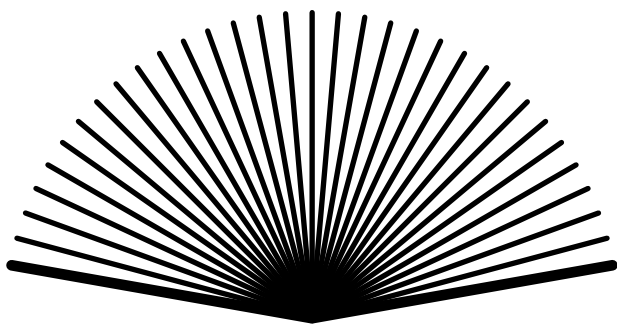
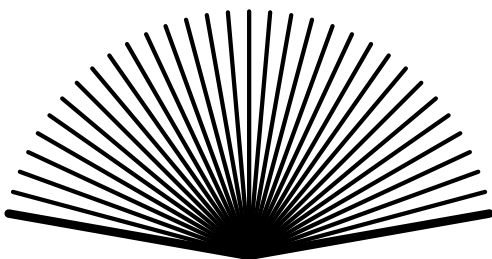
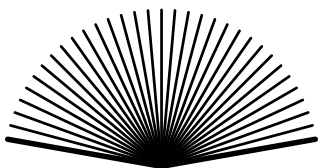


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Recent & Forthcoming Titles



HERE COMES THE MIRACLE by **Anna Beecher** *World excluding US: W&N – May 2020. MS available from the publisher.*

It begins with a miracle: a baby born too soon but defiantly alive. And decades earlier another miracle; two teenage boys fall in love. A profoundly moving drama spanning three generations of the same family. For fans of John McGregor, Max Porter and Jenny Offill.



THE LOST LIGHTS OF ST KILDA by **Elisabeth Gifford** *World: Corvus – March 2020. MS available from the publisher.* A sweeping love story crossing oceans and decades. Imprisoned as a POW in France, Fred Lawson dreams of the summer he spent on St Kilda, and Chrissie, the woman he fell for. When he makes his daring escape in 1940, he is sustained by one thought only; finding his way back to her.



CRY BABY by **Mark Billingham** *World excluding US and Germany: Little Brown – July 2020. US: Grove Atlantic. Options elsewhere. MS available.*

Billingham's twentieth novel is a prequel to the bestselling Tom Thorne series, taking us back to a defining case in his career. The most recent Thorne novel THEIR LITTLE SECRET went straight to No.1 when it published in paperback in January.



BEFORE THE SNOW by **Mary Lawson** *UK: Chatto & Windus – 2021. Canada: Knopf. Options elsewhere. MS due July.*

When newly divorced Liam unexpectedly inherits the house of his former neighbour Mrs Orchard, he is pulled into the lives of the locals and finds himself helping with the search for a missing girl. An uplifting, beautifully observed drama for fans of Elizabeth Strout and Annie Proulx.



HOPE NICELY'S LESSONS FOR LIFE by **Caroline Day** *World: Bonnier Zaffre – Spring 2021. MS due April 2020.*

Hope Nicely struggles with social situations and remembering instructions. She's hoping that a creative writing course will help her make sense of her story, but when her adoptive mother falls ill, Hope will be tested in ways she never dreamed of. An exciting debut starring a unique heroine from a fresh new voice in commercial fiction.



LAGOMORPH AND OTHER STORIES by **Alexander MacLeod** *UK: Cape – 2021. Canada: McClelland & Stewart. US: Farrar Straus & Giroux. MS due September 2020.*

The follow-up to MacLeod's critically acclaimed debut LIGHT LIFTING, this new collection was sold at auction in Canada and pre-empted in the US, and cements the author as a master of compelling, strange, beautifully observed prose fiction. Alexander has previously won the Atlantic Book Award and an O'Henry Prize for his writing, and his stories have been shortlisted for the Giller Prize, Commonwealth Writers Prize, the Frank O'Connor award and the Thomas Head Raddall Fiction Award.

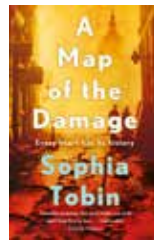


UNSETTLED GROUND by **Claire Fuller** *UK: FigTree – 2021. US: Tin House. Options elsewhere. MS due May.*

Fuller's fourth novel is a devastating portrayal of rural poverty and marginalisation, following middle-aged twins Julius and Jeanie as they struggle to find independence and answers in the wake of their mother's sudden death.

THIS IS NOT WHAT YOU THINK by **Alexander MacLeod** UK: *Cape* – 2023. Canada: *McClelland & Stewart*. US: *Farrar Straus & Giroux*. Italy: *Einaudi*. MS due September 2022.

The author's debut novel was sold at auction in Canada and pre-empted in the US and Italy. Inspired by real events at Lac Megantic, Quebec, it follows the devastating aftermath and far reaching consequences of a train derailment and chemical fire in a small town in 1984.



A MAP OF THE DAMAGE by **Sophia Tobin** World English: *Simon & Schuster* – April 2020. MS available.

A beautifully crafted portrait of two women, one living in Victorian London and one during the Blitz, linked by the Mirrmakers Club, a building which holds echoes of past loves and hates and hides the darkest of secrets in its foundations. “A beguiling tale of love and loss” – *The Times*



IN A GARDEN BURNING GOLD by **Rory Power** UK: *Titan*. US: *Del Rey*. MS available.

Debut fantasy novel from the *NYT* bestselling author. A sweeping Balkan-set story which combines lush world-building with a vibrant and dynamic cast of characters reminiscent of Katherine Arden's *WINTERNIGHT* trilogy and V. E. Schwab's *SHADES OF MAGIC*.

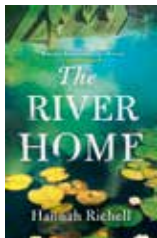
..... **NON-FICTION**



THE GALLERY OF MIRACLES AND MADNESS: INSANITY, MODERNISM AND HITLER'S WAR ON ART by **Charlie English**

UK: *William Collins* – April 2021. US: *Random House*. Options elsewhere. MS due September 2020.

Charlie English's much-anticipated second book. The Prinzhorn collection, comprising the art of mentally ill artists, inspired some of the most celebrated cultural movements of the modern era, from Dada to Surrealism to Abstract Expressionism. Once it fell into Hitler's hands however, the collection would prove lethal – both for art in Nazi Germany, and for its creators, who would die in the first action of the Holocaust.



THE RIVER HOME by **Hannah Richell** UK: *Orion* – March 2020. France: *Editions Belfond*. Germany: *Diana Verlag*. Israel: *Tchelet Books*. Norway: *Cappelen Damm*. Spain: *HarperCollins Iberica*. Sweden: *Forum*. Options elsewhere. MS available.

Sisters Eve, Lucy and Margot have drifted apart, but it's time to confront the past. An irresistible novel with tremendous characterisation and emotional pull from a bestselling voice in bookclub fiction.



THE LIBERATION OF BRIGID DUNNE by **Patricia Scanlan** UK & US: *Simon & Schuster* - March 2020. MS available.

Author of the original chick lit phenomenon *CITY GIRL*, celebrating its 30th anniversary in print this year, Patricia Scanlan's latest novel is a wise, funny and moving portrait of faith, family ties and forgiveness, spanning six decades and three generations of remarkable women.



NOTHING ORDINARY by **Josie George** UK: *Bloomsbury* – Spring 2021. MS due September 2020.

Josie George has struggled with chronic and debilitating pain since childhood. In this wise and beautifully written memoir, she explores the rich possibilities inherent in a slower, more observant life. For fans of Elizabeth Gilbert and Annie Dillard.



THE STUBBORN LIGHT OF THINGS: COLLECTED NATURE WRITING by **Melissa Harrison** UK:

Faber – 2020. MS due March 2020.

First published in *The Times*, Melissa Harrison’s beautiful observations of the natural world are an inspiring reminder of the fragile ecosystems all around us. Her latest novel ALL AMONG THE BARLEY was the winning entry for the 2019 EU Prize for Literature.



THE SEE-THROUGH HOUSE by **Shelley Klein** UK: *Chatto & Windus – July 2020. MS available.*

In this remarkable memoir, Shelley Klein recalls growing up in a masterpiece of minimalist architecture with her wonderful but exasperating father, Bernat Klein. “A sad, funny, utterly fascinating book about families, home, and how to say goodbye” – *Mark Haddon*. A forthcoming BBC Radio4 *Book of the Week*.



THE ISLAND OF EXTRAORDINARY CAPTIVES by **Simon Parkin**

UK: *Sceptre – 2021. Options elsewhere. MS due Autumn 2020.*

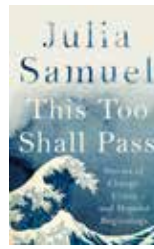
An exploration of the battle between fear and compassion at a time of national crisis, this promises to shine a light on how Britain’s treatment of refugees during WWII led to one of the nation’s most shameful missteps.



WRITTEN IN THE SAND: THE QUEER LITERARY HISTORY OF FIRE ISLAND by **Jack Parlett** UK:

Granta – 2021. US: Harper Collins. MS due Autumn 2020.

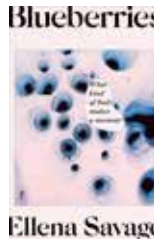
Following the lives of the poets, writers, artists and activists who found freedom on this infamous strip of land, WRITTEN IN THE SAND is a magisterial account of queer desire in the 20th century. Parlett, a published poet, is a junior fellow at University College, Oxford.



THIS TOO SHALL PASS: STORIES OF CHANGE, CRISIS AND HOPEFUL BEGINNINGS by **Julia Samuel**

UK: *Penguin Life – March 2020. China: PRH. Netherlands: Balans. Options elsewhere. MS available.*

In her wise and compassionate second book, bestselling author and counsellor Julia Samuel invites us to follow everyday people through their most turbulent experiences. “So full of wisdom and light...Julia really is a force for good in the world” – *Cathy Rentzenbrink*



BLUEBERRIES by **Ellena Savage**

World excluding UK: *Text Publishing – March 2020. UK: Scribe – April 2020. MS available from the publisher.*

In crystalline prose, essayist Ellena Savage explores the essential questions of the examined life: what is it to desire? What is it to accommodate oneself to the world, and at what cost? “Ellena Savage’s essays are heart-stopping epics of self-inquiry and world-inquiry.” - *Maria Tumarkin*

..... **CHILDREN’S & YA**



BURN OUR BODIES DOWN by **Rory Power**

UK: *Macmillan Children’s Books. US: Delacorte Press – July 2020. France: Editions Robert Laffont. Turkey: Epsilon. Options elsewhere. MS available.*

Margot Nielsen’s mother has never told her anything about their family. When Margot finds her grandmother’s farm, she begins to understand why. *NYT* bestselling author Rory Power’s second work of speculative YA horror is a gripping eco-nightmare, starring an unforgettable cast of strong, dangerous women.



THE SECRET DETECTIVE by Ella Risbridger *World: Nosy Crow. MS due May 2020.*

When Isobel Petty is suddenly orphaned, she finds herself being taken away from her home in India and sent to live with a distant uncle in England. On board the SS Mariana, Isobel witnesses a shocking crime, and must solve two mysteries – the identities of both the murderer and the victim – before reaching England. Outstanding debut middle grade for fans of Katherine Rundell.

..... **COOKERY**



WHICH WINE WHEN by Bert Blaize & Claire Strickett *World: Ebury – April 2020. MS available from the publisher.*

Whether ordering a curry, taking a bottle to a friend's, cooking to impress or vegging out on the sofa with a bowl of pasta, this irreverent and fun wine guide will turn even the most down-to-earth meal into a magical combination of what's on your plate and what's in your glass. "A brilliantly simple guide to give anyone instant confidence choosing wine." - Russell Norman



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OTTOLENGHI FLAVOUR by Yotam Ottolenghi & Ixta Belfrage *World excluding US: Ebury – 2020. US: Ten Speed Press. MS available from the publisher.*

Ottolenghi's SIMPLE was a *Sunday Times*, *NYT* and international best seller, and winner at the National Book Awards 2018. This follow-up to PLENTY and PLENTY MORE will once again showcase his extraordinary vegetarian recipes offering up simple ideas for week nights, low effort / high impact dishes and stand-out meals.



FALASTIN by Sami Tamimi & Tara Wigley *World excluding US: Ebury – March 2020. US: Ten Speed. MS available from the publisher.*

Co-author of the million copy bestsellers OTTOLENGHI: THE COOKBOOK, JERUSALEM and SIMPLE, Tamimi and Wigley bring us a collection of recipes and memories from Sami's childhood in Palestine.

..... **RECENT HIGHLIGHTS**



A USER'S GUIDE TO MAKE-BELIEVE by Jane Alexander *World English: Allison & Busby – January 2020. Russia: Rapol. MS available.*

Broke and broken, Cassie McCallister meets Lewis at her support group and realises he, like her, is in recovery for addiction to Make Believe; the virtual reality product Cassie used to sell. A timely dystopian thriller starring a gritty and relatable heroine. "Thought-provoking" – *The Scotsman*.



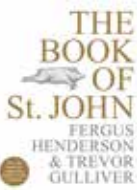
ROYALS by Emma Forrest *UK: Bloomsbury – October 2019. Options elsewhere. MS available.*

When shy, working class Steven meets glamorous, hedonistic heiress Jasmine in hospital, his life is changed for ever. "Charming, witty and touching, an Eighties BREAKFAST AT TIFFANY'S" – *David Nicholls*.



STAYING ALIVE IN TOXIC TIMES: A SEASONAL GUIDE TO LIFELONG HEALTH by Dr. Jenny Goodman *World English: Yellow Kite/Hodder - January 2020. Ms available.*

Drawing on the author's twenty years' experience as a doctor, lecturer and nutritionist, STAYING ALIVE IN TOXIC TIMES sets out exactly what to eat, when to eat it, and how to counter the physical effects of a world full of chemicals.



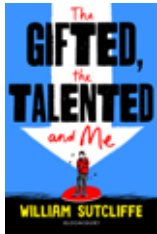
THE BOOK OF ST JOHN by Fergus Henderson & Trevor Gulliver *World: Ebury – October 2019. MS available from the publisher.*

Celebrating 25 years of St John and a kind of British cooking that has proved the single biggest influence on chefs and restaurants all over the world. “A gurglingly delightful compendium of delicious ideas and stories” -*Nigella Lawson*



QUALITY CHOPHOUSE: THE COOKBOOK by William Lander, Daniel Morgenthau & Shaun Searley *World: Quadrille – November 2019. MS available from the publisher.*

Modern recipes and stories from one of London’s oldest and most beloved restaurants. Learn the secret behind those famous potatoes, the timings behind a perfect Sunday roast and what really makes a sandwich. This is British cooking written with accessibility and precision, that will make itself at home in any kitchen.



THE GIFTED, THE TALENTED AND ME by William Sutcliffe *World excluding Germany: Bloomsbury – May 2019. MS available.*

Sam just wants an ordinary life, so when his family strike it rich and move to London so that he and his siblings can attend a school for the Gifted and Talented, his struggles have only just begun. “Probably the funniest and most authentic novel I’ve read about being an awkward, self-conscious teenage boy” - *John Boyne*. William’s novel THE WALL was shortlisted for the Carnegie Medal.

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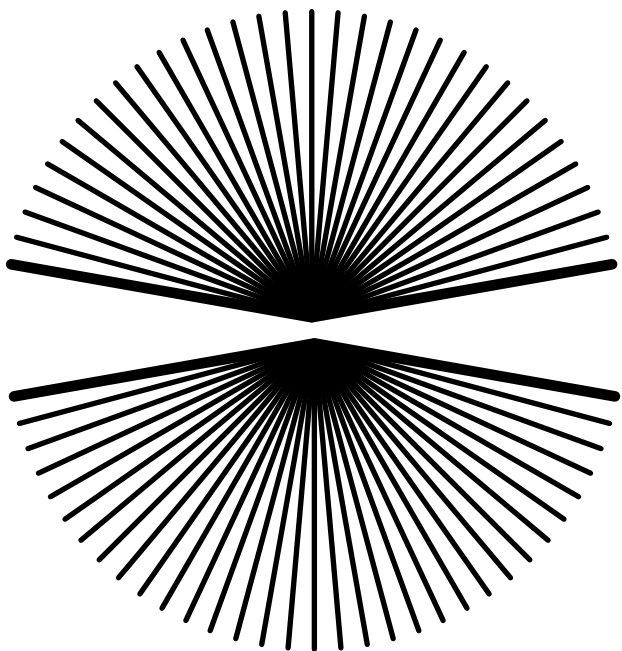
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