

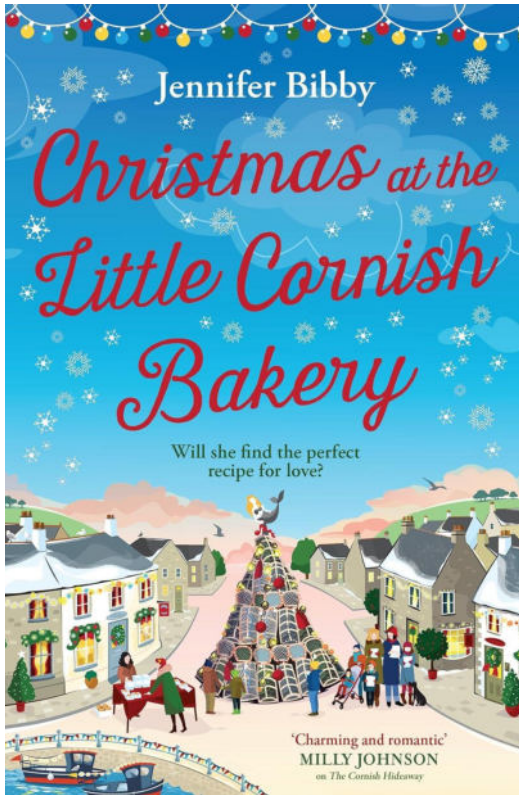
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CHRISTMAS AT THE LITTLE CORNISH BAKERY by Jennifer Bibby



Rights sold: WEL (Bonnier Zaffre)

A brand new seasonal romance by **award-nominated** author Jennifer Bibby, out 9th October 2025.

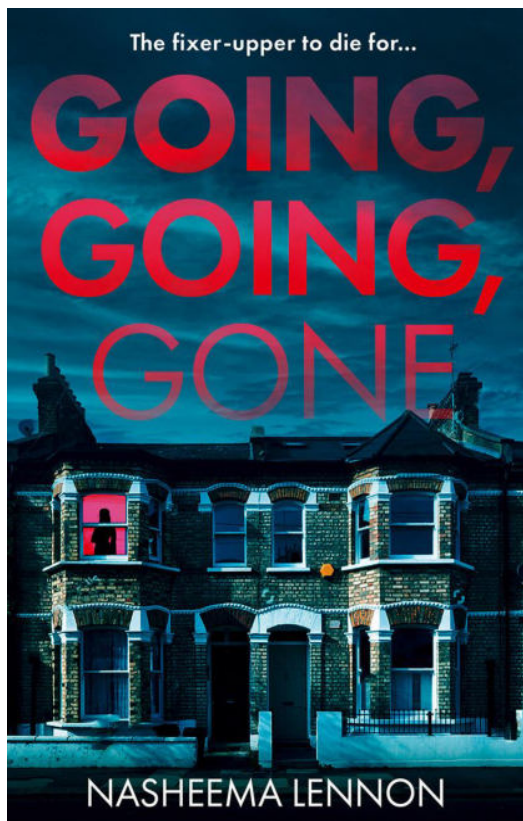
A cosy Cornish village. A baker with a broken heart. And the community who piece it back together.

Debut novel sold 9,000+ units.

After a crushing breakup and the loss of her beloved grandmother, Lola escaped to the charming Cornish village of Polcarrow to start over, with just her dreams of opening a cafe to keep her company. But Lola finds herself drawn into village life - and straight into the path of disarmingly attractive Tristan. As sparks fly and Christmas magic fills the air, long-buried family secrets begin to surface. With the festive season in full swing and Tristan's ex back in town, Lola must decide: will she protect her heart or take a leap of faith for love?

A feel-good, festive romance perfect for fans of Julie Caplin, Phillipa Ashley and Sarah Morgan.

GOING, GOING, GONE by Nasheema Lennon



Rights sold: WEL (HarperNorth),
publication March 2026

Once the hammer comes down, there's no getting out... A gripping and twisty domestic psychological suspense novel – perfect for fans of Louise Candlish and Shari Lapena.

Nasheema Lennon's first novel, THE ENGAGEMENT, was shortlisted for the Owned Voices Novel Awards 2022.

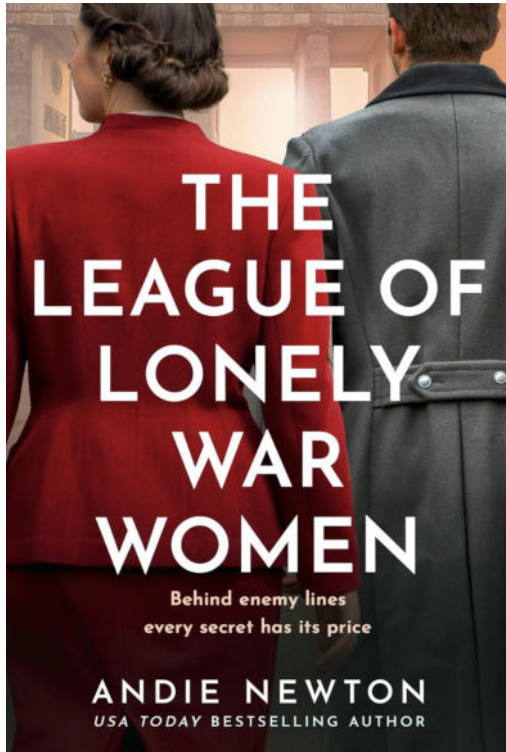
20 years ago, Imani's best friend Kaitlin vanished. Now, Kaitlin's crumbling childhood home is up for auction.

Buying this house is Imani's chance to finally resolve her grief. It might even ease her guilty conscience surrounding Kaitlin's disappearance. But fixer-uppers always come with nasty surprises.

As Imani throws herself into the renovations, she discovers secrets that make her question her memories of Kaitlin. Could restoring No.6 Cross Street really help Imani uncover the truth? Or will winning the auction prove to be a dangerous – even deadly – mistake?

THE LEAGUE OF LONELY WAR WOMEN

by Andie Newton



WEL, HarperCollins OMC, February 2026

A brand new story for 2026 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)

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

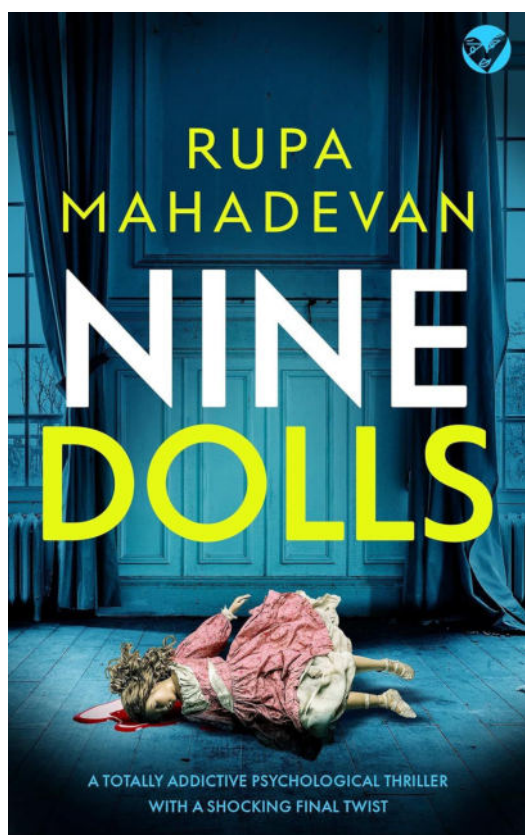


THE SECRET PIANIST

Rights sold: WEL (HarperCollins), Norwegian (Cappelen Damm), Danish (Lindbak & Lindbak)

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

NINE DOLLS by Rupa Mahadevan



Rights sold: WEL eBook & paperback (Joffe Books); WEL audio (Audible Studios). Out 25th September 2025.

Award-winning psychological thriller (winner of the Joffe Books Prize for Crime Writers of Colour), perfect for fans of Shari Lapena, Freida McFadden and Shalini Boland.

A friends' reunion for the Hindu Navaratri festival turns deadly when the ritual is broken and the dolls reveal secrets.

A remote Scottish manor. Nine sacred dolls. One brutal murder.

"We find the doll shattered on the floor, its broken pieces scattered like a warning. That's when everything starts to fall apart. [...] I told them not to - *never* move the dolls before the tenth day of Navaratri, the Hindu Festival of Dolls. They're not toys. They're part of a sacred tradition. But no one listened. Even Dhruv - my husband - told me to stop being silly. I know they're hiding something. I can't trust any of them - not even the man I married. Now one of us is dead. One of us is a killer."

Rupa Mahadevan grew up on the southern coast of India and now lives in Scotland with her husband and two children.

The Adventure Wedding Romances

by Leonie Mack



Published 9th May 2025



Published 2nd Sept 2025

Bestselling author with lifetime unit sales of c.250,000. A brand new series of destination romances, perfect for fans of Sarah Morgan and Portia MacIntosh.

Rights sold: WEL (Boldwood)

When a destination wedding agency merges with an adventure travel company to create unique weddings for outdoor enthusiasts, wedding planners and adrenaline junkies are thrown together to create new happily ever afters, taking place against Italian lakes, Austrian mountains and Greek islands.

An Italian Wedding Adventure sees wedding planner Sophie stuck on a scouting trip up a mountain with gruff ex-boyfriend Andreas, who rejected her 29th February proposal 8 years ago...

Author rights history: Italian (Newton Compton, *Italy Ever After*); Slovenian (GIKS, *Italy Ever After*); Czech (NAKLADATELSTVÍ KAZDA, *Italy Ever After* & *Twenty One Nights in Paris*); Hungarian (Alexandra Kiado, *Italy Ever After*)

FIX THEM UP by Maggie Grant



Rights sold: WEL (Bedford Square)

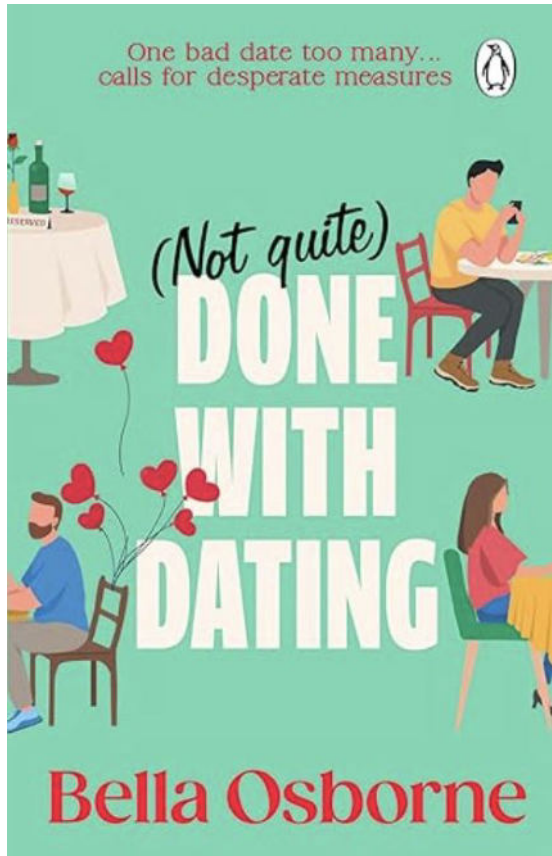
Debut small town #ownvoices romance by an exciting new voice, **sold following a three-way auction** and out 9th October 2025. Perfect for fans of Talia Hibbert and Elsie Silver.

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...

Kat is in a rut. She's lost her mojo at work, her estranged Dad has passed away, and she royally messed up the eulogy at his funeral after a stubborn man stole her parking space and made her late. Taking sabbatical, Kat moves to the small town of Everly Heath to refurbish her father's house she's inherited. She thinks it will be a quick fixer-upper; a bit of paint, some new carpet and then she can sell up and return to her old life, profit in hand. But Kat arrives to find the house completely uninhabitable. Worse still, Liam, the grumpy builder enlisted to manage the renovation is none other than the grouch who stole her parking space. Near breaking point, Liam offers Kat a place to stay at his while the worst of the repairs take place. Now living under one roof, sparks fly over faulty wiring, but are this grumpy-sunshine duo meant to be?

NOT QUITE DONE WITH DATING

by Bella Osborne

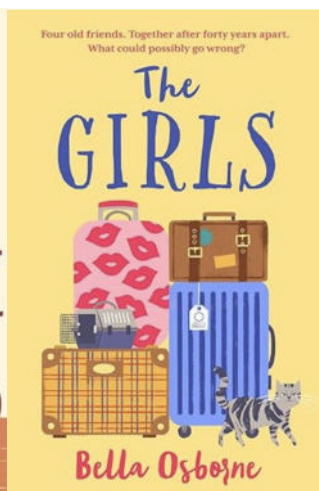
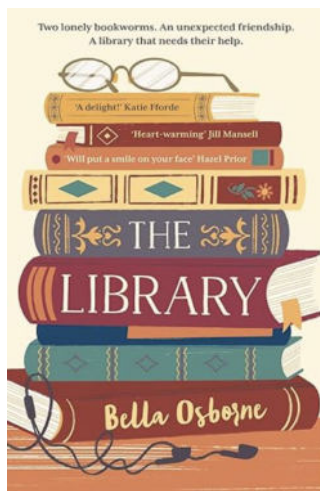


A new direction and new WEL publisher for this 850k+ copy bestselling relatable romcom author. Rights sold: WEL (Transworld, PRH). Out January 2026.

‘Bella writes witty, wonderful stories, I hope readers love them as much as I do,’ - Julie Caplin.

It’s time for Nora to revisit her exes and see if she’s overlooked The One!

Nora loves numbers and all things logical but life isn’t always like that. She’d like a relationship like the one her parents share. However, thanks to statistics she knows better than most that the odds of finding The One are stacked against her. Could applying a tried and tested business rule work on her love life?

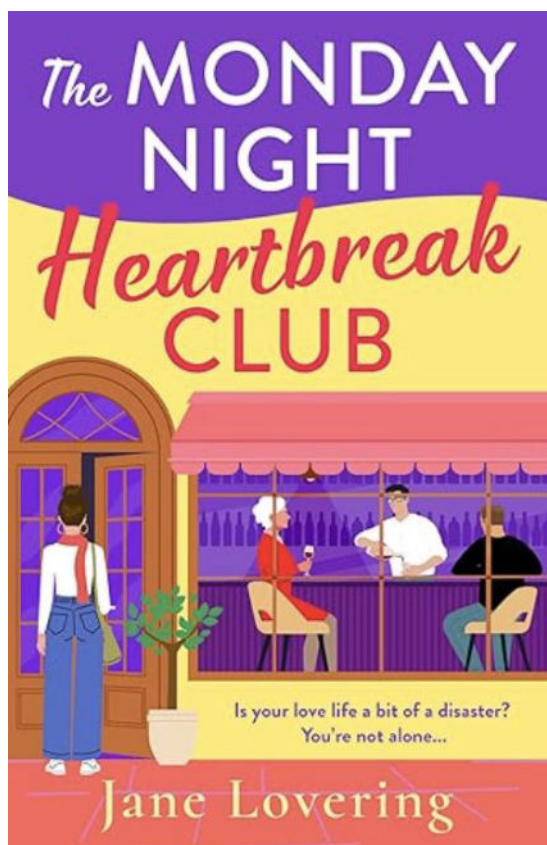


Author rights history: *The Library* (German, Rowohlt & Argon Verlag; Italian, Newton Compton); *The Girls* (Hebrew, Tchelet Books); *Coming Home to Ottercombe Bay* (German, MIRA Taschenbuch); *Escape to Willow Cottage* (German, MIRA Taschenbuch); *It Started at Sunset Cottage* (Swedish, Finnish & Norwegian, HarperCollins Nordic)

Author prize history: The Jane Wenham-Jones Award for Romantic Comedy (*The Promise of Summer*)

THE MONDAY NIGHT HEARTBREAK CLUB

by Jane Lovering



WEL Boldwood, October 2025

A brand new feel good novel from award winning author Jane Lovering about heartbreak, friendship and second chances.

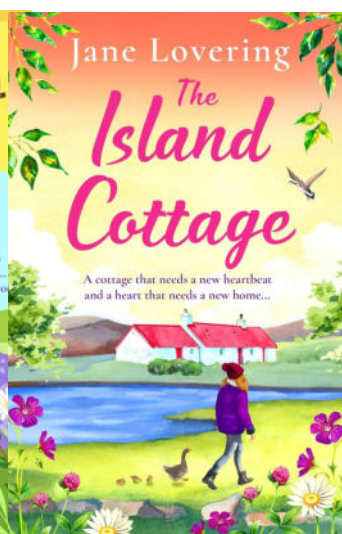
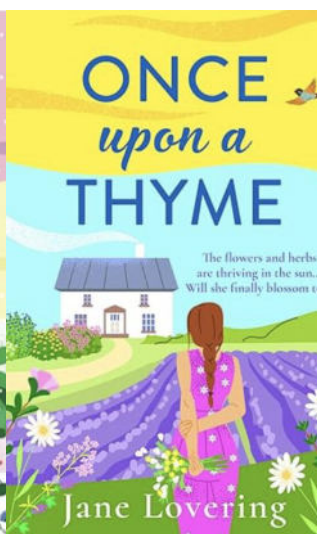
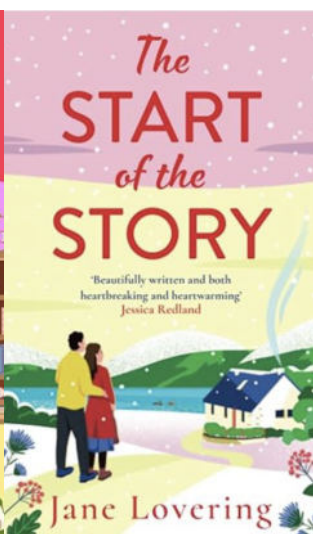
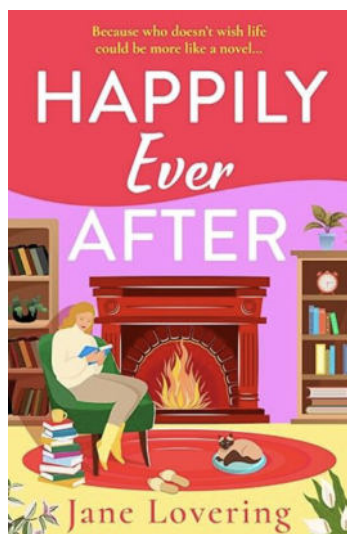
When **Fee** finds herself dumped and directionless on Valentine's Day, she stumbles across a flyer for a new club, for people united by heartbreak. Intrigued, she joins a motley group of strangers at a quiet Yorkshire wine bar the following Monday night.

There's **Margot**, in the middle of a bitter divorce; **Annie**, whose husband of forty years she suspects is having an affair; **Wren**, quietly nursing her own romantic regrets; **Fraser**, who may have mistaken the group for a dating opportunity. And **Flynn**, the sarcastic bartender.

Author's Lifetime Unit Sales: 250,000+

Prizes: 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 LAST WEEK OF HIM

by Ruth O'Leary



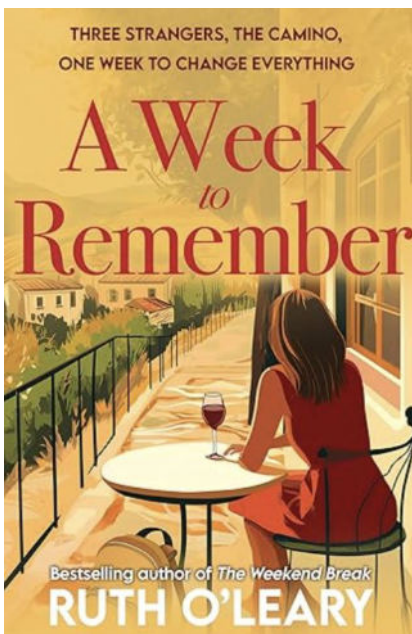
WEL: Poolbeg, 2026

A brand new uplifting female friendship story for 2026 from the *Irish Times* bestselling novelist.

For fans of Carmel Harrington and Marian Keyes.

Nora is walking her dog on a Dublin beach one sunny morning when a WhatsApp message shatters her. In London, Fern is on her way to theatre rehearsals when the same message shocks her to her core. Clo is in the arms of her lover in New York when they both get the devastating message: Danny O'Connor – once the golden boy at school has died suddenly at forty-nine.

As the friends return to the west of Ireland for the week-long funeral and memorial, old wounds are reopened, and long-buried secrets rise to the surface.

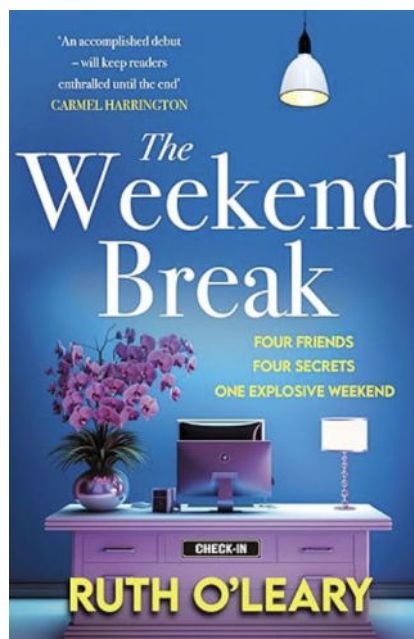


A WEEK TO REMEMBER

Three strangers, the Camino, one week to change everything.

Rights sold: WEL, Poolbeg

Irish Times Bestseller



THE WEEKEND BREAK

Friendship, lies and Galway skies: the explosive weekend that redefined everything.

Rights sold: WEL Poolbeg

Irish Times Bestseller

THE SKY IS NOT ENOUGH

by June O'Sullivan



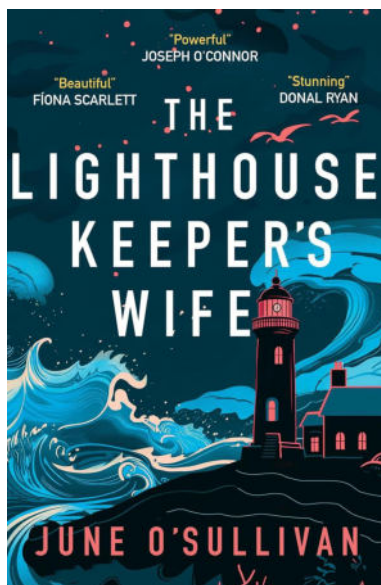
Rights sold: WEL, Poolbeg, January 2026

From the author of the 2025 Irish Times bestseller *The Lighthouse Keeper's Wife*.

Based on the life of a forgotten Irish aviatrix.

In 1928, Lady Mary Heath embarks on her most daring adventure. Already accomplished and celebrated in the world of women's athletics, she turns her ambitions to aviation, wanting to leave an

indelible mark on the world and open doors for woman aviators by taking the world's first solo flight from Cape Town to London.



Rights sold: WEL Poolbeg, January 2025

An Irish Times Bestseller.

A young lightkeeper's wife struggles to protect her family in an inhospitable landscape at the edge of the known world in this debut novel inspired by a true story.

SOUL HATE by Hannah Kingsley



Rights sold: WEL (HarperCollins)

A ***Sunday Times* bestselling Romantasy**. *Soul Hate* debuted at No.15 in the *Sunday Times* Hardback Fiction list.

Over 4,700 unit sales, including over 2,000 unit sales in special edition hardback.

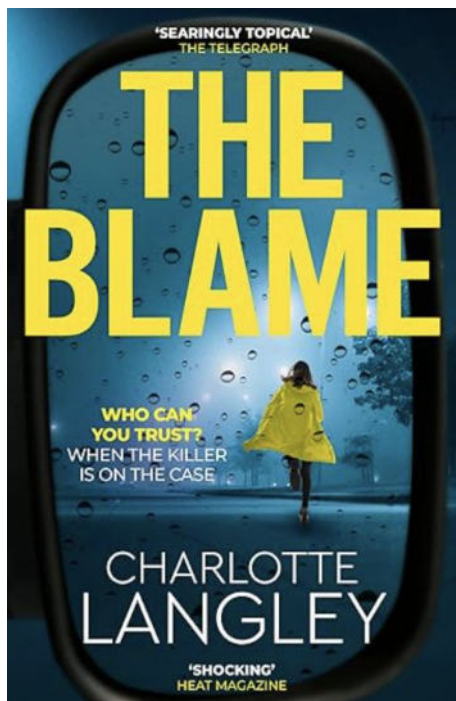
The first in a trilogy published March 2025, with *Soul Bound* out January 2026 and a third book coming later in 2026.

What if you fall in love with the person you are fated to destroy?

The Holy States teach that everyone is born with a 'Soulmate', their one true love they will find eternal happiness with. But every coin has two sides... Everyone is also born with a 'Soulhate', their loathed enemy they are destined to destroy. Renza di Maineri is the youngest elected leader her city has ever seen. But fate is playing a cruel game, as her main political rival, Idris, is also her 'Soulhate'. But fate is not quite finished with Renza. When her city is devastated by a fatal explosion, can Renza work together with the person she is fated to kill?

NOW A MAJOR ITV DRAMA

THE BLAME by Charlotte Langley



Now a major drama series coming to ITV starring Michelle Keegan, Douglas Booth and Ian Hart.

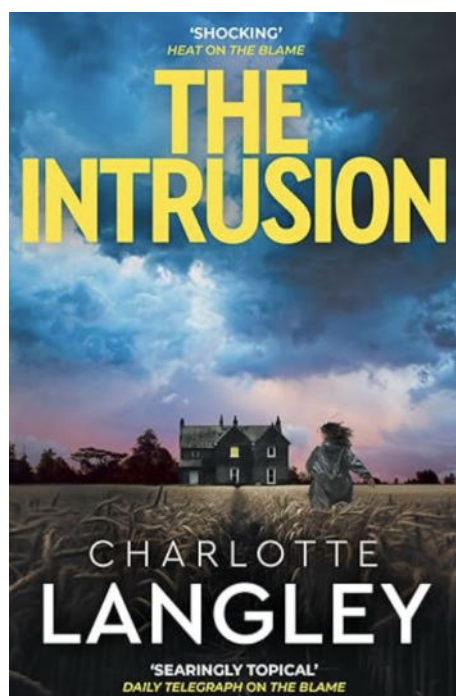
A gripping psychological crime thriller that explores locker room culture and police corruption. Two detectives begin a love affair, only for one of them to become the prime suspect in a chilling murder.

Perfect for fans of Cara Hunter, Tana French and Jane Harper.

Rights: WEL (Bedford Square); Czech (Dobrovsky)

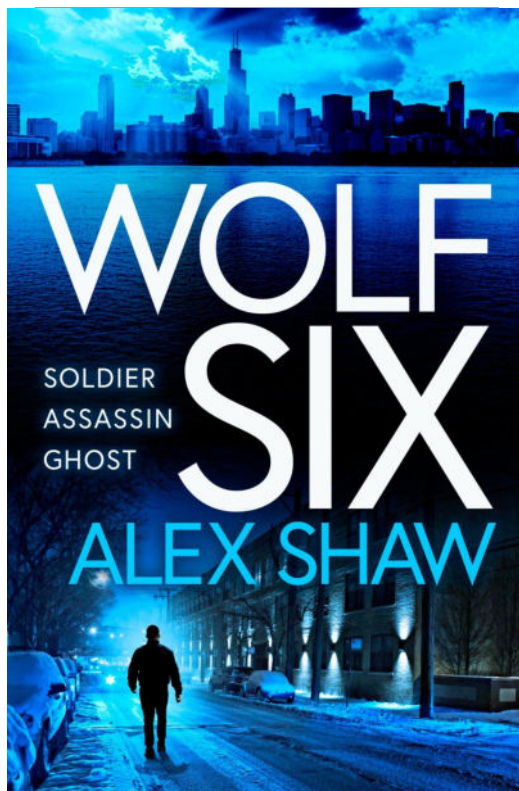
Detective Erin Crane is assigned to the investigation into sixteen-year-old Sophie Madson's murder along with her partner, detective Tom Radley. Over the years they've formed a close professional bond built on mutual trust and a shared contempt for the unscrupulous head of the anti-corruption team, Walker. This case will prove a bigger test of their relationship than either of them could ever have imagined.

Book 2 THE INTRUSION featuring Erin Crane now as a private investigator.



Coming in 2026: SLEUTH, uncovering the murky world of internet amateur sleuths.

THE WOLF SIX series by Alex Shaw



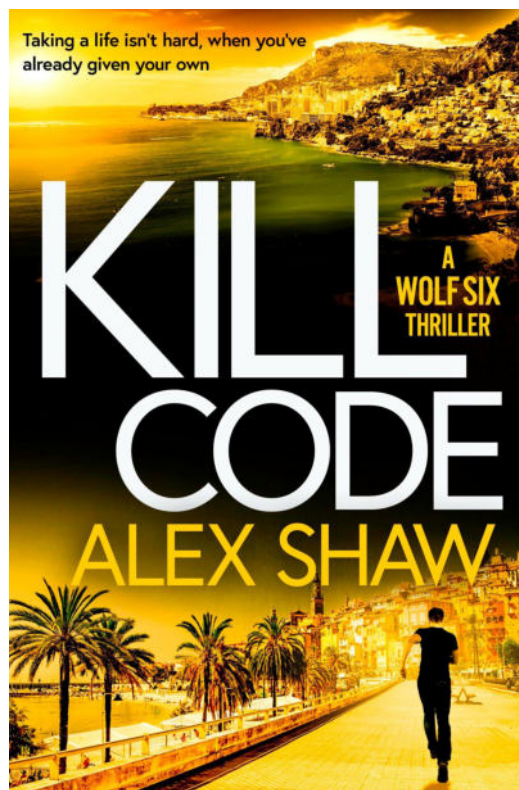
Rights sold: WEL (Boldwood Books)

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 (book three is out early 2026) 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!

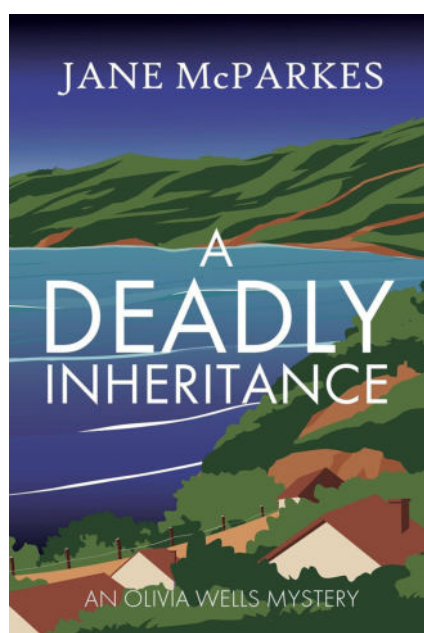
Author rights history: *Cold Blood*, *Cold Black*, *Cold East*, *Cold Kills*, *Total Blackout*, *Total Fallout* (German, Luzifer Verlag)



THE OLIVIA WELLS MYSTERIES by Jane McParkes

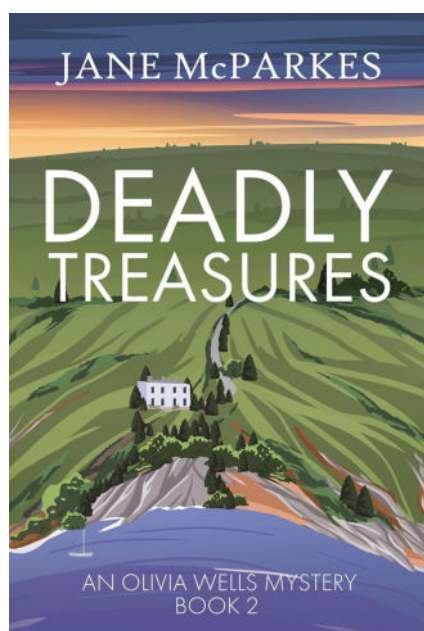
Rights sold: WEL (Bedford Square). Books 1 and 2 publishing November 2025. Book 3, *A Deadly Abode*, publishing November 2026. Book 4, *A Deadly Christmas*, publishing November 2027.

Character-driven Cornish cosy mysteries set in a beautiful village full of dangerous secrets, featuring an eco-architect amateur sleuth. Perfect for fans of LJ Ross.



A DEADLY INHERITANCE

Eco-architect Olivia Wells returns to her home of the small Cornish seaside village Penbartha, wanting to boost the local economy alongside a group of sustainability entrepreneurs. But when a member of the community is murdered, Olivia finds herself having to clear her own name and help the police find the real killer.



DEADLY TREASURES

Shortlisted for the 2025 RNA Romantic Thriller award.

Olivia is launching her latest project, a boutique hotel. But when she discovers the dead body of a waitress in the hotel's swimming pool, she fears something more personal is at stake.

THE LOLA HARRIS MYSTERIES and THE YORKSHIRE KILLINGS by Daniel Sellers

THE DETECTIVE LOLA HARRIS MYSTERIES

Rights sold: WEL (Joffe Books). Published 2022-2025.

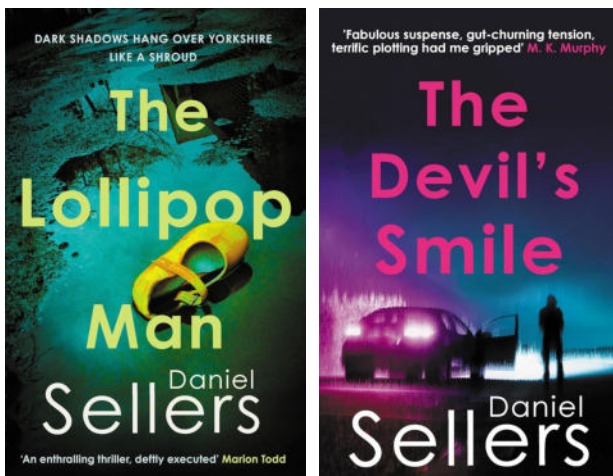


A complete 6-book Scottish crime series.

Detective Lola Harris is a tough woman with a good heart, charged with solving some of the most high stakes crime investigations in gritty Glasgow. The completion of the series, Book 6, **MURDER AT DARNLEY GLEN**, is publishing in November 2026.

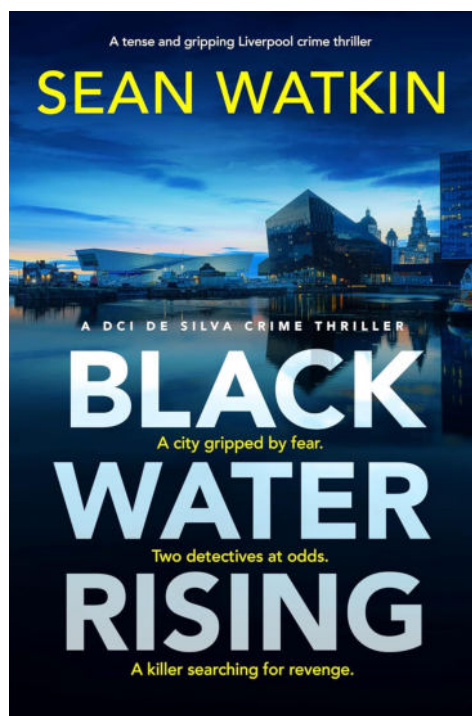
THE YORKSHIRE KILLINGS

Rights sold: WEL (Allison & Busby). Published 2025.



A new crime series set in 90s Yorkshire on the gay scene. In the shadow of the Yorkshire Ripper, a community lives in fear as a serial killer walks the streets. Journalist Sheila Hargreaves is determined to uncover the truth.

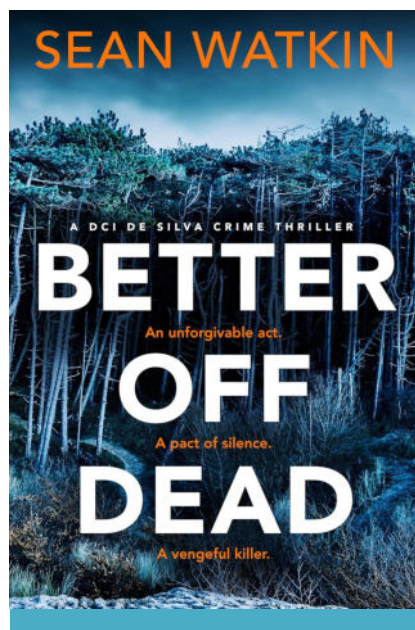
BLACK WATER RISING by Sean Watkin



Rights sold: WEL (Canelo)

**Shortlisted for the Harrogate
Theakstons Old Peculier Val McDermid
Debut Prize 2025.**

*A dark and brooding crime thriller set in
Liverpool featuring a male/female cop
duo and LGBTQIA+ #ownvoices
representation. Perfect for fans of M.
W. Craven and Russ Thomas.*



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.

The hotly anticipated second book in the series, BETTER OFF DEAD, is publishing in January 2026, and Book 3 will follow in 2027.

HOW TO KILL YOUR BIGGEST FAN

by Helen Blair



Rights sold: WEL (Bolinda, January 2026 publication); German (Bastei Lübbe, summer 2026 publication); Russian (Eksmo, summer 2026 publication)

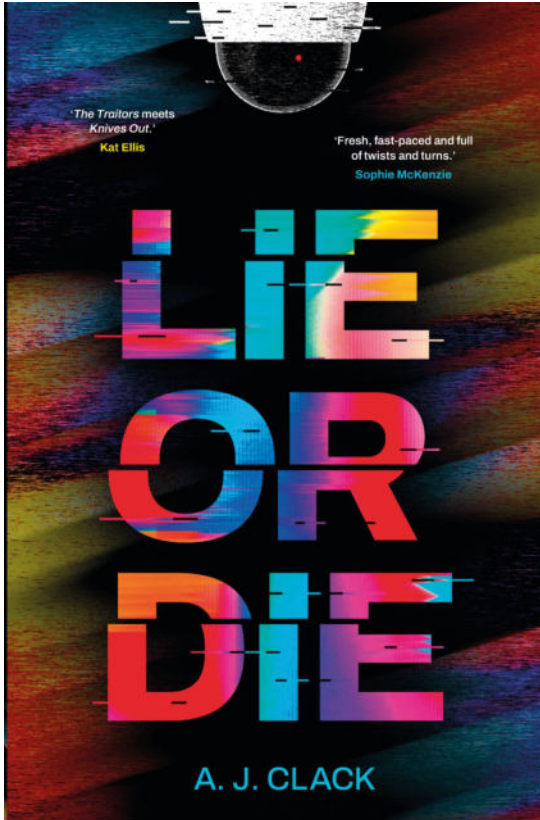
A jaded romance author's longtime stalker goes missing in this darkly comic cat and mouse crime novel, perfect for fans of Bella Mackie and Alice Slater.

Romance author Hazel Witt has been writing for years, and has an army of loyal fans, but secretly hates romance, hates her readers, and hates the publishing industry that has left her so disillusioned.

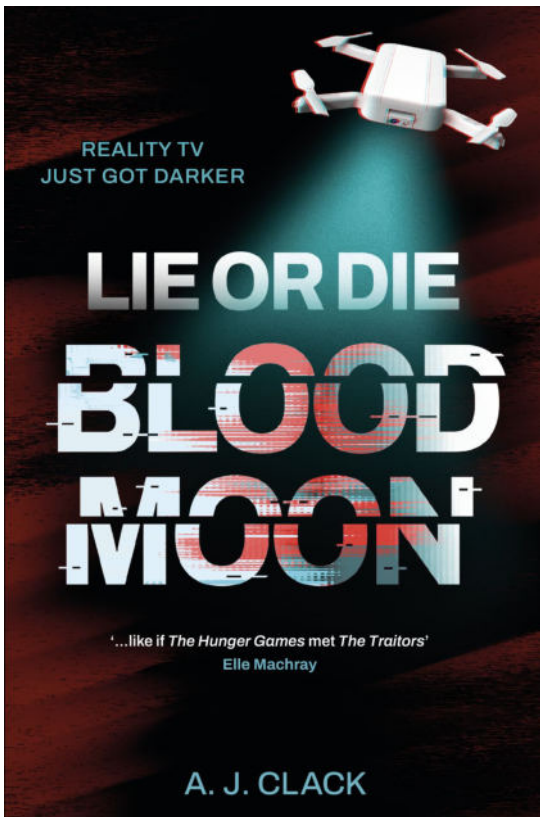
When her sales begin to dwindle, she turns to writing thrillers, using her longtime real-life stalker, Margo Martin, as an inspiration. But then Margo goes missing.

As Hazel searches for Margo, a cat and mouse back and forth ensues, with Margo seemingly one step ahead at every turn. Can Hazel escape the woman who has turned out to be a deranged stalker, desperate for love? Or does she need Margo more than Margo needs her?

LIE OR DIE by A. J. Clack



Published 7th March 2024



Rights sold: WEL excluding Canada (Firefly Press); German (Fischer Sauerländer, publishing January 2026)

Award-winning author. *Lie or Die* is the **winner** of the Staffordshire Young Teen Fiction Award 2025 and Lancashire Book of the Year 2025.

5,000+ unit sales in paperback & eBook.

Ten strangers trapped in a television studio.

Forty two remote cameras.

Several dead bodies.

One rule: trust no one.

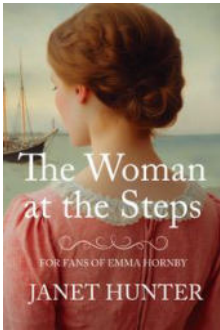
When Kass successfully auditions for new reality TV show 'Lie or Die', she must work out who is a murderous agent and who is an innocent player. But when the contestants start turning up dead (the real kind, not the fake kind), Kass finds herself in a true fight for survival. 'Reality' just got very real.

The Traitors meets Squid Game.

Out 2nd October 2025

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Historical Fiction



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. Part of a trilogy, Book 2 will be publishing in March 2026 and Book 3 in March 2027.



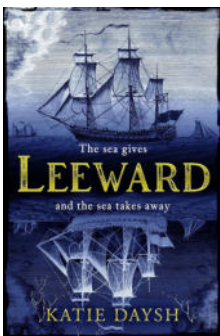
SECRETS AT THE AMBROSE CAFE by Carryl Church (WEL, Joffe Books)

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



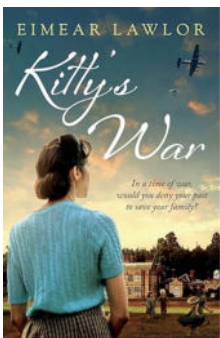
THE FORTUNES OF OLIVIA RICHMOND by Louise Davidson (UK/Comm exc Canada, Moonflower; Danish, Lindbak & Lindbak)

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, 3 book series 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.



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

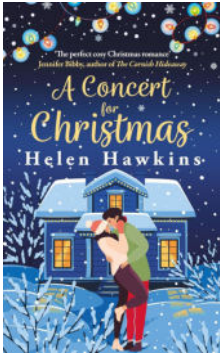
Ireland might be neutral, but Kitty Flynn is caught in her own war. Forced to give up her child at seventeen, she escaped to London but is forced to return to Ireland to nurse her brother and becomes embroiled in the treacherous world of espionage.

Romance



A LADY'S RISK, 3 book series by Felicity George (WEL, Orion)

Heartwarming, sexy and unputdownable, A Lady's Risk is perfect for fans of Georgette Heyer and Bridgerton.



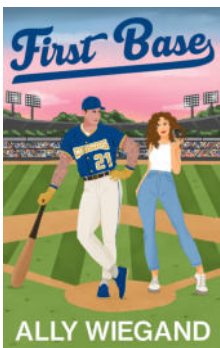
A CONCERT FOR CHRISTMAS by Helen Hawkins (WEL, Allison & Busby)

A cosy 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)

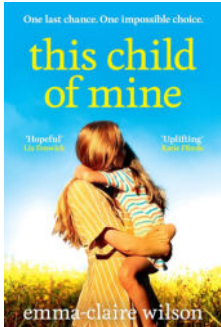
A seasonal, autumnal romance by a bestselling author in which Julia Volpe finds herself stranded in rural Italy with no passport and a handsome musician for company.



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

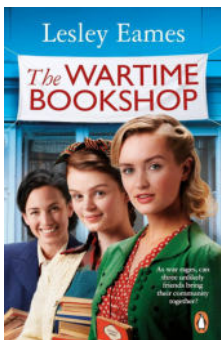
A 3 book series of interconnected baseball and American football tropey sports romances set in Chicago, sold following a hotly-contested four-way auction.

Commercial Fiction



THIS CHILD OF MINE by Emma-Claire Wilson (WEL, Avon, HarperCollins)

When Stephanie is told she's pregnant and that she is sick on the same day, she faces an impossible choice.



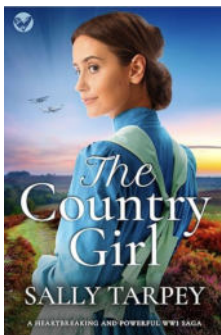
THE WARTIME BOOKSHOP, 6 book series by Lesley Eames (WEL, Transworld; Danish & Swedish, North Audio)

The community pulls together and friendships overcome adversity in this English village as war rages overseas.



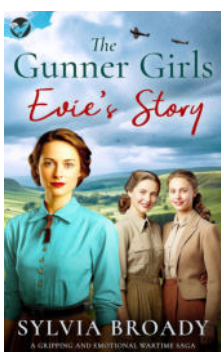
THE HOUSE OF HOPE, 3 book series by Joanne Clague (WEL, Canelo)

Women running a boarding house of help for women in poverty or difficulty pull together in this Victorian English drama.



THE COUNTRY GIRL, 3 book series by Sally Tarpey (WEL, Joffe Books)

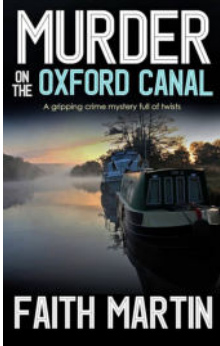
A heartbreaking but uplifting trilogy of sagas set in Hampshire spanning World War One, World War Two and the interwar years.



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

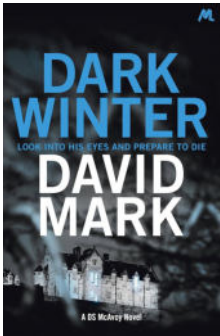
A young woman leaves home to become a gunner girl defending Britain against Luftwaffe attacks in WW2.

Police Procedurals



The DI Hillary Greene series by Faith Martin (WEL, Joffe Books; Russian, Kariera Press; Slovenian, Desk d.o.o.)

Having now sold over 3 million copies makes DI Hillary Greene one of the world's favourite detectives.



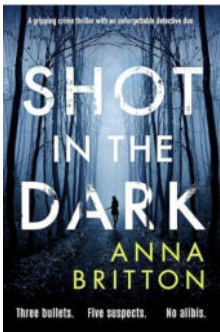
The DS McAvoy 14 book ongoing series, published 2017-2025, by David Mark (WEL, Hodder/Severn House; German Books 1-3, dotbooks)

A gritty, Northern English-set long running crime series by a Sunday Times bestselling author.



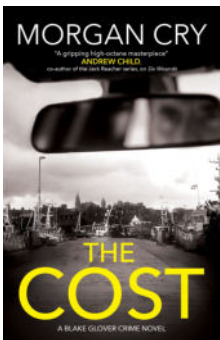
BURY YOUR SECRETS, 3 book series by Kerry Watts (WEL, Bonnier Books)

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. Published November 2024, with sequel Dead and Gone out November 2025 and a third book publishing in 2026.



The Martin & Stern 3 book series by Anna Britton (WEL, Canelo)

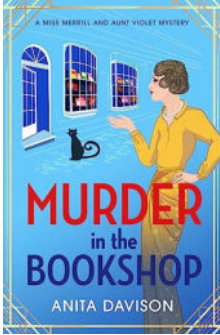
An interactive and immersive 3-book crime thriller series set in the New Forest featuring an unforgettable female detective partnership.



THE COST 4 book series by Morgan Cry (WEL, Severn House)

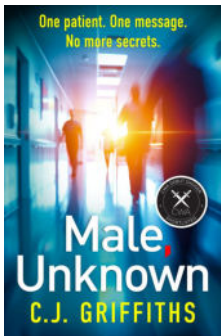
The first in a new Tartan Noir mystery series of 4 books by Bloody Scotland co-founder Gordon Brown writing as Morgan Cry. Book 2, The Fracture, publishing in November 2025, with Books 3 and 4 to follow in 2026.

Crime and Thriller



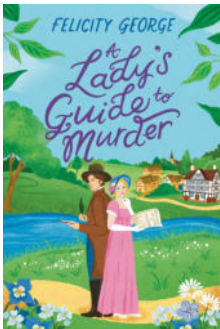
The Miss Merrill & Aunt Violet 5 book series by Anita Davison (WEL, Boldwood; Italian, Mondadori; Russian, Sindbad)

A Gilded Age London mystery series. 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 with a paperknife through her heart in the middle of the bookshop is not a plotline she saw coming.



MALE, UNKNOWN by C. J. Griffiths (WEL, Bedford Square)

A medical psychological thriller written by a serving NHS paramedic. Shortlisted for the Crime Writers' Association Debut Dagger 2023.



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

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