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#### HERE ARE TWO GREAT AUSSIE AUTHORS TO HELP YOU GET INTO THE SPOOKY SEASON SPIRIT THE GRAVEYARD SHIFT – MARIA LEWIS \$29.99 TRADE P/BACK



When a horror-loving radio show becomes the stage of a gruesome murder, its host Tinsel Monroe is put next on the killer's list. Tinsel Munroe has busted her guts to get where she is. Yet her dream of working in radio hasn't turned out to be everything she hoped it would. Sure, she has her own show - aptly titled The Graveyard Shift - where she celebrates the sounds of cult-cinema, but the wage is barely enough to cover her rent and the midnight hours are putting a strain on her relationship with her boyfriend. Even after three years at Melbourne's coolest station, she's seemingly no closer to a prime-time slot. That is, until someone is murdered live on air. Mistaking it for a Halloween prank, a visit from police

informs Tinsel that the hysterical call was - in fact - the real deal. She's freaked out, but her true-crime obsessed sister Pandora is fascinated. While detectives assure them the killer will soon be caught, the bodies continue to drop with the killer striking in increasingly gruesome ways. With a growing, macabre audience to her radio show, that potentially includes the killer, Tinsel begins receiving strange messages over the text-in lines. Her workplace, and even her home, are suddenly not the sanctuaries she once thought. Tinsel and her sister are left with no choice but to team up with Detective James as they race to find the connection between her and the culprit. The people she thought she could trust are now those she should fear the most. In order to survive, Tinsel is going to have to listen to more than just the airwaves...



#### DARK DESTINY – LEXXIE COUPER BOOK #1 29.95 \*REISSUE\*

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The First Horseman of the Apocalypse, Pestilence is tired of waiting. Mankind is his to destroy. But first he has to defeat one of his own, the Fourth Horseman, Death, along with the lowly human she's so fond of. The one prophesised to save the world. Patrick Watkins wasn't prepared for the way his body-and soul-respond to Death when she suddenly appears in his bedroom. He's just a normal guy, saving lives at Australia's busiest beach. But a lifetime of feeling he's meant for something bigger haunts him, and it only intensifies at Death's touch and crystalises with her kiss. Death isn't interested in bringing about the end of humanity. She's focused on claiming the souls of the departed, thank you very much. And then

she encounters Patrick Watkins. There's an enigmatic significance to the sexy Australian that pulls on her very existence. And makes her question her very purpose. Falling in lust with a human isn't a problem, but falling in love with one? The one who stands in Pestilence's way. That's dangerous. When it comes to love or duty, for Death and Patrick, picking a side might just lead to the end. Of everything.

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#### THE SOUND OF SLEIGHBELLS – JANET DAILEY \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK \*REPACK\*

After her divorce, Ruth McCoy is eager to trade her children's painful memories for new holiday traditions. But Ruth has a whole new set of distractions when fate brings the man she once loved together with the son he never knew he had. Life has thrown Judd Rankin some tough turns, and he's startled by the feelings he still has for Ruth. Though the successful

rancher knows better than to chase old dreams, he doesn't mind lending the struggling single mom a hand. And when Judd sees Ruth's teenaged son's interest in his custom saddle business, he's happy to let the boy help him build the harness for Branding Iron's Christmas sleigh. Besides, the kid reminds Judd of the young man he once was. A man who believed anything was possible. Powerless to deny the growing bond between her son and Judd, Ruth knows it's only a matter of time before her secret is discovered. But will the revelation shatter the tender feelings between her and Judd--or turn out to be her family's greatest gift?



#### HOLLY JOLLY COWBOY - JESSICA CLARE \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK

Local waitress Holly Dawson needs a better paying job to cover her sister's college tuition. Given that it's Christmas and she's broke as a joke, she's feeling pretty bahhumbug. New jobs are hard to come by in a town as small as Painted Barrel, especially as the town dropout. When Holly's offered a job at the Flat C Ranch to clean and cook for the

cowboys that work there, it seems like a dream come true...except for one thing. Her nemesis, the incredibly handsome (and annoyingly arrogant) Adam Calhoun works there. It doesn't matter that he loves dogs more than people, or that he's a war veteran. No Christmas spirit can save that particular grinch. When the rest of the ranch hands go out of town for the holidays, Holly and Adam will be forced to work closely together. No sweat. Holly can deal with Adam. And if she doesn't kill him first, she just might fall in love.



#### THE HOLIDAY HEARTBREAKER - MAISEY YATES BOOK #5 \$29.95

Start with Unbridled Cowboy. It's not the holiday season she'd envisioned. But moving back home with her son, Benny, is all single mom Elizabeth Colfax can do after her ex-husband's infidelity left their life in pieces. A fresh start at Four Corners Ranch means Elizabeth's dream career in equine therapy can

become a reality, allowing her to share her love of horses with Benny. If only it didn't also mean butting heads with Brody McCloud, the frustratingly attractive cowboy who sets sparks off inside her. Brody doesn't do complicated, and Elizabeth's got more baggage than an airport. But there's something about the woman that's always gotten under his skin in a very welcome way. As the simmering tension between them grows harder to ignore, they'll have to decide if their undeniable attraction can outweigh a shared loss of faith in forever. Maybe this Christmas, they can find a family worth fighting for. In the bonus novella Wild Night Cowboy, can a cowboy with a dark past find his future with the one woman he shouldn't touch?



#### CHRISTMAS AT THE RANCH - ANITA HUGHES \$27.95 \*REPACK\*

It's days before Christmas and Samantha Morgan is in her Brooklyn apartment when her editor, Charlie, shows up. Her publisher Arthur Wentworth is throwing a Christmas party and wants Samantha to be the guest of honor. Samantha tries to come up with an excuse to miss it. She writes a series of books

featuring a female James Bond-type heroine named Sloane Parker and Charlie is the only person who knows that Samantha is the opposite of Sloane, though the marketing team has built up an entire social media presence for her claiming that she is just as adventurous. In reality, Samantha rarely leaves her neighborhood and does her research online. She is afraid of almost everything and is only happy when she's sitting in her apartment and writing. Samantha reluctantly agrees to go. But instead of taking her to Arthur's house in Connecticut, the driver goes to the airport. On the phone, Charlie admits that the party is at Arthur's new ranch in Jackson Hole, Wyoming. For a person who hates even walking around the block when it snows, this is her worst nightmare. But when a handsome stranger sits next to her on the plane, things begin to look up. She feels comfortable enough to spill all her secrets to him, including all of her fears and the truth about her fake Instagram account. However, when she shows up at the house, it turns out that this man, Drew, is Arthur's son. Now Samantha is worried that Drew will tell his father about her lies. Over the course of Christmas week, Samantha grows closer to Drew. But when his fiancée, Beatrix (who recently gave him an ultimatum about settling down), shows up, things get more complicated. As Samantha's fears of bison and giant icicles subside, and her feelings for Drew grow deeper, new fears develop. Will she leave this Christmas adventure broken-hearted? Or will true love prevail?

#### PARADISE FOR CHRISTMAS – CAROLYN BROWN CAROLYN BOOK #1 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK BROWN

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The oldest of seven sisters, Ursula Simmons has followed in her mother's footsteps as a novelist. With a bad case of writer's block, she brings her notebooks and computer home to the old brothel called Paradise where they all grew up, in the hope that being home for the holidays will inspire her--and since it's Christmas, all her sisters will be there too. The sisters take the holidays very seriously,

and as soon as they've celebrated Thanksgiving, it's on to decorating for Christmas. As all pitch in to make the spirits bright, younger sister Endora is dismayed to find some of the handsome men who've come to help doing more flirting than anything else. She's determined to show her sisters that no relationship is worth the heartbreak. But it might be Ursula who reminds the family that Christmas is a magical time, and finding new love is always a gift.

#### CHRISTMAS AT THE SHELTER INN – RAEANNE THAYNE \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK RAEANNE THAYNE

RUNG Christmasat the Shelter Inn Growing up at the Shelter Inn hotel, Natalie Shepherd envied guests who could come and go as they pleased. So when it was time to finally leave for college and put the lush green mountains around Shelter Springs--along with the cloud of loss that seemed to follow her family--behind her, she swore she'd never come back. But now her sister McKenna needs a favor. On pregnancy bed rest at doctor's orders, McKenna needs a helping hand with her two young daughters

and someone to take over the inn during the hectic holiday season, and Nat can't refuse. And just when things can't get worse, she runs into her late brother's best friend, Griffin Taylor. Griff has mixed feelings about Natalie's return. She's just as beautiful and full of life as he remembered, but there's a secret he's carried for years about her brother -- and the guilt is eating away at him. Still, Christmas in this small town is filled with treasured traditions and new adventures that hold the promise of something sweet and lasting. From matchmaking seniors to rambunctious nieces, it seems everyone is hoping Nat and Griff will put loss behind them and find a happy new beginning.



#### ALL I WANT FROM SANTA – LISA JACKSON \$29.95 \*REPACK\*

The small town of Cascadia is home to Veronica Walsh and her young daughter, Amy. If Ronni still believed in Santa, she'd ask for a chance to buy the rundown old lodge next door and turn it into a B&B. Amy's Christmas wish list, on the other hand, includes one item that catches Ronni off-guard: a new daddy. But four years after losing her husband in a tragic accident, Ronni

doesn't plan to get involved with anyone--least of all the lodge's new owner. Travis Keegan has moved from Seattle to get his wayward teenaged son back on track. Yet the moment he meets Ronni, he wonders if this could be the fresh start they all need. Healing from loss and melding their two families won't be easy, but Christmas in Cascadia has a magic that may just prove irresistible.

#### A COWBOY COUNTRY CHRISTMAS - JENNIE MARTS BOOK #6 \$27.95

Start with A Cowboy State of Mind. Holt Callahan used to love the holidays but getting dumped on Christmas Eve would turn anyone into a Grinch. Now he hates Christmas and all the holly jolly shenanigans that go with it. When he moves back to his cousin's ranch in Creedence, Colorado, the last thing he expects is to come

face to face with the one who got away and all of her holiday cheer. Lainey McBride is all about Christmas, and despite running her family's ranch festivities while her grandfather is in rehab, she hasn't lost her holiday spirit, no matter how many things don't go according to plan. But the holidays have their own way of healing, and a Christmas in Creedence just might be the merry magic that brings these two broken hearts back together again.

#### A COMPANION FOR CHRISTMAS - TOBIN LEE MCCLAIN \$25.95



To escape the small-town gossip around her broken engagement, Kelly Walsh plans to house-sit alone with her therapy dog, Pokey-- $\mathbf{O}$ not spend the holidays with her late sister's ex-boyfriend. But when Alec Wilkins and his daughter arrive on her doorstep, Kelly can't turn them away. Soon the temporary arrangement has Kelly wishing for more. Only, Alec has a secret that could change everything.

#### LOVE AT FIRST BARK – MICHELLE MAJOR \$25.95

Cassie Raebourn's love life has gone to the dogs--literally. A childhood trauma inspired her career as a veterinarian where she indulges her special fondness for dogs. Then, Aiden Riley unexpectedly walks into her clinic and steals her heart. The reckless rodeo star was at the center of the trauma all those years ago. Cassie knows Aiden feels the attraction too. Can they bury the past and

find the courage to let each other in?

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#### A LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTMAS – JENNY HALE \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK

When her beloved grandmother passes away, Mia Broadhurst returns to the snow-covered seaside village of Winsted Cape, North Carolina, where Grandma Ruth ran the lighthouse overlooking the golden beach. This will be Mia's first Christmas without her, and she can't bear to part with the lighthouse that has been in their family for

generations. As she steps into it, childhood memories rush back to her. She can almost hear them playing tag on the steps. But her life is back in New York, dedicated to a busy PR firm, and she has no choice but to sell. With the snow falling, turning the grounds into a winter wonderland, Mia works with real estate agent Will Thacker. As they restore the historical building, she tries not to notice how handsome he is. After all, she's only home for Christmas, and Will's deep blue eyes, as stormy as the Atlantic Ocean, tell her he has his own heartbreak to contend with. Warmed by a crackling fire, Mia packs up Grandma Ruth's belongings with the help of her mother and sister. But waiting for them is a black-and-white photograph with a faded inscription. The mysterious message is the key to a family secret that has been hidden for decades--one that changes everything. When Mia finds out the truth, will it save the precious lighthouse and show Mia where her heart belongs? Or will it tear her from Winsted Cape--and Will--forever?



#### WRECK THE HALLS - TESSA BAILEY \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Melody Gallard may be the daughter of music royalty, but her world is far from glamorous. She spends her days restoring old books and avoiding the limelight. ... But when a producer offers her a lot of money to reunite her mother's band on live TV, Mel begins to wonder if it's time to rattle the cage, shake up her quiet life--and see him again, the only other person who could wrangle

the rock and roll divas. Beat Dawkins, the lead singer's son, is Melody's opposite--the camera loves him, he could charm the pants off anyone, and his mom is not a potential cult leader. Still, they might have been best friends, if not for the legendary feud that broke up the band.



#### THREE RELEASES FROM DEBBIE MACOMBER THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT \$27.95 \*REPACK\*

Peter Armstrong and Hank Colfax are best friends, but their lives couldn't be more different. Peter, the local pastor who is dedicated to his community, spending time visiting the flock, attending meetings, and, with the holiday season approaching, preparing for the Christmas service and live nativity. As a

bartender, Hank serves a much different customer base at his family-owned tavern, including a handful of lonely regulars and the local biker gang. When Peter scoffs that Hank has it easy compared to him, the two decide to switch jobs until Christmas Eve. To their surprise, the responsibilities of a bartender and a pastor are similar, but taking on the other's work is more difficult than either Peter or Hank expected. As the two begin to see each other in a new light-and each discovers a new love to cherish-their lives are forever changed.



#### THE PERFECT HOLIDAY \$29.95 \*2 IN 1\* \*REISSUE\* (ORIG 1984)

"That Wintry Feeling" After watching the man she loves walk down the aisle with her sister, Cathy Thompson needs to get away. Alaska-beautiful, remote, and far from bitter memoriessounds like the perfect place to start over. But a brand-new life comes with brand-new challenges namely Grady Jones, a pilot and single dad who has a solution to both their problems: a marriage of convenience. "Thanksgiving Prayer" Seth immediately

recognizes that Claudia is the woman for him-the woman he wants to marry and take back to Alaska. But Claudia is torn between Seth and her life in Seattle. How can she give up everything familiar, everything she's always worked for? And yet, she can't bear the thought of losing this man she's come to love. Only when she acts with faith and hope can she find her true destiny.

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204 ROSEWOOD LANE BOOK #2 \$29.95 \*REISSUE\* (ORIG 06/05) Book #1 16 Lighthouse Road. Judge Olivia Lockhart's plate is

full. Her hometown of Cedar Cove is the kind of community that's always relied on each other for support, but lately it seems everybody needs somebody, especially Olivia's best friend, Grace Sherman, whose husband disappeared six months prior. Thirtyfive years together, then-just gone. Moving forward without closure is hardly ideal, but for librarian Grace, it may be time to start a new

chapter. For Olivia, helping her good friend start over is just the beginning. There are enough marriages, separations and babies being born in Cedar Cove to keep anyone on their toes. And when Olivia's ex-husband makes it clear he wants her back, it throws a serious wrench in her relationship with newspaper editor Jack Griffin. Sometimes the right path isn't always clear, but finding the courage to follow your heart will lead you right where you belong.



#### THE HOLIDAY MIXUP – GINNY BAIRD \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Waitress Katie Smith has nowhere to go for Christmas, and a crush on her diner patron Juan Martinez. So when Juan asks Katie to pose as his girlfriend for holiday festivities at his family's winery, Katie leaps at the chance that is, until an accident lands Juan in a coma right after giving his folks the "news." Katie knows she should tell the Martinezes the truth, but when they immediately embrace her, Katie is reluctant to let

her fantasy of a family holiday go. And then there's Juan's brother, Mateo, whose smile tugs at her heartstrings-and who tells her Juan might not be everything he seems. Second son Mateo Martinez loves his brother, but Juan's plan to "rebrand and expand" Los Cielos Cellars has cost their family too much and put its entire tradition in jeopardy. Katie seems to understand, but she's still committed to Juan even when Mateo starts to wish her gentle heart and beautiful smile were committed to him instead. With the winery at stake, secrets on all sides, and Juan due to wake up any day, can Katie and Mateo follow their hearts to a Christmas miracle, or will this mix-up ruin their chances?



#### unleashed UNLEASHED HOLIDAY – VICTORIA SCHADE \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Chelsea Higgins is doing just fine. She's heading into the holidays at the helm of a thriving dog training business, and she's got a mellow senior dog at home to keep her warm at the end of the day. What more could she need? Enter certified gym bro Andrew Gibson: Chelsea's former nemesis, and now the newest neighbor in her

business complex, who also wants to expand into the vacant space Chelsea's been eveing for months. Who cares if it's the season of joy? Let the turf war begin. When an unfortunate (and literal) run-in with Andrew's lawless dog leaves Chelsea with a bum wrist, the two strike a deal: Andrew will help Chelsea rehab the injury if she'll work with him to train his adorably uncivilized boxer. Their typical bickering soon turns to bantering, and Chelsea finds herself inexplicably drawn to the man she thought she had nothing in common with. As she gets to know Andrew and his parents, she realizes she needs to refocus on her own family, especially with a milestone Christmas speeding toward them. But Chelsea can't help wondering if she and Andrew are training for keeps, or if this unexpected Christmas gift is just too good to be true.

HERES TWO CHRISTMAS BOOKS FROM LINDA LAEL MILLER CHRISTMAS IN PAINTED PONY CREEK **BOOK #4 \$52.95 H/COVER** 



LINDA LAEL

Start with Country Strong. Tessa Stafford will do anything for her daughter, Isabel even stay on the run to protect Isabel from her narcissistic grandmother. But when her car breaks down in Painted Pony Creek, Tessa gets embraced by the town and feels safe enough to build a home and a life for them both. Love is the last thing on her

mind until cowboy and lawyer Jesse McKettrick's sexy smile and easy way tempt her into imagining more. But can she trust this handsome stranger with her heart? When Tessa and her daughter blow into town, Jesse McKettrick is smitten by both the little girl and her mother. He's always wanted a family of his own. Maybe this Christmas, his wish will finally come true. But the walls around Tessa are impenetrable, and when Tessa's past threatens their future and the family he's come to love Jesse won't let them go without a fight.

#### A SNOW COUNTRY CHRISTMAS BOOK #4 \$29.95 \*REISSUE\*



Start with Once a Rancher. Raine McCall would take snow-covered mountains over a star-studded premiere any day. But when hotshot movie executive Mick Branson arranges dinner on Christmas Eve to discuss a work opportunity, she's intrigued-by the offer and the man. She's a no-makeup, no-frills single mom who's happy with her quiet life. Sharing chili cheeseburgers and sizzling kisses with Mick is sure heating up her holiday, but country girl and power player don't

mix. It's not just work that's brought Mick back to Mustang Creek. Since he first visited to oversee a documentary, graphic designer Raine has been in his head. Their attraction is undeniable-and so are their differences. Putting down roots in the Wild West wasn't in the script. But there are some Christmas gifts you can't walk away from, even when they turn your whole world upside down. Includes "A Stone Creek Christmas"

#### **OUT OF THE BLUE – ALISON BLISS** BOOK #4 \$27.95 \*REPACK\*



Start with Size Matters. Preslee Owens has never worked out in a gym before. As she struggles to stay upright on the stair climber, she accidentally broadcasts a vlog that lets complete strangers witness the start to her fitness journey. To her surprise and mortification, viewers love it. The positive reaction leaves Preslee with no choice

but to return-and the discovery that her crush, Josh, works out in the same gym is a big bonus. It also helps that her new personal trainer is making sure she doesn't kill herself in the process. In fact, Adam has even offered to pretend to be her boyfriend to help make Josh a little jealous. Having Adam cheering her on brings out a confidence Preslee barely recognizes in herself. And soon she's enjoying being his fake girlfriend too much.



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#### THE WEDDING SHAKE UP – JJ KNIGHT - TOP-BOOK #2 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Book #1 The Wedding Confession. A destination wedding on La Jarra Island for Tillie James's sister has its drawbacks: hair-wrecking ocean spray and pincher crabs. And its perks: sexy, hotheaded beachfront bartender Gabe Landers, who brings out the competitive streak in fellow drinkslinger Tillie. When the rivals get together for a cocktail-making challenge, the blend is pure bliss, leaving them shaken and stirred. The spirited blue-eyed tourist from Georgia makes Gabe's head spin faster than his signature drink, the mermaid sunrise. But he's determined not to obsess--out-of-towner love stories never last. Tillie agrees. They'll just enjoy each other for now and make a clean break. No strings. No attachments. No chance. But when Tillie's kiss goodbye comes with an invitation for Gabe to visit Atlanta, he can't resist. As fate has it, it's home to a heartbreaking piece of his own past. As Tillie and Gabe face new challenges, destiny could tear them apart...or turn an intoxicating romance on the rocks into more than they ever expected.



#### PETS OF PARK AVENUE - STEFANIE LONDON BOOK #2 \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK

Book #1 The Dachshund Wears Prada. Self-proclaimed hot mess Scout Myers is determined to prove she's finally got her act together. Raised by grandparents who saw her as her wayward mother's wayward daughter, Scout's used to being written off. So when the opportunity for a promotion arises at Paws in the City, the talent agency where she works, Scout is desperate to rise to the occasion. With shared custody of her

little sister also on the line, Scout can't afford a single mistake, like suddenly needing a canine stand-in for an important photoshoot. Luckily (or not) she knows the owner of the perfect pup replacement: the estranged husband she walked out on years ago. On the surface, it appears Lane Halliday's life has been blissfully drama free without Scout, but she suspects her handsome-asever not-quite-ex-husband doth protest too much. Working together even feels like old times-except for all that lingering, unresolved tension. But Scout's not sure she's ready to confront the reasons she left Lane, and when their plans to finalize the divorce become very real, Scout starts to wonder whether second chances might be worth a little hot mess

**CODI GARY** \*\*\* \$29.95 A Cat Cafe

## A CAT CAFÉ CHRISTMAS – CODI GARY

Veterinarian and animal lover Kara Ingalls needs a Christmas miracle. Opening the Meow and Furrever Cat Café to find loving homes for adorable, adoptable cats was a dream come true-but with more cats than customers, it's quickly turning into a nightmare. If Kara can't figure out some way to get the café out of the red, it won't last past the holidays. Marketing guru Ben

Reese may be annoyingly smart and frustratingly bossy, but when he hatches a plan to put the café in the "green" by Christmas, Kara realizes that she'd be a fool to turn down his help. And so what if he turns out to be an excellent problem solver and nerdy-hot-he can't even handle fostering one little kitten. She needs to keep their relationship professional and focus on saving the cafe. But if Ben and Kara can set aside their differences-and find homes for all the cats by Christmas-they might discover that, by risking their hearts, they'll have their own purrfect holiday together.



Christmas

#### HERES TWO SWEET AMISH BOOKS FROM SHELLEY SHEPARD GRAY AMISH CHRISTMAS TWINS \$27.95 \*3 IN 1\*

"The Christmas-Not Wish" by Shelley Shepard Gray. When the foster parents they've grown to love discover they're expecting, orphaned Roy and Jemima Fisher are secretly devastated by the

certainty they'll be given up. With Christmas around the corner, their only wish is for new foster parents as nice as Mr. and Mrs. Kurtz. Meanwhile, the Kurtzes have wishes of their own-and with faith, they all may be gifted with twice the blessings. "New Beginnings" by Rachel J. Good. Still grieving the loss of her husband and unborn baby in an accident Elizabeth Yoder is oblivious to her neighbor Luke Bontrager's deepening affection for her. But while she faces Christmas alone, it's Luke who reminds her it's the season for giving. And when Elizabeth donates her handmade baby clothes to a home for teen moms, she soon finds her gifts repaid beyond measure, with Luke's love-and new beginnings of their own. "Twins Times Two" by Loree Lough. What happens when two secretive, stubborn people find themselves thrown together to help four youngsters-twins times two!-create a Christmas surprise for their parents? Mischief and mayhem, and just maybe love!

#### AN AMISH CINDERELLA \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Now that her friends are all marrying or moving away, Heart Beachy has started feeling lonely. Worse, everyone keeps asking when she's going to find a man of her own. Don't they realize Heart has her hands full at home with her widowed dad, too many chores, and a menagerie of needy, small animals? Besides, she doesn't understand the fuss about marriage. It's enough to

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make her consider finally becoming a pet-sitter, or moving to an *English* community, where she won't be an oddity. Newcomer Clayton Glick is utterly charmed by Heart--and completely confounded. He can't figure out why this beautiful woman is as awkward as a teenager whenever he's around, which is often now that he's an apprentice to her blacksmith father. So Clayton starts assisting with Heart's never-ending tasks, even helping her corral her unruly pets. How else can he court an adorably flustered woman who doesn't know the first thing about courtship? Because courting is exactly what he intends. Heart doesn't know why her pulse hammers every time she sees Clayton. She only knows yielding to such emotions will mean trouble. But maybe with a little faith-and the loss of a shoe-Clayton can convince her to join him on the road to happily ever after.

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#### TWO REPACKS FROM SUSAN MALLERY HOME SWEET CHRISTMAS BOOK #2 \$29.95 \*REPACK\*

Book #1 The Christmas Wedding Guest. Until Camryn Neff can return to her "real" life in Chicago, she's in Wishing Tree to care for her twin sisters. She's not looking for forever love, not here. But handsome hotelier Jake Crane is a temptation she can't resist, so she suggests

they pair up for the season. No golden rings, no broken hearts. At his side, she sees her hometown through Christmas-colored eyes. The cheer is cheerier, the joy more joyful. She thought she had put her future on hold...but maybe her real life was here all along, waiting for her to come home. New in town, River Best is charmed by Wishing Tree's homespun traditions and warmhearted people. When she's crowned Snow Queen, she's honored but wary. Dylan Tucker, her king, seems like the stuff of sugarplum dreams, but she can't shake the feeling that he's hiding something big. As they perform their "royal" duties--tasting cookies, lighting trees--Dylan's good humor and melty kisses draw her to the brink of love. But she can't let herself fall until she uncovers his secret, even if her lack of faith means losing him forever.



#### THE VINEYARD AT PAINTED CREEK \$29.95 \*REPACK\*

Mackenzie Dienes seems to have it all--a beautiful home, close friends and a successful career as an elite winemaker with the family winery. There's just one problem--it's not her family, it's her husband's. In fact, everything in her life is tied to him--his mother is the closest thing to a mom that she's ever had, their home is on the family compound,

his sister is her best friend. So when she and her husband admit their marriage is over, her pain goes beyond heartbreak. She's on the brink of losing everything. Her job, her home, her friends and, worst of all, her family. Staying is an option. She can continue to work at the winery, be friends with her mother-in-law, hug her nieces and nephews--but as an employee, nothing more. Or she can surrender every piece of her heart in order to build a legacy of her own. If she can dare to let go of the life she thought she wanted, she might discover something even more beautiful waiting for her beneath a painted moon.



#### KATES VOW - SHERRYL WOODS \$29.95 \*2 IN 1\* \*REISSUE\* (ORIG 1993)

Kate's Vow by Sherryl Woods. After the death of his wife, designer David Winthrop throws himself into his work as a distraction, but worries he's hurting his young son at the same time. His fears are confirmed when the ten-year -old seeks help from Kate Newton, a top divorce attorney, wanting to separate from his father. Kate's work doesn't

usually allow her to connect families in this way, so she agrees to help the Winthrops. Soon, she finds herself drawn to the young boy--and warming up to his father, too. Though David bristles at the idea of a stranger getting involved in his family matters, some serious thinking could open his heart to love once again. FREE STORY INCLUDED IN THIS VOLUME! His Amish Sweetheart by Jo Ann Brown. Nathaniel Zook returns to his Amish community of Paradise Springs after inheriting his grandparents' alpaca farm--but knows nothing of the furry creatures. Only one person can teach him what he needs to know to save his family's homestead: his childhood best friend, Esther Stoltzfus. The pretty schoolteacher is reluctant, but surely a learning opportunity for her students won't cause any harm.





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### AMISH CHRISTMAS KINNER – LENORA WORTH \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK \*3 IN 1\*

"Christmas Eve Baby" by Lenora Worth. It's a Christmas Eve to remember when a laboring mother-to -be shows up at the King sisters' Shadow Lake Inn amid a snowstorm. Midwife Sarah King and her three daughters go into action, while the men of the family search for the woman's husband. And with faithful hearts and helping

hands, this magical night may unite a brand-new family just in time to share a Christmas blessing. "**Best Christmas Program Ever**" by Rachel J. Good. On Emily Flaud's second day of work at the Green Valley Farmer's Market, two hungry children in tattered clothes snitch some cheese samples--and Emily's heart. Her co-worker, Hosea King, is less beguiled. He is still grieving the loss of his wife and daughter two years before, especially as Christmas approaches. But when the children are in need of adoption, Emily longs to become their mother--in a prayer that includes Hosea. "Loving Luke" by Kelly Long. Recently

widowed, Grace Fisher must be practical. She has a general store to run and needs a gentle man to help raise her *kinner*. But when Luke King appears, Grace sees a scruffy man who looks far from husband material, while Luke sees a woman who deserves better than he. Yet with faith, each may gain the courage to see beneath the surface--and create a family for many Christmases to come.

#### Preorders..

THE TROUBLEMAKER – MAISEY YATES BK #6 DUE 28/11
 HEART LIKE A COWBOY—DELORES FOSSEN BK #1
 THE TALK OF COYOTE CANYON – BRENDA NOVAK BK #2
 MARRIED BY MISTAKE – SHANNON STACEY BK #6 DUE 28/11
 A COWBOY CHRISTMAS CAROL – MELINDA CURTIS BK #3



#### THE TEACHERS CHRISTMAS SECRET – EMMA MILLER

\$25.95 When widowed school

When widowed schoolteacher Tobit Lapp is injured, he reluctantly agrees he needs Cora Koffman's help. Cora's still upset Tobit got the job at the Amish schoolhouse, but she agrees to teach his class till he's able. As they work together on lessons, a surprising friendship blossoms between them, but Tobit's heart is torn. He's falling for Cora--yet his secret could ruin everything.

#### Coming next month...

FALLING STARS - FERN MICHAELS
THREE COWBOYS AND A PUPPY - KATE PEARCE BK #2
THE CHRISTMAS BRIDES OF TWILIGHT - LORI WILDE BK #14
THE CHRISTMAS CABIN - MICHELLE MAJOR
PRIDE AND PUPPIES - LIZZIE SHANE BK #4 \*REPACK\*
CONFESSIONS OF A CANINE DRAMA QUEEN - STEPHANIE
LONDON BK #3 T/P
PLOT TWIST - ERIN LA ROSA T/P
AN AUGATHELLA SURPRISE - ANNIE SEATON BK #1
THE WHOLE TIME - CATHERINE BYBEE BK #4 T/P
SOMEONE TO LOVE - MARIE FORCE BK #3 T/P
THE COWBOYS CHRISTMAS GIFT - DONNA ALWARD

SNOWED IN AT THE RANCH - RAEANNE THAYNE
 AN AUGATHELLA BABY - ANNIE SEATON BK #2
 A CALDER AT HEART - JANET DAILEY \*REPACK\* DUE 26/12
 RANCHERS SNOWED IN REUNION - MAISEY YATES
 SECOND CHANCE DEPUTY - ALEXIS MORGAN BK #3
 THE LAST DAY OF LILAH GOODLUCK - KYLIE SCOTT T/P

LATE SUMMER LOVE

## NORA ROBERTS AKA JD ROBB HAS TWO RELEASES THIS MONTH



#### MOONDANCE \$29.95 \*2 IN 1\* \*REISSUE\* (ORIG 1988)

"The Last Honest Woman" Abigail O'Hurley Rockwell's husband was a racing car legend, winning championships with a fearless skill and speed that claimed his life in a tragic and-some would say-reckless crash. Heartbroken, Abby wants nothing more than to raise her two some in peace but journalist Dulan

more than to raise her two sons in peace, but journalist Dylan Crosby is penning a book about her infamous husband's life, determined to expose the man's hidden past. But Abby is not a spoiled trophy wife Dylan can easily charm. She is a woman of integrity and mystery, desperate to keep him at arm's length-even as their desires for one another are on an unalterable collision course. "**Dance to the Piper**" Dancer Maddy O'Hurley conjures magic from the music that guides her movements across Broadway stages, bringing her standing ovations after every performance. Reed

 Valentine is a music mogul who hears moneymaking opportunities between the notes of every popular and beloved song. And when Maddy is featured in Reed's newest musical, he becomes captivated by her beauty and grace

onstage--and off--as she shows him how to truly listen and feel the melody of the love growing between them.



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#### THE GHOST ILLUSION – KAT MARTIN \$52.95 H/COVER

Eve St. Clair desperately needs help sorting reality from her fearful imaginings when ghostly voices seem to haunt the Victorian house in Sunderland, England, that she inherited from her uncle. Online research leads to a group that claims to offer just the aid she's seeking. But can Ransom King's handpicked team of investigators truly

banish Eve's night terrors? Since the deaths of his wife and daughter, Seattle billionaire Ransom King has devoted himself to researching parapsychology and debunking the frauds who prey upon the bereaved. But Eve is a psychologist herself and her sincerity is palpable. King senses a real danger stalking the beautiful divorcée. As his interest in her case turns personal, he will move heaven and earth to uncover the truth-no matter how shocking-and save the woman he loves.



#### THE COWBOY NEXT DOOR – CARLA CASSIDY \$25.95

Her handsome neighbor was a mystery. One she couldn't resist. A single dad trying his hand at ranching? Not a common sight in Millsville, Kansas. So Lizzy Maxwell's just being friendly by giving the new father-daughter duo next door a warm welcome. Cowboy Clint Kincaid can't deny that Lizzy's cookies aren't his stunning neighbor's

only draw. But Clint's got secrets. Unspeakable ones. If he confesses them to Lizzy, danger will engulf them all!



## BOOK #4 \$25.95

Start with Silver Creek Lawmen. Ever since female victims started turning up wearing death masks of her face, Deputy Ava Lawson has been in terror for herself and her unborn child. The Texas Ranger assigned to the case knows Ava's deepest, darkest secrets. Harley Ryland is also her baby's father. As her past explodes on the present, Ava and Harley track a killer who won't stop until a long-awaited revenge is complete.

#### TEXAS SCANDAL – BARB HAN BOOK #4 \$25.95



Start with Rescued by the Rancher. Finding a body on his property has complicated Tiernan Hayes's life, and then he meets the woman being set up as the murderer. The former rodeo rider's instincts scream that Melody Cantor has been targeted because of her family connections. Melody has no one to protect her, and Tiernan knows he shouldn't get involved. But this Texan never walks away from a challenge.

#### TRACKED THROUGH THE WOODS – LAURA SCOTT \$25.95

Abby Miller is determined to find her missing FBI informant father before the mafia does, but time is ticking away. Someone tried to kill her father before he disappeared-and now gunmen are on her trail. Teaming with Agent Wyatt Kane is her only chance to uncover an FBI mole-and survive the mob. But finding the truth could uncover deadly secrets and lead them into a dangerous trap.

feelings, and trying to avoid each other could prove to be useless when there are so many reasons to give in to the promise of first love. MARKED FOR REVENGE – DELORES FOSSEN

the Irish rogue. Working together is complicated, as are the pair's new

be a father, but the more time he spends getting to know Zoe and her son,

Keenan, the more he can picture their future as a family. If only he can convince Zoe he's finally ready to commit. "**Irish Rebel**" As soon as he laid eyes on her, Brian Donnelly knew that Keeley Grant, the boss's daughter, was off-limits. Hired on as a horse trainer at the Grant family's farm, Brian tries to keep his distance. Though Keeley continuously brushes Brian off, something about his intensity draws her in. Maybe it's his cocky grin, or his gentle way with animals, but strangely, Keeley finds herself dreaming about S

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**\$29.95 \*2 IN 1\* \*REISSUE\* (ORIG 2005) "The Best Mistake"** Ex-model Zoe Fleming is now a hardworking single mom-and she wouldn't have it any other way. She only needs a tenant to help with the household expenses, and when she enlists for one, confirmed bachelor J. Cooper McKinnon signs the lease. Handsome as he is, Coop isn't planning on settling down. He certainly didn't sign up to



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#### WILDE LOVE—JENNIFER RYAN BOOK #1 \$29.95

When Lyric Wilde's not whipping up the best food in town at the Dark Horse Dive Bar, she's making a name for herself as a rising singer-songwriter. And if any of her online followers cross the line from friendly to fanatical, well, Lyric figures it goes with the territory--and she can take care of herself. But there's one fan she wants to get to know better--a silent, sexy biker named Viper.

A man who makes her think *mine* every time she looks at him. But who exactly is "Viper?" Undercover FBI special agent Mason Gunn has been hiding in plain sight and alone for far too long. And while he fantasizes about a peaceful life with beautiful Lyric by his side, he knows that until his mission--to take down a murder-for-hire network--is accomplished, his dark world is no place for her. But when frightening encounters and threatening text messages from a stalker bent on keeping Lyric all to himself and his most wanted criminal target his sultry songbird, he will stop at nothing to protect the woman he loves.



#### WYOMING MOUNTAIN COLD CASE – JUNO RUSHDAN BOOK #6 \$25.95

Start with Wyong Winter Rescue. Called to the scene of a killer's latest victim, Laramie PD chief Willa Nelson and Sheriff Daniel Clark must work together despite jurisdictional differences. But as their investigation leads to a cold case, Willa has to trust Daniel with the truth. As the bodies pile up and the pressure mounts, they find

themselves facing more than one unstoppable killer.



#### RESOLUTE INVESTIGATION – LESLIE MARSHMAN BOOK #3 \$25.95

Book #1 Resolute Justice, Book #2 Resolute Aim. When Rachel Miller becomes a suspect in her ex-husband's murder, Chief Deputy Adam Reed believes that she's innocent--and not just because he's had a crush on her since high school. As they work together to find the real killer, Adam realizes that he might have another chance with Rachel...if she trusts him to protect her, and if

he can trust her with his heart.



#### PURSUIT AT PANTHER POINT – CINDI MYERS BOOK #2 \$25.95

Book #1 Deception at Dixon Pass. When he sees dog handler Anna Trent during a search-and-rescue mission, Deputy Lucas Malone is stunned. Two years ago, they met when she lost her husband on the same cancer ward where Lucas's girlfriend died. As Lucas now wonders about their mutual attraction, the case they're working turns into a murder investigation--and Anna

becomes a target. Lucas was powerless to save his past love. Now he'll do whatever it takes to protect Anna.



#### "LOOKING FORWARD TO THIS ONE" ROSEMARY THE RUNNING GRAVE – ROBERT GALBRAITH BOOK #7 \$34.99 TRADE P/BACK

Start with The Cuckoos Calling. Private detective Cormoran Strike is contacted by a worried father whose son, Will, has gone to join a religious cult in the depths of the Norfolk countryside. The Universal Humanitarian Church is, on the

surface, a peaceable organization that campaigns for a better world. Yet Strike discovers that beneath the surface there are deeply sinister undertones, and unexplained deaths. In order to try to rescue Will, Strike's business partner, Robin Ellacott, decides to infiltrate the cult, and she travels to Norfolk to live incognito among its members. But in doing so, she is unprepared for the dangers that await her there or for the toll it will take on her.



#### "I LOVE ANYTHING FROM MICHELLE AND THIS WAS NO EXCEPTION" ROSEMARY TICKET OUT – MICHELLE DIENER BOOK #1 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

It's the summer of 1963 and Gabriella Farnsworth is a newlyminted London traffic warden. She's used to temper tantrums, swearing, and threats, but finding a dead body is an entirely new low. She isn't interested in getting more involved than she

already is in the investigation into the man she found's death, but when, a few days later, she stumbles over a second body lying feet away from where she found the first, she can't avoid it. She knows the streets of her route, knows the people on them, but she is absolutely astonished when New Scotland Yard discovers the art gallery near where she found the bodies is a front for mixing up a new psychedelic drug. Suddenly, the reason for the killings starts to make sense, but what neither she nor the New Scotland Yard detective assigned to the case understand is that the killer's agenda is more complex than a drug turf war, and by the time Gabriella works it out, it just might be too late.



## HERE ARE TWO NEW BOOKS FROM LISA CHILDS THE BURIED

**BOOK #4 \$27.95** Start with The Runaway. Somewhere inside Halcyon Hall, the elite spa with an infamous past on a remote Maine island, are the answers state trooper Mae Montgomery desperately needs to

solve a murder investigation. To find them, she's checking into the exclusive retreat under an assumed name--that of her late sister, a former model. But at least one person isn't fooled. Fitness trainer Bode James grew up on Bane Island and took it upon himself to transform the former psychiatric hospital into a wellness resort. But a killer still lurks here. Bode already lost the mother of his child. And though he believes Mae is there under false pretenses, he also fears that without her help, more people will die. Mae blames Bode for contributing to her sister's death. But who *can* be trusted at Halcyon Hall? Beneath its history of dead and missing women is a legacy of evil that must be reckoned with at last, before it buries them all.



#### PROTECTING COLTONS SECRET DAUGHTERS \$25.95

A serial killer's threats drive agent Cash Colton to locate his exwife. After arriving just in time to save Valentina from being killed, he's shocked to discover that the toddlers accompanying her are his daughters. Cash hadn't wanted kids, so Valentina kept them secret. Now, guarding his newfound family, Cash is developing tender feelings for his daughters...and reawakening

old longings he thought he'd buried.



#### HUNTING THE TRUTH – KATHLEEN DONNELLY BOOK #2 \$27.95

Book #1 Chasing Justice. "Hide, Maya. Don't let the bad people find you." Those are the last words Forest Service law enforcement officer and K-9 handler Maya Thompson ever heard her mother say. Returning to the Colorado mountains, ex-soldier Maya is no longer a scared little girl. She's here to investigate her

mother's cold case, but fear creeps in when it comes to her personal life-things are getting serious with sheriff deputy Josh Colten. After new DNA evidence surfaces, both her beloved grandfather and Josh warn her away from the case, suspecting that she could be the next victim. But Maya doesn't listen. Instead, Maya and her K-9 partner, Juniper, track a suspect deep into the forest and directly into grave danger.



#### RESCUING THE STOLEN CHILD – CONNIE QUEEN \$25.95

When Lieutenant Texas Ranger Zane Adcock is attacked, he learns two shocking things: his estranged daughter has a son...and his grandson has been taken. The desperate kidnapper needs Zane to investigate an old murder case, and little Wyatt is his leverage. Zane, with help from his ex-fiancée, Bliss Walker, has days to clear a wrongly convicted inmate--or his grandson will pay the price.

#### "THIS IS AN EXCELLENT SERIES" ROSEMARY WAKE – SHELLEY BURR BOOK #1 \$22.99 \*REPACK\*

Evelyn simply vanished. The small town of Nannine lies in the harsh red interior of New South Wales. Once a thriving outback centre, this ghost town now has one sinister claim to fame: the unsolved disappearance of Evelyn McCreery nineteen years ago from the

bedroom she shared with her twin sister. Mina McCreery's life has been defined by the intense public interest in her sister's case. Now a reclusive adult, Mina lives alone on her family's sunbaked, destocked sheep farm. The milliondollar reward her mother established to solve the disappearance has never been paid out. Enter Lane Holland, a private investigator who dropped out of the police academy to earn a living cracking cold cases. Lane has his eye on the unclaimed money, but he also has darker motivations.



RIPPER

BOOK #2 \$32.99 TRADE P/BACK

Gemma Guillory has lived in Rainier her entire life. She knows the tiny town's ins and outs like the back of her hand, the people like they are her family, their quirks as if they were her own. She knows her once-charming town is now remembered for one reason, and one reason only. That three innocent people died. That the last stop on the Rainier Ripper's trail of death seventeen years ago was her

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innocuous little teashop. She knows that the consequences of catching the Ripper still haunt her police officer husband and their marriage to this day and that some of her neighbours are desperate - desperate enough to welcome a dark tourism company keen to cash in on Rainier's reputation as the murder town. When the tour operator is killed by a Ripper copycat on Gemma's doorstep, the unease that has lurked quietly in the original killer's wake turns to foreboding, and she's drawn into the investigation. Unbeknownst to her, so is a prisoner named Lane Holland. Gemma knows her town. She knows her people. Doesn't she?





#### A GUARDIANS STRENGTH – FIONA QUINN BOOK #2 \$27.95 \*REPACK/ RENAME\*

Book #1 A Guardians Duty. Previously published as "Danger Zone" 2021 War correspondent Remi Taleb needs to get to Beirut. Fellow journalists who were kidnapped by terrorists have a story to tell, and she will report on it. So if that means hitching a ride with a senator who may be a danger to

everyone, so be it. But when everything goes wrong along the way, Remi will (1) need to stay sharp just to survive which would be a lot easier if she wasn't distracted by the handsome head of the senator's security team. T-Rex Landry, commander of Delta Force Echo, goes where he's needed-and if the senator needs him, he will complete the mission. Getting involved with the reporter shadowing his client was not part of the plan. But nothing else has gone

to plan since they met. So why should he expect to maintain professional distance from the only woman he's been attracted to since losing his wife? Their road to happily-ever-after is rocky, messy and potentially deadly.



#### SPECIAL AG<mark>ENT</mark> WITNESS – BARRI R FLOWERS BOOK #1 \$25.95

Determined to put away the human trafficking criminal who killed her partner, Homeland Security Investigations special agent Rosamund Santiago is in hiding-as a waitress. With a ruthless professional assassin hunting her down, she can't afford any missteps. But Detective Russell Lynley suspects the pretty waitress he likes is hiding secrets. And uncovering the truth will land them both in the killer's crosshairs.

#### ICE COLD SAINT - CYNTHIA EDEN BOOK #3 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Book #1 Frozen in Ice, Book #2 Falling for the Ice Queen. Saint is in the family business the business of hunting killers and closing unsolved cases. He knows his reputation-most people think he is a monster. Dangerous, cold, deadly and with no conscience. But it takes a guy like him to get the job done. And his latest job? Well, that job has him tracking

down a suspected Black Widow, the beautiful Alice Shephard. A woman who is linked to the disappearance of three men. Whispers and scandal follow her every step, but Alice doesn't seem to care. Is she responsible for the disappearancesand possible deaths-of three ex-lovers? Saint will find out. He's stepping into her web, and if she's guilty, he'll personally lock her away, just as he has done on • case after case before. Emotions never get in his way. Alice seems immune to his charm. Fair enough, mostly because Saint isn't known for charm. But he is hell on wheels when it comes to seduction, and the attraction between him and Alice is electric. When he touches her, need rocks through him, a desire so fierce that it threatens to consume them both. But Saint can want her and still lock her away. No problem. Or When Alice saves his life, Saint realizes there is more to her than meets the eve. Maybe she's using him, maybe everything is a game to her, or maybe Alice is the real victim in the story and not the villain. Unlikely, but what if? What if someone else is determined to claim Alice, to eliminate all other men from her life? And what if Saint might just wind up losing the one person he needs above all others?



#### CHRISTMAS IN THE CROSSHAIRS - ANGELLO/ UNDERWOOD/ABRAMS \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Three Christmases caught in the Crosshairs inspired by best-selling author Lynette Eason's Elite Guardian series. "Deadly Holiday **CROSSHAIRS** Hijack" by Kate Angelo. "Come out to Savannah, she says. It'll be fun, she says. Boss can be in the nativity pageant, she says," Yeah. Great idea. Bodyguard Christina Sherman and her fiancé, former

spec ops air commando Grey Parker just want to sneak away to beautiful Savannah, attend a Nativity Pageant, maybe set a wedding date. But when a group of terrorists take over the church and the whole thing is live streamed, they find themselves in a hometown version of a Die Hard Christmas movie. But will they make it to the happy ending? "Silent Night Siege" by Kelly Underwood. Billionaire Preston Whittaker and bodyguard Laila Rabbinowitz just can't get a break. Not only are their schedules so crazy they've put their • relationship on simmer, but on their way to the mountains for much-needed togetherness...yep, their plane crashes. Suddenly they're stranded on a remote mountainside in freezing temperatures, minimal food, wildlife, and no hope of rescue. And then, the real danger starts. Someone deliberately caused the wreck, and that person is hunting them through the wilderness. Now, it'll take more than togetherness to survive. "Christmas Snowstorm Standoff" by Sami A. Abrams. It's finally time for bodyguard Lizzie Tremaine to tie the knot with the man she's loved for years-fellow bodyguard Charlie Lee. But maybe fate is still against them, because on the eve of their big day, a snowstorm hits. And, while it's kept the guests away, it's brought trouble in the form of a woman from Charlie's past. More, she's on the run from a killer. A man who will stop at nothing to make sure Charlie and Lizzie never make it to the altar. Now Lizzie and Charlie must battle the storm, stop the killer, and defeat the doubts that suddenly have them wondering if they are truly meant to be.



#### **RED DIRT ROAD - S R WHITE** BOOK #3 \$22.99 \*REPACK\*



Book #1Hermit, Book #2 Prisoner. In Unamurra, a drought-scarred, one-pub town deep in the outback, two men are savagely murdered a month apart - their bodies elaborately arranged like angels. With no witnesses, no obvious motives and no apparent connections between the killings, how can police officer Detective Dana Russo possibly solve such a baffling, brutal case? Met with silence and suspicion from locals

who live by their own set of rules, Dana must take over a stalled investigation with only a week to make progress. But with a murderer hiding in plain sight, and the parched days rapidly passing, Dana is determined to uncover the shocking secrets of this forgotten town - a place where anyone could be a killer.

ALLISON SEVEN GIRLS GONE - ALLISON BRENNAN BOOK #4 \$29.95



#### Start with the Third To Die. For three years, women have been going GIRLS missing and turning up dead in the small bayou town of St. Augustine. Police detective Beau Hebert is the only one who seems to care, but with every witness silenced and a corrupt police department set on keeping the cases unsolved, Beau's investigation stalls at every turn. With nobody

else to trust, Beau calls in a favor from his friend on the FBI's Mobile Response Team. While LAPD detective Kara Quinn works undercover to dig into the women's murders and team leader Matt Costa officially investigates the incustody death of a witness, Beau might finally have a chance at solving the case. But in a town where everyone knows everyone, talking gets you killed and secrets stay buried, it's going to take the entire team to unravel the truth.



#### CATCH HER DEATH – MELINDA LEIGH BOOK #7 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Start with Cross Her Heart. After Sheriff Bree Taggert's takedown of coldblooded murderer Travis Ekin, his family vows revenge. Travis's mother **CH** and brothers are every bit as violent, and Bree is in their crosshairs. To complicate matters, Bree's best friend, Dana Romano, walks into her date's home and finds him shot in the chest. Dana tangles with an unidentified intruder, but he escapes through the back door. The crime

scene is in another police department's jurisdiction, and the lead investigator focuses on Dana as the prime suspect. While Bree and investigator Matt Flynn work off the books to clear Dana, Bree's family receives deadly threats. A second dead body and a shocking piece of evidence link the two cases. Bree and Matt must find the killer fast-before either case takes another deadly turn.



#### **STOLEN DARLINGS – HELEN PHIFER** BOOK #10 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Start with One Left Alive. Following her colleague Ben up to Castlerigg Stone Circle, Detective Morgan Brookes is shocked at what she finds. A young woman has been killed, left on display at the top of the hill with a crown of roses on her head. As the team race to get the popular tourist spot cordoned off, Morgan hears the

heartbroken sobs of the woman who found the body, as she identifies the victim as her best friend Cora Dalton. Morgan can already see that Cora didn't struggle when her throat was cut. There's no blood on the beautiful white gown she was wearing, which means that Cora knew her killer. But everyone, including her boyfriend Jay, has an alibi. As a local shopkeeper, Cora was a huge part of the community, and her neighbours are devastated to lose such a sweet soul. Then Morgan's team discover that a local photographer had arranged to meet Cora, and it's clear from his messages that he chose her elegant white dress. Could their photoshoot have taken a sinister turn? But when another body is found at another stone circle, wearing an identical flower crown, while the photographer is in custody, Morgan loses the only lead she has. Tracking down the florist who made the crown, Morgan pores over their records and realises the killer purchased three circles of roses. Certain another innocent life is at risk and with the killer already steps ahead, can Morgan find the connection between these girls before another life is stolen?



#### SEAR<mark>CHIN</mark>G FOR F<mark>INLAY –</mark> SUSAN STOKER BOOK #5 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Start with Searching For Lilly. Finley Norris is a woman with curves to S spare, a fact she made peace with long ago...but she can't say the same for everyone else. Ridiculed for her size her whole life, it's easy for her to assume her huge crush on a certain sexy mechanic will remain q unrequited. But her friends have other plans, and when one of them pushes the pair together, no one is more surprised than Finley when

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attraction blooms-fast. Brock Mabrey's as blue collar as they come, and he's got the grease-stained fingers to prove it. He's been judged for his rough edges for years...especially by women. That doesn't stop him from crushing on a certain delectable baker, and when the opportunity to know Finley better presents itself, he doesn't waste a second. She and Brock go from zero to a hundred in the blink of an eye, their chemistry off the charts. There's nothing casual about the lust, love, and protection Finley inspires. And she'll need plenty of the latter, because Finley's seen something she shouldn't. Someone is desperate to discover what she knows ... and determined to silence her permanently.



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BACK IN BLACK -JULIE ANN WALKER BOOK #1 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK FBI agent Grace Beacham is on the run. After an operation to bring down a



Russian disinformation campaign goes sideways and ends in her partner's death, the Kremlin has sent its most notorious assassin to kill her. Not knowing who to trust inside the Bureau, Grace is forced to call on the one man who might be able to save her. The one man she hasn't been able to forget. BKI operative Hunter Jackson walked away from Grace Beacham three years ago. And he hasn't looked back. But when his cell phone suddenly jangles to life with Grace on the other end begging for his help, he doesn't hesitate to ride to her rescue. Grace is no stranger to men like Hunter. Men who are devastatingly attractive and in love with their perilous professions and nostrings-attached lifestyles. As the two of them go off -grid to uncover the truth behind what happened on

her last assignment, she fears her life might not be the only thing on the line. With Hunter, her heart could be in danger too.

#### HEX - ANNA HACKETT BOOK #6 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Start with Wolf. Jet "Hex" Adler loves being a goddess of all thing tech. She provides her team at Sentinel Security with intel and comms, and she's good at it. No, brilliant. Sure, sometimes it's hard to be stuck in the office while her guys are in the field, but computers, tech, and drones are her

thing. If only she had the same luck with men. And that does not include a certain hot, cocky, annoving spy. Cain aka Shade is dedicated to his country. He does the hard, dangerous work so others don't have to. He came from nothing, he's alone, unattached. A man like him has nothing to lose. For Cain, life is always about the mission. It can never be about a certain small, smart, feisty hacker. But now he needs Jet for an important assignment to stop high-tech drone schematics falling into enemy hands. Of course, Jet will do anything to help save the world... okay, not the entire world, but a lot of innocent lives. Even if it means going undercover with the man who knows how to push every one of her buttons. But as they work together, dodging danger and bad guys, their scorching attraction explodes... and Cain will realize that for the first time in his life. someone is more important to him than his mission.



#### CINDER – CHELLE BLISS BOOK #13 \$35.00 TRADE P/ BACK

Start with Flame. Olive Thornbury only had one crush in high school, and his name was Asher Gallo. She was smitten with him from the first time she had laid eyes on him. But instead

of acting on how she felt, she kept her nose stuck in a book, finding safety in the words rather than emotions. Asher had never thought of Olive as anything more than a friend. She was aloof, preferring to read books. instead of spending time with her friends. And when she moved away almost a decade ago, their friendship quickly disintegrated. But when Olive returns to visit a local university, she never expected to run into a very grown up and even more handsome Asher. And what starts off as a rekindling of an old friendship turns into a fiery relationship. Do the opposites have enough in common to go the distance? Or will their combustible chemistry cause the flames to turn everything into cinders?



#### HERES THREE NOVELLAS FROM REBECCA ZANETTI IN THE ALBERTINI SERIES HOLIDAY RESCUE BOOK #3.5 \$24.95

Start with Disorderly Conduct. Quint Albertini likes his life as a smokejumper and search and rescue expert. He has his dog, his friends, and his freedom. He's had it with women who can't commit or who want him to change, and now all he has to do is dodge the family match-makers so he can live his peaceful life when

he's not leaping head first into danger. When Heather Davis gets trapped on a mountain during a winter storm, her carefully laid plans of safety and security go right out the snow filled window. Her saviors, dog and man, quickly capture her heart, even though she's trying to remain under the radar from a disastrous past that seems to keep coming for her. While Quint and Heather try to ignore the attraction between them, the Albertini family has no intention of letting a possible romance fizzle out, especially during the magical holiday season.



#### HOLIDAY ROGUE BOOK # 4.5 \$24.95

Bosco Albertini learned the hard way that focusing on his career is a lot safer than investing in love. So when he meets his sweet new neighbor, he puts her firmly in the friend zone, despite her soft hazel eyes, sharp wit, and tempting curves. It soon becomes difficult to keep her there because his brothers, his Nonna, and even his dog already adore her and he's not far behind. Marlie Kreuk accepts the friend zone from the sexy soldier because, hey, when a guy puts you there, he's a moron who doesn't deserve more. But when danger comes for

her and Bosco risks all to protect her, she can't help but wish for romance. Although, he's going to have to work for it. With danger all around, Bosco and Marlie must face their attraction while defeating deadly attackers, but even that is nothing compared to handling the Albertini matchmakers during the Christmas season. Busting out of that friend zone and surviving will take all of Bosco's training, Marlie's courage, and the magic of the holidays.

#### HOLIDAY REBEL BOOK #5.5 \$24.95

Rory Albertini has survived in a world of espionage and danger by being patient and outwaiting any enemy. So, when his fiancé and the only woman he's ever loved dumps him, he immediately creates an attack plan. He gives her time with a deadline to deal with the fact that he can't talk about his job but will give everything else in his life, including his heart, to her. Yet when danger comes for her, he might

have to reveal the deadly skills he wants to hide and then possibly lose her forever. Serenity McDerny is a stubborn Irishwoman who'd thought she had the ideal life with her hottie Italian fiancé in the best small town in the world. They even picked out rings, when she'd had no clue he wasn't actually with the forest service. The guy is some type of spy! He lied to her, way too easily, and she can't let that go. Now, like some arrogant James Bond, he's given her a deadline to figure things out and get back together with him? While she can handle Rory's stubbornness as well as the danger coming fast, not even Serenity can avoid the Albertini match-makers when they set their sights on her.

Preorders..

□ THERE SHOULD HAVE BEEN EIGHT—NALINI SINGH T/P HC □ THE ROADQUEENS – MARYJANICE DAVIDSON T/P DUE 28/11 D FROSTBITTEN - REBECCA ZANETTI T/P □ WHEN A SECRET KILLS – LYNETTE EASON BK #1 T/P □ THAT OTHERS MAY LIVE – SARA DRISCOLL BK #8 H/C



#### GOING ROGUE - JANET EVANOVICH BOOK #29 \$22.99 \*REPACK\*

Start with One For the Money. Monday mornings aren't supposed to be fun, but they should be predictable. However, on this particular Monday, Stephanie Plum knows that something is amiss when she turns up for work at Vinnie's Bail Bonds to find that office manager Connie Rosolli hasn't shown up. Stephanie's worst fears are confirmed when she gets a call from Connie's abductor.

He says he will only release her in exchange for a coin that a recently murdered man left as collateral for his bail. Unfortunately, this coin, which should be in the office is nowhere to be found. The quest to discover the coin, learn its value, and save Connie will require the help of Stephanie's Grandma Mazur, her best pal Lula, her boyfriend Morelli, and security expert Ranger. As they get closer to unraveling the reasons behind Connie's kidnapping, Connie's captor grows more threatening and soon Stephanie has no choice but to throw caution to the wind, follow her instincts, and go rogue.



#### A TREACHEROUS TALE – ELIZABETH PENNEY BOOK #2 \$27.95

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Book #1 Chapter and Curse. Lately, Molly has been feeling that she might have fallen into a fairy tale: she's reinvigorated the family bookshop Thomas Marlowe-Manuscripts and Folios, made friends in her new home of Cambridge, England, and is even developing a bit of a romance with the handsome Kieran-a

bike shop owner with a somewhat intimidating family pedigree. Having recently discovered 'The Strawberry Girls,' a classic children's tale, Molly is thrilled to learn the author, Iona York, lives nearby. But while visiting the famous author at her lovely cottage in nearby Hazelhurst, an old acquaintance of Iona's tumbles off her roof to his death. Then, when one of Iona's daughters goes missing, Molly begins to worry this story might be more Brothers Grimm than happily-ever-after. Especially after Molly learns about the mysterious long-ago death of Iona's husband and co-author of 'The Strawberry Girls'...could past and present crimes be linked?

#### Coming next month... D THE LAST CLOSE CALL - LAURA GRIFFIN D BLACKHEARTED - JULIE ANN WALKER BK #2 T/P DEAD MANS HAND - B J DANIELS BK #6 □ SLEEP NO MORE - JAYNE ANN KRENTZ BK #1 \*REPACK\* DIRTY THIRTY – JANET EVANOVICH BK #30 T/P □ THE WITNESS – NORA ROBERTS \*REISSUE\* D TOUCHED BY ICE - CYNTHIA EDEN BK #4 T/P □ THE FATAL FOLIO – ELIZABETH PENNEY BK #3 **UNSOLVED BAYOU MURDER – CARLA CASSIDY** DISAPPEARANCE - CAROL ERICSON □ THE SECRET OF SHUTTER LAKE – AMANDA STEVENS □ COLD CASE KIDNAPPING – NICOLE HELM

□ RIVER STRONG—B J DANIELS BK #2 DUE 26/12 □ ROCK BOTTOM – FERN MICHAELS BK #35 \*REPACK\* **SEARCHING FOR HEATHER – SUSAN STOKER BK#6 TP DUE2/1** □ THE NIGHT ISLAND – JAYNE ANN KRENTZ BK #2 H/C & T/P □ STATE OF BLISS – MARIE FORCE BK #6 T/P □ HEARTBEAT – SHARON SALA DUE 6/2



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#### THIS CALDER RANGE - JANET DAILEY BOOK #1 \$29.95 \*REPRINT\* (ORIG 1982)

Chase Benteen Calder is bound to wrest a fortune from Montana land, where the whisper of riches sweeps across a sea of buffalo grass. With the formidable and loving Lorna at his side, he will breathe life into his dream. Through the treacherous Texas prairie, the perils of Indian country, and a bustling Dodge City, they forge their way to Montana. With Calder strength, they will harvest their fortune from the rich earth, no matter what.

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#### THE SCOT AND THE SORCERESS - CLAIRE DELACROIX BOOK #4 \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK

Start with The Wolf and the Witch. Embittered by his losses and thwarted in his pursuit of vengeance, Murdoch is sworn to avenge his father by striking a blow against his enemy, the Silver Wolf. But the wise woman of the woods offers herself in exchange for peace, Murdoch cannot resist temptation. The mysterious beauty lights a fire in his blood, a need for more than vengeance, and Murdoch finds himself enchanted. Nyssa is blessed with visions

of the future to come, but believes that she is the last of her lineage of healers. When she dreams that her sister's daughter yet lives but is in peril, she knows she must find the child, defend her and teach her. She strikes a bargain with Murdoch, to aid in her quest, never guessing that her need for his touch will be so overwhelmingly powerful-or that she has the power to heal his wounds from the past. Bound together by passion, Murdoch and Nyssa journey north to confront the shadows of her past. When Nyssa surrenders to her enemies for the sake of her sister's child, Murdoch realizes that he must defend justice everywhere, beginning with the rescue of his beloved-no matter the cost to himself. Can Nyssa and Murdoch each relinquish the burden of the past to claim the promise of a future together?



#### A ROGUE TO REFORM - HILDIE MCQUEEN BOOK #1 \$27,95

All Evan Macleod has left, after squandering his fortune, is a half empty country estate in the outskirts of Glasgow. He recruits a trio of friends and talks them into a plan to marry or seduce rich women to get capitol and invest in a ship that is set to leave for the West Indies at the end of spring. Felicity Murray returns home from two years in London. She senses something

is strange about her brother's constant secret meetings with his longtime friends. She is especially annoyed to find he keeps a close friendship with the one man she distrusts, Evan Macleod. The incorrigible man has left a trail of broken hearts in his wake with little remorse.

#### SECOND CHANCE WITH HIS VIKING WIFE - SARAH RODI \$25.95



Prince Teon married the Viking chief's daughter Revna to prevent a war, only to leave immediately to fight another one. Now, he's returned to claim his crown! He's stunned to discover the love his people have for Revna, and by the intensity of their unexpected connection. Teon tells himself he only

needs Revna as an ally, until the passion of their belated wedding night promises they could be so much more.

#### THE HIGHLANDERS UNEXPECTED BRIDE - NICOLE LOCKE



\$25.95

Back from battle, Hamilton of Clan Graham makes a bet with his brother to find a wife by summer's end. So, the Scottish warrior enlists the help of his childhood friend, Beileag, to help him woo his perfect woman. But like Hamilton, Beileag has changed whilst he's been away ... and she intrigues him like never before! His focus should be on winning a bride. Yet why

is Beileag all he can think about?



#### UNTIL IM SAFE IN YOUR ARMS - JENNA JAXON BOOK #1 \$27.95

Entered into a wager that he can wed within a week, Captain Alex Bancroft pursues the first pretty woman he meets: Miss Emma Washer. Their courtship proceeds at a furious pace, including a dalliance that might ruin them both. Before it can, Alex proposes and is stunned when Emma agrees to marry him. Alex desperately tries to keep word of the wager from

his new wife, not knowing Emma has secrets of her own to keep. As passion erupts between the newly wed pair, the circumstances of Emma's past threaten to tear them asunder. Alex's regiment is directed to sail to a place Emma dares not go. She refuses to accompany him, leaving Alex with a devastating choice: leave England to fulfill duty to Queen and country or stay and revel in his newfound love for his wife?

#### THE GREAT PROTECTOR – KATHRYN LE VEQUE BOOK #4 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK



Starts with To the Lady Born. 1402 A.D. - Eighteen years ago, Sir Richmond le Bec, a knight in the service of Henry of Bolingbroke, was tasked with a mission of great importance. Young Henry had an affair with a married woman who bore him a child, and the woman's husband vowed to kill both his wife and the child she birthed. Richmond was charged with

taking the baby to safety and acting as her protector. Even though Richmond has risen to become Henry's greatest knight, the protection of his illegitimate daughter has been his most important task. For eighteen years he has watched over the girl, ensuring her health and safety, as she is raised by another family, unaware of her true identity. The Lady Arissa de Lohr has always loved Sir Richmond, the man who she believes is only a family friend. The powerful, handsome knight has always been in her heart and on the day of her eighteenth birthday, she can no longer keep her feelings to herself. Although she has been pledged to Whitby Abbey since infancy and knows that, upon reaching maturity, she will be delivered to the abbey as a novice nun, she has no desire to be sequestered away from Richmond. She loves the man, and she will have him. Richmond, too, is deeply in love with the young lady he was assigned to protect. As she became a woman, his feelings turned from friendly concern to romantic admirer. Confessing their feelings to each other is only the beginning of their adventure, for dark forces are at work against both Arissa and Richmond, threatening to tear the lovers apart. King Henry goes to battle against Owen Glendower, who has been made aware of the king's secret illegitimate daughter and seeks to claim the girl to use against her father. Richmond is caught in the middle, protecting Arissa from the Welsh Rebels even as he fights Henry to keep her from being committing to Whitby.

#### THE BOOK OF SCANDAL - JULIA LONDON JULIA BOOK #1 \$29.95 \*REISSUE\* (ORIG 09/08)

Known as the Libertine of Lindsey, Nathan Grey, the Earl of Lindsey, is notorious for his disgraceful ways with women. But when he hears rumors that his estranged wife, Evelyn, is about to be named in the Princess of Wales's infamous Book of Scandal, he has no choice but to remove her from London to protect them both--even if

it's against her wishes. Evelyn has no affection for the man who broke her heart years ago, but she is also no longer the naïve young girl he married. Her reluctant reunion with Nathan quickly turns into a battle of wills that lays bare the passion that still burns between then. But the two have powerful adversaries who would like nothing more than to see them torn apart and soon, Nathan must do everything he can to prove to the world and to Evelyn that she is not only his wife, but the woman he loves.

#### THE CAPTAIN WHO SAVED CHRISTMAS - BRONWYN SCOTT \$25.95

Mounting debts mean that Elanora is about to lose her family home, Heartsease. When her childhood friend, Captain Tristan Lennox, returns from war, she's embarrassed by her circumstances. Especially as Tristan has made his fortune and is excited about his first English Christmas in years! Yet she can't help being swept up by Tristan's festive spirit, even if she should ignore the intoxicating new attraction to her old friend.

#### HER SECRET PAST WITH THE VISCOUNT – LAURA MARTIN \$25.95

Meeting dashing Hugh Wilder again at a Society party brings Sylvia's longing to the fore. When she was left shipwrecked on a remote island there was one other survivor: Hugh! Sylvia's never told a soul that until they were rescued they lived and loved as a married couple. Now Hugh's engaged to another. And Sylvia's supposed to be an innocent spinster.

But every time they meet her respectable resolve threatens to crumble!



Anthony Cary, Duke of Strickland, inherits his spendthrift father's title and can finally restore the family castle to its former glory. But at the reading of the will, Strick is stunned to learn that his father has secretly disentailed him, leaving the family manor-home to twelve generations of  $\Box$ dukes-to Strick's American stepmother. Everyone knows Strick detests

the dowager duchess, and when she dies mysteriously, damning rumors start to surface. When Raya Darwish unexpectedly inherits her late cousin's castle in the English countryside, she clashes with the young duke who insists the castle 50 is rightfully his. The estate is practically bankrupt, so she must find a way to work with the duke in order to save both of their futures. The two cannot stand each other, but mutual disdain soon gives way to desire. When questions arise about how her cousin died, Raya cannot help wondering if Strick's sudden unbridled passion for her is part of a scheme to get his castle back.







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#### VE HAVE TWO FANTASTIC REISSUES FROM BRENDA NOVAK OF NOBLE BIRTH \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK \*REISSUE\* (ORIG 1999)

Furious at his aristocratic father for abandoning him as an infant, Nathaniel Kent spends his days exacting revenge. The handsome, blue-eved pirate captain attacks his father's boats, plundering their cargo and reaping the rewards. When Nathaniel takes a lovely seamstress as his hostage, mistaking her for his spoiled half sister, he feels elated over his clever capture. But his sense of

triumph disappears as he slowly becomes tormented by his rising passion for the young woman. After years of abuse from her violent stepfather, seamstress Alexandra Cogsworth finally planned her escape. But she never intended to wind up as a hostage on a pirate ship. Determined to ensure her safe passage on the Royal Vengeance, she keeps her true identity secret, playing the part of Nathaniel's blood relation. But as her desire for Nathaniel grows, the rising current of their mutual longing could sweep them both away forever.



#### HONOR BOUND \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK \*REISSUE/RENAME\*

Previously published as "The Bastard" 2011. Jeannette Boucher, a young French beauty from a family left penniless by the revolution, must marry against her will to save them all from ruin. But almost immediately after the vows are spoken, she learns that her old English husband is impotent and in his desire for an heir,

he plans to compromise her in the worst way. Determined to escape such a fate, she stows away on one of His Majesty's frigates. But a woman alone is in constant danger. To Lieutenant Treynor,

honor means everything. Born a bastard to a wayward marquise, Lieutenant Crawford Treynor was given to a poor farmer to raise and was maltreated until he ran away to join the Royal Navy. Treynor is determined to prove he's as good as any other man and rise to captain his own frigate. But once he finds Jeannette aboard The Tempest he must decide whether to return her to the man he knows would abuse her or risk everything to keep her safe.



#### A LADYS GUIDE TO SCANDAL - SOPHIE IRWIN BOOK #2 \$32.99 TRADE P/BACK

Book #1 A Ladys Guide to Fortune Hunting. Widowed at just seven-and-twenty from her marriage of convenience, Eliza, now Countess of Somerset, is bequeathed a fortune, hers to keep provided she can steer clear of scandal. The promise of love. The last thing she expects is to be torn between two very different men - a face from the past, whose loss she's always mourned, and a

roguish poet, who scorns convention. A taste of freedom. But a lady's reputation is fragile and with jealous eyes on Eliza's fortune, it will only take one whisper of gossip for her to lose it all.



#### DREAMING OF A DUKE LIKE YOU - SARA BENNETT BOOK #1 \$27.95

Raised in a foundling home and now proprietor of a successful club, Gabriel Cadieux hasn't ever been welcomed by polite society. But when he discovers he's the legitimate heir to a dukedom, he must make a choice: accept the debt-ridden title and the trappings of the peerage who shunned him or decline and leave his six rebellious half sisters to fend for

themselves. As much as he hates the idea, Gabriel can't abandon his siblings, even if it means making a deal with the most frustrating--and aggravatingly beautiful--woman he's ever met. Vivienne Tremeer storms into Cadieux's club with one thing on her mind: get the loathsome owner to discharge her brother's gambling debts. So when Gabriel offers her a trade--if she'll teach his wild sisters the ways of the ton, he'll clear the notes--she has no choice but to accept. But with her reputation already on a knife's edge, falling for the duke could cause the scandal of the season.



#### THE MAJOR AND THE SCANDALOUS WIDOW -SARAH MALLORY \$25.95

Major Jack Clifton must fulfill his military friend's dying wish by returning his wedding ring to his widow. But when honorable Jack finds Eloise a year later, she's nothing like the woman that he was told to expect. In fact, the ton view her as utterly scandalous! Yet,

Jack quickly learns that Eloise's reputation has been wrongfully imposed on her...and that he has forbidden feelings for the real Eloise!

#### Preorders... □ SILVER LADY—MARY JO PUTNEY BK #1 T/P DUE 28/11 MUST LOVE SCOUNDRELS—SHANA GALEN BK #4 **IT HAD TO BE A DUKE – VIVIENNE LORRET BK#1** □ THE DUKES SHEILD – CH ADMIRAND BK #3 T/P □ MISS DRAMATIC – GRACE BURROWES BK #9 T/P 🗆 A WEDDING TO STOP A SCANDAL – VIRGINIA HEATH

#### NINETEEN STEPS - MILLIE BOBBY BROWN \$32.99 TRADE P/BACK



London, 1942. Despite the raging war, spirited 18-year-old Nellie Morris lives a quiet life in the East End community of Bethnal Green. Her family and friends all tease that she will marry air raid warden Billy, the boy next door. The arrival of Ray, an American airman stationed nearby, causes Nellie to question everything she thought she knew about her future. Nellie's new-found happiness is

short-lived when an accident occurs during an air raid. Even the closest family can't escape the devastation of war, and as the secrets and truth about that night become clear, they threaten to tear Nellie and those dearest to her apart.



#### MISS DASHING – GRACE BURROWES BOOK #8 \$29.95 TRADE P/BACK



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Start with Miss Delectable. Miss Hecate Brompton is on the shelf and relieved to finally be there with her personal wealth intact. She faces enough challenges keeping her family from scandal and ruin without the added bother of marriage. When Phillip Vincent approaches her with a request to become his de facto finishing

governess, she's both appalled by and sympathetic to his plan. She was once the awkward outsider and knows exactly how treacherous the waters of the Beau Monde can be for the unsuspecting. Phillip is mere gentry at heart, and the glittering ballrooms of Mayfair leave him bored. For the sake of his family he must nonetheless learn to do the pretty. Miss Hecate Brompton, is anything but glittering. She's quiet, proper, plain, and to Phillip utterly fascinating. He sees what society does not: Behind Hecate's demure facade lurks a fierce heart and a brilliant mind. Hecate's family has no quarrel with Phillip stealing her heart, but her fortune and her hand in marriage are quite another matter. Can the squire and spinster find a happily ever after?



#### LOVE BLOOMS WITH THE DUKE—ALEXA ASTON BOOK #6 \$29.95 TRADE P/BACK

Start with Portrait of the Duke. Xander Hughes, London's biggest rake, suddenly finds himself becoming the Duke of Brockbank and guardian to two nieces he has never met. He decides he must turn become a sober, responsible duke and starts by hiring a governess for the girls. But Miss Fennimore is a most unique governess and soon Xander wonders if she might make for an even better duchess.

Willa Fennimore's parents were the toast of London's theatre world until Theodosia Fennimore murdered her playwright husband and then leaped to her death. Not wishing to become an actress like her mother, Willa supports herself as a companion and governess for a decade. As Willa falls in love with the orphaned girls, she finds herself also tumbling into love with the Duke of Brockbank. The only thing standing in their way is the secret of her past.



#### THE DUKES PROPOSAL FOR THE GOVERNESS -ELEANOR WEBSTER \$25.95

After the death of his beloved brother and mother, Randolph, the Duke of Elmsend, feels his life is empty. So, he's in no mood to T) entertain the rambunctious Harrington family while they're in London. Then he meets Abigail, their governess. When her reputation is in jeopardy, he does the unimaginable--propose! But

whilst Randolph can offer her a ring, can he ever offer her a real marriage?

#### Coming next month...

□ HIGHLAND SURRENDER – HEATHER MCCOLLUM BK #5 □ THE CUTTHROAT COUNTESS—MINERVA SPENCER BK#3 T/P D THE DUKE STARTS A SCANDAL—SOPHIE JORDAN BK #4 □ THE BRIDE WORE WHITE—AMANDA QUICK BK #7 \*REPACK\* Twas The Night After Christmas – SABRINA JEFFRIES BK #6 DI NEVER WAGER WITH A WALLFLOWER—VIRGINIA HEATH BK #3 TP □ YULE BE MY DUKE – DARCY BURKE BK #5 T/P □ A PRINCESS IN PLAID – AMY JARECKI BK #5 T/P □ THE DUKES PROTECTOR – CH ADMIRAND BK #2 T/P □ TRAINING THE DUKE – ALEXA ASHTON BK #7 SOME DUKES HAVE ALL THE LUCK—CHRISTINA BRITTON BK #1 **UMAT THE RIVER KNOWS – ISABEL IBANEZ** □ NOT THE DUKE YOU MARRY – JESS MICHAELS UNINGS OF GRACE—TANIA ROBERTS BOOK #1

□ TALES OF A SOCIETY BOTHING—SHANA GALEN BK #5 T/P □ AN INCONVENIENT EARL – JULIA LONDON BK #4 DUE 26/12 □ WINNING MAURAS HEART – LINDA BRODAY BK #1 T/P ALWAYS REMEMBER – MARY BALOGH BK #3 H/C DUE 16/1 THE KING AND VI – SHANA GALEN BK #1 T/P DUE 24/1

#### RECKLESS – LAUREN DANE BOOK #1 \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK

Harlow Martin is a rock star's kid. She's wanted to be a musician her whole life and at last, she and her band, Above Me, will be the opening act on Earthquakes upcoming US tour. Miles Brown started Earthquakes straight out of high school, and after years of hard work, the band was headlining an arena tour. Multiple platinum albums, music video awards, commercials, print ad work and a few movies had taken Miles from an unsure teen into a confident, charismatic man, certain of himself. And then Harlow bounded back into his life. Though he'd grown up backstage with her when their dads

had played festivals together, he's not ready for the immediate punch in the gut grown-up Harlow was. He's captivated by her and though he knows it's reckless, he can't deny the temptation of her lips. Harlow is an independent, accomplished musician. Her confidence on stage is something she can put on

like a dress. The tour has raised Above Me's profile and sent them to the next level of success. Her relationship with Miles continues to deepen each day and as she gets to know him, falling for him is inevitable. He *knows* her, sees right to the heart of her and loved her for it. She knows what a gift that is.

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#### GRAVES – LAU<mark>RAN</mark>N D<mark>OHNER</mark> BOOK #12 \$29.95 TRADE P/BACK



alpha gifts him with a servant, Graves is shocked. No one in their right mind would make him responsible for another person, especially not an alpha's adopted human daughter. But it's a gift he literally can't refuse. Her father's alpha position has been challenged, and Brandon, the man who'll likely soon take over the pack, hates no one more than Joni. She has no choice but to seek protection. While Graves might be terrifying, he's also a man of honor. He'll protect her from the new alpha even if it's the last thing he wants to do.

What begins as a rocky partnership soon turns into something more personal.

#### Coming next month... □ SLAY – LAURELL K HAMILTON H/C T/P □ METATRON – EVE LANGLAIS T/P □ IGNITION – LAUREN DANE BK #2 T/P



#### BOSSHOLE – ANN GRECH BOOK #2 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Book #1 Professorhole. He's my boss. I'm his biggest challenge. I'm a hacker. He's a police detective. Controlling me was never an option-I'm not the good girl he thinks I am. But working for the police has its advantages. It distracts them while I reap the rewards from my skills and live the billionaire lifestyle-yachts,

planes, shoes, and men. Until my bosshole arrests me. But gathering evidence to exonerate my late mother was worth the risk. My bosshole has a lot to answer for, especially the kiss that rocked my world. Now, I can't get them out of my head-my bosshole, my professorhole, and my best friend. I crave them, desperate to be consumed by the fire they ignite in me. I yearn to watch them together. They're all my fantasies come to life. It will happen too. If I can prove my innocence. If I can stop my best friends from being jailed. I will prevail.



#### DEALING HIM IN—CHARLIE COCHET BOOK #1 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Santos "Saint" Cavallero had his life all figured out when he married his high school sweetheart, joined the Navy, and became a SEAL. After years of being deployed, Saint comes home for good, only to discover his wife has fallen for another man. Now divorced and a bodyguard for Four Kings Security, Saint loves his job and

his found family. His dating life? A hot mess, until the spark of an unexpected attraction strikes leaving Saint confused. Why is he feeling hot and bothered over the ruggedly handsome Fire Chief? After twenty years of service, Valentino "Val" Serrano is passing his fire ax on to the next Fire Chief. His retirement starts off with a bang, literally. Val is saved by the young, hot bodyguard he's been dreaming of for longer than he cares to admit, but Saint is straight, isn't he? Val and Saint get roped into working on Val's tavern, but Val is determined not to let Saint get under his skin. When a killer sets his sights on Val and puts everyone he cares about in harm's way, there's suddenly more at risk than their hearts. If Val and Saint don't stop the killer, their whole world could burn to the ground, and the possibility of a future together will go up in smoke.



#### FIRE AND OBSIDIAN – ANDREW GREY BOOK #4 \$29.95

Book #1 Fire and Flint, Book #2 Fire and Granite, Book #3 Fire and Agate. As seemingly opposite former thief Mattias and police officer James work together investigating a rash of burglaries, each finds surprising depth to the other, not to mention fierce attraction. But will their pasts catch up before they can see where it'll lead?

#### NICOLE JAMES HAS TWO HOT BOOKS THIS MONTH MARCUS

### BOOK #1 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK



Brandy: When a bunch of bad-boy bikers walk through the door to the bar, one catches my eye. We come from two different worlds, and I know my family would never approve. He's the walking definition of wrong-side-of-the-tracks, but I can't seem to resist him. I just can't get

the sexy biker out of my mind when everything else in my life seems to be going wrong, he feels so right. Marcus: I'm a prospect for the Evil Dead MC. My life right now is all about earning my patch. I don't have time for anything else. But when I lay eyes on Brandy, I start looking for ways to make the time. One look knocks me off my feet. I'm the proverbial bad boy. There's no reason she should give me a second look. But when she does, I'll do anything to hang onto her. But when trouble comes knocking will I lose her forever?

#### HIGH VALUE TARGET – NICOLE JAMES BOOK #2 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK



Book #1 Deadly Pursuit. Tinsley Wyatt is the only daughter of one of the Tesxas' billionaires. When her father's business dealings put a target on her back, he hires Grady Steele from Tri Star Securities. She's a gorgeous, stuck-up socialite, and he's an ex-military, good ol' boy with a southern accent, and killer abs. She's temptation personified, intent on seducing him, but he's just as determined to keep things

professional. They've both met their match. When blackmail and intimidation turn deadly, she'll need him more than ever, and he'll cross any line to save her.

#### JACK O LION – EVE LANGLAIS BOOK #15 \$25.95 TRADE P/BACK

Start with When an Alpha Purrs. A young, drunk Jack plays a prank on the town's witch only to get caught. One curse later and he's stuck in the house unable to leave. Decades later, he's still a prisoner and a cranky one. His attitude isn't improved when a freak accident forces him to rely on a nurse while he heals. Harper doesn't believe in magic,

so when she's asked to help out a recluse, she's determined to get to the root of his agoraphobia. Only it turns out he's not lying. Jack really is under a spell.

#### Forthcoming...

WEREWOLF NOEL—EVE LANGLAIS BK #6 DUE 5/12
 BARBARIANS TOUCH – RUBY DIXON BK #7 T/P DUE 3/1
 DANES MARK – LORA LEIGH H/C DUE 6/2



#### THE CORDIAL BRIDE – SAMANTHA CAYTO BOOK #7 \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK

Start with The Boi Bride. Ian, Count of Charteris, is happiest when he is working his land with his tenants. Court life and travel hold no appeal for him. Nevertheless, he escorts his widowed sister on a diplomatic mission to the Shadow Valley. Rumor has it that those people have discovered a medicine that Moorcondia is anxious to

trade for. Boredom transforms into fascination at the sight of a beautiful creature who welcomes him to the Valley. Calan is an orphan raised by his aunt. He has learned the craft of healing but cares little for politics, preferring a life outdoors. As the first of his people to see the Moorcondians, he is surprised by how virile Ian is. Here is someone who can introduce him to the pleasure to be had between two men. The personal becomes the political as undercurrents of distrust and intrigue impede the possibility of a treaty. It is up to Ian and Calan to forge the path forward before their fairytale turns into a nightmare.



#### TIME TO SHINE – RACHEL REID \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

For Landon Stackhouse, being called up from the Calgary farm team is exciting and terrifying, even if, as the backup goalie, he rarely leaves the bench. A quiet loner, Landon knows he gives off strong "don't talk to me" vibes. The only player who doesn't seem to notice is Calgary's superstar winger, Casey Hicks. Casey treats

Landon like an old friend, even though they've only interacted briefly in the past. He's endlessly charming and completely laid-back in a way that Landon absolutely can't relate to. They couldn't have less in common, but Landon needs a place to live that's not a hotel room and Casey has just bought a massive house-and hates being alone. As roommates, Casey refuses to be defeated by Landon's one-word answers. As friends, Landon comes to notice a few things about Casey, like his wide, easy smile and green-blue eyes. Spending the holidays together only intensifies their bromance-turned-romance. But as the new year approaches, the countdown to the end of Landon's time in Calgary is on.

## Coming next month...

ONLY THE BRIGHTEST STARS – ANDREW GREY \*REPACK\*
 THE DESERT BRIDE – SAMANTHA CAYTO BK #8 T/P
 FIRE AND ONYX – ANDREW GREY BK #5

Preorders...
DOME 6 – GAIL CARRIGER BK #3 T/P
HOSTAGE TO FORTUNE – L M SOMERTON T/P



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#### AN INHERITANCE OF MAGIC - BENEDICT ЈАСКА BOOK #1 \$40.00 TRADE P/ В

The wealthy seem to exist in a different, glittering world from the rest of us. Almost as if by . .

. magic. Stephen Oakwood is a young man on the edge of this hidden world. He has talent and potential, but turning that potential into magical power takes money, opportunity, and training. All Stephen has is a minimum wage job and a cat. But when a chance encounter with a member of House Ashford gets him noticed by the wrong people, Stephen is thrown in the deep end. For centuries, the vast corporations and aristocratic Houses of the magical world have grown impossibly rich and influential by hoarding their knowledge. To survive, Stephen will have to take his talent and build it up into something greater-for only then can he beat them at their own game.



#### PERSONAL DEMONS – L R BRADEN BOOK #2 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK Book #1 Demon Riding Shotgun. Protecting her secret and hunting demons is a matter of survival for possessedpractitioner Mira Fuentes. She's spent

years learning to work with the snarky demon housed in her body, and it hasn't always gone smoothly. Nor has her recent partnership with an agent of the Paranatural Task Force. Ty Williams -uncomfortably-attractive and overly-protectivemay never fully accept that his partner has a literal inner demon. But work-life-demon balance is the least of Mira's problems when a figure from her past drags her back to the hometown she's avoided for nearly a decade to investigate a string of potentially-magical disappearances. Someone or something is snatching teens from the local high school. Emotionally off-balance in a city full of old ghosts and new dangers, Mira will have to confront her past to discover what is hunting the innocent.



#### WHAT BECAME OF MAGIC -PAIGE CRUTCHER \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Aline Weir, a witch who can talk to ghosts, has kept her talents hidden ever since a disastrous middle school slumber party, choosing to be invisible and use her powers in secret to help lost souls reunite

with the keys to send them home. All the while, she finds solace in a bookstore and the three mysterious women who run it ... until Aline discovers the book of Mischief, and her powers are enhanced. Living a solitary life until the age of thirty, Aline's life takes an unexpected turn when the wrong (or perhaps right) person witnesses her using her powers and she is invited to a town that doesn't exist on any map. Arriving in Matchstick, Aline learns of a lost magic that desperately needs to be found and only her unique powers can do it. But what she's not told is that Magic is a person. One that is dangerous and seductive and has been waiting for a witch with a power like hers for centuries.

#### GREAT SERIES FROM CATE CONTE Witch Hunt WITCH HUNT BOOK #1 \$27.95

Violet Mooney owns The Full Moon crystal shop in North Harbor. Still grieving her beloved grandmother's unexpected death, she takes comfort in her fat orange cat Monty and her work. Not everyone in town is thrilled with her business. When disagreeable town councilwoman Carla Fernandez picks a fight over Violet's

"voodoo shop," the two have a very public confrontation. Of course, when Carla turns up dead, Violet gets little sympathy from the police as suspect #1. But the shock of two policemen showing up at her door pales in comparison to the sudden appearance of her estranged mother Fiona and a surprise sister, Zoe. What Fiona reveals will rock her world and her sense of self-and reawaken her long-dormant mysterious power. Good thing. She's gonna need it



#### WITCH TRIAL BOOK #2 \$27.95

The Full Moon crystal shop in North Harbor offers healing stones for all sorts of ailments. Unfortunately, there's nothing among the gems that can help owner Violet Mooney learn how to wield the magick she inherited from both sides of her family-the legendary Ravenstar and Moonstone clans. As if being an apprentice witch weren't difficult enough, Violet's tutors are her estranged mother

Fiona, a sister she never knew she had named Zoe, and a familiar in the form of a black cat, Xander. Between learning spells, Violet is being investigated by the Magickal Council. A reporter out to debunk spiritualists was "genied" in Violet's shop, and she can't prove she didn't do it. Meanwhile, her non-magickal life has become complicated when one of her crystal shop customers, Nicole St. James, goes missing and turns up dead, a victim of murder. Determined to solve both crimes, Violet taps into powers she doesn't understand, much less control-and finds herself conjuring up both supernatural and mortal enemies.

# WITCH WAY OUT

BOOK #3 \$27.95 When Violet Mooney's coworker and fellow witch calls to say that their Connecticut crystals shop, The Full Moon, has been selected as a vendor at the Spring Equinox Fair, it's welcome news. Ever since she learned about her magickal ancestry, Violet has been struggling to learn her craft while staying out of trouble. It's no easy feat when her family seems to be the target of a power-grab

within the realm, putting the entire magickal community on edge-and setting Violet on a mission. With her investigation conjuring more questions than answers, Violet tries to focus on the Fair, which is being run by one of her personal heroes. Horatio Hale is a proponent of ethical crystal mining, but apparently not everyone is a fan. Violet is shocked when she goes to attend a meeting and finds Horatio dead-with an axe stuck in his chest. To uncover the motives behind the mayhem in both the mortal and magickal worlds, it'll take all the powers Violet's been honing-plus some she didn't know she had.



## **BAD BLOOD - LAUREN DANE**

BOOK #7 \$27.95

Start with Goddess with a Blade. Its only been a few weeks since Rowan and her team managed to defeat the Fae mage that had been part of a ring that had been kidnapping and using energy siphon spells to weaken and kill witches, Vampires and humans. A few bad guy actors down, but there are plenty more and the larger problem remained. Rowan needs to continue the process of

modernizing and improving Hunter Corp to make them ready to combat a new type of enemy, the type who can simply purchase the darkest, most foul of magical working via the magical black market.



Start with One Poison Pie. Before Mia Malone can sip tea at Time for a Cuppa, the charming new shop in Magic Springs, Idaho, her life changes course in downright supernatural ways. First her blossoming catering business and cooking school get a boost with the addition of an enchanting cake decorator. Then she catches the attention of the tea shop owner herself, local coven member

Mahogany Medford, who's set on immersing Mia in a twisted mystery that appears all but unsolvable without a special kind of help. Still reeling from the recent loss of her mother and believing there was more to the abrupt death, Mahogany urges Mia to cast light on the truth. But old secrets might come back to haunt her in an investigation that demands conjuring up phantoms from the past on the property of Mia's Morsels. Now, wearing Gran's protective stone and empowered by a circle of trusted confidants, Mia must reveal who-or whatkilled Ms. Medford as another deadly surprise brews!



#### BLOOD MOON – HEATHER GRAHAM/JON LAND BOOK #2 \$29.95 \*REPACK\*

Book #1 The Rising. They may have managed to win a major battle against the powerful enemy determined to destroy civilization. But the war continues, with Alex and Sam embarking on a journey to save mankind, even as their friendship blossoms into something much more. The roadmap for their journey lies in a

mysterious book, the language of which has never been deciphered, until Alex finds himself able to translate the words that may hold the keys to saving the future. Alex's and Sam's quest spirits them away to a myriad of locations around the world, each of which holds another piece of the puzzle that can defeat the alien invaders. But an ageless foe, long the guardian of the secrets his race has left behind on Earth, arises to stop them at all costs. At his disposal is a deadly army that has been awaiting this very war, an army as unstoppable as it is relentless. Over the ruins of the lost Mayan city of El Mirador, a blood moon is about to rise, triggering the end of mankind unless Alex and Sam can prevail. As forces both ancient and modern converge, as painful choices must be made and sacrifices accepted, two young heroes will rise again to stand as the final line of defense to preserve their world and their love.



#### A HERO FOR THE HOLIDAYS - SHERRILYN KENYON \$29.95 \*REPRINT\* \*3 IN 1\*

"Upon the Midnight Clear" Meet Aidan O'Conner, a worldrenowned celebrity who gave freely of himself and his money without wanting anything in return until those around him took without asking. Now Aidan wants nothing of the world. When a stranger appears at his doorstep, Aidan knows he's seen her before

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in his dreams. But a ruthless enemy has driven her from the world of dreams and into the home of the only man who can help her: Aidan. "A Dark Hunter Christmas" Gallagher is in New Orleans at Christmastime without his family. Missing the ones he loves is a powerful force and threatens to cast a pall over the Big Easy's Christmas cheer. But Simi has a few tricks up her sleeve, intent to show him that even though he is apart from his loved ones, he still has people to lean on. "Santa Wears Spurs" Wanted outlaw O'Connell was forced to abandon his his wife Catherine, so his enemies couldn't hurt her to get to him. Now he's ready to turn himself in to the authorities, but not before he does one last good deed. A deed that sends him head to head with Catherine, who wants a bigger piece of his hide than his enemies do. It will take a whole lot of Christmas magic to put his enemies behind him and allow him to win back a heart he should never have abandoned.

#### CHRISTINE HERES THE NEXT TWO CARPATHIANS FROM FEEHAN CHRISTINE FEEHAN DARK WHISPER

#### BOOK #35 \$29.95 \*REPACK\*

Start with Dark Prince. Vasilisa Sidkorolyavolkva is a Lycan of royal blood. She knows what is expected of her, but all she wants PER is to be out from under her family's watch. There is a fire inside her that is building. Every day she feels the weight of the legacy passed down through generations. The prophecy that says a man will come to claim her as his mate, and that she will guard his soul. But nothing seems real until the night she meets him. Afanasiv Belan is a Carpathian. In all the centuries of

his existence, no one has ever affected him like Vasilisa. He can see into her mind and feel what is in her heart. They are so alike, warriors bound by honor and plagued by secrets. They both know they must reveal the darkest parts of their souls if they hope to survive and protect the ones they love. But if they claim each other as lifemates, it will change them. They will become something more-something feared by both of their kinds.

DARK MEMORY BOOK #36 \$52.95 H/COVER \$32.99 TRADE P/BACK Safia Meziane has trained since birth to protect her tribe, the family she holds so dear. She told herself the legends she was raised with were simply that. But now, she must call upon all of her skills to fight what lies ahead. Evil has come to their small town, evil that Safia can feel but cannot see. She is terrified she will not be able to protect the ones she loves. As her family's

"chosen one," she has always believed she would face this task alone-until her family reveals she has been promised to a warrior who will join her. Petru Cioban is one of the oldest Carpathians in existence, and he has spent all that time without the soothing presence of his lifemate. For two thousand years he has waited for this woman to be reborn, only to find her in the sights of a monster he has fought before, a vampire risen again to finish a battle started centuries ago. Now, Petru must face his greatest enemy and his greatest shame. He has no hope that Safia will forgive his betrayal once the memories of her past life return to her. But he will not make the same mistake again, even if he has to sacrifice everything for the woman who has claimed his soul.



#### ANCIENT VENGEANCE – KATIE REUS BOOK #6 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Start with Ancient Protector. Stella is from a fierce, ancient dragon line, but when her kingdom was invaded and half her family slaughtered, everything changed. She's been taught to fight, to protect herself, but now that one of her sisters is back after being thought dead, she realizes it's time to make some changes. She's been smothered for years. So when she's tasked with a job in New Orleans, she jumps at the chance. Dragon shifter Rhodes is a killer. An assassin. And he's been ordered to kidnap the dragon princess Stella. He's always finished his contracts-until he meets her. Now he'll do anything to keep her safe. To claim



#### SMOLDER -LAURELL K HAMILTON BOOK #28 \$27.95 \*REPACK\*

Start with Guilty Pleasures. Anita Blake is engaged to Jean-Claude, the new vampire king of America. Humans think she's gone over to the side of the monsters. The vampires fear that their new king has fallen under the spell of the most powerful necromancer in a thousand years. In the midst of wedding preparations Anita gets a call that the local police

her as his mate. But first they'll have to overcome the danger stalking her-and

then he'll have to figure out how to get her to forgive him for betraying her.

need her expertise at a brutal murder scene linked to a nationwide slaughter of vampires and humans, dubbed the Sunshine Murders. But there is more than just a murderer to catch: an ancient evil has arrived in St. Louis to challenge Jean-Claude for his crown, his life, Anita, and all they hold dear. Even with Jean-Claude's new powers as king and Anita's necromancy, it isn't enough; they must embrace their triumvirate or allow primeval darkness to spread across the country. Evil will triumph unless Jean-Claude and Anita can prove that love conquers all.



#### DRAGON REVISTITED - KATIE MACALISTER TO BOOK #1 \$27.95

Handsome, erudite, and sexy-as-sin Drake Vireo may look human, but he's a dragon through and through. One known for his prowess with the ladies especially when enjoyed in multiples. Despite loudly proclaiming the fact that no woman could hold his attention for long, he falls hard when a curly-

haired, unconventional Guardian named Aisling Grey marches into his life, and demands he be the savior she needs. Drake's no hero, however, and although their connection is unmistakeable, Aisling leaves him feeling unbalanced. If only he could dismiss her from his life...as well as the chaos that seems to follow along. If only she realized that being his mate was far more important than anything else. If only he truly believed he could live without Aisling.



#### REBECCA ZANETTI HAS TWO RELEASES THIS MONTH A VAMPIRES KISS BOOK #14.5 \$29.95

Start with Fated. Unlike several of his brothers, Athan Maxwell accepted the curse inherent in his DNA and solved the problem a century ago by mating his one true mate and saving her life. Now they only meet up four times a year to exchange blood and keep

themselves healthy because that was the deal. Yet after a hundred years, his mate has only become more beguiling and when he discovers a new threat on her tail, his promise of sitting back and leaving her alone goes out the window. Ivy O'Dwyer has enjoyed the last century as an immortal being, evolving from being a farmer's daughter to the successful CEO of an Internet company. Sure, life gets lonely without the chance to date, and yes, she's grateful to her vampire mate for saving her life so long ago, and yet the dreams she has of the sexy male won't desert her. So when he storms in to save her life, in all vampire -possessive mode, it's difficult to stand her ground. Unfortunately, when they finally discover that living forever but alone isn't worth it, it might be too late. WARRIORS HOPE



### BOOK #16 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

As the only female vampire ever born, and the heir to two immortal families, Hope Kayrs-Kyllwood has always felt the weight of fate and destiny. Now her heart is torn between two men and two different futures. It's a choice between duty and love, peace and war, with the fate of everyone she loves hanging in the balance. As the leader of the Kurjan nation, Drake has always known that mating Hope is the

best path to avoiding war. He's counting on her to know the same. Paxton has been Hope's best friend and protector since they were children. He would kill and die for her without a second thought. In fact, he's always known that would be his path. With deadly factions at her heels, Hope must decide whom to trust and where her loyalty lies-before the choice is taken away from her.



#### **DENVER – KATHI S BARTON** BOOK #1 \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK

Denver Tucker just wants a new start for his family, so he contacts the king of his kind, Ronan Foster and his wife, Brook, of Foster's Pride, for help. The Fosters are more than happy to help the Tucker family to get a fresh start in California. Bailee Sims is having a rough time. Her former bosses in the US government won't take

'no' for an answer when she refuses to continue working for them. They have made it their mission to make sure she's looses everything, her home, her car, and the ability to find a job. It is that situation that puts her in a line on opening day for the Foster/Tucker Foundation to open its doors. When the man behind Bailee in line pulls a gun to fire on Denver as he's opening the door to the Foundation, Bailee can't react fast enough before the gun fires, but she takes the man down before anyone else is hurt, but she is gravely injured too in the process. Denver just wants to thank the pretty woman for saving his life, but she's in no mood to talk, and when she finds out that Parker made her immortal to save her life, she is more pissed than ever. She has no home, no food, and no job. Living an eternity like that is nothing to look forward to.

#### THE GRAVESIDE BAR AND GRILL – DARYNDA JONES BOOK #13.5 (3) \$29.95

Start with First Grave on the Right. When Donovan St. James' charge asks him to tail the doctor who keeps their ragtag team patched up, he wants to refuse. Not because the teen is getting too big for her britches, ordering him around, but because the woman stirs feelings in him he would rather not explore. However, when evil threatens the doc's life, he realizes he has no choice. Sia saved his life once. He will try to return the

favor. He just prays he can do it without losing his heart. Running from the supernatural entity that has destroyed entire worlds to have her, Sia thought she'd found a haven on Earth with a motley team of warriors protecting the girl destined to save humanity. But when Sia's found, she realizes something on this plane is more scrumptious than her: that very teen. So, she runs-and Donovan St. James follows. Nothing is more alluring than a scruffy biker with a lacerating gaze. And she vows to tell him that if they survive.

LYNSAY SANDS
Bad Luck
VAMPIRE
AN ARGENEAU NOVEL

#### BAD LUCK VAMPIRE—LYNSAY SANDS BOOK #36 \$29.95

Start with A Quick Bite. Alasdair MacKenzie has never once considered himself unlucky in all the centuries he's been an immortal rogue enforcer. Not until he meets Sophie. Finding the beautiful, smart, and funny woman who is his life mate is great luck, actually. But meeting her at a wedding full of Argeneaus, not to mention his own uncles

determined to "help him claim his woman," is bad luck. And the fact that Sophie is someone else's date? Well that's just the next level of unlucky. From the way her gaze travels over his body like a caress to the electric zing whenever they touch, he has to have her! He'll keep his hands off Sophie until her date is over. After that all bets are off and he'll pull out all the stops to win her for eternity. Great plan-until he gets hit by a car. And then he's poisoned. Is his luck that bad, or is someone out to stop this immortal from claiming Sophie as his life mate.





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#### DEAD MANS HAND - JAMES J BUTCHER BOOK #1 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK



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**BY A SILVER THREAD - RACHEL AARON** BOOK #1 \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK

In the world's most magical metropolis where spirits run noodle shops and cash-strapped dragons stage photo-ops for tourists, people still think fairies are nothing but stories, and that's exactly how the fairies like it. It's a lot easier to feast on humanity's dreams when no one believes you exist. But while this arrangement works for most fair folk, Lola isn't one of the

lucky ones. She's a changeling, a fairy monster made just human enough to dupe unsuspecting parents while fairies steal their real child. The magic that sustains her was never meant to last past the initial theft, leaving Lola without a future. But thanks to Victor Conrath, a very powerful-and very illegal-blood mage, she was given the means to cheat death. For a price. Now the only changeling ever to make it to adulthood, Lola has served the blood mage for twenty years. Her unique ability to slip through wards and change her shape to look like anyone has helped make Victor a legend in the DFZ's illegalmagic underground. It's not a great life, but at least the work is stable, until her master vanishes without a trace. With only a handful left of the pills that keep her human, Lola must find Victor before she turns back into the fairy monster she was always meant to be. But with a whole SWAT team of federal paladins hunting her as a blood-mage accomplice, an Urban Legend on a silent black motorcycle wh<mark>o wo</mark>n't leave her alone, and a mysterious fairy king with the power to make the entire city dream, Lola's chances of getting out of this alive are as slender as a silver thread.



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#### ALL THE DEAD SHALL WEEP - CHARLAINE HARRIS BOOK #5 \$32.99 TRADE P/BACK \$52.95 H/COVER

Start with An Easy Death. Lizbeth Rose is awaiting the arrival of her sister Felicia and her husband's younger brother Peter in Texoma. Both needed to leave the seat of the Holy Russian Empire in San Diego after Felicia's burgeoning wizardly power in death magic became the reason for kidnapping and assassination attempts from her mother's family of high-powered wizards in

Mexico. Yet bad news has traveled ahead of them, as Eli is called back to San Diego, taking Peter along with him, splitting them apart in more ways than one as their enemies' plans for revenge come to fruition.

□ INHERITANCE – NORA ROBERTS BK #1 H/C &T/P

DARK MOON SHALLOW SEA - DAVID R SLAYTON BK #1 TP

□ BIG DEMON ENERGY – DEBORAH WILDE BK #1 T/P

□ KILLERS KISS – KERI ARTHUR BK #11 T/P

□ THE REBELS PRIZE – MJ SCOTT BK #3 T/P

□ LASSITER – J R WARD BK #21 \*REPACK\*

DUSTBORN – ELIZABETH HUNTER BK #4 T/P

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On the streets of Boston, the world is divided into the ordinary Usuals, and the paranormal Unorthodox. And in the Department of Unorthodox Affairs, the Auditors are the magical elite, governmentsanctioned witches with all the power and prestige that comes with it. Grimshaw Griswald Grimsby is not one of those witches. After

flunking out of the Auditor training program and being dismissed as "not Department material," Grimsby tried to resign himself to life as a mediocre witch. But he can't help hoping he'll somehow get another chance to prove his skill. That opportunity comes with a price when his former mentor, aka the most dangerous witch alive, is murdered down the street from where he works, and Grimsby is the Auditors' number one suspect. Proving his innocence will require more than a little legwork, and after forming a strange alliance with the retired legend known as the Huntsman and a mysterious being from Elsewhere, Grimsby is abruptly thrown into a life of adventure. Now all he has to do is find the real killer, avoid the Auditors and stay alive.



#### THE RIFT UPRISING - AMY S FOSTER BOOK #1 \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK \*REPACK\*

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Normal seventeen-year-old girls go to high school, binge watch TV shows and flirt with everyone on the face of the Earth. But Ryn Whitaker is trying to save it. Ryn is a Citadel. A soldier. A liar. Ryn and her fellow Citadels were chosen and trained to guard a Rift-one of fourteen unpredictable tears in the fabric of the universe that

serve as doorways to alternate Earths. Unbeknownst to her family Ryn leaves for school each day and then reports for duty as a cybernetically-altered soldier who can fight better than a Navy SEAL-which comes in handy when she's not sure if axe-wielding Vikings or any number of other scared and dangerous beings come through the Rift. A fine-tuned weapon, Ryn is a picture-perfect Citadel. But that's all about to change. When Ezra is pulled through the Rift, Ryn finds herself immediately drawn to him. What starts as a physical attraction quickly grows deeper, and Ezra's curiosity throws Ryn off balance when he starts questioning the Rifts, the mysterious organization that oversees them, and the Citadels themselves-questions that lead Ryn to wonder if the lies she's been telling her family are just the surface of a much bigger lie told to her.



HER WOLF FOR THE HOLIDAYS—TERRY SPEAR BOOK #7 \$27.95

Start with Heart of the Highland Wolf. Edeen Campbell has heard many wild stories about the MacQuarrie clan living in the castle next door to her new home. She is determined that not even Lachlan MacQuarrie, the pack leader's brother, can ruin her holidays, no matter how hard he may try or how intrigued she is by him. But as Lachlan proves to her over and over that he is a wolf to

be trusted, Edeen begins to change her mind about the pack and the very handsome wolf dedicated to making her first Highland Christmas a special one.

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