



Infinitas Bookshop

science fiction, fantasy & horror

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Featured Books



Keri Arthur
Kristen Britain
Robert Buettner
Ian Douglas
John Flanagan
David Weber and Eric Flint
Terry Goodkind
Laurell K Hamilton
Juliet Marillier
J D Robb
Brent Weeks
David Wellington
Joss Whedon
Sandy Mitchell

Destiny Kills in paperback.
The High King's Tomb in trade paperback.
Orphan's Alliance in paperback.
Galactic Corps in paperback.
The Kings of Clonmel Ranger's Apprentice 8 in paperback.
1635: The Baltic War in paperback.
Confessor Sword of Truth 11 in paperback.
Swallowing Darkness in trade paperback, hardcover and CD.
Heir to Sevenwaters in trade paperback and hardcover.
Suite 606 in paperback.
Shadow's Edge Night Angel 2 in paperback.
Vampie Zero in paperback.
Serenity: Better Days Graphic Novel
Warhammer 40K: Cain's Last Stand in paperback.



News

Monsterpocalypse is a new miniature game from Privateer Press for 2 people. We have held three recent events at the shop, our next on Thursday evening November 27th, with *Mega Armodax* as the main prize. Ask in store or check our forums for more events. <http://www.infinitas.com.au/forums/viewtopic.php?t=950>

Christmas Trading Hours. Closed Thursday December 25th – Monday January 5th Website will still be open, however no orders received after midday December 24th will be sent until we re-open.

Christmas: Don't know what to buy for family this Christmas? We do gift vouchers in popular values, valid across all products in store. Want a gift that YOU like? Why not create a wish list with us, we can then tell your family / friends which things haven't been bought. We can keep a wish list for you at any time of year, not just Christmas.

Michael Crichton died 4th November 2008 following a battle with cancer. He wrote many novels including *Jurassic Park*, *The Andromeda Strain*, *Prey* and other works including the TV medical series *ER*. <http://www.michaelcrichton.net/>



Book Reviews

Feel welcome to submit a book review for us to publish here. If you have read a book and have an opinion on it share it with the other readers in our community. Also, in the shop we have several books for which we are seeking reviewers, and would exchange for a review.

A Darkness Forged in Fire by Chris Evans, reviewed by Jonathan Dean

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781847373625>

I will state for the record - I LOVED this book. Napoleonic warfare as done by Bernard Cornwell meets Dungeons & Dragons, with musket & bayonet wielding elves, dwarves, magic, and an elf witch called the Shadow Monarch trying to bring the whole world crashing to the ground. The main character - Konowa Swiftdragon, a disgraced elf who hates nature and trees, but who can handle cold steel because of his curse. Guess who's been cashiered, disgraced & banished to live in the woods after killing a Imperial Viceroy for treason?

Things are starting to go badly for the Calahrian Empire, after a star falls from the sky, crashing down into the Hinterlands. Strange & mythical monsters are being reported raiding through the Empire, and events indicate that the Shadow Monarch is returning. Konowa is recalled to service, reinstated & given the Iron Elves back to command - or at least, it would be the Iron Elves Regiment if he actually had any of his old troops with him, rather than the dregs he has been saddled with, under the command of an incompetent, useless Imperial Prince. His orders? Retrieve the Star, keep the Prince alive, and turn the misbegotten unit he is commanding into something resembling his old command. The catch? Apart from being born cursed by the Shadow Monarch, being under the orders of a useless commander, not knowing what is happening in the world, and trying to deal with a wood elf who doesn't understand him and keeps trying to persuade him to betray the Empire? What's an elf to do, other than obey orders, try to stay alive (a challenge in itself) & hope that he can work something out, somehow.....

Dreadnought by Robert Massie, reviewed by Andrew Wilson

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781844135288>

I recently purchased a copy of *Dreadnought* by Robert K Massie from Infinitas Bookshop. This is a fantastic read. Set in the same universe as "All Quiet on the Western Front" and "Gallipoli" it deals with events prior to the out break of hostilities.

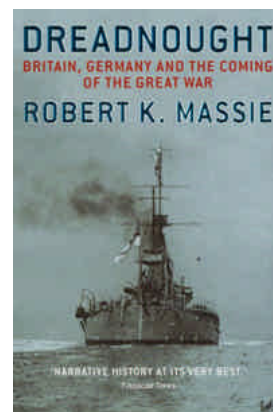
There are all the characters you would expect: The foppish autocrat with the stunted arm who declares himself "supreme warlord of the German nation". The "Kaiser" who cheerfully tells his men, when taking part in the relief of Peking, that when dealing with the Chinese they should regard themselves as "Huns" not members of a civilised society. Thereby scoring one of the most comprehensive propaganda "own goals" in history. His most brilliant bureaucrat was Admiral Tirpitz. Together they boosted naval spending to ridiculous levels. Ridiculous when you consider that any German navy, in a war with France, has to sail past England to be of any use. So a naval race, making an enemy of England, was strategically self defeating and stupid. There was never any chance of the British letting themselves be outpaced navally by Germany. It meant Germany was starting an arms race they couldn't win. Having a brilliant bureaucrat and organisational infighter on your side would seem to be a poor substitute for a strategic vision. Austria wandered into a war without a war aim. The author caustically mentions that the Austrians were the heirs of Metternich.

Opposing them is Lord Salisbury - a Prime Minister who couldn't remember who is chancellor of the exchequer but through pure application proves himself to be a brilliant politician. The master diplomat Lord Grey who averts disaster time and again, a man who would have been a botanist by choice, as he is going blind and dying he never ceases looking for a diplomatic solution. Finally Lord Grey is defeated by the intransigence of the central powers. The young driven Churchill - a lisping aristocrat, a genius but an erratic genius. This former journalist and escapist from a prisoner of war camp takes over the British navy at exactly the right time, infusing the navy with a new energy. He brings back to the service Admiral Jack Fisher. The man was simply a human dynamo, he had a sign made up that said "I have nothing to do: bring me something to sign" and used to hang it around his neck, then he would go walking about the office. Admiral Fisher, after reading the reports of the Japan-Russian war, had been the driving force behind the creation of the all big gun ship "Dreadnought". It was completed in record time. Jackie Fisher predicted the outbreak of world war one would start within a period after completion of the Keel canal. He was right.

Each of these real people contributes something to the wider story. The analysis I received in high school was a pallid analysis by comparison. Anybody who thinks the Great War was a "futile war" should consider what the consequences of a German victory would have been, although the author doesn't go into the political rights and brutality of Imperial Germany. It is quite obvious that the Germans were spoiling for a fight. They ran a regime that, while not in the same league as Stalin, Pol Pot or the NAZI's, was distasteful enough by itself.

If you can suspend your disbelief long enough to accept the unlikely series of events it is well worth the effort. The story is told with colour and verve. The people in the period 1900 to 1914 were as good and bad, as wise and foolish or violent and peaceful as any other group of humans. To dismiss them as the socialist analysis does is a disservice. The reason history repeats itself is that people resolutely refuse to learn from it. This book brings a human dimension to the cardboard characters normally associated with this genre.

I would recommend *Dreadnought* to anybody.



Blokey Stuff

For the men in your life, or the boy within.



Blokey Stuff Newsletter (extract only)

November 2008

Fossils

We have received a new batch of fossils.

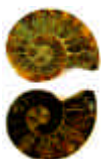
Amber \$75 - \$200

We have several pieces of amber with insect and other animal inclusions. These are delicate but gorgeous specimens with captured small invertebrates.



Ammonite Pair \$30 - \$300

Fossilised ammonites cut in half and polished to show the delicate internal chambers. These are beautiful and interesting items.



Fish Knightia \$120

Fossil of a fish approx 8cm long in matrix. Eocene approx 50 million years old.



Carcharodon Megalodon Tooth \$150- 250

Genuine fossilised tooth from Carcharodon megalodon, a very large shark from the Miocene, approximately 16 million years ago. Sample from Ashepoo River, South Carolina USA. As the only bony body part, teeth are usually the only part to survive from sharks. These are always popular. Also available Lamma Obliqua Tooth \$20 - \$120.00



USB Toys

R2D2 USB Hub \$49.95

The real hero of Star Wars is R2D2. Here he is multiplying 1 USB port to 4 ports and livening up you desk with his sound effects. Cute gadget gift for a Star Wars fan and useful too.



USB Missile Launcher with Camera \$89.95

Upgrade to the latest in workstation weapons. Equipped with a webcam and software which allows you to control it via MSN from a remote site.



Loupe \$9.95

For close up work on jewellery, electronics, biology samples, etc.



Giant Microbes



Giant Microbes \$12.95

These are so funny and weird we had to have them. Fluffy toys (approx 12cm long), depicting germs and bugs. Each is shaped as the microbe and comes with a scientific explanation of the disease. Range includes: E.Coli, MRSA, Pneumonia, The Clap, Brain Cell, Flea, The Pox, and more...

RC Helicopters

Remote control helicopters are great fun. We have just received new models:



Chinook \$59.95



Apache \$89.95

Tools

Figure 9 \$9.95- \$19.95

These are practical tools for tightening ropes. Various sizes and the range includes a Carabiner version. No more complicated knots or damaged loads.



Victorinox: Swisscard Lite \$49.95

These are very popular - Swiss quality, the size of a credit card, full of many useful tools including scissors and torch.



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Wednesday 9am to 5.30pm
Thursday 9am to 8pm
Friday 9am to 5.30pm
Saturday 9am to 2pm
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New Release Information

The books listed in this catalogue are listed to be released during this month. All books listed are available for order. If there is something that you want that you cannot find listed, or is not in the shop, please ask us to order it for you.

Many books have more extensive information available on our website.

Prices include GST and are correct at time of printing but may change without notice.

Legend: PB = paperback
HC = hardcover
TP = trade paperback (C format)
Cass = cassette
CD = compact disc
GN = Graphic Novel, usually TP or BPB
APB = mass market paperback (A format paperback)
BPB = B format paperback approx 20cm x 13cm

Information on the Infinitas Groups

New members always welcome at all the groups, if interested just come along. For current detailed information on these groups, visit our forums.

SF Discussion Group: Meets on the first Thursday of each month (excluding January) at 6.30pm in the shop. A topic is chosen each month by the attendees of the group for the following meeting. Contact the shop for the next topic. Always a lively discussion of science in the news, films, books and ideas. Newcomers welcome. See our website for more info: <http://www.infinitas.com.au/ReadersGroup.php> and <http://www.infinitas.com.au/forums/viewforum.php?f=3>
Thursday 4th Dec: *Real World Weapons in Science Fiction*
No January meeting
Thursday 5th February 2009: Best and Worst of 2008 in SF/F

Review Group: The review group meets on the third Thursday of each month at 6.30pm. Two books (usually one science fiction, one fantasy) are chosen by group members for each meeting with participants encouraged to have read at least one prior to the meeting and bring their review/s along for discussion. The discussion is generally serious and insightful. All welcome. <http://www.infinitas.com.au/ReviewGroup.php>
Thursday 20th November:

Battle at the Moons of Hell by Graham Sharp Paul (SF)

The Magic of Recluse by L E Modesitt Jr (F)

Thursday 11th December: note one week early!

Dead Witch Walking by Kim Harrison (F)

Twilight by Stephenie Meyer (F)

Writers' Group: The group is for people who are currently writing (or even trying to write) science fiction, fantasy and horror related stories and pieces. If you think this might describe you, and you'd like to get involved in a group with others who understand what the genre is about, why not come along. Meetings are the 3rd Saturday of each month.

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/WritersGroup.php>

Infinitas Forums: Visit the forums behind our website to read or post genre news, gossip, find role playing games, or just meet other fans. forums.infinitas.com.au

Bestsellers for October

General Release

<i>Without Warning</i>	John Birmingham *
<i>The Kings of Clonmel</i>	John Flanagan *
<i>Brisingr</i>	Christopher Paolini
<i>Patrimony</i>	Alan Dean Foster
<i>Nation</i>	Terry Pratchett
<i>Kris Longknife: Intrepid</i>	Mike Shepherd
<i>Up in Smoke</i>	Katie MacAlister
<i>Reserved for the Cat</i>	Mercedes Lackey
<i>The Temporal Void</i>	Peter F Hamilton
<i>The Merchant's War</i>	Charles Stross

Media and Games Related Titles

<i>Monsterpocalypse: Rise Unit Booster</i>	
<i>Only In Death</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Elfslayer</i>	Warhammer
<i>Titanicus</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>The Doctor Trap</i>	Doctor Who
<i>Curse of the Crimson Throne: Player's Guide</i>	d20 Pathfinder
<i>Battle for the Abyss</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Red Fury</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>The Pirate King</i>	Forgotten Realms
<i>Ghosts of India</i>	Doctor Who

* Australian Authors

Science Fiction, Fantasy and Horror

The Dragon Hunter's Handbook

This is the third book to be published from the vaults of the Van Helsing family library and presents the accumulated wisdom of Adelia Van Helsing. The first female Van Helsing to take up the sword and do battle with the denizens of Hell, Adelia lived some seven centuries ago. Dragon Hunter's Handbook is in fact a prequel to both Demon and Vampire Hunter, and like these two books it weaves practical advice about combating dragons with a journal of Adelia's most terrifying encounters. Within these pages are notes on identifying different types of dragon, proven tactics for defeating them, effective weaponry and armor, and how to find their lairs. Interwoven with this useful information is the tale of Adelia's battle against the most terrifying foe of her career, a dragon simply known as "The Ancient." Traveling to a remote Tibetan village she discovers that far from being a dwindling threat, dragons are regrouping and are about to unleash monstrous revenge on the human race. Faced with a power even she cannot resist, she summons the dragon's most fearsome opponent, the servants of hell. But no Van Helsing makes a pact with the devil without consequences, and in the final act of dispatching The Ancient, her brother Caspar, is dragged through hell's portal to a life of torment. **HC \$39.99**

Sunny

Mona Lisa Blossoming (Monere 02)

Having accepted her true identity as the newest queen of the mixed-blood Monère children of the moon, Mona Lisa enters her Louisiana territory for the first time, slowly learns the erotic and savage customs of her people, and faces numerous enemies. **APB \$17.95**

Mario Acevedo

Undead Kama Sutra (Felix Gomez 03)

Having survived a considerable number of supernatural foes, vampire detective Felix Gomez faces an even greater challenge when he becomes a lone defender against an alien plot to kidnap Earth women and forces him to turn for help to a sex-expert fellow vampire. **APB \$19.95**

Brian Aldiss

Hothouse

In a strange future, the few remaining humans are regularly consumed by savage greenery, and their only allies are the giant Termights. Spiders over a mile in length travel to the Moon on interplanetary cobwebs, and the stationary world is now split between perpetual day and unending night. But the elders are facing the end of their time, so leadership is given to a young girl, Toy. The groups manchild Gren wants to be his own leader, however, and with his mating partner will tear apart the group in his search of a new eden.

Summoning up a world of carnivorous trees and giant insects, Hothouse is a landmark novel of the environment in crisis. **BPB \$22.95**

Madelyn Alt

No Rest For the Wiccan (Bewitching Mystery 04)

While watching TV reruns, minding the magic store, figuring out her love life, and caring for her bedridden sister, Maggie O'Neill must deal with the undead when her friend's husband's seemingly accidental death turns out to be murder. **APB \$19.95**

Taylor Anderson

Into the Storm (Destroyermen 01 CD)

Pursued by Japanese battleships, the USS Walker, a Great-War vintage destroyer under the command of Lieutenant Commander Matthew Patrick Reddy, tries to lose the enemy by heading into a mysterious storm, only to become trapped in a primitive alternate world, populated by strange creatures, in which their ship could alter the balance of power. Read by William Dufres. **MP3 CD \$60**

V C Andrews

Delia's Crossing **HC \$51.95**

Vivi Anna & Michele Hauf

Winter Kissed

A Kiss of Frost by Michele Hauf

When winter god and assassin Jal Frost's latest assignment targets mortal Kate Wilson, the last thing Jal anticipates is falling for his victim. But she provides a warmth unlike anything he's known. Soon Jal faces his most vexing challenge as he must choose between the woman he loves and his duty as a god....

Ice Bound by Vivi Anna

On a special mission to Japan, Dr. Darien Calder hopes to learn more about the legendary Ice Maiden, who purportedly froze lost travelers with just a touch of her icy lips. But when she rescues him from a snowdrift, will the warmth of Darien's newfound love be enough to thaw the Ice Maiden's heart? **APB \$14.95**

Christopher Anvil

The Trouble With Aliens

A collection of short novels and stories recounts the saga of the human war with the Outs, alien creatures possessing unique mental powers that they use to make humans see illusions and force them to obey them, after the humans discover and learn how to exploit their weakness. **APB \$19.95**

Alex Archer

Swordsman's Legacy (Rogue Angel 15)

Archaeologist Annja Creed, searching for D'Artagnan's lost sword, which has been missing since the seventeenth century, teams up with one of her treasure-hunting friends who has located the priceless relic, drawing her into a clever trap. **APB \$17.95**

Kelley Armstrong

Living With the Dead (Otherworld 09)

When PR representative Robyn Peltier is framed for murder, half-demon tabloid reporter Hope Adams joins forces with necromancer homicide detective John Findlay to clear her name, taking on a ruthless killer who will stop at nothing--even revealing long hidden secrets--to achieve her own ends **HC \$41.95**

Keri Arthur Australian Author

Destiny Kills (Myth and Magic 01)

Awakening on an Oregon beach with an enigmatic serpent tattoo on her back and next to a dead man, Destiny McCree, left with few memories of her past, finds herself on the run from dark forces that are out to destroy her, joining forces with master thief Trae Wilson, a man with his own secret agenda, to explore the mystery of their extraordinary new powers and stop their enemies. **APB \$17.95**

James Axler*Death Cry (Outlanders 47)*

When Kane and his band of rebels learn of a secret doomsday weapon rumored to be hidden in Russia on another astral plane, they must get their hands on the Death Cry before mysterious interlopers bring about another global holocaust. **APB \$17.95**

Michele Bardsley*Wait Till Your Vampire Gets Home (04)*

Journalist Libby Monroe, searching for the story that will make her career, gets more than she bargains for when she arrives in Broken Heart, Oklahoma, to chase down rumors of strange happenings and comes face-to-face with zombies, werewolves, and one sexy vampire. **APB \$17.95**

Clive Barker*Mister B Gone*

This bone-chilling novel, in which a medieval devil speaks directly to his reader-his tone murderous one moment, seductive the next-is a never-before-published memoir allegedly penned in the year 1438. The demon has embedded himself in the very words of this tale of terror, turning the book itself into a dangerous object, laced with menace only too ready to break free and exert its power. A brilliant and truly unsettling tour de force of the supernatural, Mister B. Gone escorts the reader on an intimate and revelatory journey to uncover the shocking truth of the battle between Good and Evil. **BPB \$22.99**

The Thief of Always

Bored with everything in his life, Harvey meets a goblin named Rictus, who takes him on vacation to a magical house that is fun-filled during the day but turns into a dark place of terror and evil by night, in a chilling tale for all ages, illustrated with drawing by the author. **TP \$26.95**

Ray Bradbury*Fahrenheit 451*

FAHRENHEIT 451: THE TEMPERATURE AT WHICH BOOK PAPER CATCHES FIRE AND BURNS. Guy Montag is a fireman. His job is to burn books, which are forbidden, being the source of all discord and unhappiness. Even so, Montag is unhappy; there is discord in his marriage. Are books hidden in his house? The Mechanical Hound of the Fire Department, armed with a lethal hypodermic, escorted by helicopters, is ready to track down those dissidents who defy society to preserve and read books. Fahrenheit 451 is the classic novel of a post-literature future. It stands alongside Orwell's 1984 and Huxley's Brave New World as a prophetic account of Western civilisation's enslavement by the media, drugs and conformity. Ray Bradbury's vision is astonishingly prophetic: wall-sized television screens showing interactive soap operas; billboards two hundred feet long, so that speeding drivers can make sense of them; a populace oblivious of everything but the constant music and news delivered by miniature speakers plugged into their ears. Bradbury's powerful and poetic prose combines with an uncanny insight into the potential of technology to create a novel which, forty years on from first publication, still has the power to dazzle and shock. **BPB \$21.95**

Barbara Bretton*Casting Spells*

Chloe Hobbs, a sorcerer's daughter and owner of Sticks & String, a knitting shop in Sugar Maple, a Vermont town populated by warlocks, vampires, witches, and other paranormal inhabitants, believes that she has finally found Mr. Right, Luke MacKenzie, the all-too-human cop investigating the town's first homicide. **TP \$28.95**

Kristen Britain*The High King's Tomb (Green Rider 03)*

In this sequel to Green Rider and First Rider's Call, Karigan G'ladheon returns to the Green Riders, the magical messengers of the king, who desperately need her help in defeating an ancient evil, long dormant, that has just reawakened, determined to destroy the world. **TP \$32.95**

Suzanne Brockmann*Hero Under Cover*

When an attempt is made on her life while working on a nineteenth-century death mask, anthropologist Annie Morgan is rescued by CIA agent Pete Taylor, who is the only person she can trust and the only man she believes she could spend the rest of her life with. **APB \$19.95**

Kiss and Tell

Falling in love with Leila Hunt, with whom he has fought since childhood, Dr. Marshall Devlin steals a kiss at midnight on New Year's Eve while hiding behind a mask and forces Leila to begin a desperate search for the stranger who has stolen her heart. **APB \$17.95**

Meljean Brook*Demon Bound*

When the demon Teqon calls in his debt after saving her soul, Alice Grey, known as the Black Widow, must align herself with the enemy, Jake Hawkins, a novice Guardian, as she determines her next move. **APB \$19.95**

Eric Brown*Necropath (Bengal Station)***APB \$19.95****M M Buckner***Watermind*

When flood waters cause a convergence of illegally dumped technology pieces, pharmaceuticals, and genetically modified seed, a self-organized, malicious neural net emerges from the Louisiana delta and threatens the world, prompting a daring response by self-destructive MIT dropout CJ Reilly and her lover, Max. **HC \$51.95**

Robert Buettner*Orphan's Alliance (Orphanage 04)*

Fifteen years after the defeat of the Slugs on Bren, Jason Wander is assigned to command an invasion force to expel the Slugs from a small moon, but his mission is complicated by interplanetary conflicts, political intrigues, and the totalitarian Tressel, who will do anything to defeat the Slugs, regardless of the human cost. **APB \$19.95**

Lois McMaster Bujold*Miles, Mutants and Microbes (Vorkosigan)*

When engineer Leo Graff discovers helpless children called quaddies exploited for corporate gain on Cay Habitat, he must teach them the meaning of freedom, in the Nebula-winning novel Falling Free, and in Diplomatic Immunity, Imperial Auditor Lord Miles Vorkosigan and his wife are called in to untangle a series of diplomatic snafus, treachery, and conflicting loyalties before it is too late. **APB \$19.95**

Chris Bunch & Allan Cole

The Warrior's Tale (Anteros 02)

A sequel to the popular fantasy novel, *The Far Kingdoms*, follows Captain Rali Emilie Antero, descendent of magicians, soldiers, and adventurers, on an odyssey over the sea in search of an evil wizard. **APB \$20.95**

Jaci Burton

The Darkest Touch

Drawn by passion to one of the sexy and powerful Demon Hunters, a woman discovers that she may have her own role to play in the ultimate fate of all humankind, in the third volume in a series that began with *Surviving Demon Island* and *Hunting the Demon*. **APB \$17.95**

Jim Butcher

Backup (Dresden Files)

Let's get something clear right up front.

I'm not Harry Dresden.

Harry's a wizard. A genuine, honest-to-goodness wizard. He's Gandalf on crack and an IV of Red Bull, with a big leather coat and a .44 revolver in his pocket. He'll spit in the eye of gods and demons alike if he thinks it needs to be done, and to hell with the consequences--and yet somehow my little brother manages to remain a decent human being.

I'll be damned if I know how.

But then, I'll be damned regardless.

My name is Thomas Raith, and I'm a monster.

So begins "Backup" a twelve thousand word novelette set in Jim Butcher's ultra-popular Dresden Files series. This time Harry's in trouble he knows nothing about, and it's up to his big brother Thomas to track him down and solve those little life-threatening difficulties without his little brother even noticing. **HC \$40.95**

Grave Peril (Dresden Files 03)

Chicago wizard-for-hire Harry Dresden confronts his latest and most dangerous challenge in the person of the ghost of an evil wizard who possesses the power to invade people's nightmares and uses other ghosts to wreak havoc on the living. Originally in paperback. **HC \$49.95**

Orson Scott Card

Ender in Exile (Ender)

Having made the difficult choice to leave his home world to travel to the colonies, twelve-year-old military genius Andrew Wiggin shares a series of daring adventures with his sister Valentine and the artificial intelligence Jane. By the author of *Ender's Game*. **HC \$52.95 CD \$95**

Kendra Leigh Castle

Dark Highland Fire

When her hiding place on Earth is revealed, the demigoddess Rowan a Morgaine is left fearing for her life, knowing that the dragon prince will soon be in pursuit of her, and turns to Gabriel, a Highland werewolf of Alpha lineage, for help in making a safe escape. **APB \$17.95**

Karen Chance

Touch the Dark (Cassandra Palmer)

When a bloodthirsty Mafioso sets his vengeful sights on Cassandra Palmer, who is gifted with the ability to communicate with the dead, she is forced to ask the vampire council for help and must pay a high price at the hands of a sensual master vampire. Read by Cynthia Holloway. **MP3 CD \$50**

Arthur C Clarke & Stephen Baxter

Firstborn (Time Odyssey 03)

In the conclusion of the Time Odyssey series, which began with *Time's Eye* and *Sunstorm*, the Firstborn, the alien race that built the iconic black monolith, wait for a sign as they plan to stop the advance of humankind through the use of a mysterious technology that is indistinguishable from magic. **APB \$19.95**

Wilkie Collins

The Haunted House

A sinister Countess is driven mad by a dark secret. An innocent woman is made the instrument of retribution. A murdered man's fury reaches beyond the grave.

When Countess Naronia marries Agnes Lockwood's fiancé and takes him to live in a rundown Venetian palace, strange things start happening, a servant mysteriously vanishes and the husband dies a recluse. But the dead won't rest. When the palace is transformed into a hotel the two women are drawn to its chambers, where a force stronger than death is waiting to wreak its vengeance. . . **APB \$19.95**

Bernard Cornwell

Azincourt

Bernard Cornwell has been thinking about this subject for years. He has long wanted to write a book about a single battle, the events that lead up to it, the actual days in the battle and the aftermath from multiple viewpoints. *Azincourt*, fought on October 25th 1415, on St Crispin's Day, is one of the best known battles, in part through the brilliant depiction of it in Shakespeare's *Henry V*, in part because it was a brilliant and unexpected English victory and in part because it was the first battle won by the use of the longbow. This was a weapon developed in this form only by the English – parishes were forced to train boys from as young as eight daily – and enabled them to dominate the European battlefields for the rest of the century. Lively historical characters abound on all sides but in Bernard Cornwell's hands the fictional characters, horsemen, archers, nobles, peasants are authentic and vivid, and the hour by hour view of the battle is dramatic and gripping. **TP \$32.99**

Cameron Cruise

Dark Matter

FBI agent Carin Burns is driven to hunt down a missing autistic boy's abductors, a pair of psychic twins, who are collecting children for tortuous experiments their father believes will lead to the evolution of the human race. **APB \$17.95**

Marianne de Pierres Australian Author

Chaos Space (Sentients of Orion 02)

Having fled the invasion on Araldis, Mira Fedor travels to the nearest Orion League planet seeking aid for her devastated world, but the authorities seem more interested in stealing her bio-ship, *Insignia*, than in rendering help. While Mira flees from world to world, Araldis burns. The more Mira uncovers, the more mysteries she finds: why is the initiate Tekton taking such extreme measures just to acquire a mineral alloy? Why do so many of the protagonists in this galaxy-wide drama have links to the Stain **APB \$19.99**

Roger Dean

Dragon's Dream

A lavish assemblage of fantasy landscapes by a forefront genre artist draws on works he has created for posters, album covers, and calendars and includes selections from his Paleolithic series, futuristic depictions, and portraits of an array of monsters, robots, and warriors. **HC \$60**

Philip K Dick

Counter-Clock World

Time runs backwards in the Counter-Clock World. Old people emerge from their graves, grow to middle age, youth, adolescence and childhood to be finally unborn in their mothers wombs. The most powerful - and most feared - organisation in the world is the Library, in charge of expunging the written records of events, which have no longer happened. When a powerful black leader is reborn, the Library's one concern is to eliminate him before the renewal of racial violence tears the country apart. But in this counter-clock year of 1998 it isn't that simple... This eerie and unforgettable premise encapsulates Philip K Dick's ambitious and inimitable approach to fiction writing. The attempts of his characters to cope with the bizarre reality of a world that runs backwards while their minds run forwards like ours, operate as a stunning critique of the way in which we perceive our own civilization. **BPB \$20.95**

The Divine Invasion

God is in exile. The only man who can help is clinically dead. Herb Asher, an audio engineer by trade, is in suspended animation following a car accident that appears to have taken his life. As he floats in cryonic suspension he awaits his new spleen and dreams back through the last six years of his life which reveal much of his bizarre journey and the battle with Belial, the force of evil that will stop at nothing to achieve its goal. **BPB \$22.95**

Karen Dionne

Freezing Point

When environmental activist Ben Maki makes a discovery that could supply clean drinking water for millions of people, he is unaware of the danger hidden deep within the ice that could bring about the apocalypse. **APB \$19.95**

Stephen Donaldson

Fatal Revenant (Last Chronicles of Thomas Covenant 02)

Fatal Revenant, Book Two of 'The Last Chronicles of Thomas Covenant,' begins where THE RUNES OF THE EARTH ended: Linden Avery watches from a balcony while Thomas Covenant and her adopted son, Jeremiah, ride desperately toward Revelstone. But their reunion has vast consequences which she could not have foreseen. Soon she is betrayed by the people whom she most needs to trust. Transported deep into the Land's past, she is forced to confront mysterious strangers, legendary heroes and ancient evils and to stand alone against the malevolence of the Despiser's minions. Abandoned in Garroting Deep, the most bloodthirsty of the Land's long-dead forests, she reaches a fearsome decision: she determines to reshape reality in an attempt to end the Despiser's evil and her son's suffering. However, her purpose requires her to find Loric's krill, a weapon abandoned among the Hills of Andelain millennia ago. And she needs the aid of friends and allies who will turn against her if she reveals her intent. Attacked by enemies old and new and harried by strange beings with ambiguous agendas, she strives toward Andelain. But the ravenous skurj are rising and all of her actions appear to serve her worst foes. **BPB \$24.99**

Ian Douglas

The Galactic Corps (Inheritance 02)

When the hidden homeworld of humankind's dedicated enemy, the merciless and unstoppable Xul, is finally located, the men and women of the 1st Marine Interstellar Expeditionary Force are assigned to take on the Xul in their own territory, but their mission could be threatened by misguided politics on Earth and by a million-year-old mystery. **APB \$19.95**

David Drake

The Mirror of Worlds (Crown of the Isles 02)

The powers of magic in the Isles have flooded to a thousand-year peak, and even the local magicians can perform powerful spells normally beyond their control. Fantastic forces from all angles threaten, trying to keep Garric and his companions apart to thwart the reunification of the isles. Now the world has suffered a magical upheaval. The ocean has receded and the Isles have become the higher ground of a newly formed continent, a patchwork of geography from the past and future, peopled by creatures from all times and places. With the land itself thrown into chaos, Garric and his companions must now struggle for the survival of humanity. **APB \$19.95**

The Gods Return (Crown of the Isles 03)

A final installment in the series that began with The Fortress of Glass and The Mirror of Worlds finds the tenaciously united Isles threatened by the release of new Gods from alternate planes of existence and an ancient monster that threatens to devour all life. **HC \$52.95**

Balefires

Balefires is the long-awaited collection of David Drake's weird and fantastic fiction. Before Drake was a best-selling author of military science fiction, he was a prolific writer of horror and fantasy short fiction. Balefires collects some of his earliest professional sales (including his first sale to Arkham House.) In addition, Balefires brings together many stories set in the worlds of his fantasy novels (Ranks of Bronze, Lord of the Isles, etc.) and contains original fiction. More than just a collection of stories, Balefires features extensive story notes that chronicle the development of the writing career of one of the science fiction's most popular writers, and provides detailed snapshots of the larger than life editors, publishers and writers that Drake has worked with throughout his career. **APB \$19.95**

Shannon Drake

The Pirate Bride

On a mission of vengeance, Red Robert, a feared pirate who is actually a woman masquerading as a man, rediscovers her femininity when she is shipwrecked on a desert isle with a dashing captain until the arrival of their common enemy. **APB \$19.95**

Robert Dunbar

The Pines

In the desolate pine barrens, a woman struggles to raise her son, who is psychically linked to a horrifying evil that is responsible for a series of savage murders. **APB \$14.95**

Suzanne Enoch

After the Kiss (Notorious Gentleman)

The illegitimate son of the Marquis of Dunston, Sullivan Waring has made himself into a respectable gentleman, allowed into the fringes of Society, but never all the way in. If he resented his legitimate half siblings, he never let it show – until they stole what was rightfully his. Now he is determined to exact a little bit of revenge on the ton...except Lady Isabel Chalsey was never in his plans. When Lady Isabel Chalsey awakens in the night to discover her home being robbed, it occurs to her that she ought to be frightened. But there's something about this man that she finds compelling. The more she talks to Sullivan, the more she becomes enamored of his plan—and of the man itself. But when Sullivan's actions are exposed, will Isabel's love be enough to see them through the resulting scandal? **PB \$14.99**

Chris Evans

A Darkness Forged in Fire (Iron Elves 01)

Rejected by their own kind for bearing the mark of the Shadow Monarch, the Iron Elves chose instead to serve with the human armies of the Calahrian Empire, hoping through their dedication and discipline to wipe out the stain of their birth. Their reputation is legendary -- until their commander, Konowa Swiftdragon, takes it upon himself -- for the best of reasons -- to assassinate the Viceroy. Court-martialled and exiled to the forest he despises, his beloved regiment disgraced, dishonoured and disbanded, Konowa finds himself suddenly recalled and ordered to re-form the Iron Elves for one last reconnaissance mission. But the new Iron Elves are not at all the same as they were before, and the mission is a suicidal one, with more at stake than Konowa could possibly have imagined. For the Shadow Monarch and her allies have harnessed destructive forces with the power to tear worlds apart -- and those who bear her mark have a destiny greater than they know.

So begins an heroic journey in the company of a motley band of misfits, rebels and outcasts, with a central character whose engaging, brilliantly realised blend of cynicism, dry humour, duty and anguish make him unlike any other in fantasy fiction. **TP \$29.95**

Eric Flint & David Weber

1634: The Baltic War (Ring of Fire)

With the Baltic War raging around them, the time-traveling Americans from the West Virginia town of Grantville find themselves caught in the middle, with Gustavus Adolphus, King of Sweden, and the Emperor of the United States of Europe launching a counterattack on the combined forces of France, Spain, England, and Denmark. **APB \$19.95**

Alan Dean Foster

Quofum (Commonwealth)

Bestselling author Alan Dean Foster's new adventure takes place in the amazing Humanx Commonwealth, home of the ever-popular Pip & Flinx. Although the dynamic redhead and his daring minidrag do not appear in Quofum, this knockout thriller sets the stage for their explosive date with destiny in the duo's final climactic adventure, Flinx Transcendent.

The mission to planet Quofum is supposed to be a quickie for Captain Boylan and his crew. Boylan is tasked with delivering four scientists—two men, one woman, and one thranx—to the unknown world, setting up camp while the experts investigate flora and fauna, then ferrying them safely home.

The first surprise is that Quofum, which regularly slips in and out of existence on Commonwealth monitors, is actually there when Boylan and company arrive. The second surprise is more about what Quofum is not: The planet is not logical, ordered, or rational.

The team encounters three intelligent, warring species—some carbon-based, others silicate-based, all bizarre—along with thousands of unique, often unclassifiable life-forms. Quofum's wild biodiversity doesn't appear to be natural. But if it is by design, then by whose, and for what purpose?

There are more revelations, more highly evolved species waiting to be identified, even tantalizing clues to a civilization light-years ahead of the Commonwealth's. But the crew members are not ready for the real shockers, because none of them expect to find a killer in their midst, or to discover that their spaceship is missing and, with it, all means of communication.

Of course, the marooned teammates know nothing about the Great Evil racing toward the galaxy, and they certainly have never heard of Flinx, the only person with half a chance to stop it. Nor do they know that Quofum could play a crucial role in defeating the all-devouring monster from beyond.

One thing the scientists do know, however, is how to ferret out the truth. But whether that will be enough to alter the course of the oncoming catastrophe is anyone's guess. **HC \$49.95**

Diana Pharaoh Francis

The Black Ship (Crosspointe)

Gifted with the magical ability to navigate Crosspointe's deadly seas, Thorn is banned from sailing when the Pilots' Guild betrays him and is forced to served on a cursed vessel where he must battle against a mad captain, a mutinous crew, and a saboteur in order to stay alive. **APB \$19.95**

Alan Garner

The Owl Service

During a summer vacation in a secluded Welsh valley, three young people find themselves driven by the spirits of three mythical lovers to reenact an ancient tragedy. Read by Wayne Forester. **CD \$65**

Elizabeth Gaskell

Lois The Witch and Other Stories

Fear of Satan becomes murder in the name of God.

Newly orphaned, the God-fearing and heart-broken Lois is sent across the Atlantic to live with her uncle's family in Salem, but on her arrival she finds herself the object of cruel hostility, potent jealousy and mad desire. When the local Pastor's daughters are contorted and convulsed by apparently satanic powers, the whole town is whipped into a hysterical witch hunt. And when Lois's cousins start to resent her presence in their household, life becomes precarious and an old woman's curse returns to haunt her. **APB \$19.95**

Terry Goodkind

Confessor (Sword of Truth 11)

Descending into darkness, about to be overwhelmed by evil, those people still free are powerless to stop the coming dawn of a savage new world, while Richard faces the guilt of knowing that he must let it happen. Alone, he must bear the weight of a sin he dare not confess to the one person he loves...and has lost. Join Richard and Kahlan in the concluding novel of one of the most remarkable and memorable journeys ever written. It started with one rule, and will end with the rule of all rules, the rule unwritten, the rule unspoken since the dawn of history. When next the sun rises, the world will be forever changed. **APB \$20.99**

Leopoldo Gout*Ghost Radio*

Hosting an underground Mexican radio call-in show dedicated to paranormal phenomena, former punk rocker Joaquin detects a structured burst of static that proves to be a voice from another dimension, a discovery that has profound consequences for both the living and the dead. **CD \$78**

Ed Greenwood*Dark Lord (Falconfar 01)*

Writer Rod Everlar is suddenly drawn into a fantasy world of his own creation, a land dominated by three powerful dark wizards, and must draw on all his skills to gain control of Falconfar and defeat the spreading evil before it is too late. **APB \$16**

Laurell K Hamilton*Swallowing Darkness (Merry Gentry 07)*

In the sequel to *A Lick of Frost*, Meredith Gentry, whose rightful place on the throne of Faerie is dependent on being able to produce an heir, is overjoyed when she finds herself pregnant after many failed attempts, but her triumph is overshadowed when she discovers that she carries two babies with different fathers and the loss of her beloved Frost. **HC \$52.95 CD \$85**

Peter F Hamilton*The Temporal Void (Void 02)*

The Intersolar Commonwealth is in turmoil as the Living Dream's deadline for launching its Pilgrimage into the Void draws closer. Not only is the Ocisen Empire fleet fast approaching on a mission of genocide, but also an internecine war has broken out between the post-human factions over the destiny of humanity.

Countering the various and increasingly desperate agents and factions is Paula Myo, a ruthlessly single-minded investigator, beset by foes from her distant past and colleagues of dubious allegiance... but she is fast losing a race against time. At the heart of all this is Edeard the Waterwalker, who once lived a long time ago deep inside the Void. He is the messiah of Living Dream, and visions of his life are shared by, and inspire billions of humans. It is his glorious, captivating story that is the driving force behind Living Dream's Pilgrimage, a force that is too strong to be thwarted. As Edeard nears his final victory the true nature of the Void is finally revealed. **TP \$34.99 MP3 CD \$95**

Lori Handeland*Any Given Doomsday (Phoenix Chronicles)*

Finding her beloved foster mother Ruth brutally murdered in her kitchen, psychic Liz Phoenix begins to experience terrifying visions of horrific creatures, dreams that may be linked to her former lover, Jimmy Sanducci, who reveals to her the truth about a supernatural war that has raged since the dawn of time and of her role as a warrior in that battle. **APB \$17.95**

Charlaine Harris USA*Shakespeare's Christmas (Lily Bard 03)*

Cleaning lady and karate expert Lily Bard returns home for her sister's Christmas wedding and becomes caught up in an unsolved four-year-old kidnapping when she discovers that her new brother-in-law's daughter bears a striking resemblance to the missing child. **APB \$19.95**

Kim Harrison USA*A Fistful of Charms (Rachel Morgan 04)***HC \$39.95****Candace Havens***The Demon King and I*

Heiress Gillian Caruthers, the eldest of the wealthy Caruthers sisters, who hides her identity as the Assassin--responsible for the elimination of troublesome interdimensional jumpers--is forced into an uneasy alliance with one of her enemies when Earth is threatened by a plague of murderous demons, in the first volume in a new series by the author of *Charmed & Deadly*. **TP \$28.95**

Karen Hawkins*Talk of the Town*

Returning home after discovering that her husband is having an affair with his male law partner and that her mother has fallen ill, Roxie Parker comes face to face with local bad boy Nick Sheppard, now sheriff of their North Carolina hometown. **APB \$19.95**

Lisa Hendrix*Immortal Warrior*

Cursed by an evil sorceress to live forever as a were-creature, Viking warrior Ivar Graycloak leads a solitary existence until the king orders him to marry Lady Alaida, a spirited beauty who soothes his soul, but when he has a dark vision, he vows to stay away from his new bride forever. **APB \$17.95**

Joey W Hill*A Mermaid's Kiss*

After centuries of battling the Dark Ones, the angelic Joseph falls to his enemies when an attack severs his wings and plunges him into the depths of the sea, where he is rescued by Anna, the mermaid daughter of Arianne, and is confronted by the ultimate choice between duty and desire. **TP \$29.95**

William Hope Hodgson*The House on the Borderland*

From the beasts of the pit to the endless terror of the void

A manuscript is found: filled with small, precise writing and smelling of pit-water, it tells the story of an old recluse and his strange home - and its even stranger, jade-green double, seen by the recluse on an otherworldly plain where gigantic gods and monsters roam.

Soon his more earthly home is no less terrible than this bizarre vision, as swine-like creatures boil from a cavern beneath the ground and besiege it. But a still greater horror will face the recluse - more inexorable, merciless and awful than any creature that can be fought or killed. **APB \$19.95**

Robert E Howard*The Horror Stories of Robert E Howard*

A spine-tingling anthology of horror tales by the creator of Conan the Cimmerian includes classic stories that have been restored to their earliest, definitive versions, accompanied by black-and-white illustrations throughout. **TP \$36.95**

Hannah Howell*A Woman Worth Ten Coppers*

A young slave and a gifted seer with a powerful destiny, Yim is purchased by Honus, a Sarf warrior dedicated to the service of the goddess Karm, for the sum of ten coppers, bringing these two unlikely individuals together in the battle to defeat a malevolent entity, in the first volume of a new fantasy series. **APB \$19.95**

Sarah A Hoyt*Heart and Soul (03)*

Caught up in a mystical battle for the power and fate of the world, two people discover the power of true magic and of love, in the third and final volume in a romantic fantasy adventure, which began with Heart of Light and Soul of Fire. **APB \$17.95**

L Ron Hubbard*The Great Secret*

Presents a collection of stories of the science fiction writer published during from the 1930s and 1940s, including "The Great Secret," "The Beast," and "The Slaver." **PB \$22.95**

If I Were You **PB \$22.95**

Under the Black Ensign **PB \$22.95**

Branded Outlaw **PB \$22.95**

Spy Killer **PB \$22.95**

Walter H Hunt*A Song in Stone*

Investigating the secrets of Rosslyn Chapel in Scotland, Ian Graham, an unemployed television personality, stumbles upon a mysterious clue in the intricate stonework of the chapel, one that transports him back to the Middle Ages, where he must learn Rosslyn's secrets in order to return to his own time. **HC \$45.95**

Faith Hunter*Bloodring (Rogue Mage 01)*

In a near future world marked by apocalyptic religious strife, Thorn St. Croix, a powerful neomage living secretly among humankind, channels her gift of stone-magery into jewelry making, until a handsome police officer, Thaddeus Bartholomew, comes into her life, changing everything.

APB \$17.95

Conn Iggulden Ireland*Bones of the Hills (Conqueror 03)*

The fatherless boy, exiled from his tribe, whom readers have been following in 'Wolf of the Plains' and 'Lords of the Bow', has grown into the great king, Genghis Khan. He has united the warring tribes and even taken his armies against the great cities of their oldest enemies. Now he finds trouble rising west of the Mongolian plains. His emissaries are mutilated or killed; his trading gestures rebuffed. So, dividing his armies, using his sons as generals of the various divisions, he sends them out simultaneously in many directions, ranging as far as modern Iran and Iraq. As well as discovering new territories, exacting tribute from conquered peoples, laying waste the cities which resist, this policy is also a way of diffusing the rivalries between his sons and heirs and working out who should succeed the khan. This, the third book in the Conqueror series, is once more an epic story. Genghis Khan is an exhilarating and heroic figure. The sense of his ambition and his power, the relationships with his wives, sons and trusted aides, the sweep of his conquests, is all brought together by a masterful storytelling. It is a compelling read. With each book, you are left, even more, longing for the next. **TP \$32.99**

Allyson James*The Dragon Master*

When Seth, a fire dragon summoned into this world by a dangerous mage who longs to devour his powers, comes blazing into her life, awakening her latent Dragon Master powers, Carol Juan is drawn into a sinister world of danger and explosive passion. **APB \$17.95**

M R James*The Haunted Dolls House and Other Stories*

Evil comes with many different faces.

A macabre human drama is re-enacted in a Gothic dolls' house one night; a whistle awakens a force of unspeakable malevolence; an ancient curse is passed from person to person; a grisly crime is avenged from beyond the grave; the tomb of a Swedish count will not rest quietly. . .

M. R. James's chilling ghost stories reveal a world where the familiar becomes diabolical, the smallest object can lead to unimaginable horror, and evil brushes against everyday life in the most unexpected and sinister of ways. **APB \$19.95**

Matthew Jarpe*Radio Freefall*

When a power-hungry billionaire computer magnate plots to take over the world, a motley band of rock stars and misfits becomes Earth's only defense, in a tale featuring a mysterious blues musician whose superhuman technical skills may have rendered him a pawn for artificial intelligences. **APB \$17.95**

Steven L Kent*The Clone Elite (Clone 04)*

Wayson Harris, an outlawed clone model with a mind of his own and an unquenchable thirst for battle, has been recalled for duty under the Elite Conscriptation Act to help stop an alien force that is advancing on Earth, wiping out the Unified Authority's colonies along the way. **APB \$19.95**

Sherrilyn Kenyon*One Silent Night (Dark Hunter Bk 13)*

It's the Christmas season and all hell's breaking loose. Literally. While humans shop, an angry demon lord is plotting an all-out onslaught against his enemies, which - unfortunately for us - includes the human race. But as Stryker gathers his forces, he discovers a grown son he never knew existed and an angry ex, Zephyra, who's determined to end his existence as he is to end ours. The ultimate predator is about to meet his match as new battle lines are drawn and the Dark-Hunters are rallied for a blood bath on Christmas Eve. The only question is this: can Stryker survive his oldest enemy to fight the ones he really wants to kill - or will Zephyra finally have her shot at the husband who abandoned her? **APB \$19.99**

Stephen King*Just After Sunset*

A collection of short works is comprised of pieces that previously appeared in such publications as *The New Yorker*, *Playboy*, and *McSweeney's*, in a volume that includes such tales as "The Gingerbread Girl" and "N". **HC \$52.95 CD \$75**

Bag of Bones (10th Anniversary)

Plagued by vivid nightmares of the summer house he had shared with his late wife, grieving widower Mike Noonan returns to his former Maine getaway, only to find a town in the grip of a ruthless millionaire and tormented by a series of ghostly visitations. **TP \$28.95**

Dolores Claiborne

When Dolores Claiborne's elderly employer dies in a tragic accident, the compliant and agreeable woman becomes a suspect due to a past incident--the mysterious death of her husband during the total eclipse. Read by Frances Sternhagen. **CD \$70**

Stephen King*Gerald's Game*

When rough sex between Jessie and Gerald Burlingame turns deadly, leaving Gerald dead and Jessie handcuffed to the bed, it sets in motion a terrifying and psychologically twisted twenty-eight hours. Read by Lindsay Crouse. **CD \$70**

Insomnia

Ralph Roberts, a widower suffering from insomnia, begins to experience strange visual phenomena and is unable to believe that they are merely hallucinations. Read by Eli Wallach. **CD \$110**

Needful Things

New to the town of Castle Rock, Maine, shopkeeper Leland Gaunt probes the limits of people's desires as he opens his new shop, *Needful Things*, and offers the townsfolk their dreams, taking perverse pleasure in how much they are willing to pay. Read by Stephen King. **CD \$110**

The Langoliers **CD \$70**

The Library Policeman **CD \$70**

Secret Window, Secret Garden **CD \$60**

The Sun Dog **CD \$60**

Dean Koontz*Twilight Eyes*

Slim Mackenzie, a young man both blessed and cursed by "twilight eyes," is sought by the police for murder as he stalks the diabolical "Others," who feed their twisted needs with human suffering. **MP3 CD \$60**

Katherine Kurtz*Deryni Rising (Deryni 01)*

Charissa, a full-blooded Deryni trained in the disciplines of sorcery and necromancy, threatens the rulership of Kelson and the life of his chief advisor Morgan, in a special revised edition of the classic fantasy novel, which includes a special introduction by the author. **APB \$19.95**

Mercedes Lackey & James Mallory*The Phoenix Unchained (Enduring Flame 02 (CD))*

A second installment of a trilogy that began with *The Phoenix Unchained* finds aspiring High Mage Tiercel and reluctant Knight-Mage Harrier working on their powers while witnessing devastating attacks by the Wild Mage Bisochim, and while young Shaira leads the desert tribespeople toward a legendary oasis. Read by William Dufres. **MP3 CD \$60**

Mercedes Lackey*Foundation (Valdemar Collegium 01)*

Magpie, a thirteen-year-old orphan, escapes a life of slavery in the gem mines when he is chosen by one of the magical Companion horses of Valdemar to become a Herald, in which role he discovers talents that he never knew he had and witnesses the founding of the Heralds' Collegium, in a novel of the early history of Valdemar. **MP3 CD \$51.95**

Robert Laughlin*Vow of Silence* **TP \$19.95****Shelly Laurensten***The Mane Attraction*

When she wakes up in the bed of Mitch Shaw the morning after her brother's wedding, Sissy Mae must keep this lion shifter safe from the gunmen who are trying to silence him forever by taking him to her Tennessee Pack's turf, where he finds himself in a different kind of danger. **TP \$28.95**

Richard Laymon*Beware*

In a small town, an unseen horror has arrived, leaving a trail of carnage in its wake, including Elsie, who is discovered on a butcher's slab in the local supermarket neatly jointed and wrapped. **APB \$19.95**

Vernon Lee*The Virgin of the Seven Daggers*

He lusts and kills in equal measure.

The brutal Don Juan - an unrepentant sinner - makes a pact with the Virgin of the Seven Daggers. He promises to forever proclaim her supreme beauty and asks that in return she save him from damnation.

Emboldened by the deal and driven by insatiable greed, he embarks on a necromantic journey to an enchanted palace beneath the Alhambra. In an orgy of beasts, demons and slumbering infantas Don Juan is called upon to uphold his side of the bargain and in doing so lose everything his lustful heart desires. **APB \$19.95**

Edward M Lerner*Fools' Experiment*

Demonic attacks on the computer industry's top minds coincide with the escape of a malicious artificial life form that has been evolved in a laboratory by misguided researchers, a situation that prompts computer scientist Doug Carey to institute unconventional measures to save humanity. **HC \$52.95**

Maria Lima*Matters of the Blood***APB \$19.95****Jane Lindskold***Thirteen Orphans*

In an alternate world inspired by ancient Chinese lore and magic, Brenda learns about her magical ancestry after an attack on her father and finds herself among a band of orphans who each represent an animal from the Chinese zodiac. **HC \$51.95**

H P Lovecraft*The Dunwich Horror and Other Stories*

Deadly forces are about to be awakened. . .

In the degenerate, unlikable backwater of Dunwich, Wilber Whatley, a most unusual child, is born. Of unnatural parentage, he grows at an uncanny pace to an unsettling height, but the boy's arrival simply precedes that of a true horror: one of the Old Ones, that forces the people of the town to hole up by night, fearful for their lives, by day able only to trace the wreckage wrought by the gigantic unseen monster.

In this and other tales of the macabre, H. P. Lovecraft weaves unearthly fantasies of creatures beyond conception - existing in the spaces of the dimensions we know. **APB \$19.95**

Oliver Lowe*SteamPunk Live! A Retrofuturist Dream...*

An analysis of the steampunk trend explores its convergence of modern technology and eighteenth-century style, in an account that explains how its philosophies are supporting alternative and sustainable environmental agendas while influencing fashion, design, and literature. **TP \$51.95**

Juliet Marillier Australian/New Zealand Author*Daughter of the Forest (Sevenwaters 01)*

Lord Colum of Sevenwaters is blessed with seven children but it is Sorcha, the youngest child and only daughter, who alone is destined to defend her family and protect their land from the invading Britons. For Sorcha is the only one who escapes the cruel influence of Lady Oonagh, her father's new wife.

Exiled from Sevenwaters and cast out into the forest and the terrifying world beyond, Sorcha falls into the hands of the feared enemy. Now she is torn between a life she has always known and a love that only comes once. **BPB \$24.99**

Son of the Shadows (Sevenwaters 02)

After years of happiness bestowed on Sevenwaters by Sorcha's heroism, darkness has fallen upon Ulster. Trouble is brewing and no one is safe.

Of Sorcha's three children at Sevenwaters, it is not golden-haired Niamh nor the young heir Sean, but Liadan, Sean's twin, with her special gifts, who seems to hold the key.

Liadan will need all her courage to help save her family, and all her strength to stand up to those she loves. For in the finding of her own grand passion, Liadan's course may doom them all... or be their salvation. **BPB \$24.99**

Child of the Prophecy (Sevenwaters 03)

The folk of Sevenwaters have always done their best to be loyal custodians of the old ways of Ireland. They are a people bound into the very lifeblood of the land. This has caused much joy, but also heartbreak. An old feud with the Britons is stirring, and otherworldly forces seek a hand in its resolution.

And now it is Fainne, the reclusive daughter of Niamh and granddaughter to Sorcha, who must shoulder the burden of charting a safe path to the future.

Plucked from her remote home and sent to Sevenwaters, Fainne must decide where she stands, for she has opposing forces coursing through her blood. Can she turn her back on those she has begun to love and destroy the chosen one... the child of the prophecy? Or will love, once and for all, prevail? **BPB \$24.99**

Heir to Sevenwaters (Sevenwaters 04)

The chieftains of Sevenwaters have long been custodians of a vast forest, said by some to be one of the last refuges of the Tuatha De Danann, the Fair Folk of ancient story. Whatever the truth, Human and Otherworld dwellers have existed side by side in peace, sharing a wary trust. Until the spring when Lady Aisling of Sevenwaters finds herself expecting another child, and everything changes.

With her mother pregnant, Clodagh fears for her health, as Aisling is well past the safe age for childbearing. Her father, Lord Sean of Sevenwaters, son of the famous Sorcha who performed her miraculous sacrifice all those years ago, faces his own difficulties, as warring factions threaten his borders. When Aisling gives birth, the responsibility of caring for the infant falls to Clodagh while her mother recovers.

Then the family's joy turns to despair when an unspeakable horror falls upon Sevenwaters. Clodagh must finally confront the shadowy mystery of the silent forest and descend to the Otherworld, to find out why the trust between the two realms has been broken so tragically.

Accompanied on her quest by a warrior of uncertain allegiance, Clodagh will have her courage tested to breaking point. The reward may be far greater than she ever dreamed... **TP \$32.99**

Richard Marsh*The Beetle*

It inspires terror in all who look on it. . .

Eminent politician Paul Lessingham is the toast of Westminster, but when 'The Beetle' arrives from Egypt to hunt him down, the dark and gruesome secret that haunts him is dragged into the light. Bent on revenge for a crime committed against the disciples of Isis, the Beetle terrorizes its victims and will stop at nothing until it has satisfaction.

Six people's worlds are turned upside down by murder, mesmerism and human sacrifice as they struggle to save their sanity and, above all, their lives. **APB \$19.95**

Todd McCaffrey*Dragon Heart (Pern)*

When young Fiona is asked to take on the role of Weyrwoman, the co-leader of an entire dragon Weyr, she soon discovers the difficult challenges of her privileged new position, from unexpected perils to the possibility of losing her own dragon to the sickness that has claimed so many others.

HC \$56.95 CD \$60

Cheyenne McCray*Dark Magic (D'Anu)*

A D'Anu witch of powerful ancient heritage, Cassia finds herself drawn despite her better judgment to mortal Jake Macgregor, leader of San Francisco's Paranormal Special Forces unit, and when she intervenes to save his life during a skirmish, she faces unexpected consequences for her actions. **APB \$17.95**

Jack McDevitt*The Devil's Eye (Alex Benedict 04)*

Hired by writer Vicki Greene, interstellar antiquities dealer Alex Benedict discovers that his would-be client now has no memory of her past, or of her request for his help, and his search for answers takes him to a remote human world that holds the key to a decades-old political conflict that someone will do anything to keep hidden. By the Nebula Award-winning author of *Seeker*. **HC \$51.95**

Cauldron (Priscilla Hutchins 06)

When a young physicist comes up with an efficient star drive capable of reaching the core of the galaxy, retired star pilot Priscilla "Hutch" Hutchins once again embarks on a perilous mission into the far reaches of outer space to uncover the origins of the deadly Omega clouds, in the follow-up to *Odyssey*. **APB \$19.95**

R M Meluch*The Sagittarius Command (USS Merrimack)*

As former enemies Earth and Palatine join forces to battle the Hive, an alien life-form that is wreaking deadly havoc, Captain John Farragut searches for the one man who may be able to stop the Hive and ensure humanity's survival. **APB \$19.95**

Strength and Honor (USS Merrimack)

As the Empire of Rome declares war against the United States and attacks Earth, Captain John Farragut and the crew of the *Merrimack* launch a retaliatory strike on the empire's homeworld, unaware that the alien Hive is preparing to make its move against Earth, in the sequel to *The Sagittarius Command*. **HC \$51.95**

A J Menden*Phenomenal Girl 5 (Elite Hands of Justice)*

A new recruit to the Elite Hands of Justice, the world's premiere cadre of superheroes, Lainey Livingston, who possesses great strength and the ability to fly, falls in love with her trainer, a Reincarnist who cannot die, when they stumble upon a fiendish plot to take over Megopolis.

APB \$17.95

Kasey Michaels*Mischief Becomes Her*

When he teams up with sexy TV reporter Jessica Sunshine, who drives him insane with lust, homicide detective Matt Denby, determined to protect her from herself, is in desperate need of back up when the blonde bombshell turns her charms on him. **APB \$17.95**

Karen Marie Moning*Fae fever (Fever 03 CD)*

In the sequel to *Darkfever* and *Bloodfever*, sidhe-seer MacKayla Lane finds that time is running out as All Hallows' Eve approaches and she struggles to keep the *Sinsar Dubh*, an ancient book of dark magic that only she knows how to find, out of the hands of Fae and human alike.

MP3 CD \$50

Devon Monk*Magic to the Bone*

When Allison Beckstrom, a Hound who makes people pay for casting spells, discovers a little boy dying from a magic Offload that has her father's signature all over it, she is plunged into a high-stakes world of corporate espionage and black magic. **APB \$17.95**

Michael Moorcock*Elric: The Sleeping Sorcerer (Chronicles of the Last Emperor of Melniboné 03)*

The third of six illustrated compilations of classic adventures featuring Elric, Last Emperor of Melniboné, includes the classic novels *The Sleeping Sorceress* and *Elric of Melniboné*, along with essays, material never before published in book form, and a selection of artwork related to Elric novels and short stories. **TP \$28.95**

Christopher Moore*You Suck*

Waking up after a fantastic night only discover that his girlfriend is a vampire and has transformed him into one, a disgusted C. Thomas Flood struggles to adapt to his new powers, a cute teenage minion, and a dangerous faction of bloodsuckers who are determined to kill off all other vampires. **TP \$28.95**

Caiseal Mor Australian Author*Lady of the Lamp*

BPB \$24.95

Andre Norton*Search for the Star Stones*

Seeking the truth about a mysterious ring stone with phenomenal powers, young gem trader Murdoc Jern and Eet, a mutant alien feline, are hunted through space by an unscrupulous religious order, in *The Zero Stone*, and in *Uncharted Stars*, Murdoc and Eet continue their search for the source of the mysterious stones of power, only to find themselves up against untold enemies. **HC \$49.95**

Mel Odom*Seaspray (Quest for the Trilogy 02)*

Warned by the old wizard Craugh about an ancient threat know as Kharrion's Wrath that endangers the entire world, Juhg, a young halfer and new Grandmagister, must search through the secrets contained in the journals of his absent mentor Wick, "The Rover," as well as in a trilogy of missing books, that could hold the key to salvation. **APB \$17.95**

David A Page*Mithras Court*

Venturing into the dark underbelly of London in pursuit of Richard Baxter, the tattooed man responsible for the murder of his wife on a London subway car, Lewis Beckford comes face to face with the enigmatic world of Mithras Court Station, a place not on the ordinary map of London, and with Sir Lucius Knight, who offers Lewis a deal that he may not be able to turn down. **APB \$16**

K J Parker*The Company*

Setting out to colonize an abandoned island in the hopes of a better life, five war veterans find their company threatened by a dark secret that reveals that the war is far from over. By the author of the Engineer Trilogy. **HC \$51.95**

Fiona Patton*The Golden Tower (Warriors of Estavia 02)*

Having discovered their destinies and grown into their individual powers, Brax, Spar, and Graize face off in an epic confrontation that will ignite a war and promote the rise to power of a new player among the Gods, in the sequel to *The Silver Lake*. **HC \$51.95**

Sharon Penman*When Christ and His Saints Slept (01)*

King Henry is dead, and there are two people who want his crown. But only one can have it. He has bequeathed it to his daughter Maude, much to the horror of his nobles, for she is arrogant and stubborn, and, most dangerous of all, a woman. When Stephen, a brave and popular warrior but a weak ruler, attempts to seize the throne, it is the beginning of a tragic conflict that brings suffering and bloodshed to all and victory to no one.

And waiting in the wings of this tumultuous drama are other players: Maude's charming and devious son Henry, born of an enforced, bitter marriage, and the formidable Eleanor of Aquitaine, each with ambitions of their own... **BPB \$24.95**

Time and Chance (02)

Continuing the epic story of Henry II, Europe's most powerful medieval king, and his beautiful and daring wife Eleanor of Aquitaine – a tale of passionate struggle and murderous betrayal from the heart of the middle ages

England, God's year 1156, and Henry and Eleanor are battling to keep hold of the crown. Warring with the Welsh and Eleanor's aggrieved first husband, the French King, Henry needs all the allies he can find. But when he arranges for his friend and confidant Thomas Becket to become archbishop of Canterbury he makes a terrible mistake. For Becket embraces his new role as defender of the Faith and turns his back on Henry.

One bad decision is swiftly followed by another when Henry seeks solace in the arms of Rosamund Clifford, a comely young baron's daughter. Alienating his proud and passionate Queen and finding himself in an impossible position with his former friend, Henry realises too late that all he and his wife have sought to build may come toppling down . . . **BPB \$24.95**

Devil's Brood (03)

The Devil's Brood has at its heart the implosion of a family, a story of devastating betrayal as King Henry II's three eldest sons and his wife Eleanor enter into a rebellion against him, aligning themselves with his most bitter enemy, Louis of France. It is also the story of a great king whose brilliance forged an empire but whose blind spots led him to make the most serious misjudgement of his life.

Sharon Penman has created a novel of immense power and range, bringing Henry and Eleanor to life in a uniquely vivid way. As two strong-willed, passionate people clash, a family divides and a marriage ends in all but name, an unforgettable trilogy reaches its conclusion. **TP \$32.95**

Edgar Allan Poe*Masque of the Red Death and Other Stories*

However you try to escape it, horror is always there

Outside the abbey's armoured walls, the common poor are ravaged by a grisly pestilence known as the 'Red Death', while within, safe and untroubled, the happy Prince Prospero hosts lavish entertainments. But, in their immodest comfort, the Prince and his guests are not as safe as they hope from the horrors of the outside world ...

In 'The Masque of the Red Death' and other tales of gothic horror, Edgar Allan Poe writes as no one else ever has of creeping, mounting terrors - of torments of ingenious, malevolent tormentors and of a mind's own sickening madness. **APB \$19.95**

Robin T Popp*The Haunting (Immortals)*

Plagued by hallucinations that are becoming all too real, brought about by a powerful dark magic, Mai turns to a mysterious dream walker who comes to her at night, calming her fears and fulfilling her wildest fantasies. **APB \$19.95**

T A Pratt*Dead Reign (Blood Engines 03)*

In the third installment of a series that began with *Blood Engines* and *Poison Sleep*, Marla Mason, the enchanting, slightly wicked Witch of the East Coast must use all her wiles to cheat the Grim Reaper. **APB \$17.95**

Jennifer Rardin*Bitten to Death (Jaz Parks 04)*

Jaz Parks, assassin and black ops agent, is plunged head-first into her latest mission - a confrontation between her ancient vampire boss Vayl, and his previous undead allies. The CIA is hunting arch-criminal Samon, and needs Vayl's ex-friends for information. But the team will have to wade through knotty vampire politics, a were-on-were blood-fest and some nasty (oh, and blood smeared...) visions to get to it. Luckily Jaz's highly trained killing-machine brother is on the job. Unluckily, he has reached the end of his carefully hoarded sanity, and the mission targets suddenly don't seem quite so realistic. The last thing Jaz wants is to end up on the dead side of the balance sheet... **APB \$19.99**

Sara Reinke*Dark Hunger*

Forced to travel with her enemy, Rene Morin, while trying to get to her brother in New Orleans, vampire Tessa Noble must feed off of Rene's own body, which deepens the sensual attraction they share and puts them at the mercy of dark and powerful forces. **APB \$10.95**

Patricia Rice*Mystic Rider (Mystic Isle)*

Ian Olympus, skilled fighter and visionary, has left the isle of Aelynn for the Outside World to retrieve a sacred chalice. He finds it in the hands of Chantal Deveau, who plans to buy her family out of prison.

But her outrage at his demand that she hand it over is nothing compared to her powerful, sensual response to his presence - and the startling conviction that their lives are irrevocably entwined. And Ian will soon have to choose between duty and desire. **APB \$12.95**

Kat Richardson*Underground (Greywalker 03)*

Harper Blaine was just an average small-time private investigator until she died - for two minutes. Now Harper is a Greywalker, walking the thin line between the living world and the paranormal realm. And her new abilities are landing her all sorts of strange cases. In the cold of winter, Pioneer Square's homeless are turning up dead and mutilated, and zombies have been seen roaming the streets of the underground - the city buried beneath modern Seattle. When Harper's friend Quinton fears he may be implicated in the deaths, he persuades her to investigate their mysterious cause. But when Harper turns to the city's vampire denizens for help, they want nothing to do with her or with the investigation. For this creature is no vampire. Someone has unleashed a monster of ancient legend upon the Underground, and Harper must deal with both the living and the dead to put a stop to it . . . unless it stops her first. **BPB \$22.99**

John Ringo & 'Travis S Taylor *America**Claws That Catch (Looking Glass 04)*

Sent to investigate rumors of an ancient and powerful alien civilization that may have created the "Black Box" that drives the space ship, the crew of the Vorpal Blade must first deal with an unpopular new commander, an infestation of scorpion-like arachnoids, and the strange noises the ship makes every time it makes a hard maneuver. **HC \$51.95**

J D Robb*Salvation in Death (Eve Dallas)*

When a Catholic priest is fatally poisoned during a funeral mass, NYPD Detective Lieutenant Eve Dallas pursues an uneasy investigation involving a hidden religious medal, underlined Bible passages, and clues suggesting that the victim was not who he appeared to be. **HC \$52.95**

Chris Roberson*Set the Seas on Fire* **APB \$19.95****Denise Rossetti***The Flame and the Shadow*

Driven by a chance to restore his soul, regardless of the cost, mercenary and sorcerer Grayson of Concordia, the Duke of Ombra, takes on the task of kidnapping a fire witch, Cenda, a woman grieving over the loss of her baby daughter, who finds herself falling for Gray despite his betrayal.

TP \$29.95

Shawna Ryan*Satan's Scat*

Already damned for murders in past lives, a vicious killer morphs into evil itself and joins forces with the Church. Alicia and Patrick are led to the very edge of hell. Despite powerful threats by the Church against them, they tenaciously search for The Issue. An unwary nun is sadistically murdered. A wild woman in an asylum bites off Patrick's ear, and in an ancient manuscript is a world shattering secret. **TP \$30.95**

Lilith Saintcrow*Hunter's Prayers (Jill Kismet 02)*

Jill Kismet, Dealer in Dark Things. Spiritual Exterminator. Demon Slayer - it's not the type of work you can put on a business card. But every city has people like me. Usually the police have us on payroll as consultants, because what ordinary cop can face down a Were or an ordinary shapechanger, or an Assyrian demon? Not to mention the silvers or the Black Mist, the adepts of Sorrow House or of the Middle Way? What ordinary cop stands a chance against a Trader, even? People disappear all the time, it's an epidemic; some of the disappearances are murder, some are fugitives, some are kidnapped by other human beings. Some of them are even found again. But a good proportion of them are taken by the things that go bump in the night. And then it becomes a hunter's job to bump back. Hard. **PB \$19.99**

John Scalzi*Agent to the Stars*

Advocating on behalf of the peace-seeking but bad-smelling Yherajk race, hot Hollywood agent Thomas Stein finds his considerable negotiating talents challenged by his efforts to win humanity's trust in the space-faring aliens. By the author of *The Android's Dream*. **TP \$30.95**

Mike Shepherd*Kris Longknife: Intrepid (Kris Longknife 06)*

Commanding the Wasp, a space warship, Kris Longknife, hunting for pirates beyond the Rim, stumbles upon a plan to kill one of the members of the aristocratic Peterwald family and discovers that the would-be killers are setting her up as the assassin. **APB \$19.95**

Sharon Shinn*Fortune and Fate (Twelve Houses)*

Behind the walls of a vast family estate called Fortune, Wen, a Warrior Rider hired to protect a young heiress, must face a terrifying challenge that will lead her into a confrontation with her ultimate destiny, in a new novel set in the world of the Twelve Houses series. **HC \$51.95**

Linda Joy Singleton*Dead Girl Walking*

When Amber, a smart, middle-class, high school student, is hit by a truck, she meets her deceased grandmother in a dreamlike place, then takes a wrong turn and awakens in the body of a wealthy, beautiful, popular classmate with serious problems. **APB \$22.95**

Jeri Smith-Ready*The Reawakened (Crow)*

Bound to the Spirit of the Crow and gifted with the Sight, Rhia must trust an ancient prophecy and deliver the Reawakened from oppression before a mighty army of Descendants destroys what's left of her people's magic. **TP \$29.95**

Neal Stephenson*Anathem*

Having lived in a monastery since childhood away from the violent upheavals of the outside world, Raz becomes one of a group of formerly cloistered scholars who are appointed by a fear-driven higher power to avert an impending catastrophe. By the author of *Cryptonomicon*. **CD \$120**

Maggie Stiefvater*Lament: The Faerie Queen's Deception*

On the day of an important music competition, talented but painfully introverted and nervous Deirdre Monaghan is helped to perform by the compelling and enigmatic Luke Dillon and finds herself inexorably drawn into the mysteries and dangers of the faerieworld. **PB \$21.95**

Bram Stoker*The Lair of the White Worm*

An ancient evil walks among them.

When Adam Salton arrives at his grand-uncle's Derbyshire estate he quickly senses that a macabre and malevolent force is at work. In his attempts to uncover the grisly mystery he encounters the chilling Lady Arabella and the obsessive Edgar Caswall, each harbouring their own dark and dreadful desires.

To his horror, Adam discovers that something hideous is living in the grounds of nearby Castra Regis, something that feeds on the flesh of humans. And so begins a terrifying quest to destroy the evil lurking in their midst ... **APB \$19.95**

Jordan Summers*Red*

APB \$17.95

Richard Taylor*The Haunting of Cambria*

Residing within the coastal bed-and-breakfast his wife and he had just purchased at the time of her tragic accidental death, Theo Parker struggles with survivor's guilt and his efforts to recuperate before encountering strange occurrences that lead him and a new lady friend to suspect that the property is haunted. **APB \$17.95**

J R R Tolkien Britain*Tales From the Perilous Realm*

The five tales are written with the same skill, quality and charm that made *The Hobbit* a classic. Largely overlooked because of their short lengths, they are finally together in a volume which reaffirms Tolkien's place as a master storyteller for readers young and old.

Roverandom is a toy dog who, enchanted by a sand sorcerer, gets to explore the world and encounter strange and fabulous creatures.

Farmer Giles of Ham is fat and unheroic, but - having unwittingly managed to scare off a short-sighted giant - is called upon to do battle when a dragon comes to town;

The Adventures of Tom Bombadil tells in verse of Tom's many adventures with hobbits, princesses, dwarves and trolls;

Leaf by Niggle recounts the strange adventures of the painter Niggle who sets out to paint the perfect tree;

Smith of Wootton Major journeys to the Land of Faery thanks to the magical ingredients of the Great Cake of the Feast of Good Children.

This new collection is fully illustrated throughout by Oscar-winning artist, Alan Lee, who provides a wealth of pencil drawings to bring the stories to life as he did so memorably for *The Hobbit* and *The Children of Húrin*. Alan also provides an Afterword, in which he opens the door into illustrating Tolkien's world.

World-renowned Tolkien author and expert, Tom Shippey, takes the reader through the hidden links in the tales to Tolkien's Middle-earth in his Introduction, and recounts their history and themes.

Lastly, included as an appendix is Tolkien's most famous essay, "On Fairy-stories", in which he brilliantly discusses fairy-stories and their relationship to fantasy.

Taken together, this rich collection of new and unknown work from the author of *The Children of Húrin* will provide the reader with a fascinating journey into lands as wild and strange as Middle-earth. **HC \$150 HC \$45**

Bonnie Anne Vanak*Enemy Lover*

Overwhelming arrogance demands that Damian Marcel claim Jamie Walsh no matter who vies against them. For she is the only woman who can sate this powerful were's untamed hunger. But Jamie believes Damian is the Draicon werewolf who murdered her brother. She fights the dominating male at every step—only to succeed in binding herself to him.

Now the same magick that links them together is slowly killing Jamie, for she is infected with a spell that's turning her to stone. As they race against time to find a cure and to ward off attacks from the evil Morphs, dare Damian hope that his draicara will finally accept him as her lover...forever?

APB \$14.95

Paul Voermans & Jill Sparrow Australian Author*Parliament of Sims* **TP \$32.95****Shiloh Walker***The Missing*

Psychic Taige Branch is reunited with Cullen Morgan, the teenage love who had left her after the murder of his mother and blamed her for being unable to prevent the crime, when the widowed father returns to ask her to help him find his kidnapped young daughter before it is too late.

TP \$28.95

J R Ward*Black Dagger Brotherhood; An Insider's Guide (Black Dagger Brotherhood)*

Prepare to enter the dark, passionate world of the Black Dagger Brotherhood and get up close and personal with each of the Brothers. You'll find insider information on the Brotherhood and interviews with your favourite characters, including a heartbreaking conversation with Tohrment and Wellsie, conducted three weeks before she was killed by lessers. You'll discover deleted scenes in addition to exciting material from the J. R. Ward message boards and the answers to questions about the series posed by readers. You'll learn what it's like for J. R. Ward to write each instalment of the series and, in a fascinating twist, you'll read an interview with the author ? conducted by the Brothers themselves. For the first time ever, you'll see a brand new, never-before-published novella about Zsadi and Bella, and witness the miracle of their daughter Nalla's birth. Also, you'll receive a sneak peek at the much-anticipated next book in the Black Dagger Brotherhood series, Rehvenge's story. **TP \$32.99**

Lawrence Watt-Evans*The Unwilling Warlord (Ethshar)*

With an army of incompetent generals, untrained, inebriated soldiers, and hardly any weapons, Semma's warlord Sterren is up against great odds in the kingdom's war. **APB \$14.95**

Brent Weeks*Shadow's Edge (Night Angel 02)*

The second instalment in an astonishing and epic tale of magic, violence and revenge. Kylar has rejected the assassin's life. In the wake of the Godking's violent coup, both his master and his closest friend are dead. His friend was Logan Gyre, heir to Cenaria's throne, but few of the ruling class survive to mourn his loss. So Kylar is starting over: new city, new companions, and new profession. But when he learns that Logan might be alive, trapped and in hiding, Kylar faces an impossible choice. He could give up the way of shadows forever, and find peace with his young family. Or Kylar could succumb to his flair for destruction, the years of training, to save his friend and his country - and lose all he holds precious.

PB \$19.99

Margaret Weis & Lizz Weis*Fallen Angel*

Cast out of heaven because of his lack of faith, fallen angel Matthew Gallow roams the world, until he nearly dies in an encounter with a demon and meets the gorgeous Natalia, who works for Cain, a wild rocker living on the edge, who is in league with Lucifer to destroy all humankind.

APB \$17.95

David Wellington*Vampire Zero (03)*

Caxton fired again, and this time hit her target. The bullet clanged off his chest and spun away into darkness. How was it possible? Jameson's body curled up like a caterpillar in a fire, but only for an instant. He straightened up quickly - and then he was on her. It was that fast. She felt a cold wind blowing toward her and then she was on the floor with the vampire on top of her, pinning down her gun hand, his teeth pressing against her cheek. He felt cold and wrong and he stank of death. Compelling, explosive and hypnotic, Vampire Zero is the final book in David Wellington's vampire trilogy, a thrilling chase through a fear-inducing landscape, seen through the eyes of the fearless yet flawed heroes of 13 Bullets and 99 Coffins. In this final gripping installment, Caxton is left to fight alone as Jameson is seized by the dark side and becomes the most terrifying enemy she has ever had to face. How can she face the unthinkable? Who can she trust in a world where nothing is as it seems? **BPB \$23.95**

Steve White*St Antony's Fire*

In a strange alternate universe, Ponce de León's quest for the fountain of youth has unexpected results, the Spanish Armada destroys the English fleet with high-tech weapons using beams of fiery light, and the queen flees to the New World, accompanied by her sorcerer advisor Dr. Dee and William Shakespeare, where they find a gateway to an alien world. **HC \$49.95**

Elissa Wilds*Between Light and Dark*

As a war between good and evil is waged around her, Laurell Pittman succumbs to the Yearning and conceives a child with an immortal being so that she may give birth to the Earth Balancer, humankind's savior. **APB \$17.95**

Liz Williams*Winterstrike*

P \$34.99

F Paul Wilson*By The Sword (Repairman Jack 12)*

Hired to find a legendary Japanese sword that had been stolen from the Hiroshima Peace Museum, Jack finds his task complicated by dangerous rivals for the sword and a pregnant teen who is carrying a child of destiny. **HC \$52.95**

Timothy Zahn*Odd Girl Out*

Entreated by a gun-wielding woman to rescue her ten-year-old sister from a New Tigris abductor, former government agent Frank Compton turns the woman down only to be implicated in her subsequent murder, a situation that prompts his investigation into the sister's disappearance. **HC \$51.95**

Anthologies

Kevin J Anderson

Blood Lite: An Anthology of Humorous Horror Stories

A collection of whimsical horror tales is compiled by the Horror Writers Association and includes contributions by such popular genre authors as Jim Butcher, Charlaine Harris, Sherrilyn Kenyon, Kelly Armstrong, and Sharyn McCrumb. **TP \$32.95**

Vivi Anna, Sylvia Day, Delilah Devlin, Kathryn Fox & Myla Jackson

Alluring Tales: Hot holiday Nights

The authors of Alluring Tales: Awaken the Fantasy present an anthology of erotic, holiday-themed works tinged by paranormal, humorous, and fantasy elements. **TP \$28.95**

Ambrose Bierce

The Spook House: Terrifying Tales of the Macabre

Death awaits them all ...

A man stares into the deep river swirling beneath him - hands tied, noose around his neck - and waits for the order to end his life. Another is trapped for eternity in a room full of corpses. A cowering woman is strangled in the dead of night.

These are just some of the countless victims for whom all hope is lost in Ambrose Bierce's chilling stories of death, delusion and the supernatural.

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Ellen Datlow, Gavin J Grant & Kelly Link

Year's Best Fantasy and Horror 2008

As in every year since 1988, the editors tirelessly scoured story collections, magazines, and anthologies worldwide to compile a delightful, diverse feast of tales and poems.

On this anniversary, the editors have increased the size of the collection to 300,000 words of fiction and poetry, including works by Billy Collins, Ted Chiang, Karen Joy Fowler, Elizabeth Hand, Glen Hirshberg, Joyce Carol Oates, and new World Fantasy Award winner M Rickert. With impeccably researched summations of the field by the editors, Honorable Mentions, and articles by Edward Bryant, Charles de Lint and Jeff VanderMeer on media, music and graphic novels, this is a heady brew topped off by an unparalleled list of sources of fabulous works both light and dark. **TP \$40**

Nick Gevers

Extraordinary Engines: Definitive Steampunk Anthology

Bringing together original works from leading science fiction and fantasy authors, a collection of short stories that blend Victoriana with modern technology features contributions by Stephen Baxter, Michael Moorcock, Brian Stableford, Hal Duncan, Jay Lake, Paul Di Filippo, Ian R. MacLeod, and other notable authors. **APB \$19.95**

Martin H Greenberg & Daniel M Hoyt

Better off Undead

Featuring contributions from Sarah A. Hoyt, Laura Resnick, Alan Dean Foster, and S. M. Stirling, this spine tingling and revealing collection of eighteen original tales about immortality ponders the age-old question--can being undead really be better than being alive? **APB \$19.95**

George R R Martin

Inside Straight (Wild Cards)

In a follow-up to the original Wild Cards series, a new generation of aces comes of age as twenty-one of them compete against one another in a series of tasks and stunts on the blockbuster TV reality show American Hero, and John Fortune, son of the show's creator, discovers his destiny, in a collaborative saga. **APB \$19.95**

J D Robb, Mary Blayney & Ruth Ryan Langan

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The secrets of desire are unlocked in this collection, rife with paranormal passion and suspense, that features a never-before-published Eve Dallas novella by J. D. Robb, as well as other works by Mary Blayney, Ruth Ryan Langan, and Mary Kay McComas. **APB \$19.95**

Peter Straub

Poe's Children

A chilling anthology of the best of modern horror fiction features tales from twenty-five masters of the genre, with such selections as Stephen King's "The Ballad of the Flexible Bullet", Dan Chaon's "The Bees", Peter Straub's "Little Red", and works by Neil Gaiman, Jonathan Carroll, and Brian Evenson, among others. **CD \$85**

Melissa Anelli

Harry, A History (Harry Potter)

Harry, A History, chronicles the six months leading up to the publication of Book 7; including a forward written by J.K. Rowling herself and an exclusive, never-before-seen two-day interview with Jo about Harry, A History, this book is a must-read for any Harry Potter Superfan.

Only here will readers be privy to invitation-only book releases at Edinburgh Castle and relive midnight madness at a local bookstore. Melissa knows all too well that the Pope thinks Harry Potter should be banned, choosing sides in the Harry/Hermione v. Ron/Hermione war can lead to death threats, and the books' continuity editor needs to lock her office door when going to the bathroom to keep colleagues out. Through Melissa's unique access to the VIPs of the Potterverse and her own status as a celebrity among fans, she is able to prove there are still surprises in this well known world.

Melissa will not only capture her experience with the series over the past ten years, but also the emotions of lay readers and devoted fans. Unlike much popular narrative non-fiction, Melissa's book does not unearth a little-known subculture or dismissed facet of our lives; it makes us rethink the most mainstream book of our day and its impact. Harry, A History is not a companion book, but a thorough study of an international shift in culture.

BPB \$19.95

Graeme Base

Animalia

Within the pages of this book

You may discover, if you look

Beyond the spell of written words,

A hidden land of beasts and birds.

For many things are 'of a kind,'

And those with keenest eyes will find

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It's up to you to keep the score . . . **TP \$19.95**

The Eleventh Hour

Horace turns eleven and celebrates with a splendid party! But when the time comes for the birthday banquet, a most bizarre mystery is revealed.

TP \$19.95

Enigma

'Don't worry,' Bertie said at once. 'I'll solve this, have no fear,

For magic things that vanish almost always reappear. . .'

Bertie loves to visit the Retirement Home for Elderly Magicians and watch his grandpa perform magic tricks. But one day all the magicians' props go missing, so Bertie sets off to investigate. . .

Can he solve the mystery in time to save the show?

You can help Bertie find all the missing things. And there's a special magic panel at the back of the book - if you can unlock it, you will reveal all the mysteries of Enigma. Good luck! **HC \$29.95**

The Sign of the Seahorse

The inhabitants of a coral reef are threatened when a shady real estate deal started by the greedy Groper floods their area with poisonous waste.

TP \$19.95

Uno's Garden

When Uno arrives in the forest one beautiful day, there are many fascinating and extraordinary animals there to greet him. And one entirely unexceptional Snortlepig.

Uno loves the forest so much, he decides to live there. But, in time, a little village grows up around his house. Then a town, then a city. . . and soon Uno realises that the animals and plants have begun to disappear. . .

Enter the magical world of Graeme Base's forest, filled with wild and wonderful animals, Uno's unique family and friends – and the elusive Snortlepig!

From the creator of the international bestsellers *Animalia*, *The Waterhole* and *Jungle Drums*, here is an illuminating blend of storybook, puzzle book and numbers book – a moving and timely tale about how we all unknowingly affect the environment around us, just by being there, and how we can always learn from our mistakes and find ways of doing things better. **HC \$29.95**

James Beckingham Australian Author

SongForge

PB \$24.95

Holly Black & Tony DiTerlizzi

A Giant Problem (Beyond the Spiderwick Chronicles 02)

Talk about out of the frying pan, into the fire! I was pretty sure that my freaky stepsister and that freaky field guide of hers would ruin my life. But now it looks like they're going to ruin all of Florida, too! Okay, maybe that's not fair. Maybe all these stupid giants would be waking up anyway, but if it wasn't for her and that book, I'd be home playing video games and this would be someone else's giant problem! **HC \$16.95**

P J Bracegirdle

The Joy of Spooking (Fiendish Deeds)

Eleven-year-old Joy Wells is a literary horror fan and proud resident of Spooking, the run-down, eerie town at the top of the hill. At the bottom of the hill is Darlington, a plastic suburban 'paradise' where Joy and her brother go to school. When the mayor of Darlington announces that a water park is soon to be constructed over the Spooking Bog, Joy knows she must act quickly if she's going to save her ancient, beloved town from becoming just as cute and icky as Darlington.

But the Spooking Bog holds many mysteries...Could the legend of the Bog Fiend be true? Who is the bizarre woman that lives there in the house on stilts? And what will become of it all when the bulldozers come rolling up the hill from Darlington? Joy is on a mission to find out, but someone wants to stop her, and they'll do whatever it takes... **BPB \$16.95**

Patrick Carman

Star Gazer (Land of Elyon)

Patrick Carman returns to Elyon for the thrilling sequel to the bestselling Land of Elyon trilogy. A magical menace is on the loose . . . forcing Alexa to take to the seas and save a secret community located in a strange land known as the Five Stone Pillars. **HC \$19.99**

Isobelle Carmody Australian Author

A Riddle of Green (Little Fur 04)

'The words of the deepest foretellings are riddles that want solving.'

'A riddle,' Little Fur echoed, and the word tasted tricky and complicated on her tongue and in her mind.

'Only in understanding the riddle can its solution be found.'

All her life, Little Fur has healed others. This time, it is she who needs healing.

Only the earth spirit that links all living things can help her, but can she find it in time? Little Fur begins a strange and dangerous journey that will take her far from her beloved wilderness and lead her deep into the secrets of her own past. **HC \$24.95**

Stephen Cole

Terror Underground (Astrosaurs Academy 03)

Teggs Stegosaur is a pupil at the Astrosaur Academy where all astro-cadets go to complete their training. He hopes to become an ASTROSAUR one day but for now he has classes to attend, missions to complete and lessons to learn. His new best friends and roommates, Blink and Dutch, are always his first choice for fun - but also to work with on his homework! Together they make a great team - the Daring Dinosaurs!

Teggs and his friends are practising for a astro-jet flying display when Damona's jet crashes into Teggs's and both teams find themselves stuck underground in an icy cavern. But the gang have got more than just getting themselves out to deal with - there's a frozen war hero, some rotten raptors and some huge creepy-crawlies stuck in the cold too . . . **BPB \$14.95**

Jeremy de Quidt

The Toymaker

What good is a toy that will wind down? What if you could put a heart in one? A real heart. One that beat and beat and didn't stop. What couldn't you do if you could make a toy like that?

From the moment Mathias becomes the owner of a mysterious piece of paper, he is in terrible danger. Entangled in devious plots and pursued by the sinister Doctor Leiter and his devilish toys, Mathias finds himself on a quest to uncover a deadly secret. **HC \$32.95**

John Flanagan Australian Author

The Kings of Clonmel (Ranger's Apprentice 08)

Will is at the annual Ranger Gathering but Halt is investigating mysterious happenings in the west. When he does finally return, it's with bad news. Hibernia is in turmoil. A religious cult calling themselves the Outsiders are sowing confusion and sedition, and five of the six Hibernian kingdoms have been undermined. Now the sixth, Clonmel, is in danger. Halt, Will and Horace set out to restore order. Can the secrets of Halt's past help them in their mission? **BPB \$16.95**

Cornelia Funke

Inkdeath (Ink 03)

Ever since the extraordinary events of Inkspell, when the story of Inkheart magically drew Meggie, Mo and Dustfinger back into its pages, life in the Inkworld has been far from easy. With Dustfinger dead, and the evil Adderhead now in control, the story in which they are all caught has taken an unhappy turn. But as winter comes on there is reason to hope-if only Meggie and Mo can rewrite the wrongs of the past and make a dangerous deal with death. **HC \$29.99**

Neil Gaiman

The Graveyard Book

When a baby escapes a murderer intent on killing the entire family, who would have thought it would find safety and security in the local graveyard? Bod has an eccentric childhood learning about life from the dead. But there is also the danger of the murderer still looking for him - after all, he is the last remaining member of the family. **HC \$27.95**

Alan Garner

Elidor

On a gloomy day in Manchester, Roland, Helen, Nicholas and David are lured into a ruined church, where the fabric of time and place is weak enough to allow them into the twilight world of Elidor. It is a place almost destroyed by fear and darkness, and the children are charged with guarding its Treasures while a way is sought to save the dying land. Then the evil forces find a path through to this world... Ages: 10+ **BPB \$14.99**

Peadar O Guilin

The Inferior

THERE IS BUT ONE LAW: EAT OR BE EATEN.

Stopmouth and his family know of no other life than the daily battle to survive. To live they must hunt rival species, or negotiate flesh-trade with those who crave meat of the freshest human kind.

It is a savage, desperate existence. And for Stopmouth, considered slow-witted hunt-fodder by his tribe, the future looks especially bleak. But then, on the day he is callously betrayed by his brother, a strange and beautiful woman falls from the sky.

It is a moment that will change his destiny, and that of all humanity, forever.

With echoes of Tarzan, Conan and the Truman Show, Peadar O Guilin's debut is an action and ideas packed blockbuster that will challenge your perceptions of humanity and leave you hungry for more. **BPB \$19.95**

Nancy Holder & Debbie Viguie

Wicked (Witch and Curse)

Holly Cathers's world shatters when her parents are killed in a terrible accident. Wrenched from her home in San Francisco, she is sent to Seattle to live with her relatives, Aunt Marie-Claire and her twin cousins, Amanda and Nicole.

In her new home, Holly's sorrow and grief soon give way to bewilderment at the strange incidents going on around her. Such as how any wish she whispers to her cat seems to come true. Or the way a friend is injured after a freak attack from a vicious falcon. And there's the undeniable, magnetic attraction to a boy Holly barely knows.

Holly, Amanda, and Nicole are about to be launched into a dark legacy of witches, secrets, and alliances, where ancient magics yield dangerous results. The girls will assume their roles in an intergenerational feud beyond their wildest imaginations...and in doing so, will attempt to fulfill their shared destiny. **PB \$14.95**

Simon Holt

The Devouring (Sorry Night 01)

When Reggie reads about the Vours in a mysterious old journal, she assumes they are just the musings of an anonymous lunatic. But when her little brother, Henry, begins to act strangely, it's clear that these creatures exist beyond a madwoman's imagination, and Reggie finds out what happens when fears come to life.

To save the people she loves, Reggie must learn to survive in a world of nightmares. Can she devour her own fears before they devour her?

The Devouring is an engrossing tale of terror that will have you wondering: what if your worst fears became your living nightmare? **BPB \$19.95**

Walter Hooper

Boxen: Childhood Chronicles Before Narnia

Half a century before the publication of *The Chronicles of Narnia*, C.S. Lewis created another imaginary world. The tales of 'Animal-land' which eight-year-old Jack (as his family knew him) had shared with his brother Warmie developed into the chronicles of the kingdom of Boxen. In a succession of stories over the next few years, the young Lewis explored its history, geography and the colourful exploits of its inhabitants in vivid detail. This new landmark edition marks the centenary of the very first Boxen manuscript. Here are all the stories, some never before seen, sensitively edited and arranged to make the most of the fabulous and inventive fantasy while retaining all the vigour of a child's imaginative writing. Lavishly and charmingly illustrated by the author, and published for the very first time in colour, together with facsimile pages from the original notebooks, this book will provide a unique insight into one of the most extraordinary minds of our age. For every reader who has been captivated by the magic of Narnia, Boxen will open a window on to another enchanted land. **HC \$45**

Erin Hunter

Cats of the Clans (Warriors)

Hear the stories of the great warriors as they've never been told before! *Cats of the Clans* is chock-full of visual treats and captivating details, including full-color illustrations and in-depth biographies of important cats—from fierce Clan leaders to wise medicine cats to the most mischievous kits, as well as loners, rogues, and kittypets.

This collectible guide is a great introduction to the *Warriors* series for new fans and is indispensable for those already hooked! **HC \$29.99**

Brian Jacques

Salamandastron (Redwall 05)

As Redwall slumbers in the summer sun, it is unaware that the mountain stronghold of Salamandastron lies besieged by the weasel army of Ferahog the Assassin, and that the deadly Dryditch fever is creeping towards the Abbey. But the sword of Martin the Warrior sends Samkin and Arula from Redwall over forest, swamp and great waters to try and save Salamandastron from being turned into a centre of evil power... **BPB \$19.95**

Bellmaker (Redwall 07)

When Joseph the Bellmaker is warned in a dream that his daughter, Mariel, is in danger, his hopes of saving her are slim. For the evil Foxwolf and his horde of rats are coming to Southward and Mariel is his prisoner. But Joseph and his four young warrior friends lead a crusade against Foxwolf and his invading grey rat army. And can the legendary Martin the Warrior return from the past to save them. Or is it too late...? **BPB \$19.95**

The Long Patrol (Redwall 10)

Damug Warfang, head of a thousand RapsCALLIONS - the deadliest horde of foebeasts ever to jump from ship to store - is looking for slaughter and plunder. Can any beast stand against the conqueror and his savage troops? Tammo's dream comes true when he is given the chance to run with the Long Patrol, the legendary fighting hares of Salamandastron... **BPB \$19.95**

Legend of Luke (Redwall 12)

A chance meeting with a young hedgehog maid who is visiting Redwall Abbey reveals to Martin the Warrior a tantalising glimpse of the early life, and family, he can scarcely remember. He sets forth from the Abbey to seek the truth about the father he barely knew, accompanied by his trusty friends Dinny, Trimp and Gonff. His journey takes him home to the northland shore, meeting friends and enemies, old and new, along the way and leading him to an extraordinary shipwreck.

The wreck, the Arfship, is home to three ancient, veteran warriors who have in their possession a dusty old volume. Inside is the story of Martin's early life and the dramatic account of his father Luke's pursuit of his hated enemy, the pirate stoat, Vilu Daskar. Brian Jacques' skilful narrative is told in three parts, interweaving the stories of father and son in yet another unforgettable Redwall experience. **PB \$19.95**

Amanda Marrone

Revealers

Jules has a rebellious streak, a massive crush on Connor, and the abilities of a Revealer witch. By day, she and her coven friends seem like typical high school seniors. By night, they have the power to make werewolves, vampires, and ghosts reveal themselves, so they can destroy them. It's not exactly cheerleading, but at least the girls know they're doing the world some good.

One by one, Jules's friends turn eighteen and are initiated into the coven's inner circle. And one by one, they are getting completely freaked out. Jules is the youngest, and though her friends are too scared tell her what's going on, something's clearly not right. As her birthday approaches, Jules realizes she's got to find out what's behind the shadows of her coven before it's too late to save her friends...and herself. But what she discovers may be too powerful for even the toughest witches to defeat. **PB \$16.95**

Amanda Marrone

Uninvited

Jordan's life sucks. Her boyfriend, Michael, dumped her, slept his way through half the student body, and then killed himself. But now, somehow, he appears at her window every night, begging her to let him in.

Jordan can't understand why he wants her, but she feels her resistance wearing down. After all, her life -- once a broken record of boring parties, meaningless hookups, and friends she couldn't relate to -- now consists of her drinking alone in her room as she waits for the sun to go down.

Michael needs to be invited in before he can enter. All Jordan has to do is say the words.... **PB \$16.95**

Jenny Nimmo

Charlie Bone and the Shadow of Badlock (Charlie Bone 07)

The enchanter Count Harken is back. After his attempt to bewitch Charlie's mother was foiled, he is determined to wreak revenge on the Red King's heirs. Charlie's ancestors, Otus Yewbeam and his son, have been imprisoned in the dark, forbidding land of Badlock by Count Harken. Otus is a giant, married to Amoret, the Red King's daughter. But he is no match for the enchanter's troll army, led by the sinister Oddthumb.

Charlie is sucked into a painting of Badlock and tries to rescue them and reunite them with Amoret. But can he outwit the troll army? And what about poor Runner Bean, who follows him?

Charlie will need all the luck he can get to outwit the powerful enchanter of Badlock. . **BPB \$16.95**

Mary Pope Osborne

Dragon of the Red Dawn (Magic Tree House 37)

Merlin the Magician will not eat or sleep or speak to anyone in Camelot. What can be done? The enchantress Morgan knows who to ask for help: young Jack and Annie of Frog Creek, Pennsylvania! The brother-and-sister team quickly head off in the magic tree house on another magical and historical adventure.

Their mission: discover one of the four secrets of happiness.

Their journey: to a land of fierce samurai and great beauty, the capital city of Edo (now the city of Tokyo), in ancient Japan in the 1600s.

Their tools: a research book to guide them and a magic wand with three special rules.

In *Dragon of the Red Dawn*, Mary Pope Osborne transports readers back to the splendor, rich culture, and magic of traditional Japan. **PB \$7.95**

James Patterson

Daniel X Graphic Novel (Daniel X)

The story of Daniel X, the alien hunter, is brought to life in this brilliantly illustrated, fast-paced graphic novel.

Daniel X works alone. Having watched from the shadows as the brutal murder of his own parents unfolded before him, he has been forced to make his own way in a dark and unforgiving world with a heavy task handed to him.

Daniel's father was an alien hunter, working his way through a fearsome 'wanted' list of aliens intent on seeking control and wreaking devastation. But as he planned his next target, his own time was running out. Following his parents' sudden deaths, Daniel faced an uncertain future: he knew little about his family nor where he came from but a few things were clear, he had inherited the list from his father and a unique ability to create anything that he needs including some very devoted friends to help him along the way.

His life has become dedicated to the mission. Every day has been transformed into a terrifying hunt, watching each step he takes for danger awaits around every corner and lurks within the shadows. His ultimate aim is to exact revenge against number 1 on his list: his parents' murderer. But first he must target the others: each more sinister and gruesome than the last. **TP \$29.95**

Tamora Pierce

Melting Stones (Circle)

Four years have passed since Evvy left the streets of Chammur to begin her training as a stone mage. At fourteen, she's unhappy to be on a new journey with her mentor, prickly green mage Rosethorn, who has been called to the Battle Islands to determine why the plants and animals there are dying. Evvy's job is to listen and learn, but she can't just keep quiet and do nothing. With the help of Luvo, the living stone heart of a mountain, Evvy uncovers an important clue. Now, with the island on the brink of disaster, it's up to Evvy to avert the destruction that looms ahead. **BPB \$17.99**

Philip Reeve

Mothstorm (Larklight)

When the festive season arrives at Larklight, so does some unsettling news. A sinister-looking cloud is fast approaching the outskirts of the Known Universe. The closest planet, Georgium Sidus, has but two human inhabitants: the missionary Rev Cruet and his daughter Charity: most recent communication: 'Great danger - imperative that-'. And so, aboard a Naval Gunship, Art, Myrtle and family, bravely go where only one man and his daughter have gone before, to determine the nature of the menacing cloud and rescue the Cruets. But the evil which awaits them is far beyond their imagining, and it looks as though Mother may have finally Met Her Match. Lucky, then, that Jack Havoc is hot on their heels to help in the battle to save the Universe (again). **HC \$24.95**

Emily Rodda Australian Author

Secrets of Deltora (Deltora)

A book for old and new fans of the Deltora Quest series, *Secrets of Deltora* is a 'travel guide' told from the perspective of Doran the Dragonlover, greatest of all Deltoran explorers and friend of the dragons. Follow Doran through the seven gem territories, gaining special insight into Deltora's dangers, places of interest, and of course the many amazing creatures that call Deltora home. Keen-witted readers may even uncover a conspiracy hidden in Doran's work . . . The book will have an 'old-world' feel to it, including old-book textures, torn edges and stained pages, reproduced as though it really is Doran's original travel guide. Includes a fold-out map, an inset lenticular image on the cover, and over fifty all-new illustrations from Marc McBride. **HC \$29.99**

Maurice Sendak

Where The Wild Things Are

The story of Max, who is so naughty when he wears his wolf suit that he's sent to bed without any supper. In the night, a fantastic world of forests and seas appears in Max's bedroom, and he sails away to the land where the Wild Things are and becomes their king. With illustrations by the author, Maurice Sendak, *WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE* won the Caldecott Medal in 1964. **HC \$39.95**

Will Shetterly

Elsewhere

Ron, a teenage runaway, comes of age among the punk elves and humans of Bordertown, a run-down city on the border between the real world and the magic world of Faerie. **APB \$17.95**

Obert Skye

Leven Thumps and the Eyes of the Want (Leven Thumps 03)

"FOLLOW ME AND HURRY," THE WANT URGED.

"THE WORLD IS CHANGING AS WE SPEAK."

The war to unite "Foo and Reality is beginning! Humanity's only hope is Leven Thumps. Not only must Leven race across Foo to stop the whispered secret before the deadly truth is revealed, but he also must travel to the mysterious island of Lith. There abides the Want, the manic dream-master who can give Leven the gifts he needs against a foreboding army of rants and other Foo beings.

If you are willing and have the courage, you're invited to join the adventure in Book Three. Travel to Sycophant Run, survive the Waves of the Lime Sea, and discover a new gateway to Foo. But beware: the true threat to the dreams of mankind lurks beneath the soil. **PB \$16.95**

Lemony Snicket

The Lump of Coal

Forget Frosty the Snowman or Ruldolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer. The next great holiday hero is a small, flammable chunk of barbecue fodder. He's impeccably dressed, he's terribly grumpy, and he's looking for a holiday miracle. It's unmistakably Snicket - here's the opening line: This holiday season is a time for stoytelling, and whether you are hearing the story of a candelabra staying lit for more than a week, or a baby born in a barn without proper medical supervision, these stories often feature miracles. Ages 4 years+ **HC \$14.99**

Paul Stewart & Chris Riddell

The Lost Barkscrolls (Edge Chronicles)

A fantastic new adventure in the world of the Edge Chronicles. These exciting new tales are ideal for those new to the Edge, or as an addition to the collection of any fan. They feature tales from each of the Edge trilogies: one from the time of Twig, hero of Beyond the Deepwoods, one from the time of Quint, Twig's father and hero of Clash of the Sky Galleons and one from the time of Rook, Twig's grandson. The tales star well known characters from the Edgeworld and also provide a tantalising glimpse into the book that will follow in 2008, the last Edge novel ever.

Also includes the stories CLOUD WOLF and THE STONE PILOT. These World Book Day tales are real favourites with fans and are asked for repeatedly since they have been unavailable.

Includes a beautiful fold-out timeline of the Edgeworld, linking all three trilogies together. **BPB \$17.95**

The Rook Trilogy (Edge Chronicles)

The Last of the Sky Pirates

Rook Barkwater lives beneath Undertown, the bustling city of the Edgeworld. He dreams of becoming a librarian knight and sets out on a perilous journey. In the heart of the Deepwoods, Rook encounters a mysterious character - the last sky pirate . . .

Vox

High in the crumbling Palace of Statues, little more than a prisoner of the all-powerful Guardians of the Night, Vox Verlix plots and schemes . . .

Rook Barkwater finds himself embroiled in Vox's scheming. He must stop him or the Edgeworld could fall into total chaos . . .

Freeglader

Undertown is destroyed! Gnokgoblins, waifs and cloddertrogs huddle by the ruins, preparing for a mass exodus to the Free Glades. Rook Barkwater knows the journey will be full of peril. Dangers are everywhere, and in the Goblin Nations, the tribes are massing for war. Can Rook and his friends preserve freedom in the Edgeworld? **HC \$39.95**

Tiffany Trent

Between Golden Jaws (Hallowmere)

Will Corrine make a deal with the dark Fey Prince?

Corrine and her friends race to London, in the hopes of finding a rathstone that will help them end this terrible war with the Fey. The girls search the Victorian city only to find that their plan has led to more danger than ever before. With the girls' lives on the line, the Fey Prince offers Corrine a deal: become his consort and her friends can go in peace. Will Corrine fall into the Fey Prince's arms to save her friends? Or can she find another way? **PB \$14.95**

Mark Walden

Escape Velocity (HIVE 03)

Pupils and staff at HIVE are horrified to discover that Dr Nero has been captured by the forces of HOPE, the Hostile Operative Prosecution Executive, the world's newest and most ruthlessly efficient security force. Three months pass without any news of his fate, and Number One has decided to appoint a sinister new headmistress for the school, somebody that the pupils and staff had thought that they'd seen the last of. Meanwhile Otto is also struggling to cope with new abilities that are starting to manifest themselves. Can he really be unconsciously interfacing with computers without physical contact? And if he is, what exactly do these new powers really mean? The only way to find Nero and the truth behind the lies is to escape HIVE. Otto must get out, and take the risks which come with being a rogue agent. Then he just has to break into MI6 . . . **PB \$16.95**

Robin Wasserman

Skinned (Lia's Story 01)

Lia Kahn was perfect: rich, beautiful, popular -- until the accident that nearly killed her. Now she has been downloaded into a new body that only looks human. Lia will never feel pain again, she will never age, and she can't ever truly die. But she is also rejected by her friends, betrayed by her boyfriend, and alienated from her old life.

Forced to the fringes of society, Lia joins others like her. But they are looked at as freaks. They are hated...and feared. They are everything but human, and according to most people, this is the ultimate crime -- for which they must pay the ultimate price. **HC \$19.95**

Media and Comic Related

4400

Wet Work

Dayton Ward & Kevin Dilmore

NTAC agents Tom Baldwin and Diana Skouris are assigned by former NTAC director Dennis Ryland to track down an international assassin known as "the Wraith," a powerful 4400 returnee whose real name is Lona Callahan. **APB \$19.95**

Batman

Bat-Manga: Secret History of Batman in Japan

Presents a series of Batman-manga stories, originally produced in Japan in the late 1960s, following Batman and Robin as they battle aliens, mutated dinosaurs, and other villains in a distinctively Japanese style, in a volume with photographs of the world's largest collection of vintage Japanese Batman toys and an original Batman adventure, only in the hardcover edition. **HC \$110TP \$60**

Buffy the Vampire Slayer

***Calendar 2009: Buffy the Vampire Slayer* \$24.99**

Doctor Who

The Writer's Tale

Benjamin Cook Russell T Davies

A unique look into the BBC's most popular family drama, Doctor Who: The Writer's Tale is a year in the life of the hit television series, as told by the show's Head Writer and Executive Producer. A candid and in-depth correspondence between Russell T Davies and journalist Benjamin Cook, the book explores in detail Russell's work on Series Four, revealing how he plans the series and works with the show's writers; where he gets his ideas for plot, character and scene; how actors are cast and other creative decisions are made; and how he juggles the demands of Doctor Who with the increasingly successful Torchwood and The Sarah Jane Adventures spin-offs.

Russell's scripts are discussed as they develop, and Russell and Ben's wide-ranging discussions bring in experiences from previous series of Doctor Who as well as other shows Russell has written and created, including Queer As Folk, Bob & Rose, and The Second Coming. The reader is given total access to the show as it's created, and the writing is everything you would expect from Russell T Davies: warm, witty, insightful, and honest.

Fully illustrated with never-before-seen photos and artwork - including original drawings by Russell himself - The Writer's Tale is a not only the ultimate Doctor Who book, but a celebration of great writing and great television. **HC \$79.95**

Time Traveller's Almanac

Steve Tribe

Who are the eminent artists of the 16th, 19th, or 21st centuries? What are the mysteries of Carrionite Science? Where do the Daleks come from? Answers to all of these questions and more are found in The Time Traveller's Almanac, the ultimate intergalactic fact-finder.

The Almanac draws on resources far and wide, from the beginning of time to the end of the universe, to provide information on key historical events and great lives, important issues in science, technology and the arts, and the stories that have defined each era.

Fully illustrated with photos and artwork, The Time Traveller's Almanac provides an essential biography of the Doctor Who universe. **HC \$45**

Doctor Who Annual 2009

Sonic screwdrivers at the ready! This year's official annual is a stellar 96 pages, packed with comic strips, stories, activities, fun features, posters and even a section on The Sarah Jane Adventures. Filled with monsters and adventures from the series this will keep any budding Doctor busy!

HC \$19.95

Firefly

Serenity: Better Days

Joss Whedon

Serenity: Better Days follows everyone's favorite space cowboys in a thrilling, action-packed adventure, where Mal and his crew take on a heist that promises a big payoff. But when one of Serenity's crew is taken captive and tortured, the gang must put their enduring differences aside and work together to save one of their own, even if it may mean losing the cash prize of a lifetime.

Joss Whedon returns to the world of his blockbuster film Serenity, reuniting with Brett Matthews and Will Conrad, his collaborators on the bestselling 2005 series Those Left Behind. **TP \$21.95**

Indiana Jones

Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull Playing Cards

A deck of Playing cards from the new Indiana Jones Movie - The Kingdom of Crystal Skull. **\$14.95**

James Bond

The Man With the Golden Touch

Sinclair McKay **PB \$35**

Graphic Novel: Casino Royale

Ian Fleming

The world's greatest secret agent returns, as some of his most thrilling missions are collected for the first time ever! In his first mission, 007 must neutralize a Russian operative by ruining him at the baccarat table, but Bond's attraction to a beautiful female agent leads him to disaster...

This book also includes Live and Let Die, Moonraker, and an exclusive introduction by legendary Bond actor Roger Moore!

Bond is back! From the pages of British newspaper the Daily Express comes the global phenomenon that is James Bond! Ian Fleming's serialised comic strip novels featuring the world's greatest secret agent are reprinted here in new Collectors' Library volumes. These classic stories are brought to the comic strip page by highly talented writer/artists Henry Gammidge, Anthony Hern and John McLusky. Expertly drawn and highly detailed, James Bond's adventures are a nostalgic trip into the characters past and world. This volume features a special introduction by James Bond actor Roger Moore, an article on the literary history of James Bond post-Ian Fleming, a story checklist, articles looking at adapting the stories from novel to comic strip and two bonus stories Live and Let Die as well as the rarely seen Moonraker. **TP \$24.95**

Colonel Sun

Ian Fleming

The world's greatest secret agent returns, as some of his most thrilling missions are collected for the first time ever! When M is kidnapped in Greece, Bond must race to his rescue!

This book also includes River of Death plus a new introduction by Bond girl Britt Ekland and exclusive features examining the post-Fleming comics, and Kingsley Amis' Bond! **TP \$24.95**

Death Wing

Ian Fleming

The world's greatest secret agent returns, as some of his most thrilling missions are collected for the first time ever! 007 faces off against a unique group of aerial smugglers, and teams up with fellow 00 agent Suzi Kew! This never-before-collected edition also includes When the Wizard Awakes and Sea Dragon, plus a new introduction by Bond girl Madeline Smith (Live and Let Die) and exclusive feature material!

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The world's greatest secret agent returns, as some of his most thrilling missions are collected for the first time ever! Modern-day Midas Auric Goldfinger, plans on using his vast hoard of gold to control the planet. Bond must use all his rugged charms and brutal skills to stop him!

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The world's greatest secret agent returns in some of his most thrilling missions ever!

MI5 believes 007 is dead... until a brainwashed Bond tries to assassinate M! His conditioning broken, Bond is sent on a deadly mission: to track down the sadistic killer Francisco Scaramanga — 'The Man with the Golden Gun'!

This collection of the classic British newspaper strip also includes 'The Living Daylights', an in-depth article on the Bond books, a look at the Bond strip creators and an introduction by Lucy Fleming. This volume features a special introduction by Ian Fleming's niece, Lucy Fleming, an article on the origins of Bond, an article on Lawrence and Horak's involvement with the comic strip, a story checklist, an article exploring the differences between the stories novel, comic strip and film and a bonus story The Living Daylights. 007 is in trouble. In The Man With the Golden Gun our secret agent becomes a lethal pawn sent to kill his boss by the KGB. MI5 believe James Bond is dead until a brainwashed Bond attempts to assassinate M! With his KGB conditioning removed M sends Bond on a mission to redeem himself: to track down the sadistic Francisco Scaramanga, a marksman who uses a pistol of gold to kill those who get in the way of his plans. But having to deal with KGB agents and femme fatales Bond realizes how tricky tracking him down is going to be. And in The Living Daylights Bond must deal with another sharpshooter. A KGB sniper is the target but things become more complicated when a beautiful musician enters the crosshairs. A collection of exciting, action-packed adventures that will leave every fan and newcomer shaken but not stirred! **TP \$24.95**

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The world's greatest secret agent returns in some of his most thrilling missions ever!

When an old friend's body is found in the Alps, 007 finds himself caught between Nazi gold, the Chinese Tongs and the eight-armed embrace of Octopussy!

This collection of the classic British newspaper strip also includes The Hildebrand Rarity, an exclusive introduction from Octopussy herself, Maud Adams, and background material on the history of James Bond!

This volume features a special introduction by Octopussy actress Maud Adams, an article on the literary history of James Bond, an article on Lawrence and Horak's adaptation of the short stories to comic strip, a story checklist and a rare bonus story The Hildebrand Rarity.

In Octopussy an old friend's body is found in the Alps 20 years after he disappeared. As he investigates, secret agent James Bond soon finds himself caught between Nazi gold, the Chinese Tongs and the vicious embrace of the eight-armed Octopussy! And in The Hildebrand Rarity Bond faces mortal danger in the Indian Ocean. Can our hero escape or is it the end of the world's greatest secret agent? A collection of exciting, action-packed adventures that will leave every fan and newcomer shaken but not stirred! **TP \$24.95**

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The world's greatest secret agent returns, as some of his most thrilling missions are collected for the first time ever! When SPECTRE freely offer up information about a soon-to-be-launched nuclear-powered airship, Bond is sent to investigate. But is the airship really in danger, or is Madame Spectra luring 007 into a death trap?

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When Vampire Hunter D learns of the villagers' bargain he knows he faces several almost impossible challenges--can he rid the town of the parasitic demons that plague it? What if Sakuri's inhabitants don't want to be rescued? And can he uncover the secret that even the vampire Noble is afraid to speak? **BPB \$21.95**

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In the title story, "Dark Nocturne", D is hired to unlock the secret of a siren's song that is drawing men in their twenties to their deaths in the hills outside Anise Village. In "Notes on Imagined Autumn" D finds himself caught between two lovers during a ritualistic sacrifice in the village of Shirley's Door, but if D can't stop the sacrifice will all in the village be doomed? And in "Legend of the War Demons" two living weapons, genetically engineered creatures who are the last remnants of a war waged hundreds of years in the past, find that battle is not so easily forgotten. It's up to D to stop their unending conflict before it consumes the present as it did the past. **BPB \$21.95**

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Battlestar Galactica Boardgame

After the Cylon attack on the Colonies, the battered remnants of the human race are on the run, constantly searching for the next signpost on the road to Earth. They face the threat of Cylon attack from without, and treachery and crisis from within. Humanity must work together if they are to have any hope of survival?but how can they, when any of them may, in fact, be a Cylon agent?

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14 Second Darkness 2: Children of the Void

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Star Wars Miniatures

Clone Wars Booster Set

Based on the action-packed TV series, Star Wars: The Clone Wars will debut as Star Wars Miniatures, with a new Starter Set and 40-figure booster set – both featuring unique characters from this hotly-anticipated new Star Wars property.

Both the Starter Set and Booster Packs include iconic characters from the new Lucasfilm animated television series, Star Wars Clone Wars volumes I and II and the prequel trilogy of films. Collect Durge, Asajj Ventress, Captain Rex, and more! **Figurine \$22**

Clone Wars Starter Figurine \$22

Star Wars Saga RPG

Scum and Villainy

New options for scoundrel characters from the Star Wars Roleplaying Game.

Learn what it takes to be a smuggler, or how to build up a criminal empire that can rival the Hutt clans. Take your ship on the dangerous Kessel run, or chase down a bounty and claim your reward. Watch out for the long arm of Imperial law, though, or you may find yourself on a one-way trip to the spice mines.

This book provides extensive information on life on the fringe in the Star Wars universe. More than just information for players, this book gives Gamemasters a wide variety of information on bounty hunters, crime syndicates, smugglers, pirates, and criminals of all stripes throughout the Star Wars setting. Covering everything from vile Hutt gangsters to smooth-talking con artists, Scum and Villainy gives both players and Gamemasters everything they need to fit right in at Mos Eisley spaceport.

Scum and Villainy brings the Saga Edition rules to the fringes of society, introducing new rules and information on smugglers, bounty hunters, crime lords, and anyone else that walks outside the law. **HC \$60**

Warhammer 40K Roleplay

The Inquisitor's Handbook

Ready your bolter and fulfil your destiny!

The Inquisitor's Handbook is the essential tome for creating richly developed, properly equipped, and thoroughly indoctrinated Acolytes to serve the God-Emperor. It covers everything needed to create a unique character in the 41st Millennium and is suitable for both players and Game Masters. Explore advanced character generation, alternative ranks, and career paths including Black Priests of Maccabeus, Metalican Gunslingers, and Adepta Sororitas.

Equip yourself with a host of weapons and gear from across the forges, hives, and warzones of the Calixis Sector.

Develop rich character backgrounds with in-depth commentary on the Calixis Sector, ranging from religion and superstition to unique tools and resources of the Holy Ordos.

Discover hints and tips on establishing alter egos, gaining new contacts and informants, and other detailed advice for agents of the Golden Throne. **HC \$100**

Warmachine

Warmachine Prime Remix

Privateer Press presents your TOTAL rules authority for WARMACHINE. Now featuring shell-shocking full colour, the award-winning game of steam-powered miniatures combat is tuned up, rearmed, and ready to turn your tabletop into an arena of destruction. Combining and updating all the basic game rules from the original Prime and the Escalation, Apotheosis, and Superiority expansions with a comprehensive errata and clarifications appendix, WARMACHINE: Prime Remix is your single, undisputed gaming resource for high octane, metal-on-metal action. Experience WARMACHINE like never before with brilliant new artwork, a Formula P3 painting guide, and new fiction about your favorite characters and factions.

Haven't experienced the pulse-pounding action of the Iron Kingdoms battlefield yet? WARMACHINE: Prime Remix is your perfect opportunity to plunge into the maelstrom!

Whether you are a veteran commander or a fresh recruit, WARMACHINE: Prime Remix has everything you need to wage war in the world of full metal fantasy. **TP \$50**

No Quarter Magazine 21 November 2008 Magazine \$12

Khador Battlegroup \$100

Khador Beast – 09 \$103

Khador Spriggan Heavy Warjack \$60

Mercenaries: Lord Rockbottom \$18

Mercenaries: Mr Walls \$20

Khador Red Base Paint \$7

World of Darkness Mage the Awakening

Keys to the Supernal Tarot

Journey through the Tarot as a Mage Chronicle featuring 22 different cabals, legacies, Artefacts, and other ready-made story materials, each one tied to the Major Arcana from a Tarot Deck - seek Justice, pursue Strength, trick the Devil, and defy Death, each card holds a story to unfold. **HC \$55**

Other Books

Books in this section are unlikely to be held as stock, but are available by request.

These are mainly non-fiction, crime, thriller, historical fiction and romance titles. Be aware we cheerfully order in any available book for our readers, including computer texts, reference books, fiction such these listed here, etc. Maximise your Infinitas Guild points, we are keen for the business, but note it will take a week or two for the book to arrive once ordered for you.

Goon Show Compendium 2

This volume - which will feature the second 13 episodes from Series 5 - will also include two extensive 16 page booklets giving background notes (written by Goons expert Andrew Pixley and CD producer Ted Kendall). Some of the episodes have been previously released on cassette and CD, but their sound here will be remastered using new source material and technology. A half hour archive bonus feature will also be featured **CD \$120**

The Universal Crammer

Contains various key lessons that helps you re-discover facts and theories, from geography to history, from maths to English. **HC \$36.99**

All Colour Cookbook 200 Cocktails

Everyone enjoys a fancy tippie from time to time, whether partying among friends or taking a moment alone to relax, but sometimes you need more than just a rum & coke. This book provides you with over 200 recipes to create the perfect drink for any occasion, from a minty Mojito or classic Margarita to a sophisticated Champagne Cocktail or exotic Russian Spring Punch. With full-page colour photographs and easy-to-follow recipes, Hamlyn All Colour Cookbook: 200 Cocktails is the essential guide to impressing your guests and making your drinks toast of the town. **PB \$12.99**

Term Limits (Mitch Rapp)

Fed up with political spin? What if America's leaders were held accountable for their broken promises and made to pay for their corruption? On an overcast night in Washington DC, a group of highly-trained killers embark on a mission of shattering brutality. A shocked country awakens to the devastating news that three of their most powerful and unscrupulous politicians have been violently murdered. In the political firestorm and media frenzy that follow, the assassins release their demands: either the country's leaders set aside their petty, partisan politics and restore power to the people, or they will be held to deadly account.

Term Limits is a tour de force of suspense, in which the ultimate democratic ideal - a government of the people - is taken to a devastating extreme. **APB \$19.95**

Pears Cyclopeaedia 2008-2009

From Bow Bells to Byzantine art, from Komodo dragons to kamikaze pilots, and from literary pseudonyms to a chronicle of global history, Pears condenses a world of information on almost every conceivable subject into one concise volume. In fact, you could say it is the Swiss army knife of reference books, to be found on nearly every family bookshelf.

It is still updated by experts every year without fail, making it more reliable than most things in life (and a lot more accurate than many things you'll find online). This year there is new information on everything, from cat's eyes to Kosovo, and from great novels to landmarks in astronomy, but it still retains all the familiar features - such as the World Gazetteer, Medical Matters, the Literary Companion and the General Compendium - that have made Pears Britain's favourite book from the world's favourite publisher. **HC \$39.95**

Fictionary: Words that Don't Exist But Should

Maybe your vocab's out of vogue (please stop calling things 'rad!') or maybe you're embarrassed you didn't know what your workmate meant when she told you about her 'desk-burn' (an uncomfortable injury sustained during in-office sex). Either way, you need this sexy, sassy guide to today's trendiest terms.

Packed full of the words and phrases that are just becoming popular, or that should be, this is your gorgeous glossary of the cleverest words you've never heard. Whether you've just spotted another teenile person (someone who is far too old for what they wear), eaten some crapas (a bad example of the Spanish food craze) or you're stuck in the middle of apathy hour (what happy hour usually feels like), show off your chic conversation skills with this invaluable dictionary of all the latest sassy sayings, fashionable phrases and words that don't exist but really should. **HC \$24.95**

The Penguin Good Australian Wine Guide 2009

The 2009 Guide takes on the refreshing tone of its new editor, Nicholas Stock, without losing any of its reliable features (Penguin Wine Awards, rating system, top-quality and best-value lists, entertaining reviews). Over 1000 wines are reviewed and rated, including the very newest releases. Nicholas also provides suggestions on food to pair with each variety, as well as tips on cellaring and drinking wine. **TP \$32.95**

Ultimate Cocktail

Whether you are planning a cocktail party or are just in the mood for an exotic drink, "The Ultimate Cocktail Book" is the only reference you will need. With over 200 recipes from classics such as the Dry Martini and Tequila Sunrise to the more exotic Mai Tai and Singapore Sling, there is something for everyone to enjoy. Fun facts and interesting anecdotes will wow your friends and family. For instance, did you know that a Martini should traditionally be stirred, not shaken? Or that the Daiquiri was invented by an American mining engineer because he ran out of gin? Or that the Harvey Wallbanger was named after a Californian surfer who bounced off the walls after drinking too many cocktails? Expert tips on preparing and serving cocktails, will help you to create perfect cocktails every time! **PB \$25**

The Chaser Annual 2008

You've seen them cover the election, you've watched their prime-time TV show, you may even have chanced a ticket to their hugely successful all-singing, all-dancing variety show which recently toured nationally. But you still want more of The Chaser. Which is why you need The Chaser Annual 2008. In these pages, you can delight in the unique comedy which has made The Chaser a national institution. This is where they cut their razor-sharp satirical teeth in good old-fashioned print. Relive all the big news stories and hot issues of 2008, as the insightful, outrageous Chaser team walk you through the memories. This fully illustrated bumper annual includes some of the best political cartoons of the year by Andrew Weldon and Fiona Katauskas. You will be shocked, amused, educated, shocked again, and thoroughly entertained. **TP \$29.95**

Astronomy 2009 TP \$24

Delphi in a Nutshell TP \$75

Life and Teachings of the Masters of the Far East \$89.95

Warwick the Kingmaker: Politics, Power and Fame HC \$70

Scott Adams

Dilbert 2.0 (Dilbert)

In the tradition of *The Complete Far Side* and *The Complete Calvin and Hobbes*, *Dilbert 2.0* celebrates the 20th anniversary of Scott Adams's *Dilbert*, the touchstone of office humor. This special slipcased collection—weighing in at more than ten pounds with 600 pages and featuring almost 4,000 strips—takes readers behind the scenes and into the early days of Scott Adams's life pre-*Dilbert* and on to the success that followed when *Dilbert* became an internationally syndicated sensation.

Divided into five different epochs, *Dilbert 2.0* gives readers a glance at some of Adams's earliest strips, like those created for *Playboy*, and a peek at an abundance of special content ranging from numerous rejection letters to Adams's first cartooning check, and more.

Adams personally selected the material for this collection and offers original comments and humorous asides throughout. Also included is a piracy-protected disc that contains every *Dilbert* comic strip to date and that can be updated as new cartoons are released. **HC \$145**

Elia Anie

Evil Penguins: When Cute Penguins Go Bad

A whimsical assortment of cartoons depicting the darker side of happy-footed life features penguins with attitude who engage in such activities as ninja attacks on Inuits, baby seal clubbings, and revolts against the world at large. **PB \$14.95**

Max Arthur

Dambusters: A Landmark Oral History

On the 17th May 1943, nineteen Lancaster bomber crews gathered at a remote RAF station in Lincolnshire for a mission of extraordinary daring and high risk - a night raid on three crucial and heavily defended dams deep in the German industrial heartland. The raiders would have to fly across occupied Europe at a perilously low level and drop their bombs at a mere 60 feet above the water to destroy the dam walls. Eight planes never returned.

Bestselling author Max Arthur has collected together first-hand accounts of the preparation, practise, organisation and the raid itself, and the sense of emptiness and loss at RAF Scampton when 52 men failed to return. From RAF personnel and civilians to Germans who witnessed the raid, this landmark oral history collection paints a moving and personal picture of one of the most famous operations of the Second World War. **TP \$37.95**

Douglas Brown

Just Do It

Outside of her family and close friends, Annie had not mentioned the sexathon to anybody, which probably was the best way to go. I, however, had blathered on about the endeavor to anybody with ears. It was the whole Heisman Trophy thing. On this, my first day back in the office after kicking off the sexpedition, my boss blushed when she saw me. Another boss reddened as well. Yet another beheld me, took a few steps back, and asked, "Uh, how's it going?" He actually circumnavigated me after I answered, like I'd morphed into some hellion driven by fierce, feral loin power . . . I felt stronger. I felt suave. I felt-gasp-Mediterranean. I'd instantly become an objectified sexual being: That man had sex last night! He is going to do it again tonight! Wow!

-From *Just Do It*

Creeping into middle-age and saddled with work deadlines, child-rearing, homemaking, and fourteen years of togetherness, an ordinary, happy but harried couple set an outlandish goal: to have sex for 101 consecutive days-no excuses (not even the flu, late-night child wanderings, or flat-out exhaustion).

What ensued is by turns hilarious, tender, and seductive, including sexual romps in hotels (both cheap and classy), at an ashram, in a basement, atop boulders and unstable easy chairs, but most often in their own bedroom, which they dubbed the "sex den." As Doug and Annie Brown literally screwed their way through months of a cold Colorado winter, they turned up the heat by attending the Adult Entertainment Expo in Vegas (the Oscars of the porn world); taking Bikram "hot" yoga to get limber; and stocking up on candles, Viagra (just in case), lube, lingerie, and sex toys galore.

But besides the awe in their ability to get it on day after day-and actually enjoy it-they were more surprised and touched by how much closer they became, relishing conversations, holding hands, hanging out in hip coffee shops together instead of in the aisles of Target, and firming up (no pun intended) a relationship that already seemed as good as it could get.

Seeking out babysitters, getting fit, and dressing up, these two forty-year-olds began courting each other the way they did when they first met in their twenties, only seven moves and two pregnancies later. As Doug Brown lays everything bare-from his triumphs to his tanks (yes to making love on an exercise ball; no to Tantric sex tricks), we get an inside look at the male mind and discover that a good husband and a good dad can also be one hell of a lover.

The jolt that every marriage needs and longs for, *Just Do It* proves that even when it feels like there's never enough time or energy, trust Annie and Doug...THERE IS. **HC \$34.95**

Christy Campbell

Band of Brigands: The First Men in Tanks

Inspired by a visit to northeast France to witness the excavation of a remarkably intact First World War tank from beneath a suburban vegetable plot near the town of Cambrai, Christy Campbell began to piece together the little-known story of the young men who formed the British Tank Corps. Very few of them had been professional soldiers; they were motoring enthusiasts and mechanics, plumbers, motorcyclists, circus performers and polar explorers. One officer declared: 'I have never seen such a band of brigands in my life.' They had trained in conditions of great secrecy in the grounds of a mock-oriental stately home in East Anglia and were originally known as the 'Heavy Branch, Machine Gun Corps'. The word 'tank' itself was deliberately chosen to mislead. Men in tanks saw the face of battle at its most brutal. Their task was to crush and burn the enemy out of his fortifications, and to carve a path for the infantry so they could finish the job with bayonet and grenade. Captured tank crews were beaten up or sometimes shot out of hand by the Germans. They fought in their stifling armoured boxes packed with petrol and explosives, aware that at any moment a shell-hit might incinerate them all. Christy Campbell has combed contemporary diaries and letters and later recollections to tell properly for the first time the robust yet harrowing story of how the first men in tanks went to war. **BPB \$24.99**

Douglas Coupland

The Gum Thief

Roger is a middle-aged 'aisles associate' at a Staples outlet, condemned to restocking paper for the rest of his life, and his young co-worker Bethany has realised she's facing fifty more years of shelving Post-it notes. Then Bethany discovers Roger's notebook in the staff room. When she opens it up, she discovers that he's writing mock diary entries pretending to be her - and weirdly, he's getting it right. The two workers strike up an unlikely yet touching secret correspondence. As their lives unfold, so too do the characters of Roger's work-in-progress, the oddly titled *Glove Pond*, a Cheever-era novella gone horribly, horribly wrong. **PB \$23.95**

Gwyneth Cravens

Power to Save the World: The Truth About Nuclear Energy

A thought-provoking, critical analysis of nuclear energy takes a close-up look at the facts, fears, and myths about this energy resource, offering a detailed assessment of its risks and benefits while refuting familiar arguments against nuclear power and calling for its sensible exploitation as a safe energy source and a solution to the problem of global warming. **TP \$32.95**

Shannon Drake

The Queen's Lady

Lady Gwyneth Macleod has staked her fortune and her reputation to help Mary, Queen of Scots take her rightful place on the throne. But her struggle to guide the reckless, defiant queen has put her at perilous odds with Rowan Graham, a laird dangerously accomplished in both passion and Affairs of State.

And the more Gwyneth challenges Rowan's intentions, the less he can resist the desire igniting between them. Now, with her country in turmoil and treachery shadowing her every step, will Gwyneth's last daring gamble lead her to the ultimate betrayal - or a destiny greater than she could ever imagine? **APB \$16.95**

Vince Flynn

Separation of Power (Mitch Rapp)

CIA superagent Mitch Rapp is back in action in this high-velocity adventure from the master of the political thriller, VINCE FLYNN

Israel has discovered that Saddam Hussein is close to entering the nuclear arms race - and they've vowed to stop the Iraqi madman before he can get his hands on the ultimate weapon. With the Middle East teetering on the brink of chaos, the president of the United States is forced to act. The commander in chief's secret weapon? None other than the CIA's top counter-terrorism operative, Mitch Rapp.

Israel has given the United States only two weeks to take the nukes out. After that, they'll do whatever it takes to destroy the weapons themselves. With the haunting spectre of World War III looming, Rapp must race against time and impossible odds - tearing through the deadly alleyways of Baghdad and the corruption-riddled streets of Washington D.C., taking drastic measures against anyone who gets in his way. **PB \$19.95**

Executive Power (Mitch Rapp)

Praise is all very well, but recognition?

That's another thing.

Mitch Rapp's cover has been blown. Publicly thanked by the President of the United States as the single most important person in the war against the terror, the CIA superagent has become the target of every terrorist from Jakarta to London, who now know who he is and what he looks like.

A greater threat still lurks: an unknown assassin working with the most dangerous powers in the Middle East to set the region, and the world alight. Only Rapp can stop them.

But how can an undercover agent work when his cover's been blown? **PB \$19.95**

Extreme Measures (Mitch Rapp)

The CIA has intercepted two terrorist cells but a third is feared to be on the loose and it is led by a mastermind obsessed with becoming the leader of al-Qaeda. Rapp needs the best on the case and his choice is Mike Nash. Nash has served his government honourably for 16 years, first as an officer in the Marine Corps then as an operative in the elite counterterrorism team run by Rapp.

Together they have made careers out of meeting violence with extreme violence and they have never wavered in the fight against the jihadists. Both have fought the war on terror in secret. Both have been forced to lie to the ones they love. Both have saved thousands of lives.

But the one thing they never saw coming was that his own government was about to turn on him... **TP \$29.95**

Protect and Defend (Mitch Rapp)

With Iran on the brink of developing a nuclear weapon, the state of Israel is forced to react. In a daring raid, Israel destroys Iran's two main nuclear facilities, creating radioactive tombs and an environmental disaster. An outraged United Nations condemns the attacks while Iran swears vengeance against Israel and her chief backer: the USA.

Enter Lebanese master terrorist Imad Mugnyiah who's spent the past decade picking his targets and preparing his cells for this exact moment. When the US President dispatches CIA director Irene Kennedy to the region in an attempt to avert all-out conflict, Mugnyiah seizes his chance. With Kennedy's life in jeopardy, the President calls on the one man ruthless enough to counter the fanatical terrorist bent on unleashing a torrent of violence against the US. Enter Mitch Rapp, America's terrorist hunter and one man wrecking crew. Meeting violence with violence, Rapp tracks Mugnyiah across Europe to America, where they are pitted against each other in a hunt that only one of them can survive. **PB \$19.95**

Third Option (Mitch Rapp) **APB \$19.95**

Transfer of Power (Mitch Rapp) **APB \$19.95**

Robin Gerster Australian Author

Travels in Atomic Sunshine: Australia and the Occupation of Japan

In February 1946, the Australians of the British Commonwealth Occupation Force (BCOF) moved into western Japan to 'demilitarise and democratise' the atom-bombed backwater of Hiroshima Prefecture. For over six years, up to 20,000 Australian servicemen, including their wives and children, participated in an historic experiment in nation-rebuilding dominated by the United States and the occupation's supreme commander, General MacArthur.

It was to be a watershed in Australian military history and international relations. The Chifley government wanted to make Australia's independent presence felt in post-war Asia-Pacific affairs, yet the venture heralded the nation's enmeshment in American geopolitics. This was the forerunner of the today's peacekeeping missions and engagements in contentious US-led military occupations.

The occupation of Japan was also a compelling human experience. It was a cultural reconnaissance - the first time a large number of Australians were able to explore in depth an Asian society and country. It was an unprecedented domestic encounter between peoples with apparently incompatible traditions and temperaments. Many relished exercising power over a despised former enemy, and basked in the 'atomic sunshine' of American Japan.

Yet numerous Australians developed an intimacy with the old enemy, which put them at odds with the 'Jap' haters back home, and became the trailblazers of a new era of bilateral friendship. **HC \$49.95**

Harry Giesen Australian Author

Seventh Time Lucky **TP \$27.95**

Andrew M Greeley*The Archbishop in Andalusia (Blackie Ryan)*

Sent to Spain to prevent a murder, Archbishop John Blackwood "Blackie" Ryan protects a beautiful widow from avaricious relatives who would seize control of her fortune, an effort that is further complicated by dramatic events back in his Chicago home. **HC \$51.95**

Michael Green*Blood Line (01)*

When a pandemic strikes, members of the Chatfield family possess a crucial advantage. Guessing that their relatives on the other side of the world might also have escaped the devastating virus, and knowing that for their ultimate survival they must increase their gene pool, two members of the family's New Zealand branch embark on a perilous journey in a small yacht. The community they find on the other side of the world is a very different one, based on the rule of fear. Not only does it look impossible to take anyone back to New Zealand, but it may also be impossible for them to escape themselves. **TP \$34.95**

John Grisham*The Appeal*

In a crowded courtroom in Mississippi, a jury returns a shocking verdict against a chemical company accused of dumping toxic waste into a small town's water supply, causing the worst "cancer cluster" in history. The company appeals to the Mississippi Supreme Court, whose nine justices will one day either approve the verdict or reverse it.

Who are the nine? How will they vote? Can one be replaced before the case is ultimately decided?

The chemical company is owned by a Wall Street predator named Carl Trudeau, and Mr. Trudeau is convinced the Court is not friendly enough. With judicial elections looming, he decides to try to purchase himself a seat on the Court. The cost is a few million dollars, a drop in the bucket for a billionaire like Mr. Trudeau. Through an intricate web of conspiracy and deceit, his political operatives recruit a young, unsuspecting candidate. They finance him, manipulate him, market him, and mould him into a potential Supreme Court justice. Their Supreme Court justice.

The Appeal is a powerful, timely, and shocking story of political and legal intrigue, a story that will leave readers unable to think about the electoral process or judicial system in quite the same way ever again. **APB \$19.95**

Tom Harper*Lost Temple*

For three thousand years, the world's most dangerous treasure has been lost. Now the code that reveals its hiding place is about to be broken.

Sam Grant is a disgraced ex-SOE soldier and an adventurer by trade. But he has a secret: six years ago, a dying archaeologist entrusted him with his life's work - transcripts of mysterious writing found in a hidden cave on Crete. Deciphered, it could lead to one of the greatest prizes in history. But the treasure is as dangerous as it is valuable. The CIA wants it; so does the KGB. Helped by a brilliant Oxford professor, and a beautiful Greek archaeologist with her own secrets to hide, Grant is plunged into a labyrinth of ancient cults, forgotten mysteries and lost civilizations. But time is running out.

The secrets of the distant past may hold the key to the newest threats of the modern world. **APB \$24.95**

P D James*The Private Patient (Adam Dalgliesh)*

When the notorious investigative journalist, Rhoda Gradwyn, booked into Mr Chandler-Powell's private clinic in Dorset for the removal of a disfiguring and long-standing facial scar, she had every prospect of a successful operation by a distinguished surgeon, a week's peaceful convalescence in one of Dorset's most beautiful manor houses and the beginning of a new life. She was never to leave Cheverell Manor alive. Dalgliesh and his team are called in to investigate the murder, and later a second death, which are to raise even more complicated problems than the question of innocence of guilt. A new detective novel by P.D. James is always keenly awaited and The Private Patient will undoubtedly equal the success of her world-wide bestseller, The Lighthouse. **TP \$32.95**

Paul Johnston*The Soul Collector*

Having been singled out by a vicious and manipulating serial killer dubbed 'The White Devil' just two years ago, author Matt Wells knows what it's like to look evil in the face – and survive.

He's now rebuilt his life, but has never stopped looking over his shoulder – knowing the sister of his tormentor is still at large, and has sworn retribution.

When his best friend is found callously executed, it appears his paranoia is well-founded. As cryptic clues to the next victim are emailed to him, it is chillingly clear that his deadly dance with the devil has begun once more.

Anyone who knows Matt is suddenly in mortal danger, and only he can stop it. **TP \$32.95**

Dr Karl Kruszelniki Australia*Science is Golden*

'Nullius in verba', The Royal Society's motto, roughly translated, means? 'Take nobody's word for it'. Why not do the experiment? for yourself and see the reality of nature.

Don't trust authority - trust nature.

Does cranberry juice cure urinary tract infections? Is the hookah really a safer way to smoke? Will the Large Hadron Collider destroy the Earth and the Universe? Is the purpose of the peacock's tail to attract females? And in the unlikely event of a plane crash, are some seats safer than others?

The human hand has 27 bones; Uranus has 27 moons; 27 is a perfect cube, being 3 x 3 x 3; and in this, Dr Karl's 27th book, he takes us on another exploration of the dazzling world of science. **TP \$27.99**

Mark Kurlansky*Salt: A World History*

A history of salt notes its role as currency, in the establishment of trade routes and cities, and as an agenda of war, noting key figures who played major parts in its manufacture and distribution.

Explores the role of salt in shaping history, discussing how one of the world's most sought-after commodities has influenced economics, science, politics, religion, and eating customs.

Kurlansky combines thorough research with an engaging writing style to make this a readable and fascinating history. This is a handy paperback reprint of the first edition, which was published by Walker & Co. in 2002. **TP \$39.95**

Michael Leunig *Australian Author*

Hot

Michael Leunig's words and pictures were first published in Australia in 1965. He was born in Melbourne and now lives on a farm in north-eastern Victoria. Hot comprises pieces that have previously appeared in the Melbourne Age and the Sydney Morning Herald. **PB \$24.95**

The Lot: the Journalism of Michael Leunig

There are few aspects of human existence to which Michael Leunig has not turned his renaissance mind. In this far-reaching volume, selected from his newspaper essays of the past two decades - and most particularly from pieces in the Saturday Age - his subjects range from the sublime to the seemingly ridiculous. From the fragility of the human psyche and the ecology of the spirit to the silliness of much that passes for social life. To the brutalisation of the modern world: the violence we unwittingly commit against each other and against our deeper selves every day, and the all too obvious violence played out on the world stage. To the foibles of the pretentious and the pompous. The value of the mundane and the ugly. The hypocrisy of the political order. The dark side of the national character. The wisdom of the innocent. The sadness of the brain-ridden. Our exquisite inseparability from the natural world ...

In even the smallest things, Leunig sees the larger key. And no matter how serious or confronting the topic, he finds the funny side. The uplifting side. The side you didn't even realise was there. **TP \$29.95**

The Curly Pyjama Letters

These letters are a small fragment of the vast correspondence known to have taken place between lone voyager Vasco Pyjama and his friend and mentor Mr Curly of Curly Flat.

While domestic contentment and ease with the natural world are Mr Curly's major attributes, Vasco's restless nature has compelled him into a great voyage of discovery. In the company of his direction-finding duck, he has wandered far and wide, risking, finding, enjoying and observing much.

There is a language of unique personal protocol, as is often found in conversations between creative and intelligent minds in awe of life's complex grandeur, beauty and pathos. **PB \$19.95**

Joshua Levine

Forgotten Voices of the Somme

1916. The Somme. With over a million casualties, it was the most brutal battle of the First World War.

It is a clash that even now, over 90 years later, remains seared into the national consciousness, conjuring up images of muddy trenches and young lives tragically wasted. Its first day, July 1st 1916 - on which the British suffered 57,470 casualties, including 19,240 dead - is the bloodiest day in the history of the British armed forces to date. On the German side, an officer famously described it as 'the muddy grave of the German field army'. By the end of the battle, the British had learned many lessons in modern warfare while the Germans had suffered irreplaceable losses, ultimately laying the foundations for the Allies' final victory on the Western Front.

Drawing on a wealth of material from the vast Imperial War Museum Sound Archive, Forgotten Voices of the Somme presents an intimate, poignant, sometimes even bleakly funny insight into life on the front line: from the day-to-day struggle of extraordinary circumstances to the white heat of battle and the constant threat of injury or death. Featuring contributions from soldiers of differing backgrounds, ranks and roles, many of them previously unpublished, this is the definitive oral history of this unique and terrible conflict. **HC \$59.95**

Chris Mace

Mindfulness and Mental Health

Being mindful can help people feel calmer and more fully alive. Mindfulness and Mental Health examines other effects it can also have and presents a significant new model of how mindful awareness may influence different forms of mental suffering. The book assesses current understandings of what mindfulness is, what it leads to, and how and when it can help. It looks at the roots and significance of mindfulness in Buddhist psychology and at the strengths and limitations of recent scientific investigations. A survey of relationships between mindfulness practice and established forms of psychotherapy introduces evaluations of recent clinical work where mindfulness has been used with a wide range of psychological disorders. As well as considering current 'mindfulness-based' therapies, future directions for the development of new techniques, their selection, how they are used and implications for professional training are discussed. Finally, mindfulness' future contribution to positive mental health is examined with reference to vulnerability to illness, adaptation and the flourishing of hidden capabilities. As a cogent summary of the field that addresses many key questions, Mindfulness and Mental Health is likely to help therapists from all professional backgrounds in getting to grips with developments that are becoming too significant to ignore. **TP \$90**

Alistair MacLean

The Complete Navarone

Twelve hundred British soldiers isolated on the small island of Kheros off the Turkish coast, waiting to die. Twelve hundred lives in jeopardy, lives that could be saved if only the guns could be silenced. The guns of Navarone, vigilant, savage and catastrophically accurate. Navarone itself, grim bastion of narrow straits manned by a mixed garrison of Germans and Italians, an apparently impregnable iron fortress. To Captain Keith Mallory, skilled saboteur, trained mountaineer, fell the task of leading the small party detailed to scale the vast, impossible precipice of Navarone and to blow up the guns. The Guns of Navarone is the story of that mission, the tale of a calculated risk taken in the time of war...

In Force 10 from Navarone, the heroic survivors have no time to rest on their laurels. Almost before the last echoes of the famous guns have died away, Keith Mallory, Andrea and Dusty Miller are parachuting into war-torn Yugoslavia to rescue a division of Partisans ... and to fulfil a secret mission, so deadly that it must be hidden from their own allies.

In Storm Force from Navarone, Mallory, Miller and Andrea are sent on a perilous mission through the Pyrenees to disable the greatest threat to the success of the D-Day landings - the Werewolf U-boats. With less than six days to locate the submarines and destroy them, and communications insecure, they must operate outside normal channels, cut off from any back-up.

In Thunderbolt from Navarone, they are summoned to Naval HQ and told to reconnoitre the reek island of Kynthos, determine the German development of the lethal and experimental A3 rocket and destroy any facilities. It seems like a guaranteed suicide mission, but if anyone can pull off the impossible, it's Mallory and his team... **TP \$32.99**

Shane McCarthy

Patterns of Steam

HC \$120

Scott McGregor *Australian author*

Big Boys' Toys

Men grow old but they don't always grow up. In fact, often the only difference between men and boys is the size of their toys ...All over the country, in sheds, hangers and harbours, a silent army of dedicated other halves has been tinkering away restoring war horses and work horses, pleasure craft and mean machines to their gleaming and gargantuan former glory. At last, in *Big Boys Toys*, these blokes step out into the daylight to be counted, to stand up for what's big and noisy and leaking oil everywhere. Centurion tanks, tug boats, paddle steamers, super tractors, top-fuellers, flying tricycles: you name it, they're fixing it, or painting it, tuning it or replacing the brake pads - once again. Packed with photos and vital statistics, *Big Boys Toys* lifts the dust sheet and scrapes back the paint to uncover the whos, the hows and, most mysteriously, the whys, of oversized boys and their magnificent toys. **PB \$24.95**

Evan McHugh

Shipwrecks: Australia's Greatest Maritime Disasters

From the first wreck in 1622 off Western Australia to the tragedy of the 1998 Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race, Evan McHugh captures all the drama of Australia's maritime history. There are swashbuckling mutineers, violent storms, uncharted reefs, enemy warships, as well as ripping yarns about Dutchmen and lascars, Aborigines and escaped convicts. In producing this remarkable book, McHugh has made extensive use of first-hand accounts and contemporary records. With characteristic flair, he also delves into the mysteries and controversies that still surround so many of the wrecks.

Shipwrecks is a white-knuckle voyage through chaos and tragedy which proclaims the courage and strength of the human spirit. It is a powerful reminder that even in the twenty-first century, the sea remains a great, unconquered frontier. **BPB \$24.95**

Outback Pioneers

In this collection, Evan tells the remarkable stories of thirteen men and women who opened up the Australian outback and in the process discovered the beauty and terror of this extraordinary country. There's the little-known explorer John Wilson, who first crossed the Blue Mountains; Australia's greatest drover, Nat Buchanan, who blazed stock routes from one side of the country to the other; and the brilliant, tenacious engineers who built the Coolgardie Pipeline and the Trans-Australian Railway. There are some delightful inclusions: a gentle Pakistani cameleer who saved the lives of foolhardy expeditioners; a nerdy ham radio operator who invented the pedal radio; the bush nurses who endured insufferable conditions to save human lives; and the lovely blokes who set up the Save the Bilby Fund. Evan has left no stone unturned in his research, and effortlessly brings these people to life on the page - I swear I could almost taste the dust. **TP \$34.95**

Di Morrissey *Australian Author*

The Islands

It's the psychedelic 70s and social conventions are being challenged. When Catherine Moreland from rural Australia goes on her first trip abroad, a handsome American naval officer sweeps her off her feet and she goes to live in beautiful, romantic Hawaii with her new husband.

At first, the magic and loveliness of the Islands lead Catherine to believe she is living in paradise. She befriends Kiann'e, a traditional dancer; Eleanor, the owner of the legendary Palm Grove Hotel; Lester, a reclusive old surfer; and royal Beatrice, leading the fight to maintain Hawaii's heritage and culture.

However, as Catherine learns more about the Islands, she begins to discover that paradise has a darker side. And when she meets a mystery man of the sea, as though hit by a tsunami, her life is turned upside down and changed forever. **TP \$32.99**

Shirley R Murphy

Cat Deck the Halls (Joe Grey Mystery)

In the aftermath of a traumatized girl's witness to a holiday-season shooting, feline sleuth Joe Grey, his girlfriend Dulcie, and their tortoise-shell companion Kit endeavor to track down a killer and assist an investigation by stumped human police. **APB \$17.95**

Wendy Northcutt

Darwin Awards 5: Next Evolution

All-new tales from the shallow end of the gene pool.

Named in honour of Charles Darwin, the father of evolution, The Darwin Awards pays homage to those who improve our gene pool... by removing themselves from it. Most of us know instinctively that igniting a blasting cap in our mouth is a recipe for disaster. Darwin Award winners do not. Most of us have basic sound judgement that eliminates the need for NO SMOKING signs at ammo dumps. Darwin Award winners do not. Whether it's thallium-snorting soldiers, head-butting motorcyclists, or hatchet-wielding men who mistake a body part for a chicken neck, there's no shortage of creative Darwin Award winners. There's a reason the instructions say, 'Don't heat your lava lamp on the stove.' Only a Darwin Award winner would learn the fatal reason why. Filled with 150 original tales of evolution in action, science, and other categories, The Darwin Awards V demonstrates that when it comes to common sense, natural selection still has a long way to go **BPB \$24.95**

Jason Osipa

Stop Staring

Facial Modeling and Animation Done Right, 2nd Edition

Breathe life into your creations With detailed examples, high-quality professional images, and a touch of humor, this is the fully revised and updated second edition of Jason Osipa's best-selling book on facial animation. You'll learn the basics of design, modeling, rigging, and animation-while mastering exciting new techniques for stretch-and-squash deformation, advanced blend extraction, and the latest software tools. Walk through the author's detailed analysis of sample animations and discover how to add nuance and sophistication to your designs. Full of insights drawn from years of professional experience, this book provides the focused and practical information you need to create believable facial animations. Learn visemes and lip sync techniques Construct a mouth and mouth keys Explore the process of facial landmarking Master the cartoon techniques of squash and stretch Harness the latest advanced blend extraction tools Create interfaces for your faces Understand skeletal setup, weighting, and rigging Control faces with the book's powerful rig and learn how skin moves to make various shapes and expressions Master powerful stretch-and-squash (and squoosh!) techniques Featured on the CD Fine-tune your facial animations with the techniques demonstrated on the companion CD. **TP \$74.95**

James Patterson

Cross Country (Alex Cross)

Alex Cross is drawn into a bitter personal battle against corruption, conspiracy and savage violence in a chase that takes him through a vast and uncompromising landscape. When Cross is called to investigate a massacre-style murder scene, he is shocked to find that the victim is an old friend. Angry, hurt and more determined than ever, Cross begins the hunt for the perpetrators of this cruel crime. He is drawn into a dangerous underworld right in the heart of Washington DC that leads him on a life threatening journey to the Niger Delta where heroin dealing, slave trade and oil and gas theft are rife. At the centre of this terrifying world, Cross finds the Tiger, the psychopathic leader of a fearsome gang of killers who are not what they seem. When the Tiger is on the prowl, he shows no mercy to others. But Alex Cross is hot on his heels in a heart-stopping chase that takes him across Africa and finds him not only hunting for a horrific killer but also fighting for his own survival. **TP \$32.95**

Don Pendleton*Plains of Fire (SuperBolan 123)*

When a brutal African warlord unleashes a murderous plague throughout Sudan, spreading panic and anarchy, Mack Bolan gives the terrormongers something to fear when he orders Africa's tyrants to stand down or pay a deadly price. **APB \$17.95**

Mission to Burma (Executioner 360)

When a CIA agent carrying highly classified information disappears when her plane is shot down over Burma, Mack Bolan embarks on a dangerous rescue mission that pits him against Chinese forces and the Indian military and reveals a traitor in his midst. **APB \$13.95**

Richard Porter*Big Book of Top Gear 2009*

If you like the Top Gear TV show but you wish it was made of paper and didn't move around so much, this is the answer to your prayers. The Big Book of Top Gear is packed full of all the chunky, meaty, sometimes-a-bit-on-fire goodness of the telly programme, with the added bonus that you can read it in the bath.

Among other things you'll find:

- * 27 previously unknown facts about the Stig
- * some of the most powerful cars ever to attack the track
- * the raunchy story of Richard Hammond's love affair with a small Opel
- * an essential guide to May-style sheds for the modern gentleman
- * everything you wanted to know, but never found out, about Top Gear's most exciting trips
- * comprehensive, fully illustrated arguments against both public transport and the humble caravan

Packed with action and all the power you'd expect from the petrol heads at Top Gear, The Big Book 2009 is the must-have for fans of Top Gear, from teenagers to grandads and everyone in between. **HC \$34.95**

Barbara Rainey & Dennis Rainey*Starting Your Marriage Right: What you need to know and do in the early years to make it last a life*

TP \$29.95

Ruth Rendell*Portobello*

The Portobello area of West London has a rich personality - vibrant, brilliant in colour, noisy, with graffiti that approach art, bizarre and splendid. An indefinable edge to it adds a spice of danger. There is nothing safe about Portobello. Eugene Wren inherited an art gallery from his father near an arcade that now sells cashmere, handmade soaps and children's clothes. But he decided to move to a more upmarket site in Kensington Church Street. Eugene was fifty, with prematurely white hair. He was, perhaps, too secretive for his own good. He also had an addictive personality. But he had cut back radically on his alcohol consumption and had given up cigarettes. Which was just as well, considering he was going out with a doctor. For all his good intentions, though, there was something he didn't want her to know about.

On a shopping trip one day, Eugene, quite by chance, came across an envelope containing money. He picked it up. For some reason, rather than report the matter to the police, he wrote a note and stuck it up on lamppost near his house: 'Found in Chepstow Villas, a sum of money between eighty and a hundred and sixty pounds. Anyone who has lost such a sum should apply to the phone number below.' This note would link the lives of a number of very different people - each with their obsessions, problems and dreams and despairs. And through it all the hectic life of Portobello would bustle on. **TP \$32.95**

Lorna Robinson*Ad Nauseum*

Join Lorna Robinson as she introduces you to the fascinating (and humorous) world of the Latin language. Explore ancient Rome through familiar and not-so familiar words and concepts - from the more classic Latin of the upper classes to the insults and the everyday 'vulgar Latin' straight from the seedy underbelly of Roman life. Be amazed at just how many Latin words and phrases are still in use around the world today - excluding the favourite Roman insult: *sterculinum publicum!* (you public toilet!) which might yet make a comeback. Beautifully illustrated with original Roman mosaics, Ad Nauseum brings to life the history and humour behind this world-shaping empire. **HC \$24.95**

Laura Rowland*The Fire Kimono*

As the conflict between Sano Ichiro and his enemies escalates, the samurai detective and his wife, Reiko, are called in by the shogun to investigate a mysterious skeleton, in a case that forces them to confront perilous, long-buried secrets, including the involvement of Sano's own mother in an arson fire, started by a burning kimono, that nearly destroyed the city. **HC \$51.95**

Christopher Sheil*The Year of the Dogs*

War on the Waterfront **TP \$29.95**

Bruce Simpson Australian Author*Where the Dead Men Lie*

Retired drover and bush poet Bruce Simpson travelled along the old Cobb & Co coach roads and stock routes in western Queensland to find the final resting places of some of our earliest settlers. He tells tales of the perils of life on 'the wastes of the Never Never' and the desperate circumstances faced by victims of accident, sickness, raging bushfires and rising floodwaters - all isolated from help by sheer distance. Along with photographer Ian Tinney, whose striking photographs document these sites for posterity, Bruce Simpson visited some of the legendary drinking places, many in ruins, of characters such as bushmen and bushrangers - bringing to life memories of Australia in a long-vanished time. **PB \$24.95**

David Southwell*1001 Ridiculous Ways to Die*

Hundreds of entertaining, factual accounts of bizarre, amazing and absurd ways to meet your maker are compiled in this book. A huge collection of incredible cautionary tales about the undignified ways you can kick the bucket - and they're all true!

The mechanic who blew himself up while trying to open a rocket-propelled grenade with a sledgehammer, A woman felled by a fatal flying lettuce, The octogenarian who caught a shopping trolley to a permanent vacation, The convicted murderer who electrocuted himself on the toilet as he repaired a TV. These are all true reports which reveal the silliest ways you can bite the big one. Death may seem like a serious business, but this is a seriously funny book. **BPB \$24.99**

Paul Strathern

Napoleon in Egypt

This captivating narrative details Napoleon's dramatic invasion of Egypt in 1798, the first attack on a Middle-Eastern country by a Western power in modern times. With 335 ships and 40,000 men, it was the largest long-distance seaborne force the world had ever seen. But Napoleon's assault was intended to be much more than a colonial adventure, for he took with him over one hundred and fifty scientists, mathematicians, artists, and writers - a "Legion of Culture" - with a view to bringing Western civilization to "backward" Egypt. Drawing upon newly uncovered diaries and papers, **NAPOLEON IN EGYPT** is a uniquely nuanced portrait of Napoleon, the colorful members of his expedition, and this bold gamble. Napoleon was just twenty-eight when he invaded Egypt, and it was an episode which contained in embryo many seminal events in his later life. Epic military victories, his declaration of himself as emperor, the introduction of the Napoleonic code - all of these were foreshadowed in this brilliant, ambitious, and ultimately disastrous adventure. Describes Napoleon Bonaparte's invasion of Egypt in 1798, the first attack on a Middle Eastern country by a Western power in modern times, examining Napoleon's military victories and the legacy of his expedition. **\$59.95**

Julie Summers

Stranger in the House

Over 4 million ex-service men were demobilised between 1945 and 1947. These men, changed by injury or experience, returned to a Britain that had also adjusted in their absence. In *Stranger in the House*, Julie Summers talks to the women who were left to cope at home without their menfolk and explains how the longed-for homecomings were sometimes difficult for all concerned. With the majority of young men away fighting, wives, daughters and mothers maintained the home front by going out to work, running the household, looking after the family and becoming the main breadwinner. Of course most of these women looked forward for the safe return of their men, but often did not realise that they themselves had been changed by their own time coping alone. When the war was over there were many wives who had to deal with an injured, emotionally-damaged husband, children who had never seen their father before, mothers whose sons did not want to speak about their horrific experiences and those who thought their fiancés were dead only to find them reappearing after they had married another. Julie Summers has spent hours speaking to the women involved and listening to their often sad, sometimes joyous, stories. Families were long affected by the fall-out of the war's survivors, from depression to alcoholism to marital disharmony and divorce and many have spoken here for the first time about those challenges. An enlightening, fascinating insight into a little-known aspect of our recent history, *Stranger in the House* is a moving and honest look at how ordinary women's private lives were altered forever. **HC \$39.95**

Kim Terakes

The Great Aussie Barbie Cookbook

The Great Aussie Barbie Cookbook is a must for anyone who has ever prodded a sausage over a flame and dreamed of something more. It covers all the basics of cooking on the barbie, and is full of ideas for delicious dishes to suit any occasion - a family gathering, a special celebration or just a regular school-night meal.

Using the best fresh produce available, the recipes are uncomplicated and unfussy, and work every time. There are new takes on some old favourites, from the classic filet mignon to an upmarket surf 'n' turf, as well as a respectful nod to recent arrivals on the barbie scene, such as Thai beef salad and grilled tuna. And it's not just the main courses that get attention. Kim Terakes, a hopeless foodie by any definition, shows you how to frame the perfect steak with tasty starters, healthy salads and absolutely irresistible desserts.

Rediscover the fun of outdoor cooking and learn a few barbecuing tricks that will make you a legend in your own neighbourhood. **TP \$35**

The Great Aussie Bloke's Cookbook

When it comes to cooking, the needs of the Great Aussie Bloke are simple. He wants food that tastes great, makes him look good, and doesn't take all day and numerous trips to the shops to prepare. Kim Terakes understands this, and he's written a cookbook with over 120 recipes and 80 colour photos that shows men how to cook for the different stages of their lives and as the occasion demands. There are simple dishes for young blokes just leaving home; quick and tasty numbers for school nights; one-dish wonders for when the boys drop by to watch the footy; dinner-party staples to impress friends; and a few high-cholesterol specials to deal with the inevitable hangover that results from all of the above.

Written with a wicked sense of humour and complete disregard for the niceties of political correctness, this is a must-have for men at every stage of life and every level of culinary ability. **TP \$35**

Peter Watt

The Frozen Circle

In 1918, after the Great War, two Australian soldiers join the British army to help fight the Bolshevik forces in northern Russia. Almost a century later, two bodies are unearthed in the small Australian country town of Valley View.

Following the Armistice, Sergeant Joshua Larkin is sent on a special mission deep into enemy territory in Russia. But when he is ordered to do the unthinkable, he must flee across Europe to protect a young woman, Maria, whose family has been executed. With Maria's life under threat from all sides due to her imperial connections, nowhere is safe.

Decades later, the discovery of the two skeletons in Valley View poses problems for local policeman Morgan McLean. Who are the victims and why were they killed? Could the rumours of an heir to the Russian throne be true? And what explosive secret is Britain's MI6 desperate to keep hidden by any means necessary?

Past and present collide in *The Frozen Circle*, and the fate of two people unleashes a volatile series of events that could reshape the world. **TP \$32.99**

Robin Wilson

Lewis Carroll in Numberland: His Fantastical mathematical Logical Life

Explores the imaginative and lesser-known mathematical prowess of the Alice's Adventures in Wonderland creator, in a volume of playful illustrations that reveals the geometrical, logical, and algebraic inspirations for some of his fantastical writings. **HC \$51.95**

Harvey S J Withers

The Illustrated Encyclopedia of Swords and Sabres **HC \$39.95**

Irving D Yalom

Existential Psychotherapy

Describes the approach of a therapy focusing on the patient's concern with death, freedom, isolation, and meaninglessness. **HC \$97**

Clive Young

Homemade Hollywood: Fans Behind the Camera

About fan films and their issues. **TP \$44.95**