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Noir Reformatory St. Martin's  
Griffin

A young man is transformed into a barbarian fighter in this adventurous series from “one of the leading masters of epic fantasy” (Publishers Weekly). In this complete collection of the high fantasy Seventh Sword series by Aurora Award – winning author Dave Duncan, Wallie Smith must face a new destiny and save an unfamiliar world from evil forces. The Reluctant

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Swordsman: Wallie goes to the hospital and wakes up in the body of a barbarian swordsman, accompanied by a voluptuous slave girl and an eccentric priest babbling about the Goddess. When he learns the Goddess needs a swordsman, he reluctantly agrees to set off on her quest. The Coming of Wisdom: Wallie is staring death in the face when the Goddess gives him a new body and the fabled Sapphire Sword in return for being her champion. But Wallie and his weapon quickly find themselves outmatched in a world of high-stakes magic. The Destiny of the Sword: Wallie is entrusted by the presiding goddess with a mission to bring together all the swordsmen to finally defeat the sorcerers and their terrible technology. And while he 's not quite convinced he should oblige, goddesses can be very persuasive . . . The Death of Nnanji: For fifteen years the truce has held, but now sorcerers have started killing swordsmen again and swordsmen traitors are aiding them. Wallie, known now as Shonshu, must ride out to fight

the war he hoped would never come, and his failure or success will determine the fate of the world for the next thousand years.

## Assassin's Gambit Del Rey

Futuristic Assassins travel throughout time changing alternative timelines into actual history.

The House in the Cerulean Sea HarperCollins

Vitala Salonius, champion of the warlike game of Caturanga, is as deadly as she is beautiful. She 's a trained assassin for the resistance, and her true play is for ultimate power. Using her charm and wit, she plans to seduce her way into the emperor 's bed and deal him one final, fatal blow, sparking a battle of succession that could change the face of the empire. As the ruler of a country on the

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brink of war and the son of a deposed emperor, Lucien must constantly be wary of an attempt on his life. But he 's drawn to the stunning Caturanga player visiting the palace. Vitala may be able to distract him from his woes for a while—and fulfill other needs, as well. Lucien 's quick mind and considerable skills awaken unexpected desires in Vitala, weakening her resolve to finish her mission. An assassin cannot fall for her prey, but Vitala 's gut is telling her to protect this sexy, sensitive man. Now she must decide where her heart and loyalties lie and navigate the dangerous war of politics before her gambit causes her to lose both Lucien and her heart for good....

*The King's Assassin* A&C Black

AD 1215: The year of Magna Carta - and Robin

Hood's greatest battle The yoke of tyranny King John is scheming to reclaim his ancestral lands in Europe, raising the money for new armies by bleeding dry peasants and nobles alike, not least the Earl of Locksley - the former outlaw Robin Hood - and his loyal man Sir Alan Dale. The call to arms As rebellion brews across the country and Robin Hood and his men are dragged into the war against the French in Flanders, a plan is hatched that will bring the former outlaws and their families to the brink of catastrophe - a plan to kill the King. The roar of revolution England explodes into bloody civil war and Alan and Robin must decide who to trust - and who to slaughter. And while Magna Carta might

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be the answer their prayers for peace, first they will have to force the King to submit to the will of his people . . .

**Assassin's Gambit**

Wednesday Books

A NEW YORK TIMES,

USA TODAY, and

WASHINGTON POST

BESTSELLER! A 2021

Alex Award winner!

The 2021 RUSA

Reading List:

Fantasy Winner! An

Indie Next Pick!

One of Publishers

Weekly's "Most

Anticipated Books

of Spring 2020" One

of Book Riot's "20

Must-Read Feel-Good

Fantasies" Lambda

Literary Award-

winning author TJ

Klune's

bestselling,

breakout

contemporary

fantasy that's

"1984 meets The

Umbrella Academy

with a pinch of

Douglas Adams

thrown in." (Gail

Carriger) Linus

Baker is a by-the-

book case worker in

the Department in

Charge of Magical

Youth. He's tasked

with determining

whether six

dangerous magical

children are likely

to bring about the

end of the world.

Arthur Parnassus is

the master of the

orphanage. He would

do anything to keep

the children safe,

even if it means

the world will

burn. And his

secrets will come

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to light. The House  
in the Cerulean Sea  
is an enchanting  
love story,  
masterfully told,  
about the profound  
experience of  
discovering an  
unlikely family in  
an unexpected  
place—and realizing  
that family is  
yours. "1984 meets  
The Umbrella  
Academy with a  
pinch of Douglas  
Adams thrown in."  
—Gail Carriger, New  
York Times  
bestselling author  
of Soulless At the  
Publisher's  
request, this title  
is being sold  
without Digital  
Rights Management  
Software (DRM)  
applied.

*The Seventh Sword*  
Anchor  
Yuu wants nothing  
more than to forget  
the mistakes of her  
past. The Gods have  
other plans. Once a  
renowned strategist  
and general, five  
years ago Yuu made a  
mistake that cost  
her everything. Now  
she is on the run,  
royal bounty hunters  
snapping at her  
heels. But what if  
there was a way to  
get back what she  
lost, a way to bring  
back a murdered  
prince? Every  
century, the gods  
hold a contest to  
choose who will rule  
from the Heavenly  
Jade Throne. Each  
god chooses a mortal  
champion, and the  
fate of all  
existence hangs in

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the balance. On a battlefield full of heroes, warriors, assassins, and thieves can Yuu survive long enough to learn the rules of the game, let alone master it? Pawn's Gambit is a stand alone story set in the award-winning Mortal Techniques universe. It's a wuxia adventure filled with heroes, gods, spirits, and magic.

The Black Guard Tor Books

The city of Ro Canarn burns. The armies of the Red march upon the northern lords. And the children of a dead god are waking from their long slumber... The Duke of Canarn is dead, executed by the King's decree. The city lies in chaos,

its people starving, sickening, and tyrannized by the ongoing presence of the King's mercenary army. But still hope remains: the Duke's children, the Lord Bromvy and Lady Bronwyn, have escaped their father's fate. Separated by enemy territory, hunted by the warrior clerics of the One God, Bromvy undertakes to win back the city with the help of the secretive outcasts of the Darkwald forest, the Dokkalfar. The Lady Bronwyn makes for the sanctuary of the Grass Sea and the warriors of Ranen with the mass of the King's forces at her heels. And in the mountainous region of Fjorlan, the High Thain Algenon Teardrop launches his Dragon Fleet against the Red Army. Brother wars

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against brother in this, the epic first volume of the long war. Please note: Great care has been taken to make sure this ebook is both beautiful and highly functional.

Lady Thief Del Rey

2 MILLION COPIES SOLD OF THE #1 BESTSELLING SERIES! 'A MASTER OF PUZZLES AND PLOT

TWISTS' E. Lockhart, author of *We Were Liars* The third thrilling and unmissable instalment in the global bestselling,

'impossible to put down' (Buzzfeed),

BookTok sensation, *Inheritance Games*

series. Perfect for fans of Karen McManus and Holly Jackson.

WINNER TAKES ALL . . . ONE LAST GAME. Against all odds, Avery has survived nearly a year of secrets, schemes,

and love lost and found at Hawthorne House.

She's weeks away from fulfilling the terms of Tobias Hawthorne's will and inheriting his billions. ONE MORE PLAYER. Avery thinks she knows all the family secrets, but when a familiar face arrives with shocking news and a plea for help, it's clear there is one last puzzle to solve. ONE FINAL

TWIST. Soon, Avery and the Hawthorne brothers are drawn into a last deadly game against an unknown and powerful opponent. Hearts and lives are at stake - and there is nothing more Hawthorne than winning. \*\*Avery's story continues in *The Brothers Hawthorne*\*\*

**Race for the Iron Throne: Political and Historical Analysis of a Game**

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**of Thrones** Penguin into the  
With options and treacherous world  
time slipping away, of Brazil's most  
one agonizing ruthless cartel.  
decision remains... With new enemies  
Whose life would emerging and  
come to an untimely existing alliances  
end? After a near-teetering on  
fatal rescue collapse, Sledge  
mission at the NRG must harness every  
Stadium, Blake ounce of his  
Sledge and his team determination to  
are thrust into the ensure his team  
heart-pounding returns home in one  
depths of Brazil. piece. But as grim  
Their mission: to revelations of  
track down the Sledge's own dark  
enigmatic Ronan, a past come to light,  
former mentor he stands at a  
presumed dead. But precipice of  
instead, they unimaginable  
stumble upon the choices. Will he  
elusive a Sombra, possess the courage  
who seems more to see his  
legend than man. audacious gambit  
And the closer they through, or will it  
get, the more they spell his, and his  
unwittingly plunge team's, ultimate



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downfall? Get  
Assassin's Gambit  
now!  
Assassin's Heart  
Open Road Media  
From global  
phenomenon C. S.  
Pacat comes the  
first novel in her  
critically acclaimed  
Captive Prince  
romance  
trilogy—includes an  
exclusive bonus  
story! Damen is a  
warrior hero to his  
people, and the  
rightful heir to the  
throne of Akielos.  
But when his half  
brother seizes  
power, Damen is  
captured, stripped  
of his identity, and  
sent to serve the  
prince of an enemy  
nation as a pleasure  
slave. Beautiful,  
manipulative, and  
deadly, his new

master, Prince  
Laurent, epitomizes  
the worst of the  
court at Vere. But in  
the lethal political  
web of the Veretian  
court, nothing is as  
it seems, and when  
Damen finds himself  
caught up in a play  
for the throne, he  
must work together  
with Laurent to  
survive and save his  
country. For Damen,  
there is just one  
rule: never, ever  
reveal his true  
identity. Because the  
one man Damen needs  
is the one man who  
has more reason to  
hate him than anyone  
else...  
*Captive Prince*  
Penguin  
Twelve Ways create  
a thousand tangled  
paths. Hatched from  
an egg but unable

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to shift into	Jathen and his
dragon form, Jathen	allies must
is a Moot among the	struggle against
Tazu. His rightful	man and magic
throne is forbidden	alike, at the mercy
him because of his	of forces beyond
transformative	their ken. As
handicap, and	Jathen presses on,
neither his culture	his questions of
nor his religion	belonging are
offer acceptance of	surrounded by more
his perceived	of identity,
flaws. Driven by	loyalty, and
wounded anger,	betrayal. Where
Jathen strikes out	will the path of
across the vast	his destiny lead,
world beyond Tazu	and will he follow
borders, desperate	or fall?
to find a place	<u>The Assassin and the</u>
where he feels	<u>Empire</u> Penguin
accepted and whole.	The trilogy that began
Though he travels	with The Emperor's
with the most	Blades and continued
trusted of	in The Providence of
companions,	Fire reaches its epic
sabotage and	conclusion, as war
conspiracy soon	engulfs the Annurian
strike his quest.	Empire in Brian
	Staveley's The Last
	Mortal Bond The

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ancient csestriim are back to finish their purge of humanity; armies march against the capital; leaches, solitary beings who draw power from the natural world to fuel their extraordinary abilities, maneuver on all sides to affect the outcome of the war; and capricious gods walk the earth in human guise with agendas of their own. But the three imperial siblings at the heart of it all--Valyn, Adare, and Kaden--come to understand that even if they survive the holocaust unleashed on their world, there may be no reconciling their conflicting visions of the future. Chronicle of the Unhewn Throne The Emperor's Blades The Providence of Fire The Last Mortal Bond Other books in the world of the Unhewn Throne Skullsworn At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied. *Pawn's Gambit* Independently Published Rhianne, mind mage and Imperial Princess of Kjall, cannot openly challenge the emperor. Instead she acts in secret to aid the victims of his worst excesses. But now the emperor plans to wed her to the cruel Augustan, the man leading Kjall's attack against the nation of Mosar. Soon she will be torn from her supporters and shipped overseas, where she can help no one. Mosari crown prince Janto is desperate to save his country from invasion. When one of

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his most trusted spies disappears while gathering intelligence at the Kjallan palace, Janto takes his place and continues searching for information that could save his people. But falling for the Imperial Princess was not part of his plan. Nor was having his true identity revealed... Now Rhianne must make a choice—follow the path of tradition or the one of the heart, even if it means betraying her own race.

*Dark Triumph* Rob J. Hayes

The era of the Tudors was one of danger, intrigue, conspiracy, and, above all, spies. Summer 1553: A time of danger and deceit. Brendan Prescott, an orphan,

is reared in the household of the powerful Dudley family. Brought to court, Prescott finds himself sent on an illicit mission to the king's brilliant but enigmatic sister, Princess Elizabeth. But Brendan is soon compelled to work as a double agent by Elizabeth's protector, William Cecil, who promises in exchange to help him unravel the secret of his own mysterious past. A dark plot swirls around Elizabeth's quest to unravel the truth about the ominous disappearance of her seriously ill brother, King Edward VI. With only a bold stable boy and an audacious lady-in-

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waiting at his side, wounds and diseases  
Brendan plunges into into herself. But  
a ruthless gambit of rather than being  
half-truths, lies, honored for her  
and murder. Filled skills, she is  
with the intrigue and hunted. Healers  
pageantry of Tudor like Avry are  
England, C. W. accused of  
Gortner's The Tudor spreading the  
Secret is the first plague that has  
book in The Elizabeth decimated the  
I Spymaster Fifteen Realms,  
Chronicles. leaving the  
*Bring Me Their* survivors in a  
*Hearts* Astra state of chaos.  
Publishing House Stressed and tired  
A magic healer must from hiding, Avry  
journey to cure a is abducted by a  
sick prince in this band of rogues who,  
fantasy adventure shockingly, value  
series launch by her gift above the  
the New York golden bounty  
Times–bestselling offered for her  
author of the Study capture. Their  
series. Laying leader, an  
hands upon the enigmatic captor-  
injured and dying, protector with  
Avry of Kazan powers of his own,  
absorbs their

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is unequivocal in his demands: Avry must heal a plague-stricken prince—leader of a campaign against her people. As they traverse the daunting Nine Mountains, beset by mercenaries and magical dangers, Avry must decide who is worth healing and what is worth dying for. Because the price of peace may well be her life . . . Originally published in 2010 Praise for Touch of Power "Filled with Snyder's trademark sarcastic humor, fast-paced action and creepy villainy, Touch of

Power is a spellbinding romantic adventure that will leave readers salivating for the next book in the series."  
—USA Today "A great read, it had a great adventure, a likable heroine, a band of merry men and the exasperating yet sexy Kerrick."  
—Under the Covers Book Blog  
*The Jack of Souls*  
(Fantasy)  
HarperCollins  
A young pilot risks everything to save his best friend—the man he trusts most and might even love—only to learn that his friend is secretly the heir to a brutal galactic empire. "An exciting space opera full of

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action and adventure that explores the bonds of loyalty and love, and what happens when they are stretched to their limits."—Rebecca Roanhorse, Nebula and Hugo award-winning author of Trail of Lightning

Ettian's life was shattered when the merciless Umber Empire invaded his world. He's spent seven years putting himself back together under its rule, joining an Umber military academy and becoming the best pilot in his class. Even better, he's met Gal—his exasperating and infuriatingly enticing roommate who's made the academy feel like a new home. But when dozens of classmates spring an assassination plot on Gal, a devastating secret comes to light:

Gal is the heir to the Umber Empire. Ettian barely manages to save his best friend and flee the compromised academy unscathed, rattled that Gal stands to inherit the empire that broke him, and that there are still people willing to fight back against Umber rule. As they piece together a way to deliver Gal safely to his throne, Ettian finds himself torn in half by an impossible choice. Does he save the man who's won his heart and trust that Gal's goodness could transform the empire? Or does he throw his lot in with the brewing rebellion and fight to take back what's rightfully theirs? Praise for Bonds of Brass

"Skrutskie's Bonds of Brass is a high-octane galactic adventure

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replete with heart, drama, and a keen edge of pain."—Caitlin Starling, author of *The Luminous Dead* "Full of breathless action and dazzling characters, *Bonds of Brass* is space opera at its most exciting."—Adam Christopher, author of *Stranger Things: Darkness on the Edge of Town* *Oaths of Legacy* Red Adept Publishing, LLC

Nalica Kelden, war mage and world-class archer, doesn't need love. She's come to the imperial city for a single purpose: to win Kjall's most prestigious archery tournament. Until she meets one of her fellow competitors, and he sends an arrow straight into her heart. Justien Polini is the man she's always dreamed of. Like Nalica herself, he's from the rough country in the eastern highlands. He's big and strong and handsome, and he's nearly as good an archer as she is. Best of all, in a country where most men look askance at women warriors, Justien admires Nalica's talent and strength. But Nalica can't let her personal feelings get in the way of her ambitions. The



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tournament must come first... and there will be only one winner.

*Touch of Power* Tor Books

Bestselling author Jennifer Estep returns to her Crown of Shards world with an all-new trilogy and a bold new heroine who protects her kingdom from magic, murder, and mayhem by moonlighting as a spy. Gemma Ripley has a reputation for being a pampered princess who is more interested in pretty gowns, sparkling jewelry, and other frivolous things than learning how to rule the kingdom of Andvari. But her carefully crafted persona is just an act to hide the fact that Gemma is a powerful mind magier—and a spy. Gemma is undercover,

trying to figure out who is stealing large amounts of tearstone from one of the Ripley royal mines when she encounters Prince Leonidas Morricone of Morta—her mortal enemy. Gemma tries to steer clear of the handsome prince, but when she finds herself behind enemy lines, she reluctantly joins forces with Leo. Also coming to Gemma's aid is Grimley, her beloved gargoyle. Despite the fact that Andvari and Morta are old, bitter enemies, a dangerous attraction sparks between Gemma and Leo. Further complicating matters is Leo's murderous family, especially Queen Maeven Morricone, the mastermind behind the infamous Seven Spire massacre. The closer Gemma gets to the

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stolen tearstone, the more deadly plots she uncovers. Everyone is trying to capture the crown, but only one queen can sit on the throne ...

King of the Dark

Delacorte Press

Harric, an outcast rogue, must break a curse put on his fate, or die on his nineteenth birthday. As the day approaches, nightmares from the spirit world tear at his sanity. To survive, he'll need more than his usual tricks. He'll need help--and a lot of it. But on the kingdom's lawless frontier, his only allies are other outcasts. One of these is Caris, an

autistic, horse-whispering runaway, intent upon becoming the Queen's first female knight. The other is Sir Willard--ex-immortal, ex-champion, now addicted to pain-killing herbs and banished from the court. With their help, Harric might keep his curse at bay, but for how long? And both companions bring perils and secrets of their own: Caris bears the scars of a troubled past, and Willard is at war with the Old Ones, an order of insane immortal knights who once enslaved the

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kingdom, and who  
now return to  
murder Willard, and  
seize the throne  
from his queen.  
Together, Harric  
and his companions  
must overcome  
fanatical armies,  
murderous  
sorcerers, and  
powerful  
supernatural foes.  
Alone, Harric must  
face the temptation  
of a forbidden  
magic that could  
break his curse,  
but cost him the  
only woman he's  
ever loved.\* \* \* A  
tale of magic,  
mischief, and the  
triumph of  
trickery. \* \* \*

MIDWEST REVIEW  
says, "The first  
volume in Stephen

Merlino's 'The  
Unseen Moon'  
series, "The Jack  
of Souls" is a  
terrific read from  
beginning to end  
and clearly  
establishes Merlino  
as a master of the  
fantasy  
action/adventure  
genre. Highly  
recommended for  
community library  
Science Fiction &  
Fantasy  
collections..." \* \*

\* "Of all the books  
I've read in the  
past couple of  
years, The Jack of  
Souls is by far my  
favorite. Merlino's  
remarkable  
imagination and  
storytelling skills  
had me on the edge  
of my seat the

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whole way through!" --Karen Duvall, author of Darkest Knight, and Demon Fare \* \* \* "A rich and rewarding new mythos!" --Rob May, author of Dragon Killer and Roll the Bones.

*The Last Mortal Bond*  
Penguin UK

The second installment in the New York Times bestselling series

"made for fans of Victoria Aveyard and Sabaa Tahir" (Bustle), Lady Smoke is an epic new fantasy about a throne cruelly stolen and a girl who must fight to take it back for her people. The Kaiser murdered Theodosia's mother, the Fire Queen, when Theo was only six. He took Theo's country and kept her prisoner, crowning her Ash

Princess--a pet to toy with and humiliate for ten long years. That era has ended. The Kaiser thought his prisoner weak and defenseless. He didn't realize that a sharp mind is the deadliest weapon. Theo no longer wears a crown of ashes. She has taken back her rightful title, and a hostage--Prinz Soren. But her people remain enslaved under the Kaiser's rule, and now she is thousands of miles away from them and her throne. To get them back, she will need an army. Only, securing an army means she must trust her aunt, the dreaded pirate Dragonsbane. And according to Dragonsbane, an army can only be produced if Theo takes a husband. Something an Astrean Queen has

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never done. Theo knows New York Times  
that freedom comes at bestselling author of  
a price, but she is Everless "A rebel  
determined to find a queen fans the sparks  
way to save her of revolution...[and]  
country without losing Theo's first-person  
herself. Praise for narration remains  
the Ash Princess enthralling with  
Series: "A darkly emotional  
enchanted page-turner immediacy...[while]  
you won't be able to packed to the brim  
put down."--Bustle "A with intrigue and the  
smart, feminist twist promise."-Kirkus  
on a traditional tale Reviews  
of a fallen heroine,  
with plenty of court  
intrigue, love, and  
lies to sweeten the  
deal. Good luck  
putting this one  
down." --Virginia  
Boecker, author of The  
Witch Hunter series  
"This searing page-  
turner is a compelling  
examination of the  
complexities of both  
evil and  
resistance."--Sarah  
Porter, author of  
Vassa in the Night "A  
dark and spellbinding  
epic." --Sara Holland,