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[America Was Hard to Find](#) Simon and Schuster

“Rarely will a book touch your heart like *A Place to Call Home*. So sit back, put up your feet, and enjoy.”—The Atlanta Journal and Constitution Twenty years ago, Claire Maloney was the willful, pampered, tomboyish daughter of the town’s most respected family, but that didn’t stop her from befriending Roan Sullivan, a fierce, motherless boy who lived in a rusted-out trailer amid junked cars. No one in Dunderry, Georgia—least of all Claire’s family—could understand the bond between these two mavericks. But Roan and Claire belonged together . . . until the dark afternoon when violence and terror overtook them, and Roan disappeared from Claire’s life. Now, two decades later, Claire is adrift, and the Maloneys are still hoping the past can be buried under the rich Southern soil. But Roan Sullivan is about to walk back into their lives. . . . By turns tender and sexy and heartbreaking and exuberant, *A Place to Call Home* is an enthralling journey between two hearts—and a deliciously original novel from one of the most imaginative and appealing new voices in Southern fiction. Praise for *A Place to Call Home* “A beautiful, believable love story.”—Chicago Tribune “For sheer storytelling virtuosity, Ms. Smith has few equals.”—Richmond Times-Dispatch “Enchanting new novel . . . a beautiful love story of reunion.”—The News & Observer, Raleigh, NC “Stylishly written, filled with Southern ease and humor.”—Tampa Tribune

[Storm Runners](#) Harper Collins

Laura and her family move to Minnesota where they live in a dugout until a new house is built and face misfortunes caused by flood, blizzard, and grasshoppers.

[The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry](#) Simon and Schuster Set in a small coastal town in North Carolina during the waning years of the American Revolution, this incandescent debut novel follows three generations of family—fathers and daughters, mother and son, master and slave, characters who yearn for redemption amidst a heady brew of war, kidnapping, slavery, and love. Drawn to the ocean, ten-year-old Tabitha wanders the marshes of her small coastal village and listens to her father’s stories about his pirate voyages and the mother she never knew. Since the loss of his wife Helen, John has remained land-bound for their daughter, but when Tab contracts yellow fever, he turns to the sea once more. Desperate to save his daughter, he takes her aboard a sloop bound for Bermuda, hoping the salt air will heal her. Years before, Helen herself was raised by a widowed father. Asa, the devout owner of a small plantation, gives his daughter a young slave named Moll for her tenth birthday. Left largely on their own, Helen and Moll develop a close but uneasy companionship. Helen gradually takes over the running of the plantation as the girls grow up, but when she meets John, the pirate turned Continental soldier, she flouts convention and her father’s wishes by falling in love. Moll, meanwhile, is forced into marriage with a stranger. Her only solace is her son, Davy, whom she will protect with a passion that defies the bounds of slavery. In this elegant, evocative, and haunting debut, Katy Simpson Smith captures the singular love between parent and child, the devastation of love lost, and the lonely paths we travel in the name of renewal.

[The Story of Land and Sea](#) Simon and Schuster

"A thriller about a Black society with a secret" --

[For Today I Am a Boy](#) HarperCollins

In a voice that resonates with insight and humor, New York Times bestselling author Cynthia Leitich Smith tells the story of a teenage girl who must face down her grief and reclaim her place in the world with the help of her intertribal community. It’s been six months since Cassidy Rain Berghoff’s best friend, Galen, died, and up until now she has succeeded in shutting herself off from the world. But when controversy arises around Aunt Georgia’s Indian Camp in their mostly white midwestern community, Rain decides to face the outside world again, with a new job photographing the campers for her town’s newspaper. Soon, Rain has to decide how involved she wants to become in Indian Camp. Does she want to keep a professional distance from her fellow Native teens? And, though she is still grieving, will she be able to embrace new friends and new beginnings? In partnership with We Need Diverse Books

[The Blinds](#) OUP Oxford

In the wake of an affair, the lives of an astronaut and a radical are forever altered by the political fault lines of the 1960s, setting off a series of events ricocheting from anti-Vietnam activism to the Apollo program to the AIDS crisis, in this sprawling multigenerational novel

Ecuador, 1969: An American expatriate, Fay Fern, sits in the corner of a restaurant, she and her young son Wright turned away from the television where Vincent Kahn becomes the first man to walk on the moon. Years earlier, Fay and Vincent meet at a pilots’ bar in the Mojave Desert. Both seemed poised for reinvention—the married test pilot, Vincent, as an astronaut; the spurned child of privilege, Fay, as an activist. Their casual affair ends quickly, but its consequences linger. Though their lives split, their senses of purpose deepen in tandem, each becoming heroes to different sides of the political spectrum of the 1960s and 70s: Vincent an icon with no plan beyond the mission for which he has single-mindedly trained, Fay a leader of a violent leftist group whose anti-Vietnam actions make her one of the FBI’s most wanted. With her last public appearance, a demonstration that frames the Apollo program as a vehicle for distracting the American public from its country’s atrocities, Fay leaves Wright to contend with her legacy, his own growing apathy, and the misdeeds of both his mother and his country. An immense, vivid reimaging of the Cold War era, *America Was Hard to Find* traces the fallout of the cultural revolution that divided the country and explores the meaning of individual lives in times of upheaval. It also confirms Kathleen Alcott’s reputation as a fearless and vital voice in fiction.

[Marilou is Everywhere](#) HMH

From the New York Times – bestselling author of *The Great Leader* and *Legends of the Fall*: a retired detective confronts the sins of man in rural Michigan. In *The Great Leader*, Mark Twain Award – winning author Jim Harrison introduced readers to the hard-drinking, nearly-retired Detective Sunderson. In this darkly comic follow-up, Sunderson takes stock of his past, while his outlaw neighbors bring new havoc to his doorstep. To flee his troubles, Detective Sunderson buys a hunting cabin in a remote area of Michigan’s Upper Peninsula. But with neighbors like the Ames family, there is no peace to be found. Armed to the teeth, the Ameses have local law enforcement too intimidated to take them on. Then Sunderson’s cleaning lady, a comely young Ames woman, is murdered, and black sheep brother Lemuel Ames seeks Sunderson’s advice on a crime novel he’s writing which may not be fiction. In a story shot through with wit, bedlam, and Sunderson’s contemplation of the seven deadly sins, *The Big Seven* is a superb reminder of why Jim Harrison is “one of the finest writers of the past half-century” (*The Washington Times*).

[A Place to Call Home](#) Simon and Schuster

In this wonderful work of fiction, Joe Henry explores the complex relationship between a father and his sons, whose deep connections to one another, to the land, and to the creatures that inhabit it give meaning to their lives. Spencer Davis, his wife, Elizabeth, and their sons, Luke, Whitney, and Lonny, work with horses and with their hands. They spend long relentless days cutting summer hay and feeding it to their cattle through fierce Wyoming winters. The family bears witness to the cycle of life, bringing foals into the world and deciding when to let a favored mare pass on to the next. As Luke grows older, falls in love, and begins to assert his independence, Spencer strives to impart the wisdom of this way of life to his headstrong son, whatever the cost. Moving, powerful, and beautifully rendered, *Lime Creek* brings readers into the lives of this unforgettable family and into a world that, though often harsh, is lit by flashes of spectacular grace.

[The Ploughmen](#) FSG Originals

USA TODAY BESTSELLER! "One adorably British odd couple . . . Charming." — People “An exquisitely poignant tale of life, friendship and facing death . . . heart-breaking yet ultimately uplifting . . . Everyone should read this book.” — Ruth Hogan, author of *Queenie Malone’s Paradise Hotel* Infused with the emotional power of *Me Before You* and the irresistible charm of *Eleanor Oliphant Is Completely Fine* and *Be Frank with Me*, a moving and joyous novel about an elderly woman ready to embrace death and the little girl who reminds her what it means to live. It’s never too late to start living. *Eudora Honeysett* is done with this noisy, moronic world—all of it. She has witnessed the indignities and suffering of old age and has lived a full life. At eighty-five, she isn’t going to leave things to chance. Her end will be on her terms. With one call to a clinic in Switzerland, a plan is set in motion. Then she meets ten-year-old Rose Trewidney, a whirling, pint-sized rainbow of sparkling cheer. All *Eudora* wants is to be left alone to set her affairs in order. Instead, she finds herself embarking on a series of adventures with the irrepressible Rose and their affable neighbor, the recently widowed Stanley—afternoon tea, shopping sprees, trips to the beach, birthday celebrations, pizza parties. While the trio of unlikely BFFs grow closer and anxiously await the arrival of Rose’s new baby sister, *Eudora* is reminded of her own childhood—of losing her father during World War II and the devastating impact it had on her entire family. In reflecting on her past, *Eudora* realizes she must come to terms with what lies ahead. But now that her joy for life has been rekindled, how can she possibly say goodbye?

[Watershed](#) Algonquin Books

This is the most detailed study ever published on the Me 262: the world’s first operational military jet aircraft. The authors have drawn on more than 30 years of detailed and unrivaled research. Each

volume includes vintage photos, detailed diagrams, and foldouts of the Me 262, along with full-color illustrations of many of the variants produced by Messerschmitt. Incredible detail.

[Rain Is Not My Indian Name](#) Harper Collins

In Ivory Shoals, twelve-year-old Gussie Dwyer—audacious, resilient, determined to adhere to the morals his mother instilled in him—undertakes to trek across the sumptuous yet perilous peninsula of post-Civil War Florida in search of his father, a man who has no idea of his son’s existence. Gussie’s journey sees him cross paths with hardened Floridians of every stripe, from the brave and noble to a bevy of cutthroat villains, none worse than his amoral shark of a stepbrother. Rich in visceral details and told with a pulse-quickening pace, *Ivory Shoals* is a distinctly American story, in the tradition of Mark Twain and Cormac McCarthy. The novel is also a timeless epic, tracking Gussie’s odyssey from childhood toward adulthood. Will he survive his quest, and at what cost?

[Dog Run Moon](#) Vintage

THE NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER NOW A MAJOR TV SERIES starring Pierce Brosnan and co-written by Philipp Meyer The critically acclaimed, New York Times–bestselling epic, a saga of land, blood and power, follows the rise of one unforgettable Texas family from the Comanche raids of the 1800s to the oil booms of the 20th century. Eli McCullough is just twelve years old when a marauding band of Comanche storm his Texas homestead, brutally murder his mother and sister and take him captive. Despite their torture and cruelty, Eli – against all odds – adapts to life with the Comanche, learning their ways and language, taking on a new name, finding a place as the adopted son of the band’s chief and fighting their wars against not only other Indians but white men too, which complicates his sense of loyalty, his promised vengeance and his very understanding of self. But when disease, starvation and westward expansion finally decimate the Comanche, Eli is left alone in a world in which he belongs nowhere, neither white nor Indian, civilized nor fully wild. Deftly interweaving Eli’s story with those of his son Peter and his great-granddaughter JA, *The Son* maps the legacy of Eli’s ruthlessness, his drive to power and his lifelong status as an outsider, even as the McCullough family rises to become one of the richest in Texas, a ranching and oil dynasty that is as resilient and dangerous as the land they claim. Yet, like all empires, the McCulloughs must eventually face the consequences of their choices. Panoramic, deeply evocative and utterly transporting, *The Son* is a masterpiece American novel – part epic of Texas, part classic coming-of-age story – that combines the narrative prowess of Larry McMurtry with the knife-edge sharpness of Cormac McCarthy. 'Stunning ... a book that for once really does deserve to be called a masterpiece' Kate Atkinson 'Magnificent ... McCarthy's Border Trilogy is a point of reference, as is *There Will Be Blood*, but it is not fanciful to be reminded of certain passages from *Moby-Dick* – it's that good' The Times 'Brilliant ... a wonderful novel' Lionel Shriver

[Sunday at the Sunflower Inn](#) McSweeney's

The first in a middle-grade action-adventure series from Roland Smith! Chase Masters and his father are "storm runners," racing across the country in pursuit of hurricanes, tornadoes, and floods. Anywhere bad weather strikes, they are not far behind. Chase is learning more on the road than he ever would just sitting in a classroom. But when the hurricane of the century hits, he will be tested in ways he never could have imagined.

[Florida Man](#) Zebra

A son of Chinese immigrants discovers his true self in a “sharply written debut . . . a coming-of-age tale for our time” (*Seattle Times*). Publishing Triangle’s Edmund White Award for Debut Fiction, Winner 2015 PEN/Hemingway Award, Finalist Lambda Literary Award, Finalist Longlisted for the 2014 Flaherty-Dunn First Novel Prize A Barnes & Noble Discover Great New Writers Selection for Spring 2014 A New York Times Book Review Editor’s Choice Shortlisted for the Kobo Emerging Writer Prize At birth, Peter Huang is given the Chinese name Juan Chaun, “powerful king.” To his parents, newly settled in small-town Ontario, he is the exalted only son in a sea of daughters, the one who will finally fulfill his immigrant father’s dreams of Western masculinity. Peter and his sisters grow up in an airless house of order and obligation, though secrets and half-truths simmer beneath the surface. At the first opportunity, each of the girls lights out on her own. But for Peter, escape is not as simple as fleeing his parents’ home. Though his father crowned him “powerful king,” Peter knows otherwise. He knows he is really a girl. With the help of his far-flung sisters and the sympathetic souls he finds along the way, Peter inches ever closer to his own life, his own skin, in this darkly funny, emotionally acute, stunningly powerful debut. “Sensitively wrought . . . “*For Today I Am a Boy*” is as much about the construction of self as the consequences of its unwitting destruction—and what happens when its acceptance seems as foreign as another country.” —The New York Times Book Review “Subtle and controlled, with flashes of humor and warmth.” —Slate “Keeps you reading. Told in snatches of memory that

hurt so much they have the ring of truth. ” —Bust

Hurt People Henry Holt and Company

NPR Best Book of 2017 Los Angeles Times Best Fiction Pick
Refinery29 Best Book of the Year BULO Books Top Read of
2017 “ Destined to be a classic L.A. novel. ” —Michael
Connelly When a teen runs away from his father ’ s mysterious
commune, he sets in motion a domino effect that will connect
six characters desperate for hope and love, set across the sun-
bleached canvas of Los Angeles. From the acclaimed author of
Visitation Street, a visionary portrait of contemporary Los
Angeles in all its facets, from the Mojave Desert to the Pacific,
from the 110 to Skid Row. During a typically crowded morning
commute, a naked runner is dodging between the stalled cars.
The strange sight makes the local news and captures the
imagination of a stunning cast of misfits and lost souls. There's
Ren, just out of juvie, who travels to LA in search of his mother.
There's Owen and James, teenage twins who live in a desert
commune, where their father, a self-proclaimed healer, holds a
powerful sway over his disciples. There's Britt, who shows up at
the commune harboring a dark secret. There's Tony, a bored
and unhappy lawyer who is inspired by the runner. And there's
Blake, a drifter hiding in the desert, doing his best to fight off his
most violent instincts. Their lives will all intertwine and come
crashing together in a shocking way, one that could only happen
in this enchanting, dangerous city. Wonder Valley is a swirling
mix of angst, violence, heartache, and yearning—a masterpiece
by a writer on the rise.

The Size of the Truth Zondervan

What do you do without your best friend? Jamie isn't afraid of
anything. Always ready to get into trouble, then right back out
of it, he's a fun and exasperating best friend. But when
something terrible happens to Jamie, his best friend has to face
the tragedy alone. Without Jamie, there are so many impossible
questions to answer -- how can your best friend be gone forever?
How can some things, like playing games in the sun or the taste
of the blackberries that Jamie loved, go on without him?

The Big Seven Center Point Pub

A Good Morning America Book Club Pick! • A bighearted novel
with technicolor characters, plenty of Texas swagger, and a powder
keg of a plot in which marriages struggle, rivalries flare, and secrets
explode, all with a clever wink toward classical mythology. For fans of
Madeline Miller's Circe: "The Iliad meets Friday Night Lights in this
muscular, captivating debut" (Oprah Daily). The Briscoe family is
once again the talk of their small town when March returns to East
Texas two years after he was caught having an affair with his
brother's wife. His mother, June, hardly welcomes him back with
open arms. Her husband's own past affairs have made her tired of
being the long-suffering spouse. Is it, perhaps, time for a change?
Within days of March's arrival, someone is dead, marriages are
upended, and even the strongest of alliances are shattered. In the
end, the ties that hold them together might be exactly what drag
them all down. An expansive tour de force, Olympus, Texas cleverly
weaves elements of classical mythology into a thoroughly modern
family saga, rich in drama and psychological complexity. After all, at
some point, don't we all wonder: What good is this destructive force
we call love?

Lime Creek Farrar, Straus and Giroux

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • “ Joyce ’ s beguiling debut is [a]
modest-seeming story of ‘ ordinary ’ English lives that enthralls and
moves you as it unfolds. ” —People (four stars) IN DEVELOPMENT AS
A MAJOR MOTION PICTURE • LONGLISTED FOR THE MAN
BOOKER PRIZE • NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE
YEAR BY THE WASHINGTON POST Meet Harold Fry, recently
retired. He lives in a small English village with his wife, Maureen, who
seems irritated by almost everything he does. Little differentiates one day
from the next. Then one morning a letter arrives, addressed to Harold in a
shaky scrawl, from a woman he hasn ’ t heard from in twenty years.
Queenie Hennessy is in hospice and is writing to say goodbye. But before
Harold mails off a quick reply, a chance encounter convinces him that he
absolutely must deliver his message to Queenie in person. In his yachting
shoes and light coat, Harold Fry embarks on an urgent quest. Determined
to walk six hundred miles to the hospice, Harold believes that as long as he
walks, Queenie will live. A novel of charm, humor, and profound insight
into the thoughts and feelings we all bury deep within our hearts, The
Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry introduces Rachel Joyce as a wise—and
utterly irresistible—storyteller.

The Son Grove Press

Not in his right mind after his wife and son leave him, environmental
scientist Jay Mize discovers a corpse on his property and, believing
that he is being framed, tries to dispose of the body without telling the
authorities.

Fourth of July Creek Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers

Summer of 1988. Leavenworth, Kansas: a town with four major prisons,
gripped by the recent escape of a convict. Yet for two young brothers, all
that matters is the pool in their apartment complex. They spend their
blissful days practicing dives while their divorcé e mother works her day
shift at the golf course and their policeman father patrols the streets. But
when a mysterious stranger appears poolside and creates a rift between the
brothers, the younger one wonders just what these visits to the pool might
ultimately cost. Based on Cote Smith's well-received short story of the same
name, Hurt People will hold you in its grip to the very last page. Eerily
atmospheric, lean, and forceful, this is a debut from a slyly talented new
writer.