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INTRODUCTION



One of the many things to envy about Iceland is its Christmas tradition of 'Jólabókaflóðið', which translates as 'Christmas-book-flood'. This is the name given to the widespread, deep-running Icelandic practice of gifting books to one another on Christmas Eve – with the reading of those books typically begun that same night (along with a hot chocolate or glass of schnapps). The Jólabókaflóðið tradition, amazingly, makes books the most popular Christmas gift in Iceland.

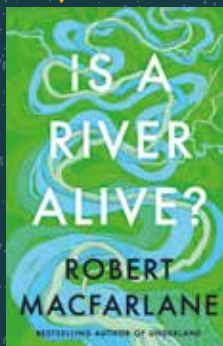
Short of all moving to Iceland, clearly the next best thing we can do here is to give books to one another at Christmas, and to buy those books from independent bookshops. A bookshop – like a library – is a wildwood, time-machine, galaxy and theatre all rolled into one. It contains multitudes. Bookshops also (as I learned earlier this year, while travelling from indie bookstore to indie bookstore in Trump's America) hold open vital civic space, where ideas can circulate freely, and dissenting stories and voices can be heard.

My first book, *Mountains of the Mind*, was published 22 years ago (gulp...), and two indie bookshops (Topping & Co. and Stanfords) were among its first supporters. Indies and I have remained

close allies ever since. For Independent Bookshop Week in 2015, I wrote a little book called *The Gifts of Reading* which has gone on to raise more than £20,000 to help save migrant lives at sea. And indies were the absolute engines behind helping my book *Is A River Alive?* reach many readers earlier this year. Indie booksellers of the country – for your knowledge, passion and generosity of spirit, I salute you!

Oh – and for my personal Christmas-book-flood this year, I'll be giving Robert Goddard's *This Is the Night They Come For You*, Tash Aw's *The South*, Kiran Desai's *The Loneliness of Sonia and Sunny*, and Philippe Sands' *38 Londres Street*.

Robert
Macfarlane



Is A River Alive?
Robert Macfarlane
Hamish Hamilton
HB • £25.00
ISBN 9780241624814
Out Now

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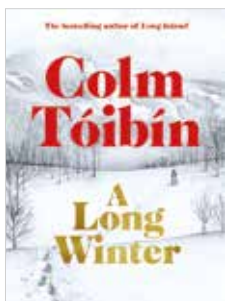
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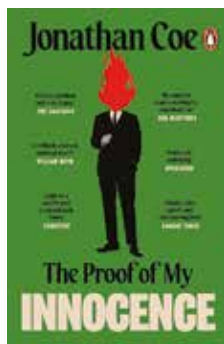
FICTION



A Long Winter

Colm Tóibín
Picador • HB • £12.99
ISBN 9781035079841

A psychologically intricate and emotionally devastating short story in a gift edition hardback from the bestselling author of *Brooklyn* and *Long Island*. One snowy morning Miquel's mother walks out of their home and does not return...



The Proof of My Innocence

Jonathan Coe
Penguin • PB • £9.99
ISBN 9781405962414

2nd October
Post-university life doesn't suit Phyl. Time passes slowly, living with her parents and working a zero-hours contract. That is, until family friend Chris comes to stay, bringing with him a mystery which dates back to the 1980s...



The Land of Sweet Forever

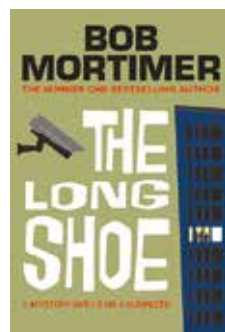
Harper Lee
Hutchinson Heinemann
HB • £22.00
ISBN 9781529155419
21st October

From the author of *To Kill A Mockingbird*, a posthumous collection of newly discovered short stories and previously published essays and magazine pieces, offering a fresh perspective on the remarkable literary mind of Harper Lee.

The Long Shoe

Bob Mortimer
Gallery • HB • £22.00
ISBN 9781398548046

9th October
Bathroom salesman Matt is at a crossroads. He's lost his job, is on the verge of being homeless and his girlfriend has left him. But, it starts to dawn on him that perhaps she didn't leave of her own accord after all...



Heap Earth Upon It

Chloe Michelle Howarth
VERVE Books
HB • £16.99
ISBN 9780857309051

30th October
From the acclaimed author of *Sunburn* comes this creeping gothic tale of sibling rivalry and sapphic obsession set in 1960s Ireland, which will appeal to fans of Julia Armfield and Yael van der Wouden.

FICTION



Buckeye
Patrick Ryan
Bloomsbury
HB • £16.99
ISBN 9781526689283

Propelled by an irresistible cast of characters, this is a warm, funny and emotionally affecting novel about two families living in one small town, bound together by secrets that will not stay buried.



The Samurai Detectives

Shōtarō Ikenami
Penguin • PB • £10.99
ISBN 9781405975766

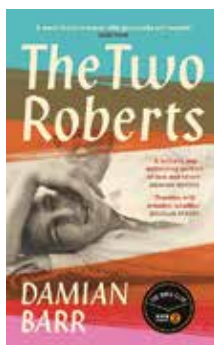
30th October

It has been half a year since Akiyama Daijiro became a samurai; half a year since he left his father Kohei to set up his own blade school. But his serenity is soon disrupted by the visit of a mysterious samurai with an unhonourable offer...

The Two Roberts

Damian Barr
Canongate Books
HB • £18.99

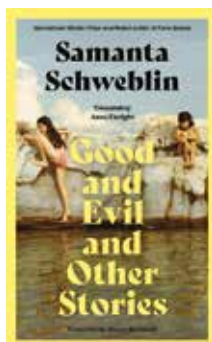
ISBN 9781805301547
Meet Robert MacBryde and Robert Colquhoun: artists, lovers, outsiders. From 1930s Glasgow to wartime London, *The Two Roberts* is a captivating novel inspired by their wild lives.



Best Wishes from the Full Moon Coffee Shop

Mai Mochizuki
Brazen • HB • £16.99
ISBN 9781914240997
16th October

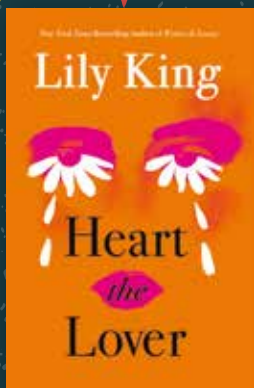
The festive second instalment in the internationally bestselling Japanese series filled with astrology, cats, cakes – and now Christmas. The customers of the Full Moon Coffee Shop stand at a wintry crossroads in their lives...



Good and Evil and Other Stories

Samanta Schweblin
Picador • HB • £16.99
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A dark, brilliantly ingenious new collection of short stories from three-time International Booker Prize nominee and one of the world's greatest contemporary short story writers.

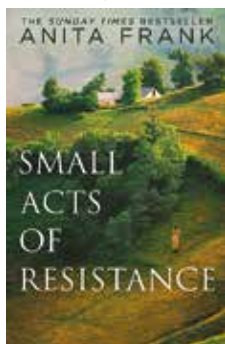


Heart the Lover
Lily King
Canongate Books
HB • £18.99
ISBN 9781837265497
16th October

From the *New York Times* bestselling author of *Writers & Lovers* comes an achingly beautiful and intimate new novel of desire, friendship, loss, and the lasting impact of first love.

Small Acts of Resistance

Anita Frank
HQ • HB • £20.00
ISBN 9780008455279
20th November
From the *Sunday Times* bestselling author of *The Good Liars* comes a captivating First World War historical fiction novel. As the shadow of war spreads, love blooms, offering a glimmer of hope amidst the darkness.



All Together For Christmas

Sarah Morgan
HQ • PB • £9.99
ISBN 9780008744397
23rd October
As the holiday season approaches, the Balfour family seem to have more secrets to unwrap than presents – but will they be able to tell each other the truth in time to enjoy a perfect Christmas?



Pastures New

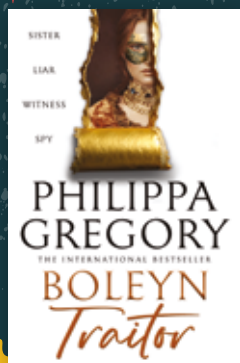
Clare Balding
HarperCollins
HB • £20.00
ISBN 9780008607012
Brimming with the warmth and wit that has made Clare Balding one of our best-loved TV personalities, this novel is a joyful celebration of home, new beginnings, community, and the delightful surprises of rural life.



It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas

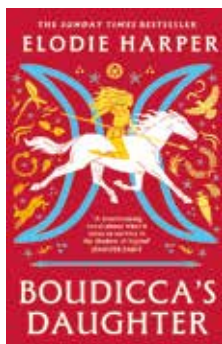
Hayley Dunlop
Hera Books • PB • £9.99
ISBN 9781835981535
Packed full of beloved tropes and motifs, this is a heartwarming second-chance festive romance perfect for fans of TV Christmas movies. Mally prides herself on being nice and predictable, but then she's sent on a new writing assignment...

FICTION



Boleyn Traitor
 Philippa Gregory
 HarperCollins
 HB • £25.00
 ISBN 9780008744984
 7th October

Bestselling and beloved author Philippa Gregory brings the Boleyn traitor out of the shadows in this groundbreaking tale of love and betrayal that follows one woman's survival in the deadly dance of the Tudor Court.



Boudicca's Daughter

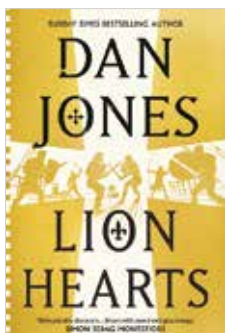
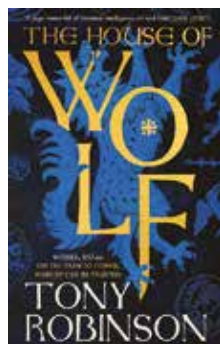
Elodie Harper
 Apollo • HB • £18.99
 ISBN 9781804544631

A dazzling new standalone novel set in the Roman world, about the daughter of one of Britain's most powerful heroines, from the author of the *Sunday Times* bestselling *Wolf Den Trilogy*.

The House of Wolf

Tony Robinson
 Sphere • HB • £25.00
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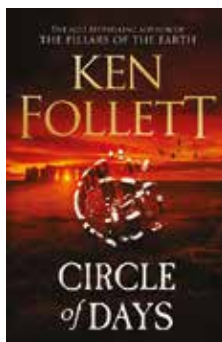
Succession set in Saxon England – this is the iconic debut fiction launch of Sir Tony Robinson, beloved star of *Blackadder* and *Time Team*, perfect for fans of Ken Follett and Bernard Cornwell.



Lion Hearts

Dan Jones
 Aries • HB • £18.99
 ISBN 9781838937973

The unmissable conclusion to the *Essex Dogs* trilogy. Three years on from the Siege of Calais, the Black Death has wreaked havoc in Europe, the Castilians are moving against England and the Essex Dogs have scattered...



Circle of Days

by Ken Follett
 Quercus • HB • £25.00
 ISBN 9781529442342

From the master of epic fiction comes the deeply human story of one of the world's greatest mysteries: the building of Stonehenge. A flint miner with a gift and a priestess who believes the impossible work together to create a monument...



Daughters of Nicnevin

Shona Kinsella
Flame Tree Press
HB • £20.00
ISBN 9781805520207
Amid the 1745 Jacobite uprising, two witches in hiding summon ancient powers to protect their village. As war nears and loyalties fray, their living guardians grow stronger – raising questions of control, sacrifice, and survival.



Prophecies & Oracles: Myths & Tales

Foreword by Professor Richard Stoneman
Flame Tree Collections
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From ancient oracles to dream-born visions, this collection explores prophecy in myth and folklore – tales of fate, disaster, and destiny from around the world, where the future is glimpsed but never fully grasped.

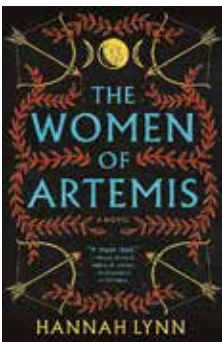
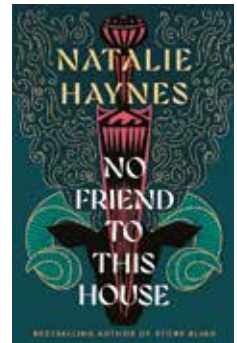
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Rachel Grosvenor
Fly on the Wall Press
PB • £12.99
ISBN 9781915789426
A blazing feminist tale from the author of *The Finery*. In war-torn Locklear Agnes hides a special gift. She must defy persecution, betrayal, and witch-hunts to reclaim her power – and her life.



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Natalie Haynes
Mantle HB • £20.00
ISBN 9781529061543
A defiantly feminist retelling of the myth of Medea from the *Sunday Times* bestselling author of *Stone Blind*. Will Medea betray her family and her home, and what will she demand in return?



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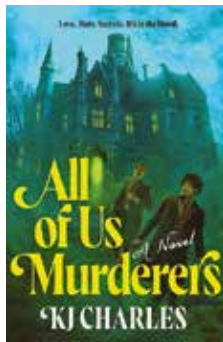


Death in Ambush

Susan Gilruth
British Library Publishing
PB • £10.99

ISBN 9780712355889
10th October

A lost Christmas Crime Classic republished for the first time since 1952. A classic country-house Christmas murder mystery, light-hearted but with a clever mystery at its core. Featuring a new introduction by Martin Edwards.



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KJ Charles
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The lush Gothic drama of *Crimson Peak* meets the murderous intrigue of *Knives Out* with an LGBTQIA+ love story to die for from award-winning author KJ Charles.

Mystery in White

J. Jefferson Farjeon
British Library Publishing
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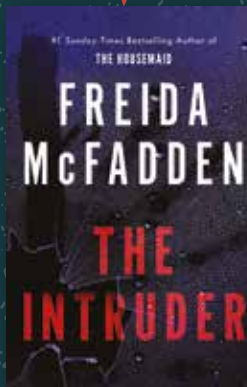
The book that began the cosy crime phenomenon! Now republished with an updated introduction by Martin Edwards, this glittering special edition makes the perfect gift for any crime lover this Christmas.



Doll Parts

Penny Zang
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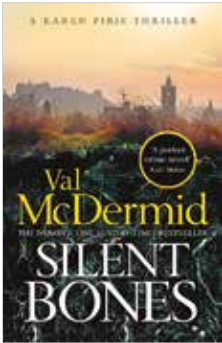
ISBN 9781464245145
A dual timeline suspense following one woman beginning to uncover the truth of the death of her estranged best friend, all while holding a secret that will slowly unravel her new, suburban dream life.



The Intruder

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ISBN 9781464228612
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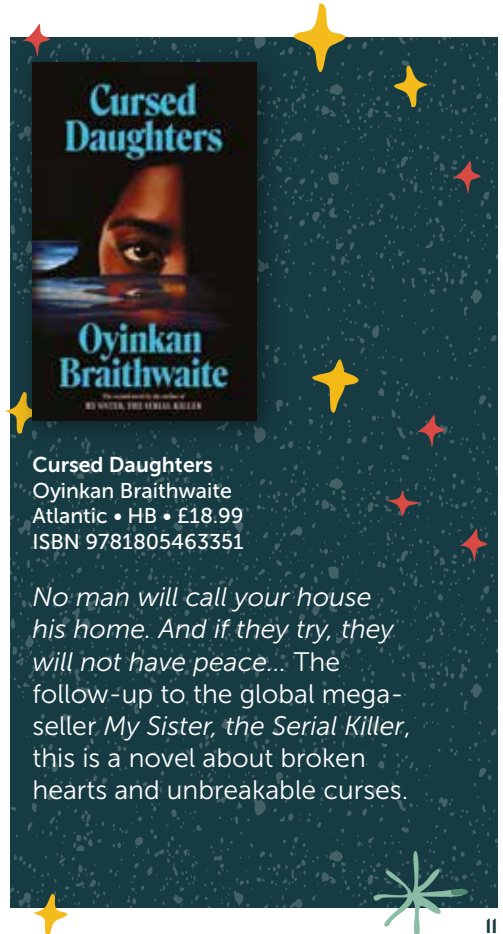


The Waterfall

Gareth Rubin
Simon & Schuster
HB • £18.99
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Cursed Daughters

Oyinkan Braithwaite
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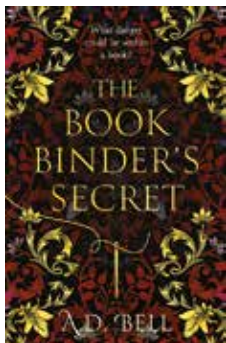
No man will call your house his home. And if they try, they will not have peace... The follow-up to the global mega-seller *My Sister, the Serial Killer*, this is a novel about broken hearts and unbreakable curses.



The Last Death of the Year

Sophie Hannah
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HB • £22.00
ISBN 9780008710002
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A.D. Bell

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ISBN 9780008755942

6th November

When a burned book falls into the hands of a young bookbinder, she uncovers a tale of forbidden love, a lost fortune, and murder.

This novel is filled with mystery, romance and the thrilling secrets concealed in a book.

Secrets in the Snow & Other Christmas Crime Stories

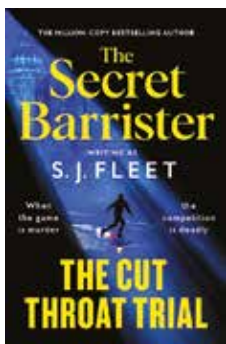
Edited by

Matthew Booth

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by S.J. Fleet

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ISBN 9781035046683

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Ann Cleeves

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Peter James

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Olivie Blake

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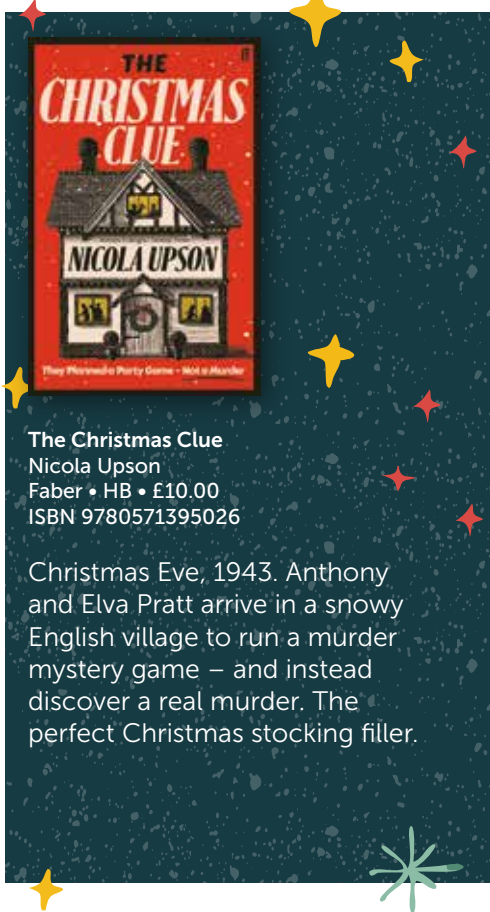
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G.B Rubin

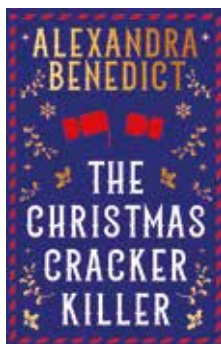
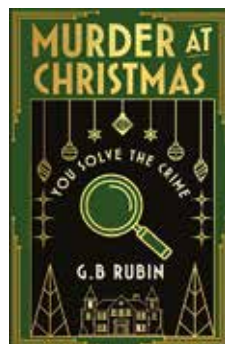
Simon & Schuster

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Be caught up in a mystery that turns out to be a thrilling spy caper where you have to foil the plot; or a Christmas-set country house murder involving an old family ritual and a silver dagger. Which would you choose?



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Rie Qudan

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A trans-Siberian odyssey through political, criminal, scientific, philosophical and amorous intrigues, and into an endless winter to confront something utterly alien.



Robots Past & Future:

Short Stories

Foreword by

Chris Beckett

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ISBN 9781835622926

This anthology traces the evolution of robots, from nostalgic mechanical wonders to futuristic automatons. Blending classic tales with new fiction, it explores our enduring fascination with artificial beings.



Alchemy of Secrets

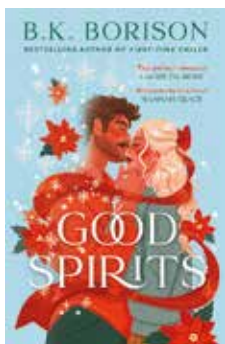
Stephanie Garber

Gollancz • HB • £22.00

ISBN 9781399631327

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Fusing spellbinding Hollywood secrets with a cinematic mystery, *Alchemy of Secrets* is the first adult novel from global fantasy phenomenon Stephanie Garber, the multimillion-copy bestselling author of the *Caraval* series.



Good Spirits

B.K. Borison
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21st October

In this enemies-to-lovers romance, the Ghost of Christmas Past encounters Harriet, an innocent antique shop owner. As they confront their intertwined pasts and discover love, could she be the key to giving him a future?



The Witching Hour

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 ISBN 9781408734667
 16th October

A new collection of ghostly tales by Michelle Paver, Stacey Halls, Bridget Collins, Imogen Hermes Gowar, Kiran Millwood Hargrave, Andrew Michael Hurley, Jess Kidd, Natasha Pulley, Elizabeth Macneal, Susan Stokes-Chapman, Laura Shepherd-Robinson, Stuart Turton and Catriona Ward.

Uncharmed

Lucy Jane Wood
 Macmillan • HB • £20.00
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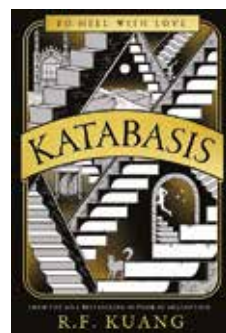
The spellbinding new cosy fantasy from Lucy Jane Wood, the *Sunday Times* bestselling author of *Rewitched*, about the joy of swapping perfectionism to be your true magical self.



Katabasis

R.F. Kuang
 HarperVoyager
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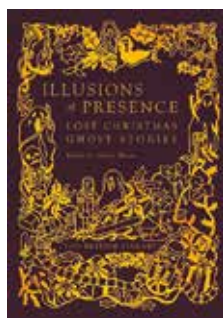
From the bestselling author of *Yellowface* comes this year's most unexpected love story. Grad student Alice Law descends into an unconventional Hell with her rival Peter. Will they triumph, or kill each other trying?



Brigands and Breadknives

Travis Baldree
 Tor • HB • £18.99
 ISBN 9781035035946
 13th November

From *New York Times* bestselling author Travis Baldree comes the next heart-warming, cosy fantasy adventure, set in the same world as *Legends & Lattes*. It's a freshly baked adventure featuring fan-favourite bookseller Fern.

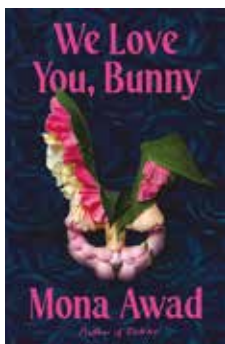


Illusions of Presence

Edited by Johnny Mains
 British Library Publishing
 HB • £16.99
 ISBN 9780712355933
 16th October

The Christmas ghost story is a cornerstone of supernatural writing, with a legacy stretching back centuries. Here eminent anthologist Johnny Mains brings you the gift of fifteen long-lost classic festive spooky stories.

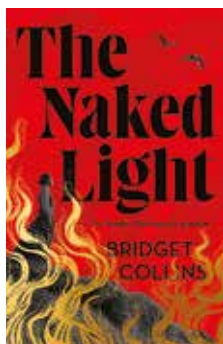
DARK FICTION



We Love You, Bunny

Mona Awad
Scribner • HB • ££16.99
ISBN 9781398535152

The highly-anticipated follow up to the viral sensation *Bunny*, a brilliantly written, laugh-out-loud funny, dark and delirious novel set in the *Bunny*-verse – a world that Margaret Atwood declared ‘soooo genius’.



The Naked Light

Bridget Collins
The Borough Press
HB • £18.99
ISBN 9780008424084

A village haunted by stories; two women bound by a secret... This is a chilling gothic tale of ancient darkness and a love that defies all convention, from the No.1 bestselling author of *The Binding*.

Rainforest

Michelle Paver
Orion • HB • £20.00
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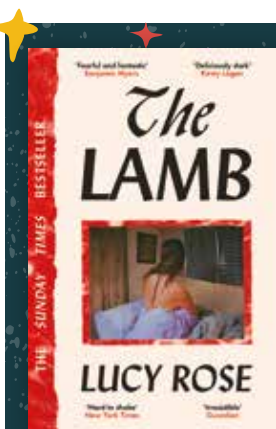
9th October
The latest supernatural tale from bestselling author Michelle Paver. The rainforest seems a paradise to Simon Corbett. A final refuge from a terrible secret. But the jungle is no Eden. And it does not forgive...



After Midnight

Daphne du Maurier
Virago • HB • £25.00
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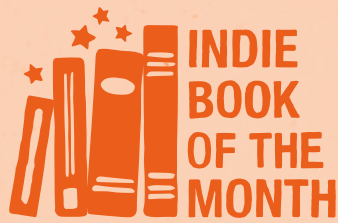
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Thirteen deliciously uncanny stories, including *The Birds* and *Don't Look Now*, from the iconic pen of Daphne du Maurier, brought together in a new hardback collection for the first time.



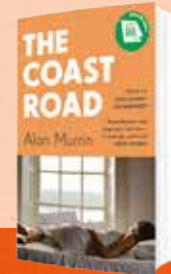
The Lamb

Lucy Rose
W&N • PB • £9.99
ISBN 9781399619752

With this tender coming-of-age tale, debut novelist Lucy Rose explores how women swallow their anger, desire and animal instincts – and wrings the relationship between mother and daughter until blood drips from it.



FICTION BOOK OF THE MONTH 2025

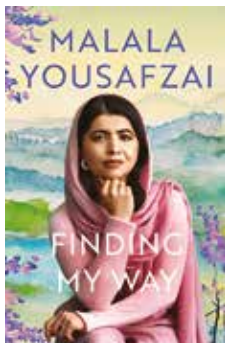


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Malala Yousafzai
W&N • HB • £25.00
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21st October

A vibrant, intimate, and vulnerable look at Malala Yousafzai's experiences as a young adult contending with anxiety and PTSD, personal growth, identity and love, from the Nobel laureate and *New York Times* bestselling author.



What Have I Done?

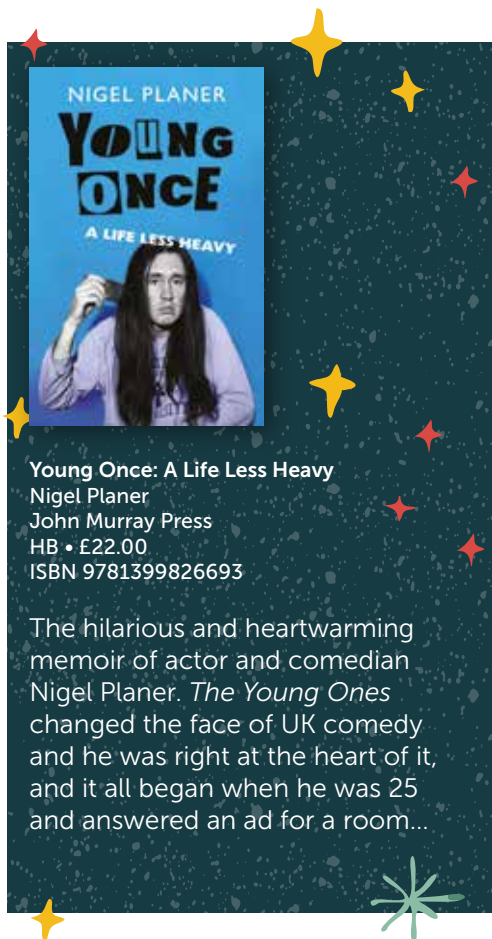
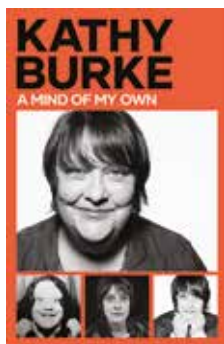
Ben Elton
Macmillan • HB • £25.00
ISBN 9781035059942
9th October

This frank, forthright and hugely entertaining autobiography takes a deep dive into Ben Elton's life and times, both private and public. It takes us from *The Young Ones* and *Blackadder* to *We Will Rock You* and *Upstart Crow*.

A Mind of My Own

Kathy Burke
Gallery • HB • £22.00
ISBN 9781398548145
23rd October

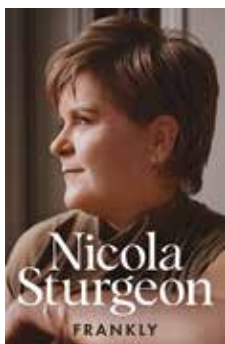
Whether you know her as the beloved Perry, for her award-winning acting, or for being proudly woke and calling out tw*ts on social media, Kathy Burke has always had a mind of her own. Funny and wise, this is her memoir.



Young Once: A Life Less Heavy

Nigel Planer
John Murray Press
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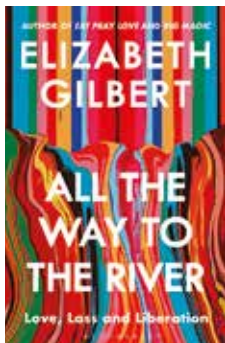
The hilarious and heartwarming memoir of actor and comedian Nigel Planer. *The Young Ones* changed the face of UK comedy and he was right at the heart of it, and it all began when he was 25 and answered an ad for a room...



Frankly

Nicola Sturgeon
Macmillan
HB • £28.00
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The long-awaited, intimate memoir from Nicola Sturgeon, Scotland's first female First Minister and former leader of the SNP, reflecting on her life and times at the forefront of Scottish and British politics.

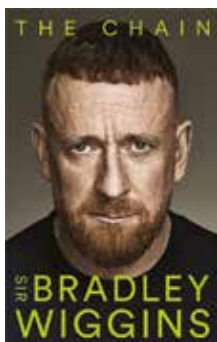


All the Way to the River

Elizabeth Gilbert
Bloomsbury
HB • £22.00
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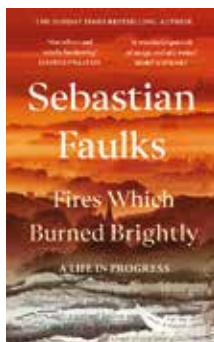
Bread of Angels

Patti Smith
Bloomsbury
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ISBN 9781408867723
4th November
A radiant new memoir from beloved artist and writer Patti Smith, author of the National Book Award Winner *Just Kids*. It takes us through her teenage years, as she started to write poetry, and then lyrics to her iconic songs.



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Sir Bradley Wiggins
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ISBN 9780008767730
23rd October
Think you know Sir Bradley Wiggins? Think Again. The greatest British cyclist won five Olympic golds and the Tour de France, but this powerful memoir reveals his personal journey of turmoil, addiction, and self-discovery.



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Sebastian Faulks
Hutchinson Heinemann
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ISBN 9781529154658
Sharply perceptive and alive with a generous wit, this is a new wise, warm and deeply moving work of memoir from Sebastian Faulks, the bestselling author of *Birdsong*.



Mother Mary Comes to Me

Arundhati Roy
Hamish Hamilton
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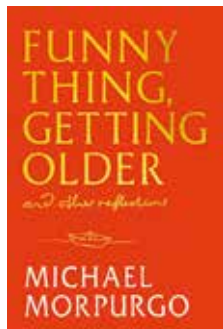
The incredible first memoir from the Booker-winning radical icon Arundhati Roy, author of *The God of Small Things*. A soaring account, both intimate and inspiring, of how the author became the person and the writer she is today.

MEMOIR, BIOGRAPHY & ANTHOLOGY



I Shop, Therefore I Am
Mary Portas
Canongate Books
HB • £20.00
ISBN 9781837264414
2nd October

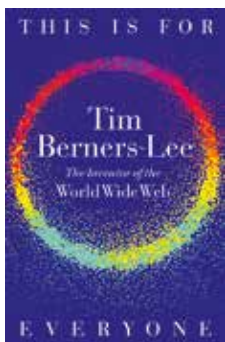
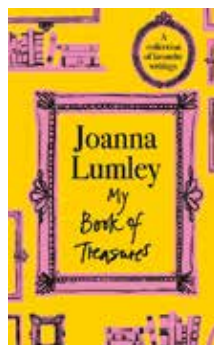
Legend of the high street Mary Portas returns with a no-holds-barred account about her time as the window dresser for Harvey Nichols that is full of juicy anecdotes from the fashion world and 90s nostalgia.



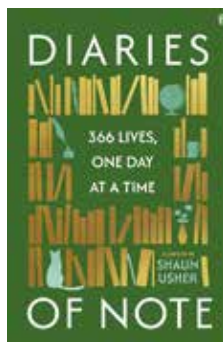
Funny Thing, Getting Older and Other Reflections
Michael Morpurgo
Hodder Press
HB • £20.00
ISBN 9781399739719
30th October
Here, collected for the first time on Michael Morpurgo's 82nd birthday, are his thoughts on nature, childhood, writing, peace and war, and getting older.

My Book of Treasures
Joanna Lumley
Hodder & Stoughton
HB • £20.00
ISBN 9781399741613
2nd October

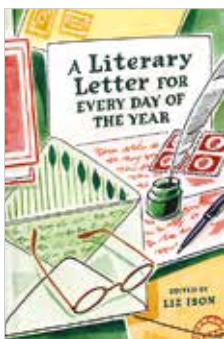
Over the years Joanna Lumley has kept private notebooks, filled with her favourite writings, thoughts and quotes. Now, for the first time, she opens her *Book of Treasures* to share some of her many and varied jottings with readers.



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Tim Berners-Lee
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The gripping and entertaining story of our modern age, told through this ground-breaking memoir from the inventor of the World Wide Web. Filled with Sir Tim's characteristic optimism, insight and humour, it's about the power of technology.



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Edited by Shaun Usher
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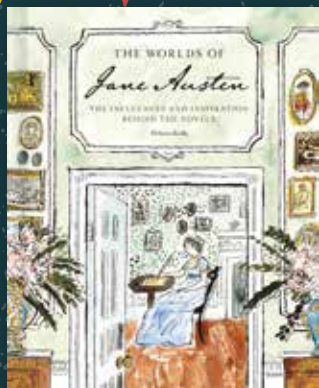
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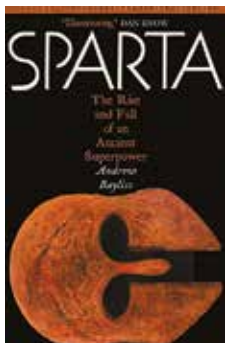


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Alice Loxton
Macmillan • HB • £22.00
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Bestselling historian and social media sensation Alice Loxton embarks on an epic walk, retracing the funeral route of England's forgotten queen and uncovering historical secrets along the way.

HISTORY



Sparta: The Rise and Fall of an Ancient Superpower

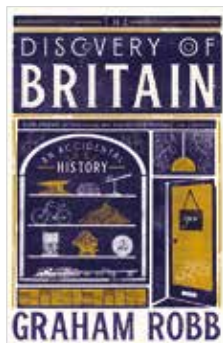
Andrew Bayliss

Profile Books

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A major new history of Sparta – from warrior queens to the Peloponnesian War – exploring the rise and fall of this ancient superpower, uncovering who the Spartans really were and what drove their dramatic downfall.



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Picador • HB • £22.00

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A hugely original tour of Great Britain by acclaimed historian Graham Robb, taking a fresh look at the people, places and events which have – for better or worse – shaped a nation.

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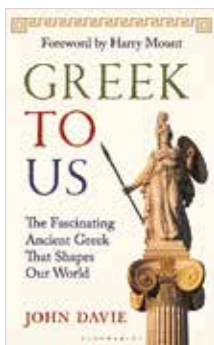
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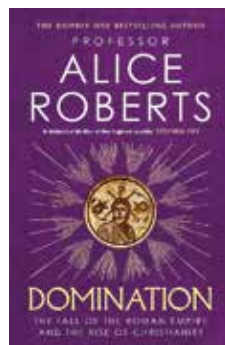
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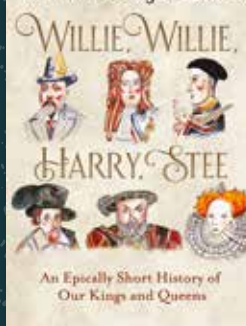
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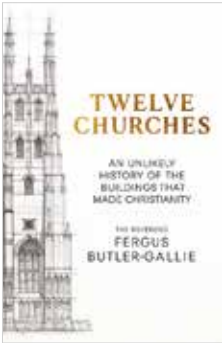
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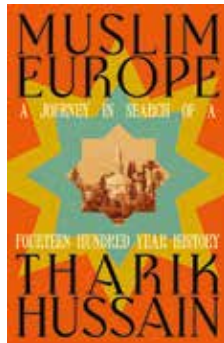
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London became the first megalopolis in the world in the 19th century. This book is not about the familiar city of pomp, power and politics, but looks instead at the everyday lives of the people that gave it its vitality, highlights and shadows.



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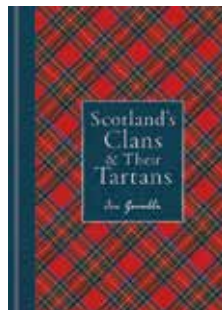
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Ian Grimble

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HISTORY



The Madman's Orchestra

Edward Brooke-Hitching

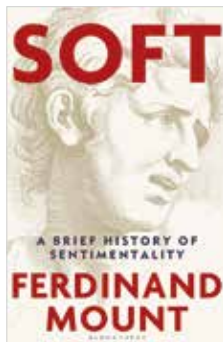
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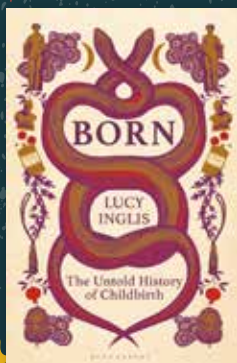
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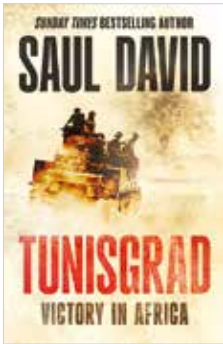
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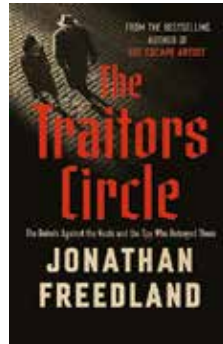
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From the author of *Dunkirk*, this gripping account explores the Arctic convoys of World War II. It reveals harrowing battles and sacrifices made by Allied forces, and the wartime alliance between the West and Russia.



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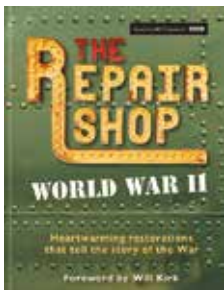
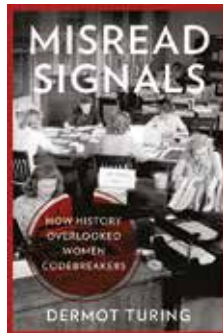


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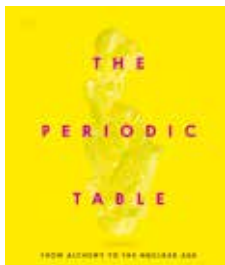


1976: The Year that Scorched

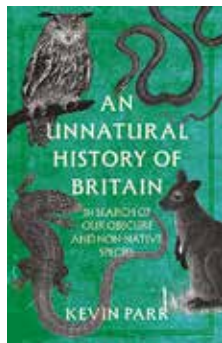
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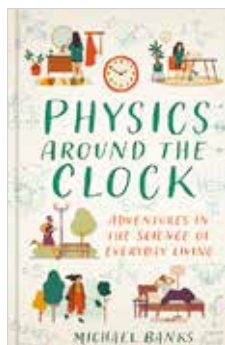


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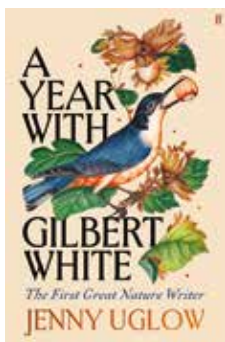


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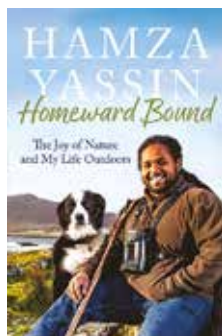
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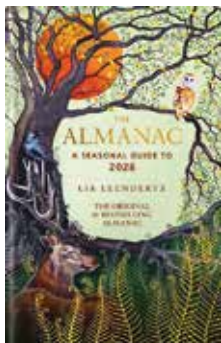
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Katherine Rundell & Talya Baldwin
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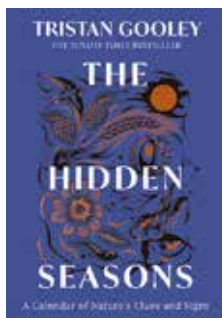


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Hamza Yassin
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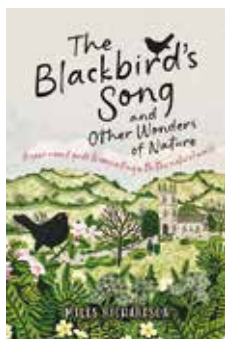
The Hidden Seasons

Tristan Gooley
Hodder Press
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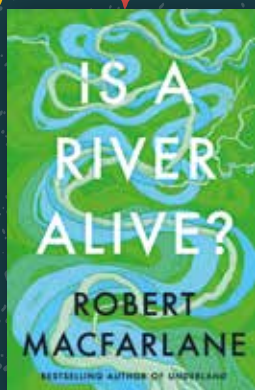
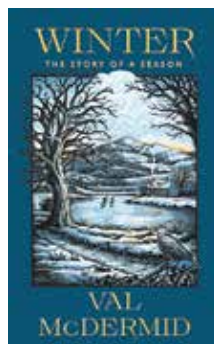
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Hodder Press
HB • £16.99
ISBN 9781399743136
20th November

Val McDermid has always had a soft spot for winter: the bitter clarity of a crisp cold day, the vivid skies over the Firth of Forth and the crunch of frost on fallen leaves. In this book, she takes us on an adventure through the season.



Is A River Alive?
Robert Macfarlane
Hamish Hamilton
HB • £25.00
ISBN 9780241742822

A brilliant, perspective-shifting new book – which answers a resounding yes to the question of its title. At its heart is a single, transformative idea: that rivers are not mere matter for human use, but living beings.

ART, MUSIC & PASTIMES



Great Art Explained

James Payne
Thames & Hudson
HB • £30.00
ISBN 9780500025956
2nd October
Based on the enormously successful YouTube channel of the same name, *Great Art Explained* unveils the fascinating stories behind some of the world's most iconic works of art. "An instant classic" Stephen Fry

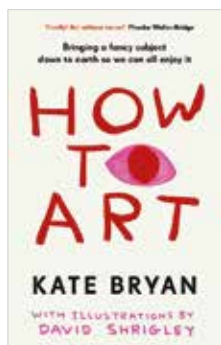


David Bowie Is

Edited by
Victoria Broackes &
Geoffrey Marsh
V&A • PB • £32.00
ISBN 9781838510589
Originally published to accompany the ground-breaking exhibition at the V&A and now out in paperback, this is the only book to be granted access to Bowie's personal archive of performance costume, ephemera and original artwork.

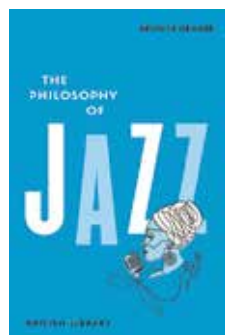
How To Art

Kate Bryan &
David Shrigley
Hutchinson Heinemann
HB • £16.99
ISBN 9781529154528
A funny, inviting and full-colour book that brings a fancy subject down to earth. From British art historian, curator and arts broadcaster, Kate Bryan and featuring new and exclusive original artworks by David Shrigley.



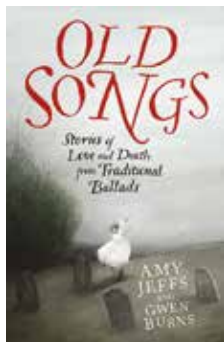
The Philosophy of Jazz

Kevin LeGendre
British Library Publishing
HB • £12.99
ISBN 9780712355032
Is jazz a musical genre, a way of living, a measure of thought, a state of evolution? This is a thought-provoking exploration of this hugely diverse musical language, discussing both the artistic practice and the sociological phenomenon.



Royal Horticultural Society: 100 Flowers

Frances Lincoln
Cards • £16.00
ISBN 9781805701156
23rd October
The Libraries of the RHS hold the world's finest collection of printed material on gardens and gardening and a selection of the best botanical paintings from this collection is featured here on 100 postcards to send, keep or frame.

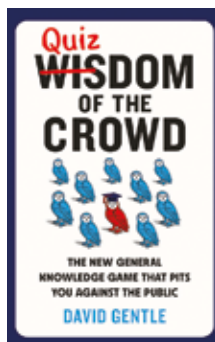


Old Songs

Amy Jeffs & Gwen Burns
riverrun • HB • £25.00
ISBN 9781529438741
This book fuses short stories, histories, lyrics and illustrations in an enthralling reimagining of ten traditional folk ballads. Bestselling historian Amy Jeffs and Illustrator Gwen Burns combine forces to create a rich compendium.



Fourth Wing: The Official Coloring Book
 Entangled
 Andrews McMeel
 Publishing • PB • £14.99
 ISBN 9798881604165
Fourth Wing, the #1 *New York Times* bestselling book series, is brought to life in this first-ever official colouring book featuring 40 gorgeous illustrations created by fan artists from around the world.

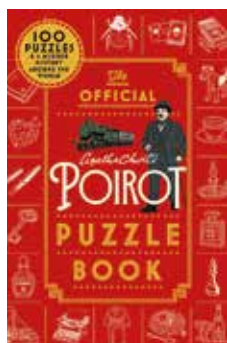


Quizdom of the Crowd
 David Gentle
 Ivy Press • PB • £14.99
 ISBN 9781836005698
 9th October
 This quizbook pits you against 'the Crowd', a diverse collection of people of all ages, from the UK. It shows the surprising power of people and what they know, as you use the crowd's responses to help you guess the same questions.

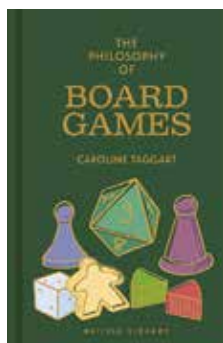
Cute 'N' Cozy Sticker Therapy
 Zenny Abanales
 Thames & Hudson
 PB • £16.99
 ISBN 9781837760985
 13th November
 Relax, unwind and enter the wonderful world of tiny-craft cuteness. Create eight cozy room scenes with these adorable stickers that can be used again and again and discover your favourite new peaceful pastime!



The Mystery Agency: The Bookshop Murder
 Henry Lewis
 Sphere • HB • £18.99
 ISBN 9781408722206
 16th October
 Step into a detective's shoes to solve a murder committed on a quiet street of bookshops in a brand new escape-room style puzzle solving mystery from Henry Lewis, creator of *The Play That Goes Wrong*.

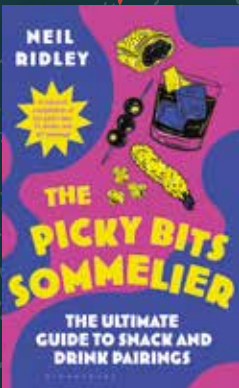


The Official Poirot Puzzle Book
 Laurence King
 Publishing • PB • £16.99
 ISBN 9781399635073
 9th October
 Can you work out whodunnit, with what and why, like Hercule Poirot? Put your armchair detective abilities to the ultimate test with 100 puzzles and a murder mystery around the world...



The Philosophy of Board Games
 Caroline Taggart
 British Library Publishing
 HB • £12.99
 ISBN 9780712355988
 14th October
 Tells the story of board games from ancient Egyptian tombs to modern board game cafes. This is a highly illustrated, playful overview that lays the checkered past of board games bare.

FOOD & DRINK



The Picky Bits Sommelier
Neil Ridley
Bloomsbury • HB • £12.99
ISBN 9781526694522
23rd October

The ultimate guide to picky bits and drinks pairings for every season brought to you by presenter and bestselling author of *The Crisp Sommelier*, Neil Ridley.

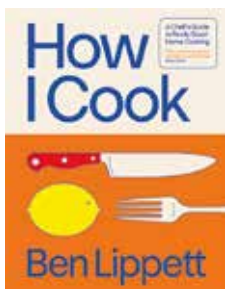
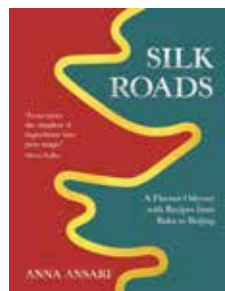
Comfort in One

Harry Beavis
Carnival • HB • £26.00
ISBN 9781836009054
Renowned for her down-to-earth style and irresistible flavours, Hari Beavis is back with a brand-new collection of 90 delicious, heart-warming meals that require just one pan, pot, tray or tin.



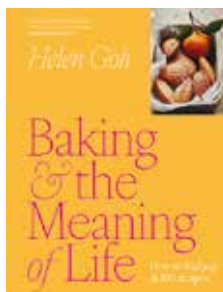
Silk Roads

Anna Ansari
DK • HB • £28.00
ISBN 9780241694374
9th October
In this rich and delicious cookbook, Iranian-American cook and writer Anna Ansari weaves together essays, family photography and 90 recipes, taking us on a culinary, historical, and personal odyssey across the Silk Roads.



How I Cook

Ben Lippett
HarperCollins
HB • £25.00
ISBN 97800008715991
In his debut book, Ben Lippett distils his years of experience and expertise as a chef in restaurants all over the world to reveal the hows and whys behind everything we do when preparing food.



Baking & the Meaning of Life

Helen Goh
Murdoch • HB • £26.00
ISBN 9781761500145
In her hotly anticipated debut solo cookbook, Ottolenghi pastry chef and recipe developer Helen Goh shares her 100 favourite baking recipes to show the many ways baking brings meaning and joy to our lives.



The Magical Christmas Cookbook

Murdoch • HB • £20.00
ISBN 9781761501142

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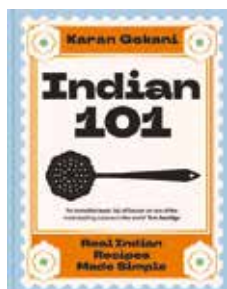
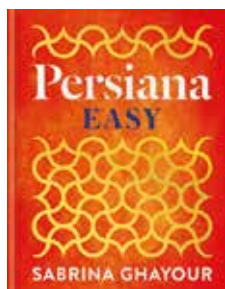
Create the sparkle of European Christmas markets at home with 75 savoury and sweet recipes to capture the spirit of the season, along with festive poems and songs.

Persiana Easy

Sabrina Ghayour
Mitchell Beazley
HB • £28.00

ISBN 9781783256129

A collection of brand-new recipes from the *Sunday Times* bestselling author of *Persiana* and *Persiana Everyday*, including midweek meals and traybakes to pastries and sweet treats, each is designed to be as easy as possible.



Indian 101: Real Indian Recipes Made Simple

Karan Gokani
Bluebird • HB • £28.00
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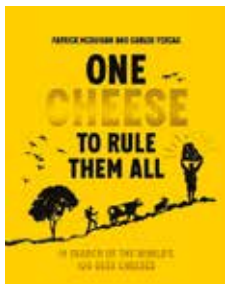


Around the Table

Diana Henry
Mitchell Beazley
HB • £20.00
ISBN 9781846016004
2nd October

A selection of some of Diana Henry's very best essays, handpicked from more than two decades of her beloved cookbooks. Moving, funny and incisive, together these pieces form a memoir through food.

FOOD & DRINK



One Cheese to Rule Them All

Patrick McGuigan & Carlos Yescas
Murdoch • HB • £20.00
ISBN 9781761501258
6th November

A charmingly geeky journey through the fascinating stories and stats behind the 100 best cheeses in the world – part handbook, part travel guide and part food odyssey to find the ONE cheese to rule them all...



A Passion for Mushrooms

Antonio Carluccio
Pavilion • HB • £26.00
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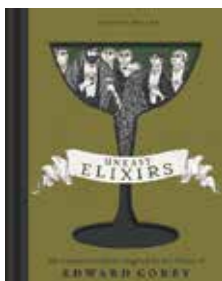
A gastronomic guidebook to the most delicious species of wild mushrooms, this edition of the 1989 classic is an ode to Chef Carluccio's legacy, featuring inventive Italian recipes to forage, cook, and enjoy wild mushrooms.



It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Cocktails

Jassy Davis & Hannah Wood
Pavilion • HB • £12.99
ISBN 97800008770099

Featuring the most enchanting recipes, home mixology tricks and expert tips on festive flair and glamorous garnishes, this easy-to-follow book is the ideal antidote to the winter blues – and the perfect companion to festive pursuits!



Uneasy Elixirs

Virginia Miller
Weldon Owen
HB • £22.00
ISBN 9798886742398
16th October

Partake in delicious drinks with this exquisite collection of curious cocktails inspired by the whimsical art of Edward Gorey, published in celebration of the 100th anniversary of his birth.

GARDENS & PETS



Royal Horticultural Society: The Garden Almanac 2026

Frances Lincoln

HB • £14.99

ISBN 9781836005865

From the world's leading authority on gardening, this book helps you decide what to grow, wildlife to watch out for and how to get the most of your garden in a sustainable way. It is illustrated throughout by Annie Soudain.

RHS Gardens of Great Britain and Ireland

The Royal Horticultural Society
DK • HB • £25.00

ISBN 9780241722602

A compelling tour of Great Britain and Ireland's most beautiful gardens. Profiling the well-known and the unusual, plant havens and sculptural statements, there are gardens to suit every taste, in every style.



Literary Gardens

Sandra Lawrance

Frances Lincoln &

Lucille Clerc

HB • £19.99

ISBN 9781836002208

Writers have been inventing and imagining gardens for centuries. This beautiful gift book celebrates 50 of the most enchanting gardens from literature and reimagines them with beautiful artworks.



The Healing Power of Cats

Ulrica Norberg &

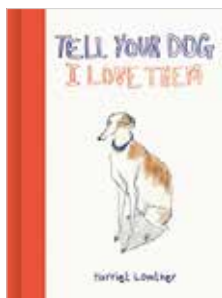
Carina Nunstedt

August Books

HB • £12.99

ISBN 9781835983638

In these nine life-fulfilling lessons, learn how your cat can bring you peace, comfort and a unique happiness, combining unique scientific research from cat experts and personal stories from cat-owners.



Tell Your Dog I Love Them

Harriet Lowther

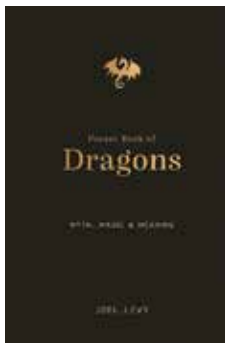
Frances Lincoln

HB • £14.99

ISBN 9781836004202

These fun art pieces range in medium from pencil, pen and ink, watercolour, collage and print, with a range of styles. However, in each work there is the same humour and personality that captures the character of the dogs depicted. 33

FOLKLORE & POETRY



The Pocket Book of Dragons

Joel Levy
Riverside Press
HB • £12.99
ISBN 9781917226110
Explore the myth, magic and meaning of one of the most fearsome beasts of legend. Overflowing with ancient and modern dragon tales from every corner of the globe, and beautifully illustrated with a curated archive of dragon art.



Land of Mist and Magic

Philip Parker
British Library Publishing
HB • £30.00
ISBN 9780712355148
21st October
Collects and retells rare stories of ghosts, fairy changelings and demon dogs deeply embedded in the landscape, together with tales of more familiar heroes such as King Arthur, Beowulf and Robin Hood, all beautifully illustrated.

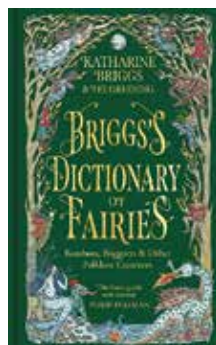
The Little Book of Dragons

Carolyne Larrington
British Library Publishing
HB • £12.99
ISBN 9780712355582
An authoritative guide, written by a leading scholar in medieval literature and mythology. Illustrated with over 40 art pieces from the British Library's collections. It includes retellings of dragon legends from around the world.



Briggs's Dictionary of Fairies

Katharine Briggs & Fee Greening
Monoray • HB • £18.99
ISBN 9781800963504
A new edition of Katherine Briggs's seminal dictionary of folklore creatures and tales, illustrated in rich detail with beautiful black and white line drawings by artist Fee Greening.



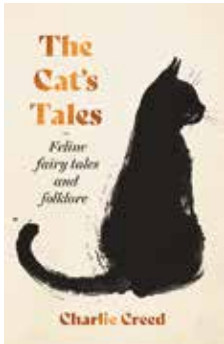
Bedside Companion to Folklore & Magic

Jane McMorland Hunter
Batsford • HB • £25.00
ISBN 9781849944984
Step into a world of enchantment with this captivating collection of prose and poetry. Includes fact and fiction on myth and magic, folklore and faeries, with beautiful illustrations and one entry to read every night of the year.



Ghostlore

Icy Sedgwick & Mabel Esteban Garcia
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ISBN 9780241726204
From mischievous German poltergeists to Nigerian Madam Koi Koi, who haunts schools looking for unruly children, discover 50 misunderstood and mysterious ghosts from around the globe.

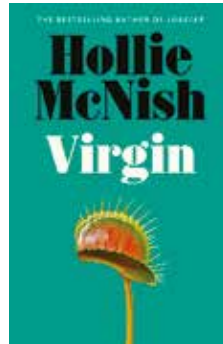


The Cat's Tales: Feline Fairy Tales and Folklore

Charlie Creed
Elliott & Thompson
HB • £14.99

ISBN 9781783969210
23rd October

A beautifully illustrated collection of fairy tales from around the world, bringing together much-loved classics and more unfamiliar gems – the perfect companion for cat lovers everywhere.



Virgin

Hollie McNish
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ISBN 9780349127446

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The new poetry collection from *Sunday Times* bestseller and Ted Hughes Award-winner, Hollie McNish. *Virgin*: one little six letter word that holds such incredible power. But virginity is also just a concept, a label pressed upon people.



An Animal Poem for Every Day of the Year
Jane McMorland Hunter
Batsford • HB • £25.00
ISBN 9781837330010
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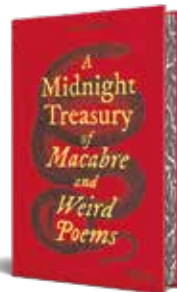
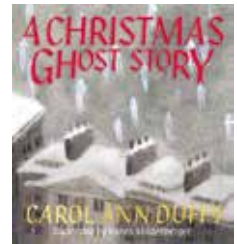
Celebrate animals with this anthology of poetry with one entry for every day of the year. From well-known classics to modern takes, this gorgeously illustrated volume brings to life a huge range of our animal counterparts.

A Christmas Ghost Story

Carol Ann Duffy & Vivien Mildenberger
Picador • HB • £12.99
ISBN 9781529083972

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The fourteenth enchanting new instalment in Carol Ann Duffy's Christmas poem series, with gorgeous illustrations by Vivien Mildenberger. With all the magic of Dickens, it reminds us that love is the greatest treasure of all.

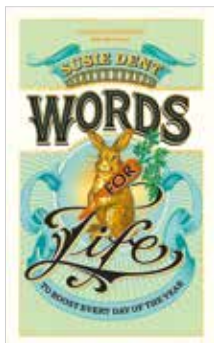


A Midnight Treasury of Macabre and Weird Poems

Edited by Ana Sampson
Rizzoli Universe
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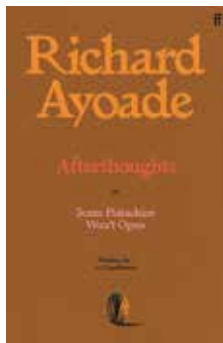
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Stumble through the dark landscape of the mind in this anthology of macabre and weird poems. From Edgar Allan Poe's dreamscapes to Liz Berry's witches, these are strange songs of haunting and obsession.

LANGUAGE, LIFE & GIFT BOOKS



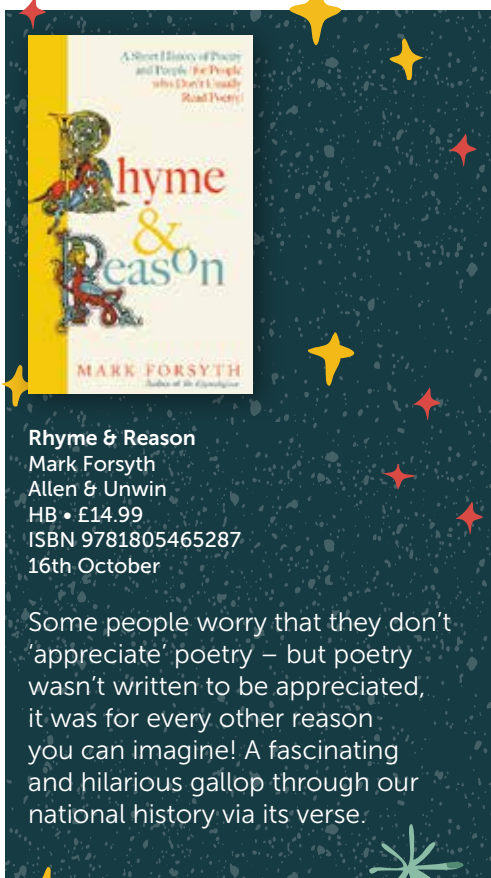
Words for Life

Susie Dent
John Murray
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This book features 365 amazing words or expressions that will make every day of the year better. From Britain's best-loved and most brilliant word expert, Susie Dent, it's the perfect guide to ensure your best year yet.



Afterthoughts

Richard Ayoade
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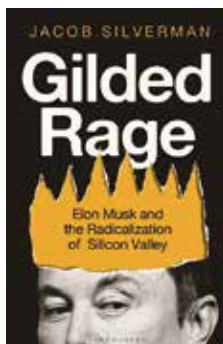
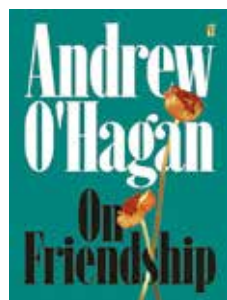
Rhyme & Reason

Mark Forsyth
Allen & Unwin
HB • £14.99
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Some people worry that they don't 'appreciate' poetry – but poetry wasn't written to be appreciated, it was for every other reason you can imagine! A fascinating and hilarious gallop through our national history via its verse.

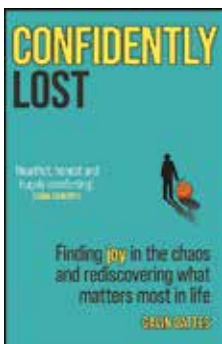
On Friendship

Andrew O'Hagan
Faber • HB • £12.99
ISBN 9780571397471
9th October
In these gorgeous personal reflections, Andrew O'Hagan explores friendship through music and poetry, memory and history, illuminating the many ways and reasons that people come together, and how our lives are better for it.



Gilded Rage

Jacob Silverman
Bloomsbury Continuum
HB • £20.00
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A searing insight into the radicalisation of Silicon Valley, from Elon Musk to Peter Thiel, David Sacks and Donald Trump, and how it will affect the future of all our lives.



Confidently Lost

Gavin Oates
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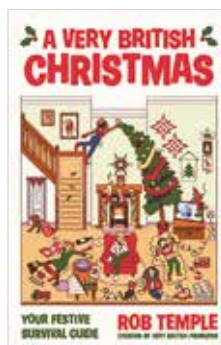
A beautifully illustrated book of hope and affirmations from the Instagram sensation, Fox Under the Moon. In a wintry woodland, in the dark of night, a young fox talks to the wise old moon about the things that truly matter...

A Very British Christmas

Rob Temple
Allen & Unwin
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From the man behind *Very British Problems*, a one-of-a-kind survival manual for everybody's least favourite aspect of the holiday season: having to spend it with your family.



**Wicked: For Good:
The Illustrated Lyrics**
Insight Editions
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Celebrate the beauty and strength of friendship with this touching picture book created from the lyrics of the iconic song from Universal Pictures' *Wicked Part Two*. The poignant words and illustrations make it the perfect gift for friends to share.

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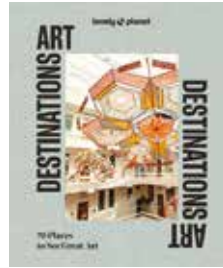


Storm

Hank Schyma
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28th October

Over three decades of storm chasing, Hank Schyma has witnessed some of Earth's most incredible weather shows. This book features his dramatic photos, unforgettable stories and engaging explanations of the science behind storms.



Art Destinations

Lonely Planet
HB • £32.99
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The definitive guide for art-loving travellers: discover 70 inspiring destinations around the world where artists, artworks and art-making are the beating heart of their identity, history and culture.

Best in Travel 2026

Lonely Planet
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This guide features 25 must-visit destinations and 25 must-do experiences. With a mix of emerging travel hotspots, fresh takes on well-known locations and unforgettable experiences, it is full of enthusiasm and expertise.

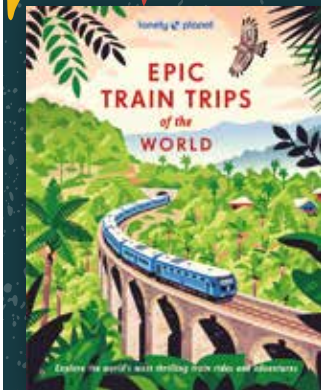
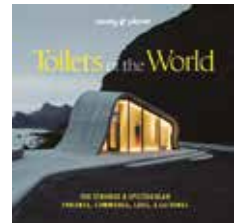


Toilets of the World

Lonely Planet
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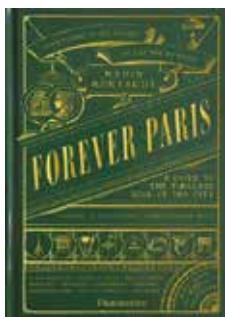
Who knew the loo could offer such a view? From Tokyo's transparent public toilets to Abraham Lincoln's 1850's outhouse, it's time to see more of our amazing planet from the 'best' seat in the house.



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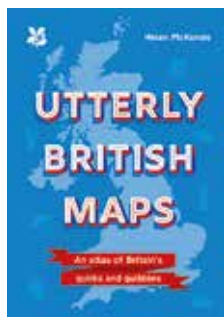
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From luxury services such the Oriental Express to the scenic Rocky Mountaineer line in Canada; thrilling high-speed escapes in Japan to Switzerland's iconic Glacier Express, this guide offers an unforgettable window into railway travel.



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Marin Montagut
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Utterly British Maps

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Using the latest data, this fascinating book maps Britain's preoccupations and quirks – from favourite crisp flavours to morris dancers, from oldest pubs to most haunted places. Packed with information too good to keep to yourself!



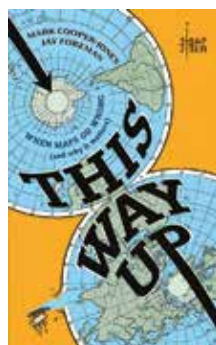
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David Suchet
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Mark Cooper-Jones & Jay Foreman
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Andy McGrillen
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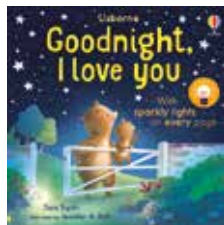
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BOOKS FOR LITTLE ONES



Jingle Bells Sound Book

Sam Taplin &
Federica Iossa
Usborne • BB • £12.99
ISBN 9781835407417
9th October • 0+
In this magical sound book, we step into a snowy landscape where all the animals are getting ready for the big day. On each double-page spread there's a classic carol to hear, as well as a festive sound effect.



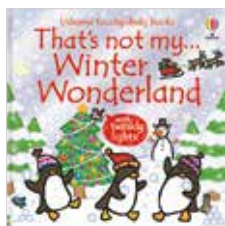
Goodnight, I Love You

Sam Taplin &
Jennifer A. Bell
Usborne • BB • £12.99
ISBN 9781836042761
6th November • 0+
It's bedtime for little bear... but all those twinkly stars in the night sky look ever so exciting! Each time you turn a page, you'll see more and more stars as the sky is lit up by real lights.

That's Not My... Winter Wonderland

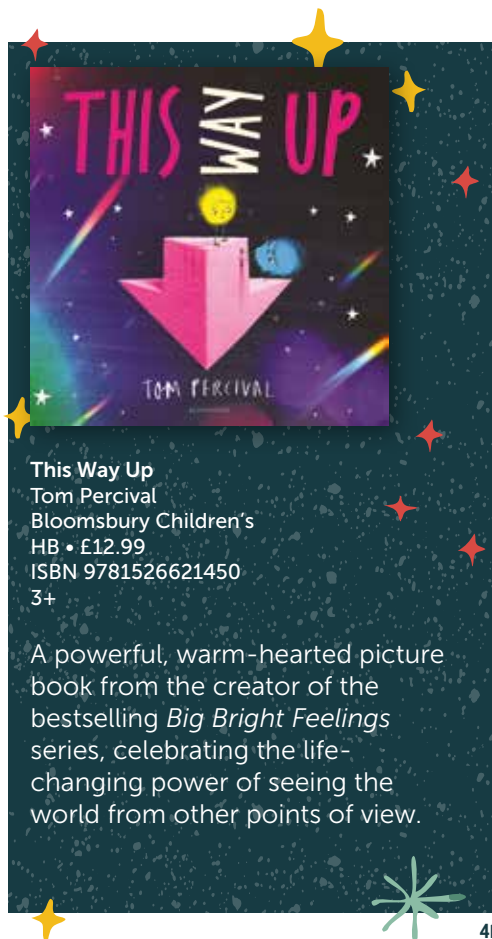
Fiona Watt &
Rachel Wells
Usborne • BB • £12.99
ISBN 9781836042167
9th October • 0+

This exciting touchy-feely book explores delightful wintry scenes and features sparkly foiled pages as well as a light-up surprise. From penguins with fluffy tummies skating to Santa's magical workshop, it's a treat for babies and toddlers.



**Bluey: Oooh,
Shiny! Flashlight
Book & Box Set**
Phoenix International
Box • £15.99
ISBN 9798384600121
18 months+

Hooray, grab your flashlight and stay up late with Bluey and Bingo! Includes a real working torch with five sound and giggle buttons. *Bluey: Oooh, Shiny!* will keep young readers engaged and entertained at bedtime.



This Way Up
Tom Percival
Bloomsbury Children's
HB • £12.99
ISBN 9781526621450
3+

A powerful, warm-hearted picture book from the creator of the bestselling *Big Bright Feelings* series, celebrating the life-changing power of seeing the world from other points of view.

BOOKS FOR LITTLE ONES



**Brown Bear Wood:
Christmas is
Coming to Town!**
Rachel Piercey &
Freya Hartas
Magic Cat • HB • £12.99
ISBN 9781917044325
0+

Count down to Christmas with Bear and his friends in this spectacular advent calendar book – with surprises hidden under 24 doors, festive activities to enjoy as a family and a magical fold-out village to display.



**The ABC of Musical
Instruments**
Ailie Busby
New Frontier Publishing
BB • £8.99
ISBN 9781917487030
0+

Celebrate Jane Austen's 250th birthday with this delightful first alphabet book, which draws on the repeating pattern of oak leaves from a Pelisse Coat thought to belong to Austen.

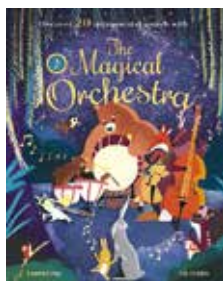


There There Little Reindeer
Anna Milbourne &
Cally Johnson-Isaacs
Usborne • BB • £7.99
ISBN 9781836042419
9th October • 0+

Help this little reindeer get ready for Christmas by stroking its velvety ears better after a prickly encounter with some holly, rubbing its cold nose warm in the snow, and giving it an encouraging pat on its soft, furry back!

Glow
Nicola Edwards &
Sophie Ledesma
Little Tiger • BB • £12.99
ISBN 9781838918453
1+

Oh no, Firefly has lost his sparkle! As he travels across land, sky and sea, can his bright new friends help him rediscover a shine that is all his own? Parents and children alike will be enchanted by this quirky light-up sound book.



The Magical Orchestra
Lauren Crisp &
Ella Hobbis
Little Tiger • HB • £16.99
ISBN 9781838918613
2nd October • 2+
Explore the magic of the classical orchestra with this beautiful gift book, complete with 20 marvellous musical sounds. Perfect for little musicians and woodland animal lovers!



Tiger, It's Snowing!
Daishu Ma
Post Wave • PB • £7.99
ISBN 9781836270355
30th October • 2+

Find your way with Tiger and Mei in this touching story of fun, friendship and embracing new experiences. It's the perfect snow-filled adventure for little ones!



How Many Sleeps Until Christmas?!
Rebecca Patterson & Luciano Lozano
Happy Yak • PB • £7.99
ISBN 9781836003014
9th October • 2+
Join the countdown to Christmas in this festive family frolic of a picture book! This hilarious and heart-warming story features everyone's favourite Christmas activities and captures the exciting build-up to the big day.

Five-Minute Bedtime Stories
Sam Taplin & Ag Jatkowska
Usborne • HB • £9.99
ISBN 9781836045458
2+

The eleven little stories in this beautifully illustrated collection are just the right length for young children to enjoy before going to sleep. The stories feature a cast of endearing animal characters making friends and having fun together.



One Cat, Two Cats
Jonathan Emmett & Rob Hodgson
Nosy Crow • BB • £12.99
ISBN 9781805136125
2+

A joyful, laugh-out-loud counting picture book with plenty of cat-itude! In this interactive counting book with rhyming text, sturdy flaps and surprising pop-ups, you will meet 20 funny felines in lots of silly scenarios!



The House with the Little Red Door
Grace Easton
Thames & Hudson
HB • £14.99
ISBN 9780500653494
23rd October • 2+
When Mouse loses his home in a snowstorm, Olivia tries her best to find a new house for mouse, but what makes a house a home? This sweet story, with jaw-dropping illustrations, is the perfect cosy tale for bedtime.

PICTURE BOOKS



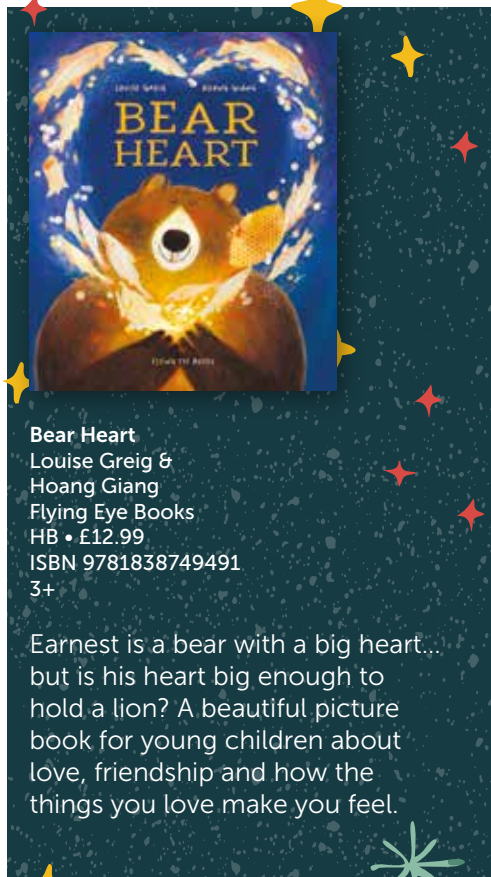
How to Find a Yeti

Matt Hunt
Nosy Crow
 HB • £12.99
 ISBN 9781805136477
 9th October • 2+
 A little boy is certain that a yeti lives in the forest behind his house. With his dog, Milo, he searches everywhere! Join the hunt with this magical hide-and-seek adventure featuring a boy, a dog and (maybe) a yeti...

Good Night, Earth

Rose Davidson & Ester Gouw
Lonely Planet Kids
 HB • £15.99
 ISBN 9781837584796
 2+

Settle down for the evening with this cosy read. Discover uplifting stories about our amazing world at night with 5-minute tales about the setting sun, nocturnal creatures, constellations.



Bear Heart

Louise Greig & Hoang Giang
Flying Eye Books
 HB • £12.99
 ISBN 9781838749491
 3+

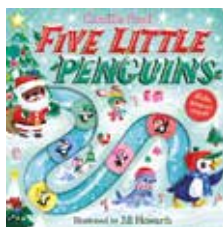
Earnest is a bear with a big heart... but is his heart big enough to hold a lion? A beautiful picture book for young children about love, friendship and how the things you love make you feel.



The Pigeon WON'T Count to 10!

Mo Willems
Union Square Kids
 BB • £7.99
 ISBN 9781454965176
 3+

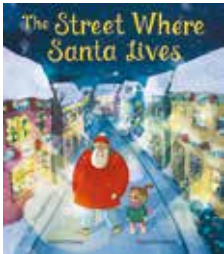
The Pigeon won't count to ten, and here's why: Reasonably reasonable reason #1: He doesn't want to! Practically perfect reason #2: He already counted yesterday! And perfectly obvious reason #3: He has THINGS to do!



Five Little Penguins

Camilla Reid & Jill Howarth
Macmillan Children's
 BB • £7.99
 ISBN 9781035031856
 9th October • 3+

An adorable interactive counting book with a festive twist on a favourite nursery rhyme, complete with richly detailed snowy scenes and penguin buttons to slide around each page!



The Street Where Santa Lives

Harriet Howe & Julia Christians

Little Tiger

HB • £12.99

ISBN 9781838918576

2nd October • 3+

When an old man moves in next door, everyone is too busy to notice. Except for one little girl, who's absolutely sure he must be Santa Claus! This story celebrates a community coming together for Christmas.



Milo and the Mountain

Jamie Carroll

The O'Brien Press

HB • £13.99

ISBN 9781788495257

3+

Milo wants to climb the Mountain. He really does. But the Mountain is HUGE and Milo is scared. Can he ever reach the top? Yes, he can. With just a little help from his friends!



The Day the Jungle-Net Broke

Marlene Lammers & Ian Smith

New Frontier Publishing

PB • £8.99

ISBN 9781916790568

3+

When the jungle-net breaks, Miles the Monkey panics. Without his i-tree, how will he tree-time his family? But with all this time on his hands, and no screens around, Miles discovers there's a bit more to a good monkey-life than he realised.

The Twelve Days of Christmas

Brian Wildsmith

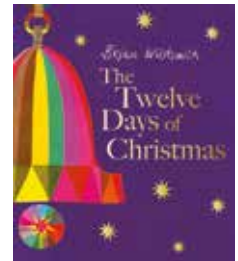
Oxford Children's

PB • £7.99

ISBN 9781382070751

27th October • 3+

The classic Christmas song *The Twelve Days of Christmas* is made truly magical in the masterful hands of acclaimed illustrator, Brian Wildsmith. It's a wonderful festive treat to share at Christmas time.



Paddington's Twelve Days of Christmas

Michael Bond &

Karen Jankel

HarperCollins Children's

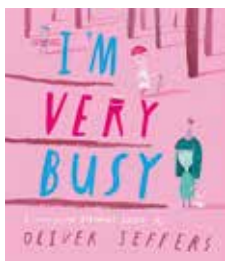
HB • £12.99

ISBN 9780008664572

3+

Celebrate Christmas with everyone's favourite bear! While the Brown family sings about their wonderful gifts, Paddington can't even find the partridge in a pear tree...

PICTURE & NOVELTY BOOKS



I'm Very Busy
 Oliver Jeffers
 HarperCollins Children's
 HB • £14.99
 ISBN 9780008771911
 9th October • 3+
 This picture book shows how friends are far more important than the busy-ness of a day. Oliver Jeffers' bold and brilliant art pairs with a powerful story that makes readers realise what truly matters.



My First Lift-the-Flap Dinosaur Atlas
 Kate Baker &
 Teresa Bellón
 Lonely Planet Kids
 HB • £11.99
 ISBN 9781837586226
 12th October • 3+
 Discover the ROARSOME world of dinosaurs with this beautifully illustrated lift-the-flap book for dino-mad kids. Learn all about where they lived, what they ate and how they spent their days.

Scooter Dog

Lo Cole
 Rocket Bird Books
 HB • £12.99
 ISBN 9781915395337
 3+

When Eddie the super-fast scooter dog has a bad crash that leaves his scooter out of action, his friend Thelma shows him all the magical things you only discover when you slow down and walk.

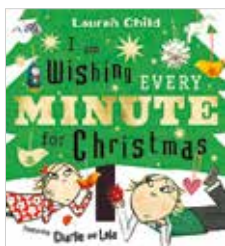


Bear's Nap
 Emily Gravett
 Two Hoots • HB • £12.99
 ISBN 9781035074433
 3+

A sweet, funny story about an adorable bear trying to sleep... with a host of animal noises that children will love to join in with, from double Kate Greenaway award winner, Emily Gravett.



I Follow the Fox
 Rob Biddulph
 HarperCollins Children's
 PB • £7.99
 ISBN 9780008627706
 9th October • 3+
 A heartwarming tale that follows a boy and a beautiful fox as they go on a special winter adventure through the city, past snowy meadows and on icy rivers, helping each other along the way.



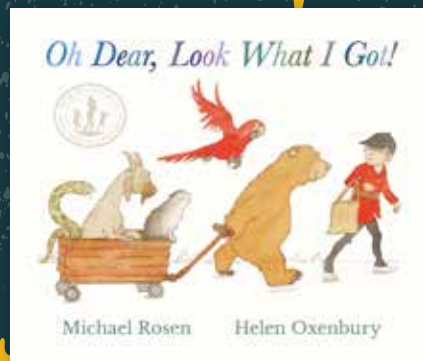
I Am Wishing Every Minute for Christmas
 Lauren Child
 Simon & Schuster
 Children's • HB • £12.99
 ISBN 9781398542792
 9th October • 3+
 A completely NEW and original picture book to celebrate 25 years of the iconic Charlie and Lola! A hugely relatable and funny story about that familiar 'when is it Christmas?!' impatience from award-winning Lauren Child.

Wind-Up Santa's Sleigh

Fiona Watt & Simona Sanfilippo
 Usborne • BB • £17.99
 ISBN 9781836041573
 9th October • 3+
 It's nearly Christmas... time for Santa to deliver the presents. But he needs a little help, so you'd better wind up the sleigh! There are four tracks for the sleigh to zoom around in this enchanting festive story.



Santa Story Jigsaw Book
 Kate Nolan & Violeta Dabija
 Usborne • BB • £8.99
 ISBN 9781836043348
 23rd October • 3+
 This book follows Santa as he gets ready for the most magical night of the year. Packed with charming details to spot, each snowy double-page scene also houses a nine-piece jigsaw for little children to complete.



Oh Dear, Look What I Got!
 Michael Rosen & Helen Oxenbury
 Walker Books • HB • £12.99
 ISBN 9781529510898
 3+

Michael Rosen and Helen Oxenbury, the duo behind the bestselling classic *We're Going on a Bear Hunt*, reunite for another timeless picture book tale with an irrepressible rhythm.



Christmas Lights on Mistletoe Street
 Kate Thompson & Natelle Quek
 Puffin • PB • £7.99
 ISBN 9780241621189
 9th October • 3+
 A heartwarming festive picture book celebrating the importance of community from new talent Kate Thompson and brought to life by Natelle Quek. This book is perfect for sharing with the whole family at Christmas.

PICTURE & NOVELTY BOOKS



Mr Santa

Jarvis

Walker Books

PB • £7.99

ISBN 9781529523195

3+

Much loved author and illustrator, Jarvis, turns his dreamy art style and whimsical voice to this heartwarming festive treat, where a young girl seizes the chance to ask Santa all the questions she can think of!



Little Snail Goes House-Hunting

Bia Melo

Happy Yak • PB • £7.99

ISBN 9780711292321

3+

Follow a little snail on her thoughtful and amusing quest to find a new house. A house that's interesting, fun and unusual – just like her. Will Little Snail find her perfect home? Perhaps it's closer than she thinks...



Supertato: We Wish You a Veggie Christmas!

Sue Hendra & Paul Linnet

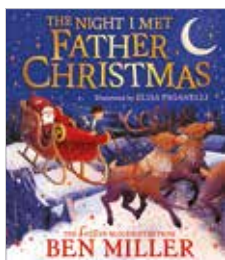
Simon & Schuster Children's

PB • £7.99

ISBN 9781398532151

23rd October • 3+

When the Evil Pea gets hold of a powerful shrinking machine and shrinks the veggies to the size of tiny Christmas baubles, will Christmas be CANCELLED?! Or will Santa's little helpers find a way to save the day?



The Night I Met Father Christmas

Ben Miller &

Elisa Paganelli

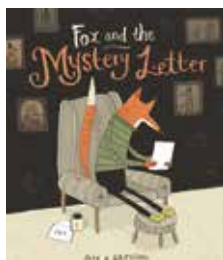
Simon & Schuster

Children's • PB • £7.99

ISBN 9781398515802

6th November • 3+

Come on a magical Christmas Eve journey in Santa's sleigh and meet the man himself, in an enchanting picture book from bestselling author, actor and comedian, Ben Miller.



Fox and the Mystery Letter

Alex G Griffiths

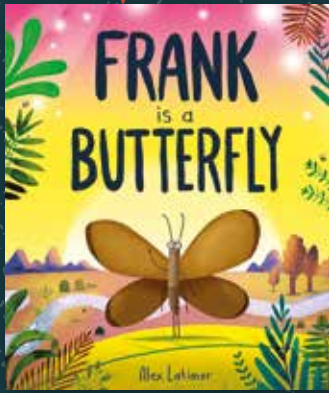
Frances Lincoln

Children's • PB • £7.99

ISBN 9781836001096

3+

In the dense forest, in a lonely cottage, lives Fox. Fox is perfectly happy all by himself – until one day, a letter arrives... An irresistible mystery in a witty, whimsical picture book – with themes of friendship and forgiveness.



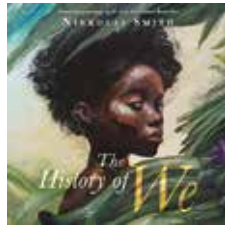
Frank is a Butterfly
 Alex Latimer
 Oxford Children's
 PB • £7.99
 ISBN 9781382063753
 3+

Unlike his colourful friends, Frank is a very plain caterpillar. But he sees the beauty of the world and appreciates what he does have in this joyful tale from Alex Latimer.

The History of We

Nikkolas Smith
 Rock the Boat
 PB • £8.99
 ISBN 9781836431411
 4+

Through stunning paintings and prose by award-winning artist Nikkolas Smith, *The History of We* is a celebration of our shared ancestry and creative heritage. "A rich and beautifully told history of humanity... Sublime" Joseph Coelho



Listen to the Music at Christmas

Marie Richards &
 Skylar White
 Wide Eyed Editions
 HB • £16.99
 ISBN 9781836005827
 9th October • 5+



This book is the perfect way to introduce little ones to timeless pieces that conjure the spirit of Christmas from around the world. Join two little children as they meet the composers and hear all about the pieces we love the best at Christmas.



The Night Before Christmas in Neverland

Carys Bexington &
 Kate Hindley
 Macmillan Children's
 PB • £7.99
 ISBN 9781529078367
 16th October • 4+
 This is NO ordinary Night Before Christmas! Saint Nick is off to Neverland in a big-hearted Christmas adventure from the pairing behind *The Night Before Christmas in Wonderland*.

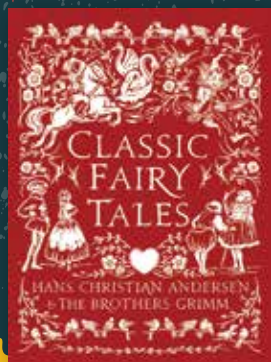


Little People, BIG DREAMS: Advent Calendar

Maria Isabel &
 Sanchez Vegara
 Frances Lincoln
 Children's • HB • £21.99
 ISBN 9781836008316
 6+

Unwrap Christmas magic with this advent calendar of 24 mini books from the *Little People, BIG DREAMS* series. Inside each envelope, children will find stories about inspirational people.

YOUNG READS



Classic Fairy Tales

Hans Christian Andersen &
The Brothers Grimm
Bloomsbury Education
HB • £16.99
ISBN 9781801997751
9th October • 5+

An enchanting hardback collection of fairy tales, illustrated with stunning vintage artwork, from the Golden Age of children's book illustration. Features *The Little Mermaid*, *Red Riding Hood* and many others.



Unicornia: The Frozen Palace

Ana Punset
Walker Books
PB • £6.99
ISBN 9781529529920
9th October • 5+
Join Claudia and her friends on their festive adventure to the magical Frozen Palace in the fifth book in the bestselling unicorn adventure series! A highly-illustrated chapter book perfect for children aged 5 and above.

Winnie-the-Pooh 100th Anniversary Edition

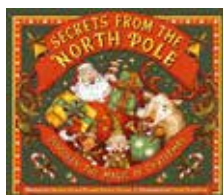
A.A.Milne &
E.H.Shepard
Farshore • HB • £20.00
ISBN 9780008645984
9th October • 5+
This special anniversary collection of the classic Winnie-the-Pooh stories will delight fans young and old. Relive your favourite moments in the Hundred Acre Wood, brought stunningly to life with decorations by E.H.Shepard.



Unicorn Post

Emma Yarlett
Walker Books
HB • £12.99
ISBN 9781529525175
5+

On a day full of rainbows, a little girl finds a unicorn knocking on the door of her treehouse. A vibrant picture book by Emma Yarlett, packed full of magic and interactive surprises!



Secrets from the North Pole

Saskia Gwinn &
Daria Danilova
Frances Lincoln
Children's • HB • £20.00
ISBN 9781836005735
9th October • 6+

A charmingly illustrated book about the magic of Christmas and the inner workings of the North Pole. Featuring a beautiful gold-foil-embossed cover and ribbon marker, it's for families to treasure in the run up to the festive season.

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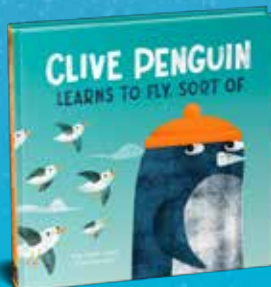
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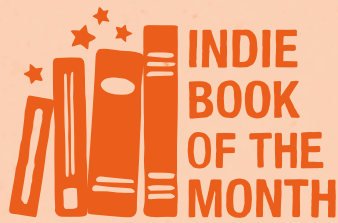
Second Prize: A Clive Penguin plush and signed copies of *Clive Penguin* and *Clive Penguin Learns to Fly, Sort Of*

Three Runners-up will win signed copies of *Clive Penguin* and *Clive Penguin Learns to Fly, Sort Of*

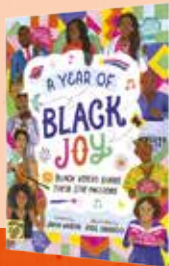
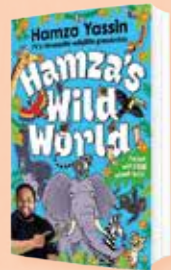


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CHILDREN'S BOOK OF THE MONTH 2025

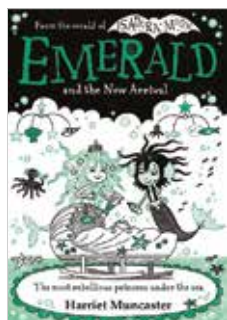


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YOUNG READS



Emerald and the New Arrival

Harriet Muncaster
Oxford Children's
PB • £6.99
ISBN 9780192784070
5+

Meet Emerald – the most rebellious princess under the sea! In this story, Emerald's mum is expecting a baby and Emerald is feeling a little unsure about being a big sister... but she'll soon realize that family life is full of surprises!

Isadora Moon and the Pop Stars

Harriet Muncaster
Oxford Children's
HB • £9.99
ISBN 9780192787866
2nd October • 5+
Isadora has been invited to go to a pop concert with her friend, Araminta. She has never seen a band like Glitterbat before. She can't wait to show the dance moves to her friends at school. But will they understand?



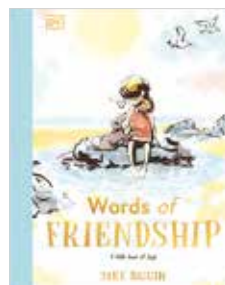
Good Bits

Kes Gray & Ruby Wright
DK flip • PB • £8.99
ISBN 9780241720608
6+

From a spaceship flight into a Black Hole, to a town plagued by zombie beavers; this collection of the best bits of stories by bestselling author Kes Gray will excite and inspire young readers.

Words of Friendship

Jake Biggin
DK • HB • £12.99
ISBN 9780241760635
6th November • 6+
This is the perfect gift for anyone in need of a little hope and comfort. With charming illustrations throughout, this book is an ideal story to remind us that we're not alone.



GORDON
THE MEANEST GOOSE ON EARTH
IN THE CITY



Gordon the Meanest Goose on Earth: In the City

Alex Latimer
Oxford Children's
PB • £6.99
ISBN 9780192788672
2nd October • 5+

Join THE MEANEST GOOSE ON EARTH as he tries to change his ways. In this story, Gordon is invited to a fancy award ceremony in the Big City and is reunited with the original mean goose – his mum!

CHILDREN'S FICTION & POETRY



Children of the Throne

Joseph Coelho &
Richard Johnson
Frances Lincoln
Children's • HB • £12.99
ISBN 9780711289536
5+

A gentle, poetic story about working together, building communities and living in sync with nature. This important first look at climate change and protecting the natural world is brought to life by emotive illustrations.



This is Not a Small Voice

Traci N. Todd &
Jade Orlando
Nosy Crow
HB • £20.00
ISBN 9781805132646
7+

A beautiful, bold and moving collection of 100 poems by Black poets for the whole family to treasure. Stunningly illustrated throughout, this is a brilliant tribute to the rich literary history and bright future of Black writing.



The Dog is Full of Love

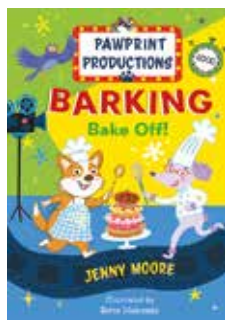
Lou Peacock & John Bond
Nosy Crow • HB • £9.99
ISBN 9781805134312
6+

Loyal, cheerful, kind and very silly, dogs steal all the space in the bed, and they steal our hearts too. With over 30 poems, this warm and witty collection is the perfect celebration of everyone's favourite pet.

Pawprint Productions:

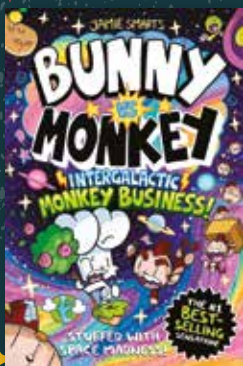
Barking Bake Off!

Jenny Moore &
Berta Maluenda
New Frontier Publishing
PB • £8.99
ISBN 9781916790933
9th October • 6+
Everybody loves a baking show, but not when the finished cakes come with a health warning! Has Corgi Joe lost his cooking touch or is something sinister going on behind the scenes at Pawprint Productions?



The Diary of Wiska Wildflower: The New School

Harriet Muncaster
Oxford Children's
PB • £7.99
ISBN 9781382054263
2nd October • 7+
Meet Wiska Wildflower, a little wiskling with big creative ideas. Her family have just moved to Twitching and she's excited to start at her new school, but making true friendships won't be easy...



Bunny Vs Monkey: Intergalactic Monkey Business
 Jamie Smart
 DFB Phoenix • HB • £12.99
 ISBN 9781788453271
 9th October • 7+

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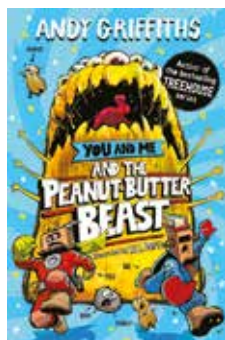
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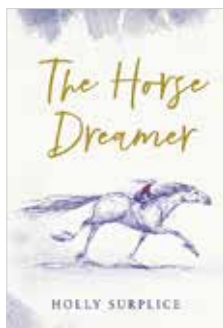


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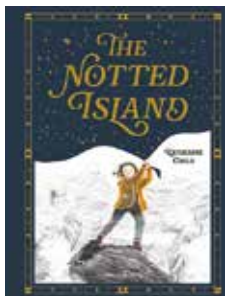
A celebration of the incredible life of Josephine Baker, chronicling her journey from an impoverished childhood to beloved actress, dancer and wartime heroine – giving an insight into the challenges she faced.



The World of Skandar: The First Unicorn Rider

A.F. Steadman
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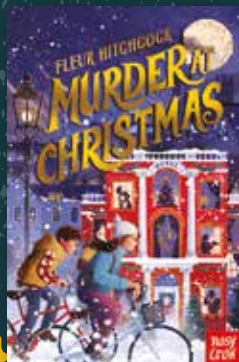


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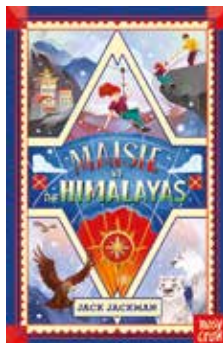
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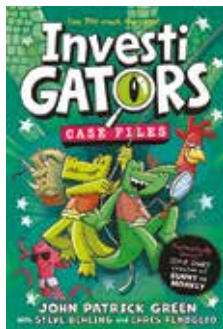
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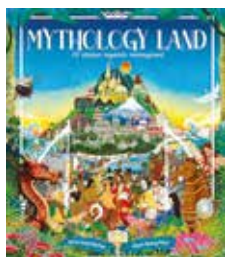
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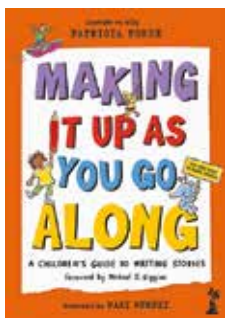


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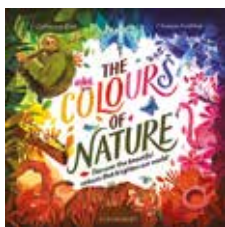
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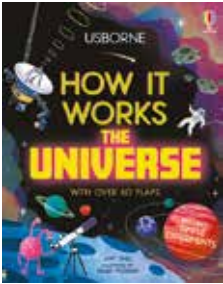
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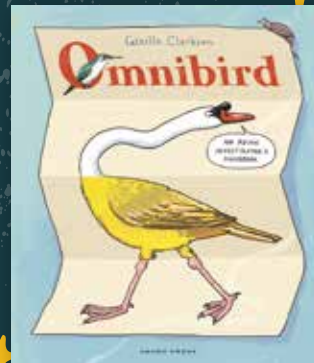


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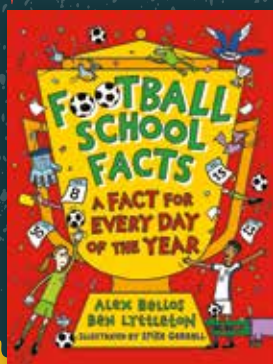
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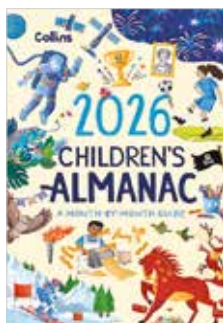
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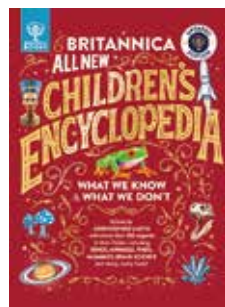
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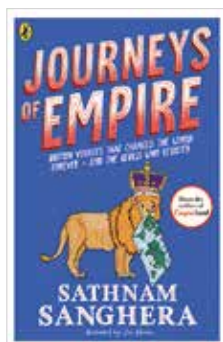


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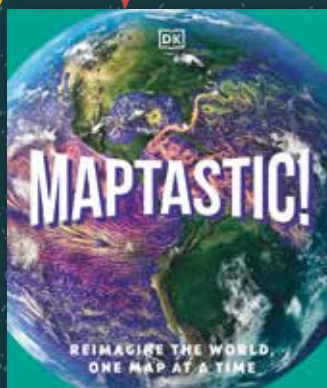
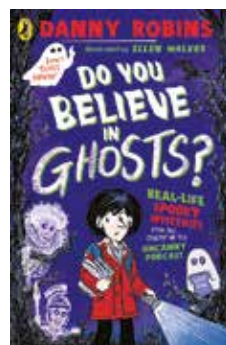
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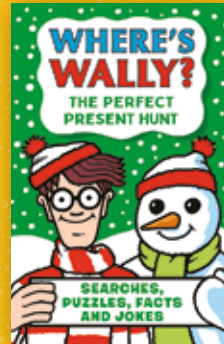
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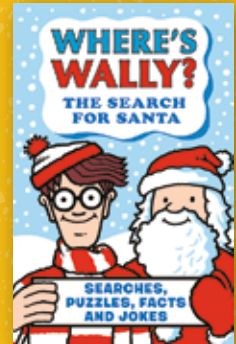


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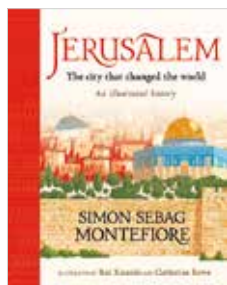
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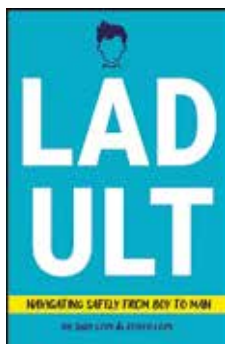
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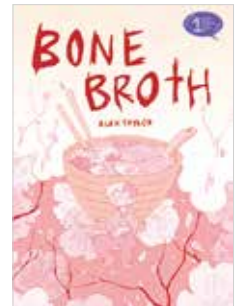
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