs have been squabbling over what to do with it. Some want to keep it in the family and running as a hotel. Some want to sell it and reap the millions a developer will pay for it. And Jenness is convinced that someone - probably in the latter group - killed her grandmother. A conclusion with which the police do not agree. Now McKenzie finds himself back in action, trapped in a castle filled with feuding relatives with conflicting agendas, long serving retainers, and a possible murderer. And if McKenzie makes one wrong move, it could be lights out.

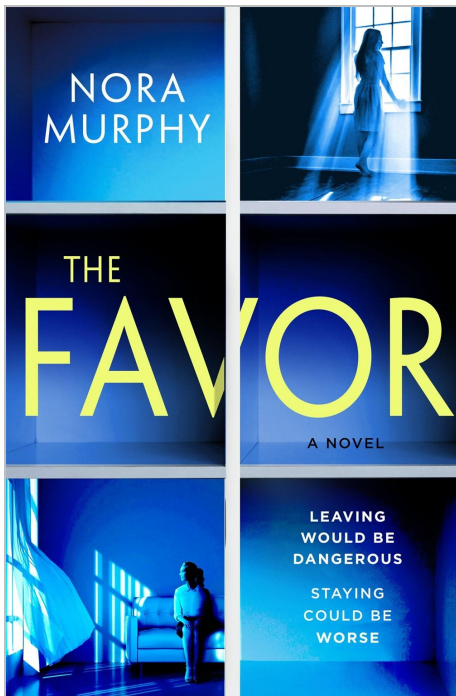
PRAISE

"A fast-moving, dialogue-driven tale so effortlessly and irresistibly spun." —*Kirkus Reviews on Like to Die*

"Nearly impossible to put down." —*Publishers Weekly*

"All hell breaks loose in... Edgar-winning Housewright's very strong McKenzie series. Greatly enhancing the story are the fascinating details." —*Booklist* (starred review) on *Stealing the Countess*

DAVID HOUSEWRIGHT has won the Edgar Award and is the three-time winner of the Minnesota Book Award for his crime fiction. He is a past president of the Private Eye Writers of America (PWA). He lives in St. Paul, Minnesota.



FICTION / THRILLERS / SUSPENSE

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The Favor

Nora Murphy

A gripping debut domestic suspense novel, *The Favor* explores with compassion and depth what can happen when women pushed to the limit take matters into their own hands.

Staying is dangerous. Leaving could be worse.

Leah and McKenna have never met, though they have parallel lives.

They don't—ever—find themselves in the same train carriage or meet accidentally at the gym or the coffee shop. They don't—ever—discuss their problems and find common ground. They don't—ever—acknowledge to each other that although their lives have all the trappings of success, wealth and happiness, they are, in fact, trapped.

Because Leah understands that what's inside a home can be more dangerous than what's outside. Driving past McKenna's house one night, she sees what she knows only too well herself from her own marriage: McKenna's "perfect" husband is not what he seems. She decides to keep an eye out for McKenna, until one night, she intervenes.

Leah and McKenna have never met. But they will.

PRAISE

"Nora Murphy's *The Favor* is a tense and gripping read about the tacit sisterhood between two unlikely vigilantes. With echoes of *Big Little Lies* and *Strangers on a Train*, Nora Murphy's *The Favor* is impossible to put down."—Mary Dixie Carter, author of *The Photographer*

"*The Favor* is a page-turning debut that will have you questioning the lengths you'd go to save someone else, even though it's you that needs saving."—Sandie Jones, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Guilt Trip*

NORA MURPHY attended law school in Washington, D.C., then worked as a judicial law clerk before transitioning to private practice. During law school, she participated in two clinics through which she represented and studied the issues facing survivors of intimate partner violence. A practicing attorney, Nora writes as much as she can, usually long before the sunrise or on her phone for brief moments when the inspiration strikes. Nora resides in Maryland with her husband, young son, and five resc...



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A Rip Through Time

Kelley Armstrong

In this series debut from *New York Times* bestselling author Kelley Armstrong, a modern-day homicide detective finds herself in Victorian Scotland—in an unfamiliar body—with a killer on the loose.

May 20, 2019: Homicide detective Mallory is in Edinburgh to be with her dying grandmother. While out on a jog one evening, Mallory hears a woman in distress. She's drawn to an alley, where she is attacked and loses consciousness.

May 20, 1869: Housemaid Catriona Thomson had been enjoying a half-day off, only to be discovered that night in a lane, where she'd been strangled and left for dead . . . exactly one-hundred-and-fifty years before Mallory was strangled in the same spot.

When Mallory wakes up in Catriona's body in 1869, she must put aside her shock and adjust quickly to the reality: life as a housemaid to an undertaker in Victorian Scotland. She soon discovers that her boss, Dr. Gray, also moonlights as a medical examiner and has just taken on an intriguing case, the strangulation of a young man, similar to the attack on herself. Her only hope is that catching the murderer can lead her back to her modern life . . . before it's too late.

Outlander meets *The Alienist* in Kelley Armstrong's utterly compelling new series, mixing romance, mystery, and fantasy with thrilling results.

PRAISE

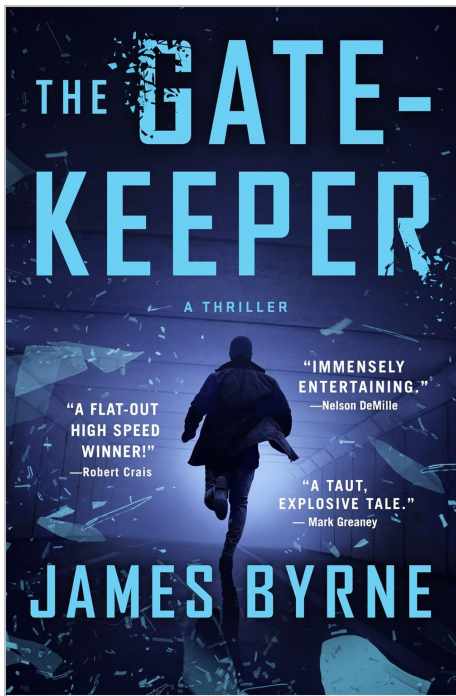
Praise for The Rockton Novels

"Kelley Armstrong's solid Casey Duncan Series... is turning into one of the best new finds of the decade . . . Slick plotting and good characters are hallmarks of this clever series." — *The Globe and Mail*

"Kelley Armstrong is incredible at writing atmosphere, and it's on full display in her Casey Duncan series." — *Bustle*

"There are small towns, and then there's Rockton . . . The crimes they solve will keep readers guessing, while the remote setting adds to the suspense and heightens the sense of danger." — *BookBub*

KELLEY ARMSTRONG graduated with a degree in psychology and then studied computer programming. Now, she is a full-time writer and parent, and she lives with her husband and three children in rural Ontario, Canada.



FICTION / THRILLERS / SUSPENSE

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The Gatekeeper

James Byrne

Introducing Dez Limerick - "a welcome blast of freshness"* and "the most exciting new character I've read in years"* -- in the most anticipated new thriller in years.

A highly trained team of mercenaries launches a well-planned, coordinated attack on a well-guarded military contractor - but they didn't count on one thing, the right man being in the wrong place at the right time.

Desmond Aloysius Limerick ("Dez" to all) is a retired mercenary, and enthusiastic amateur musician, currently in Southern California, enjoying the sun and sitting in on the occasional gig, when the hotel he's at falls under attack. A skilled team attempts to kidnap the Chief legal counsel of Triton Expeditors, a major military contractor – in fact, Petra Alexandris is the daughter of the CEO – but their meticulously-planned, seamlessly executed scheme runs into the figurative 'spanner-in-the-works,' Dez himself.

After foiling the attack, and with nothing better to do, Dez agrees to help Alexandris with another problem she's having – someone has embezzled more than a billion dollars from her company and left very few tracks behind. But Dez is a gatekeeper – one who opens doors and keeps them open – and this is just a door of another kind. And the door he opens leads to a dangerous conspiracy involving media manipulation, militias, an armed coup, and an attempt to fracture the United States themselves. There's only one obstacle between the conspirators and success – and that is Dez, *The Gatekeeper*.

PRAISE

"One of the most interesting, enigmatic, and coolest heroes to ever come across the written page... Well written, fast paced, and immensely entertaining." --Nelson DeMille

"*The Gatekeeper* starts fast and moves faster. It's a taut, explosive tale with high stakes and authenticity that kept me riveted and fanning the pages. Fans of Lee Child and Vince Flynn will love the hero, Dez, and find themselves enthralled in *The Gatekeeper*. —Mark Greaney

"Adrenaline charged! James Byrne delivers an action-packed, twist-a-minute thrill ride featuring Dez, the massively muscled, wickedly clever, tongue in cheek hero we never knew we needed... and I already..."

JAMES BYRNE is the pseudonym for an author who has worked for more than twenty years as a journalist and in politics. A native of the Pacific Northwest, he lives in Portland, Oregon.



**FICTION / MYSTERY &
DETECTIVE / WOMEN SLEUTHS**

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Last Call at the Nightingale

Katharine Schellman

First in a captivating new Jazz age mystery series, *Last Call at the Nightingale* beckons readers into a darkly glamorous speakeasy where music, liquor, and secrets flow.

New York, 1924. Vivian Kelly's days are filled with drudgery, from the tenement lodging she shares with her sister to the dress shop where she sews for hours every day.

But at night, she escapes to The Nightingale, an underground dance hall where illegal liquor flows and the band plays the Charleston with reckless excitement. With a bartender willing to slip her a free glass of champagne and friends who know the owner, Vivian can lose herself in the music. No one asks where she came from or how much money she has. No one bats an eye if she flirts with men or women as long as she can keep up on the dance floor. At The Nightingale, Vivian forgets the dangers of Prohibition-era New York and finds a place that feels like home.

But then she discovers a body behind the club, and those dangers come knocking.

Caught in a police raid at the Nightingale, Vivian discovers that the dead man wasn't the nameless bootlegger he first appeared. With too many people assuming she knows more about the crime than she does, Vivian finds herself caught between the dangers of New York's underground and the world of the city's wealthy and careless, where money can hide any sin and the lives of the poor are considered disposable...including Vivian's own.

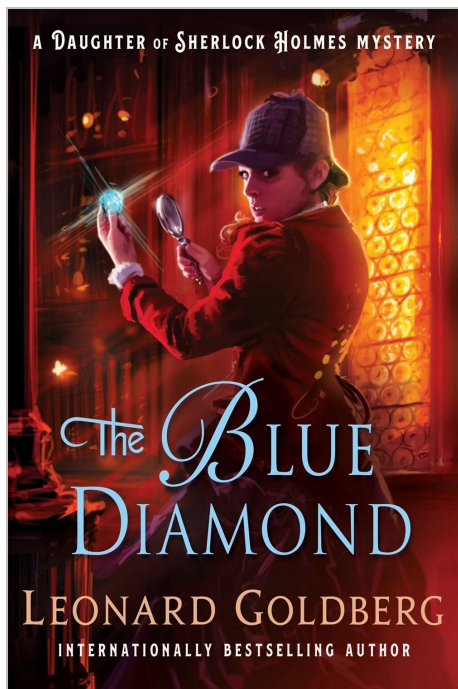
PRAISE

"This sharply paced, queer murder mystery, set in 1920s New York City, offers equal amounts of atmosphere, danger, and crime-solving. Schellman is at the top of her craft and delivers a murder mystery with clever twists and turns and memorable personalities."—Denny S. Bryce, Bestselling Author of *Wild Women and the Blues*

"With an opening line that is guaranteed to keep you reading, Katharine Schellman's *Last Call at the Nightingale* is a mystery that will keep you guessing until the last page. Schellman has created a world I cannot wait to return to."—Nekesa Afia, author of *Dead Dead Girls*

"Complete with speakeasies, mobsters, and an unflappab..."

KATHARINE SCHELLMAN is a former actor, one-time political consultant, and current writer. Her debut mystery, *The Body in the Garden*, was a Suspense Magazine Best Book of 2020 and led to her being named one of BookPage's 20 Women to Watch. A graduate of the College of William & Mary, Katharine currently lives and writes in the mountains of Virginia in the company of her family and the many houseplants she keeps accidentally murdering.



The Blue Diamond

A Daughter of Sherlock Holmes Mystery

Leonard Goldberg

The fate of the allied forces lies in the hands of Joanna and the Watsons in the latest Daughter of Sherlock Holmes mystery from *USA Today* bestselling author Leonard Goldberg.

During a critical stage in World War One, the Governor-General of South Africa journeys to London for a meeting of The Imperial War Conference. Days prior to the conference, the Governor-General is scheduled to have an audience at Buckingham Palace at which time a most precious blue diamond will be presented to King Edward as a symbolic gesture of the colonies' resolute and never-ending allegiance to England.

The flawless blue diamond, with its magnificent luster, weighs nearly 3000 carats which renders it one of the world's largest and most valuable gems. On the Governor-General's arrival, he is ensconced at the fashionable Windsor Hotel under the tightest security, with his entire entourage and formidable security team occupying the entire penthouse floor. All entrances and exits are locked down and closely guarded, and no one is allowed entrance after 6 PM.

Despite the extreme precautions, the famous diamond is stolen from the Governor-General's suite in the middle of the night, with no clues left behind. With Scotland Yard baffled, Joanna and the Watsons are called in to investigate the theft and it becomes clear that the crime is not simply the work of a master thief, but one that could greatly aid the Germans and turn the tide of war in their favor. Time is of the essence and the blue diamond must be recovered before it begins its travels which could cause irreparable damage to the allied war plans.

PRAISE

"The Abduction of Pretty Penny is darker in tone than the other books in the series...But like the others in the series, this one is very well written, with clever dialogue...I highly recommend this latest in an excellent series." —*Historical Novel Society*

"The story is excellent and engaging...There is certainly enough angst, tension and misdirection to keep the pages turning and the reader involved to the last page." —*Gumshoe Review on The Abduction of Pretty Penny*

LEONARD GOLDBERG is the *USA Today* bestselling author of the Joanna Blalock medical thrillers. His novels have been translated into a dozen languages and were selections of the Book of the Month Club, French and Czech book clubs, and The Mystery Guild. They were featured as *People's* "Page-Turner of the Week" and at the International Book Fair. After a long career affiliated with the UCLA Medical Center as a Clinical Professor of Medicine, he now lives on an island off the coast of Charleston, SC.

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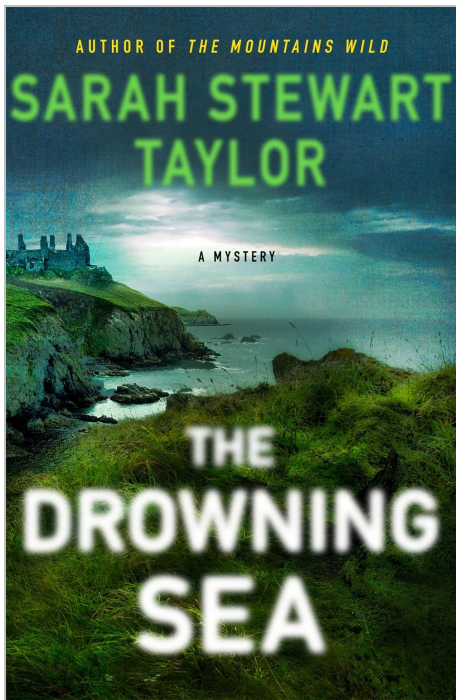
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The Drowning Sea

A Mystery

Sarah Stewart Taylor

In *The Drowning Sea*, Sarah Stewart Taylor returns to the critically acclaimed world of Maggie D'arcy with another atmospheric mystery perfect for fans of Tana French and Kate Atkinson.

For the first time in her adult life, former Long Island homicide detective Maggie D'arcy is unemployed. No cases to focus on, no leads to investigate, just a whole summer on a remote West Cork peninsula with her teenage daughter Lilly and her boyfriend, Conor, and his son. The plan is to prepare Lilly for a move to Ireland. But their calm vacation takes a dangerous turn when human remains wash up below the steep cliffs of Ross Head.

When construction worker Lukas Adamik disappeared months ago, everyone assumed he had gone home to Poland. Now that his body has been found, the guards, including Maggie's friends Roly Byrne and Katya Grzeskiewicz, seem to think he threw himself from the cliffs. But as Maggie gets to know the residents of the nearby village and learns about the history of the peninsula and its abandoned Anglo Irish manor house, once home to a famous Irish painter who died under mysterious circumstances, she starts to think there's something else going on. Something deadly. And when Lilly starts dating one of the dead man's friends, Maggie grows worried about her daughter being so close to another investigation and about what the investigation will uncover.

Old secrets, hidden relationships, crime, and village politics are woven throughout this small seaside community, and as the summer progresses, Maggie is pulled deeper into the web of lies, further from those she loves, and closer to the truth.

PRAISE

*Praise for **A Distant Grave***

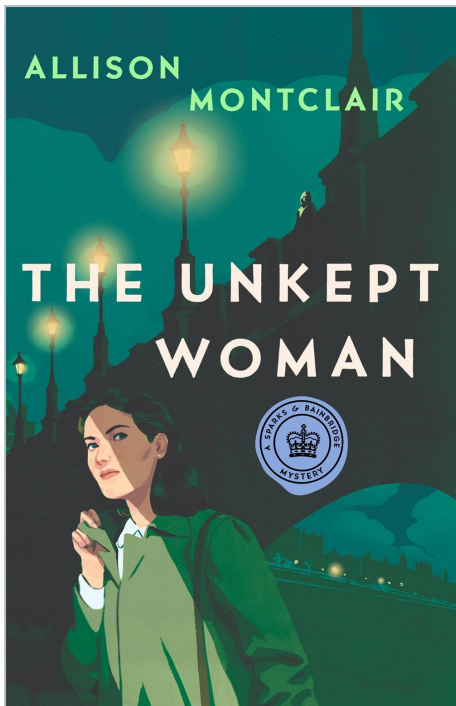
"A fast-paced, tension-filled yarn filled with twists the reader is unlikely to see coming." —Associated Press

"[Taylor is] a practitioner par excellence of literary crime fiction." —*Fredericksburg Free Lance Star*

*Praise for **The Mountains Wild***

"A valentine to Ireland. . . *The Mountains Wild* is a terrific series launch." —Oline Cogdill, *South Florida Sun-Sentinel*, One of the Best Books of the Year

SARAH STEWART TAYLOR is the author of the Sweeney St. George series and the Maggie D'arcy mysteries. She grew up on Long Island and was educated at Middlebury College and Trinity



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The Unkept Woman

A Sparks & Bainbridge Mystery

Allison Montclair

In London, 1946, Miss Iris Sparks - currently co-proprietor of the Right Sort Marriage Bureau - has to deal with aspects of her past exploits during the recent war that have come back around to h...

The Right Sort Marriage Bureau was founded in 1946 by two disparate individuals - Mrs. Gwendolyn Bainbridge (whose husband was killed in the recent World War) and Miss Iris Sparks who worked as an intelligence agent during the recent conflict, though this is not discussed. While the agency flourishes in the post-war climate, both founders have to deal with some of the fallout that conflict created in their personal lives. Miss Sparks finds herself followed, then approached, by a young woman who has a very personal connection to a former paramour of Sparks. But something is amiss and it seems that Iris's past may well cause something far more deadly than mere disruption in her personal life. Meanwhile, Gwendolyn is struggling to regain full legal control of her life, her finances, and her son - a legal path strewn with traps and pitfalls.

Together these indomitable two are determined and capable and not just of making the perfect marriage match.

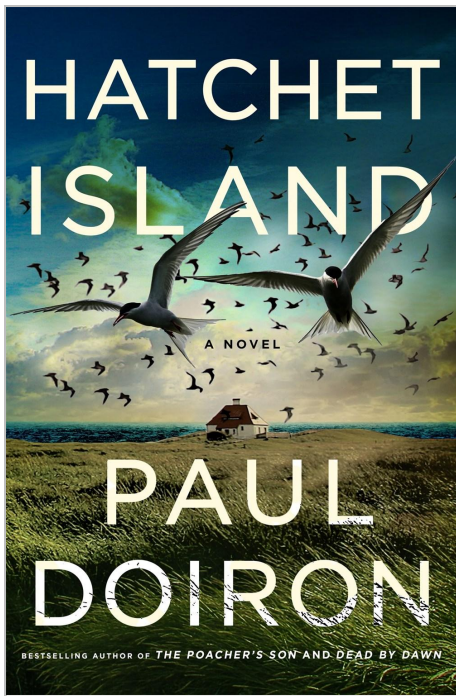
PRAISE

"Excellent." --*Publishers Weekly* (starred review) on *A Rogue's Company*

"From the drawing room to the back alley, murder is no match for this unlikely pair of marriage brokers." --*Kirkus Reviews* on *A Rogue's Company*

"Written with flair and lots of snarky humor, this is great fun for British mystery fans." —*Booklist* on *A Royal Affair*

ALLISON MONTCLAIR grew up devouring hand-me-down Agatha Christie paperbacks and James Bond movies. As a result of this deplorable upbringing, Montclair became addicted to tales of crime, intrigue, and espionage. She now spends her spare time poking through the corners, nooks, and crannies of history, searching for the odd mysterious bits and transforming them into novels of her own.



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Hatchet Island

A Novel

Paul Doiron

An eerie, windswept island off the coast of Maine becomes the site of a double murder and a disappearance in this new thriller in Paul Doiron's bestselling Mike Bowditch series.

On a sea kayaking trip, Maine game warden investigator Mike Bowditch and his girlfriend Stacey Stevens visit a remote archipelago that has been turned into a research center and sanctuary for endangered seabirds. The researchers on the island have been plagued by misfortune, including the suicide of an intern, and the mood is uneasy. A lone lobsterman has been silently spying on the three female biologists, and they suspect he might even be sneaking ashore to prowl among their tents.

Camped on a nearby islet for the night, Mike and Stacey hear a single gunshot. When they return at dawn, their fears are confirmed: two of the researchers have been brutally murdered and the third is missing, along with the island skiff. Mike's search for the missing woman and the official murder investigation reveals a host of suspects, including the sanctuary's nervous founder, who was conveniently "off-island" the night of the killings, a gang of violent fishermen who know more than they refuse to tell, and a world-renowned artist with a notorious reputation who has created his own island kingdom, over whose inhabitants he wields a powerful hold.

Everyone on the island has a secret, and there may be more than one murderer among them. With no one to trust and miles from shore, can Mike solve the mystery and avenge the victims before his enemies silence him, too?

PRAISE

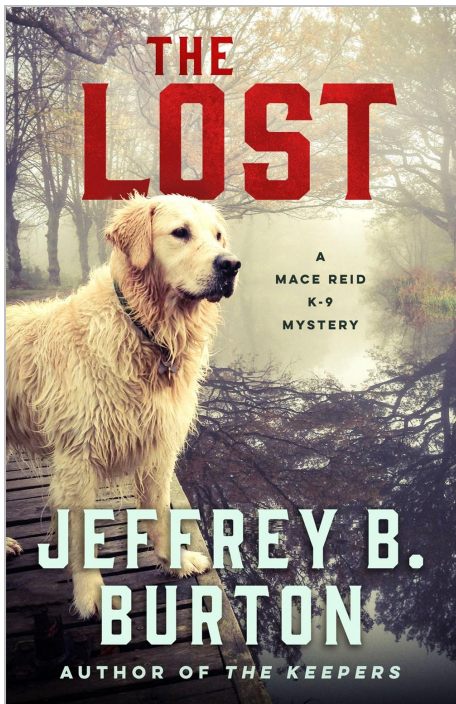
Praise for *Dead by Dawn*:

"[Doiron proves] his mastery of pacing and suspense. Frostbite aside, this book sizzles." –People

"Mixes Jack London-style peril with the DIY inventiveness of TV's 'MacGyver' and the thrill of Richard Connell's classic pursuit story 'The Most Dangerous Game'." –Wall Street Journal

"Unwaveringly superb...a wilderness survival story as compelling as Jack London's classic short story, 'To Build a Fire'....the prose is as sharp as an arrow and so lyrical that it sometimes borders on poetry." –Associated Press

A native of Maine, bestselling author **PAUL DOIRON** attended Yale University, where he graduated with a degree in English. *The Poacher's Son*, the first book in the Mike Bowditch series, won the Barry award, the Strand award for best first novel, and has been nominated for the Edgar, Anthony, and Macavity awards in the same category. He is a Registered Maine Guide specializing



The Lost

Jeffrey B. Burton

The next installment of the Mace Reid K9 series, featuring golden retriever cadaver dog Vira and her handler, Mason Reid.

As the result of a home invasion turned kidnapping, Mason “Mace” Reid, expert trainer of human remains detection dogs, and his especially gifted golden retriever, Vira, are summoned to the Glencoe mansion of billionaire financier Kenneth J. Druckman by none other than the FBI special agent in charge of the Chicago Field Office. And what Reid and Vira find in the dense woodlands behind the Druckman manor leads them on a no holds barred dash to find Druckman’s missing daughter before the five-year-old girl disappears forever.

As they race against the clock, Reid gets a sinking feeling their quest might just be in vain. Nothing is as it appears to be . . . and the red herrings are proving lethal.

PRaise

Praise for The Keepers:

“Compulsively readable suspense fiction with the best crime-solving duo since Holmes and Watson! Hugely entertaining and not to be missed!” —Tim Waggoner, Bram Stoker Award-winning author of *Your Turn to Suffer*

"Taut and gritty, Burton expertly weaves a narrative that begs, 'just one more page...'" —J.D. Barker, *New York Times* bestselling author of *A Caller's Game*

"An entertaining novel and a great addition to the series." —*Mystery & Suspense*

JEFFREY B. BURTON is the author of *The Keepers*, *The Finders*, *The Chessman*, and *The Eulogist*. He is an active member of Mystery Writers of America, International Thriller Writers and the Horror Writers Association and lives in St. Paul, Minnesota with his family.

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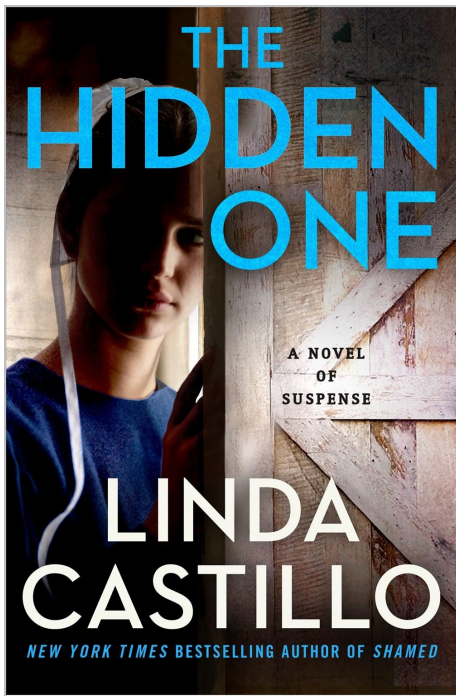
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The Hidden One

A Novel of Suspense

Linda Castillo

The discovery of a missing Amish bishop's remains leads chief of police Kate Burkholder to unearth a chilling secret in this new thriller from bestselling author Linda Castillo.

Over a decade ago, beloved Amish bishop Ananias Stoltzfus disappeared without a trace. The mystery of what happened to the kind old man has troubled his community for years. When skeletal remains showing evidence of foul play are unearthed and linked to the bishop, his disappearance becomes even more sinister.

Unhappy with the local investigation, Amish elders arrive in Painters Mill and ask chief of police Kate Burkholder for help. Realizing she has a personal connection to the crime, Kate travels to Pennsylvania's Kishacoquillas Valley, an isolated area where the Amish culture differs dramatically from the traditions in which she was raised. Kate learns that Stoltzfus was charismatic and highly respected, but she soon begins to hear other things, too: that there was something 'off' about the bishop. He sometimes seemed unfamiliar with the local culture, and kept quiet about his past. Did this kindly old man have something to hide?

Someone doesn't want Kate asking those questions. But even after being accosted and threatened in the dead of night, Kate refuses to back down. When an Amish woman with ties to the bishop turns up dead, the investigation reaches a boiling point. There's a killer in the Valley who will stop at nothing to keep the past buried. Will they get to Kate before she can expose the truth? Or will the bishop's secrets remain hidden forever?

PRAISE

Praise for *Fallen*:

"Exhilarating...Castillo adds surprising twists to the gripping plot and touches upon police brutality and Amish discrimination. This sterling entry can be easily read as a standalone." –*Publishers Weekly* (starred)

"An absolute cracker of a book." –*Booklist* (starred)

"Castillo is terrific at constructing a story, and her pacing is impeccable...this series just gets better and better; *Fallen* may be the best entry yet." –*St. Louis Post Dispatch*

LINDA CASTILLO is the author of the *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling Kate Burkholder series, set in the world of the Amish. The first book, *Sworn to Silence*, was adapted into a Lifetime original movie titled *An Amish Murder* starring Neve Campbell as Kate Burkholder. Castillo is the recipient of numerous industry awards including a nomination by the International Thriller Writers for Best Hardcover, the Mystery Writers of America's Sue Grafton Memorial Award, and an appearance on the *Best*

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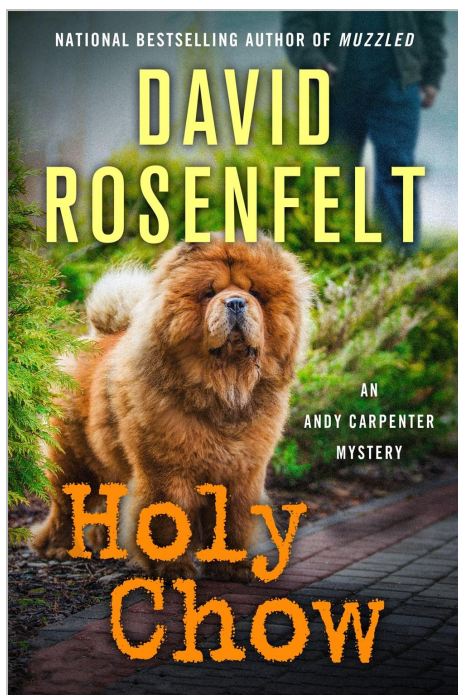
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Holy Chow

David Rosenfelt

In the latest mystery from bestselling author David Rosenfelt, the beloved characters—both human and canine—of this fan favorite series are back on the case with the author's trademark wit and hu...

Retired lawyer Andy Carpenter's calling has always been running the Tara Foundation. The dog rescue organization places hundreds of dogs in new homes every year. It's added up to so many dogs and new owners that Andy can't even do the math. But there's one dog—and one owner—Andy will always remember.

About a year ago, Rachel Morehouse came to the foundation looking for a companion. In her seventies and recently widowed, Rachel wanted a senior dog that also needed someone. Andy took a liking to her, Rachel took a liking to Tessie, an older Chow mix, and the rest is history.

That is, until Rachel calls Andy begging for a favor: *If Rachel dies, will Andy take care of Tessie if her son cannot?* Andy agrees, no questions asked. Within a week, Rachel has been murdered, and Andy is called upon to get Tessie. Rachel's son can't do it—he's been arrested for his mother's murder.

As Tessie settles in with his golden retriever, Tara, Andy learns more about the woman he so greatly admired and the businesses she ran. Holy Chow, was this woman impressive. Andy can't help but take the case.

PRAISE

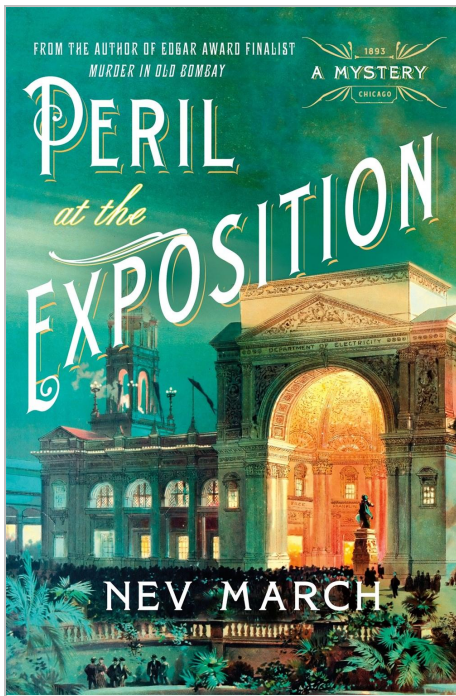
Praise for David Rosenfelt

"One of the most unforgettable authors in the genre." —Associated Press

"Reading the "Andy Carpenter" series by David Rosenfelt is dangerous. The books should come with warnings: "Read with Caution, Extremely Addicting."" —Huffington Post

"This long-running series remains as fresh as ever." —Publishers Weekly

DAVID ROSENFELT is the Edgar-nominated and Shamus Award-winning author of more than twenty Andy Carpenter novels, most recently *Dog Eat Dog*; nine stand-alone thrillers; two non-fiction titles; and two K Team novels, a new series featuring some of the characters from the Andy Carpenter series. After years of living in California, he and his wife moved to Maine with twenty-five of the four thousand dogs they have rescued.



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Peril at the Exposition

A Mystery

Nev March

Captain Jim Agnihotri and his new bride, Diana Framji, return in Nev March's *Peril at the Exposition*, the follow up to March's award-winning, Edgar finalist debut, *Murder in Old Bombay*.

1893: Newlyweds Captain Jim Agnihotri and Diana Framji are settling into their new home in Boston, Massachusetts, having fled the strict social rules of British-ruled Bombay. It's a different life than what they left behind, but theirs is no ordinary marriage: Jim, now a detective at the Dupree Agency, is teaching Diana the art of deduction he's learned from his idol, Sherlock Holmes.

Everyone is talking about the preparations for the World's Fair in Chicago: the grandeur, the speculation, the trickery. And Jim will experience it first-hand: he's being sent to Chicago to investigate the murder of a man named Thomas Pettigrew. As Jim probes the underbelly of Chicago's docks, warehouses, and taverns, he discovers deep social unrest and some deadly ambitions.

When Jim goes missing, Diana must venture far from her comfort zone to find out what happened to her husband. Award-winning author Nev March mesmerized readers with her debut novel, *Murder in Old Bombay*. Now, in *Peril at the Exposition*, she wields her craft against the glittering landscape of the Gilded Age with spectacular results.

PRAISE

Praise for Murder in Old Bombay

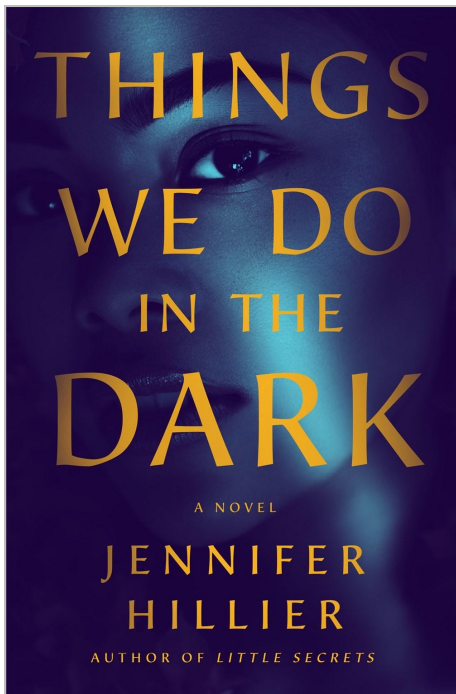
"An utterly enjoyable and picaresque journey through India on which he encounters beggars and brigands, adventure and danger – and finds romance." — Marilyn Stasio, *The New York Times Book Review*

"*Murder in Old Bombay* delivers a gripping look at India's history, resplendent with meticulous research and depicting its social structure enhanced with realistic characters who put the past in context with modern times." — *South Florida Sun Sentinel*

"March has created a likable, honorable sleuth whose humble origins and instinctive kindness make spending time with him a pleasure." — *Shelf Awareness*

"A beautifully written n..."

NEV MARCH is the winner of the Minotaur Books/Mystery Writers of America First Crime Novel Award for her award-winning, Edgar finalist debut, *Murder in Old Bombay*. Leaving a long career in business analysis in 2015, she returned to her passion, writing fiction. She is a member of the Mystery Writers of America and the Hunterdon County Library Write Group. A Parsee Zoroastrian herself, Nev lives with her husband and two sons in New Jersey.



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Things We Do in the Dark

A Novel

Jennifer Hillier

A brilliant new thriller from the award-winning author of the breakout novels *Little Secrets* and *Jar of Hearts* - The secrets of the past come back around when a woman, long believed dead, turns u...

Joey Reyes had a rough life. At thirteen, they took her mother, Pearl, away on a hot June night. In a case that was a media sensation, Pearl was tried and convicted for the murder of her married boyfriend. At twenty, Joey died in an apartment fire.

Or did she?

Years later, Joey's friend, Drew - a journalist and podcaster - learns that Pearl is finally getting out of prison and she believes, she KNOWS, that Joey is still alive, living in Seattle under a different name. She was married to a very rich man who died unexpectedly and whose substantial estate is now in question. Death - murder even - seems to follow Joey around.

Drew is determined to find out the truth - whose body was found in the ashes of Joey's apartment, why did she run away and change her name, and what happened on that fateful night when Joey's mother's boyfriend was killed. But with so many already dead, can any of them survive the truth?

PRAISE

Praise for *Little Secrets*:

"Tightly plotted like a TV show, this is a book you can binge." —*The Skimm*

"This is psychological suspense of the highest order, a rich character study of a woman at the end of her rope and the lengths she goes through to free herself from her bonds." —*Providence Journal*

"Jennifer Hillier is a rising star in crime fiction whose work is like no one else's." —Laura Lippman

JENNIFER HILLIER was born and raised in Toronto, Canada, and lived in the Seattle area for years before returning home to Toronto, where she now lives with her family.



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The Wedding Plot

A Mercy Carr Mystery

Paula Munier

USA Today bestselling author Paula Munier's fourth Mercy Carr mystery finds Mercy and Elvis at a deadly Vermont wedding.

Love never dies a natural death....

When Mercy's grandmother Patience marries her longtime beau Claude Renault at the five-star Lady's Slipper Inn, it promises to be the destination wedding of the year. Just as the four-day extravaganza is due to begin, the inn's spa director Bodhi St. George disappears—and Mercy's mother Grace sends Mercy and Elvis to find him. But what they discover instead is a stranger skewered by a pitchfork in the barn on the goat farm where St. George lived.

As Mercy tries to figure out who the victim is and where St. George is hiding, the bride and groom's estranged relations gather for the first of the pre-wedding festivities. Long-buried rivalries and resentments surface—and Mercy realizes that they're all keeping secrets that could tear both families apart. When Elvis interrupts the escalating melodrama to alert Mercy to an intruder on the estate, she finds a wounded St. George in the cottage where she and Troy are staying. St. George is not who he says he is—but when he escapes from the hospital and disappears again, Mercy thinks he's gone for good. With the wedding imminent and the families at each other's throats, she decides finding St. George will have to wait.

The big day arrives—and one of the groomsmen shows up dead. Now the danger is up-close and personal. With the wedding held hostage, it's up to Mercy and Elvis together with Troy and Susie Bear to stop the killer and save the bride and groom—b...

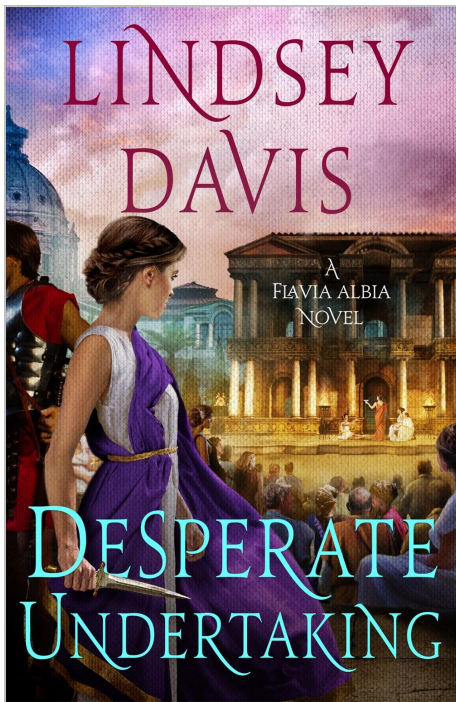
PRAISE

Praise for *The Hiding Place*:

**"[The] characters of both Mercy and Elvis are quickly developing into classics."
—Aunt Agatha's Bookstore**

"I love books where the story and the characters grow out of the place that they're set, and that couldn't be more true of *The Hiding Place*, which delivers a satisfying, twisty plot, an entertaining ensemble of locals and, of course, a pair of intelligent and heroic dogs." —Ann Cleeves, *New York Times* Bestselling Author

PAULA MUNIER is a literary agent and the *USA TODAY* bestselling author of the Mercy Carr mysteries. *A Borrowing of Bones*, the first in the series, was nominated for the Mary Higgins Clark Award and named the Dogwise Book of the Year. *Blind Search* was inspired by the real-life rescue of a little boy with autism. *The Hiding Place* debuted in March 2021. Paula credits the hero dogs of *Mission K9 Rescue*, her own rescue dogs, and a deep love of New England, where she lives, as her



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Desperate Undertaking

A Flavia Albia Novel

Lindsey Davis

In first century Rome, a mad killer or killers is strewing bodies around in the most gruesome of manners and, true to form, it is up to Flavia Albia to determine what is really going on and stop ...

In the first century, under Domitian's reign, strange and brutal goings on are nothing new in Rome. Flavia Albia, daughter of Marcus Didius Falco, has taken over her father's business as a private informer but she tries to shy away from the brutal, the complicated, and the political - because nothing good comes of any of them. Unfortunately, she's not very good at turning them down.

This time a commission shows up on her doorstep - someone is staging brutal murders in some of the most beautiful buildings in Rome, each staging different. So far, the only clue was the phrase that one survivor managed to croak, "The undertaker did it..." With little to go on and bodies starting to pile up, Albia has to unravel the strangest mystery of her career in short order if she's to stop this dismaying orgy of murder.

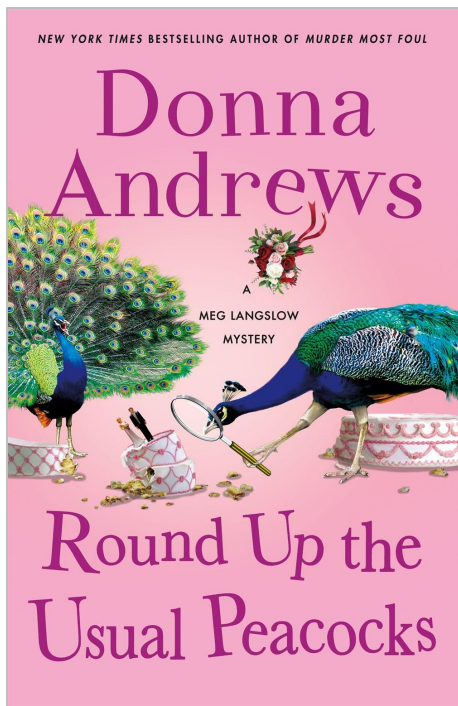
PRAISE

"Melds scrupulous research, arch banter, caustic characters, and strong plotting...Flavia Albia is delightful, trickster-y company to spend time with." --*New York Times Book Review*

"The audacious Flavia Albia returns...this one ends with a surprising conclusion that will make fans adore Flavia even more, if that is possible." —*Booklist on The Grove of the Caesars*

"Engrossing... Davis convincingly sets a hunt for a serial killer in ancient Rome." —*Publishers Weekly on The Grove of the Caesars*

LINDSEY DAVIS is the author of the *New York Times* bestselling series of historical mysteries featuring Marcus Didius Falco, which started with *The Silver Pigs*, and the mysteries featuring Falco's daughter, Flavia Albia, which started with *The Ides of April*. She has also authored a few acclaimed historical novels, including *The Course of Honour*. She lives in Birmingham, UK.



Round Up the Usual Peacocks

A Meg Langslow Mystery

Donna Andrews

NYT bestselling author Donna Andrews first introduced us to Meg Langslow as a crime-solving bridesmaid. In her 31st mystery, Meg returns to her roots, juggling cold cases and wedding guests.

Kevin, Meg's cyber-savvy nephew who lives in the basement, comes to her with a problem. He's become involved as the techie for a true-crime podcast, one that focuses on Virginia cold cases and unsolved crimes. And he thinks their podcast has hit a nerve with someone . . . one of the podcast team has had a brush with death that Kevin thinks was an attempted murder, not an accident.

Kevin rather sheepishly asks for Meg's help in checking out the people involved in a couple of the cases. "Given your ability to find out stuff online, why do you need MY help?" she asks. "Um . . . because I've already done everything I can online. This'll take going around and TALKING to people," he exclaims, with visible horror. "In person!" Not his thing. And no, it can't wait until after the wedding, because he's afraid whoever's after them might take advantage of the chaos of the wedding at Trinity or the reception at Meg and Michael's house to strike again.

So on top of everything she's doing to round up vendors and supplies and take care of demanding out-of-town guests, Meg must hunt down the surviving suspects from three relatively local cold cases so she can figure out if they have it in for the podcasters. Could there be a connection to a woman who disappeared on her own wedding day and hasn't been seen since?

PRAISE

Praise for Donna Andrews and the Meg Langslow Mystery Series:

"Caerphilly, with its endearing residents, is the kind of place every cozy fan would like to escape to during stressful times. Andrews consistently entertains."
—*Publishers Weekly on The Gift of the Magpie*

"If you long for more fun mysteries, a la Janet Evanovich, you'll love Donna Andrews's Meg Langslow series." —*Charlotte Observer*

DONNA ANDREWS has won the Agatha, Anthony, and Barry Awards, an RT Book Reviews Award for best first novel, and four Lefty and two Toby Bromberg Awards for funniest mystery. She is a member of the Mystery Writers of America, Sisters in Crime, and Novelists, Inc. Andrews lives in Reston, Virginia. *Round Up the Usual Peacocks* is the 31st book in the Meg Langslow series.

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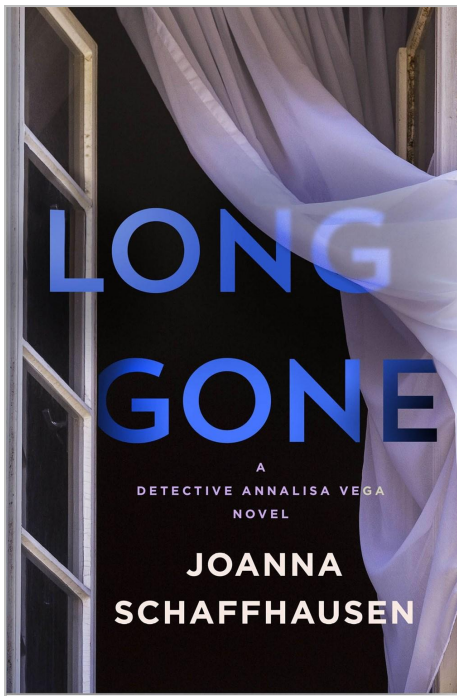
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Long Gone

A Novel

Joanna Schaffhausen

The next installment of Joanna Schaffhausen's critically acclaimed Detective Annalisa Vega series.

Chicago detective Annalisa Vega shattered her life, personally and professionally, when she turned in her ex-cop father for his role in a murder. Her family can't forgive her. Her fellow officers no longer trust her. So when detective Leo Hammond turns up dead in a bizarre murder, Annalisa thinks she has nothing to lose by investigating whatever secrets he hid behind the thin blue line.

Annalisa quickly zeroes in on someone who had good reason to want Hammond dead: a wealthy, fast-talking car salesman who'd gotten away with murder once and wasn't about to let Hammond take a second shot. Moe Bocks remains the number one suspect in his girlfriend's brutal unsolved death, and now he's got a new woman in his sights—Annalisa's best friend.

Annalisa is desperate to protect her friend and force Bocks to pay, either for Hammond's death or his earlier crime. But when no one else believes the connection, she takes increasingly risky chances to reveal the truth. Because both Hammond and Bocks had secrets to die for, and if she doesn't untangle them soon, Annalisa will be next.

PRAISE

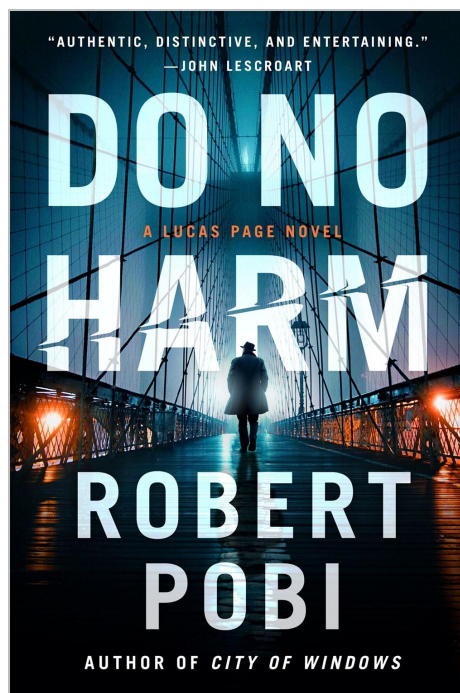
*Praise for **Gone for Good**:*

"Annalisa Vega is the detective you've been waiting for." —Lisa Gardner, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author

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"Mystery fans are in for a treat" —*Publishers Weekly* (starred review)

JOANNA SCHAFFHAUSEN wields a mean scalpel, a skill developed in her years studying neuroscience. She has a doctorate in psychology, which reflects her long-standing interest in the brain. Previously, she worked for ABC News, writing for programs such as *World News Tonight*, *Good Morning America*, and *20/20*. She lives in the Boston area with her husband and daughter. She is also the author of *The Vanishing Season*, *No Mercy*, *All the Best Lies*, *Every Waking Hour*, and *Gone for Good*.

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Do No Harm

A Lucas Page Novel

Robert Pobi

A series of suicides and accidental deaths in the medical community are actually well-disguised murders and only Lucas Page can see the pattern and discern the truth that no one else believes.

Lucas Page is a polymath, astrophysicist, professor, husband, father of five adopted children, bestselling author, and ex-FBI agent—emphasis on "ex." Severely wounded after being caught in an explosion, Page left the FBI behind and put his focus on rebuilding the rest of his life. But Page is uniquely gifted in being able to recognize patterns that elude others, a skill that brings the F.B.I. knocking at his door again and again.

Lucas Page's wife Erin loses a friend, a gifted plastic surgeon, to suicide and Lucas begins to realize how many people Erin knew that have died in the past year, in freak accidents and now suicide. Intrigued despite himself, Page begins digging through obituaries and realizes that there's a pattern—a bad one. These deaths don't make sense unless the doctors are being murdered, the target of a particularly clever killer. This time, the FBI wants as little to do with Lucas as he does with them so he's left with only one option—ignore it and go back to his normal life. But then, the pattern reveals that the next victim is likely to be...Erin herself.

PRAISE

"City of Windows is moving, breathtaking—a great entertainment." —*The Wall Street Journal*

"Exceptional." —*Associated Press* on *City of Windows*

"Stellar... combines a razor sharp sense of humor with surgical use of political and social commentary throughout. This is a must for fans of sophisticated crime fiction." —*Publisher Weekly* (starred review) on *Under Pressure*

ROBERT POBI is the author of five previous novels, including *City of Windows*. He lives in Canada.



The Blame Game

Sandie Jones

From the *New York Times* bestselling author of the Reese's Book Club pick *The Other Woman*, comes a gripping new domestic suspense novel.

She knows she's telling the truth. But the evidence says she's lying.

As a psychologist specializing in domestic abuse, Naomi has found it hard to not become overly invested in her clients' lives. But after helping the middle-aged Jacob make the decision to leave his wife, Naomi has begun to worry that she's gone too far this time. On the morning of Jacob's first session after his escape, doors that Naomi is sure she'd locked have been mysteriously left open, and Jacob's client file is missing.

Then, another client approaches Naomi for assistance in leaving behind her abusive husband, and Naomi is once again unable to turn away someone in need. But are the missing papers and unlocked doors symptoms of Naomi's own dark past raising its ugly head, or something more? And is it possible that her clients aren't the only ones in danger, but Naomi herself?

PRAISE

Praise for *The Other Woman*:

"One of the most twisted and entertaining plots."—Reese Witherspoon

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"Such fun. You'll cheer [Emily's] chutzpah."—*People*

"Excellent . . . Jones delivers a tightly coiled story."—Associated Press

SANDIE JONES has worked as a freelance journalist for more than twenty years and has written for publications including the *Sunday Times*, *Woman's Weekly*, and the *Daily Mail*. She lives in London with her husband and three children. *The Other Woman* was her debut novel and a Reese Witherspoon x Hello Sunshine Book Club pick, followed by *The First Mistake*, *The Half Sister*, and *The Guilt Trip*.

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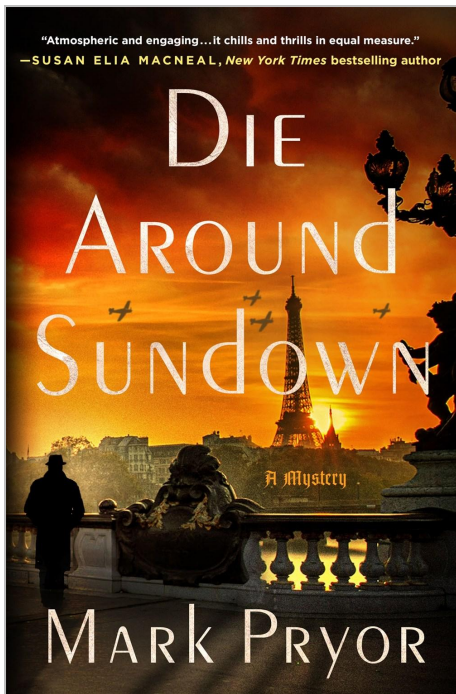
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Die Around Sundown

Mark Pryor

The first entry in an exciting new mystery series set in World War II era Paris, where a detective is forced to solve a murder while protecting his own secrets.

It's the summer of 1940 in German-occupied Paris, and Detective Henri Lefort has been given five days to solve the murder of a German major that took place in the Louvre Museum -- or his own neck will be on the line. Blocked from the crime scene but given a list of suspects, Henri encounters a group of artists, including Pablo Picasso, who know more than they're willing to tell him. With the help of a police secretary, he must unravel their connections to the murdered officer and to each other.

While hunting the killer, Henri must also keep the secret of his own past under wraps as someone threatens to expose him. But when he meets a famed psychoanalyst who promises to help him, he begins to tell his story of his time in World War I -- but his biggest secret, if revealed to the wrong people, will not just end his career, but almost certainly see him hanged for a decades-old murder he didn't commit.

Over the course of the next five days, with the clock ticking to name a murderer, Henri's loyalty to his country and to his fellow Parisians is tested under the pressure of the German officers.

PRAISE

"Atmospheric and engaging . . . it chills and thrills in equal measure." —Susan Elia MacNeal, *New York Times* bestselling author of the Maggie Hope series

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"Riveting...Pryor deftly evokes the tensions of the time, and crafts resilient characters that readers will come back to time and again." —Erica Ruth Neubauer, author of the Jane Wunderly mystery series

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