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HERE ARE TWO GREAT BOOKS FROM AUSSIE AUTHORS WE HAVE BEEN WAITING TO GET OUR HANDS ON



FROM ACROSS THE SEA - ANNIE SEATON BOOK #1 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Home again at Ceann Mara Station on the banks of the Darling River, where she grew up with her four sisters, Catriona O'Byrne feels safe. Scarred by an attack at university, she falls into the familiar, nursing both her body and her trust in all that she once believed in. Logan Wainwright-a detective on leave and the new property owner across the river has his own demons. Together with Catriona, he begins to heal as he assists her with her family history research on the O'Byrne brothers -Thomas and Samuel. As her attraction to Logan grows, Catriona stumbles upon a family secret. In the nineteenth century, two siblings faced a life-altering choice: to flee from their ancestral farm in County Kerry or face the risk of going to prison.

A gripping family saga unfolds as Catriona unearths the layers of family history. Samuel's pursuit of success along the Darling River stands in stark contrast to Thomas's contentment with what he holds dear. When her university friends make a surprise visit to Ceann Mara, Catriona is confronted by a betrayal that threatens not only her newfound peace but her very survival. In her confusion, where past and present collide, can Catriona navigate their sad family history and learn who she can trust before it's too late?



WICKED WAYS - M J SCOTT BOOK #5 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK



Book #1 Wicked Games. Maggie Lachlan has rolled with everything the magical world has thrown at her. She's training with a Fae warrior, honing her witchy powers, and navigating life as the girlfriend of tech god billionaire Damon Riley. Until a witch from England arrives to meet with the local Fae and new trouble begins to stir, revealing that some of the Fae view Maggie as a threat to be eliminated rather than an ally in the fight against demons. Which means the last place Maggie should go is into the Fae realm. But to try to stop a witch bent on bending technology to his own dark purposes, she'll have to do just that. Worse, she'll have to take Damon-who doesn't have any magic to protect him-with her. It's a race against the clock

through a land where the ancient magic is more complex than any code and there are no new lives or save points. To find her way safely home, Maggie will have to embrace every scrap of magic she's learned and hope that it's enough.

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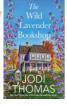
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SISTERS IN PARADISE -**CAROLYN BROWN** BOOK #2 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Book #1 Paradise for Christmas. Ophelia Simmons is back home at the Paradise-the former brothel where her mom raised her and six sisters-

contemplating her next career move and dodging Great Aunt Bernie's matchmaking attempts. She is about to meet her match in Jake Brennan, the owner of a local winery where Aunt Bernie convinces her to take a job for the summer. At first Ophelia and Jake's personalities clash, but soon enough sparks start flying. Meanwhile, older sister Tertia Simmons also returns home to look for a new job. Tertia never thought she'd work for, let alone fall for, Noah Sullivan-the boy who once taunted her when they were kids. But when he offers her the job of her dreams in his new cafe, Tertia finds herself torn between her head and her heart. As the sisters navigate the ups and downs of love and career with the help of their outrageous great aunt and the rest of the close-knit family, they learn that love can be found in the most unexpected of places-including their own hometown.



THE WILD LAVENDER **BOOKSHOP - JODI THOMAS** BOOK #2 \$40.00 TRADE P/ BACK

Book #1 Strawberry Lane. The trees that circle Someday Valley near Honey Creek are dressed in their fall finest, providing a pretty backdrop for the

local businesses--including the little bookshop loved Hatteras Island in the Outer Banks for the summer, by schoolteacher Cora Lee Buchanan. There, under the watchful eye of owner Noah O'Brien, Cora Lee and her sister Katherine meet each Wednesday. Their talk mostly revolves around one subject--their father, known to everyone in town as Bear. Both Cora Lee and Katherine worry about Bear Buchanan. They've no idea Bear has a secret life of his own. As for the sisters, Katherine, beautiful and self-absorbed, is in search of her third husband, while Cora Lee is in love for the first time.

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AN ISLAND SUMMER - JENNY HALE \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

All that Meghan Gray has left of her beloved pappy is his cottage on the edge of the shimmering Atlantic Ocean. Longing to feel close to her grandfather, she returns to the golden sands of

clutching the manilla envelope he gifted her tightly in her hand. But on her first night on the sundrenched island, she meets brooding Toby Meyers, a local businessman. She might feel lost without Pappy, but looking into Toby's sparkling blue eyes feels like coming home. As Meghan strolls along the sand with Toby, breathing in the salty air, she feels like she is making new memories . . . until she opens the envelope. Inside, she finds a black-and-white photograph of someone she doesn't recognize. If she can find out its meaning, and why Pappy gave it to her, she'll unlock a secret that has been hidden for decades. But the truth has the power to change everything Meghan and Toby thought they knew about their lives--and it will either bring them together or break their hearts.

HERE ARE TWO MORE RELEASES FROM DEBBIE

MACOMBER

74 SEASIDE AVENUE BOOK #7 \$30.95 *REISSUE* (ORIG 2010)

Start with 16 Lighthouse Road. There's drama at the beauty salon in Cedar Cove. Teri Miller has noticed that something seems to be worrying her international chess-champion husband, Bobby Polgar. He told her he's "protecting his queen," and she has the oddest feeling that he isn't talking

about chess but about her. Rachel Pendergast has two men seriously interested in her, and she's going to have to make a choice. On the other hand, Linnette McAfee recently left town because her love life fell apart. Still, Cedar Cove has a way of helping everybody out. That's just how it is in this warmhearted small town.



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MUST LOVE FLOWERS \$29.95 *REPACK*

Joan Sample is not living the life she expected. Now a widow and an empty-nester, she has become by her own admission something of a recluse. But after another birthday spent alone, she is finally inclined to listen to her sister, who has been begging Joan to reengage with the world. With Emmie's support, Joan gathers the courage to

take some long-awaited steps: hiring someone to tame her overgrown garden, joining a grief support group, and even renting out a room to a local college student. Before long Joan is starting to feel a little like herself again. Across town, Maggie Herbert works mornings as a barista, tending to impatient customers before rushing to afternoon nursing classes. She lives with her alcoholic father, ducking his temperamental outbursts and struggling to pay the household bills. But her circumstances brighten when she finds a room for rent in Joan's home. In the unexpected warmth of her new situation, Maggie finds a glimmer of hope for a better life. But will Maggie's budding attraction to one of her favorite customers ruin the harmony she's only recently found with Joan? Meanwhile, what is Joan to make of the mysterious landscaper who's been revitalizing her garden--a man who seems to harbor a past loss of his own? As Maggie and Joan confront difficult life choices, they draw strength from this new friendship in surprising ways--discovering in the process that "found family" is often the very best kind.



HER SECOND CHANCE FAMILY - ELIZABETH **BEVARLY** \$25.95

Tragedy--and an abusive, manipulative mother--destroyed Alice Whitlock's high school romance with Finn Huxley. Reuniting with the handsome contractor years later to restore and sell her late mother's home resurrects their strong bond. But when Finn discovers he has a young

daughter from a previous marriage who is now orphaned without him, Alice is forced to relive the pain she felt when she lost their baby all those years ago...and lost Finn in the process. Will the heartbreak of her past-and her shock over Finn's previous marriage--destroy their second chance for the family she always dreamed of?



THE HOMEWRECKERS – MARY KAY ANDREWS \$29.95 *REPACK*

Hattie Kavanaugh went to work restoring homes for Kavanaugh & Son Restorations at eighteen, married the boss's son at twenty, and became a widow at twenty-five. Now, she's passionate about her work, but that's the only passion in her life. "Never love something that can't love you back," is advice her father-in-law gives her, but Hattie

doesn't follow it and falls head-over-heels for a money pit of a house. She's determined to make it work, but disaster after disaster occurs, and Hattie's dream might cost Kavanaugh & Son their livelihood. Hattie needs money, and fast. When a slick Hollywood producer shows up in her hometown of Savannah, Georgia, she gets a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity: star in a beach house renovation reality show called The Homewreckers, cast against a male lead who may be a love interest, or may be the ultimate antagonist. Soon, there's more at stake than bad pipes and dry rot: during the demolition, evidence comes to light that points to the mysterious disappearance of a young wife and mother years before. With a burned out detective investigating the case, an arsonist on the loose, two men playing with her emotions, and layers upon layers of vintage wallpaper causing havoc, it's a question of who will flip, who will flop, and if Hattie will ever get her happily-ever-after.



A CAPE COD SUMMER - JO MCNALLY BOOK #1 \$25.95

If Lexi Bellamy had to describe Winsome Cove, she would say the little Cape Cod town is tired and stuck in its ways. Like its men--or at least Sam Knight, the handsome New Englander who irritates the "Midwest nice" right out of the former five-star chef. Looking for a reset after her ex-fiancé all but ruined her career and reputation, Lexi agrees to

spend the summer rebranding Sam's family's run-down restaurant. Yet Lexi faces resistance from Sam with every change. And the best way to keep from bickering...is kissing. Even so, Sam doesn't trust her big-city ways. Can Lexi convince Sam that--like a good surf and turf--they're made for each other?



IT STARTED WITH A SECRET - TIF MARCELO BOOK #1 \$25.95

When Jared Sotheby arrives in Peak, Virginia, to search for his identity--and his Filipino roots--he doesn't anticipate an instant connection with a stunning woman he meets on his first night in town. And he certainly doesn't expect her to be managing the B & B owned by the biological family he's searching for! One passionate night aside, Matilda Matthews

needs a cook, and Jared, a chef, needs a way in. She'll give him the job if he keeps his identity a secret--for now. Their subterfuge quickly grows complicated as Jared yearns for a connection--not only with his family, but also with the once-bitten Matilda. But first he'll have to convince her to let a younger man into her heart.

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NEW SERIES FROM IANICE MAYNARD THE RUNAWAY BRIDE OF BLOSSOM

BRANCH BOOK #1 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Cate Penland once believed she could have it all--but that was before her fiancé left her at the altar in front of twelve hundred guests. Heartbroken and humiliated, Cate can think of only one thing to do: run. But escape leads right to her nemesis, Prescott "Harry" Harrington III. They're ten

years apart and not compatible. He might be lauded in their Atlanta social circles, but she doesn't like him. He makes her feel prickly and all... something inside. Why is he rescuing her? Putting her up in his penthouse suite, offering a sympathetic ear--suddenly the older, wiser Harry is someone she can lean on Now Cate isn't sure what she wants. The life she left behind...or the one she hasn't quite found yet? The one thing she knows: she's going home to Blossom Branch. Even if Harry says he's coming with her. Maybe there, under the peach trees, is where she'll find out what perfection really means. Bonus novella! Ten years ago, she'd loved him, but he'd been bound for bigger things. Now small-town girl Laney Marshall has sexy celebrity Brit Sheffield back in her town, in her house--in her bed. Does she want to keep him there this time?

ONE SWEET SOUTHERN SUMMER BOOK #2 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK



Life in Blossom Branch hasn't always been sweet for Leah Marks. Growing up in the shadow of her overachieving siblings, the shy psychology grad has struggled to find her own place in the world. So when she inherits a longforgotten summer camp, Leah sees an opportunity to help other kids who

are struggling--and maybe find happiness for herself. Her plan takes an unexpected turn, however, after a scorching encounter with the local fire chief, Lucas Carter. He's brave, he's kind...and he's not quite ready to settle down. Leah is drawn to the rugged firefighter--but she fears she'll be burned if she gets too close. Still, Leah and Lucas can't help but fall harder for each other, until the ill-fated uncertainty of their future can no longer be ignored. As another sizzling summer unfolds in Blossom Branch, will they both finally find the home--and the love--they've been searching for? Bonus novella! Ice cream store owner Ginny Black is so close to getting her happily-ever-after, she can practically taste it. And then she learns she's pregnant. So when her dream guy, a successful local woodworker, asks her to move in with him, is it because it's the right thing to do...or because he loves her?



THE SUMMER SWAP - SARAH MORGAN \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Cecilia Lapthorne always vowed she'd never go back to Dune Cottage. So no one is more surprised than Cecilia to find herself escaping her seventy-fifth birthday party to

return to the remote Cape Cod cottage--a place filled with memories. Some are good--especially memories of the early days with her husband. volatile artist Cameron. But then there are the memories she has revealed to no one. After dropping out of medical school, aspiring artist Lily is cleaning houses on the Cape to get by, guiltridden for disappointing her parents. Unoccupied for years. Dune Cottage seems the perfect place to hide away and lick her wounds--until Cecilia unexpectedly arrives. Despite an awkward beginning, Lily accepts Cecilia's invitation to stay on as her guest, and a flicker of kinship ignites. Then Todd, Cecilia's grandson--and Lily's unrequited crush--shows up, sending a shock wave through their unlikely friendship. Will Lily find the courage to live the life she wants? Can Cecilia finally let go of the past to find a new future? Because as surely as the tide erases past footprints, this summer is offering both Cecilia and Lily the chance to swap old dreams for new.



THE LITTLE FLOWER SHOP – LORI FOSTER \$29.95 *REPACK*

LORI FOSTER Since her divorce, Emily Lucretia--affectionately known as the flower lady to the people of Cemetery, Indiana--has been focused on her flower shop and taking care of her aging aunt and uncle. Her love life is hardly the centerpiece of her busy days. Saul Culver, the town's favorite bachelor and owner of the local barbecue joint, has been interested in Emily for a while.

But as much as Emily knows about flowers, she can be a little oblivious to her own appeal. Saul is determined to show her just how special she is. Saul isn't the only one trying to get Emily out of her shell. Well-meaning locals have started tagging photos of Emily with #theflowerlady on social media-and now the entire town is involved in finding her Mr. Right. Saul won't give up easily. He's finally caught her attention, and he's determined to convince Emily--and the town--that this is the real deal and not just some passing



A LITTLE RAY OF SUNSHINE – KRISTAN HIGGINS \$29.95 *REPACK*

A kid walks into your bookstore and... Guess what? He's your son. The one you put up for adoption eighteen years ago. The one you never told anyone about. Surprise! And a huge surprise it is. It's a huge surprise to his adoptive mother, Monica, who thought she had a close relationship with Matthew, her nearly adult son. But apparently, he felt the need to secretly arrange a

vacation to Cape Cod for the summer so he could meet his birth mother...without a word to either her or his dad. It's also a surprise-- to say the least--to Harlow, the woman who secretly placed her baby for adoption so many years ago. She's spent the years since then building a quiet life. She runs a bookstore with her grandfather, hangs out with her four younger siblings and is more or less happily single, though she can't help gravitating toward Grady Byrne, her old friend from high school. He's moved back to town, four -year-old daughter in tow, no wife in the picture. But she's always figured her life had to be child-free, so that complicates things. When Matthew walks into Harlow's store, she faints. Monica panics. And all their assumptions--about what being a parent really means-explode. This summer will be full of more surprises as both their families are redefined...and as both women learn that for them, there's no limit to a mother's love.



A MOTHERS GIFT – LEE TOBIN MCCLAIN

Friendship could blossom into more when single dad Blake Evans's six-year-old daughter announces she wants her babysitter, Zoey Grey, to be her new mommy. And in Kathryn Springer's The Mommy List, a little girl plays matchmaker between her dad, Gage Lawrence, and their next-door neighbor, Megan Albright...but are they ready to take that leap?



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

She scandalized an entire town and ensnared the upright Taylor Matthews...but that was long ago. Now grown up, Zelda Lane is back in Port William, South Carolina, to pick up the pieces after her mother's death. Secretly, single father Taylor always regretted letting Zelda go--and he dreaded her return much more. Zelda is as beautiful and bold as Taylor remembers, but

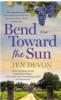
with a polished reputation to uphold, can Taylor loosen up enough to convince Zelda he's never stopped loving her? Includes "An Amish Match" by Jo Ann Brown. With a baby on the way, a toddler son to care for and a run-down farm, Amish



DATING AN AMISH FLIRT - RACHEL J GOOD

With her sweet nature and delicate beauty, Rachel Glick attracts boys like bees to a flower-despite her best attempts to discourage them. Downhearted since her beloved brother's death, and isolated as the sole caretaker to her invalid mother, Rachel would welcome the friendship of other girls. But her unfair reputation

as a flirt leaves her snubbed. Yet she's only ever loved Josh Yoder, her childhood best friend. Why he distanced himself from her in eighth grade, she'll never understand. And now, though he's been a blessing doing repairs around her farm, he is courting another girl, so there is no going back. Josh has been in love with Rachel since he was a boy. But he can never forgive himself for hurting her--or for the reason behind it. He can only do his best to lighten her burdens and hope others see her good heart. Still, the sight of her fills him with fresh longing, much as he tries to focus on his girlfriend and forget the past. Yet when jealousy flares, igniting trouble, they both must look to faith to do what's right--and bring joyous futures for everyone.



BEND TOWARDS THE SUN - JEN DEVON

Guarded, self-reliant botanist Rowan McKinnon doesn't believe Toward in love. With her new PhD, two steadfast best friends, and the occasional no-strings sex, she's convinced she has everything she needs. When an academic setback throws her off course, she takes on the restoration of an overgrown vineyard to re-center herself and her career. Dr. Harrison Brady is in an emotional

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freefall. Since losing a patient, he no longer believes he can keep people safe. Hoping rural sunshine and the hard labor of renovation work will help him heal, Harry heads home to Pennsylvania, where his family has just bought a long-abandoned vineyard. The last thing Rowan and Harry expect is each other. Despite deeply different views on life and love, their chemistry is explosive, their connection magnetic. Even though their time at the vineyard is only temporary, Harry is compelled to explore the undeniable pull between them. Rowan is committed to protecting her heart at all costs. But some things are too powerful-and too right-to be ignored.



COUNTRY LIGHTNING – CHEYENNE MCCRAY TOP PICK \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK

In this cowboy romance, will a florist, who suffered through a thorny past relationship, shut the doors of her new business to follow the man she loves? Even if he's offered her no promises? During CJ Jameson's military years, he discovered he enjoyed traveling the world. Now a civilian, he no longer wants to stay in one place long enough to run the Arizona ranch he inherited.

When an entertainment company makes a lucrative offer for his property, provided he rebuilds the ranch to its former state, the only thing standing between him and the life he's envisioned is a cowgirl and a deathbed promise that both have his emotions tied into knots. Born into a large, close-knit family, Jillian McLeod has only lived in the small town of King Creek. Now that she's opened her new business while dating hunky cowboy CJ Jameson, she's living her dream life. Until she loses someone close to her and CI finally tells her why he's rebuilding the ranch. She stayed in a relationship past its expiration date before; she won't make that mistake again. Can CJ and Jillian turn their backs on love? Or will someone have to give up their dream?



FAKE FLAME - ADELE BUCK \$29.95 TRADE P/BACK

To an observer, hauling a baby grand piano onto a college quad to publicly serenade an ex might seem like a romantic gesture. To literature professor Eva Campbell, it's the latest manipulative move by a cheating jerk who won't take a hint. Plus, she never liked that song anyway. Setting the piano on fire might be an overreaction, but Eva's at the end of her rope, at least until hot young firefighter Sean Hannigan talks her down. And that's not all

Sean does. Soon he's offering to be Eva's fake boyfriend to get her creepy ex off her back. Unexpected, maybe, but there's something about Sean--beyond the angelic face and take-me-now body--that makes Eva say yes. Sean battles infernos for a living, reads romance on the side and is a straight-up, familyloving good guy. Eva's not sure she's ready for the danger he poses to her jaded heart. Given their differences, a relationship can't last, right? But the line between fake and real keeps blurring, daring her to take the biggest risk of all.



TWO REISSUES FROM REBECCA YARROS HALLOWED GROUND BOOK #4 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK (ORIG 12/15)

Start with Full Measure. Josh Walker is loyal, reckless, and every girl's dream. But he only has eyes for December Howard, the girl

he has yearned for since his high school hockey days. Together YARROS they have survived grief, the military, distance, and time as they've fought for stolen weekends between his post at Ft. Rucker and her

schooling at Vanderbilt. Now that Josh is a medevac pilot and Ember is headed toward graduation, they're moving onand intogether. Ember never wanted the Army life, but loving Josh means accepting whatever the army dictateseven when that means saying goodbye as Josh heads to Afghanistan, a country that nearly killed him once before and that took her father. But filling their last days together with love, passion, and plans for their future doesn't temper Ember's fear, and if there's one thing she's learned from her father's death, it's that there are some obstacles even love can't conquer. Flight school is over. This is war



THE REALITY OF EVERYTHING BOOK #5 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK (ORIG 05/20)

Two years after the man she loved was killed in Afghanistan, Morgan Bartley is trying to put the pieces of her life back together. The reno on her dilapidated beach house in the Outer Banks might be just the distraction she needs to keep her debilitating anxiety attacks at bay and begin to heal her heart...if she can ignore the ridiculously handsome guy next door. At twenty-eight, single-dad Jackson Montgomery's life revolves

around his five-year-old daughter and his job as a search-and-rescue pilot for the coast guard. He's no stranger to saving a damsel in distress, and though his gorgeous new neighbor is clearly in distress, she's no damsel. She's stubborn as hell with walls a mile thick, and the dog tags hanging from her rearview mirror give him a pretty good clue as to why. It doesn't matter that their attraction is undeniable--she swore she'd never fall for another pilot, let alone a military man. There are some wounds time can't heal, and some fears too consuming to conquer. She's a barely breathing heartbreak on the edge of recovery.

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LONE OAKS CROSSING - JANET DAILEY \$27.95 *REPACK*

When news of her grandfather's stroke sends Jo Beth Ellis back to the family farm, she finds it in danger of foreclosure. Lone Oaks Crossing is in rough shape, but Jo has big plans--she'll use her expertise as a Derby-winning horse trainer to reinvent the property as a healing retreat.

But renovating while trying to keep her independent grandfather in check is a huge job for one woman--and even more challenging when she receives her first client, the unruly fourteen-year-old Cheyenne, who is determined to do anything but cooperate. Jo is at the end of her rope when neighbor Brooks Moore offers her a deal she can't possibly refuse. Jo may have sworn to leave the gambling and vicious competition of horse racing behind her, but training Brooks's gorgeous thoroughbred is a challenge she can't resist, especially when sulky Cheyenne takes a shine to him--and when Brooks is sinking an outrageous amount of money into rehabbing the farm, and even rolling up his sleeves to help. With a troubled teen's spirit and her grandfather's faith in her on the line, Jo steps into a tentative partnership with the undeniably attractive Brooks. Against all odds, she dreams of winning a trifecta--a champion horse, a happy family, and a forever love.



TINY BLESSINGS -MICHAELS/BROWN/ **FINZ**

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"Tiny Blessings" by Fern Michaels. Substitute teacher Emma Swan is making a new life for herself in charming Pink Pearl Cove, and maybe her handsome neighbor Nash Kendrick will be part of it. But who could anticipate the

chaos brought by four darling dachshund puppies or the joy of love at first sight? "Dogwood Season" by Carolyn Brown No matter how different Clara Delaney and her twin Sophia may be, they're both loyal to the beloved grandmother who raised them at her Dogwood Inn in Palestine, Texas. For Mama Lizzy's sake, they've each agreed to a double wedding at the Inn. But as the day draws near amid squabbles and surprises, they may discover how deep the bonds of sisterhood go. "Cowboy True" by Stacey Finz. Just when Jace Dalton has the life he's always wanted--a thriving family and a successful ranch--his ex shows up

demanding joint custody of their boys. Jace's wife is the only mother his sons have known. But maybe there's a way forward through the turmoil, if they can hold fast to love and forgiveness



THE BACKUP BRIDE PROPOSAL – JACI BURTON BOOK #4 \$29.95

Start with The Best Man Plan. Bellini Weddings has agreed to allow a production company to film a movie at Red Moss Vineyards. It will be great PR for both the vineyard and the wine and wedding businesses. Mae Wallace, who works for the Bellini family, is thrilled with the

possibility of new business. What she isn't thrilled with is actor Kane August, who she finds crashing one of the weddings. He tells her it's research for the movie, but she finds him overconfident and annoying. Kane August is rarely surprised by anything--until he meets Mae Wallace. She's sharp, just a bit on the snarky side, and the most refreshing woman he's had the pleasure of meeting. She constantly challenges him, and he can't remember having this much fun on a movie set. He takes every opportunity to spend time with her, peeling back layers until he gets to the heart of who this amazing person really is. And, unexpectedly, he realizes that he's letting her in, too, something he hasn't done with anyone before. However, they live very different lives and he'll need to be careful around Mae, because she's someone he could see a future with. But can she see the same thing? When Kane takes her to his family's ranch in Texas, Mae discovers a whole new side to him, learning about the heart and soul of a kind and gentle man. And as they grow closer, her guard goes up. Once burned, she has no intention of falling in love ever again, despite this very hot and sexy guy who's trying his best to turn her world upside down and work his way through the steely wall she's built. Kane is determined to show her he's the one man she can trust with her heart. If only Mae will allow herself to fall.



FORTUNES LONE STAR TWINS – TERI WILSON BOOK #4 \$25.95

Book #1 Fortune's Baby Claim by Michelle Major, Book #2 Fortune in Name Only by Tara Taylor Quinn, Book #3 Expecting a Fortune by Nina Crespo. West Fortune thought he could never be with Tabitha Buckingham again. After all, he faked his own death shortly after they broke up. But when the man who threatened him dies in prison, the lawyer is able to show himself in Chatelaine again--only

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to find out he's a father of Tabitha's twins! And yes, they may have wanted different things years ago, but West is a changed man. Now he just needs to convince Tabitha that they can be the family she's always dreamed of.



ALWAYS A MAVERICK – DELORES FOSSEN BOOK #2 \$29.95

Book #1 Heart Like a Cowboy. Air Force test pilot Blue Donnelly has the greatest job in the world until his F-22 crashes during a demonstration flight, leaving him with a busted body and a ton of guilt. Then horse whisperer Marin Galloway walks into his hospital room, snapping him out of self-pity with a shock of desire and some surprising news: her six-year-old ward thinks

Blue is his daddy. Leo isn't really Blue's son, much as the little boy wishes it. Still, he needs a father figure, and Blue is willing to help... at least until it's time to report for duty. The longer Blue spends getting closer and closer to Marin and to Leo on his family's sprawling Texas ranch, the more he questions his need to return to the sky. But when a secret is revealed, leaving his entire future uncertain, Blue must decide who he is outside the cockpit--and whether his new dream is big enough for two co-pilots.



THE RIVAL – MAISEY YATES BOOK #7 \$29.95

Start with Unbridled Cowboy. Cowboy Levi Granger is his own man. He's proud of his ranch, and he's proud of the siblings he brought up after the devastating loss of their parents. The only thing he's not proud of is the way the Sullivan family took advantage of him when he was struggling the most. So when

pretty Quinn Sullivan comes looking to access his land for a business venture, the kick of attraction is as shocking as it is unwelcome. Booksmart Quinn can more than hold her own when it comes to arrogant cowboys. But there's something about Levi that gets under her skin.

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- □ HONEY BE MINE SASHA SUMMERS BK #3
- □ BALANCING ACT EMILY MARSH BK #2 DUE 9/7

THE RANCHER HITS THE ROAD – MELISSA SENATE



Ranch foreman Shane Dawson certainly hadn't expected he'd be escorting the bride away from her wedding, but Ashley McCray was determined to track down her good-for-nothing runaway groom. Since widower Shane's twin daughters were scheduled to visit family anyway, Shane offered Ashley a ride to seek her revenge. All he asked was that Ashley help turn his tomboy twins into temporary angels who could change the minds of his

late wife's parents about seeking custody. Seven hours on the road should have been enjoyable and uneventful. Except this romance-weary couple had more in common than they'd ever imagined.

Coming next month...

- □ THE CAFÉ AT BEACH END RAEANNE THAYNE BK #5 *RP*
- $\ \square$ SPICED RIGHT GIGI TEMPLETON BK #1 T/P
- □ A FOREVER KIND OF RANCHER MAISEY YATES
- □ LONDON FALLING CHANEL CLEETON BK #2T/P
- □ MEET ME IN TAHITI GEORGIA TOFFOLO T/P
- □ SEAVIEW INN SHERRYL WOODS BK #1 *RI*
- □ THE SISTER EFFECT SUSAN MALLERY *REPACK*
- □ THE LOVE SHACK LORI FOSTER T/P
- □ 15 SUMMERS LATER RAEANNE THAYNE T/P
- □ THREE COWBOYS AND A BRIDE KATE PEARCE BK #3
- COLD HEARTED CASSANOVA L J SHEN BK #3 T/P
- HERE FOR THE RIGHT REASONS JODI MCALISTER
- □ THE HOMETOWN LEGEND MAISEY YATES DUE 23/7
- □ THE LUMBERJACK—SUSAN STOKER BK #4 T/P DUE 30/7
- □ JUST A COWBOY AND HIS BABY CAROLYN BROWN BK #6 *REISSUE*
- □ TYING THE KNOT—BRENDA NOVAK DUE 20/8
- □ VARIATION REBECCA YARROS BK #2 T/P DUE 8/10

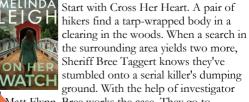
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IDENTITY - NOR ROBERTS \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK *REISSUE* (ORIG 06/23)

Former Army brat Morgan Albright has finally planted roots near Baltimore. Her friend and roommate Nina helps her make the mortgage

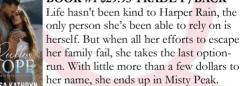
payments, as does her job as a bartender. But after she and Nina host their first dinner party-attended by Luke, the IT guy who'd been chatting her up at the bar-her new world is shattered. The back door is broken, cash and jewelry are missing, her car is gone, and Nina lies dead on the floor. Soon, the truth emerges: It was Morgan who let the monster in. "Luke" is actually a con artist named Gavin who targets a type of woman, steals her assets and identity, and then murders them. What the FBI tells Morgan is beyond chilling. Nina wasn't his type. Morgan is. Nina was simply in the wrong place at the wrong time. And Morgan's nightmare is just beginning. Soon she has no choice but to flee to her mother's home in Vermont. While she struggles to • build something new, she meets another man, Miles Jameson. He isn't flashy or flirtatious, and his family business has deep roots in town. But Gavin is still • out there hunting new victims, and he hasn't • forgotten the one who got away.

ON HER WATCH – MELINDA LEIGH BOOK #8 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK



Matt Flynn, Bree works the case. They go to interview Jana, the best friend of one of the victims. But when they arrive at her apartment, it's been ransacked and set on fire. And Jana is missing. It's clear the killer is escalating. To make matters worse, he threatens Bree's family and a young mother vanishes. Will Bree and Matt uncover the link between the victims before more women die?

RECKLESS HOPE – NYSSA KATHRYN PIC BOOK #1 \$29.95 TRADE P/BACK



The first person she meets is a mountain of a man whose kindness is only outshone by his smile. As a former Delta Forces soldier, the urge to protect others is in Cody Walker's genes. So when a woman walks into his bar in the middle of a stormwith only a backpack and a black eye-ignoring her isn't an option. Trust doesn't come easy to Harper, so Cody starts by giving her a job. The more he gets to know her, the more he's convinced that working his way behind her shields is well worth the effort. Unfortunately for them both, time is a luxury they can't afford. Harper's pursuer is catching up, and if they can't have her, no one can least of all Cody.

CROSSING THE LINE – P A DEPAUL BOOK #3 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK



Book #1 Exchange of Fire, Book #2 Shadow of Doubt. Eight months ago, black ops operative, Magician, infiltrated a sex-slave ring. Little did she realize the mission would not only change her life forever, but kick off a series of events no one

saw coming. Romeo still can't wipe the image of Magician's battered body nearly dying in his arms. Since then, one-night stands have lost their appeal. Now, his best friend and partner stars in fantasies. When a pro-American Oil lobbyist and a Saudi Arabian Oil Sheikh join forces to destroy new legislation allowing America to gain independence from foreign oil, they utilize bombings to throw the country into chaos. Magician's intuition knows there's a connection between the two, but she's forbidden to investigate since she has no evidence. Romeo doesn't think twice about defying orders and remains by Magician's side. He was sidelined once and Magician paid a horrific price, he will not let anyone hurt her again.

FLASH POINT SHAMMA WARREN SUSAN MAY WARREN

TWO NEW SERIES START FRO SUSAN MAY WARREN FLASHPOINT

BOOK #1 \$29.95 TRADE P/BACK Rookie firefighter Emily Micah is

determined to prove herself as a new recruit to the Jude County Hotshots wildfire team. Assigned to the film set of The Drifters, Emily's mission is to protect the cast and crew from the special effects that could ignite the

Drifters, Emily's mission is to protect the cast and crew from the special effects that could ignite the Montana forest and start a wildfire. If only her favorite actor-TV star Spenser Storm-wasn't getting in her way. Haunted by the memory of a rabid stalker, former child TV star Spenser Storm is hoping to revive his career, but he's torn between the glitz and glamour of Hollywood and the life of a cowboy on his family's ranch in Montana. It doesn't help when he sees the movie that's supposed to launch his future is going up in flames. And then there's Emily Micah, who not only saves his life, but seems to understand him, maybe better than she should. As an arsonist threatens the film production, seemingly with the goal of destroying the movie entirely, Spenser realizes he'll stop at nothing to protect his future and the woman now stealing his heart. But Emily harbors a secret one that could destroy the flame between them.

ONE LAST SHOT BOOK #1 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

When country music star Oaken Fox joins survivalist Mike Grizz's new adventure show in the Alaskan wilderness, he just wants to boost his fan base. But when tragedy strikes and Air One Rescue must save them, Oaken wants to quit. Too bad

his producer has other plans-signing him on with Air One Rescue as a recruit and making a reality show. EMT Boo Kingston did not join Air One Rescue to train a celebrity. But she's a rookie to the team, so yes, she'll train Oaken and keep him alive. And then five women go missing from a resort during a bachelorette weekend gone wrong. Now, Air One and the rescue team will have to use all their skills and manpower-including Oaken-to find them before a blizzard settles in. But can they work together before tragedy strikes?





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THE LONER – DIANA PALMER BOOK #55 \$29.95 *REPACK*

Start with Calhoun. Tanner Everett spends most of his time jetsetting around the world. But that hasn't stopped innocent Stasie Bolton, the daughter of a neighboring rancher, from falling headover-heels for the jet-setting playboy. So Stasie is secretly thrilled when her father proposes linking the properties in

matrimony...which means Tanner will be hers, for good. Despite his globetrotting ways, Tanner can't help but be enthralled by the quiet girl next door. But as the embers between the two are fanned into flames, Tanner wonders if he's found forever in the last place he ever expected.

CJ BOX'S POPULAR JOE PICKETT SERIES CONTINUES



IN PLAIN SIGHT BOOK #6 \$30.95

Start with Open Season. Ranch owner and matriarch Opal Scarlett the Plain Sight has vanished under suspicious circumstances during a bitter struggle between her sons for control of her million-dollar empire. Joe Pickett is convinced one of them have done her in, and when he becomes the victim of a series of wicked and increasingly violent pranks, Joe wonders if what's happening has less to do with

Opal's disappearance than with the darkest chapters of his own past. Whoever is after him has a vicious debt to collect, and wants Joe to pay...and pay dearly.



FREE FIRE BOOK #7 \$30.95

Attorney Clay McCann admitted to slaughtering four campers in a back-country corner of Yellowstone National Park--a 'free-fire' zone with no residents or jurisdiction. In this remote fifty-square-mile stretch a man can literally get away with murder. Now McCann's a free man, and Pickett's about to discover his motive--one buried in Yellowstone's <mark>rugged</mark> terrain, and as dangerous as t<mark>he m</mark>an who wants to keep it hidden.



CLOSE RANGE CATTLEMAN - AMBER LEIGH WILLIAMS

\$27.95

Kaya Altaha is anxious to prove herself as Fuego's sheriff. So it's important to her to keep her relationship with Everett Eaton under wraps. But when four bodies are discovered on Everett's ranch, he becomes a suspect and Kaya's attraction to the charming cattle baron conflicts with her job. Now, Kaya must balance her desire for Everett with her need to solve the case.



MURDEROUS INTENT - RACHEL LEE

When a killer strikes twice in the same day, former soldier turned stockade owner Josh Healey steps in to protect the locals who've taken refuge across the creek. But it's writer Krystal Metcalfe who penetrates his hardened exterior. Then, just as the investigation is truly getting underway, a savage rainstorm cuts them off from the outside world. Now Josh and Krystal must trust each other with their secrets to stop a chilling vendetta...and survive.



SEARCHING FOR KHLOE - SUSAN STOKER BOOK #7 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Start with Searching For Lilly. Khloe Moore has secrets. She came to Fallport, Virginia, under false pretenses, only intending to stay for a short while. Over a year later, she's found the town has everything she's ever wanted, including friends, a supportive community, and a boss she kinda wants to smack-sometimes with her lips, sometimes with

Khloe's secrets come spilling out when she risks her privacy to save him. Since leaving the Coast Guard, Raiden Walker has lived a quiet life as the town • librarian. But he has secrets of his own. Horrors from his last mission in the military. Torments he endured as a kid. What he does in his basement every Friday night... It's easier to keep his head down and avoid tight connections, even with the men he spends time with on the Eagle Point Search and Rescue team. His four-legged search partner is his best friend. And when his bloodhound's life is in peril, the last person he expects to save him is

her hand. But when Raiden's beloved dog is in serious medical danger, all of

Raid's equally standoffish library employee. Khloe and Raiden never thought they'd find the one thing they'd always longed for in each other-a loving partner. They'd sniped at one other for so long, once they stopped trying to hide their true selves, they were blindsided by their connection. Settling into their newfound relationship is exciting...but hardly smooth sailing. Both have skeletons in their closets that aren't content to stay put. sailing. Both have skeletons in their closets that aren't content to stay put.

On top of that, a member of their community is doing his best to discredit them anything to increase viewer numbers. There is more to every contestant than

both. They'll have to fight to build a life together in the small town they consider meets the eye, including Laura. They all have secrets they'd like to keep buried, home. And it will take each and every one of their friends-people only too happy and the pressure in paradise quickly reaches boiling point. How far will the to accept them exactly as they are-to ensure they get their happy ending.



SEEING RED - SANDRA BROWN \$30.95 *REPUBLISH* (ORIG 08/17)

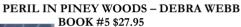
Kerra Bailey is a TV journalist hot on the trail of a story guaranteed to skyrocket her career to new heights. Twenty-five years ago, Major Franklin Trapper became a national icon when he was photographed leading a handful of survivors to safety after the bombing of a

Dallas hotel. For years, he gave frequent speeches and interviews but then suddenly dropped out of the public eye, shunning all media. Now Kerra is willing to use any means necessary to get an exclusive with the Major--even if she has to secure an introduction from his estranged son, former ATF agent John Trapper. Still seething over his break with both the ATF and his father, Trapper wants no association with the bombing or the Major. Yet Kerra's hints that there's more to the story rouse Trapper's interest despite himself. And when the interview goes catastrophically awry--with unknown assailants targeting not only the Major, but also Kerra--Trapper realizes he needs her under wraps if he's going to track down the gunmen . . . and finally discover who was responsible for the Dallas bombing. Kerra is wary of a man so charming one moment and dangerous the next, and she knows Trapper is withholding evidence from his ATF investigation into the bombing. But having no one else to trust and enemies lurking closer than they know, Kerra and Trapper join forces to expose a sinuous network of lies and conspiracy--and uncover who would want a national hero dead.



DISAPPEARANCE IN PINECRAFT – LENORA WORTH

Her sister has disappeared and now her life is on the line. When Adina Maas arrives in Pinecraft to find her missing sister, she's blindsided by abductors who attempt to kidnap her. To her surprise, Nathan Kohr, a familiar face from her past, is there to save her. And it's clear that whatever trouble Adina's sister is in, Adina is now a target, too. But with Nathan's help, can they find out who's after the Maas sisters before Adina is the next to disappear?





Start with Disappearance in Dread Hollow An act of heroism throws dog groomer Meg Lewis into the spotlight. And endangers everyone she's grown to love in Piney Woods, especially animal rescuer Avery "Griff" Griffin. When her past catches up with her, Meg must use her fighting skills to protect Griff from hired killers pursuing her. As they run for their lives, Meg must trust Griff with the truth and finally accept his help.



SHADOW SURVIVORS – JULIE MILLER BOOK #1 \$27.95

Jessie Bennington's past motivated her canine-focused business, where she heals those who are emotionally traumatized. When two young children show up at her ranch, predators on their trail, Jessie can only trust her longtime friend Garrett Caldwell. The deputy goes into protector mode without a single hesitation. Garrett has buried his feelings for Jessie long enough. He isn't about to let any danger come between them--or the innocent children--now.



THE GIR<mark>L WHO SURVIVED – NI</mark>CHOLE SEVERN \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Leigh Brody returns to her hometown when a body is found marked with her name. Will it give her the chance to solve a mystery that has shadowed her life for years? It's been twenty years since Leigh found the murdered body of her twelve-year-old brother, Troy. Her father was arrested for the crime, but she never accepted that he did it. Her hunt for the real killer almost co<mark>st her</mark> everyth<mark>ing. Now</mark> working for the FBI, Leigh is called back

to New Hampshire when a series of copycat crimes are committed. Only the killer has left a very specific calling card, a plastic army figurine, the same as the one she found on Troy's body, and carved into its base: Leigh's name. This case is as personal as it gets, and this time, Leigh is determined to make the right person pay. But when another child goes missing, can she dig deep into her past to find the clue she missed years ago, and put a monster behind bars for good?

THE VILLA – RUTH KELLY \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

A Villa in Paradise, It's destined to be the ultimate reality TV show. Ten contestants. A luxury villa on a private island. Every moment streamed live to a global audience who have total control over those competing for the cash prize. A Journalist Undercover. Reporter Laura is told to get the inside scoop on her fellow contestants. But once the games begin, she

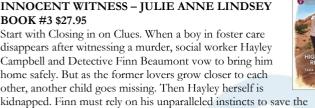
contestants go to secure audience votes? And would somebody really kill to win?



INNOCENT WITNESS - JULIE ANNE LINDSEY

Start with Closing in on Clues. When a boy in foster care disappears after witnessing a murder, social worker Hayley Campbell and Detective Finn Beaumont vow to bring him home safely. But as the former lovers grow closer to each other, another child goes missing. Then Hayley herself is

two young victims and the woman he never stopped loving.





HER DUTY BOUND DEFENDER - SHAREE STOVER \$27.95

Seconds after pregnant widow Naomi Carr-Cavanaugh is rescued from two masked gunmen, she's accused of multiple murders. Detective Bennett Ford believes he's finally apprehended the Rocky Mountain Killer-until Naomi is attacked again. Now she must rely on Bennett and his K-9 partner for protection. But

with threats closing in, she'll have to prove her innocence first to stay alive.



K9 MISSING PERSON - CASSIE MILES

Private investigator Shane Reilly and his trusty K-9 sidekick, Elvis, are legendary at solving crimes. But taking on Mallory Greenfield's missing mother case is their toughest job vet. Between a faked death, a legendary diamond and a surprise sister, Mallory needs their protection. But when the bullets fly and the danger closes in, will Shane and Elvis save the woman who captured their hearts?



COLD CASE TRACKER - MAGGIE K BLACK BOOK #1 \$27.95

K-9 officer Jackson Locke's sister has vanished--and the key to finding her lies with Amy Scout...his sister's best friend and his old crush. But when Amy comes under attack, two things become clear: Jackson's sister has been investigating cold cases and someone wants Amy dead. Now he must untangle the mystery between the cold cases and his sister's disappearance while guarding Amy from an enemy willing to kill to hide the truth.



SMOKY MOUNTAINS GRAVEYARD – LENA DIAZ BOOK #5 \$27.95

Start with Murder on Prescott Mountain. Working a cold case, investigators Faith Lancaster and Asher Whitfield unearth a secret burial ground. And when a young woman goes missing, it's clear that the same person is to blame. Then he turns his rage on Faith. Now, as they race to protect others in danger, she is torn between keeping things professional and resisting the attraction she and Asher share.



RAVEN – ANNE GREGOR BOOK #1 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Raven Byrne was half Irish, half Native American, and wholly devoted to her two sisters. Together, they started an interior design firm in Oklahoma, Triskelion Territory Designs. Getting hired to decorate Wolves Irish Pub & Eatery by Tulsa oil billionaire legends was just the opportunity the new business needed to boost its reputation. The three O'Faolain men were

gorgeous and powerful... Norse Vikings in the 21st Century... Wolves. And one of them couldn't take his amber eyes off Raven. Bran was the oldest son of Hugh, the O'Faolain patriarch. He hired the Byrne sisters to oversee the Irish pub venture, a special project to commemorate Hugh's late father's life and legacy. What should have been a strictly professional relationship veered off course from the first disastrous meeting. Raven was the woman he had to have, not for one night or year, but forever. It was all romantic getaways, passion, and commitment for Raven and Bran - until it wasn't. Driven by vengeance for crimes laid upon his father, Samuel Delton was a darkly disturbed man whose sole goal was to ruin all chances of happiness for the men he hated most starting with their women.

Coming next month...

- □ MIND GAMES NORA ROBERTS T/P & H/C
- □ BOUND BY MYSTERY CHRISTY BARRITT BK #2
- □ THE SURVIVER IRIS JOHANSEN BK #30 *REPACK*
- NO TURNING BACK LINDSEY MCKENNA
- BLOOD TRAIL CJ BOX BK #8
- RIVER ANNE GREGOR BK #2 T/P
- STATE OF SUSPENSE MARIE FORCE BK #6 T/P
- **A LIMITED EDITION MURDER LAUREN ELLIOTT BK #9**
- □ AN EVIL HEART—LINDA CASTILLO BK # 15
- □ HIDDEN IN THE NIGHT ELIZABETH GODDARD BK #3 TP
- □ THE WOMAN BY THE LAKE KRISTEN ASHLEY T/P
- □ LIARS POINT LAURA GRIFFIN BK #5
- CROWN JEWEL FERN MICHAELS *REISSUE*



A HIGH STAKES REUNION – TAYLOR TARA QUINN

Moments after delivering a baby, Dr. Dorian Howell thwarts the infant's kidnapping. When Dorian herself is abducted, FBI agent Scott Michaels knows that rescuing her might help him destroy a child-trafficking ring. What he doesn't know is how to handle his attraction to a woman he's never forgotten. Dorian's competence is an asset as they work together.

But the heat between them might be a deadly distraction.



COLTON MOUNTAIN SEARCH – KAREN WHIDDON

A mountain hike turns tragic as Della Winslow's search and rescue dog discovers a serial killer's burial site. Enter FBI agent Max Colton, who comes back to town to solve the case and get rid of his playboy reputation. He's just what the dedicated dog trainer doesn't need-or want. But when she discovers her cousin was one of the killer's victims, Della must work with Max to solve the case and try to resist the electric attraction between them.



DEFENDER AFTER DARK - CHARLENE PARRIS

When a ruthless CEO is assaulted at his own construction site late at night, Detective Mark Hawthorne is determined to catch the person responsible. He finds a welcome distraction from the case in captivating bakery owner Britt Gronlund, who rebuffed the CEO's

threat to take over her business. But when the CEO winds up dead, Mark needs to find out who killed him. Can he defend Britt from the accusations that she is behind the murder? And can the two of them find the real killer?



DEATH BY IRISH WHISKEY – CATIE MURPHY BOOK #4 \$27.95

Start with Dead in Dublin. The competition for best whiskey in Ireland will be a publicity bonanza for the winner, and that means there are celebrities involved--like boxer Angus McConal and Megan's friend Niamh, an up-and-coming actress who's teamed up with Megan's uncle, the retired Sligo harbormaster. But rivalries and

revelries turn out to be a bad blend when McConal dies at a whiskey tasting. Megan promised her girlfriend she'd quit her amateur sleuthing, but with Niamh and her uncle as suspects, she's over a barrel. With her relationship on the rocks, Megan gets in even deeper when a second entrant in the competition is killedand her investigation starts zeroing in on a suspect. Now she just needs proof.



THE LAST DEVIL TO DIE – RICHARD OSMAN BOOK #4 \$22.99 *REPACK*

Start with The Thursday Murder Club. It's rarely a quiet day for the Thursday Murder Club. Shocking news reaches them: an old friend has been killed, and a dangerous package he was protecting has gone missing. The gang's search leads them into the antiques business, where the tricks of the trade are as old as the objects themselves. As they encounter drug dealers, art forgers, and online fraudsters--as

well as heartache close to home-Elizabeth, Joyce, Ron, and Ibrahim have no idea whom to trust.

ROSEMARY IS LOVING THIS SERIES BY CHRISTY BARRITT



BOUND BY DISASTER BOOK #2 \$25.95 TRADE P/BACK

Book #1 Bound by Murder. Talitha Robinson is knee-deep in renovations as she prepares to open her new bookstore when a body washes ashore on Lantern Beach. While news of the suspicious death surges across the island, a stranger comes knocking on Tali's door, begging her to endorse his unfinished suspense novel. Unable to dissuade the author, Tali is left holding his manuscript in her hands.

But she has no idea of the peril written on its pages. Mac MacArthur has kept his distance from Tali since they uncovered a shocking connection about their pasts. But when someone begins to act out the murderous scenes from the book, one victim at a time, Mac's protective instincts override his decision to stay away. As danger escalates, Mac and Tali must manage their conflicting feelings as they work together to stop this killer before the last chapter is written.

Preorders...

- □ SAVE ME SHARON SALA DUE 25/6
- □ ECHO ROAD KENDRA ELLIOTT T/P
- □ PROTECTING REMI SUSAN STOKER BK #1 T/P
- PEN PAL J T GEISSINGER BK #1 T/P
- □ RIVER JUSTICE BJ DANIELS #3
- □ TARGET ACQUIRED LYNETTE EASON T/P
- □ ANOTHER GIRL LOST MARY BURTON T/P
- □ CAPTURED AT THE COVE CAROL ERICSON BK #3 □ PASSIONS IN DEATH – JD ROBB #60 H/C T/P DUE 03/09
- □ THE SWIMMER LORETH ANN WHITE T/P
- □ RUNNING HOT JAYNE ANN KRENTZ *REPACK*

WINTER SAGE – ELIZABETH ROSE BOOK #5 \$29.95 TRADE P/BACK

Start with Picking Up the Gauntlet. On his return trip from the borderlands, Lord Robin Blake sees bandits attacking a young woman in the snow. He comes to her aid and fights off the ruffians, but not before he is wounded. To make matters worse, he

is thrown from his horse and breaks through the ice. From underwater, he sees an angel in a flurry of snow. It is the woman he's helped, now coming to assist him. She tells him her name is Sage and takes him to a monastery where she works as a healer. Her expertise at healing doesn't go unnoticed, but Robin also sees something else. Sage is not only heartbroken about something, but also frightened for her life. He decides she is hiding at the monastery, staying there for sanctuary. It is close to Christmas and Connor decides he'd like to take her back to the castle for the holiday to protect her while he tries to learn her secret. Sage Hillock is the town's herbalist. Since the death of her parents, she has been raising her younger siblings by herself but has become worried about their safety. She uses the garden at the monastery to do her healings, but her home is only a small, unprotected hut. A noble she's tried to heal recently has died and now someone is trying to kill her in revenge. When a lord comes to her rescue and is injured because of her, she wants nothing more than to heal him, hoping he will not die too. When he offers to take her back to the castle for Christmas, she accepts, knowing her siblings will be protected there. Sage accepts the knight's invitation, not telling him until afterwards that her siblings will be traveling with them.



WOOING THE DEVIL -VIRGINIE MARCONATO BOOK #3 \$29.95 TRADE P/BACK

Book #1 Taming the Wolf, Book #2 Soothing the Beast. Nicknamed "Devil" for his fiery hair and temper, Rune cannot resist the temptation of a night

with a beautiful Saxon during his visit to East Anglia. But that one night of pleasure will have more far-reaching consequences. Eowyn has always wanted to live her life freely. Her night with the Norseman will force her to see that reality is catching up with her. When fate and friends force them to spend more time together, secret fears and hopes start to emerge. Soon they come to see that nothing less than a lifetime together will be enough.

HIGHLAND SONG - TANYA ANN CROSBY BOOK #5 \$29.95 *REISSUE* TRADE P/BACK



Start with The MacKinnons Bride. When laird Iain MacKinnon's young son is captured by the English, the fierce Scottish chieftain retaliates in kind, capturing the daughter of his enemy to bargain for his son's return. Fiercely loyal

to kin, Iain never imagines any father could deny his child-or that he would become Page FitzSimon's savior. "Keep her, or kill her!" FitzSimon proclaims when Iain forces his hand. So, what else should a good lad do, but carry the lass home-without telling her the truth: Her father doesn't want her. But even as Page blames her reluctant champion for welching on a bargain with her father, she suspects the truth the shadows hold secrets and danger. Now only love can save MacKinnon's fiery new bride.



THE FALCON LAIRD – SUSAN KING BOOK #2 \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK

RENAME

(Orig "Angel Knight" 96) Book #1 The Hawk Laird. After burning her Scottish castle to prevent the English from claiming the ancient gold hidden

there, Lady Christian is captured and locked in an iron cage. Desperately ill, she sees an archangel-but he is just the English knight ordered to move her to a convent, take her castle, and find the gold. Sir Gavin Faulkener has secrets of his own-including a gift of healing that brought only tragedy. But the beautiful Scottish rebel unexpectedly recovers in his care and he is ordered to marry her to claim her property-only to discover that her castle is a smoking ruin overrun by loyal Scots and the gold has vanished.



THE KNIGHTS REBELLIOUS MAIDEN - ELLA MATTHEWS BOOK #1 \$25.95

Sir Leopold's first mission is supposed to be a chance to prove his valor. But tasked with safely escorting Lady Arianwen to her husband-to-be, Leo finds he is little but a glorified

bodyguard. Only, the seemingly simple mission goes awry when Ari proves that she's willing to do anything to get away from her impending nuptials. As attraction sparks between them, can Leo choose knightly duty over love and deliver Ari to her wedding?



A SUMMER AFFAIR - SUSAN WIGGS \$29.95 *REISSUE* (ORIG 2010)

A gifted but troubled physician, Blue Calhoun runs a thriving medical practice from his mansion in San Francisco while raising his son alone after a tragedy. Then one day a female fugitive with a gunshot wound appears in Blue's surgery. Even though she holds a pistol aimed at his heart, the desperation in her eyes awakens

Blue's compassion. Reluctantly he is drawn to her beauty, her nerves of steel and her mysterious circumstances. Isabel Fish-Wooten has spent most of her life on the run, but everything changes when she forces a stranger to save her life. Her rescue comes with an unexpected price. As Isabel recovers from her wounds, she finds herself touched by this remarkable man and yearns to reach out to him and his son. From danger-filled back alleys to the ballrooms of high society, Isabel and Blue confront the violence and corruption that threatens their newfound passion. Theirs is an unforgettable quest to discover a rare and special love, and the precious gift of a second chance at happiness.

A VISCOUNT FOR THE EGYPTIAN PRINCESS - HEBA HELMY



Viscount Louis Wesley is captivated by the beautiful woman he meets at the Louvre. He never expects to see her again, but then he arrives in Egypt for his royal best friend's wedding and discovers she's the bride, Princess Mervat! Learning it's a convenient

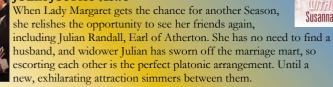
match that both intend to avoid, Louis vows to help. The stakes may be high, but Louis's biggest challenge will be resisting falling for the princess himself!

THE MARQUESSS YEAR TO WED - PAULIA BELGADO \$25.95



The Marquess of Ashbrooke has a deadline. One year to marry and sire an heir or lose his title and wealth. But luck is on Ash's side! The vexing mathematician Violet Avery must also wed to save her family from ruin. The disintegration of his parents' marriage means Ash believes only a convenient marriage is practical. Until passion ignites, and he's left to decide if he should risk his heart or his fortune.

A SEASON WITH HER FORBIDDEN EARL -**JULIA JUSTISS \$25.95**





MY SEASON OF SCANDAL - JULIE ANN LONG BOOK #7 \$29.95



Start with Lady Derring Takes a Lover. A London season is the chance of a lifetime for Catherine Keating. But the ton's cruelty threaten to crush her hopes of finding a husband before her season even begins. Until she accidentally acquires one of the most scandalous men in England as a secret chaperone. Lord Dominic Kirke can hold the House of Commons and any woman in thrall. But when his house

goes up in flames he finds himself at the Grand Palace on the Thames. And there he discovers his cynical armor is no match for another guest: a country girl with a crackling wit. He's maddening, charismatic, wrong in every way-perfectly designed to break her heart and doesn't know she holds his battered heart in her hands. And though it will destroy him, Dominic knows loving her means setting her free for the life she deserves.



A WEDDING TO PROTECT HER FORTUNE - JENNI FLETCHER \$25.95

When a mob attacks her home in the night, heiress Annis Flemming seeks shelter with her neighbor Sir Bennet Thorne. With her life at risk, Ben escorts her to safety at Henry VIII's Hatfield House. Though they grow closer on the journey, Annis's distrust of men makes her wary, and Ben still grieves for his late wife. But when they realize the threat has

followed them, there's only one means of true protection-marriage!



HOW NOT TO PROPOSE TO A DUKE – LOUISE ALLEN \$25.95

Miss Danby's daring proposition for the duke. First, wealthy ironmaster's daughter Jessica Danby needs a titled husband. So, upon learning that Alexander, the Duke of Malvern, needs a rich wife, she makes a convenient proposal. Next, her marriage offer is swiftly rejected by Alex, who wants to marry for love! Now Jessica accepts his help in finding another suitor. But as they spend the Season by each other's

side, she realizes that their friendship is becoming something more!



THE LADY PLAYS WITH FIRE – SUSANNA CRAIG BOOK #2 \$27.95

Book #1 The Lady Knows Best. As a clergyman's daughter Julia Addison will never be able to fulfill her dream of acting. But writing reviews of the Season's most popular plays for Mrs. Goode's Magazine for Misses, is the next best thing. Even better, she's got a ticket to Ransom Blackadder's latest satire. Best of all, she's sharing a theater box with Lord Dunstane.

Graham McKay, the Earl of Dunstane, rarely leaves the Scottish Highlands. Nothing about London holds his interest-until he meets Julia. But when Graham realizes she is the critic who panned his last play-and she discovers he is Ransom Blackadder will it bring down the curtain on their romance?







EARLS TRIP – JENNY HOLIDAY \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Even an earl needs his ride-or-dies, and Archibald Fielding-Burton, the Earl of Harcourt, counts himself lucky to have two. The annual trip that Archie takes with his BFFs Simon and Effie holds a sacred spot in their calendars. This year Archie is especially eager to get away until an urgent letter arrives from an old family friend,

begging him to help prevent a ruinous scandal. Suddenly the trip has become earls-plus-girls, as Archie's childhood pals Clementine and Olive Morgan, are crescued en route to Gretna Green. The fully grown Clementine, while as frank and refreshing as he remembers, is also different to the wild, windswept girl he knew. This Clem is complex and surprising-and opposed to marriage. Which, for reasons Archie dare not examine too closely, he finds increasingly vexing.



DOCKSID<mark>E DUCHESS – JENNIFER SEASO</mark>NS BOOK #3 <mark>\$29.95</mark> TRADE P/<mark>BACK</mark>

Book #1 Mayfair Misfit, Book #2 Duke Undone. The newly titled Earl of Castlebury, Crawford is under a lot of stress. New title responsibilities, pressure from his mother to find a suitable wife, his late father's shipping empire to run. The last thing he needs is a female pretending to be a deal porter down at his shippard. She's obviously in hiding for a reason, and try as he might, he cannot

refuse his attraction for her. Soon he can't keep his hands off her, either, even knowing he can never offer the common born beauty a future. He can offer her his body, his passion, and his patronage but never his title or his heart. Heiress to an ancient dukedom, Sadie Crisp is in hiding from her Cousin Archibald, who wants her dead rather than married, so that he can keep her fortune for himself. Disguised as a deal porter at the docklands, all is smooth sailing until the new owner of the Castlebury's shipyard appears. Everything she's ever wanted, Crawford ignites her passion and sets new hope aflame. Yet she cannot dare tell him of her secret. And she dare not love him or risk her heart.



THE TEMPT<mark>RESS</mark> – CLAIRE DELACROIX BOOK #6 \$40.<mark>00 TRA</mark>DE P/BACK

Start with The Princess. Esmeraude of Ceinn-beithe knows that she alone can name the winner of her heart. To the knights gallant who ride from afar to do her bidding, she issues a challenge: a riddle that is both quest and test. And then she flees, daring her suitor to follow. Thus begins the Bride Quest of Bayard of Villonne, to compete for the hand of a woman he has never

seen...Newly returned from the Crusades, Bayard has warned his family of a pending attack upon their estate. When they pay no heed to his message, he swears to protect the family holding himself...even if its price is a marriage of convenience. It seems a simple matter to win the hand of a rural maid in a barbarian contest-until the chase begins. Esmeraude's challenge makes her far more intriguing than Bayard had dared to hope. But when he follows her across the waters and rescues a tattered, ravishing damsel in disguise, he knows he has found her. Recklessly, she offers herself to the handsome stranger. But not even a passion that touches both their souls can win her hand. For Esmeraude will settle for nothing less than total surrender of the crusader's worn and weary heart a treasure Bayard is determined to keep shielded forever.



AURELIA – S M LAVIOLETTE AKA MINERVA SPENCER BOOK #4 \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK

Start with Phoebe. Aurelia Bellamy is tired of being the responsible oldest daughter. It's time to finally take charge of her own fate. So, when an opportunity to work for one of England's most famous naturalists comes along, she jumps at the chance. Even though it means traveling to a remote island...and working for a notorious (and dangerously appealing) rake. Lord Roland Crewe wants nothing to do with love or romance. He's already proven he's a terrible

husband twice! and has no interest in doing it again. But for some reason, he struggles to remember that when he's with Aurelia. He knows a scarred, hardened man like him has nothing to offer a beautiful young idealist like her. So, why can't he stay away? It's not long before Aurelia and Roland realize how strong their attraction is...and how quickly that attraction is deepening into something infinitely more complicated. But when the time comes, will these polar opposites find their way to happily ever after, or utter ruin?

Coming next month...

- $\ \square$ THE LAST DUKE SHED MARRY ANNA CAMPBELL BK #3 TP
- THE PRINCES BRIDE CHARIS MICHAELS BK #2
- RIDING OUT THE STORM ELIZABETH ROSE BK #6 T/P
- □ ALLS FAIR IN LOVE AND WAR VIRGINIA HEATH BK #1 T/P
- □ THE HEIRESSES DAUGHTER—ANNE GRACIE BK #3
- MACKINNONS HOPE TANYA ANN CROSBY BK #6 *RI*
- DOCKSIDE DUCHESS JENNIFER SEASONS BK #3 T/P
- □ FALLING FOR THE MARQUESS ALEXA ASHTON BK #3
 □ THE DREADFUL DUKE GRACE BURROWES T/P
- THE SWAN LAIRD SUSAN KING BK #3 T/P



MURDER IN WESTMINSTER – VANESSA RILEY BOOK #1 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK *REPACK*

Discovering a body on her property presents Lady Abigail Worthing with more than one problem. The victim is Juliet, the wife of her neighbor, Stapleton Henderson. Although Abigail has little connection with the lady in question, she expects to be under suspicion. Abigail's skin color and her mother's notorious past have

earned her a certain reputation among the *ton*, and no amount of wealth or status will eclipse it. Abigail can't divulge that she was attending a secret proabolition meeting at the time of the murder. To her surprise, Henderson offers her an alibi. Though he and Juliet were long estranged, he feels a certain loyalty to his late wife. Perhaps together, he and Abigail can learn the truth. Abigail, whose marriage was not a love match, knows well how appearances can deceive and how treacherous London's high society can be. Yet who would have killed Juliet, and why? Taking the reins of her life in a way she never has before, Abby intends to find out-but she may uncover more danger than she ever imagined.



BECAUSE THE BARON BROODS – DARCY BURKE BOOK #2 \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK

Book #1 If the Duke Dares. Growing up in isolation in Cornwall, Tamsin Penrose looks forward to the one month each year that she spends in an idyllic seaside town with her best friends. She's shocked to receive a letter from her father informing her of a potential groom-they've never even discussed marriage and she

rather expected to be a spinster. But she's met a charming baron and now she's dreaming of a romantic, wedded life. During his annual trip to a friend's seaside estate, broody Isaac Deverell, Baron Droxford finds himself in an objectionable situation: socializing with a group of ladies over several days. He is not prepared for the storm of cheerfulness that is Miss Penrose, nor can he deny that she makes him feel good. Because Isaac is a rogue with a sinful secret, he should flee this delightful ray of sunshine. However, he can't keep his distance, and when her overzealous suitor arrives and won't take no for an answer, Isaac protects her in a scandalously public fashion. Now he can't run from her. Can these attracted opposites find a happy ever after, or will the past destroy their chance?



THE STRANGER I WED – HARPER ST GEORGE BOOK #1 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

New to wealth and to London high society, American heiress Cora Dove discovers that with the right man, marriage might not be such an inconvenience after all. Cora Dove and her sisters' questionable legitimacy has been the lifelong subject of New York's gossipmongers and a stain on their father's reputation. So when the

girls each receive a generous, dowry from their dying grandmother, the sly Mr. Hathaway vows to release their funds only if Cora and her sisters can procure suitable husbands-far from New York. For Cora, England is a fresh start. She has no delusions of love, but a husband who will respect her independence? That's an Earl worth fighting for. Enter: Leopold Brendon, Earl of Devonworth, a no-nonsense member of Parliament whose plan to pass a Public Health bill that would provide clean water to the working class requires the backing of a wealthy wife. He just never expected to crave Cora's touch or yearn to hear her thoughts on his campaign-or to discover that his seemingly perfect bride protects so many secrets. But secrets have a way of bubbling to the surface, and Devonworth has a few of his own. With their pasts laid bare and Cora's budding passion for women's rights taking a dangerous turn, they'll learn the true cost of losing their heart to a stranger-and that love is worth any price.



HER MIDNIGHT SIN – SOFIE DARLING BOOK #3 \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK

Book #1 Three Lessons in Seduction, Book #2 Tempted by the Viscount. Orphaned as a child, Captain John Nylander has never known a real home. Now he is ready to leave the his past behind and put down roots. The only thing standing in his way is a lanky aristocratic lady who is more at home on the farm

than in the ballroom. Lady Calpurnia Radclyffe, the Dowager Viscountess St. Alban, has poured all her energy into making Wyldcombe Grange her home. Managing an estate is not what Callie dreamed of, but her late husband's rejection made it clear that love and a family would never be hers. Now she may lose even that to a handsome captain. But Nylander is making her dream again. Nylander inspires a recklessness in Callie that she can't control. Soon she finds herself conspiring with pirates and contemplating midnight trysts with the very Viking who has turned her life upside down. For Nylander, being with Callie embodies everything he's always wanted. As midnight strikes, will all their secret, sinful dreams come true?

Preorders

- □ THE MERIWELL LEGACY STEPHANIE LAURENS BK #8 T/P
- □ A DAUGHTER OF FAIR VERONA CHRISTINA DODD H/C
- **A GAMBLE AT SUNSET VANESSA RILEY**
- ☐ THE PRINCES BRIDES CHARIS MAICHELS
- □ VISCOUNT IN LOVE ELOISA JAMES
 □ THE GROOM LIST ELLA QUINN





HAVING THE TIGERS BABY – MILLY TAIDEN BOOK #4 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Start with Having the Wolfs Baby. Lily has given up on the idea of ever finding the right partner to have a child with. So when her best friend mentions the Shifter Surrogacy Program, Lily feels she has nothing to lose. As alpha of a powerful tiger pride, time is running out for Gabriel to find a mate and make some heirs.

Using the Shifter Surrogacy Program wasn't his first option. When his surrogate turns out to be the woman of his dreams, there's nothing stopping him from making her his mate. A member of the pride has gone missing, and when he later turns up dead, Gabriel knows someone out there is threatening the pride. And a threat to the pride means a threat to Lily and their future child. Working together, Gabriel and Lily face the threat head-on while the mating bond strengthens, and they try to keep the family they have created alive.



TWO RELEASES FROM EVE LANGLAIS EARTHS SECRET BOOK #5 \$30.95 TRADE P/BACK

Start with Earths Daughter. This Cryptid Authority agent-and witch-is tired of being assigned useless partners. I prefer to work alone, but my boss says I have to play nice with Special Agent Koda Whiteclaw. I'm ready to hate the guy, only it turns out he's

not that bad and he's super cute. Our task is to locate an arsonist causing trouble. What I didn't expect was that during the course of our investigation I'd uncover secrets about my own past. Now if only someone would stop trying to kill me before I get to the truth. It's going to take all the skill and magic I have, along with the support of my new partner to solve the mystery. Here's to hoping I live long enough to enjoy a magical thing called love.



REAPER WITCH BOOK #2 \$40.0<mark>0 T</mark>RADE P/BACK

Book #1 Reaping Demons. Being told I'm some kind of rare reaper witch would be awesome except for the fact I can't use my magic unless I'm threatened. When I'm scared, my instincts kick in, but it's very clear I'm no hero. Heroes don't run from danger. Yet, I do. Blame my parents. They taught me to be afraid of everything, even my own shadow.

In this case, though, I might be justified. A great evil is trying to enter our world, and my blood is the key that unlocks a monster's prison. Since I'd really prefer to not die, I'd better drag my courage out from deep-and I mean deep-within and learn to fight. The question being, will I learn how to wield my magic in time, or is the world doomed?

Coming next month...

□ BARBARIANS TAMING – RUBY DIXON BK #8 T/P



FIRE AND ERMINE – ANDREW GREY BOOK #3 \$29.95

Start with Fire and Flint. When Prince Reynard escapes his gilded cage, he runs as fast as he can in search of a taste of freedom. Predictably, he gets pulled over. State Trooper Fisher Bronson doesn't know the stranger in the rental car, but he does know the guy was driving way too fast. Still, Fisher takes to protect and

serve seriously, so he helps Reynard find a hotel for the night. Then the hotel catches fire. Apparently Reynard hasn't covered his tracks as well as he thought. But is it paparazzi on his tail, or someone much more deadly? Either way, when Fisher offers him a room for the night, he's grateful for the refuge. Reynard is generous and kind, but Fisher knows he's hiding something. Finally Reynard confesses the truth: as prince of Veronia, his life is structured and ordered for him, but as Reynard he has the freedom to become a person he actually likes. To Reynard's surprise, Fisher likes him back-not for his title, but for the man he is. But duty, family expectations, and whoever is after Reynard could spell the end of their relationship before they get past once upon a traffic stop.



YOU SHOULD BE SO LUCKY - CAT SEBASTIAN \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

The 1960 baseball season is shaping up to be the worst year of Eddie O'Leary's life. He can't manage to hit the ball, his new teammates hate him, he's living out of a suitcase, and he's homesick. When the team's owner orders him to give a bunch of interviews to some snobby reporter, he's ready to call it quits. He

can barely manage to behave himself for the length of a game, let alone an entire season. But he's already on thin ice, so he has no choice but to agree. Mark Bailey is not a sports reporter. He writes for the arts page, and these days he's barely even managing to do that much. He's had a rough year and just wants to be left alone in his empty apartment, mourning a partner he'd never been able to be public about. The last thing he needs is to spend a season writing about New York's obnoxious new shortstop in a stunt to get the struggling newspaper more readers. Isolated together within the crush of an anonymous city, these two lonely souls orbit each other as they slowly give in to the inevitable gravity of their attraction. But Mark has vowed that he'll never be someone's secret ever again, and Eddie can't be out as a professional athlete.



KING OF WRATH - ANA HUANG BOOK #1 \$22.99 *REPACK*

The billionaire CEO never planned to marry - until the threat of blackmail forces him into an engagement with a woman he barely knows: Vivian Lau, jewellery heiress and daughter of his newest enemy. It doesn't matter how beautiful or charming she is. He'll do everything in his power to destroy the evidence and their betrothal.

There's only one problem: now that he has her he can't bring himself to let her go. Vivian Lau is the perfect daughter and her family's ticket into the highest echelons of high society. Marrying a blue-blooded Russo means opening doors that would otherwise remain closed to her new-money family. While the rude, elusive Dante isn't her idea of a dream partner, she agrees to their arranged marriage out of duty. Craving his touch was never part of the plan. Neither was the worst thing she could possibly do: fall in love with her future husband.



VIL DEAD RECKLESS - NICOLE JAMES BOOK #4 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Start with The pounding in my head wakes me. Must have been one hell of a bachelorette party last night. Resting on my side, I crack one eye open and see the lights of the Las Vegas Strip out the floor to CALIFORNIA ceiling windows. That's not right. My hotel room doesn't have windows like those. The heat at my back registers at the same time the

weight across my waist does. I lift my head, staring at the muscular arm covered with colorful ink. I can't make out any of the tattoos, but the work is exquisite. Then a sparkle catches my eyes, and they widen. The diamond on my ring finger shocks the hell out of me, but not as much as the wedding band nestled right beside it. Holy crap on a cracker. I do the only thing I can think to do—I run. When my "husband" shows up in town, I have to hide our relationship from my family. He's my dirty little secret, and he's determined to hold that over my head and use it to get his what he wants. And what he wants is me.



CRAVE – CHELLE BLISS BOOK #1 \$29.95

Tate Gallo had a type: emotionally unavailable bikers who were more feral than serious relationship material. The day she turned thirty, she decided to make a change: No more biker boys. She deserved more. She wanted to be someone's world. But then he stumbled in bloodied, bruised, and in need of help. One look into his dark eyes, and Tate realized her life would

never be the same again. She wouldn't fall for him. She couldn't, not for her heart's sake. But one kiss never hurt anyone right? But with one taste of his lips and touch of his hand, Tate knew she couldn't escape his pull forever.

Forthcoming...

□ BOUND TO THE SHADOW PRINCE – RUBY DIXON T/P



JAGGED ENDS - THOM COLLINS BOOK #5 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Start with Northpoint. Nyemouth is the perfect location for celebrity chef Jerico Osman to fulfil a lifetime ambition. With its harbour and JAGGEF brisk holiday trade, there's no better place for him to open his first restaurant. It's a dream that has been a decade in the making. But there's another attraction in Nyemouth, one Jerico was completely unaware of. Andy Quinn is content with his life. He has a great job

managing Quay House, the popular waterfront hotel, and a peaceful home with a cat called Patches. Andy spent his twenties working in the cruise industry, exploring the world, and has finally settled in his hometown. Those years at sea were a time of adventure and discovery, including a ship-board romance with a young Jerico. After fifteen years, Andy doubts the famous chef will even remember him, but from the moment they reconnect, the time they spent apart falls away. Andy isn't the only figure from Jerico's past. A week before the restaurant is due to open, an act of reckless sabotage puts everything he cares about in danger, including Andy. Jerico has made an enemy, someone who will stop at nothing to see his long-realised dream become a nightmare. As a plan for vengeance is played out, who will survive until the end?



THE HONEY WITCH - SYDNEY J SHIELDS \$32.99 TRADE P/BACK

The Honey Witch of Innisfree can never find true love. That is her curse to bear. But when a young woman who doesn't believe in magic arrives on her island, sparks fly in this deliciously sweet debut novel of magic, hope, and love overcoming all. Twenty-one-year-old Marigold Claude has always preferred the company of the spirits of the meadow to any of the suitors who've tried to woo her. So when

her grandmother whisks her away to the family cottage on the Isle of Innisfree with an offer to train her as the next Honey Witch, she accepts immediately. But her newfound magic and independence come with a price: No one can fall in love with the Honey Witch. When Lottie Burke, a notoriously grumpy skeptic who doesn't believe in magic, shows up on her doorstep, Marigold can't resist the challenge to prove to her that magic is real. But soon, Marigold begins to care for Lottie in ways she never expected. And when darker magic awakens and threatens to destroy her home, she must fight for much more than her new home-at the risk of losing her magic and her heart.



TWO RELEASES FROM AMY LANE

THE FACE MAN BOOK #6 \$35.00 *REPACK*

Start with The Mastermind. Torrance Grayson has forged a solid independent journalism career with help from his friend and mentor, Felix Salinger, and he's relished being the face of the Salinger crew, exposing the corruption of the powerful while keeping his friends safe in their anonymity. But being face to face

with the worst in the world takes its toll, and when Tor has a moment of weakness, it's the Salingers who come to bail him out. During his recovery, Tor makes friends with the household's confident, charismatic young chef, Marco. Their quiet conversations make Marco more and more reluctant to confront Tor on the grave mistake the man is about to make in his current exposé--a mistake that can harm Marco's loud, boisterous family irrecoverably. Tor is more than willing to listen--and to correct any mistakes. He's seen graphic proof that he's not infallible, and he'll go to any lengths to avert tragedy. But as Tor works toward the truth of what's happening with Marco's family, Marco begins to develop deep suspicions about the people they both work for. Torrance Grayson is in deep with the Salingers, and Marco isn't sure he should know any more than necessary about people who seem to be great bosses but shady citizens. In order to help Marco, Tor needs to trust him--and that means to trust him with the truth of the Salinger Crew, as well as with his heart. But in a world of capers and crimefighting, trust, it appears, is worth more than gold and jewels. Tor can expose crime and injustice with impunity, but can he expose his heart to Marco, a man who desperately wants in?



BONFIRES BOOK #1 \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK

Ten years ago Sheriff's Deputy Aaron George lost his wife and moved to Colton, hoping growing up in a small town would be better for his children. He's gotten to know his community, including Mr. Larkin, the bouncy, funny science teacher. But when Larx is dragged unwillingly into administration, he stops coaching the track team and starts running alone. Aaron—who

thought life began and ended with his kids—is distracted by a glistening chest and a principal running on a dangerous road. Larx has been living for his kids too—and for his students at Colton High. He's not ready to be charmed by Aaron, but when they start running together, he comes to appreciate the deputy's steadiness, humor, and complete understanding of Larx's priorities. Children first, job second, his own interests a sad last. It only takes one kiss for two men approaching fifty to start acting like teenagers in love, even amid all the responsibilities they shoulder. Then an act of violence puts their burgeoning relationship on hold. The adult responsibilities they've embraced are now instrumental in keeping their town from exploding. When things come to a head, they realize their newly forged family might be what keeps the world from spinning out of control.

Coming next month...

- □ CROCUS AMY LANE BK #2
- □ FOR REAL ALEXIS HALL BK #3 T/P

Preorders...

□ HEARTWARD—ANDREW GREY BK #1

□ CALLING HIS BLUFF – CHARLIE COCHET BK #2 DUE 6/8

□ FIRE AND IRON – ANDREW GREY



PEOPLE IN GLASS HOUSES – JAYNE CASTLE TOP BOOK #13 \$22.99 TRADE P/BACK \$54.95 H/COVER PICK

Start with Bridal Jitters. His name is Joshua Knight. Once a respected explorer, the press now calls him the Tarnished Knight. He took the fall for a disaster in the Underworld that destroyed his career. The devastating event occurred in the newly discovered sector known as Glass House--a maze of crystal that is rumored to conceal powerful Alien antiquities.

The rest of the Hollister Expedition team disappeared and are presumed dead. Whatever happened down in the tunnels scrambled Josh's psychic senses and his memories, but he's determined to uncover the truth. Labeled delusional and paranoid, he retreats to an abandoned mansion in the desert, a house filled with mirrors. Now a recluse, Josh spends his days trying to discover the secrets in the looking glasses that cover the walls. He knows he is running out of time. Talented, ambitious crystal artist Molly Griffin is shocked to learn that the Tarnished Knight has been located. She drops everything and heads for the mansion to find Josh, confident she can help him regain control of his shattered senses. She has no choice--he is the key to finding her sister, Leona, a member of the vanished expedition team. Josh reluctantly allows her to stay one night but there are two rules: she must not go down into the basement, and she must not uncover the mirrors that have been draped. But her only hope for finding her sister is to break the rules.



CADAVER LAB 2 – CAT JOHNSON BOOK #2 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Book #1 Cadaver Lab. Ghost Gabe is back and so is book & wine shop owner Natalie and her hot doctor boyfriend Liam for more shenanigans in your favorite small town, Mudville. Will Gabe find love beyond the grave? Will Natalie and Liam solve the mystery of the backyard bones? And who is the elusive ghost in Harper's house and is she connected to the

unexplained cryptic date scratched into the woodwork there?



COURTED – JENNIFER CHANCE AKA JENN STARK BOOK #1 \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK

RECOMMENDED BY LORI FOSTER

I'll do nearly anything for my country-fight for her, die for her, protect the world from the ancient gods for her. What I've never wanted to do? Leave my post as a soldier and serve as my kingdom's storybook Crown Prince. But now I've got no

choice. By the end of the week, I must pay the price of the devastating tragedy my family has endured and take the throne. The gods are stirring behind the gates of Olympus, and the kingdom must stay strong. Then, out on the edge of my beloved Aegean Sea, a dreamy-eyed American girl falls into my arms, and I see my chance for a perfect, temporary escape. A final carefree romance that couldn't possibly cause any harm. At least until the whispering winds carry the tale back to the ears of the listening gods, and the gates of Olympus crack open.



HAPPY MEDIUM – SARAH ADLER \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Fake spirit medium Gretchen Acorn is happy to help when her best (read: wealthiest) client hires her to investigate the unexplained phenomena preventing the sale of her bridge partner's struggling goat farm. Gretchen may be a fraud, but she'd like to think she's a beneficent one. So if "cleansing" the property will help a nice old man finally retire and put some

much-needed cash in her pockets at the same time, who's she to say no? Of course, it turns out said bridge partner isn't the kindly AARP member Gretchen imagined--Charlie Waybill is young, hot as hell and extremely unconvinced that Gretchen can communicate with the dead. (Which, fair.) Except, to her surprise, Gretchen finds herself face-to-face with Everett: the very real, very chatty ghost that's been wreaking havoc during every open house. And he wants her to help ensure Charlie avoids the same family curse that's had Everett haunting Gilded Creek since the 1920s. Now, Gretchen has one month to convince Charlie he can't sell the property. Unfortunately, hard work and honesty seem to be the way to win over the stubborn farmer--not exactly Gretchen's strengths. But trust isn't the only thing growing between them, and the risk of losing Charlie to the spirit realm looms over Gretchen almost as annoyingly as Everett himself. To save the goat farm, its friendly phantom, and the man she's beginning to love, Gretchen will need to pull off the greatest con of her life: being fully, genuinely herself.



JOHN BEYOND THE RANGES – JOHN RINGO/JAMES AIDEE \$54.95 H/COVER

After Earth is destroyed, Jason Graham finds himself--along with tens of thousands of others--offered a second chance on a planet on the far side of the galaxy. For one man, it 's a chance at the life he never led--and this time he'll get it right. For Jason Graham, the world ends not with a bang, not even with much

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of a whimper. One second, he's sitting in a restaurant in Mobile, Alabama, chatting with a server, the next he finds himself in a strange room, rescued by mysterious alien benefactors. Seems the world did end, though how and why are something of a mystery. Now, Jason—and five hundred million other humans—are in orbit around an Earthlike world that is abundant in natural resources and totally untamed. For the newly awakened humans, this is a chance to start society with a clean slate and a bright future. For Jason, who has knocked about aimlessly in several different careers in his Earth life, it's an opportunity to unleash his creativity and ambition and see what he can really do. But who are the alien benefactors that have contrived this second act for some of Earth's denizens? And what do they really want?



TWO RELEASES FROM HEATHER GRAHAM IN HER KREWE SERIES DESCEND TO DARKNESS

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Start with Phantom Evil. Angela Hawkins Crow awakens to find herself in total darkness. Despite her years as a Krewe agent, she is first seized with panic, but her life and her training kick in. She knows that she must stay calm and go

back in her mind to find out how she got where she is...and where she might be. Meanwhile, an eerie phone call comes in at Krewe headquarters, warning them all that Angela has been kidnapped, describing her ordeal, and lamenting the fact that she can't be saved. But there is no such thing with the Krewe. In the dark and in the light, the fight is on Angela determines.

Krewe. In the dark and in the light, the fight is on. Angela determines that she might know what has happened to her, and she is prepared when her kidnapper can't resist the temptation to check in on her. By following his wife's expertise with research, Jackson discovers what just might be happening—and in the darkness of night and the silence of the graveyard, he'll risk everything to find the woman he loves.



CRY OF THE BANSHEE BOOK # 38.5 (2) \$29.95 TRADE P/BACK

Strange things are happening at Castle Darien, the legendary home of Angela Hawkins Crow's family just outside of Dublin, Ireland. People are dying in the most unusual ways: drowning where there's no water, falling from heights that don't exist. But before every death, the banshee lets out a cry, warning that loved ones are in danger. The Irish death ghost's haunting shrieks and

sobs echo within the ancient stone walls and travel up and down the hillsides. Terrified and broken after the death of a friend, Moira Hawkins, Angela's second cousin, turns to her family for help, convinced that evil is at work and sure the Krewe of Hunters can determine what is happening and put an end to the strange and deadly haunting. Angela is mystified and stricken, but she and Jackson travel to the Emerald Isle to investigate, certain that someone very much alive is behind whatever is going on. But she and the Krewe just might need the dead to uncover the truth.



DRAGON KISS – D<mark>ONNA GRANT</mark> BOOK #7 29.95 TRADE P/BACK

Start with Dragon Revealed. Lotti has come a long way since finding love with Alasdair and uncovering her true origins as a Star Person. She has embraced the magic she once shunned-as well as the label of Destroyer by her own. And it has made her powerful. But will it be enough to stand against her family as they target the Dragon Kings? Alasdair has faced many adversaries

who rose up against the Dragon Kings. But nothing could prepare him for the Star People and the discovery that they once enslaved his kind. It's more than his life on the line this time. It's the very existence of all dragons. It will take Alasdair and Lotti together, to defeat their enemy.



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eons. Amid the chaos, Elena's father suffers a violent heart attack that threatens to extinguish their last chance to heal the bonds between them and make sense of the ruins of their agonizing shared history. Even as Elena battles grief, Raphael is torn from her side by the sudden disappearance of an archangel. But worse yet is to come. An Ancestor, an angel unlike any other, stirs from his sleep to warn the Cadre of a darkness so terrible that it causes empires to fall and civilizations to vanish. This time, even the Cadre itself may not be able to stop a ticking clock that is counting down at frightening speed.

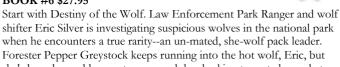


LOVE BITES- CYNTHIA ST AUBIN BOOK #1 \$29.95

A girl's gotta eat-and so do her three cats. Recently divorced art history grad student Hanna Harvey has just fibbed her way into a job as the assistant to dangerously drool-worthy art gallery owner Mark Abernathy. For Hanna, working in the field she desperately loves provides the perfect opportunity to begin putting her life back together. Soon her cheese budget is in the black and her feline life partners are no longer eyeing her like a

six-foot can of Fancy Feast. But when her boss's lady friends start turning up dead, Hanna finds herself in the cross hairs of a murder investigation. Even worse, hunky homicide detective James Morrison fears hers might be the next body he discovers. With the "help" of the gallery's quirky cast of resident artists, Hanna will have to hunt down the truth about Abernathy's dark secret-before it hunts her.



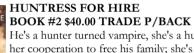


she's been burned by one too many alphas looking to mate her only to take over her hard-won pack. Plus Eric's on the lookout for criminals, and one of the two packs in Pepper's territory is engaged in illegal activities. It's a dangerous business, especially with Pepper and Eric's hearts at stake.

KILLING THE BLOODLUST BOOK #1 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Crystal Anderson is unique, a huntress who is unable to kill vampires without getting emotionally involved. So when a vampire targets her to be his mate-she's got to change her tune, or become the creature she's supposed to kill. Army officer Crystal Anderson can't help the draw she has to vampires, although she's supposed to be drawn to them to kill those who are renegades since she's a born huntress. But something about her is

different. Ostracized from her family, she lives precariously on her own. That is until a local vampire targets her. Then she meets a fellow Army officer Robert Parker-who she believes is one of them-a vampire or blood host, or something. Suddenly, nothing is the same. Army officer Robert Parker is on assignment at Fort Hood, Texas, trying to track down the vampire who murdered his sister after hours. When he spies Crystal coming out of a vampire house, he assumes she's a human host, and that she can lead him to his murderer. Except he's drawn to her like a hunter would be to a huntress, until he learns she's not quite right. She's fighting alone without a family of hunters' support, and he's bound to do something about it before she gets herself killed or worse.



He's a hunter turned vampire, she's a huntress of vampires-he's needs her cooperation to free his family; she's trained to kill his kind. Rebel vampire huntress Rachael Bremerton wants revenge against Piaras, one of the most ruthless vampires in Dallas, for the murder of her parents. But when she's lured by another vampire, Adonis, into the darkness-the same darkness she's feared since she was a child-she's

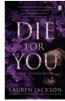
torn between her huntress sensibilities and some strange desire to be with the creature she's meant to despise and destroy. Adonis, a hunter turned vampire, has been ordered by Piaras to bring Rachel to him untouched. In return, Piaras will release Adonis's family unharmed. But when Adonis first sees Rachael, his hunter desire to have a huntress mate kicks in, or is it the dark heart of the vampire that makes him crave her so? Turning Rachel over to Piaras becomes less of an option. But can he find a way to free his family, claim Rachael for his own, and keep her family from discovering he is a hunter turned vampire-a creature they will all feel obligated to hunt down and kill?



SINGLE WHITE VAMPIRE – LYNSAY SANDS BOOK #3 \$29.95 *REISSUE* (ORIG 02/10)

Start with A Quick Bite. "Lucern." Successful biographer of family, books recently categorized as "paranormal romance." Something of a recluse. Hates crowds, aggressive women. Doesn't like sunbathing, garlicky dinners or religious symbols. Likes old-fashioned values; spicy Mexican dishes; warm, nicesmelling neck; and plump red lips. Stronger than ten men and

can vanish in the blink of an eye. Currently unaware he's seeking a woman to share eternity with. "Kate C. Leever." Newest editor of Romance at Roundhouse Publishing. Perky, fun. Has recently discovered a legacy author just dying to be broken out. In fact, her career could take off from it. (The tall, dark, handsome writer just needs to be taken to several romance conventions and introduced to his fans...and stopped from acting so strange in public.) Dislikes "difficult, rude, obnoxious, pig-headed writers." Currently unaware she's met the man of her wildest dreams. Will this be a match for all eternity?



<mark>DIE FOR Y</mark>OU – LAU<mark>REN JA</mark>CKSON BOOK #1 \$2<mark>2.</mark>99 *REPA<mark>CK* TR</mark>ADE P/BACK

A human searching for her sister, a grumpy vampire bodyguard in charge of keeping her alive, and a malicious creature hunting them down. What could go wrong? The death certificate says my sister died two years ago in the accident but her body was never found. I was the sole survivor. Then I saw her. Someone lied. Now, I must travel across the country to find answers from

a bloodthirsty vampire with one thing on his mind. I will find out the truth. Even if it kills me. I didn't mean for this to happen. I didn't mean for any of it to happen. Now Raya is here. She is mine, and I must protect her at all costs. If she dies, I die. It doesn't add up, and it's all a mess. It's my job to fix it and find my brother. She knows I'm hiding something, but I'm terrified to tell her the truth. It's been years since I had a lead. Now, I have one. I will watch. I will wait. I will strike. He will be mine.



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TRUTH OR WOLF - ANNE MARSH

with the ever-popular Atticus Boone-and fighting with her high school nemesis, his twin brother. Alice hates Ford, and he's always hated her right back. But after a case of mistaken identity has Alice kissing the wrong twin, she does what any good scientist does and analyzes the facts. Fact #1: It's time to revisit her unrequited crush on Atticus. Fact #2: Alice and Ford as fought for years. Apparently that now sends her amygdalae into sensual overdrive. Fact #3: The more bearded the wolf, the more protective and possessive. As Alice finds herself irresistibly drawn to the man she loves to hate.



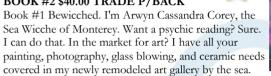


DISTURBING THE DEAD – KELLEY ARMSTRONG BOOK #3 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Book #1 A Rip Through Time, Book #2 The Poisoners Ring. Victorian Scotland is becoming less strange to modern-day homicide detective Mallory Atkinson. Though inhabiting someone else's body will always be unsettling, even if her employers know that she's not actually housemaid Catriona Mitchell, ever since the night both of

as assistant to undertaker/medical examiner Dr. Duncan Gray, and is developing true friends-and feelings-in this century. So, understanding the Victorian fascination with death, Mallory isn't that surprised when she and her friends are invited to a mummy unwrapping at the home of Sir Alastair Christie. When their host is missing when it comes time to unwrap the mummy, Gray and Mallory are asked to step in. And upon closer inspection, it's not a mummy they've unwrapped, but a much more modern body.

WICCHE HUNT - SEANA KELLY BOOK #2 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK



Need help solving a grisly cold case? Unfortunately, I can

probably help with that too. After more than a decade of being nagged, guilted, and threatened, I've finally joined the Corey Council and am working with my mother and grandmother to hunt down a twisted sorcerer. We know who she is. Now we need to find and stop her before more are murdered. The evil the sorcerer and her demon are doing is seeping into the community. Violent crimes have been increasing and as a result Detectives Hernández and Osso have brought me another horrifying case. I'll do what I can, because of course I will. What are a few more nightmares to a woman who barely sleeps? Declan Quinn, the wicked hot werewolf rebuilding my deck, is preparing for a dominance battle with the local Alpha. A couple of wolves have already left their pack to follow Declan, recognizing him as the true Alpha. Declan needs to watch his back as the full moon approaches. The current Alpha will do whatever it takes to hold on to power, including breaking pack law and enlisting the help of a local vampire. And if Wilbur, my selkie friend is right, I might just be meeting my dad soon. Perhaps he'll have some advice for this wicche hunt. I'm going to need all the help I can get.

BLESSED BY A HIGHLAND CURSE - MAEVE GREYSON BOOK #1 \$40.00 TRADE P/BACK

Newly divorced, teetering on bankruptcy, and about to lose her land, Rachel Hawkins is hanging on by a frazzled thread. But when she dreams about a Highlander who treats her to a hotter night of loving than any she's ever read and then shows up on her doorstep the next morning, she wonders if her frazzled thread has snapped. While it's true her grandmother was a talented witch and trained Rachel before she died, Granny never said

anything about conjuring up the perfect lover in a dream and having him delivered to your door. Caelan MacKay, laird of Clan MacKay in the Highlands of Scotland in the year 1379, is cursed. As was his his family before him. Cursed to dream of his soulmate until he finds her and makes her his wife-as he has done in all previous incarnations. But the woman haunting his dreams can't be found anywhere. So, he seeks help from an old druid. The seer finds her living in the year 2007 in a land called Kentucky. So, a bargain is struck with the Fates and the Goddess Brid. Caelan is granted a week to travel to the future and convince his true love to return with him to the year 1379 of her own free will. At the end of the allotted time, he returns to his era whether he succeeds or fails in his quest. If he fails, he's doomed to a life alone and possibly the end of the MacKay bloodline. Against her better judgment, Rachel can't resist Caelan, but no way is she going back to 14th century Scotland. With the help of Granny's grimoire, she'll bind Caelan to her time, and they'll have their happily ever after with modern conveniences. But that's the thing about the Fates and the Goddess Brid. They ignore everyone's Plan B but their own.



THE STUDY OF MAGIC - MARIA V SNYDER BOOK #2 \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK

Book #1 The Study of Poisons. As Chief of Ixia's Security, Valek's work is never done. After rescuing Commander Ambrose with, Yelena, his heartmate's, help and seeing her off to Sitia, Valek discovers the nefarious scheme to overthrow their country is far more complex and far reaching than anyone could have

guessed. Valek must discover who is continuing with Brazell and Mogkan's conniving plans, all while dealing with a tense political situation. The Ixian generals are questioning his abilities to keep the Commander safe, and whispers of a possible coup are circulating. Will Valek be able to survive a plot that seeks to sabotage all he and the Commander have worked for? Also, having opened his heart to love, will Yelena still wish to be with him when all is said and done?



MUST LOVE KILTS – SUE-ELLEN WELLFONDER BOOK #5 \$35.00 TRADE P/BACK

Start with Highlander in her Bed. Margo Menlove adores everything Scottish. But when she wins a Highland vacation, she's disappointed by the whirlwind tourist trail she's taken on. She wants to experience the Scotland of warriors such as the legendary Magnus MacBride. When she explores on her own, she picks up a beautiful stone on the shore-and awakens to the sight of MacBride

himself in the heat of battle. Magnus MacBride has seen many things while fighting the Viking hordes, but when a soaking-wet naked woman appears out of the surf, he is truly taken aback. Even more stirring is the passion he hasn't allowed himself to feel in all the years he has lived only for vengeance. But giving in to his wild desire would place Margo in mortal danger- unless they stand together and fight for the love.

LYNETTE NONI'S FANTASTIC TRILOGY

HAS BEEN REPACKED THE PRISON HEALER BOOK #1 \$19.99 TRADE P/BACK

Seventeen-year-old Kiva Meridan has spent the last ten years fighting for survival in the death prison, Zalindov, working as the prison healer. When the Rebel Queen is captured, Kiva is

charged with keeping the terminally ill woman alive long enough for her to undergo the Trial by Ordeala series of elemental challenges against the torments of air, fire, water and earth, assigned to only the most dangerous of criminals. Then a coded message from Kiva's family arrives, containing a single order Don't let her die. We are coming. Aware that the

Trials will kill the sickly queen, Kiva risks her own life to volunteer in her place. If she succeeds, both she and the queen will be granted their freedom. But no one has ever survived. With an incurable plague sweeping Zalindov, a mysterious new inmate fighting for Kiva's heart, and a prison rebellion brewing, Kiva can't escape the terrible feeling that her trials have only just begun.



THE GILDED CAGE BOOK #2 \$19.99 TRADE P/BACK

Kiva Meridan is a survivor. Not only did she survive Zalindov Prison, but also the deadly Trial by Ordeal. Now, Kiva's purpose goes beyond survival to vengeance. For the past ten years, her only goal was to reunite with her family

and destroy the people responsible for ruining their lives. But now that she has escaped Zalindov, her mission has become more complicated than ever. As Kiva settles into her new life in the capital, she discovers she wasn't the only one who suffered while she was in Zalindov - her siblings and their beliefs have changed, too. Soon it's not just her enemies she's keeping secrets from, but her own family as well. Outside the city walls, tensions are brewing from the rebels, along with whispers of a growing threat from the northern kingdoms. Kiva's allegiances are more important than ever, but she's beginning to question where they truly lie. To survive this time, she'll have to navigate a complicated web of lies before both sides of the battle turn against her and she loses everything.



THE BLOOD TRAITOR BOOK #3 \$19.99 TRADE P/ **BACK**

Kiva thought she knew what she wanted - revenge. But feelings change, people change everything has changed. After what happened at the palace, Kiva is desperate to know if

her friends and family are safe, and whether those she wronged can ever forgive her. But with the kingdoms closer to the brink of war than they've ever been, and Kiva far away from the conflict, more is at stake than her own broken heart. A fresh start will mean a perilous quest, forcing mortal enemies and uneasy allies together in a race against the clock to save not just Evalon, but all of Wenderall. With her loyalties now set, Kiva can no longer just survive - she must fight for what she believes in. For who she believes in. But with danger coming from every side, and the lives of everyone she loves at risk, does she have what it takes to stand, or will she fall?



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FIRE AND BLOOD -GEORGE RR MARTIN BOOK #0.5 \$22.99 *REPACK*

Centuries before the events of A Game of Thrones, House Targaryen, the only family of dragonlords to survive the Doom

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of Valvria, took up residence on Dragonstone. Fire and Blood begins their tale with the legendary Aegon the Conqueror, creator of the Iron Throne, and goes on to recount the generations of Targaryens who fought to hold that iconic seat, all the way up to the civil war that nearly tore their dynasty apart. What really happened during the Dance of the Dragons? Why was it so deadly to visit Valvria after the Doom? What were Maegor the Cruel's worst crimes? What was it like in Westeros when dragons ruled the skies? These are but a few of the questions answered in this essential chronicle, as related by a learned maester of the Citadel, and featuring more than eighty illustrations by artist Doug Wheatley.



THE LAST UNICORN -PETER S BEAGLE \$22.99 *REISSUE* (ORIG 1970)

Living in peace in her lilac wood, the Unicorn didn't know the world had changed, or that anything had happened to the rest of her kind. Overhearing a chance conversation,

she resolves to venture out and discover the truth. The road is dangerous, and the risks are great. If she fails, then unicorns will be lost. Forever. A modern fairy tale, The Last Unicorn is a beloved classic, voted by TIME as one of the 100 greatest fantasy novels of all time. It is fantastical, poignant, wistful and wonderous, showing us the humanity of magic, and the magic of humanity.



THE MINISTRY OF TIME -KALIANE BRADLEY \$32.99 TRADE P/BACK

In the near future, a disaffected civil servant is offered a lucrative job in a mysterious new government ministry gathering 'expats' from across history to test the limits of time-travel. Her role is to work as a 'bridge':

living with, assisting and monitoring the expat known as '1847' - Commander Graham Gore. As far as history is concerned, Commander Gore died on Sir John Franklin's doomed expedition to the Arctic, so he's a little disoriented to find himself alive and surrounded by outlandish concepts such as 'washing machine', 'Spotify' and 'the collapse of the British Empire'. With an appetite for discovery and a seven-a-day cigarette habit, he soon adjusts; and during a long sultry summer he and his bridge move from awkwardness to genuine friendship, to something more. But as the true shape of the project that brought them together begins to emerge, Gore and the bridge are forced to confront their past choices and imagined futures. Can love triumph over the structures and histories that have shaped them? And how do you defy history when history is living in your house?



FOR ETERNITY – GENEVA LEE BOOK #4 \$22.99 *REPACK*

Start with Filthy Rich Vampire. As Thea takes her place as Queen with Julian by her side, their world splinters. A new game of deceit begins between factions vying or decent begins between and Thea for control. Power is the prize, and Thea

and Julian are caught in the middle of it. Targeted by the Vampire Council, the Mordicum, and their families, they soon discover an even deadlier threat to their future. Someone killed the Queen whose throne Thea now reigns on, and time is running out to find the killer before they get to Thea.



THE DEER AND THE **DRAGON - CJ PIPER** BOOK #1 \$24.99 *REPACK*

Marlow needs to believe she's crazy. The alternative would mean embracing the gift-or curse-shared by her mother and grandmother- she can see angels and demons. She would

have to admit she's been seeing one for years, the alluring, starlit man she calls Caliban, who understands her, soothes her, loves her like no one else. And with her history of religious trauma, she's far too afraid to do that-at least, until a fae from the Nordic pantheon strolls into her life and informs her that her so-called hallucinations are actually a passionate affair with the Prince of Hell. A prince who has now gone missing. But finding Caliban will mean accepting her new reality and seeing the world for what it truly is. The veil is far thinner than she or any human realizes, and the mortal realm is up for grabs. Before she knows it, Marlow is deeply entangled in a centuries-old war, stumbling straight into a battleground between vicious and powerful pantheons. And who will come out on top...may just depend on her and the man she never dared to believe in.

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