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"Did we have any relatives die in the First World War?" Forensic Anthropologist Kat Kelso's innocent question begins the unravelling of a hundred years of family history, lies and secrets. In 1916 twin brothers Denny and Connor Ronan are eager to get to the war before it's all over; Bridie O'Malley, their childhood friend and the woman they both love, watches them leave, understanding too late that war is about more than heroes and handsome boys in uniform. Nearly a century on from the disastrous battle of Fromelles, Kat Kelso, Bridie's great granddaughter, is on site in France identifying the recovered bodies of lost Australian soldiers. The discovery of her own relative amongst the dead men brings Kat, her mother Fiona and great-aunt Hattie, far more questions than answers. The wounds of love and war have devastating consequences that ripple across time.

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Emma Donoghue

San Francisco, 1876: a stifling heat wave and smallpox epidemic have engulfed the City. Deep in the streets of Chinatown live three former stars of the Parisian circus: Blanche, now an exotic dancer at the House of Mirrors, her lover Arthur and his companion Ernest. When an eccentric outsider joins their little circle, secrets unravel, changing everything - and leaving one of them dead.

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# After Everything

Suellen Dainty



A small group of friends in their late fifties discover that life can still surprise them, and even present chances for new beginnings. Recently divorced, Penny moves to a quaint town in France and renounces sex - until she meets an irresistible philosophy professor. Meanwhile unmarried Peter falls head over heels with fiercely independent Frieda; Tim and Angie face challenges in their childless marriage; and Jeremy, twice divorced, develops a destructive interest in under-age girls. Finally, there's Sandy, Penny's exhusband and a once acclaimed songwriter who realises too late that he took his marriage for granted. He wants to make amends but first he'll have to confront a secret tragedy that has haunted him for decades. After Everything is a wry, emotionally astute novel about second chances and the getting of wisdom long after you think you've grown up.

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> She's jinxed when it comes to relationships. That's what Hope believes as she ends yet another engagement. She jumps at the chance to travel to Australia for a fashion shoot - even if that means getting up close and very personal with former flame, Oliver. For Oliver, a sailing trip in a tropical paradise is the opportunity to convince the woman he's always loved to give him a second chance. But when Hope and Oliver are caught in a storm and stranded on a desert island, they are soon battling the elements, and their passion for each other.

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It's the anniversary of Phoebe's death and Steffy is overwhelmed by the memories of her twin. Rick knows just how Steffy is feeling. He, too, is thinking of Phoebe and the accident. When Liam sees Rick and Steffy comforting each other, he is furious and demands that Steffy choose either Rick or him. Brooke tells Rick that Steffy will break his heart. Steffy's head is spinning with all their words as she jumps on her motorbike and speeds away. Are they right? Is she dangerous to anyone who gets close to her?

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Two months after the suspicious and much-publicized death of his father on the island of Martha's Vineyard, it is taking all of Adam Blaine's character to suture the deep wounds - both within his family and himself - torn open by the tragedy. Moreover, as the court inquest into Benjamin Blaine's death continues, it is taking all of Adam's cunning to protect those closest to him from figures who still suspect that Adam's father was murdered by one of his kin. But the sternest test of all is Adam's proximity to Carla Pacelli - his late father's mistress; and a woman who, despite being pivotal to his family's plight, Adam finds himself increasingly drawn to. The closer he gets to this beautiful, mysterious woman, the further Adam feels from his troubles

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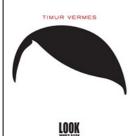


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Timur Vermes

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Cecilia Fitzpatrick, devoted mother, successful

Tupperware business owner and efficient P&C President.

has found a letter from her husband. "For my wife, Cecilia Fitzpatrick, to be opened only in the event of my death" But Cecilia's husband isn't dead, he's on a business trip. And when she questions him about it on the phone, Cecilia senses something she hasn't experienced before. John-Paul is lying. What happens next changes Cecilia's formerly blissful suburban existence forever, and the consequences will be life-changing for the most

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Paris; in the stifling August heat, Commandant Serge Morel is called to a disturbing crime scene. An elderly woman has been murdered to the soundtrack of Faure's Requiem, her body then grotesquely displayed. As the investigation progresses, the key suspects to emerge are a middle-aged man and a mute teenage boy who have been delivering religious pamphlets in the city's suburbs. But as more elderly ladies are targeted, Morel will find his enquiries leading him back into the past, from the French countryside to Soviet Russia - and to two young boys with the most terrible of stories to tell . .

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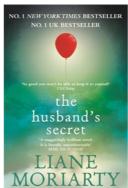
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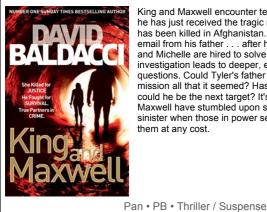
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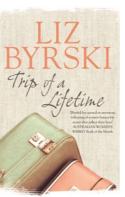
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King and Maxwell encounter teenager Tyler Wingo when he has just received the tragic news that his soldier father has been killed in Afghanistan. But then Tyler receives an email from his father . . . after his supposed death. Sean and Michelle are hired to solve the mystery, and their investigation leads to deeper, even more troubling questions. Could Tyler's father really still be alive? Was his mission all that it seemed? Has Tyler's life been a lie, and could he be the next target? It's clear that King and Maxwell have stumbled upon something even more sinister when those in power seem intent on removing them at any cost.

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### Trip of a Lifetime

Liz Byrski



How do you get your life back on track after a sudden and traumatic event? This is the question Heather Delaney constantly asks herself as she eases herself back into her busy job. Heather is not the only one who is rocked by the changed circumstances - reverberations are felt throughout her family and friendship circle. And then along comes Heather's old flame, Ellis. Romantic, flamboyant, determined to recapture the past and take control of the future, he seems to have all the answers. But can it really be that easy?

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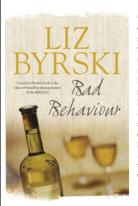


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### **Bad Behaviour**

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Liz Bvrski



One mistake can change a life forever. Zoë lives a contented life in Fremantle. She works, she gardens and she loves her husband Archie and their three children. But the arrival of a new woman in her son Daniel's life unsettles her. In Sussex, Julia is feeling nostalgic as she nurses her friend through the last stages of cancer. Her husband Tom is trying to convince her to slow down. Tom means well, but Julia fears he is pushing her into old age before she is ready. She knows she is lucky to have him. She so nearly didn't... These two women's lives are shaped by the choices they made back in 1968. In a time of politics and protest, consciousness raising and sexual liberation they were looking for their own happy endings. But back then Zoë and Julia couldn't begin to imagine how those decisions would send them along pathways from which there was no turning back

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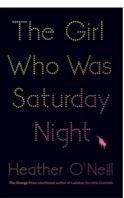
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### The Girl Who Was Saturday Night

Heather O'Neill



At birth, Noushka forms a bond with her twin that can never be broken. At six, she's starring on TV with her father, Quebec's most famous musician. At sixteen, she's a high-school dropout kicking up with her beloved brother. At nineteen, she's the Beauty Queen of the notorious Boulevard Saint-Laurent. At twenty, she's married to a manic-depressive ex-convict. And pregnant. And it's all being filmed by a documentary crew.

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# **Games Creatures Play**

Charlaine Harris and Toni L.P. Kelner (eds)



Everyone plays something - whether it's solitaire or squash or stockcar racing, World of Warcraft or World Wrestling Entertainment tournaments, darts or dodgeball. Games bring out the best in us, the worst in us, the thingwe-never expected in us. Human beings just naturally like to test their limits, both mental and physical - and why should the supernaturals be any different? In their latest anthology international superstar Charlaine Harris and award winning mystery writer Toni Kelner have collected stories that feature ghostly players, bloodthirsty interruptions, and competitions with deadly outcomes, from some of the top writers in the fantasy, horror, crime and mystery genres.

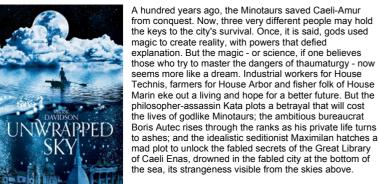
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This is the story of Kenneth Brill, a naive boy and equally naive young man, growing up on a farm outside London. His theatrical father is a figure of extremes: he has lost a fortune by investing in prosthetic limbs for a war that happened too late, has killed his dwarfish music hall partner in a knife throwing incident (unfortunately he discovered that he had a skull with the strength of an eggshell only after a dart had penetrated it). He has made his fortune by controlling the manure supply for the market gardens outside London, but by the beginning of the book he has seen the confiscation of his land by the government in order to allow the wartime expansion of Heathrow airport.

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Debra Daley



1750s, Georgian England. As a young foundling, Emily Smith is brought to Sedge Court, seat of the ambitious Waterlands, to be raised alongside their daughter Eliza. But at the age of fourteen, as her beauty and wit outshine the heiress's, she is made Eliza's lady's maid. And in Eliza's pursuit of a fortune and a husband, Emily becomes caught up in a pernicious plot amongst the opulent assemblies of London. When she suddenly finds herself implicated in a horrific crime, she runs for her life. Her frantic escape casts her across the country, on board a ship, and upon the mercy of its enigmatic Captain McDonagh. But there is a more potent force drawing Emily on: a spirit whose presence she has felt all her life, and whose irresistible design - be it malicious or benevolent - will force her onwards to a distant shore.

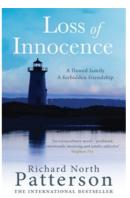
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### Loss of Innocence

Richard North Patterson



June, 1968. America is in a state of turbulence, engulfed in civil unrest and uncertainty. Yet for Whitney Dane - spending the summer of her twenty-second year on Martha's Vineyard - life could not be safer, nor the future more certain. Educated at Wheaton, soon to be married, and the youngest daughter of the patrician Dane family, Whitney has everything she has ever wanted, and is everything her all powerful and doting father, Charles Dane, wants her to be. But the Vineyard's still waters are disturbed by the appearance of Benjamin Blaine. An underprivileged, yet fiercely ambitious and charismatic young man, Blaine is a force of nature neither Whitney nor her family could have prepared for.

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### Halo: Silentium

Greg Bear



In the last years of the Forerunner empire, chaos rules. The Flood - a horrifying shape-changing parasite - has arrived in force, aided by unexpected allies. Internal strife within the ecumene has desperately weakened Forerunner defences. Too little, too late, the legal rate of Juridicals is only now investigating possible crimes by the Master Builder and others. Evidence-gathering agents, known collectively as Catalog, have been dispatched to collect testimony from the Librarian and both Didacts: the Ur-Didact, treacherously abandoned in a Flood-infested system, and the Bornstellar Didact, who accompanies the Librarian as she preserves specimens against the dire possibility of Hal extermination.

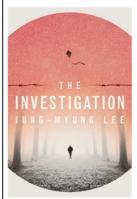
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### The Investigation

Jung-Myung Lee



Fukuoka Prison, 1944. Beyond the prison walls the war rages; inside a man is found brutally murdered. Watanabe, a young guard with a passion for reading, is tasked with finding the killer. The victim, Sugiyama - also a guard - was feared and despised throughout the prison and investigations have barely begun when a powerful inmate confesses. But Watanabe is unconvinced; and as he interrogates both the suspect and Yun Dong-ju, a talented Korean poet, he begins to realise that the fearsome guard was not all he appeared to be . . . As Watanabe unravels Sugiyama's final months, he begins to discover what is really going on inside this dark and violent institution.

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Andrea Camilleri



In 1880s Vigàta, a stranger comes to town to open a pharmacy. Fofò turns out to be the son of a man legendary for having a magic garden stocked with plants, fruits, and vegetables that could cure any ailment-a man who was found murdered years ago. Fofò escaped, but now has reappeared looking to make his fortune and soon finds himself mixed up in the dealings of a philandering local Marchese set on producing an heir. An absurd, quirky historical murder mystery that recalls the most hilarious and farcical scenes of Shakespeare and *The Canterbury Tales, Hunting Season* will introduce readers to a refreshing new aspect of one of Italy's best-loved writers.

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### The House of Dolls

David Hewson

Anneliese Vos, sixteen-year-old daughter of Amsterdam detective, Pieter Vos. disappeared three years ago in mysterious circumstances. Her distraught father's desperate search reveals nothing and results in his departure from the police force. Pieter now lives in a broken down houseboat in the colourful Amsterdam neighbourhood of the Jordaan. One day, while Vos is wasting time at the Rijksmuseum starring at a doll's house that seems to be connected in some way to the case, Laura Bakker, a misfit trainee detective from the provinces, visits him. She's come to tell him that Katja Prins, daughter of an important local politician, has gone missing in circumstances similar to Anneliese.



### Traitor's Blade

Sebastien de Castell

Falcio is the first Cantor of the Greatcoats. Trained in the fighting arts and the laws of Falco is the first Cantor of the Greatcoats. I rained in the righting arts and the laws of Tristia, the Greatcoats are travelling Magisters upholding King's Law. They are heroes. Or at least they were, until they stood aside while the Dukes took the kingdom, and impaled their King's head on a spike. Now Tristia is on the verge of collapse and the barbarians are sniffing at the borders. The Dukes bring chaos to the land, while the Greatcoats are scattered far and wide, reviled as traitors, their legendary coats in tatters. All they have left are the promises they made to King Paelis, to carry out one final mission. But if they have any hope of fulfilling the King's dream, the divided Greatcoats must reunite, or they will also have the thord gride as they world here. also have to stand aside as they watch their world burn . .

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The world is at breaking point. The nothing, a terrible darkness caused by the festering wounds of a god, bleeds out the very essence of all, of stone, silk - and souls. Emperor Sarmin thought he had stopped it, but it is spreading towards his city, Cerana - and he is powerless to halt the destruction. Even as Cerana fills with refugees, the Yrkmen armies arrive with conquest in mind, but they offer to spare Sarmin's people if they will convert to the Mogyrk faith. Time is running out for Sarmin and his wife, Mesema: the Mage's Tower is cracked; the last mage, sent to find a mysterious pattern-worker in the desert, has vanished; and Sarmin believes his kidnapped brother Daveed still has a part to play



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Jay Bonansinga and Robert Kirkman

In *The Fall of the Governor*, Part One, classic characters from both the comic and television series, including Rick, Michonne, and Glenn, finally made their appearance in the **Walking Dead** novel series, only to discover that the Governor is a very dangerous enemy. Now, after a pulse-pounding series of events, the Governor and Rick face off one last time, and only one of them will be left standing. . . .

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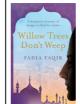


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Two young men from very different backgrounds: Christian is son to Danish ex-pats; Marcus works as a servant for European families, hoping that one will eventually take him back with them. Their friendship defines a divided continent. Friends from childhood, they become closer when Christian is kicked out of school. He is desperate to stay in Tanzania, and the two decide to start a nightclub together. But both are caught up in complex relationships, and are unwilling to share the wealth that would support their families. And something else is also not quite right: Christian wants to be black and Marcus wants to be white. Things can only go wrong.



# Willow Trees Don't Weep

Fadia Fagir

Najwa's father left when she was four years old. Now, upon her mother's death, she cannot live alone in the Islamic society of Jordan. She must find her father. Her search takes her through new dangers as she becomes swept up with a mysterious organization which sends her into the mountains of Afghanistan. For her father, this same journey was made as a wrenching sacrifice for the sake of his beliefs. Yet his experience in the desert transformed his life forever. Now it transforms Najwa's, as she is compelled to follow in his footsteps: from a heartbreaking secret in Afghanistan all the way to a revelation in Britain.

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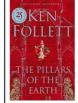
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# The In-Between

Barbara Stewart

Teenager Ellie and her parents are moving house, but on the way to their new home are involved in a near-fatal car crash. Reeling from the shock of losing one of her parents, Ellie starts her new high school, and a mysterious girl, Madeline, enters into her life. Madeline is everything that Ellie isn't: beautiful, bold and brave. Exactly what she's always wanted in a best friend - and wished for herself. But as Madeline's influence on Ellie grows, and her life begins to spiral out of control, she starts to question what's real. Is Madeline really who she says she is? Can Ellie trust her - and, more to the point, can Ellie even trust herself?



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Ken Follett

On the day after Halloween, in the year 1327, four children slip away from the cathedral city of Kingsbridge. They are a thief, a bully, a boy genius and a girl who wants to be a doctor. In the forest they see two men killed. As adults, their lives will be braided together by ambition, love, greed and revenge. They will see prosperity and famine, plague and war. One boy will travel the world but come home in the end; the other will be a powerful, corrupt nobleman. One girl will defy the might of the medieval church; the other will pursue an impossible love. And always they will live under the long shadow of the unexplained killing they witnessed on that fateful childhood day.



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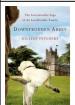


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