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STATE OF TERROR
Hillary Rodham Clinton and Louise Penny

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHORS
EDITOR'S CHOICE #1 TITLE

State of Terror follows a novice Secretary of State who has joined the administration of her rival, a president inaugurated after four years of American leadership that shrank from the world stage.

A series of terrorist attacks throws the global order into disarray and the Secretary is tasked with assembling a team to unravel the deadly conspiracy, a scheme carefully designed to take advantage of an American government dangerously out of touch and out of power in the places where it counts the most. This is a high stakes thriller of international intrigue that features behind-the-scenes global drama informed by details only an insider could know.

Thriller | Releases 10/12/2021 | Available in Basic 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8.

AN IMPOSSIBLE PROMISE
Providence Falls • Book 2
Jude Deveraux and Tara Sheets

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR'S CHOICE #1 TITLE

Liam O'Connor has one purpose in this life — to push the woman he loves into the arms of another man. The Irish rogue unknowingly changed the course of destiny when he fell in love with Cora McLeod over a century ago, and the angels have been trying to restore the balance of fate ever since. Now police officers in Providence Falls, North Carolina, Liam and Cora are partners on a murder investigation. The angels have made it clear Cora must be with Finley Walsh. Cora is starting to have feelings for Liam. Liam knows this is the last chance to save his soul. Does he love Cora enough to let her go?

Romance | Releases 10/6/2021 | Available in Basic 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8.

FOUL PLAY
A Stone Barrington Novel
Stuart Woods

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR'S CHOICE #4 TITLE

Stone Barrington is nearing his New York City abode when he stumbles into trouble. As it turns out, a new client is in danger — and with both business and the safety of the city at stake, Stone has no choice but to get involved. It's soon clear that a complicated scheme is being hatched, and the source remains enigmatic . . . but it's only a matter of time before he and Stone must each show their hands. From ritzy Manhattan high-rises to the lush serenity of the Connecticut countryside, the game of cat-and-mouse can end with only one victor.

Adventure | Releases 10/6/2021 | Available in Basic 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8.
A DARKER REALITY
An Elena Standish Novel
Anne Perry
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR’S CHOICE #4 TITLE
On her first trip to Washington, D.C., Elena Standish finally gets to visit her American mother’s wealthy parents and their magnificent home. Elena’s grandparents are marking a milestone anniversary by throwing an elaborate party with the influential friends of her grandfather, a prominent political industrialist. The festivities come to a tragic end when one of the guests, Lila Worth, is run over by a car in the driveway outside. Elena believes Lila was trying to tell her something before her death, and when a call from her employer back home, MI6, confirms that Lila was a British spy, Elena pairs with a fellow agent to find out what vital information the young woman had in her possession and if it was worth killing for.

CROSSROADS
A Key to All Mythologies • Book 1
Jonathan Franzen
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR’S CHOICE #8 TITLE
“It’s December 23, 1971, and the Hildebrandt family is at a crossroads. Russ, the associate pastor of a suburban Chicago church, is poised to break free of a marriage he finds joyless — unless his brilliant and unstable wife, Marion, breaks free of it first. Their eldest child, Clem, is coming home from college afire with moral absolutism, having taken an action that will shatter his father. Clem’s sister, Becky, has veered into the era’s counterculture, while their younger brother, Perry, has firmly resolved to be a better person. Each of the Hildebrandts seeks a freedom that each of the others threatens to complicate.”

CUL-DE-SAC
Joy Fielding
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR’S CHOICE #8 TITLE
Someone on this quiet cul-de-sac will be shot dead. Will it be Maggie, the perfectionist wife, or Craig, the husband who can’t quite live up to her expectations? Maybe it will be Nick, an oncologist, or his wife, Dani, a successful dentist, both with secrets of their own. Or Julia, a widow whose grandson has moved in with her, introducing unsavory habits and acquaintances into her quiet existence. Then there’s Olivia and Sean. Having lost his job, Sean is depressed and drinking heavily. What of the newlyweds, Aiden and Heidi, whose marriage is already on the rocks? All harbor secrets. All bear scars. And all have access to guns. Not all will survive the night.

WE ARE NOT LIKE THEM
Christine Pride and Jo Piazza
“A propulsive, deeply felt tale of race and friendship.” — People
Jen and Riley have been best friends since kindergarten, though their lives have taken different directions. Jen married young and is finally pregnant. Riley pursued her dream of becoming a television journalist and is poised to become one of the first Black female anchors of the top news channel in Philadelphia. The bond they share is tested when Jen’s husband, a city police officer, is involved in the shooting of an unarmed Black teenager. Jen is in freefall as her future and her friendship with Riley are thrown into uncertainty. Riley wrestles with the implications of this tragic incident for her community, her ambitions, and her relationship with her friend.
DEAR MISS METROPOLITAN
Carolyn Ferrell

“Effectively unpacks both individual and collective trauma. It’s blistering from page one.” — starred, Publishers Weekly

“This tale of pain and healing will keep readers fully engaged and discussion groups talking for a long time.” — Library Journal

Fern seeks refuge from her mother via Soul Train; Gwin finds salvation in the music of Prince, and Jesenia is a brainy and precocious enigma. None of this matters to Boss Man, who abducts them and holds them captive in a dilapidated house in Queens. On the night they are rescued, throngs line the block gawking and claiming ignorance. Among them is Miss Metropolitan, advice columnist for the local weekly, but how could a “newspaperwoman” have missed a horror story unfolding right across the street? And why is it that only two of the three girls were found? The mystery haunts the two remaining “victim girls” who are subjected to the further trauma of becoming symbols.

General Fiction | Releases 10/6/2021
Available in Basic 5, 6, 7 & 8.

MARY JANE
Jessica Anya Blau

“Blau’s intelligent, witty novel captures the essence of the ’70s with humor and immensely appealing characters. Highly recommended.” — starred, Library Journal

In 1970s Baltimore, 14-year-old Mary Jane is glad when she lands a summer job as a nanny for the daughter of a local doctor. The house may look respectable on the outside, but inside it’s a literal and figurative mess: clutter on every surface, cereal, and takeout for dinner. Even more troublesome: the doctor is a psychiatrist who has cleared his summer to help a famous rock star dry out. Over the course of the summer, Mary Jane has a front-row seat to a liberal world of sex, drugs, and rock and roll (not to mention group therapy). She’ll arrive at September with a new idea about what she wants out of life, and what kind of person she’s going to be.

General Fiction | Releases 10/6/2021
Available in Basic 6, 7 & 8.

THE OTHER PASSENGER
Louise Candlish

INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLING AUTHOR

“This ingenious psychological thriller . . . has more bends and turns than the Thames River, which plays a significant role in the action-driven plot.” — Publishers Weekly

It all happens so quickly. One day you’re living the dream, commuting to work by ferry with your neighbor Kit in the seat beside you. The next, Kit hasn’t turned up for the boat and his wife, Melia, has reported him missing. When you get off at your stop, the police are waiting. Another passenger saw you and Kit arguing the night before and the police say that you had a reason to want him dead. You protest. You and Kit are friends — ask Melia, she’ll vouch for you. And who exactly is this other passenger pointing the finger? What do they know about your lives? No, whatever danger followed you home last night, you are innocent, totally innocent. Aren’t you?

Thriller | Releases 10/6/2021
Available in Basic 7 & 8.

THE CHOSEN AND THE BEAUTIFUL
Nghi Vo

INSTANT NATIONAL BESTSELLER
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“Vo goes ambitiously full-length with her tale of queer Vietnamese adoptee Jordan Baker, who uses magic to get what she wants in a 1920s Gatsby-like framework.” — Library Journal

Jordan Baker grows up in the most rarefied circles of 1920s American society — she has money, education, a killer golf handicap, and invitations to some of the most exclusive parties of the Jazz Age. She’s also queer and Asian, a Vietnamese adoptee treated as an exotic attraction by her peers, while the most important doors remain closed to her. The world is full of wonders: infernal pacts and dazzling illusions, lost ghosts, and elemental mysteries. In all paper is fire, and Jordan can burn the cut paper heart out of a man. She just has to learn how.

Fantasy | Releases 10/6/2021
Available in Basic 8.
THE SANTA SUIT
Mary Kay Andrews
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR'S CHOICE #7 TITLE
When newly-divorced Ivy Perkins buys an old farmhouse sight unseen, she's looking for a change in her life. The Four Roses, as the farmhouse is called, is a labor of love. At the top of a closet, Ivy finds an old Santa suit. In the pocket she finds a note from a girl who has one Christmas wish, for her father to return home from the war. Who wrote the note? Did the man ever come home? Ivy's quest brings her into the community, at a time when all she wanted to do was be left alone and nurse her wounds. But the magic of Christmas makes miracles happen, and Ivy might find more than she thought possible: a family reunited, a mystery solved, and a second chance at love.

Women's Fiction | Releases 10/6/2021 | Available in Core 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8.

THE BALLAD OF LAUREL SPRINGS
Janet Beard
INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLING AUTHOR
Ten-year-old Grace is in search of a subject for her fifth-grade history project when she learns that her four times-great grandfather once stabbed his lover to death. His grisly act was memorialized in a murder ballad, her aunt tells her, so it must be true. But the lessons of that revelation — to be careful of men, and desire — are not just Grace's to learn. Her family's tangled past is part of a dark legacy in which the lives of generations of women are affected by the violence immortalized in folksongs like “Knoxville Girl” and “Pretty Polly” reminding them always to know their place — or risk the wages of sin.

Women's Fiction | Releases 10/6/2021 | Available in Core 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8.

GOD REST YE, ROYAL GENTLEMEN
A Royal Spyness Mystery
Rhys Bowen
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
Georgie is excited for her first Christmas in her new home. She suggests to her husband, Darcy, that they have a party, but when Darcy receives a letter from his aunt Ermintrude, there's a change in plans. She wants to invite Darcy and his new bride for Christmas so they head to Sandringham. There have been a couple of strange accidents at the estate. Two gentlemen have died in mysterious circumstances and another has been shot. Georgie begins to suspect a member of the royal family is the real target but her investigation will put Darcy in the crosshairs of a killer.

Historical Fiction | Releases 10/6/2021 | Available in Core 5, 6, 7 & 8.
**DOG EAT DOG**
An Andy Carpenter Mystery
**David Rosenfelt**

**NATIONAL BESTSELLING AUTHOR**  
**SHAMUS AWARD WINNING AUTHOR**

Lawyer Andy Carpenter and his wife, Laurie, enjoy walking their dogs. When out for one of their strolls, their simple ritual isn’t so simple anymore. Across the street, a man is mistreating his dog. Andy yells, Laurie runs to stop the abuse, and so does a closer passerby, who thoroughly beats the owner. Andy takes the dog to the Tara Foundation, the dog rescue organization that’s his true passion. At the police station, the passerby is identified as Matthew Jantzen, and he’s wanted for murder. Andy and Laurie are struck by the fact that Jantzen, a man on the run, would intervene to help a dog, and decide to find out more.


Mystery | Releases 10/6/2021 | Available in Core 6, 7 & 8.

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**THE PERFECT MURDER**
Maximum Security • Book 4
**Kat Martin**

**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

“[A] master of suspenseful romance . . . Martin doesn’t hold back on the page-turning thrills or steamy love scenes.” — Publishers Weekly

Reese Garrett is in the middle of a major purchase for his oil and gas company. The Poseidon offshore drilling venture will greatly enhance the company’s value. When Reese is on a trip out to see the rig, his helicopter crashes, leaving him hospitalized and two men dead. It’s discovered the chopper was sabotaged, and Reese is determined to find out who’s behind the crash. When his lover, Kenzie, is accused of her ex-husband’s murder, clues start pointing to a connection that puts them in the sights of a killer. From Texas to Louisiana, Reese must track down the truth before the body count gets any higher.


Romance | Releases 10/6/2021 | Available in Core 7 & 8.

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**HIS IMPROPER LADY**
The Mad Morelands • Book 8
**Candace Camp**

**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

It’s been a year since Tom Quick became a partner in the detective agency that he operates with his friend Constantine Moreland. When he catches an intruder breaking in, it’s clear a new case is afoot. The intruder, attractive Desiree Malone, wants to find her real father. All she knows is that he’s an aristocrat, and he abandoned her and her brothers. When she finds something that gives her a lead, she can’t help but follow it. Tom wants to help Desiree, but he’s still suspicious of her. As Desiree and Tom dig deeper into Desiree’s roots, they stumble on a mystery that threatens both their lives.


Historical Romance | Releases 10/6/2021 | Available in Core 8.
THE CHRISTMAS WEDDING GUEST
Susan Mallery

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR'S CHOICE #4 TITLE

The Somerville sisters believe in love, but they've lost faith it will happen for them. Reggie hasn't been home since the end of her engagement. When her parents decide to renew their vows, she buffs up her twinkle to help with the wedding. Her first love is back too, and the spark between them shines. Dena is pregnant and on her own. Then a gorgeous songwriter checks in at her inn. As the wedding draws closer, these two sisters just might unwrap the most treasured gift of all — love.

SANTA CRUISE
Fern Michaels

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
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THE RUNAWAY HEIRESS
Meg Tilly

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

Sarah Rainsford has been on the run. She's changed identities in hopes of throwing her estranged husband off her trail. Since he's willing to bend any laws to get his hands on her inheritance, he'll stop at nothing to locate her. With a new name and fake ID, she lands a job as a personal assistant to Hollywood's golden boy director Mick Talford. He's a difficult client but she senses hidden depths to him. Once Mick and Sarah combine forces in a desperate attempt to keep Sarah out of harm's way, they build a strong bond, but with danger trailing them, is it enough to keep them both alive?

Available in Wheeler Hardcover 5.
COUNTDOWN BIN LADEN
THE UNTOLD STORY OF THE 247-DAY HUNT TO BRING THE MASTERMIND OF 9/11 TO JUSTICE
Chris Wallace with Mitch Weiss

“A brisk work of history that weaves together the various factions responsible for the deployment of the first nuclear bombs.”
— Kirkus

In *Countdown bin Laden*, journalist Chris Wallace delivers a thrilling new account of the final eight months of intelligence gathering, strategizing, and military planning that leads to the climactic mission when SEAL Team Six closes in on its target. The book delivers new information collected from in-depth interviews with more than a dozen central figures, including the Special Operator who kills Osama bin Laden. Wallace also shares what relatives of SEAL Team Six went through and bringing us inside the Situation Room during the raid.

History/Nonfiction | Releases 10/20/2021
Available in Nonfiction 2 & 3.

ON ANIMALS
Susan Orlean

“Delightful . . . Another winner featuring the author’s trademark blend of meticulous research and scintillating writing.”
— starred, Kirkus

In *On Animals*, Susan Orlean examines animal–human relationships through the compelling tales she’s written over the course of her career. In her own backyard, Orlean discovers the delights of keeping chickens. In a different backyard, she meets a woman who has 23 pet tigers. In Iceland, the world’s most famous whale resists the efforts to set him free; in Morocco, the world’s hardest-working donkeys find respite at a special clinic. We meet a show dog and a lost dog and a pigeon who knows exactly how to get home. Equal parts delightful and profound, these stories celebrate the meaningful cross-species connections that grace our collective existence.

Nonfiction | Releases 10/20/2021
Available in Nonfiction 2 & 3.

THE NINE
THE TRUE STORY OF A BAND OF WOMEN WHO SURVIVED THE WORST OF NAZI GERMANY
Gwen Strauss

“Intimate . . . chilling . . . A moving testament to the power of friendship.” — Booklist

“A breathless story of almost superhuman heroism and suffering with a (mostly) happy ending.” — Kirkus

*The Nine* follows the true story of Hélène Podliasky, who led a band of female resistance fighters as they escaped a German forced labor camp and made a ten-day journey across the front lines of WWII back to Paris. They smuggled arms through Europe, harbored parachuting agents, and hid Jewish children. They were arrested by French police and tortured by the Gestapo. By the time they were enslaved at the labor camp in Leipzig, they were a close-knit group. During the final days of the war, the nine chose their moment and made a daring escape.

History/Nonfiction | Releases 10/20/2021
Available in Nonfiction 2 & 3.

A COURSE CALLED AMERICA
FIFTY STATES, FIVE THOUSAND FAIRWAYS, AND THE SEARCH FOR THE GREAT AMERICAN GOLF COURSE
Tom Coyne

“Coyne’s heartfelt anecdotes about people he meets and the joys of companionship are appealing . . . This is a delightful, entertaining book even nongolfers can enjoy.” — Kirkus

In the span of one year, Coyne crosses the country in search of its greatest golf experience. As he travels from the oldest and most elite of links to the newest and most democratic, Coyne finagles his way onto first tees between rounds at off-the-map revelations. But, in the end, only one stop on Coyne’s journey can be ranked the Great American Golf Course. Throughout his travels, he invites golfers to help shape his criteria for judging the quintessential American course. He discovers his long-awaited answer in the most unlikely of places.

Nonfiction | Releases 10/20/2021
Available in Nonfiction 3.
NEW PLAN RELEASED MAY 2021!

RIDGELINE
Michael Punke

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

“Punke is brilliant . . . Ridgeline transcends genre categorization — any sophisticated reader would appreciate this novel.” — starred, Booklist

“[An] engrossing account of the violence and horror of a Wyoming massacre . . . This is historical fiction at its best.” — starred, Publishers Weekly

In 1866, Colonel Henry Carrington and the U.S. army arrive in Wyoming to defend a new road for gold miners. Carrington intends to build a fort in the middle of critical hunting grounds, home of the Lakota. Red Cloud and Crazy Horse understand the implications of this invasion. As fall bleeds into winter, Red Cloud seeks to build an unprecedented alliance of tribes, while Crazy Horse leads constant attacks to test the army’s weaknesses. A fall of confrontations leads to an epic winter battle.

Historical Fiction | Releases 10/20/2021

KING RICHARD
NIXON AND WATERGATE: AN AMERICAN TRAGEDY
Michael Dobbs

NEW YORK TIMES BOOK TO WATCH

“In January 1973, Richard Nixon had just been inaugurated after winning re-election in a historic landslide. But by April 1973, his presidency had fallen apart as the Watergate scandal metastasized. Drawing on thousands of hours of taped recordings, Michael Dobbs takes us into the heart of the conspiracy. We eavesdrop on Nixon plotting with his aides and raging at his enemies. The result is a portrait of a president facing his greatest crisis. Rising from poverty to become the most powerful man in the world, Nixon commits terrible errors of judgment that lead to his public disgrace.”

History/Nonfiction | Releases 10/20/2021

TASTE
MY LIFE THROUGH FOOD
Stanley Tucci

From award-winning actor and food obsessive Stanley Tucci comes an intimate and charming memoir of life in and out of the kitchen.

Stanley Tucci grew up in an Italian American family that spent every night around the kitchen table. Taste is a reflection on the intersection of food and life, filled with anecdotes about his growing up in Westchester, New York; preparing for and shooting the foodie films Big Night and Julie & Julia; falling in love over dinner; and teaming up with his wife to create meals for a multitude of children. Each morsel of this gastronomic journey through good times and bad, five-star meals and burned dishes, is as heartfelt and delicious as the last.

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Biography | Releases 10/6/2021

TREJO
MY LIFE OF CRIME, REDEMPTION, AND HOLLYWOOD
Danny Trejo with Donal Logue

AMAZON BEST BOOK OF JULY

“This page-turner will thrill the legend’s huge fan base.” — starred, Publishers Weekly

“A raw and deeply engrossing salvation story.” — Kirkus

Danny Trejo the actor has been killed at least a hundred times. He’s been shot, stabbed, hanged, chopped up, squished by an elevator, and melted into bloody goo. But the real Danny Trejo is more complicated than the legend. Raised in an abusive home, Danny struggled with heroin addiction and stints in prison. Now, he recounts how he rebuilt himself after finding sobriety and spirituality. Although he speaks about his past to inspire countless others on their own road to recovery and redemption, he struggles to help his children with their addiction and to build relationships that last.

Biography | Releases 10/6/2021
NEW PLAN RELEASED JUNE 2021!

SIX WEEKS TO LIVE
Catherine McKenzie
INSTANT INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLER
Jennifer Barnes never expected the shocking news she received at a routine doctor’s appointment: she has a terminal brain tumor — and only six weeks left to live. The 48-year-old mother decides to spend what little time she has left with her family. Realizing she was possibly poisoned a year earlier, she’s determined to discover who might have tried to get rid of her. With a contentious divorce in progress, Jennifer focuses her suspicions on her soon-to-be ex. As her daughters doubt her campaign against their father, Jennifer can’t help but wonder if the poisoning is all in her head — or if there’s someone else who wanted her dead.

Thriller  |  Releases 10/20/2021

HOSTAGE
Clare Mackintosh
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
“The airborne equivalent of a classic country house mystery . . . Surprising twists propel the story to an unexpected finale.” — starred, Publishers Weekly
Mina is trying to focus on her job as a flight attendant, not the problems of her five-year-old daughter back home, or the fissures in her marriage. But the plane has barely taken off when Mina receives a chilling note from an anonymous passenger, someone intent on ensuring the plane never reaches its destination. Someone who needs Mina’s assistance and who knows exactly how to make her comply. It’s 20 hours to landing. A lot can happen in 20 hours.

Thriller  |  Releases 10/20/2021

HOLD BACK THE NIGHT
Sean Lynch
If you think you’re scared now . . . wait until dark.
It begins with a spark. A simple act of carelessness that ignites the grass of the Sierra Nevadas. A wildfire sweeps down the mountain, engulfing a van from the local prison — giving two convicts a chance to escape. Two desperate men. Psychologically disturbed. Extremely dangerous. In Farnham County live three very different women. Marjorie Guthrie, a wealthy suburban housewife fleeing an abusive marriage; Mary Hernandez, her troubled, rebellious sister; and Leanne Strayer, a young SWAT deputy with a dark past. All three share one thing in common: they’re in the wrong place at the wrong time. Today, their worst fears come true. Tonight, the nightmares come home.

Thriller  |  Releases 10/20/2021
**YESTERDAY**
Fern Michaels

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

As children, Callie, Brie, Bode, and Sela shared a rare closeness. On the grounds of Callie's lavish home, they learned about love, loyalty, and forgiveness, never realizing how little they really knew about each other. Callie's wedding offers an opportunity for a reunion, though reconnecting may not be as straightforward as the bride planned. For Sela, returning to Parker Manor provides a brief escape from her marriage. Brie is no longer willing to be Callie's freckle-faced shadow. Bode has reasons for wanting to avoid the event entirely. But despite their misgivings, they'll find themselves back together, confronting secrets that may change the rest of their lives.

Women's Fiction  |  Releases 10/20/2021

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**THIS IS HOME**
Lisa Duffy

"Intensely real and deeply emotional, Duffy's rich novel is worth savoring from the very first page."
— starred, Publishers Weekly

After the death of her mother, Libby Winters lives with her father, Bent. A former soldier turned policeman, Bent often works nights, leaving Libby under her aunts' care. Shuffling back and forth between apartments has Libby wishing for a home of her own. When Quinn Ellis' husband, John, goes missing, Quinn finds herself living in the first-floor apartment of the Winters' house. Bent had served as her husband's former platoon leader. For Libby, the new tenant is an unwelcome guest, another body filling up her already crowded house. But soon enough, a friendship begins to blossom, when Libby and Quinn stretch and redefine their definition of family and home.

General Fiction  |  Releases 10/20/2021

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**THE SUNDAY POTLUCK CLUB**
The Sunday Potluck Club Series
Melissa Storm

USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR

"(Storm) keenly portrays the characters' myriad ways of grieving, while giving them opportunities to seize the day and make the most of life." — Publishers Weekly

New friends can be found in unexpected places. For Bridget and Amy, that place was the cancer ward of an Anchorage hospital. Now, as each struggles to overcome loss, they lean on each other for support. And so the Sunday Potluck Club is born, a way for Bridget, Amy, and other women who have lost a loved one to nourish body and soul. As weeks go by and the group grows in unforeseen ways, both Bridget and Amy are inspired to find greater purpose. And with the help of two special men, Bridget and Amy are realizing that there's always room at the table for love and rekindled joy.

Contemporary Romance  |  Releases 10/20/2021
ONCE IN A LIFETIME
Mary Monroe

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR

Vanessa Hayes is making her wish finally come true: Christmas in Paris. But when her passport gets delayed, it looks like the Yuletide she longs for won't happen, until a stranger suddenly enters her life, and changes it forever. Overwhelmed by responsibility, Judith Guthrie is too busy worrying about her seriously ill brother to have time to celebrate. A trip to France is a kind of happiness she can't imagine. When she accidentally receives Vanessa's passport, Judith can't resist delivering it in person so Vanessa will at least have her holiday dream. She can't anticipate that her small gesture will result in lifelong rewards that all will be thankful for.

Women’s Fiction | Releases 10/20/2021 | Available in Black Voices 2 & 3.

DEAD DEAD GIRLS
A Harlem Renaissance Mystery
Nekesa Afia

“In this terrific series opener, Afia evokes the women’s lives in all their wayward and beautiful glory, especially the abruptness with which their dreams, hopes and fears cease to exist.” — The New York Times

Harlem, 1926. Following a harrowing kidnapping ordeal when she was in her teens, Louise Lloyd is doing everything she can to maintain a normal life. She spends her days working at Maggie’s Café and her nights at the Zodiac, Harlem’s hottest speakeasy. When a girl turns up dead in front of the café, Louise is forced to confront something she’s been trying to ignore — two other local Black girls have been murdered in the past few weeks. Louise has no choice but to investigate and soon finds herself toe-to-toe with a murderous mastermind bent on taking more lives, maybe even her own.

Historical Mystery | Releases 10/20/2021 | Available in Black Voices 2 & 3.

THE PERFECT RUIN
Shanora Williams

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR

A brutal tragedy ended Ivy Hill's happy family and childhood. Now in her twenties, she barely has a life — or much to live for. Until she discovers the name of the woman who destroyed her world: Lola Maxwell — the mega-wealthy socialite. Lola has the best of everything — and doesn't deserve any of it, so it's only right that Ivy take it all away. Little by little, Ivy infiltrates Lola's elite circle and plays Lola's envious acquaintances against her, but seducing Lola's handsome, devoted surgeon husband turns into a passionate dream Ivy suddenly can't control. Soon, an insidious someone will twist Ivy's revenge into a nightmare that Ivy may not wake up from.

Thriller | Releases 10/20/2021 | Available in Black Voices 3.
KNITTY GRITTY MURDER
A Knit & Nibble Mystery
Peggy Ehrhart

Most times of the year, the community gardens in Arborville, New Jersey, overflow with seasonal vegetables and herbs. But who planted the dead body? Farm-to-table enthusiast Jenny Miller had a cookbook in the works when she was found strangled by a circular knitting needle in her own plot. Now, the pressure is on Pamela and her neighbor Bettina as they weave together clues in search of the person who kept Jenny’s renowned heirloom plants — and budding career — from growing. With suspects and victims cropping up like weeds, it’ll take a lot more than green thumbs and creative minds this spring to entangle the crafty culprit.

Cozy Mystery | Releases 10/20/2021

THE GENTLEMAN AND THE THIEF
Sarah M. Eden

“Eden excels at exploring the realities of Victorian life . . . with Hollis’ story about a school for ghosts offering particular delight.” — starred, Booklist

London, 1865. From the moment Hollis Darby meets Ana Newport, he’s smitten. But Hollis has a secret: the deep coffers that have kept his family afloat for generations are bare, so he supports himself by writing penny dreadfuls. Ana also has a secret. She teaches music during the day, and at night she breaks into the homes of the wealthy to reclaim trinkets and treasures she feels were unjustly stolen from her family when they were struggling. When a spree of robberies rocks the city, Ana and Hollis join forces to solve the crimes, discovering that working together deepens the affection between them. After all, who better to save the day than a gentleman and a thief?

Regency Romance | Releases 10/20/2021

HER RODEO RANCHER
The Montgomerys of Spirit Lake • Book 2
M. K. Stelmack

Rancher Will Claverley and spa owner Krista Montgomery agree on one thing — they are completely wrong for each other. Which is exactly why he asks her to be his fake girlfriend for a charity rodeo. No future; no expectations. Only, as they experience each other’s worlds, their connection starts to feel real. But can a city girl who doesn’t even like horses ever become a rancher’s wife?

Romance | Releases 10/20/2021
AN AMISH SCHOOLROOM
THREE STORIES
Amy Clipston, Kathleen Fuller & Shelley Shepard Gray
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHORS
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHORS
In A Class for Laurel by Amy Clipston, Laurel Weaver stays with Glen Troyer's family, and they become close. Will Laurel and Glen push through obstacles and fight for love? In A Lesson on Love by Kathleen Fuller, Priscilla Helmuth and Micah Wagler bond, but it appears Priscilla has to give up something, and Micah worries it will be his heart. In Wendy's Twenty Reasons by Shelley Shepard Gray, Wendy Schwartz is sure she can be a great teacher. Unfortunately, her job is in jeopardy. To make matters more complicated, she's falling for the son of the couple she's boarding with.

Amish Fiction  |  Releases 10/20/2021

THE NANNY’S AMISH FAMILY
Redemption’s Amish Legacies • Book 1
Patricia Johns
An Amish bachelor. A motherless child. Can she turn them into a real family? Schoolteacher Patience Flaud longs for a family of her own — but knows it can never happen. At least she can help Amish bachelor Thomas Wiebe with his small Englisher daughter. As she settles the child into Amish life, Patience begins falling for the bewildered new father and his heartbroken little girl. But is love enough to make them a permanent family?

Amish Fiction  |  Releases 10/20/2021

A PRECIOUS CHRISTMAS GIFT
Redemption’s Amish Legacies • Book 2
Patricia Johns
’Tis the season of love, forgiveness . . . and goodbyes? Unwed and heavily pregnant, Eve Shrock faces a difficult Christmas — soon her baby will arrive and be adopted by another Amish family. Though Eve finds a friend in Noah Wiebe, the baby’s uncle-to-be, she can’t afford to fall for him. He might just make her wish for a future that seems impossible . . . one with her baby in her arms and Noah at her side.

Amish Fiction  |  Releases 10/20/2021
SUSTAINING FAITH
When Hope Calls • Book 2
Janette Oke with Laurel Oke Logan
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
Two years ago Lillian Walsh was living in a big house with her adoptive parents. Now, she shares the home with her sister, Grace, and the orphaned children to whom Grace has devoted her life. When a letter revoking the sisters’ permission to manage their children’s home arrives and a trip across the prairie is necessary to defend their reputation. However, more children are being sent, escorted by Ebenezer Waldin, who once ran away from home. His heart softens to the children's plight, even to the point of breaking rules. Will there be consequences? And will there be a place for all of them when they arrive in the West?


THE HOUSE AT THE END OF THE MOOR
Michelle Griep
What can a London opera star and an escaped Dartmoor prisoner have in common? Opera star Maggie Lee escapes her opulent lifestyle when threatened by a powerful politician who aims to ruin her life. She runs off to the wilds of the moors to live in anonymity. All that changes the day she discovers a half-dead man near her house. Escaped convict Oliver Ward is on the run to prove his innocence, until he gets hurt and is taken in by Maggie. He discovers some jewels in her possession — the very same jewels that got him convicted. Together they hatch a plan to return the jewels, clearing Oliver’s name and hopefully maintaining Maggie’s anonymity.


THE BLUE CLOAK
True Colors
Shannon McNear
Based on real events beginning in 1797 — Rachel Taylor lives a rather mundane existence at the way station her family runs along the Wilderness Road in Tennessee. She attends her friend’s wedding only to watch it dissolve in horror as the groom, Wiley Harpe, and his cousin become murderers on the run, who drag their families along. Declaring a “war on all humanity,” the Harpes won’t be stopped and Ben Langford is on their trail to see if his own cousin was one of their latest victims. How many will die before peace can return to the frontier?

**BEYOND THE TIDES**

Prince Edward Island Shores • Book 1  

Liz Johnson  

*NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR*  

*CBA BESTSELLING AUTHOR*

When Meg Whitaker’s father decides to sell the family's lobster-fishing business to her high school nemesis, she sets out to prove she should inherit it instead. But owning a respected fishing fleet on Prince Edward Island is the opportunity of a lifetime, and Oliver Ross is not about to walk away just because Meg wants him to. Meg's father has the perfect solution: Oliver and Meg must work the business together, and at the end of the season, he'll decide who gets it. Along the way, they may discover that their stories are more similar than they thought.


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**UNDER THE TEXAS MISTLETOE**

A TRIO OF CHRISTMAS HISTORICAL ROMANCE NOVELLAS  

Karen Witemeyer  

*CAROL AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR*  

*HOLT MEDALLION WINNING AUTHOR*

In this novella collection, Witemeyer presents the new story “A Texas Christmas Carol,” where a town's wealthy bachelor finds his world invaded by a woman set on earning his donation for helping the local poor. It also includes “An Archer Family Christmas.” When the Archers gather for the holiday, they encounter a request for help that will require all their effort and a Christmas miracle. In “Gift of the Heart,” a widow uses the family brooch as collateral for a loan from the local resort owner. The more she comes to know the man, the more she hopes for a second chance at love.


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**UNDER THE BAYOU MOON**

Valerie Fraser Luesse  

Restless with the familiarity of her Alabama home, Ellie Fields accepts a teaching job in a tiny Louisiana town deep in bayou country. Though rightfully suspicious of outsiders, most people in Bernadette, Louisiana, come to appreciate the young and idealistic schoolteacher as a boon to the town. She's soon teaching just about everyone — and coming up against opposition from both the school board and a politician with ulterior motives. Acclimating to a new world, Ellie meets an intriguing Cajun fisherman named Raphe. Raphe and Ellie have barely found their way to each other when a shocking turn of events tests their love and their will to right a terrible wrong.


THE DARLING DAHLIAS AND THE VOODOO LILY
Darling Dahlias
Susan Wittig Albert
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
Spring 1935 finds the town of Darling excited about their new radio station. But there are problems at the newspaper, where new hires cause headaches for Charlie Dickens. That's not the worst of it, though, as the Dahlias discover when a resident at Bessie Bloodworth's Magnolia Manor is found dead. One of the Dahlias is likely to find herself at the top of Sheriff Buddy Norris' suspect list.

Mystery | Releases 10/6/2021
Available in Mystery 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6.

HALLOWEEN PARTY MURDER
Leslie Meier, Lee Hollis, and Barbara Ross
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
AWARD-WINNING AUTHORS
In Halloween Party Murder by Leslie Meier, Ty and Heather Moon turn their Victorian home into a haunted house, but the fun turns to fright when Heather overdoses and Ty finds himself accused of murder. In Death of a Halloween Party Monster by Lee Hollis, partygoers stumble upon Boris Candy's corpse. In Scared Off by Barbara Ross, three girls having a sleepover get spooked when high schoolers crash the house for a party.

Mystery | Releases 10/6/2021
Available in Mystery 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6.

POPPY REDFERN AND THE FATAL FLYERS
A Woman of World War II Mystery
Tessa Arlen
It's autumn 1942. Poppy Redfern is immersed in her job as a scriptwriter and is thrilled to receive her first solo project: a 15-minute film about the Air Transport Auxiliary, known as Attagirls, female civilians trained to pilot planes from factories to military airfields all over Britain. Poppy never expects to see one of the best pilots die in what is labeled an accident. Poppy soon realizes a murderer is dead set on grounding the Attagirls for good.

Historical Mystery | Releases 10/6/2021
Available in Mystery 3, 4, 5 & 6.

MURDER, SHE WROTE: MURDER IN SEASON
Jessica Fletcher and Jon Land
USA TODAY BESTSELLING SERIES
Maeve Kelly has been forced to sign up for Bath's springtime half marathon. What Maeve doesn't know is how vicious some of the other runners are. Meanwhile, Detective Peter Diamond is tasked with crowd control on the day of the race and catches sight of a criminal he put away a decade ago. Diamond's hackles are already up when he learns one of the runners disappeared without a trace. Was Diamond a spectator to murder?

Mystery | Releases 10/6/2021
Available in Mystery 5 & 6.

DEATH ON THE NIGHT OF LOST LIZARDS
A Hungarian Tea House Mystery
Julia Buckley
When Hana Keller receives a rare tea set, she decides to host a tea party for her closest friends. During the get-together, one of Hana's friends gets word that a murderer is on the loose. With her growing psychic ability, Hana senses she's going to be pulled into the investigation somehow. With her boyfriend Erik on the case, Hana finds the Tea House steeped in suspects. But the real killer is good at hiding the truth and putting Hana in the hot seat.

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**THE DIVA SERVES FORBIDDEN FRUIT**

A Domestic Diva Mystery
Krista Davis
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

She’s a young Martha Stewart . . . in Old Town Virginia!

When Sophie’s best friend Nina suddenly needs a ride from the airport, Sophie is happy to help . . . until she sees Nina disembarking in a state of disarray. It’s obvious the trip to Portugal soured somewhere along the way. But after one of Nina’s traveling companions turns up murdered, Sophie knows something is truly rotten. Her only clue is a strange image the victim scratched into the soil before dying. Could it point to a killer in Old Town? As the mystery grows, so does the body count, and if Sophie doesn’t pluck the murderer soon, her best friend may be the next to fall.

Cozy Mystery  |  Releases 10/20/2021
Available in Softcover Cozy Mysteries 3 & 4.

**SHREDGING THE EVIDENCE**

A Cookbook Nook Mystery
Daryl Wood Gerber
AGATHA AWARD–WINNING AUTHOR

Denizens of Crystal Cove are salivating over Food Bowl Week, when local chefs offer imaginative creations in bite-size portions. Jenna Hart is hungry to sample the delicacies, but when she stumbles onto the body of a local food reporter and learns that her best friend’s husband is the primary suspect, she’ll have to prove his innocence. As she begins piecing together the clues, Jenna uncovers ties between the victim and a local newspaper owner, a would-be lover, and a host of restaurant owners. With a solution close, Jenna turns up the heat on the culprit, realizing too late that she’s the next course on the murderer’s menu.

Includes tasty recipes!

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**WEDDING BEAR BLUES**

A Teddy Bear Mystery
Meg Macy

Always a bridesmaid, never a killer.

Sasha and her sister are bridesmaids at Cissy Davison’s upcoming wedding in Silver Hollow. Cissy is fuming over the worst choice of best man — the jerk who broke her sister Debbie’s heart — and the groom-to-be won’t budge in his decision. At the rehearsal dinner you could cut the tension with a knife. That is, until best man Dylan is found dead, impaled with an ice pick. Although Debbie is the most likely suspect — the blood on her dress doesn’t help her case — the bride begs Sasha to prove her sister’s innocence. If anyone’s going to walk down the aisle, Sasha will first need to find the cold-hearted killer who iced Dylan.

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Available in Softcover Cozy Mysteries 3 & 4.

**GORE IN THE GARDEN**

A Washington Whodunit • Book 5
Colleen J. Shogan

Kit Marshall can’t wait to reconnect with her brother, Sebastian, while he’s visiting Washington, D.C. First up: a reception at the United States Botanic Garden. Not exactly riveting for Sebastian, but as Kit is chief of staff for Congresswoman Maeve Dixon, her presence is required. So are her renowned sleuthing skills when the Architect of the Capitol is found strangled to death. Instead of playing tourist with Sebastian, Kit finds herself chasing clues while juggling the demands of her day job. With a bouquet of suspects, only one thing’s clear — if Kit can’t stop the murderer, she’ll be the next one pushing up daisies.

Cozy Mystery  |  Releases 10/20/2021
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Atle Petersheim spends his time in his wood shop. When Sadie Mast asks him to help her build a room in their barn for her son Cale, Atle can't say no. Between completing holiday orders for her food business, helping Cale navigate a new relationship with his boss' daughter, and coming to terms with the trauma her late husband had inflicted upon her and her children, Sadie is in over her head. Though Atle's efforts are clumsy and his declarations a bit awkward, Sadie can't help but be charmed by him. He's patient and kind and even seems to know far more about romance than he's let on.

Amish Fiction | Releases 10/20/2021
Available in Romance 2, 3 & 4.

Just as Ava Dove's new tearoom is about to open, her teas have gone wonky. Her sleep-inducing tea is startling clients awake, and her romance-kindling tea is causing people to blurt out their darkest secrets. Meanwhile, Ellen Foster has arrived to attend the funeral of her daughter and is determined to fix up her daughter's house, sell it, and sweep her granddaughter, Kristen, off to Raleigh. Desperate to stay with her friends in Dove Pond, Kristen sets off to find her father in the hopes of winning her freedom from her grandmother. Together, Ava, Kristen, and Ellen embark on a journey of healing, friendship, and family.

Women's Fiction | Releases 10/20/2021
Available in Romance 2, 3 & 4.

Thea Mottram is having a bad month. She's been let go from her job and her husband has decided to leave her. When she learns a distant uncle in Scotland has passed away, leaving her his home and antique book collection, she decides to leave Sussex for a few weeks. Almost instantly, Thea becomes enamored with the quaint cottage. The locals are just as inviting. The only person she can't seem to win over is bookshop owner Edward Maltravers, but bickering with Edward proves oddly exciting. As she follows an impulse to stay in Scotland, Thea realizes her new life may become just as complicated as the one she was running from.

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A QUIET LITTLE TOWN
A Red Ryan Western • Book 4
William W. Johnstone and J. A. Johnstone

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHORS
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHORS
“No cussing, no drinking, no gambling, and no loose women.” No problem. Or so Red Ryan thinks — until he meets the passengers. They include four holy and silent monks, one beautiful lady tutor, and a drunken, washed-up gunfighter. Even worse, they’re crossing the wild Texas hill country where bloodthirsty Apaches are on the loose and a killer is on the prowl. But that can’t compare to what’s waiting for them at Fredericksburg. In this quiet little town, every man, woman, and monk will reveal their true colors, which leaves Red gunning for his life.

Western | Releases 10/20/2021
Available in Hardcover Westerns 1, 2, 3 & 4.

RALPH COMPTON
FRONTIER MEDICINE
The Gunfighter Series
Robert J. Randisi

USA TODAY BESTSELLING SERIES
Young doctor Gabriel Kincaid has come west to help an aging colleague strain to deal with the demands of a growing town, but Kincaid is looking to do more than just experience the challenges of frontier medicine. The trials he faces aren’t confined to the doctor’s surgery. After an incident in a saloon, Gabe finds himself with a new nickname: Dr. Death. It’s dangerous to have a reputation as a good man with a gun. There will always be someone who wants to test you. The West has a way of revealing a man’s true character, but it can also expose secrets that are best left hidden.

Western | Releases 10/20/2021
Available in Hardcover Westerns 2, 3 & 4.

THE HORSE SOLDIER
Ethan J. Wolfe

Before Tillman can retire to work his Montana ranch full-time, he has one more important task to perform. A junior marshal who Tillman appointed in Laramie, Wyoming, a few years earlier has taken a wrong path and Tillman must remove him from office. Tillman leaves his two grown sons and his sister, Alice, on the ranch and sets out for Wyoming by railroad. Along the way, Tillman makes a few detours and stops to visit old friends and colleagues. As he travels south to Laramie, Tillman relives his life in flashbacks. From the Big Woods of Wisconsin, where he was born and met his wife, Tillman’s life in full is exposed.

Western | Releases 10/20/2021
Available in Hardcover Westerns 3 & 4.

LUTHER, WYOMING
Tomas Alamilla and Mario Acevedo

After the end of Civil War hostilities, Adam Sanchez returns west and teams up with Nelson Cook, the sheriff of Luther, Wyoming. Shortly afterwards, Deputy Sanchez and Sheriff Cook find themselves on both sides of the law when they corral a murderous bandit and then help themselves to his loot. But the bandit’s gang shows up wanting vengeance. Violence begets violence when Sanchez and Cook engage in one showdown after another. As the gun smoke clears, a double-cross reignites the fuse. Sanchez attempts to untangle himself from this mess, but fresh trouble arrives in the form of Tess Buchanan, the woman who spurned him and now has come west with an agenda of her own.

Western | Releases 10/20/2021
Available in Hardcover Westerns 4.

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GO WEST, YOUNG MAN
William W. Johnstone and J. A. Johnstone
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHORS
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHORS
Missouri, 1860. Rumors of war between the North and South are spreading across the land. In rural Green County, many of the farmers are already choosing sides. But not John Zachary. His loyalties lie with his family first — and his heart is telling him to go west. Hoping to build a new life in the fertile valleys of Oregon, he convinces his best friend, Emmitt Braxton, to pack up their families and join him on a wagon train across the Oregon Trail. The journey will be long and hard. But with the guidance of an experienced wagon master and scout, they're determined to reach their destiny, no matter how high the cost.

Western | Releases 10/20/2021 | Available in Softcover Westerns 1, 2 & 3.

THE CRIMSON TRAIL
A Joe Noose Western • Book 4
Eric Red
Joe Noose knows what fear looks like. He sees it in the eyes of his new friends — a dozen trail-hardened cattle men who don't scare easily. It's not the 500-mile trek across treacherous Montana territory that's got them spooked. It's not the 3,000 heads of cattle they've got to wrangle either. They're afraid that someone on this drive — one of their own team — is a serial killer. Five wranglers are already dead. Every man is a suspect. And the woman rancher in charge is paying Joe Noose to root out the evil on this cursed cattle drive — by riding alongside the killer.

Western | Releases 10/20/2021 | Available in Softcover Westerns 2 & 3.

THE JACK OF JUSTICE
Sam Hill
One of New York City's most successful publications sends its Wild West correspondent to get the story of the killer known as the Jack of Justice. As Crayne delves into the mystery, he finds the real story is deeper than he expected. Crayne soon finds himself riding with the outlaw instead of writing about him, until the outlaw leaves Crayne to face men who want to silence him. Crayne rides with Fire Buffalo Dawn, a woman driven by rejection from both the white and Indian worlds. Outnumbered and outgunned, Crayne and Fire Buffalo Dawn try to turn the tables on those who are responsible for the deaths of outcasts as they risk everything in a high-stakes showdown.

Western | Releases 10/20/2021 | Available in Softcover Westerns 3.

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SPIN
A THILLER
A Captain Chase Novel
Patricia Cornwell

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
USA TODAY BESTSELLER

In the aftermath of a NASA rocket launch gone terribly wrong, Captain Calli Chase comes face-to-face with her missing twin sister — as well as the startling truth of who they really are. Now, a top secret program put in motion years ago has spun out of control, and only Calli can redirect its course. Aided by cutting-edge technologies, frantic search begins for the missing link between the sabotaged rocket launch and her predetermined destiny . . . a search that someone else seems very interested in stopping. One wrong move will unleash cataclysmic consequences reaching far beyond the boundaries of Earth.

Thriller | Releases 10/13/2021
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HOW TO RAISE AN ELEPHANT
The No. 1 Ladies’ Detective Agency
Alexander McCall Smith

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

Precious Ramotswe loves her dependable old van. This time, though, she — and Charlie — may be asking too much of it, for when he borrows the beloved vehicle he returns it damaged. To make matters worse, the interior seems to have acquired an earthy smell that can't be identified. The olfactory issue is not the only mystery that needs solving. Mma Ramotswe is confronted by a distant relative, Blessing, who asks for help with an ailing cousin. There is no peace at home, either, as the new neighbors are airing their marital grievances rather loudly. Still, Mma Ramotswe is confident that there are solutions to all of these difficulties, there to be discovered as long as she is led by kindness, grace, and logic, and can rely on the counsel of her friends and loved ones.

Mystery | Releases 10/13/2021
Available in Paperback Bestsellers 2, 3 & 4.

THE LYING LIFE OF ADULTS
Elena Ferrante

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER
NATIONAL BESTSELLER
ON OVER 18 BEST BOOK LISTS

“Fans . . . will especially revel in Giovanna’s confessional, perceptve, gut-wrenching, and often funny narration of what she calls her ‘arduous approach to the adult world.’” — starred, Booklist

Giovanna’s pretty face is changing, turning ugly, at least so her father thinks. Giovanna, he says, looks more like her Aunt Vittoria every day. But can it be true? Is she really changing? Is she turning into her Aunt Vittoria, a woman she hardly knows but whom her mother and father clearly despise? Surely there is a mirror somewhere in which she can see herself as she truly is. Giovanna is searching for her reflection in two kindred cities that fear and detest one another: Naples of the heights, which assumes a mask of refinement, and Naples of the depths, a place of excess and vulgarity. She moves from one to the other in search of the truth, but neither city seems to offer answers or escape.

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General Fiction | Releases 10/13/2021
Available in Paperback Bestsellers 3 & 4.

MEXICAN GOTHIC
Silvia Moreno-Garcia

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER
LIBRARYREADS BOOK OF THE YEAR
NOMINATED FOR THE BRAM STOKER AWARD
ON 12 BEST BOOK LISTS

“[An] irresistibly dark feminist reimagining of the Gothic fantasy novel . . . It’s all wonderfully creepy, blending chilling scenes of horror with classic Gothic tropes for a seductive and subversive tale.” — Vanity Fair

After receiving a frantic letter from her newly-wed cousin begging for someone to save her from a mysterious doom, Noemí Taboada heads to High Place, a distant house in the Mexican countryside. She's not sure what she'll find — her cousin's husband, a handsome Englishman, is a stranger. Her only ally in this inhospitable abode is the family's youngest son. Shy and gentle, he seems to want to help Noemí, but might also be hiding dark knowledge of his family's past for there are many secrets behind the walls of High Place. Noemí, mesmerized by the terrifying yet seductive world of High Place, may soon find it impossible to ever leave this enigmatic house behind.

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ONCE UPON A BROKEN HEART
Once Upon a Broken Heart • Book 1
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