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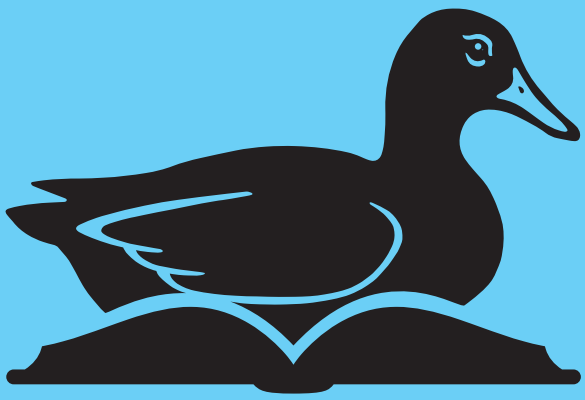
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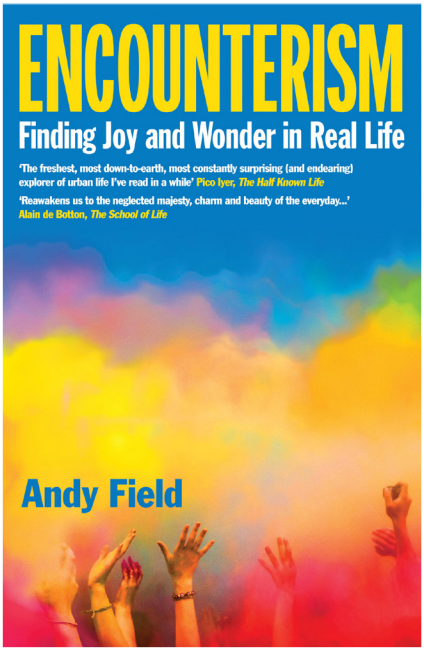
Through its history, Duckworth has published renowned authors including Virginia Woolf, D. H. Lawrence, Anthony Powell, Evelyn Waugh, Charlotte Mew, Oliver Sacks, Beryl Bainbridge and Penelope Fitzgerald.

Our mission is still to seek out and publish brilliant books for curious, independent minds. We hope you enjoy our selection for spring 2025.



DUCKWORTH

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A joyous exploration into the everyday pleasures of encountering the world in person

Encounterism is a joyous immersion into the everyday pleasure and shared humanity we stand to lose in an increasingly digital world.

Andy Field explores different kinds of human encounters and the places they occur: from the hairdresser's to the cinema, from nightclubs to eateries, shops staffed by people and free-form urban parks; these are the everyday yet invaluable spaces that enrich our lives.

Encounterism

Finding Joy and Wonder in Real Life

Andy Field

'Reawakens us to the neglected majesty, charm and beauty of the everyday'
Alain de Botton

3 July 2025
ISBN 9781914613722
Popular philosophy
304 pages | £10.99
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Andy Field is an artist, writer and curator who specialises in human interactions, using performance to disentangle the histories, the politics and the physical choreography that underpin how we meet one another.

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PAPERBACK | NON-FICTION



Beyond the booze and the bratwurst: what football really tells us about Germany

Played in Germany takes us on a journey through modern Germany's football heartlands in search of the issues that define it. Through the songs, stadiums and simmering resentments of football, Kit Holden sheds light on a nation so diverse and divided that the only thing that really unites it is the game itself.

From the author of Sports Book Awards-shortlisted *Scheisse! We're Going Up!*, a closer look at what the beautiful game really tells us about German history, culture and society.

Played in Germany

A Footballing Journey Through a Nation's Soul

Kit Holden

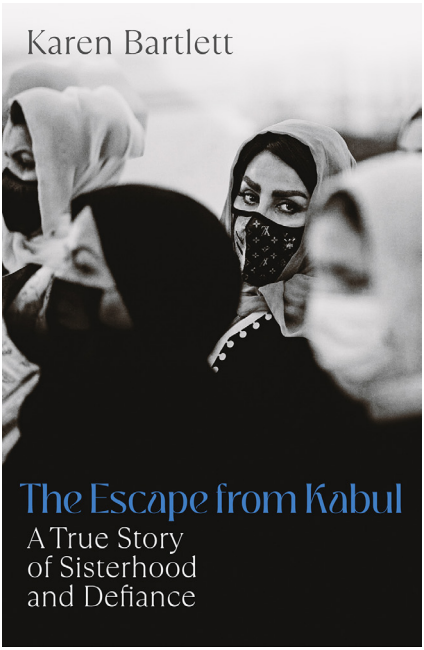
'An intimate portrait of Germany told through its football'

Archie Rhind-Tutt, *ESPN*

14 August 2025
ISBN 9780715655436
Sport history
256 pages | £9.99
B-format paperback
Rights: World All Languages

Kit Holden is a British-German author and journalist based in Berlin. He covers football for *Der Tagesspiegel* and *AFP*, and has also written for *The Athletic*, *Guardian* and *Die Zeit*. His first book *Scheisse! We're Going Up!* was shortlisted for the 2023 Sunday Times Sports Book Awards.

PAPERBACK ORIGINAL | NON-FICTION



An emotive insight into the captive fate of women in Afghanistan

The extraordinary story of the Afghan women judges who fought for their careers and their lives, and the international network of women judges who helped them escape the Taliban.

When Western forces withdrew from Afghanistan in August 2021, the female judges of the country faced mortal danger.

The Escape from Kabul is the never-before-told story of their escape, and the shocking fates of those who were unable to flee.

The Escape from Kabul

A True Story of Sisterhood and Defiance

Karen Bartlett

28 August 2025
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Politics & current affairs
400 pages | £12.99
Paperback original
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Karen Bartlett was a speechwriter for President Nelson Mandela and is the author of five works of non-fiction, including *The Health of Nations* and the *Sunday Times* bestseller *After Auschwitz*. She lives in London.

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A searing exploration of a complex and unforgettable character who will risk everything

In a village in rural Pakistan, Tara is waiting and watching. She is desperate to leave the petty life of the village and escape the iron grip of her violent, unpredictable brother.

Set against a hypnotic and oppressive backdrop of political violence and natural disaster, *A Splintering* traces the class struggle of a woman stuck between province and metropolis, between motherhood and ambition.

A Splintering

Dur e Aziz Amna

'Smart and gripping –
I read it in one sitting...
wonderfully accomplished'

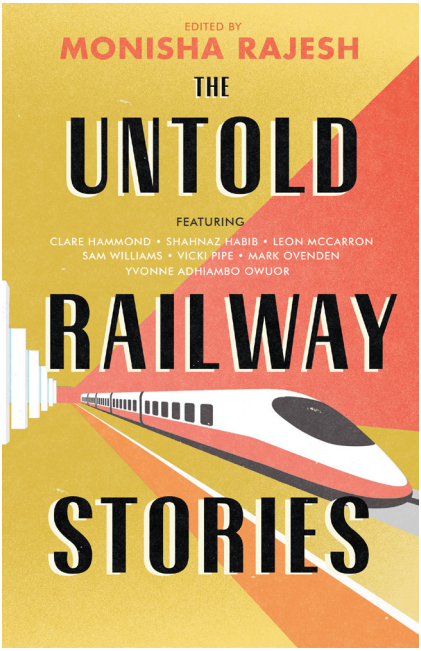
Kamila Shamsie,
author of *Home Fire*

4 September 2025
ISBN 9780715655894
Literary fiction
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Demy hardback
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HARDBACK | NON-FICTION



A fascinating collection of new writing on train travel and railway history

A compendium of stories about little known journeys and uncovered histories of railway routes around the world - from the UK, Europe and Africa to North America, the Middle East and Asia.

From the Burmese highlands to the British Pennines, from the history of a precipitous coastal stretch of Indian railroad to a cross-continent odyssey on African railways, this is a new way of exploring the world and its history, by train.

The Untold Railway Stories

Monisha Rajesh, ed

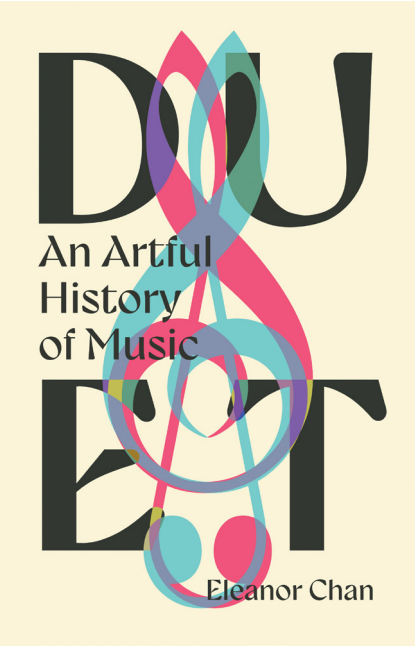
Published to coincide with the 200th anniversary of passenger railways

11 September 2025
ISBN 9780715656082
Travel & history
320 pages | £22.00
Royal hardback
Rights: World All Languages

Monisha Rajesh is an author and journalist. Her first book, *Around India in 80 Trains,* was named one of the *Independent's* top ten books on India. Her second book, *Around the World in 80 Trains,* won the National Geographic Travel Book of the Year.

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HARDBACK | NON-FICTION



A groundbreaking history of the way music has threaded through human civilisations

Music is interwoven into the fabric of our lives. We listen to it, some of us play it, but throughout history, humans have also attempted to capture it visually, from the musical images of Ancient Sumer, to *Frozen's* Elsa standing on the side of a mountain, her voice making crystals in the air.

Classically trained musician and art historian, Dr Eleanor Chan, opens up a world of sound and vision, exploring different ways to think about listening and seeing. Ultimately, this book asks the reader what it is, and what it might mean, to truly see music.

Duet

An Artful History of Music

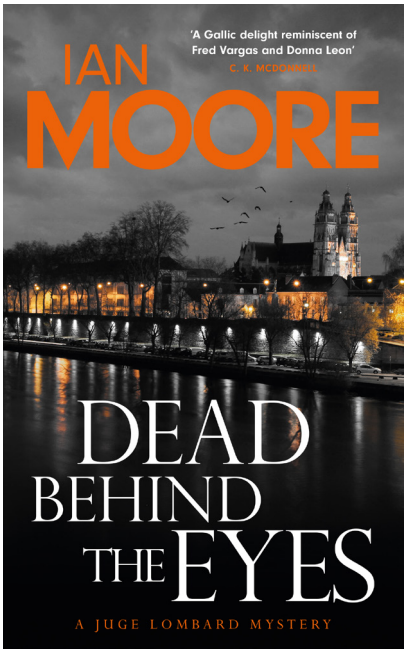
Eleanor Chan

18 September 2025
ISBN 9780715655719
Music history
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Royal hardback
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Dead Behind the Eyes

A Juge Lombard Mystery, Book 2

Ian Moore

The second book in the gripping new crime series by *The Times* bestselling Ian Moore

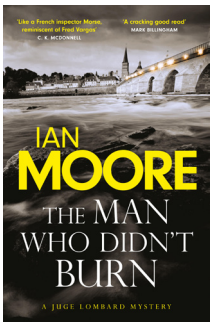
When a decapitated body washes up on the banks of the River Loire in the ancient city of Tours, the reluctant *juge d'instruction* Matthieu Lombard is brought in to lead the investigation.

But when Lombard's young niece appears, the inquiry changes course. Suddenly immersed in another world – one of eco-terrorism, bio-medical research, French aristocracy and the violent forgotten underbelly of society – Lombard begins to make unexpected connections.

Can the brutal murder of a lonely man really be justified by a noble cause? Or are good intentions hiding darker motives, more cynical and more deadly?

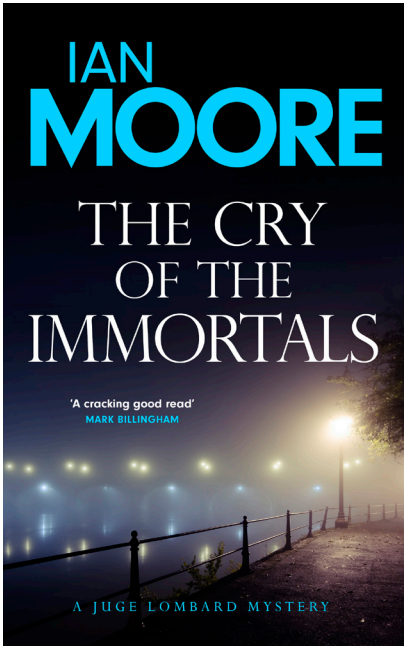
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The Cry of the Immortals

A Juge Lombard Mystery, Book 3

Ian Moore

A slickly plotted murder mystery set in France's Loire Valley

The death of a 16-year-old, dressed as an 'Immortal Knight' and having taken a fatal overdose, proves a perplexing case in the ancient city of Tours. *Juge d'instruction* Matthieu Lombard is brought in to lead the investigation.

When the adolescent's death is followed a few weeks later by the gruesome murder of a firebrand author, Lombard senses a malign coercive force behind the two fatalities, one that succeeds in challenging his own loyalties and assumptions.

What is it that is nagging at Lombard, locked away in the past? What soon becomes clear is that this game is beyond roleplay. It is deadly.

'A Gallic delight reminiscent of Fred Vargas and Donna Leon'

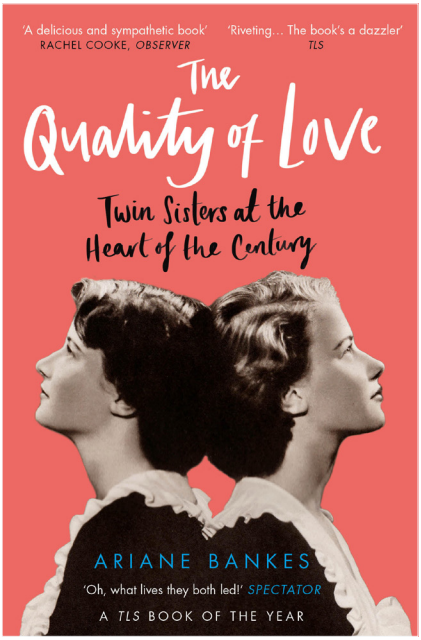
C. K. McDonnell

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Crime & mystery
304 pages | £9.99
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Rights: World All Languages

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The Quality of Love

Twin Sisters at the Heart of the Century

Ariane Bankes

25 September 2025
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Memoir
288 pages | £10.99
B-format paperback
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An unseen family archive reveals the charismatic twin sisters who captivated Europe's intelligentsia

When her mother Celia Paget died, Ariane Bankes inherited a battered trunk stuffed with photographs and letters. This correspondence charted the remarkable lives of the Paget girls, Celia and her identical twin Mamaine, and their friends and lovers, including Arthur Koestler, George Orwell, Sartre, de Beauvoir, and Albert Camus.

The Quality of Love weaves the story of these beautiful sisters who took 1930s London society by storm and then moved among Europe's foremost intellectuals during the century's most dramatic decades.

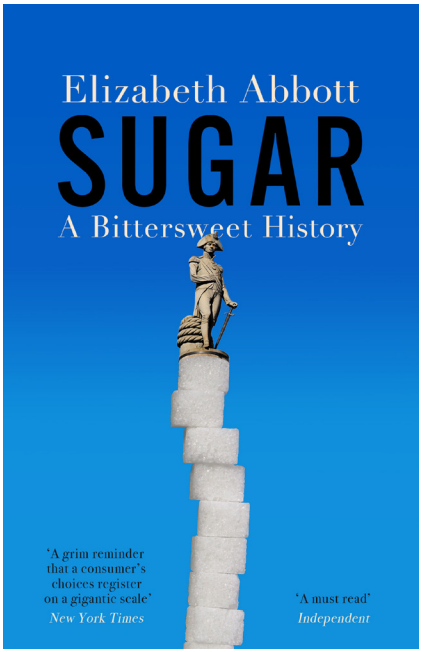
'An irresistible family memoir… gripping, tactfully told and moving'
Lucy Beckett

A *TLS* BOOK OF THE YEAR

Ariane Bankes is a writer, critic and curator. Her writing has appeared in the *Spectator*, *TLS*, *Financial Times*, *Country Life* and *Slightly Foxed*. She is Honorary President of Koestler Arts, and runs the Hatchards & Biographers' Club First Biography Prize and the Elizabeth Buccleuch Prize.

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A global social history tracing the emergence of sugar from Polynesia to the western world

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But how did a substance that began as an expensive luxury of the wealthy become a staple in the modern world?

Richly detailed and thoroughly compelling, Elizabeth Abbott traces sugar from its very origins to the twenty-first century and examines the true cost of satisfying the world's sweet tooth.

Sugar

A Bittersweet History

Elizabeth Abbott

'A highly readable and comprehensive study of a remarkable product... a must-read'

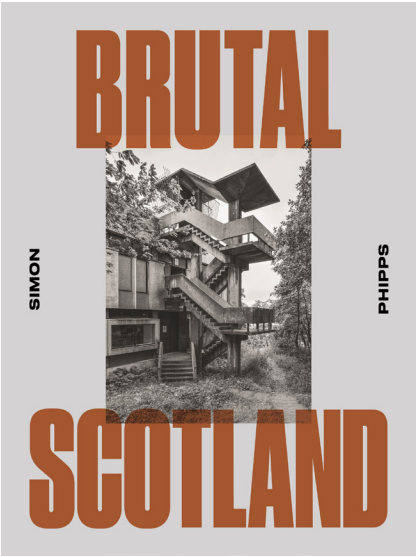
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ISBN 9780715655801
History of food & social science
304 pages | £10.99
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A celebration of Scotland's best Brutalist and modernist buildings

From Peter Womersley's cinematically brilliant Bernat Klein Design Studio set on the edge of birch woods in the Borders to the innovative, liveable Langside Housing Estate in Shawlands, Glasgow, there is a wealth of architectural aspiration and inspiration in these pages.

Capturing a half century in which architecture reached for solutions for the public's good, this is an epic journey through a nation's period of reimagining.

Brutal Scotland

Simon Phipps

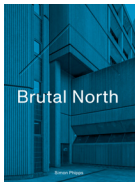
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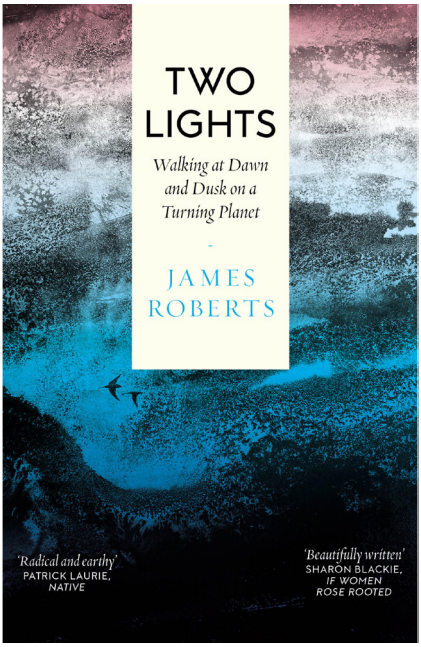
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Exquisitely written stories of walks – at dawn and dusk – travelling the world in search of its remaining wildness

With dizzying acuity and insight, James Roberts paints a portrait of a life and its landscapes, creating precious connections with wild creatures and places, from swans in the Cambrian Mountains to wolves in the Pacific Northwest.

By walking at dawn and dusk, in the two lights of awakening and deepening – through the stripped, windswept hills of Wales, and the jungles and savannahs of Africa – he navigates from a sense of loss towards hope in the future. In the presence of wild creatures he finds a way back to life.

Two Lights

Walking at Dawn and Dusk on a Turning Planet

James Roberts

'Evocatively illustrated and elegantly written'

Country Life

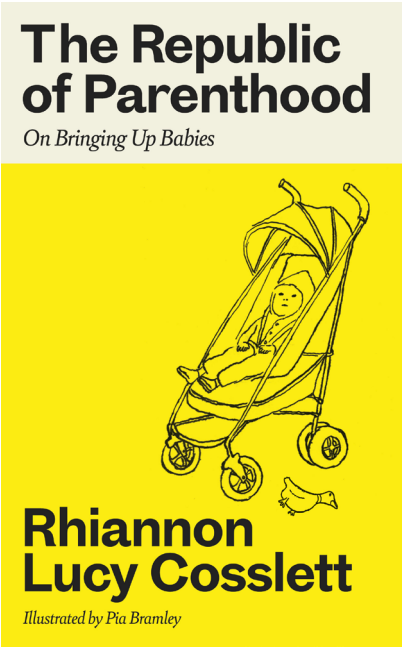
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Republic of Parenthood

On Bringing Up Babies

Rhiannon Lucy Cosslett

Illustrated by Pia Bramley

7 August 2025
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Memoir & parenting
240 pages | £16.99
Demy hardback
Rights: World English

A collection of agenda-setting *Guardian* columns on modern parenthood, by one of the UK's top young journalists

Drawn from Cosslett's *Guardian* column and beautifully illustrated by Pia Bramley, *The Republic of Parenthood* is a fearless account of the first years of bringing up a baby – featuring new and original writing.

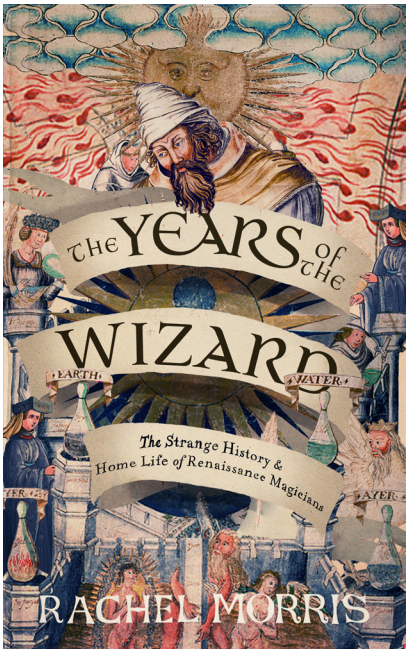
From Rachel Cusk to Anne Enright, many seminal writers have tackled the subject but, as a new generation become parents, Cosslett uses razor-sharp honesty and great humour to explore the unique challenges they face.

The Republic of Parenthood wrestles with the entire joyful, overwhelming, messy experience of becoming a parent.

Rhiannon Lucy Cosslett is a journalist and writer. She is the the author of the novel *The Tyranny of Lost Things* and the critically acclaimed memoir, *The Year of the Cat*, and the co-author of *The Vagenda*. She is a columnist for the *Guardian* and *Vogue*.

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The Years of the Wizard

The Strange History and Home Life of Renaissance Magicians

Rachel Morris

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A highly readable exploration of the powerful magicians of the Tudor and Renaissance courts

A lyrical and atmospheric exploration of the lives of Tudor and Renaissance magicians, men from Dee to Kepler to Bruno, who were also scientists, astrologers, mathematicians and alchemists.

In *The Years of the Wizard* Morris also vividly reimagines the less documented lives of the magicians travelling households and their wives and children. From those who kept the magical show on the road – packing up the libraries, feeding the assistants, entertaining the patrons, educating the children – as well as those archiving, documenting and collaborating with their magical work.

Rachel Morris has been part of the creation, design and delivery of some of the most exciting displays, renovations and museums of the last few decades. Rachel is also the author of the non-fiction work *The Museum Makers* and two novels.

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Ecotherapist Brigit Anna McNeill explores the lives of the plants in her wooded Devon landscape

Brigit Anna explains how the natural cycle of dispersal, growth and bloom can inspire our recovery from trauma, stress and illness. By focusing on totemic plants and wildlife, McNeill delivers a botanical journey to healing.

She changes our attitudes to ourselves, to the potential wildness within us and shifts our interaction with even the most ordinary wildernesses – from backyards to window boxes to parkland.

With beautiful illustrations throughout, this gloriously uplifting book will both inform and transform readers' daily lives.

The Wild Within

What Plants Taught Me about Life, Recovery and Renewal

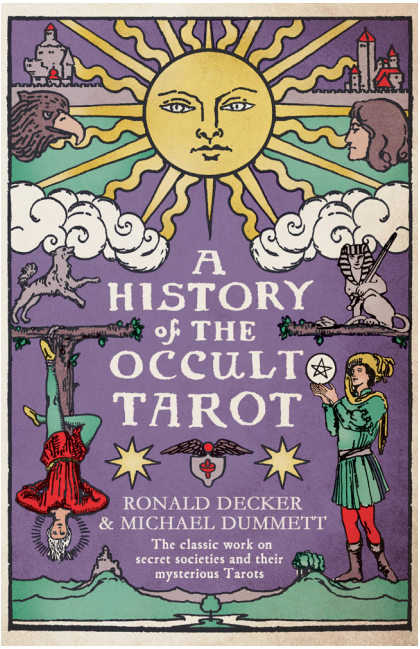
Brigit Anna McNeill

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A classic and compelling work on the history of the Tarot

When the Tarot was invented in Italy during the early fifteenth century, it was simply a pack of cards used for playing games, but today the cards are used throughout the world and not only for fortune telling – for true believers they are the key to secret knowledge and the meaning of life.

A History of the Occult Tarot is the classic work on the history of the Tarot deck and its use in occult circles. Decker and Dummett examine how the Tarot became the favoured divination tool of occultists from the late nineteenth century – a bridge to the spirit world, a map of the unconscious.

A History of the Occult Tarot

The classic work on secret societies and their mysterious Tarots

Ronald Decker & Michael Dummett

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Ronald Decker is an art historian and curator of a notable collection of antique cards. He has studied Tarot cards in public and private collections across Europe.

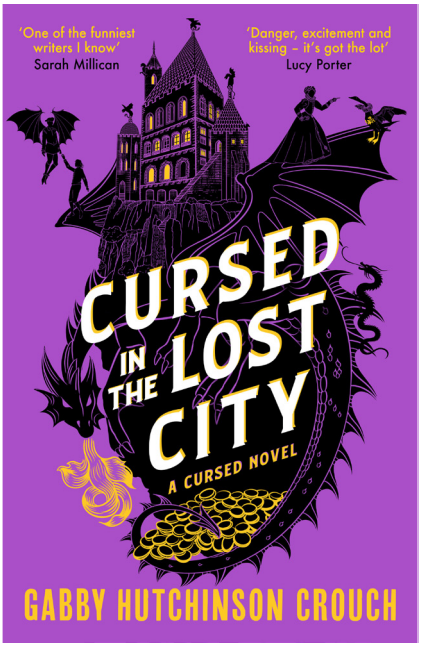
Sir Michael Dummett (1925–2011) was Wykeham Professor of Logic at Oxford and is the author of *The Game of Tarot*.

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A Cursed Novel, Book 2

Gabby Hutchinson Crouch

A queer rom-com set in a fantasy version of Elizabethan England by the writer of *Horrible Histories*

It's 1599. Fang and Lazare are on the run with their friends Amber, Nell and half-fae child Tem. The news that Tem possesses the power to make humans immortal is spreading across London like wildfire – and has even reached the ears of the ailing Queen Elizabeth Tudor.

Desperate to avoid capture by the English crown, keep Tem safe, reverse their curse and not all *die*, the gang flee to The Lost City of Llanelli in Wales, the realm of the dragon queen Redthroat the Invincible. Rumoured to have almighty power, does Redthroat really have the answers to their problems?

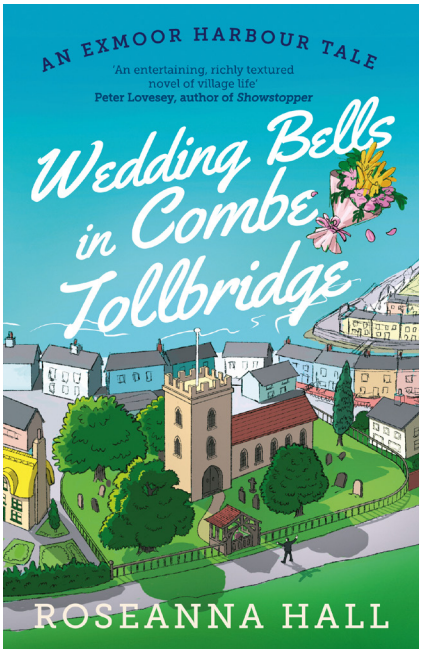
And if they can stop getting attacked by muggers, harpies and dragons for five minutes, might Fang and Lazare be able to admit they are falling in love?

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Gabby Hutchinson Crouch (*Horrible Histories, Newzoids, The News Quiz, The Now Show*) has a background in satire. Born in Pontypool in Wales, and raised in Ilkeston, Derbyshire, she now lives in Canterbury.

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Wedding Bells in Combe Tollbridge

An Exmoor Harbour Tale

Roseanna Hall

7 August 2025
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304 pages | £9.99
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A wedding between two much-loved residents leads to extreme levels of rivalry

Planning your wedding ought to be a straightforward business when the proposal has been accepted and everyone is pleased for you. But for bride-to-be Susan Jones, a beloved village resident with a strong-minded daughter, things are not as simple as she had hoped.

Friends and neighbours compete to give the bride away, arguments break out over who will make her lace veil and it is even decided for them where the newly-weds will live.

In the little seaside haven of Combe Tollbridge, marrying Susan Jones to Mickey Binns indeed takes a village!

'A fun and entertaining book that was a joy to read'
Rachel Burton

Roseanna Hall is the pseudonym used by Sarah J. Mason for the Exmoor Harbour Tale series, to distinguish these books from her seventeen titles in the bestselling Miss Seeton mystery series which she wrote under the pen name Hamilton Crane – and the eight further mysteries under her own name. Her titles in the Miss Seeton series have sold over 300,000 copies to date.

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Six Tails at Midnight

The No. 2 Feline Detective Agency

Mandy Morton

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Crime & mystery
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Our tabby heroes are snowed in on Christmas night when they are visited by some spooky spirits with a tale to tell

Hettie, Tilly, Bruiser and the Butter sisters set out across the snowy fens to spend Christmas at The Fishgutter's Arms. Snowed in with no hope of rescue, they find themselves sharing Christmas with some unwanted guests.

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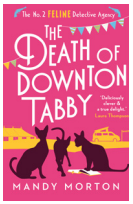
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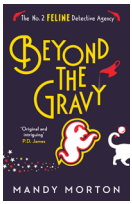
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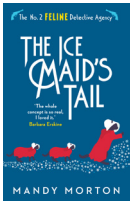
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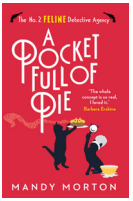
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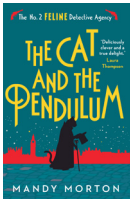
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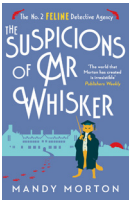
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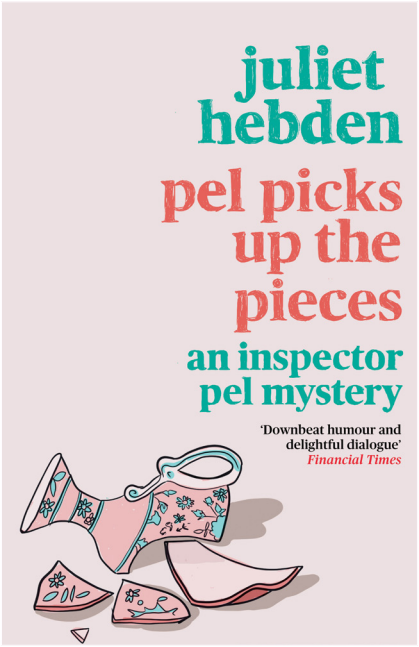


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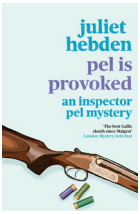
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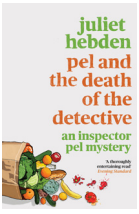
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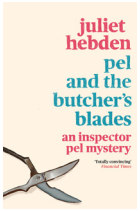
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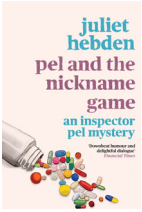
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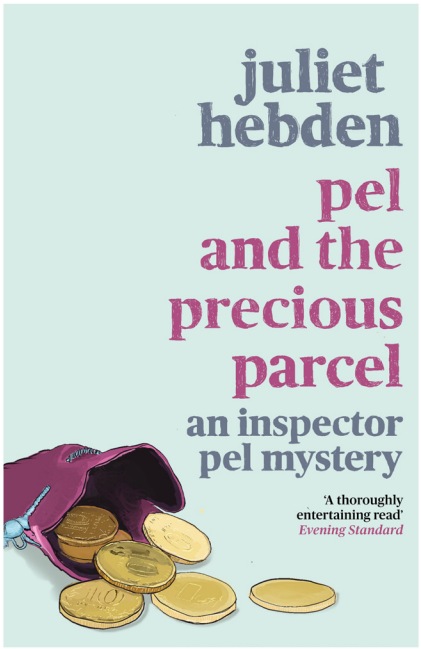


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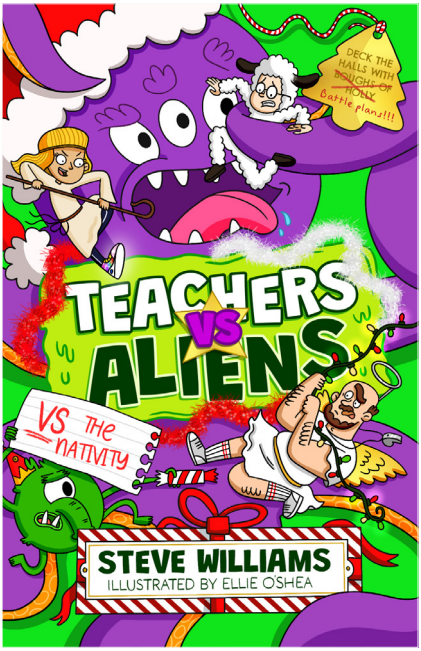


Inspector Tibbett joins his wife Emmy for the reunion of her Royal Air Force squad only to discover mysterious circumstances surround her former sweetheart's death.

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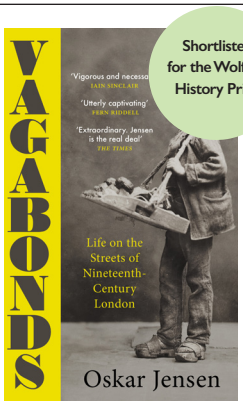
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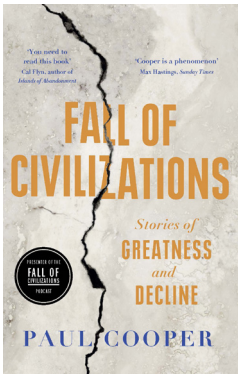
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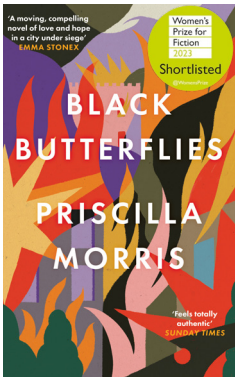
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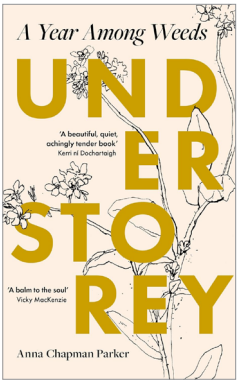
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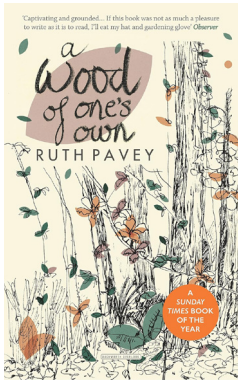
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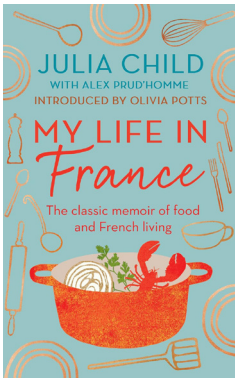
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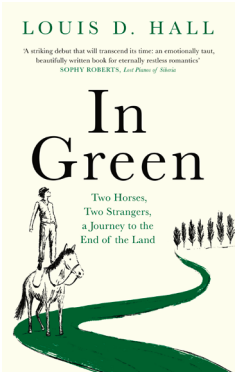
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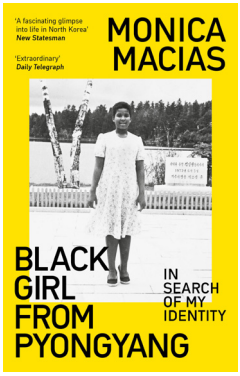
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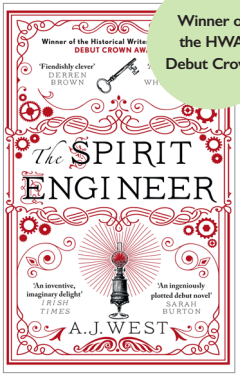
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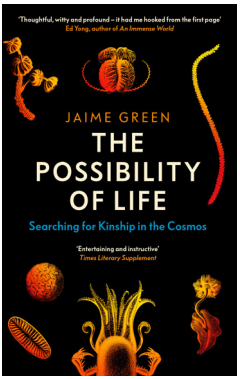
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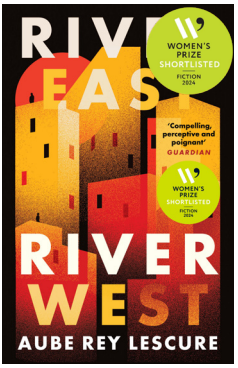
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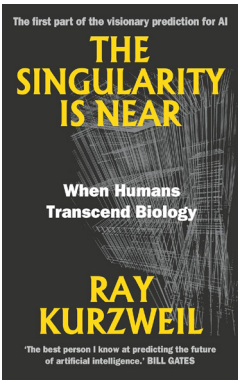
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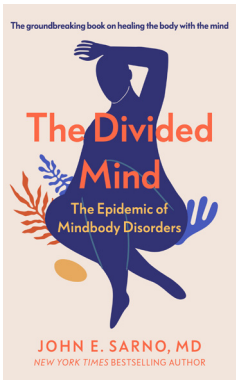
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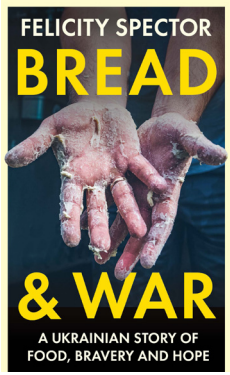
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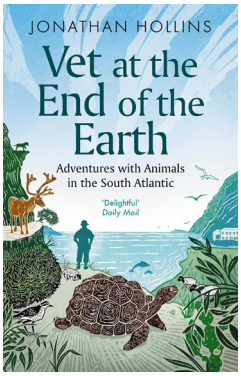
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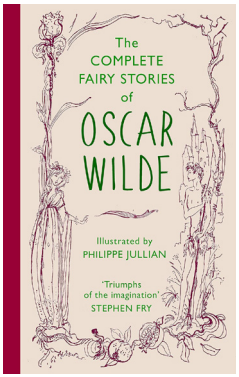
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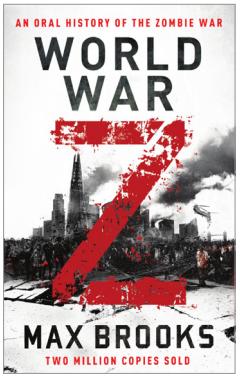
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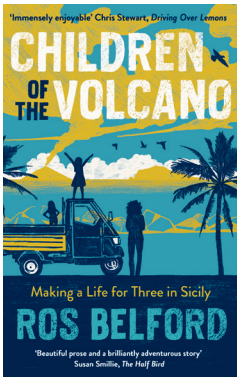
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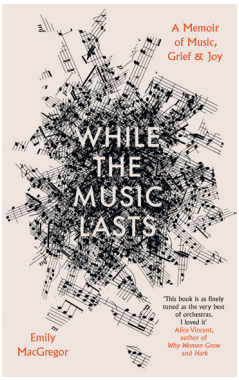
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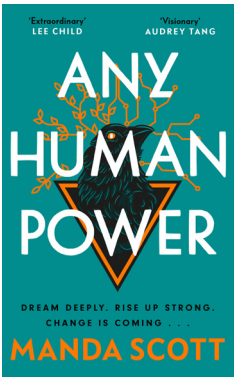
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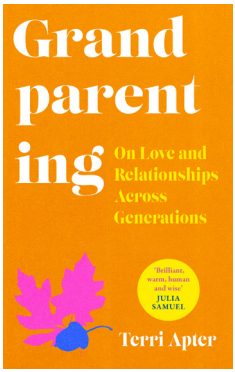
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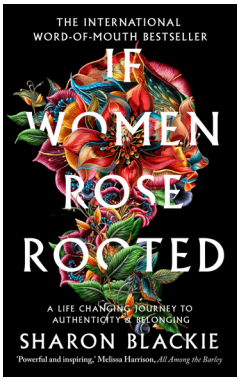
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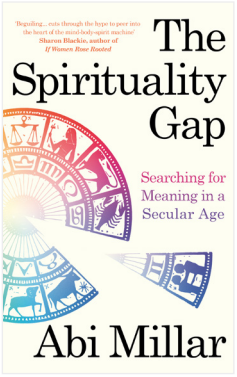
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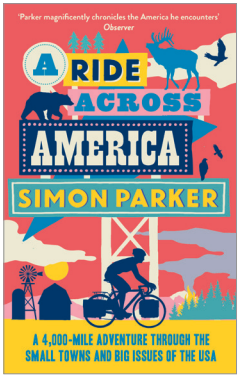
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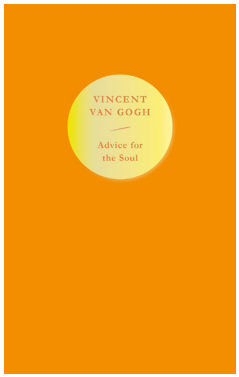
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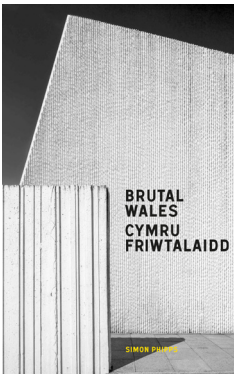
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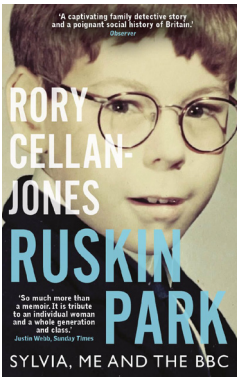
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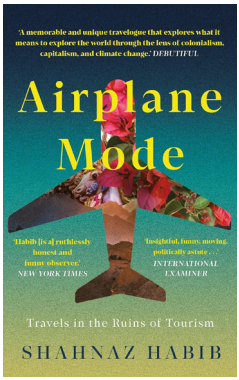
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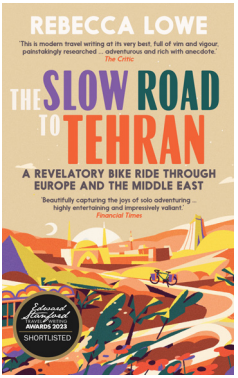
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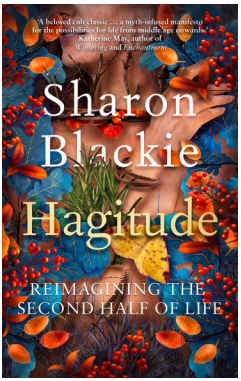
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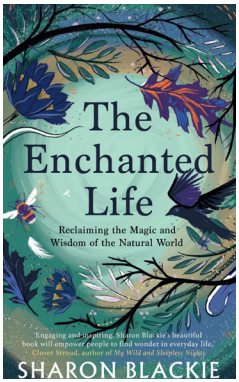
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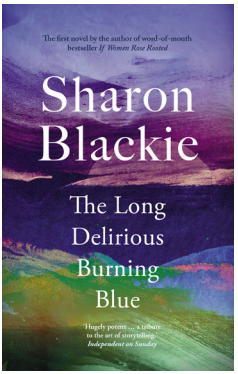
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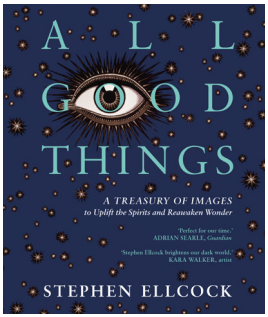
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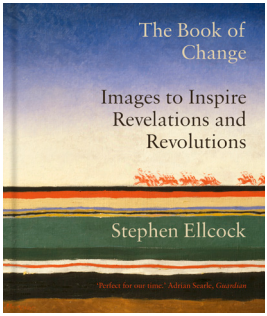
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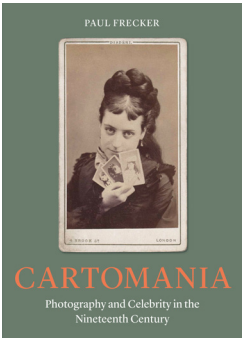
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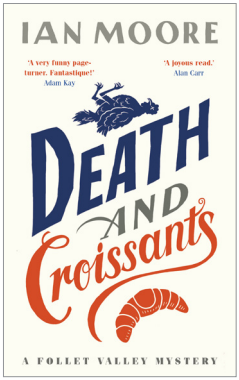
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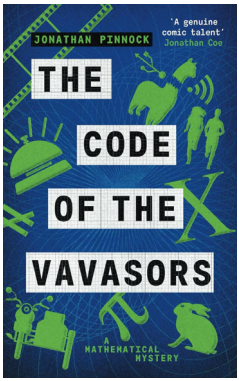
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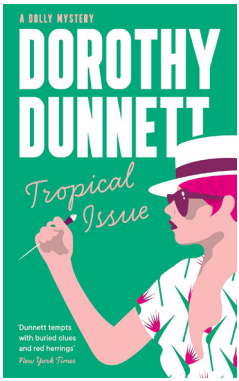
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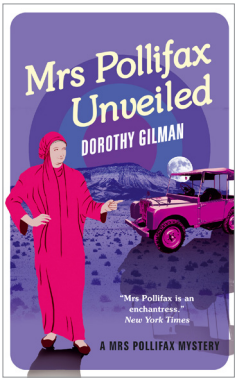
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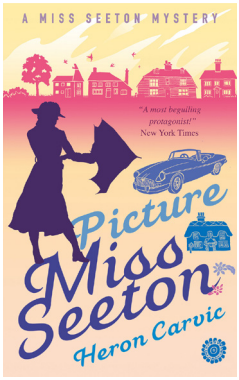
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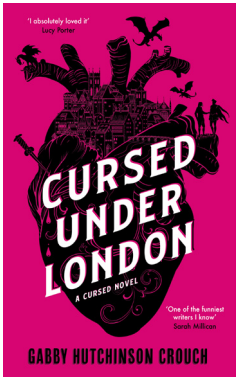
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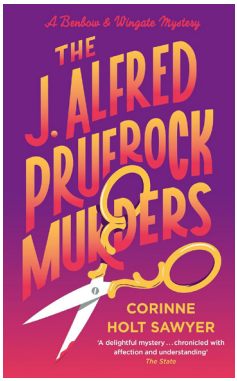
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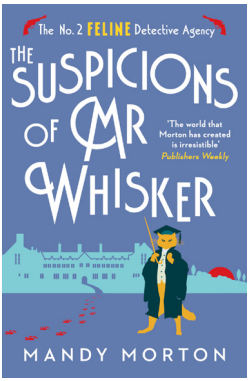
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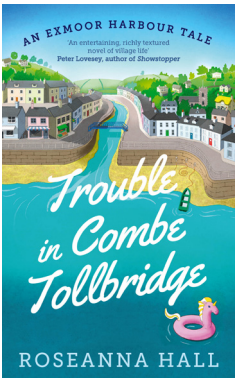
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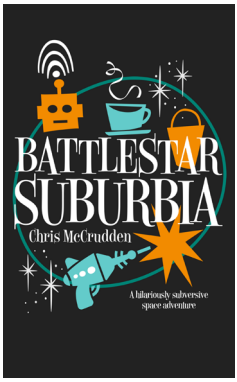
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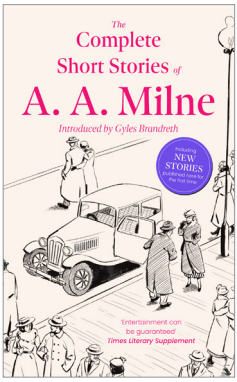
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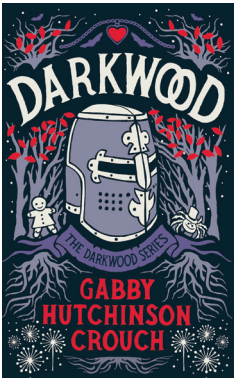
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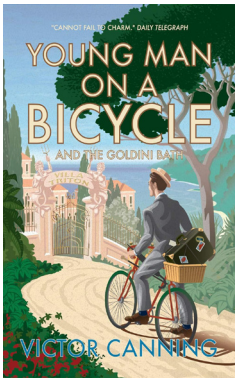
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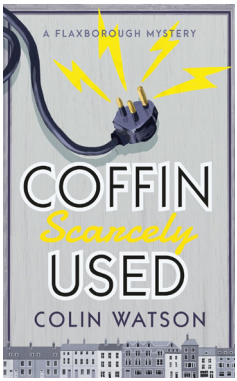
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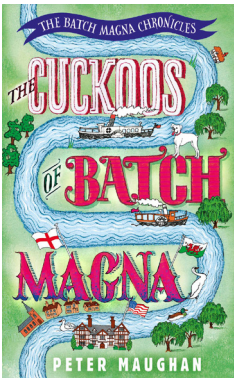
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