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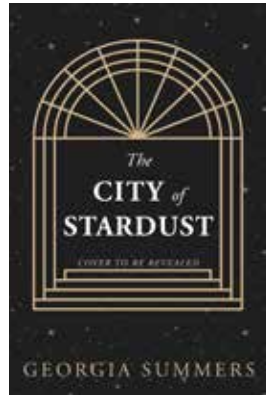
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### Assassin Eighteen

John Brownlow

A gripping action thriller for fans of Jason Bourne and James Bond.

*'I am waiting for someone to kill me. Tonight would be a good night for it.'*

Agent Seventeen, the most infamous hitman in the world, has quit. But whoever wants to become Assassin Eighteen must track him down and kill him first.

So when a bullet hits the glass inches from his face, he knows who fired it - doesn't he?

But the sniper isn't the hardened killer he was expecting. It's Mireille - a mysterious, silent child, abandoned in the woods with instructions to pull the trigger.

Reuniting with his spiky lover, Kat, Seventeen must protect Mireille, and discover who sent her to kill him, and why.

But the road he must travel is littered with bodies. And the answer, when it comes, will blow apart everything Seventeen thought he knew.

#### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**John Brownlow** holds British/Canadian citizenship and lives two hours north of Toronto. He wrote the film *Sylvia*, starring Gwyneth Paltrow and Daniel Craig, the TV series *Fleming* about Ian Fleming's work as a spy and the genesis of James Bond, and the TV series *The Miniaturist*, adapted from Jessie Burton's best-selling novel.

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# Baba Zima

Lauren Wiesebron

Marisha is not a good fit for a koldunya's assistant. A student of 'reasonable philosophy,' she doesn't even believe the apparent magic of koldunry is real. But the sleeping plague that strikes Chernozemlya every ten years is only a few months away, and she's almost as desperate for money as she is to escape the plague. So, she takes the only job available: assistant to the koldunya Baba Zima, travelling in her moving house.

The house, bigger on the inside (which seems absurd), seems to ski through the snow on chicken feet (which seems impossible). Baba Zima is alternately clever and cruel, and her acerbic apprentice Olena, the one Marisha was supposedly hired to help, doesn't want anything to do with her. Yet Marisha is, despite herself, drawn in by koldunry – and especially by Olena's research, looking for a cure to the sleeping plague that has swept the kingdom.

Both of Marisha's parents are deep sleepers, sleeping not only through the plague year but for the rest of their lives thereafter. And Marisha fears that she might be next.

## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Lauren Wiesebron** is a scientist (marine ecologist) who currently lives in the Netherlands. This is her debut novel.

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# Everything We Never Said

Holly Miller

The unmissable new love story from the author of *The Sight Of You*.

When Neve and Ash meet they can't deny the instant connection between them. But for Neve it almost feels as though she knows Ash already – he reminds her so strongly of her ex-boyfriend, Jamie, who was killed in a car accident when he was just twenty. Are the similarities between the two men just a coincidence? Or are some love stories too strong to ever really end?

## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Holly Miller** was born and grew up in Bedfordshire. Since university she has worked as a marketer, editor and copywriter. Holly currently lives in Norfolk with her partner and their dog.

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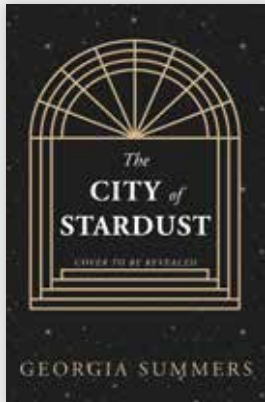
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## The City of Stardust

**Georgia Summers**

For centuries, generations of Everlys have seen their brightest and best disappear, taken as punishment for a crime no one remembers, for a purpose no one understands. Their tormentor is a woman named Penelope, who never ages, never grows sick - and never forgives a debt.

Violet Everly was just a child when her mother Marianne vanished on a stormy night, determined to break the curse. And when Penelope cannot find her, she issues an ultimatum: Violet has ten years to find Marianne, or she will take her place. Violet is the last of the Everly line, the last to suffer from the curse. Unless she can break it first.

To do so, she must descend into a seductive magical underworld of power-hungry scholars, fickle gods and monsters bent on revenge. She must also contend with Penelope's quiet assistant, Aleksander, who she knows cannot be trusted - and yet whose knowledge of a world beyond our own is too valuable to avoid.

Time to start living.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Georgia Summers** is a half-British, half-Trinidadian writer, who spent most of her life living across the world, including Russia, Colombia and the US. When she's not doing bookish things, she's planning her next great adventure. She currently lives in London, but she dreams of one day living in a haunted château with a ghost that cleans. She is the author of *The City of Stardust*.

## Seven Days

**Robert Rutherford**

**Your father is on death row. You have seven days to save him. But do you want to?**

Alice has never forgiven her father, Jim, for abandoning her.

She's never forgiven him for being unfaithful to her mother.

She's never forgiven him for murdering a man and ending up in jail.

But when Alice is told that Jim has been placed on Death Row with seven days to live, she is drawn back into his world - because Jim swears he is innocent. And when another case surfaces with remarkable similarities to her Dad's, Alice is catapulted into a journey that spans two continents, thousands of miles, and a realisation that however bad a father Jim has been, he might not have committed the crime he's set to die for...

The deeper she digs, the more attention Alice attracts, and soon she realises that others are watching too. Some want her Dad released. Others will kill to keep him just where he is.

With just seven days to spare her father his life, Alice's time is running out...

*Seven Days* is a propulsive action thriller for fans of Harlan Coben, Steve Cavanagh and Rob Gold.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Robert Rutherford** lives in Tyne & Wear, with his wife, children and dog. He is a regular attendee of crime festivals, and he also helped launch the Northern Crime Writing Syndicate group. This is his debut novel.



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## A Song of Me and You

Mike Gayle

Helen and Ben parted as heartbroken 18-year-olds and went their very separate ways.

Twenty years later, mother-of-two-teenagers Helen is still in Manchester, a part-time primary teacher, stunned by the behaviour of her love-rat husband. In an old T shirt and scruffy jeans, she feels at the lowest point in her life.

And suddenly, impossibly, Ben is standing on her doorstep. Tired maybe, lonely even, but clearly still the world-famous, LA-based multi-millionaire rockstar he has become.

Can you ever go back?

For Helen and Ben, so much has happened in the years between. But just to sit in the kitchen for a while and talk - that would be nice. Before the world comes crashing in.

Friendship, love, heartache and hope collide in this unforgettable emotional journey, from the author of *Half A World Away*.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Mike Gayle** was born and raised in Birmingham. After graduating from Salford University with a degree in Sociology, he moved to London to pursue a career in journalism and worked as a features editor and agony uncle. He has written for a variety of publications including *The Sunday Times*, *The Guardian* and *Cosmopolitan*.

He is the author of sixteen novels, including *The Man I Think I Know*, selected as a World Book Night title, and *Half A World Away*, selected for the Richard and Judy Book Club. His books have been translated into more than thirty languages. In 2021, Mike was the recipient of the Outstanding Achievement Award from the Romantic Novelists' Association.



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## Make You Mine this Christmas

Lizzie Huxley-Jones

*'The queer Christmas rom-com I've been waiting for.'*  
Laura Kay

It's the golden rule of pretending to be someone's girlfriend: don't fall for their sister.

After a year from hell, Haf is ready to blow off steam at a Christmas party: a kind stranger, a few too many drinks and suddenly she's kissing Christopher under the mistletoe - in front of his ex-girlfriend.

The next day the news is out that they're apparently a couple, madly in love and coming to Oxlea to spend the festive season with Christopher's family. But Haf doesn't have better holiday plans and to save her new friend from embarrassment, she agrees to pretend to be Christopher's girlfriend for Christmas.

It has the makings of a hilarious anecdote they'll be telling for years. Until Haf meets Christopher's sister: the mysterious, magnetic and utterly irresistible Kit. Maybe love was waiting for Haf in this quiet little town all along...

Perfect for fans of Sarah Morgan, Laura Kay and Carol - this is sheer festive joy as you've always wanted to see it.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Lizzie Huxley-Jones** is an autistic author and editor based in London. They are the editor of *Stim*, an anthology of autistic authors and artists, which was published by Unbound in April 2020 to coincide with World Autism Awareness Week. They are also the author of the children's biography *Sir David Attenborough: A Life Story* (2020) and a contributor to the anthology *Allies: Real Talk About Showing Up, Screwing Up, And Trying Again* (2021).

## Minor Disturbances at Grand Life Apartments

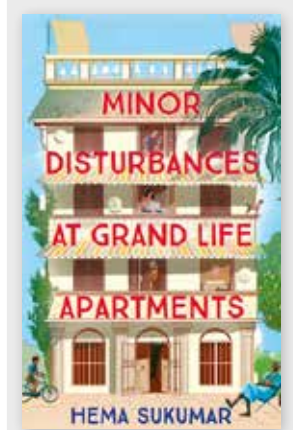
Hema Sukumar

Grand Life Apartments is a middle-class apartment block surrounded by lush gardens in the coastal city of Chennai, India. It is the home of Kamala, a pious, soon-to-be retired dentist who spends her days counting down to the annual visits from her daughter who is studying in the UK. Her neighbour, Revathi, is a thirty-two-year-old engineer who is frequently reminded by her mother that she has reached her expiry date in the arranged marriage market. Jason, a British chef, has impulsively moved to India to escape his recent heartbreak in London.

The residents have their own complicated lives to navigate, but what they all have in common is their love of where they live, so when a developer threatens to demolish the apartments and build over the gardens, the community of Grand Life Apartments are brought even closer together to fight for their beautiful home...

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Hema Sukumar** was born in Chennai, India. After studying engineering at university, she worked on a survey ship, which gave her the opportunity to travel the world and write about it. Her travel writing has been featured in various newspapers and magazines in India. She now lives in London. *Minor Disturbances at Grand Life Apartments* is her first novel.



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## Somewhere in the Crowd

The joyous Eurovision romcom you need to read in 2023

**Katrina Logan**

Four friends. Twelve years. One Eurovision . . .

Eurovision is always the highlight of Millie's year. So when she and her best friend James get the chance to see the final live in Oslo, it's a dream come true - until they get swept up the excitement and try to break backstage, along with carefree German singer Ingrid and charismatic Australian backpacker, Noah.

Getting thrown out of the stadium wasn't exactly the plan, but it might just spark the friendship - and the pact - of a lifetime. The four of them are going to reunite for every final, every year, every Eurovision.

Over the years, the unlikely four celebrate iconic Eurovision moments all across Europe - and, most importantly, are there for each other during all their highs and lows, heartaches and triumphs. But real life takes them down increasingly different paths, their promise becomes harder and harder to keep. Can the magic of Eurovision bring them together one last time...?

A joyous and uplifting novel inspired by the iconic song contest, about friendship, love and finding where you belong.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Katrina Logan** is a pseudonym for Katy Birchall, the author of romantic-comedies *The Secret Bridesmaid* and *The Wedding Season* along with several young adult novels.

## The Book Swap

**Tessa Bickers**

Erin is searching for a new beginning. Grieving the death of her best friend, she knows she needs to start living - but has no idea how. Then she loses her favourite book, a heavily annotated copy of *To Kill A Mockingbird* containing her friend's last gift.

James has given up on the life he once dreamed of. But when he finds Erin's book, it sparks a life-changing conversation. A book exchange begins, and through notes left in the margins of their best-loved novels, they find themselves slowly opening up . . . and perhaps even falling for one another.

But there are painful secrets in Erin and James's past, and a shared history that neither of them has guessed. How will Erin react when she discovers that the other writer isn't a stranger at all - but James, the very person she swore she'd never forgive?

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

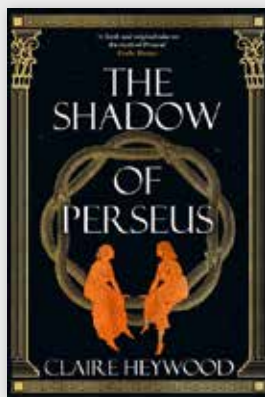
**Tessa Bickers** studied journalism at Bournemouth university, and went on to co-present a breakfast radio show in the South West. Moving into celebrity news, she interviewed some of the biggest names in show business, including Leonardo DiCaprio and the cast of *Sex and the City*. Tess started her creative career as a singer-songwriter and, after a few failed X Factor auditions, she went on to perform at Glastonbury Festival and Secret Garden Party with her band Tess and the Tellers. These days she has replaced her guitar with a keyboard, and songs for books. *The Book Swap* is her debut novel, publishing in 2024.



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US (Dutton)

## The Shadow of Perseus

**Claire Heywood**

History remembers him as a hero. But the women who knew him best remember a different man...

Perseus grows up wanting to be a hero, but he cannot become one if his mother Danae still sees him as a boy. When his stepfather Polydektos casts him away on a voyage across the sea, Perseus is determined to fulfil the great destiny of the son of a god and the grandson of a king. But the line between heroism and monstrosity is thin, and when Perseus attempts to seduce first gentle Medusa and then beautiful Andromeda, before finally reuniting with Danae, they each learn of the dangers of resisting a boy prepared to risk it all for greatness...

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Claire Heywood** is a scholar of the ancient world, having gained a 1st Class BA in Classical Civilisation and an MA with Distinction in Ancient Visual and Material Culture, both from the University of Warwick. Her deep understanding of the ancient world, coupled with her fascination with women's forgotten voices, inspired her to retell the legend of the Trojan War from the perspective of two key female characters. She is a former professional tour guide at the Roman Baths museum in Bath and now writes full-time.

### Also available



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Spanish (Editorial Planeta)

Turkish (Ithaki Yayıncılık)

Ukrainian (Yakaboo)

US (Dutton)

## This Christmas in Paris

**Sophie Claire**

Six months after a life-changing accident, Carys is looking for a fresh start. Life in the cosy village of Willowbrook has lost its charm, and Carys finds herself dreaming of a new adventure. Feeling restless, she jumps when she is offered the chance to run The Red Cat Café, an eccentric neighbourhood eatery in the centre of Paris, over the busy festive period.

Mathieu needs a change of pace. Stuck in a job he hates, the only time Mat feels truly in control is when he posts scathing anonymous restaurant reviews on his blog, Madame Incognito. Mat knows he is capable of more than online negativity, but he can't seem to stop himself - especially when his follower count keeps growing...

When a chance encounter leads the two to meet, their connection is instant, and it seems like everything might fall into place. But the secrets they are keeping threaten to upturn everything, and put a stop to their blossoming romance before it has even begun. As the countdown to the holidays begins, can Carys open her heart enough to take a chance on love? And if she does, will all her dreams come true in time for Christmas?

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Sophie Claire**, born to a French mother and Scottish father, grew up in Manchester where she still lives with her husband and two sons. She writes stories centred around sunny Provence, where she spent her summers as a child.

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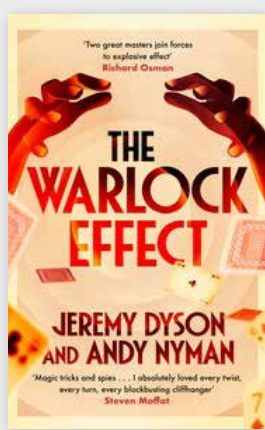
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US and Translation

## The Warlock Effect

Jeremy Dyson and Andy Nyman

TV rights to the book have been optioned by Hartswood Films – producers of shows including *Sherlock*, *Dracula*, *Inside Man* and *The Devils Hour* among others – with Jeremy and Andy as showrunners and lead writers.

The Warlock Effect is a highly entertaining, fiendishly clever thriller. Set in 1950s Soho, where top illusionist Louis Warlock and his secret posse of eccentric assistants create extraordinary and baffling magic, his phenomenal expertise is noticed by the British Secret Service, which needs his lateral thinking and conjuring skills to defeat a deadly plot against the government.

Pouring their joint obsessions with comedy, magic and horror into this novel, authors Jeremy Dyson and Andy Nyman take the reader into a realm of secrets and betrayal. A peek behind the curtain of a world which though long lost, resonates with contemporary fears about identity and the malignant manipulation of our minds.

### ABOUT THE AUTHORS

**Jeremy Dyson** is co-creator of the West End hit play and film *Ghost Stories*, and a founding member of the team behind award-winning BBC series *The League of Gentlemen*. He has written and script edited many series, including *Killing Eve*. He is the writer of a novel and two collections of short stories, one the Edge Hill award winner *The Crane that Builds the Cranes*.

**Andy Nyman** is co-creator of *Ghost Stories*, and an actor, writer and magician. He co-created Derren Brown's award-winning TV specials *Russian Roulette*, *The System* and *The Events*, and co-wrote and directed his stage shows, including Olivier award winning *Something Wicked This Way Comes*. He has written books including *The Golden Rules of Acting*.

## The Wayward Sisters

Kate Hodges

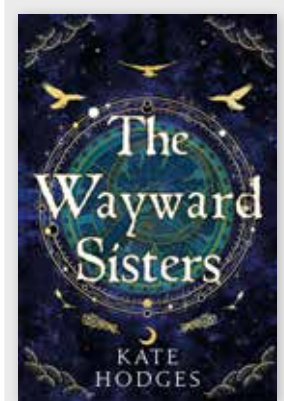
Astronomy and Shakespeare collide in this lush historical novel, for fans of *The Binding*, *The Familiars* and *Pandora*.

1782. Nancy Lockaby is trying to salvage her reputation as an astronomer - left in tatters after a discredited discovery - when she receives a mysterious letter, inviting her to join Shakespeare scholar Caelan Malles at his crumbling house in Inverness. But at Blackthistle House, Nancy notices that Caelan is spending more and more time locked away in his study with his books. As his behaviour becomes ever stranger, more questions gnaw at Nancy. Why does Caelan believe there is a link between Shakespeare and the stars? Why does he refuse to discuss Charlotte, his now-deceased wife? And why does he head, at night, to the cottage where live three strange women he calls hags? Nancy refuses to believe in anything that cannot be rationally explained. And yet, as she seeks to discover the answers, she sets in motion a chain of events that will change her life - and her perceptions of magic - for ever...

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Kate Hodges** graduated from the University of Westminster with a BA in Print Journalism. She has over 20 years writing experience on magazines, having been a staffer on publications including *The Face*, *Bizarre*, *Just Seventeen*, *Smash Hits* and *Sky*, and written for many more, including *The Guardian*, *Kerrang!* and *NME*.

She is the author of three books on London: *Little London*, *London in Hour*, *Rural London*, as well as *I Know a Woman*, *Warriors*, *Witches*, *Women*, *On a Starry Night* and *Rock, Paper Scissors*. Her latest book, *Wild Words* is a collection of words from around the world which are evocative of the wild.



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## Her Sweet Revenge

**Sarah Bonner**

**Revenge** is best served sweet.

Secrets and lies ruin lives.

Two women receive the same anonymous note. For one it's a threat. For the other it's an invitation for revenge.

Helena is beautiful, successful, and living in married bliss in Exeter. But she's hiding a secret that could tear her perfect life apart. When the notes begin to arrive, she realises someone else must know. But what might her husband and his overbearing family do if they find out the truth?

Thea is reeling from her best friend Helena's death. But when she starts digging into the circumstances, she receives a threatening note warning her to stop.

She knows her friend's death wasn't an accident. This was murder. And she is determined to get revenge. And everyone knows, it's almost always the husband...

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Sarah Bonner** grew up in Salisbury, dreaming of a career as a writer and performer. Instead, she became an accountant! After a fifteen-year career, she decided to answer her original calling and completed her first novel, *Her Perfect Twin*. She lives in West Sussex with her husband and very spoiled rescue dog.

### Also available



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## Murder Town

**Shelley Burr**

The second novel from the author of *Wake*, picked as a Guardian Book of the Year in 2022.

Gemma Guillory has lived in Rainier her entire life. She knows the tiny town's ins and outs like the back of her hand, the people like they are her family, their quirks as if they were her own.

She knows her once charming town is now remembered for one reason, and one reason only. That three innocent people died. That the last stop on the Rainier Ripper's trail of deaths fifteen years ago was her innocuous little tea shop. She knows that the consequences of catching the Ripper still haunt her policeman husband and their marriage to this day and that some of her neighbours are desperate - desperate enough to welcome a dark tourism company keen to cash in on Rainier's reputation as the murder town.

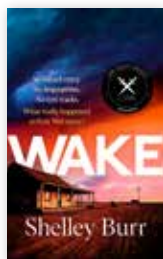
When the tour operator is killed by a Ripper copycat on Gemma's doorstep, the unease that has lurked quietly in the original killer's wake turns to foreboding, and she's drawn into the investigation. Unbeknownst to her, so is a prisoner named Lane Holland.

Gemma knows her town. She knows her people.  
Doesn't she?

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Shelley Burr** is the winner of the CWA Debut Dagger award with *Wake*, an alumni of the ACT Writer's Centre Hardcopy program (2018) and a Varuna fellow. When not writing she works at the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment. She lives in Canberra, but grew up splitting her time between Newcastle and Glenrowan, where her father's family are all sheep farmers.

### Also available



### Rights sold

Dutch (Ambo | Anthos)  
French (Bragelonne)  
German (Droemer Knaur)

## The Bookshop Murders

**Jennifer Gladwell**

Lucy Darkwether is the proprietor of Darkwether Books, a famous antiquarian bookshop on London's Cecil Court. A prominent figure in literary London as well as a much sought after party guest, Lucy is well-placed to investigate a gruesome murder that has baffled the local detectives and sent shockwaves through the world of classical academia... but Lucy's involvement will have far-reaching and dangerous consequences that she does not expect.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Jennifer Gladwell** is the pen name of freelance editor and writer, Genevieve Herr. She has previously written romantic fiction such as *A Gift in December* and *This Year, Maybe* but has always loved the golden era of crime. Gen lives in Scotland with her family.

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### Scrap

**Calla Henkel**

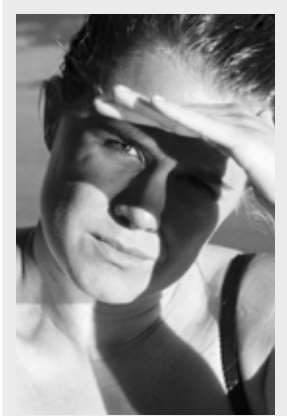
Esther Ray legally can't talk about what made her drop out of the glitzy New York art world, but she's sworn off working for the rich and now she's happy. She's just bought a cabin in the mountains with her fiancée Jessica and they're planning on having a baby.

But when Jessica abruptly breaks it off, leaving her with the cabin's mortgage, Esther is forced to accept a job from Naomi Duncan, yet another member of the art adjacent criminally wealthy. Naomi ships over two hundred boxes of ephemera from her family's life, instructing Esther to produce a series of scrapbooks for her husband's surprise party. Esther quickly becomes obsessed with the Duncans, fixating on their lavish lives and their eighteen-year-old Tik-Tok influencer daughter, Tabitha.

Whilst bingeing true crime podcasts and sorting through the contents of the boxes, Esther comes to realise it's not just family photos that Naomi has been hoarding. When Naomi suddenly dies before the project is complete, Esther becomes convinced she was murdered and uses what she has learned from the scrapbooks to try and find out who killed Naomi and why.

#### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Calla Henkel** is an American writer, playwright, director and artist living in Berlin. She has staged plays at Volksbühne Berlin, The Whitney Museum of Art, as well as at New Theatre, the experimental theatre space she co-founded and programmed in Berlin from 2013-2015. She currently operates a bar, performance space and film studio called TV in Berlin.



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### Landfall

James Bradley

At the end of the world, who keeps the peace?

Sydney is still above water, just. The Floodline has advanced, swallowing whole districts beneath the water. And another huge storm is on its way, threatening to drown the whole city in a deluge of biblical proportions. But there is life still in the city, and with any city there is still crime.

Sarayu is a police officer, long desensitised to the trauma experienced by everyday people. But when she is called to the case of a missing girl she knows she has to find and save her, before the storm bearing down rips the whole city apart.

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#### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**James Bradley** is the author of four novels, *Wrack*, *The Deep Field*, *The Resurrectionist* which was chosen as a Richard and Judy 2008 Summer Read, and *Clade*, and a book of poetry, *Paper Nautilus*. His books have won or been shortlisted for a number of major Australian and international literary awards and have been widely translated.



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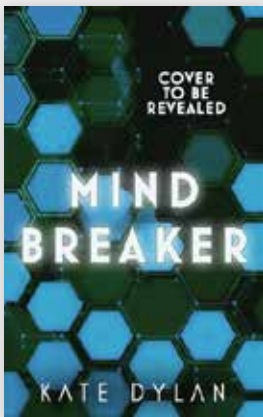
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# Mindbreaker

**Kate Dylan**

No more quiet rebellions.

Born into a religious, anti-tech cult, seventeen-year-old Indra lives a simple, mod-free existence on the fringe of society. But when an illicit trip to the city leaves her with a debilitating - and terminal - condition, Indra must make a choice: die faithful, or betray her Order and accept the cure Glindell Technologies is offering.

Forced to sign over full ownership of her life, Indra is horrified to learn how Glindell chose to save her mind and body. On the outside, she still looks the same. On the inside, Indra's not so sure. She's missing time, for one thing, and more than once, she finds herself in places she really shouldn't be, with no memory of how she got there and abilities she can't explain.

So when news breaks of a vicious attack against Glindell's biggest rival, Indra begins to suspect the worst about her new master. With help from her one friend at the company, Tian - a research assistant with a genius IQ and a smile that won't quit - Indra manages to escape the lab. Then together with the anti-corp faction she and Tian turn to for help, Indra must uncover the truth behind the procedure that saved her life, before Glindell can use it to change the face of technology - and what it means to be human - forever.

## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Kate Dylan** is a video editor by day, science fiction and fantasy author by night. Her passion for writing YA novels is fuelled by a love of banter, snark, and all things Marvel, and is supported by her long-suffering boyfriend and their thoroughly indifferent cat.

## Also available



# The Raven Scholar

**Antonia Hodgson**

The first book in an epic trilogy set in the Empire of Orrun – a compelling, deeply immersive tale of scholars, warriors, lovers, tyrants... and ravens.

**Fox Raven Tiger Ox Bear Monkey Hound Dragon**

Seven times have the Guardians of Orrun  
Returned from the Hidden Realm to save the world.  
The next time they come, they will destroy it.

In the dizzying heat of late summer, seven warriors arrive on the imperial island. Trained in secret at rival monasteries, they have come to compete for the ultimate prize – the throne of Orrun.

Neema Kraa is not one of them. A brilliant but isolated scholar, she plans to spend the Festival tucked away in the library researching her latest monograph, in the full expectation that no one will read it.

But when she finds one of the contenders brutally murdered, Neema is forced centre stage. Gaida Rack was her sworn enemy, ever since their days studying together at the Raven monastery. As the most obvious suspect, Neema needs to find the real killer, fast.

To her consternation and horror, the emperor has other plans in mind. Neema must take Gaida's place as the new Raven contender. An order, not an offer.

Now, without training or support, she must fight for a throne she does not want, against six warriors with their own dark histories and fierce ambitions. Not least Cain Ballari, the Fox contender – the man she once loved, and betrayed. Now rumoured to be the greatest assassin of the age.

As she fights for survival, Neema finds herself tangled in a deep and powerful conspiracy – one that will shatter all her treasured beliefs, and set her on a shocking new path. If she fails, it is not only her own life that is at stake, but the fate of the entire world. Without a new ruler, the Eight Guardians of Orrun will Return from the Hidden Realm in blood and fire, and destroy everything before them.

At least, so the Scriptures promise.

But Neema does have one friend, hiding in plain sight. A very strange, curious friend. Someone with the power to help – if she is willing to let them in...

The *Eternal Eight* trilogy will continue with *The Fox in Winter*, and conclude with *The Empress in the Forest*.



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## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Antonia Hodgson** is the bestselling author of the Thomas Hawkins historical crime series. Her first novel, *The Devil in the Marshalsea*, won the CWA Historical Dagger, and was shortlisted for the Theakstons Crime Novel of the Year and CWA Dagger for Best First Novel. Her most recent book, *The Silver Collar*, was shortlisted for the HWA Gold Crown. In the US, *Publishers Weekly* named both *The Devil in the Marshalsea* and its sequel in their list of Top Ten Mystery/Thrillers of the year. Her books have been chosen for both the Richard & Judy and Waterstones Book Clubs.

### Alexandria

The City that Changed the World

Islam Issa

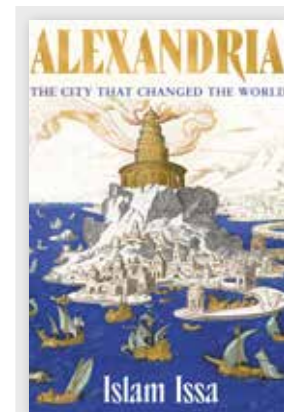
In original, authoritative and lively cultural history of the first modern city, from pre-Homeric times to the present day.

Combining rigorous research with myth and folklore, Alexandria is an authoritative history of a city that has shaped our modern world. Soon after being founded by Alexander the Great, Alexandria became the crucible of cultural exchange between East and West for millennia and the undisputed global capital of knowledge. It was at the forefront of human progress, but it also witnessed brutal natural disasters, plagues, crusades and violence.

Major empires fought over Alexandria, from the Greeks and Romans to the Arabs, Ottomans, French and British. Key figures shaped the city from its eponymous founder to Aristotle, Cleopatra, Saint Mark the Evangelist, Napoleon Bonaparte and many others, each putting their own stamp on its identity and its fortunes. And millions of people have lived in this bustling seaport on the Mediterranean. From its humble origins to its dizzy heights and its latest incarnation, Islam Issa tells us the rich and gripping story of a city that changed the world.

#### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Professor Islam Issa** is an award-winning British-Egyptian writer, curator and broadcaster, and was recently named by the BBC as 'one of the UK's most significant new thinkers'. He is Professor of Literature and History at Birmingham City University, has authored several academic books and contributes regularly to *The Guardian*, *New Statesman* and *Times Literary Supplement*.



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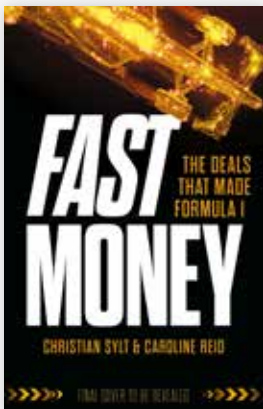
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## Fast Money

### The Deals that Made Formula One

Christian Sylt and Caroline Reid

Few sports are as synonymous with money as Formula One. Its drivers are amongst the world's most highly paid sportsmen; the price of its race-day tickets rises to more than £5,000 each; oil-rich nations looking for worldwide visibility use their races as a tool to market their globalising ambitions; and it costs more than a billion pounds to keep its ten teams ticking over every year.

Celebrities and their entourages flock to glamorous locales around the world – Monaco, Miami and Singapore – to be seen preening on the grid or lounging aboard enormous superyachts anchored beside the racetrack. This is a sport where money – the spending of it, the flaunting of it, the ruthless pursuit of it – matters.

But F1 wasn't always this way. In its earliest incarnation, the sport was not built for profit, but rather for wild and intrepid young men who wanted to drive recklessly fast around diabolically dangerous circuits, often losing their lives in the process. It wasn't until the late 70s, and a new age of on-track safety, as well as the entry of tobacco advertising and the first real influx of money, that F1 began its inexorable climb to its current perch as the world's most-watched annual sports series.

*Fast Money* is the first book of its kind to treat F1 as the business it is, and to keep its focus on the money which drives the sport. The result of a combined four decades of journalistic experience covering the business of the sport, and over a thousand hours of exclusive interviews with the sport's major players, *Fast Money* takes an investigative deep dive into F1 to reveal the multitude of deals that turned the sport from a pastime for wealthy enthusiasts into the world's most-watched annual sports series.

#### ABOUT THE AUTHORS

**Christian Sylt** and **Caroline Reid** are journalists who specialise in the business of Formula One. Over the course of their careers covering the sport, they have broken many exclusives and have contributed to many of the world's leading publications, including the *Financial Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Forbes*, *The Times*, *Daily Telegraph*, *Guardian*, *Independent*, *Daily Mail*, *Daily Express*, *CityAM* and the *Evening Standard*. They have also been interviewed by the likes of BBC Newsnight, BBC News at Ten, BBC World News, CNN Quest Means Business, ITV News at Ten and Channel 4 News, where Sylt has also worked as a producer.

## The Power of Hot and Cold

Katja Panzar and Carita Harju

The sauna was recently ranked as the no.1 global wellness trend by the Global Wellness Summit. Cold-water swimming is a growing trend and is being proposed as a cure for all manner of things from improving mental health to boosting immunity. But what exactly is hot and cold therapy & why is it important for physical and mental health?

Dive into the unique world of hot and cold via Finland, where a good steam and an icy dip in a lake or the sea are the foundations of wellbeing for mind, body and soul.

This definitive guide by two experts takes readers on a journey into the transformative powers of hot and cold by pairing the sauna, that quintessential hot Finnish steam bath, with a cold-water dip. Along the way, it serves up the inspiration and practical tools for creating a wellness retreat at home using the Nordic contrast bathing philosophy wherever you are in the world.

The Finnish method of alternating hot and cold boosts happiness by increasing well-being and connecting with nature. It's the secret to how the world's happiest nation keeps calm and carries on – no matter what life throws at them.

#### ABOUT THE AUTHORS

**Carita Harju** is a Finnish sauna experience expert and marketing professional whose mission is to share the Finnish sauna's positive health and wellness benefits with the world. She is the founder and executive director of Sauna from Finland, which represents an international network of more than 200 sauna industry companies. Her first illustrated guide, *Sauna - The Way of Finnish Life* (2016), has been published in four languages, including German and Chinese. Her second book, *Soul of the Sauna*, was released in Japanese and Hungarian, while her newest title *Saunafullness* (Hyvää oloa saunomalla/2021) was published in Finnish and will be published in Estonian in 2023.

**Katja Pantzar** is a Helsinki-based writer and journalist who swims in the Baltic Sea almost every day – all year round. Raised in Canada, with stints in New Zealand and England, she is the author of *The Finnish Way* (Penguin Random House/2018), a bestselling non-fiction book about Nordic well-being, winter swimming, sauna and sisu that has been translated into 24 languages. Her newest book, *Everyday Sisu: Tapping into Finnish Fortitude for a Happier, More Resilient Life* (Penguin Random House/2022) explores through expert interviews and fact-based information how we can better support our mental and physical health while taking care of each other and our planet. <https://katjapantzar.com/>



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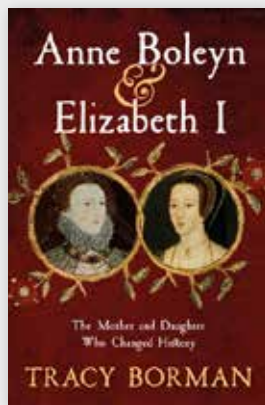
**Samir Puri**

What if the sun truly is setting on the Western world’s outsized influence over the rest of the planet? Would we tangibly notice this shifting world order if it occurs at a constant speed? The world never sits still, which is why the notion of a ‘status quo’ in its affairs is a misnomer. Now the receding of Western global influence is speeding up, shaking the ground under our feet...

**ABOUT THE AUTHOR**

**Dr Samir Puri** brings a unique global perspective to the theme of our changing world. Born in London in a family that had traversed three continents in three generations from Asia to Africa to Europe, he later completed a PhD in International Relations at Cambridge, worked for RAND in the USA, and served in the UK Foreign Office. His government assignments covered counterterrorism, and a year living in Ukraine’s Donbas region to monitor Russia’s first invasion in 2014. After government service, he became a lecturer in War Studies at King’s College London and since 2020, has lived in Singapore where he works on a diplomatic dialogue covering security in Asia.

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## Anne Boleyn & Elizabeth I

Tracy Borman

One of the most extraordinary mother and daughter stories of all time - Anne Boleyn, the most famous of Henry VIII's wives and her daughter Elizabeth, the 'Virgin Queen'.

Anne Boleyn is a subject of enduring fascination. By far the most famous of Henry VIII's six wives, she has inspired books, documentaries and films, and is the subject of intense debate even today. For the most part, she is considered in the context of her relationship with Tudor England's much-married monarch. Dramatic though this story is, of even greater interest - and significance - is the relationship between Anne and her daughter, the future Elizabeth I.

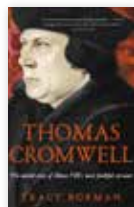
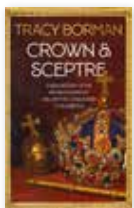
Elizabeth was less than three years old when her mother was executed. Given that she could have held precious few memories of Anne, it is often assumed that her mother exerted little influence over her.

But this is both inaccurate and misleading. Elizabeth knew that she had to be discreet about Anne, but there is compelling evidence that her mother exerted a profound influence on her character, beliefs and reign. Piecing together evidence from original documents and artefacts, this book tells the story of Anne Boleyn's relationship with, and influence over her daughter Elizabeth. In so doing, it sheds new light on two of the most famous and influential women in history.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Tracy Borman** is joint Chief Curator of Historic Royal Palaces and Chief Executive of the Heritage Education Trust. Tracy is the author of a number of highly acclaimed books including *Crown & Sceptre*, *The Private Lives of the Tudors: Uncovering the Secrets of Britain's Greatest Dynasty*, *Thomas Cromwell: The Untold Story of Henry VIII's Most Faithful Servant*, *Matilda: Wife of the Conqueror*, *First Queen of England*, *Elizabeth's Women: The Hidden Story of the Virgin Queen* and *Witches: A Tale of Sorcery, Scandal and Seduction*.

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## Defeating the Dictators

How Democracy Can Prevail  
in the Age of the Strongman

Charles Dunst

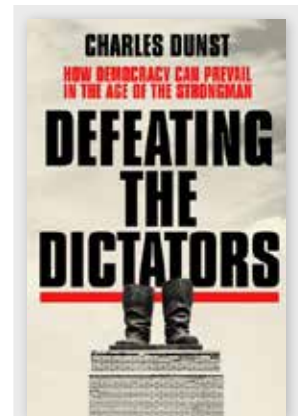
The world is currently experiencing its lowest levels of democracy it has seen in over thirty years. Autocracy is on the rise, and while the cost of autocracy seems evident, it nevertheless remains an attractive option to many.

While leaders like Viktor Orbán disrupt democratic foundations from within, autocrats like Xi Jinping and Vladimir Putin do so from abroad, eroding democratic institutions and values and imperilling democracies that appear increasingly fragile. Indeed, there are even those who, disillusioned with the current institutions in place, increasingly think authoritarianism can deliver them a better life than democracy has or could.

They're wrong. Autocracy is not the solution - better democracy is. But we have to make the case for it. We have to combat institutional rot by learning from one another, and, at times, from our rivals. And we have to get our own houses in order. Only then can we effectively stand up for democratic values around the world and defeat the dictators.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Charles Dunst** is an associate at The Asia Group, a fellow at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, and a contributing editor of *American Purpose*, Francis Fukuyama's new magazine. He has reported and written analysis for *The New York Times*, *The Atlantic*, *The Washington Post*, CNN, BBC News, and Foreign Policy. A former foreign correspondent, he has reported from countries including Cambodia, Myanmar, Vietnam, Israel and the Palestinian territories, Hungary, Romania, and the United Kingdom.



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## How We Think

**Marius Ostrowski**

It can often feel as if we live in an increasingly polarized world, characterized by an ever-growing divide between seemingly ideological opposites. But how do we come to think in the ways that we do in the first place? And how do we begin to understand those who seem to see the world in vastly different ways to ourselves?

To better understand how we think, Marius Ostrowski identifies eleven thinker-types that we broadly fall into, each of which forms a mental picture of the world in its own distinct way. Some overlap while others clash; and each will have their own way of looking at the world, and of relating to others within and outside of our own categories.

The first book of its kind, *How We Think* will explore the ways in which we engage with the world and the people around us spanning and bringing together a variety of disciplines from neurobiology to psychology, philosophy to behavioural economics. In doing so, Ostrowski gets to the core of how to better understand and question our own thinking and worldview, as well as those of others.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Dr Marius Ostrowski** is a social scientist, political theorist and historian focusing on how ideas and ideologies emerge and gain influence among the general population. He is currently a Max Weber Fellow at the Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies at the European University Institute, Florence. Prior to that, he spent thirteen years at the University of Oxford, most recently as an Examination Fellow in Politics at All Souls College. Ostrowski is also a Senior Public Policy Researcher at ResPublica where he works on devolution and local empowerment.

## Mountains of Fire

**The Secret Lives of Volcanoes**

**Clive Oppenheimer**

Volcanoes mean more than threat and calamity. Like our parents, they've led whole lives before we get to know them. From Mount Etna in Italy to Mount Erebus in Antarctica, volcanoes are captivating and magical places that have always inspired the human imagination and pioneering exploration.

Having worked in some of the wildest and most inaccessible places on Earth, Professor of Volcanology Clive Oppenheimer has an intimate relationship with volcanoes. His research measuring and mapping these powerful forces reveals just how entangled volcanic activity is with our climate and environment, as well as our economy, politics, culture and beliefs, ultimately defining the course of human history. In *Mountains of Fire*, we travel with him to the edges of volcano craters across the world, from the most remote peaks in the Sahara to the lush islands of the Caribbean, and from the mystical mountains of North Korea to the fiery depths of Iceland.

Combining science, history, myth and legend with a sense of adventure, *Mountains of Fire* captures the awe and sheer excitement of working at the crater's edge and reveals the interwoven tales of volcanic nature and humankind.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Clive Oppenheimer** is a volcanologist and filmmaker. He is Professor of Volcanology at the University of Cambridge, where he has been based for 25 years. His research seeks to understand how volcanoes work and to probe the connections between eruptions, climate and society. He has conducted fieldwork around the world - either at the crater's edge peering in with assorted monitoring devices or hunting for the far-flung deposits of Earth's greatest eruptions. He has also made two documentary features with legendary filmmaker Werner Herzog, *Into the Inferno* (Netflix, 2016) and *Fireball: Visitors From Darker Worlds* (Apple TV+, 2020).



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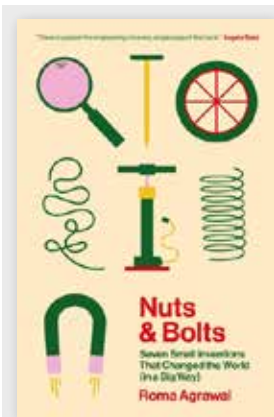
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## Nuts and Bolts

Seven Small Inventions That Changed the World (in a Big Way)

**Roma Agrawal**

The world is engineered. Every single human-made object on our planet - every skyscraper, every smartphone, every tiny paperclip - exists because of engineering.

In *Nuts and Bolts*, Roma Agrawal traces these extraordinary innovations back to their origins - and to seven building-blocks of engineering that have come to underpin our lives: the nail, spring, wheel, lens, magnet, string and pump. Each chapter tells the story of one of these decisive inventions, from its discovery in antiquity to its myriad modern applications: how Roman nails enabled skyscrapers; how rudimentary springs inspired lithium batteries. Roma shows us how even the most sophisticated items are built on the foundations of these seven ancient and fundamental breakthroughs in engineering.

She explores an array of intricate technologies - from dishwashers and spacesuits to microscopes, suspension bridges and breast pumps - making surprising connections, explaining how they work, and using her own hand-drawn illustrations to clarify complex technical principles. Along the way, she'll tell the stories of remarkable scientists and engineers from all over the world, and show how engineering has fundamentally changed the way we live.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Roma Agrawal** is an engineer, author and presenter who is best known for working on the design of The Shard, Western Europe's tallest tower. She studied at Imperial College London and has an MA in Physics from the University of Oxford. Roma has given lectures to thousands at universities, schools and organisations around the world, including two TEDx talks. Her first book, *Built* (2018) won an AAAS science book award and has been translated into eight languages. Roma is passionate about promoting engineering and technical careers to young people, particularly under-represented groups such as women, and has been awarded international awards for her technical prowess and for her advocacy for the profession, including the prestigious Royal Academy of Engineering's Rooke Award. She was appointed an MBE in 2018 for her services to engineering.

## The Decisive Mind

How to Make the Right Choice Every Time

**Sheheryar Banuri**

Have you ever wondered why you make bad decisions? Or why it's so hard to make a decision in the first place? Through pioneering research into behavioural science, decisions expert Dr Sheheryar Banuri has designed an entirely novel decision-making framework which can be adopted into everyday life to help us better our decision-making skills by understanding and streamlining the process. The result? Simple, effective and efficient techniques to combat indecision.

*The Decisive Mind* will draw on examples from evolutionary psychology, examine our ability (or inability) to prioritise and highlight the scenarios that force decision-making errors, and help us understand our own minds. By unpicking a lifetime's worth of misconceptions about our own decision-making patterns and habits, this book will guide you on your first steps towards optimising your own brain space.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Dr Sheheryar Banuri** is a behavioural economist and an expert on motivation and incentives, behaviour, and public policy. He is currently an Assistant Professor at the University of East Anglia in Norwich, UK. His work has provided policy guidance to the governments of Indonesia, the Philippines, and Burkina Faso. His work has been published in academic journals such as *Social Science and Medicine*, *the European Economic Review*, *the World Bank Economic Review*, and *Social Choice and Welfare* (among others). He is a co-author of the World Bank's World Development Report 2015: Mind, Society, and Behavior, and has made contributions to the World Development Report 2016: Digital Dividends, and the World Development Report 2017: Governance and the Law.



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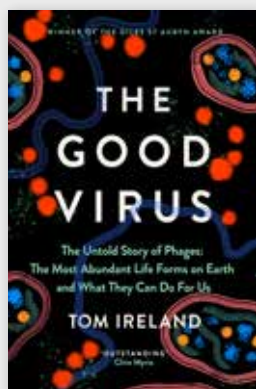
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## The Good Virus

The Untold Story of Phages: The Most Abundant Life Form on Earth and What It Can Do For Us

Tom Ireland

Winner of the Giles St Aubyn Award 2021

Bacteriophages, or just 'phages', are by far the most numerous organisms on the planet. There can be many billions in a single drop of sea water, or a trillion phages for every grain of sand on the planet. Phages are invisible to the human eye, but their impact on our lives is enormous.

*The Good Virus* is a celebration of this under-appreciated life form and its peculiar and incredible history. We explore Stalin's secret phage labs in the Cold War; we find out why the father of phages, Félix d'Hérelle, never won a Nobel prize despite being nominated almost 30 times; and we meet today's 'phage explorers' searching oceans and volcanoes for these tiny organisms. Phages prevent bacteria from destroying coral reefs, they can cure us of deadly diseases and they are the foundation to many of the greatest scientific breakthroughs of our time. And as humanity faces a future of antibiotic-resistant bacteria, phages could provide the answer.

*The Good Virus* takes us around the world to uncover the story of the trillions of friendly phages that surround us each day, and a century of struggle to get the world to see them.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Tom Ireland** is a freelance science journalist and award-winning magazine editor. Tom's passion for all things microscopic began with him hiding jars of mouldy food around the house as a young child. From microbes to mental health, biohacking to bioethics, Tom specialises in making difficult scientific topics accessible and fun to read. As a freelance journalist he has written science stories for outlets including BBC News, New Scientist and the Observer. He has been the editor of *The Biologist* since 2013 and is Head of Publications at the Royal Society of Biology.

## Barbara Cartland: The Great Dictator

Matthew Sweet

A wickedly funny and horrifying portrait of the queen of romance, featuring high society, bad behaviour, violet creams and Baby Jane eyelashes.

*The Great Dictator* reveals how British fiction's most glorious monster was made.

It is not the kind of story we associate with Cartland's fiction – a tale of a virgin whose good character secures her a place in the aristocracy. (That's the narrative she imposed upon the life of her only daughter.)

It's the story of a clever but socially precarious young woman making her way in a world of war-damaged men, many of whom regard a suicide threat as an acceptable seduction tactic – and who, after 49 proposals, chooses the wrong one. Its events unfold at country house weekends, on ocean liners, in Mayfair bedrooms and Fleet Street offices, in fast cars and planes. It features terrorist murders, scandal endured and suppressed, plagiarism and power-struggles in the cut-throat world of romance publishing, and a heroine who will sacrifice anything for love – particularly love itself.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Matthew Sweet** is author of: *Inventing the Victorians* (Faber, 2001) among others. He presents *Free Thinking* and *Sound of Cinema* on BBC R3 and *The Philosopher's Arms* on BBC R4. His most recent radio series was *1922: The Birth of Now*, a ten-part history of Modernism for Radio 4. His television series and documentaries include *Checking into History* and *A Brief History of Fun* (C4), *Silent Britain* and *Premium Bond* (BBC Four) and *Me, You and Doctor Who* (BBC2). He has been a columnist for the *Big Issue*, film critic of the *Independent on Sunday* and deputy theatre critic of the *Evening Standard*. He now writes the Line of Beauty fashion history column for the *Economist* magazine's 1843.



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# Uncivilised

## Ten Lies that Made the West

**Subhadra Das**

Some things are a given. The value of a good education. Time's progress. Death.

Except most of the ideas that form Western Civilisation are just that - ideas. Taking cues from Greek philosophy and honed in the Enlightenment, certain notions about humanity and human society grew into the tenets we live by, and we haven't questioned them a great deal since. But isn't it time we asked who really benefits from the values at the core of our society? How much truth lies in a science that conjured up 'race'? Who do laws and nations really protect? Why does it feel like time is money? What even is 'art'?

And the real question - is the West really as 'civilised' as it thinks it is?

This book will put everything back on the table and ask readers to reconsider what they thought they knew about civilisation. Taking 10 core values of Western Civilisation in turn, it will examine the root of the idea, how it developed, and how it's impacted the way we live. Most importantly it will reveal how each of these ideas was either created in opposition to another group of people, or based on ideas they had first (and better).

*(Un)civilised* will ask readers to open their eyes to the why behind how they think the world works.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Subhadra Das** is a writer, historian, broadcaster, and comedian who looks at the relationship between science and society. She specialises in the history and philosophy of science, particularly the history of scientific racism and eugenics. For nine years, she was Curator of the Science Collections at University College London, where, more recently, she was also Researcher in Critical Eugenics at the Sarah Parker Remond Centre for the Study of Racism and Racialisation, working with Paul Gilroy. She has written and presented podcasts and stand-up comedy shows, curated museum exhibitions, and regularly appears on radio and TV.



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# Why Don't Things Fall Up?

## and Six Other Science Lessons You Missed at School

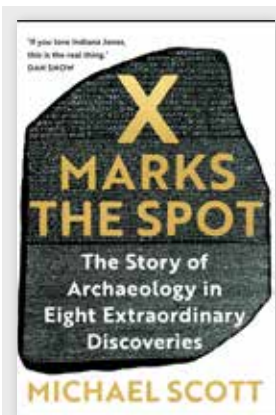
**Alom Shaha**

Do you ever look up at a cloud and think, where do those come from again? Do you know your molluscs from your mammals and your rocks from your minerals? Have you forgotten what the non-edible version of the Milky Way is, and did you ever know what a force was?

*Why Don't Things Fall Up?* will gently remind you of everything you definitely learnt once upon a time, but have somehow forgotten along the way. If you've ever changed the subject when your child has asked for homework help, if you have the curiosity of a seven year old yourself, if you know everything but have forgotten the basics or don't want to know anything except the basics - then this is the book for you!

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Alom Shaha** was born in Bangladesh but grew up in London. A science teacher, writer, and filmmaker, he has spent most of his professional life sharing his passion for science and education with the public. Alom has produced, directed and appeared in a number of TV programmes for broadcasters such as the BBC, and has received fellowships from the National Endowment for Science, Technology, and the Arts (NESTA) and the Nuffield Foundation. Alom has represented his community as an elected politician, and has volunteered at a range of charitable organisations. He teaches at a comprehensive school in London and writes for a number of print and online publications.



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## X Marks the Spot

### The Story of Archaeology in Eight Extraordinary Discoveries

**Michael Scott**

So forget any ideas you've got about lost cities, exotic travel, and digging up the world. We do not follow maps to buried treasure, and "X" never, ever, marks the spot.'

So says Indiana Jones to his class of archaeology students in *The Last Crusade* (before going on to follow a map to a big X in his quest to find the Holy Grail).

We can't help being captivated by the romance and swashbuckling stories of great discoveries. It's this thirst for relating and anchoring ourselves to the past that has made the pursuit of archaeology part of every human society across time. What pasts we choose to look for, however, are governed by the concerns of our own time. We affect the story of the past as much as it does us.

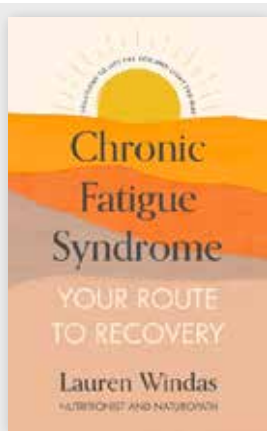
In *X Marks the Spot*, Professor Michael Scott takes us on an exhilarating tour of the world's greatest archaeological discoveries, from enchanting objects and underwater shipwrecks to entire cities in the clouds. Scott uncovers eight spectacular finds, crossing millions of years, and trekking through the jungles of South America and the frozen highlands of Central Asia. We meet the men and women, some celebrated and some forgotten, who uncovered these treasures and whose stories are intimately intertwined with the geo-political forces that shaped the modern world.

Delving into the nature of history itself, *X Marks the Spot* shows how foreign explorers discovered for the world what locals had long known, reveals how new technology is persuading ancient artefacts to give up their secrets, and asks what the discovery of the past will look like in the future.

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#### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Michael Scott** is Professor in Classics and Ancient History at the University of Warwick. He is also a National Teaching Fellow and Principal Fellow of the Higher Education; Fellow of the Royal Historical Society; Honorary Citizen of Delphi, Greece; President of the Lytham Saint Annes Classical Association; and Trustee and Director of Classics for All. He is the author of several books on the ancient Mediterranean world as well as ancient global history and has written and presented a range of TV and Radio documentaries for National Geographic, History Channel, ITV and the BBC, including *Invisible Cities*.



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## Chronic Fatigue Syndrome: Your Route to Recovery

Solutions to Lift the Fog and Light the Way

**Lauren Windas**

There are over 17 million people worldwide suffering with Chronic Fatigue Syndrome.

Lauren Windas is one of the estimated 250,000 people suffering with CFS in the UK. Whilst at university in 2012 she fell ill with a viral infection and was later diagnosed with CFS. Since then she has devoted herself to reclaiming her health and being able to live a full life, drawing on the knowledge of experts to help manage her often mysterious and hard-to-manage condition.

In *Chronic Fatigue Syndrome: Your Route to Recovery*, Lauren recounts the highs and lows of her own health journey and experiences, whilst providing an evidence base, and contextualising what we know so far about Chronic Fatigue Syndrome and ME. To support the recovery process, Lauren provides actionable advice including:

- personal anecdotes
- clinical expertise
- recovery tips
- nutritional advice
- recipes
- lifestyle strategies.

This book is highly practical and packed with information: it includes recipes, support and further resources. A lifeline for anyone suffering, or to help a loved one.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Lauren Windas** runs a clinical practise (based both online and on Kings Road, Chelsea) involving working with clients who suffer with CFS, M.E and post-viral fatigue-related conditions, IBS and digestive concerns, as well as those struggling with their weight or poor relationships with food (disordered eating). Lauren has appeared on various health and nutrition podcasts, including The Medicinal Chef's "Nutrition Nuggets" podcast and CNM's Natural Health podcast. She has contributed writing and comments towards various publications including *Women's Health*, *Harper's Bazaar*, *Marie Claire* and *Cosmopolitan*, whilst having various recipes featured in publications such as *Red*, *Psychologies* and *Natural Health Magazine*, as well as writing a monthly column in *Yoga Magazine*.

## Handbook for Hard Times

A Monk's Guide to Fearless Living

**Gelong Thubten**

In *Handbook for Hard Times*, *Sunday Times* bestselling author of *A Monk's Guide to Happiness* Gelong Thubten teaches us to understand that happiness, kindness and resilience can be cultivated through reframing life's difficulties as opportunities for transformation.

Meditation and mindfulness practices help us to access deep reserves of inner strength as we learn how to 'lean into' our suffering. Thubten suggests how we can find meaning in pain and discomfort, transforming deeply ingrained patterns of fear and resistance.

As we discover how hard times can enhance the development of mindfulness, compassion and forgiveness, we can develop a fearless outlook on life and lasting, unshakeable happiness.

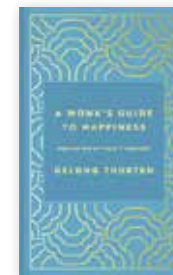
This approachable and practical book, complete with meditations, is designed for modern times, and will be a valuable resource to anyone during times of struggle, but also during all times to encourage and build resilience and help us find inner contentment and peace.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Gelong Thubten** is a Buddhist monk, meditation teacher and author from the UK. He ordained as a monk 26 years ago at Samye Ling Tibetan Monastery in Scotland. He is now regarded as one of the UK's most influential meditation teachers.

His book, *A Monk's Guide to Happiness* was a *Sunday Times* Top Ten Bestseller with editions in 10 countries internationally. Thubten's work has been featured in *The Times* and *Guardian* newspapers and on Sky, the BBC and ITV.

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## How to Exercise Well with Autoimmunity

**Zoe McKenzie**

We're told that we need to exercise to stay healthy, but we're not told HOW to exercise. We're certainly not told how to exercise with an autoimmune condition. This is the definitive book you need to help you understand and support your body when exercising with an autoimmune condition.

Here, Zoe tells us of her own health journey, whilst exploring the benefits of exercise for someone with an autoimmune condition and how you can get onto a plan that suits your needs. She uses case studies, experts and her own research to explore: the benefits of exercising with a chronic condition, the barriers to exercising with a chronic condition and how to overcome them, how to keep motivation high when exhausted, which exercises you should do (complete with illustrations), how to adapt your exercises depending on your condition, and how to get into the right mindset with exercise

Zoe teaches with compassion and understanding that is unique in this field and brings to market a guide that covers all aspects of exercising with chronic conditions, including simple, clear practices that you can put into action and meld into part of your balanced lifestyle programme.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Zoe McKenzie** is a qualified physiotherapist specialising in helping clients who suffer with autoimmune conditions. She has always been passionate about exercise and movement and spent her youth swimming, dancing and running until several injuries lead to her diagnosis of Ehlers Danlos Type III, which was her first experience of chronic pain. She learnt to re-walk and gain freedom from her wheelchair, managing her pain and preventing injuries through exercise. Now, she suffers from Lupus and gained complications from her EDS, which has taught her how to rest, adapt how to exercise and live well with her conditions. She uses exercise as a daily management tool and wants to inspire, educate and support the invisible illness community.

## The Definitive Guide to the Perimenopause and Menopause

**Dr Louise Newson**

Menopause affects 51% of the population. Yet despite increased awareness in recent years, so much of the menopause remains a mystery. Here, Dr Louise Newson, the UK's leading menopause specialist, breaks remaining taboos with the definitive guide to menopause. *The Definitive Guide to the Perimenopause and Menopause* starts with the key facts about hormones, their importance and their effects on our bodies, before delving into family histories and their effects on menopause, the essential guide to HRT, our libidos, our mental and physical health, how menopause affects our careers and relationships and so much more.

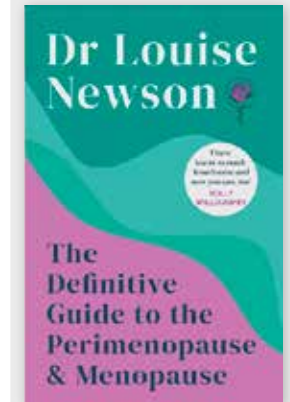
Dr Louise Newson covers five key elements:

1. The essentials: must-know information that is evidence-based and accessible.
2. Exclusive research and findings from Dr Newson's non-profit Newson Health Research and Education and Balance community.
3. Common questions women want to know answered.
4. Real stories: Women share their own menopause experiences - including Dr Newson.
5. Expert views: a panel of experts in fields including neurology, nutrition, psychology and oncology.

You'll come away with a clear understanding of what menopause is, how it can affect our health, relationships and careers as well as how best to cope during menopause.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Louise Newson** is a GP and pioneering menopause specialist who holds an Advanced Menopause Specialist certificate with Faculty of Sexual and Reproductive Healthcare and the British Menopause Society. Described as the 'medic who kickstarted the menopause revolution', she is a No.1 *Sunday Times* bestselling author, founder of the award-winning Balance app and The Menopause Charity, and creator of the Balance website and Dr Louise Newson podcast, which has been ranked the No.1 medical podcast in the UK.



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## The Modern Witch's Guide to Manifesting

**Sarah Bartlett**

The art of manifestation is not only about connecting to the universe to help you to achieve an outcome, but also about self-understanding, self-discovery and truly believing in your desires and intentions. Manifesting your goals and dreams is about making the things you want to happen, well, happen. By drawing on Wiccan wisdom, you will amplify and enhance all aspects of realising those desires.

This book shows you how to connect to your inner witch, cultivate confidence, self-belief, awareness and how to set powerful intentions. It also tells you the secret magic of the numbers 3,6,9, and their use in manifestation techniques. This book also explains what manifestation is and isn't, and it teaches you all the basics of Wicca, such as how to work with solar and lunar cycles, deities, symbols and the five magical elements, create a sacred space and a 'book of shadows' to empower and amplify your intentions and manifestations. Along with a variety of Wiccan rituals and spell-casting, you will discover how to conjure positivity to attract the results you seek.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Sarah Bartlett** studied at the Faculty of Astrological Studies for three years and later acquired the prestigious Diploma in Psychological Astrology.

She has worked extensively in the media as astrologer for *Cosmopolitan Magazine* (UK), *Prima Magazine*, *SHE*, *Spirit & Destiny* and the *London Evening Standard*.

Her books include the international best-seller *The Tarot Bible*, *The Little Book of Practical Magic*, *Secrets of the Universe in 100 Symbols*, *Relationship Astrology*, and many other *Love Horoscope* titles. Sarah currently practices and teaches astrology and other esoteric arts in the heart of the countryside.



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## Delicious Gluten Free Meals

100 easy everyday recipes for lunch and dinner

**Sarah Howells**

Gluten free doesn't have to be difficult.

When you're on a gluten-free diet, suddenly the question of what to cook for dinner can become an all-consuming worry. But just because you're gluten free doesn't mean you can't enjoy delicious, stress-free meals with family and friends.

Whether you're after the basics, budget-friendly meals for batch cooking, quick and easy meals, fakeaways, classic desserts or slow-cooking wonders, award-winning gluten-free blogger, Sarah Howells, has got you covered. Packed with hints and tips to help you go gluten free, including shopping lists, money-saving meal-planning, and how to talk to friends and family about cross-contamination, this book is about to become the go-to cookbook on your shelf.

From Fantastic Fried Chicken to Chicago-style Deep Dish Pizza, and from Chicken and Leek Puff Pie to Brie, Butternut and Sage Quiche, you don't have to miss out on the tastiest recipes that even your non-gluten-free friends will enjoy. Quick to prepare and using readily available ingredients, Sarah's done all the work for you. You might just forget you're gluten free.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Sarah Howells**, aka The Gluten Free Blogger, is on a mission to create the best gluten-free recipes since sliced bread. Diagnosed with coeliac disease in 2002, she started The Gluten Free Blogger in 2010 to connect with other gluten-free people and help them love food again. Sarah has written for, or featured in, articles by *BBC Good Food*, *the i*, *Metro* and *ASDA* magazine and prior to blogging full time she worked as a journalist.

## Deliciously Ella Essentials: Under 10 Ingredients

**Ella Mills**

And that's what *Midweek Meals in Minutes* is about – a healthy eating guide devoted to making life easier for yourself today, and your future self tomorrow. What can you do today that makes life infinitely easier tomorrow? What small changes can you make to feel completely different? How can you create a healthy, genuinely delicious meal in minutes? The recipes are designed for real life – what we all need day in, day out.

Each recipe has five simple promises:

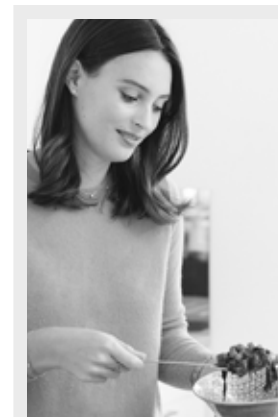
- 1) Take less than 30 minutes,
- 2) Use less than 10 ingredients,
- 3) Under 5 steps,
- 4) Good for your health,
- 5) Delicious

Every recipe is easy to make, no matter your current abilities, and each chapter will equip you with the knowhow and confidence to take charge of your health day after day.

Chapters will include Simple snacks, Prep-ahead breakfasts, Instant lunches, Cook once and eat twice, and Mid-week suppers.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Ella Mills** is an award-winning cookery author, entrepreneur and a champion of plant-based living. She started off with the popular recipe website, *deliciouslyella.com*, before releasing a #1 app and writing the best-selling debut cookbook ever in the UK, *Deliciously Ella*, which was named as Amazon's biggest-selling book in the year of publication and was a New York Times bestseller. She has since released a further four best-selling books, including the fastest selling vegan cookbook, created the *deliciously ella* podcast which consistently hits #1 on the podcast charts, launched a diverse range of plant-based food products into supermarkets across the country, opened a restaurant, grown and developed the app into a wellbeing and recipe resource, and built a social media audience of approximately 3 million people.



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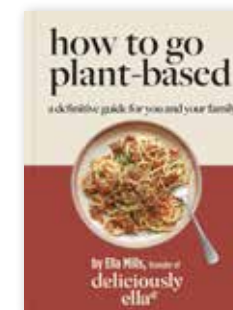
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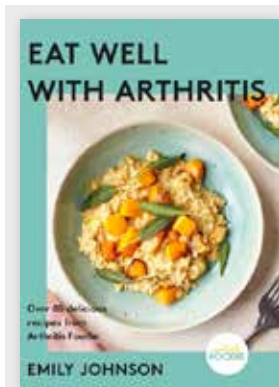


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## Eat Well with Arthritis

Over 85 delicious recipes from  
Arthritis Foodie

**Emily Johnson**

Emily Johnson, aka Arthritis Foodie, is back with more recipes and tips for those suffering with arthritis. After the great success of *Beat Arthritis Naturally*, where Emily details her journey with arthritis and how you too can live well with it, she's back with a cookbook specifically tailored to recipes for those suffering with arthritis, but can be shared with the whole family.

In *Eat Well With Arthritis*, Emily shares 85 brand new recipes, alongside advice on how to adapt cooking techniques to reduce pain, from a leading Occupational Therapist, and short tips for pain management, from NHS doctor Deepak Ravindran. These anti-inflammatory recipes include 'freezeable meal prep', 'one pan' recipes, 'fakeaway' meals, cooking for friends and family, and 'less than 10 ingredients' recipes. Everything from breakfast, lunch, dinner, desserts, snacks, drinks, smoothies, sauces, jams and dips - it's all here.

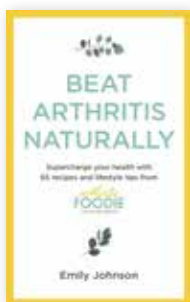
Recipes include:

Sweet Potato 'Hashbrown' Patties and Perfect Poached Eggs  
Vegan Chilli Con Carne | Mini Strawberry Cheesecakes  
Mint Choc Chip Smoothies | Smokey Tomato Sauce  
and so much more!

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Emily Johnson** launched the Instagram page @arthritisfoodie in September 2018 after struggling with seronegative arthritis for five years. The page has since gained over 20,000 followers, with people looking to Emily for inspiration on living healthily with arthritis. Emily also works in marketing, and has been a social media influencer for the past three years. Her first book *Beat Arthritis Naturally* was published in 2021.

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## Home Kitchen

From Donal's kitchen to yours  
– tips, tricks and 90 delicious recipes

**Donal Skehan**

In his new book, Donal brings us into the heart of his kitchen, showing us how he cooks for his family and what inspires him - from his granny's handwritten recipes and his Irish heritage to his time living in LA. Donal shares delicious recipes from his many experiences and travels, as well as his decades as a home cook, that you'll want to make time and again.

Donal has all aspects of the week covered with chapters such as make-ahead Sundays, everyday dinners, weekday rush, slow-cooking weekend wins, and scrumptious desserts.

Recipes include:

Cauliflower Mac and Cheese with Chorizo Crumbs | Sheet Pan Sticky Korean Popcorn Chicken with Rice and slaw | Slow Cooker Butter Chicken | Prawn and Dill Rolls with Wild Garlic Mayo  
Basque Burnt Cheesecake with Cherries | Irish Coffee Hazelnut & Chocolate Tiramisu.

Packed with amazing recipes, tips and tricks, this book will help you get the most out of every week and learn to truly love your own home kitchen.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Donal Skehan** is the author of ten cookbooks; *Everyday Cook* (2021), which won cookbook of the year at the 2021 An Post Irish Book Awards, being the most recent and *Fresh* (2015) being named as one of *Good Food* magazine's Top 10 cookbooks of the year. He's a regular host on ITV's *This Morning*, the star of cookery shows on RTE, The Food Network & HBO Max, and has his own hit YouTube channel with over 1 million subscribers. Donal was born and raised in Dublin and has recently moved from LA back to his hometown in Ireland.



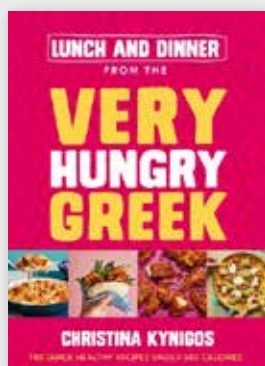
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## Lunch and Dinner from the Very Hungry Greek

100 Quick, Healthy Recipes  
Under 500 Calories

Christina Kynigos

Who says healthy food has to be boring?

Not the Very Hungry Greek, whose search for indulgent food without the calorie count has resulted in 100 slimming recipes that will keep flavour at the heart of every meal. When Christina wanted to lose weight after growing up in a Greek-Cypriot household of 'feeders' and eating big portions, she thought the only way to do that was by eating boring foods. She didn't know she could eat the things she loved and still accomplish her weight-loss goals, so when she discovered she could do both, it was life-changing!

These soul-satisfying, delicious and healthy lunches and dinners are easy to make and all under 500 calories. All recipes take less than 30 minutes to make, include calorie and macro counts and 35% include air-fryer cooking methods. Dive into chapters including: 5-Ingredient Recipes, Budget Bangers, Meal Prep Warriors, Pasta Heaven and Fakeaways.

Recipes include:

Maple Bacon Hash Browns | Butter Chicken | Creamy Fajita Pasta  
Sweet Potato and Red Lentil Dahl | Veggie Keema | Katsu Curry  
Cheesy Bacon-Stuffed Potato Skins | Pizza-Loaded Fries

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Christina Kynigos, aka the Very Hungry Greek, is a social media sensation with over 110K followers on both Instagram and TikTok all keen to sample her low-calorie recipes that don't scrimp on flavour! Christina is also the chef for renowned company Food4Thoughts, founded by TV star Scott Thomas, which empowers people to live a healthier and happier life. This is Christina's second cookbook.

## Restaurant Gordon Ramsay

A Story of Excellence

Gordon Ramsay

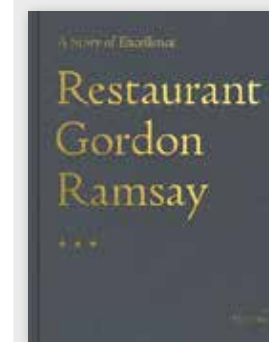
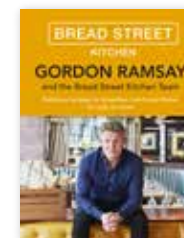
Arguably the best chef of his generation, and now a global superstar, over the course of his career Gordon Ramsay has built a restaurant empire, from Singapore to Las Vegas and from Bordeaux to Dubai. But alongside the new openings, tucked away in a quiet street in Chelsea in London is the jewel in Gordon's crown - Restaurant Gordon Ramsay. With its tiny dining room, the restaurant which Gordon opened 25 years ago, has a legendary reputation and has been awarded 3 Michelin stars for the past 15 years.

*Restaurant Gordon Ramsay: A Story of Excellence* is an exclusive look behind the scenes at one of the best restaurants in the world, and captures the constantly evolving quest for culinary perfection as Gordon and his brilliant team challenge themselves to stay ahead of the game in the ever competitive world of fine dining.

Capturing the attention to detail that goes into each dish as they balance the best seasonal ingredients and flavours, set against the rich tapestry of restaurant life the book is a fascinating insight into the magical and rare experience of eating at Restaurant Gordon Ramsay.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Gordon Ramsay is internationally renowned and holds seven Michelin stars. He has opened 34 restaurants globally including Europe, America, Asia and the Middle East. Ramsay has released a number of books, many of which have become bestsellers around the world; his latest cookbook is *Ramsay in 10*.



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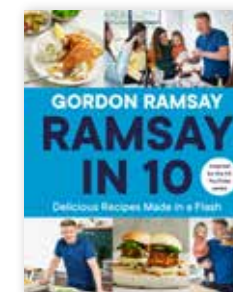
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## The Cloud Collector's Handbook

Gavin Pretor-Pinney

*The Cloud Collector's Handbook* fits into pockets, allowing cloudspotters to identify cloud formations anytime and anywhere. All the common cloud types are represented, as are many of the rare ones, each fully described and illustrated with a range of photographs. Not only is *The Cloud Collector's Handbook* an invaluable resource for anyone who wants to be able to identify and understand every cloud that floats by, it also caters for the competitive cloudspotter. Points are awarded for each cloud type identified - the rarer the cloud, the greater points - and there's space to fill in where and when it was sighted.

Beautifully designed, in colour throughout, and full of the humour that made *The Cloudspotter's Guide* so engaging, the *Handbook* is the essential reference for anyone with their head in the clouds.



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## Home Stretch

Graham Norton

**Shame and longing can flow through generations, but the secrets of the heart will not be buried for ever.**

It is 1987 and a small Irish community is preparing for a wedding. The day before the ceremony a group of young friends, including bride and groom, drive out to the beach. There is an accident. Three survive, but three are killed.

The lives of the families are shattered and the rifts between them are felt throughout the small town. Connor is one of the survivors. But staying among the angry and the mourning is almost as hard as living with the shame of having been the driver. He leaves the only place he knows for another life, taking his secrets with him. Travelling first to Liverpool, then London, he makes a home - of sorts - for himself in New York. The city provides shelter and possibility for the displaced, somewhere Connor can forget his past and forge a new life.

But the secrets, the unspoken longings and regrets that have come to haunt those left behind will not be silenced. And before long, Connor will have to confront his past.

Graham Norton's powerful and timely novel of emigration and return demonstrates his keen understanding of the power of stigma and secrecy - with devastating results.



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*'By far Sophie Hannah's best one yet. Relatable, funny, high concept and so satisfying I watched in awe as the pieces fell into place'*

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**Six couples, one luxury resort and the perfect murder...**

You're on your honeymoon at an exclusive couples-only resort.

You receive a note warning you to 'Beware of the couple at the table nearest to yours'. At dinner that night, five other couples are present, and none of their tables is any nearer or further away than any of the others. It's as if someone has set the scene in order to make the warning note meaningless - but why would anyone do that?

You have no idea.

You also don't know that you're about to be murdered, or that once you're dead, all the evidence will suggest that no one there that night could possibly have committed the crime.

**So who might be trying to warn you? And who might be about to commit the perfect murder?**



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**Becky Chambers**

When a freak technological failure halts traffic to and from the planet Gora, three strangers are thrown together unexpectedly, with seemingly nothing to do but wait.

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Under the care of Ouloo, an enterprising alien, and Tupo, her occasionally helpful child, the trio are compelled to confront where they've been, where they might go, and what they might be to one another.

**Together they will discover that even in the vastness of space, they're not alone.**

## Little Bird of Auschwitz

**How My Mother Escaped Death and Found Our Family**

**Alinna and Jacques Peretti**

As a reporter, Jacques Peretti has spent his life investigating important stories. But there was one story, heard in scattered fragments throughout his childhood, that he never thought to investigate. The story of how his mother survived Auschwitz.

In the few last months of the Second World War, thirteen-year-old Alina Peretti, along with her mother and sister, was one of thirteen thousand non-Jewish Poles sent to Auschwitz. Her experiences there cast a shadow over the rest of her life.

Now ninety, Alina has been diagnosed with dementia. Together, mother and son begin a race against time to record her memories and preserve her family's story. Along the way, Jacques learns long-hidden secrets about his mother's family. He gains an understanding of his mother through retracing her past, learning more about the woman who would never let him call her 'Mum'.



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**Kirsty Gallagher**

Are there certain days when you feel overly emotional for no apparent reason? Do you have days when you feel exhausted, close to burn out and like you want to hide away from the world?

*Lunar Living* could be just the answer that you are looking for. Working with the constantly changing phases of the moon helps you to understand yourself like never before, to realign everything in your own life, to understand when you need to rest and self-care and when you need to shine and make things happen. Living back in tune with this natural flow and taking care of you and your needs, even if that's just twice a month will make the biggest difference to how you feel, act and react the rest of the month.

This is the perfect toolkit for understanding the moon and the effects it has on us. *Lunar Living* helps us to work with the moon's phases to understand the ever-changing landscape of our emotions and the inner world of our purpose, goals and dreams and tune into this deeper wisdom to make profound shifts in our lives. If you've ever felt stuck, meaningless, overly emotional for no apparent reason or want to come back into alignment with a natural cycle to help you to move forwards in life and achieve your dreams and goals this is the book for you.



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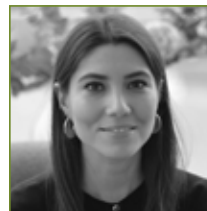
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