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# FICTION TITLES

A novel of perfumes, exploring life, love, loss and forgiveness... Maggie Alderson's new bestseller.

### Maggie Alderson

# The Scent of You

On New Year's Eve, Polly Mackay is contemplating her life. She had been happily married with two grown up children, a thriving business as a perfume blogger, and a glamorous, ageing, ex-model mother



who keeps things... interesting. But when her husband announced that he needed time away from her and promptly vanished, everything she took for granted was thrown into disarray.

As Polly grapples with David's disappearance she clings to a few new friends to keep her going. Shirlee, the loud-mouthed yoga pupil; Guy, the mysterious, infuriating and hugely talented perfumer; and Edward, an old friend from



university who reappears in Polly's life.

But while she distracts herself with the heady world of luxury perfume, she can't keep reality at bay forever, and eventually is forced to confront some difficult truths about her husband, about herself, and about who she really wants to be.

Also by Maggie Alderson:

### Secret Keeping for Beginners

Maggie Alderson is the author of eight novels and four collections of her columns from Good Weekend magazine. Her children's book Evangeline, the Wish Keeper's Helper was shortlisted for the Prime Minister's Literary Award. Before becoming a full-time author she worked as a journalist and columnist in the UK and Australia, editing several magazines, including British ELLE.

#### Manuscript Available January 2017

April 2017 | 464pp | 234x153 cm | ISBN 9781460751213 Rights Held: World English language



# From the bestselling author of *White Gardenia* and *Wild Lavender*.

### Belinda Alexandra

# **Southern Ruby**

Amanda Darby has lived with her grandmother since she was two years old. But if not for one twist of fate, she might have grown up in New Orleans instead of Sydney. She might have known her parents.

When tragedy strikes, a link to her parents' life on the other side of the world is exposed. Travelling to New

Orleans, Amanda finds a vibrant city of jazz, burlesque and ghost stories. But nothing is as astonishing as mysterious Grandma Ruby and the tale of forbidden love she reveals to Amanda during candlelit nights in the old Lalande mansion.

Then long-feared Hurricane Katrina hits. Amid the chaos of the storm of the century, Amanda must save Ruby and find out truths that have lain hidden for generations.

Alternating between the 1950s and the eve of Hurricane Katrina, *Southern Ruby* is a tribute to a city of music, history and superstition, which has borne the tumults of class and race and the fury of nature, but has never given up hope.



Belinda Alexandra is the daughter of a Russian mother and an Australian father and has been an intrepid traveller since her youth. Her love of other cultures is matched by her passion for her home country, Australia, where she is a volunteer rescuer and carer for the NSW Wildlife Information Rescue and Education Service (WIRES).

#### Manuscript Available

September 2016 | 480pp | 234x153 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780732296445

Rights Held: World English; Translation - all languages excl. German

Rights Licensed - various titles: UK (Simon & Schuster), Greek (Dioptra), Turkish (Nemesis Kitap), Polish (Albatros), Spanish (Planeta), Hungarian (IPC Konyvek)

The much anticipated finale to the Smuggler's Wife series.

# Deborah Challinor **The Cloud Leopard's Daughter**



When Kitty and Rian Farrell sail their schooner Katipo III in Dunedin Harbour in 1863, they are on tenterhooks.

The new Otago gold fields have attracted all-comers, including their friend Wong Fu from Ballarat, who has sent a message for their help.

To their surprise, Wong Fu reveals he is more than a mere fortune seeker; he is in fact the Cloud Leopard tong master of the Wong family, and his daughter has been kidnapped and taken to opium-ridden China to be forced into marriage. Rian and Kitty agree to try to find Bao, but as they sail closer to their quarry, the stakes jump dramatically. Kitty's adopted daughter Amber is taken during a stopover, and Rian suspects the same party is behind both kidnappings. Little do they know the worst threat lies closer to home.

The Cloud's Leopard's Daughter takes us through dangerous and unpredictable



shoals of love, lust, greed and opium in search of two fiery but vulnerable women.

Also in the Smuggler's Wife series

Deborah Challinor has a PhD in history and is the author of twelve bestselling novels, including the Children of War series, the Convict Girls series and the other titles in the Smuggler's Wife series. She lives in New Zealand with her husband.

#### Manuscript Available

November 2016 | 368pp | 234x153 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9781460751572 Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages Rights Licensed - various titles: German (Weltbild)



**GENERAL FICTIO** 

Murder, political intrigue, bent cops and the fate of a nation - a thriller set in the murky underworld of 1951 New Zealand.

Jonothan Cullinane

# **Red Herring**

A man overboard, a murder and a lot of loose ends...

In Auckland 1951 the workers and the government are heading for bloody confrontation and the waterfront is on the line. But this is a war with more than two sides and nothing is what it seems. Into the secret world of rival union politics, dark political agendas and worldwide anti-communist hysteria steps Johnny Molloy, a private detective with secrets of his own.

Caitlin O'Carolan, a feisty young reporter, is following her own leads. Together they begin to uncover a conspiracy that goes to the heart of the Establishment - and which will threaten their own lives in the process.

Filled with memorable characters, including many colourful real-life figures from recent New Zealand history, *Red Herring* is the stunning debut from a vibrant new voice in New Zealand fiction.

Jonothan Cullinane is an Auckland-based writer and film-maker. He is a graduate of the IIML creative writing course at Victoria University, Wellington.

#### Manuscript Available

September 2016 | 320pp | 234x153 cm | ISBN 9781775540984 Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages The adventure of a lifetime... or two, or three

Traci Harding

### The Immortal Bind

When Sara is gifted a beautiful antique chair as a wedding present, she is completely unaware that it is one of a unique pair. On the other side of the world, the chair's twin is presented to a reclusive artist, Jon, as a birthday gift.



The two new owners are thrust into a mind-expanding adventure through the ages - medieval East Anglia, Scotland, France and India. In each instance they experience significant junctions in their lives past, to remember and redress ripples of karma they set in motion, and thwart an evil entity that still threatens their present day lives.



Their journey exposes a cursed love affair spanning one hundred thousand years and ten thousand miles. Only the full realisation of their own short comings will prevent the tragic reoccurring outcome of their immortal bind.

### Also by Traci Harding:

### The Storyteller's Muse

Traci Harding is one of Australia's best loved and most prolific authors. Her first novel, *The Ancient Future*, sold more than 30,000 copies in Australia. She has published 18 bestselling books and been translated into several languages. She lives on the beautiful Hawkesbury River in NSW.

#### Manuscript Available November 2016

February 2017 | 432pp | 234x153 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780732299422 Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages



Food, family and fresh beginnings. For fans of 800 Words, Offspring, Josephine Moon and Monica McInerney.

Danielle Hawkins

### The Pretty Delicious Cafe

On the outskirts of a small seaside town in New Zealand, Lia and her friend Anna work serious hours running their restored cafe.

The busy season is just around the corner, and there are other things to occupy them. Anna is about to marry Lia's twin brother, and Lia's ex-boyfriend seems not to understand it's over. When a gorgeous stranger taps on Lia's window near midnight and turns out not to be a serial killer, she feels it's a promising sign. But the past won't let them be, and Lia must decide whether events rule her life or she does.

The Pretty Delicious Cafe will remind you of those special, good things we love about living. And the food is great.

As tasty and fun as 800 Words. Only with more than 800 words.

Danielle Hawkins grew up on a sheep and beef farm near Otorohanga in New Zealand, and later studied veterinary science. After graduating as a vet she met a very nice dairy farmer who became her husband and switched to sheep farming. Danielle spends two days per week working as a large-animal vet and the other five as housekeeper, cook and general dogsbody. She has two small children, and now that they both go to school she finds more time to write things. She is already the author of two brilliant novels, *Dinner at Rose's* and *Chocolate Cake for Breakfast*.

#### Manuscript Available

December 2016 | 352pp | 234x153 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9781460752586 Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages Scandal, vengeance, redemption...

Steve Lewis & Chris Uhlmann

# The Shadow Game

Vengeance and redemption in the corridors of power in this explosive conclusion to the thrilling political trilogy that began with *The Marmalade Files*.

At the end of *The Mandarin Code*, beloved yet dishevelled newshound Harry Dunkley had



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failed to reveal the existence of The Alliance, a sinister cabal of mandarins pulling the strings of power in Canberra. But new purpose is in the air.

As the Coalition government teeters, a revived Dunkley, aided by an unlikely group of past adversaries, is emboldened to take on members of The Alliance



who have played him at every turn. Finally, Dunkley will find personal redemption, and the death of analyst Kimberley Gordon will be avenged – but not without cost.

STEVE LEWIS CHRIS UHLMANN Harry Dunkley Series

Steve Lewis arrived in Canberra in late 1992 and spent the next two decades tormenting the nation's political elite. He worked as a political reporter for the *Australian Financial Review, The Australian* and News Corp metro papers, and is currently senior adviser at Newgate Communications.

Chris Uhlmann is one of Australia's best-known political broadcasters. He won a Walkley award for broadcast interviewing in 2008 and is highly respected for the quality of his reporting and analysis as political editor of ABC News.

### Manuscript Available

September 2016 | 464pp | 234x153 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9781460751251 Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages

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The incredible story, for the first time told in novel form, of Phar Lap, the racehorse that became a champion, and then a legend.

Kelly Ana Morey

### **Daylight Second**

Phar Lap first... daylight second. It became a familiar refrain from racecallers as the great horse tore up every race track and record, becoming the people's champion in 1930s Australia and abroad. For those closest to the mighty stallion it would be the ride of their lives, on and off the track, as careers, relationships and fortunes were made and lost in just a few years of unrivalled glory.

Award winning author Kelly Ana Morey takes the reader beyond the racetrack histories and the popular mythologies and, for the first time in novel form, brings to life the characters and the times that turned Phar Lap into the legend he remains to this day.

Equal parts tragedy, triumph, thriller and mystery, *Daylight Second* has a heart as big as Phar Lap himself.

Kelly Ana Morey is a novelist of Pakeha and Maori (Ngati Kuri) descent. Her first award-winning novel, *Bloom*, was published in 2003, followed by a second novel, *Grace is Gone*, in 2004. *On an Island, With Consequences Dire* was released in 2007. She received the Todd New Writers' Bursary in 2003 and the inaugural Janet Frame Literary Award in 2005.

#### Manuscript Available

October 2016 | 352pp | 234x153 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9781775540526 Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages Is it too late to throw caution to the wind?

# Sunni Overend The Dangers of Truffle Hunting

Kit Gossard is a successful food photographer from a family of boutique wine makers, the descendants of a French viticulture dynasty. Engaged to industrial designer Scott, her life seems perfect and her future neatly mapped,



yet she can't escape a hunger for ... more. With her heart restless and art constrained, someone new appears and Kit finds herself unable to contain her simmering discontent.

Darkly reserved and inexplicably magnetic, this man calls out in Kit something that she has long suppressed. Black truffle hunting, illicit pastry lessons, and vine fruit on flesh: Kit's sanitised world starts to come undone and she likes it. She gives herself over to this raw, unfettered world, but suddenly it crumbles. This new man is not who he seems and Kit is more lost than found.

In settings that channel Gourmet Traveller, Wallpaper and Vogue, in locations that span the Australian wine country and the French provinces, Kit must overcome social expectation and fear of her own wildness to hold on to her true self and meet her match.

Artful and earthy, sophisticated and raw, hungry and sated, *The Dangers of Truffle Hunting* asks the question: can a man be more to a woman than her destination?

Sunni Overend is a graphic design grad, and the daughter of the late award-winning children's author Jenni Overend. Sunni worked briefly in creative advertising before building an online fashion store and concurrently wrote two women's fiction manuscripts. She married her architect husband in 2013, sold her online store, and merged her areas of expertise to self-publish her first novel, *March*.

#### Manuscript Available

January 2017 | 352pp | 234x153 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9781460752104 Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages



Behind the veil of privilege lies a murky mess of family secrets. Your greatest threat may come from within. The page turning new psychological thriller from the author of the bestselling *The One Who Got Away*.

Caroline Overington

### The Lucky One

The discovery of a half burned body buried on a recently sold wine property in California kicks off an investigation where nothing and no one is what it seems.

The surface shows a wealthy family devoted to their patriarch. But as the police dig deeper they uncover a twisted web of rivalries, alliances, promises and betrayals. Every family has its secrets, but some are deadlier than others.



Also by Caroline Overington:

### The One Who Got Away

Caroline Overington is a bestselling Australian author and the Associate Editor of *The Australian* newspaper. She has been a foreign correspondent in New York and in Hollywood; she has previously worked for *The Age, The Sydney Morning Herald* and *The Australian Women's Weekly*; and she has written eleven books, including some prize winners.

Caroline lives in Sydney with her family, including twins, and an adored blue dog.

### Manuscript Available March 2017

May 2017 | 352pp | 234x153 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780732299767 Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages The breathtaking finale to the USA Today bestselling Cartel trilogy.

### Lili St Germain

# Empire

People aren't born monsters. They're made that way. They're created, fuelled by one singular moment in time when their universe shatters. I'd been with Dornan Ross for the better part of a decade. Slept in his bed, sewn up his wounds,



I should have known it would always come down to this, from the very moment I laid eyes on him in that motel. I should have known his salvation was too good to be true.

Because it's all gone now, the impossible love I had for him bleeding away in the darkness that came afterward.



Now there's only hate. Now I just want to escape. *Even if it means I have to kill him to be free.* 

Also in the series:

### Cartel and Kingpin

Lili St Germain is a phenomenon. The Perth-based author left corporate life to write and has become a no. 1 bestseller at home and abroad, selling hundreds of thousands of copies of her *Gypsy Brothers* dark romance series, full of betrayal, revenge and bad biker boys.

### Manuscript Available

January 2017 | 336pp | 234x153 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9781460750063 Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages Rights Licensed: UK (Harper 360), US (Harper 360)



ROMANCE



Levi's War follows on from *The Keeper of Secrets* and *Rachel's Legacy*, tracing the story of the eldest Horowitz son, Levi.

Julie Thomas

### Levi's War

What family Levi Horowitz has left after the Holocaust assume that their silent observer spent WW2 interred in a camp for 'foreign aliens' on the Isle of Man and that his experience was so different

from Simon's in Dachau, that shame kept him quiet. These assumptions could not be further from the truth. Enraged by what he sees The Third Reich doing to his homeland, Levi volunteers for a program that uses his language skills and his acting ability but demands tremendous courage.

He is parachuted behind enemy lines into France in late 1940 and helps to establish the resistance network there, before heading north to Denmark and Norway. A botched raid sees him arrested by the Gestapo and condemned to transportation to a 'labour camp' out east. But he escapes from the moving

cattle train and makes his way to Italy. When the medieval town of Assisi is overrun by German troops Levi is in a position to participate in one of the most extraordinary true stories of WW2. He battles with his own inner demons, becomes one of the most unlikely Partisans, and he survives with his secrets intact.



Also by Julie Thomas:

### Rachel's Legacy

Julie Thomas is the author of *The Keeper of Secrets* and *Blood, Wine and Chocolate*, both critically acclaimed. She worked in the media in New Zealand for over 25 years in radio, television and film, before turning to full-time writing.

#### Manuscript Available

March 2017 | 320pp | 234x153 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9781775540922 Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages A haunting, hypnotic and enticing novel of grief and desire, by one of Australia's finest, most assured novelists.

### Kirsten Tranter

# Hold

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Three years ago, Shelley's lover, Conrad, died in a surfing accident. Now, still in a

state of subdued grief, Shelley has just moved into an old Victorian terrace in Paddington with David, her new partner, trying for a new beginning.

At home one morning, Shelley discovers a door to a small intriguing room, which is not on the plans. There is a window, a fireplace and a beautiful chandelier. But nothing else.

When Shelley meets a man who seems to be Conrad's uncanny double, the mysterious room begins to dominate her world, becoming a focus for her secret fantasies and fears, offering an escape which also threatens to become a trap.

A waking dream of a novel, Hold is spellbinding, sensual and unsettling.

Kirsten Tranter grew up in Sydney and studied at the University of Sydney. She now lives in the San Francisco Bay Area. Kirsten's first novel, *The Legacy*, was published to international critical acclaim in 2010. It was selected as a Kirkus Reviews Best Debut Novel of the year and was shortlisted for the ABIA Literary Fiction award, the ALS Gold Medal, the Indie Debut Fiction award, and longlisted for the Miles Franklin award. Her second novel, *A Common Loss*, was released in 2012. Kirsten's novels have been translated into Spanish, Chinese, and Polish.

#### Manuscript Available

March 2016 | 304pp | 190x135 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9781460751657 Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages



Revenge, redemption... and pastry. The witty new novel from the author of *Hotel du Barry*, for fans of Jonas Jonasson.

Lesley Truffle

# The Scandalous Life of Sasha Torte

In the winter of 1912 on the wild West Coast of Tasmania, Wolfftown's most notorious heiress

and murderess, Sasha Torte, tells the tale of her own spectacular downfall.

Forsaken by her parents and raised by criminals and reprobates, Sasha becomes a world famous pastry chef at the tender age of seventeen. Entanglement with the disreputable Dasher brothers leads to love, but also to a dangerous addiction.

Behind bars in Wolfftown's gaol, Sasha sips premium champagne as she recalls a life of seduction, betrayal, ghosts, opium and an indiscreet quantity of confectionary – and plots her escape.

*The Scandalous Life of Sasha Torte* is a wild romp of dastardly deeds, intrepid protagonists, dark villains, wild gangs, luxurious hotels... and mouth-watering treats.



### Also by Lesley Truffle:

# Hotel du Barry

London born Australian Lesley Truffle has travelled extensively and worked in London and Japan. She's worked as a secondary school teacher, photographer, hotel maid, fringe actor and in art galleries, bars, nightclubs and other jobs too ghastly to mention. While exhibiting her art photography in Melbourne galleries Lesley realised she wanted to create imaginary stories and interior monologues, and returned to writing.

#### Manuscript Available December 2016

February 2017 | 384pp | 234x153 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9781460751435 Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages (excl. German) Rights Licensed (previous title): HarperCollins Germany (Germany), HarperCollins France (France), HarperCollins Iberica (Spain), HarperCollins Italia (Italy) What if you met the love of your life, and he wasn't your husband?

### Tess Woods

### Love at First Flight



Mel is living the dream. She's a successful GP, married to a charming anaesthetist and raising a beautiful family in their plush home in Perth. But when she boards a flight to Melbourne, her picture-perfect lfie unravels. Seated on the plane she meets Matt, and for the first time ever she falls in love.

What begins as flirty conversation quickly develops into a hot and obsessive affair with consequences that neither Mel nor Matt seem capable fo facing. As the fallout touches friends and family, Mel's dream romance turns into a nightmare. She learns that there are some wounds that never heal and some scars you wouldn't do without.

*Love at First Flight* will take everything you believe about what true love is and spin it on its head.

Tess Woods is a physiotherapist who lives in Perth, Australia, with one husband, two children, one dog and one cat who rules over all of them. Love at First Flight, first released as an eBook, has received worldwide critical acclaim, hit the bestseller charts in Australia and was voted Book of the Year in the AusRom Today Reader's Choice Awards 2015. Tess was also in the top ten Best New Author nomination.

### Manuscript Available

August 2016 | 320pp | Impulse | ISBN 9781460752647 Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages Gypsies, queens, pawn merchants, ratcatchers and thieves - a magical novel set in early Victorian England.

Sandra Leigh Price

### **River Sings**

Eglantine has always had an eye for the shine. Her father, the charismatic, darkly handsome and mysteriously prosperous Mr Amberline Stark,

makes picking pockets a delightful and amusing parlour game for them both, which they play in their fine house by the River Thames. Eglantine's mother died when she was very young, so her life revolves around her father, their house, the river, and Mrs Makepeace, their housekeeper. It is only when Amberline is shockingly caught stealing another man's fob watch, and transported to the penal colony of Australia, that Eglantine suddenly has to grow up and fend for herself. Using her skills, Eglantine finds a thrill in her quick-fingered aptitude for picking pockets. The thief's daughter becomes a consummate thief herself, until a chance meeting makes her question

everything she previously thought she knew about her past... and makes her want to strike out to create her own brave, new and untarnished world.

Birth and death, quicksilver and shine, old worlds and new beginnings; Sandra Leigh Price weaves another gritty and beguiling story that will enchant readers.



Also by Sandra Leigh Price:

# The Bird's Child

Sandra Leigh Price lives in Sydney. She graduated from the Australian National University, Canberra, with a Double Major in English Literature and Drama, and coestablished a small theatre company before moving to Sydney to pursue a career as an actor, then turning to writing. Her first novel, *The Bird's Child*, was published in 2014.

#### Manuscript Available February 2017

May 2017 | 400pp | 234x153 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9781460750018 Rights Held: World English; Translation - all languages The epic, never before published conclusion to the award-winning series.

### Mitchell Hogan

# A Shattered Empire

In this gritty and breathtaking conclusion, a young sorcerer must learn to wield his extraordinary powers to defeat two warring empires. In a battle of armies and sorcerers, empires will fall. After young Caldan's parents



were slain, a group of monks raised the boy and initiated him into the arcane mysteries of sorcery. But when the Mahruse Empire is attacked, and the lives of his friends hang in the balance, he was forced to make a dangerous choice. Now, as two mighty empires face off in a deadly game of supremacy, potent sorcery and creatures from legend have been unleashed. To turn the tide of war and prevent annihilation, Caldan must learn to harness his fearsome and forbidden magic. But as he grows into his powers, the young sorcerer realizes that not all the monsters are on the other side. And though traps and pitfalls lie ahead, and countless lives are at stake, one thing is certain: to save his life, his friends, and his world, Caldan must risk all to defeat a sorcerer of immense power. Failure will doom the world. Success will doom Caldan.

### Previous titles in the Sorcery Ascendant sequence:

### A Crucible of Souls, Blood of Innocents

Mitchell lives in Sydney with his wife, Angela, and daughter, Isabelle. When he was eleven, Mitchell Hogan was given *The Hobbit* to read, and a love of fantasy novels was born. He put off his dream of writing until he couldn't stand it anymore, then quit his job and lived off dwindling savings, and the support of his fiancée, until he finished the first draft of *A Crucible of Souls*. It won the 2013 Aurealis award for Best Fantasy novel and he is eternally grateful to the readers who took a chance on an unknown author.

#### Manuscript Available

September 2016 | 592pp | 234x153 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9781460750704 Rights Held: World English language Rights licensed: US (HarperCollins US) **NON-FICTION** TITLES

As astonishing as it is compelling - Steve Cannane's extraordinary insight into Scientology in Australia is investigative journalism at its very best.

### Steve Cannane

# **Fair Game**

STEVE CANNANE

THE INCREDIBLE UNTOLD STORY **OF SCIENTOLOGY IN AUSTRALIA** 

From Rugby League players trying to improve their game, to Hollywood superstars and the depressed sons of media moguls, Scientology has recruited its

share of famous Australians. Less known is that Australia was the first place to ban Scientology, or that Scientology spies helped expose the Chelmsford Deep Sleep Scandal. Numerous Australians have held senior posts in the organisation only to fall foul of the top brass and lose their families as a result.



Based on years of interviews and research, Walkley Award winning journalist Steve Cannane tells for the first time the fascinating story of Australia's vital involvement with this powerful, secretive and punitive cult.

Also by Steve Cannane:

**First Tests** 

Steve Cannane is the Europe correspondent for the Australian Broadcasting Corporation. Previously he was a senior reporter and occasional presenter for Lateline, and co host of The Drum. In 2006 he won a Walkley Award for Broadcast Interviewing. Steve's first book, First Tests was published in 2009.

You can follow him on Twitter at @SteveCannane

### Manuscript Available

October 2016 | 384pp | 234x153 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780733331329 **Rights Held: World English; Translation - all languages Rights Licensed: Silvertail Books (UK and US)** 

From the bestselling author of Absurdistan, a hilarious tour through small but very strange places.

Eric Campbell

### The Silly Isles

No man is an island. But lots of strange men live on them. In the Kurils, off northern Japan, World War II is still being fought between Japan

and Russia, both hell bent on claiming this tiny island group as their territory. The Galapagos Islands may be home to some of the world's most astonishing flora and fauna but it's also home to Ecuador's gerrymander ambitions and has the tear gas, riots and police barricades to prove it. Iceland, the world's 'purest' genetic community, is a place where everyone is blonde, beautiful and thoroughly inbred as a result of zero immigration. And in Spitzbergen, residents can choose to live in the neat and tidy, polar bear hunting Norwegian half or in the mountain of garbage, rust and dysfunction that is the Soviet half.

In more than a decade of international reporting, Eric Campbell has covered wars, famines, presidencies, and revolution. In the islands he surveys here he finds microcosms of society, complete with long lasting blood feuds, hidden wars, bizarre histories; all the vanities, hopes and rivalries of great powers.

Wry, witty and clever, with a wonderful eye for the absurd, Eric Campbell is the Bill Bryson of the small, odd forgotten places around the world and what they tell us about the human condition.

Multi award winning journalist, Eric Campbell has been a foreign correspondent for 20 years, reporting from more than 100 countries and on every continent. From 1996 to 2000 he was the ABC's Moscow Correspondent and from 2001 to 2003 he was based in Beijing covering China, Afghanistan and Central Asia until he was wounded in a suicide bombing in Kurdistan. After recovering, he joined Foreign Correspondent as its Sydney based roving reporter. His work has taken him around the world scores of times.

Manuscript Available March 2017

May 2017 | 320pp | 234x153 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780732285944 Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages 'A brilliant reconstruction of the saga of power, glory, invasion and decay that is the one-thousand year story of Constantinople. A truly marvellous book.' – Simon Winchester

**Richard Fidler** 

# **Ghost Empire**

RICHARD FIDLER GHOST EMPIRE

**NON-FICTION** 

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In 2014, Richard Fidler and his son Joe made a journey to Istanbul. Fired by Richard's passion for the rich history of the dazzling Byzantine Empire – centred around the legendary Consantinople – we are swept into some of the most extraordinary tales in history.

The clash of civilizations, the fall of empires, the rise of Christianity, revenge, lust, murder. Turbulent stories from the past are brought vividly to life at the same time as a father navigates the unfolding changes in his relationship with his son.

*Ghost Empire* is a revelation: a beautifully written ode to a lost civilization, and a warmly observed father-son adventure far from home.

Richard Fidler presents 'Conversations with Richard Fidler', an in-depth, up close and personal interview program broadcast across Australia on ABC Radio. He's interviewed prime ministers, astronauts, writers and scientists, but the program often features remarkable people who are unknown to the wider world.

The program is the most popular podcast in Australia, with over a million downloaded programs every month. In another life Richard was a member of Australian comedy trio The Doug Anthony Allstars (DAAS), which played to audiences all over the world. This is his first book.

#### Manuscript Available

August 2016 | 300pp | 210x135 mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733335259 Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages Rights Licensed: Editura Rao SRL (Romanian) A stylish, full-colour practical guide to cruelty free, plant based eating by Australia's most popular animal rights organisation.

### Animals Australia

### **Taste for Life**

People everywhere are discovering the delicious, life enhancing properties of plant based foods.

For some it's to simply enjoy more of the wonderful, healthy fresh fruits and vegies now available, while others are looking to improve their health, live more sustainably and enjoy all the benefits of a cruelty-free diet.

Now you too can make the move with *Taste for Life*, a complete guide to plant based eating. By Australia's leading animal rights organisation, *Taste for Life* contains a cornucopia of mouthwatering and nourishing dishes for every occasion. Find out:

- Why a plant based diet is good news for animals, the planet and your health
- How plant based foods can give you all the nourishment you need and more
- What to ditch and what to switch
- Tips and tricks for quick and easy meals everyone will want to try

• How to celebrate with the best of them with yummy plant based dishes and treats for barbecues, kids' parties, the festive season and more.

With more than 100 recipes that include tasty breakfasts, snacks and lunches, scrumptious comfort food and luscious desserts, *Taste for Life* will help you and your family eat kindly, tread lightly and live well.

Animals Australia is Australia's leading animal protection organisation, representing some 40 member groups and over 1.5 million individual supporters. Animals Australia's investigations and strategic public awareness campaigns are recognised the world over.

#### Manuscript Available January 2017

March 2017 | 256pp | 250x205 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780733337895

**Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages** 

The guide for anyone who dreams of living the country life in the city by growing their own healthy, sustainable fruit and veg – and more!

Justin Calverley

### The Urban Farmer



Producing our own fruit, vegetables, herbs, eggs and honey is perfectly possible in a suburban backyard. This practical guide will help urban dwellers develop a more sustainable existence.

With a deep knowledge of permaculture and organic gardening, horticultural expert Justin Calverley shows you how to establish a diverse urban farm, whether in your own backyard, a plot shared with your neighbours or even on a kerbside verge. Justin advocates observing and following nature's cycles and patterns as the best way to a sustainable and productive garden.

As well as growing fruit and veg, Justin explains how to take up bee keeping, mushroom growing, chook care, propagation and preserving your patch's bounty. So be inspired and get cracking on your own little garden of Eden!

Justin Calverley, a horticultural expert with more than 20 years' experience, teaches a popular course, The Complete Urban Farmer, at CERES in Melbourne. He is a go-to expert for the media and in high demand on the presentation and public speaking circuit. Ten years of Justin's popular 3RRR radio show 'Dirty Deeds' is available as a podcast.

CERES Environment Park is an award winning, not for profit, sustainability centre and urban farm on 4.5 ha of reclaimed industrial land by the Merri Creek in Brunswick East, Melbourne. Internationally renowned, it has more than 400,000 annual visitors and 40,000 FB followers.

#### Manuscript Available January 2017

March 2017 | 256pp | 240x210 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780733334535 Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages



Back by popular demand with a brand new book packed with more than 270 all-new recipes!

Paulene Christie

### **Slow Cooker Central 2**

Paulene Christie and the passionate Slow Cooker Central community have returned with a book that is even bigger and even better than before!

All the recipes are by real people, cooking in real kitchens – with no obscure ingredients or complicated instructions. If you want to serve delicious, imaginative, home-cooked food without spending hours in the kitchen prepping and cooking – this book is the perfect solution!

With more than 270 all-new recipes, Slow Cooker Central 2 is organised into 14 chapters that will help you make meals to match your appetite or what's in the fridge. You'll find great ideas for casseroles, curries, soups and roasts; plus

plenty of recipes you might not expect, such as those for desserts, cakes, fudge and even face paint and play dough. Packed with useful tips and tricks, and including the size of the slow cooker used to make each dish, these are fail-safe recipes that will quickly become family favourites.



Also by Paulene Christie:

### Slow Cooker Central

Slow-cooking internet sensation Paulene Christie is a busy working mum with a passion for sharing new and exciting recipes for the slow cooker.

She now has more than 400,000 members in her Facebook group Slow Cooker Recipes 4 Families, and a hugely successful website, Slow Cooker Central. Her page is so popular she has a team of six to help her administer the thousands of recipes and comments that are posted each day. Paulene lives in Queensland with her family.

#### **Manuscript Available**

June 2016 | 384pp | 234x153 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780733335112 Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages The ultimate cookbook for anyone who loves cooking for friends and family as much as they appreciate beautiful packaging and design.

### **Delicious** Magazine

# At Our Table



20\* RECIPES and ENTERTAINING TIPS for EVERY OCCASION

*At Our Table* is the brand new cookbook from the award winning team behind Australia's leading premium food lifestyle magazine delicious.

With gorgeous photography, stunning design and more than 100 impressive but effortless recipes, this hardcover book marks an elegant new direction for delicious. publishing. Each chapter offers a flexible menu, as well as brilliant ideas for drinks matching and expert advice for setting the scene including styling the table, colour palette inspiration, flowers, lighting and downloadable party invitations.

From an elegant simple approach to pulling out all the stops, *At Our Table* will inspire budding and experienced cooks alike.With food for every occasion, from relaxed Sunday brunch to the ultimate birthday party, a winter fireside feast, showstopping dinner parties and beachside long weekends, this is a cookbook for anyone who loves fabulous food and great company.



#### Manuscript Available

November 2016 | 274x244 mm | 320pp | Hardback | ISBN 9780733335709 Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages





Australia's bestselling cookbook author returns with a stunning new book, Basics to Brilliance - and a TV series tie-in.

Donna Hay

### **Basics to Brilliance**

Australia's most trusted and best-selling cookbook author, Donna Hay, wants to take you from basics to brilliance.

Donna believes that, just like anything you want to be good at, mastering the basics is how you build confidence. So, in this book, she's sharing all her favourite, tried and true recipes - think the perfect tender steak, golden roast chicken, crispy pork belly, her nan's sponge cake, and of course the fudgiest brownies! Each basic recipe is followed by clever variations and simple flavour change-ups, so one recipe becomes many and your repertoire naturally grows. Take Donna's 'no-fail meringue mixture' - once mastered, this basic recipe can be tweaked to be turned into the perfect pavlova; divinely flavoured salted caramel, chocolate, rosewater and pistachio, and raspberry meringues for an elegant afternoon tea; or a silky smooth and tangy lemon meringue pie for a divine dessert for a dinner party.

This is your ultimate guide to being brilliant in the kitchen!

Basics to Brilliance is a luxurious hardback, featuring beautiful photography and featuring over 150 recipes. This is a book you will want to treasure forever.



donna hay FRESH and LIGHT donna hav **Previous titles from Donna Hay** ionna hav donna hay donna hav donna hay donna hav the new classics East, fresh, simple.

At the age of eight, Donna Hay skipped into a kitchen, picked up a mixing bowl and never looked back. She moved to the world of magazine test kitchens and publishing, where she established her trademark style of simple, smart and seasonal recipes all beautifully put together and photographed. It is food for every cook, every food lover, every day and every occasion. Her unique style turned her into an international foodpublishing phenomenon as a bestselling author of 16 cookbooks, publisher of donna hay magazine, newspaper columnist, and creator of a homewares and food range.

#### Manuscript Available August 2016

October 2016 | 256pp | 250x250 mm | Hardback | ISBN 9781460751428 **Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages** 

COOKERY

Valli shares the secrets of her favourite foods, so that you can make it your kind of food, too.

Valli Little

My Kind of Food

One of Australia's favourite food writers and cooks, Valli Little is loved for her imaginative, easy to follow and fail safe recipes. She firmly believes that cooking should be a light hearted, fun experience – it's not about perfection and sticking rigidly to a recipe.

*My Kind of Food* takes us into the heart of Valli's enthusiasm and passion for experimenting with flavours and ingredients to come up with recipes you will want to cook and share time and time again.

Featuring 100 recipes that will inspire home cooks and foodies alike, this is a very personal book that shares Valli's delight in serving beautiful simple food that embraces both traditions and trends.

'I love cooking for my family and friends – a table piled high with delicious food surrounded by people I love is my idea of heaven.' – Valli Little

Valli Little's passion for her subject shines through in her writing and recipes. Born into a family of UK restaurateurs, she was destined to work in the food industry. After a formal training at Le Cordon Bleu in London, Valli embarked on a career as a food consultant and caterer. Valli was the food director of the highly successful delicious. magazine for 14 years, and is the author of ten bestselling delicious. books. Valli lives in Sydney with her husband Phil.

Manuscript Available January 2017

April 2017 | 270x210 mm | 236pp | Paperback | ISBN 9780733335273 Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages The bestselling, passionate and unstoppable women of the Monday Morning Cooking Club return with their third book of favourite Jewish recipes.

### Monday Morning Cooking Club

# It's Always About the Food

The Monday Morning Cooking Club started as six food-obssessed and unstoppable Jewish Sydney women who loved food, wanted to raise money

for charity and wanted to create a beautiful cookbooks. These books would collect the very best recipes from their community as well as honour and share stories of immigration, survival, joy, family and connection. Two bestselling books later, the Monday Morning Cooking Club returns with a stunning third book which is the result of a two year search for recipes from the global Jewish diaspora those much loved dishes that have nurtured a community and have been feeding family and friends for years.

*It's Always About the Food* is a delicious and rich, story-filled snapshot of cooking, which gathers together the very best recipes from the global Jewish community, reflecting the Jewish people's love for food and cooking, and the importance of the family table. This book is all about the food, flavours and the most delicious family recipes – not from a restaurant or a test kitchen, but from the heart of the home.

Ultimately, in this big, fast world, food is the connective thread that joins us together, and all over the world, the ritual of cooking grounds us, connects and nurtures us.

In 2008, six women from Sydney's Jewish community came together as friends every Monday morning to cook their favourite recipes and talk about food. They wanted to share the stories and recipes of their community, inspire people to preserve their recipes, and give all the profits to charity. They published *The Monday Morning Cooking Club* in April 2011, and have never looked back.

#### Manuscript Available February 2017

April 2017 | 304pp | 240x210 mm | Hardback | ISBN 9781460751664

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#### MICHELLE SHEA & KAREN SWAN



COOKERY

*The MamaBake Book* is no ordinary cookbook. This book will completely revolutionise the way you prepare family meals – you will never look back!

Michelle Shearer & Karen Swan

# The MamaBake Book

Save time, slash your food budget and serve delicious, healthy, home-cooked meals to your family every day with minimal effort

MamaBake wants to let you in on their secret. You don't need to spend hours every day in the

kitchen to feed your family delicious healthy food. With a bit of planning and the MamaBake big-batch approach, you can prepare and cook a week's worth of healthy homemade meals at once and rediscover your free time!

Unlike other cookbooks, *The MamaBake Book* features amazing once-a-week cooking plans as well as fantastic big batch recipes – more than 200 recipes that your family is guaranteed to love!

The once-a-week cooking plans are complete menus for a meal every day of the week – seven dishes that you make in one afternoon. You'll be amazed how life-changing this is! MamaBake makes it easy for you – from the combined weekly shopping list, to the easy-to-follow step-by-step instructions on how to prepare and cook the dishes.

If you are a busy mum who wants to save time and money, but doesn't want to compromise on quality – try the MamaBake way!

Michelle Shearer was born in the UK but fell in love with Australia – and her husband – when she came here as a backpacker. As a young mum she was overwhelmed by relentless cooking and cleaning, and started a grassroots cooking club called MamaBake to meet and cook with other young mums.

Karen Swan joined Michelle in partnership in 2011. Her recipes are hugely popular features in the MamaBake community, and she is a regular guest on ABC 666 Canberra.

#### Manuscript Available

July 2016 | 352pp | 234x153 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780733335297 Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages All new slow cooker recipes from the bestselling queen of Australian slow cooking.

Sally Wise

# Ultimate Slow Cooker

Slow cookers are the perfect cooking method for families – both large and small and the time poor, helping you make delicious, healthy meals with minimal effort.

Now the queen of Australian slow cooking, Sally Wise, shares 100 delectable new recipes for soups, mains – beef, lamb, chicken, pork, goat, seafood and vegetarian – and moreish desserts. Many recipes also include optional side dishes you can create while the slow cooker works its magic.

Whether it's curries, braises, roasts or wonderful desserts, so many exciting flavours can be coaxed from the depths of the slow cooker – from sweet, salty and sticky ribs or pulled pork sliders to baked lemon, ricotta and ginger cheesecake.

Sally Wise is the bestselling author of *A Year in the Bottle, Slow Cooker* and many other cookbooks which feature delicious preserves and everyday cooking. A regular guest on ABC radio, she runs the Sally Wise Cooking School in the picturesque Derwent Valley in Tasmania.

#### Manuscript Available January 2017

April 2017 | 352pp | 234x153 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780733338038 Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages The inspiring story of an orphaned young runaway who devotes her life to saving damaged horses, and along the way manages to save herself.

### Candida Baker

### **The Horse Rescuer**

The utterly inspirational story of a remarkable woman, and how her life was transformed by her love of horses.

Amanda Vella was a young horse-loving girl

from country NSW who was only seven years old when she lost her mother to cancer. Later, her father died when she was fourteen. In a desperate attempt to avoid foster care, Amanda ran away to the Gold Coast, where she ended up living on the streets until a kindly school principal gave her a caravan to live in. She worked three jobs to get by. But Amanda always had big dreams, and while she was still at school she used her own money to rescue two horses. From little things, big things grow...

Amanda Vella became the 2015 Young Queenslander Entrepreneur of the Year. Save a Horse Australia (SAHA), which she founded, is a fully registered horse rescue and rehabilitation centre based in Queensland. The organisation has been running for over 10 years, and its goal is to rescue and rehabilitate abused, neglected and slaughter bound horses, giving them a second chance at life then adopting them out under lifetime adoption contracts. SAHA has rescued over 700 horses, has established two rescue centres, and has over 174K Facebook fans.

Candida Baker is an author, editor, journalist, photo journalist and festival director. She has worked as a journalist for numerous publications in positions such as editor of The Weekend Australian Magazine, deputy editor of the Good Weekend Magazine, arts editor of the Sydney Morning Herald and a Sydney based feature writer for seven years for The Age. She is the author of numerous books and has edited many anthologies.

Manuscript Available January 2017

April 2017 | 352pp | 234x153 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9781460752906 Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages Writing this book has caused me a lot of pain. Sometimes because of what I remembered about my childhood and sometimes because of what I couldn't remember. It's funny how your mind blocks things out. There are a lot of things I wish I didn't remember...

Jimmy Barnes

# Working Class Boy

A household name, an Australian rock icon there isn't an accolade or cliche that doesn't apply to Jimmy Barnes. But long before Cold Chisel



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and Barnsey, long before the tall-tales of success and excess, there was the true story of James Dixon Swan - a working class boy whose family made the journey from Scotland to Australia in search of a better life.

Raw, gritty, compassionate, surprising and darkly funny – Jimmy Barnes's childhood memoir is at once the story of migrant dreams fulfilled and dashed. Arriving in Australia in the Summer of 1962, things went from bad to worse for the Swan family – Dot, Jim and their six kids. The scramble to manage in the tough northern suburbs of Adelaide in the 60s would take its toll on the Swans as dwindling money, too much alcohol, and fraying tempers gave way to violence and despair.

*Working Class Boy* is a powerful reflection on a traumatic and violent childhood, which fuelled the recklessness that would define, and almost destroy, the rock'n'roll legend. This is the story of how James Swan became Jimmy Barnes.

Jimmy Barnes is a Scottish-born Australian rock singer-songwriter. His career both as a solo performer and as the lead vocalist with the rock band Cold Chisel has made him one of the best-selling Australian music artists of all time. The combination of 14 Australian Top 40 albums for Cold Chisel and 13 charting solo albums, including nine No.1s, gives Barnes the highest number of hit albums of any Australian artist.

#### Manuscript Available

October 2016 | 416pp | 234x153mm | Hardback | ISBN 9781460752135 Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages



The hilarious adventures of two young vets dealing with all creatures (and humans!) great and small in country Australia.

Anthony Bennett & James Carroll

# Calving Straps and Zombie Cats

The life of a country vet is far from glamorous. There's no such thing as a nine to five working day. You're out in all weathers, at all times of the day and night. More often than not you're covered in smelly

muck, working against the clock to save animals in critical situations - whether that's helping a cow in distress birthing unexpected triplets, saving a crook dog that's eaten a bucket-load of sheep fat, a horse needing a risky operation far from the surgery clinic, or a cat that you resuscitate against all the odds.

Best mates Anthony Bennett and James Carroll wouldn't have it any other way.

*Calving Straps and Zombie Cats* is the adventures of two young vets dealing with all creatures great and small in country Australia. With memorable characters, some heartstopping moments, and a healthy dose of humour, these stories of life behind the scenes in a busy mixed country practice will touch your heart as well as tickle your funny bone. You'll be hooked till the very last page.



Also by Anthony and James:

# Village Vets

Best mates and business partners, Anthony Bennett and James Carroll run three vet practices on the NSW South Coast. Stars of the observational documentary Village Vets Australia, their days are spent managing dairy cattle, sheep, pigs, goats, alpaca and horses, as well as the myriad small animals that visit the clinic every day. Their first book *Village Vets* was published in 2015.

### Manuscript Available

October 2016 | 288pp | 234x153 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780733334191

**Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages** 

A memoir, with fish.

Joe Bennett

## Fishy: A Memoir

Award winning author and journalist Joe Bennett casts his line and reels in... a life.

Nowhere in this book will you find any

guidance or wisdom about how to catch a fish. What you will find are a lifetime's stories that have one thing in common: memories of fish or fishing.

From rockpools at five to Tekapo at fifty; from a snoozing grandfather to a suicidal Vietnamese; from falling in love as six men stood on a conger eel to watching a man in a dinghy on the west coast of Canada being towed into the fog by a seal. A mother weeping at maggots in the fridge. The night on Brighton beach, or the afternoon by a grim French canal, or dawn by a tea coloured pond near Vauxhall Bridge. Burying my brother. The mortality rate among goldfish.

In other words: love and death and a few things in between.

Less a continuous narrative than a patchwork, a grab bag of events and people from three continents and six decades. What emerges is the story of a life, its petty randomness, but also its constants.

Joe Bennett is an award winning writer and columnist living in Lyttelton near Christchurch. His previous non fiction works include *Double Happiness, Fish Like a Drink, A Land of Two Halves* and *Where Underpants Come From*. His bestselling debut novel, *King Rich*, was published in 2015.

#### Manuscript Available January 2017

March 2017 | 304pp | 234x153 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9781775540564 Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages





Cosentino is Australia's premier illusionist – a magician to his fingertips, a man who constantly challenges our notions of what is possible. This is his thrilling and inspiring story.

Cosentino

# Anything is Possible

Cosentino emerged seemingly out of nowhere as a fully fledged star and Australia's premier illusionist and escapologist, with an act as distinct and as wild as his Johnny Depp-meets-Al Capone look.

His blockbuster stunts are truly mind blowing: getting out of a locked Perspex sphere plunged 10 metres underwater; straitjacketed and suspended above a flaming set of steel jaws; or escaping from shackles just in time to avoid his head being sliced open by 18 chef's knives. But Cosentino's greatest trick of all? Well, that's something completely different. It was learning how to read.

He was a twelve year old boy with learning difficulties, teased and isolated, who struggled with schoolwork and could barely read. But one day, in a library, he found an illustrated book about magic – and that unlocked something in him. That magic book not only taught him how to read, it propelled him on an extraordinary journey from a shy boy with low self esteem to the international star that he is today – and that journey is the core of this inspirational memoir. This is a story for anyone who ever dreamed of achieving the impossible.

Cosentino has been called 'a supercharged showman' by the Herald Sun, a 'daredevil performer' by National Nine News and is said to 'mirror the legendary Harry Houdini' by the LA Times. He fuses traditional sleight-of-hand magic, grand illusions and physical demonstrations into novel and original presentations.

His many accolades include: runner-up on Australia's Got Talent in 2011, winner of Dancing With The Stars in 2013, a three-times Australian Award Winning magician, a Guinness World Record holder, a nominee for the prestigious Helpmann Awards and a Multi Award Winner of the Merlin by the International Magicians' Society.

#### Manuscript Available

November 2016 | 300pp | 234x153 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9781460751343

Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages

The incredible true story of William "Bully' Hayes, the so-called "Pirate of the Pacific" in the 19th century; the myth and the man.

Joan Druett

# The Notorious Captain Hayes

The story of Bully Hayes – so-called "Pirate of the Pacific" – is known throughout the



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Pacific, from the US to Australia and all points in between. He became the inspiration for a variety of fictional characters, writers from Robert Louis Stevenson to James A Michener and Frank Clune have used the Hayes legend, films were made based on his life (one starring Boris Karloff, another Douglas Fairbanks), and his name adorns bars and hotels far and wide.

But the truth is both less noble and more intriguing than the myth. In large part, the Hayes of legend was a product of the popular press at the time, who were determined to construct a romantic figure to feed their readers' appetites. This book simultaneously sorts the facts from the fantasy and recounts an amazing true story of a genuine rogue and adventurer, against the backdrop of the great age of sail and trade.

This is the first proper biography of this legendary figure, and the only book that sets out to properly separate the myth from the truth.

Joan Druett writes fiction and non-fiction and is the author of over 20 titles. She has an international reputation in the field of nautical history, and has a particular following in North America. Her books are often based on the lives of women, particularly those who were connected with whaling and life at sea.

She won the 2012 NZ Post best general non-fiction book award for *Tupaia: The Remarkable Story of Captain Cook's Navigator*.

### Manuscript Available

August 2016 | 304pp | 234x153 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9781775540977

Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages



The heart-stoppingly adrenalin-charged – and often dangerous – life and times of Australian war photographer, Gary Ramage. He goes where the troops go – but with a camera, not a gun.

Gary Ramage

### The Shot

As Australia's premier war photographer - and as a former soldier – Gary Ramage has been in and

out of just about every conflict zone that Australia has ever been involved in. He's been embedded with troops, lived, eaten and slept alongside them. When fire fights happen, he's been there. When rockets fall, he's been there. When the medic on a chopper screams at him to put his camera down and help him to CPR on a wounded soldier, he's done that. From photographing mass graves in Kosovo, to being in East Timor when SAS troops were ambushed, to sleeping under the stars on patrol with Aussie soldiers in Afghanistan, he's been there.

It takes special grit to be a war photographer – it's an extreme and dangerous job. At least 25 journalists and photojournalists have been killed in Afghanistan alone since 2001. Journalists, cameramen, photographers – they've all been captured, tortured and executed. Risk comes with the territory.

This is a high adrenalin, sometimes moving, sometimes laugh-out-loud funny, entirely gripping story of a man who's living an extraordinary life, documenting some of the most confronting and moving moments in international conflicts and our recent history. Here is the story behind the pictures.

After five years as an infantry soldier, Gary Ramage trained as a military photographer and he is now the News Limited Group's chief photographer at the National Press Gallery in Parliament House in Canberra.

Ramage won the prestigious Nikon Walkley Award in 2012 for his images of the war in Afghanistan.

#### Manuscript Available

September 2016 | 304pp | 234x153 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9781460751350

**Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages** 

The inside story of New Zealand's iconic independent record label by the man who made it happen.

### Roger Shepherd

# In Love With These Times

'I wanted to be more than just an observer. I wanted to be a part of what was going on. I had told someone and the word was out, and now I had to actually do this thing. Start a record label.



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I must have been drunk.'

Roger Shepherd was working in a Christchurch record shop when he realised the local bands he loved needed someone to make their records. Flying Nun was born.

Those records and the bands that created them – The Chills, The Clean, Chris Knox and the Tall Dwarfs, The Verlaines, Sneaky Feelings, The Bats, Straitjacket Fits and many more – went on to define an era and create what became known as "the Dunedin Sound".

In truth it was less a unified sound than a spirit of adventure and independence that characterised the Flying Nun ethos. In this long-awaited memoir, label founder Roger Shepherd describes the idealism and passion that drove the project in the first place, the hard realities of the music industry, and the constant tension between art and commerce.

Filled with revealing anecdote and insight, this is the definitive insider history of the one of the most innovative and original record labels of the modern era.

Roger Shepherd is the founder of Flying Nun Records, which he owned and managed throughout the 1980s and 90s, and with which he is still associated. He helped discover and nurture the careers of many of the country's best known alternative bands, including the Clean, the Chills, the Tall Dwarfs and the Headless Chickens. He lives in Wellington with his wife and children.

#### Manuscript Available

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Brad

Haddin

My Family's Keeper



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The autobiography of a cycling legend.

### Cadel Evans

# The Art of Cycling

The much anticipated autobiography of the greatest Australian cyclist of all time. Famous in the sport for his meticulous preparation and for being an athlete who prided himself on his ability to leave it all on the road, Evans writes about the

triumphs, the frustrations, the training, the preparation, the psychology of the sport, his contemporaries, the legends, and his enduring love of cycling.

A riveting and forensic account of his life on the bike – from his beginnings as the youngest winner of a World Cup in mountain biking to the oldest post War winner of the Tour de France. One of only four cyclists in the world to have finished on the podium of all three Grand Tours (the Tour de France, Giro d'Italia and Vuelta a Espana) as well as winning the UCI Road World Championship, Cadel's autobiography is a tribute to a once in a lifetime sporting talent.

This book will put you on the bike alongside Cadel as he recounts the races and the moments that mattered – as he places in the top ten in six Tours de France and becomes Australia's first, and only, Tour de France champion; as he claims the points jersey at the Giro d'Italia; and as he wins some of the world's greatest races. This is an autobiography of a cycling legend that will become a much loved classic.

The name of Cadel Evans is one that will forever be celebrated in Australian sport. Cadel Evans is a former Australian professional racing cyclist who won the 2011 Tour de France. He is a four time Olympian and the first Australian to win the UCI ProTour and the UCI Road World Championships.

#### **Manuscript Available**

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### Brad Haddin

# My Family's Keeper

Specialist Australian wicket keepers who have worn the baggy green are a rare and tough breed. By the time Brad Haddin declared time on his career, the stats would put him alongside the greats of the modern era. But it was no easy road into the record books.

road into the record books. Just four years into sport's toughest job, while on tour in the West Indies, Haddin received a call that changed everything: his pregnant wife, Karina, told him that their younger child, 16 month old Mia, had a rare and aggressive form of cancer. Immediately relinquishing his hard won cricket role, he flew across the globe to be with his family. Brad put everything else on hold as, over the next hellish 18 months, his daughter fought for her life. Only when Mia started to respond to treatment did Brad seek to return to international cricket. He did so in spectacular fashion: named vice captain, he helped Australia rebuild so strongly it was able to carry off a fairy tale Ashes victory on home soil.

*My Family's Keeper* is the extraordinary story of how one of cricket's toughest competitors and his family dealt with a very private struggle, and a reminder of how teamwork and strong partnerships matter in life as much as they do in sport - especially when you want to beat cancer.

The 400th player to don the baggy green, Brad Haddin represented Australia in all forms of international cricket. He was a member of the Australian World Cup winning squad in 2015, and led the Sydney Sixers through the first four seasons of the Big Bash League. Karina Haddin is a qualified radiographer who is passionate about raising awareness and vital funds for research into Neuroblastoma.

#### Manuscript Available

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The author of 21 Days to a Happier Family, Dr Justin Coulson, on raising kids who'll bounce back from adversity and challenging times.

### Justin Coulson

# 9 Ways to a More Resilient Child

Have you ever watched your child give up too quickly and easily, moaning 'I can't'. Perhaps your child resists going to school because they don't like their teacher or their

friend rejected them. Maybe they failed in a sporting contest or an exam.

Friendship problems, bullying, physical changes and parenting styles are just some of the issues that can affect our children's ability to bounce back from difficulty and adapt to challenging situations. Helping our children develop resilience can have lifelong positive effects.

9 Ways to a Resilient Child will help parents enable their children to cope with the challenges that life throws at us all. Discover the problems with common advice like 'Toughen up, princess', the negative impact of helicopter parenting, and how praise can harm instead of help. Understand both the protective and the risk factors affecting resilience. And uncover the psychological secrets that will build your child's ability to bounce back, stronger and more resilient than ever: from the ability to think flexibly, make safe and healthy choices, and exercise self control, to the powerful impact of family, relationships, school and community.

Justin Coulson left school at Year 10 to pursue a successful career as a radio broadcaster. After his first child was born, Justin realised he just wasn't the dad he wanted to be. To learn more about parenting, he started studying, eventually completing a PhD in Positive Pyschology and Parenting. He now lives with his wife and six daughters in Wollongong, NSW, but travels Australia constantly, giving talks to parents, teachers and professionals. He is the author of *21 Days to a Happier Family*.

### Manuscript Available December 2016

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Nicola Gates, PhD

# A Brain for Life

How we live has a powerful effect on our brain.

This means that by making simple lifestyle changes, we can keep our brains strong as we age and reduce our risk of dementia.

This practical, step-by-step guide will help you to build brain power and prevent brain burnout. Neuropsychologist Nicola Gates draws on cutting-edge research to explain the amazing roles our health and fitness, as well as mental activity, play in brain health. And she shares the simple steps we can all take to keep our brains fit and active - for life. Discover:

- Why inflammation is a key dementia risk and how to avoid it
- Why a healthy gut means a healthy brain
- The heart-brain connection
- The critical link between exercise and brain fitness
- Why your brain wants you to stay social

It's never too late to adopt a brain-healthy lifestyle: what you do this year influences your brain health next year. So don't wait for a crisis: Nicola Gates can help you start making changes today for the best possible brain health!

Nicola Gates PhD is a leading clinical neuropsychologist. She's a frequent public speaker, writes for popular health magazines such as *Prevention* and *Fitness First*, and is a frequent guest expert on The Project and Studio Ten.

She has a special interest in dementia, and with three grandparents suffering from it, she knows exactly what's at stake.

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