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Laughing Can Kill You - Maggie King 2021-11-30
He who laughs last, laughs longest. Unless he's dead. When romance author Hazel Rose is dropped by her publisher, she sees herself heading down a path strewn with has-been authors. While disappointed, Hazel won't give up without a fight-she signs up for a mystery-writing class,

thinking that crime fiction will jumpstart her career. But what's a mystery-writing class without a mystery? So when Randy Zimmerman, an obnoxious classmate given to laughing at others' expense, is murdered, Hazel tackles the case. Solving a real-life murder will surely lend authenticity to her creative writing. She recruits her book group pals to

help with the investigation. Trouble is, there are more suspects than they bargained for-even Hazel herself, who endured Randy's thumbs-way-down review of her writing, had a motive. A second body drives the stakes higher, and Hazel doubles her efforts to find who's behind the murders, unearthing secrets that a killer would go to any lengths to keep hidden. Will Hazel succeed? Or will this be "The End" for her?

Heresy - S. J. Parris 2011

In Elizabeth's England, true faith can mean bloody murder... Oxford, 1583. A place of learning. And murderous schemes. The country is rife with plots to assassinate Queen Elizabeth and return the realm to the Catholic faith. Giordano Bruno is recruited by the queen's spymaster and sent undercover to expose a treacherous conspiracy in Oxford - but his own secret mission must remain hidden at all costs. A spy under orders. A coveted throne under threat. When a series of hideous murders ruptures close-knit

college life, Bruno is compelled to investigate. And what he finds makes it brutally clear that the Tudor throne itself is at stake... Heretic, maverick, charmer: Giordano Bruno is always on his guard. Never more so than when working for Queen Elizabeth and her spymaster - for this man of letters is now an agent of intrigue and danger.

Company of Liars - Karen Maitland 2009-02-26

The year is 1348 and the first plague victim has reached English shores. Panic erupts around the country and a small band of travellers comes together to outrun the deadly disease, unaware that something far more deadly is - in fact - travelling with them. The ill-assorted company - a scarred trader in holy relics, a conjurer, two musicians, a healer and a deformed storyteller - are all concealing secrets and lies. And at their heart is the strange, cold child - Narigorm - who reads the runes. But as law and order breaks down across the country and the battle for

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survival becomes ever more fierce, Narigorm mercilessly compels each of her fellow travellers to reveal the truth ... and each in turn is driven to a cruel and unnatural death.

The Seeker - S.G. MacLean
2015-05-07

A bloody murder. An open and shut case? In Oliver Cromwell's London, nothing is as it seems - Captain Damian Seeker must battle to find justice, when an innocent man's life hangs in the balance. 'Challenges CJ Sansom for dominion of historical crime' Sunday Times 'The best historical crime novel of the year' Sunday Express London, 1654. Oliver Cromwell is at the height of his power and has declared himself Lord Protector. Yet he has many enemies, at home and abroad. London is a complex web of spies and merchants, priests and soldiers, exiles and assassins. One of the web's most fearsome spiders is Damian Seeker, agent of the Lord Protector. No one knows where Seeker comes from, who his family is, or even his real name. All that is known of him

for certain is that he is utterly loyal to Cromwell, and that nothing can be long hidden from him. In the city, coffee houses are springing up, fashionable places where men may meet to plot and gossip. Suddenly they are ringing with news of a murder. John Winter, hero of Cromwell's all-powerful army, is dead, and the lawyer, Elias Ellingworth, found standing over the bleeding body, clutching a knife. Yet despite the damning evidence, Seeker is not convinced of Ellingworth's guilt. He will stop at nothing to bring the killer to justice: and Seeker knows better than any man where to search.

Dominion - C. J. Sansom
2014-01-28

C.J. Sansom rewrites history in a thrilling novel that dares to imagine Britain under the thumb of Nazi Germany. 1952. Twelve years have passed since Churchill lost to the appeasers and Britain surrendered to Nazi Germany. The global economy strains against the weight of the long German war against Russia still raging in

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the east. The British people find themselves under increasingly authoritarian rule -- the press, radio, and television tightly controlled, the British Jews facing ever greater constraints. But Churchill's Resistance soldiers on. As defiance grows, whispers circulate of a secret that could forever alter the balance of the global struggle. The keeper of that secret? Scientist Frank Muncaster, who languishes in a Birmingham mental hospital. Civil Servant David Fitzgerald, a spy for the Resistance and University friend of Frank's, is given the mission to rescue Frank and get him out of the country. Hard on his heels is Gestapo agent Gunther Hoth, a brilliant, implacable hunter of men, who soon has Frank and David's innocent wife, Sarah, directly in his sights. C.J. Sansom's literary thriller *Winter in Madrid* earned Sansom comparisons to Graham Greene, Sebastian Faulks, and Ernest Hemingway. Now, in his first alternative history epic,

Sansom doesn't just recreate the past -- he reinvents it. In a spellbinding tale of suspense, oppression and poignant love, *Dominion* dares to explore how, in moments of crisis, history can turn on the decisions of a few brave men and women -- the secrets they choose to keep and the bonds they share.

Giordano Bruno Thriller Series Books 1-3: Heresy, Prophecy, Sacrilege - S. J. Parris
2013-12-05

The first three books in S. J. Parris's bestselling, critically acclaimed series following *Giordano Bruno*, set at the time of Queen Elizabeth I
[Confess to Me](#) - Sharon Doering
2021-06-15

A wickedly gripping thriller about family secrets, infatuation and the lies we bury to protect ourselves from the author of *She Lies Close*.

"Somewhere between *Ozark* and *Sharp Objects*, there is Sharon Doering's *Confess to Me*... you won't put this one down" - Samantha Downing
"Wow! Doering delivers spellbinding plot twists... I

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loved every moment spent with this story!" - Wendy Walker "A truly menacing tale delivered one elegant twist at a time. You don't devour this book - it devours you." - P. J. Vernon
Heather Hornne is going home. Haunted by a childhood tragedy and estranged from her family, Heather finds herself back in Hunter, Wisconsin after twenty years running from it. She returns to finally put the past to rest, but uncovers another tragedy and finds herself in the beguiling grip of a young woman who knows more of her family secrets than Heather does. To survive this homecoming, Heather must piece together a toxic history that she long tried to forget.

The Silk Weaver - Liz Trenow
2017-01-31

Anna Butterfield moves from her Suffolk country home to her uncle's house in London, to be introduced to society. A chance encounter with a local silk weaver, French immigrant Henri, throws her from her privileged upbringing to the darker, dangerous world of

London's silk trade. Henri is working on his 'master piece' to make his name as a master silk weaver; Anna meanwhile is struggling against the constraints of her family and longing to become an artist. Henri realizes that Anna's designs could lift his work above the ordinary, and give them both an opportunity for freedom . . . This is a charming story of illicit romance, set against the world of the burgeoning silk trade in 18th century Spitalfields - a time of religious persecution, mass migration, racial tension and wage riots, and ideas of what was considered 'proper' for women.

Death of a Messenger - Robert McCaw
2021-01-05

Journey deep into the exotic locales of Hawaii's Big Island to discover its language, culture—and crime On Hawaii Island, an anonymous 911 caller reports a body at Pohakuloa, the Army's live-fire training area. Hilo Chief Detective Koa Kane, a cop with his own secret criminal past, finds a mutilated

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corpse—bearing all the hallmarks of ancient ritual sacrifice. He encounters a host of obstacles as he pursues the murderer—an incompetent local medical examiner, hostility from both haoles (Westerners) and sovereignty advocates, and a myriad of lies. Koa races to discover whether the victim stumbled upon a gang of high-tech archaeological thieves, or learned a secret so shocking it cost him his life and put others in mortal danger. Will Hilo's most respected detective stop this sadistic fiend—or will the Pohakuloa killer strike again, with even deadlier consequences? Perfect for fans of Michael Connelly and James Lee Burke While all of the novels in the Koa Kane Hawaiian Mystery Series stand on their own and can be read in any order, the publication sequence is: Off the Grid Fire and Vengeance Death of a Messenger Treachery Times Two (coming January 2022)

Lamentation - C. J. Sansom
2015-02-24

The eagerly anticipated new

Shardlake novel from the UK #1 bestselling author. Summer, 1546. King Henry VIII is slowly, painfully dying. His Protestant and Catholic councillors are engaged in a final and decisive power struggle; whoever wins will control the government of Henry's successor, 8-year-old Prince Edward. As heretics are hunted across London, and the radical Protestant Anne Askew is burned at the stake, the Catholic party focus their attack on Henry's 6th wife, Matthew Shardlake's old mentor, Queen Catherine Parr. Shardlake, still haunted by events aboard the warship Mary Rose the year before, is working on the Cotterstoke Will case, a savage dispute between rival siblings. Then, unexpectedly, he is summoned to Whitehall Palace and asked for help by his old patron, the now beleaguered and desperate Queen. For Catherine Parr has a secret. She has written a confessional book, Lamentation of a Sinner, so radically Protestant that if it came to the King's attention it

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could bring both her and her sympathizers crashing down. But, although the book was kept secret and hidden inside a locked chest in the Queen's private chamber, it has-- inexplicably--vanished. Only one page has been found, clutched in the hand of a murdered London printer. Shardlake's investigations take him on a trail that begins among the backstreet printshops of London but leads him and Jack Barak into the dark and labyrinthine world of the politics of the royal court; a world he had sworn never to enter again. Loyalty to the Queen will drive him into a swirl of intrigue inside Whitehall Palace, where Catholic enemies and Protestant friends can be equally dangerous, and the political opportunists, who will follow the wind wherever it blows, more dangerous than either. The theft of Queen Catherine's book proves to be connected to the terrible death of Anne Askew, while his involvement with the Cotterstoke litigants threatens

to bring Shardlake himself to the stake.

The Finder of Lost Things -
Kathy Lynn Emerson
2020-10-06

**Sex and Sexuality in
Georgian Britain** - Mike
Rendell 2020-12-14

Peek beneath the bedsheets of eighteenth- and early nineteenth-century Britain in this affectionate, informative and fascinating look at sex and sexuality during the reigns of Georges I-IV. It examines the prevailing attitudes towards male and female sexual behavior, and the ways in which these attitudes were often determined by those in positions of power and authority. It also explores our ancestors' ingenious, surprising, bizarre and often entertaining solutions to the challenges associated with maintaining a healthy sex life. Did the people in Georgian Britain live up to their stereotypes when it came to sexual behavior? This book will answer this question, as well as looking at fashion, food,

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science, art, medicine, magic, literature, love, politics, faith and superstition through a new lens, leaving the reader enlightened and with a new regard for the ingenuity and character of our ancestors.

Fatal Intent - Tammy Euliano
2021-03-02

End-of-life care—or assisted death When her elderly patients start dying at home days after minor surgery, anesthesiologist Dr. Kate Downey wants to know why. The surgeon, not so much. "Old people die, that's what they do," is his response. When Kate presses, surgeon Charles Ricken places the blame squarely on her shoulders. Kate is currently on probation, and the chief of staff sides with the surgeon, leaving Kate to prove her innocence and save her own career. With her husband in a prolonged coma, it's all she has left. Aided by her eccentric Great Aunt Irm, a precocious medical student, and the lawyer son of a victim, Kate launches her own unorthodox investigation of these unexpected deaths. As she

comes closer to exposing the culprit's identity, she faces professional intimidation, threats to her life, a home invasion, and, tragically, the suspicious death of someone close to her. The stakes escalate to the breaking point when Kate, under violent duress, is forced to choose which of her loved ones to save—and which must be sacrificed. Perfect for fans of Kathy Reichs and Tess Gerritsen

The Other Boleyn Girl (Movie Tie-In) - Philippa Gregory
2008-01-22

The daughters of a ruthlessly ambitious family, Mary and Anne Boleyn are sent to the court of Henry VIII to attract the attention of the king, who first takes Mary as his mistress, in which role she bears him an illegitimate son, and then Anne as his wife. Reprint. 250,000 first printing. (A Columbia Pictures film, written by Peter Morgan, directed by Justin Chadwick, releasing Fall 2007, starring Natalie Portman, Scarlett Johansson, Eric Bana, and

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others) (Historical Fiction)
Winter in Madrid - C. J. Sansom
2014-01-07
Fans of Carlos Ruiz Zafón's *The Shadow of the Wind* and Sebastian Faulks' *Birdsong* will fall in love with *Winter in Madrid*, the arresting novel from C.J. Sansom. In September 1940, the Spanish Civil War is over and Madrid lies in ruins while the Germans continue their march through Europe. Britain stands alone as General Franco considers whether to abandon neutrality and enter the war. Into this uncertain world comes Harry Brett, a privileged young man who was recently traumatized by his experience in Dunkirk and is now a reluctant spy for the British Secret Service. Sent to gain the confidence of Sandy Forsyth, an old school friend turned shadowy Madrid businessman, Brett finds himself involved in a dangerous game and surrounded by memories. Meanwhile, Sandy's girlfriend, ex-Red Cross nurse Barbara Clare, is engaged in a secret mission of her own. A vivid and haunting depiction of

wartime Spain, *Winter in Madrid* is an intimate and riveting tale that offers a remarkable sense of history unfolding, and reveals the profound impact of impossible choices.

Blood & Sugar - Laura Shepherd-Robinson
2020-01-09
1781. An investigation into a gruesome murder on the Deptford Docks leads to a dark secret that could change the very core of British society . . .
[Some Danger Involved](#) - Will Thomas
2004-06-03

An atmospheric debut novel set on the gritty streets of Victorian London, *Some Danger Involved* introduces detective Cyrus Barker and his apprentice, Thomas Llewelyn, as they work to solve the gruesome murder of a young scholar. When a student bearing a striking resemblance to artists' renderings of Jesus Christ is found murdered -- by crucifixion -- in London's Jewish ghetto, 19th-century private detective Barker must hire an assistant to help him solve the sinister case. Out of all who answer an ad for a

position with "some danger involved," the eccentric and enigmatic Barker chooses downtrodden Llewelyn, a gutsy young man whose murky past includes recent stints at both an Oxford college and an Oxford prison. As Llewelyn learns the ropes of his position, he is drawn deeper and deeper into Barker's peculiar world of vigilante detective work, as well as the dark heart of London's teeming underworld. Together they pass through chophouses, stables, and clandestine tea rooms, tangling with the early Italian mafia, a mad professor of eugenics, and other shadowy figures, inching ever closer to the shocking truth behind the murder. Brimming with wit and unforgettable characters, and steeped in authentic period detail, *Some Danger Involved* is a captivating page-turner that introduces an equally captivating duo while signaling the start of an exciting career for Will Thomas.

Dissolution - C. J. Sansom

2004-04-27

From the bestselling author of

Winter in Madrid and *Dominion* comes the exciting and elegantly written first novel in the Matthew Shardlake Tudor Mystery series. *Dissolution* is an utterly riveting portrayal of Tudor England. The year is 1537, and the country is divided between those faithful to the Catholic Church and those loyal to the king and the newly established Church of England. When a royal commissioner is brutally murdered in a monastery on the south coast of England, Thomas Cromwell, Henry VIII's feared vicar general, summons fellow reformer Matthew Shardlake to lead the inquiry. Shardlake and his young protégé uncover evidence of sexual misconduct, embezzlement, and treason, and when two other murders are revealed, they must move quickly to prevent the killer from striking again. A "remarkable debut" (P. D. James), *Dissolution* introduces a thrilling historical series that is not to be missed by fans of *Wolf Hall* and *Bring Up the Bodies*.

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Tombland - C.J. Sansom
2019-01-29

During the political upheaval of Tudor-era England, the lawyer Matthew Shardlake must decide where his loyalties lie in "one of the best ongoing mystery series" for fans of Hilary Mantel (Christian Science Monitor).

LONGLISTED FOR THE SIR WALTER SCOTT PRIZE FOR HISTORICAL FICTION Spring, 1549. Two years after the death of Henry VIII, England is sliding into chaos. The nominal king, Edward VI, is eleven years old. His uncle, Edward Seymour, Lord Hertford, rules as Edward's regent and Protector. In the kingdom, radical Protestants are driving the old religion into extinction, while the Protector's prolonged war with Scotland has led to hyperinflation and economic collapse. Rebellion is stirring among the peasantry. Matthew Shardlake has been working as a lawyer in the service of Henry's younger daughter, the lady Elizabeth. The gruesome murder of one of Elizabeth's distant relations, rumored to

be politically murdered, draws Shardlake and his companion Nicholas to the lady's summer estate, where a second murder is committed. As the kingdom explodes into rebellion, Nicholas is imprisoned for his loyalty, and Shardlake must decide where his loyalties lie -- with his kingdom, or with his lady?

A Trust Betrayed - Candace Robb 2015-08-24

The acclaimed author of the Owen Archer Series "lovingly re-creates medieval Edinburgh" in a novel that introduces Scottish sleuth Margaret Kerr (Publishers Weekly). In the spring of 1297, the English army controls lowland Scotland and Margaret Kerr's husband Roger Sinclair is missing. He had gone to Dundee in autumn, writing to Margaret with a promise to be home for Christmas, but it's past Easter. He could be caught up in the swelling rebellion against the English—if he's even alive. When his cousin is murdered on the streets of Edinburgh, Roger's last known location,

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Margaret coerces her brother, a priest, to escort her to the city. She finds Edinburgh scarred by war—houses burnt, walls stained with blood, shops shuttered—and the townsfolk simmering with resentment, harboring secrets. Even her uncle, innkeeper Murdoch Kerr, meets her questions with silence. Desperate, Margaret makes alliances that risk both her own life and that of her brother in her search for answers. She learns that war twists love and loyalties, and that, until tested, we cannot know our own hearts, much less those of our loved ones. “Robb’s writing is so rich and historically true that this is a must for all lovers of historical mysteries.” —Historical Novel Society “Thirteenth-century Edinburgh comes off the page cold and convincing, from the smoke and noise of the tavern kitchen to Holyrood Abbey under a treacherous abbot. Most enjoyable.” —The List (Edinburgh)

[The Lady in the Tower](#) - Alison Weir 2010-01-05

Nearly five hundred years after

her violent death, Anne Boleyn, second wife to Henry VIII, remains one of the world's most fascinating, controversial, and tragic heroines. Now acclaimed historian and bestselling author Alison Weir has drawn on myriad sources from the Tudor era to give us the first book that examines, in unprecedented depth, the gripping, dark, and chilling story of Anne Boleyn's final days. The tempestuous love affair between Henry VIII and Anne Boleyn scandalized Christendom and altered forever the religious landscape of England. Anne's ascent from private gentlewoman to queen was astonishing, but equally compelling was her shockingly swift downfall. Charged with high treason and imprisoned in the Tower of London in May 1536, Anne met her terrible end all the while protesting her innocence. There remains, however, much mystery surrounding the queen's arrest and the events leading up to it: Were charges against her fabricated because she stood in the way of Henry VIII making a

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third marriage and siring an heir, or was she the victim of a more complex plot fueled by court politics and deadly rivalry? The Lady in the Tower examines in engrossing detail the motives and intrigues of those who helped to seal the queen's fate. Weir unravels the tragic tale of Anne's fall, from her miscarriage of the son who would have saved her to the horrors of her incarceration and that final, dramatic scene on the scaffold. What emerges is an extraordinary portrayal of a woman of great courage whose enemies were bent on utterly destroying her, and who was tested to the extreme by the terrible plight in which she found herself. Richly researched and utterly captivating, *The Lady in the Tower* presents the full array of evidence of Anne Boleyn's guilt—or innocence. Only in Alison Weir's capable hands can readers learn the truth about the fate of one of the most influential and important women in English history. **BONUS:** This edition contains a *The Lady in the Tower*

discussion guide and an excerpt from Alison Weir's *Mary Boleyn*.

Dissolution - C. J. Sansom
2015-07-16

It is 1537 and Thomas Cromwell has ordered that all monasteries should be dissolved. Cromwell's Commissioner is found dead, his head severed from his body. Dr Shardlake is sent to uncover the truth behind what has happened. His investigation forces him to question everything that he himself believes.

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The Man on a Donkey - H. F. M. Prescott 2010-06

"As good as a historical novel can be-fresh, imaginative, sensitively written." -The New York Post *The Man on a Donkey* is an enthralling, panoramic historical novel that brings to life one of the most tumultuous times in British history-the reign of King Henry

VIII. In Part 1, readers are introduced to the world of the Tudors through the lives of five individuals. When King Henry VIII takes his mistress as his new wife, seizes Church property, and declares himself the only supreme head of the Church of England, the lives and fortunes of these five people are shaken-setting the stage for the momentous events in Part 2 of *The Man on a Donkey*.

The Alienist (TNT Tie-in Edition) - Caleb Carr

2017-11-21

NEW YORK TIMES

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ORIGINAL SERIES • "A first-

rate tale of crime and

punishment that will keep

readers guessing until the final

pages."—Entertainment

Weekly "Caleb Carr's rich

period thriller takes us back to

the moment in history when

the modern idea of the serial

killer became available to

us."—The Detroit News When

The Alienist was first published

in 1994, it was a major

phenomenon, spending six

months on the New York Times

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bestseller list, receiving critical acclaim, and selling millions of copies. This modern classic continues to be a touchstone of historical suspense fiction for readers everywhere. The year is 1896. The city is New York. Newspaper reporter John Schuyler Moore is summoned by his friend Dr. Laszlo Kreizler—a psychologist, or “alienist”—to view the horribly mutilated body of an adolescent boy abandoned on the unfinished Williamsburg Bridge. From there the two embark on a revolutionary effort in criminology: creating a psychological profile of the perpetrator based on the details of his crimes. Their dangerous quest takes them into the tortured past and twisted mind of a murderer who will kill again before their hunt is over. Fast-paced and riveting, infused with historical detail, *The Alienist* conjures up Gilded Age New York, with its tenements and mansions, corrupt cops and flamboyant gangsters, shining opera houses and seamy gin mills. It is an age in which questioning

society’s belief that all killers are born, not made, could have unexpected and fatal consequences. Praise for *The Alienist* “[A] delicious premise . . . Its settings and characterizations are much more sophisticated than the run-of-the-mill thrillers that line the shelves in bookstores.”—The Washington Post Book World “Mesmerizing.”—Detroit Free Press “The method of the hunt and the disparate team of hunters lift the tale beyond the level of a good thriller—way beyond. . . . A remarkable combination of historical novel and psychological thriller.”—The Buffalo News “Engrossing.”—Newsweek “Gripping, atmospheric . . . intelligent and entertaining.”—USA Today “A high-spirited, charged-up and unfailingly smart thriller.”—Los Angeles Times “Keeps readers turning pages well past their bedtime.”—San Francisco Chronicle

Soldier in the Sand - Simon Mayall 2020-08-31
Insight into the Middle East

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from a general with long experience in the region: "His analysis of the revolution in Iran is particularly enlightening." —John Simpson, BBC journalist With the Middle East in a state of persistent change and upheaval, there has long been a need for a comprehensive yet readable study that can give the intelligent and interested layperson a greater understanding of this diverse, complex region. Simon Mayall, whose links with the area are deep and longstanding, provides just that in *Soldier in the Sand*. As well as analyzing the Middle East's history and religions, which strongly influence people's actions, attitudes, and relationships, Mayall draws on his own experiences and impressions based on his many years in key military and diplomatic appointments in numerous countries. In addition to knowing many of the key players personally, he has studied, at leading universities, British policy and engagement in the area and he understands

the effects of this long-term engagement. This invaluable book's unique mixture of history, politics, academic study, and first-hand experience affords the reader an invaluable insight into a fascinating, fractured, and frustrating area of the world. General Mayall explains complex situations in a thoroughly accessible and human manner, as lecture audiences worldwide already know, and now his knowledge and common sense approach is also available in this important, entertaining book.

Heartstone - C. J. Sansom
2011-01-20

The epic fifth novel in the Matthew Shardlake Tudor Mystery series by the bestselling author of *Winter in Madrid* and *Dominion Summer 1545*. A massive French armada is threatening England, and Henry VIII has plunged the country into economic crisis to finance the war. Meanwhile, an old servant of Queen Catherine Parr has asked Matthew Shardlake to investigate claims of "monstrous" wrongs

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committed against a young ward of the court. As the French fleet approaches, Shardlake's inquiries reunite him with an old friend-and an old enemy close to the throne. This fast-paced fifth installment in C. J. Sansom's "richly entertaining and reassuringly scholarly series" (Marilyn Stasio, The New York Times Book Review) will enchant fans of Wolf Hall, Bring Up the Bodies, and The Other Boleyn Girl.

The Grotto's Secret - Miss

Paula Wynne 2016-04-01

A healing herb kept secret for centuries. A TV show host who stands to lose everything.

Castile de Granada, 1492:

Risking her life, Spanish author Ana-Maria de Carbonela vowed to keep an unknown yet powerful healing herb's location hidden. It remained a secret ... Until now. TV show host Kelby Wade is forced into the search when her niece is targeted by the relentless assassin who killed her brother. She is pursued on a perilous quest, from a grotto in rural Andalusia to a bizarre

hospital in Surrey, to uncover the mystery found between crumbling sheets of parchment in the ruins of a rural Spanish farm. In a race against a conspiracy who want the herb's power, she struggles to piece together the puzzle and follow the trail her brother left to trace the mysterious plant before the deadly conspirators locate it. It's only a matter of time before the ancient secret gets exposed ... Described by readers as a must-have book for fans of Glenn Cooper, Kate Mosse and James Rollins. The first in the Torcal series, The Grotto's Secret is a fast-paced, historically rich page-turner that captures the vivid history of medieval Spain woven between modern-day London. Past and present blended vividly together in this exhilarating historical conspiracy thriller guaranteed to leave readers tingling with suspense. If you love an action-packed conspiracy thriller, download a sample to see for yourself! Or grab free sample chapters at Paula Wynne's website. Readers who have

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read *The Grotto's Secret* have had this to say ... "Past and present blended masterfully together in this page turning historical conspiracy thriller guaranteed to leave readers wanting more." Angela Crouch "The Grotto's Secret is a fast-paced, exhilarating thriller that left me panting for more." Ros Brookman "The Grotto's Secret's first chapter had me hooked straight away." Helen Johnson "A good read for fans of Kate Mosse and Glenn Cooper. I was hooked very early in the story and kept paced throughout." Graham Bird "The Grotto's secret is a real page turner. Paula is a great writer, I could envision all the characters on screen. I highly recommend it to others." Clare Keogh "Fascinating and absorbing, an exciting debut novel from an established business writer." Debbie Jenkins "I found "The Grotto's Secret" very entertaining. I am sort of a history buff so that aspect was what caught my interest. Paula did a wonderful job tying past and present together, and her description of

the Spanish countryside was spectacular." Niles Jacobsen "The book was great and hard to put down. I can't wait to find out the mystery behind the Maria father's stone in the next book!" Marsha Campbell "I really enjoyed the book, it draws you in from page one! I like that the characters are so easy to identify with, I keep thinking to myself 'oh, that's just like so-and-so'" Debbie Harding "I finished *The Grotto's Secret* last night - wow! Have to say I couldn't put it down. I felt engaged with the characters and the sweep of history and geography gave me some real food for thought."

Jayne West "

[Critique of Criminal Reason](#) -

Michael Gregorio 2008-03-18

Most honourable Procurator Stiffeniis, You talents have been brought to Our attention by a gentleman of eminence, who believes that you alone are capable of resolving a situation which holds Our beloved Königsberg in a grip of terror. All Our faith and consideration are due to the notable personage who suggested your

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name, and that same faith and consideration now resides in you. We have no reason to doubt that you will accept this Royal Commission, and act accordingly with all haste. The fate of the city lies in your hands. --King Frederick Wilhelm III It has been years since Immanuel Kant's landmark philosophical work, Critique of Pure Reason, brought him fame throughout Europe and made him Königsberg's best-known citizen. Now, rumors have begun to surface of a new work by this aging but still acute mind. Yet unlike his earlier work, this book will not examine the mind of the average man, but the mind of the serial killer. Hanno Stiffeniis, a young magistrate, has been called to Königsberg to assist in the investigation of an enigmatic string of murders. Is it part of a plot formed by Napoleon's spies to undermine the Prussian king or the work of a solitary, unknown killer? The case would seem unsolvable, were it not for the assistance and unmatched

intellect of his mentor, Immanuel Kant. Together Stiffeniis and the elderly, eccentric philosopher must track down the killer who has the city of Königsberg by the throat. Hugely atmospheric, entertaining, and intelligent, Critique of Criminal Reason marks the outstanding debut of a new name in historical fiction.

Mr Peacock's Possessions - Lydia Syson 2018-05-17

An intimate, intense and beautifully realised novel of possession, power and the liberating loss of innocence, this will delight fans of MISTER PIP and THE POISONWOOD BIBLE. Oceania, 1879. For two years the Peacocks, a determined family of settlers, have struggled to make a remote volcanic island their home. At last, a ship appears. The six Pacific Islanders on board have travelled over eight hundred miles in search of new horizons. Hopes are high, until a vulnerable boy vanishes. In their search for the lost child, settlers and newcomers

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together uncover far more than they were looking for. The island's secrets force young Lizzie Peacock to question her deepest convictions, and slowly this tiny, fragile community begins to fracture . . .

'Intelligent, beautifully written'

The Times 'Historical fiction fans, meet your new favourite author' Stella Magazine

'Beautifully written, immaculately researched and powerfully imagined'

Lancashire Evening Post

Sovereign - C. J. Sansom

2008-02-26

Awarded the CWA Diamond Dagger - the highest honor in British crime writing The third Matthew Shardlake Tudor Mystery by C. J. Sansom, the bestselling author of Winter in

Madrid and Dominion C. J . Sansom has garnered a wider audience and increased critical

praise with each new novel published. His first book in the Matthew Shardlake series,

Dissolution, was selected by P. D. James in The Wall Street Journal as one of her top five

all-time favorite books. Now in Sovereign, Shardlake faces the

most terrifying threat in the age of Tudor England: imprisonment in the Tower of London. Shardlake and his loyal assistant, Jack Barak, find themselves embroiled in royal intrigue when a plot against King Henry VIII is uncovered in York and a dangerous conspirator they've been charged with transporting to London is connected to the death of a local glazer.

Treachery - S. J. Parris

2014-08-14

Perfect for fans of C.J. Sansom and The Name of the Rose, the fourth historical thriller featuring Giordano Bruno, heretic, philosopher and spy.

Sanctus - Simon Toyne

2011-09-06

One man's sacrifice shocks the world . . . One woman's courage threatens a conspiracy as old as humankind . . . And some will do

anything—anything—to keep their secrets in the dark.

Sanctus A man climbs a cliff face in the oldest inhabited place on earth, a mountain known as the Citadel, a Vatican-like city-state that

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towers above the city of Ruin in modern-day Turkey. But this is no ordinary ascent. It is a dangerous, symbolic act. And thanks to the media, it is an event witnessed by the entire world. Few people understand its consequence. But for foundation worker Kathryn Mann and a handful of others, it's evidence that a revolution is at hand. For the Sancti, the cowled and secretive monks who live inside the Citadel, it could mean the end of everything they have built. They will stop at nothing to keep what is theirs, and they will break every law in every country and even kill to hold it fast. For American reporter Liv Adamsen, it spurs the memory of the beloved brother she lost years before, setting her on a journey across the world and into the heart of her own identity. There, she will make a discovery so shocking that it will change everything. . . .

100 British Crime Writers - Esme Miskimmin 2020

100 British Crime Writers explores a history of British crime writing between 1855

and 2015 through 100 writers, detailing their lives and significant writing and exploring their contributions to the genre. Divided into four sections: 'The Victorians, Edwardians, and World War One, 1855-1918; 'The Golden Age and World War Two, 1919-1945; 'Post-War and Cold War, 1946-1989; and 'To the Millennium and Beyond, 1990-2015, each section offers an introduction to the significant features of these eras in crime fiction and discusses trends in publication, readership, and critical response. With entries spanning the earliest authors of crime fiction to a selection of innovative contemporary novelists, this book considers the development and progression of the genre in the light of historical and social events.

Revelation - C. J. Sansom
2009

Defending a young religious zealot who is being held in the infamous Bedlam hospital for the insane, Matthew Shardlake investigates a series of

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murders with disturbing ties to Lady Catherine Parr, a reform sympathizer and future wife of Henry VIII. 25,000 first printing.

Dark Fire - C. J. Sansom

2005-12-27

Awarded the CWA Diamond Dagger - the highest honor in British crime writing From the bestselling author of Winter in Madrid and Dominion comes a second riveting sixteenth-century thriller featuring hunchback lawyer Matthew Shardlake In 1540, during the reign of Henry VIII, Shardlake is asked to help a young girl accused of murder. She refuses to speak in her defense even when threatened with torture. But just when the case seems lost, Thomas Cromwell, the king's feared vicar general, offers Shardlake two more weeks to prove his client's innocence. In exchange, Shardlake must find a lost cache of "Dark Fire," a legendary weapon of mass destruction. What ensues is a page-turning adventure, filled with period detail and history. "Atmospheric and engaging"

(Margaret George), this second book in Matthew Shardlake Tudor Mystery series delves again into the dark and superstitious world of Cromwell's England introduced in Dissolution.

The Creation of Anne Boleyn

- Susan Bordo 2013

This biography reconstructs the life of the second wife of Henry VIII, drawing on scholarly studies and critical analysis to define an English queen who has been alternately viewed as a whore, martyr, feminist icon and cautionary tale over the centuries.

Skim Deep - Max Allan Collins

2021-01-05

The first new Nolan novel in 33 years from one of the masters of the genre, Max Allan Collins, award-winning author of Road to Perdition. The onetime world-class thief Nolan - now happily gone straight with his own restaurant/nightclub - whisks his longtime lover Sherry off to Vegas for a trip to a wedding chapel and a honeymoon stay. But an eye-in-the-sky security cam at a

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casino spots Nolan, whose past catches up with him when he's thought to be casing the joint. An old "friend" sees Nolan as the perfect patsy for a scheme to heist the weekly skim haul, and when the former thief's young frequent accomplice, Jon - a musician in the casino's house band - finds the couple mysteriously, suspiciously missing, it's up to Nolan's Best Man to keep wedding bells from tolling a funeral march.

Jane Seymour, The Haunted Queen - Alison Weir

2019-05-07

"A sumptuous historical novel anchored by its excellent depiction of Jane Seymour, Henry the VIII's third queen . . . This is a must for all fans of Tudor fiction and history."—Publishers Weekly

Ever since she was a child, Jane has longed for a cloistered life as a nun. But her large noble family has other plans, and as an adult, Jane is invited to the King's court to serve as lady-in-waiting to Queen Katherine of Aragon. The devout Katherine shows kindness to all her ladies,

almost like a second mother, which makes rumors of Henry's lustful pursuit of Anne Boleyn—also lady-in-waiting to the queen—all the more shocking. For Jane, the betrayal triggers memories of a haunting incident that shaped her beliefs about marriage. But once Henry disavows Katherine and secures Anne as his new queen—forever altering the religious landscape of England—he turns his eye to another: Jane herself. Urged to return the King's affection and earn favor for her family, Jane is drawn into a dangerous political game that pits her conscience against her desires. Can Jane be the one to give the King his long-sought-after son, or will she be cast aside like the women who came before her? Bringing new insight to this compelling story, Alison Weir marries meticulous research with gripping historical fiction to re-create the dramas and intrigues of the most renowned court in English history. At its center is a loving and compassionate woman who captures the heart

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of a king, and whose life will hang in the balance for it. Praise for Jane Seymour, The Haunted Queen “Bestselling [Alison] Weir’s impressive novel shows why Jane deserves renewed attention [and] illustrates Jane’s unlikely journey from country knight’s daughter to queen of England. . . From the richly appointed decor to the religious tenor of the time, the historical ambience is first-rate.”—Booklist (starred review) “Deft, authoritative

biographical fiction . . . a dramatic and empathic portrait of Jane Seymour.”—Kirkus Reviews

Spy Dog: Rocket Rider - Andrew Cope 2009-03-05

Lara may have retired from the secret service but she can still sniff out danger . . . On the trail of her long-lost dad, Lara discovers a team of rocket-building scientists - evil ones. Their leader is a nasty criminal who wants to cause trouble in space and only Lara can stop him!