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### WITH A NARROW BLADE

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**Ulverscroft** An elderly lady is stabbed to death in her own home; the house doesn't appear to have been robbed and Flo Jenkins was well liked. Also, she only had weeks to live. Why kill a dying woman? This is going to be a difficult one for DI Hillary Greene to solve.

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### MURDER IN THE DARK

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### A GRIPPING CRIME MYSTERY FULL OF TWISTS

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**Open Road Media** Deadly secrets hides among the stacks of a quaint English bookshop in this "entertaining, tense, suspenseful and so well-written" mystery novel (John Nicholl, author of Mr. Nice). When Tilly Edgely lands a position working at Ashton's bookshop in Cambridge, England, she thinks she's found her perfect job. But when she arrives to open the shop one winter's morning, she discovers the body of her boss suspended from the ceiling, hanging by a rope around his neck. DCI Barrett and DI Palmer are called to the scene of appears to be an open and shut case of suicide. But nothing about this case is as simple as it first appears. Barrett and Palmer soon find themselves searching for a twisted killer whose identity and motive are nearly impossible to trace. And just when they think they have the murderer in their sights, another body shows up—throwing the case wide open once again. "A triumph of a mystery . . . Betsy Reavley has done it again!" —Anita Waller, author of 34 Days

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## MURDER AT THE BOOK CLUB

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### A GRIPPING CRIME MYSTERY THAT WILL KEEP YOU GUESSING

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**Open Road Media** Something bad is brewing among a friendly group of book lovers: “A deliciously Agatha Christie-style mystery that sucks you in from the first page.” —Sibel Hodge, bestselling author of Look Behind You Imagine nine women meeting. Tea and cake are on the coffee table. They’ve come together to share their love of books. They are friends. They trust each other. It’s a happy gathering. What could be more harmless? Then scratch the surface and look closer. One is lonely. One is desperate. And one of them is a killer. When the body of a woman is discovered on a Cambridge common, DCI Barrett and DI Palmer are called in to investigate. But the motive behind the crime isn’t clear—and it all leads back to a book club. As the lies, volatile friendships, and tension among the group rise to the surface, DCI Barrett and DI Palmer must work out the motive and track down a cold-blooded killer. But just when they think they’re on the right track, a twist in the plot throws them off course . . . “Will keep readers guessing till the very end!” —J.A. Baker, bestselling author of The Other Mother “A deliciously devilish whodunit!” —Robert Bryndza, bestselling author of the Detective Erika Foster series

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### DOWN A NARROW PATH

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**Ulverscroft Large Print Books** DI Hillary Greene is feeling the strain. A sniper is on the loose, killing police officers all over the UK, and the atmosphere at Thames Valley Police HQ is understandably tense. But it is business as usual when a wealthy woman is found murdered in her home in the pleasant little village of Bletchington. Hillary soon learns that the victim was universally unpopular and suspects are thick on the ground. Things don't get any better when she learns DC Keith Barrington has been keeping secrets and has the potential to be very disruptive to her team. Things too are coming to a head with her extremely competent, if very underhanded sergeant, Gemma Fordham. But even as Hillary searches for a vicious and cold-blooded killer, a tragic event is looming on the horizon that will rock her world. Is this going to be the end for her?

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### MURDER IN THE MEADOW

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Wayne Sutton is found dead by a stream in a beautiful meadow. His head has been bashed in and a red paper heart left on his body. The handsome young artist had a reputation as a ladies man. DI Hillary Greene discovers that many wealthy married women were buying his paintings and taking private art lesson from him. It appears that several of them might have wanted him dead. Can Hillary get to the bottom of a complex case involving jealousy, love, and cold-blooded murder? Hillary also has a new detective sergeant, Gemma Fordham. Seemingly efficient and pleasant, she harbours a secret agenda.

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### A NARROW ESCAPE

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"Under internal investigation for corruption, Oxfordshire DI Hillary Greene is fighting to save her career. When a body is found in the canal, she knows she's only been

given the case as it's a straightforward matter of accidental death. But when her investigation points to murder, she realises this is much bigger than anyone expected. . . "

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## **ON THE STRAIGHT AND NARROW**

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"When a pretty student is found dead in her room at a private Oxford college, everyone assumes it is an accidental drug overdose." -- Book Jacket.

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## **MURDER IN THE VILLAGE**

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Meet DI Hillary Greene, a police woman fighting to save her career. A would-be politician is found battered to death in the kitchen. His wife's alibi is full of holes and there's another woman in the background. And what about his seemingly mild-mannered political rival? DI Hillary Greene tries to get to the bottom of this perplexing murder. She certainly doesn't think the prime suspect is as guilty as everyone thinks. Just as she'd about to make a breakthrough, everything is turned upside down by a fatal development in another case she is working on... Can Hillary find the murderer and will she survive a brush with one of Oxford's most dangerous criminals?

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## **THE WEST LONDON MURDERS**

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### **AN ABSOLUTELY GRIPPING CRIME MYSTERY WITH A MASSIVE TWIST**

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### **MURDER IN THE FAMILY.**

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### **THE DUBLIN MURDER MYSTERIES BOOKS ONE TO THREE**

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### **NO SIMPLE DEATH, NO OBVIOUS CAUSE, AND NO PAST FORGIVEN**

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**Open Road Media** The first three police thrillers in the compelling series starring Irish detective Mike West. This three-in-one volume of gritty, atmospheric mysteries featuring Garda Síochána detective Mike West includes: *No Simple Death* West follows a case from Dublin to Cornwall—but the suspect keeps disappearing into the mist . . . Previously published under the title *That One May Smile* *No Obvious Cause* In the Dublin suburbs, West copes with a series of inexplicable crimes—and the return of a woman from his past . . . Previously published under the title *Close Ranks* *No Past Forgiven* Detective Garda Sergeant Mike West takes the woman he loves on a seaside getaway, but when one of the locals meets a bizarre end, it becomes a working vacation. Previously published under the title *Murder on Clare Island*

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## **MURDER AT HOME**

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Flo Jenkins is found murdered in her armchair, a paperknife sticking out of her chest. The old woman was well liked and nothing seems to have been stolen from her home. And it was common knowledge that she only had weeks to live[...] This is going to be one of the toughest cases yet for Hillary to solve.

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## A TWIST OF THE KNIFE

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### A NOVEL

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**Minotaur Books** Traveling back to her Florida hometown when her former partner asks for her help with a case that is not going well, ex-FBI agent Brigid Quinn turns skeptical when she learns that her former colleague would save an innocent man on death row.

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## HOW TO WRITE A MYSTERY

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### A HANDBOOK FROM MYSTERY WRITERS OF AMERICA

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**Simon and Schuster** From 70 of the most successful mystery writers in the business, an invaluable guide to crafting mysteries—from character development and plot to procedurals and thrillers—“this is a writing guide that readers and writers will turn to again and again” (Booklist, starred review). Mystery Writers of America (MWA) is known for providing unparalleled resources on the craft, art, and business of storytelling, helping writers of all levels improve their skills for nearly a century. Now, this handbook helps authors navigate the ever-shifting publishing landscape—from pacing, plotting, the business side of publishing, to the current demand for diversity and inclusivity across all genres, and more. Featuring essays by a new generation of bestselling experts on various elements of the craft and shorter pieces of crowd-sourced wisdom from the MWA membership as a whole, the topics covered can be categorized as follows: —Before Writing (rules; genres; setting; character; research; etc.) —While Writing (outlining; the plot; dialogue; mood; etc.) —After Writing (agents; editors; self-pub; etc.) —Other than Novels (short stories; true crime; etc.) —Other Considerations (diverse characters; legal questions; criticism) Also included is a collection of essays from MWA published authors—including Jeffery Deaver, Tess Gerritsen, and Charlaine Harris—selected by bestselling authors Lee Child and Laurie King and arranged thematically answering, “What piece of writing advice do you wish you’d had at the beginning of your career?” “Everything you wanted to know about how to plan, draft, write, revise, publish, and market a mystery” (Kirkus Reviews), this inclusive manual provides practical, current, easily digestible advice for new and established authors alike.

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## NARROW IS THE WAY

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**Ulverscroft** A beautiful bride is found strangled in a cowshed, and DI Hillary Greene believes that she's looking for a man - bridegroom or otherwise. However, the apparent bride was a guest from a fancy dress party held at a nearby farmhouse, so Hillary's eye turns first to the victim's boyfriend. Then she learns that the unpopular girl had other men hanging on a string, and the case gets more complicated. Dressed in a beautiful satin gown, what could have possibly enticed her into the filthy shed? Hillary is certainly going to have her plate full cracking this case...

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## BROKEN BONES

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## A GRIPPING SERIAL KILLER THRILLER

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### OMAND'S CREEK

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## A GRIPPING CRIME THRILLER PACKED WITH MYSTERY AND SUSPENSE

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A young Indigenous woman has been brutally murdered and Detective Michael Shelter believes he's dealing with a serial killer preying on sex workers. He soon realizes he's facing a far more cunning adversary than he'd imagined.

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## MURDER AT MALLOWAN HALL

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**Kensington Books** A treat for fans of Masterpiece Mystery and Downton Abbey, Colleen Cambridge's charming and inventive new historical series introduces an unforgettable heroine in Phyllida Bright, fictional housekeeper for none other than famed mystery novelist Agatha Christie. Hijinks—and murder—ensue. Tucked away among Devon's rolling green hills, Mallowan Hall combines the best of English tradition with the modern conveniences of 1930. Housekeeper Phyllida Bright manages the large household with an iron fist in her very elegant glove. In one respect, however, Mallowan Hall stands far apart from other picturesque country houses. For the manor is home to archaeologist Max Mallowan and his famous wife—Agatha Christie . . . Phyllida is both loyal to and protective of the crime writer, who is as much friend as employer. An aficionado of detective fiction, Phyllida has yet to find a gentleman in real life half as fascinating as Mrs. Agatha's Belgian hero, Hercule Poirot. But though accustomed to murder and its methods as frequent topics of conversation, Phyllida is unprepared for the sight of a very real, very dead body on the library floor . . . It soon becomes clear that the victim arrived at Mallowan Hall under false pretenses during a weekend party. And when another dead body is discovered—this time, one of her housemaids—Phyllida decides to follow in M. Poirot's footsteps to determine which of the Mallowans' guests is the killer. Now only Phyllida's wits will prevent her own story from coming to an abrupt end . . .

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## SPARE ROOM

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**Open Road Media** In this psychological thriller from the award-winning author of *Trap Door*, a young woman's new home hangs on the brink of madness. Lisa can't believe her luck when she finds a beautiful room to rent in a large house. The live-in owners are a kind and welcoming couple. Everything is fine until she finds a suicide note hidden in her room. But when the couple insist this man didn't exist and that Lisa is their first tenant, Lisa begins to doubt herself. Compelled to uncover the secrets of the man who lived in the room before her, Lisa is alarmed when increasingly disturbing incidents start to happen. Someone doesn't want Lisa to find out the truth. As the four walls of this house and its secrets begin to close in on Lisa, she descends into a hellish hall of mirrors where she's not sure what's real and what's not as she claws her way towards the truth . . . This room has already claimed one victim? Is it about to take another? Praise for International Bestselling Author Dreda Say Mitchell and Her Work "As good as it gets." —Lee Child "A truly original

voice.” —Peter James “Thrilling.” —Sunday Express Books of the Year “Awesome tale from a talented writer.” —The Sun (UK) “Fast-paced and full of twists and turns.” —Crime Scene Magazine Dreda was awarded an MBE in Her Majesty the Queen’s 2020 New Year’s Honors List Spare Room will appeal to readers of domestic noir, as well as fans of authors like Cara Hunter, Lisa Jewell, B. A. Paris, and Rachel Abbott

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## MURDER AT HAWTHORN COTTAGE

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### AN ABSOLUTELY GRIPPING COZY MYSTERY

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**Melissa Craig Mystery** Meet Melissa: cat lover, caring mother... daring detective? Melissa Craig is absolutely delighted with her new life in an old crumbling cottage, spending her days pruning the primroses and getting to know Binkie, the ginger cat next door. She only wishes she had made the move to the countryside sooner. But when a knock at the door brings news of a shocking discovery, she suddenly finds herself thrown in to the middle of a baffling mystery: the bones of a young woman have been found in the woods just behind her new home. Perhaps the little village of Upper Bembury is not as idyllic as it first seemed? Strange phone calls in the night convince Melissa that the police are barking up completely the wrong tree, so she can't resist doing a little digging of her own. From the bingo hall to the beauty salon and beyond, her search ruffles a few feathers and uncovers many of the village's most scandalous secrets, but gets her no closer to finding the culprit... The discovery of a tatty old photograph in a drawer is the final piece of the puzzle she needs, but as a newcomer in this close-knit community, does Melissa have what it takes to get to the bottom of this extraordinary murder mystery alone? A joy to read! An absolutely unputdownable whodunnit for fans of Agatha Christie, P.D. James and Faith Martin. This book was previously published as *A Little Gentle Sleuthing*.

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## HIDDEN

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### AN ABSOLUTELY GRIPPING CRIME MYSTERY

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**Open Road Media** After years of harboring a dark secret, a woman must face the past she thought she left behind—along with a deadly new threat—in this tense thriller. When Jen Taylor was fourteen, she killed a girl. It’s a secret that has tormented her for years. At the time, Kelly Pratt’s death was declared a suicide. But Kelly’s mother Doreen could never believe that. And now she’s decided to go searching for the truth. And she’s hoping Jen can help her. After all, Jen walked home from school with Kelly that day . . . As much as she tries, Jen can’t avoid getting involved in Doreen’s investigation. But as secrets from the past come to the surface, nothing is what it seems. The circumstances surrounding Kelly’s death are more complicated than even Jen realized. And when another murder takes place, Jen knows she’s up against an enemy even more sinister than her own inner demons . . .

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## VERITY

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**Grand Central Publishing** New York Times Bestseller USA Today Bestseller The Globe and Mail Bestseller Publishers Weekly Bestseller Whose truth is the lie? Stay up all night reading the sensational psychological thriller that has readers obsessed,

from the #1 New York Times bestselling author of *It Ends With Us*. Lowen Ashleigh is a struggling writer on the brink of financial ruin when she accepts the job offer of a lifetime. Jeremy Crawford, husband of bestselling author Verity Crawford, has hired Lowen to complete the remaining books in a successful series his injured wife is unable to finish. Lowen arrives at the Crawford home, ready to sort through years of Verity's notes and outlines, hoping to find enough material to get her started. What Lowen doesn't expect to uncover in the chaotic office is an unfinished autobiography Verity never intended for anyone to read. Page after page of bone-chilling admissions, including Verity's recollection of the night her family was forever altered. Lowen decides to keep the manuscript hidden from Jeremy, knowing its contents could devastate the already grieving father. But as Lowen's feelings for Jeremy begin to intensify, she recognizes all the ways she could benefit if he were to read his wife's words. After all, no matter how devoted Jeremy is to his injured wife, a truth this horrifying would make it impossible for him to continue loving her.

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## THE MURDER AT THE LEAKY BARREL

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**Booksthakam** #1 Instant Bestseller JOSHUA BEJOY INDIA'S YOUNGEST BESTSELLING AUTHOR Friday the thirteenth. Halloween night. 1532, Dublin, Ireland. After a night out in a bar, Edward Brown is returning back home, where he is murdered. Five centuries later, on Halloween, he has woken up from his sleep, a thought to get revenge in his mind. He kills both Max Watson and Horace Jones, two residents of Bluebell. Edward flees, leaving no clues. The case is investigated by various agencies, all to no avail. Presently, the case is in the hands of Dublin based investigation agency, UNWWAISMIC. The case is given to Maralays Hover, a detective, and Root Anderson, a forensic psychologist. Join both of them on their mysterious and perilous journey to uncover the reason for the murder and bring the unidentified person behind it to justice. The author Joshua Bejoy is an eleven-year-old student from Pune, India. He wrote an inverted mystery, 'Murder at the Leaky Barrel' while confined to home during the lockdown. Apart from writing, he likes painting, playing the guitar, and baking. In his own words: "The rush of happiness that I experience when I write is something that I can't describe! The richness in each word is nearly equal to sinking my teeth into some rich plum cake: ) Each and every creation we make can be moulded into something great, just as my poem about the process of making bread describes: 'At first, I'm paste without a taste, Then with a spoon, you roll me out, rather in a haste, As you work on me, I get softer by time, Until you set me into my mould, And after baking, you get culinary gold!'"

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## THE VICARAGE MURDER

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Monica Noble is throwing a party to welcome the village's new residents. The guests include Margaret and her cheating husband Sean. Also on the list are a celebrity chef, an Oxford university professor, a 40-something divorcee, and the owner of a chain of gyms. Then as the drinks are flowing, a shotgun blast rings out. One of the guests is found dead. DCI Dury and Sergeant Jim Greer are soon on the scene and discover that the victim had many enemies. Almost all the guests harbour secrets and motives for murder. Even Monica's daughter comes under suspicion. When

another villager is strangled to death nearly a week later, the stakes are raised. Can Monica help the local detectives save her daughter and solve the murders before anyone else pays the ultimate price?

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## THE SITTAFFORD MYSTERY

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**Harper Collins** The Sittaford Mystery is Dame Agatha at her most intriguing, as a séance in a snowbound house predicts a particularly grisly murder. In a remote house in the middle of Dartmoor, six shadowy figures huddle around a table for a seance. Tension rises as the spirits spell out a chilling message: "Captain Trevelyan . . . dead . . . murder." Is this black magic or simply a macabre joke? The only way to be certain is to locate Captain Trevelyan. Unfortunately, his home is six miles away and, with snowdrifts blocking the roads, someone will have to make the journey on foot. . . .

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## LOOK BEHIND YOU

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**CreateSpace** "Chloe Benson wakes up kidnapped and bound in an underground tomb with no memory of how she got there. She escapes through deserted woods with her life, but no one believes her story. And when she suspects her husband is lying to her, Chloe is forced to retrace her past, following in her own footsteps to find the truth and stay alive"--Page 4 of cover.

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## MURDER IN THE MONASTERY

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**Rupa** Ace detective Avinash Roy arrives at a sleepy hill station in Sikkim in the fervent hope that holidaying at a secluded Buddhist monastery up in the mountains will work as a perfect antidote to his jaded, city-weary nerves. And surprisingly, it does. The crisp mountain air and long walks through undulating valleys not only rejuvenates him, but also rekindles his libido, much to the pleasure of his wife. On their last night, Roy is faced with a strange request from the Head Lama of the monastery. A rare, invaluable manuscript, the very existence of which is a secret, is missing from the underground vaults of the monastery. Could Roy retrieve the treasure without others knowing anything about it? As Roy agrees to help the senior monk, he soon realizes that the serene ambience of the place could well be just an illusion. Beneath its placid surface lurk intrigues, conspiracies, unbridled passion, ambition, religious extremism and elemental fear. By the end of it all, Roy's very life is in grave danger, hanging by a thread. Weaving natural beauty with spine-chilling suspense, Murder in the Monastery is an unputdownable read!

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## THE OPTICIAN'S WIFE

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### A MYSTERY THRILLER YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS

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**Open Road Media** In Cambridge, England, a naïve young woman marries a charming man—who harbors a devastating secret—in this "stylish, brilliantly crafted thriller" (L.J. Ross, author of The DCI Ryan series). Deborah Campaign is just a teenager when she meets Larry Miller. Awkward and unpopular, she is at first confused by his overt interest, but the charming trainee optician soon sweeps her off

her feet. In marriage, Debbie begins to blossom as Larry earns his qualifications. But as their happiness grows, a serial killer stalks Cambridge, leaving victims without their eyeballs. As Debbie begins to suspect that her husband of a terrible betrayal, her world begins to fall apart. But, as in all marriages, sacrifices must be made. In order to keep it alive.

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## **HILLARY'S BACK! A GRIPPING CRIME MYSTERY FULL OF TWISTS**

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ONE OF THE WORLD'S FAVOURITE DETECTIVES RETURNS. A BRAND NEW MYSTERY IN THE MILLION-SELLING SERIES. DETECTIVE HILLARY GREENE IS BACK! Eighteen months after Hillary suffered a personal tragedy, she is throwing herself into her work to try to get over it. Former soldier Gareth Proctor joins her team and finds himself quickly growing to enjoy his new environment. The first cold case he works on is the murder of Andrew Feeley. In 2012, this twenty-one-year-old was found dead in the woods near his home, killed by a single stab wound to the chest from his own knife. Andrew was extremely unpopular. He was a drug dealer, pimp and bully. His stepdad was one of the main suspects, as they hated each other and often came to blows. Other suspects include Toby Truman and his mother Debbie. Andrew was responsible for getting Toby hooked on drugs. Given Andrew's criminal background, his murder is thought to be drug-related. But Hillary's not buying it - she knows it's personal. And a search of the Feeleys' garden turns up some chilling evidence.

HILLARY GREENE RETURNS TO ONE OF HER TOUGHEST CASES YET. This is a crime mystery full of well-observed characters, which will have you gripped from start to the absolutely thrilling conclusion. Perfect for fans of Betty Rowlands, Agatha Christie, LJ Ross, TE Kinsey, J.R. Ellis, Helen Cox, M.C. Beaton, or Clare Chase. What readers are saying about Hillary's Back! "So glad Hillary is back - absolutely loved the other books in the series and really enjoyed this one too." Nerys "Would give more than 5 stars if I could." Barbara "The plotting is perfect, as always, with plenty of twists and red herrings." Amanda "Once I started reading her newest cold case, I was once again hooked." Renee "I love Faith Martin and enjoy every book that I read from her, and this book definitely ranks high on my list." Robin

THE DETECTIVE DI Hillary Greene An attractive, single woman just over fifty, Hillary Greene was a police officer of many years' experience (earning the rank of DI) and came up through the ranks. Consequently, she knew how the system worked, and was always fiercely loyal to the force without being blinkered to its faults. Forced to retire early through no fault of her own, she has now returned to the force as a civilian consultant on cold cases.

DI HILLARY GREENE SERIES BOOK 1: MURDER ON THE OXFORD CANAL BOOK 2: MURDER AT THE UNIVERSITY BOOK 3: MURDER OF THE BRIDE BOOK 4: MURDER IN THE VILLAGE BOOK 5: MURDER IN THE FAMILY BOOK 6: MURDER AT HOME BOOK 7: MURDER IN THE MEADOW BOOK 8: MURDER IN THE MANSION BOOK 9: MURDER IN THE GARDEN BOOK 10: MURDER BY FIRE BOOK 11: MURDER AT WORK BOOK 12: MURDER NEVER RETIRES BOOK 13: MURDER OF A LOVER BOOK 14: MURDER NEVER MISSES BOOK 15: MURDER AT MIDNIGHT BOOK 16: MURDER IN MIND BOOK 17: HILLARY'S FINAL CASE Book 18: HILLARY'S BACK! Join the Joffe Books mailing list to be the first to hear about Faith Martin's new series coming soon.

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## A FATAL NIGHT

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**HQ Digital** When a body is found on New Year's Day, Clement Ryder and Trudy Loveday are called in to crack the case...

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## FATAL BELIEF

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## A MURDER MYSTERY NOVEL

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**Independently Published** Multiple murders. Multiple suspects. A serial killer is on the loose. Can Vishal apprehend the killer in book #2 of The Kanke Killings Trilogy? Kanke has had multiple murders and mayhem. The police are in a tizzy. There is a genius serial killer on the loose, threatening the hell out of the lives of every person at Ranchi. The police have a handful and they are at a dead end. Kanke has a psychiatric hospital. The hospital has a brilliant psychoanalyst who helps the police with the case. His Nurse, Eva Black, is a British citizen who travels from London to India and begins her work routine in Kanke. Would Eva find a mentor in Kanke? Can she find love and belonging in a new country? Can Eva help the police and the psychoanalyst with their investigations into the serial killing case? Can Amrita save Alka from her depression? Peek into the lives of the ordinary citizens of Ranchi and find out the unraveling mysteries of The Kanke Killings Trilogy - Book 2. Find it out for yourself because here is a surprising, secretive murder mystery, waiting for you to decipher by allowing your creative detective juices to flow with impunity, now. Served hot, easy, peasy! Hell, no! Book 1 in this Series, Two Indian Girls has over a 100 positive reviews on Goodreads. Book 2 is bigger and better! Read it today...

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## THE SCAPEGOAT

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## A NOVEL

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**Farrar, Straus and Giroux** "The Scapegoat is a novel of disquiet and disturbance, with an atmosphere of perfect dread. Think Patricia Highsmith or Jim Thompson, that blend of menace and brilliance. Sara Davis had me shivering. This is the debut novel of a marvelous new talent." —Victor LaValle, author of The Changeling N is employed at a prestigious California university, where he has distinguished himself as an aloof and somewhat eccentric presence. His meticulous, ordered life is violently disrupted by the death of his estranged father—unanticipated and, as it increasingly seems to N, surrounded by murky circumstances. His investigation leads him to a hotel built over a former Spanish mission, a site with a dark power and secrets all its own. On campus, a chance meeting with a young doctor provokes uncomfortable feelings on the direction of his life, and N begins to have vivid, almost hallucinatory daydreams about the year he spent in Ottawa, and a shameful episode from his past. Meanwhile, a shadowy group of fringe academics surfaces in relation to his father's death. Their preoccupation with a grim chapter in California's history runs like a surreal parallel to the staid world of academic life, where N's relations with his colleagues grow more and more hostile. As he comes closer to the heart of the mystery, his ability to distinguish between delusion and reality begins to erode, and he is forced to confront disturbing truths about himself: his irrational antagonism

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toward a young female graduate student, certain libidinal impulses, and a capacity for violence. Is he the author of his own investigation? Or is he the unwitting puppet of a larger conspiracy? With this inventive, devilish debut, saturated with unexpected wit and romanticism, Sara Davis probes the borders between reality and delusion, intimacy and solitude, revenge and justice. The Scapegoat exposes the surreal lingering behind the mundane, the forgotten history underfoot, and the insanity just around the corner.

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## HER DARK PATH A GRIPPING CRIME MYSTERY FULL OF TWISTS AND TURNS

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**Createspace Independent Publishing Platform** Do you love mysteries with intricate plots and new locations? Then HER DARK PATH will have you gripped. Set in a remote Canadian town, discover the dark passions that lurk beneath the surface of this forgotten community. 16 years ago, Rebecca Bradley's mother was murdered. Rebecca was only eight years old. The killer has never been caught. Growing up, Rebecca vowed that one day she would track him down and make him pay. Now Rebecca is a young police woman in Ontario. She wants to become a homicide detective. Her first investigation is the cold case of a woman who vanished for 16 days and then was found dead in her own home. The brutal crime shocks the remote Canadian town of Conroy. The puzzling case has uncanny similarities to the murder of Rebecca's mother. Both victims were found strangled in their own kitchens. Can Rebecca keep her emotions together as she closes in on a killer with connections to her family and tragic past? And will she finally get justice for her mother? Discover a new crime writer who will have you gripped till the pulsating end. WHAT READERS ARE SAYING ABOUT HER DARK PATH: "A well written and plotted novel. It is amazing that it is a debut." Joyce Fox "Twists and turns through the pages and leaves you wanting even more." Greta "Very good, could not put it down." Susan "Ken Ogilvie's first novel is one that kept you gripped from start to finish." Viv "This book grabbed my attention from the first chapter. This is a don't miss book that I read in one sitting." Claudia "5 stars - a gripping read from start to finish." Barbara THE DETECTIVES Rebecca Bradley is a 24-year-old constable with the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP). She was psychologically damaged by the unsolved murder of her mother when she was eight years old. Driven by her mission to catch the murderer and make him pay for his crime, Rebecca is obsessed with justice and retribution, and is haunted by dreams of revenge. Hound is a 22-year-old giant of a man, hiding out from life in small-town Conroy, where Rebecca goes on her first detective assignment to solve the cold-case murder of Abigail McBride, Hound's former best friend. Coming from an abusive father and uncaring family, he is trying to forget his unhappy childhood. THE SETTING Conroy is a neglected Canadian town with a population of less than four hundred, isolated from the main tourist destinations of Georgian Bay to the west, Lake Simcoe to the east, and the sparkling lakes of the Canadian Shield to the north. Only the McBride murder has put it on the map. The last decent jobs disappeared twenty-five years ago when Conroy's sawmill closed. Young people flee town as fast as they can.

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## A REASON TO KILL

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**Severn House Pub Limited** First in a new series featuring Rina Martin - After a successful acting career Rina Martin is retired; DI Sebastian McGregor Mac is recovering his nerve after an investigation went terribly wrong; young George Parker and his family are on the run from a violent past. Like Mac and Rina, George thinks he is safe in the sleepy seaside town of Frantham, but then an old lady is murdered and peace, for all three, is proven to be an illusion . . .

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## LITTLE DEATHS

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### A NOVEL

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**Hachette Books** A WASHINGTON POST BEST THRILLER/MYSTERY OF 2017 A PUBLISHERS WEEKLY BEST BOOK OF 2017 "Riveting."---People magazine It's 1965 in a tight-knit working-class neighborhood in Queens, New York, and Ruth Malone--a single mother who works long hours as a cocktail waitress--wakes to discover her two small children, Frankie Jr. and Cindy, have gone missing. Later that day, Cindy's body is found in a derelict lot a half mile from her home, strangled. Ten days later, Frankie Jr.'s decomposing body is found. Immediately, all fingers point to Ruth. As police investigate the murders, the detritus of Ruth's life is exposed. Seen through the eyes of the cops, the empty bourbon bottles and provocative clothing which litter her apartment, the piles of letters from countless men and Ruth's little black book of phone numbers, make her a drunk, a loose woman--and therefore a bad mother. The lead detective, a strict Catholic who believes women belong in the home, leaps to the obvious conclusion: facing divorce and a custody battle, Malone took her children's lives. Pete Wonicke is a rookie tabloid reporter who finagles an assignment to cover the murders. Determined to make his name in the paper, he begins digging into the case. Pete's interest in the story develops into an obsession with Ruth, and he comes to believe there's something more to the woman whom prosecutors, the press, and the public have painted as a promiscuous femme fatale. Did Ruth Malone violently kill her own children, is she a victim of circumstance--or is there something more sinister at play? Inspired by a true story, Little Deaths, like celebrated novels by Sarah Waters and Megan Abbott, is compelling literary crime fiction that explores the capacity for good and evil in us all.

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## DEATH BY THE THAMES AN ABSOLUTELY GRIPPING CRIME MYSTERY FULL OF TWISTS

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**Joffe Books** Looking for your next unputdownable mystery? Meet Detective Tyrone Swift. He takes the cases that the police have given up on. One dead fiancé. One dead runaway. One woman desperate for answers. Respectable, dull Sam Goddard is found dead in the River Thames the evening before his wedding, with a fifteen-year-old girl. They were both sedated. Sam left a note: So sorry to do this to you . . . The investigation concludes they must have been in a relationship and taken their own lives. As far as the police are concerned, it's case closed. But Sam's bride-to-be Toni refuses to believe this. Desperate to uncover the truth, she turns to Detective Tyrone Swift for answers. But is she prepared for the killer secrets he's about to unearth?

Death by the Thames is a seamlessly crafted, twisty crime thriller that will have you gripped from start to pulsating finish. Perfect for fans of Joy Ellis, Tana French, Val McDermid, Robert Galbraith, Ann Cleeves, Jane Adams or Elly Griffiths. **WHAT READERS ARE SAYING ABOUT DEATH BY THE THAMES:** [★★★★ "LOVED this book as I have the whole series."](#) Elaine N. [★★★★ "When the opportunity arose to read Death by the Thames by Gretta Mulrooney, it was grabbed by both hands. A superb character along with equally superb story lines and an additional cast. Highly recommended."](#) Iain Mc. [★★★★ "Ty is a great protagonist who leaps from the page, the dialogue is never forced or unrealistic . . . I thoroughly enjoyed this book and recommended it unreservedly."](#) Tracy W. [★★★★ "I found it insidiously addictive. The best is saved for the denouement. I must admit that I didn't see most of it coming. There were plenty of surprises."](#) Elaine T. [★★★★ "An excellent, gripping and well-plotted mystery."](#) Anna M. [★★★★ "Another Gretta Mulrooney masterpiece."](#) Michelle D. **THE DETECTIVE** Tyrone Swift is an ex-police detective who now works privately. He's survived a stabbing and his fiancée running off with another man. Swift's personal life is complicated, to say the least. **ALSO BY GRETTA MULROONEY THE TYRONE SWIFT DETECTIVE SERIES** Book 1: THE LADY VANISHED Book 2: BLOOD SECRETS Book 3: TWO LOVERS, SIX DEATHS Book 4: WATCHING YOU Book 5: LOW LAKE Book 6: YOUR LAST LIE Book 7: HER LOST SISTER Book 8: MURDER IN PEMBROKESHIRE Book 9: DEATH BY THE THAMES **DETECTIVE INSPECTOR SIV DRUMMOND SERIES** Book 1: THESE LITTLE LIES Book 2: NEVER CAME HOME Book 3: MURDER IN MALLOW COTTAG

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## THE GRAVE DIGGER'S BOY

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### A GRIPPING CRIME MYSTERY FULL OF TWISTS

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**Open Road Media** In this debut crime thriller, an overturned twenty-year-old murder case forces the victim's sister to seek help from one of last people to see her alive. As a boy, Ben was one of the last to see beautiful young Esther Garrett alive—which led to an intense obsession. Twenty years later, the conviction of her murderer is overturned due to a police corruption scandal. Ben's obsession is reawakened when Esther's sister asks for his help in investigating the crime. As Ben is drawn deeper into the case, he will be forced to face the truth about his own life and soon finds himself questioning everything he ever believed. Was Esther really murdered? And if so, could the killer be closer to home than anyone ever imagined? *The Grave Digger's Boy* is a gripping crime mystery full of stunning twists and turns and the perfect read for fans of authors like Rachel Abbott, Cara Hunter and Patricia Gibney.

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## TWO INDIAN GIRLS

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### A MURDER MYSTERY NOVEL

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**Independently Published** Two girls. One crime. A battle for truth ... and survival. Khushbu and Amrita are best friends forever. Khushbu is a simple girl, while Amrita is an upwardly mobile corporate marketing whiz-kid from Mumbai. Khushbu gets engaged. She is welcomed at her in-laws' house post wedding but something terrible

happens. Khushbu gets to live her vow, 'Till Death Do Us Part.' What happened to Khushbu? Inspector Rajiv is on the case. He's the best detective in his department, but he faces a dilemma. Can Amrita get under Rajiv's skin and get him to find out what really happened to Khushbu? Dive into the depths of an Indian mystery and peel off many captivating layers to uncover the real villains of this page-turning read.

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## **HELD HOSTAGE**

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## **THE TRUE STORY OF A MOTHER AND DAUGHTER'S KIDNAPPING**

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**Penguin Group** Recounts the kidnapping of bank vice president Michelle Renee and her young daughter who were taped with explosives and given orders to rob Michelle's own bank or be killed, but the authorities suspected Michelle as orchestrating the crime.

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## **IN THE MIDST OF LIFE**

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The savage murder in a hospital for the criminally insane 20 years ago marks the beginning of this gruesome trail of enquiries for Inspector Michael Angel as he tries to find a missing nurse.