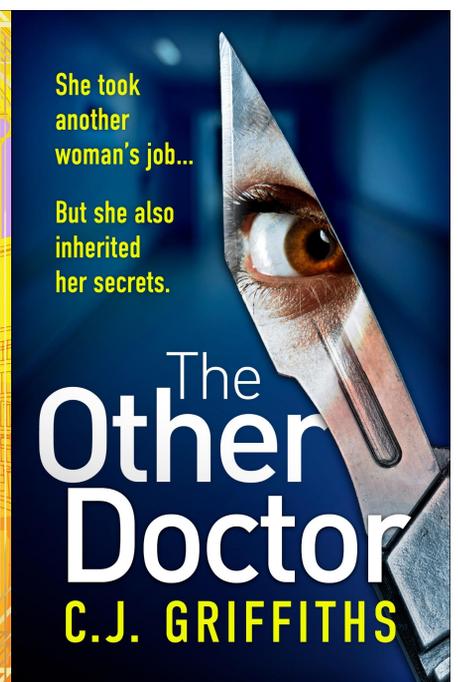
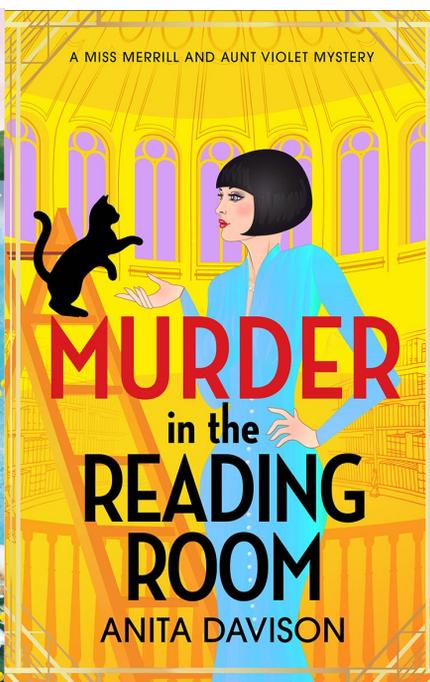
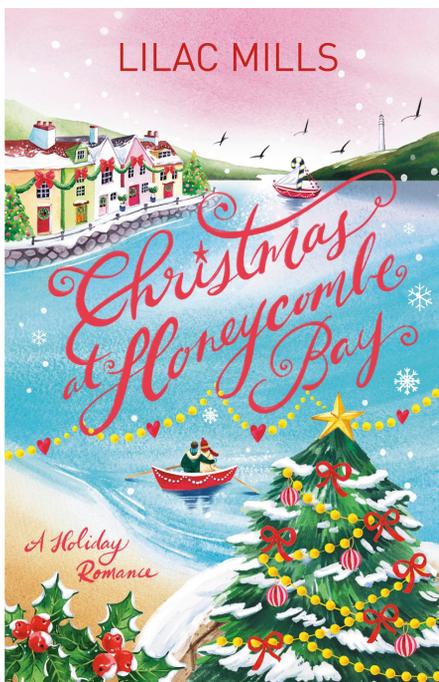


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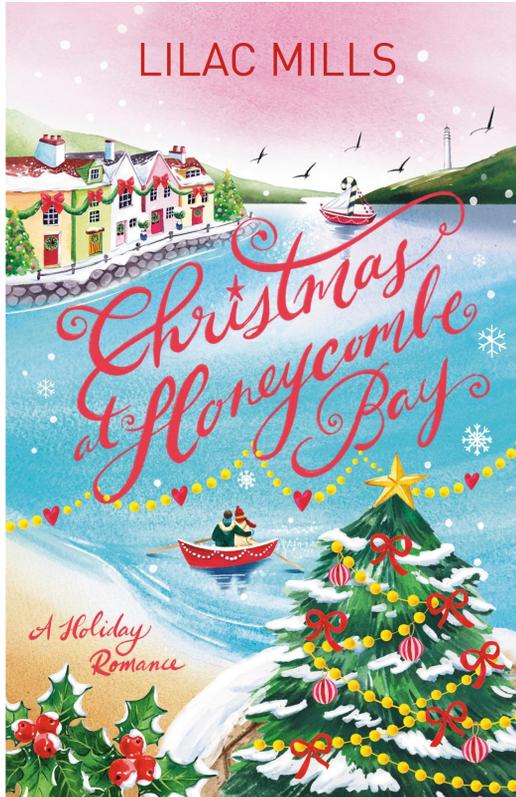
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# CHRISTMAS AT HONEYCOMBE BAY



by Lilac Mills



Rights sold: US/Can (Dell Books, Penguin Random House USA); UK/Comm excluding Canada (Head of Zeus), publishing September 2026

- Sold in a **hotly-contested four-way auction** in a **six-figure deal**.
- Author lifetime unit sales: **412,000+**.
- An uplifting seasonal romance series by an acclaimed author, set on the Devon coast with retired protagonists.
- THE LITTLE BOOKSHOP AT HONEYCOMBE BAY coming summer 2027 and a third seasonal romance coming 2027/28.

Author Rights History: German (MORE by Aufbau Digital); Italian (Newton Compton)

**A retiree and a widower fall in love and rediscover the joy of Christmas playing Mr and Mrs Claus for a single Mum and her child in a cosy seaside guest house.**

Eloise Garrett thinks Christmas is overpriced, overhyped and overrated, and without any family to share it with, she feels sad, lonely and isolated. But not this Christmas. Determined to avoid the most magical time of year, she decides to spend Christmas in Honeycombe Bay. Surely a seaside village in the middle of winter won't be too festive?

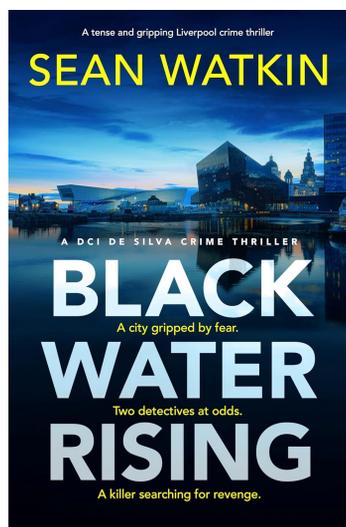
Ever since his wife passed, Bart hasn't felt up to welcoming visitors to his guest house. Faced with another long, lonely winter, and having become more Scrooge than Santa, Bart is dreading Christmas. So when he's contacted by someone who dislikes decking the halls just as much as him, Bart opens his guest house to people who want to escape all things festive.

Christmas isn't easy to ignore though, and when fate forces Bart to give shelter to a mother and child, Eloise finds herself playing Mrs Claus to Bart's Santa. Will they realise that, sometimes, the best way to escape Christmas is to let it into your heart?

# BLACK WATER RISING

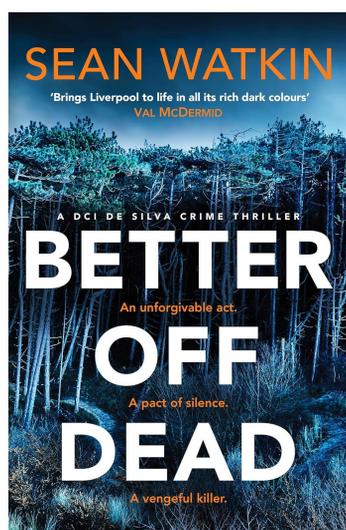


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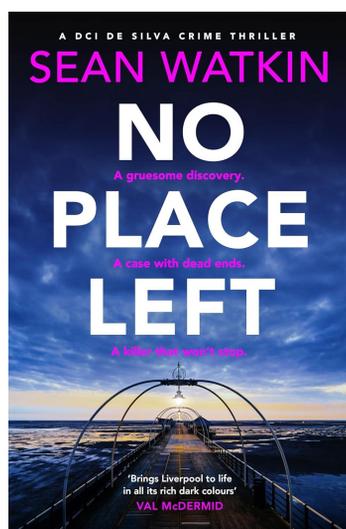
Rights sold: WEL (Canelo)

- A dark and brooding crime thriller **set in Liverpool** featuring a male/female cop duo and LGBTQIA+ representation.
- **Shortlisted** for the Harrogate Theakstons Old Peculier **Val McDermid Debut Prize 2025**.
- Perfect for fans of M.W. Craven and Russ Thomas.
- Hotly-anticipated second book in the series, BETTER OFF DEAD, published Jan 26. A third book, NO PLACE LEFT, will follow in 2027.
- Average **4.7\* reader reviews** across the series.



**A sinister app, police corruption and a twenty year-old cold case which links two murders are intertwined in this Liverpool thriller.**

Teenage girls are going missing across Liverpool. When the body of the third victim is discovered on the banks of the Mersey, the search for the culprit intensifies, and DCI de Silva and DS Barclay are put on the case.



In a race against time, they must exorcise their own demons to stop more victims suffering, all while dealing with a traumatised and escalating killer, who is hellbent on finding somebody from their past.



# PELT by Charlotte Haley



Rights sold: WEL (Angry Robot), publishing November 2027

- **Weird girl horror** for fans of Monika Kim and Mona Awad.
- ***Nightbitch*** meets ***The Blair Witch Project***.
- WEL rights sold in a **hotly-contested auction**.

**She's so hungry...**

**'In nature, an abundance of prey requires a new predator.'**

Roz is a disillusioned millennial working in a failing costume shop. She has lost all motivation for following her dream and finding her path in life as an artist.

When local filmmaker Maud Barnes comes into the shop looking for a werewolf mask, Roz's dormant passion for SFX makeup and mask-making is awakened, and she embraces the opportunity to get involved with Maud's indie horror film.

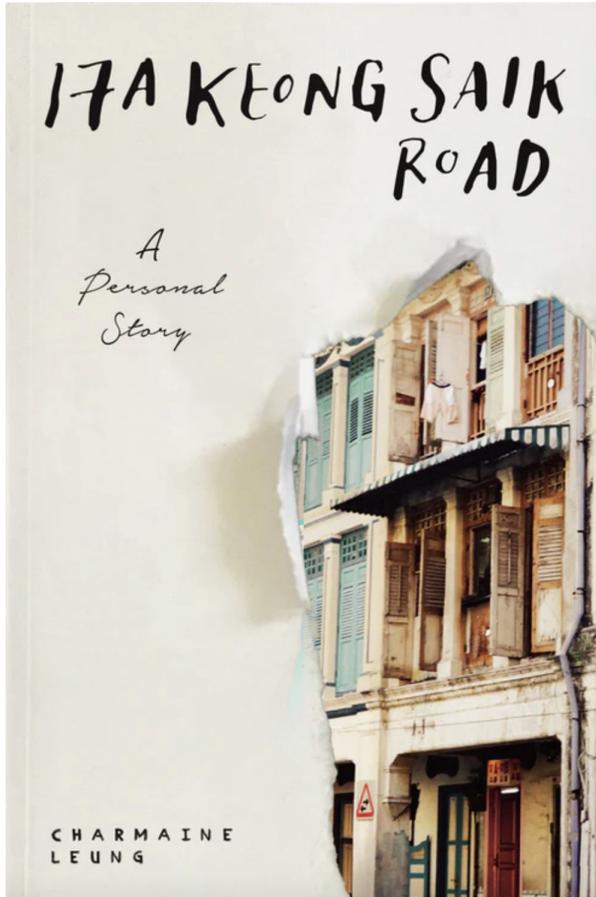
However, Roz herself is changing... physically. On the film set a monstrous presence in the trees seems to be stalking her. It starts to become clear that the mask she has created has woken the beast inside her.

**Charlotte Haley** is a lifelong horror fan, film fanatic, and black belt in Shogun karate. PELT, was recently shortlisted for the Scottish Book Trust's Ignite Fellowship for Emerging Writers 2025. She lives in Edinburgh, and works for the Scottish Wildlife Trust.



# 17A KEONG SAIK ROAD

by Charmaine Leung



Rights sold: Singapore/Malaysia/Indonesia  
English Language & World Chinese (Ethos Books)

- This lyrical memoir follows three generations of women tied to a Singapore brothel, charting a legacy of displacement, maternal inheritance and resilience.
- Offers a rare perspective on Chinese and Southeast Asian women's histories and experiences.
- While distinct in voice and form, it will resonate with readers of Jung Chang's *Wild Swans* and *Pachinko* by Min Jin Lee.
- A scarce story, told with emotional honesty. Deserves a wide international readership.

In readers' own words:

"It's not every day that you can read the story of a girl who grew up in a brothel, and can articulate and comprehend the emotional difficulties of her and those around her with such emotional intelligence. This is tagged as a "personal story" but of course it is also one that speaks a lot about the changing social landscape of the times the women in her family lived through, and the gender politics is something that stood out very strongly too," - Goodreads reader.

"This is a story about intergenerational trauma between a mother and daughter, set against the backdrop of Asian values such as filial piety. But it's so much more than that, it's such a beautiful tribute to the strong women who raised her," - Goodreads reader.

"The clean clear writing style never veers towards salaciousness or invites pity despite the subject matter," - Goodreads reader.

# THE MENOPAUSE BOOK CLUB



by Helen Watts



Rights sold: WEL (Embla, Bonnier Books), publishing September 2026

- Sold in a **four-way auction**.
- **CILIP Carnegie Medal-nominated author**.
- Worried they're hurtling towards a barren land signalling the end of fertility and sexuality, four friends rediscover themselves through 'The Menopause Book Club'.
- Perfect for fans of Faith Hogan, Milly Johnson and Marian Keyes.
- The Menopause Book Club go on holiday to Skiathos...coming 2027!

Warm, light and funny, THE MENOPAUSE BOOK CLUB is a women's fiction about community, friendship and ageing, set in an idyllic small town in the Cotswolds.

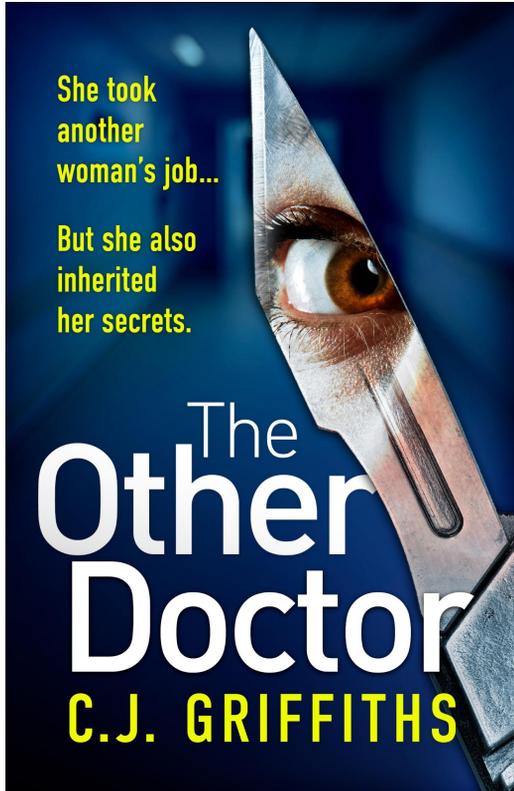
After a failed relationship with her boss, Imogen has given men the middle finger and followed her dream of opening her own bookshop. She starts The Menopause Book Club to make friends, share reading recommendations and menopause woes with people who 'get it' over a gossip and many a glass of wine. This reunites her with childhood friends Jo, Geri and Kimberley, who are respectively confronted with loveless marriage, a mother with deteriorating Alzheimer's, and a revolutionised approach to romance.

Following four friends all supposedly older and wiser than when they first met in their school days, in this warm but poignant uplit, all four lead characters are going through the menopause or perimenopause. Each of their symptoms and feelings towards this differ, but they find comfort in the commonalities between their experiences also.



# THE OTHER DOCTOR

by C.J. Griffiths



Rights sold: WEL (Bedford Square)

- Chris Griffiths is a **first response paramedic, anaesthetic practitioner and resuscitation officer**.
- A twisted psychological fiction about power and ethics in this **medical crime thriller**.
- Author's first novel MALE, UNKNOWN was **shortlisted for the CWA Debut Dagger Award**.
- For fans of Jack Jordan, Tess Gerritsen, and Alice Feeney.

**An agency doctor finds herself caught in a web of lies around a medical cold case, a high-level hospital cover-up and a claustrophobic domestic triangle.**

This is one shift she should have turned down...

Jess McBride is a locum doctor whose life turned upside down ten years previously when she was blamed for an event which resulted in a patient death. After accepting an ongoing assignment to cover the work of paediatric consultant Zoe Furniss, she is attacked on shift by a man expecting her to be Zoe.

Jess and Zoe speak and the two form a bond over their shared pasts. But Jess can sense that Zoe isn't telling the whole truth ...

**Chris Griffiths** has worked on writers' shadow scheme with BBC's Casualty, and his writing is based on his lived experience in his 25+ year career with the NHS.

# BETWEEN US, THE UNTAMED SEAS

## by Paul Tan



Rights: Currently out on submission, WEL and other languages available

- A haunting but life-affirming historical novel perfect for fans of the Malaysian Booker-nominated author Tan Twan Eng (THE GARDEN OF EVENING MISTS).
- The author is Singaporean and works in the Singapore literature and arts scene.
- The first English language novel to incorporate the experience of thousands of overseas Chinese who returned to live and work in Mao's China, living through events like the Cultural Revolution.
- Set in Singapore, China, Hong Kong and Japan between 1942 and the mid 1990s.

**1946**

### **Unnamed track off Kallang Road, Singapore**

*'...For sure, someone kind will find you in this ditch soon. They will get help from other well-meaning people starting their day, then carefully clean you up and take you home.'*

***The consequences of the violent death of a young Singaporean father in 1946 - at the hands of an embittered young man who brutally lost his father at the hands of the Japanese - ripple through the lives of two Singapore Chinese families.***

***Two Singapore Hokkien Chinese families grieve and live their lives:*** one for a dead father and husband, the other for a son lost in Mao's China. All part of a canvas that stretches from Singapore after the Japanese invasion of 1942, through to the Communist Malayan Emergency of the 1950s and Singapore's independence, and to Communist China including the Cultural Revolution and beyond: to Hong Kong, Japan and possible redemption. The families live, grow and love, but always living with the consequences of the fatal night in 1946.

**Singapore grows** from an island of kampongs, fishing villages, colonial trading buildings and plantations to become a crowded but thriving city state, nearly unrecognisable compared to the attap crowned island of the 1940s. Japan, Hong Kong and then China also explode in a carnival of modernity.

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**Meet Teck:** the father who is tragically murdered in an act of revenge after being 'perceived' as having been a wartime informer for the Japanese. Bee is his grieving wife left with a young family and haunted by her husband's fate. His children, Ling and her brother Kheng, are both scarred by their father's death: one child will become an editor who life takes them to pre-1997 Hong Kong, the other will remain stubbornly anchored in Singapore. Years go by without them knowing who murdered their father.

**Meet Choon Hua who murdered Teck:** the orphaned son of a father murdered by the Japanese in Singapore in 1942 and husband to Fong, a former Chinese Communist rebel in the Malayan Emergency, who fought the British colonists. Choon Hua meets and marries Fong in their new home, a settlement of overseas Chinese in Fujian Province in 1950s Communist China and they later live through the Cultural Revolution. He is father to a daughter, Luxing and two brothers Jiandong and Jianguo. One child will betray their father to the Red Guards and another will try to heal the hurt that destined Choon Hua to join the forgotten thousands of overseas Chinese who willingly travelled to settle in Mao's China to help build a 'paradise'. Will Choon Hua learn from his experiences in his new country?

In Singapore the family of Choon Hua's brother, Choon Seng, moves on through the generations, maintaining memories of fitful communications with their prodigal brother across the shifting seas of politics and revolution. Similarly Choon Hua and his family never forget the ties that bind them to their Singapore family.

***Can the untamed seas dividing the families and generations be crossed?***

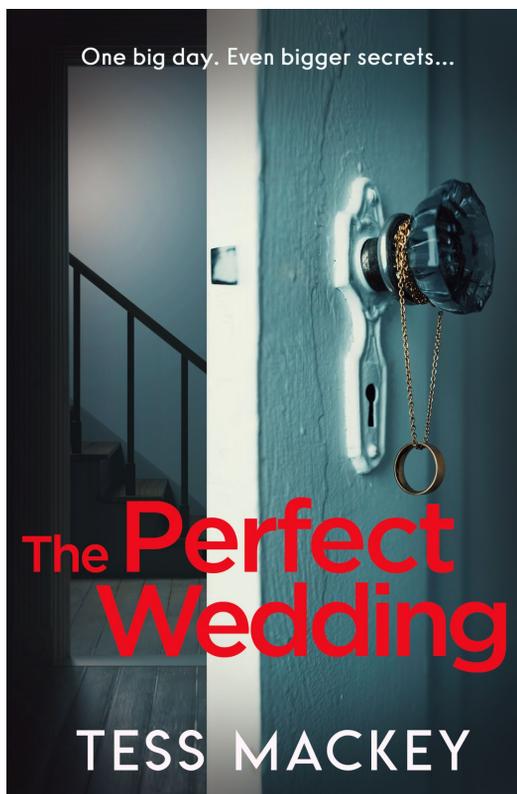
**Paul Tan** studied at the English Literature and Language department at the National University of Singapore, and completed his Masters at the University of East Anglia. He has published five volumes of poetry, two of which have won national awards in Singapore. He has also published short stories in various anthologies. He is delighted that his writings have been used in classrooms as texts. He was also director of the Singapore Writers Festival between 2010 to 2014. In 2025 Paul was the chair of a public panel of agents and publishers from the UK and EU at the Festival.

Paul has also written song lyrics, curated a public poetry project and edited a cultural journal. He takes an interest in community building, Asian history and cooking for loved ones.

Professionally, Paul has worked in media, tourism, arts administration and philanthropy. He looks forward to publishing his first historical novel set in Singapore, Southern China and Japan.

# THE PERFECT WEDDING

by Tess Mackey

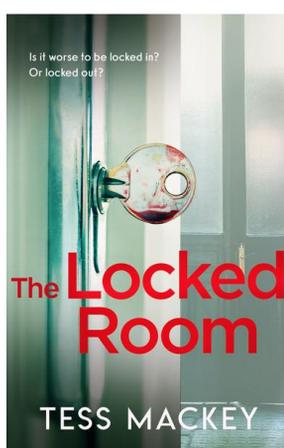
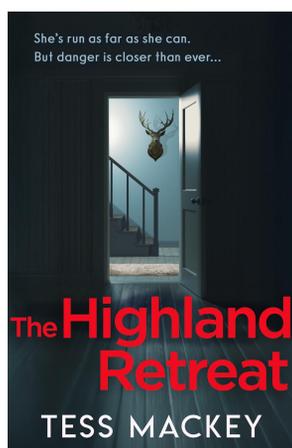


Rights sold: WEL (Avon, HarperCollins), UK publication May 2027

- Sold at **auction** in a **five-figure deal**.
- Perfect for fans of Freida McFadden, Lisa Jewell and Shari Lapena.
- Coming soon: three more brand new stories in the BAD PLACES collection of twisty and psychological locked room thrillers.
- By the bestselling author of YA thriller YOU WOULDN'T CATCH ME DEAD.

**The happiest day of your life... 'til death do you part.**

A bride still running from a secret past she barely escaped. A groom in love with the maid of honour. Once their vows are uttered, neither can keep their secrets contained. And when the bride stumbles across a freshly-dead body in the hotel grounds, she realises her terrifying past was impossible to flee all along...

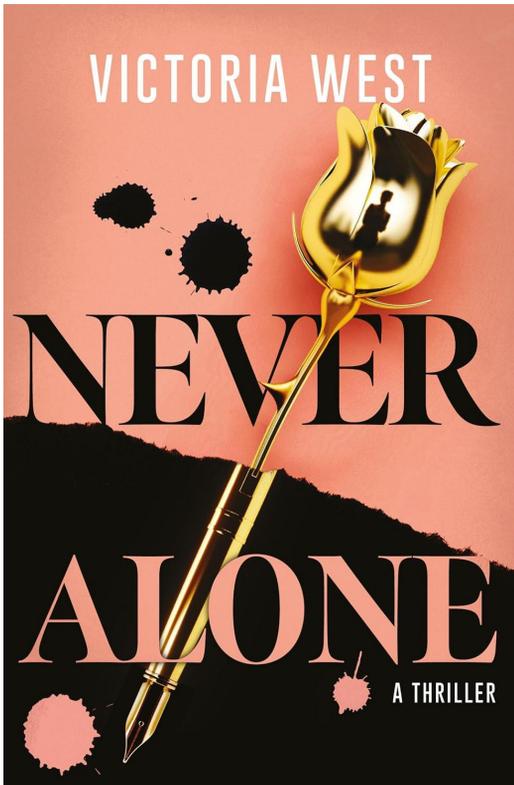


The Highland Retreat  
(August 2026)

The After Party  
(November 2026)

The Locked Room  
(January 2027)

# NEVER ALONE by Victoria West



Rights sold: WEL eBook & paperback (Datura Books); WEL audio (Audible Studios), out June 2026

- **True crime podcaster Ella Ademonde knows the criminal mind inside out. So why can't she outrun her stalker who's always one step ahead?**
- Told in **dual POV** between Ella and her unidentified stalker, this cat & mouse psychological thriller set in suburban Sussex takes **unreliable narration** and feeling unsafe in your own home to a new level.
- Perfect for fans of Alex Michaelides, Dorothy Koomson and Caroline Kepnes.



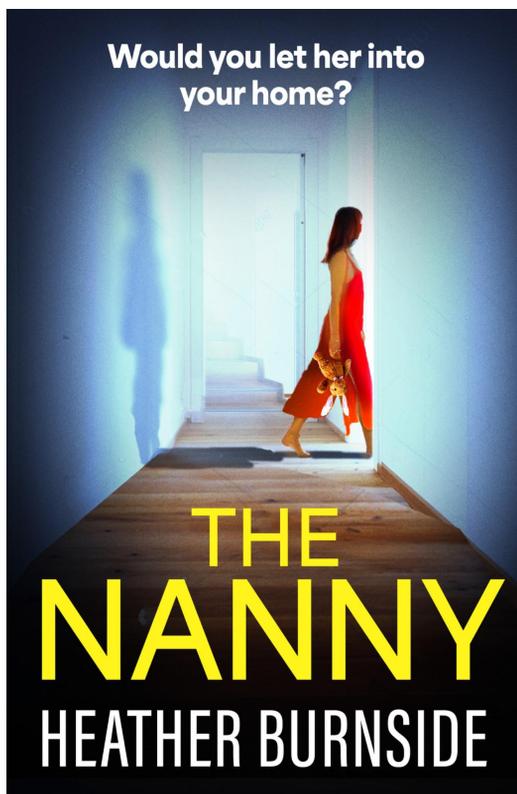
**"I'm not a bad person, Ella. But I think you are."**

**Ella Ademonde** has crafted the perfect life as a true crime podcaster and socialite. But her life cracks when a cryptic letter is left on her pillow during her lavish engagement party by someone who knows far more about her than they should.

In a world of morally grey friends and endless lies, Ella finds herself caught in a twisted and terrifying game, haunted by a stalker driven by jealousy and a perverted sense of justice. But nothing and no one is as it seems, and soon they must face a hard truth: maybe it's time they both admit who they really are...

# THE NANNY

by Heather Burnside



Rights sold: WEL (Pellerin Books), publishing June 2026

- A new direction for a **350,000+ copy bestselling crime thriller author**.
- For fans of T.M. Logan, Louise Candlish and JP Delaney.
- Reader favourite author of the gritty Manchester-set WORKING GIRLS series.

**Is she here to ruin your marriage or ruin your life? A psychological suspense with a twist you won't see coming.**

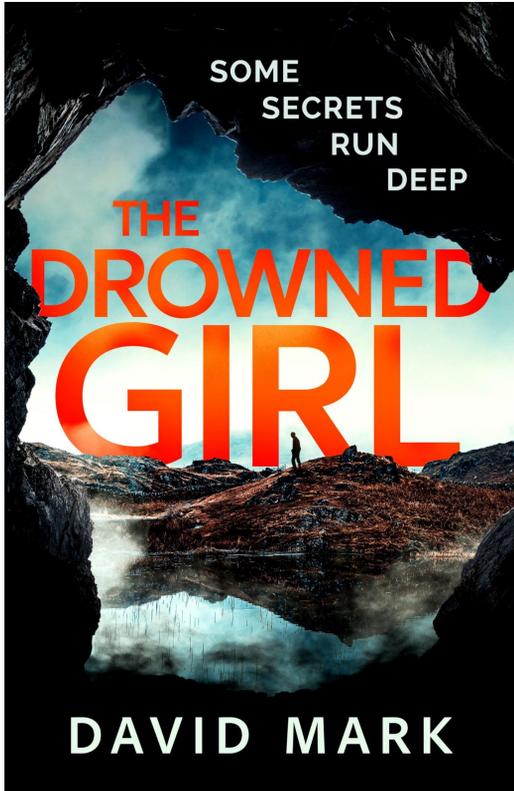
Amanda Fitzroy has everything she ever wanted: a successful husband, a beautiful home, and a precious young son. When the pressure of juggling work and motherhood becomes too much, hiring a nanny feels like the perfect solution. Katelyn is capable, attentive, and adored by Amanda's little boy. Almost overnight, life becomes easier. But then things start to go wrong...

At first it's small changes - appliances are turned off. The coffee is in the wrong place. Her son doesn't come back from the playground on time. But when her husband starts to act strangely around the nanny, Amanda realises her carefully controlled world is beginning to spin out of control...

**Can she regain the household she adores? Or is the danger already inside her home?**

# THE DROWNED GIRL

by David Mark



Rights sold: WEL (Pellerin Books), publishing June 2026

- A *Sunday Times* bestselling author and Richard and Judy book club pick.
- Shortlisted for many awards, including a CWA Gold Dagger.
- Author of the bestselling Aector McAvoy detective crime novels and over 30 novels in the genre.
- For fans of MW Craven, Peter May and Elly Griffiths.
- The **first novel in a new series** featuring ex-con and antihero Moses Crow.

**“Effortlessly blends the brutal and the tender, the dark and the light,” - Mick Herron.**

A woman vanishes from a remote lake in Cumbria. All that’s left behind are her abandoned clothes, a ringing phone, and a stretch of dark water that won’t give her back.

When the case reignites rumours about a girl who disappeared in the local caves, Moses Crow is summoned home to help the family who raised him keep the police at arm’s length. As the search intensifies, so does the question he’s been avoiding for decades: what really happened here, all those years ago?

# WOLF SIX by Alex Shaw



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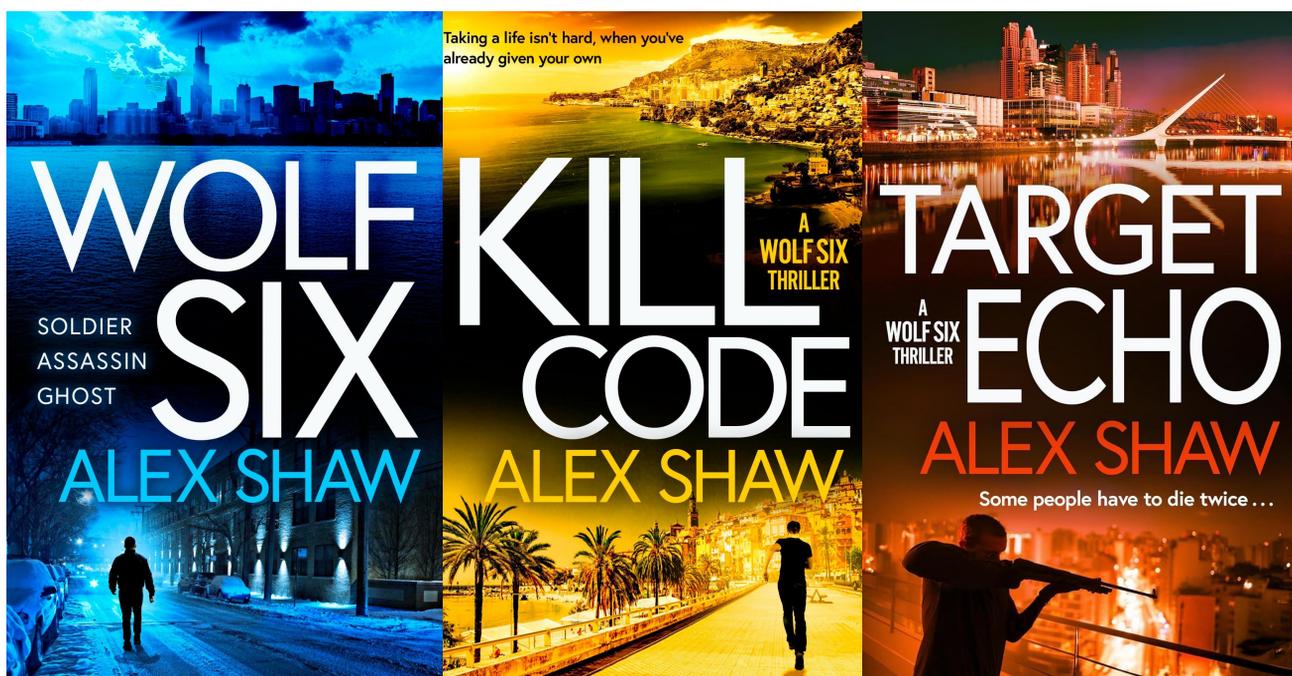
- Features a Ukrainian ex-special forces elite who now works as an assassin but only kills those who harm others, including his former employers.
- **WOLF SIX has sold 26,000 units as of January 2026 and has over 2,000 ratings on Amazon.co.uk.**
- Three books so far in this ongoing series.

**Alex Shaw** is the internationally **bestselling** author of the Aidan Snow, Jack Tate, Wolf Six and Sophie Racine thriller series. **TOTAL BLACKOUT**, the first Jack Tate thriller, was **shortlisted for the Wilbur Smith Adventure Writing Prize** in 2021.

His new action thriller series **WOLF SIX**, published by Boldwood, features the adventures of a disillusioned assassin Ruslan Akulov (Wolf Six). Akulov is a Ukrainian who was brought up in Russia following the death of his parents, but who turned against Russia after serving in the elite within the elite of its special forces, following service in Syria. He lives by a code of ethics, a 'kill code', which means that he only kills those who harm others. However, those he is hired to kill and enemies from his past have no such code...

Set across Europe, the US and the Middle East, these are epic action thrillers and confirmed crowd pleasers with tense action at their core!

Author Rights History: **COLD BLOOD**, **COLD BLACK**, **COLD EAST**, **COLD KILLS**, **TOTAL BLACKOUT**, **TOTAL FALLOUT** (German, Luzifer Verlag).



# AN ITALIAN WEDDING ADVENTURE

by Leonie Mack



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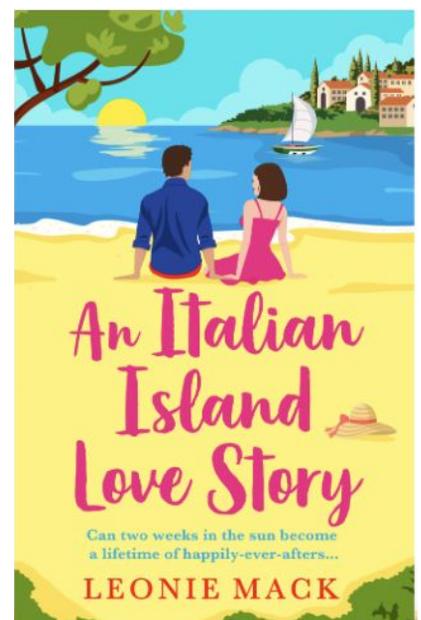
- A **brand new 4-book series** from a **bestselling author** living in Germany.
- Author lifetime unit sales: **290,000+**.
- Perfect for fans of Sarah Morgan and Portia MacIntosh.

When a destination wedding agency merges with an adventure travel company to create unique weddings for outdoor enthusiasts, wedding planners, opera singers and adrenaline junkies are thrown together to create new happily ever afters against Italian lakes, Mediterranean islands and Austrian mountains. **A laugh out loud, destination romance series.**

Author Rights History: IN ITALY FOR LOVE (Danish, Forlaget Zara); ITALY EVER AFTER (Polish, Dressler Group; Hungarian, Alexandra Kiado; Czech, NAKLADATELSTVÍ KAZDA; Slovenian, GIKS; Italian, Newton Compton); TWENTY ONE NIGHTS IN PARIS (Czech, NAKLADATELSTVÍ KAZDA).

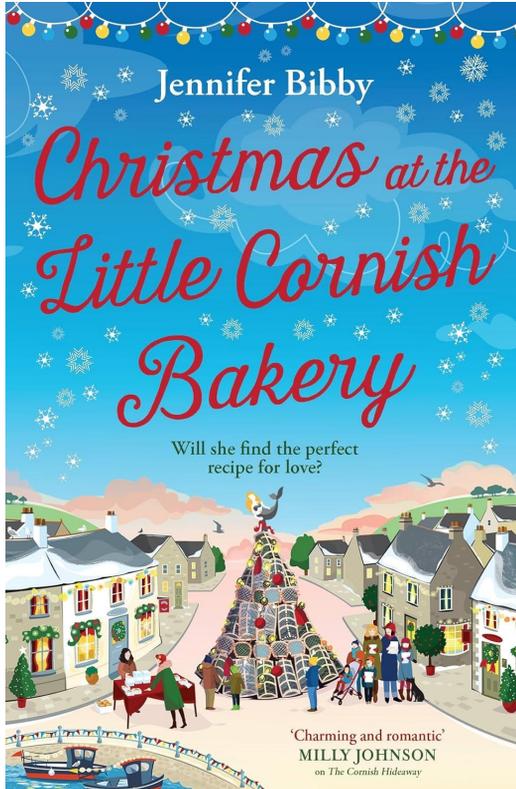
## AN ITALIAN WEDDING ADVENTURE

A wedding planner gets stuck up an Italian mountain with the gruff ex-boyfriend who rejected her 29th February marriage proposal years ago...



# CHRISTMAS AT THE LITTLE CORNISH BAKERY

by Jennifer Bibby



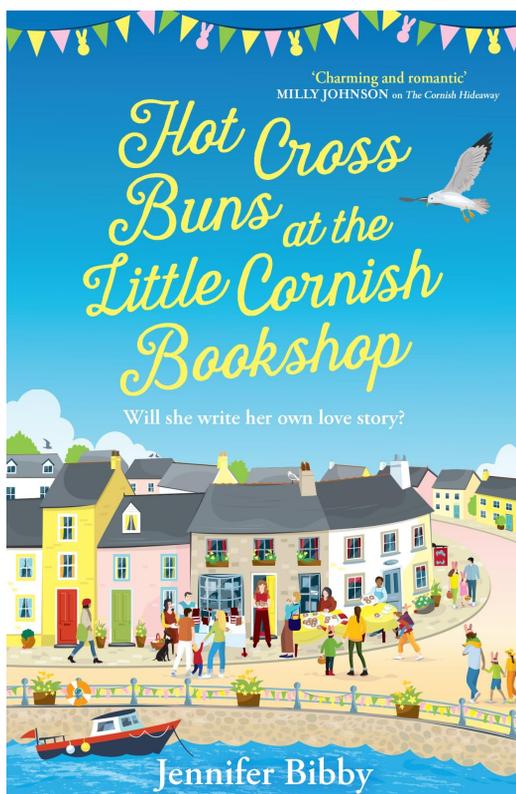
Rights sold: WEL (Bonnier Zaffre)

- A feel-good, community seasonal Cornish-set romance series by **award-nominated author** Jennifer Bibby.
- Perfect for fans of Julie Caplin and Phillipa Ashley.
- 4-book series: Books 3 & 4 coming Christmas 2026 and summer 2027.

**A cosy Cornish village. A baker with a broken heart. And the community who piece it back together.**

After a crushing breakup and the loss of her beloved grandmother, Lola escapes to charming Polcarrow to start over and pursue her dream of opening a cafe. But she finds herself drawn into village life and straight into the path of disarmingly attractive vicar Tristan. As sparks fly and Christmas magic fills the air, long-buried secrets surface. Will Lola protect her heart or take a leap of faith for a love that could be written in the stars?

**A girl finding her place in the world. A bookshop by the sea. And a spring romance that will sweep her off her feet. Will bookshop manager Effie discover a life as magical as those in the stories she reads?**



# FIX THEM UP

by Maggie Grant



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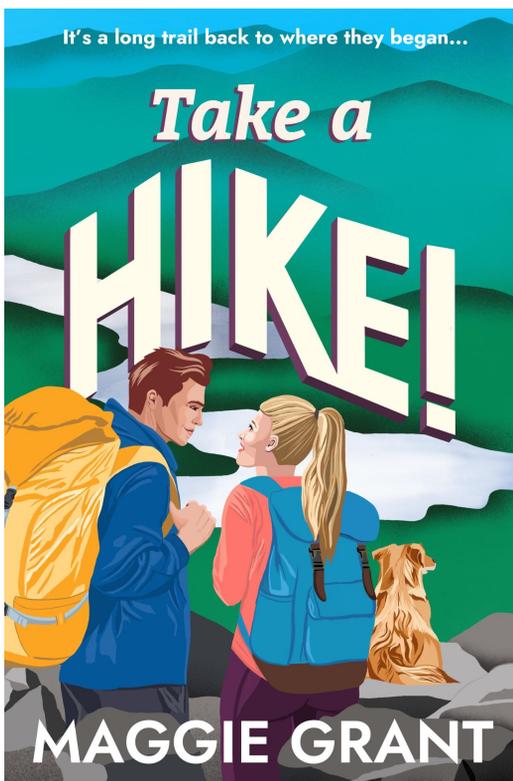
- A small town, neurodiverse romance series set in the north of England.
- **Sold following a three-way auction.**
- Perfect for fans of Elsie Silver and Talia Hibbert.

**When self-proclaimed failure Kat moves hundreds of miles to renovate her late Dad's house, falling in love with the grumpy builder wasn't part of the plan...**

She thinks it will be a quick fixer-upper, but Kat arrives in Everly Heath to find the house completely uninhabitable. Worse still, Liam, the grouch who stole her parking space on the day of her Dad's funeral and made her late, is the builder enlisted to manage the reno. Liam offers Kat an olive branch in a place to stay at his while the worst of the repairs take place. Now under one roof, sparks fly over faulty wiring... Will Kat have the courage to stay or are this grumpy x sunshine duo not meant to be?

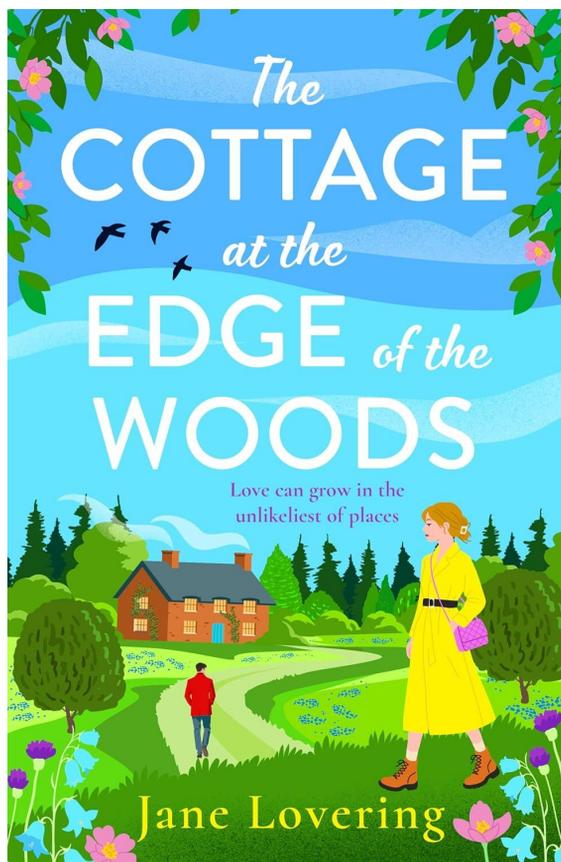
**Walking boots? Check. Raincoat? Check. Emotional baggage? Check, check, check.**

A second-chance, forced proximity romance set on a cross-country hiking holiday through the Peak District. Three long weeks. Three beautiful trails. Only one tent...



# THE COTTAGE AT THE EDGE OF THE WOODS

by Jane Lovering



Rights sold: WEL (Boldwood), published February 2026

- Some houses won't let go of the past. Some people won't, either...
- **A brand new emotional romance from bestselling author Jane Lovering! A must-read for fans of Trisha Ashley and Jessica Redland.** 💕

**One house 🏠 Two broken hearts 💔 A lifetime of secrets ✨**

When single mum Libby is offered a life-changing sum of money to clear out an old cottage in the woods, she expects dust and decay. She doesn't expect a house full of secrets, a room full of birds, and a woman who refuses to leave.

The handsome but stressed architect who hired Libby is also a puzzle. Why can't Ross empty Elm Cottage himself? What can he possibly see in Libby, who has been burned by love and is wary of attachment? How can they persuade the mysterious but kindly Isobel to move on?

As Libby is pulled into the cottage's story, she must face up to her own deepest fears. Can she help Isobel, fight the past that haunts her, and learn to open her own heart to love once more?

**Author's Lifetime Unit Sales: 400,000+**

## Author Prize History:

Contemporary Romantic Novel of the Year: *A Cottage Full of Secrets*;

Fantasy Romantic Novel of the Year: *Living in the Past*;

Romantic Novel of the Year: *Please Don't Stop the Music*.

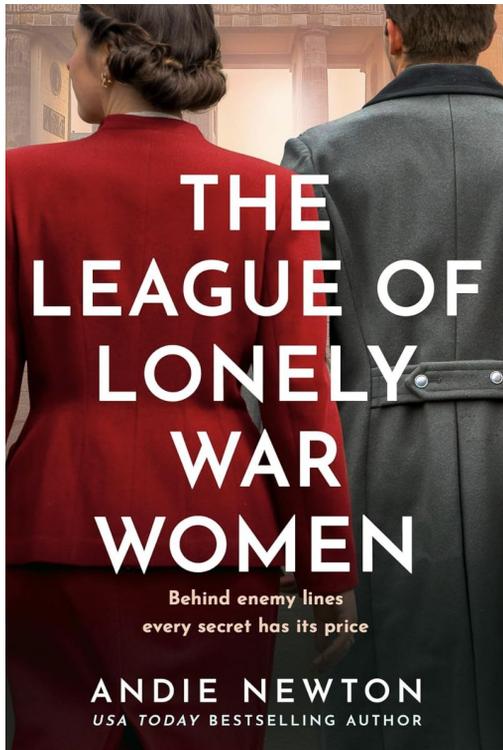
## Author Rights History:

German (LYX Verlag); Italian (Newton Compton); Norwegian (Cappelen Damm); Lithuanian (Alma Littera); Romanian (Editura Litera)



# THE LEAGUE OF LONELY WAR WOMEN

by Andie Newton



Rights sold: WEL (One More Chapter, HarperCollins)

- A brand new story from the *USA Today* bestselling novelist about brave women in wartime.
- Based on a true WW2 morale propaganda campaign, *The League of Lonely War Women* aimed to prey on the emotions of German soldiers.

Newly minted OSS agents Viv and Junie are thrust into the shadowy world of the Morale Operations branch, tasked with infiltrating Nazi Germany under the guise of *The League of Lonely War Women*. They believe their mission simple: charm soldiers, sow doubt, and slip away unseen.

But once inside Germany, the operation proves far more dangerous...



## A CHILD FOR THE REICH

Rights sold: WEL (HarperCollins), French (City Editions), Italian (Newton Compton), Spanish (Newton Compton), Norwegian (Cappelen Damm), Danish (Lindbak + Lindbak), Swedish (Gyldendal Astra)

WEL Sales: 33,000+ (eBook); 13,000+ (paperback)

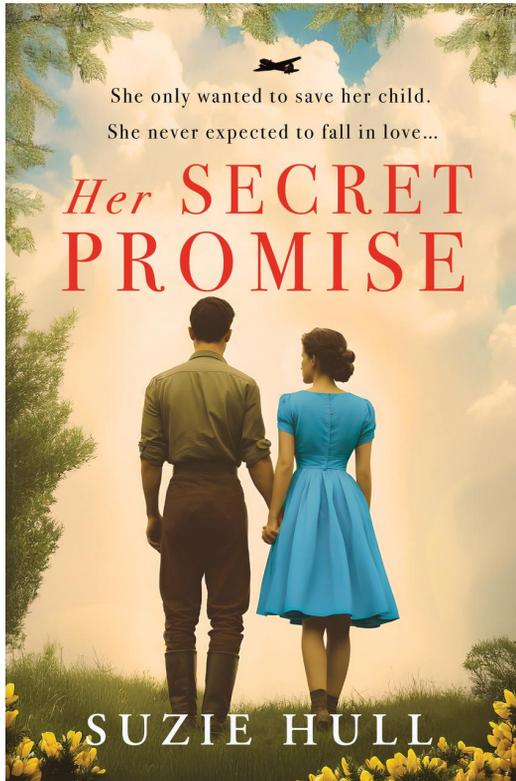


## THE SECRET PIANIST

Rights sold: WEL (HarperCollins), Norwegian (Cappelen Damm), Danish (Lindbak + Lindbak), French (City Editions)

WEL Sales: 18,000+ (eBook); 5,000+ (paperback)

# HER SECRET PROMISE by Suzie Hull



Rights sold: WEL (Poolbeg)

- **Award-winning author**, winner of the RNA Joan Hessayon Award.
- An emotional and tear-jerking dual timeline story of love, loss and the secrets that refuse to stay buried.
- Atmospheric and perfect for fans of Kristin Hannah and Kate Morton.
- Inspired by the hospital set up in Suzie's village during the Second World War.

**She only wanted to save her child. She never expected to fall in love..**

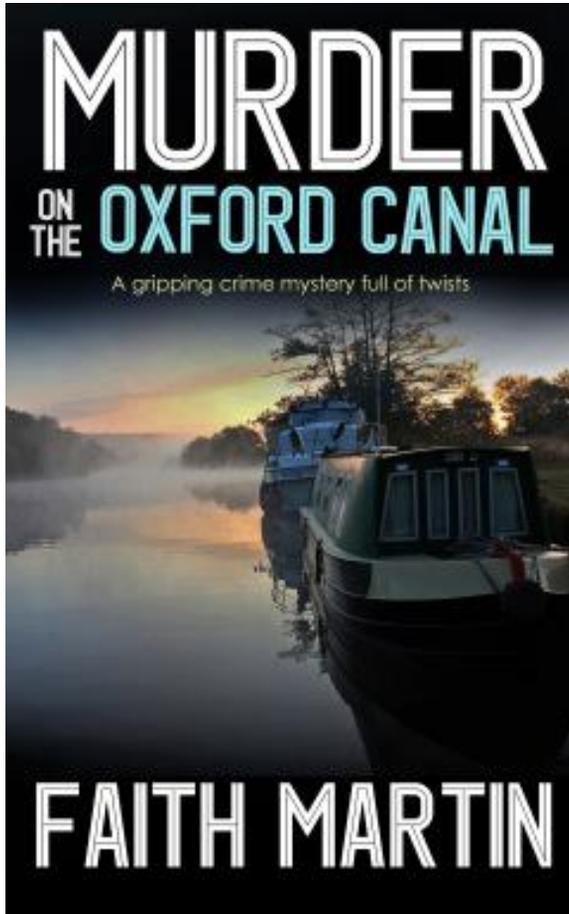
Malta, 1940. Irish officer's wife Adelle gives birth in the midst of the war to a disabled daughter, and her husband insists they leave the newborn at the hospital and forget all about her. Adelle decides otherwise and risks the dangerous journey by ship through submarine-infested waters home to Ireland. She makes a secret promise to her daughter that she will look after her no matter what. But she doesn't expect to fall for a US Army medic stationed in her village... When the fighting is finally over, they hope for a new start together, but all Adelle receives is a betrayal to shatter her heart.

Northern Ireland, 1987. Adelle's life is falling apart. A body has been discovered at her wartime cottage and her younger daughter has vanished. The more the police investigate, the more the threads of Adelle's past are pulled apart. Then the phone rings and it's him. The voice she never thought she'd hear again. The man she never stopped loving. Is it ever too late to start again?



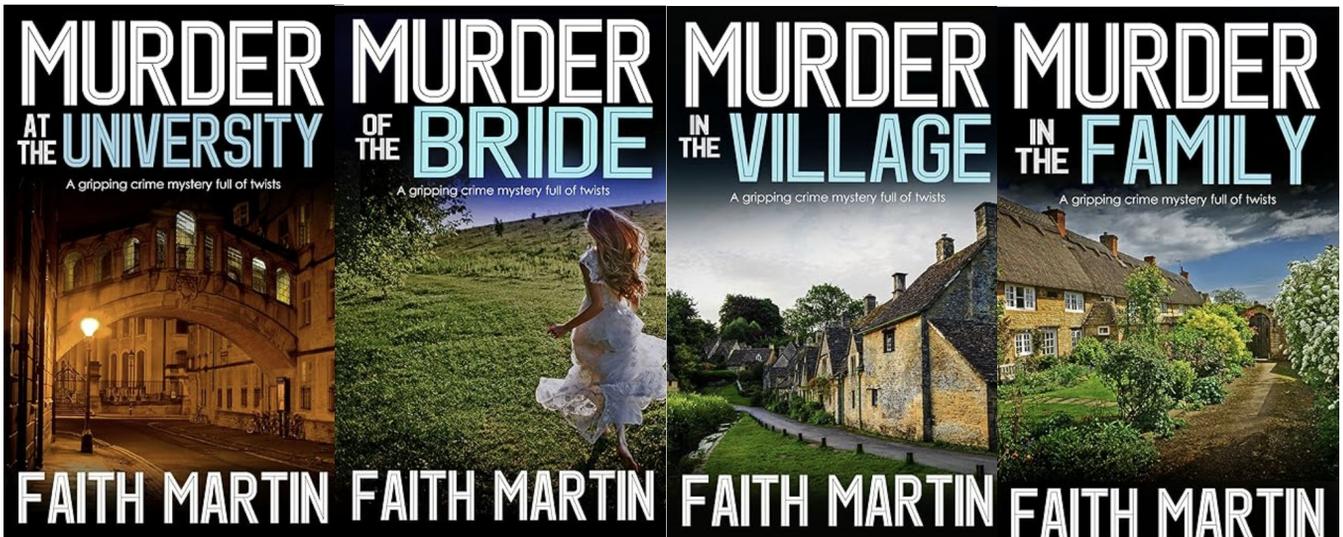
# MURDER ON THE OXFORD CANAL

by Faith Martin



Rights sold: WEL (Joffe Books), Polish (Dressler Dublin), Danish (Gyldendal Astra), Slovenian (Desk d.o.o.), Russian (Kariera Press). Previously optioned for television (Play Media, Canada).

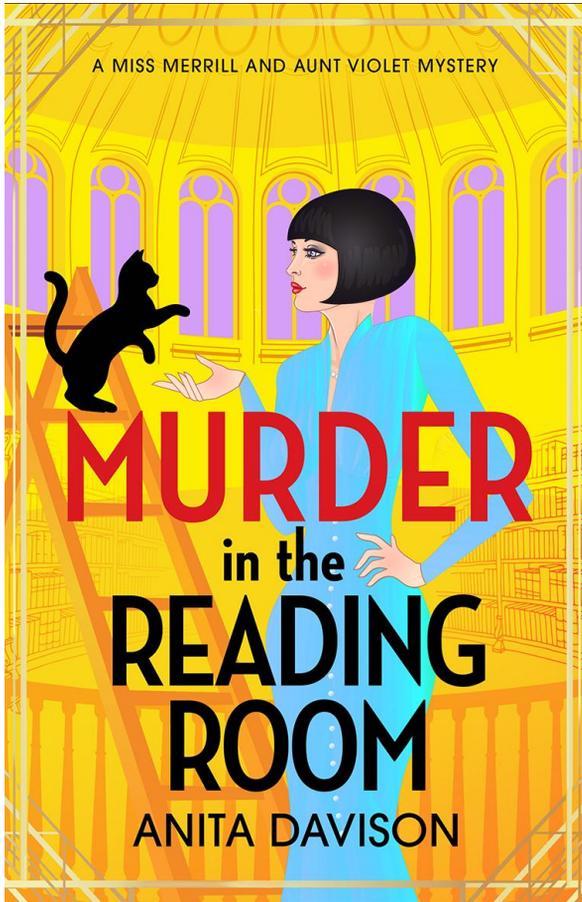
- **22 book series.**
- **Over 3 million copies sold.**
- One of the world's favourite detectives, DI Hillary Greene lives on a canal boat in Oxfordshire and solves tricky murder cases.
- Faith Martin was listed as one of the **top ten most read authors of the last decade by Amazon Kindle, over 1 billion page reads.**
- Gripping crime mysteries full of well-observed characters.
- Perfect for fans of Agatha Christie, Colin Dexter or Ruth Rendell.





# MURDER IN THE BOOKSHOP

by Anita Davison



Rights sold: WEL (Boldwood), Italian (Mondadori), Russian (Sindbad)

- **6 book complete series** (Book 6, MURDER IN THE READING ROOM published May 2026).
- **Over 100,000 unit sales** of the series so far (Book 1 52,000 units; Book 2 22,000; Book 3 12,000; Book 4 18,000).
- **London-set Golden Age mystery series**, perfect for fans of Agatha Christie, T E Kinsey and Helena Dixon.
- From the author of the Flora Maguire mysteries.

“A lovely mystery evocative of the period from a talented writer,” - Helena Dixon.

## MURDER IN THE BOOKSHOP

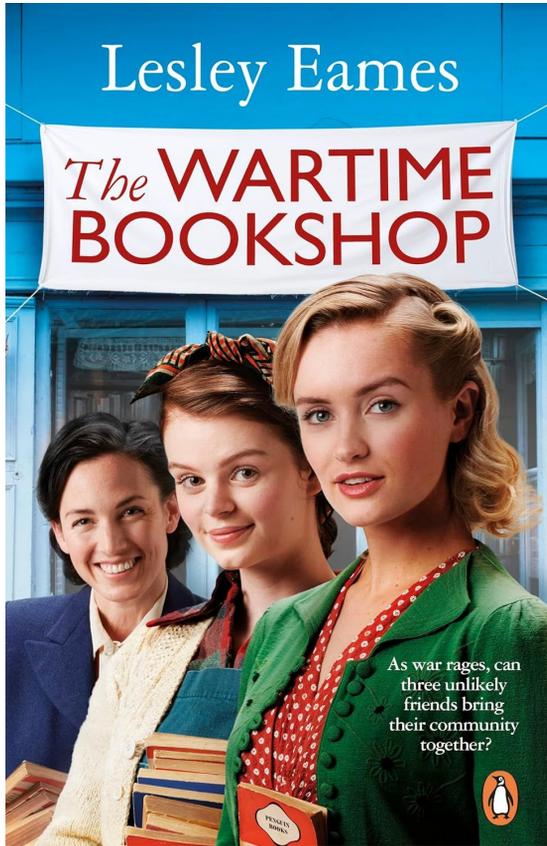
Working in the dusty bookshop that her Aunt Violet mysteriously inherited, Hannah Merrill is accustomed to finding twists in every tale. But discovering her beloved best friend Lily-Anne, with a paper knife through her heart, in the middle of the bookshop, is *not* a plotline she saw coming...





# THE WARTIME BOOKSHOP

## by Lesley Eames



Rights sold: WEL (Transworld PRH), Swedish and Danish (North Audio), Arabic (Majarrah)

- **Record ebook pre-orders** for Transworld in the genre.
- Readers love this uplifting saga series: 4.6 / 5 stars average Amazon rating.
- **Over 100,000 units sold** WEL.
- A nostalgic and heartwarming WWII drama about a community-run bookshop in a small English village.
- **6 book complete series**, perfect for fans of Donna Douglas and Elaine Everest.
- Lesley Eames's next project is a new community series for Transworld: *The Wartime Newspaper Girls*.

### MEET THE CHARACTERS

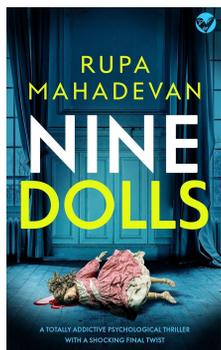
**Alice** is nursing an injured hand and a broken heart when she moves to the village of Churchwood at the outbreak of war.

**Kate** lives with her father and brothers on Brimbles Farm, who treat her no better than a servant. Shunned by the village, Kate longs for a friend.

**Naomi** is looked up to for owning the best house in the village. But privately, she carries the hurts of childlessness, a husband who has little time for her.



# Crime and Thriller



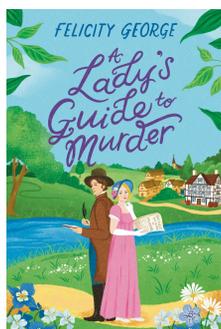
**NINE DOLLS** by Rupa Mahadevan (WEL eBook & paperback, Joffe Books; WEL audio, Audible Studios; Greek, Anubis)

A friends' reunion for the Hindu Festival of Dolls turns deadly when the ritual is broken and the dolls reveal secrets in this award-winning psychological thriller set in rural Scotland.



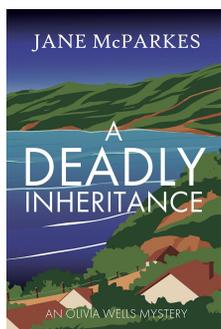
**GOING, GOING, GONE** by Nasheema Lennon (WEL, HarperNorth)

A twisty, domestic psychological thriller. Imani buys the house of her best friend, who disappeared 20 years ago, at auction. But fixer-uppers always come with nasty surprises...



**A LADY'S GUIDE TO MURDER** by Felicity George (WEL, Orion)

This Regency romance/mystery crossover sees a Duchess flee and team up with a journalist to prove her innocent of her husband's murder.



**The Olivia Wells Mysteries** by Jane McParkes (WEL eBook & paperback, Bedford Square; WEL audio, Audible Studios)

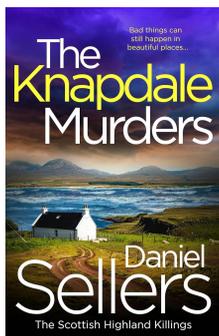
Character-driven Cornish 4-book cozy mystery series set in a beautiful village full of dangerous secrets, featuring an eco-architect amateur sleuth.



**SLEUTH** by Charlotte Langley (WEL, Bedford Square)

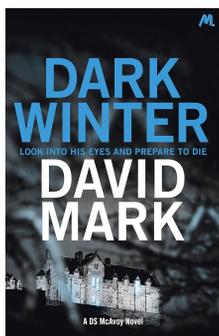
Two women hunting the same killer. One seeks justice. One seeks fame. Both have something to hide. A small-town thriller where a detective and a YouTuber race to expose the truth.

# Crime and Thriller



## **The Scottish Highlands Killing series by Daniel Sellers (WEL, Boldwood)**

A brand new crime thriller series by a bestselling author set in the Scottish Highlands.



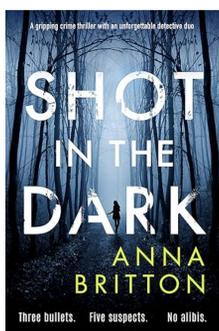
## **The DS McAvoy series by David Mark (WEL, Hodder/Severn House; German Books 1-3, dotbooks)**

A gritty, Northern English-set 14 book ongoing crime series by a Sunday Times bestselling author.



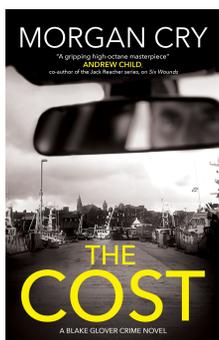
## **The DI Fraser Brodie series by Kerry Watts (WEL, Bonnier Books)**

A 3-book Scottish crime thriller series set in the Outer Hebrides following a detective who grew up in the care system, whose twin brother is in prison for serial murder.



## **The Martin & Stern series by Anna Britton (WEL, Canelo)**

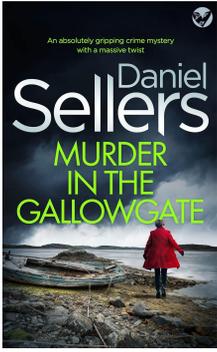
An interactive and immersive 3-book crime thriller series set in the New Forest featuring an unforgettable female detective partnership.



## **THE COST by Morgan Cry (WEL, Severn House)**

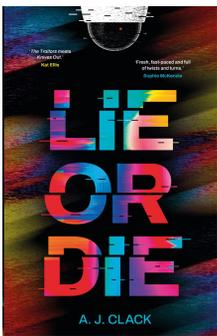
The first in a new Tartan Noir mystery series of 4 books by Bloody Scotland co-founder Gordon Brown writing as Morgan Cry.

# Crime and Thriller



## **The Detective Lola Harris Mysteries by Daniel Sellers (WEL, Joffe Books)**

A complete 6-book Scottish crime series following a former hairdresser turned detective charged with solving some of the most high stakes crime investigations in gritty Glasgow.



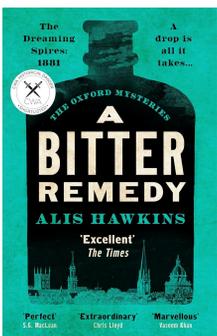
## **LIE OR DIE by A. J. Clack (WEL excluding Canada, Firefly Press; German, Fischer Sauerländer)**

An award-winning YA thriller in which a murder mystery reality TV show turns deadly when the contestants start dying for real. *The Traitors* meets *Squid Game*.



## **HOW TO KILL YOUR BIGGEST FAN by Helen Blair (WEL, Bolinda; German, Bastei Lübbe; Russian, Eksmo)**

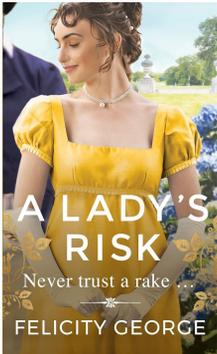
A jaded romance author's longtime stalker goes missing in this darkly comic cat and mouse crime novel.



## **The Oxford Mysteries by Alis Hawkins (WEL, Canelo)**

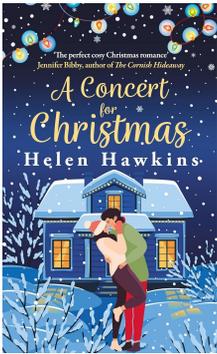
A 3-book ongoing Victorian historical crime series by a 3-time CWA shortlisted author.

# Romance



## **A LADY'S RISK by Felicity George (WEL, Orion)**

Heartwarming, sexy and unputdownable, this 3-book Regency romance series is perfect for fans of Georgette Heyer and Bridgerton.



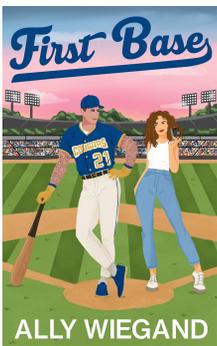
## **A CONCERT FOR CHRISTMAS by Helen Hawkins (WEL, Allison & Busby)**

A cozy seasonal romance set in the Cotswolds by an RNA award-nominated author, perfect for fans of Julie Caplin.



## **IN ITALY FOR LOVE by Leonie Mack (WEL, Boldwood; Danish, Forlaget Zara)**

A seasonal, autumnal romance by a bestselling author in which a woman finds herself stranded in rural Italy with no passport and a handsome musician for company.



## **The Chicago Heartbreakers by Ally Wiegand (WEL, Bonnier Books)**

A 3-book series of interconnected baseball and American football tropey sports romances set in Chicago, sold following a hotly-contested four-way auction.



## **(NOT QUITE) DONE WITH DATING by Bella Osborne (WEL, Transworld, PRH)**

A new direction for this 850k+ copy bestselling, award-winning relatable rom com author in which statistician Nora applies a formula to her love life to see if she's overlooked The One.

# Commercial Fiction



## **SOUL HATE by Hannah Kingsley (WEL, One More Chapter, HarperCollins)**

A *Sunday Times* bestseller and first in Romantasy trilogy. In a world where everyone has a soul mate and a soul hate, what if you fall in love with the person you are fated to destroy?



## **THE LAST WEEK OF HIM by Ruth O'Leary (WEL, Poolbeg)**

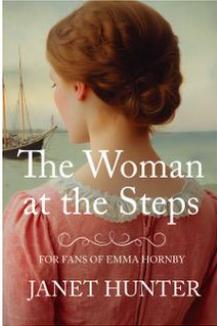
A brand new uplifting female friendship story by an *Irish Times* bestselling author in which three friends return to the west of Ireland for the week-long funeral and memorial of an old friend, where old wounds are reopened and long-buried secrets rise to the surface.



## **SECRETS AT THE AMBROSE CAFE by Carryl Church (WEL, Joffe Books)**

A struggling baker and an aspiring artist find themselves caught between duty and desire in this 1920s historical romance.

# Historical Saga



## **THE WOMAN AT THE STEPS by Janet Hunter (WEL, Poolbeg)**

Fans of Dilly Court and Rosie Goodwin will be swept away by this moving historical saga trilogy.



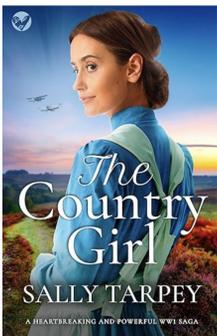
## **THE HOUSE OF HOPE by Joanne Clague (WEL, Canelo)**

A 3-book Victorian England series in which women running a boarding house of help for women in poverty or difficulty pull together.



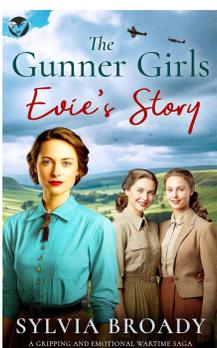
## **KITTY'S WAR by Eimear Lawlor (WEL, Head of Zeus)**

Ireland might be neutral, but Kitty Flynn is caught in her own war. Forced to give up her child at seventeen, she escaped to London but is forced to return to Ireland to nurse her brother and becomes embroiled in the treacherous world of espionage.



## **THE COUNTRY GIRL by Sally Tarpey (WEL, Joffe Books)**

A heartbreaking but uplifting trilogy of sagas set in Hampshire spanning World War One, World War Two and the interwar years.



## **THE GUNNER GIRLS: EVIE'S STORY by Sylvia Broady (WEL, Joffe Books)**

A young woman leaves home to become a gunner girl defending Britain against Luftwaffe attacks in WW2.

# Historical Fiction



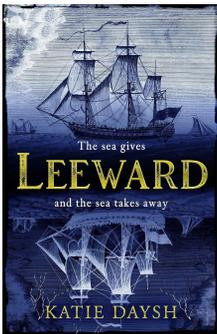
## **THE LIGHTHOUSE KEEPER'S WIFE by June O'Sullivan (WEL, Poolbeg)**

An *Irish Times* bestseller inspired by a true story in which a young lightkeeper's wife struggles to protect her family in an inhospitable landscape at the edge of the known world.



## **THE FORTUNES OF OLIVIA RICHMOND by Louise Davidson (UK/Comm exc Canada, Moonflower; Danish, Lindbak + Lindbak)**

Julia neglected a child in her charge who drowned and is forced to take the only governess job she can, to the strange Olivia who thinks she can speak to the dead. A gothic Victorian chiller.



## **The Nightingale & Courtenay Naval Adventures by Katie Daysh (WEL, Canelo)**

A trilogy of 1800s-set naval adventures, the first of which was a Sunday Times Historical Novel of the Year 2023.



## **THE FORGOTTEN LIFE OF CONNIE HARRIS by Carryl Church (WEL, Joffe Books)**

The discovery of an old film reel in an abandoned cinema reopens the mystery of a missing usherette and the fiance she left behind in this dual timeline historical women's fiction.