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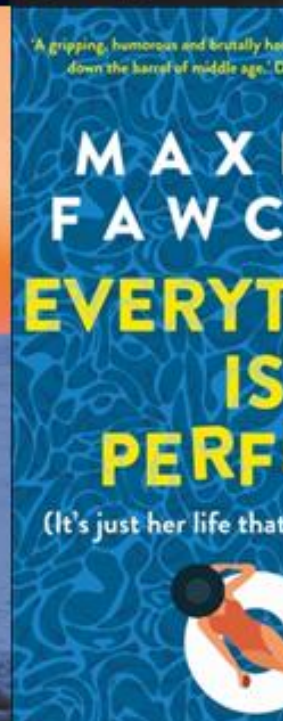
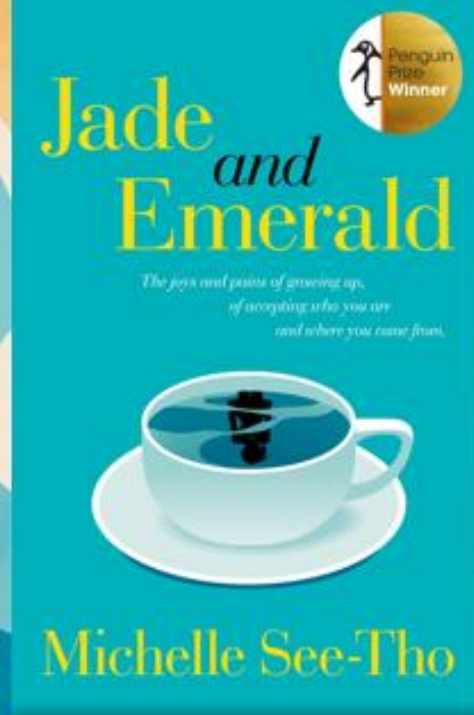
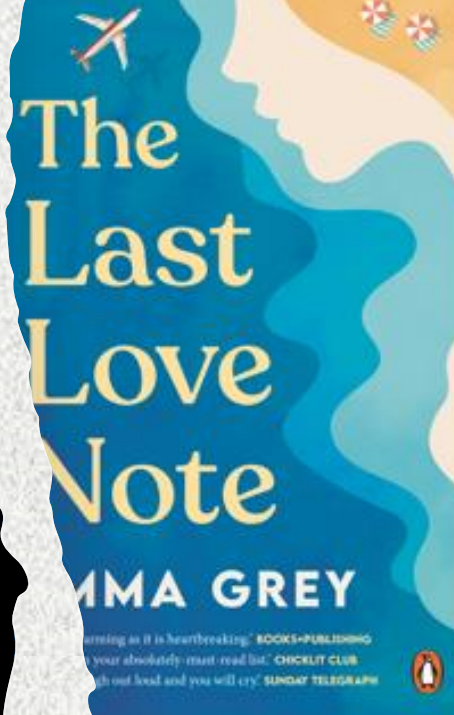
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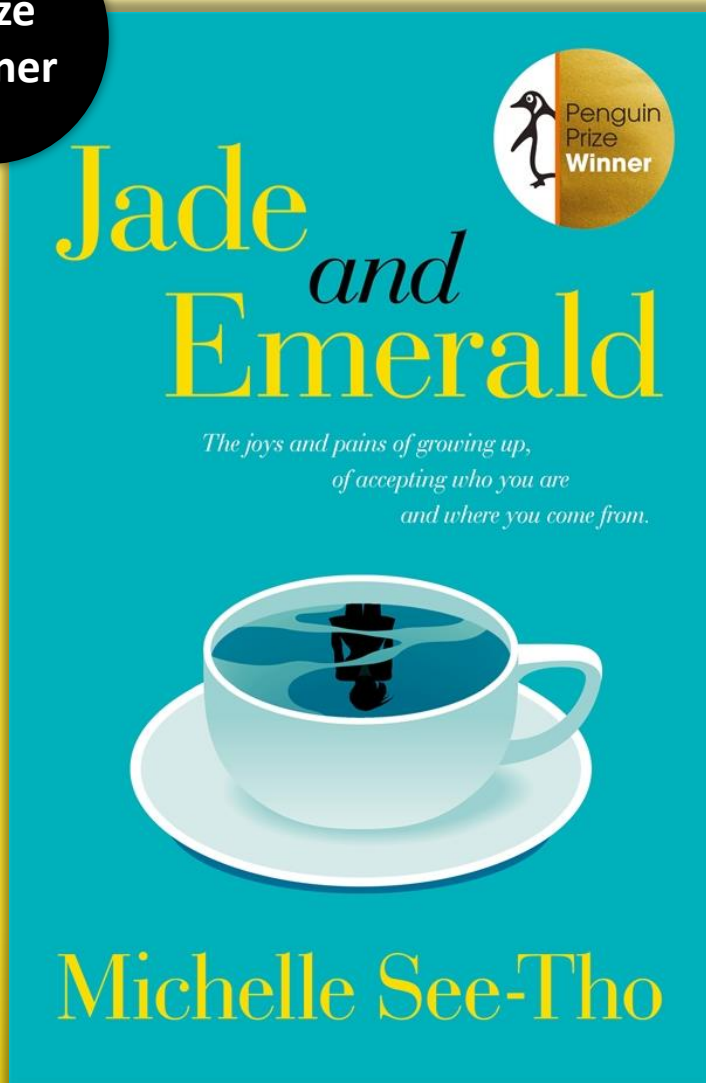
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FICTION



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Prize
winner



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Jade and Emerald Michelle See-Tho

- Winner of the 2023 Penguin Literary Prize
- With an important new voice, *Jade and Emerald* bristles with life and powerful commentary around family, class and desire
- Warm and accessible writing. The author, like her characters, is Chinese-Malaysian raised in Australia

Mei Cha Wen is lonely. Born in Australia, her Chinese-Malaysian mother insists on after-school tuition and violin lessons - cheap ones, at that. Not only is she frugal with finances, she's also frugal with affection.

Malaysian socialite, Gigi Nui, befriends Mei, encourages her to flout her rigid routines and shows her how to enjoy life's pleasures and luxuries. When Mei discovers her mother and Gigi were in love, back in Malaysia, she questions the friendship that had become the primary force in her life.

Gigi's subsequent death brings the walls between Mei and her mother down. Finally, Mei learns how her mother came to be working two jobs in Australia to ensure her daughter could enjoy a greater freedom in her life.



MICHELLE SEE-THO is a freelance writer and copywriter. She has had articles and stories published in *Kill Your Darlings*, *Meanjin*, *Overland*, *Time Out* and *The Big Issue*.
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Passion
Pick!

The Venice Hotel

Tess Woods

- Publisher 'passion pick' for 2024
- *Nine Perfect Strangers* meets *The White Lotus*
- Blockbuster fiction with intelligent, entertaining and character-based drama, filled with twists. Part romantic travel adventure, part family drama, part dark mystery
- Perfect holiday reading for fans of Liane Moriarty, Celeste Ng & Sally Hepworth
- Modern & Contemporary / Suspense / Commercial Fiction

The lives of four very different women become entangled and then unravel over the twelve days of Christmas at a boutique hotel in Venice.

The Venice Hotel is a story of travel, food, family, passion and peril, which explores the powerful bonds that develop between women in times of crisis, and the healing power of female connection.



TESS WOODS once had a simple life until her compulsion to write made-up stories complicated everything. She's now an award-winning and bestselling author of contemporary fiction. Tess also works as a physiotherapist in private practice. She shares a clinic and a home on the stunning Western Australian coast with her lovely and long-suffering husband. She's a mother of two brilliant grown-up children and one grumpy grown-up cat. She's obsessed with her little street library and her veggie patch, she hoovers desserts with complete disregard for all health advice, she's forever dreaming about moving to Italy, and she's the first to deep dive any celebrity scandal.

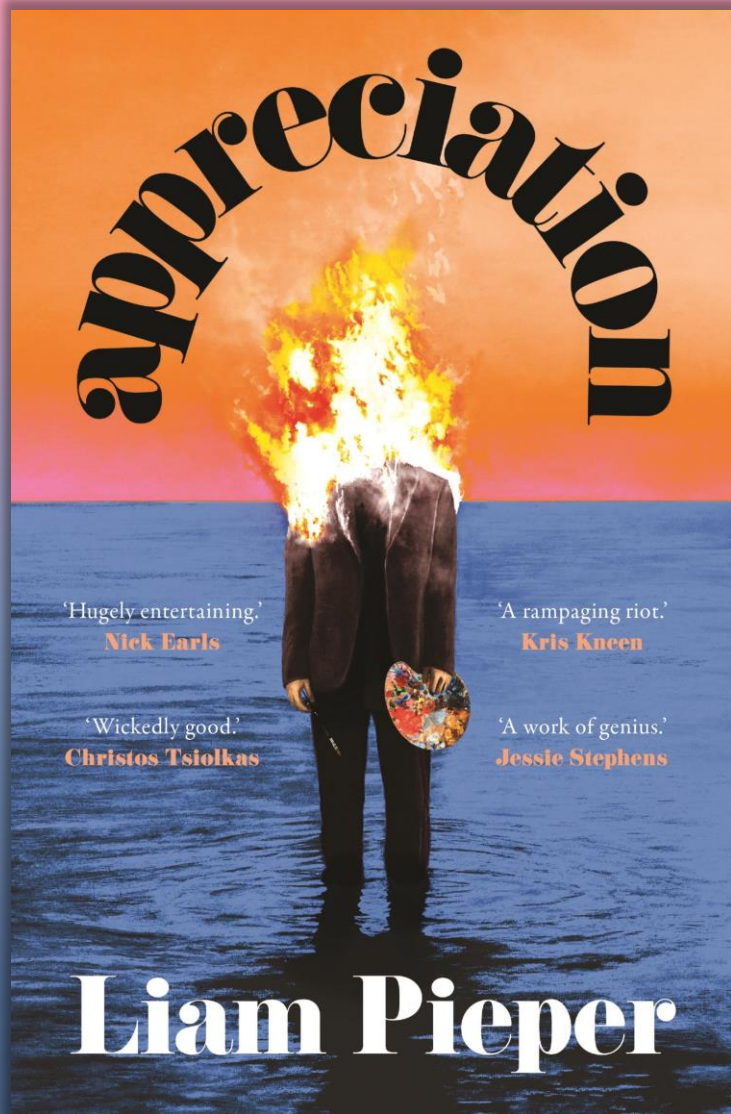


THE
VENICE
HOTEL

Where secrets hide
behind every door...

TESS WOODS

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Appreciation

Liam Pieper

- A wild romp through Australian celebrity culture that's as bold and scathing as it is hilarious!

Everything in this world has a price. A great work of art is no exception. And what fortune was ever built without a little subterfuge?

Oli Darling is a queer artist from the country – it says so right at the top of every press release. His art has brought him fame, money, fashionable substance abuse issues and only a little imposter syndrome. But then he goes on live TV and says the one thing that can get a rich white guy cancelled.

With his reputation in tatters, nobody is buying Oli's schtick or his art. That's a problem for all the people who've invested millions in him. Powerful, dangerous people. To save his own skin, Oli will need to restore his public image. Together with... [READ MORE](#)

Praise for Liam Pieper

'A deft skewering of contemporary values – as hugely entertaining as it is piercingly relevant.' Nick Earls, Praise for The Toymaker

'Made me laugh gleefully, and also made me squirm. Pieper's pen is a sharply honed blade – there's a hell of a lot of truth in this deceptively jaunty satire. I gulped it down.' Christos Tsiolkas

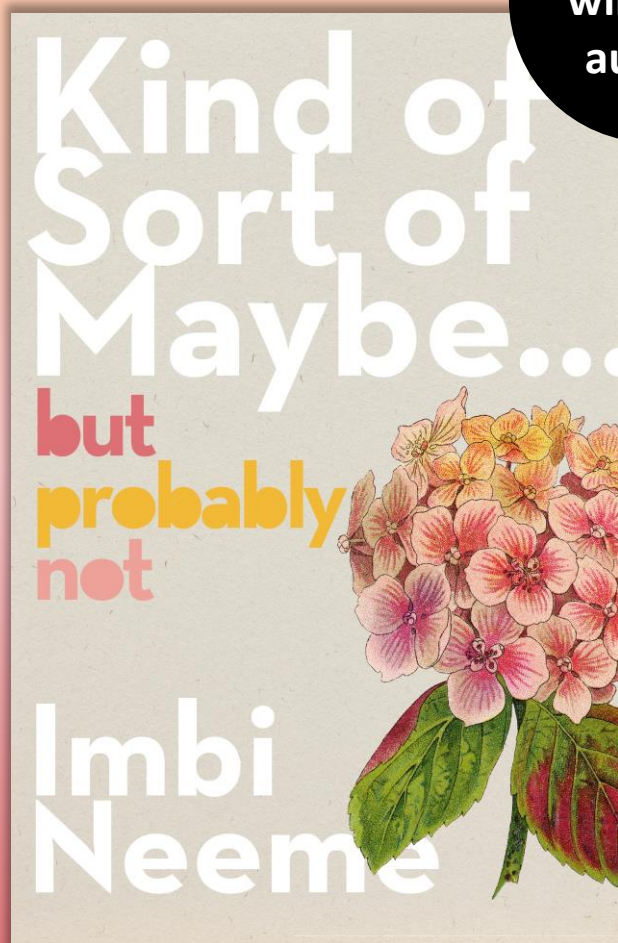


Liam Pieper is an author and ABIA-winning ghostwriter of global bestsellers as well as more modest successes with his name on the cover. The first was a memoir, *The Feel-Good Hit of the Year*, shortlisted for the National Biography Award and the Ned Kelly Best True Crime award. His second was the Penguin Special *Mistakes Were Made*, a collection of funny true stories. He was co-recipient of the 2014 M Literary Award, winner of the 2015 Geoff Dean Short Story Prize, the inaugural creative resident of the UNESCO City of Literature of Prague, and the 2018 National Library of Australia Creative Arts Fellow for Australian Writing. His novels are *The Toymaker*, *Sweetness and Light* and *Appreciation*, which is objectively the most fun of the three. Image © Matt Collins

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Prize
winning
author



Kind of, Sort of, Maybe, But Probably Not Imbi Neeme

- The second novel from the winner of the 2019 Penguin Literary Prize
- *The Rosie Project* meets *Eleanor Oliphant* in this quirky and lovable coming-of-age story
- Neeme's first novel, *The Spill*, sold at auction to Atrium, Germany and Eesti Ramut, Estonia. Film rights have been optioned
- *Kind of, Sort of Maybe, But Probably Not* has sold into Italy (Nord)

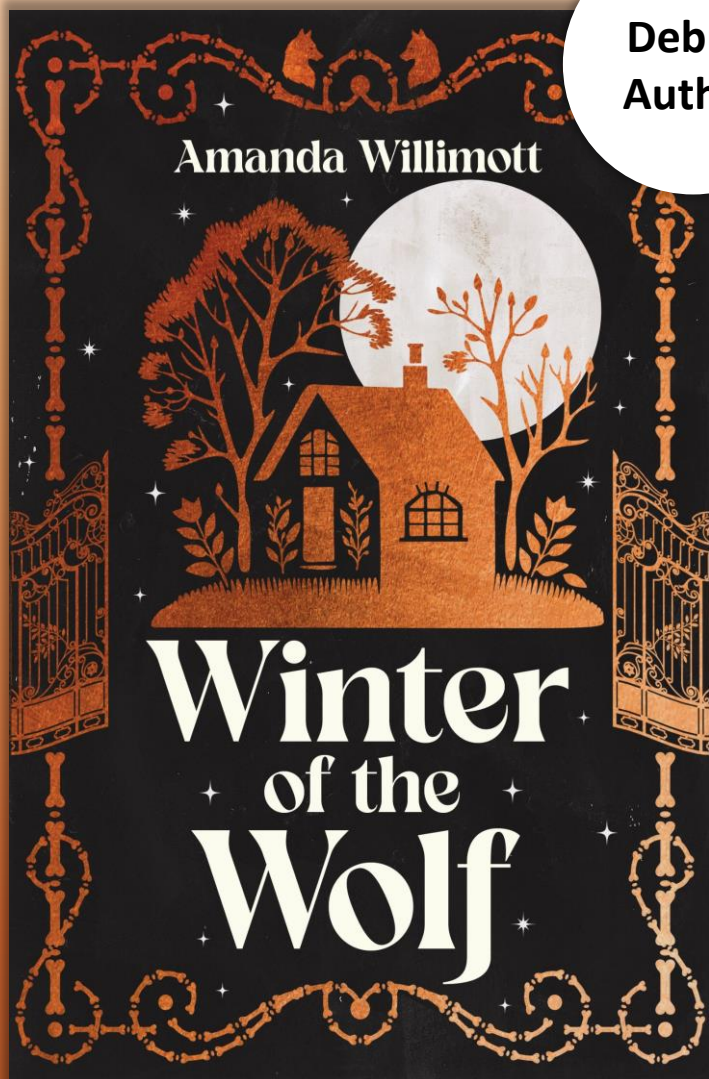
Librarian Phoebe Cotton lives with misophonia. The sound of other people crunching an apple, slurping their tea, or snapping chewing gum fills her with rage she keeps inside. Her condition mortifies her, and she shrinks further inside herself. That is, until she starts receiving mysterious postcards at 6 Salmon Street, her grandmother's house ...

A charming, nostalgic, quirky, uplifting novel of people young and old finding their tribe, gaining the courage to be themselves, and perhaps falling in love, too.



IMBI NEEME is a recovering blogger, novelist and compulsive short story writer. Her manuscript *The Spill* was awarded the 2019 Penguin Literary Prize. She was also the recipient of the 2019 Henry Handel Richardson Fellowship at Varuna for excellence in Short Story Writing. Her short fiction has won prizes in the 2019 Newcastle Short Story Awards, the 2018 Boroondara Literary Awards, and has been shortlisted for the 2018 Peter Carey Short Story Award.
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Debut
Author

Winter of the Wolf

Amanda Willimott

- Inspired by a notorious werewolf trial, with a blend of history, paranormal and feminist themes, and centred around a moving queer romance, this is an unmissable debut!

Eastern France. Winter. 1572

When Sidonie's guardian dies, she flees Paris rather than submit to a forced marriage, seeking sanctuary in the home of her estranged aunt in Dole.

A town consumed by fear and superstition.

Apolline left behind a violent and troubled past, hoping for a new life with her husband, where she can sell her herbs and assist women from the privacy of her forest home. But it is dangerous to be different, and as Sidonie and Apolline's lives become intertwined, they are soon both being hunted.

The hunt for a werewolf.

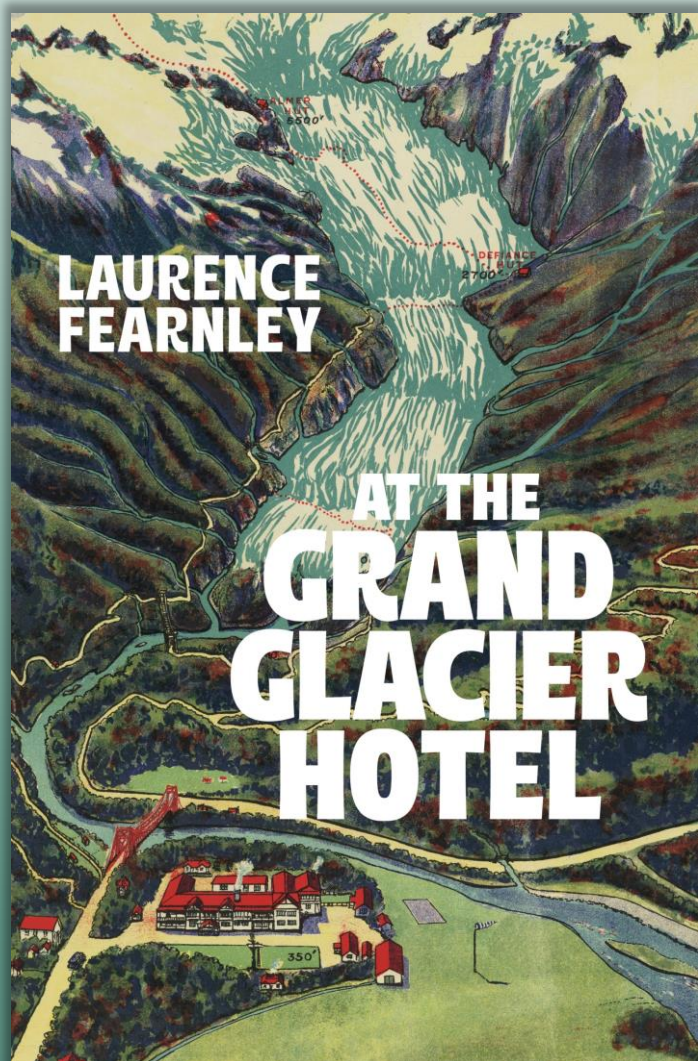
Aspiring witch hunter Pierre is drawn to Dole amid rumours of a werewolf hunting children. Desperate for respect and power, he allies himself with a priest who is fanning the flames of fear and hatred.

Set in a time when women's lives were not their own, and to be different was to be suspect, *Winter of the Wolf* is a sweeping tale of family secrets, betrayal and the abuse of power, the redeeming power of friendship, and finding your true home.



AMANDA WILLIMOTT writes historical fiction centring the experiences of women. She has always been captivated by history, mythology and folklore, which led to her pursuing a Bachelor of Arts, majoring in History and Anthropology with Honours in Anthropology, where she wrote her thesis on witchcraft and paganism. Her first novel, *Winter of the Wolf*, is based on a real werewolf trial that took place in eastern France in the winter of 1572-1573. When she's not researching, writing or editing, you can find her singing popular show tunes, reading from or adding to her to-read pile of books, or trying to find gluten-free bread that tastes like real bread. Amanda lives in Melbourne, Australia with a large, co-dependent rescue tabby named Titus.

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At The Grand Glacier Hotel Laurence Fearnley

- Beautifully written and carefully observed, it is a vivid story with a likeable protagonist who is on an intriguing quest.
- The grand landscapes of New Zealand provide a stunning visual backdrop.

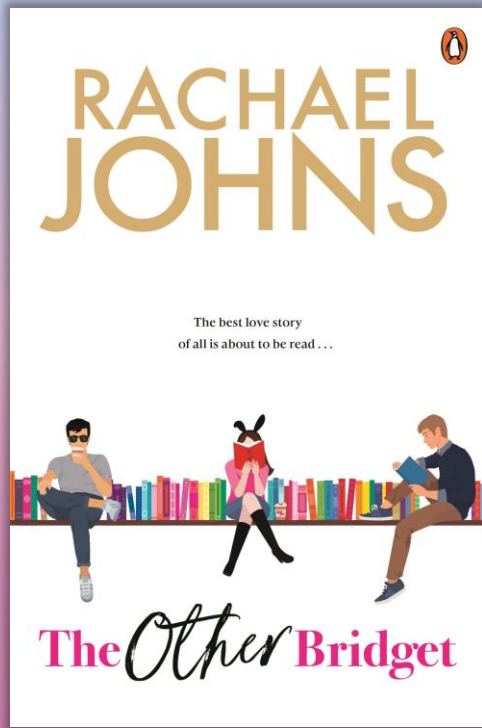
Twenty years ago, Libby and Curtis had promised each other that one day they would stay at The Grand Glacier Hotel. However, it is only when Libby is recovering from a serious operation that they finally arrive there for a long weekend. Curtis, however, doubles back to retrieve his reading glasses, and when the weather intervenes, he is unable to return.

Libby is left alone in a large, mostly empty hotel. Except she finds she isn't alone. There's Mr Kendrick, the eccentric manager; there's James, his stepson, searching for the supposedly extinct South Island kōkako; there are a few guests, including James' ex-girlfriend Ella and the constant complainer Mary; and there are intriguing sounds all around.

When Libby comes across a clue for some kind of quest, she and James team up to follow it, and in the process, Libby reclaims the person she once was.



LAURENCE FEARNLEY is an award-winning novelist. Her novel *The Hut Builder* won the fiction category of the 2011 NZ Post Book Awards. In 2014 her novel *Reach* was longlisted for the Ockham New Zealand Book Awards, and, in 2008, *Edwin and Matilda* was runner-up in the fiction category of the Montana New Zealand Book Awards. Her second novel, *Room*, was shortlisted for the 2001 Montana New Zealand Book Awards. In 2004 Fearnley was awarded the Artists to Antarctica Fellowship and in 2007 the Robert Burns Fellowship at the University of Otago. In 2016 she won the NZSA/ Janet Frame Memorial Award and in 2017 she was the joint winner of the Landfall essay competition. She was named a New Zealand Arts Foundation Laureate in 2019. She lives in Dunedin.
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"The Other Bridget is pure sunshine for the soul. I just loved it!" - TESS WOODS

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The Other Bridget

Rachael Johns

- A new romcom from Australia's bestselling romance and women's fiction writer

Named after a famous fictional character, librarian Bridget Jones was raised on a remote cattle station, with only her mother's romance novels for company. Now living alone in Fremantle, Bridget is a hopeless romantic.

She also believes that anyone who doesn't like reading just hasn't met the right book yet, and that connecting books to their readers is her superpower. If only her love life was that easy...



Once Upon a time (briefly) RACHAEL JOHNS was an English teacher, then her dreams of becoming a novelist came true. Now she spends her days writing romance and women's fiction in the Swan Valley, Western Australia. Her book *The Patterson Girls* won the ABIA Award in 2016 for General Fiction and she has also won the prestigious Romance Writers of Australia RUBY Award twice.

Australia's
bestselling
romance
writer!

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The Bad Bridesmaid

Rachael Johns

- A companion novel to *The Other Bridget* - following the hilarious and heartwarming story of Bridget's best friend, Winifred Darling!

Winifred "Fred" Darling is writing the ultimate anti-dating guide, *How Not To Catch Feelings*, for women who want to avoid falling in love. When her mother announces she's getting married (for the fifth time) Fred is not impressed. Neither, it turns out, is her future stepbrother, Leo

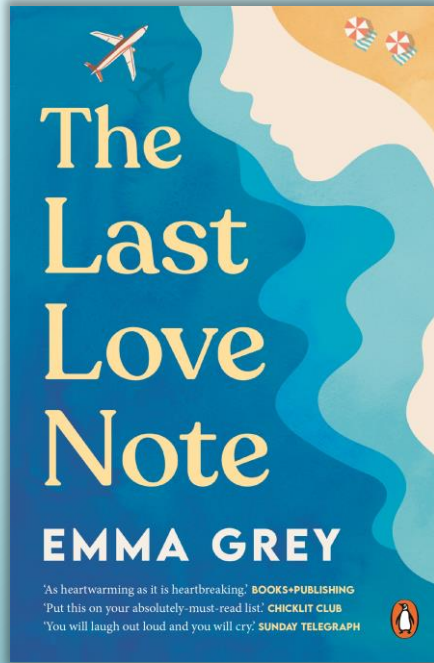
After a few drinks, Fred and Leo vent their misgivings about their parents upcoming nuptials and promptly hatch a scheme to stop the wedding from going ahead.

Is Fred the worst bridesmaid ever? Or is she about to find herself betraying all her beliefs and "catching feelings" for her prospective stepbrother-to-be?



ROMANCE





"An exquisitely heartbreaking emotional love story, packed with light, tender touches. I will be recommending this to everyone."

– PAIGE TOON

"Funny and heartbreaking and ultimately filled with hope."

- ALEXANDRA POTTER

October 2023 | Trade Paperback | 352pp | TRANSLATION RIGHTS

The Last Love Note

Emma Grey

- Sold into North America (Zibby Books) and Czech Republic (Jota)
- A Book of the Month Selection, Target Book Club selection and a December Indie Next Pick.

In the aftermath of crushing grief, sole parent Kate Whittaker must learn to live and love again. It's been tough raising her young son and wrangling a university fundraising job, an overbearing mother and a best friend intent on matchmaking her with someone new.

When Kate and her boss, Hugh, become stranded in a sleepy hamlet north of Byron Bay, she finally has a chance to... [READ MORE](#)



Over 40K copies
of *The Last Love
Note* sold in
the US

EMMA GREY wrote her first adult novel in the wake of her husband's death. It's a fictional tribute to their love, an attempt to articulate the magnitude of her loss and a life-affirming commitment to hope, which has gone on to win hearts around the world. In the US it was selected as a featured title for the Book of the Month and Target Book Clubs, a Washington Post noteworthy book and listed in the top 25 new releases by the American Bookseller's Association.

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Pictures of You

Emma Grey

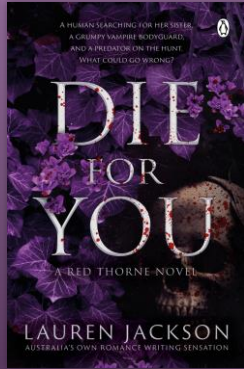
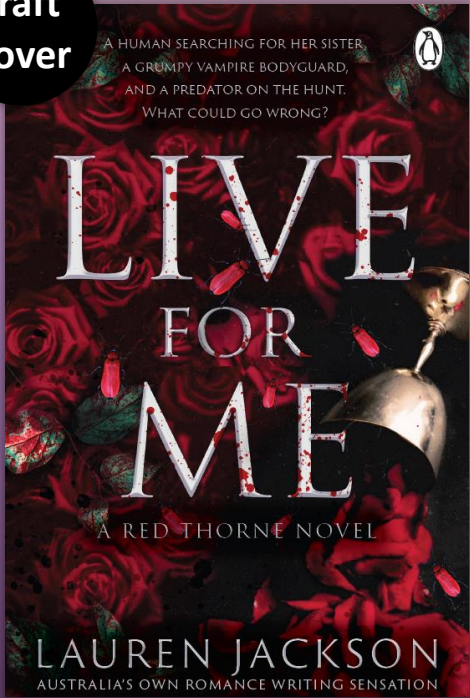
- A heartwarming tear-jerker of a novel packed full of all the feelings!

Phoebe Hudson should be grieving her dead husband, but since their car crash that claimed his life, she can't remember him at all.

The only person who can help her piece her past together is high-school best friend, Drew Kennedy - someone Phoebe pushed away years ago...



Draft
Cover



The Red
Thorne Series
continues...

A dark, spicy vampire
romantasy for lovers
of *Twilight* and *The Va
mpire Diaries*

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Live For Me (Red Thorne Book 2) Lauren Jackson

- Supernatural romantic suspense – vampires + crime + romance
- Grumpy sunshine dynamic between hero and heroine
- Book 1, *Die for You*, sold into India (Penguin Random House India)

A human searching for her sister, a grumpy vampire bodyguard in charge of keeping her alive, and a malicious creature hunting them down. What could go wrong?

Live for Me continues the addictive Red Throne series, following on from *Die for You*.



LAUREN JACKSON lives in a small coastal town in Australia. Her hobby of writing stories developed into a passion when she discovered the website Wattpad at age fourteen. Since 2012, she has garnered thousands of followers and millions of views on her stories, which have helped grow and develop her love of writing. She lives close to the beach with her partner and her little dog, Ace. Lauren loves to write sweet, steamy romances, and is always writing a new book.

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Break The Rules Lauren Jackson

- Contemporary sports (football) romance + first book in a planned trilogy.
- Tropes: Second-chance, brother's best friend, forced proximity

Dating your teammate's little sister is totally off-limits. But Mason and Anya have serious history, not least due to everything that went down three years ago. Now that Anya has to stay at her brother's house (which is also Mason's house!) after leaving her ex, things are going to get dangerous.

Will Anya and Mason be able to keep their hands off each other? (No!)

Will Anya's brother find out? (Yes!) There is also loads of family drama and football. And, of course, 🍷 spice 🍷



ROMANCE





Series Title: Blood Wine Dynasty

Book 1: *Last Shot*

Book 2: *Last Breath*

**A NEW
ROMANTIC
SUSPENSE
SERIES!**

Tropes and Themes:

- Great banter
- Slow burn romance
- Murder myster
- Wine dynasty
- Family feud
- Small town
- Overprotective male main character

*Pulse pounding
romance perfect for
fans of Devney Perry
and KA Tucker*

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Last Shot

Emma Pignatiello

Solving a murder that hasn't happened yet should be easy, right? But when ex-prisoner Maxella Conrad barges her way onto the illustrious Barbarani family property to warn them of a murder plot, her life becomes anything but easy.

For one thing, there's Greyson Hawke – the Barbarani family's "fixer" whose job is to protect the family's reputation. He refuses to believe Max, especially when he realises who she is – a disgraced ex-cop who's just spent the last six months behind bars.

With enemies circling, the family closing ranks and betrayal lurking behind every secret passageway of the mansion, Max and Grey are running out of options on who to trust if they stand a chance of stopping a killer.

As the clock starts ticking it becomes clear that they won't be able to stop this murder unless they solve the secrets of the past. Can Max and Grey confront their own demons before the last shot fires?



ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Emma Pignatiello is a high-school teacher living on the land of the Wadjuk Noongar people in Perth, Western Australia. Her romantic suspense novel *Last Shot* won the CYA 2022 Competition in the Adult Fiction category, and she was one of the recipients of the 2020 Varuna/ Affirm Press Mentorship Award for her YA fantasy novel *The Bone Painter*.

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Last Breath

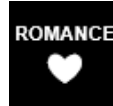
Emma Pignatiello

Nella Barbarani knows she doesn't deserve a happily ever after. Since the events of six months ago that tore her family apart, she has been partying her demons away, living up to her "nepo baby" reputation.

When a rival wine-making family slaps the Barbarani estate with a lawsuit, Nella's entire life is under threat and he's forced to turn to Jett, the Barbarani driver, for help.

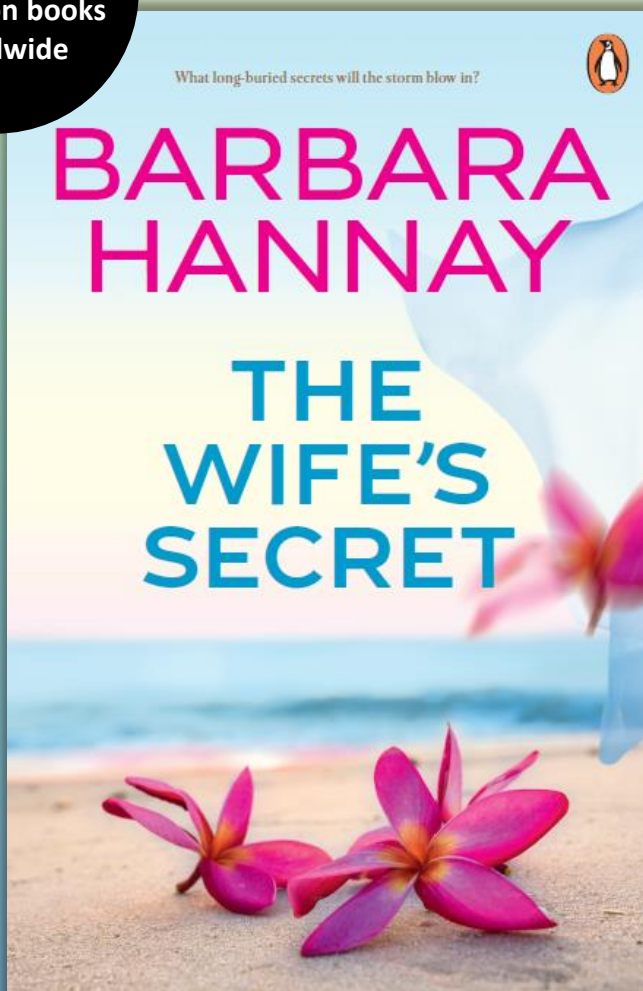
Jett Randall has never belonged anywhere. Raised in the foster care system, he's never stayed in one place long enough to call it home. Nella lives in a world Jett could never inhabit, and she's always made it perfectly clear where he stands in her eyes.

When the Barbarani's lawyer is found dead, Jett is forced to step in as Nella's guard, despite her protests. Jett will do anything to keep Nella safe. Meanwhile, the closer Nella gets to the truth, the more she fears her family's buried secrets...





Barbara Hannay
has sold over
12 Million books
Worldwide



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The Wife's Secret

Barbara Hannay

- The heartfelt new second-chance romance by the international award-winning author of *The Life Swap*

Two different dreams

Since their bitter divorce, Lisa and Rolf have forged new and separate lives. Rolf has moved out of Beacon Bay, while Lisa has remained in the tiny tropical town, a pillar of her community.

One violent storm

When a cyclone brings a massive tree smashing into Lisa's roof – into the home Rolf built and where they raised their family - their son Dave convinces Rolf that he must do the repairs. Tensions abound when Rolf arrives with glamorous stage star Renata, along with a pretty young publicist who stirs up complications for Dave and his new restaurant business as well.

Is the damage beyond repair?

Their combined efforts to rebuild the community see them confronting old wounds of their own, but will Lisa be brave enough to risk her heart again, especially if that means revealing the one guilty memory that has haunted her for decades?

Set on the picturesque coastline of Queensland's tropical far north, this is an uplifting story about resurrecting hope and unearthing love - even in the most turbulent of times.



BARBARA HANNAY writes women's fiction, with over 12 million books sold worldwide. Her novels set in Australia have been translated into twenty-six languages, and she has won the Romance Writers of America's RITA award and been shortlisted five times. Two of Barbara's novels have also won the Romance Writers of Australia's Romantic Book of the Year award.

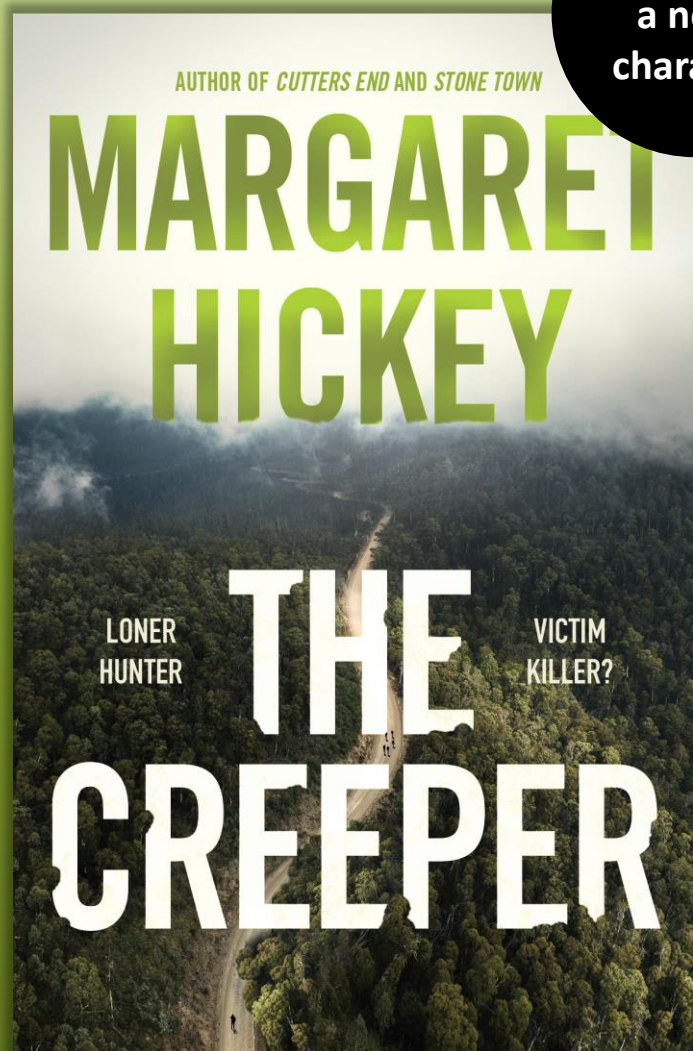
Barbara lives in Townsville with her writer husband and enjoys being close to the Coral Sea, the stunning tropical scenery and colourful characters, all of which find their way into her popular stories. Image © Elliot Hannay

ROMANCE





Introducing
a new
character



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The Creeper

Margaret Hickey

- The chilling new mystery novel from the award-winning author of bestsellers *Cutters End*, *Stone Town* and *Broken Bay*

Victim ... or killer?

For the last decade, the small mountain town of Edenville in Victoria's high country has been haunted by the horrific murders of five hikers up on Jagged Ridge.

Also found dead near the scene was Bill 'Creeper' Durant, a bushland loner, expert deer-hunter, and a man with a known reputation for stalking campers . . .

Conclusion: murder-suicide. Case closed.

But, as the ten-year anniversary of the massacre draws near, Detective Constable Sally White – the only officer at Edenville's modest police station – finds herself drawn into the dark world of the notorious Durant family.

Lex Durant, in particular, has started to publicly protest his brother's innocence and accuse the police of persecution.

As Sally combs the investigation to prove him wrong, it becomes all too clear that each murdered hiker had skeletons in their own closet - and possible enemies in their past . . .



Margaret Hickey is an award-winning author and playwright from North-East Victoria. She has a PhD in Creative Writing and is deeply interested in rural lives and communities. *Cutters End* won the BAD Sydney Danger Prize and was shortlisted for the Ned Kelly Award for Best Debut. Image © Charlotte Guest

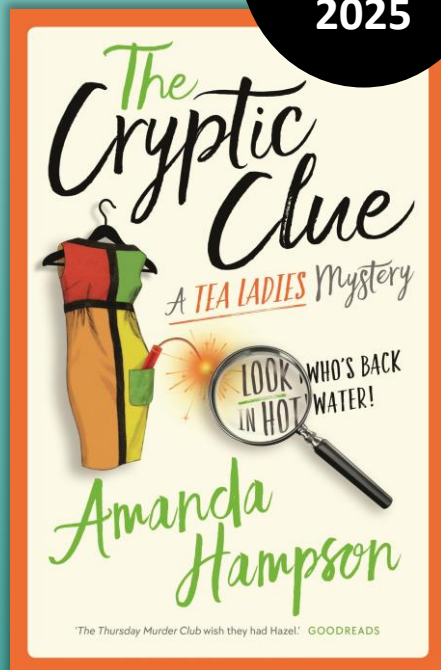
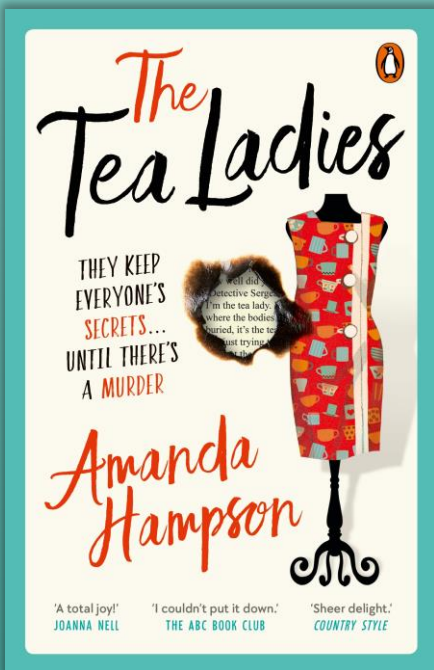
CRIME





“Crime, comedy and fashion, it’s a layer cake of which any tea lady would be proud.” – THE AGE

**Book # 3
coming in
2025**



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The Deadly Dispute The Tea Ladies (Book 3) Amanda Hampson

- This is the third book in the bestselling cosy crime series, following on from *The Tea Ladies* and *The Cryptic Clue*
- *The Tea Ladies* has sold into Germany (Verlagsgruppe Droemer Knaur)
- Ideal for fans of Richard Osman, Bonnie Garmus and *Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries*

They keep everyone’s secrets... until there’s a murder.

Welcome to Zig Zag Lane in the heart of the rag-trade district, where our intrepid tea ladies, Hazel, Betty and Irene, have their work cut out for them.

Solving a murder, kidnapping, arson case and outwitting an arch criminal has earned them the respect of a local police officer. Now he needs their assistance to help solve a plot that threatens national security.

The tea ladies are back in hot water again!

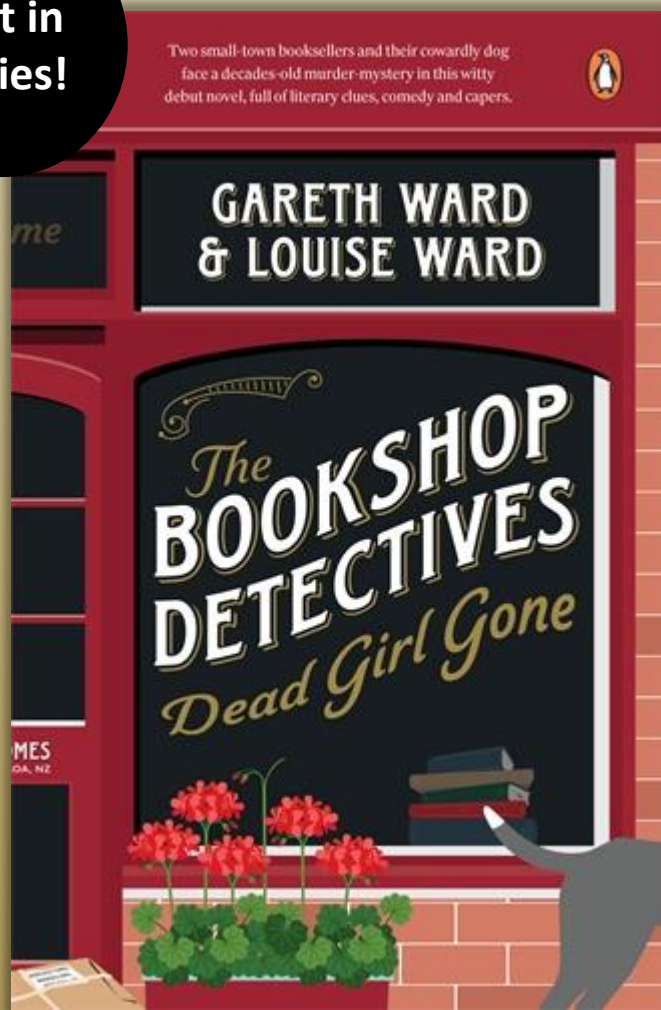


AMANDA HAMPSON grew up in rural New Zealand. She spent her early twenties travelling, finally settling in Australia in 1979 where she now lives in Sydney's Northern Beaches. Writing professionally for more than 20 years, she is the author of two non-fiction books, numerous articles and novels including *The Olive Sisters*, *Two for the Road*, *The French Perfumer*, *The Yellow Villa*, *Sixty Summers*, *Lovebirds* and *The Tea Ladies*. Image © Christian Trinder





First in series!



The Bookshop Detective: Dead Girl Gone Gareath Ward & Louise Ward

- *Diary of a Bookseller* meet *Thursday Murder Club* in this witty and charming cosy crime debut from real life bookshops owners (and husband & wife co-authors), Gareth Ward and Louise Ward!
- Two small-town booksellers (and their cowardly dog) solve a decades-old murder-mystery in this witty debut novel, full of literary clues, sparkling dialogue, and comedic insights into the world of bookshops.

Introducing...the Bookshop Detectives!

When a mystery parcel arrives at Sherlock Tomes bookshop in small-town Havelock North, New Zealand, husband-and-wife owners Garth and Eloise (and their petrified pooch, Stevie) are drawn into the baffling case of a decades-old missing schoolgirl.

Intrigued by the puzzling, bookish clues the two ex-cops are soon tangled in a web of crime, drugs, and floral decapitations, while endeavouring to pull off the international celebrity book launch of the century.

With their beloved shop on the chopping block and the sinister suspect who forced them to run away from Blighty reemerging from the shadows, have Garth and Eloise Sherlock finally met their Moriarty?



GARETH AND LOUISE WARD are the real-life owners of independent bookshop Wardini Books IN New Zealand. Louise is known among the staff as Fearless Leader and Gareth is the author of the *Tarquin the Honest* and *The Rise of the RemarkableS* book series, as well as being the bestselling and award-winning author of *The Traitor and the Thief* and *The Cockrill and the Thief*.

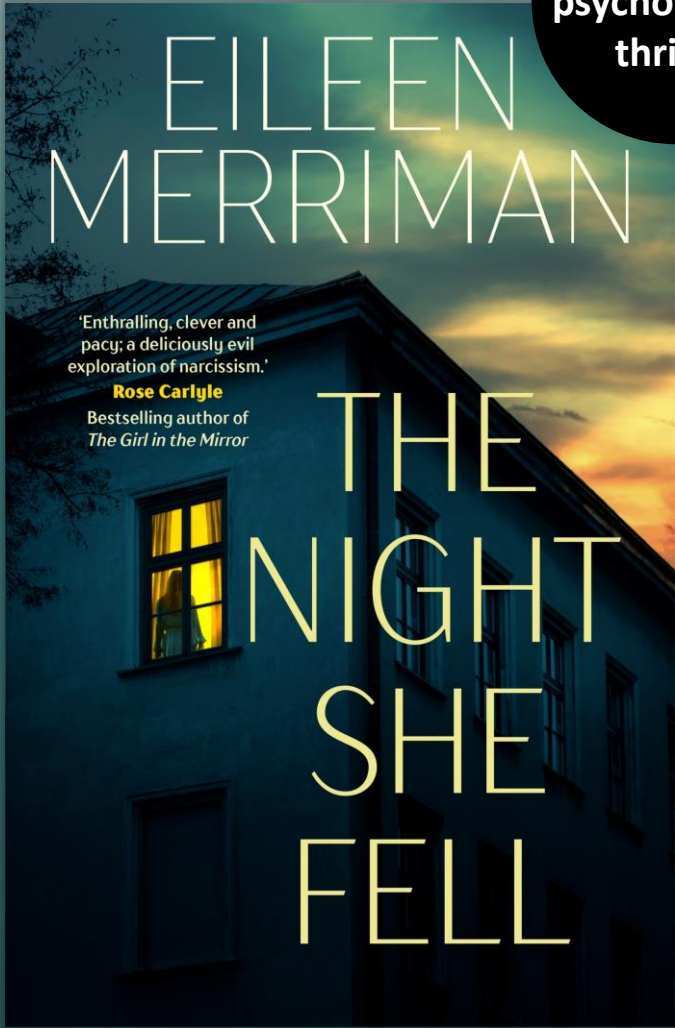
Gareth and Louise met at police training college in the UK and are both ex-coppers. Louise has one murder arrest to her name, is an English Literature Graduate and as an ex-teacher inflicted Shakespeare on inner-city twelve-year-olds. She regularly reviews books on RNZ. Both are obsessed with their rescue dog Stevie, avoid housework and gardening, and live in the cultural centre of the universe that is Hawke's Bay, Aotearoa New Zealand. The Bookshop Detectives is Gareth and Louise's first book together.

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A chilling
psychological
thriller



The Night She Fell

Eileen Merriman

- 'Pacy, clever and enthralling, *The Night She Fell* is a deliciously evil exploration of narcissism. A thriller that will keep you awake long into the night.' - Rose Carlyle, bestselling author of *The Girl in the Mirror*.

'When I last saw Ashleigh, she was lying in a pool of blood . . . Her eyes were open, staring sightlessly into the sky. I'd like to think she saw the stars before she died; that in her last moments she flew, soaring on serotonin, dreamy with dopamine. I'd like to think she didn't suffer . . .'

A beautiful young law student dies on the concrete below her third-storey window in chilly Dunedin.

It's clear enough how she died. What isn't is why — or who's involved.

Plenty of people had a reason to hate Ashleigh, with her straight As and perfect looks. She's fallen out with her flatmates, and her boyfriend Xander is having second thoughts about their future together. And then there are the weird messages.

The Night She Fell is a gripping psychological thriller from one of New Zealand's most multi-talented contemporary novelists.

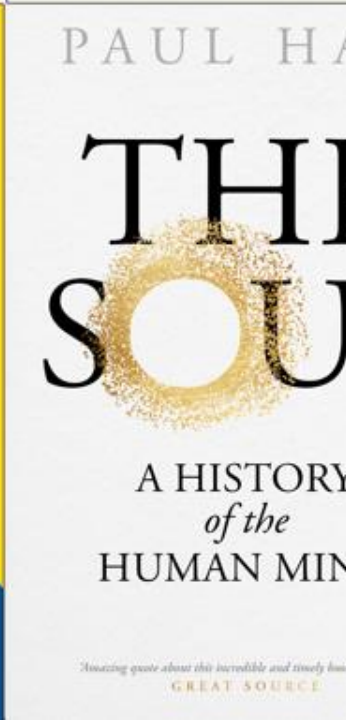
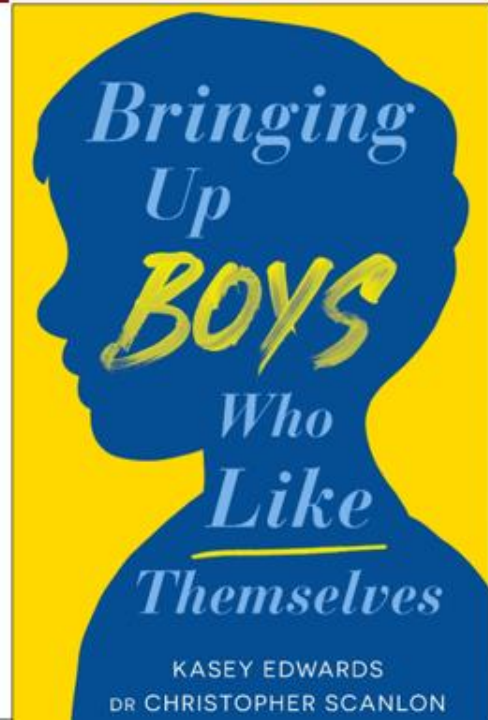
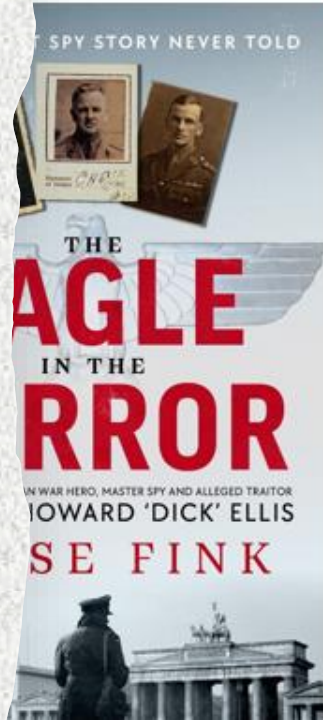
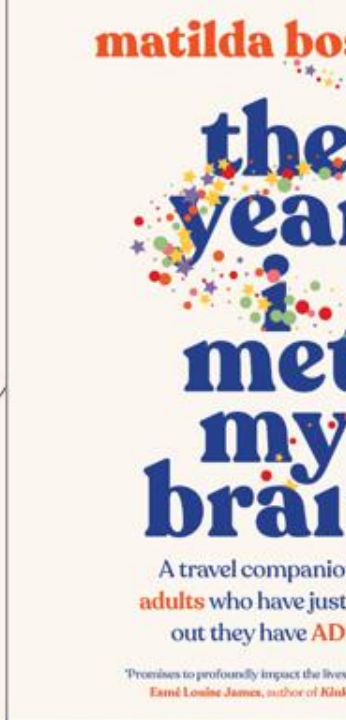
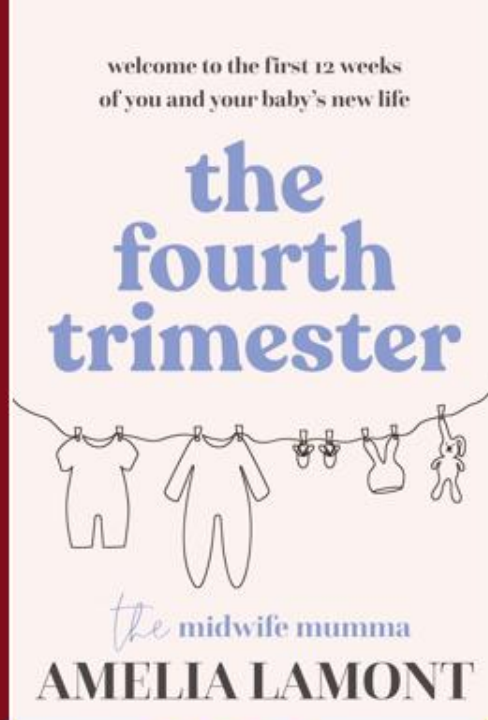
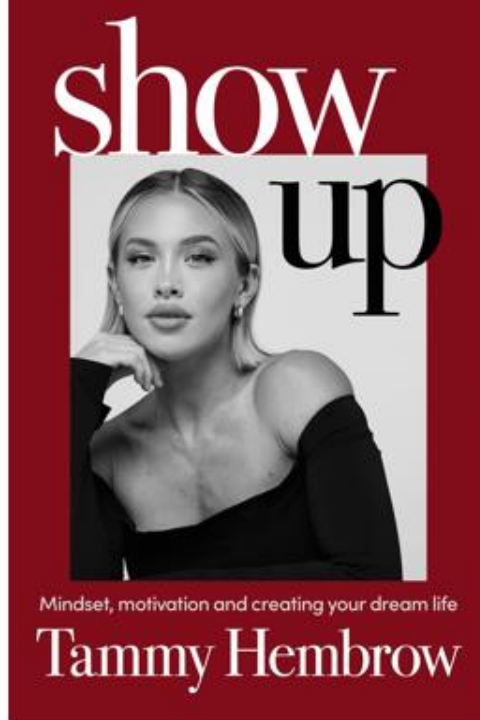
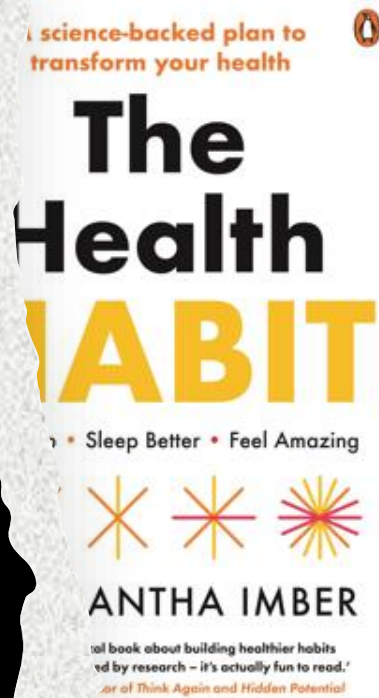


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Eileen Merriman is a much-loved New Zealand author, and has received huge critical praise, with one reviewer saying: 'Merriman is an instinctive storyteller with an innate sense of timing.' In addition to being a regular finalist in the NZ Book Awards for Children and Young Adults, Merriman was a finalist in the 2021 Ngaio Marsh Award for Best Crime Novel and Moonlight Sonata was longlisted for the Jann Medlicott Acorn Prize for Fiction 2020. Editions of some of her young adult novels have been released in Germany, Turkey and the UK and three have been optioned for film or TV, including the Black Spiral Trilogy.
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From the author of *Time Wise*

A science-backed plan to transform your health

The Health HABIT

Shape Up • Sleep Better • Feel Amazing



Dr AMANTHA IMBER

'Finally: a practical book about building healthier habits that's not only backed by research – it's actually fun to read.'

ADAM GRANT, author of *Think Again* and *Hidden Potential*

The Health Habit: Shape Up, Sleep Better, Feel Amazing Amantha Imber

- *Time Wise*, Amantha's last book, was a Top 10 non-fiction bestseller, sold into multiple territories, including the UK, Korea, Brazil, Mexico and Taiwan
- Clear and practical guide: this book distils the latest peer reviewed scientific research by professors at Harvard and Oxford
- In-built podcast audience: *How I Work* has been downloaded more than 5 million times, and regularly sits at the top of Business charts

Are you trapped in a cycle of unhealthy habits? You are not alone – we all have unique barriers that get in the way of making permanent changes to our health.

In *The Health Habit*, psychologist Dr Amantha Imber steps away from the one-size-fits-all approach and brings together:

The specific psychological barriers stopping you from achieving better health; Cutting-edge research into what we should eat, how to get fit, and how to sleep better, by professors from Harvard and Oxford, plus various health experts; The latest behavioural science that helps us make these changes stick for good; and an easy method to create your own personalised and actionable plan to change your habits.



Dr Amantha Imber is an organisational psychologist and founder of behaviour change consultancy Inventium. Amantha is also the host of the number one ranking life improvement podcast *How I Work*, which has had over 5 million downloads, where she interviews some of the world's most successful people about their habits, strategies and rituals. In 2019, Amantha was named as one of the Australian Financial Review's 100 Women of Influence. In 2021, she won the Thinkers50 Innovation Award (described by the Financial Times as the "Oscars for Management Thinking"), which recognises the thinker who has contributed the most to the understanding of innovation globally over the last two years.

Amantha's thoughts have appeared in *Harvard Business Review*, *Forbes*, *Entrepreneur* and *Fast Company* and she is the author of three bestselling books, *The Creativity Formula*, *The Innovation Formula* and *Time Wise*, which unlocks the productivity secrets of the world's most successful people.

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A 4-week toolkit for rediscovering your best self

REBOOT



KAYLA ITSINES

Featuring workouts, recipes, tips and journal

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Reboot With Kayla Kayla Itsines

- Kayla is one of the biggest fitness influencers in the world, with over 45 MILLION followers across all platforms, located all over the globe!
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The all-in-one toolkit for kickstarting your health and fitness, from Sweat's co-founder and head trainer, Kayla Itsines.

The book features a four-week holistic program with incremental exercise plans, mobility and HIIT exercises, 30 recipes, meal planning templates, Kayla's wellbeing tools, and daily journal plus bonus journal pages.

It has broad appeal and easy entry – not for fitness fanatics but is for anyone looking to get back into or start their fitness journey.

Format is a gorgeous flexiback paperback with full colour design and photography.



KAYLA ITSINES is the co-founder and Head Trainer of Sweat - is a leading women's fitness app and global community that has transformed the lives of millions of women around the world. Kayla has made it her mission to provide women with the tools they need to improve their health and fitness, revolutionising the female fitness landscape and making movement more accessible to women across the globe. Home to over 45 unique programs and more than 13,000 workouts designed by women, for women, Sweat is available in over 145 countries and in eight languages. Image © Stuart Miller



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Mindset, motivation and creating your dream life

Tammy Hembrow

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Show Up: Mindset, Motivation and Creating Your Dream Life Tammy Hembrow

- A motivational guide to owning your life, balancing your priorities, achieving whatever you set your mind to and bringing your best self to it all
- Simultaneous publication with PRH UK (Cornerstone)
- Tammy has a highly engaged online following with 12M Instagram followers. 1.9M TikTok followers and 1.3M YouTube subscribers

Women across the world look up to Tammy for inspiration – she has almost 20 million followers across platforms. In this, her first book, Tammy breaks down life into its eight main areas and explains how she shows up to them all and balances them.

She shares her secrets about setting goals, building habits, staying motivated, tackling challenges, embracing vulnerability and having fun. Tammy also offers behind-the-scenes insights into the high and low experiences of her life and the moments that her followers recognise from her social media channels.



Tammy Hembrow is an entrepreneur and one of Australia's most successful creators, with over 20 million followers. As the founder of fitness platform Tammy Fit and luxury athleisure label Saski, Tammy's mission is to motivate and inspire people to feel their best. Tammy has been listed in *Business News Australia's* 40 under 40, won Young Entrepreneur of the Year Australia in her category for *Business News Australia*, and been voted *Cosmopolitan* magazine's Social Media Star of the Year, Fitness & Travel. She is mum to Wolf, Saskia and Posy.

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First Nations Author



Main Character Energy Bianca Hunt

- An upbeat, empowering and illuminating guide for twenty-to-thirtysomethings about how to take control of your life, career and self.
- “Main Character Energy” is a way of taking charge and living life to its fullest. A wake-up call: you must change your life. You are the main character in your life!

Traditional narratives: Previously, the traditional path for people in their twenties was to have their whole life mapped out by this point. But as Bianca knows, you don’t have to have it all figured out at this age! Instead, your twenties can be a time to explore, to find what brings you joy and to be open to possibilities. Here Bianca would delve into traditional narratives in more detail: her own, those modelled by previous generations, the decisions facing young First Nations people and more.

Expectation and pressure: Leading on from the previous topic this would be about the weight of expectation and pressure, the forms it can take and the impacts it can have. Bianca would share some of her own experiences (how she feels she has been ‘pigeonholed’ at times), profile/interview other people and suggest strategies to deal with expectation and pressure.

Career and business: As a person in their late twenties with numerous high-profile achievements, Bianca is qualified to share the wisdom she wishes she had starting her career and to inspire those starting on their journey. Ultimately, she would break down the traditional parameters of success and determine her unique framework for productivity, ambition and success.



BIANCA HUNT, a proud Kamilaroi, Barkindji, Ballardong and Whadjuk woman, was always the ‘creative kid’ in her family. While her brother played AFL and her sister was a runner, Bianca loved dancing and singing.

Fast forward to 2023, and the now-27-year-old has an established career in the Australian media space, having been a host of the 2019 National NAIDOC Awards, a guest on The Drum, and also a co-host of Indigenous TV network NITV’s Yokayi Footy program. She also co-hosted Going Places with Ernie Dingo season 5 this year. She is a Queensland University of Technology, Business and Creative Industries Graduate, 2021 LinkedIn Changemaker, experienced broadcaster and freelancer. In 2021 Bianca launched her own talent agency, AGNT BLAK, aimed at providing a safe environment for First Nations media personalities, speakers and influencers to thrive in mainstream spaces.

Writing sample

As a kid growing up, I thought by 25, I'd have my whole life together. Kids, married, dog, white picket fence... you know, that kinda thing. My parents met when they were 15 and 17, they were teen parents and had their last kid (my brother) when Mum was 25. To me this was a realistic concept. I thought 25 was OLD. I thought that if you were that age and in a relationship, that you were doing "life" right. Obviously, as I am writing this in my late 20s, I don't align with this mentality at all. Maybe this is your life, maybe it isn't, that's the point! No two people's lives are meant to be the same. Our versions of happiness, success or lifestyles are all variable. This makes us human. I think it goes without saying, if you're looking for a book that tells you how to do your 20s/30s right, this isn't it. However this book will challenge your thoughts and hopefully remind you that no matter what age, you don't need to have everything "together". This book is for the go getters, the ones who want to challenge the status quo, those who may need a bit of motivation or tools to take their lives to the next level.

I guess you might be thinking, who's Bianca Hunt and what makes her qualified to write a book? Well, let's get to it.

My early childhood consisted of going to school; playing outside; dancing and singing to music; watching my brother play AFL on the weekend; and in my spare time, heading to the university with my dad as oddly enough, that was my ultimate playground. Dad was the first in our family to go to university and whether he intended it or not, he set the standard for our family to seek out higher education. Being the first in the family to do something or change the status quo is no easy task. My dad had a Year 10 level of education as he didn't finish high school. He decided to head to uni as a mature aged student, with three kids under 8 and no prior experience in academics. Although this process for him was testing at the best of times, you know what it did? It showed my mum, siblings and me that this was possible.

The year my dad started his university journey was the year I was born (obviously the middle child in me claims that I'm the inspiration for him to do this). In 1996, there were not many First Nations peoples at university, there was also a smaller grouping of degrees that were pushed for First Nations peoples to study, for example education or health. The support then was very different, especially to what I had, but the power of him going to university and graduating led him to furthering his studies onto a master's degree, with my mum starting her undergraduate the same year.

From one person making a decision, not only did my mum, siblings and I go to university but my dad's siblings did too. At the time of me writing this book there are 11 degrees between my dad, mum, sister, brother and myself. They're one of the first things you see when you enter my parents' house.

Now, I'm not saying that a higher education is the only path to success, there are so many ways you can achieve success, but I *am* saying that it takes one person to start a flow-on effect. That's the purpose of this book, to understand your story, to know who you are and, if necessary, re-write your story.

You would think having two parents with degrees meant that I would be the smartest in the class, the most attentive student and love learning across different subjects. This could not be further from the truth. I was not academically inclined, I did not like going to school (unless it was to see my friends) and most of the time the information I received went through one ear and out the other almost instantly. I never had my homework done, I found it incredibly difficult to read and I was ALWAYS distracted. I know there were a few reasons for this: one, there was little to no belief in me from various teachers at school who either told me I would amount to nothing or wasn't the "type" of person to be successful (helloooo racism); secondly, students constantly told me how different I was (definitely not in a good way) to the point of constant bullying and slurs; and lastly I think I just got to a point where I believed those things I was being told and I couldn't push past the negativity. I found it incredibly hard to believe in myself regardless of the support I had at home.



From the creator
of *Steph Pase
Planners*

Mastering My Messy Life

Steph Pase

- Steph Pase is a mother of two and the powerhouse behind [@justanothermummyblog](#) and [Steph Pase Planners](#).

Funny, tragic, surprising and heartfelt, this memoir lifts the lid on Aussie social media star, renowned mummy blogger, podcaster and entrepreneur Steph Pase. For her 1M+ online fans, her life is filled with a string of successes, but now for the first time she reveals the real Steph hidden behind her seemingly glamorous lifestyle.

Steph Pase is the Aussie go-to girl online for all things home life, organisation, motherhood, health and fitness. And she's the first to admit: she's a hot mess too. She's also scatterbrained, a bit lazy, and can't throw a ball to save her life. So how did this former messy girl-next-door become renowned for cleaning routines, home hacks, organisation tips and successful entrepreneurship?

With a vulnerable, confessional writing style, Steph tells stories that will have you sobbing one minute and snort-laughing the next. This is not just another mummy memoir; it's a story of perseverance, growth, overcoming obstacles and learning how to live your best life using the most reliable tool at your disposal: YOURSELF.



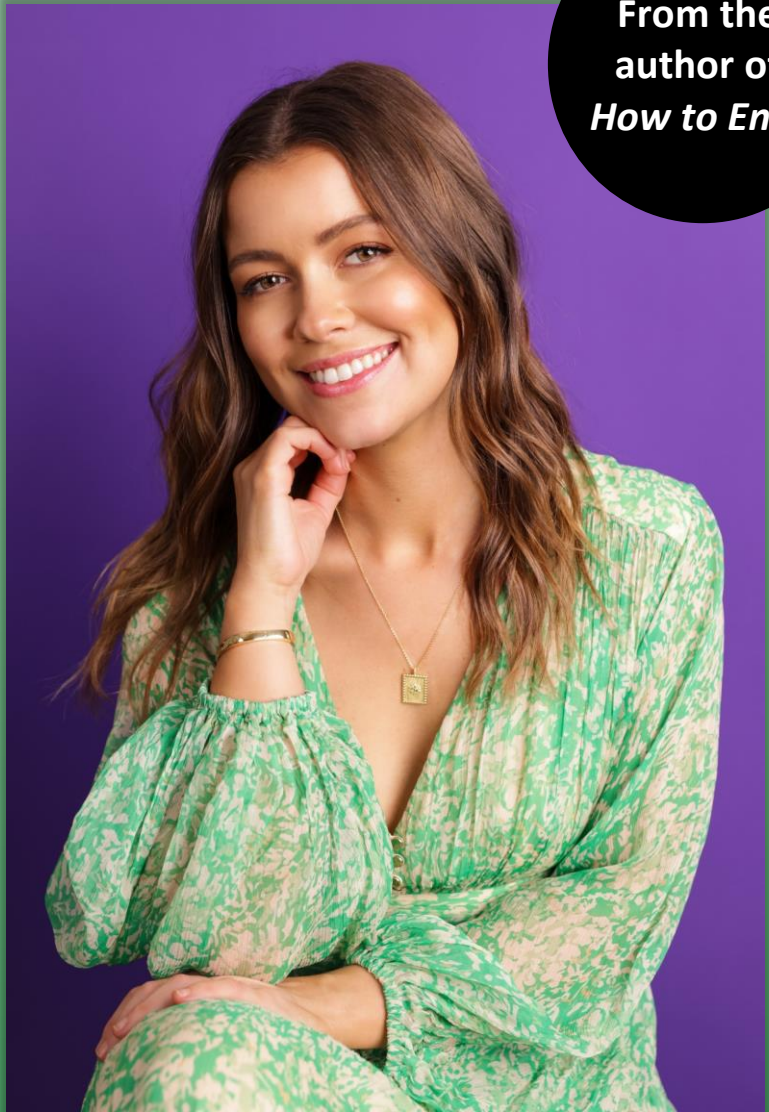
STEPH PASE is the ultimate multi-hyphenate millennial woman. She's an entrepreneur, content creator, media personality, writer, mother and wife, who is simultaneously running a wildly successful business and online community of more than one million followers, while trying to get her kids out the door looking remotely presentable and trying to remember why she walked into the kitchen.

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From the
author of
How to Endo



Figuring Out 30 Bridget Hustwaite

- Explore the chaos, confusion and clarity that comes with turning 30 with podcaster and popular radio presenter Bridget Hustwaite
- For readers of Dolly Alderton, Nell Frizzell and Elizabeth Day
- Her first book, *How to Endo*, was a lived-experience guide to life with endometriosis. It was a bestseller on release in 2018

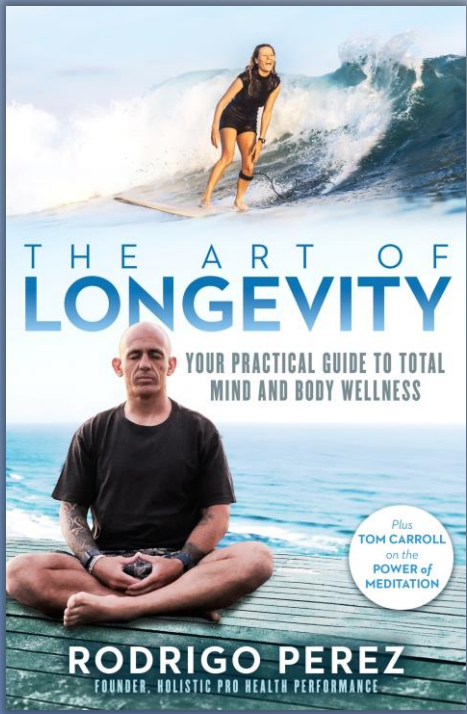
Just before turning 30, Bridget Hustwaite had a big romantic break-up, released her first book and was then plunged into lockdown. The big 3-0 did not turn out as planned – a common experience, it turns out, and one that led her to create her popular podcast, Figuring Out 30.

A relatable book of reflections, insights and tips from experts and personalities about crossing the threshold into your thirties and navigating all that awaits, *Figuring Out 30* is a reassuring read that transforms fear into excitement. Covering a broad range of topics including heartbreak, sexuality, work and money, marriage, grief, family dynamics and astrology, Bridget lends her warm and witty voice to the conundrums awaiting so many of us as our twenties come to and we realise: the only approval we need for our life choices is our own.



BRIDGET HUSTWAITE is a music presenter, author and podcaster. Her first book, *How to Endo*, a lived-experience guide to life with endometriosis, was a bestseller on release in 2018. Bridget's latest project is an independent podcast series called Figuring Out 30, exploring the chaos, confusion and clarity that comes with turning 30. Within days of release, Figuring Out 30 made Spotify's Top 20 Podcast Chart (AU/NZ) and made their top 5% most shared podcasts globally for 2022. The podcast also received a New & Noteworthy feature on Apple Podcasts and Bridget was asked to personally curate a playlist of songs to accompany the podcast, which was featured as Pick of the Day on Apple Music. Image © Michelle Grace Hunter

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RODRIGO PEREZ is a professional coach and founder of Holistic Pro Health Performance and has worked with some of the world's most successful athletes. *The Art of Longevity* draws on everything he's learned along his own journey, for one aim: keeping people in the water, on the trail, in the mountains – wherever their inspiration lives.

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The Art of Longevity

Rodrigo Perez

The Art of Longevity is a simple wake-up call, filled with practical, easy-to-understand principles to apply across your life – in your habits, exercise goals, nutrition, meditation and breathing practices, lifestyle choices and much, much more.

There is often a disconnect between the raw spirit of our younger selves – when energy and enthusiasm were inexhaustible, and our bodies rarely let us down – and the limitations and demands we increasingly face over time. Our vitality can fade as we stress over career, family, financial security and just staying mentally afloat. We allow poor nutrition and bad habits to take root, while our frantic mind takes the wheel. Worst of all, we neglect our 'fire' – the things that we love and give our lives meaning.



"What if you were already enough? And everything else was just one big distraction?"



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• Show Up, Stand Up, Speak Up

Erika Cramer

Erika Cramer is renowned as The Queen of Confidence, a global leader in the world of confidence coaching, empowering women to reclaim their lives. She is an award-winning life coach and psychotherapist and to date, her programs and podcast *The Confidence Chronicles* have transformed the lives of hundreds of thousands of women globally.

Show Up, Stand Up, Speak Up is Erika's guide to becoming magnetic and taking up the space you deserve. Writing for any woman who feels they're staying small and quiet in parts of their lives, Erika explains how to stop hiding, start showing up and speak your truth. With these three principles you'll unlock the kind of confident, radiant energy that will draw people and opportunities to you, and take your life in incredible new directions.





LUCILLE SHACKLETON is an Australian Sex and Relationship Therapist whose passion for psychoeducation has led to an influential presence on social media. Lucille’s posts on dating and relationships regularly go viral resulting in a following of over 200k and numerous posts reaching anywhere from 1-13 million people.

She also runs a private practice in Sydney where she works with couples and individuals to improve their relationships. Lucille has a Bachelor of Behavioural Science and Sociology from The University of Notre Dame, a Post Graduate Certificate in Public Health from Curtin University and Post Graduate Diploma in Counselling from The University of Tasmania. She is currently completing her Masters in Psychosexual Therapy at Sydney University.

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All In Lucille Shackleton

- **Do you want that feeling of being ‘all in’ with someone you love?**

Australian sex and relationship therapist - and Instagram star - Lucille Shackleton gives you the tools to create a thriving, loving and lasting relationship with the person you love.

Lucille shifts the focus away from finding the elusive “one” to instead focusing on what it means to have a healthy relationship couched in a common shared vision between two partners. She explores topics that really help relationships thrive, including self-awareness, vulnerability, and the natural messiness of relationships. All In is not about playing the blame game, but rather seeing what works for you, whether you are newly dating or drifting along in a long-term marriage and just need the tools to improve the relationship you love with the person you love.



RESET your mindset around ‘dieting’ and change your relationship to food

NOURISH your body with what it needs

BURN unwanted fat using six simple hacks

SUSIE BURRELL is a Sydney-based leading dietitian with qualifications in nutrition and psychology. She specialises in weight loss and the dietary management of hormone disorders in women. She is the author of Losing the Last 5kg, Lose Weight Fast, and the Monday to Friday Diet.

LEANNE WARD is a nutritionist, sports dietitian, and influencer. She specialises in coaching women about emotional eating, gut health, and sustainable fat loss. She has 12 years of clinical nutrition and dietetics experience in both public hospitals and private practice.

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Reset Nourish Burn Susie Burrell & Leanne Ward

- **Reset Nourish Burn: The 3 dietician-backed principles for lasting weight control**
- **Designed by dietitians, discover this accessible guide to the three simple principles that will help you manage your weight with ease – forever.**

This science-backed guide is complete with easy-to-make, nutritionally balanced recipes and meal plans, and filled with helpful case studies to illustrate the powerful effects of Susie and Leanne’s dietary coaching.

Practical, realistic, supportive and informative, Reset, Nourish, Burn is all the information and motivation you need to get back in control of your health.





From the
founder of
the Australian
Institute of
Human
Wellness

The Dopamine Brain

Dr Anastasia Hronis

- **Feel empowered to make both pleasurable and purposeful choices, leading to a full, rich and meaningful life.**

Sex, shopping, eating, social media, drugs and gambling are just some of the things that can trigger a release of dopamine, a neurotransmitter in the brain that is involved in the brain's reward system. The overindulgence of certain pursuits can disrupt the level of dopamine in our brain, which can steer us towards habits that do not align with our core values.

Fortunately, *The Dopamine Brain* by clinical psychologist and founder of the Australian Institute of Human Wellness, Dr Anastasia Hronis, offers a clear and practical way to help people find balance and harmony in their lives.

The book is divided into three parts, each made up of chapters that explore a specific topic in a clear, understandable way, weaving in the latest research in neuroscience and psychology, case studies and reflective questions. By the end of this guide, Dr Hronis will help you feel empowered to make both pleasurable and purposeful choices, leading to a full, rich and meaningful life.



DR ANASTASIA HRONIS is a clinical psychologist and founder of the Australian Institute for Human Wellness in Sydney. Her main area of research is also in addictions, with a specific focus on gambling. Anastasia also provides individual psychological therapy, group therapy programs, coaching courses and workshops. She has wide range of experience working in both the public and private sectors. She has presented at many national and international conferences and has published research in top rated journals. She also lectures and researches at the University of Technology Sydney.

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A guide to
living boldly,
authentically and
unapologetically

Authentic: Your Path Back to Self

Kat John

- A guide to getting back in touch with your true nature and what matters to you so you can live as who you were really meant to be
- Kat has a strong online following, with 533k Instagram followers, and hosts the highly successful podcast *Real Raw Relatable*

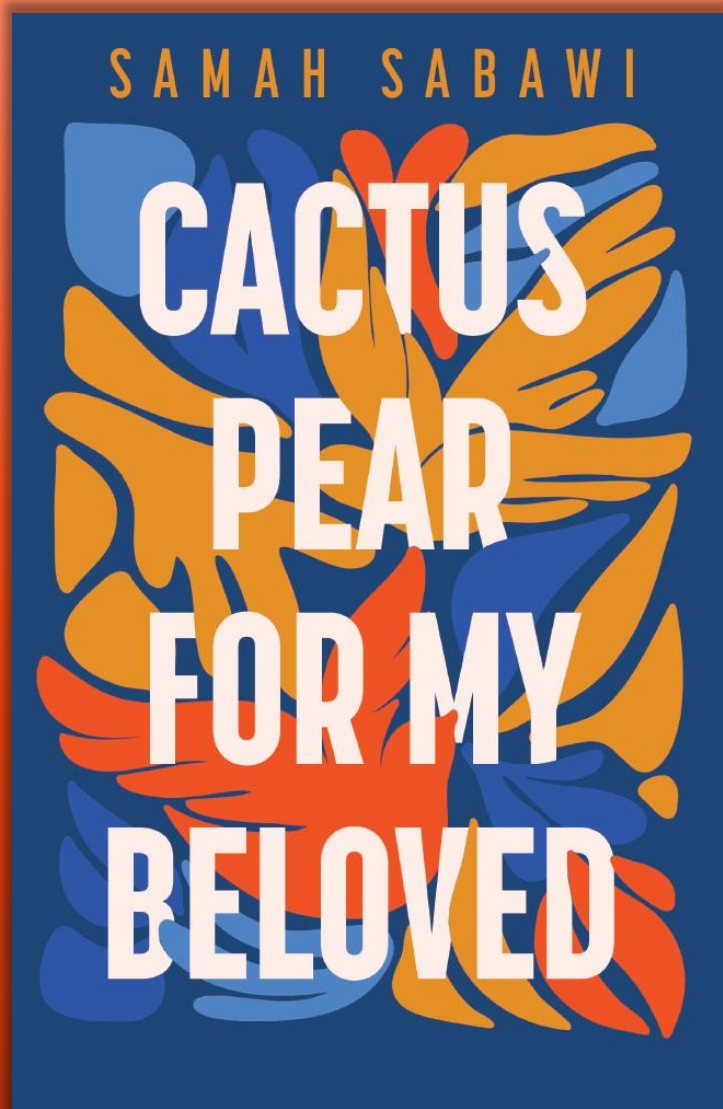
Kat John is a coach, keynote speaker and podcaster with irresistible energy – loved as much for her fun and uplifting dance videos as for her candid and raw insights about her own growth and healing. Having overcome her own struggles, from eating disorder and drug addiction to chronic pain and an unexpected brain surgery, Kat has walked the talk of learning how to find and live as her real self. And she's on a mission to help others do the same.

- Many women turn to Kat for her advice when they reach a crisis point in their thirties and forties. This inspiring guide to cultivating authenticity will be the toolkit they can turn to in order to reclaim who they are and what they want.



Kat John is a catalyst for transformation, empowering individuals to shed societal shackles and reclaim their authenticity. As an authenticity coach and host of the *Real Raw Relatable* podcast, she guides others on a journey of self-discovery, challenging limiting beliefs and encouraging radical self-acceptance. With her signature 'zerofks' approach, Kat emboldens her audience to break free from conformity, embracing their true essence with unwavering courage. Through her work, she ignites a ripple effect of empowerment, inspiring others to live boldly, authentically and unapologetically. Kat is not just a coach; she is a beacon of light, guiding souls back to their innate power and guiding them to lead lives of profound purpose and fulfilment. Image © Alexandra Drewniak

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Cactus Pear For My Beloved

Samah Sabawi

- **The story of a family over the past 100 years, starting in Palestine under British rule, and ending in Queensland, Australia**
- **A moving and optimistic memoir from an award-winning author, playwright and poet**

Samah Sabawi shares the story of her parents, and many like them, who were born as their parents were being forced to leave their homelands.

Filled with love for land, history and people, it is more than anything else a family story and a love story told with enormous humanity and feeling.

It follows the story set during the time of displacements, where one son (one of six), born to a disabled father and illiterate mother, became a leading poet and writer in Palestine, and an advocate for peaceful resistance. He was eventually forced, with his own young family in tow, to flee his homeland, and start a new life in Australia.

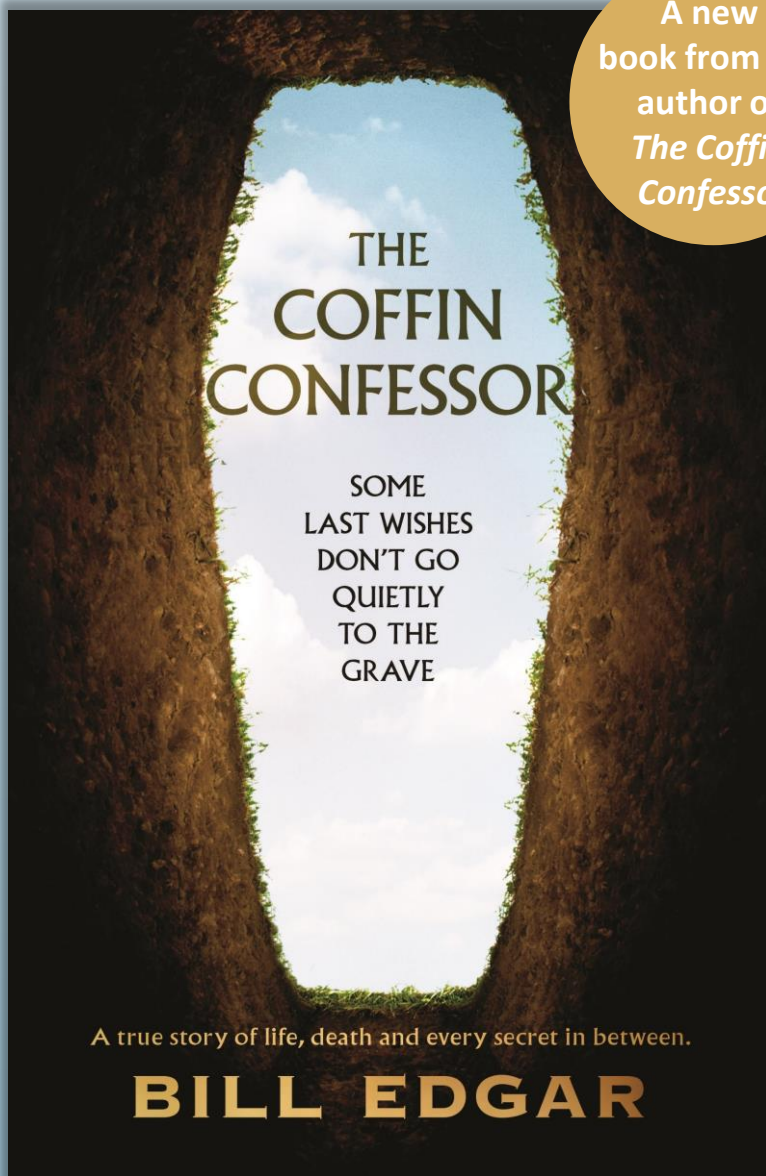
One of the gifts of Samah Sabawi's Baba is to remain open-hearted and optimistic.



Samah Sabawi is an author, playwright and poet and a recipient of multiple awards both nationally and internationally. Her theatre credits include the critically acclaimed and award-winning plays *Tales of a City by the Sea* and *THEM*. In 2020 Samah received the prestigious Green Room Award for Best Writing in the independent theatre category and was shortlisted for both the NSW and Victorian Premier's Literary Awards. With Stephen Orlo Samah edited the anthology *Double Exposure: Plays of the Jewish and Palestinian Diasporas*, winner of the Patrick O'Neill Award and she co-authored *I Remember My Name: Poetry* by Samah Sabawi, Ramzy Baroud and Jehan Bseiso, edited by Vacy Vlazna, winner of the Palestine Book Award. Samah received a Doctor of Philosophy from Victoria University for her thesis titled *Inheriting Exile, transgenerational trauma and the Palestinian Australian Identity*.



A new
book from the
author of
*The Coffin
Confessor*



The Afterlife Confessional

Bill Edgar

- *The Coffin Confessor* is being adapted as a TV series.
- *The Coffin Confessor* has become a world-wide phenomenon! Bill is regularly interviewed on television, radio and podcasts across the globe: major US markets and rural radio – including an appearance on NPR's *This American Life* - Denmark, Brazil, Colombia, Canada, the UK, Iceland, Egypt, India, Japan, China and Malaysia, to name a few.
- Bill Edgar's TEDx Talk, 'Why I tell people to "f*** off" at funerals', has been viewed over 35,000 times so far worldwide. [Click here to view.](#)

A private investigator with a haunting past, Bill Edgar's life was never destined to be ordinary. Rising to international fame as the 'Coffin Confessor' – the man who crashes funerals on behalf of the deceased, giving voice to their last wishes – Bill dismantled many of the assumptions we hold about truth, dignity and the business of dying.

Swindlers, cheaters, vultures, liars and con-artists – there isn't a musty corner of the human soul Bill hasn't confronted. Loved and loathed in equal measure, his only concern is being the caretaker of the secrets and desires his clients have entrusted to him. Shame and outrage, healing and comfort are left up to those left behind.

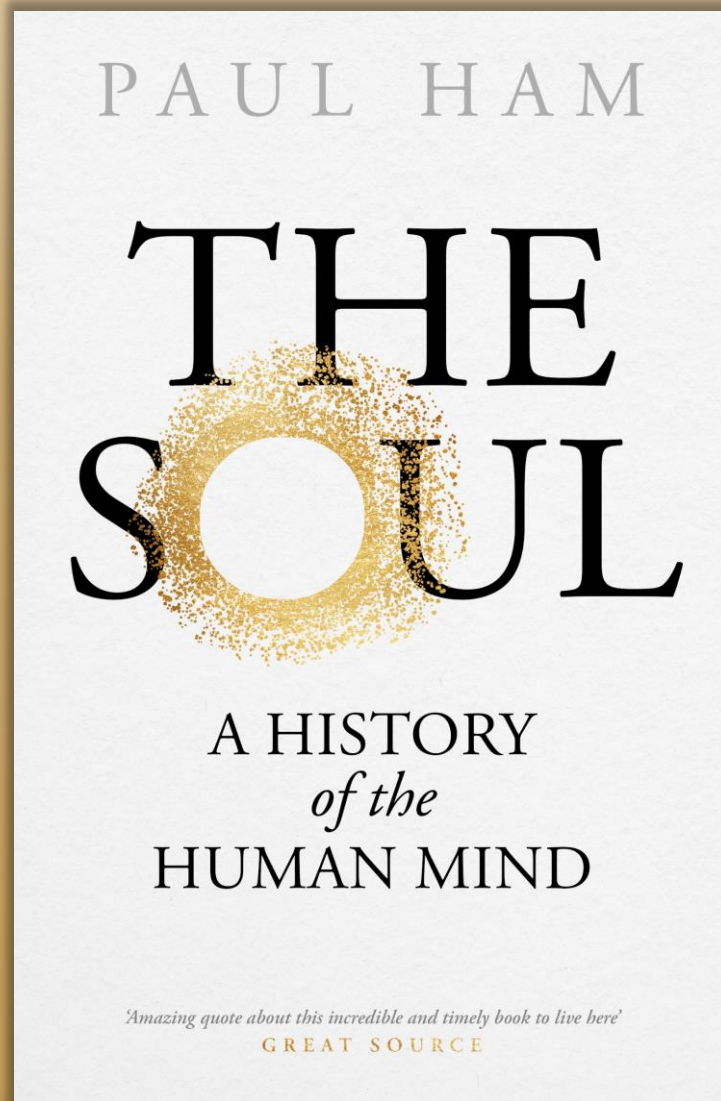
But it's a request from one woman to hand-deliver a bottle of wine to her husband on the anniversary of her death that raises deeper questions: What do we make out of the handful of days we're given? If hate and injustice are so hard to bury, why does love have a knack for triumphing? Are the most profound acts in life sometimes the most quiet ones?

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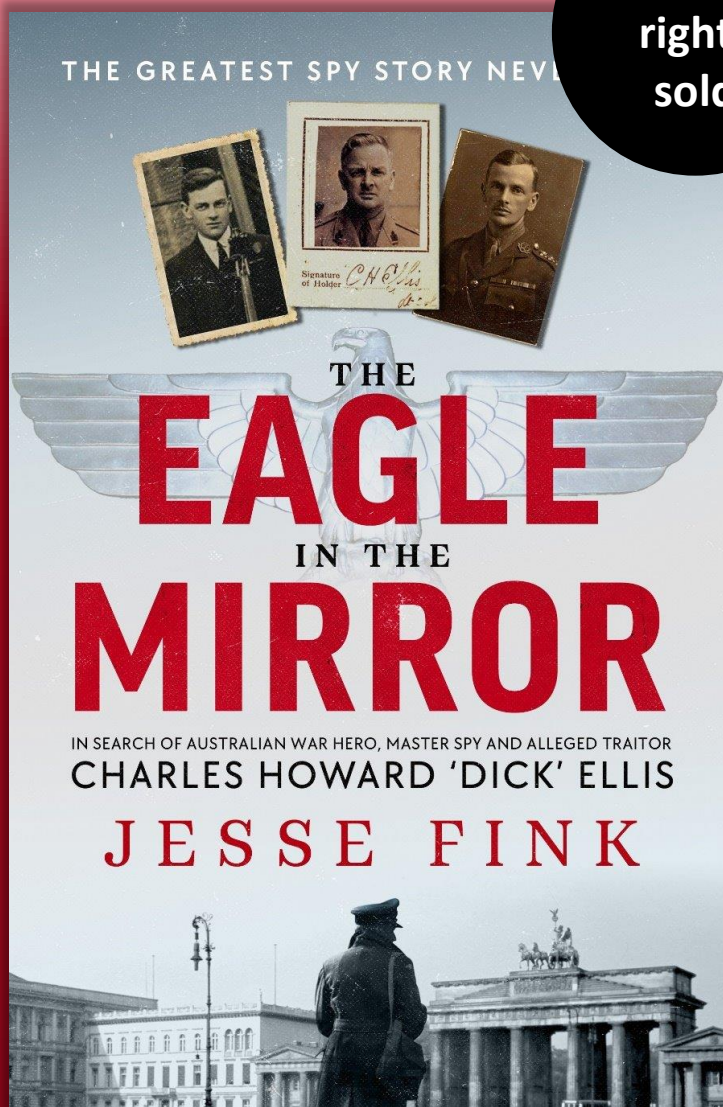
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PAUL HAM is the author of award-winning books *Hiroshima Nagasaki* (2011), *Vietnam: The Australian War* (2007) and *Kokoda* (2004), *Sandakan: The Untold Story of the Sandakan Death Marches* (2012) and *1914: The Year The World Ended* (2014). A former *Sunday Times* correspondent, with a Master's degree in Economic History from the London School of Economics, Paul now devotes most of his time to writing history. He lives in Paris and Sydney with his family. Image © Mark Friezer



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Tigga Mac's Cake Hacks

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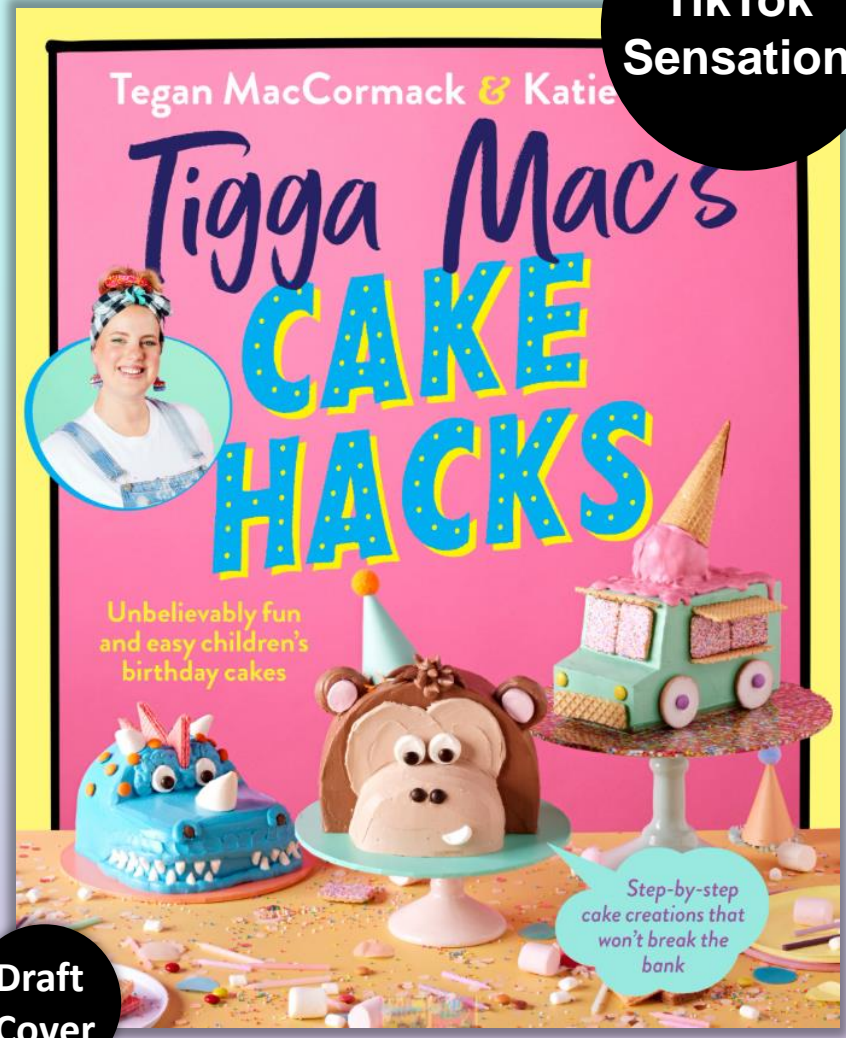
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Tigga has over two million online followers worldwide who love her creative and colourful cake designs, and now she’s on a mission to bring these showstoppers to families around Australia and beyond with this book.

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TIGGA MAC is an Aussie cake decorator who has become a viral phenomenon for her incredible decorating skills and iconic voiceovers. Tigga created the perfect hook in her online content with her signature catch phrase ‘Okie Dokie,’ and her social media audience has grown into a global following of over two million people across multiple platforms (1.5M on TikTok, 515K on Instagram, 560K on YouTube). Image © Tegan MacCormack



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From the creator of the internet's favourite cookies!



Bake with Brooki Brooke Saward

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BROOKE SAWARD is the owner of Brooki's Bakehouse. Before following her dream of owning an online bakery, Brooke was travelling the world in search of the best bakeries to bring together ideas from around the globe. Brooke's first book, *World of Wanderlust*, was inspired by her travel blog of the same name. She employs a small team of writers in London, Paris, Berlin, and New York. Brooke has amassed an incredible following online – including lots of international followers who buy her cookies from Brooki's Bakehouse for global shipping.

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New York Cookie

If you've turned to this page before reading anything else in this recipe book, I don't blame you! If there's one cookie recipe that made my bakery famous it is this one and there's a good reason why: it is hands down the best cookie recipe on the planet. While not everyone loves nuts, be sure to try this recipe with the inclusion of walnuts - they really produce

the perfect flavour profile and texture of this classic chunky cookie. And if you're wondering what makes this cookie so delicious, it's the harmonious blend of flavours thanks to the dark chocolate chips, the texture thanks to the walnuts and the fact that every bite is characterised by a crispy exterior with a soft centre that melts in your mouth.

MAKES: 8-10 LARGE COOKIES

PREPARATION TIME: 5 MINUTES

COOKING TIME: 16 MINUTES

COOLING TIME: 10-15 MINUTES

185 g unsalted butter (cubed and cold)
130 g castor sugar
130 g brown sugar
2 large eggs, at room temperature
160 g self-raising flour
240 g plain flour
¼ teaspoon bicarbonate of soda
1½ teaspoon baking powder
pinch salt
320 g dark chocolate chips
80 g walnuts

STORAGE

These cookies will last for a few days in an airtight container at room temperature once baked. Alternatively, you can freeze the dough for up to 3 months and bake for a few more minutes from frozen.

In the bowl of a stand mixer, beat the butter for 2 minutes on medium speed. Add the sugars and beat for a further 2-3 minutes. Scrape down the sides of the bowl to ensure all of the butter is fully incorporated.

Add the eggs one at a time on low speed until just incorporated.

Add the dry ingredients and beat until fully incorporated.

On low speed, add the choc chips and walnuts.

Weigh each cookie dough ball to 150 grams. Chill in the fridge for at least 3 hours before baking.

When ready to bake, preheat your oven to 180°C. Place cookie dough balls onto a baking tray and bake for 16-18 minutes. Be sure to place each cookie at least 2 cm apart. Cookies will be baked when golden on top and continue to bake when cooling.

Allow to cool for 10-15 minutes before enjoying (try not to be impatient, the cookies need this time to continue cooking at room temperature!)

CUSTOMISATIONS

If you fancy smaller cookies, weigh the dough balls at 50 g per cookie. Bake for 10-12 minutes for the smaller size at the same temperature.

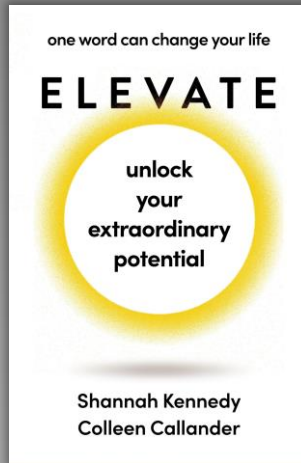
If you have a nut allergy or prefer your cookies sans nuts, you can choose to omit the walnuts in this recipe. Nuts do however add that bit of extra crunch and nutty richness, so results may vary.



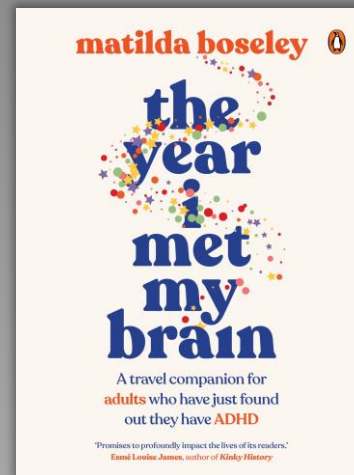
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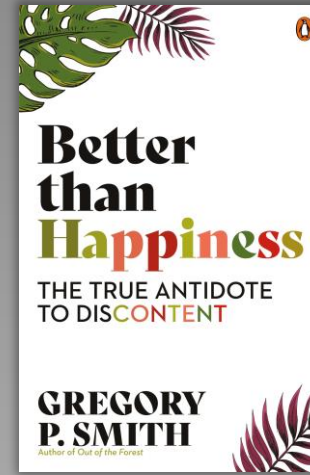
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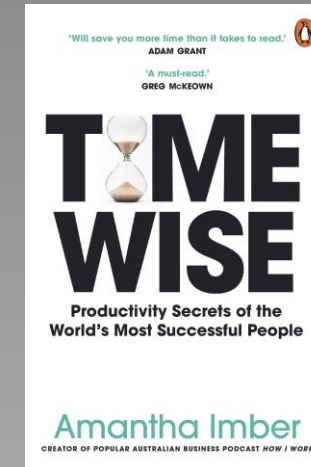
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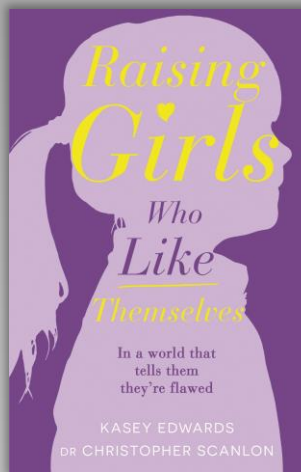
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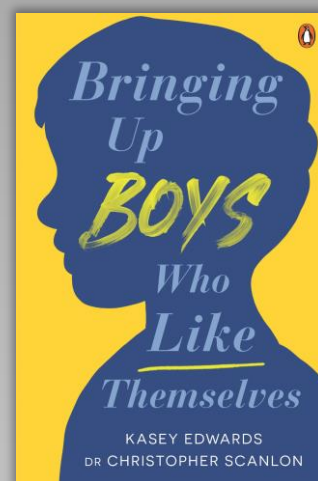
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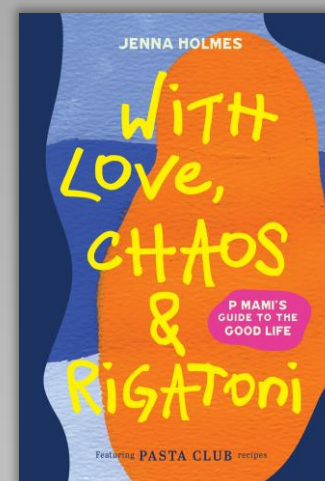
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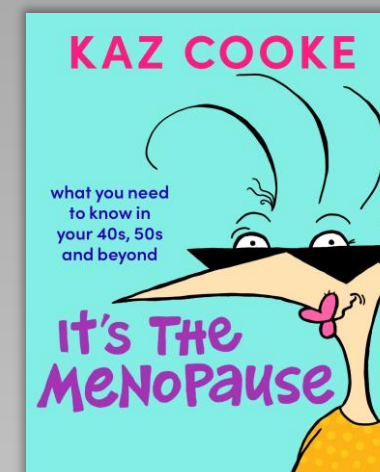
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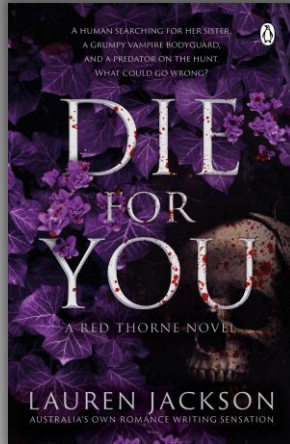


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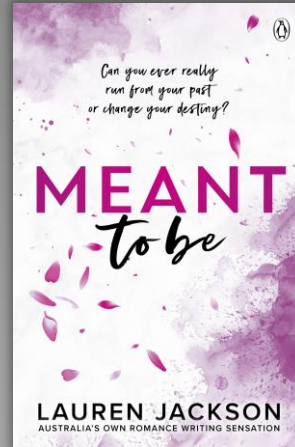
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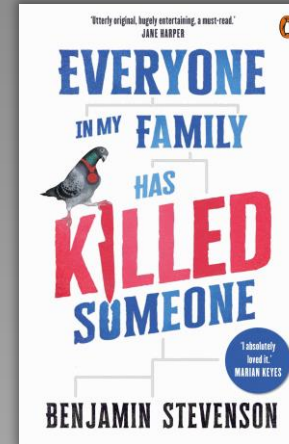
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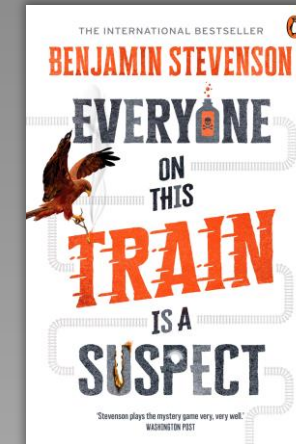
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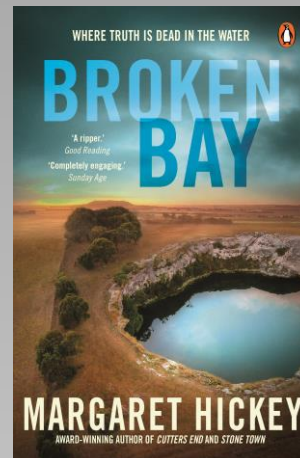
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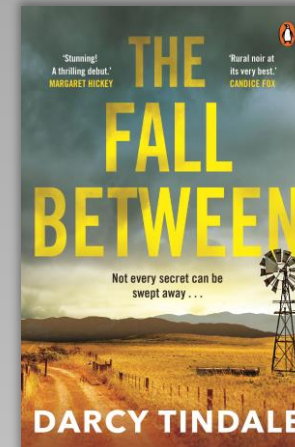
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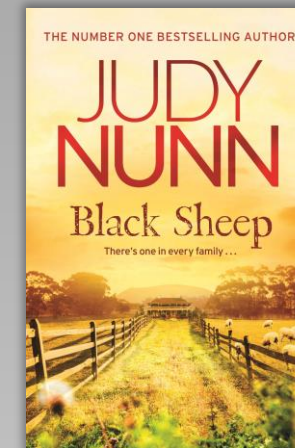
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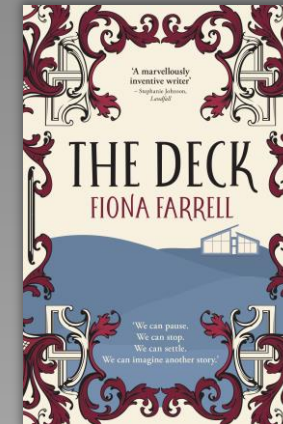
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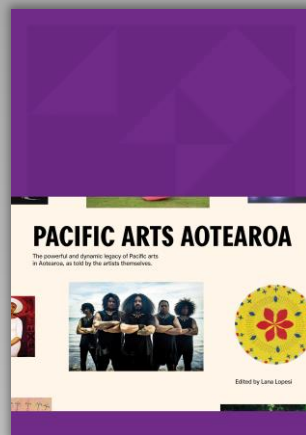
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