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INTRODUCTION



I'll always be thankful to independent bookshops for helping to launch my career by getting behind my first novel, *The Lido*. It was a book with community at its heart so it felt very special to have the support of the bookshop community when it came out. Some of the highlights of my life as an author have been meeting readers at wonderful events organised by indie bookshops.

I often hear from readers who discovered me and my books through a recommendation from their local bookshop, which just goes to show why indie bookshops are so special. If you are stuck on what to read next you will find your answer in an indie bookshop. And for authors like me they are brilliant at connecting books and authors with readers, often surprising readers by choices they might not have considered and in turn finding new readerships for writers.

I know that independent bookshops will be a key part of the publishing campaign when my fifth novel *The Lifeline* (a follow up to *The Lido*) comes out in April 2024.

But times are tough for independent businesses and bookshops which is why it's more important than ever to support our bookshops. Our towns and cities are richer and brighter when there's an independent bookshop at the heart of

the community. Because bookshops are more than just shops – they are places where book lovers come together, where reading is celebrated and where connections are made.

I for one will be doing plenty of my Christmas shopping at my local independent bookshop this year. There's such a brilliant range of books out there that it's always possible to find something even for the trickiest family member. Especially if you have your local indie bookshop on hand to give recommendations. Just a few of the books on my list this year are *The Wake-Up Call* by Beth O'Leary, *A Country Christmas* by Veronica Henry, Dolly Alderton's *Good Material* and *Before we say Goodbye* by Toshikazu Kawaguchi, the latest in the *Before the Coffee gets Cold* series, which I find utterly charming.

As we near the end of 2023 I'd like to say a big thank you to bookshops and readers for all their support.

Happy Christmas, and happy reading.

Libby Page

The Lifeline by Libby Page will be published on 25th April 2024.

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FICTION



The Hidden Years

Rachel Hore
Simon & Schuster
HB • £16.99
ISBN 9781398517936
A new novel from the bestselling author, which follows Belle in the 1960s as she leaves her university course to be a singer and join a commune in Cornwall, and Imogen, a nurse in the 1940s, as their stories entwine.



The Stellar Debut of Galactica MacFee

Alexander McCall Smith
Polygon • HB • £17.99
ISBN 9781846976414
2nd November
Glasgow for Bertie is the promised land. The city of pies and Irn Bru, far from his controlling mother, Irene – his place of escape. But how will he respond to the news of the proposed merging of Edinburgh and Glasgow? The 17th book in the series.

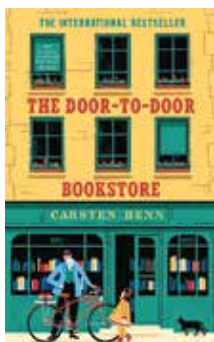
Tom Lake

Ann Patchett
Bloomsbury
HB • £18.99
ISBN 9781526664273
It's spring and, during lockdown on her cherry orchard, Lara tells her three grown-up daughters all about the time she dated Peter Duke, a famous movie star. A moving novel about love, family and revisiting the past.



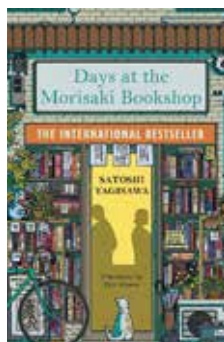
Welcome to the Hyunam-dong Bookshop

Hwang Bo-reum
Bloomsbury
HB • £14.99
ISBN 9781526662279
26th October
A heartwarming novel about a bookshop in a quaint suburb of Seoul which serves its community. After burn out from her job and a failed marriage, Yeongju follows her dream and opens the Hyunam-dong Bookshop.



The Door-to-Door Bookstore

Carsten Henn
Manilla Press
HB • £14.99
ISBN 9781786583062
9th November
A poignant tale of the value of friendship, the magic of reading, and the power of books to unite us all. Carl works hard delivering books for his loyal customers. But then his job at the bookstore is threatened...



Days At the Morisaki Bookshop

Satoshi Yagisawa
Manilla Press
PB • £10.99
ISBN 9781786583239
Hidden in Jimbocho, Tokyo, the Morisaki Bookshop is a booklover's paradise. The Japanese bestseller: a tale of love, new beginnings, and the comfort that can be found between the pages of a good book.

FICTION



The Book of Fire
Christy Lefteri
Manilla Press
HB • £16.99
ISBN 9781786581563
Internationally bestselling author Christy Lefteri returns with a dazzling new novel, about one family struggling to recover from trauma, set against the backdrop of the forest fires of Greece.



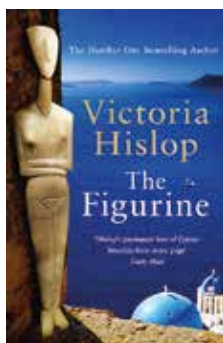
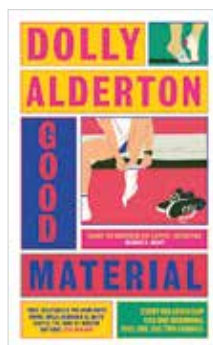
The Seventh Son
Sebastian Faulks
Hutchinson Heinemann
HB • £22.00
ISBN 9781529153200
When a young American academic offers to carry another woman's child, she has no idea of the life-changing consequences. A thought-provoking new novel from the author of *Birdsong* and *Human Traces*.



Red Dust, White Snow
Pan Huiting
Fairlight • £8.99
ISBN 9781914148408

An office worker receives a mysterious device promising to transport her to a parallel universe, in this sharp and wryly humorous novel which highlights the blurring of reality and fantasy in our increasingly virtual world.

Good Material
Dolly Alderton
Fig Tree • HB • £18.99
ISBN 9780241523667
9th November
Every relationship has one beginning. This one has two endings. Andy loves Jen. Jen loved Andy. And he can't work out why she stopped. A new novel from the author of *Everything I Know About Love*.



The Figurine
Victoria Hislop
Headline Review
HB • £25.00
ISBN 9781472263933
28th September
In her irresistible new novel, Victoria Hislop shines a light on the questionable acquisition of cultural treasures and the price people – and countries – will pay to cling on to them.

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Monica Heisey

Fourth Estate

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ISBN 9780008511760

28th September

An irresistible debut novel about the uncertainties of modern love, friendship and happiness. Maggie's marriage has ended just 608 days after it started, but she's fine – she's doing really good, actually...



The Future

Naomi Alderman

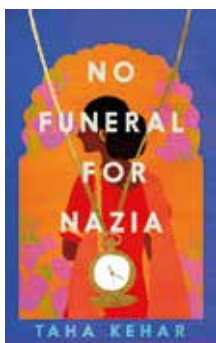
Fourth Estate

HB • £20.00

ISBN 9780008309138

7th November

An extraordinary page-turning speculative novel and a dazzling literary exploration of how we live now and where the world is going, from the award-winning author of *The Power and Disobedience*.



No Funeral for Nazia

Taha Kehar

Neem Tree Press

PB • £9.99

ISBN 9781911107743

19th October

Nazia Sami is a celebrated author who has died, but perhaps her greatest plot twist is yet to be produced. There is to be no funeral for Nazia. Instead, only six invitees are asked to attend a party, one of whom is a mystery guest...



Before We Say Goodbye

Toshikazu Kawaguchi

Picador • HB • £14.99

ISBN 9781035023424

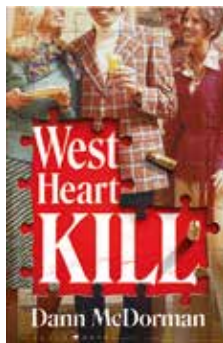
The fourth novel in the sensational *Before the Coffee Gets Cold* series featuring visitors to a Tokyo café who are able to time travel, as long as they follow the rules – they must return to the present before the coffee gets cold.

CRIME & THRILLER



Holly

Stephen King
 Hodder & Stoughton
 HB • £25.00
 ISBN 9781399712910
 Holly Gibney, one of Stephen King's most compelling and ingeniously resourceful characters, returns in this thrilling novel to solve the gruesome truth behind multiple disappearances in a Midwestern town.



West Heart Kill

Dann McDorman
 Raven Books
 HB • £16.99
 ISBN 9781526666222
 24th October
 An outrageously original and imaginative murder mystery that is both a love letter to the greats of classic crime fiction and a fiendishly brilliant puzzle the likes of which you will never have read before.



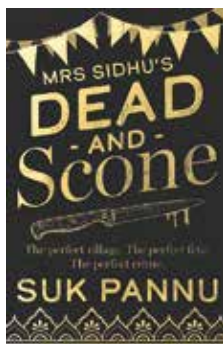
Who Killed Father Christmas? & Other Seasonal Mysteries

Edited by Martin Edwards
 British Library Publishing
 PB • £10.99
 ISBN 9780712354783
 10th October

The murder of Father Christmas at one of London's great toy shops is just one of many yuletide disasters in this new collection of short stories from the Golden Age of crime writing and beyond.

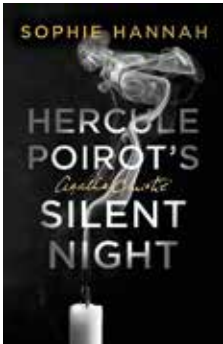
Over My Dead Body

Maz Evans
 Headline • HB • £16.99
 ISBN 9781035402304
 An original, hilarious and heart-warming novel about a woman investigating her own death. Unless Dr Miriam Price can prove she was murdered, she's condemned to 50 years in limbo...



Mrs Sidhu's Dead & Scone

Suk Pannu
 HarperFiction
 HB • £16.99
 ISBN 9780008562922
 12th October
 A tasty case for Mrs Sidhu – unofficial Auntie to everyone, caterer, and amateur sleuth from Slough – who spices up the lives of Berkshire's elite with both her mouth-watering dishes and her sharp detective skills.

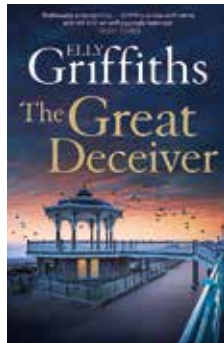


Hercule Poirot's Silent Night

Sophie Hannah
HarperFiction
HB • £22.00
ISBN 9780008380793
26th October
The world's greatest detective, Hercule Poirot – legendary star of Agatha Christie's *Murder on the Orient Express* and *Death on the Nile* – puts his little grey cells to work solving a baffling Christmas mystery in this new novel.

The Great Deceiver

Elly Griffiths
Quercus • HB • £22.00
ISBN 9781529409901
24th October
The next gripping volume in *The Brighton Mysteries* series. Magician Max Mephisto is now divorced and living in London, but he can be persuaded out of semi-retirement to investigate the murder of a magician's assistant?



The Christmas Jigsaw Murders

Alexandra Benedict
Simon & Schuster
HB • £14.99
ISBN 9781398525375
9th November

From the author of *The Christmas Murder Game* and *Murder on the Christmas Express* comes an intriguing new mystery. When Christmas sceptic Carla Murphy receives some jigsaw pieces in the post, a surprising case begins.



77 North

D.L. Marshall
Canelo Action
PB • £9.99
ISBN 9781804364314
The third novel from the acclaimed author of *Anthrax Island* and *Black Run*. An agent the world thinks is dead can be useful. John Tyler has gone rogue, pursuing an international vendetta against those responsible for killing his brother.



A Thief's Justice

Douglas Skelton
Canelo Adventure
PB • £9.99
ISBN 9781804365472
2nd November
Set in London in 1716, this novel follows Jonas Flynt – thief, gambler, killer – as he investigates the murder of Justice Geoffrey Dumont. Can he prove the innocence of young sex worker Sam Yates before he is hanged?

ROMANCE & SAGA



A Nobleman's Guide to Seducing a Scoundrel

K.J. Charles
Sourcebooks

Casablanca • PB • £8.99
ISBN 9781728289380

A sweeping LGBTQIA+ Regency romance. Major Rufus d'Aumesty has unexpectedly become the Earl of Oxney. Luke Doomsday, son of a notorious smuggling clan, should be his enemy... but becomes his lover.



10 Things that Never Happened

Alexis Hall
Sourcebooks

Casablanca • PB • £8.99
ISBN 9781728245102

17th October

A hilarious LGBTQIA+ romcom about identity, mistaken first impressions, and a serious case of (faux) amnesia, part of the *London Calling* series which began with *Boyfriend Material*.

The Gingerbread Christmas Village

Kiley Dunbar

Hera • PB • £8.99

ISBN 9781804364598

For decades, the Wheaton gingerbread grotto has been a mainstay of the Cotswold hamlet's Christmas celebrations. But now, support is dwindling... can Margi and her new bakers save the Gingerbread Grotto and their Christmas spirit?



A Country Christmas

Victoria Henry

Orion • PB • £9.99

ISBN 9781398715219

12th October

This first book in the *Honeycote* series follows Lucy as she prepares for Christmas in the Cotswolds with her husband Mickey. But she suspects there may be a few secrets waiting under the Christmas tree...



The Wake-Up Call

Beth O'Leary

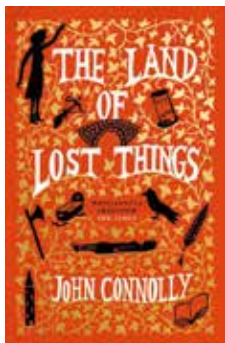
Quercus • HB • £16.99

ISBN 9781529418248

26th September

It's the busiest time of the year, and Forest Manor Hotel is quite literally falling apart. So when sworn enemies Izzy and Lucas are given the same shift on the hotel's front desk, they have no choice but to put their differences aside.

FANTASY & MYTH



The Land of Lost Things

John Connolly
Hodder & Stoughton
HB • £18.99

ISBN 9781529391800

A sequel of sorts to *The Book of Lost Things*, this is an entirely new, self-contained story that uses the framework of that same world to explore all the things that matter: love, loyalty, sacrifice.



The Hurricane Wars

Thea Guanzon
HarperVoyager
HB • £18.99

ISBN 9780008555832

12th October

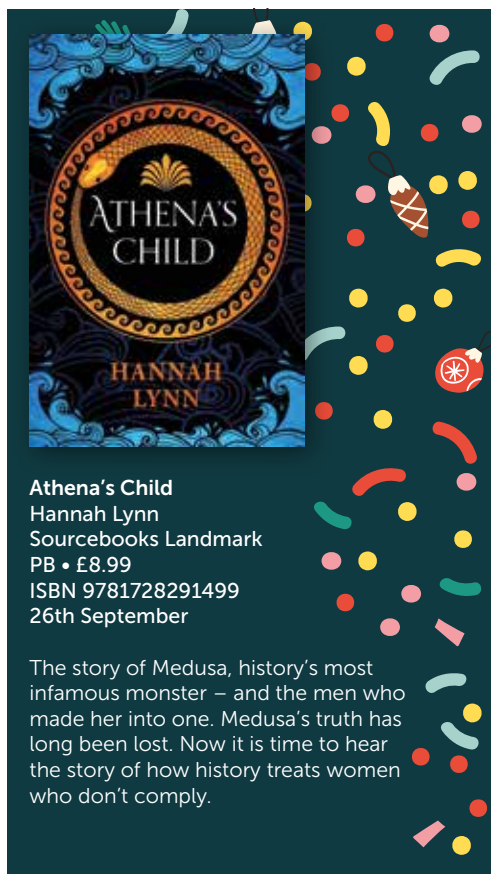
A brilliant fantasy debut set in a Southeast Asian-inspired world. The Night Empire will rule all. Nothing can stand in the way of its might and power. And yet, there is hope in the darkness. One lone light stands against the empire...

Herc

Phoenicia Rogerson
HQ • HB • £16.99

ISBN 9780008589820

Told with humour and heart, this novel is a feminist, queer retelling of the Hercules myth. It's the story of his friends, his enemies, his wives, his children, his lovers, his rivals, his gods and his victims.



Athena's Child

Hannah Lynn
Sourcebooks Landmark
PB • £8.99

ISBN 9781728291499

26th September

The story of Medusa, history's most infamous monster – and the men who made her into one. Medusa's truth has long been lost. Now it is time to hear the story of how history treats women who don't comply.



Sword Catcher

Cassandra Clare
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The first book in a sweeping new fantasy series from the author of *The Shadowhunter Chronicles*, in which two outcasts find themselves at the centre of world-altering change.

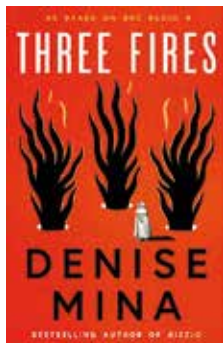
HISTORICAL & CLASSIC FICTION



Nineteen Steps

Millie Bobby Brown
HQ • HB • £16.99
ISBN 9780008530266

Inspired by the true events of her family history, this debut novel from star Millie Bobby Brown is a moving tale of longing, loss and secrets, and the lengths that we will go to fight for love, set in London in the 1940s.



Three Fires

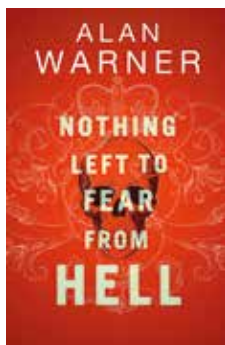
Denise Mina
Polygon • HB • £10.00
ISBN 9781846976384

A book that draws parallels between the censorship of medieval Florence under Girolamo Savonarola and the culture wars of the present day. It immerses you in the tension of a city battling against corruption and fanaticism.

Nothing Left to Fear from Hell

Alan Warner
Polygon • HB • £10.00
ISBN 9781846975691

The latest title in the critically acclaimed *Darkland Tales* series. In the aftermath of the disastrous Battle of Culloden, a lonely figure takes flight through the Hebrides. His name is Charles Edward Stuart: better known today as Bonnie Prince Charlie.



Fair Rosaline

Natasha Solomons
Manilla Press
HB • £14.99
ISBN 9781786582645

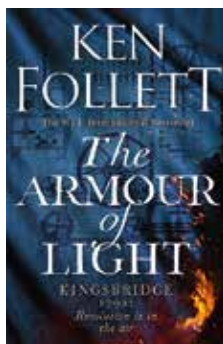
An extraordinary feminist retelling of Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet* from the point of view of Rosaline, the woman Romeo loved first. When Romeo turns his attention to Rosaline's 13-year-old cousin Juliet, can Rosaline save her?



All The Light We Cannot See

Anthony Doerr
Fourth Estate
PB • £9.99
ISBN 9780008548353

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The bestselling, award-winning novel about a blind French girl and a German boy whose paths collide in occupied France as both try to survive the devastation of the Second World War. Soon to be a major Netflix series!



The Armour of Light

Ken Follett
Macmillan • HB • £25.00
ISBN 9781447278832

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The Turnglass

Gareth Rubin
Simon & Schuster

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ISBN 9781398514492

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The Witches of Vardø

Anya Bergman
Manilla Press

PB • £9.99

ISBN 9781786581952

28th September
Norway, 1662 – a dangerous time to be a woman. When Zigri's is sent to the fortress at Vardø to be tried as a witch, her daughter Ingeborg sets off into the wilderness to try to bring her mother back home.

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Susan Hill

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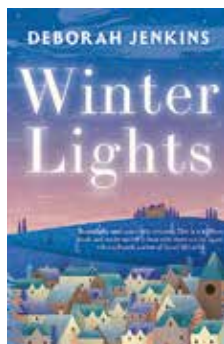
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FICTION & POETRY



Stories for Winter & Nights by the Fire
 Edited by Simon Thomas
 British Library Publishing
 PB • £9.99
 ISBN 9780712354691
 12th October
 A collection of short stories that take their inspiration from the cold, snowy season, all written by celebrated female authors as part of the Women Writers series.



Winter Lights
 Deborah Jenkins
 Fairlight • PB • £9.99
 ISBN 9781914148576
 9th November
 Told through a series of heartwarming and uplifting short stories, this book explores the complexities, struggles and joys of everyday life in the small town of Henford, as families prepare for the holiday season.

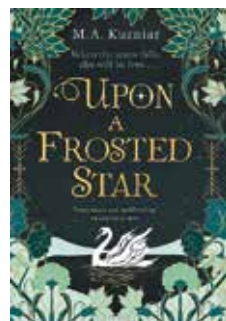
The Winter Spirits

Sphere • HB • £16.99
 ISBN 9781408727584
 19th October
 From the creators of *The Haunting Season* comes a spellbinding new collection of never-before-seen ghostly tales, authored by twelve of the biggest names in historical and gothic fiction.



Upon A Frosted Star

M.A. Kuzniar
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 ISBN 9780008450717
 From the author of *Midnight in Everwood* comes another literary fairy tale, with echoes of *The Great Gatsby* and *Swan Lake*. When struggling artist, Forster, finds an invitation to a glamorous party, it's the start of an adventure.



Rouge
 Mona Awad
 Scribner • HB • £16.99
 ISBN 9781398504936
 From the author of *Bunny* comes a horror-tinted, gothic fairy tale about a lonely dress shop clerk whose mother's unexpected death sends her down a treacherous path in pursuit of youth and beauty.



Winter Love
 Han Suyin
 Fox, Finch & Tepper
 PB • £10.99
 ISBN 9781739462505
 2nd November
 Red's life in wintry, Blitz-ridden London is transformed by new friend Mara, whose glamorous ease endears Red into an illicit and exhilarating affair. First published in 1962, this is an explosive love story told in exquisite, intimate prose.



The Mysteries

Bill Watterson &
John Kascht
Andrews McMeel
HB • £14.99
ISBN 9781524884949
10th October
From Bill Watterson,
bestselling creator of
the beloved comic strip
Calvin and Hobbes,
and John Kascht, one
of America's most
renowned caricaturists,
comes a mysterious
and beautifully
illustrated fable.

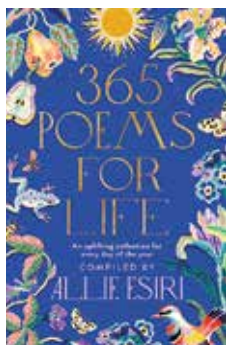


Colonial Countryside: An Anthology of Creative and Historical Responses

Edited by Corinne Fowler
& Jeremy Poynting
Peepal Tree Press
PB • £24.99
ISBN 9781845235666
26th October
A book of commissioned
poems and short
stories produced by ten
global majority writers
featuring National Trust
houses with significant
colonial histories.

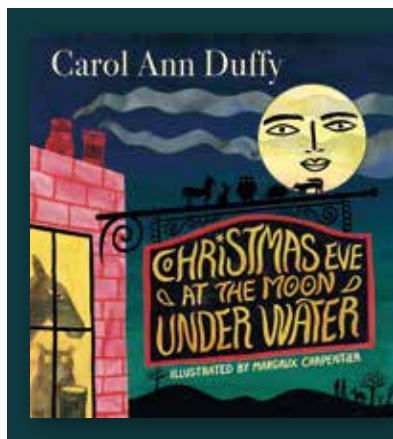
365 Poems for Life

Edited by Allie Esri
Bluebird • HB • £22.00
ISBN 9781529088397
5th October
This nourishing poem-
a-day collection offers
you a brief moment of
escape from daily life
through some of the
warmest words in the
English language. Dip
into this anthology to
share with others or
enjoy a moment of calm.



And So This is Christmas

Brian Bilston
Picador • HB • £12.99
ISBN 9781035031467
12th October
With his signature wit,
Brian Bilston returns
with fifty-one poems in
celebration of the festive
season: from bizarre
family traditions to the
office Christmas party;
from voting day for
turkeys to the impossible
art of gift-giving.



**Christmas Eve at the
Moon Under Water**
Carol Ann Duffy &
Margaux Carpentier
Picador • HB • £9.99
ISBN 9781529083934
26th October

The enchanting festive poem from Carol Ann Duffy, former Poet Laureate of the United Kingdom, and adorned with sumptuous illustrations, this is the perfect festive gift for the poetry lover in your life.

BOOKS FROM THE INDEPENDENT ALLIANCE



Cahokia Jazz
Francis Spufford
Faber • HB • £20.00
ISBN 9780571336876
5th October
A thrilling tale of murder and mystery in a city where history has run a little differently – from the bestselling author of *Golden Hill*. In 1922, in a city that never was, two detectives find a body on the roof of a skyscraper.



The Christmas Appeal
Janice Hallett
Viper • HB • £12.99
ISBN 9781800817357
26th October
A delightful festive murder mystery from the *Sunday Times* bestselling author of *The Appeal*, in which the characters return for panto season – and a murder.

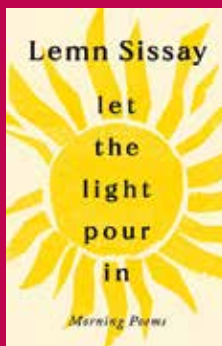
So Late in the Day
Claire Keegan
Faber • HB • £8.99
ISBN 9780571382019
A new short story from the author of *Small Things Like These*. After an uneventful Friday at the office, Cathal faces into the long weekend and takes the bus home. His thoughts turn to Sabine, the woman he could have spent his life with...



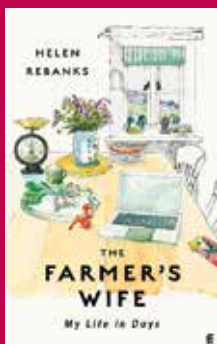
Weirdo
Sara Pascoe
Faber • HB • £14.99
ISBN 9780571374526
The debut novel from the award-winning comedian, writer and actor Sara Pascoe. Deep in Essex and her own thoughts, Sophie had a feeling something was going happen. Then Chris entered the pub, and re-entered her life...



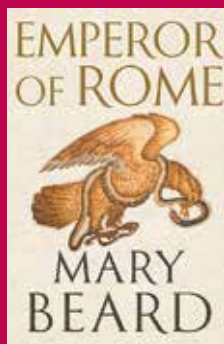
Mistletoe Malice
Kathleen Farrell
Faber • PB • £9.99
ISBN 9780571378265
2nd November
A dysfunctional family reunites for the Christmas holiday from hell in this rediscovered festive classic with fangs for fans of Barbara Pym, Elizabeth Taylor and Stella Gibbons.



Let The Light Pour In
Lemn Sissay
Canongate • HB • £12.99
ISBN 9781805301134
For the past decade, Lemn Sissay has composed a short poem as dawn breaks each morning. This is a collection of the best of these poems – life-affirming, witty and full of wonder.



The Farmer's Wife
Helen Rebanks
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ISBN 9780571370580
A portrait of life at Helen Rebanks' Lake District farmhouse that beautifully captures the unsung work of keeping a home and raising a family. Helen's recipes, lists and gentle wisdom helps us to get through our days, whatever they throw at us.



Emperor of Rome
Mary Beard
Profile • HB • £30.00
ISBN 9781846683787
28th September
In this new book, historian Mary Beard shines her spotlight on the emperors who ruled the Roman Empire, showing us what it was really like to rule and be ruled in the Ancient Roman world.

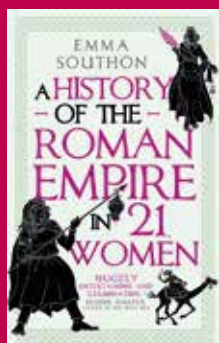
Everyday Folklore

Liza Frank
Murdoch • HB • £14.99
ISBN 97819222616593
26th October
Turn to any date in this yearbook, and you'll find something to learn or do suggested by folklore of the day, the month, or the season. Follow the customs and traditions of the year, and become more engaged with world around you.

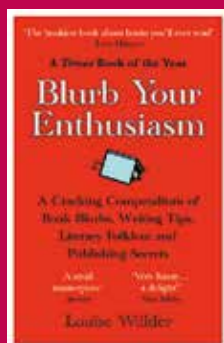


The Golden Mole

Katherine Rundell
Faber • PB • £10.99
ISBN 9780571362509
2nd November
In this book, Katherine Rundell takes us on a globe-spanning tour of the world's strangest and most awe-inspiring, but endangered animals, including pangolins, wombats, lemurs and seahorses.

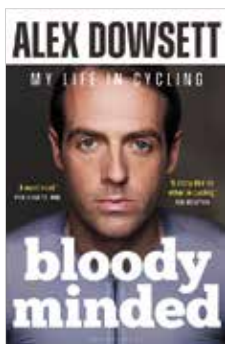


A History of the Roman Empire in 21 Women
Emma Southon
Oneworld • HB • £18.99
ISBN 9780861542307
Emma Southon traces the lives of 21 women from across Rome's vast empire, following them in war, forbidden love, sedition and natural catastrophe. This is Rome as you've never seen it before!



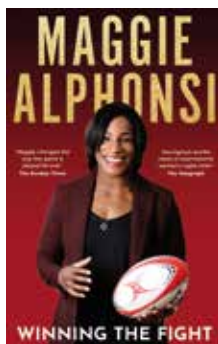
Blurb Your Enthusiasm
Louise Willder
Oneworld • PB • £9.99
ISBN 9780861546169
A joyful celebration of books – the perfect gift for bibliophiles, word lovers and anyone who's ever wondered, should you judge a book by its cover? Penguin Books blurb wizard Louise Willder joyfully divulges the secrets of the book blurb.

MEMOIR & AUTOBIOGRAPHY



Bloody Minded

Alex Dowsett
Bloomsbury Sport
HB • £20.00
ISBN 9781399406406
28th September
Cyclist Alex Dowsett's pulsating autobiography lifts the lid on a decade of life in the world's greatest pelotons and tells how he succeeded despite being the world's only top sportsman with haemophilia A.



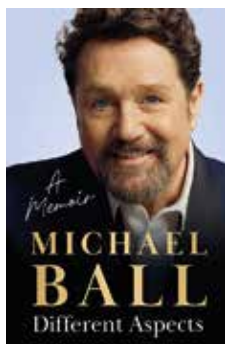
Winning the Fight

Maggie Alphonsi & Gavin Mairs
Polaris Publishing
HB • £20.00
ISBN 9781915359018
Maggie Alphonsi is a national sporting icon, the face of international women's rugby and star player of the England side that won the World Cup in 2014. She is also an inspirational and totemic figure who transcends sport, and this is her story.

Different Aspects

Michael Ball
Blink Publishing
HB • £25.00
ISBN 9781785120060
12th October

In 1989, a young Michael Ball landed the lead role in the musical *Aspects of Love*. Over three decades later, Michael returns to a new production of the same show where he made his name, with a lifetime's worth of stories to tell.



Everything Is Everything

Clive Myrie
Hodder & Stoughton
HB • £22.00
ISBN 9781399714983

A memoir from the BBC journalist and broadcaster Clive Myrie, in which he reflects on how being black has affected his perspective on the myriad issues he's encountered in reporting some of the biggest stories of our time.



Making It So

Patrick Stewart
Gallery UK • HB • £25.00
ISBN 9781398512948
3rd October
The long-awaited memoir from iconic, beloved actor and living legend Sir Patrick Stewart, which takes us from his humble beginnings in Yorkshire to the heights of Hollywood and worldwide acclaim.



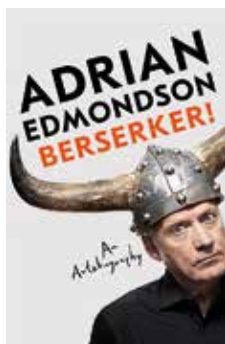
TV: Big Adventures on the Small Screen
 Peter Kay
 HarperCollins
 HB • £25.00
 ISBN 9780008623319
 28th September

The follow-up to *The Sound of Laughter* from the much-loved comedian Peter Kay. Join him on his journey through TV: from tea-making in Granada, to behind the scenes on *Phoenix Nights*, *Max & Paddy* and *Car Share*.



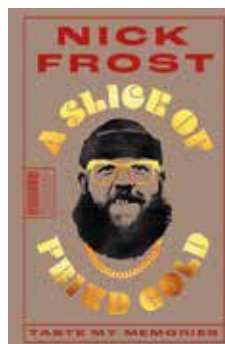
Berserker!

Adrian Edmondson
 Macmillan • HB • £22.00
 ISBN 9781035014279
 28th September
 From brutal schooldays to 80s anarchy, through *The Young Ones* and beyond, this is a one-of-a-kind, fascinating memoir from an icon of British comedy, Adrian Edmondson.



A Slice of Fried Gold

Nick Frost
 Blink Publishing
 HB • £22.00
 ISBN 9781788707886
 28th September
 A book which blends memoir with food writing, from the much-loved star of *Spaced* and *Hot Fuzz*. Nick Frost learned how to cook when a child and it was the beginning of a lifelong love.



My Name is Barbra

Barbra Streisand
 Century • HB • £35.00
 ISBN 9781529136890
 7th November
 The legendary Barbra Streisand tells her own story about her life and extraordinary career, from growing up in Brooklyn, to her breakout performance in *Funny Girl*, to the long string of successes in every medium in the years that followed.



Christmas on the Farm

Adam Henson
 Sphere • HB • £22.00
 ISBN 9781408727393
 26th October
 From *Countryfile* presenter Adam Henson comes lots of festive fun at the farm. Hear the tales, uplifting and full of Christmas spirit, that have defined festivity for the Henson family.

MEMOIR & BIOGRAPHY



By My Hands: A Potter's Apprenticeship

Florian Gadsby
Particular Books

HB • £30.00

ISBN 9780241595817

In this book, potter Florian Gadsby tells the story of his artistic awakening, his education in England, Ireland and Japan, and of the sheer discipline which has led him to become the cultural sensation he is today.



Keira & Me

Noel Fitzpatrick &
Laura McKendry
Seven Dials

HB • £18.99

ISBN 9781399610308

26th October

Let national treasure Professor Noel Fitzpatrick – the Suprvet – break your heart and put it back together again in this beautiful new Christmas story based on the true bond between Noel and his dog Keira.

How to Say Babylon

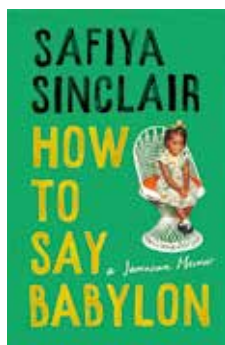
Safiya Sinclair
Fourth Estate

HB • £16.99

ISBN 9780008491284

3rd October

A lyrical, powerfully moving memoir of self-realisation. Born in Montego Bay, Jamaica, Safiya Sinclair grew up guarding herself against an ever-present threat, inside a militant sect of Rastafari which her father believed in.



Went to London, Took the Dog

Nina Stibbe

Picador • HB • £16.99

ISBN 9781035025299

2nd November

Ten years after the publication of *Love*, Nina comes the author's diary of her return to London in her sixty-first year. Nina and her dog, Peggy, take up lodging in the house of writer Deborah (Debby) Moggach in Camden...



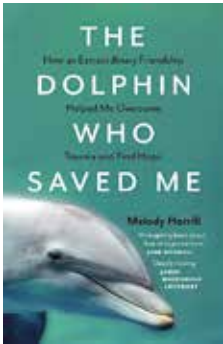
Have A Little Faith

The Reverend Kate Bottley
Penguin Life

HB • £18.99

ISBN 9780241605660

In this book vicar Kate Bottley, who rose to fame on TV's *Gogglebox*, shares what she's learned about faith, and how it has guided her through the ups and downs of her life. A warm and generous book, with plenty of anecdotes.



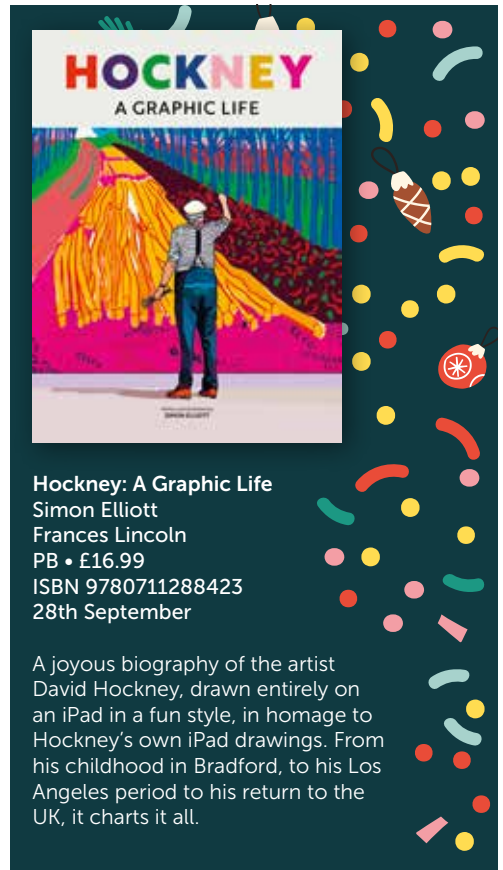
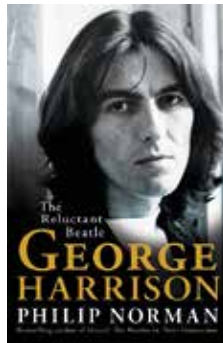
The Dolphin Who Saved Me
 Melody Horrell
 Greystone Books
 PB • £14.99
 ISBN 9781778400520
 28th September
 This debut memoir tells the story of a traumatised young woman's friendship with an injured dolphin whose habitat she fights to save. It's beautifully written and filled with insight and compassion.



Einstein in Time & Space
 Samuel Graydon
 John Murray
 HB • £20.00
 ISBN 9781529372489
 28th September
 In this book, Samuel Graydon brings history's most famous scientist, who redefined how we view the universe and our place in it, back to life. It's rollercoaster ride through his life and ideas, in 99 sparkling vignettes.

**George Harrison:
 The Reluctant Beatle**

Philip Norman
 Simon & Schuster
 HB • £25.00
 ISBN 9781398513402
 24th October
 From the author of the million-copy selling *Shout!: The Beatles in Their Generation* and the bestselling *John Lennon: The Life* comes a revealing portrait of George Harrison, the most undervalued and mysterious Beatle.

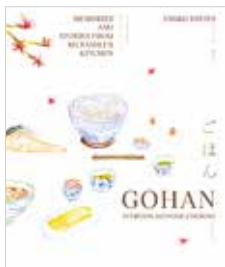


The Funny Thing About Death
 Jo Caulfield
 Polygon • HB • £16.99
 ISBN 9781846976353
 Six years ago, Jo Caulfield was about to go on stage when she found out that her big sister Annie had cancer. This is a hilarious memoir of two unconventional girls growing up in the 1970s, and how they navigated through Annie's illness.

Hockney: A Graphic Life
 Simon Elliott
 Frances Lincoln
 PB • £16.99
 ISBN 9780711288423
 28th September

A joyous biography of the artist David Hockney, drawn entirely on an iPad in a fun style, in homage to Hockney's own iPad drawings. From his childhood in Bradford, to his Los Angeles period to his return to the UK, it charts it all.

FOOD & DRINK

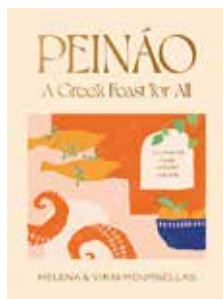


Gohan: Everyday Japanese Cooking

Emiko Davies
Smith Street Books
HB • £26.00

ISBN 9781922754523

A collection of recipes for simple, everyday Japanese cooking, which embraces the philosophy that fresh, seasonal food doesn't need much to enhance its natural flavour. Includes dishes such as miso soup and yakisoba.



Peinão: A Greek Feast for All

Helena & Vikki Mursellas
Smith Street Books
HB • £26.00

ISBN 9781922754592

26th October

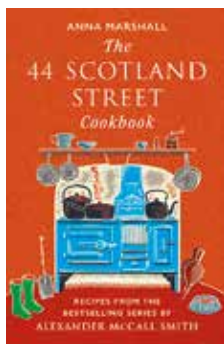
A contemporary celebration of traditional tried-and-tested Greek food, delivered feast style: cooking for roommates; brunch with your besties; or making Sunday dinner for the whole family.

The 44 Scotland Street Cookbook

Anna Marshall
Polygon • HB • £12.99
ISBN 9781846976551

5th October

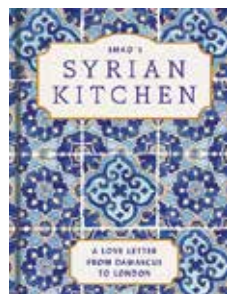
The ultimate culinary companion to Alexander McCall Smith's bestselling *44 Scotland Street* series, featuring over 70 recipes taken from the books. Anna Marshall has found all the best snacks, treats and dinners enjoyed by its inhabitants.



Imad's Syrian Kitchen

Imad Alarnab
HQ • HB • £26.00
ISBN 9780008532376

A cookbook from Imad Al Arnab, a renowned chef from Damascus who runs an acclaimed restaurant in London. It's a bustling, riotous tour through 90 traditional and adapted Syrian dishes that can be made at home.



The Complete Book of French Cooking

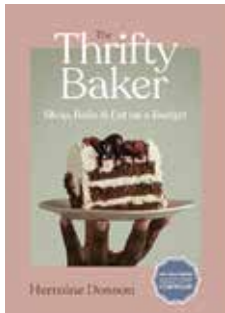
Vincent Boué & Hubert Delorme
Flammarion
HB • £35.00
ISBN 9782080421937

This comprehensive, illustrated guide to classic French cooking techniques and recipes, with detailed explanations from culinary school instructors, is an essential reference for the home cook.



Finch Bakery: Disco Bakes & Party Cakes
Lauren & Rachel Finch
DK • HB • £20.00
ISBN 9780241633885

Join Lauren and Rachel Finch, the bestselling duo behind Finch Bakery, as they share their best kept secrets to creating more than 70 everyday treats and show-stopping bakes at home.



The Thrifty Baker
Hermine Dossou
White Lion Publishing
HB • £18.99
ISBN 9780711287488
This book presents 65 delicious, affordable and impressive recipes, complete with gluten-free options, plus advice, tips and hacks covering many areas of shopping, baking and cooking in general.

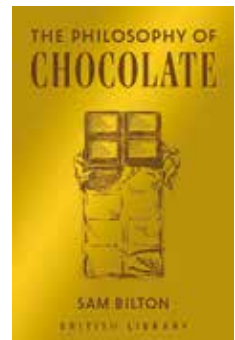


The Vegan Baker
Zacchary Bird
Smith Street Books
HB • £26.00
ISBN 978192275455
28th September
The ultimate science-meets-magic guide to plant-based baked goods for vegans who want to have their cake and eat it. Each recipe is explained with Zac's signature humour and easy-to-follow instructions.

Bake It Better
Matt Adlard
DK • HB • £20.00
ISBN 9780744064902
In this book, Instagram and TikTok star Matt Adlard shares his tried-and-true baking approach to help home chefs advance from intermediate-level to master baker-all at their own pace.



The Philosophy of Chocolate
Sam Bitlon
British Library Publishing
HB • £10.00
ISBN 9780712354349
19th October
What makes chocolate so alluring? Why is it the inspiration for endless culinary creativity? Sam Bitlon explores our complex relationship with this versatile confection, made from the beans of the cacao tree.



FOOD & DRINK



The Dinner Table

Edited by Ella Risbridger
& Kate Young

Apollo • HB • £25.00

ISBN 9781804547373

12th October

In this big, beautiful anthology, award-winning writers Kate Young and Ella Risbridger present you with their ultimate fantasy dinner party. You'll find old friends as well as new, discussing eggs, fridge-raid suppers, and more.



Michel Roux at Home

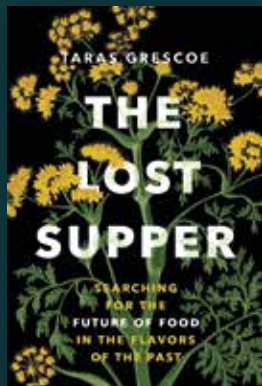
Michel Roux

Seven Dials

HB • £26.00

ISBN 9781399610650

Discover the joy of cooking simple and delicious French meals at home with Michel Roux, the celebrated chef and author of numerous award-winning cookbooks.



The Lost Supper

Taras Grescoe

Greystone Books

HB • £19.99

ISBN 9781771647632

9th November

An exciting and globe-trotting account of ancient cuisines – from Neolithic bread to ancient Roman fish sauce – and why reviving the foods of the past is the key to saving the future.

Flavour

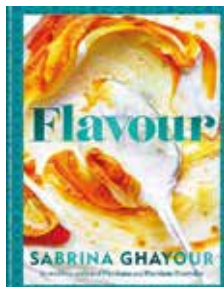
Sabrina Ghayour

Aster • HB • £26.00

ISBN 9781783255108

12th October

The new collection of simple, delicious, crowd-pleasing recipes from the bestselling Middle-Eastern chef and author of *Persiana* and *Persiana Everyday*. It includes more than 100 fabulously flavourful recipes.



The Secret of Cooking

Bee Wilson

Fourth Estate

HB • £28.00

ISBN 9780008446451

An encouraging cookbook that teaches you how to develop cooking instincts, packed with solutions for how to make life in the kitchen work better for you, whether you are cooking for yourself or for a crowd.





Roast Figs, Sugar Snow
Diana Henry
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An irresistible collection of cold-weather recipes that celebrate the unique pleasures of autumn and winter. Now in a new edition, with a new foreword by Nigel Slater and seven new recipes.

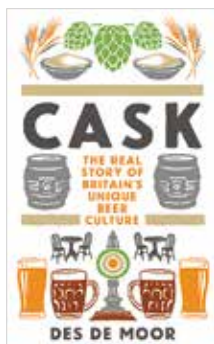
CASK

Des de Moor

CAMRA • PB • £17.99

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The story of cask conditioned beer and its importance in the beer world of the 21st Century. From its origins to its current status as one of the jewels in the crown of British beer.



Pub Kitchen

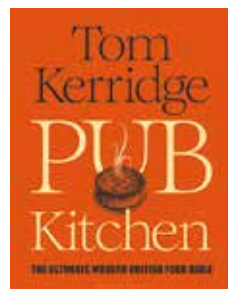
Tom Kerridge

Bloomsbury Absolute

HB • £27.00

ISBN 9781472981653

A feast of recipes that bring pub food into the home kitchen... Tom Kerridge has gone back to his heartland with over 100 recipes that celebrate modern British cooking.



The Good Beer Guide 2024

CAMRA • PB • £16.99

ISBN 9781852493875

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The UK's definitive guide book to good pubs that serve real ale across the UK, refreshed and updated for its 51st edition. This year's foreword is written by Bruce Dickinson, lead singer of Iron Maiden.



Cheers to TV

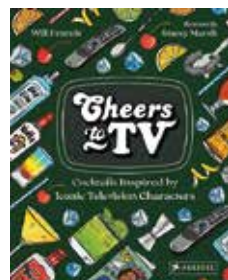
Will Francis &

Stacey Marsh

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The perfect pop culture pairing, this collection of drinks inspired by iconic television characters blends old and new, spicy and sweet, strong and mellow. It features 60 cocktails linked to the stars of the small screen.



DANISH CHRISTMAS KRINGLE WITH CARDAMOM



All Scandinavian countries have special Christmas breads; they are as important as Christmas cake is in Britain. My only problem was which one to select. The Danes are widely regarded as the best bakers in Scandinavia, so here is their Christmas offering. The flavour of cardamom, as with a lot of Danish baking, is pretty dominant. Have your kringle with mulled wine or strong coffee and don't forget to light a few candles while you're eating. That's what the Danes would do.

serves about 12

for the dough

2 ½ tsp fast-action dried yeast
50g (1 ¾ oz) caster sugar,
plus 1 tbsp
125ml (4fl oz) warm
full-fat milk
250ml (9fl oz) double cream
seeds from 20 cardamom pods
425g (15oz) plain flour,
plus more to dust
½ tsp sea salt flakes
115g (4oz) butter

for the filling

300g (10 ½ oz) marzipan,
roughly chopped
75g (2 ¾ oz) blanched almonds
75g (2 ¾ oz) caster sugar
1 egg white
½ tbsp kirsch, or other fruity
liqueur such as Chambord
75g (2 ¾ oz) dried cranberries
30g (1oz) fresh cranberries

to finish

1 egg white, lightly beaten
15g (½ oz) flaked almonds
8 sugar cubes, roughly crushed
50g (1 ¾ oz) icing sugar
lemon juice

Mix the yeast with the 1 tbsp sugar and the milk. Leave somewhere warm for about 15 minutes, until it is frothing. Stir in the cream.

Crush the cardamom seeds and add to the flour, salt and the 50g (1 ¾ oz) caster sugar in a bowl. Chop the butter and rub it in with your fingertips until the mixture resembles breadcrumbs. Pour on the yeast mixture and mix together. It will look a bit coarse-textured and that's fine, so resist any urge to knead it. Cover and put in the fridge for 12–18 hours.

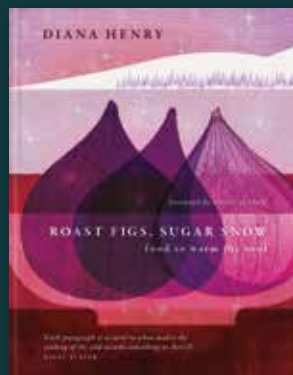
Make the filling by whizzing everything except the fresh cranberries in a food processor, or you can keep everything whole if you prefer a more textured filling. Transfer to a bowl and mix in the fresh cranberries. Put the chilled dough on to a lightly floured surface and roll it into a 40cm (16 inch) square. Fold the left-hand and right-hand edges of the dough into the centre to make a block 3 layers in depth. Now roll this into a long strip measuring 90 x 7cm (36 x 3 inches).

Mould the filling down the centre of this strip and pull the long sides up to cover it. Pinch to seal, then trim each end of the roll to make it neat. Transfer to a baking sheet lined with baking parchment, making sure the join is on the bottom of the roll, curling it into a pretzel shape. Cover lightly with a clean tea towel and leave somewhere warm for 30 minutes.

Preheat the oven to 180C fan (375F), Gas 5.

Brush the top with the beaten egg white and sprinkle evenly with the flaked almonds and crushed sugar cubes. Bake in the hot oven for 20–25 minutes, or until golden brown. Leave to cool.

Sift the icing sugar into a small bowl, then add just enough lemon juice and water to make a thin icing. Drizzle the icing over the top of the kringle. Leave it to set, then serve.



From Roast Figs, Sugar Snow
by Diana Henry



FICTION BOOK OF THE MONTH 2023

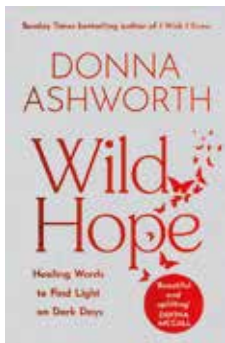


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Wild Hope

Donna Ashworth
Black & White
Publishing • HB • £12.99
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26th September
A powerful new collection of poems to help us find hope, peace, self-acceptance and inspiration on the days we feel worn down, helpless or sad. Donna reminds us that we can all play a part in making the world a better place.

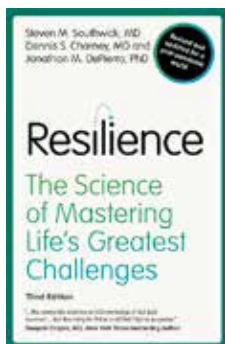


Moments of Comfort

Gill Hasson & Eliza Todd
Capstone • HB • £11.99
ISBN 9780857089205
The perfect antidote to a difficult day, this book explains why the small pleasures and shots of joy are so important and offers advice, perspectives, insights, and ideas into how you can include them in your everyday life.

Resilience

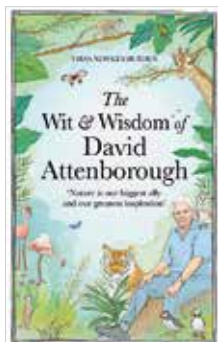
Steven M. Southwick,
Dennis S. Charney &
Jonathan M. DePierro
Cambridge University
Press • HB • £12.99
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What is resilience? And how do we become resilient? In this book, three experts in trauma and resilience answer key questions and describe ten key resilience factors through the experiences of highly resilient survivors.



Walk Yourself Happy

Julia Bradbury
Piatkus • HB • £20.00
ISBN 9780349436234

Part self-help and part-memoir, this is the ultimate guide to walking yourself happy physically and mentally, by one of the UK's favourite TV personalities. It explains the elemental link between our own health and the natural world.



The Wit & Wisdom of

David Attenborough
Chas Newkey-Burden
Gaia • HB • £14.99
ISBN 9781856755269
26th October
A celebration of the national treasure David Attenborough, a collection of his wisest moments, most humorous observations, and a tour through his incredible life.

HISTORY & MILITARY



The Wager

David Grann
Simon & Schuster
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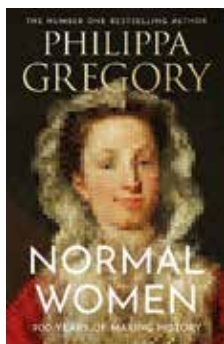
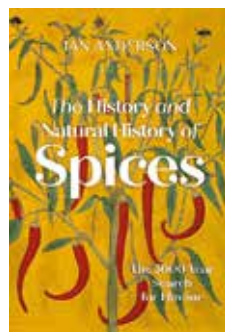
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The Princes in the Tower
Philippa Langley
The History Press
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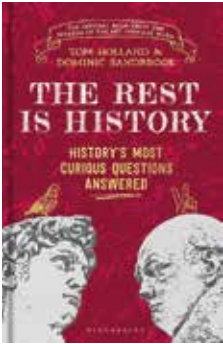
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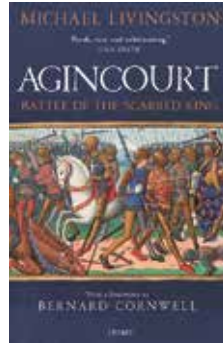
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Dominic Sandbrook
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From the chart-topping podcast, a whistle-stop tour from Ancient Rome to Modern China: history's most curious questions, answered. Prepare for a journey into the past!



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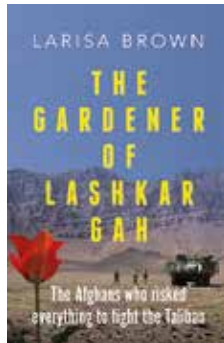
Agincourt is one of the most famous battles in English history, a defining part of the national myth. This groundbreaking study by Michael Livingston, author of *Never Greater Slaughter*, presents a new interpretation of Henry V's great victory.

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The extraordinary true story of the family who built a garden, fought the Taliban and were forced to flee for their lives during Britain and America's disastrous withdrawal from Afghanistan.

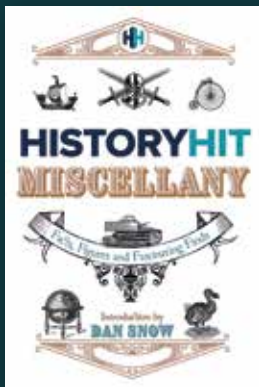


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The incredible true story of the ejection seat in war and in peace – of the pioneers who risked everything to develop it in the 1940s and 50s, of the designers who realised their vision, and of the men and women whose lives were saved by it.



History Hit Miscellany

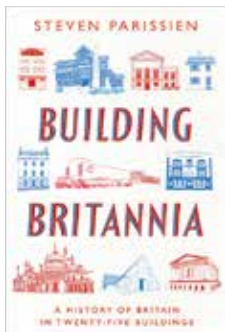
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HISTORY AND SCIENCE



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Alice Vernon

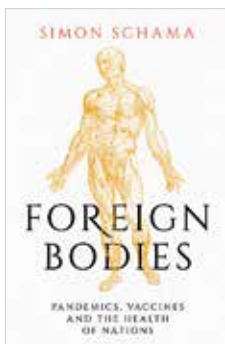
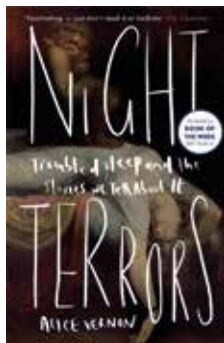
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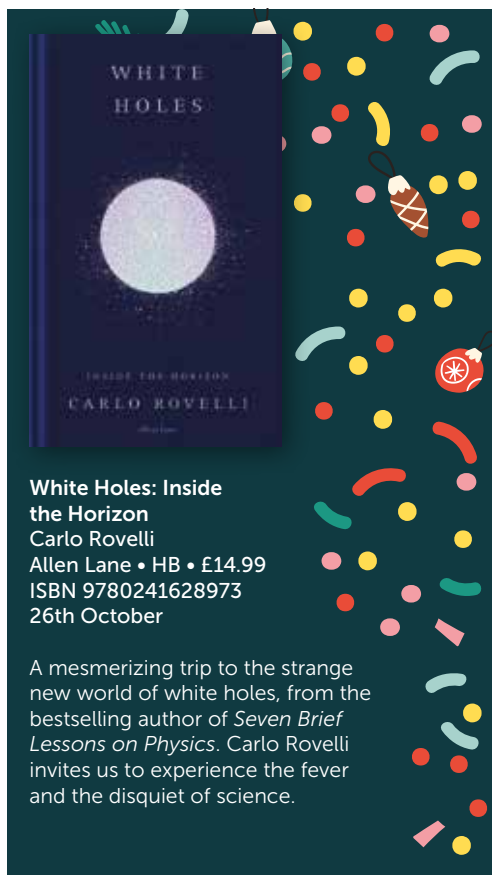
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An epic history of illness, pandemics and contagion, from the bestselling Simon Schama. It crosses borders between east and west, Asia and Europe, the worlds of rich and poor, politics and science.



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The Writer's Garden

Jackie Bennett &
Richard Hanson
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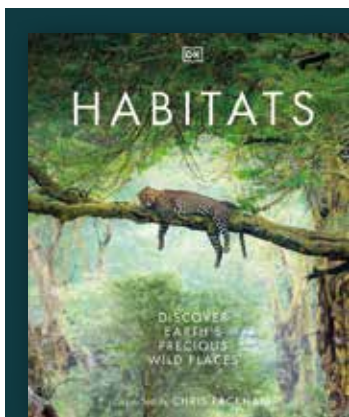
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Discover the flower gardens, vegetable plots, landscapes and writing hideaways of 30 great authors – from Louisa May Alcott's 'Orchard House' where she wrote *Little Women*, to Virginia Woolf at Monk's House and beyond.



Fungi

Lynne Boddy & Ali Ashby
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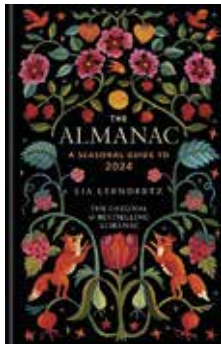
Edited by Nancy Campbell
Elliott & Thompson

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A treasure trove of wintery nature tales from storytellers across the globe, bringing a little magic and wonder to every dark night. Edited by the author of *Fifty Words for Snow* and *Thunderstone*.



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Lia Leendertz

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Reconnect with the seasons in Britain and Ireland with this month-by-month guide to the world around us – including tide tables, sunrises and moon phases; garden feasts, wildlife and folklore; seasonal recipes, snacks and more.



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With decades of close observation of wild animals and birds, Jim Crumley has found himself up close and personal with many of our most elusive creatures. Here, he draws us into his world, showing how we can learn to watch wildlife well.



The Life of Birds

David Attenborough

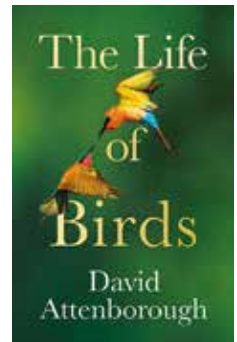
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British Library Publishing

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Rebel Folklore

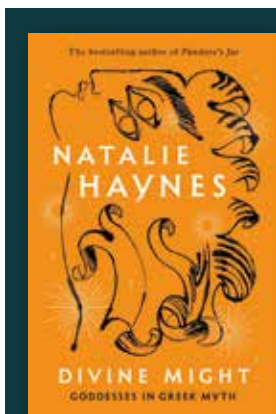
Icy Sedgwick &

Melissa Jarram

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Natalie Haynes

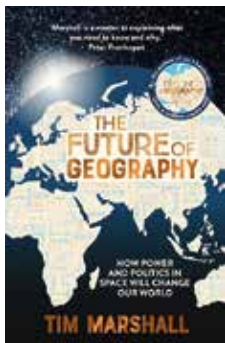
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The Future of Geography

Tim Marshall

Elliott & Thompson

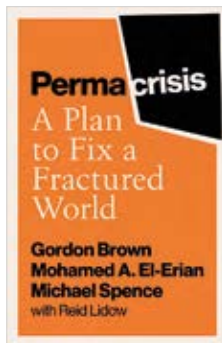
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Spence found their

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Politics On the Edge

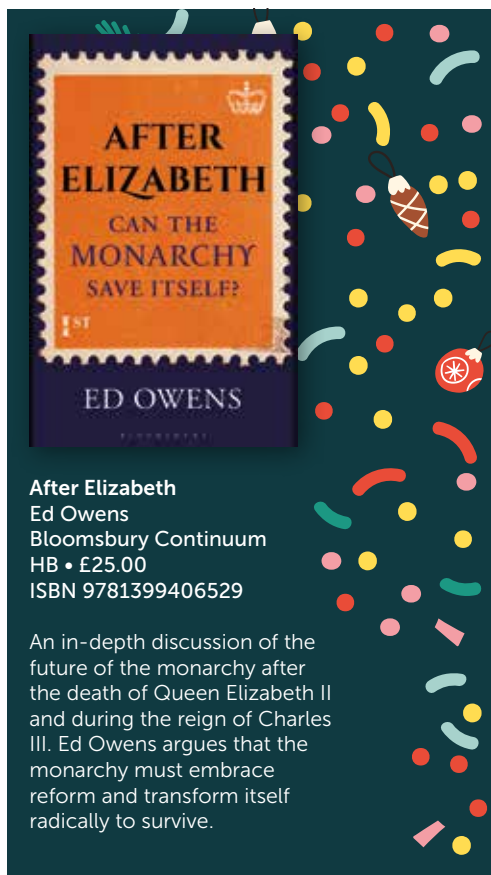
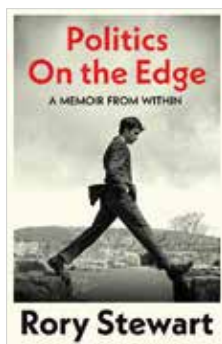
Rory Stewart

Jonathan Cape

HB • £22.00

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A searing insider's account of ten extraordinary years in Parliament from Rory Stewart, former Cabinet minister and co-presenter of breakout hit podcast *The Rest Is Politics*.



After Elizabeth

Ed Owens

Bloomsbury Continuum

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ISBN 9781399406529

An in-depth discussion of the future of the monarchy after the death of Queen Elizabeth II and during the reign of Charles III. Ed Owens argues that the monarchy must embrace reform and transform itself radically to survive.



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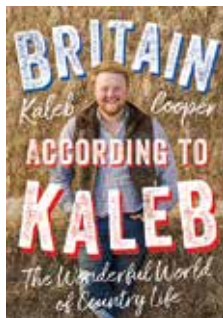
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Kaleb Cooper

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An entertaining whistle-stop tour of rural British traditions, from the bestselling author of *The World According to Kaleb* and star of *Clarkson's Farm*. He muses on everything from Morris dancing to country fairs.

Terrible Maps

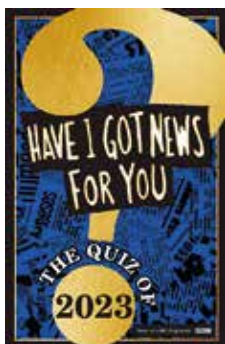
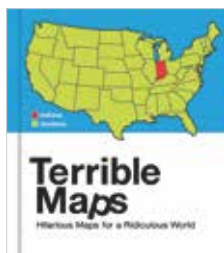
HarperCollins

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Put together by the creator behind the tremendously popular social media feed, Terrible Maps, this is a funny book for the budding geographer in your life, which celebrates pointless cartography in all its glory!



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Rob Temple

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ISBN 9781408730669

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A charmingly festive and (sometimes) challenging quiz book featuring questions on all things to do with British Christmastime. Best enjoyed with a cup of tea and a mince pie.



Quiz Actually

Joe Shooman

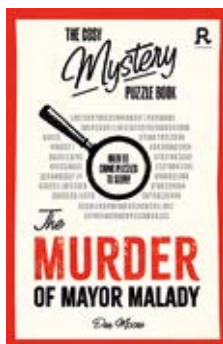
John Blake

HB • £9.99

ISBN 9781789467123

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Packed full of tricky, fun and entertaining quiz questions, this book will test you and your loved ones this Christmas on the movies we love to watch every year, with more than 750 questions on a huge range of festive films.



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Dan Moore

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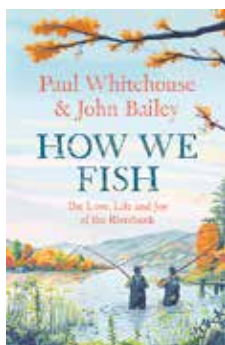
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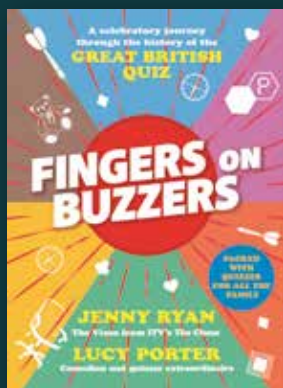
Peter Burns &

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Polaris • HB • £20.00

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An interactive, kaleidoscopic, bonanza celebration and history of the British quiz from the presenters of the podcast Fingers on Buzzers. It includes a huge host of pop quizzes for the whole family to enjoy.

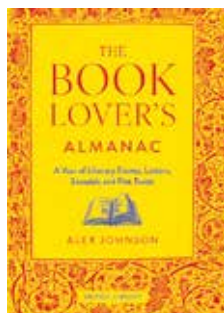
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The Book by Design

Edited by P.J.M. Marks
and Stephen Parkin
British Library Publishing
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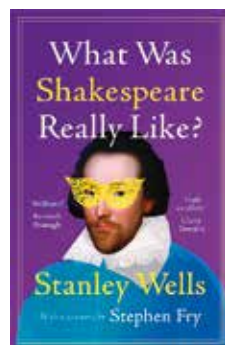
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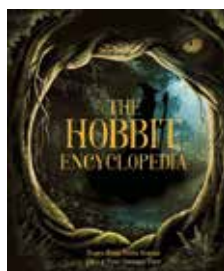
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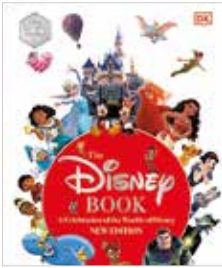
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The ideal gift for Disney, animation, and movie fans, this captivating updated guide includes more than 50 new pages for Disney's special 100th anniversary, from *Wish* to *The Little Mermaid*.



Marvel Studios: The Marvel Cinematic Universe: An Official Timeline

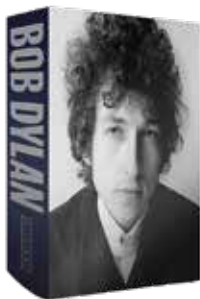
Anthony Breznican,
Amy Ratcliffe & Rebecca
Theodore Vachon
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26th October
Follow the entire story of the Marvel Cinematic Universe from before the Big Bang to the Blip and beyond, with this official guide.

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Matt Baynton & Others
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Edited by Mark Davidson
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A magnum opus of Bob Dylan's work and life, lavishly illustrated with previously unseen photos. It takes us from his childhood in Minnesota to the Nobel Prize and beyond.



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Tom Hagler
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Compiled and guided by David Bowie expert and BBC journalist Tom Hagler, and with the blessing of the Bowie estate, this is the complete story of an incredible life lived on the airwaves.

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Love: A Curious History in 50 Objects

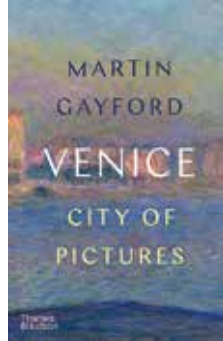
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From prehistoric carvings and ancient Egyptian statues, to medieval spell books and Victorian code-writing, this unique collection gathers a wealth of curious objects and surprising stories to trace the story of love through the ages.



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A visual journey through five centuries of the city known for centuries as 'La Serenissima', the Most Serene.

It is a unique and compelling story for both lovers of Venice and lovers of its art.

The Power of Art

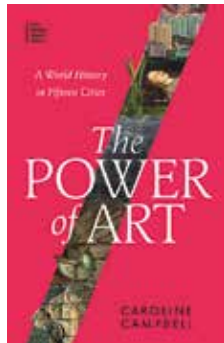
Caroline Campbell
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A dazzling new history of the world and a popular introduction to art history by a renowned expert. Taking us from ancient Babylon to contemporary Pyongyang, it explains art's power to illuminate our lives.



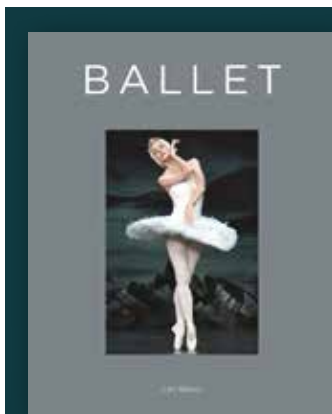
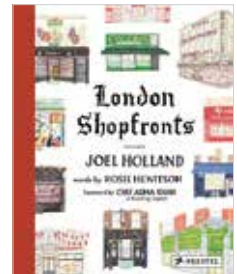
London Shopfronts

Joel Holland &
Rosie Hewitson

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ISBN 9783791389158

This love letter to London's most cherished shops celebrates the city's past and present, as well as its diversity and vivaciousness. It collects more than 200 shopfronts, from bookshops and umbrella stores to restaurants and boutiques.



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Leo Mason
Ammonite Press

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TRAVEL & TRANSPORT



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Rough Guides

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The Screen Traveller's Guide

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Experience the real-life locations of your favourite movies and shows with this gloriously geeky, map-filled compendium. Along the way, you'll discover the landmarks to avoid during an alien invasion, the coolest villain lairs and more!



The Artist's Journey

The Travels that Inspired the Artistic Greats

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The Artist's Journey

Jackie Bennett & Richard Hanson

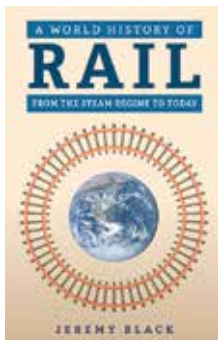
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Follow in the footsteps of some of the world's most famous painters in this fascinating work which explores 30 influential journeys taken by artistic greats and reveals the repercussions of those travels on the artist and the cultural landscape.



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Jeremy Black

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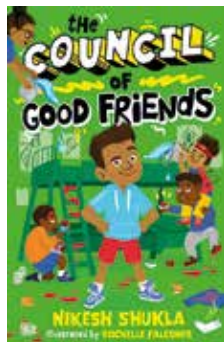
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YOUNG READS



Kitty & The Snowball Bandit
 Paula Harrison & Jenny Løvlie
 Oxford Children's
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 ISBN 9780192787606
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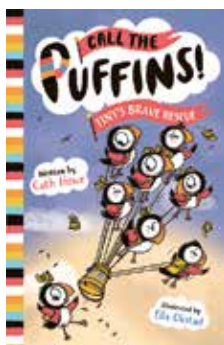
Kitty is a superhero-in-training with feline superpowers. She dreams of being just like her superhero mum one day. Join her for a series of enchanting adventures by the light of the moon.



The Council of Good Friends
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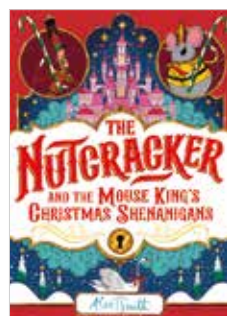
Call The Puffins!: Tiny's Brave Rescue
 Cath Howe & Ella Okstad
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 12th October
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The second in the delightful series about puffins and teamwork. With warm and engaging storytelling with a traditional feel, it's perfect for fans of *Mr Penguin* by Alex T. Smith.



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Isadora Moon & The Frost Festival
 Harriet Muncaster
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Isadora and her family are visiting the Frost Festival, a huge celebration of the winter fairies! But Isadora gets separated from both her family and Pink Rabbit. Can she find them before the grand fairy lights are switched on?



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 Angela McAllister & Olga Baumert
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 An international treasury of 50 wintery stories, collected and retold by award-winning author Angela McAllister, and with illustrations by Olga Baumert.

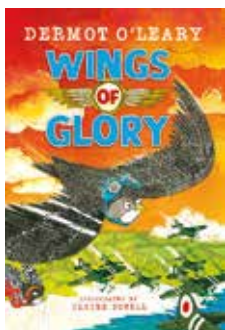
SUPER STORIES



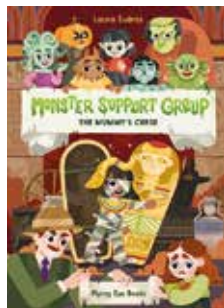
The Girl Who Became a Fish
Polly Ho-Yen & Sojung Kim-McCarthy
Knights Of • PB • £5.99
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Ita is afraid of lots of things. When one day she realises the river in her new town turns her into a fish, she is forced to face up to her fears. In doing so, can she bring her family together again?

Tom's Midnight Garden 65th Anniversary Edition
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This entrancing and magical story is one of the best-loved children's books ever written. Tom goes to stay with his aunt and uncle and, in the middle of the night, finds an strange garden which shouldn't be there...



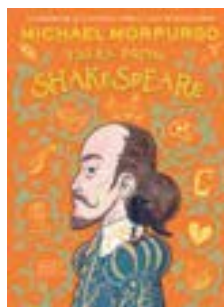
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A funny action-adventure story with a feathery twist, from the bestselling author of the *Toto the Ninja Cat* series. Set during the Second World War, it follows Linus the swift as he joins the Royal Bird Force.



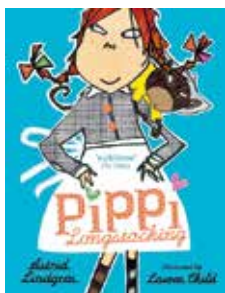
Monster Support Group: The Mummy's Curse
Laura Suárez
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Meet Anatiiti: the most stubborn pharaoh in Ancient Egypt. Being chosen by the gods has given her quite an ego... after all, she knows best. The second book in the *Monster Support Group* series.

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Tales From Shakespeare
Michael Morpurgo
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HB • £20.00
ISBN 9780008352226
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Featuring retellings of ten of Shakespeare's plays, written with Michael Morpurgo's warm and accessible style, this wonderful collection offers a new generation the chance to discover the magic of the Bard.



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Astrid Lindgren &
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A stunning paperback gift edition celebrating the strongest girl in the world! When Pippi Longstocking moves in next door to Tommy and Annika they are completely amazed by their new playmate...



A Christmasaurus Carol

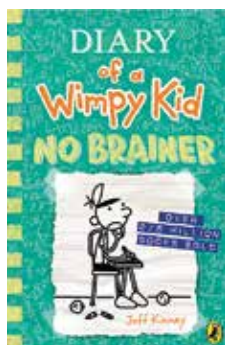
Tom Fletcher &
Shane Devries
Puffin • HB • £14.99
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The Christmasaurus is back for a new festive adventure! Can William, Santa and the magical dinosaur find a way to return Ebenezer Scrooge to *A Christmas Carol* when he escapes from the Charles Dickens classic?

Diary of a Wimpy Kid: No Brainer

Jeff Kinney
Puffin • HB • £14.99
ISBN 9780241583135
24th October
7+

In the newest instalment of the *Wimpy Kid* series, Greg is up to his eyeballs in stress. Overdue homework assignments, flaky study partners, and at least one all-nighter put him to the test... but you'll be laughing along with him!



The Best Sleepover in the World

Jacqueline Wilson
Puffin • HB • £14.99
ISBN 9780241567227
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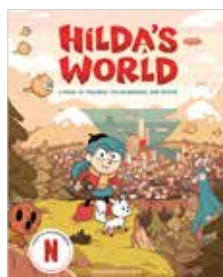
A sequel to the hugely popular *Sleepovers!* Daisy's sister Lily is non-verbal but she's learned Makaton at her new special school. She signs to Daisy that *she* wants a sleepover. Could it be the best sleepover in the world?



Juniper Mae: Knight of Tykotech City

Sarah Soh
Flying Eye Books
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ISBN 9781912497454
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Juniper Mae lives in Tykotech City – home to the most Incredible technology you've ever seen, but now something is terribly wrong and there's only one tiny inventor that stands between the city and total darkness... Juniper Mae!



Hilda's World

Luke Pearson
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ISBN 9781913123239
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Deep in the Trolberg Library is a book that tells of Trolberg and its Trolbergian inhabitants. Take a tour of the city, and learn about its secrets from Hilda herself. Ideal reading for all fans of the Netflix TV series *Hilda*.

CHILDREN'S FICTION



Once Upon A Legend

Ben Miller &
Elisa Paganelli
Simon & Schuster
Children's • HB • £14.99
ISBN 9781398515871
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Marcus has just started at a new and very unusual school, Merlin's. Determined to get expelled, he does everything he can think of to get into big trouble... but can he discover his own bravery?

Finding Bear

Hannah Gold &
Levi Pinfold
HarperCollins Children's
HB • £12.99
ISBN 9780008582012
28th September
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The follow-up to the award-winning *The Last Bear*. When April Wood hears that a polar bear has been shot and injured in Svalbard, she's convinced it's her friend Bear, and embarks on an Arctic adventure.



The Boy who Slept Through Christmas

Matt Lucas
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ISBN 9780008519896
28th September
8+

A magical Christmas adventure from which touches ever so gently on childhood grief. Leo needs this first Christmas without mum to be perfect, but when things go wrong he wishes Christmas would go away. And then it does...



The Completely Chaotic Christmas of Lottie Brooks

Katie Kirby
Puffin • HB • £14.99
ISBN 9780241647172
12th October
9+

Christmas is complete chaos this year! The whole Brooks family are visiting there's a Secret Santa to organise AND Lottie has to prepare to perform in the Christmas play. Will she survive the festivities?



Oxford Children's Classics: A Christmas Carol

Charles Dickens
Oxford Children's
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ISBN 9780192789044
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This edition contains the complete text of *A Christmas Carol* and other Christmas stories by Dickens. It also features an introduction by Neil Gaiman and other bonus material.



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Katya Balen
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ISBN 9781526640444
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From the author of *October, October*, winner of the Yoto Carnegie Medal, comes a heartbreaking and heartwarming story about sisterhood, found family and accepting love in the most unusual and unknown places.



Where Magic Grows

Onjali Q. Rauf &
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Orion Children's
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A collection of seven unique fables, filled with humour, heart and messages of hope. Set in various locations across the world, these fables are unlike any you've read before.

Stepfather Christmas

L.D. Lapinski
Orion Children's
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ISBN 9781510112698
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A magical Christmas story about a girl who is convinced her new stepdad is actually Father Christmas. Written in an advent calendar structure, with a chapter to read each day in December in the lead up to Christmas.



Juniper's Christmas

Eoin Colfer &
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ISBN 9780008475536
26th October
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A classic adventure about the magic of Santa Claus, set in North London and the North Pole, from the bestselling author of *Artemis Fowl*. Is one girl's love strong enough to save her family and Father Christmas himself?



Victoria Stitch: Dark & Sparkling

Harriet Muncaster
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Victoria Stitch is finally Queen of Wiskling Wood, along with her sister Celestine. She is also proud aunt to Princess Minnie Stitch. When old enemies resurface and kidnap Minnie, Victoria Stitch is intent on revenge.



The Snow Girl

Sophie Anderson &
Melissa Castrillon
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From award-winning and critically acclaimed Sophie Anderson, comes a fairy-tale story of friendship, belonging and bravery, in an adventure through a winter wonderland. The perfect read for the whole family this Christmas.

FANTASTIC ADVENTURES



Impossible Creatures

Katherine Rundell
Bloomsbury Children's
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The first in a new fantasy trilogy, this book follows Christopher as he enters the world of the Archipelago, a hidden realm where mythical creatures live. Can he and his new friend Mal save both their worlds?



Geomancer: In the Shadow of the Wolf Queen

Kiran Millwood Hargrave
Orion Children's
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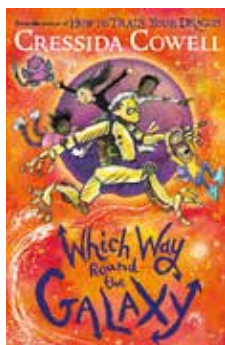
ISBN 9781510107816
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From bestselling and award-winning author of *The Girl of Ink & Stars* comes an epic new fantasy about the magic of nature, the lure of power and the strength of love.

Which Way Round the Galaxy

Cressida Cowell
Hodder Children's
HB • £14.99
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9+

The sequel to *Which Way to Anywhere* from the author of the *How to Train your Dragon*. A Magical Creature lost far from home leads the four O'Hero-Smith children on another adventure.



Percy Jackson & The Olympians: The Chalice of the Gods

Rick Riordan
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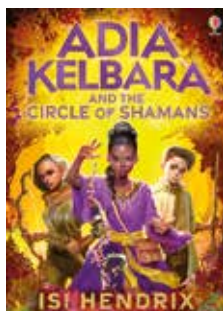
A brand new book in the legendary series. The original heroes from *The Lightning Thief* are reunited for their biggest challenge yet: getting Percy to college when the gods are standing in his way...



Woodwitch

Skye McKenna
Welbeck Flame
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ISBN 9781801301091
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The *Hedgewitch* series continues... Cassie, Rue and Tabitha's magical training will be put to the test as they venture deeper into the Hedge and race to find the faery treasure before it falls into the hands of the Erl King.



Adia Kelbara & the Circle of Shamans

Isi Hendrix
Usborne • HB • £12.99
ISBN 9781803706542
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9+

An action-packed new fantasy series. 12-year-old Adia's aunt and uncle believe she is an ogbanje, a demon-possessed child. When she accidentally destroys her village, she starts to think they might be right...



The Spirit Snatcher

Cat Gray

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A new adventure story. Pip was not expecting his new neighbours to be vampires, banshees and ghosts. Worst of all is the mysterious spirit snatcher, which appears out of nowhere and sucks away people's personalities...



Glassborn

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An enthralling tale of magic, riddles, and curses, from the author of *The Cogheart Adventures*. The year is 1826, and the four Belle siblings arrive at their new home in Tambling Village. But one of them is called to Fairyland...



The Ice Children

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ISBN 9781035014217

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A modern fairytale adventure, based on *The Snow Queen* and celebrating the magic and wonder of winter in all its forms by the award-winning, bestselling author of *Adventures on Trains, Twitch and Beetle Boy*.

The Silver Road

Sinéad O'Hart

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Myth and magic combine in this unforgettable story drawing on Irish folklore. When Rose is entrusted with a powerful stone by a Frost Giant, she is swept into an adventure full of danger.



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Piccadilly Press

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The sequel to *The Marvellers*. In this fantasy adventure set in a global magic school in the sky, Ella, Jason, and Brigit return for their second year at the Arcanum Training Institute for Marvelous and Uncanny Endeavors.

STIRRING STORIES



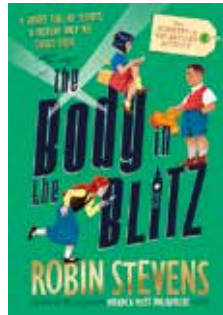
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Guy Bass &
Alessia Trunfio
Little Tiger • PB • £7.99
ISBN 9781788955973

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9+

The first in a new trilogy from the award-winning author of *Stitch Head*. Gnat and her sister Paige are the only humans left on Somewhere 513, where robots rule. Now they must venture out in search of the one robot that stood by the humans.



The Ministry of Unladylike Activity: The Body in the Blitz

Robin Stevens
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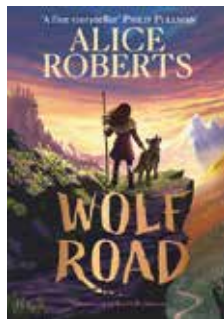
The second mystery starring a new generation of the Detective Society, from the bestselling author of *Murder Most Unladylike*. March 1941. A secret agency is training up children as spies...

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Liz Kessler
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When Liv finds a secret box from her grandmother's childhood she uncovers an extraordinary war-time story of bravery, betrayal and daring defiance. A story that will change Liv and her family forever...

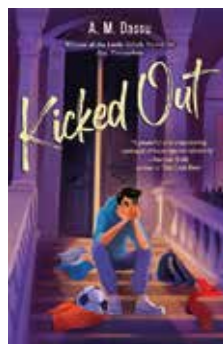


The Secret of the Blood-Red Key

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The follow-up to the phenomenal *The Book of Stolen Dreams*. Rachel and Robert have defeated the tyrant Malstain and become the heroes of Krasnia, but all is not how it should be. Before long, they are battling once more to save their home.



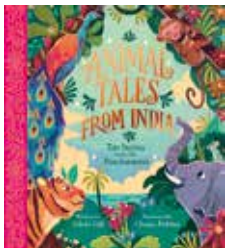
Kicked Out

A.M. Dassu
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19th October

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This sequel to A.M. Dassu's award-winning debut, *Boy, Everywhere*, finds Sami and Ali living the dream at their friend Mark's luxury pool. But they're kicked out when Adam is accused of theft. Proving his innocence will test their friendships.

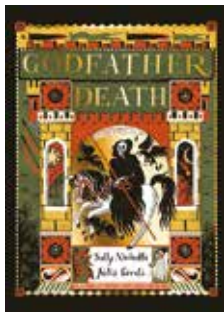
LEGENDARY TALES



Animal Tales from India

Nikita Gill &
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A stunningly illustrated gift book of ancient Indian fables, retold by bestselling poet and social-media star Nikita Gill. Discover a world of wonder, wisdom and friendship.



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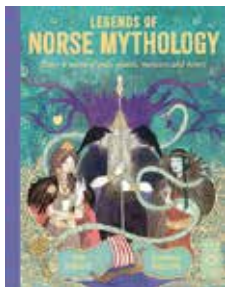
Sally Nicholls &
Júlia Sardà
Andersen Press
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A powerful retelling of the classic Grimm cautionary tale about the value of honesty and the power of greed, reimagined by the award-winning Sally Nicholls and with haunting illustrations by Júlia Sardà.

Legends of Norse Mythology

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5th October
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An artfully illustrated encyclopaedia of Norse gods, giants, monsters and heroes featuring otherworldly illustrations from Isabella Mazzanti and enchanting text from Tom Birkett.



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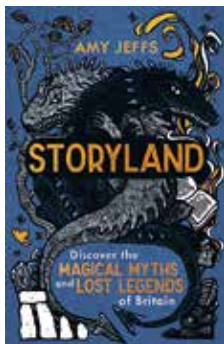
A treasury of stories that sparkle and glitter with magic. These are enchanted tales from all over the world – from North America to Siberia, West Africa, Peru, India, Japan, England and Australia.



The Hidden World of Magical Creatures

Maz Evans &
Robert Ingpen
Welbeck Editions
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Immerse yourself in mist and magic, and discover the heroes and monsters of Britain's enchanting mythology, in this children's adaptation of the bestselling *Storyland*.

SCIENCE & NATURE



Glow: A Child's Guide to the Night Sky
Noelia Gonzalez & Sara Boccaccini Meadows
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A beautifully illustrated collection of 5 minute bedtime stories about the wildlife found in woods around the world. The tales feature elephants, wild cats, pangolins, badgers, foxes, monarch butterflies and more.

Hello Fungi

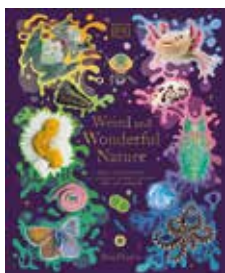
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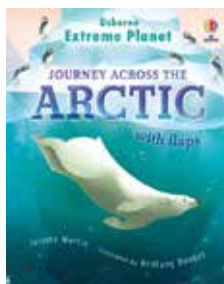
Secret Stories of Nature
Saskia Gwinn & Vasilisa Romanenko
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A beautiful compendium of fascinating nature facts which tell the stories and secrets of Earth's past. Readers are invited to journey around the world through wild forests, over mountains high and to the bottom of oceans..



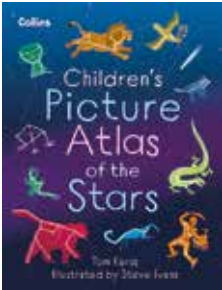
Weird & Wonderful Nature
Ben Hoare
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Discover the stories of more than 100 striking, rare and unusual species and objects, all told by author Ben Hoare, whose informative explanations are paired with stunning photographs and charming illustrations.



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Jerome Martin & Brittany Baugus
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Soar through the night sky with this beautifully illustrated atlas of the stars. From amazing animals and brilliant birds to monsters and monster-slayers – children will love learning about these incredible star patterns.



The Observologist

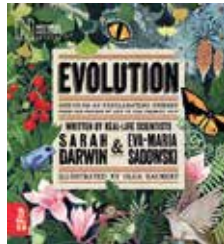
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A highly illustrated, playful field guide for budding natural scientists and curious observers of the world right under our noses.

Evolution

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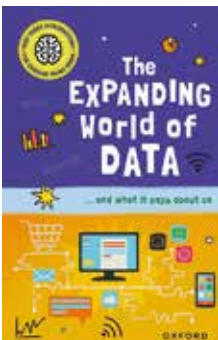
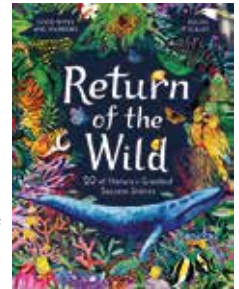
Discover the story of life on Earth, with scientists Sarah Darwin and Eva Maria Sadowski. Learn about the theory that Sarah's great-great grandfather, Charles Darwin and Alfred Russel Wallace came up with together.



Return of the Wild

Helen Scales & Good Wives & Warriors
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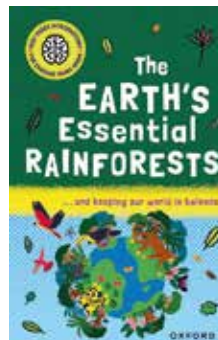
An illustrated collection of hopeful stories exploring the recovery of nature in the face of extinction and environmental challenges. It teaches children about the different habitats of plants and animals.



Very Short Introductions for Curious Young Minds: The Expanding World of Data

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Data is an integral part of our lives. This book uncovers the world of data in a way that is accessible, engaging and thought-provoking, using colourful artwork.

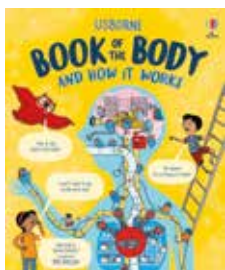


Very Short Introductions for Curious Young Minds: The Earth's Essential Rainforests

Isabel Thomas
Oxford Children's
PB • £7.99
ISBN 9780192782939
5th October
9+

Do you know why rainforests are called 'lungs of the world'? Or the 'beating hearts' of the planet? This book will answer these questions and more.

BOOKS FOR CURIOUS MINDS



The Usborne Book of the Body & How it Works
 Alex Frith, Darran Stobbert & Mia Nilsson
 Usborne • HB • £12.99
 ISBN 9781474998413
 28th September
 5+

Follow the owl professor as he takes two children on a tour of a body. But not just any human body – a gigantic factory building built to explain how real bodies work.

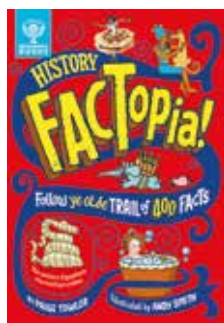


Big Book of Things to Know
 James Maclaine, Sarah Hull & Laura Cowan
 Usborne • HB • £16.99
 ISBN 9781805074113
 9th November
 6+
 A delightful collection of four books (*Lots of things to know about Your Body, Space, Animals and Dinosaurs*) in a single volume bursting with vibrant illustrations and packed with quirky and surprising things to know.

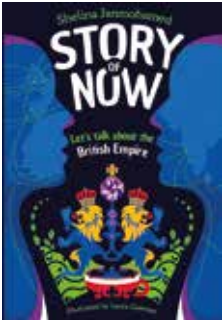
Brilliant Black British History
 Atinuke & Kingsley Nebechi
 Bloomsbury Children's
 HB • £12.99
 ISBN 9781526635716
 7+

An eye-opening story of Britain, focusing on a part of our past that has mostly been left out of the history books: the brilliant Black history of England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.

A Very Curious Christmas
 Maddie Moate
 Puffin • HB • £14.99
 ISBN 9780241652541
 12th October
 6+
 Have you ever wondered why crackers go bang? Or where Christmas trees come from? Or why brussels sprouts make you fart? Maddie Moate is here to answer these questions and many more!



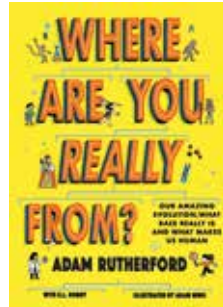
History FACTopia!
 Paige Towler, Andy Smith & Others
 Britannica Books
 HB • £10.99
 ISBN 9781804660409
 8+
 In this adventure you'll discover hundreds of the most mind-blowing facts from history. And there isn't just one trail through these facts. Sometimes your path branches, and you can choose to fast forward or rewind to a different part of history.



Story of Now

Shelina Janmohamed &
Laura Greenan
Welbeck Children's
PB • £7.99
ISBN 9781803381442
8+

An examination of the modern culture of Britain, the Commonwealth and all countries historically connected to her past, looking at identity and encouraging children to discover and celebrate their own stories.



Where are You Really From?

Adam Rutherford, E.L.
Norry & Adam Ming
Wren & Rook
PB • £9.99
ISBN 9781526364241
28th September
9+

Have you ever thought about who you might be related to? Geneticist Adam Rutherford is here to tell you how you're related to emperors, kings and queens!



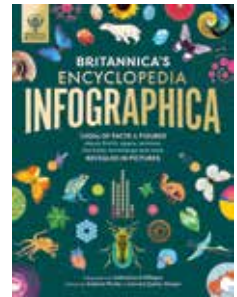
Eyewitness Encyclopedia of Everything
DK • HB • £25.00
ISBN 9780241595749
12th October
9+

An encyclopedia bursting with breathtaking photography and packed with the topics kids love most. The world's greatest record-breakers, most amazing animals, inspiring history-makers, and cutting-edge technology are all here.

Britannica's Encyclopedia Infographica

Paige Towler &
Andy Smith
Britannica Books
HB • £25.00
ISBN 9781913750459
10+

This authoritative visual encyclopedia reveals astonishing information about space, Earth, animals, humans and technology through illustrations and graphics (and not too many words!).

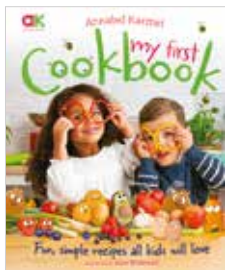


What's The Big Idea?

Tracey Turner &
Teqitia Andrews
Simon & Schuster
Children's • HB • £14.99
ISBN 9781398523715
8+

Have you ever wondered what capitalism is? How about feminism, ecology, epidemiology or astronomy? This book will give you straightforward, easy-to-understand answers to all these things and more!

NON FICTION FUN



Annabel Karmel's My First Cookbook

Annabel Karmel & Alex Willmore
 Welbeck Children's
 HB • £12.99
 ISBN 9781783129881
 4+
 A brand-new complete first cookbook for young children from Annabel Karmel, the UK's bestselling children's cookbook author – full of fun recipes and techniques for even the youngest cooks.



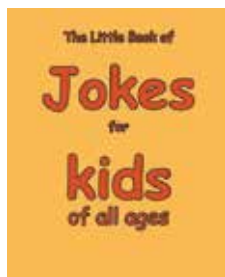
Joy to the World!: Christmas Around the Globe

Kate DePalma & Sophie Fatus
 Barefoot Books
 HB • £12.99
 ISBN 9781646862979
 4+
 Explore Christmas traditions from 13 different countries! Rhyming text and detailed illustrations make the book accessible to younger readers.

The Little Book of Jokes for Kids of All Ages

Martin Ellis
 Zymurgy • PB • £2.99
 ISBN 9781903506318
 6+

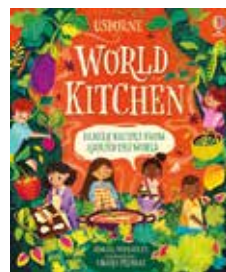
A little book crammed with jokes that generations of children have loved. It provides hours of family entertainment and is perfect to fit in a Christmas stocking.



World Kitchen

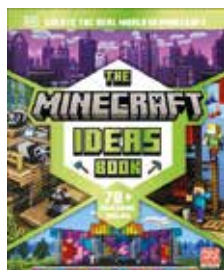
Abigail Wheatley & Chaaya Prabhat
 Usborne • HB • £9.99
 ISBN 9781474998628
 7+

This heartfelt book features a unique collection of recipes contributed by families from around the world. Each recipe has an introduction featuring the family who contributed it, and simple, step-by-step instructions.



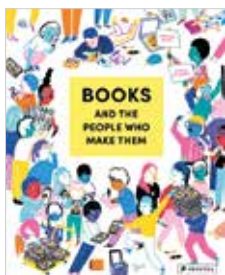
An Unofficial Guide to the World of Studio Ghibli

Michael Leader & Jake Cunningham
 Welbeck Children's
 HB • £12.99
 ISBN 9781803381220
 7+
 Welcome to the world of Studio Ghibli. Adored by toddlers and die-hard cinephiles alike, this is a place where magic is just a train ride away.



The Minecraft Ideas Book

Thomas McBrien
 DK • HB • £19.99
 ISBN 9780241588277
 5th October
 7+
 An inspirational Minecraft book for kids and fans of all ages – with amazing building ideas, expert tips, and hacks, plus fascinating facts about the real world too.



Books & The People Who Make Them

Stéphanie Vernet & Camille de Cussac
Prestel Junior
HB • £14.99
ISBN 9783791375496
8+

This unique, fun and informative introduction to the publishing world shows young readers how a book makes its journey from the writer's notebook to the reader's hands.



By The Sea: Life Along the Coast

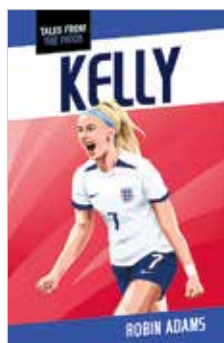
Judith Homoki & Martin Haake
Prestel Junior
HB • £19.99
ISBN 9783791375557
8+

Brimming with illustrations, this coast-to-coast journey through time and across continents introduces young readers to the historical and cultural importance of the world's seashores.

Tales From the Pitch: Kelly

Robin Adams
Raven Books • PB • £7.99
ISBN 9781800476936
7+

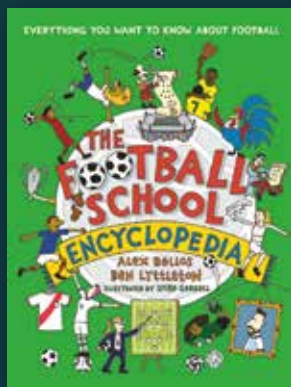
Chloe Kelly has set the football world alight with her dazzling skills to become one of the most exciting forwards in the women's game. This is the inspiring story of how she persevered through hardship to become an icon of English football.



Tales From the Pitch: Neymar

Matt Carver
Raven Books • PB • £7.99
ISBN 9781800476912
7+

Dynamic, creative, and explosive – Neymar is one of the best footballers on the planet. Discover his story – and what it takes to make it to the top – in this fast-moving, fictionalised biography.



The Football School Encyclopedia
Alex Bellos & Ben Lyttleton
Walker Books
HB • £14.99
ISBN 9781529507584
5th October
9+

Discover everything you've EVER wanted to know about football, from fascinating facts about your favourite players and clubs, to incredible international stats and terrific trivia. Packed with hilarious illustrations by Spike Gerrell.

ACTIVITIES & GAMES



The Handbook of Forgotten Skills

Natalie Crowley & Elaine Batiste

Magic Cat • HB • £17.99
ISBN 9781913520847

7+

Craft, build, cook and play the old-fashioned way with easy-to-follow steps that unlock hours of timeless fun. Fully-illustrated chapters feature the history and story behind more than thirty skills, from skipping stones to mending socks.



Cat Family Christmas: Lift the flap Puzzle

Lucy Brownridge & Eunyoung Seo

Kaddo • Jigsaw • £14.99
ISBN 9780711287853

4+

A fun lift-the-flap puzzle update of the bestselling *Cat Family Christmas* picture book. Open the 12 doors on the shaped pieces to reveal what the cat family have been up to in the 12 days before Christmas as they prepare for the holiday.

The Story Orchestra: The Nutcracker Musical Puzzle

Jessica

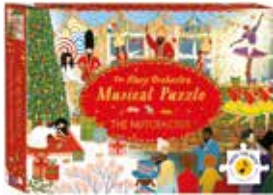
Courtney-Tickle

Kaddo

Jigsaw • £17.99

ISBN 9780711287082

4+



A new musical jigsaw puzzle with beautiful artwork and 4 sound clips from the *Story Orchestra* series. Complete the puzzle to discover the story of *The Nutcracker* and press the musical notes to hear the original score.



The Little Book of Things to Do for Kids of All Ages

Martin Ellis

Zymurgy • PB • £3.99

ISBN 9781903506516

19th October

6+

A book full of ideas for children's activities – on their own or with other children, inside or in a garden or on a beach, and on a journey. Includes party games enjoyed by generations of children.



Isadora Moon: The Winter Sparkle Activity Book

Harriet Muncaster

Oxford Children's

PB • £6.99

ISBN 9780192785831

5+

Bursting with over 50 winter activities, including look-and-find, drawing and colouring-in, number puzzles, and more, this wintry activity book is perfect for keeping fans of the bestselling *Isadora Moon* series busy over the holiday season.

Join Isadora Moon on a wintry activity...



Snow Day!

What's your favourite thing to do on a snowy day? Maybe you like building snowmen or snuggling up inside with a mug of hot chocolate? Draw a picture of your favourite activity here.



BOOKS FOR LITTLE ONES



Peekaboo Santa
Camilla Reid & Ingela P. Arrhenius
Nosy Crow • HB • £7.99
ISBN 9781839946783
9th November
6 months+
A sparkling new Christmas book in the hit novelty series with multiple sliders! A funny rhyming text and surprise mirror ending combine in this stylish and interactive board book for babies and toddlers.



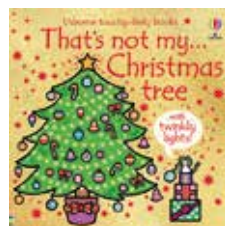
You Can't Let an Elephant Pull Santa's Sleigh
Patricia Cleveland-Peck & David Tazzyman
Bloomsbury Children's
PB • £7.99
ISBN 9781526635433
12th October
0+
Join in the fun as a band of crazy creatures try to get into the festive spirit in this brilliantly bonkers new book from the creators of *You Can't Take an Elephant on the Bus*.

The Night Billy Saved Christmas
Elizabeth Dale & Patrick Corrigan
Templar Publishing
PB • £7.99
ISBN 9781800787827
12th October
0+

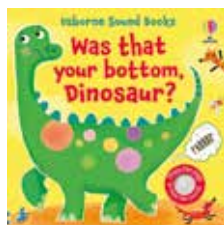
Fly up, up and away with Billy and his balloons on a silly seasonal sleigh ride! Full of festive surprises, silly humour and Christmas kindness.



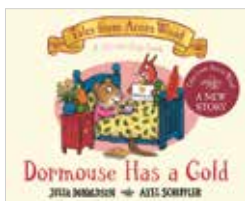
That's Not My Christmas Tree...
Fiona Watt & Rachel Wells
Usborne • HB • £12.99
ISBN 9781803707778
26th October
0+
Light up your Christmas with this super-special festive addition to the bestselling *That's not my...* series. Turn the pages to explore the bumpy trunk, prickly branches, sparkly decorations.



Don't Tickle Santa!
Sam Taplin & Anna Martin Larranaga
Usborne • HB • £12.99
ISBN 9781805313021
9th November
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This novelty book combines touchy-feely patches with sounds to create an irresistible treat for babies and toddlers. When you 'tickle' Santa, the elves and the reindeer you'll hear them all come to life!

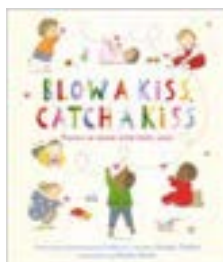


Was That Your Bottom, Dinosaur?
Sam Taplin & Anna Martin Larranaga
Usborne • HB • £7.99
ISBN 9781803709116
12th October
1+
Press the buttons in this hilarious sound book to hear just how noisy a dinosaur's bottom can be! With fun rhyming text and lively illustrations by the brilliant Ana Martin Larranaga, giggles are guaranteed.



Tales from Acorn Wood: Dormouse Has A Cold
 Julia Donaldson & Axel Scheffler
 Macmillan Children's
 HB • £7.99
 ISBN 9781035006908
 5th October
 2+

Snuggle up with Dormouse and her friends in this preschool lift-the-flap book from the creators of *The Gruffalo*. Dormouse is ill! But with some help from Doctor Stoat and a visit from her friends, she soon starts to feel better.

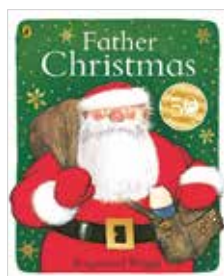


Blow A Kiss, Catch A Kiss
 Joseph Coelho & Nicola Killen
 Andersen Press
 PB • £8.99
 ISBN 9781839131561
 5th October
 0+
 Award-winning poet and Children's Laureate Joseph Coelho presents a delightful collection of 44 short poems to share with young babies and toddlers. With diverse characters throughout.

Father Christmas

Raymond Briggs
 Puffin • PB • £7.99
 ISBN 9780723277972
 12th October
 2+

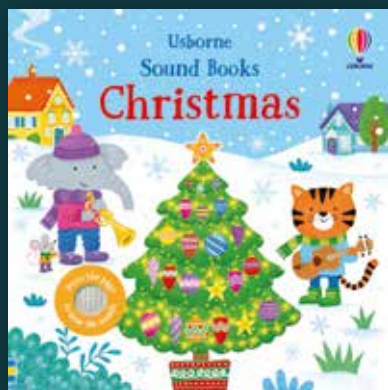
Join Father Christmas on his busiest night of the year in this 50th anniversary edition of the hilariously irreverent Christmas classic! Much merriment ensues as Father Christmas travels the world, to bring joy to children everywhere.



Paws, Claws, Tails, and Roars:
 Brian Wildsmith's
Animal Kingdom
 Brian Wildsmith
 Oxford Children's
 HB • £20.00
 ISBN 9780192784216
 2+



Answer the call of the wild with this timeless, stunningly beautiful gift book from one of the world's finest illustrators, presented with a foreword from one of the shining stars of children's literature, Michael Rosen.



Christmas Sound Book
 Sam Taplin & Jo Rooks
 Usborne • PB • £7.99
 ISBN 9781801314923
 12th October
 2+

Little children will love pressing the buttons in this book to hear five sounds that conjure up the Christmas spirit. From jingling bells to roaring fires and reindeer, the festive sounds make it a perfect stocking filler.

PICTURE BOOKS



Luna Loves Christmas

Joseph Coelho & Fiona Lumbers
Andersen Press
HB • £12.99
ISBN 9781839131660
3+
Luna discovers the power of giving in her fourth adventure by Children's Laureate Joseph Coelho. This Christmas, Luna's family are volunteering, and Luna can't wait for them to all be together!



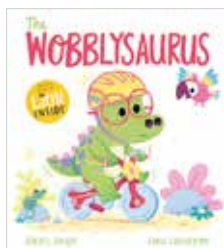
The Tree Next Door

Charlie Moyer & Martin Stanev
Little Tiger • HB • £12.99
ISBN 9781788956239
12th October
3+
When a little girl moves into her new home, the first thing she notices is the magnificent tree next door. Helping her neighbour tend to her garden through the seasons, the girl learns the importance of community.

The Wobblysauros

Rachel Bright & Chris Chatterton
Orchard Books
PB • £7.99
ISBN 9781408356197
3+

The fourth book in the popular *DinoFeelings* series. An empowering story with a reassuring reminder that everyone starts off wobbly when trying something new, as we follow Wobblysauros learning to ride a bike.

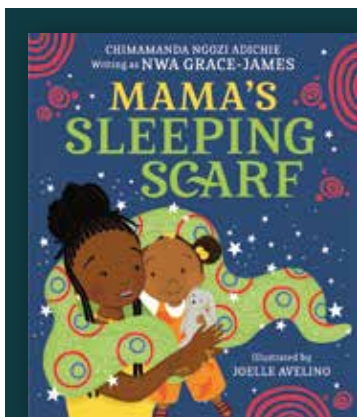


Begin Again

Oliver Jeffers
HarperCollins Children's
HB • £20.00
ISBN 9780008579593
10th October
3+



In his first picture book created specifically with a wider audience in mind, Oliver Jeffers shares a history of humanity and his dreams for its future. Where are we going? A must-have for every forward-thinking person who wants the next generation to inherit a world to be proud of.



Mama's Sleeping Scarf

Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie & Joelle Avelino
HarperCollins Children's
HB • £12.99
ISBN 9780008550073
3+

A joyful exploration of family life, written by one of the most outstanding contemporary authors of our generation. follows a young girl called Chino as she plays with her mama's sleeping scarf through the day.



**National Trust:
'Tis the Season**

Illustrated by
Richard Jones
Nosy Crow • HB • £19.99
ISBN 9781839946868
3+

A spectacular advent calendar book filled with festive poems, hidden surprises and a magical fold-out frieze! Includes poems by Ogden Nash, Christina Rossetti, John Agard and many others.



**I'm Going to
be a Princess**

Stephanie Taylor &
Jade Orlando
Nosy Crow • PB • £7.99
ISBN 9781839944727
3+

A moving and funny picture book story about a little girl who is inspired by the lives of incredible Black women. Maya discovers the achievements of some amazing women... but it's a Nigerian princess who really captures her imagination!

D is for Dog

Em Lynas &
Sara Ogilvie
Nosy Crow
HB • £9.99
ISBN 9781839944222
12th October
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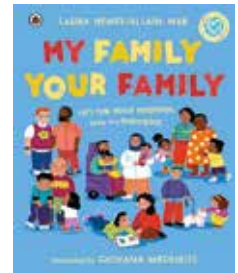


This hilarious alphabet celebration of canine capers is perfect for dog lovers young and old. Featuring stylish and vibrant artwork by the award-winning Sara Ogilvie, it's full of fun depictions of all kinds of dogs.

My Family Your Family

Laura Henry-Allain &
Giovana Medeiros
Ladybird • HB • £12.99
ISBN 9780241610480
5th October
3+

A powerful non-fiction book that discuss what makes a family, explores how different families come together and celebrates the idea that every family is unique, written by an Early Years expert.



**Bluey: 12 Days
of Christmas**

Ladybird • PB • £7.99
ISBN 9780241615409
28th September
3+

On the first day of Christmas, Verandah Santa gave to Bluey... A fruit bat in a mango tree! Join Bluey and friends and count down the 12 days of Christmas in this fun board book.



Gigantic

Rob Biddulph
HarperCollins Children's
HB • £12.99
ISBN 9780008413439
3+

A powerful and standout sea life story featuring one very small and determined blue whale called Gigantic. When Gigantic's brother, Titan, gets stuck on the sand, it's down to Gigantic and his smallest sea creature friends to save the day.

PICTURE & NOVELTY BOOKS



Don't Wake Santa!

Eden Wells &
Sharon Davey
Ladybird • PB • £7.99
ISBN 9780241630501
12th October
3+

A funny, rhyming picture book about an elf who has to save Christmas before Santa wakes up from his nap. It features 15 durable flaps to lift throughout – discover the missing reindeer!



Peter Rabbit: The Christmas Star

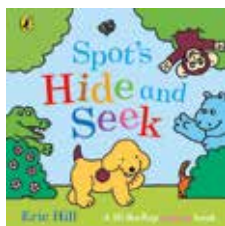
Beatrix Potter &
Ellie Taylor
Warne • HB • £6.99
ISBN 9780241606384
28th September
3+

A brand new seasonal title in the *Peter Rabbit Tales* series that every generation of Beatrix Potter fans will love. This book is a perfect gift for children to prepare and get excited for the festive period!

Spot's Hide & Seek

Eric Hill
Puffin • HB • £8.99
ISBN 9780241554432
3+

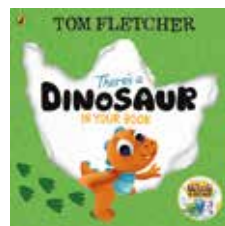
In this brand new story, Spot and his friends are playing a fun game of hide-and-seek. A large flap on every page reveals a brilliant pop-up surprise each time, as the friends are discovered one by one.



There's A Dinosaur In Your Book

Tom Fletcher
Puffin • PB • £7.99
ISBN 9780241591314
3+

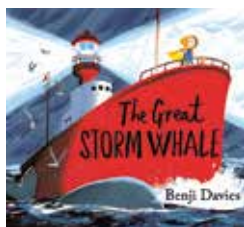
Help Noisy Dinosaur learn to use her voice in this new interactive adventure! What's that sound? It sounds like a little Dinosaur has stomped her way into your book... Can you help her find some friends?



Supertato Presents Jack & The Beanstalk

Sue Hendra & Paul Linnet
Simon & Schuster
Children's • PB • £7.99
ISBN 9781398511644
26th October
3+

It's showtime in the supermarket as Supertato and the veggies put on their very own production of *Jack and the Beanstalk*. A fee-fi-fo-festive treat for Supertato fans this Christmas!



The Great Storm Whale

Benji Davies
Simon & Schuster
Children's
PB • £7.99
ISBN 9781398503502
HB • £12.99
ISBN 9781398503496
12th October
3+

This glorious addition to the *Storm Whale* series celebrates the stories and the love that are passed down through generations.

Look out for an exclusive HB edition, with an art print, available only from independent bookshops.



Brave Little Bear
Benji Davies
Simon & Schuster
Children's • HB • £12.99
ISBN 9781471192418
26th October
3+
Being brave when you feel afraid is the very bravest brave of all... With heartwarming illustrations, this tender story by creator Steve Small is perfect for anyone who has ever been afraid of change.

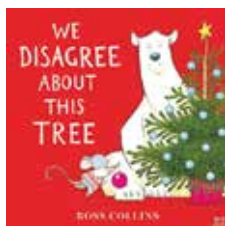
Free Art Print available only from Independent Bookshops!



We Disagree About This Tree

Ross Collins
Nosy Crow • PB • £7.99
ISBN 9781839948602
12th October
3+

The third, festive book in the series featuring Bear and Mouse, who often disagree. They have finally overcome their differences and are living together in perfect harmony... until it's time to decorate the Christmas tree!



How Does Santa Go Down the Chimney?

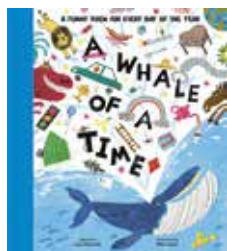
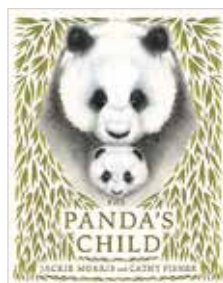
Mac Barnett &
Jon Klassen
Walker Books
HB • £12.99
ISBN 9781529512779
5th October
3+

A charming exploration of just how Santa's magic might work, perfect for reading together as a family at Christmas, from the award-winning creators of the *Shapes* trilogy.

The Panda's Child

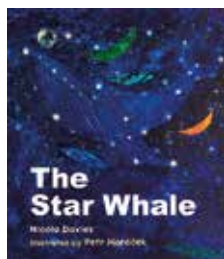
Jackie Morris &
Cathy Fisher
Otter-Barry Books
HB • £16.99
ISBN 9781915659057
5th October
5+

In a faraway forest a baby is lost and found, protected by a she-panda. Nine years later another baby, the panda's child, is in great danger, and only a boy and the spirit of the forest can save him.



A Whale of A Time
Lou Peacock &
Matt Hunt
Nosy Crow • HB • £25.00
ISBN 9781839942013
5+

A brilliantly illustrated collection of 366 hilarious poems to keep you laughing all year round! With poems about everything from animals, holidays, and food, to friendship, family and feelings, there's something for everyone.

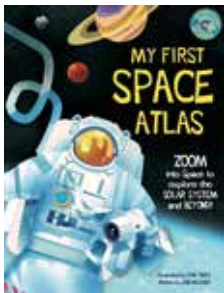


The Star Whale

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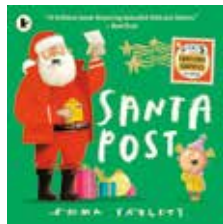


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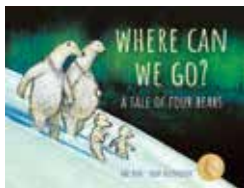
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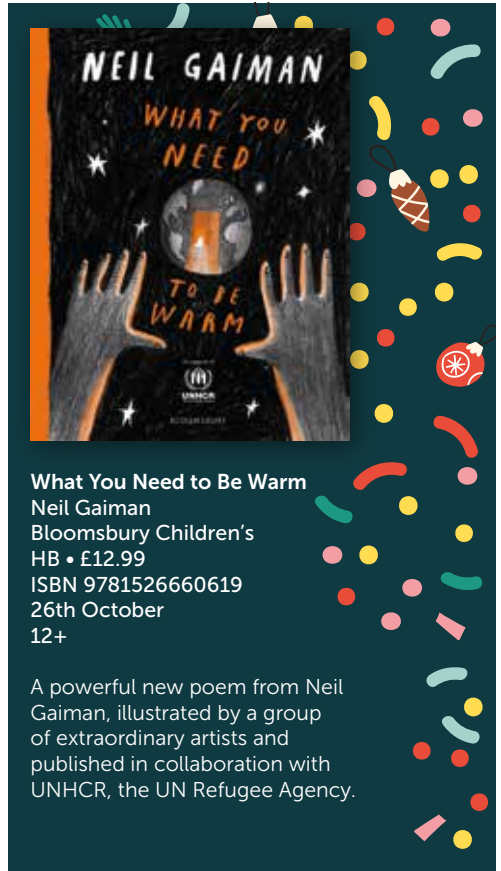
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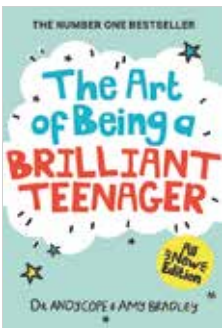
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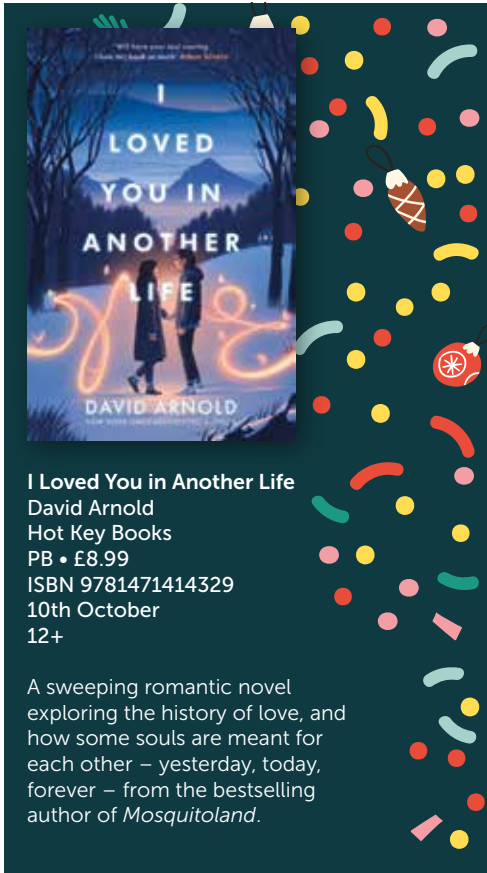


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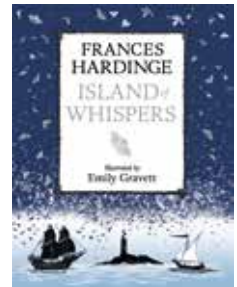
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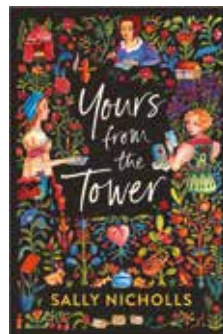
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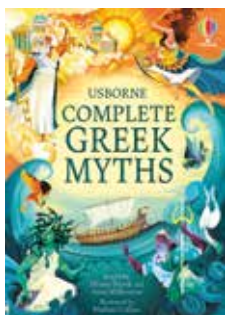
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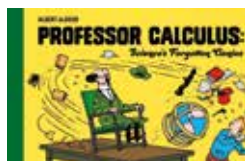
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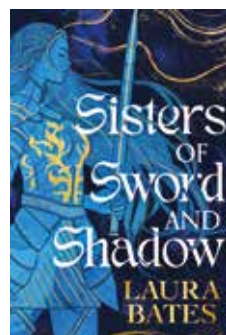
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