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Fishy Wishes Orbit

"A mesmerizing story of blackmail, romance, and deception."-Associated Press A parson's daughter, Druscilla Delaney is enthralled by her wealthy, glamorous neighbors-the Framlings-and their handsome son, Fabian. They gift her with a priceless heirloom, a beautiful fan that brings with it a terrible curse./em Beautiful as its peacock feathers may be, the priceless fan hidden deep in the Framling mansion has a legacy of death and destruction. And Druscilla has no idea she's been marked by its curse. But the fan's dark past might prove less of a danger than Fabian Framling himself. Dark, brooding, and dominating, will he be the one to save her from the fan's cruel fate...or cause her demise? Including elements of historical romance and romantic suspense, The India Fan is a spellbinding tale from the Queen of Gothic Romance. Fast-paced and gripping, fans of Georgette Heyer, Mary Stewart, and Daphne Du Maurier will be awestruck by this Victorian gothic thriller complete with romance, murder, and mayhem. Other Titles from Victoria Holt *Pride and the Peacock: To secure her*

inheritance, Jessica Clavering agrees to a marriage of convenience, but will her handsome new husband's desire for her ever surpass his obsession with a famously cursed opal? *The Shivering Sands: Caroline Verlainne's* sister has gone missing and no one can tell her why. The only option is to go where Roma was last seen-an estate with a deadly history. *The Time of the Hunter's Moon: According to legend, a girl will see her future husband at the time of the hunter's moon. But when the handsome stranger revealed to Cordelia Grant disappears after an all-too-brief encounter, she has to wonder: Was he merely an apparition...or something more? What readers are saying about The India Fan "The India Fan was beautiful. It was long and complex and draining. It was gripping." "Once you start, you can't put it down." "A knock-out novel of mysticism and murder..." "This book brings memories!!! I read it when I was in high school and it remains one of my favorite books to read." What reviewers are saying about The India Fan "...romance, curses, dark secrets, and a Gothic tale of epic proportions"-My Book Addiction and More "...an absolutely engrossing read. The story-telling is excellent and I found the historical background fascinating."-Romantic Historical Lovers "Enthralling."-The New York Times Book Review "Fresh and steadily compelling."-Kirkus "Readers will savor this sweeping coming-of-age tale"-Publishers Weekly "The India Fan is one of those epic stories that you can completely immerse yourself in and it will stay in your memory for years."-Great Historicals*

What everyone is saying about the Queen of Gothic Romance Victoria Holt "Victoria Holt's writing is captivating"-Bookfoolery "She spins history with romance and intrigue and always leaves me wanting more." "Holt's stories are spell binding....page turners." "I love her books! I have read all of them again and again. She is a wonderful storyteller." "One of the supreme writers of gothic romance, a compelling storyteller whose gripping novels have thrilled millions."-RT Book Reviews

Barking Hachette UK

Expecting Someone Taller Orbit Orbit

A. L. Graziadei's Icebreaker is an irresistible YA debut about two hockey players fighting to be the best—and the romance that catches them by surprise along the way. Seventeen-year-old Mickey James III is a college freshman, a brother to five sisters, and a hockey legacy. With a father and a grandfather who have gone down in NHL history, Mickey is almost guaranteed the league's top draft spot. The only person standing in his way is Jaysen Caulfield, a contender for the #1 spot and Mickey's infuriating (and infuriatingly attractive) teammate. When rivalry turns to something more, Mickey will have to decide what he really wants, and what he's willing to risk for it. This is a story about falling in love, finding your team (on and off the ice), and choosing your own path.

Only Human Del Rey

Duncan's boss doesn't think he's cut out to be a lawyer. He isn't a pack animal. He lacks the killer instinct. But when his best friend from school barges his way back into Duncan's life, along with a full supporting cast of lawyers, ex-wives, zombies, and snow-white unicorns, it's not long before things become distinctly unsettling. Hairy, even.

The Better Mousetrap Orbit

When his father dies, and he is reduced at a stroke from prosperity to penury, Euxenus decides to leave Athens and seek his fortune elsewhere. As a philosopher and intellectual of

some note, he has no difficulty getting a job as tutor to a young prince in the wealthy but utterly provincial court of King Philip of Macedon. The young prince is called Alexander, and the rest is history. Or is it? Alexander conquered Greece, Egypt and the Persian Empire in the course of eight years, amassing a huge army along the way, and leaving behind him the foundations of countless new cities named after him. He proclaimed himself a deity, and died at the age of 33. In **ALEXANDER AT THE WORLD'S END**, Tom Holt tells the story of two remarkable men, one of whom conquered empires and one of whom struggled to overcome the drainage problems of a small village. It is a story of two men whose paths crossed only briefly, but whose encounter changed both their lives for ever. And it is a story which throws an extraordinary new light on the man who became Alexander the Great.

A Song for Nero Orbit

Once upon a time, everything was fine.

Humpty Dumpty sat on his wall, Jack and Jill went about their lawful business, the Big Bad Wolf did what big bad wolves do, and the wicked queen plotted murder most foul. But the humans hacked, cried havoc, shut down the wicked queen's system, and corrupted her database-and suddenly everything was not fine at all. But at least we know that they'll all live happily ever after. Don't we?

Only Human Henry Holt and Company (BYR)

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Something is about to go wrong. Very wrong. What do you expect if the Supreme Being decides to get away from it all for a few days, leaving his naturally inquisitive son to look after the cosmic balance of things? A minor hiccup with a human soul and a welding machine soon leads to a violent belch, and before you know it the human condition - not to mention the lemming condition - is tumbling down the slippery slope to chaos.

Who's Afraid of Beowulf Orbit Books

The doughnut is a thing of beauty. A circle of fried doughy perfection. A source of comfort in trying times, perhaps. For Theo Bernstein, however, it is far, far more. Things have been going pretty badly for Theo Bernstein. An unfortunate accident at

work has lost him his job (and his work involved a Very Very Large Hadron Collider, so he's unlikely to get it back). His wife has left him. And he doesn't have any money. Before Theo has time to fully appreciate the pointlessness of his own miserable existence, news arrives that his good friend Professor Pieter van Goyen, renowned physicist and Nobel laureate, has died. By leaving the apparently worthless contents of his safety deposit to Theo, however, the professor has set him on a quest of epic proportions. A journey that will rewrite the laws of physics. A battle to save humanity itself. This is the tale of a man who had nothing and gave it all up to find his destiny - and a doughnut.

Icebreaker Orbit

There are many reasons why British summers are either non-existent or, alternatively, held on a Thursday. Many of these reasons are either scientific, mad, or both - but all of them are wrong, especially the scientific ones. The real reason why it rains perpetually from January 1st to December 31st is, of course, irritable Chinese Water Dragons. Karen is one such legendary creature. Ancient, noble, nearly indestructible and, for a number of wildly improbable reasons, working as a real estate agent, Karen is irritable quite a lot of the time. But now things have changed, and Karen's no longer irritable. She's furious.

Overtime Orbit

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Felix Holt, the Radical Orbit

This is a comedy set in the Sunnyvoyde
Residential Home. Wagner got it wrong. The
Twilight of the Gods isn't really that
cataclysmic. After all, there's a comfy chair, a
welcoming fire and three meals a day.

The Left-Hand Way Tor Books

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Ingolf, last of the giants. With his dying breath
he reluctantly gave Malcolm two gifts of power
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Expecting Someone Taller Abacus

From the moment Homo Sapiens descended
from the trees, possibly onto their heads,
humanity has striven towards civilization.
Fire. The Wheel. Running Away from furry
things with more teeth than one might
reasonably expect-all are testament to man's
ultimate supremacy. It is a noble story and
so, of course, complete and utter fiction. For
one man has discovered the hideous truth:
that humanity's ascent to civilization has
been ruthlessly guided by a small gang of
devious frogs. The man's name is David
Perkins, and his theory is not, on the whole,

widely admired, particularly not by the frogs
themselves, who had invested a great deal of
time and effort in keeping the whole thing
quiet.

Earth, Air, Fire and Custard Orbit

WISH YOU WERE HERE - It was a busy
day on Lake Chicopee. But it was a mixed
bunch of sightseers and tourists that had the
strange local residents rubbing their hands
with delight. But most promising of all,
there was Wesley Higgins, the young man
from Birmingham, England, who was there
because he knew the legend of the ghost of
Okeewana. All he had to do was immerse
himself in the waters of the lake and he
would find his heart's desire. Well, it
seemed like a good idea at the time. DJINN

RUMMY - In an aspirin bottle, nobody can
hear you scream. Outside an aspirin bottle,
however, things are somewhat different.

And when Kayaguchiya Integrated Circuits
III (Kiss, to his friends), a Force Twelve
genie with an attitude, is released after
fourteen years of living with two dozen
white tablets, there's bound to be trouble ...
All Jane wanted to do was end her life in
peace, in the privacy of a British Rail
waiting room, but now she's got herself a
genie for company. Lucky old Jane. Lucky,
that is, until the apocalypse rears its ugly
head.

Alexander at the World's End Hachette UK

Maurice has just killed a dragon with a
bread knife. And had his destiny foretold...
and had his true love spirited away. That's
precisely the sort of stuff that'd bring out the
latent heroism in anyone. Unfortunately,
Maurice is pretty sure he hasn't got any
latent heroism. Meanwhile, a man wakes up
in a jar in a different kind of pickle
(figuratively speaking). He can't get out, of
course, but neither can he remember his

name, or what gravity is, or what those things on the ends of his legs are called... and every time he starts working it all out, someone makes him forget again. Forget everything. Only one thing might help him. The answer to the most baffling question of all... WHEN IS A DOOR NOT A DOOR?

Expecting Someone Taller a Bca Orbit

The lyrics of a Cajun waltz may be dark as midnight with heartache and trouble, but still the music swings. The same goes for what happens after a shifty musician and a lonely shopgirl let destiny sweep them into an ill-suited marriage in swampy southwest Louisiana on the eve of the Depression. Love doesn't much figure between Richie Bainard and Esther Block. They build a business together while dreaming opposite dreams of fulfillment. But like a gumbo simmering with peppers and spice, desires finally come to a boil. Three generations of the volatile clan grapple with the region's economic struggles and racial tensions. The Bainard children, twins Bonnie and R.J. and their half-brother, Seth, pursue separate cravings for money, sex, and religion. The chase in each case runs off the rails thanks to an ex-marine with a soft heart and a brutish devotion, a dazzling young stepmother of mixed race and mixed motives, and a high school tart who proves tougher and truer than all of them. Ultimately it takes the mass devastation of Hurricane Audrey in 1957 to cleanse the reckless passions. The aftermath is painful but pure, like an old blues song that puts tears in your eyes while you dance.

Little People Orbit

In 1037, a senior civil servant of the Byzantine empire faces a tedious journey to Greece, escorting the Army payroll. His only companions are a detachment of the Empire's elite Guard, recruited from Viking Scandinavia. When the wagon sheds a wheel, he passes the time talking with two veterans, who have a remarkable story to

tell; the Viking discovery of America. As he records the story, years later, he also considers its effect on the fourth member of the party; a young Norwegian guardsman who went on to become King Harald Hardradi, who died invading England in 1066 ...

Snow White and the Seven Samurai Hachette UK

History tells us that in 69AD, at the ripe old age of 32 and on hearing that General Glaba's forces were closing in, Nero fled his palace in Rome. He stabbed himself in the throat with a pen and was trampled to death by horses in a muddy ditch. His last words were, 'What an artist dies with me'. But there is another possibility: Nero did not die in that ditch, but somebody who looked very much like him did. This gives Nero the opportunity to start a new life in pursuit of his first love: music. But there's a problem - Nero is being pursued by two people who have reason to suspect he is still alive - one wants him dead, the other is a passionate fan of his dreadful music and wants his genius recognised ... Tom Holt is an innovative, challenging and wonderfully entertaining writer of historical fiction. NERO is essential reading for all fans of Tom Holt and historical fiction.

Meadowland Macmillan

Mild-mannered accountant Jane Doland must track down Vanderdecker, a magically immortal Dutch sea captain who, along with his crew, has been circling the globe for four hundred years.