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THE WONDERFUL KYLIE SCOTT HAS AGREED TO PERSONALISE COPIES OF HER BOOKS WE ARE NOW TAKING PREORDERS FOR A SIGNING IN JULY



\$35.00 TRADE P/BACK

He walks the red carpet. She's more familiar with vacuuming one. When a scandal tarnishes the reputation of hot as hell A-lister, Patrick Walsh, he needs a reputation rescue, pronto. Enter waitress Norah Peers-a nobody who's average with a capital A. She's available, dependable, and has sworn off men for the rest of her natural born life. In other words: the perfect match for a no-strings fake romance. For the right amount of money, she can avoid waitressing and play the part of his dependable down-to-earth

girlfriend. What she can't avoid-dammit-is the growing steam between them. But being hounded by the paparazzi and having her life dissected on social media is a panic attack in the making. And while Patrick might be a charming rogue on screen, in real life he's a six-foot-two confusing, gorgeous, brooding grump, who keeps her at a distance ... but also makes her feel like this bond between them might be more than just an act. Being dumped on cue should be no big deal. Except being fake with Patrick is the realist relationship Norah has ever had. What's a girl to do, but flip the script, and ask for a re-match made in Hollywood?



PAUSE



Book #1 Repeat. When Anna wakes up from a coma after a car crash, she discovers life has gone on without her. Her husband has been unfaithful-with her best friend-and she's been long since replaced at work. While her old life is a distant memory, her new life feels like an empty shell. Then she meets the stranger who saved her life during the crash, and he changes everything. Leif Larsen-tattooist, joker, and player-has his own scars thanks to the crash that put Anna in a coma. Helping her

move on from her failed marriage, and create a new life, sounds like a perfect distraction. So when he needs a new roommate, he invites Anna to begin her new life with him. Although their lives may have been put on pause, together they just might find a way to heal.



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SPRING AT SADDLE RUN - DELORES FOSSEN BOOK #1 \$24.95

Millie Parkman Dayton is still healing from the fatal car accident that claimed her husband and turned her into the focus of local gossip. But when she's thrown together with the attractive rancher who shares in her tragic past, new rumors begin to fly in Last Ride, Texas. Single dad Joe McCann is focused on running his ranch and raising his daughter. He has no desire to help Millie unearth his late wife's past, especially if it means revealing painful secrets. Until his daughter teams up with Millie, and the widower cowboy finds himself agreeing to help them with their project--and opening the door to a deep attraction he thought he'd never find again.



COWBOY FIRE – KIM REDFORD BOOK #8 \$24.95

Start with A Cowboy Firefighter for Xmas. Violet Ashwood arrives in Wildcat Bluff County with one agenda: convince the hunky Mr. July from the Wildcat Bluff Fire Rescue's annual benefit calendar to be the face of her new lonely hearts online dating service. She didn't count on his firm refusal, nor did she count on seeing him again. Until she discovers he's her new landlord. Kemp Lander, aka Mr. July, wants nothing to do with Violet's schemes to make him a model for her Cowboy Chat Corral, particularly once he finds out she fudged the truth on her rental contract by claiming she was a cowgirl. He's got enough problems trying to keep trespassers off his ranch and doesn't need the distraction of his sexy renter. All Violet and Kemp want is to save their livelihoods and have their lifelong dreams realized. But it'll take joining

forces and discovering they're better together to finally meet their goals. BOOK #3 \$19.95

CRAZY ABOUT A COWBOY - DYLANN CRUSH

Book #1 The Cowboy Says I Do, Book #2 Her Kind of Cowboy. The little town of Ido is up against some big competition. With the state tourism department on a search for the most romantic town in Texas, Ido is pulling out all the stops to win the title. Leading the effort is the newly appointed hospitality host Jasper Taylor. If he can

secure the honor for Ido, he'll be able to hang onto his family's land. But when the reigning Miss Lovin' Texas and celebrity judge, Delilah Stone, rolls into town, she isn't exactly welcomed with open arms. Delilah's ready to put her beauty queen days behind her, and the only thing standing in her way is spending the next thirty days in Ido. It should be an easy gig, but someone in town is tired of all of the recent publicity. Somehow everything that ought to go right is suddenly going wrong. Now it's up to Jasper to convince Delilah to give Ido another chance by showing her just how romantic the small town can be without losing his own heart in the process.



THE ME I USED TO BE - JENNIFER RYAN \$24.95 *REPACK*

After serving time for a crime she didn't commit, Evangeline returns home to discover that her late father has left her solely her father's death, and her brothers want her out of their way. With her family's future squarely on her shoulders, she desperately

searches for ways to save their home--before they lose everything. Her only ally: Chris Chambers. The cop who put her away is positive she took the fall for someone else. And if she helps him track down the real criminals, he'll clear her record. But the closer Evangeline and Chris get to exposing the truth--and to each other--the deeper Evangeline is drawn into a dangerous sting that could finally bring her justice and pave the way for a bright future.

HERES THREE BOOKS FROM DIANA PALMER **NOTORIOUS**



BOOK #53 \$49.95 H/COVER Start with Calhoun. Gaby Dupont knows some men shouldn't be trusted. Especially not high-profile lawyer Nicholas Chandler. How can she trust the man who might

be helping her relatives steal her family fortune? To get the inside scoop on Nicholas's dealings - and protect herself and her beloved grandmère-Gaby must take a job with the devil

himself. Of course, she can't tell him who she really is. Nicholas Chandler knows there's more to Gaby Dupont than beauty. She's sweet and clever -but just too young and secretive. Yet even as they clash, Gaby gets under his skin as no other woman ever has. When Gaby comes under fire, Nicholas risks his career and reputation to keep her safe. But can he protect Gaby without losing his heart?



RANSOM CANYON – JODI THOMAS BOOK #1 \$24.95 *REISSUE* (ORIG 08/15)

Rancher Staten Kirkland is the last descendent of Ransom Canvon's founding father. No one knows that when his troubling memories threaten to overwhelm him, he runs to reclusive Quinn O'Grady or that she has her own secret that no one living knows. Young Lucas Reves wants to go to college to become something more than a

ranch hand's son. But one night, one wrong decision, will set his life on a course even he hadn't imagined. Yancy Grey is running hard from his past. He doesn't plan to stick around Ransom Canyon, just stay long enough to learn the town's weaknesses and how to use them. Only Yancy, a common criminal since he was a child, isn't prepared for what he encounters.

JOANN HERONS LANDING – JOANN ROSS BOOK #1 \$24.95 *REISSUE* (ORIG 06/18)



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Working as a Las Vegas concierge, Brianna Mannion makes other people's wishes come true. A visit home to Honeymoon Harbor turns into a permanent stay when she's reminded of everything she's missing: the small-town charm; the old Victorian house she'd always coveted; and Seth Harper, her best friend's widower and the boy she

once crushed on. After years spent serving others, maybe Brianna's finally ready to chase her own dreams. Since losing his wife, Seth has kept busy running the Harper family's renovation business. But when Brianna hires him to convert her home into a B&B, working together presents a temptation Seth never saw coming. With guilt and grief his only companions, he'll have to step out of the past long to recognize the life Brianna and he could build together.

SUMMER AT FIREFLY BEACH - JENNY HALE summer BOOK #1 \$24.95

For Hallie, going to Firefly Beach, filled with magical childhood memories, feels like coming home. But when her aunt passes away, Hallie is left brokenhearted-until she discovers Aunt Clara's last letter. Hallie is astonished to find the bucket list she wrote as a teenager and reluctant to step away from her adult responsibilities to

fulfill her youthful dreams. But to honor her aunt, Hallie agrees to embrace Clara's last words and abandon her schedule for the summer. As she spends days at Firefly Beach, Hallie begins to remember the things that matter most to her. Best of all, her childhood friend Ben Murray is supporting her every step of the way. But when a run-in with Gavin leaves her questioning her future, Hallie is forced to face the truths buried deep in her heart. Can Hallie complete the bucket list and change her life? Or will the secret she's been keeping destroy her new beginning-and her second chance at love?



ANNIE RAINS BOOK #1 \$24.95 BOOK #1 \$24.95

Somerset Lake is the perfect place for Trisha Langly and her son to start over. As the new manager for the Somerset Cottages, Trisha is charmed by the property's residents and her new boss, Vi Fletcher. But Trisha is less enchanted by Vi's grandson Jake. No matter how tempting she finds the lawyer, Trisha knows that if Jake discovers the

responsible for the family's failing ranch, her mother blames her for truth about her past, she'll lose the new life she's worked so hard to build. Jake Fletcher left Somerset Lake after a tragic loss, but he's returning for the summer to care for his grandmother, hoping Vi will sell the run-down cottages and finally slow down. There's just one problem: Trisha, Vi's new employee. She's smart, beautiful, and kind, but Jake's job is to protect his grandmother's interests, and his gut is telling him Trisha's hiding something. However, as they spend summer days renovating the property Jake realizes that Trisha is a risk worth taking-if only she can trust him. Includes "Kiss Me in Sweetwater Springs."



TEXAS DARE \$19.95 *2 IN 1 * *REISSUE* (ORIG 01/12)

The Rancher". Cort Brannt, heir to the Skylance Ranch empire, has women galloping into his life, but the handsome lone wolf sends them just as quickly on their way...until a

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pretty, vivacious neighbor appears on the range. Has the most eligible bachelor in Branntville met his match? "Passion Flower" When New York interior designer Jennifer King loses her job after a sudden illness, she takes a working vacation at a Texas ranch. But life with Everett Culhane, the brooding dark-eyed owner, isn't easy. Their lives are worlds apart, but when he takes her in his arms and brands her lips with his, Jennifer knows she must make this headstrong cowboy her own!

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A RANCHERS KISS \$24.95 *2 IN 1* *REISSUE* (ORIG 1983)

"Snow Kisses" Abby Shane has come home to Montana. It's a haven from the nightmares of Manhattan and a place to recover from the trauma that jeopardized her career and left her emotionally scarred.

But she's also come home to the painful memories of a brief love affair with rancher Cade McLaren. Now what is supposed to be a healing period for Abby becomes something much different. "Darling Enemy" Teddi Whitehall longed to escape her life in New York, and a summer in Canada with her best friend's family sounded perfect. But rancher Kingston Devereaux made her feel anything but welcome. Teddi knew King was convinced she was just a frivolous city girl. She also knew that the truth wasn't about to change his mind. So why did she feel so alive when he was around?



THE SUMMER SEEKERS -SARAH MORGAN \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK Kathleen is eighty years old. After

she has a run-in with an intruder, her daughter wants her to move into a residential home. But she's not having any of it. What she

craves is adventure. Liza is drowning in the daily \cap stress of family life. The last thing she needs is her mother jetting off on a wild holiday, making Liza long for a solo summer of her own. Martha is having a quarter-life crisis. Unemployed, unloved and uninspired, she just can't get her life together. But she knows something has to change. When Martha sees Kathleen's S advertisement for a driver and companion to share an epic road trip across America with, she decides this job might be the answer to her prayers. She's not the world's best driver, but

q anything has to be better than living with her parents. Anyway, how much trouble can one 0 eighty-year-old woman be? As these women embark on the journey of a lifetime, they all с U

discover it's never too late to start over.

WILD LOVE - LAUREN ACCARDO BOOK #1 \$19.95

When life sets fire to your happily ever after, you ditch your cheating boyfriend, trade in the city life for the off-the-grid seclusion of your mother's bookstore in the mountains and try to resist your attraction to the brooding town mechanic you accidentally got

into a fender bender with outside the local bar. Sydney Walsh might be falling head over heels for the romance novels she's stocking up to rebuild The Loving Page, but she has no delusions about actually starring in one. Beneath Sam Kirkland's gruff mountain-man exterior lies a gentle heart and a burning desire for the woman he knows he can't have. He's made promises that make romance off-limits. And he accepted that-until Sydney came crashing into his life. Sam can't do a relationship right now. Sydney doesn't have the wherewithal to believe in one. But when you meet the right person, the wrong circumstances don't matter.



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HIS SECOND CHANCE FAMILY - RAEANNE THAYNE \$24.95 *2 IN 1* *REISSUE* (ORIG 2008)

Julia Blair is hoping for a fresh start. So when she sees an apartment-forrent sign on Brambleberry House, she can't help but feel that it's a good

omen. Having spent summers as a teen in a cottage near the rambling Victorian home, Julia easily pictures herself and her two children starting over in the one place that's always felt welcoming to her. When Julia walks up to inquire about the apartment, she finds her old friend Will Garrett repairing the house. The memories of their young love come flooding back, and she can't deny that she still has feelings for Will. But still reeling from a painful past, Julia's unsure if she's ready to love again. Includes "Katie's Redemption" by Patricia Davids After two years away, Katie Lantz returns to her Amish community nine months pregnant-and unmarried. She knocks on her family's door, fearing she'll be shunned, but is surprised when a stranger opens the door and welcomes her in.

SHELTER IN THE STORM -LAUREL BLOUNT BOOK #1 \$19.95

Unspeakable tragedy strikes the Amish hamlet of Johns Mill when an unstable Englischer opens fire in the Hochstedler's General Store. In the

aftermath, and under the media's spotlight, Joseph Hochstedler struggles to hold his family together, drawing unexpected comfort from a faithful childhood friend. Born with a serious heart defect, Naomi Schrock has always longed to live a life of service. She rolls up her sleeves, determined to help Joseph cope with the crisis. But dare she hope that his friendship will finally deepen into love? As the media's obsession with the Hochstedler shooting escalates, Joseph and Naomi find themselves caught between tradition and compromise, lingering sorrows and uncertain hopes. And in the end, two people who've already lost far too much must find the courage to trust their hearts one last time.

THE STEPSISTERS – SUSAN MALLERY \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK



Love for Beginners

Once upon a time, when her dad married Sage's mom, Daisy was thrilled to get a new sister. But Sage was beautiful and popular, everything Daisy was not, and she made sure Daisy knew it. Sage didn't have Daisy's smarts-she had to go back a grade to

enroll in the rich-kid school. So she used her popularity as a weapon, putting Daisy down to elevate herself. After the divorce, the stepsisters' rivalry continued until the final straw: Daisy married Sage's first love. Eighteen years, two kids and one troubled marriage later, Daisy never expects to see Sage again. But when the little sister they have in common needs them both, they put aside their differences to care for Cassidy. As long-buried truths are revealed, no one is more surprised than they when friendship blossoms. Their truce is threatened by one act that could have devastating consequences. They could turn their backs on each other again or they could learn to forgive once and for all and finally become true sisters of the heart.

LOVE FOR BEGINNERS – JILL SHALVIS

BOOK #7 \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK Start with Lost and Found Sisters. When Emma Harris wakes up from a coma she learns that her fiancé and her BFF have fallen in love, she's lost her

job, and the life she knew is gone. Overwhelmed but grateful to be alive she starts over from scratch. Not as easy as it sounds, of course. But she's never been a quitter, even if she wishes she could quit rehab, where her hot but evil physical therapist, Simon, puts her through the wringer. Eager for a new beginning, Emma opens a doggy day care. Unfortunately, the only space she can afford is owned by her childhood nemesis Ali Pratt. But hey, she's been through worse, right? She tries to roll with the punches, but a friend drops his grandpa off at the doggy day care in desperation then on top of that, she and Ali bring the term 'frenemies' to a whole new level. And then another grandparent shows up. And another. In the midst of all that, Emma realizes she's accidentally fallen for Evil PT.

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LORI FOSTER AND DEBBIE MACOMBER BOTH HAVE TWO RELEASES THIS MONTH

THE SOMERSET GIRLS

When they're running the animal rescue farm they inherited from their grandparents, Autumn and Ember Somerset are perfectly in sync. At all other times, not so much. Dependable Autumn would rather curl up with a book than paint the town red with Ember. After the disaster that was Autumn's last

relationship, it's pure self-protection. But when her high school crush comes back to town with his daughter, igniting memories best left forgotten, there's only one person Autumn can turn to. Beneath Ember's free-spirited facade is a layer of deep hurt. She'll gladly nudge Autumn toward a second chance. But risk her own heart? Not likely. The closer Autumn gets to her own happy-ever-after, the more Ember wonders what she might be missing-and if it isn't her time to be bold, too. Summer in Sunset, means long, hot days-and sometimes surprising new beginnings.



BREAKING HIS RULES \$19.95 *2 in 1* *REISSUE*

"Morgan" by Lori Foster (Orig 07/00) Sheriff Morgan Hudson wants an even-tempered, sweet wife. So why can't he stop thinking about sexy, spirited Misty Malone? Misty doesn't intend to stay in Buckhorn-she's only here to attend her sister's wedding. Recently fired and keeping a secret, she's not sure where to go next. Until Morgan starts to see Misty in a

whole new light. "His Accidental Heir" by Joanne Rock When resort developer Cameron McNeill goes undercover to root out problems at his island property, his first discovery is the irresistible concierge, Maresa Delphine. Her business smarts are vital to his mission. But the struggling single mom could help with his personal mission, too: fulfilling the marriage terms of his grandfather's will. When he proposes, can Maresa resist his brand of trouble in paradise?



SOMEDAY SOON \$24.95 (ORIG 06/98)

Cain McClellan had chosen his lifestyle. He thrived on the challenge, the rush that came with putting his life in incredible danger. No woman, he told himself, could make him feel the way he did after a successful mission--no matter how beautiful she was. So why was he standing on a cold pier like a lovelorn teenager, hoping for a glimpse of Linette

Collins? But then he saw her, and the sight of her took his breath away. The wind whipped her lustrous dark hair about her face, and she lifted a finger to wrap a thick strand behind her ear. The smart thing to do was turn around and walk away as fast as his feet would carry him. He'd gotten what he wanted. One last look at her. His curiosity should be satisfied. But even as his mind formulated the thought, Cain knew that just seeing Linette again could never be enough

SUMMER BREEZES \$24.95 * 2 IN 1* *REISSUE* (ORIG 08/89)

DEBBIE Summer Breezes

"The Way to a Man's Heart" On the surface, Meghan O'Day and Grey Carlyle seem like they couldn't be more different. But stuffy literature professor Grey keeps coming back to the diner where bubbly Meghan works--and it's not just for the coffee and pie. They both love chatting about books, and Meghan has opinions on the classics she's not

afraid to share. She also thinks she could teach the professor a thing or two about happily-ever-after. "Fallen Angel" Amy Johnson is firmly anchored in Seattle, working as an executive for her father's oil company. It's always been assumed she'll eventually take over, even if her heart isn't in it. When Amy meets Josh Powell, a self-described drifter who's rejected his money and power, she begins to question what she really wants. Maybe it's time to craft a new future, together.

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SUMMER IN THE CITY -WILDE/OLIVERAS/SKILTON \$29.95 TRADE P/BACK

"Night at the Museum" by Lori Wilde. When Art restorer Ria Preston discovers her neighborhood crush, Wall Street advisor Vic Albright, is stuck overnight in the Metropolitan

Museum of Art with her, she can't resist taking him on a very private tour. "Lights Out" by Priscilla Oliveras. Back in high school, Vanessa Ríos and Mateo Garza were theater troupe rivals. Now Mateo's a rising Broadway star and Vanessa's his most scathing critic. Cue a plot twist straight out of central casting: the two end up alone in his New York City apartment during the blackout, setting the stage for what could be their second act romance. "Mind Games" by Sarah Skilton What happens in college stays in college-unless you never get over it. In fact, Alison has been waiting to take her revenge on Nick, once the hottest guy on campus, now the hottest guy on the rising magician's circuit. But her plans to sabotage his first show are upended by the power outage. That's when the real magic happens.



HE SAID ALWAYS - RUTH CARDELLO

BOOK #1 \$29.95 TRADE P/BACK When billionaire and tech start-up capitalist Gian Romano strikes a bet with his niece Judy--the daughter of Dominic Corisi--to find even more of

the Corisi family, his search leads him to the Boston area. But when he pops into a store, the woman who runs it becomes an instant distraction from his mission. Teagan is beautiful, strong, and too smart not to see through him. What started as a friendly family bet quickly becomes complicated when sparks fly between Gian and Teagan. Nothing is as simple as it appears, and together they discover the past still has the power to hurt the ones they both love. Teagan won't settle for less than the truth from Gian, but when it comes to her own secret aspirations, she holds back. If they learn to trust each other, they just might discover that some secrets are better when shared. They'll have to trust each other completely, or else their love, along with Gian's lead on Judy, will be doomed.



ECHOES OF THE HEART – L A CASEY \$29.95 TRADE P/BACK

When rock star Risk Keller shows up in Frankie's diner with his heart on his sleeve, it turns her world upside down. Letting him go was the hardest thing she ever had to do. For years, his

voice has been a reminder of everything she sacrificed, and now it's time to face the music. For Risk, coming home shows him what he's always known deep down--every song, every gig, every drink, every girl--it's always been about Frankie. There's no denving their intense chemistry. But Risk still has a career that takes him around the world; Frankie still has a sick mother she loves too much to leave. Can they overcome everything in their way to give first love a second chance?

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MAKE ME BURN – MARIE HARTE BOOK #1 \$24.95



MARIE HARTE to make matters worse, their shared chemistry on screen goes viral. Soon he's forced to work with her for a popular online live streaming segment. The spot will help the local animal charity and make the fire department look good, so who is he to disobey a direct order to cooperate? Trust takes time, but as Avery and Brad come to realize they are different people than when they first met, anger turns to irresistible attraction, and hard feelings into hot sex. But letting the past stay in the past isn't as easy as it sounds. And if they're not careful, that attraction could ignite and they'll both get burned.



ONCE UPON A PUPPY – LIZZIE SHANE BOOK #2 \$24.95

Book #1 The Twelve Dogs of Christmas. Connor Wyeth has a plan for everything. But when he adopts Maximus, an unruly Irish wolfhound mix, he gets more than he bargained for. If he doesn't act fast, the big dopey mutt is going to destroy his house. The only person Max ever listens to is the volunteer who used to walk him at the shelter -- a perennially upbeat woman whose day job is

planning princess parties for little kids. Connor couldn't ever imagine that she'd be able to tame such a beast as Max, but he's desperate enough to try anything. Deenie Mitchell isn't looking forward to spending more time with uptight, rulesoriented Connor--no matter how attractive he is. But when her sister announces her engagement, Deenie realizes he's the perfect person to impress her type-A family. When she learns he needs a plus-one for his law firm's work events, an unlikely alliance is formed. But as they play the perfect couple, the friendship-and the feelings--that are forming start to feel all too real. Opposites may attract, but can the man with a plan for everything and the misfit who makes her own rules ever find common ground?

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MICHELLE MAJOR HAS TWO WONDERFUL **RELEASES THIS MONTH** THE LAST CAROLINA SISTER BOOK #3 \$24.95

Book 1 The Magnolia Sisters, Book 2 The Merriest Magnolia. Meredith Ventner knows a wounded creature when she sees one. Though her temporary new neighbor may be--on the surface at least -- a successful, drop-dead gorgeous doctor, she recognizes the

deep hurt Ryan Sorensen is carrying, and it's catnip to her soul. But even though Meredith is the youngest, scrappiest and single-est of Magnolia's most famous sisters, she's committed to expanding the animal shelter on her newly inherited farm. She can't waste her energy on a man who's only passing through town. Ryan is hoping that after a month of small-town living he'll be healed enough to return to his busy ER. His injured leg isn't half as painful as his guilt from the tragedy he's trying to forget. Yet somehow, helping feisty, tenderhearted Meredith care for her menagerie is making him question his career-first priorities. Here in this quirky small town another future is coming into view, but



can he change his life, and open his heart, to claim it? WILDFLOWER SEASON BOOK #1 \$24.95

When Emma Cantrell's marriage imploded, she learned a fast and painful lesson about trusting her heart. Then, on a visit to Magnolia, North Carolina, to see her brother, an elegant, if dilapidated, mansion for sale presents the opportunity to start over. Risking everything on her dream of opening the Wildflower Inn, Emma buys the house...just as the storm of the century hits,

severely damaging the structure. But a chance meeting with Holly, a bride-to-be in desperate need of a new venue, gives her hope...and the name of a contractor who'll work fast and cheap, allowing Emma to repair the inn in time to host the wedding and save her investment. A furniture builder who hasn't picked up a tool in the five years since his wife died, Cameron Mitchell has no intention of agreeing to help this beautiful--and, he'd guess, entitled--woman insisting that he fix her inn. Until he learns that Emma was sent by Holly, the little sister of his late wife. Grudgingly, Cameron agrees to do the work, with one condition: that he be left completely alone. But the more time they spend together, the more Emma touches a part of his heart he was sure died long ago, forcing him to try making peace with his past.

Coming next month...

 THE ENGAGEMENT ARRANGEMENT - JACI BURTON BK #2 D HOME TO TEXAS - KAKI WARNER BK #2 □ HOPE ON THE RANGE – CINDI MADSEN BK #2 □ WHEN I FOUND YOU – BRENDA NOVAK BK #6 □ A LOT LIKE LOVE – JENNIFER SNOW BK #1 □ FOREVER STARTS NOW – STEFANIE LONDON □ THE HEARTBREAKER OF ECHO PASS – MAISEY YATES □ HOW MUCH I LOVE – MARIE FORCE BK #3 T/P

Preorders...

□ SWEET TALKING RANCHER - KATE PEARCE BK #5 DUE 27/7 □ THE MATCHMAKER BRIDE – GINNY BAIRD BK #2 27/7 □ SECOND CHANCE AT SUNFLOWER RANCH – CAROLYN BROWN BK#1 DUE 27/7 D BAYOU BEAUTY - LEXI BLAKE BK #4 DUE 27/7 □ TRUE LOVE COWBOY – JENNIFER RYAN BK #3 DUE 24/8 MEANT TO BE A COWBOY - R C RYAN BK #3 DUE 24/8 □ THE CHRISTMAS WISH – SHARON SALA BK #12 DUE 28/9 ONE MORE FOR CHRISTMAS – SARAH MORGAN *REPACK* DUE 28/9

ROSEMARY REALLY ENJOYED THIS DEBUT BY AUSSIE AUTHOR MATT NABLE STILL

\$32.99 TRADE P/BACK

Darwin, Summer, 1963. The humidity sat heavy and thick over the town as Senior Constable Ned Potter looked down at a body that had been dragged from the marshland. He didn't need a coroner to tell him this was a bad death. He didn't know then that this was only the first. Or that he was about to risk everything looking for answers. Late one night, Charlotte Clark drove the long way home, thinking about how stuck she felt, a 23-year-old housewife, married to a cowboy. The days ahead felt suffocating, living in a town where she was supposed to keep herself nice and wait for her husband to get home from the pub. Charlotte stopped the car, stepped out to breathe in the night air and looked out over the water to the tangled mangroves. She never heard a sound before the hand was around her mouth. Both Charlotte and Ned are about to learn that the world they live in is full of secrets and that it takes courage to fight for what is right. But there are people who will do anything to protect themselves and sometimes courage is not enough to keep you safe.



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SMALL TOWN DREAMS \$24.95 *2 IN 1* *REISSUE* (ORIG 1984)

"First Impressions" Entrepreneur Vance Banning took a residence in Maryland to escape business pressures and relationships with women pursuing his bank account. To the community, he's a moody, out-of-work carpenter. To neighbor Shane Abbott, he's just a man who needs a little kindness.

Vance's suspicions of her interest in him start to fade when he realizes Shane's compassion is honest-giving his heart permission to experience true love. "Less of a Stranger" Megan Miller's grandfather has run Joyland Amusement Park her whole life. But he's not as young as he used to be, so she agrees to help him keep their family playground going. So when David "Katch" Katcherton thinks he can buy Joyland, Megan isn't about to let some wealthy hotshot with a need for speed take her and Pops on a ride-no matter how much fun and joy he's determined to bring her.

CREDIBLE THREAT—JA JANCE J.A. BOOK #15 \$24.95 *REPACK* JANCE

Start with Edge of Evil. Years after her son's fatal overdose, Rachel Higgins learns that his addiction may have grown out of damage CREDIBLE suffered at the hands of a pedophile priest while he was in high THREAT school. Looking for vengeance, she targets the Catholic Church's most visible local figure, Archbishop Francis Gillespie. When the

archbishop begins receiving anonymous threats, local police dismiss them, saying before, Kate and Gina were best friends at the police academy and patrol they're not credible. So he turns to his friends, Ali Reynolds and her husband, B. Simpson. With B. out of the country on a cybersecurity emergency, it's up to Ali to track down the source of the threats. When a shooter assassinates the archbishop's driver and leaves the priest severely injured, Ali forms an uneasy alliance with a Phoenix homicide cop in hopes of preventing another attack. But Ali doesn't realize that the killer has become not only more unhinged but also more determined to take out his or her target.



A STRANGER ON THE BEACH - MICHELE CAMPBELL \$24.95 *REPACK*

Caroline Stark's beach house was supposed to be her crowning achievement. But after a very public fight with her husband, she realizes things may not be as perfect as they seem: her husband is lying to her, the money is disappearing, and there's a stranger on the beach outside her house. As Caroline's marriage and her carefully

constructed lifestyle begin to collapse around her, she turns to Aidan, the stranger, for comfort and revenge. After a brief and desperate fling that means nothing to Caroline and everything to him, Aidan's infatuation with Caroline, her family, and her house becomes more and more destructive. But who is manipulating whom in this deadly game of obsession and control? Who will take the blame when someone ends up dead and what is Caroline hiding?



THE ULTIMATE BETRAYAL – KAT MARTIN BOOK #3 \$24.95 *REPACK*

Book #1 The Conspiracy, Book #2 The Deception. When her father is accused of espionage and treason, journalist Jessie Kegan has no doubt the man she looked up to her entire life is innocent. Worse yet, before Colonel Kegan can stand trial, he's found dead of a heart attack but Jessie knows it was murder. She's determined to use her

resources to clear her father's name. But going after the truth means Jessie soon finds herself in the crosshairs of a killer. Protecting Jessie Kegan is a job bodyguard Brandon Garrett can't refuse. Jessie isn't just a client at Maximum Security-she's the sister of his best friend, Danny, who was killed in Afghanistan. With enemies gunning for Jessie from every angle, keeping her safe will mean keeping her close, and Bran finds their attraction growing, though being Danny's sister puts Jessie out of bounds. With their backs against the wall, Jessie and Bran will have to risk everything to expose her father's killer.



LEGACY \$32.99 TRADE P/BACK \$49.95 H/COVER

NORA ROBERTS HAS A GREAT NEW RELEASE AND TWO REISSUES

Adrian Rizzo was seven when she met her father for the first time. That was the day he nearly killed her-before her mother, Lina, stepped in. Soon after, Adrian was dropped off at her grandparents' house in Maryland, where she spent summer drinking lemonade, playing with dogs, making a new best friendand developing the a crush on her friend's ten-year-old brother,

Raylan. Lina, meanwhile, travelled the country promoting her fitness brand and turning it into a billion-dollar business. A decade later, Adrian has created her own line of yoga and workout videos, following in Lina's footsteps. And she's just as cool-headed and ambitious as her mother. But while Lina dismisses the death threats that Adrian starts getting as a routine part of her daughter's growing celebrity, Adrian can't help but find the vicious rhymes unsettling. Year after year, they keep arriving. They continue after she returns to Maryland and becomes reacquainted with Raylan. Sometimes it even seems like the messages are indeed routine, like nothing will come of them. Until the murders start, and the escalation begins.



THE VILLA \$24.95 *REISSUE* (ORIG 03/01)

PR executive Sophia Giambelli loves her job and has never worried about competition. For three generations, her family's wines have been world-renowned for their quality. But things are about to change at Villa Giambelli. Tereza, the matriarch, has announced a merger with the MacMillan family's winery-and Sophia will be

assuming a new role. As a savvy businesswoman, Sophia knows she must be prepared for anything but she isn't prepared for Tyler MacMillan. They've been ordered to work together, to facilitate the merger. Sophia must teach Ty the finer points of marketing-and Ty, in turn, shows her how to get down and dirty to coax the sweetest grapes from the vineyard. As they toil together, both in and out of the fields, Sophia is torn between attraction and rivalry. At the end of the season, the course of the company's future may take an entirely new direction.



OUTSIDER – LINDA CASTILLO BOOK #12 \$24.95 *REPACK* Start with Sworn to Silence. While enjoying a sleigh ride with his

children, Amish widower Adam Lengacher discovers a car stuck in a snowdrift and an unconscious woman inside. He calls upon Chief of Police Kate Burkholder for help, and she is surprised to recognize the driver: fellow cop and her former friend, Gina Colorosa. Years

officers in Columbus, but time and distance have taken them down two very different paths. Now, Gina reveals a shocking story of betrayal and revenge that has forced her to run for her life. She's desperate for protection, and the only person she can trust is Kate--but can Kate trust her? Or will Gina's dark past put them all in danger? As a blizzard bears down on Painters Mill, Kate helps Gina go into hiding on Adam's farm. While the tough-skinned Gina struggles to adjust to the Amish lifestyle, Kate and state agent John Tomasetti delve into the incident that caused Gina to flee. But as Kate gets closer to the truth, a killer lies in wait. When violence strikes, she must confront a devastating truth that changes everything she thought she knew not only about friendship, but the institution to which she's devoted her life.



GUARD

UNSUSPECTING TARGET – JUNO RUSHDAN BOOK #5 \$19.95

Start with Hostile target. Ten years ago, Jagger Carr saved Wendy Haas's life. Circumstances pulled them apart soon after, but when an assassin targets her at a Manhattan charity gala, Wendy has no choice but to trust Jagger, who's now deep undercover. Not even their warring feelings can stop desire from reigniting. But the

vengeful cartel gunning for them could destroy any hope for a second chance

KEEPING GUARD – SANDRA OWENS BOOK #2 \$19.95

Book #1 Operation K9 Brothers. Navy SEAL Noah Alba is on extended leave after a terrible mistake resulted in the loss of his K-9 partner. He arrives in Asheville, hoping to get his head on straight before he returns overseas. When an old friend recruits him to train service dogs for veterans, he doesn't feel ready. Still,

rescue dog Lucky is awfully hard to resist-as is the drop-dead stunning bride Noah encounters while hiking. When she finds out her fiancé is only marrying her to gain control of her family's brewery, Peyton Sutton's I do turns into a hard pass. But Peyton's father and now-jilted ex are determined to force the match at any cost. Running away can only get her so far, until Noah-and his adorably fierce canine companion-step in as an unlikely protector. Guarding a runaway bride in the close quarters of her downtown loft is no way to avoid a simmering attraction. But Peyton can't outrun her ex, and Noah can't outrun his past; they'll have to find a way to move forward together.



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HERE ARE TWO THRILLING READS FROM IRIS JOHANSEN CHAOS \$24.95 *REPACK*

When CIA agent Alisa Flynn flaunts the rules by breaking into a mansion in the middle of the night, she skillfully circumvents alarms and outwits guards only to find herself standing in billionaire Gabe Korgan's study busted by Korgan himself. This could cost her her job unless, in a split second, she can turn the tables and try to convince him to join her on the most important mission of her life. In a ripped-from-the-headlines plot, schoolgirls in Africa have been kidnapped, and Alisa knows that Korgan has the courage, financial means, and high-tech weaponry to help rescue them. With so many innocent lives hanging in the balance, what she doesn't reveal is that one of those

schoolgirls is like a little sister to her. But when the truth gets out, the stakes grow even higher. Calling in additional assistance from renowned horse whisperer Margaret Douglas, Alisa and Gabe lay their plans, only to see them o descend into chaos as the line between right and wrong wavers before them like a mirage. Every path is strewn with pitfalls, each likely to get them -- or the hostages--killed. But with the help of a brave team and a horse with the heart of a warrior, they might just get out of this alive.

THE BULLET BOOK #27 \$49.95 H/COVER



Start with Face of Deception. Diane Connors is a dedicated doctor with the world's biggest secret, a discovery that could have shocking global ramifications. But while conducting private research trials, word has gotten out. The wrong people have heard the news and now want to hide Diane's achievement for their own ends. With nowhere else to turn, Diane finds herself on the doorstep of the last man she wants to ask for help: her ex-husband, Joe Quinn. Joe has remarried, and he and his wife, Eve Duncan, seem blissfully happy in their quiet, rural life until they are faced with the challenge of risking it all--even their marriage itself--for the greater good. Now Eve is trapped in a web of murder and deceit as powerful enemies rush to cover up

the truth, determined that Diane's discovery goes with her to the grave--even

FEARLESS – FERN MICHAELS \$24.95 *REPACK*

if Eve and Joe get buried with her.



Anna Campbell is ready to take her first tentative steps back into the world after widowhood. On a singles cruise, she meets divorced professor Rvan Robertson, and the sparks between them are

undeniable. Back home in West Texas, Anna and Ryan continue their romance, and Anna decides it's time for their families to meet. Anna is delighted when her daughter, Christina, hits it off with Ryan's daughter, Renée. The two girls are close in age and have lots in common. Ryan's son, Patrick, is college-bound and somewhat aloof, but Anna feels sure they'll grow closer in time. She happily accepts Ryan's proposal, confident in the bond they've formed. But the idyllic relationships Anna is hoping for are quickly thrown into doubt. Ryan and his children may not be all she thinks they are. And as the situation grows more desperate, Anna must reach deep within and draw on all her courage and self-reliance to fight for the family and home she deserves.



SHOT THROUGH THE HEART - NICOLE HELM BOOK #2 \$19.95

Book #1 Summer Stalker. Willa Zimmerman grew up as the daughter of spies, so she's always known her life could be in danger. That's why, when North Star undercover

operative Holden Parker follows her to her home, seeking a lead on a hit man, she captures him. But soon they learn they're actually on the same side--and they're being pursued by the same relentless foe. Together, can they stop a deadly hunter before they end up as the next victims

SPINNER



DREAM SPINNER – KRISTEN ASHLEY BOOK #3 \$24.95

Book #1 Dream Maker, Book #2 Dream Chaser. Hattie Yates has finally met the man of her dreams. Yet years of abuse from her father have left her petrified of disappointment. She's already failed to

reach her goal of becoming a professional ballerina. But when a stalker sets their sights on Hattie, there's only one man she dares to hope can help. Axl Pantera knows Hattie is the only woman for him. Yet despite the attraction burning between them, Hattie refuses to let him in. The former soldier is determined to woo her into letting down her walls. And when danger comes calling, he's up against more than her bruised heart. Axl will do anything to prove to Hattie that they're meant to be, but first, he'll need to keep her safe.

DEADLY DOUBLE CROSS – LENA DIAZ BOOK #4 \$19.95



Start with Cowboy Under Fire. Someone is trying to destroy former chief of police Mason Ford, but he won't go down without a fight. Neither will crime scene analyst Hannah Cantrell, who's convinced he's become a killer's target and will do whatever it takes to help Mason survive.

However, that doesn't mean she's ready to risk falling in love with him. Can Mason and Hannah discover the truth before a killer strikes again?

THE BAIT - CAROL ERICSON BOOK #3 \$19.95

Book #1 The Setup, Book #2 The Decoy. Decades after The Player's infamous murder spree, a third copycat killer terrorizes LA. Detective Jake McAllister and victim advocate Kyra Chase launch a risky Dark Web

investigation-complicating their relationship and exposing their troubled pasts. But when the copycat kidnaps Jake's daughter, Kyra defies her partner to lay her life on the line. One chilling question remains: is The Player back?

MONTH TROUBLE IN BIG TIMBER/TWELVE GAUGE

BJ DANIELS HAS TWO DOUBLE VALUE RELEASES THIS

GUARD

\$24.95 * 2 IN 1* "Trouble in Big Timber" Ford Cardwell is shocked when his

old flame calls him out of the blue--and even more so when he hears a gunshot. But when he accidentally loops in medical examiner Henrietta "Hitch" Rogers, she makes him wonder if

he was set up to believe the woman was a victim. Together, they'll need to discover the truth, but looking into the case will put them in the sights of a killer. "Twelve-Gauge Guardian" Journalist Raine Chandler is on the run from a killer, but her luck will change once she meets cowboy P.I. Cordell Winchester. In town on family business, he can't resist the urge to help her solve an abduction case long gone cold. When another girl goes missing, the stakes are raised, and the pair will have to do whatever it takes to find the children before time runs out.



DEADLY SECRET \$19.95 *REISSUE* (ORIG 01.11)

"Rustled" by B.J. Daniels. Undercover investigator Brittany Bo "Jinx" Clarke is determined to bring down a cattle rustling ring. Dawson Chisholm wants to retrieve his stolen cattle. To get what they both want, they'll have to work together. But spending their days and nights alone--just the two of them

against a band of thieves--presents another problem for Jinx: resisting the irresistible Chisholm charm. And she's not sure she wants to. "Stone Cold Undercover Agent" by Nicole Helm. Jaime Alessandro fears he's been undercover too long. Now his only shot at destroying one of Texas's largest crime organizations is Gabriella Torres -- a "gift" from The Stallion and his longest-held captive. Her inside info and inspired moves are helping Jaime take the gang apart. But what he's starting to feel for the brilliant, toughminded Gabriella could get them worse than death.



WICKED LIES - JACKSON/BUSH BOOK #2 \$24.95 *REISSUE* (ORIG 01/11)

Book #1 Wicked Game. For two years, Justice Turnbull has paced his room at Halo Valley Security Hospital, planning to escape. Justice has a mission-one that began with a vicious murder two

decades ago. And there are so many others who must be sent back to the hell that spawned them. Laura Adderley didn't plan to get pregnant by her soon-to-be ex-husband, though she'll do anything to protect her baby. But now reporter Harrison Frost is asking questions about the mysterious group of women who live at Siren Song lodge. Harrison hasn't figured out Laura's connection to the story yet. But Justice knows. And he is coming. All her life, Laura has been able to sense approaching evil. But that won't stop a psychopath bent on destroying her. Justice has been unleashed, and this time, there will be no place safe to hide.

WANT THE OTHERS IN THE SERIES? ASK US TO SPECIAL ORDER THEM



TRACES OF MURDER -RACHEL LEE \$19.95

Neither elite soldier Hillary Kristiansen nor US Special Ops member Trace Mullen knew that a trip to the cemetery to mourn their shared friends' deaths would result in S

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an investigation. But as they bond over their grief, they find themselves determined to prove that the deaths were not mere tragedies--they were murders. In the process, they'll expose a coverup...and fight for their lives when an illicit arms dealer sets his sights on them.





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WILDFLOWER GRAVES – RITA HERRON BOOK #2 \$29.95 TRADE P/BACK

Book #1 The Silent Dolls. Detective Ellie Reeves heads into the wilds of the Appalachian Mountains when she wants to get lost-to forget the whispers chasing her and the past that keeps her up at night. She's sick of having to prove herself to her small town. But hiking in the endless miles of woods isn't the escape she was hoping for. One night, as dusk falls, a gust of

wind blows some petals on to Ellie's path. Following the trail, she finds a golden-haired young woman dead on a bed of daffodils, with a note: Monday's child is fair of face. When Ellie emerges from the forest, there is a message on her phone. Someone has sent her a picture of her colleague, Officer Shondra Eastwood, with the words: Can you find her, Detective Reeves? Ellie is racked with guilt-while she was busy hiding from life a killer was on the loose, and he has taken her beloved friend. The wilderness, and its shadows, are the perfect hunting ground for a criminal-but what does the sinister nursery rhyme mean? It soon becomes clear when another dead woman, Tuesday's Child, is found. Ellie is up against a serial killer who will claim a victim for every day of the week, and in the next twenty-four hours there will be another body. As this ruthless murderer closes in on her, can she save more innocent women-and Shondra-from his clutches?



WRECKLESS – KATIE G<mark>OLDI</mark>NG BOOK #2 \$29.95 TRADE P/BACK

Book #1 Fearless. I've spent years as a professional motorcycle racer vying to prove myself to the world, even as I fought to save my family from the clutches of a man who would like nothing more than to see me fail. He's not the only one. My Lorina--America's Sweetheart Lorelai Hargrove--

would also like me to eat her dust. But this is the game we play. She pretends she hates me, and I wind her up as I pretend she's not all I think about. And yet after a deadly wreck, her confidence is so shaken, my Lorina needs me to stop being her favorite enemy and remind her there is a tiger within who will do anything to win. That I want to spend the rest of my life chasing her to that finish line again and again and again. If only the battle to make it to the podium didn't cost us everything our hearts desire.



HANDBOOK FOR HOMICIDE – LORNA BARRETT BOOK #14 \$19.95 *REPACK*

Start with Murder is Binding. Haven't Got A Clue bookshop owner Tricia Miles's relationship is on the rocks. After a not-so-fun vacation with her lover, Marshall Cambridge, Tricia's hoping for smooth sailing back in Stoneham. Unfortunately Booktown greets her not with blue skies but with another body. When Tricia's

assistant manager, Pixie, finds homeless vet Susan Morris's body behind Haven't Got A Clue, Pixie's checkered past makes her the prime suspect. Tricia sets out to clear Pixie's name armed with only an anchor insignia earring found at the scene of the crime. As Tricia digs deeper she discovers Susan was involved in a scandal right before retiring from the Navy. With family drama brewing in the background and all of Stoneham convinced her manager is a murderer, Tricia knows she has to get to the bottom of the case soon.

DEATH ON THE NIGHT OF LOST LIZARDS – JULIA BUCKLEY BOOK #3 \$19.95



Book #1 Death in a Budapest Butterfly, Book #2 Death of a Wandering Wolf. Hana Keller is getting ready for a lovely holiday season. When she receives a rare tea set as a birthday gift, she decides to host a tea at her apartment for her closest friends. During the cozy get-together, one of Hana's friends gets word that a murderer is on the loose. Hana soon learns that the victim was Sandor Balog, a professor of Hungarian Studies at the local college. With her growing

psychic ability, Hana senses that she is going to be pulled into the investigation of the professor's death somehow. With her sexy boyfriend Erik on the case, Hana finds the Tea House steeped in suspects. She studies the smiling faces celebrating the season, but the real killer is good at hiding the truth and putting Hana in the hot seat.

DEEPER THAN THE OCEAN – JULIE ANN WALKER BOOK #4 \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK



Start with Hell or High Water. Former Navy SEAL Spiro "Romeo" Delgado is six-plus feet of high-octane charm, and he has two hard and fast rules. One, always come to the rescue of those in need. And two, never give up his bachelor ways. But when Mia Ennis joins Deep Six Salvage on the hunt for the Santa Cristina, her mesmerizing blend of brains, beauty, and bravery

makes him question everything he thought he wanted in life. Mia's traumatic past has taught her to keep everyone she meets at arm's length. But Romeo, with that body that is forever tensed for action and that dark gaze that tracks her every move, makes her feel safe in a way she never expected. Yet the secret she carries compels her to keep her distance-even as the past comes back to haunt them. A harrowing plane crash ends with Romeo and Mia marooned on a desert island. When a boatful of men bent on murder drop anchor, Mia discovers her only hope for survival depends on her letting her guard down around Romeo. But surrendering to the passion she feels for him might be the most dangerous thing of all.



BENEATH DEVILS BRIDGE – LORETH ANN WHITE \$29.95 TRADE P/BACK

True crime podcaster Trinity Scott is chasing breakout success, and her new serial may get her there. Her subject is Clayton Jay Pelley. More than two decades ago, the respected family man and guidance counselor confessed to the brutal murder of student Leena Rai. But why he killed her has always been a mystery. In a series of exclusive

interviews from prison, Clayton discloses to Trinity the truth about what happened that night beneath Devil's Bridge. It's not what anyone in the Pacific Northwest town of Twin Falls expects. Clayton says he didn't do it. Was he lying then? Or now? As her listeners increase and ratings skyrocket, Trinity is missing a key player in the story: Rachel Walczak, the retired detective who exposed Pelley's twisted urges and put him behind bars. She's not interested in playing Clayton's game-until Trinity digs deeper and the podcast's reverb widens. Then Rachel begins to question everything she thinks she knows about the past. With each of Clayton's teasing reveals, one thing is clear: he's not the only one in Twin Falls with a secret.



MURPHYS SLAW – ELIZABETH LOGAN BOOK #3 \$19.95

Book #1 Mousse and Murder, Book #2 Fishing For Trouble. Charlie Cooke loves many things, like the Bear Claw Diner, the heated steering wheel of her car, and her orange tabby cat Eggs Benedict. Something she has never loved is the state fair. So when her best friend Annie Jensen begs her for a fair day, she's reluctant. But Annie

isn't the only one who wants her to spend a day among farm animals and deep fried food. A vendor has been murdered, and Trooper Graham needs his favorite part-time sleuth to dig up the truth, and Charlie is happy to oblige. The case grows personal when Charlie learns the victim is Kelly Carson, whom she and Annie were friends with in high school. If Charlie wants to find justice for Kelly, she and Annie will have to work together to weed out the killer.



ON S<mark>KEI</mark>N OF DEATH – ALLIE PLEITER BOOK #1 \$19.95

Libby has come home to Collinstown, Maryland to live her dream and open her own yarn shop, aptly named Y.A.R.N., along the Chester River. To Libby, Y.A.R.N. stands for You're Absolutely Ready Now. But the acronym changes whenever inspiration strikes, and customers add to the list of suggestions that fill the blackboard

wall in a shop stuffed with color, fiber, and comfort. Libby is thrilled when she lands famous Norwegian knitting celebrity Perle Langager for a series of events at Y.A.R.N. Libby's English bulldog, Hank, has been modeling one of Perle's doggie sweaters, and customers just can't wait to see Perle in action. The mayor **o** of Collinstown even decrees a Collinstown Yarn Day to celebrate. But once Perle arrives in town, she seems distracted and on edge. And when she's found **P** strangled with a skein of red yarn, Libby knows she has to solve a knotty mystery before her new life unravels.

Coming next month...

- D BOUNCING BETTY LILIANA HART BK #1
- □ MURDER AT SUNRISE LAKE CHRISTINE FEEHAN BK #1 H/C
- □ THE GOSSIP NANCY BUSH BK #2
- □ TRUSTING MOLLY SUSAN STOKER BK #3 T/P
- D BREAKING FREE PAMELA CLARE BK #8 T/P
- □ SEAL FOR HER PROTECTION—PAIGE TYLER BK #1 T/P

Preorders.

□ FAITHLESS IN DEATH – JD ROBB BK #52 *REPACK* DUE 27/7
ALL OR NOTHING – CINDY DEES BK #2 DUE 27/7
□ IN THE PINES – KENDRA ELLIOT BK #3 T/P DUE 10/8
FACELESS – ALEXANDRA IVY BK # 2 DUE 24/8
STRONGER THAN YOU KNOW – LORI FOSTER BK #2 DUE 24/8
🗆 UNCHARTED – ADRIANA ANDERS BK #2 DUE 24/8
□ FORGOTTEN IN DEATH – JD ROBB BK #53 H/C & T/P DUE 7/9
RIGHT BEHIND – MELINDA LEIGH BK #4 T/P DUE 14/9
DON'T LOOK NOW – MARY BURTON T/P DUE 22/9
STRENGTH UNDER FIRE – LINDSAY MCKENNA BK #3 DUE 28/9
DOWN IN NEW ORLEANS – HEATHER GRAHAM DUE 28/9
□ HER RENEGADE COWBOY – LORA LEIGH BK #3 DUE 28/9

HIGHLAND BEAST - AMY JARECKI BOOK #3 \$29.95 TRADE P/BACK



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Book #1 Highland Warlord, Book #2 Highland Raider. When Sir Arthur Campbell leads an attack claiming Dunstaffnage Castle for Robert the Bruce, he is rewarded with both the keep and lands. As he assumes the lairdship, he finds a saboteur within his

ranks. He sets a trap to ensnare the culprit, only to discover the rebel is none other than Rhona MacDougall-the only woman he has ever loved. After her clan is devastated by war, Rhona refuses to bend to Arthur's whims. Ave, he once stole her heart, but that was before he fought against her kin. When in his presence, she plays the demure lady, though behind the scenes, she's doing everything in her power to subvert his authority. And she thinks she has him fooled until he beats the lass at her own game. Prepared to meet his condemnation, Rhona bravely stands before this man whom she has deemed a beast. But Arthur confronts her with a proposition she never dreamed possible-if she proves that she can change.



YOU'VE GOT PLAID - ELIZA KNIGHT BOOK #3 \$24.95

Book #1 The Rebel Wears Plaid, Book #2 Truly Madly Plaid. Brogan Grant, Jacobite soldier and bastard son of the Chief, fought savagely on

the battlefield and barely escaped capture. On the run for his life, Brogan comes across the daughter of his clan's enemy...who just might also be a spy. Lady Fiona MacBean is determined to ensure there is a Scottish king. Disguised as a healer, she delivers coded messages to rebels throughout the Highlands. There's only one thing in her way now--a striking Highlander who's determined to send her home. Fiona will not be deterred, no matter what the sexy Scot says. Left with little choice, Brogan joins her mission to save the life of Bonnie Prince Charlie himself.



HER SCOTTISH SCOUNDREL -SOPHIE BARNES

BOOK #7 \$29.95 TRADE P/BACK Start with A Most Unlikely Duke. When Blayne MacNeil agrees to be Miss Charlotte Russell's bodyguard, he doesn't expect her to expand the job description

to fake fiancé. After twenty years in hiding, announcing his engagement to a viscount's daughter could prove fatal. For if anyone were to recognize him, he'd be charged with murder. Determined to keep her independence in order to safeguard her writing career, Charlotte must avoid marriage. After all, no respectable gentleman would ever permit his wife to pen adventure novels. But when her most recent manuscript disappears, the roguish Scotsman posing as her fiancé becomes her closest ally and the greatest threat to her freedom.



THE HIGHLANDERS SECRET SON – JEANINE ENGLERT \$19.95

What was Fiona MacDonald doing on the run across his lands? With a baby, as well! Brandon had once loved this woman with all his heart, until her

family had killed so many of his clan. As the new Campbell laird, he must make sure she pays the price of her betraval. But how can he claim his vengeance if her child is his son and heir!

THE SPINSTERS SCANDALOUS AFFAIR - SOPHIA JAMES

Euphemia Denniston has accepted her quiet life as servant to her stepmother's family. Until cynical, wealthy Augustus Rushworth offers

her an unusual arrangement: accompanying him around town to ward off husband-hunting debutantes! She knows their supposed affair is temporary, but she's cautiously thrilled to escape her lonely life and be the belle of the ball. And when desire grows between her and Augustus, she might just grab her last chance to experience passion too.



MY HIGHLAND PROTECTOR - MIRIAM MINGER BOOK #2 \$24.95

Book #1 My Highland Warrior. After saving Robert the Bruce's life, Cameron Campbell finds himself rewarded with an enemy's castle. His first act as laird is

to release the prisoners in the dungeon, one of them no youth but a flame-haired beauty on the brink of death. Alas, though Cameron is no stranger to war, he's a stranger to women. Still, he vows to do his best to nurse Aislinn back to health. Although if he thought her helpless, he couldn't be more wrong. Fierce and loyal to her kin, Aislinn insists upon setting out to find her father and brother, both having come from Ireland to fight for King Robert. Despite that Cameron believes them executed by now, and against his better judgment, he joins her on a dangerous quest to discover her family's fate, never expecting to lose his heart along the way.



THE SCOT WHO LOVED ME -GINA CONKLE BOOK #1 \$19.95

Proud Scot, Will MacDonald sits in prison for wearing his kilt. He's determined to leave England as soon as he's released, but his plans go awry

when a mysterious woman enters his cell, promising freedom and gold. Anne Fletcher never thought she'd see her former lover again. She knows Will hasn't forgiven her for leaving him so many years ago, but to accomplish her league's mission, she needs him by her side. Stealing the Treasure of Loch Arkaig from English hands and returning it to the Highlands where it belongs is no easy feat. But with Will's help, they can achieve the impossible, even if being with him is as painful as it is pleasurable. Taking back the fortune could mean death but after being parted from Anne for so long, Will can't leave her side. As they work together to steal the treasure from watchful eyes, will they return to their lonely lives or will they risk everything for a love they thought was lost?

THE CATTLEMAN MEETS HIS MATCH/SECOND CHANCE HERO - SHACKLEFORD/GRIGGS \$19.95 "The Cattleman Meets His Match" by Sherri Shackelford. Cowboy John Elder needs a replacement crew of cattle hands to drive his longhorns to Kansas-he just never figured they'd be wearing petticoats. Traveling with Moira O'Mara and the orphan girls in her care is a mutually beneficial arrangement. Yet despite

Moira's independence, the feisty beauty evokes John's every masculine instinct to protect, and marry. "Second Chance Hero" by Winnie Griggs. To help his dving sister, Nate Cooper once broke the law-and he's regretted it ever since. So when the ex-con turned saddler saves Verity Leggett's daughter from harm, he's shocked to be called a hero. But when his secrets come to light, will Verity be able to get over his past and see Nate for the caring man he's become? THE UNINTENDED GROOM/THE BRIDE WORE SPURS -

ULLRICK/DEAN \$19.95



"The Unintended Groom" by Debra Ullrick. When Abby Bowen's dream of love is dashed, she pursues a new dream:

opening a dinner theater in Hot Mineral Springs. There's just one hitch: she needs a male business partner. The father of twins who answers Abby's ad is perfect. Working with Harrison Kingsleywithout losing her heart-will be harder than Abby anticipated! "The Bride Wore Spurs" by Janet Dean. Cowpokes won't take orders from a

young, single female. But while Hannah Parrish's neighbor, Matt Walker, jokes about her being a debutante, Hannah is a rancher to the core. Now Matt must convince her the greatest strength comes in trusting your heart to another



PROPOSAL FOR THE UNWED MOTHER – LAURI ROBINSON \$19.95

New York businessman Connor McCormick's heart was broken when his sweetheart Jenny Sommers disappeared seven years ago. Now Connor is unexpectedly reunited with Jenny--and discovers she's a midwife to pregnant runaways and a single mother herself.

WINNING OVER THE WRANGLER/FALLING FOR THE RANCHER FATHER – LINDA FORD \$19.95

'Winning Over the Wrangler''. The rugged cowboy who rescues Sybil Bannerman from a stampede is just the kind of man her editor wants her to write about. Yet she has no idea how big a secret Brand Duggan carries, until her life is threatened. Despite the evidence against him, Sybil can't walk away--for the man who lassoed her heart is the one she'll love forever. "Falling for the

Rancher Father". Widower Abel Borgard has his hands full raising twins and establishing a homestead. Wild West trick rider Mercy Newell's offer to care for his son and daughter seems like the perfect solution. And though it takes no time for Mercy to steal his children's hearts, Abel's is another story, because he's a single father set on stability and she's a wild-at-heart beauty searching for adventure.

HIGH COUNTRY JUSTICE - NIK JAMES NIK JAMES BOOK #1 \$24.95



Caleb Marlowe carved out his own legend as a frontier scout and lawman before arriving in the Colorado boomtown of Elkhorn. Famous for a lightning-quick draw and nerves of steel, he is mysterious, guarded, and unpredictable. Now, he wants to leave the past behind. But the past has a way of dogging a man. When Doc Burnett, Caleb's only friend in town, goes missing,

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his daughter Sheila comes seeking Caleb's help. Newly arrived from the East, she hotly condemns the bloody frontier justice of the rifle and the six-gun. But this is outlaw country. Murderous road agents have Doc trapped in their mountain hideaway. To free Doc, Marlowe tracks his kidnappers through wild, uncharted territory, battling animals and bushwhackers. But when Sheila is captured by the ruthless gunhawks with a score to settle, Marlowe will have to take them down one by one, until no outlaw remains standing.





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UNDERCOVER DUKE – SABRINA JEFFRIES BOOK #4 \$24.95

Start with Project Duchess. Along with his stepsiblings, Sheridan Wolfe, Duke of Armitage, is determined to finally solve the mysteries behind the suspicious deaths of their mother's three husbands. Tasked with investigating a possible suspect, Sheridan finds himself in dangerous proximity to her captivating daughter, Vanessa Pryde. But still haunted by a

tragically lost love, the duke is resolved to resist the attraction--and avoid any "scheming" husband-hunters. Besides, lovely Miss Pryde seems utterly smitten with a roguish London playwright. Vanessa thinks a little scheming may be in order--for it's Sheridan she truly has her sights, and her heart, set on. Her theatrical flirtation is intended only to break through his business-like demeanor and guarded emotions. And as Sheridan's jealousy becomes aroused, the two soon find themselves propelled into a scheme of an altogether different kind, involving a pretend engagement, a secret inquiry -and a perhaps not-so-secret leap into true love.



A VISCOUNT TO SAVE HE<mark>R RE</mark>PUTATION - HELEN DICKSON \$19.95

Escaping from a marriage she doesn't want, heiress Lucy Walsh falls straight into the arms of Christopher Wilding, Viscount Rockley --causing a scandal! Lucy's drawn to the enigmatic viscount, but he seems to think he's too cynical and mature for her. While she's under his protection, the town will gossip, and with her godmother on her way to fetch her, Lucy is running out of options to save her

reputation--and her heart!



THE SECRETS OF LORD GRAYSON CHILD -STEPHANIE LAURENS BOOK #10 \$35.00 TRADE P/ BACK

Start with By Winters Light. Lord Grayson Child is horrified to discover that The London Crier, a popular gossip

rag, is proposing to expose his extraordinary wealth to the ton's matchmakers, not to mention London's shysters and Captain Sharps. He rushes to London and corners The Crier's proprietor-only to discover the paper's owner is the last person he'd expected to see. Izzy-Lady Isadora Descartes-is flabbergasted when Gray appears in her printing works' office. He's the very last person she wants to meet while in her role as owner of The Crier, but there he is, as large as life, and she has to deal with him without giving herself away! This she just manages. But before leaving the printing works, she and he stumble across a murder, and all hell breaks loose. Izzy can only be grateful for Gray's support as, to free them both of suspicion, they embark on a joint campaign to find the killer. Yet working side by side opens their eyes to who they each are now-both quite different to the youthful would-be lovers of ten years before. Mutual respect, affection, and appreciation grow, and amid the chaos of hunting a ruthless killer, they find themselves facing the question of whether what they'd deemed wrecked ten years before can be resurrected. Then the killer's motive proves to be a treasonous plot, and with others, Gray and Izzy race to prevent a catastrophe, a task that ultimately falls to them alone in a situation in which the only way out is through selfless togetherness-only by relying on each other will they survive.



MISS GABRIELS GAMBIT -**RITA BOUCHER** \$27.95 TRADE P/BACK *REISSUE* (ORIG 04/93) Beautiful Sylvia Gabriel has more

cause than most to despise the Game of Kings. Chess has been the ruination

of her life ending her engagement, filching her fortune and reducing her to poor relation. But when she finds herself falling in love with chessmaster David Rutherford, the new Lord Donhill, Sylvia stakes her heart, her future and her reputation on the riskiest gambit of all.



RUNAWAY HEARTS -ALEXA ASTON \$29.95 TRADE P/BACK Shortly after her beloved father's

death, Emma Bradford becomes a runaway heiress when she overhears her beau and stepmother

plotting to steal her fortune-and take her life. She jumps on a train headed to the American West and is instantly attracted to a handsome stranger on board. Pinkerton detective Rye Callahan is assigned to protect an opera diva as she travels from New York to Colorado and remains undercover as a bodyguard during her engagement at Denver's newest opera house. Along the way, he encounters a beautiful woman who looks and sings like an angel, but Rye is married to his job and determined not to become involved with the woman romantically. But Rye and Emma wind up living in the same house in Denver, and their relationship heats up fast. When the diva disappears without a trace, Emma takes her place on stage-only to wind up missing soon after. Rye races against the clock to find both women in time. And if he does, will he be able to open his heart and learn to love?



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THE THEORY OF EARLS -**KATHLEEN AYERS** BOOK #1 \$29.95 TRADE P/ BACK

"Chemise. Stockings. Piano. Three words, uttered by the beautifully rakish Lord Welles, leave Margaret Lainscott speechless.

His improper request, that she play the piano for him in her...underthings is as shocking as it is titillating. Margaret should never have asked his help in reintroducing her to Lord Carstairs. But his friend meets all of Margaret's criteria for a husband; passably attractive, of below-average intelligence, and possessed of an obsessive outdoor hobby which will leave her free to pursue her own life. Welles is one of London's most committed bachelors, known for his notorious dealings with women and his part ownership of one of London's pleasure clubs. He's long admired Miss Lainscott's unrestrained passion at the piano; a passion he suspects is not reserved only for her music. Welles is certain Miss Lainscott will not entertain his improper request despite the attraction burning between them.

HOW TO SURVIVE A SCANDAL – SAMARA PARISH BOOK #1 \$24.95

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Lady Amelia was raised to be the perfect duchess, accomplished in embroidery, floral arrangement, and managing a massive household. But when an innocent mistake forces her and the uncouth, untitled Benedict Asterly into a marriage of convenience, all her training appears to be for naught. Even worse, she finds herself inexplicably drawn to this man no finishing school could have

prepared her for. Benedict Asterly never dreamed saving Amelia's life would lead to him exchanging vows with the hoity society miss. Benedict was taught to distrust the aristocracy at a young age, so when news of his marriage endangers a business deal, Benedict is wary of Amelia's offer to help. But his quick-witted, elegant bride defies all his expectations and if he's not careful, she'll break down the walls around his guarded heart.

AMELIA GREY A GENTLEMAN NEVER TELLS – AMELIA GREY BOOK #4 \$24.95

Start with A Duke to Die For. Viscount Brentwood is in London for one reason only: to find the perfect wife to give him sons. He just needs to choose a bride and everything else will fall into place. But the only one falling this season is Lady Gabrielle Windergreen-directly into his arms to steal a kiss. The last thing Brent wants is to get

caught up in another scandal, but it seems whenever Gabrielle is near, scandal is exactly what he gets As if from a dream, Lady Gabrielle walked from the mist and into Viscount Brentwood's arms. Within moments, he's embroiled in more scandal than he ever thought possible. Beautiful, clever, and courageous, Lady Gabrielle needs Brent's help to get out of a seriously bad situation. But the more she gets to know him, the worse she feels about ruining his life.



THE VIRGIN WHO HUMBLED LORD HASLEMERE – ANNA BRADLEY

BOOK #3 \$29.95 TRADE P/BACK Book #1 The Virgin who Ruined Lord Grey, Book #2 The Virgin who Vindicated Lord Darlington. The only thing Georgiana Harley despises more than chaos is bad

behavior. So when the Duchess of Kenilworth pleads for help to escape her witty, charming, heartless monster of a husband, she's come to the right place. Calm and logical, with nerves of steel, Georgiana is uniquely qualified to safely disappear the duchess and her young son. Her greatest challenge is Her Grace's brother, Lord Haslemere. An arrogant scoundrel, he keeps interfering with Georgiana's plans. If only he would get out of her way-yet once he reveals a heart as sweet as his lips, she isn't so sure she wants him to. Can she allow herself to fall for a man with an angel's face and a devil's reputation? Benedict Harcourt, the Earl of Haslemere isn't about to trust his sister and nephew to some chit who looks as if a stiff wind could send her sprawling-no matter how brilliant Georgiana is. Or lovable. Or irresistible. But does he have the courage to fall for a young woman with the eyes of an innocent-and the fierceness of a lioness?

THE WOLF AND THE WITCH -CLAIRE DELACROIX BOOK #1 \$29.95 TRADE P/BACK

Denied his rightful legacy, Maximilian de Vries devised a plan to avenge himself upon his father and see his own future secured. Allied with his two half-brothers, he

descends upon ancient and mysterious Kilderrick, determined to seize the keep once promised to him, regardless of the price. A woman rumored to be a witch is the sole one bold enough to defy him but Maximilian has a solution-he will take her to wife, whether she be willing or nay, and seal his claim. But this powerful warrior has yet to match wits with Alys Armstrong, a maiden with a thirst for vengeance and a fury that might exceed his own. Alys has no intention of capitulating to the proud and powerful rogue who stole everything from herno matter how seductive his touch might be-and she does not share his compulsion to fight fair. Bitter enemies from the outset, Maximilian and Alys' match is a battle of wills. When passion flares, will either of them be able to resist temptation?

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FALL OF THE LYON – CHASTITY BOWLIN BOOK #7 \$19.95

Start with Into the Lyons Den by Jade Lee. Faced with the impending loss of her stepfather and the all too real threat of unscrupulous relatives who would have her inheritance at any cost, Miss Margaret Upshaw flees to London. Her stepfather has tasked her to make her way to the Lyon's Den to seek the assistance of Mrs. Bessie Dove-Lyon, the most scandalous matchmaker in all of London. Her matches aren't made in the ballrooms of Mayfair, but over the faro tables and a notorious betting book in the gaming hell she rules with an iron fist in a velvet glove. Leander Thurston-Hunter, Viscount Amberley, or Leo as he prefers, is a man with a very particular problem that can only be solved with money. And as a nobleman, there's only one way to get a lot of cash and get it quickly-you have to marry it. When Mrs. Dove-Lyon informs him that she's made the perfect match for him, he's not exactly thrilled, but certainly willing to do his duty to preserve his family's standing. But then he meets Meg Upshaw. Beautiful, vulnerable, terribly alone... and she makes him question for the first time whether a marriage born out of duty and necessity has to be an unhappy one. But there's one terrible catch... Meg's family, the relatives who would have her fortune by any means, are the very ones responsible for the brutal events that nearly ended his life and left him permanently scarred. But that isn't the only secret they're keeping, and those secrets are worth dying for and worth killing for. Leo and his new bride find themselves in danger of far more than simply falling inconveniently in love.



THE WONDERFUL LYONS DEN SERIES **CONTINUES** LYONS PREY – ANNA ST CLAIRE

Evan Prescott, the fifth Earl of Clarendon lost his wife during the birth of their child. Broken, Evan seeks solace in the Lyon's Den, a world of drink, cards, and excess-where wins and losses are easier to navigate than responsibilities. Overconfident and in his cups, he makes a bet that will change his life. Still mourning

the loss of her father and elder brother...Lady Charlotte Grisham saves her young brother from the path of a speeding carriage. In a fit of pique, she throws propriety to the wind and storms up the steps of the owner's London townhouse-and meets the man that upends her world. The stars align when his high stakes bet and her lapse in judgement give the Black Widow of Whitehall the perfect opportunity to spin her web of hearts, while untold danger lurks a step behind. Can a marriage of convenience give rise to love in time to avoid deadly disaster?

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IANICE PRESTON HAS A NEW SERIES THE RAGS TO RICHES GOVERNESS BOOK #1 \$19.95

Governess Leah Thame learns she's inherited a fortune the day her employer, the enigmatic Earl of Dolphinstone, returns from abroad. They share an instant connection, but in order to claim her inheritance, Leah must resign and find a husband. The guarded widower offers a convenient marriage to stop her leaving, but Leah refuses. She won't marry the man who's captured her heart unless there's a chance of her love being returned.



THE CINDERELLA HEIRESS BOOK #2 \$19.95

Claiming her inheritance in London will help Beatrice Fothergill escape her bullying, belittling half brother. When her carriage overturns, dashing Waterloo soldier Jack Kingswood comes to her aid--setting her pulse racing! In return, believing her new fortune can help the injured veteran rebuild his life, Beatrice proposes a convenient marriage. But is this all she can offer--or dare Beatrice believe she's worthy of more?

Preorders...

□ HIGHLAND LEGENDS – KATHRYN LEVEQUE BK #3 DUE 27/7 □ HE HIGHLANDERS IRISH BRIDE – VANESSA KELLY DUE 27/7 □ NOT THE KIND OF EARL YOU MARRY – KATE PEMBROKE BK #1 DUE 27/7 □ WHEN A DUKE LOVES A GOVERNESS – OLIVIA DRAKE BK #3 DUE 27/7 □ THE DUKE GOES DOWN – SOPHIE JORDAN DUE 27/7 □ HIGHLAND THIEF - ALYSON MCLAYNE BK #5 DUE 24/8 □ THE BRIDES OF LONDON – VANESSA RILEY BK #1&2 *R/P* DUE 24/8 BOMBSHELL – SARAH MACLEAN DUE BK #1 24/8 HITCHED TO THE GUNSLINGER – MICHELLE MCLEAN DUE 24/8 □ The Cowboy Who Saved Christmas – Thomas/Broday/Lovelace due 28/9 □ A Cowboy CHRISTMAS LEGEND – LINDA BRODAY BK #2 DUE 28/9 □ ONCE A LAIRD – MAR<mark>Y J</mark>O PUTNEY BK #6 DUE 26/10

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WICKED AND TRUE - SHAYLA BLACK BOOK #4 \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK

Start with Wicked As Sin.For agonizing months, Chase "Zyron" Garrett has been forbidden from touching Tessa, the pretty office assistant who makes him burn. But when danger strikes EM Security Management and top-secret information is leaked, it's obvious the team has a mole ... and the evidence points to the woman he's fallen for. The bosses demand he investigate her, so

he resolves to stop at nothing, even stripping her bare-body and soul-for the truth.Tessa Lawrence has known heartbreak in the past, but Zy has always been her staunchest protector. Since he was contractually off-limits, the Southern, sassy single mom clung to her friendship with the daring demolitions expert who'd stolen her heart and focused on making the best life for her daughter. But when the barriers between her and Zy are suddenly gone, she welcomes him into her bed, not realizing she's giving him the power to destroy her. Or that the enemy is watching. Then the unthinkable happens, and Tessa is forced to make the most gut-wrenching choice of her life. Will their love survive the betrayal or will their future end before it's even begun?

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ONE MOTION MORE – LA TAVARES BOOK #1 \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK

Long-haired bad-boy guitarist Xander has skeletons in his closet MOTION that refuse to stay dead. After a series of setbacks, Xander hits new lows, almost costing himself his reputation and career. MOR While trying to take steps in the right direction toward better decisions and good choices, he meets Natalie, and for the first time-maybe ever-Xander sees past himself and past the music

his rock band is famous for. Their relationship is an unlikely one, with outside factors creating obstacles the two would have to tackle to make their love work. He is reckless while she is responsible. He thrives in the spotlight while she will do anything to avoid it. He speaks fluent profanity while she doesn't speak at all. He works to win her heart, despite having to overcome the communication barrier, while she tries to look past the intensity of the \cap spotlight they find themselves in.

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CHECK OUT THIS GREAT SERIES FROM **TERESA GABELMAN** DAMON

BOOK #1 \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK

Damon DeMasters is a vampire warrior who has taken an oath to protect his own kind and humans as well. Crimson Rush is the new drug and it's their duty to find who is behind the selling vampire blood. As a social worker, Nicole Callahan fights for the right of every child in her care. There's a war now as vampires have stepped out into the spotlight taking their place in society and the children

are at the heart of it all. Damon and his fellow warriors have been ordered by Φ the Vampire Council to train Nicole and her colleagues against the dangers they now face in their new world. Even as sparks fly and tensions mount, Nicole and Damon depend on each other to protect the children of both races.

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BOOK #2 \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK

The VC Warriors are an elite group of vampire who protect innocents. Jared Kincaid, along with other Warriors, are shocked when a fiery red head with a gun and attitude, bring news of young teens being turned into an army of halfbreed vampires. Breaking into the VC Warriors compound was definitely not the smartest thing Tessa Pride has ever

done, but she will do anything for her brother, Adam. The Warriors held the one person she knew was responsible for her brother being turned

into a half-breed and nothing will stop her from getting what she needs to help her brother. Jared and Tessa join forces to find who is responsible. With a war between Warriors and half-breeds brewing, suspicions of traitors in their midst put the lives of everyone involved on the line.



Coming next month...

DUNCAN BOOK #3 \$29.95 TRADE P/BACK

Leader of the VC Warriors Cincinnati branch, Duncan Roark, has devoted his long life to the Warriors and the Vampire Council. Things change suddenly when it is ordered that the Warriors train human Social Workers to protect themselves. Falling in love with a human was something Duncan never thought possible, but love her he did. Now instead of being the ruthless leader, his focus has turned to

finding the woman he loved and let go. Pam Braxton loves her job working with children, but when she realizes her live in boyfriend, Kenny Lawrence, has been using her and her job for his illegal activities, her world is turned upside down. Deciding to take matters into her own hands, she stays, trying to learn more of his betrayal so he can be punished. Now Pam is on the run, alone and with a secret that could change the already unbalanced world of vampires and humans. As Duncan searches for Pam, the threat of

losing his leadership role has the other Warriors worried. Duncan's search is relentless; he knows he is not the only one looking for Pam.



DRAGON DREAMS AND FAIRY WINGS - BAILEY BRADFORD BOOK #1 \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK What happens when a fairy loses his wings-and his memory? Griff was born

□ SID – THERESA GABELMAN BK #4 T/P

□ SUPERNOVA – DESIREE HOLT BK #3 T/P

a Love fairy, but he never quite fit in. He didn't want to be part of a harem, at least he didn't think he wanted that.

What with his wings gone and his memory damaged, he can't be certain of what he felt in the past. All he does know is, he wants his wings back. Blaze is a dragon shifter who tends to stick his foot in his mouthwhen he really shouldn't. His brother is the king, and his sister-in-law Bonny is scary. Blaze's last screw-up got him grounded, unable to shift into his dragon form. His punishment seems harsh, but there's no escaping it. Then the Love fairies come to the castle to work on forming an alliance. Blaze has about had it with guarding the horny beings, and he's disappointed that they don't stay small and cute. He almost commits a major faux-pas when he swats at something buzzing him, and it turns out to be a fairy on a dragonfly. And from that snarky meeting, something wonderful, and dangerous, will come.



BAD TO BE WORTHY VOL 2 - ANDREW GREY BOOK #2 \$25.95

Book #1 Bad to be Good. Sometimes Gerome Meadows longs for the excitement of the life he left behind for Witness

Protection. But when he stands up to a bully in a bar to protect a homeless man, his past comes very close to home--and it's no longer what he wants. Tucker Wells has been living in a tent, surviving with the aid of his friend Cheryl and helping her watch over her son. When he winds up on the wrong side of an argument with some dangerous people, his already difficult life is thrown into turmoil. Gerome steps in to find them a temporary apartment, and Tucker is grateful and relieved. Gerome never meant to open the door to trouble. His life and Tucker's depend on keeping his past a mystery. But as his desire to protect develops into something deeper, he and Tucker will have to evaluate what family means--and hope that their growing feelings pass unimaginable tests.

MIST RISING – EVE LANGLAIS BOOK #1 \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK



the Blessed-those with the purple eyes. Supposedly, they are the only thing standing between the Kingdom and the rising mist. As far as Agathe is concerned, they're victims of the King's lust for power. What is the King really doing with the Blessed and their magic? To discover the truth, Agathe must insert herself into the court. Unfortunately, things are worse than they seem. Can Agathe embrace destiny and not only save herself but also the Kingdom.

GRAVE ROBBING AND OTHER HOBBIES – JAYCE CARTER BOOK #1 \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK



Abandoned at three-whose parents want a kid who sees ghosts? I learned the world is quick to punish misfits. I try my best to be a normal, **ROBBING** boring human, but the call of the supernatural just won't be ignored. When a stranger shows up on my doorstep in the middle of the night, it's no sexy tryst. Instead, I'm off to the graveyard, digging up the corpse of a murder victim at the demand of the local vampire coven-and that small felony is just the start. The spirit of the woman has gone missing

and everyone is looking to me for answers. There's Kase, a vampire who's both terrifying and secretive. Grant, a mage with a bad attitude and a lot of power. Troy, the possessive werewolf-detective next door and Hunter, a bad boy who isn't even close to human. It's a race not just against time but against everything to figure out where the spirits are going, who's behind it and if I can trust the men who now share my bed. And all because of a little grave robbing.

CLAW – MINT ELLEN BOOK #1 \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK



Layla hadn't counted on an incubus appearing in her living room. Nor did she expect to find she's a witch, tasked with protecting the mortal realm. And now her friend, fellow nursing student and crush could be a potential killer? She's silently lusted after Cal for a year, knowing a guy that hot, sweet and kind wouldn't look twice at her. All their flirting was innocent and went nowhere, until Ink-the incubus bound to her-

ran into her life and bed. Next thing she knows, Cal's growling at her while Ink flirts, and women are being ripped apart by wild animals. Couldn't the murder monster mystery wait until after finals? She wanted to be a nurse, not a paranormal investigator, but Layla has no choice. Apparently only witches can stop these creatures that she didn't even know existed a month ago. But the deeper she digs, the more it looks like Cal's deep in the middle of it all. How can she save her friend from the claws of a cult, keep her sexcraved demon happy and find a way to let both into her heart and bed?

Forthcoming...

□ CUSTOM LOVE – CHANTAL FERNANDO BK #3 DUE 24/8 DOMINIQUE – EVE LANGLAIS BK #1 T/P DUE 5/9 DRAGONS DJINN – EVE LANGLAIS BK #8 T/P DUE 10/10



THE QUEER PRINCIPLES OF KIT WEBB - CAT SEBASTIAN \$29.95 TRADE P/BACK

Kit Webb has left his stand-and-deliver days behind him. But dreary days at his coffee shop have begun to make him pine for the rush of thievery. When a handsome, arrogant aristocrat storms into his shop,

Kit quickly realizes he may be unable to deny whatever this man desires. In order to save himself and a friend, Percy, Lord Holland must go against every gentlemanly behavior he holds dear to gain what he needs most: a book that once belonged to his mother, a book his father never lets out of his sight and could be Percy's savior. More comfortable in ballrooms than coffee shops frequented by criminals, his attempts to hire the highwayman, formerly known as Gladhand Jack, proves frustrating and electrifying. Kit refuses to participate in the robbery but agrees to teach Percy how to. Percy knows he has little choice but to submit and as the lessons in thievery begin, he discovers thievery isn't the only crime he's desperate to commit with Kit. But when their plan goes wrong, can these stolen hearts overcome the impediments in their path?

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LEIGH BARDUGO'S GREISHAVERSE SERIES SHADOW AND BONE



BOOK #1 \$19.99 TRADE P/BACK \$32.99 H/COVER

Orphaned and expendable, Alina Starkov is a soldier who knows she may not survive her first trek across the Shadow Fold-a swath of darkness crawling with monsters. But when her regiment is attacked, Alina unleashes dormant magic not even she knew she possessed. Now Alina will enter a lavish world of royalty and intrigue as she trains with the Grisha, her country's magical military elite-and falls under the spell of their leader, the Darkling. He believes Alina can summon a force capable of destroying the Shadow Fold and reuniting their war-ravaged country, but only if she can master her untamed gift. As the threat to the kingdom mounts and Alina unlocks the secrets of her past, she will make a discovery that could threaten all

she loves and the future of a nation. Welcome to Ravka a world of science and superstition where nothing is what it seems.



SIEGE AND STORM BOOK #2 \$19.99 TRADE P/BACK

Alina Starkov's power has grown, but not without a price. She is the Sun Summoner-hunted across the True Sea, haunted by the lives she took on the Shadow Fold. But she and Mal can't outrun their enemies for long. The Darkling is more

determined than ever to claim Alina's magic and use it to take the Ravkan throne. With nowhere else to turn, Alina enlists the help of a privateer and sets out to lead the Grisha army. But as the truth of Alina's destiny unfolds, she slips deeper into the Darkling's game of forbidden magic, and further away from her humanity. To save her country,

Alina will have to choose between her power and the love she thought would always shelter her. No victory can come without sacrifice-and only she can face the storm.



RUIN AND RISING

BOOK #3 �.5(1) \$19.99 TRADE P/BACK The nation's fate rests with a broken Sun Summoner, a disgraced tracker, and the shattered remnants of a once-great magical army. The Darkling rules from his shadow throne while a weakened Alina Starkov recovers from their battle under the protection of the zealots who worship her as a Saint. Now her hopes lie with the magic of a long-vanished creature and the

chance that an outlaw prince still survives. As her allies and enemies race toward war, only Alina stands between her country and a tide of darkness that could destroy the world. Includes "The Demon in the Wood" a Darkling prequel story.

THE LANGUAGE OF THORNS



BOOK #0.5(2), #2.5(1), #2.5(2) \$29.99 H/COVER Travel to a world of dark bargains struck by moonlight, of haunted towns and hungry woods, of talking beasts and gingerbread golems, where a young mermaid's voice can summon storms and where a river might do a boy's bidding but only for a terrible price. These six stories includes three brand-

new tales, each of them lavishly illustrated and culminating in stunning full-spread illustrations as rich in detail as the stories themselves.



THE LIVES OF SAINTS \$32.99 H/COVER

As seen on screen in the Netflix series, out of the pages of the Shadow and Bone trilogy, from the hands of Alina Starkov to yours, the Istorii Sankt'ya is a magical keepsake with full colour illustrations from the Grishaverse. These tales include miracles and martyrdoms from familiar saints like Sankta Lizabeta of the Roses and Sankt Ilya in Chains, to the strange and obscure

stories of Sankta Ursula, Sankta Maradi, and the Starless Saint.



MERCEDES LACKEY HAS TWO VALDEMAR BOOKS SPY SPY AGAIN BOOK #3 \$24.95 *REPACK*

Book #1 The Hills Have Spy, Book #2 Eye Spy. Thirteen year old Prince Kyril and Mags and Amily's fourteen-year-old son Tory "share" the Gift of Farsight-although neither of them are Chosen. They are self-trained, though currently, their shared Gift only allows them to see what is happening with their immediate

family members. After much debate, the Herald's Collegium has decided to test and train them anyway. That's when the surprises start. They do not share a single Gift; they have two complementary Gifts working together in a way that the Heralds have never seen before. Tory is the Farseer-Kee's Gift is to extend his range beyond a few dozen feet. Their Gifts become crucial when Mags gets a desperate message from his cousin Bey, the head of the enigmatic assassintribe, the Sleepgivers. Bey's eldest daughter has been kidnapped, but he doesn't know why or by whom. He's calling in the debt Mags owes him to find his daughter before it's too late. Tory is certain that if anyone can find her, he can. But that will mean traveling out of Valdemar into an unknown, dangerous country. And it will mean taking a Royal Prince with him.



THE CITY OF ZIRDAI - MARIA V SNYDER BOOK #2 \$19.99 TRADE P/BACK

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underground city of Zirdai. Though they have allies among the monks and splinter cells inside the city, Shyla knows the Invisible Sword doesn't have the strength to win. With the group fracturing due to the strain of losses from their latest ordeal, thinly veiled suspicions and endless disagreements, it's up to Shyla to forge a new united order. When both the draconian Water Prince and brutal Heliacal Priestess learn of Shyla's new powers, life becomes even more complicated as they will stop at nothing to capture Shyla and take the magic of The Eyes for themselves. Hunted at every turn and unable to hide, Shyla and the Invisible Sword must use every resource at their command and unearth new ones - in their race to save the city from destruction. But their enemies always seem to be one step ahead. And the cost to win the battle may be more than Shyla would ever be willing to pay.



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waiting for the right moment in time to step in. Now Liam finds himself reunited with his beloved Cora in Providence Falls, North Carolina. The angels have given Liam a task. He must make sure Cora falls in love with another man--the one she was supposed to marry before Liam interfered. But this Cora is very different from the innocent girl who fell for Liam in the past. She's a cop and has a confidence and independence he wasn't expecting. She doesn't remember Liam or their past lives, nor is she impressed with his attempts to guide her in any way. Liam wants Cora for himself, but with his soul hanging in the balance, he must choose between a stolen moment in time or an eternity of damnation.



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But when a man she thought long dead walks back into her life at the head of a sorcerer army, surrender is no longer an option. With all the world watching, and half hoping she fails, Alex and her friends scramble to find a peace that won't cost them everything.



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terrors, Calanthe isn't the haven it once was. Lia must use her magical bond with Calanthe to save their people while Con fights to hold off the vengeful Emperor Anure and his wizards. Con and Lia will have to trust in each other--and in love--to fend off ultimate disaster.

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Within the Eastern Empire, Duke Kordas Valdemar rules a tiny, bucolic Duchy that focuses mostly on horse breeding. Anticipating the day when the Empire's militant leaders would not be content to leave them alone, Korda's father set out to gather magicians in the hopes of finding a way to escape and protect the people of the Duchy from tyranny. Kordas has lived his life looking over his

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shoulder. The signs in the Empire are increasingly dire. Under the direction of the Emperor, mages have begun to harness the power of dark magics, including blood magic, the powers of the Abyssal Planes, and the binding and milking of Elemental creatures. But then one of the Duchy's mages has a breakthrough. There is a way to place a Gate at a distance so far from the Empire that it is unlikely the Emperor can find or follow them as they evacuate everyone that is willing to leave. But time is running out, and Kordas has been summoned to the Emperor's Court. Can his reputation as a country bumpkin and his acting skills buy him and his people the time they need to flee? Or will the Emperor lose patience, invade to strip Valdemar of everything of worth, and send its conscripted people into the front lines of the Imperial wars?





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Montfort's greatest fears have now come true. Her brother Max has not only claimed the sword in the stone, but is working with Darkside in order to destroy the royal family and claim the throne for himself. But does he hold the true Witch King's

Sword? Or is the sword he drew a powerful fake? With the attacks on them intensifying, Gwen, her grandmother Moscelyne, and Luc Durant-a swordч bearing warrior from an ancient order of knightsrace to not only uncover the truth but find a means of stopping Max before his plans can come to bloody fruition. As an old goddess's prophecies d come true and new powers rise, the dark gates are opened and London comes under attack. But the \mathbf{O} final battle will not be for the throne or the crown but rather a life, and might well result in Gwen having to make the ultimate sacrifice.

NICODEMUS - DB REYNOLDS

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world until everything changed. The four warriors who'd stood by him through endless wars were struck down by a curse, gone in an instant, and spun into the sands of time. And Antonia, the woman he loved, was bespelled into an unknown world, captured by the sorcerer she'd betraved. Following Sotiris's vanishing trail, Nicodemus searches through worlds and centuries until finally, in a universe a thousand years from where he was born, his freed warriors seek him out and stand with him once more. But what of Antonia, what of her fate at the sorcerer's whim? And if she still lives, how will he find her? With his warriors' help, Nicodemus untangles the twisted reality Sotiris has contrived to hide his beloved.

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behind the threat, and why the curse is being cast, the red dragons disappear, leaving behind familiarbut deadly-new foes. The weyr bands together to repel the attacks but not before they lose one of their own. With demon-dragon hybrids trying to kill them, a demon lord weaving the biggest curse ever created, and the destruction of an entire sept, the wyverns unleash their collective wrath against the Dragonblight that could obliterate them all.

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Start with Shadow Rider. As the youngest of the Ferraro family, Emmanuelle has watched each of her brothers find love while her own heart was shattered by a lover's betraval. For two years she's stayed as far away from Valentino Saldi as possible-until she

learns that he's been shot during a hostile takeover of his family's territory. Emme's first instinct is to call her brother Stefano for help, and soon the entire Ferraro clan arrives to bring Val back from the brink of death and protect the Saldis from further attack. With one choice Emme has re-exposed herself to Val's intoxicating pull and dragged her family into the Saldis' private war. A deadly storm is brewing, and only time will tell who survives.

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roused on his hand entwining their fates, no one will prevent him from keeping her safe and making her his. Karma wishes she could remember her last name. Or if she even had one. All she has in this confusing new world is a desperate duty to save the innocent. That means destroying Benjamin Reese and everything he loves. She's certain a deadly enemy watches her every move, but it's not until Benny kisses her that she tastes true danger.



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Start With Under a Graveyard Sky. Six teenagers and their captain aboard the Crosscurrent Voyager, headed on a senior year summer cruise. Then the world as they

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Daughter of an executed traitor, Mia Corvere barely escapes her father's failed rebellion with her life. Alone and friendless, she hides in a city built from the bones of a dead god, hunted by the Senate and her father's former comrades. But her gift for speaking with the shadows leads her to the door of a retired killer. Now, a sixteen year old Mia is apprenticed to the deadliest assassins in the entire Republic the Red Church. Treachery and trials await her with the Church's halls, and to fail is to die. But if she survives to initiation, Mia will be inducted among the chosen of the Lady of Blessed Murder, and one step closer to the only thing she desires. Revenge.

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suspicions about the Red Church's true motives begin to grow. When it's announced that Scaeva will be making a public appearance at the conclusion of the grand games in Godsgrave, Mia defies the Church and sells herself to a gladiatorial collegium for a chance to finally end him. But as conspiracies unfold within the collegium walls, and the body count rises, Mia will be forced to choose between love and revenge and uncover a secret that could change everything.

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Her own family wishes her dead. And her nemesis, Consul Julius Scaeva, stands but a breath from total dominance over the Republic. But beneath the city, a dark secret awaits. Together with her lover Ashlinn, brother Jonnen and a mysterious benefactor returned from beyond the veil of death, she must undertake a perilous journey across the Republic, seeking the final answer to the riddle of her life.

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