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Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and Happy Holidays!



Read It - Liked It

These are books that I have read recently that I can recommend as good reads. Not all of them will appeal to everyone so feel free to call or email if you are wondering about a certain title.

New Denver author Ausma Zehanat Khan's debut novel, *The Unquiet Dead* (Jan) features Canadian police detectives Esa Khattak and Rachel Getty who are investigating the death of a man who appears to be living under an assumed name. It turns out that he may have been a Bosnian war criminal, which dramatically increases the number of suspects in his death. This is a powerful and thoughtful first novel with well developed and authentic characters and I highly recommend it. (starred review from *Publisher's Weekly*) I can also recommend Susan Hill's outstanding new Simon Serrailier novel, *The Soul of Discretion*. (starred *Library Journal* review) in which Simon is asked to take on a dangerous undercover assignment. Fans of British police procedurals should not miss this fast-paced, complex novel.

Michael Connelly's *The Burning Room*, is terrific, it ranks among my favorite of his Harry Bosch books. (starred reviews from both *Library Journal* and *Publisher's Weekly*). In it Harry and his new partner investigate a recent death resulting from a gunshot wound sustained nine years earlier. Tim Hallinan's new Poke Rafferty thriller *For the Dead* is not to be missed. Set in Thailand, the novel is dark, sad and suspenseful, with moments of comic relief coming from Poke's dry sense of humor. I cannot say enough good about this book so I'll let *Bookpage* say it - "It really doesn't matter whether you prefer serious, get-it-done heroes like Jack Reacher or Dave Robicheaux or wisecracking sleuths along the lines of Elvis Cole or Shell Scott, you have to love Timothy Hallinan's protagonist travel writer/adventurer Poke Rafferty . . . In five words: Could. Not. Put. It. Down." —*Bookpage, Top Pick in Mystery*

For those whose taste runs to adventure there is a holiday novella from Craig Johnson called *The Spirit of Steamboat*, (trade paperback) which is set primarily in the air above Wyoming and Colorado in a harrowing blizzard and takes place one Christmas Eve early in Walt Longmire's career. This is a heart-warming and satisfying story that grabs you in the first pages and does not let go. I would strongly recommend this, even for those who have not read Craig Johnson before.

Recently my book club read Aaron Elkin's Edgar-winning book *Old Bones*. I had forgotten how much I love this cozy series which features Gideon Oliver, a forensic anthropologist lecturing on that topic in France., and I was pleased that everyone else in the group liked it as well. In it Gideon is asked to examine some bones found in a cellar in an ancient French chateau. Although written more than twenty years ago, this book stands the test of time and is witty and fun. (More...)

Still on the cozy side I can recommend Bill Crider's new book *Half in Love with Artful Death*, another story about Blacklin County, Texas with Sheriff Dan Rhodes whose low-key sarcasm sets the tone for these comical mysteries. If you like your mysteries laugh-out-loud funny, W. Bruce Cameron's *The Midnight Plan of the Repo Man* is just that. In it Ruddy McCann, a former football star in Michigan, suddenly has a voice in his head. It turns out to be the voice of a man murdered years earlier who wants Ruddy to find his killer. The book is fast-paced and suspenseful and has a little romance and a lazy Bassett hound. I also loved the new Charles Todd book *A Fine Summer's Day*. This is a prequel to all the other books, set immediately prior to WWI, It gives you the background of Ian Rutledge, who was at that time a rookie inspector at Scotland Yard. In this mystery Ian must find the perpetrator of a series of murders across England while the threat of war looms on the horizon.

DECEMBER HARDCOVERS - MANY HAVE ARRIVED

Archer, Ursula	<i>Five</i>	\$25.99(St. Martin)	DEBUT MYSTERY
DI Beatrice Kaspary investigates when a woman's body is discovered in a meadow in the hills of Austria.			
Bannister, Jo	<i>Perfect Sins</i>	\$25.99	(St. Martin)
Hazel Best & Gabriel Ash investigate when a local archaeologist unearths a body that is far too recently dead.			
Chazin, Suzanne	<i>Land of Careful Shadows</i>	\$24.00	(Kensington)
A powerful novel of passion and murderous secrets in the detectives hometown.			
Childs, Laura	<i>Scorched Eggs</i>	\$25.95	(Berkley)
Someone sets fire to the County Services office, killing a woman, and the Cackleberry Club hunts the perpetrator.			
Cleland, Jane	<i>Blood Rubies</i>	\$25.99	(St. Martin)
Josie Prescott is hired to appraise a Faberge egg, but she finds the owner dead and the egg smashed.			
Cleverly, Barbara	<i>Enter Pale Death</i>	\$26.95	(Soho)
Scotland Yard Det. Joe Sandilands investigate and apparent accidental death when a woman is attacked by a horse.			
Coyle, Cleo	<i>Once Upon a Grind</i>	\$26.95	(Berkley)
Clare Cosi brings her coffee truck to a Central Park "fairy tale" festival, where she finds a body.			
Estleman, Loren	<i>You Know Who Killed Me</i>	\$24.99	(Forge)
Amos Walker is hired to find the killer of a man-which turns out to be connected to a Ukrainian mobster.			
Fowler, Christopher	<i>Bryant and May and the Bleeding Heart</i>	\$26.00	(Bantam)
Bryant and May must figure out why the ravens have left the Tower & why a series of deaths follow the ravens disappearance.			
Gerritsen, Tess	<i>Die Again: a Rizzoli & Iles novel</i>	\$27.00	(Ballantine)
Rizzoli & Iles are investigating the death of a big game hunter found dead in his apartment.			
Gregson, J.M.	<i>A Necessary End</i>	\$29.95	(Severn House)
DCI Peach and DS Northcott investigate a death in a reading club.			
Hall, James W.	<i>The Big Finish</i>	\$25.99	(St. Martin)
Thorn goes to rural North Carolina to avenge his son who was killed by a local ecoterrorist group.			
Harrison, Cora	<i>Condemned to Death</i>	\$28.95	(Severn House)
Mara, Brehon of the Burren investigates when a dead man is found in a boat with no oars.			
Harrison, Mette Ivie	<i>The Bishop's Wife</i>	\$26.95	(Soho)
Linda Wallheim, a Mormon bishop's wife in Utah, becomes involved in the fate of the wife of her neighbor.			
Horowitz, Anthony	<i>Moriarty</i>	\$26.99	(Harper)
Pinkerton detective Frederick Chase arrives in Europe right after Sherlock & Moriarty fell over the Falls.			
James, Bill	<i>Disclosures</i>	\$29.95	(Severn House)
DCS Colin Harper & ACC Iles worry a big-time, but well-liked, crook in their area who past may have caught up with him.			
Jones, Merry	<i>In the Woods</i>	\$28.95	(Severn House)
While camping with her husband, Harper Jennings stumbles across a body, then another man goes missing.			
Land, Jon	<i>Strong Darkness</i>	\$25.99	(Forge)
Texas Ranger Caitlin Strong pursues a serial killer whose methods are similar to someone 100 yrs before.			
Lemaitre, Pierre	<i>Irene</i>	\$26.99	(MacLehose Press)
Camille Verhoeven investigates murders that are modeled on the exploits of serial killers from classic works of fiction.			
Miller, Carol	<i>A Nip of Murder</i>	\$25.99	(St. Martin)
Daisy McGovern finds a thief dead on her bakery floor and sets out to find out who he was and why he died.			
Oust, Gail	<i>Kill 'Em with Cayenne</i>	\$25.99	(St. Martin)
Georgia spice shop owner Piper Prescott gets involved in a murder when a contestant in a BBQ cook-off dies.			

Parker, Robert by Robert Knott	<i>Robert B. Parker's The Bridge</i>	\$26.95	(Putnam)
Itinerant lawmen Virgil Cole & Everett Hitch are back in this new Robert Parker western.			
Purser, Ann	<i>Suspicion at Seven</i>	\$25.95	(Berkley)
Lois sets out to prove that her friend did not kill a woman found in a hotel next to a bag a costume jewelry.			
Robertson, Imogen	<i>The Paris Winter</i>	\$25.99	(St. Martin)
Madu Heighton is hired as companion to a young woman with an addiction to opium and other secrets.			
Rotella, Sebastian	<i>The Convert's Song</i>	\$26.00	(mulholland)
Valentine Pescatore is a PI in Buenos Aires where suspicion in a terrorist attack falls on his childhood friend.			
Rowland, Laura Joh	<i>The Iris Fan</i>	\$25.99	(St. Martin)
1709: Sano Ichiro is hired as chief investigator to find out who stabbed the shogun at his own estate.			
Rowson, Pauline	<i>Death Surge</i>	\$28.95	(Severn House)
DI Andy Horton is recalled from his sailing trip to France when a charred body is found in a disused tunnel in Portsmouth.			
Scottoline, Lisa	<i>Betrayed</i>	\$27.99	(St. Martin)
Judy Carrier goes to her ailing aunt's side and gets mixed up in the suspicious death of her aunt's friend.			
Simms, Chris	<i>Price to Pay</i>	\$27.95	(Crème de la Crime)
DC Iona Khan, of the Greater Manchester Counter Terrorism Unit, investigates the mysterious deaths of four girls.			
Stirling, Jessica	<i>Whatever Happened to Molly Bloom</i>	\$29.95	(Severn House)
DI Jim Kinsella arrests a husband for his wife's murder but soon begins to wonder if he has the right man.			
Wiley, Michael	<i>Blue Avenue</i>	\$28.95	(Severn House) NEW SERIES
Det. Daniel Turner & his friend BB are determined to find out what happened to murder victim Bellinda Mabry.			

JANUARY HARDCOVERS - MANY HAVE ARRIVED

Arlen, Tessa	<i>Death of a Dishonorable Gentleman</i>	\$25.99	(St. Martin)
1912, England: With her housekeeper's help, Lady Monfort tries to prove her son innocent of a murder charge.			
Bertsch, David Riley	<i>River of No Return</i>	\$26.00	(Scribner)
Wyoming fishing guide Jake Trent must return to his investigative roots to find his best friend's girlfriend.			
Brett, Simon	<i>The Tomb in Turkey</i>	\$28.95	(Severn House)
Carole & Jude are in Turkey where their sightseeing is interrupted by the discovery of a body in ancient tomb.			
Clare, Alys	<i>Blood of the South</i>	\$28.95	(Severn House)
Healer Lassair encounters a veiled noblewoman who is being attacked by a mob and goes to the rescue.			
Clark, Carol Higgins	<i>Knocked</i>	\$25.00	(Scribner)
Det Regan Reilly goes to her 10th collage reunion but ends up working when a murder occurs.			
Conrad, Hy	<i>Mr. Monk & the New Lieutenant</i>	\$23.95	(Obsidian)
Monk must find a killer who is targeting Captain Stottlemeyer.			
Cooper, Susan Rogers	<i>Dead to the World: a Texas Hill mystery</i>	\$28.95	(Severn House)
The Bishops Inn's elderly owner tells E.J. about troubling goings-on there - then E.J. finds the body...			
de Mariaffi, Elisabeth	<i>The Devil You Know</i>	\$24.99	(Touchstone)
A rookie reporter's memories of the murder of her childhood best friend bring danger and a stalker to her doorstep.			
Fredrickson, Jack	<i>Silence the Dead</i>	\$29.95	(Severn House)
Mayor Max Bassett re-opens the 30 yr. old case but the exhumation reveals that her body is not in the casket.			
Graves, Sarah	<i>Winter at the Door</i>	\$26.00	(Bantam)
Eastport Police chief Lizzie Snow learns that a mysterious stalker has followed her from Boston to Maine.			
Hall, Parnell	<i>Puzzled Indemnity</i>	\$24.99	(St. Martin)
Puzzle lady Cora Felton's is asked to find out whether a wealthy woman is in danger from her philandering husband.			
Hannah, Sophie	<i>The Carrier</i>	\$26.95	(Putnam)
Gaby Struthers must find the truth when the only man she ever loved confesses to killing his wife.			
Harrod-Eagles, Cynthia	<i>Star Fall: a Bill Slider Procedural</i>	\$29.95	(Severn House)
Antiques expert Rowland Egerton is stabbed in his London home and Slider is under pressure to find the killer.			
Heley, Veronica	<i>False Impression: a British Murder Mystery</i>	\$29.95	(Severn House)
Bea Abbot goes to the aid of a friend who it appears is being set up for murder, then she winds up a target as well.			
Hill, Susan	<i>The Soul of Discretion</i>	\$26.95	(Overlook)
Simon Serrailer goes undercover to find ring of people targeting children in the community.			
Jacobsen, Steffan	<i>When the Dead Awaken</i>	\$26.99	(Quercus)
DA Sabrina D'Avalos investigates when a container being loaded on a ship in Naples is found to contain several bodies.			
James, Miranda	<i>Arsenic and Old Books</i>	\$25.95	(Berkley)
Mississippi librarian Charlie Harris & his cat Diesel search for a missing reporter who was interested in some Civil War diaries.			

Kelly, Jim	<i>At Death's Window</i>	\$28.95	(Severn)
Shaw & Valentine investigate a suspicious death apparently resulting from a turf war over coastal harvesting rights.			
Khan, Ausma Zehanat	<i>The Unquiet Dead</i>	\$25.99	(St. Martin)
Canadian Dets. Esa Khattak & Rachel Getty investigate the death of a man who may have been a Bosnian war criminal.			
Lake, Deryn	<i>The Moonlit Door</i>	\$28.95	(Severn House)
When an orphan is killed at a Medieval Fair, Rev. Nick, who planned the Fair, and DI Tennant must try to find the perpetrator			
Lane, Harriet	<i>Her</i>	\$25.00	(Little, Brown)
Emma finds comfort in her new friend, the self-confident Nina, but soon learns that Nina wants something from her...			
Lawson, M.A.	<i>Viking Bay</i>	\$26.95	(Blue Rider Press)
Kay Hamilton goes to work for a shadowy government agency trying to influence a politician in Afghanistan.			
Masterman, Becky	<i>Fear the Darkness</i>	\$25.99	(St. Martin)
Ex-FBI agent Bridgid Quinn is asked to help a local Tucson couple investigate the death of their son.			
Masters, Priscilla	<i>Guilty Waters</i>	\$28.95	(Severn House)
DI Joanna Piercy hunts for two French girls hiking in England who have not been seen for months.			
Matthews, Jeanne	<i>Where the Bones Are Buried</i>	\$14.95	(Poisoned Pen Press)
Dinah's mother is suspected of murder after she attempts to blackmail a wealthy German in Berlin.			
McLean, Russel D.	<i>Cry Uncle: a Myster set in Scotland</i>	\$28.95	(Severn House)
PI McNee goes undercover as a local gangsters right-hand man to help the police but things are about to come unraveled.			
Muller & Pronzini	<i>The Body Snatcher's Affair</i>	\$25.99	(Forge)
Quincannon & Carperter search for two missing bodies as the city is threatened with a tong war.			
Neuhaus, Nele	<i>The Ice Queen</i>	\$25.99	(St. Martin)
Pia & Oliver realize that a series of mysterious deaths with roots in Nazi Germany are connected to a highly beloved Baroness.			
O'Malley, Thomas	<i>Serpents in the Cold</i>	\$26.00	(mulholland)
When a serial killer targets post-WWII Boston two very different men, Cal and Dante, search for the truth.			
O'Mara, Tim	<i>Dead Red</i>	\$25.99	(St. Martin)
An old friend asked for NYC teacher Ray Donne's help, but now the friend is dead and Ray hunts the killers.			
Pearce, Michael	<i>The Mouth of the Crocodile</i>	\$28.95	(Severn House)
1913, Sudan: Mamur Zapt is asked to investigate when a Pasha believes that he was the target of a murder attempt.			
Pelecanos, George P.	<i>The Martini Shot</i>	\$25.00	(Little, Brown)
Short stories and a novella from one of crime fiction's most revered writers.			
Scherm, Rebecca	<i>Unbecoming</i>	\$27.95	(Viking)
Grace is on the run in Paris after two men arrested for an art theft that she planned get out of jail.			
Seskis, Tina	<i>One Step Too Far</i>	\$25.99	(Morrow) DEBUT NOVEL
A young woman with a seemingly perfect life just walks away from it all, leaving no trace.			
Shaw, William	<i>The Kings of London</i>	\$26.00	(mulholland)
1968: DS Cathal Breen finds a murdered man in the rubble of a building - the man was famous in the London art scene.			
Sternbergh, Adam	<i>Near Enemy</i>	\$24.00	(Crown)
Spademan has accepted a job to kill a no-good creep but the job turns out to be more complicated than it seemed.			
Thomas, Samuel	<i>The Witch Hunt</i>	\$24.99	(St. Martin)
Midwife Bridget Hodgson fights the powerful men of York when a witch hunt starts in the city.			
Thurlo, Aimee & David	<i>Grave Consequences</i>	\$25.99	(St. Martin)
Charlie Henry must uncover the secrets hidden in a priceless Navajo necklace that some are willing to kill for.			
Todd, Charles	<i>A Fine Summer's Day</i>	\$27.99	(Morrow)
1914: Gives readers a glimpse into Ian Rutledge's life before the war that changed him forever.			
Williams, Timothy	<i>The Honest Folk of Guadeloupe</i>	\$26.95	(Soho)
Judge Anne Laveaud is mysteriously pulled off the case of the murder of a high-profile environmental activist.			
Wisniewski, Mark	<i>Watch Me Go</i>	\$26.95	(Putnam)
A noir thriller about a female jockey who breaks her silence about the mob to save a man accused of murder.			
Woods, Stuart	<i>Insatiable Appetites</i>	\$26.95	(Putnam)
Stone Barrington finds unexpected secrets when he is appointed executor of a trusted friend's estate.			
Zander, Joakim	<i>The Swimmer</i>	\$27.99	(Harper) DEBUT NOVEL
A deep-cover CIA agent races across Europe to save the daughter he never knew.			

DECEMBER TRADE PAPERBACKS - MANY HAVE ARRIVED

Bates, Quentin	<i>Chilled to the Bone</i>	\$15.95	(Soho)
Sgt. Gisladdottir investigates when a ship-owner is found dead in a compromising position in one of Reykjavik's nicest hotels.			

Bowen, Rhys	<i>Death of Riley</i>	\$14.99	(St. Martin)
Molly Murphy is apprenticed to a PI who is murdered and Molly goes after the killer.			
Deaver, Jeffery	<i>Trouble in Mind</i>	\$15.00	(Grand Central)
A collection of short stories featuring his famous characters, Lincoln Rhyme, Kathryn Dance, John Pellham and others.			
Greenwood, Kerry	<i>A Question of Death</i>	\$19.95	(Poisoned Pen Press)
A collection of Phryne Fisher short stories and other miscellany, with illustrations.			
Kernick, Simon	<i>The Last 10 Seconds</i>	\$15.00	(Atria)
DI Tina Boyd is in the middle of a criminal conspiracy that pits her against the murderer known as the Night Creeper.			
Lloyd, Catherine	<i>Death Comes to London</i>	\$15.00	(Kensington)
Lucy is drawn into an investigation when a duchess drops dead in Almack's ballroom in this Regency mystery.			
Matthews, Jason	<i>Red Sparrow</i>	\$17.00	(Scribner)
Winner of the Edgar Award for best first novel			
Soviet intelligence officer Dominika Egorova begins a double life-recruited by the CIA to find a high-level traitor in Washington.			
McEvoy, John	<i>High Stakes</i>	\$14.95	(Poisoned Pen Press)
Jack is pressured by the FBI to find an activist who is carrying out mercy killings.			
Monday, T.T.	<i>The Set Up Man</i>	\$15.00	(Vintage)
Aging baseball star Johnny Adcock moonlights as a PI which draws him into a fellow player's deadly world.			
Neuhaus, Nele	<i>Bad Wolf</i>	\$16.99	(St. Martin)
Frankfurt Dets. Pia Kirchoff and von Bodenstien dig deep into the past to find the killer of a teenager.			
Ramsay, Frederick	<i>The Wolf and the Lamb</i>	\$14.95	(Poisoned Pen Press)
Gamaliel reluctantly agrees to help Pontius Pilate find out who set him up on a murder charge.			
Robertson, Michael	<i>Moriarty Returns a Letter</i>	\$15.99	(St. Martin)
Reggie & Nigel answer letters written to Sherlock Holmes that come to their office at 221B Baker Street - and help when they can.			
Sansom, C.J.	<i>Dominion</i>	\$17.00	(Mulholland)
An alternate history of what Britain would be like if she had lost the war to Germany.			
Straley, John	<i>Cold Storage, Alaska</i>	\$15.95	(Soho)
Clive McCahan returns to his tiny Alaska hometown to make amends but he brings a whole lot of trouble with him.			
Thomas, Samuel	<i>The Harlot's Tale</i>	\$15.99	(St. Martin)
York, 1645: Bridget and Martha investigate when a vigilante begins to execute the city's "sinners".			
Tursten, Helen	<i>The Fire Dance</i>	\$14.95	(Soho)
DI Irene Huss is given the case of a murdered ballerina, an arson victim and she remembers a similar case from years earlier.			
Williams, Timothy	<i>Persona Non Grata</i>	\$14.95	(Soho)
Northern Italy: Commissario Trotti searches for the truth after a young girl is attacked in her home by an intruder.			

JANUARY TRADE PAPERBACKS

Axelrod, Steven	<i>Nantucket Five-Spot: A Henry Kennis Mystery</i>	\$14.95	(Poisoned Pen Press)
As Chief Kennis investigates a threatened bombing of a concert on the island he finds a decades old conspiracy.			
Baker, Tiffany	<i>Mercy Snow</i>	\$15.00	(Grand Central)
In rural Maine June McAllister, wife of the paper mill owner, discovers a dark secret about a tragic bus accident.			
Berenson, Alex	<i>The Secret Soldier</i>	\$15.00	(Berkley)
John Wells is asked by Saudi Arabian King Abdullah to help when terrorist attacks rock his Kingdom.			
Bowen, Rhys	<i>City of Darkness and Light</i>	\$15.99	(St. Martin)
Molly and her baby are in Paris where Molly becomes unexpectedly entangles in the murder of an Impressionist artist.			
Bradley, Alan	<i>The Dead in Their Vaulted Arches</i>	\$15.00	(Delacorte)
In the course of investigating a new case aspiring detective Flavia de Luce comes closer than ever to solving the mystery of her mother's disappearance.			
Brekke, Jorgen	<i>Where Monsters Dwell</i>	\$15.99	(St. Martin) DEBUT THRILLER
Det. Felicia Stone connects a murder in Virginia to a similar one in Norway and hunts a killer on two continents.			
Christie, Pamela	<i>Death and Cyprian Society</i>	\$15.00	(Kensington)
Regency courtesan Arabella Beaumont goes to the aid of a friend who is being blackmailed over an affair.			
Clark, Mary Jane	<i>That Old Black Magic</i>	\$13.99	(Morrow)
Piper Donovan must unmask a devious killer operating in New Orleans's legendary French Quarter.			
Douglas, Carole Nelson	<i>Cat in a Yellow Spotlight</i>	\$18.99	(Wishlist Publishing)
DI Jim Kinsella arrests a husband for his wife's murder but soon begins to wonder if he has the right man.			
Elo, Elizabeth	<i>Noth of Boston</i>	\$16.00	(Penguin)
Pirio Kasparov suspects that it was no accident when a freighter runs into her friend's boat, killing him.			

Gage, Leighton	<i>The Ways of Evil Men</i>	\$14.95	(Soho)
Brazilian Chief Ins. Mario Silva investigates the deaths of 39 native villagers deep in the jungle.			
Hannah, Sophie	<i>The Orphan Choir</i>	\$15.00	(Picador)
Louise Beeston has moved to the country where she is haunted by melodies from a choir that only she can hear.			
Hayes, Samantha	<i>Until You're Mine</i>	\$15.00	(Broadway Books)
Claudia has hired Zoe to help her with a new baby - but suddenly Zoe seems to have a blurry past.			
Jones, Kelly	<i>Lost and Found in Prague</i>	\$15.00	(Berkley)
A woman returns to Prague where she works with a priest and a world-weary detective to solve a murder.			
Kaaberbol & Friis	<i>Death of a Nightingale</i>	\$15.95	(Soho)
Nurse Nina Borg goes to aid of a Ukrainian woman who is accused of murdering her abusive Danish fiancée.			
Kahn, Michael A.	<i>The Sirena Quest</i>	\$14.95	(Poisoned Pen Press)
Rachel Gold gets involved in the search for Barrett College's missing sculpture - and a fortune is at stake.			
Koryta, Michael	<i>Those Who Wish Me Dead</i>	\$16.00	(Back Bay)
Jace Wilson witnesses a murder and finds himself on the run, protected only by a couple who run a wilderness survival program.			
LaPlante, Lynda	<i>Wrongful Death</i>	\$15.99	(Bourbon Street)
DCI Anna Travis must decide where her loyalties lie in this last installment in this series.			
McBeth, Colette	<i>Precious Thing</i>	\$15.99(St. Martin)	DEBUT MYSTERY
Rachel is stunned when her childhood best friend, Clara goes missing & she learns that Clara had many secrets.			
Miller, Emma	<i>Plain Killing</i>	\$15.00	(Kensington)
B&B owner, Rachel Mast, finds the body of an Amish girl in a local quarry and searches for answers.			
Pavone, Chris	<i>The Accident</i>	\$15.00	(Broadway Books)
Literary agent Isabel Reed gets an anonymous manuscript - true stories about real people that are dangerous to know.			
Rayne, Sarah	<i>The Whispering: A Haunted House Mystery</i>	\$15.95	(Severn House)
Oxford don Michael Flint investigates when the reclusive occupant of a mysterious house lives in fear.			
Shaw, William	<i>She's Leaving Home</i>	\$15.00	(Mulholland)
1968: when a teenager is found dead outside the Beatle's recording studio DS Breen searches for a killer.			
Simenon, Georges	<i>A Man's Head</i>	\$11.00	(Penguin)
Simenon tracks a killer on the run through Paris.			
Smith, Tom Rob	<i>The Farm</i>	\$15.00	(Grand Central)
Daniel does not know who to trust when his mother tells him a tale of horrible crimes that implicate his father.			
Steinhauer, Olen	<i>The Cairo Affair</i>	\$16.00	(Picador)
People from various walks of espionage life converge on Cairo after the killing of a mid-level diplomat in Hungary.			
Swanson, Peter	<i>The Girl with a Clock for a Heart</i>	\$14.99	(Morrow)
An old love reenters George Foss' life needing his help - he can't say no even though he knows she may be a murderer.			
Todd, Charles	<i>Hunting Shadows</i>	\$14.99	(Morrow)
Ins. Rutledge is called in when a man is murdered at a society wedding at Ely Cathedral.			
Williams, Timothy	<i>Black August</i>	\$14.95	(Soho)
Commissario Trotti is determined to find the killer of a schoolteacher, who was also his friend.			

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ALAN, ISABELLA - MURDER, SERVED SIMPLY	7.99	PBO	(OBSIDIAN)
Angie Braddock & her knitting circle look for the killer of an actress who was supposed to star in a Amish-themed Christmas play.			
BERRY, STEVE – THE LINCOLN MYTH	9.99	1PB	(BALLANTINE)
BLACKWELL, JULIET - THE KEEPER OF THE CASTLE	7.99	PBO	(OBSIDIAN)
San Francisco contractor Mel Turner is asked to look for paranormal activity surround old stone from a Scottish castle - but she finds a body.			
BROWN, DUFFY – GEARED FOR THE GRAVE	7.99	PBO	(BERKLEY)
When a prominent local is killed on Mackinac Island, it is up to a resourceful visitor to find the truth.			
BURDETTE, LUCY - DEATH WITH ALL THE TRIMMINGS	7.99	PBO	(OBSIDIAN)
It's Christmastime in Key West and Hayley Snow is trying to find the person who set a restaurant on fire & left a body in the ruins.			
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COPPERMAN, E.J. – INSPECTOR SPECTER	7.99	PBO	(BERKLEY)
Ghosts Paul and Maxie must help solve the disappearance of Lt. Anita McElone and the murder of her partner.			
CURTIS, WAVERLY – THE CHIHUAHUA ALWAYS SNIFFS TWICE	7.99	PBO	(KENSINGTON)
Pi Geri Sullivan & her talking Chihuahua Pepe are on the case when heirs (human and canine) of a wealthy woman are in danger.			
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HALE, REBECCA - AGROUND ON ST. THOMAS	7.99	PBO	(BERKLEY)
Senator Julia Sanchez is stuck on the island of St. Thomas until the FBI can locate the Governor, who is missing among rumors of corruption.			

HARRIS, SHERRY – TAGGED FOR DEATH	7.99	PBO	(KENSINGTON) NEW SERIES
Sarah Winston investigates when her ex-husband, who is chief of police, is suspected in the disappearance of his new girlfriend.			
JACKSON, LISA & BUSH, NANCY – WICKED WAYS	7.99	PBO	(KENSINGTON)
One woman's birthright holds the key to a series of murders.			
JAMES, STEVEN - CHECKMATE	9.99	1PB	(SIGNET)
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KING, MAGGIE – MURDER AT THE BOOK GROUP	7.99	1PB	(POCKET)
LAUKKANEN, OWEN – KILL FEE	9.99	1PB	(BERKLEY)
LAVENE, JOYCE AND JIM – SPELL BOOKED	7.99	PBO	(BERKLEY)
Molly and Elsie must find a killer and their spellbook after Olivia is killed and the spellbook stolen.			
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Reporter Nora thinks a fatal "accident" that killed a Cruz, CA socialite was actually murder and, with Nick the cat's help, sets out to prove it.			
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PRESSEY, ROSE – IF YOU'VE GOT IT, HAUNT IT	7.99	PBO	(KENSINGTON) NEW SERIES
Cookie Chanel's vintage clothing boutique in rural Georgia is haunted by a woman who wants Cookie to find her killer.			
PURSER, ANN – SCANDAL AT SIX	7.99	1PB	(BERKLEY)
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Florist Audrey Bloom's work is to be featured on a reality show until her ex shows up and the show's host ends up dead.			
BOURBON, MELISSA - A SEAMLESS MURDER	7.99	PBO	(OBSIDIAN)
Harlow Cassidy is making custom aprons for a women's group until one cantankerous member turns up dead.			
BRENNAN, ALLISON – NOTORIOUS	7.99	1PB	(ST. MARTIN)
CAVENDER, CHRIS – THE MISSING DOUGH	7.99	1PB	(KENSINGTON)
CLARK, MARY HIGGINS ALL AROUND THE TOWN	7.99	1PB	(POCKET)
COOK, J.J. - IN HOT WATER	7.99	PBO	(BERKLEY)
Sweet Pepper, TN fire chief Stella Griffin investigates a mysterious fire at a lake house in which a congressman was killed.			
KING, MAGGIE – MURDER AT THE BOOK GROUP	7.99	PBO	(POCKET)
One woman must solve the murder of a book group member & untangle a web of secrets kept by the other members.			
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HARDY, SUSANNAH - FETA ATTRACTION	7.99	PBO	(BERKLEY) NEW SERIES
Georgie Nikolopatos manages a historic landmark restaurant in upstate New York - but her husband disappears & that turns her into a sleuth.			
HUSOM, CHRISTINE - SNOW WAY OUT	7.99	PBO	(BERKLEY) NEW SERIES
Curio shop owner Cami Brooks finds a dead man in the park and searches for a killer.			
HYZY, JULIE – ALL THE PRESIDENT'S MENUS	7.99	PBO	(BERKLEY)
A tour of the White house kitchen by a group of foreign chefs ends in murder & Olivia Paras sets out to find a killer.			
JAFFARIAN, SUE ANN - GHOST IN THE GUACAMOLE	7.99	PBO	(BERKLEY)
Medium Emma Whitecastle enlisted the help of a ghost to stop a murder when two sisters feud over a family business.			
JANCE, J.A. – MOVING TARGET	7.99	1PB	(POCKET)
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Fort Worth officer Megan Luz and her K-9 partner patrol the stockyards during the annual Stock Show where a mugging turns deadly.			
LAURIE, VICTORIA - NO GHOULS ALLOWED	7.99	PBO	(OBSIDIAN)
M.J. Holliday 's dad's fiancée is renovating a mansion but a series of suspicious incidents have caused the contractor to walk off the job.			
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When a customer is killed by one of her grandmother's Texas pecan treats, Lindy Blanchard sets out to save the family farm's reputation.			
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Daisy Buchanan investigates when a killer strikes the "Hunky Men of Millbury" calendar shoot to raise money for the Historical Society.			
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Gwen Katz gets the shock of her life when a van falls through the roof of her deli, trapping her inside with a mayoral candidate.			
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Angie Curtis is called home to Maine where she must solve a murder to save her grandmother from taking the blame.			
WENGER, CHRISTINE - DINERS, DRIVE-INS AND DEATH	7.99	PBO	(OBSIDIAN)
Diner owner Trixie's biker boyfriend is found dead in a drive-in and the owner, who is Trixie's friend, is accused of the murder.			

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Best First Novel - Jason Matthews - *Red Sparrow*

Best Paperback Original - Alex Marwood - *The Wicked Girls*

Mary Higgins Clark Award - Jenny Milchman - *Cover of Snow*

Best Short Story - John Connolly - *The Caxton Private Lending Library & Book Depository*

Anthony Award Winners

Best Novel - William Kent Krueger - *Ordinary Grace*

Best First Mystery - Matt Coyle - *Yesterday's Echo*

Best Paperback Original - Catriona McPherson - *As She Left It*

Best Short Story - John Connolly - *The Caxton Private Lending Library & Book Depository*

Barry Award Winners

Best Novel - William Kent Krueger - *Ordinary Grace*

Best First Mystery - Barry Lancet - *Japantown*

Best Paperback Original - Adrian McKinty - *I Hear the Sirens in the Street*

Best Thriller - Taylor Stevens - *The Doll*

Shamus Award Winners

Best PI Novel - Brad Parks - *The Good Cop*

Best PI First Novel - Lachlan Smith - *Bear is Broken*

Best PI Paperback Original - PJ Parish - *Heart of Ice*

Best Indie PI Novel - M. Ruth Myers - *Don't Dare a Dame*

St. Martin/PWA award - Grant Bywaters - *The Red Storm*

Best PI Short Story - Max Allen Collins - *So Long, Chief*

Lifetime Achievement - Sue Grafton

McCavity Awards

Best Mystery Novel: Winner - William Kent Krueger: *Ordinary Grace*

Thomas H. Cook: *Sandrine's Case* (Mysterious Press)

Mick Herron: *Dead Lions* (Soho Crime)

Alex Marwood: *The Wicked Girls* (Penguin Books)

Louise Penny: *How the Light Gets In* (Minotaur Books)

Ian Rankin: *Standing in Another Man's Grave* (Reagan Arthur Books)

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Winner: Terry Shames: *A Killing at Cotton Hill* (Seventh Street Books)

Matt Coyle: *Yesterday's Echo* (Oceanview Publishing)

Becky Masterman: *Rage Against the Dying* (Minotaur Books)

Jenny Milchman: *Cover of Snow* (Ballantine Books)

Derek Miller: *Norwegian by Night* (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt)

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David Shafer - Whiskey Tango Foxtrot
Mark Billingham - the Bones Beneath
Adam Brookes - Night Heron
Robert Galbraith - The Silkworm
Tana French - The Secret Place
Chelsea Cain - One Kick
Erin Kelly - Broadchurch
Michael Koryta - Those Who Wish Me Dead
Josh Malerman - Bird Box
Alex Marwood - The Killer Next Door
Denise Mina - The Red Road
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Louise Penny - The Long Way Home
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