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The Blade Artist W. W.

Norton & Company

A best-selling authoress of Regency romances suffers a paralyzing stroke and plots revenge on her unfaithful husband; a soccer thug and his love go in search of the man who marketed the drug that crippled her in order to cripple him; Lloyd and Heather explore the true nature of house music and chemical romance in the grim backstreets of Edinburgh."

Altered State W. W. Norton & Company

This book provides an introduction to the work of Irvine Welsh, placing his

fiction in historical and theoretical context. It explores Welsh's biography, his impact on contemporary Scottish fiction and the cultural relevance of his work. Including a timeline of key dates, it also offers an overview of the critical reception his work has provoked

The Best Things Vintage The highly-anticipated second instalment in the CRIME trilogy, now a hit TV Series Justice can be a blunt instrument "Men like him usually tell the story. In business. Politics. Media. But not this time: I repeat, he is not writing this story." Ritchie Gulliver MP is dead. Castrated and left to bleed in an empty Leith warehouse. Vicious, racist and corrupt, many thought he had it coming. But nobody could have

predicted this. After the life Gulliver has led, the suspects are many: corporate rivals, political opponents, the countless groups he's offended. And the vulnerable and marginalised, who bore the brunt of his cruelty - those without a voice, without a choice, without a chance. As Detective Ray Lennox unravels the truth, and the list of brutal attacks grows, he must put his personal feelings aside. But one question refuses to go away... Who are the real victims here? *A 2022 Book to Look Forward To in the Evening Standard* The Long Knives Random House Irvine Welsh, 'poet laureate of the chemical generation', exposes the seamy underbelly of rave 's utopian dream. Lloyd, our permanently pillled-up protagonist, pushes his

weekends to breaking point and beyond in this frazzled trip through Scottish clubland. He experiences the vertiginous uppers and downers of the Second Summer of Love, dabbles in a spot of disc jockeying and closes in, gradually, on some kind of redemption... Selected from Irvine Welsh's novel *Ecstasy*. VINTAGE MINIS: GREAT MINDS. BIG IDEAS. LITTLE BOOKS. A series of short books by the world's greatest writers on the experiences that make us human Also in the Vintage Minis series: *Home* by Salman Rushdie *Dreams* by Sigmund Freud *Eating* by Nigella Lawson *Work* by Joseph Heller *Dead Men's Trousers* Random House Irvine Welsh's scintillating, disturbing, and altogether outrageous collection of stories—the basis for the 1998 cult movie directed by Paul McGuigan. He is called "the Scottish Celine of the 1990s" (*Guardian*) and "a mad, postmodern Roald Dahl" (*Weekend Scotsman*). Using a range of approaches from bitter realism to demented fantasy, Irvine Welsh is able to evoke the essential humanity, well hidden as it is, of his generally depraved, lazy, manipulative, and vicious characters. He specializes particularly in cosmic

reversals—God turn a hapless footballer into a fly; an acid head and a newborn infant exchange consciousnesses with sardonically unexpected results—always displaying a corrosive wit and a telling accuracy of language and detail. Irvine Welsh is one hilariously dangerous writer who always creates a sensation.

Ecstasy Ecstasy A best-selling authoress of Regency romances suffers a paralyzing stroke and plots revenge on her unfaithful husband; a soccer thug and his love go in search of the man who marketed the drug that crippled her - in order to cripple him; Lloyd and Heather explore the true nature of house music and chemical romance in the grim backstreets of Edinburgh.

Ecstasy Ballantine Books Mia and Sophie have been best friends forever — but that's all about to change. Experimenting with alcohol, flirting with boys, and dabbling in drugs, their lives quickly spiral out of control. There is little currently available for young readers — and their parents — that accurately reflects both the appeal and the consequences of drug use from a teenage perspective, making this an important and valuable novel.

Rave Arrow Lloyd from Leith has a

transfiguring passion for the unhappily married Heather. Together they explore the true nature of house music and chemical romance. Will their ardour fizzle and die or will it ignite and blaze like a thousand suns? *Ecstasy* follows them and others through the backstreets of Edinburgh, stifling suburban sitting rooms and the bright lights of London. Exhilarating and dazzling, this is Welsh at his very best.

TRAINSPOTTING Random House Irvine Welsh returns to Edinburgh, the home of *Trainspotting* and so many of his novels since, with a new novel featuring one of his most iconic and beloved characters—'Juice' Terry Lawson—that's thick on the Scottish brogue, heavy on the filth and masterful in its comedic timing. *A Decent Ride* sees Irvine Welsh back in Edinburgh, this time with one of his most compelling and popular characters front and center: the rampaging force of nature that is 'Juice' Terry Lawson, first seen in *Glue*. Juice is a man who contains multitudes: he's a top

shagger, drug-dealing, gonzo pornstar and taxi driver. As we ride along in Juice's cab through the depraved streets of Edinburgh, Juice encounters a series of charmingly filthy characters, each of whom present their own, uh, unique challenges. Has he finally met his match in Hurricane 'Bawbag'? Can he discover the fate of the missing beauty, Jinty Magdalen, and keep her idiot-savant lover, the man-child Wee Jonty, out of prison? Will he find out the real motives of unscrupulous American businessman and reality-TV star, Ronald Checker? And, crucially, will Juice be able to negotiate life after a terrible event robs him of his sexual virility, and can a new fascination for the game of golf help him to live without . . . a decent ride? (The meaning of the title is starting to sink in now, huh?). So buckle your seatbelts and prepare for one unforgettable ride.

Crime: A Novel A&C

Black

The Trainspotting lads are back...and in worse shape than ever. In the last gasp of youth, Simon "Sick Boy" Williamson is back in

Edinburgh. He taps into one last great scam: directing and producing a porn film. To make it work, he needs bedfellows: the lovely Nikki Fuller-Smith, a student with ambition, ego, and troubles to rival his own; old pal Mark Renton; and a motley crew that includes the neighborhood's favorite ex-beverage salesman, "Juice" Terry. In the world of Porno, however, even the cons are conned. Sick Boy and Renton jockey for top dog. The out-of-jail and in-for-revenge Begbie is on the loose. But it's the hapless, drug-addled Spud who may be spreading the most trouble. Porno is a novel about the Trainspotting crew ten years further down the line: still scheming, still scamming, still fighting for the first-class seats as the train careens at high velocity with derailment looming around the next corner. *Ecstasy*. Review 'Gillespie is rock and roll's Oliver Twist. A punk rock fairytale, razor sharp on class struggle, music, style, and a singular view of the world resulting in one of the world's great bands. Couldn't put down' Courtney Love Born into a working-

class Glaswegian family in the summer of 1961, TENEMENT KID begins in the district of Springburn, soon to be evacuated in Edward Heath's brutal slum clearances. Leaving school at 16 and going to work as a printers' apprentice, Bobby's rock n roll epiphany arrives like a bolt of lightning shining from Phil Lynott's mirrored pickguard at his first gig at the Apollo in Glasgow. Filled with 'the holy spirit of rock n roll' his destiny is sealed with the arrival of the Sex Pistols and punk rock which to Bobby, represents an iconoclastic vision of class rebellion and would ultimately lead to him becoming an artist initially in the Jesus and Mary Chain then Primal Scream. Building like a breakbeat crescendo to the Summer of Love, Boys Own parties, and the fateful meeting with Andrew Weatherall in an East Sussex field, as the '80s bleed into the '90s and a new kind of electronic soul music starts to pulse through the nation's consciousness, TENEMENT KID closes with the release of *Screamadelica*, the album often credited with 'starting the '90s'. A book filled with the joy and wonder of a rock n roll apostle who would radically reshape the future sounds of fin de siècle British pop, Bobby

Gillespie's memoir cuts a righteous path through a decade lost to Thatcherism and saved by acid house.

4-Play White Rabbit

If trains and railway modelling are your passion or you just love quality scale modelling you can't miss this book with the usual AK's quality display plus Marklin's input. A handbook that will possibly become a cult book for scale railway modelers in the next years. A new approach for an instructional book and the for the way techniques are displayed to beginners and advanced modellers. The book is structured in three main blocks. The first part contains the different techniques and materials we have at our disposal in order to be able to represent as many different effects as it is necessary. The second block walks us through a greatly visual and detailed description of the different processes and materials involved in representing these effects on different types of locomotives and wagons. A variety of techniques and work carried out by some of the best European and

American modellers. On the third section we will see how to weather railway buildings and rail station structures and their elements. This goes together with a chapter full of real reference pictures of trains from around the world that will really delight the reader and push many to start with the hobby.

Generation Ecstasy

Fremantle Press

Based on the most current psychological and pharmacological research, provides a reliable, unbiased look at the use and abuse of legal and illegal drugs -- from alcohol, caffeine, and anti-anxiety pills to heroin, ecstasy, and special-K.

A Decent Ride Random House

Follows the lives of four boys growing up in the Edinburgh projects, bound together by loyalty and friendship as they struggle with class conditioning, peer pressure, and their parents' hopes for their future.

Rave W. W. Norton & Company

Chronicles the misadventures of Mark Renton and his friends as they cope with economic uncertainties, family problems, drug use and the opposite sex in 1980s

Edinburgh in this new novel from the author of *Trainspotting* and *Filth*.

Babylon Heights W. W. Norton & Company

With the Christmas season upon him, Detective Sergeant Bruce Robertson of Edinburgh's finest is gearing up socially—kicking things off with a week of sex and drugs in Amsterdam. There are some sizable flies in the ointment, though: a missing wife and child, a nagging cocaine habit, some painful below-the-belt eczema, and a string of demanding extramarital affairs. The last thing Robertson needs is a messy, racially fraught murder, even if it means overtime—and the opportunity to clinch the promotion he craves. Then there's that nutritionally demanding (and psychologically acute) intestinal parasite in his gut. Yes, things are going badly for this utterly corrupt tribune of the law, but in an Irvine Welsh novel nothing is ever so bad that it can't get a whole lot worse. . . . In Bruce Robertson Welsh has created one of the most compellingly misanthropic characters in contemporary fiction, in a dark and disturbing and often scabrously funny novel about the abuse of everything and everybody. "Welsh writes with a skill, wit and compassion that amounts to genius. He is the best thing that has happened to British writing in decades."—Sunday Times [London] "[O]ne of the most significant writers in Britain. He

writes with style, imagination, wit, and force, and in a voice which those alienated by much current fiction clearly want to hear."—Times Literary Supplement "Welsh writes with such vile, relentless intensity that he makes Louis-Ferdinand Céline, the French master of defilement, look like Little Miss Muffet."—Courtney Weaver, The New York Times Book Review "The corrupt Edinburgh cop-antihero of Irvine Welsh's best novel since *Trainspotting* is an addictive personality in another sense: so appallingly powerful is his character that it's hard to put the book down....[T]he rapid-fire rhythm and pungent dialect of the dialogue carry the reader relentlessly toward the literally filthy denouement."—Village Voice Literary Supplement, "Our 25 Favorite Books of 1998" "Welsh excels at making his trash-spewing bluecoat peculiarly funny and vulnerable—and you will never think of the words 'Dame Judi Dench' in the same way ever again. [Grade:] A-."—Charles Winecoff, Entertainment Weekly
Irvine Welsh W. W. Norton & Company
The International Bestseller from the author The New York Times called "blisteringly funny" — it's the wild and wooly crew from *Trainspotting* back for one last adventure You don't need to have seen the blockbuster movie—nor read the earlier mega-bestselling books—to get what's going

on in *Dead Men's Trousers*: Four no-longer-young men who constantly think back to their bawdy, drug-filled youth together on the streets of Edinburgh, decide they want to join forces for one last caper. Careful what you wish for... "Manages a sort of ragged glory, a life-affirming comic energy . . . A whooping last hurrah for the *Trainspotting* gang." —The Guardian "Crackles with idiomatic energy and brio." —Publishers Weekly Mark Renton is finally a success. He now makes significant money managing DJs, but the constant travel, airport lounges, soulless hotel rooms, and broken relationships have left him dissatisfied with life. Then he runs into his old partner in crime, Frank Begbie, from whom he'd been hiding for years. But the psychotic Begbie appears to have reinvented himself as a celebrated artist in Los Angeles, and doesn't seem interested in revenge. Meanwhile, back in Edinburgh, Sick Boy and Spud are intrigued to learn that their old friends are back in town, and concoct a new scheme for them all . . . Which is when things start to go horribly wrong. The four men, driven by their personal histories and addictions, circle each other, confused, angry, and

desperate. One of these four will not survive . . . Which one is wearing *Dead Men's Trousers*? Fast and furious, scabrously funny, and weirdly moving, this is a spectacular return of the crew from *Trainspotting*.
The Bedroom Secrets of the Master Chefs W. W. Norton & Company
"Having been placed on leave after suffering an emotional meltdown, Edinburgh detective Ray Lennox and Trudi, his fiance, fly to Miami for a few days to relax and plan their wedding, but from the start the trip is a nightmare. Lennox gobbles antidepressants and begins drinking again in a desperate frenzy, but things really tilt out of control when he parties with some locals, who reacquaint him with an old obsession, cocaine. One of his new 'friends' has a 10-year-old daughter, who's been targeted by an organized ring of pedophiles. Can Lennox save the girl and redeem himself?"--
Ecstasy W. W. Norton & Company
From its first publication in 1997, *Altered State* established itself as the definitive text on Ecstasy and dance culture. This new edition sees Matthew Collin cast a fresh eye on

the heady events of the acid house 'Summer of Love' and the rave scene's euphoric escalation into commercial excess as MDMA became a mass-market narcotic. *Altered State* is the best-selling book on Ecstasy culture, using a cast of memorable characters to track the origins of the scene and its drug through psychedelic subcults, underground gay discos and the Balearic paradise of Ibiza, to the point where Tony Blair was using an Ecstasy anthem as an election campaign song. *Altered State* critically examines the ideologies and myths of the scene, documenting the criminal underside to the blissed-out image, shedding new light on the social history of the most spectacular youth movement of the twentieth century.

The Acid House

Manchester University
Press

Hilarious, shocking and hugely entertaining, *Reheated Cabbage* has all the classic Irvine Welsh ingredients. In *Reheated Cabbage* you can enjoy Christmas dinner with Begbie and discover how aliens addicted to

Embassy Regal have Midlothian under surveillance. You will meet a husband who values a televised Hibs v Hearts game more than his wife's life and see two guys fighting over a beautiful girl agree - after a few pills and pints of lager - that their friendship is actually more important. And you will be delighted to welcome back 'Juice' Terry Lawson, and to watch what happens when he meets his old nemesis under the strobe-lights of a Miami Beach nightclub. 'The stories combine sly humour with the tang of lived experience. It makes for a terrific collection, showcasing a writer who...has blossomed into one of the most distinctive, and distinguished, observers of British life' Sunday Telegraph